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PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

OF THE

COUNTY OF WELLAND.

JUNE SESSION.

JUNE 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th.

E. MORRIS, Esq., WARDEN.

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FIRST DAY.

WELLAND, Tuesday, 1st June, 1897.

By direction of the Warden, the County Council met at Council Chamber on Tuesday, June 1st, at 10 o'clock a. m., for the transaction of general business

The Warden in the chair.

H. N. Willson being elected for District No. 4, in place of the late Wm. Brown, subscribed the declarations of qualification and office as required by law.

Members present :—Messrs. Cronmiller, Cruikshank, Moore, Morden, Morris, Pew, Sidey, Steele, Upper and Willson.

The Warden in opening the Council stated that he had followed the usual custom of calling the Council together as early in June as practicable ; that several matters of importance would be before the Council : equalization, reducing the number of tramps or vagrants committed to the jail, &c., and spoke with deep feeling regarding the death of William Brown, late County Councillor for District No. 4. In his death, the Warden said, the County Council had lost one of its oldest and most respected members ; a man of broad views and great generosity, his opinion always having great influence on legislation of said Council. In his demise we all lose a true

friend, his division a wise counsellor, and his family a greater loss than words can express.

The Warden presented the following

COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS.

From the clerk of the County of Wentworth, enclosing petition passed by the Council of Wentworth to the Ontario Legislature, requesting better provision for auditing municipal accounts.

From Wm. McCleary, M. P., acknowledging receipt of memorials praying for an Alien Labor Law, and amendment to Railway Act respecting crossings and drainage through railway lands; and stating that he will present the same at the earliest opportunity.

From secretary of the Ontario Rifle Association, asking for grant for the present year, and conveying to the Council the thanks of the president of the association for the grant of last year.

From superintendent of St. John's Industrial School, East Toronto, presenting account for board and tuition for Martin Cassidy.

From secretary Niagara Falls Collegiate Institute, stating that the board of Niagara Falls Collegiate Institute approves of the arrangements proposed for a three years' settlement by the committees representing the County and Collegiate Institute, viz.: that the sum of \$1,237.25 for the years 1896-7-8, be the County's yearly portion to said Institute.

From the clerk of the County of Renfrew, enclosing statement of salaries of the various county council officials in the Province of Ontario.

From Employers' Liability Assurance Corporation, C. W. I. Woodland, agent.

From the National Conference of Charity and Corrections Association, re meeting of said association in Toronto for the discussion on dealing with the problems of charity, child saving, out door relief, reform schools, prison management, care of insane and feeble minded, &c.

From the Board of School Trustees of the Village of Bridgeburg, asking aid for the maintenance of continuation classes established in said schools, according to the Public School Act of 1896.

From W. H. Lowe, secretary of the Welland High School Board, requesting Council to make arrangements for re-adjustment of accounts in accordance with subsection 3, section 31, of the High School Act of 1896.

From J. B. McIntyre, secretary of St. Catharines Jubilee Endowment Hospital Committee, requesting date to meet Council.

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From A. W. Reavely, secretary of the Thorold and Beaverdams Historical Society, asking grant of \$50.00 to aid said society in the publication of a history of Thorold Township.

From County Treasurer, *re* Niagara Falls Award.

LATE WILLIAM BROWN.

Moved by Mr. Pew, seconded by Cruikshank, and resolved,
That whereas it has pleased the Great Ruler of the universe to remove from our midst Mr. William Brown, one of the members of this Council,
We, the County Council of the County of Welland, beg leave to assure Mrs. Brown and family of our deepest sympathy.

We have lost the aid and advice of one of our truest friends and most able councillors, but the removal of an affectionate husband and devoted father is a loss so inconsolable that we in expressing our extreme sorrow would tender Mrs. Brown and family the kindest expressions of the regard and sympathy of Mr. Brown's sincere friends and colleagues in Council.

Carried by a standing vote of Council.

APPOINTMENTS

Moved by Mr. Sidey, seconded by Mr. Steele,
That the deputation from Thorold and Beaverdams Historical Society be notified that Council will be pleased to receive said deputation on Thursday, at 4 o'clock p. m.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Moore, seconded by Mr. Cruikshank,
That the delegation from the Public Schools of Bridgeburg, Fort Erie and Ridgeway be heard by this Council during the morning session of tomorrow, June 2nd.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Morden, seconded by Mr. Steele,
That the deputation from St. Catharines Hospital be heard at 2 p. m. on Thursday of this week.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Sidey, seconded by Mr. Steele,
That the Board of High School Trustees from Welland school be heard before this Council on Friday morning at 9.30, or sooner if possible.—Carried.

MR. WILLSON ON COMMITTEES.

Moved by Mr. Cruikshank, seconded by Mr. Moore,
That the name of H. N. Willson, Esq., be substituted for that of the

late William Brown on the Road and Bridge, Finance, Printing, Education and Equalization Committees of this Council.—Carried.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the Warden left the chair.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

At one o'clock p. m. the Council resumed.

Re NIAGARA FALLS TOWN.

The Warden presented report from County Treasurer, *re* account with the Town of Niagara Falls, which was read to the Council.

COUNTY BRIDGES.

Moved by Mr. Cruikshank, seconded by Mr. Steele,

That the Warden do lay before this Council during the afternoon session of tomorrow a return showing:

1st.—The number and locality of all bridges subject to be wholly maintained by this Council, and their estimated value.

2nd.—The number and locality of all bridges subject to be maintained in part by this County, the proportion thereof for which this County is liable and their estimated value.

3rd.—The probable amount of expenditure necessary to be made upon the aforesaid bridges during the current year.—Carried.

TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

The Warden presented statement from Treasurer of receipts and expenditures of the County, from the 1st of January, 1897, to the 31st of May, which was read to Council.

Moved by Mr. Pew, seconded by Mr. Sidey,

That the County Treasurer's statement of receipts and expenditures from the first of January, 1897, up to 31st of May, be received and printed in the minutes. Carried.

GRANT TO MILITARY BAND.

The Warden presented communication from Wm. Buchner, Esq., Lt.-Col., asking grant to assist in paying band at Niagara camp for the 2nd Dragoons.

Moved by Mr. Moore, seconded by Mr. Cronmiller,

That this Council do grant the sum of twenty dollars in aid of the band fund of the 2nd Dragoons while in camp, and that the Warden do issue his cheque in favor of the treasurer of the said band for said amount.—Carried.

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WELLAND HIGH SCHOOL.

The deputation from the Welland High School, Messrs. Beatty and Lowe, were heard by Council re the adjustment of accounts of said school with County, and presented statement of receipts and expenditures of said High School, which were read to Council.

HOUSE OF INDUSTRY.

The Warden presented report of Industrial Home Committee, which was read to Council.

Moved by Mr. Cruikshank, seconded by Mr. Upper,

That this Council do now go into Committee of the Whole to consider the report of the Committee on the House of Industry.—Carried.

Pursuant to motion, Council went into Committee of the Whole on Industrial Home report.

Mr. Cronmiller in the chair.

The committee rose and reported the following resolution :

The Warden in the chair.

Moved by Mr. Cruikshank, seconded by Mr. Moore,

That the report of Committee on House of Industry be adopted as read.—Carried.

JAIL REPORT.

The Warden presented first report of Jail Committee, which was read to Council.

Moved by Mr. Sidey, seconded by Mr. Pew,

That the first report of Jail Committee be adopted as read.

A discussion arose on part of the report, and the adoption of the same was deferred.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the Warden left the chair.

SECOND DAY.

MORNING SESSION,

Wednesday, 2nd June, 1897.

Pursuant to adjournment, the Council met at 9.30 a. m.

The Warden in the chair.

All members present.

The minutes of yesterday were read by Clerk and approved by Council

FORT ERIE, BRIDGEBURG AND RIDGEWAY PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

The Warden presented communication and report from Fort Erie Board of Public School Trustees, asking for grant in aid of the maintenance of continuation classes established in said school.

As per resolution of Mr. Cruikshank of yesterday, the delegates, Messrs. Tate, Young and Ross, from Bridgeburg, Fort Erie and Ridgeway Public Schools, were heard *re* grant to said schools for the maintenance of continuation classes.

JAIL REPORT.

The first report of the Jail Committee, laid over from yesterday, came up for discussion again.

Moved by Mr. Sidey, seconded by Mr. Pew,

That the first report of Jail Committee be adopted as read.

Moved by Mr. Cruikshank, seconded by Mr. Willson, in amendment,

That all words in the motion following the word "that" be expunged, and the following substituted therefor: "Whereas it is inexpedient and inadvisable at the present time, and in the present condition of the County finances, to undertake the introduction of roller shelving into the registry office, the report of the Jail Committee be referred back, with instructions to strike out all that part recommending such introduction."

The yeas and nays being called, were taken as follows:—

Yeas—Messrs. Cruikshank, Moore, Upper and Willson—4.

Nays—Messrs. Cronmiller, Morden, Pew, Sidey and Steele—5.

Motion passing in the negative; majority, one.

The original motion being again put, was carried on a division.

NIAGARA FALLS COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE.

Mr. Cruikshank, chairman of Special Committee on Niagara Falls Collegiate Institute, presented report of said committee, which was read to Council.

Moved by Mr. Steele, seconded by Mr. Sidey,

That this Council do now go into Committee of the Whole on High School matters.—Carried.

Pursuant to motion, Council went into Committee of the Whole on High School matters.

Mr. Willson in the chair.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the Warden left the chair.

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AFTERNOON SESSION.

HIGH SCHOOLS.

Business was resumed at one o'clock, with Council in Committee of the Whole on High School matters.

Mr. Willson in the chair.

Moved by Mr. Sidey, seconded by Mr. Pew,

That the committee do now rise and report the following resolution:—

The Warden in the chair.

That your committee find that the Town of Niagara Falls Collegiate Institute is entitled to the annual sum of \$1,237.25, and that an agreement be entered into with Board of Trustees for said Collegiate Institute that this County shall pay, and they shall accept, the said annual sum in satisfaction of all demands for any purpose whatsoever arising during the years 1896, 1897 and 1898.

That your committee find that the Town of Welland High School is entitled to the annual sum of \$1,572.75, and that an agreement be entered into with the Board of Trustees for said High School that this County shall pay, and they shall accept, the said annual sum in satisfaction of all demands for any purpose whatsoever arising during the years 1897, 1898 and 1899.

Your committee recommend that the sum of \$5 per capita, based upon the annual average attendance for an entire year, be granted to all such schools in which continuation classes have been established and conducted in accordance with the requirements of the Public School Act, to be paid only upon the certificate of the Board of School Trustees, approved by the County Clerk.

Your Committee also beg leave to report that they are unable to recommend an additional grant to the Thorold and Stamford High Schools in accordance with the practice hitherto adopted for several years, the High School Act of 1896, section 35, providing that such grant must be proportionately divided among all County High Schools with reference to the liability of the County to such High Schools, and would entail an expense to the County which it would be unwise to incur at the present time.

Moved by Mr. Sidey, seconded by Mr. Upper,

That the report of Committee of Whole *re* settlement with the various High School Boards, and with certain schools maintaining continuation classes, be adopted as read.

Moved by Mr. Steele, seconded by Mr. Willson, in amendment,

That the clause in the report just read referring to the grant to continuation classes in Public Schools, be struck out.

The yeas and nays being called for, were taken as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Morris, Steele and Willson—3.

Nays—Messrs. Cronmiller, Cruikshank, Moore, Morden, Pew, Sidey and Upper—7.

The motion passing in the negative ; majority, 4.

The original motion was again put, and carried.

COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

The delegation, Messrs. German, Griffiths and Hutton, from Welland County Agricultural Society, was heard *re* grant to said society.

BOARD OF AUDIT.

The Warden presented communication from Judge Fitzgerald, objecting to amount as per by-law for member of County Board of Audit, which was read to Council.

ADDRESS TO THE QUEEN.

Moved by Mr. Cruikshank, seconded by Mr. Pew,

That the following address to Her Majesty be adopted :—

To the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty :—

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN.—We, Your Majesty's most loyal and dutiful subjects the County Council of the County of Welland, in Your Majesty's Dominion of Canada, beg leave most respectfully to approach Your Majesty with the heartiest congratulations upon the approaching completion of the sixtieth year of Your Majesty's reign, and to assure Your Majesty of our sincere and continued loyalty to your throne and person.—Carried.

FROM W. M. GERMAN, M. P. P.

The Warden presented communication from W. M. German, Esq., M. P. P., regarding the Memorials of the County Council *re* amendment to the High School Act and the Municipal Act respecting hawkers and pedlers, presented by him to the Ontario Legislature.

GRANT TO CO. AG. SOCIETY.

Moved by Mr. Sidey, seconded by Mr. Upper,

That this Council grant \$100 in aid of the funds of Welland County Agricultural Society, less Pelham and Wainfleet's share of same.

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The yeas and nays being called, were taken as follows :—

Yeas—Messrs. Cronmiller, Moore, Pew, Sidey, Steele, Upper and Willson—7.

Nays—Messrs. Cruikshank and Morden—2.

Motion passing in the affirmative ; majority—5.

WELLAND BRIDGE.

Moved by Mr. Sidey, seconded by Mr. Upper,

That the sum of \$50 be granted to the Town of Welland to aid in maintenance of the bridge (over 100 feet in length) crossing the Welland river at Welland.—Carried.

AUDITORS' REPORT.

The Warden presented the Auditors' Report.

COUNTY BRIDGES.

The Warden presented report asked for by resolution of Council yesterday, *re* the number and value of bridges that are owned and maintained by the County.

Moved by Mr. Morden, seconded by Mr. Upper,

That the report upon the County Bridges be received and printed in the minutes.—Carried.

ON FINANCE.

