

he had. It was with some hesitancy as to the results that the Corporation of Oshawa had voted a bonus to the Rev. Mr. Demill of \$3,000, to establish a Ladies' College, with an average attendance of fifty pupils and to run nine months in the year; upon the completion or running of the College ten years his obligation with the town would be discharged. That period had arrived, and he was glad the Rev. gentleman had done his duty so faithfully, and he believed, that it would continue, and in the success of the College, Oshawa would, he believed, become noted for its educational as well as its manufacturing interests.

Mr. J. S. Larke, reeve of the town, in seconding the resolution, said that he had felt an interest in the College from its commencement. It was true that many had expressed doubt as to the probable results, but the town had done well to encourage Mr. Demill to locate the college here. Many thought that no one man could accomplish so great an undertaking, and he was free to admit that he did not know where another could be found who had boldness of determination or force of character to engage in such an enterprise, and who would be willing to risk the means necessary for such an extensive effort. I know, said he, of no one but Mr. Demill that could have made such a success of the effort, and I am quite sure, he remarked, that whilst perhaps not too much praise has been given Mr. Demill, that considerable of the success may be attributable to Mrs. Demill, who has done her part so nobly, for it is evident that she has from the beginning, and during the entire time, exerted a most motherly care and influence over the students, so that wherever they are kindly inquiries are heard for the one who so constantly sought to contribute to their comfort and happiness whilst in the college, and in all their after lives will feel some of the influence of her kind words whilst under her care. I have seen a number of colleges in Canada and also in the United States, and I have watched very closely the deportment of the students in the Demill College, both on the streets and in church, and can therefore speak from personal observation, and I must say that I have never seen such perfect behaviour in any other Institution, and I have come to the conclusion that it arises from what I would call the motherliness of the influence over them. We are all delighted with the benefits derived from the college being established in Oshawa, whether we look at the financial or other benefits derived from it. The Corporation gave \$3,000 bonus to the college, but Mr. Demill has paid as high as nearly \$200 a year taxes, so that there is an actual gain to the Corporation by the establishing of the college here, and I am not sure but it would be well for the town to grant a further bonus if this would induce Mr. Demill to put up additional buildings for the benefit of the Institution. But what shall we say of the moral and religious influence of securing persons like Mr. and Mrs. Demill with the excellent Faculty that he has employed, upon the young women of the town such benefits cannot be estimated. I am sure all will agree with me that it was a wise act to encourage the founding of this college, and that the citizens should manifest a still deeper interest whenever entertainments are being held, and that every encouragement should be given to increase the prosperity of the school.

Rev. Mr. Hill expressed pleasure at being present and witnessing the successful closing of the tenth year of the college. He had known Mr. Demill for many years, and as a result had felt a deep interest in the success of the school. He had known a number of students that attended and believed that there had been excellent opportunities from what he had seen in the great improvement they had made, and would cheerfully recommend it to any who had daughters to educate.

Mr. Edward Carswell in speaking to the resolution said he was present at the laying of the corner stone, and took a deep interest in the work of establishing from the very beginning of the school. He made reference to an extensive dry goods establishment in New York, in fact a mammoth concern carried on by one man, and when asked how it was possible for so extensive a business to be conducted by one person, his reply was it is possible for one man but not for

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