

poses. A motion for a mandamus to compel the payment of \$7,000 (and the issue of debentures for the raising of that sum) for the purpose of erecting a school building, failed, solely upon the ground of the insufficiency of the demand made by the school board.

Since that motion was launched, there has been a change in the constitution of the board; and it is impossible to read the material, or hear the argument of counsel representing one section of the trustees, without being quite convinced that it is the intention of some members of the board to prevent the establishment of the continuation school. These gentlemen, no doubt actuated by reasons which appear to them to be good and sufficient, think the establishment of the continuation school undesirable; and, although they have accepted office upon the the school board, are actively seeking to prevent the establishment of any school.

Following the decision of the Divisional Court (25 O.L.R. 550) rendering necessary the making of a further demand to obtain the \$7,000, for which a by-law has already been passed by the township council, a resolution was introduced at the meeting of the school board on the 27th March last, authorising the making of the necessary formal demand. This resolution was defeated, upon an equal division of the board: the three trustees represented by Mr. Gibbons voting against it, the other trustees voting in its favour.

A resolution was at the same meeting moved to demand from the township \$2,770 for the maintenance of the school, in order that the school might be carried on at once. This was lost upon the same division.

A third resolution, directing an advertisement for teachers, was also moved, and lost upon the same division.

A fourth resolution, directing instruction to be given to the architects to draw specifications and to advertise for tenders for the construction of a school building, was also moved, and lost upon the same division.

A newspaper account of the proceedings of this meeting is put in and verified; the attitude taken by those opposed to the resolutions being that the school should not be established because the ratepayers of the township are opposed to it. No amendment was moved to any of the resolutions; and, so far as appears, the sole issue raised was, "School or no school?"

Another meeting was held on the 16th April, 1912, when a resolution was moved: "That the West Nissouri Continuation