Moved by Mr. Steele, seconded by Mr. Sidey,

That the Council do now arise and go into Committee of the Whole on Finance.—Carried.

Pursuant to motion, Council went into Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Steele in the chair.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the chairman left the chair.

THIRD DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

Thursday, 3rd June, 1897.

Pursuant to adjournment, the Council met at 9.30 a. m.

The Warden in the chair.

All members present.

The minutes of yesterday were read by Clerk and approved by Council.

COUNTY OFFICIALS' SALARIES.

Moved by Mr. Pew, seconded by Mr. Upper,
That the report received from S. E. Mitchell, Esq., Clerk of the County of Renfrew, giving salaries of the various County Council officials in the Province of Ontario, be printed in the minutes.—Carried.

JAIL COMMITTEE.

The Warden presented second report of Jail Committee, which was read to Council.

Moved by Mr. Sidey, seconded by Mr. Cronmiller,
That the second report of Jail Committee be adopted as read.—Carried.

COUNTY COUNCIL ELECTIONS.

Mr. Cruikshank gives notice that on to-morrow he will ask leave to introduce a bill to fix a tariff of fees payable to nominating officer, municipal clerks, deputy returning officers, poll clerks and constables for their services in holding elections for County Councillors in pursuance of the County Councils' Act of 1896.

JAIL REPORT.

The Warden presented third report of Jail Committee, which was read to Council

Moved by Mr. Cronmiller, seconded by Mr. Pew,
That the third report of Jail Committee be adopted as read.—Carried.

INDUSTRIAL HOME.

Moved by Mr. Cronmiller, seconded by Mr. Pew,
That this Council visit the Industrial Home on Thursday, at five o'clock p. m.—Carried.

AUDITING ACCOUNTS.

Moved by Mr. Sidey, seconded by Mr. Cruikshank,
That whereas the Act to make better provision for keeping and auditing Municipal and School Accounts contains a clause providing that when a Municipality shall establish to the satisfaction of the Provincial Municipal Auditor that the system adopted and the books in use by such Municipality are sufficient and satisfactory, and the Auditor shall so certify, the use of the books with adoption of the system hereinbefore provided for shall not be compulsory, and the penalties in such case shall not be incurred.

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system adopted and the books in use by their Treasurer are sufficient and satisfactory and properly kept, and we hereby ask that the Provincial Auditor consent to their being kept in the manner now in use.—Carried.

IN COMMITTEE.

The Committee on the House of Industry asked leave to retire. Leave granted.

Moved by Mr. Steele, seconded by Mr. Willson,

That the Council do now go into Committee of the Whole on Finance accounts.—Carried.

Pursuant to motion Council went into Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Steele in the chair.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the chairman left the chair.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 1 p. m. the Council resumed.

44TH BATT. BAND.

The Warden presented communication from L. Clarke Raymond, Lieut.-Col., 44th Battalion, asking for grant towards the maintenance of the band of said company.

Moved by Mr. Pew, seconded by Mr. Sidey,

That the sum of fifty dollars be granted the 44th Battalion to aid in defraying their expenses while in camp at Niagara.

The yeas and nays being called, were taken as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Cronmiller, Moore, Pew, Sidey, Steele and Upper—6.

Nays—Messrs. Morden and Willson—2.

Motion passing in the affirmative, majority 4.

HOUSE OF INDUSTRY.

The Warden presented second report on House of Industry, which was read to Council.

Moved by Mr. Cruikshank, seconded by Mr. Upper,

That the second report of Committee on House of Industry be adopted as read.—Carried.

NOTICE OF BILL.

Mr. Steele gives notice that he will on to-morrow ask leave to introduce a bill to raise a sum of money by assessment on the various municipalities to meet the general expenses of the County of Welland for the current year.

HOSPITAL ENDOWMENT.

As per resolution of Tuesday, a delegation, consisting of Dean Harris and Rev. R. Ker, addressed the Council *re* grant to the Endowment Fund of a sum of money to the St. Catharines General and Marine Hospital.

EQUALIZATION.

Mr. Cronmiller gives notice that he will on to-morrow ask leave to introduce a bill to establish the equalized value of assessed property in the County of Welland for the purpose of imposing county rates for the year 1897.

HOSPITAL GRANT.

Moved by Mr. Steele, seconded by Mr. Upper,
That the regular grant of \$300 to the St. Catharines General and Marine Hospital be made for this year.

Moved by Mr. Willson, seconded by Mr. Cruikshank,
That consideration of the motion for a grant to the St. Catharines General and Marine Hospital be deferred until the report of said hospital be laid before this Council.—Carried.

THOROLD AND BEAVERDAMS HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

As per resolution of Tuesday, the delegation consisting of Rev. Mr. Spencer and J. H. Thompson of the Thorold and Beavardams Historical Society *re* grant to said association for the publication of the history of the Township of Thorold, was heard.

Moved by Mr. Sidey, seconded by Mr. Upper,
That this Council grant the sum of \$50 to the Thorold and Beavardams Historical Society in aid of the historical work being done by said society. Carried on a division.

FINANCE.

The Warden presented first report of Standing Committee on Finance, which was read to Council.

Moved by Mr. Steele, seconded by Mr. Sidey,
That the report of Finance Committee just read be adopted.—Carried.

REPORT OF J. H. BALL.

The Warden presented report of J. H. Ball, C. S. Inspector.

As per resolution of this morning, Council adjourned at 5 o'clock p. m., to visit the Industrial Home.

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FOURTH DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

Friday, 4th June, 1897.

Pursuant to adjournment, the Council met at 9.30 a. m.

The Warden in the chair.

All members present.

The minutes of yesterday read by clerk and approved by Council.

FEES—COUNTY COUNCIL ELECTIONS.

Moved by Mr. Cruikshank, seconded by Mr. Moore,

That leave be given to introduce a bill to fix a tariff of fees payable to nominating officers and others for services under the County Council Act of 1896.

Leave granted and bill read a first, second and third time and passed, entitled "A by-law to fix a tariff of fees payable to nominating officers and others for services under the County Council Act of 1896.

REPORT—COUNTY SCHOOL INSPECTOR.

Moved by Mr. Pew, seconded by Mr. Cronmiller,

That the report of the County School Inspector be received and printed in the minutes.—Carried.

REPORT OF COUNTY CLERK.

The Warden presented report of County Clerk *re* Auctioneers', Hawkers' and Pedlers' Licenses, which was read to council.

Moved by Mr. Pew, seconded by Mr. Upper,

That the County Clerk's report *re* Auctioneers' and Pedlers' Licenses be received and printed in the minutes.—Carried.

EQUALIZATION.

Moved by Mr. Sidey, seconded by Mr. Willson,

That Council now go into committee of the Whole to establish the equalized value of assessed property in the County of Welland —Carried.

Pursuant to motion Council went into Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Cronmiller in the chair.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the chairman left the chair.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

At one o'clock p. m. the Council resumed.

re INSANE PERSONS.

Moved by Mr. Sidey, seconded by Mr. Pew,

That leave be given to introduce a memorial to the Local Legislature

asking to so amend the Act that insane persons can upon certificate of two physicians in good standing be committed direct to an insane asylum.

Leave granted and memorial read a first, second and third time and passed, entitled "A memorial to the Local Legislature re amending the Act for committing insane to asylums."

ST. CATHARINES HOSPITAL.

The report of the St. Catharines General and Marine Hospital, asked for yesterday by motion of Messrs. Willson and Cruikshank, was presented by the Warden and read to Council, and the motion of Messrs. Steele and Upper re grant of \$300 of yesterday was then again read by the Warden, when an amendment was moved as follows :—

Moved in amendment by Mr. Cruikshank, seconded by Mr. Willson,

"That all words "in the original motion be expunged," and the following substituted : "Whereas the Charities Act enables the St. Catharines General and Marine Hospital to charge the several local municipalities sending free patients to that hospital, and whereas certain parts of this county are nearly debarred from taking advantage of the arrangement entered into with said hospital, be it resolved that this arrangement be discontinued, and that the several local municipalities pay for the persons committed by them respectively."

The yeas and nays being called, were taken as follows :—

Yeas—Messrs. Cruikshank, Moore and Willson—3.

Nays—Messrs. Cronmiller, Morden, Pew, Sidey, Steele and Upper—6.

Motion passing in the negative—majority, 3.

The original motion being again proposed, was carried in a division.

EQUALIZATION.

Moved by Mr. Morden, seconded by Mr. Upper,

That Council now go into Committee of the Whole on Equalization.

Pursuant to motion Council went into Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Cronmiller in the chair.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the chairman left the chair.

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FIFTH DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

Saturday, June 5th, 1897.

Pursuant to adjournment, Council met at 9.30 o'clock a. m.

The Warden in the chair.

All members present.

The minutes of yesterday read by Clerk and approved by Council.

EQUALIZATION.

The Warden presented report of Committee on Equalization, which was read to Council.

Moved by Mr. Cronmiller, seconded by Mr. Steele,

That the report of Equalization Committee be adopted.—Carried.

BOARD OF EXAMINERS.

Mr. Pew asked permission to introduce a bill to appoint a County Board of Examiners for the year 1897, as per Statute of 1896, Chap. 69, Section 79, any rule of this Council to the contrary notwithstanding.

EQUALIZED VALUES.

Moved by Mr. Cronmiller, seconded by Mr. Moore,

That leave be given to introduce a bill to establish the equalized value of assessed property in the County of Welland for the purpose of imposing county rates for the year 1897.

Leave granted.

Moved by Mr. Cronmiller, seconded by Mr. Moore,

That the bill be read a first time.

Bill read a first time.

Moved by Mr. Cronmiller, seconded by Mr. Moore,

That the bill be read a second time.

Bill read a second time.

Moved by Mr. Cronmiller, seconded by Mr. Moore,

That the bill be not now committed, but that the same be read a third time forthwith ; that it do pass, be signed and sealed as required by law, and that its title be as in the bill.

Bill read a third time and passed, entitled, "A by-law to establish the equalized value of assessed property in the County of Welland, for the purpose of imposing county rates for the year 1897."

FINANCE.

Moved by Mr. Steele, seconded by Mr. Cruikshank,
That the Council now go into Committee of the Whole on Finance.
Pursuant to motion, Council went into Committee of the Whole on
Finance.

Mr. Steele in the chair.

Moved by Mr. Sidey, seconded by Mr. Cronmiller,
That this Committee do now rise and report progress.
The Warden in the chair.

The Committee rose and presented the second report of Finance
Committee.

Moved by Mr. Steele, seconded by Mr. Sidey,
That the report of Finance Committee just read be adopted.—Carried.

ACCOUNT—NIAGARA FALLS TOWN.

Moved by Mr. Pew, seconded by Mr. Cruikshank,
That the Treasurer's statement of account between Niagara Falls Town
and the County of Welland for the year ending Dec. 31st, 1896, be received
and printed in the minutes and forwarded to the Town of Niagara Falls for
payment.—Carried.

FEEDER ROAD.

Moved by Mr. Willson, seconded by Mr. Sidey,
That this Council having been reliably informed that the Feeder Road
on south side of said channel for a distance of about $1\frac{1}{4}$ miles from the
Michigan Central Railway Junction, westward, is in a most dangerous con-
dition, and wholly unsafe for ordinary travel, ask that the attention of
Superintending Engineer Thompson be called to the condition of this road-
way, with the prayer that it may receive immediate attention before any further
serious accidents occur thereon.—Carried.

BOARD OF EXAMINERS.

Moved by Mr. Pew, seconded by Mr. Sidey,
That leave be given to introduce a bill to appoint a County Board of
Examiners for the year 1897.

Leave granted and bill read a first, second and third time and passed,
entitled "A bill to appoint a County Board of Examiners for the year 1897."

JAIL ACCOUNTS.

Moved by Mr. Sidey, seconded by Mr. Pew,
That the motion passed at January Session requiring certain accounts

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to be made out one month prior to the ending of the usual quarters be rescinded insofar as it applies to Jail accounts.—Carried.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the Warden left the chair.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 1 o'clock p. m. Council resumed.

FINANCE REPORT.

The Warden presented third report of Finance Committee, which was read to Council.

Moved by Mr. Sidey, seconded by Mr. Steele,

That the third report of Committee on Finance, just read, be adopted.—Carried.

COUNTY ASSESSMENT.

Moved by Mr. Steele, seconded by Mr. Pew,

That leave be given to introduce a bill to raise a sum of money by assessment to meet the general expenses of the County of Welland for the current year.

Leave granted.

Moved by Mr. Steele, seconded by Mr. Pew,

That the bill be read a first time.

Bill read a first time.

Moved by Mr. Steele, seconded by Mr. Pew,

That the bill be read a second time.

Bill read a second time.

Moved by Mr. Steele, seconded by Mr. Pew,

That the bill be not now committed, but that the same be read a third time forthwith ; that it do pass, be signed and sealed as required by law, and that its title be as in the bill.

Bill read a third time and passed, entitled, "A by-law to raise a sum of money by assessment to meet the general expenses of the County of Welland for the current year."

Moved by Mr. Pew, seconded by Mr. Cronmiller,

That this Council do now adjourn.—Carried.

Pursuant to motion, Council adjourned, at 2.30 p. m.

(Sgd.) E. MORRIS,

Warden.

APPENDIX A.

BY-LAWS.

BY-LAW NO. 659.

BY-LAW for the Payment of Fees to Certain Persons in Holding Elections under the County Councils Act of 1896.

WHEREAS it is necessary and expedient to provide by By-Law for the payment of certain officers for their services in holding elections under the County Councils Act of 1896 :

Therefore be it enacted, and it is hereby enacted, by the authority of the Municipal Corporation of the County of Welland, that the following fees be paid to the several officials mentioned hereafter :

To each nominating officer, for all services in holding each separate election, the sum of \$8.00.

When there is no election held for a member or members of the Council of the local municipality, but there is a poll required to be held under this Act.

To each Municipal Clerk.....	\$4 00
To each Deputy-Returning Officer.....	3 00
To each Poll Clerk.....	1 50
To each Constable.....	1 00
For the use of each polling booth	4 00

Passed in Council this fourth day of June, 1897.

(Sgd.)

ROBERT COOPER,
County Clerk.

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BY-LAW No. 660.

A BY-LAW to Appoint a County Board of Examiners for the year 1897.

WHEREAS under the Education Department Act of 1896, Chap. 69, Sec. 79, requiring a County Board of Examiners to be appointed annually, consisting of the Inspector or Inspectors having jurisdiction within the County, and of not more than two other persons, holding proper qualifications as prescribed by the Act :

Be it therefore enacted, and it is hereby enacted, that the Hon. R. Harcourt, James Ball, County School Inspector, and James McNiece be and are hereby appointed the County Board of Examiners for the year 1897.

Passed in Council this fifth day of June, A. D 1897.

(Sgd.)

ROBERT COOPER,

County Clerk.

(Sgd.)

E. MORRIS,

Warden.



BY-LAW NO. 661.

A BY-LAW to establish the Equalized Value of Assessed Property in the County of Welland, for the purpose of imposing County Rates for the Year 1897.

WHEREAS it is necessary and expedient to establish by By-law what shall be the equalized value of assessed property in the several Municipalities comprising the County of Welland :

Be it therefore enacted by the Corporation of the County of Welland, and it is hereby enacted, that the sums set down in the first column shall be the number of acres assessed ; the sums set down in the second column, the assessed value of real estate ; the sums set down in the third column, the assessed value of personal property ; the sums set down in the fourth column, the total assessed value of real estate and personal property, and the sums extended in the fifth column shall be the equalized value of the various

Municipalities comprising the County of Welland for the purpose of imposing County rates for the current year:—

MUNICIPALITIES.	Acres.	Real.	Person'l	Total.	Equalized.
Bertie.....	35,675	\$1,546,920	\$70,620	\$1,617,540	\$1,344,775
Crowland.....	19,175	396,340	2,000	398,340	602,968
Humberstone.....	30,772	834,035	22,150	856,185	945,829
Pelham.....	28,837	982,320	22,225	1,004,545	1,149,481
Stamford.....	21,157	800,686	25,445	828,131	912,484
Thorold.....	22,860	637,104	27,775	664,879	887,916
Wainfleet.....	51,310	999,440	29,350	1,028,790	1,417,030
Willoughby.....	18,805	419,517	10,150	429,677	569,034
Chippawa.....		116,410	7,550	123,960	85,850
Fort Erie.....		307,603	10,275	317,878	101,000
Port Colborne.....		281,905	48,940	329,345	192,910
Niagara Falls Village.....		262,721	19,600	282,321	166,450
Thorold Town.....		566,167	30,700	596,867	425,512
Welland.....		547,335	79,860	627,195	401,596
Bridgeburg.....		448,505	7,300	455,805	371,493
				\$9,561,458	\$9,574,328

Adopted and passed in Council this fifth day of June, 1897.

(Sgd.)

ROBERT COOPER,
County Clerk.

(Sgd.)

E. MORRIS,
Warden.

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BY-LAW NO. 662.

A BY-LAW to raise a sum of money by assessment to meet the General Expenses of the County of Welland for the current year.

WHEREAS it is necessary and expedient to raise the sum of \$21,542.18 by assessment upon the ratable property of the County of Welland for the current year to meet the general expenses of the said County:

Be it therefore enacted by the Corporation of the County of Welland, and it is hereby enacted, that there shall be raised, levied and collected, the current year upon the ratable property of the several municipalities compris-

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ing the County of Welland, for the purpose of meeting the general expenses of the said Corporation, the following sums, that is to say :—

Bertie	\$ 3,025 74
Crowland	1,356 67
Humberstone	2,128 11
Pelham	2,586 33
Stamford	2,053 08
Thorold	1,997 81
Wainfleet	3,188 31
Willoughby	1,280 33
Chippawa	193 16
Fort Erie	227 25
Port Colborne	434 04
Niagara Falls Village	374 51
Thorold Town	957 40
Welland	903 59
Bridgeburg	835 85

\$21,542 18

And be it further enacted, that the said several sums shall be raised, levied and collected in the several municipalities over and above and in addition to all other rates whatsoever, in the manner and within the time required by law for collecting and paying over taxes generally, and when so collected shall be paid over to the County Treasurer, in conformity with the provisions of the Act of the Ontario Legislature.

Adopted and passed in Council this fifth day of June, 1897.

(Sgd.)

ROBERT COOPER,
County Clerk.

(Sgd.)

E. MORRIS,
Warden.

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APPENDIX B.

MEMORIALS.

TO THE HONORABLE THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
OF THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO :

THE MEMORIAL of the County Council of the County of Welland,

HUMBLY SHEWETH :

That whereas this Council believes that the practice of committing insane persons to jail is an unwise and expensive practice ;

That such unfortunate persons should not be incarcerated in a criminal institution, where there is no provision for their care, comfort or treatment ;

That such a practice is not only injurious to the unfortunate insane, but expensive to the County and Country ;

Your Memorialists therefore would humbly pray that your Honorable Body would so amend the law that insane persons could, upon certificate of two physicians in good standing, be committed direct to an insane asylum, there to be examined by experts before being received as a patient in said asylum.

And your Memorialists, as in duty bound, will ever pray.

Passed in Council the fourth day of June, 1897.

(Sgd,)

ROBERT COOPER,

County Clerk.

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*APPENDIX C.***REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.**

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SCHOOLS.

Moved by Mr. Sidey, seconded by Mr. Pew,

That the Committee do now rise and report the following resolution :

That your Committee find that the Town of Niagara Falls Collegiate Institute is entitled to the annual sum of \$1,237.25, and that an agreement be entered into with Board of Trustees for said Collegiate Institute that this County shall pay and they shall accept the said annual sum in satisfaction of all demands for any purpose whatsoever arising during the years 1896, 1897 and 1898.

That your Committee find that the Town of Welland High School is entitled to the annual sum of \$1,572.75, and that an agreement be entered into with the Board of Trustees for said High School that this County shall pay and they shall accept the said annual sum in satisfaction of all demands for any purpose whatsoever arising during the years 1897, 1898 and 1899.

Your Committee recommend that the sum of \$5.00 per capita, based upon the annual average attendance for an entire year, be granted to all such schools in which continuation classes have been established and conducted in accordance with the requirements of the Public School Act, to be paid only upon the certificate of the Board of School Trustees, approved by the County Clerk.

Your Committee also beg leave to report that they are unable to recommend an additional grant to the Thorold and Stamford High Schools in accordance with the practice hitherto adopted for several years, the High School Act of 1896, Section 35, providing that such grant must be proportionately divided among all County High Schools, with reference to the liability of the County to such High Schools, and would entail an expense to the County which it would be unwise to incur at the present time.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EQUALIZATION.

To the Warden and Councillors of the County of Welland in Council Assembled.

Your Committee on Equalization beg to report, that the sums in the first column are the number of acres as assessed in the various Municipalities ; in the second column is the assessed value of real estate ; the third column is the assessed value of personal property ; the sums in the fourth column are the total of the assessed value of real and personal property, and the sums extended in the fifth column shall be the equalized value for the purpose of assessment of the various Municipalities comprising the County for the current year :

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All of which is respectfully submitted.

Signed, H. CRONMILLER,
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REPORT OF BRIDGE COMMITTEE.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, June 4th, 1897.

To the Warden and Councillors of the County of Welland:

GENTLEMEN,—

Report showing number of County bridges, location of same, and the share or interest the County of Welland has in building and maintaining of same: 1st—Tisdale Bridge on town line between Gainsboro and Caistor at the extreme northwest end of Wainfleet: Welland County has to bear $\frac{1}{4}$ (one-fourth) expense of building and maintenance—value about \$500. Then follows Port Davidson (value \$800), Wellandport and Robins or Jones; Welland County pays $\frac{1}{2}$ (one-half) for these, Lincoln County $\frac{1}{2}$ (one-half). The remaining Welland river bridges, viz: Beckett, Riley, Port Robinson and Montrose, are wholly Welland County bridges, built and maintained by the County. I find the County has built three bridges in the county on town lines, but whether or not they come under the head of County Bridges for maintenance am not in position to say. They are Black Creek, on town line between Bertie and Willoughby, value \$750; 2nd—White Pigeon, on town line between Crowland and Willoughby, value \$625; lastly, the Sauer bridge, on town line between Crowland and Humberstone.

As to the amount required to be expended for repairs the present year do not know, but think it will be comparatively small.

(Sgd.) H. N. WILLSON,

Chairman of Bridge Committee.

FIRST REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

To the Warden of the County of Welland:

SIR,—Your Standing Committee on Finance beg leave to submit this, their first report at this session:

We are glad to note that according to the Treasurer's statement the finances of the county are in a better condition than at this time last year, but in view of the fact that the necessary expenditures are constantly increasing we feel desirous of avoiding all unnecessary outlay of money.

Having carefully examined the following accounts, we recommend that they be paid.

Some difficulty has been encountered in adjusting the accounts for County Council election expenses from different municipalities, and your Committee have decided upon a schedule of prices for the payment of the various officers necessary for the conducting of said elections, and a by-law will be laid before you for your approval before the close of this session.

Thos. Henderson, nominating officer.....	\$ 8 00
Thorold Post, printing.....	2 88
Geo. H. Burgar, (Clerk) P. O. box.....	2 00
Geo. H. Burgar, (Treas.) P. O. box.....	2 00
Bell Telephone Co., messages.....	1 90
Township of Pelham, election expenses.....	51 40
Township of Wainfleet, election expenses.....	53 10
Welland Tribune, printing, postage, stationery, &c.....	46 06
A. D. White, livery.....	26 25
W. T. Sawle, printing.....	12 52

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Signed, C. E. STEELE,
 E. CRUIKSHANK,
 J. HARRISON PEW,
 E. MORDEN,
 ROBERT MOORE,
 H. CRONMILLER,
 H. N. WILLSON,
 WALTER UPPER,
 S. J. SIDEY.

SECOND REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

COUNCIL CHAMBER,
 WELLAND, June 5th, 1897.

To the Warden and Councillors of the County of Welland in Council Assembled :

Your Finance Committee beg leave to submit this their report and estimate of money required to carry on the general business of the County for

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the current year, with the rate of taxation required to raise the amount : that is to say :

Administration of Criminal Justice	\$ 5,500 00
Roads and Bridges	500 00
Salaries	1,420 00
House of Industry, running expenses	3,000 00
Printing	250 00
Court House and Jail	500 00
House of Industry, Debenture No. 8	1,678 00
House of Industry, interest on debentures	265 00
Fuel Account	700 00
Interest Account	450 00
Registry Office	700 00
High Schools	4,000 00
Jury Pay	1,200 00
Board of Education	1,450 00
Contingencies	300 00
Municipal Government	900 00
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Grant to St. Catharines Hospital	300 00

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ESTIMATED RECEIPTS.

Niagara Falls Town	\$ 1,628 00
Registry Office	500 00
Licenses	200 00
House of Industry	300 00

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And would recommend that a rate of $2\frac{1}{4}$ mills on the dollar of the value as equalized of the several municipalities comprising the County of Welland be collected for the current year.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

(Sgd.) E. MORDEN,
 W. UPPER,
 E. CRUIKSHANK,
 H. CRONMILLER,
 H. N. WILLSON,
 J. HARRISON PEW,
 C. E. STEELE,
 E. MORRIS,
 S. J. SIDEY,
 R. MOORE.

THIRD REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

To the Warden of the County of Welland:

SIR,—We, your Committee on Finance, beg to submit the following report, and recommend the payment of the following accounts:

Account of Jas. H. Ball, less \$6 included for fuel, which amount to be withheld for information	\$ 9 58
Gaol Committee time	16 40
Collegiate Institute Committee time	8 80
House of Industry " "	41 40
Warden, " "	6 00
Jas. P. Pegg, Auditor	25 00
F. W. Casey, "	25 00

The committee authorize the County Clerk to pay \$21 of Mr. Casey's amount into court, the same having been garnisheed.

The committee further directed the account from St. John Industrial School, *re* Martin Cassidy, to be laid over for further information.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

(Sgd.,) C. E. STEELE,
 ERNEST CRUIKSHANK,
 J. HARRISON PEW,
 E. MORDEN,
 ROBERT MOORE,
 H. CRONMILLER,
 H. N. WILLSON,
 WALTER UPPER,
 S. J. SIDEY.

FIRST REPORT OF JAIL COMMITTEE.

WELLAND, June 1st, 1897.

To the Warden and Councillors of the County of Welland:

GENTLEMEN,—

Your Standing Committee on Jail beg to submit their first report:—

Your Jail Committee met on April 5th, 1897, with all members—Messrs. J. Harrison Pew, Henry Cronmiller and S. J. Sidey—present.

The chairman stated that pursuant to instructions he had, in company with Jailer Coulson, carefully inspected the wood delivered for use at the

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county buildings, and, finding the same according to contract, had issued an order for the cost of same, namely, 55½ cords at \$3.40—\$181.05.

In addition to the regular contract accounts, which were examined and sent to the Board of Audit, the following accounts were fully examined, found to be correct, and ordered paid by Warden's cheque :—

Jno. Botterill, work at registry grounds, etc.....	\$ 4 00
Welland town, water (second quarter).....	18 75
C. Phelps, liquor for sick person.....	85
Bell Telephone Co., message to Falls.....	30
D. McCaw, shoes for woman and boy.....	2 00
Electric Light Co., lights for quarter ending April 1, 1897.....	36 70
S. H. Griffith, paints, oils, etc., and hardware.....	18 73
James Gilchriese, milk for prisoners.....	5 25
John Botterill, repairs to jail shoes.....	2 40
W. H. Crow, lumber for repairs.....	4 47
G. A. Ellsworth, work at registry office.....	1 15
L. J. Brennan, binding and repairing large books for registry office..	51 25
Postoffice box rent, for Jailer's office.....	2 00
C. P. Telegraph Co., message to Toronto <i>re</i> lunatic.....	33

The chairman stated satisfactory bonds from the various contractors were now in the hands of the Clerk of the Peace.

James Bartlett of Thorold was brought before the committee. His time at the jail was about expiring, and the officials were in doubt as to what should be done in his case. He had seen better days, and was altogether too ill to be turned out in the street. The committee was of the opinion that he should be sent to the Industrial Home for a short time, and this recommendation was, we understand, carried out with satisfactory results.

Your committee also met on June 1st, at the Jailer's office, when the following tenders for coal were opened by the committee :—

W. L. Rice, grate, per ton,	\$5.36 ;	other kinds,	\$5.59.
W. H. Crow, " " "	5.41 ;	" "	5.63.
Jas. Blackwell, " " "	5.39 ;	" "	5.64.

By motion Messrs. Pew and Cronmiller, the tender of W. L. Rice, being the lowest, was accepted.

As to the matter of roller shelving for the registry office, your committee are of the unanimous opinion that each year should see a certain amount of this modern shelving introduced into this office. Your committee

made another inspection of the expensive books and the effect upon the same through their standing on end, convincing themselves that action should not be too long delayed in this matter. The six large books just rebound will soon be entirely destroyed by the old system, as the margins next to the stitching are small and the paper is old and brittle.

In compliance with instructions from Council, your committee again present the offers of the "Office Specialty Co. of Toronto."

For information of Council we would say that the books recently rebound by Mr. Brennan cost about \$50, and that when they again get out of repair it will probably be necessary to have them recopied. Your committee recommend that a section of roller shelving, not exceed 150 shelves, be placed in the registry office between this date and the December session.

Regarding the excessive cost of electric lighting, the Electric Light Company has agreed to make a reduction of \$25 on the annual cost to the County for lighting the public buildings and residences of the jailer and turnkey. Your committee do not feel able to suggest any decided course as to lighting these buildings at present, but would ask privilege of renewing contract on October 1st next, if committee find they cannot do better by adopting some other system. The annual cost, by reduction above mentioned, will be \$131.00, instead of \$156.00; average of \$2.52 per week, instead \$3.00.

The committee will carefully look into the acetylene gas system, before the present contract expires.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Signed, S. J. SIDEY, Chairman,
J. HARRISON PEW,
H. CRONMILLER.

SECOND REPORT OF JAIL COMMITTEE.

WELLAND, June 2, 1897.

To the Warden and Councillors of the County of Welland:

GENTLEMEN,—

Your committee wish to call Council's attention to the practice of committing insane persons to jail, where they often lie for weeks before being transferred to an asylum. Insanity is not a crime, and such unfortunate persons should not be incarcerated in a criminal institution, where there is

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no provision for their care, comfort or treatment. Your committee believe the Government should be memorialized by this Council to so amend the law that insane persons may be committed direct to an asylum, (after having been pronounced insane by a physician in good standing,) and there examined by experts, instead of being committed to jail. The change would be in the interest of afflicted humanity—a saving of expense to the County.

Your committee are glad to report that the army of tramps committed to jail this year to date is materially less than at the same period in 1896, being 185 against 325, a decrease of 140. This army, however, assumed the usual alarming and costly proportions the past winter; in fact the jail was crowded, and the County was compelled to purchase blankets and clothing to provide covering for the idle crowd. Your committee would strongly urge Council to take steps to reduce this expensive nuisance. In addition to the cost, it is to be regretted that this class of lazy vagabonds, who are well able to work, are maintained in ease and almost luxury every winter in our jail. They must be driven out. Your committee believe they should be made to work, even if the results of such work shows at first a small direct loss to the County. If compelled to work for their food and shelter, we believe the army would grow steadily less. Let their fare be as scant and their treatment as severe as the law will allow, that they may no longer thrive and grow fat on the earnings of honest men. Magistrates, too, should be urged to give the genuine tramp long-term sentences. Six or seven dollars expense is too much for arrest, trial and committal of a prisoner with a sentence of only 5 or 10 days.

Your committee would recommend that the Jailer take down a careful description of all exceptionally suspicious and evidently professional unknown vagrants, and promptly send a copy of same to Chief Young at Niagara Falls and Officer Griffin at Fort Erie, unless said vagrants have already passed through their hands.

In order to carry out the recommendation as to work for prisoners, your committee would ask permission to purchase not to exceed 20 cords of stone, which will cost probably from \$3.50 to \$4 per cord, and that the approval of the proper authorities be asked that these tramps be compelled to work full time in breaking this stone. The stone may be used in concreting the basement floor, sold to the highest bidder for road repairs, or disposed of in any way most advantageous to the County.

Your committee has endeavored to comply with Council's instructions to have the quarterly accounts close a month earlier than formerly, but do not as yet find it practicable, as all accounts must come before the Quarterly Board of Audit in the months of January, April, July and October. We would ask that these instructions be amended so as not to include the Jail Committee's account.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

(Sgd.,) S. J. SIDEY,
J. HARRISON PEW,
H. CRONMILLER.

THIRD REPORT OF JAIL COMMITTEE.

WELLAND, June 3rd, 1897.

Jail Committee met this morning, examined and ordered paid the following accounts, (certified to by Governor Coulson) :—

A. Griffiths, straps for muffs for insane person	\$	75
Ross Co., thread and needles		25
S. H. Griffith, sundries, such as varnish, oil, glass, etc.	6	35
Welland Electric Light Co., eight weeks, ending May 31st	24	35
Bell Telephone Co., message to Chief Young		15

On motion of Messrs. Pew and Cronmiller, the services of Mr. Botterill were engaged to care for registry office lawn, at \$5.00 per month, as in past years.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Signed, S. J. SIDEY, Chairman,
J. HARRISON PEW,
HENRY CRONMILLER.

FIRST REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOUSE OF INDUSTRY.
To the Warden and Council of the County of Welland in Council Assembled :

GENTLEMEN,—

Your Standing Committee on House of Industry beg leave to present this their first report, covering a period of five months ending May 31, 1897.

INMATES.

The number of inmates in the House on the last day of May, 1897, was 45, of whom 30 were males and 15 females. The total number of in-

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mates is exactly the same as on the first day of January, but shows a decrease of one male and an increase of one female. Four inmates have died, three have absconded and eight have been discharged, while fifteen have been admitted during the term above mentioned. Of the latter, three each were committed from the Township of Stamford and the Town of Welland, two each from the towns of Niagara Falls and Thorold, and one each from the Townships of Bertie and Humberstone, and the Villages of Fort Erie, Niagara Falls and Port Colborne.

The entire number of days' board from the 1st day of January to the 31st day of May, 1897, both days included, is :

For inmates	6,845
Hired help	286
Keeper's family	453

	7,584

Total weeks' board for inmates only	977 6/7
For the whole	1,083 3/7
Average number of inmates for entire term	45 1/3
Average of whole, including keeper's family and domestics	50

NUMBER OF DAYS BOARD BY MUNICIPALITIES.

<i>Municipality.</i>	<i>No. of Inmates.</i>	<i>Days' Board.</i>
Bertie	8	996
Bridgeburg	2	302
Crowland	2	302
Chippawa	None	
Fort Erie	2	178
Humberstone	2	272
Niagara Falls Village	2	275
Niagara Falls Town	3	211
Pelham	4	604
Port Colborne	1	79
Thorold Town	7	865
Thorold Township	2	302
Stamford	7	420
Wainfleet	6	758
Welland	8	827
Willoughby	3	453

STOCK BRED.

Sixteen pigs.
Two calves.

STOCK SLAUGHTERED FOR USE IN HOME.

Five beeves 3,087 lbs.
Four pigs 721 lbs.

STOCK, HIDES, ETC., SOLD.

35 pigs, 7,219 pounds, (live weight)	\$313 96
357 pounds beef	24 99
341 pounds hides	20 83
Two calves	11 25
	\$371 03

LIVE STOCK ON HAND.

6 cows.	16 small pigs.
1 yearling heifer.	3 horses.
4 sows.	7 fowls.

DOMESTICS.

John Guyer left without notice about the end of January, leaving a month's pay in arrears, which has been retained by your committee to compensate the County for time lost by him in 1896. D. Labott was engaged temporarily for two weeks at fifty cents a day, when it was considered that no hired man would be required until the first of April. On that date Geo. Pearson was engaged by the keeper, with the approval of the committee, for eight months, terminating on the 30th of November, 1897, at \$14 per month. Your committee have engaged Miss Agnes Hemmings as house maid at \$3.00 per week, from the 5th of February, 1897.

MAINTENANCE.

The gross expenditure on maintenance during the above term was as follows:—

Boots and shoes	\$ 9 05
Committee pay	38 40
Drugs and medicines.. . . .	46 45
Dry goods	43 17
Fuel—coal	10 50
	\$ 147 57
Carried forward	\$ 147 57

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Brought forward	\$ 147 57
Furniture and earthenware	5 31
Hardware	17 09
Hay	65 98
Ice	9 10
Incidentals	3 25
Insurance	60 00
Labor	109 00
Light	1 20
Live stock	2 00
Lumber	28 07
Manure and sawdust	16 50
Medical attendance, extra	5 50
Mill feed and oats	103 12
Paint and oil	5 88
Printing and stationery	17 26
Provisions—bread	182 45
Provisions—groceries	150 31
Provisions—meat	27 03
Repairs—blacksmith	7 95
Repairs—harness maker	3 05
Repairs to furnace	7 50
Repairs to waterworks	7 49
Railway fare	8 11
Salaries	246 66
Seed, farm and garden	26 90
Seed, potatoes and corn	3 85
Straw	18 80
Telephone	14 40
Telegraph	26
Tile for drains	3 16
Water	37 50
Whiskey, per order of physician	6 40
Total expenditure for all purposes	\$ 1,348 65

RECEIPTS.

Sale of farm stock	\$406 64	
Sale of farm products	162 52	
Board of inmates	45 45	
		\$ 614 61
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Net expenditure for all purposes		\$ 734 04
Cost per week for each inmate		75
Cost per week, keeper's family and domestics included.		68

DRAINAGE.

Your Committee purchased 304 feet of three inch tile from T. W. Hooker & Son, which have been laid by the keeper and inmates.

REPAIRS TO BUILDING.

Your Committee authorized the removal of the ice box from the interior of the ice house, where it was found to interfere with the proper packing of the ice, and its reconstruction on an enlarged scale in the coal and wood shed, which was also performed by the labor of the inmates. Your Committee also begs leave to recommend that the tool shed built last year be painted as soon as possible.

PENSIONS, &C.

Your Committee has been informed that the inmate James McGuire is in receipt of a pension, and that Mrs. Elizabeth Collier, recently committed from Fort Erie, is also in possession of a small income, and recommend that the necessary steps be taken to have these sums applied towards their maintenance. One month's board for the inmate Whitehouse from Niagara Falls Town is due and unpaid.

CULTIVATION OF FARM.

The farm is now under cultivation in the following manner :

- Meadow, 10 acres.
- Field corn, 14 acres.
- Fodder corn, 2 acres.
- Peas, 2 acres.
- Rye (seeded down), 15 1/2 acres.
- Potatoes, 4 1/2 acres.
- Mangolds, 3 acres.
- Carrots, 1/2 acre.
- Peas, oats, etc., 1 1/2 acres.
- Orchard, garden, etc., 7 acres.

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UNPAID ACCOUNTS FOR 1896.

In addition to the accounts above mentioned, your Committee has passed the following unpaid accounts for 1896 :

Geo. P. Cutler, blacksmith	\$8 95
A. Bridgman, hire of bull	1 00

\$9 95

All of which is respectfully submitted.

(Sgd.) ERNEST CRUIKSHANK,
WALTER UPPER,
C. E. STEELE.

COUNCIL CHAMBER,
Welland, June 1st, 1897.

SECOND REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOUSE OF INDUSTRY.

To the Warden and Council of the County of Welland:

Your Committee beg leave to report that having advertised for tenders for sixty tons of egg coal and twenty tons of stove coal, to be delivered at the House of Industry on or before the 1st of August, they have received the following :—

W. L. Rice,	60 tons egg coal at	\$5.89.
“ “	20 “ stove “ “	5.89.
W. H. Crow,	60 “ egg “ “	5.84.
“ “	20 “ stove “ “	5.84.
Unsigned tender	60 “ egg “ “	5.84.
“ “	20 “ stove “ “	5.87.

Your Committee recommended that the tender of W. H. Crow, as the lowest, be accepted.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

(Sgd.) ERNEST CRUIKSHANK,
WALTER UPPER,
C. E. STEELE.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE *RE* NIAGARA FALLS
COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE.

The Committee appointed to examine the accounts of the Niagara Falls Collegiate Institute and to ascertain the legal liability of this County in respect to certain pupils, beg leave to report as follows :

That they met with a committee representing the said Collegiate Institute, but failed to arrive at definite arrangement with them.

We beg to submit the annexed communication received from the Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the Collegiate Institute, in reply to an inquiry made by us at that meeting.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

(Sgd.) ERNEST CRUIKSHANK,
E. MORDEN,
J. HARRISON PEW.

THE COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE,
NIAGARA FALLS, April 29, 1897.

Capt. E. Cruikshank, Fort Erie:

DEAR SIR,—

The Collegiate Institute Board has accepted the arrangement proposed for a three years' settlement by the committees representing the County and Board respectively, viz: That the sum of \$1,237.25, as per statement rendered County Council last January, shall be the fixed amount to be paid the school by the County for each of the years 1896, 1897 and 1898.

I would further suggest that the Council make provision to pay the annual apportionment within the statutory time—that is, not later than the 15th December in each year.

Yours very truly,

(Sgd.) JAMES QUILLINAN,

Secretary.

TORONTO, 1st February, 1897.

DEAR SIR,—

I am directed by the Minister of Education to state, in reply to your letter of the 28th ultimo, that the Stamford pupils during the last three years should be reckoned as County pupils in determining the liability of the

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County from the date of the passing of the Act in 1896 (April 7th). For any additional grant claimed for the Collegiate Institute for the time before that date such pupils would not be regarded as County pupils.

Your obedient servant,

(Sgd.) JOHN MILLAR,

Deputy Minister.

JAMES QUILLINAN, ESQ.,

Secretary Collegiate Institute Board,

Niagara Falls.

True copy.

J. QUILLINAN,

E. CRUIKSHANK.



APPENDIX D.

MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS.

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES OF THE
COUNTY OF WELLAND,

From January 1st to May 31st, 1897, inclusive.

1897.	NAME OF ACCOUNT.	Receipts.	Expenditures.
Jan. 1	Cash on hand.....	\$ 190 84	\$
	Amount due Imperial Bank.....		7564 91
May 31	Jail and office, furniture account.....		25 50
	Division Court jury fund.....	30 68	10 00
	Salaries.....		552 50
	Interest.....		41 65
	Special grants.....		135 00
	Division Court offices.....		8 54
	Contingent.....		1 43
	Fuel.....		181 05
	Municipal Government.....		235 10
	Electric light.....		78 00
	Jailer and Turnkey's residences.....		4 50
	Registry office.....	617 02	332 40
	High schools.....		646 40
	Court House and Jail.....		129 91
	House of Industry.....	539 29	1590 01
	Board of Education.....		364 75
	Printing.....		88 12
	Office expenses.....		13 15
	Licenses.....	153 00	
	Administration of Justice.....	1643 43	4512 08
	Carried forward.....	\$ 3174 26	\$16515 00

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Brought forward.....	\$ 3174 26	\$16515 00.
Jury expenses.....	3 00	179 50
County Council elections.....		101 00
Assessment account, 1896.....	11809 50	
Non-resident taxes.....	157 52	
Cash on hand.....		63 84
Amount due bank.....	1715 06	
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	\$16859 34	\$16859 34

Signed, G. L. HOBSON,
County Treasurer.

TREASURER'S OFFICE,
County of Welland,
Welland, June 1st, 1897.

TREASURER'S STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT BETWEEN TOWN
OF NIAGARA FALLS AND COUNTY OF WELLAND.

TREASURER'S OFFICE, COUNTY OF WELLAND,
WELLAND, Ont., June 1st, 1897.

Edward Morris, Esq., Warden County of Welland:

DEAR SIR,—

I have the honor to submit to your honorable body a statement of account between the Town of Niagara Falls and the County for the year ending Dec. 31st, 1896, as per resolution of Council of January 27th, 1897.

I have drawn up same in duplicate so each municipality could have one to file. I have the honor to be, sir, your obedient servant,

(Sgd.) GEO. L. HOBSON,
County Treasurer.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT BETWEEN NIAGARA FALLS TOWN AND THE COUNTY OF WELLAND FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31ST, 1896, PER AWARD OF DATE, JULY 4TH, 1891.

*Niagara Falls Town
in Account with
The Corporation of the County of Welland.*

<i>Name of Account.</i>	<i>Total Am't of Account.</i>	<i>Total Am't. of Acct. Town pays its proportion on.</i>	<i>Total Am't. to be paid by town to County.</i>
Court house, jail and residences, lump sum			\$ 264 15
Registry office, lump sum			34 13
House of Industry, lump sum			300 00
Administration of justice	\$9,055 24		
Administration of justice, less Crown witnesses, \$259.45			
Administration of justice, less Government refund \$3,165.65	3,425 10	\$5,630 14 1/10	563 01
Jury expenses	1,270 70	1,270 70 1/10	127 07
Fuel	517 90	517 90 1/10	51 79
Court house, jail and residences, Rg. account	825 56	825 56 1/10	82 55
Court house, jail and residences, furnishing account	44 00	44 00 1/10	4 40
Court house, jail and residences, light account	151 55	151 55 1/10	15 15
Insurance	97 59	97 50 1/10	9 75
Registry Office, R'g. account	328 45	328 45 1/10	32 84
Printing	249 46	249 46 1/10	24 94
Surrogate Office, books	26 00	26 00 1/10	2 60
Office expenses	94 80	94 80 1/10	9 48
Salaries, County Treasurer	700 00 5/6	583 32 1/10	58 33
Salaries, Auditors	50 00 5/6	41 66 1/10	4 16
Salaries, Caretaker	120 00	120 00 1/10	12 00
Interest, current account	475 92 2/3	317 25 1/10	31 72
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(Sgd) GEO. L. HOBSON,
County Treasurer.

TREASURER'S OFFICE,
County Welland,
June 1st, 1897.

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REPORT OF COUNTY CLERK *RE* AUCTIONEERS' AND
PEDLERS' LICENSES.

GENTLEMEN,—

I herewith make a return of licenses issued by me and amount paid the
County Treasurer since January first, 1897, as follows:—

AUCTIONEERS.

Jan. 8th,	John Weiss	\$15 00
Jan. 22nd,	L. V. Garner	15 00
Feb. 17th,	James P. Pegg	15 00
Mar. 2nd,	Leslie McMann	15 00
April,	H. F. Garner	15 00
June 3rd,	C. C. R. Morden	15 00

HAWKERS' AND PEDLERS' LICENSES.

Jan. 2nd,	Simon Lems	\$ 8 00
Jan. 13th,	David Cornstein	8 00
Jan. 14th,	Samuel Gould	15 00
Feb. 11th,	Solomon Stern	15 00
Feb. 13th,	Peter Jorge	8 00
Mar. 3rd,	A. M. Atrap	8 00
Mar. 3rd,	John Joseph	8 00
Mar. 19th,	P. H. Bissley & Co	8 00
May 20th,	Chas. Barber	15 00

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ROBERT COOPER,
County Clerk.

CLERK'S OFFICE,
June 2nd, 1897.

REPORT OF WELLAND HIGH SCHOOL BOARD.

Report showing average attendance of pupils at Welland High School
for the years 1894, 1895 and 1896:—

SUMMARY OF ATTENDANCE.

Half year terms of 1894, 1895, 1896.	No. of Teaching Days.	Attendance.			Aggregate.
		Town.	County.	Outside.	
First half 1894	118	5386	5497		10883
Second half 1894	82	4777	4103		8880
First half 1895	117	6439	6391		12830
Second half 1895	79	4694	4356		9050
First half 1896	121	6344	6836		13180
Second half 1896	77	4190	3804		7994
For three years	594	31830	30987		62817

Average daily attendance of school for three years	10544
“ “ “ “ town pupils for three years	5344
“ “ “ “ county pupils for three years	5200

This statement has been prepared by order of the Welland High School Board, and is hereby certified to be a correct statement of attendance as shown by the registers of Welland High School for the years 1894, 1895 and 1896.

(Sgd.) W. L. BEATTY,
Chairman W. H. S. Board.

REPORT *RE* ST. CATHARINES GENERAL AND MARINE
HOSPITAL.

ST. CATHARINES, Ont., June 3rd, 1897.

DEAR SIR,—

In compliance with request from Welland this afternoon, I have made a hurried record of free patients treated in here since the beginning of our hospital year, Oct. 1, 1896. I am sorry to have to confess to having only a short time ago destroyed all the old orders for some years back, they never having been called for before. I thought it only an accumulation of waste paper, so only have those orders issued since the time mentioned.

In giving Dean Harris the number of patients from Welland County I had simply copied report numbers regardless to their being pay or free patients.

We sometimes have difficulty in getting these orders. Patients arrive here without them, and it seems hard to send them back sick to get them, so we just take them in and trust to them getting them afterwards. Unfortunately, they don't always keep their promise in the matter and we have nothing to show for them.

I send you our last report. Trusting this will prove satisfactory,
I am yours in haste,

(Sgd.) H. HOLLINGWORTH,
Supt.

Name.	Address.	Signed By.	Date.	No. of days in.	Remarks.
Edward Vandervere.	Port Colborne	J. Saurin....	Nov. 21, 1896..	61	
Jeremiah Carr.....	Pelham.....	W. H. Fry...	Dec. 5, 1896...	24	
Jessie Clarke.....	Thorold.....	J. Battle.....	Dec. 7, 1896...	24	
William Ahearn.....	Port Colborne	J. Saurin....	Dec. 9, 1896...	16	
Ed. Thomas.....	Twp. Thorold	W. Upper...	Dec. 12, 1896..	188	[This order not obtained until patient had been in hospital more than 3 weeks.]
Jessie Clarke.....	Thorold.....	J. Battle.....	Jan. 7, 1897...	59	
Edward Smith.....	Gainsboro ...	J. W. Strong.	Jan. 28, 1897..	31	
Richard Parker.....	Chippawa ...	A. Herbold..	March 1, 1897..	29	
Mrs. Lymburner....	Chippawa ...	A. Herbold..	March 29, 1897.	42	
Frank Ross.....	Rosedene ...	J. W. Strong.	April 22, 1897..	50	Still in hospital.
Maud Shipman.....	Welland.....	W. J. Best...	April 7, 1897..	27	
Edgar Garner.....	Port Colborne	R. Greenwood	April 7, 1897...	3	
James Copelunce...	Thorold.....			49	Order was never obtained.
Mrs. Alf. Piper.....	Pelham.....			2	Order never obtained.
				595	
				81	
				514	

COUNTY SCHOOL INSPECTOR'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1896.

To E. Morris, Esq., Warden of the County of Wellaand:

SIR,—Having reported in January last the number of schools under my jurisdiction for the year 1896, I have now the honor of submitting further statistics of the rural sections and incorporated villages, and of reporting upon the general condition of the schools.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Receipts.

Balance on hand from last account	\$17,088	31
Received from Municipal grants	8,938	76
Received from Government grant	3,060	40
Received from taxes levied by Trustees	23,325	51
Received from Clergy Reserve fund, non-resident fees and all other sources	8,618	71
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Total receipts	\$61,031	69

Payments.

Total amount paid teachers	\$33,095	28
Paid for building and site, and for interest	3,005	87
Paid for library, maps, apparatus and books	288	13
Paid for fuel, cleaning school houses, etc	7,789	97
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Total payments	\$44,179	25
Balance on hand to next account	\$16,852	44

ATTENDANCE.

Number of pupils under 5 years of age entered on the register during the year	36
Number of pupils between 5 and 21 years	5731
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Total number entered on register	5751
Boys	3018
Girls	2733
Number of pupils who attended less than 20 days	480
Number of pupils who attended between 20 and 50 days	840
Number of pupils who attended between 51 and 100 days	1282
Number of pupils who attended between 101 and 150 days	1280

896.	Number of pupils who attended between 151 and 200 days	1695
	Number of pupils who attended between 201 and whole year	174
	Total number of legal teaching days in the year	211
	Average number of legal teaching days the schools were kept open	205
	Average attendance of pupils during the year	2982

CLASSIFICATION.

	Number of pupils in 1st Reader, Part I	1132
	Number of pupils in 1st Reader, Part II	820
	Number of pupils in 2nd Reader	909
	Number of pupils in 3rd Reader	1216
	Number of pupils in 4th Reader	1358
	Number of pupils in 5th Reader	316
	Number of pupils in Writing	5667
	Number of pupils in Arithmetic	5704
	Number of pupils in Drawing	5548
	Number of pupils in Geography	4029
	Number of pupils in Music	2018
	Number of pupils in Grammar and Composition	4043
	Number of pupils in English History	2072
	Number of pupils in Canadian History	2438
	Number of pupils in Temperance and Hygiene	2817
	Number of pupils in Drill and Calisthenics	2305
	Number of pupils in Book-keeping	428
	Number of pupils in Algebra	300
	Number of pupils in Geometry	278
	Number of pupils in Botany	24
	Number of pupils in Elementary Physics	26

QUALIFICATIONS AND SALARIES OF TEACHERS.

	Number of teachers, including the town of Thorold, who ever attended a Normal School	39
	Number of teachers holding 1st class Provincial certificates	2
	Number of teachers holding 2nd class Provincial certificates	35
	Number of teachers holding 1st class Old County Board	9
	Number of teachers holding 3rd class certificates	63

Of the 63 teachers holding 3rd class certificates 30 held second class non-professional certificates, and 3 first class non-professional certificates.

The highest salary paid a male teacher was	\$800 00
The average salary paid a male teacher was	408 24
The average salary paid a female teacher was	279 45

MISCELLANEOUS.

The number of schools in which the Bible was used	48
The number in which authorized Scripture Readings was used	36
The number of schools opened or closed with prayer	86
The number of visits made by Trustees	132
The number of visits made by clergymen	34
The number of visits made by others	875
The number of maps in the schools	809
The number of globes in the schools	84
The number of trees planted during the year	198

ACCOMMODATIONS.

In nearly all the schools the accommodations are adequate. In School Section No. 7, Thorold, a new and suitable brick school house was erected during the year, and in some others improvements were made in the interior of the school room, and a bell was erected on the school house. The school rooms generally presented a clean and orderly appearance, but in some cases the attention of the Trustees was called to the need of a coat of whitewash or alabastine, and in quite a number to that of righting up the out-door accommodations and disinfecting, making plank or gravel walks, &c.

ORDER AND DISCIPLINE.

The order and discipline maintained in the schools was generally good, and in some it was all that could be desired. The instances of want of order and discipline were exceptions.

STATE OF PROFICIENCY.

While, owing to varying circumstances, the state of proficiency will vary from time to time in the same school, yet the general tendency is toward progress. The rank of excellent or good in various subjects is frequently reached, and in comparatively few schools it is below middling. The increasing number of candidates at the Entrance and Public School Leaving Examinations indicates a disposition to attain to the distinction of passing these examinations, while in the schools at Ridgeway, Fort Erie and Bridgeburg, "continuation classes" are taught, that is to say, classes taking the High Schools second form subjects, in which pupils prepare for the primary

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or thirdclass certificate. The following is a statement of the number of Entrance and Public School Leaving candidates at the different centres, and the number that passed :—

Ridgeway.....	Entrance	54,	passed	29 ;	P. S. Leaving	14,	passed	7	
Marshville.....	"	33,	"	16 ;	"	"	10,	"	5
S. S. No. 2, Pelham..	"	45,	"	30 ;	"	"	8,	"	7
Bridgeburg.....	"	38,	"	27 ;	"	"	26,	"	24
Thorold.....	"	32,	"	28 ;					
Niagara Falls South.	"	59,	"	43 ;	"	"	2,	"	1
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Total.....	"	261,	"	173 ;	"	"	60,	"	44

COUNTY MODEL SCHOOL.

During the last session of the County Model School twenty-six teachers in training were in attendance, eight being males and eighteen females. At the final examination, which was partly a written examination upon questions prepared by the Education Department on methods of instruction, theory of education, school law and regulations and physiology and temperance, and partly of an examination in practical teaching before the Board of Examiners, the Principal's report being also taken into account in determining the results, all were found to have attained to the standard required for a certificate, which was accordingly awarded, but four were found to be under legal age, and their certificates were withheld until the legal age, eighteen, should be reached.

The County Model School accommodations are not by any means such as should be provided for so important an institution, but steps have been taken by the Board of Trustees with a view to providing new and suitable ones.

I have the honor to be, sir, your obedient servant,

Signed, JAMES H. BALL,

Welland, June, 1897.

County Inspector.

PETITION AND REPORT *RE* FORT ERIE PUBLIC SCHOOL.

FORT ERIE, May 31st, 1897.

To the Honorable the Municipal Council of the County of Welland :

The Board of Public School Trustees of the Village of Fort Erie hereby petition your honorable body to grant aid for the maintenance of "continu-

ation classes" established in said school, according to the Public School Act of Ontario of 1896.

And as in duty bound we will ever pray,

Signed, JONAS SHERK, Chairman,
 B. F. MATTHEWS, Secretary,
 E. SOWERSBY,
 E. W. SHISLER,
 J. G. JANSEN,
 W. J. SHEPHERD.

Herewith we submit the aggregate attendance of our school for the year 1896, as well as the average attendance and cost of maintenance of each pupil, exclusive of Government grant :—

- 1.—Aggregate attendance for 1896..... 27,696
- 2.—Average attendance for 1896..... (nearly) 137.8
- 3.—*Aggregate cost for 1896..... \$1420.00
- 4.—Average cost per pupil 9.05

[*Less \$172, Government grant.]

FORT ERIE PUBLIC SCHOOL—ATTENDANCE, YEAR 1896

5th Class—121 days. January to July, 1896.

Mary White.....	16	Israel Barnhard.....	115
Wm. Mathews.....	55	Vern Shissler.....	120
Jane Mercier.....	86	Jas. Brown.....	121
Susie Isingott.....	101	Frank Sherk.....	109
Cp. Gignac.....	6	Rose Seaton.....	120
Wm. Spain.....	90	Rose Griffin.....	81
Mabel Baldwin.....	120	Mary Griffin.....	85
Chas. Hawkins.....	111		

Total.....1336

5th Class—77 days. September to December 31st, 1896.

Wm Turner.....	76	Jas. Sabine.....	74
Harry Ferguson.....	76	Dora Barnhard.....	46
Grace Mercier.....	76	Jennie McCleHand.....	74
Etta Church.....	73	Lillian Shissler.....	77
Flo Church.....	74	Percy Watson.....	77
Fred White.....	63		

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Primary Class—77 days. September to December 31st, 1896.

Mary White.....	69	Vern Shissler.....	45
Wm. Matthews.....	62	Jas. Brown.....	77
Susie Isingott.....	42	Frank Sherk.....	69
C. Hawkins.....	75	Rose Seaton.....	76
I. Barnhard.....	62	Mary Griffin.....	58

Total.....635

Total aggregate, 5th class, 1st half 1896.....1336

“ “ “ “ 2nd “ “ 786

“ “ Primary class, 1896..... 635

Total aggregate in 18962757

$2757 \div 198 = 14$ average attendance.

I hereby certify that the above is a correct statement of the attendance of the Fifth and Primary classes for the year 1896.

ALEXANDER ROSS,
Principal.

PETITION AND REPORT—RIDGEWAY PUBLIC SCHOOL.

The Board of School Trustees of School Section No. 11, Bertie, hereby petition the Municipal Council of the County of Welland to grant aid for the maintenance of "continuation classes" established in said school, according to the Public School Act of 1896 :

Total cost of maintenance..... \$1272.00 -

Less Government grant 88.49

\$1183.51

Average cost per pupil.....\$ 9.86^{2/3}

JOHN YOUNG, Sec.-Treas., }
J. W. HAUN. } Trustees.
H. BOX, }

RIDGEWAY PUBLIC SCHOOL—1896.

5th Class.	Leaving.		Primary.	
	1st Half.	2nd Half.	1st Half.	2nd Half.
Flo Halavin			116	
Jessie Bowen			110	
Ruth Jackson			113	
Harold Young			118	
Jay Hunt	110			
Peter Johnston	110			76
Ruby Dunn	66			
Zella Kilman	114			
Henry Wise	116			54
Horace Young	117			76
Chas Band	70			
Maggie Troup	112			
Gordie Haun	101			
Ward Krafft	111	35		
Will Dell	102	81		
Chas. Graham	65	39		
Lillie Fullmer	105	74		
John Willson	86	68		
Jessie Haun	92			
Ethel Clark	56			
Will Hunt	79	33		
Ernest Mallory	53			
Roy Dunn	15			
Orin Teal	60			
Will Hawley		80		
Totals	1740	410	457	206
Aggregate attendance of Leaving class			2150	
" " " Primary "			663	
			2813	

Average— $2813 \div 202 = 14$, nearly.

A. H. KILMAN, Principal.
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PETITION AND REPORT—BRIDGEBURG PUBLIC SCHOOL.

BRIDGEBURG, MAY 13th, 1897.

The Board of School Trustees of the Village of Bridgeburg hereby petition the Municipal Council of the County of Welland to grant aid for the maintenance of "continuation classes" established in said school, according to the Public School Act of 1896.

Trustees, { A. A. COULTHURST, Chairman,
C. W. LEWIS,
T. G. STAMP,
C. WILLIAMS,
M. COLCLEUGH.

GEO. TAIT, Secretary.

BRIDGEBURG PUBLIC SCHOOL—ATTENDANCE, YEAR 1896.

5th Class—121 Days. January to July, 1896.

Lucy Coulthurst	89	Ethel Thompson	3
Theresa Girvine	20	Emma Luscombe	12
Jennie Brown	119	Rosa Mitchell	120
Jno. Qualtrough	119	Eva Vahey	103
Willie Colcleugh	117	Blanche Vahey	118
Chas. Wenze	118	Mike Girvine	109
Chas. Hart	120	Willie Qualtrough	119
Wm. Coulthurst	102	Willie Tait	115
Jessie Ray	120	Geo. Wenze	119
Grace Stamp	118	Jno. Martin	106
Mabel Nourse	92	Jas. Henry	116
Lena Mettler	92	Emma McGregor	115
Alice Hankinson	110		
Total			2491

5th Class—81 Days. September to December 31st, 1896.

Lena Mettler	77	Francis Turner	78
Eva Vahey	70	Flor. McKay	76
Blanche Vahey	76	Jennie Cassels	35
Mike Girvine	69	Mal. Colcleugh	78
Willie Qualtrough	78	Robt. Stamp	77
Ella Wilson	74	E. Hart	76
Ethel Bowen	74	Joe Hiseler	73
Flora Plato	72	Jas. Hiseler	73
Rosa Hodgins	71	P. Rice	75
M. Steward	78	Frank Kelly	77
Sadie Dell	69		
Total			1526

Primary Class—81 Days. September to December 31st, 1896.

Lucy Coulthurst.....	43	Alice Hankinson.....	75
J. Brown.....	66	R. Mitchel.....	70
Jno. Qualtrough.....	24	Emma McGregor.....	70
Wm. Colcleugh.....	78	Willie Tait.....	78
C. Wenze.....	78	Geo. Wenze.....	76
W. Coulthurst.....	67	Jno. Martin.....	76
Jessie Ray.....	77	James Henry.....	76
Grace Stamp.....	77		

Total..... 1031

Total aggregate 5th class, 1st half 1896..... 2491

“ “ “ “ 2nd “ “..... 1526

“ “ Primary class..... 1031

Total aggregate of 1896..... 5048

$5048 \div 202 = 25$, nearly, average attendance.

I hereby certify that the above figures are a correct statement of attendance of 5th and Primary class in Bridgeburg Public School for the year 1896.

A. A. COULTHURST,
Chairman.

BRIDGEBURG PUBLIC SCHOOL—AGGREGATE ATTENDANCE FIRST HALF OF YEAR 1896.

	<i>Aggregate.</i>	<i>Average.</i>	<i>(121 Days.)</i>
W. H. Hammond.....	7424	61	
Ida Smith.....	5054	42	
Jane Gerrard.....	5821	48	
Nellie Thomas.....	6195	51	
Annie Gerrard.....	5369	44	
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SECOND HALF OF YEAR 1896.

	<i>Aggregate.</i>	<i>Average.</i>	<i>(81 Days.)</i>
W. H. Hammond	4301	54	
Ida Smith	3291	41	
Jane Gerrard	4484	55	
Nellie Thomas	4929	61	
Annie Gerrard	4296	53	
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	21301	264	

Total aggregate for year—29863 + 21301 = $\frac{51164}{194} = 253\frac{1}{4}$, nearly.

Total expenditure for year 1896 \$2579.48

Less Government grants..... 237.00

\$2342.48

$\$2342.48 \div 253\frac{1}{4} = \9.25 , nearly, average cost per pupil.

I hereby certify the above is a correct report of attendance and cost per pupil in Bridgeburg Public School for year 1896.

GEO. TAIT,
Chairman.

**SALARIES OF THE VARIOUS COUNTY COUNCIL OFFICIALS IN THE PROVINCE OF
ONTARIO, JANUARY, 1897.**

Communication from S. E. Mitchell of the County of Renfrew, and Statement of Salaries of the various
County Council Officials in the Province of Ontario.

COUNTIES OF	Co. Council Divisions.	Number of Municipalities	Clerk.		Treasurer.		Jailer	Turnkey	Public School Inspector.			NOTES.
			Salary.	Years in Office.	Salary.	Years in Office.	Salary with Residence	Salary with Residence	Number of Departments @ \$5 each.	Allowance for travelling Expenses.	Commuted at	
1 Brant	4	6	\$ 500	22	\$ 700	1	\$ 750	\$ 500		\$ 160	\$7 each for 79 schools	
2 Bruce	9	26	700	1	1100	10	650	375	1-121 1-117	each 150		2 P. S. Inspectors.
3 Carlton.....	9	13	750	24	1400	24	700	each 500			960	Treas. salary includes assist. 2 turnkeys.
4 Dufferin	5	8	250	17	800	5	600	400			900	Turnkey without residence.
5 Elgin	6	12	650	15	1200	16	600	456			800	Turnkey without residence.
6 Essex	7	20	630	32	1600	7	600	1-500 1-550			2 @ \$1000 each.	Turnkey without residence.
7 Frontenac.....	6	17	450	9	900	16	800	each 400			600	2 turnkeys, 1 with residence & 1 without.
8 Grey	8	22	500	9	1400	23	700	500			1- 630 1- 730 1-1200 700	3 P. S. Inspectors.
9 Haldimand.....	5	14	300	8	600	12	600	312				
10 Haliburton (Provisional)	..	9	200	13	450	13	150		57	\$1 per school.		P. S. In. has 48 schools in Muskoka.
11 Halton	4	9	400	32	500	1	500	365			500	
12 Hastings	7	22	800	4	1250	...	600	450		1- 80 1-225	1-575 1-500	2 P. S. Inspectors.
13 Huron	8	26	700	5	1350	12	600	500	1-119 1-123	each 150		2 P. S. Inspectors. Turnkey without residence.
14 Kent	7	17	800	10	1100	6	800	430	1- 90 1- 90	each 150		2 P. S. Inspectors. Turnkey without residence.
15 Lambton	7	20	500	4	1100	4	650	500	219		\$6 per school.	
16 Lanark.....	6	17	400	5	800	6	800	400			1000	
17 Leeds and Grenville	10	21	1000	8	1200	16	800	400	268	each 150		3 P. S. Inspectors.
18 Lennox and Addington.	5	13	300	5	600	5	525	400	120	100		
19 Lincoln.....	4	13	350	10	700	1	920	420			800	
20 Middlesex.....	8	23	800	5	1600	10	750	1-400 1-400 1-550	1-105 1-120	each 150		2 P. S. Inspectors. 3 Turnkeys without residence.
21 Norfolk	5	13	500	6	600	2	400	350	126	200		

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SALARIES OF THE VARIOUS COUNTY COUNCIL OFFICIALS IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO,
JANUARY, 1897.—(Continued.)

COUNTIES OF	Co. Council Divisions.	Number of Municipalities	Clerk.		Treasurer.		Jailer	Turnkey.	Public School Inspector.			NOTES.
			Salary.	Years in Office.	Salary.	Years in Office.	Salary with Residence	Salary with Residence	Number of Departments @ \$5 each.	Allowance for travelling Expenses.	Commuted at	
22 Northumberland & Durham	12	24	Clerk and combined	15	Treas. salary \$1500	6	\$ 800	\$ 500	1-142 1-142	each \$140		2 P. S. Inspectors.
23 Ontario	7	17	450	15	1000	7	700	450			950	
24 Oxford	7	16	600	17	950	27	800	500	118	200		
25 Peel	5	8	400	21	600	2	500	400	98	200		
26 Perth	6	14	550	20	800	1	600	450	110	350		Turnkey without residence.
27 Peterboro	5	16	Clerk and combined	16	Treas. salary \$1600	27	650	550			750	Turnkey's salary includes the Matron's, she is his wife.
28 Prescott and Russell	9	14	250	7	500	16	750	365			1100	
29 Prince Edward	4	9	250	8	350	8	400	375	85	25		Turnkey without residence.
30 Renfrew	7	26	400	28	800	6	600	456			1200	
31 Simcoe	9	28	800	37	1200	5	800	400	285	each 150		3 P. S. Inspectors.
32 Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry	13	20	500	7	900	10	740	300	S. 95 D. 104 G. 83	each 145		3 P. S. Inspectors.
33 Victoria	6	6	Clerk and combined	16	Treas. salary \$2000	22	500	400	147	147		2 P. S. Inspectors.
34 Waterloo	7	13	Clerk and combined	16	Treas. salary \$1000	2	560	450	178	300		Late Clerk and Treasurer got \$1250 and was father to present one.
35 Welland	5	15	450	6	700	6	700	450	109	150		
36 Wellington	21	21	550	25	1200	29	600	450			each 688	2 P. S. Inspectors.
37 Wentworth	6	10	1000	35	1000	2			102	225		No County Jail.
38 York	9	21	1200	23	1200	25					1-610 1-540	No County Jail.

Compiled from information received direct from each County, by S. E. Mitchell, Clerk of the County of Renfrew.

Pembroke, County Renfrew, 1st May, 1897.

APPENDIX E.

COMMUNICATIONS.THE NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF CHARITIES AND
CORRECTION.*Twenty-fourth Conference, at Toronto, July 7-14, 1897.*

President—Alexander Johnson, Fort Wayne.

Treasurer—Levi L. Barbour, Detroit.

General Secretary—H. H. Hart, St. Paul.

Secretary for Ontario—A. M. Rosebrugh, M. D., Toronto.

Office of the Secretary for Ontario,
62 Queen St. E.,
TORONTO, May 18th, 1897.

DEAR SIR,—

The twenty-fourth National Conference of Charities and Correction will meet in Toronto from July 7th to 14th next, and as this distinguished body of philanthropists has never yet met in this country, it is most important that Canadians generally should participate in the proceedings. The conference is open to all, and is composed of leading workers in charity organization and prison reform throughout the continent. There are sections dealing with problems of charity, child-saving, out-door relief, reform schools, prison management, care of the insane and the feeble minded, etc. Almost every phase of philanthropic work will be dealt with at this meeting.

We wish to urge your attendance at this meeting, also to ask that delegates be sent from the society with which you are identified. A single fare railway rate will be given if three hundred or over shall attend, and the hotels will also give reduced rates.

Kindly make this conference as widely known as possible among friends of charitable work, and thus help to secure a large attendance.

Yours truly,

A. M. ROSEBRUGH, M. D.,

J. J. KELSO,

Local Secretaries.

HON. S. H. BLAKE, L. C.,

Chairman of Local Committee.

Address—Dr. Rosebrugh, 62 Queen Street East, Toronto.

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ST. JOHN'S INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

ST. JOHN'S INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL,
EAST TORONTO, April 1st, 1897.

R. Cooper, Esq., County Clerk :

DEAR SIR,—

Please find enclosed account of St. John's Industrial School with County of Welland.

Yours most sincerely,
REV. WILLIAM LAWRENCE HART.

ST. JOHN'S INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL,
EAST TORONTO, April 6th, 1897.

Municipality of the County of Welland Dr. to St. John's Industrial School for board and tuition of Martin Cassidy, from March 4th to April 1st \$8.00

REV. WILLIAM LAWRENCE, P. P.,
Supt.

P. S.—Martin Cassidy was committed to the Victoria Industrial School for boys situate at Mimico on February 20th, 1897, and was transferred to St. John's Industrial School on March 4th, 1897.

Signed, REV. W. L. HART.

RE BAND FOR SECOND DRAGOONS.

WELLAND, June 6th, 1897.

To the Warden and Councillors of the County of Welland :

GENTLEMEN,—

I have the honor to apply for \$20 to assist in paying the band at Niagara camp for the 2nd Dragoons.

I have the honor to be, gentlemen, your obedient servant,

WM. BUCHNER,
Lt.-Col.

RE BAND FOR 44TH BATT.

WELLAND, 3rd June, 1897.

To the Warden and Members of the County Council of Welland County :

SIRS,—

On behalf of the 44th Battalion I have the honor to request that your honorable body may make a grant towards the maintenance of the band of said battalion. It has been the custom of the Council to make such grants from time to time, and it is now four years since a grant was asked, and I trust the request will not be refused.

I have the honor to be, sir, your obedient servant,

(Sgd.) L. CLARKE RAYMOND,

Lt.-Col., 44th Batt.

 FROM WM. McCLEARY, M. P.

THOROLD, March 1st, 1897.

Robert Cooper, Esq., County Clerk, Welland :

MY DEAR SIR,—

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your favor of the 26th ultimo, with Memorial *re* Alien Labor Laws, and Crossings and Drainage Works through Railway Lands, enclosed.

I shall with much pleasure present the same to the Dominion Parliament at the coming session, and will give my most cordial and cheerful support to legislation based upon the principles therein, and in my humble way do what I can to have the same become statute law.

Faithfully yours,

(Sgd.) WM. McCLEARY.

 FROM THOROLD AND BEAVERDAMS HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

THOROLD, May 28th, 1897.

Robert Cooper, Clerk County Council, Welland, Ont :

DEAR SIR,—

Please lay the enclosed application before the Commissioners of the County, and oblige the Thorold and Beaverdams Historical Society.

Signed, A. W. REAVELY,

*Sec.-Treas.**To the War
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THOROLD, May 28th, 1897.

To the Warden and Commissioners of the County of Welland, in Council Assembled :

GENTLEMEN,—

At the last meeting of the Thorold and Beaverdams Historical Society, a resolution was passed authorizing me to apply to the County Commissioners for a grant of fifty dollars to aid the society in carrying on its work, notably the publication of a history of Thorold Township, a work now in preparation, and which we hope to place in the hands of the public before the end of the year. Our reasons for the claim are, briefly, as follows:—

First.—The history in preparation has a general interest for the county, and as such has a claim on the county.

Second.—The publication of local histories is in line with a movement going on in other parts of the Province.

Third.—Such local histories have received the approval of the Provincial Parliament and of the Education Department.

Fourth.—The publication brings no financial gain to the society.

Fifth.—The society has bestowed much time on the preparation of the history, besides the contributions of individual members.

The society trusts the Commissioners will regard favorably the request and grant the sum named, which is less than that given to a similar work in this and other counties.

Submitted most respectfully, on behalf of the Thorold and Beaverdams Historical Society.

Signed, A. W. REAVELY,
Sec.-Treas.

FROM WELLAND HIGH SCHOOL BOARD.

To the Warden and Council of the County of Welland :

GENTLEMEN,—

The High School Board of the Town of Welland request that your honorable body will make arrangements for a readjustment of accounts, in accordance with Sub.-Sec. 3, Sec. 31 of the High School Act of 1896. The last adjustment was for the years 1894-5-6.

I am yours, etc.,
(Sgd.) WM. H. LOWE,
Secretary.

WELLAND, May 31st, 1897.

FROM W. M. GERMAN, M. P. P.

WELLAND, June 2nd, 1897.

R. Cooper, Esq., Clerk County of Welland, Welland :

DEAR SIR,—

Regarding the Memorials of the County Council of Welland to the Ontario Legislature, praying for certain amendments to the High School Act, and the Municipal Act respecting hawkers and pedlers, I have the honor to inform you as follows :

In compliance with said Memorials I presented to the Legislature, at its last session, a Bill amending the Municipal Act respecting hawkers and pedlers by providing that the word "hawkers" should mean "persons not resident within the County, as well as agents for such persons." That amendment if carried would have made the law as desired by the Welland Council. The Bill, however, raised a very considerable opposition. Mr. Marshall, who is a dealer in tea at London, came down to the Legislature and made strong representations that such an amendment would destroy his business and was not in the best interest of the country at large. He also elicited the assistance of the Hon. G. W. Ross, and with his assistance, as it appeared that Welland was the only county particularly interested in the proposed amendment, the Bill on its second reading was declared lost on a division.

As to the proposed amendment to the High School Act, I had several interviews with the Minister of Education, in which I strongly pointed out to him the hardship done to the County of Welland by the definition of the words "county pupils" as interpreted by the Act, and he agreed with me that there was at least an appearance of hardship, but stated that before allowing the proposed amendment he desired to fully inquire as to the working of the law as it stands in other counties, and consented that at the next session of the Legislature I could bring up the matter again, and I trust at that time to be able to bring about the desired change.

I have the honor to be, sir, your obedient servant,

Signed, W. M. GERMAN.

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FROM J. B. M'INTYRE—*RE* HOSPITAL ENDOWMENT.

ST. CATHARINES, May 31st, 1897.

Robert Cooper, Esq., County Clerk, Welland:

DEAR SIR,—

Will you kindly arrange with Warden and Council an hour during the week they will receive a deputation from St. Catharines Jubilee Endowment Hospital Committee, while in session. We wish to return by afternoon train. Write me or telephone day before, and oblige,

Yours truly,

Signed, J. B. M'INTYRE,

Sec Committee.

FROM JUDGE FITZGERALD.

To the Members of the County Council of the County of Welland:

GENTLEMEN,—

At your last session you saw fit to reduce the fees of the auditors of criminal justice accounts to \$3 per day.

During the previous three years since I came to the county the statutory allowance of \$4 per day was paid.

I have nothing to do with what members of the County Council or others are willing to accept for their services, but I am not willing to accept less than the amount you are authorized by statute to pay, and if you desire my services as auditor you will please amend the by-law of last session and also instruct the treasurer to pay me the balance of \$1 due from last audit.

I have the honor to be, gentlemen, yours truly,

(Sgd.) W. W. FITZGERALD,

County Judge.

ONTARIO RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

TORONTO, January 23rd, 1897.

County Clerk, County of Welland:

DEAR SIR,—

In asking a renewal of the grant from your County Council of \$10, I am instructed to convey to the Council the thanks of the president and members of the Ontario Rifle Association for last year's donation.

I also desire to call your Council's attention to the increased interest

taken in the annual matches, there being nearly four hundred competitors as against less than three hundred the year previous.

This speaks volumes, and I trust your Council will make the grant an annual affair.

Yours truly,

Signed, A. C. CARTWRIGHT, Captain,
Secretary Ontario Rifle Association, 37 Yonge St., Toronto.

(Lieut.-Col.) JOHN I. DAVIDSON, *President Ontario Rifle Association.*

NIAGARA FALLS COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE.

THE COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE,

NIAGARA FALLS, April 29, 1897.

Robert Cooper, Esq., County Clerk, Welland :

DEAR SIR,—

The Collegiate Institute Board has approved of the arrangement proposed for a three years' settlement by the committees representing the County and Board respectively, viz : That the sum of \$1,237.25, as per statement rendered County Council last January, shall be the fixed amount to be paid the school by the County for each of the years 1896, '97 and '98.

I would further suggest that the Council make provision to pay the annual apportionment within the statutory time, that is not later than the 15th December in each year.

Yours very truly,

(Sgd.) JAMES QUILLINAN,

Secretary.

FROM COUNTY WENTWORTH, *RE* AUDITING MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTS.

COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE,
HAMILTON, February 15th, 1897.

DEAR SIR,—

I beg leave to enclose a copy of petition of the County Council of Wentworth to the Ontario Legislature, requesting better provision for auditing municipal accounts, and would request you to lay the same before your Council, or a committee thereof empowered to deal with such matters, at the

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earliest opportunity, and kindly ask their co-operation ; also that they by resolution request their representative in the Legislature to support said petition when brought before the house at its present session.

I am, dear sir, your obedient servant,

(Sgd.) G. S. COURSELL,
Clerk County of Wentworth.

TO THE HONORABLE THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
OF THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO:
THE PETITION of the Municipal Council of the

HUMBLY SHEWETH :—

THAT WHEREAS it is advisable to make better provision for auditing Municipal Accounts, and for securing the faithful performance of their duties by Municipal Treasurers :

Your Petitioners would therefore pray your honorable body by legislative enactment to enable County Councils by by-law to appoint, in and for their respective municipalities, a competent person as County Inspector of Municipal Accounts, (the same person, under concurrent by-laws, being enabled to act in one or more adjacent counties,) whose duty it shall be, and who shall be duly empowered at any time or times, to visit and investigate the condition of the books and accounts and of the cash balances of the several Treasurers of municipalities within the jurisdiction of his appointment, and to see that books and accounts requisite for the purposes of such municipalities are properly kept, and in case or cases of irregularities in keeping of such accounts, or of other circumstances requiring the same, to forthwith report thereon to the head of the municipality interested ; also to make provision for the payment by salary or otherwise of suitable compensation to such County Inspector for his services, by the County or Counties making such appointment ; or that your honorable body will make such other provision as to your honorable body may seem meet for carrying into effect the requirements of your Petitioners.

And your Petitioners, as in duty bound, will ever pray.

Dated at _____ this _____ day of _____

Clerk.

Warden.

APPENDIX F.

AUDITORS' REPORT.

COUNTY OF WELLAND.

For the Year Ending December 31st, 1896.

To the Warden and Council of the County of Welland :

GENTLEMEN,—

We, the Auditors for the County of Welland, do hereby certify that we have examined the accounts of the Treasurer for the year 1896, and also compared the vouchers with all entries therein, and have found the same correct.

The statement annexed thereto contains a true copy of said books of accounts.

We take much pleasure in certifying to the accurate and systematic manner in which the books are kept and vouchers filed. We have also examined the receipts of monies, and find that the same were promptly deposited in the bank. And that the Treasurer had in hand at the end of the year the amount as shown by our report.

We also annex hereto abstract statements of Receipts and Expenditures, and of Liabilities and Assets.

The Treasurer's bonds consist of his personal bond for \$5,000 and one for \$10,000 from the London Guarantee and Accident Company (Limited).

F. W. CASEY, }
 JAS. P. PEGG, } Auditors.

WELLAND, February 20th, 1897.

1896.

Dec. 31

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ASSESSMENT ACCOUNT—TOWNSHIP OF BERTIE.

1896.

DR.

Dec. 31	To balance due County per audit, Dec. 31st, 1895.....	\$ 1200 00
June 6	To County assessment, By-law 651.....	3328 65

CR.

Jan. 31	By cash from Township Treasurer.....	\$ 500 00
April 11	" " " ".....	700 00
Dec. 5	" " " ".....	2967 31
	Balance.....	361 34

\$ 4528 65 \$ 4528 65

Dec. 31 To balance due County, \$361.34.

NON-RESIDENT TAX ACCOUNT—TOWNSHIP OF BERTIE.

CR.

Jan. 15	By cash pt. 27, B. F. L. E.....	\$ 57
April 10	Pt. lot, B. F. L. E.....	1 65
25	Pt. lot 7 (1/2).....	6 12
27	24, 25, 26, Crystal Park, '95.....	3 57
28	Lot 85, Crystal Park, '95.....	2 59
29	Lot 29, Crystal Park, '95.....	2 59
30	Lot 98, Point Abino, '95.....	38 50
May 6	Lot 62, 70, 71, Crystal Park, '95..	15 18
8	Lot 165, Crystal Park, '95.....	2 84
June 3	Pt. Lot 9, Con. 3, '92, '93.....	31 00
12	Lot 12, '95.....	3 82
16	Lot 451, 452, Crystal Park, '95...	3 60
17	Lot 2, 3, Crystal Park, '95.....	4 48
18	Lot 326, Crystal Park, '95.....	2 73
25	Pt. lot 25, Con 3, L. F., '92, '93..	5 10
Aug. 6	Lot 42, 43, 44, 46, '95.....	6 15
6	Lot 30, 31, Bay Beach, '95, '94...	5 01
11	Lot 36, 37, Crystal Park, '95.....	3 27
19	Lot 21, Crystal Park.....	2 85

Carried forward. \$ \$ 141 62

	Brought forward.....	\$		\$	141 62	
Sept. 26	Lot 84, 85, Point Abino, '95.....				8 31	1896.
30	Lot 35, Alice street ; 9, 10, Leopold street ; 6, 7, Alfred street, '95.				2 66	Jan. 1
June 24	Lot 420, Crystal Park, '95.....				2 84	6
Oct. 10	Lot 420, Crystal Park, '95.....				2 95	
14	Pts. Lot 10, Con. 1, '95.....				7 19	Jan. 14
25	Lots 331, 332, Crystal Park, '95..				3 28	31
Nov. 7	Lots 440, 441, Crystal Park, '95..				3 49	Dec. 31
10	Lot 347, Crystal Park, '95.....				2 64	
25	Lot 13, L. S. Rd, '95.....				2 80	
Dec. 12	Lot 103, Crystal Park, '95.....				2 73	

DR.

Mar. 31	To cash paid Township Treasurer.....	\$	57		
June 4	Township Treasurer.....		73 04		
Sept. 30	Township Treasurer.....		81 82		
Dec. 12	Township Treasurer.....		25 08		
			<u>180 51</u>		
		\$	180 51	\$	180 51

ASSESSMENT ACCOUNT—TOWNSHIP OF CROWLAND.

1895.					
Dec. 31	To balance due County per Audit.....	\$	600 00		
1896.					
June 6	County Assessment, By-law 631.....		1542 00		
			<u>600 00</u>		
Jan. 25	By cash from Township Treasurer.....	\$	600 00		
Dec. 30	Township Treasurer.....		850 00		
	Balance.....		692 00		
			<u>2142 00</u>		
		\$	2142 00	\$	2142 00
Dec. 31	To balance due County.....	\$	692 00		

NON-RESIDENT TAX ACCOUNT—CROWLAND.

CR.

May 1	By cash pt Lot 26, 27, Con. 7, '95.....	\$	21 60		
1	Lot 20, Con. 7, '95.....		19 66		

DR.

Sept. 30	To cash to Township Treasurer.....	\$	41 26		
			<u>41 26</u>		
		\$	41 26	\$	41 26

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June 6

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ASSESSMENT ACCOUNT—TOWNSHIP OF HUMBERSTONE.

1896.

Jan. 1	To balance due County per audit, Dec. 31st, 1895	\$ 1625 00	
6	County Assessment, By-law 651	2341 16	
	CR.		
Jan. 14	By cash from Township Treasurer	\$ 1036 00	
31	Township Treasurer	589 00	
Dec. 31	Township Treasurer	1000 00	
	Balance	1341 16	
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		\$ 3966 16	\$ 3966 16
	To balance due County	\$ 1341 16	

ASSESSMENT ACCOUNT—TOWNSHIP OF PELHAM.

1896.

	DR.		
Jan. 1	To balance due County, per audit, Dec. 31st, 1895	\$ 1013 82	
6	County Assessment, By-law 651	2845 25	
	CR.		
Mar. 9	By cash from Township Treasurer	\$ 1013 82	
Dec. 6	Township Treasurer	1700 00	
	Balance	1145 25	
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		\$ 3859 07	\$ 3859 07
	To balance due County	\$ 1145 25	

ASSESSMENT ACCOUNT—TOWNSHIP OF STAMFORD.

1896.

	DR.		
June 6	To County Assessment, By-law 651	\$ 2258 63	
	CR.		
Dec. 3	By cash from Township Treasurer	\$ 2258 63	
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		\$ 2258 63	\$ 2258 63

NON-RESIDENT TAX ACCOUNT—STAMFORD TOWNSHIP.

1866.		CR.		
Feb. 12	By cash pt Lot 73, '91		\$ 2 32	
April 1	pt Lot 148, '93		23 65	
20	Range 7, '95		9 46	
20	pt Range 11, '95		1 50	
May 1	W. 1/2 Lot 133, '95		17 70	
1	Lots 1, 2, 5, City of Falls, '91, '92, '93, '94		116 69	
		DR.		
Mar. 31	To cash Township Treasurer	\$ 2 32		
Aug. 7	Township Treasurer	169 00		
		\$ 171 32	\$ 171 32	

ASSESSMENT ACCOUNT—TOWNSHIP OF WAINFLEET.

1896.		DR		
Jan. 1	To balance due County per audit of Dec. 31, '95	\$ 3462 50		
June 6	County Assessment, By-law 651	3507 50		
		CR.		
Jan. 2	By cash Township Treasurer	\$ 2626 00		
17	Township Treasurer	836 50		
	Balance	3507 50		
		\$ 6970 00	\$ 6970 00	
Dec. 31	To Balance due County	\$ 3507 50		

NON-RESIDENT TAX ACCOUNT—WAINFLEET.

		CR.		
April 29	By cash pt Lot 28, Con. 1, '91, '92, '93	\$ 9 03		
July 23	Lots 30, 31, Con. 2, '94	14 53		
Sept. 9	pt Lot 14, Con. 5, '92	2 82		
		DR.		
Sept. 30	To cash Township Treasurer	\$ 26 38		
		\$ 26 38	\$ 26 38	

1896.
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June 3

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ASSESSMENT ACCOUNT—TOWNSHIP OF THOROLD.

1896.		DR.		
Jan. 1	To balance due per audit, Dec. 31st, 1895.	\$ 2190 00		
June 6	County Assessment, By-law 651.....	2197 81		
			CR.	
Jan. 21	By cash from Township Treasurer.....		\$ 1000 00	
May 30	Township Treasurer		500 00	
June 3	Township Treasurer.....		690 00	
	Balance.....		2197 81	
		DR.	\$ 4387 81	\$ 4387 81
Dec. 31	To balance due County.....	\$ 2197 81		

NON-RESIDENT TAX ACCOUNT—THOROLD TOWNSHIP.

			CR.	
April 29	By cash, pt lot 202, '92, '93.....		\$ 7 65	
			DR.	
Sept. 30	To cash to Township Treasurer.....	\$ 7 65		
			\$ 7 65	\$ 7 65

ASSESSMENT ACCOUNT—TOWNSHIP OF WILLOUGHBY.

			DR.	
Jan. 1	To balance due per audit, Dec. 31st, 1895.	\$ 614 00		
June 6	County Assessment, By-law 651.....	1408 50		
			CR.	
Jan. 16	By cash from Township Treasurer.....		\$ 614 00	
Dec. 15	Township Treasurer.....		700 00	
	Balance		708 50	
			\$ 2022 50	\$ 2022 50
Dec. 31	To balance due County.....	\$ 708 50		

ASSESSMENT ACCOUNT—VILLAGE OF CHIPPAWA.

			DR.	
June 6	To County Assessment, By-law 651.....	\$ 212 50		
			CR.	
Dec. 9	By cash from Township Treasurer.....		\$ 212 50	
			\$ 212 50	\$ 212 50

NON-RESIDENT TAX ACCOUNT—CHIPPAWA.

CR.

May 12	By cash Lot 50, Chippawa street, '92, '93, '94, '95	\$ 7 74
Oct. 6	Lot, Water street, '91, '92, '94, '95	27 17
Dec. 1	Lots 61, 62, Chippawa St., '92, '93	7 81

CR.

Sept. 30	To cash to Town Treasurer	\$ 7 74
Dec. 12	Town Treasurer.	34 98
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		\$ 42 72

ASSESSMENT ACCOUNT—VILLAGE OF FORT ERIE.

DR.

June 6	To County Assessment, By-law 651	\$ 250 00
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CR.

Dec. 17	By cash from Village Treasurer	\$ 250 00
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		\$ 250 00

NON-RESIDENT TAX ACCOUNT—FORT ERIE.

CR.

Jan. 7	By cash Lot 102, Torrance St., '92, '93, '94	\$ 7 40
20	Lot 5, Gilmore St. S., '94	2 53
Feb. 12	Lots 24, 25, 26, Gilmore St. S. and 59, Catharine St. N., '95	2 35
18	Lots 76, 77, Mary St. W., '95	2 10
May 18	Lot 49, Ellen St. E., '92, '93, '94.	1 13
18	Lot 60, Torrance St. W., '93, '94, '95	1 48
22	Lots 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, Ellen St., '95	3 20
June 25	Lot 80, Torrance St. W., '94, '95.	1 21
Aug. 25	Lots 111, 112, Mary St. W., '95 ..	2 31
Oct. 6	Lot 6, west side North St., '91, 92, '94, '95	11 17

Carried forward..... \$ 34 88

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	Brought forward	\$		\$ 34 88
Oct. 24	Lot 33, Catharine St. N., '92, '94.			6 00
28	Lots 37, 38, Kingsmill E., 53, 65, 66, Ellen St. E.; 75, 78, 79, 81, Torrance St. W.; 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, Torrance E., '94			9 65
Nov. 25	Lots 83, 84, Torrance St. W., '95.			2 30

DR.

Mar. 31	To cash to Village Treasurer	\$	14 38
Sept. 30	Village Treasurer		9 33
Dec. 12	Village Treasurer		29 12

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ASSESSMENT ACCOUNT—VILLAGE OF PORT COLBORNE.

DR.

June 6	To County Assessment, By-law 651	\$	477 75
Dec. 31	To balance due County	\$	477 75

NON-RESIDENT TAX ACCOUNT—PORT COLBORNE.

CR.

Dec. 29	By cash Lots 3, 4, East Ellen St., '92	\$	4 08
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DR.

Dec. 31	To cash to Village Treasurer	\$	4 08
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		\$	4 08

ASSESSMENT ACCOUNT—VILLAGE OF NIAGARA FALLS.

DR.

Jan. 1	To balance due County, per audit Dec. 31, '95	\$	342 50
June 6	County Assessment, By-law 651		362 50

CR.

Feb. 1	By cash from Town Treasurer	\$	342 50
	Balance		362 50
		\$	705 00
Dec. 31	To balance due County		362 50
		\$	705 00

NON-RESIDENT TAX—NIAGARA FALLS VILLAGE.

CR.

April 30 By cash Range 22, B. E. & S. E., '95 ; 2
Robinson N., '95 ; 15 Ferry St.,
'95 ; R. 23, S. E. & B. E., '95. \$ 55 60

DR.

To cash Village Treasurer. \$ 55 60
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ASSESSMENT ACCOUNT—TOWN OF THOROLD.

DR.

June 6 To County Assessment, By-law 651 \$ 1078 00

CR.

Dec. 31 By cash Town Treasurer \$ 1078 00
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ASSESSMENT ACCOUNT—TOWN OF WELLAND.

DR.

Jan. 1 To balance due County per audit, Dec
31st, 1895 \$ 978 00
6 County Assessment, By-law 651 994 00

CR.

Jan. 20 By cash Town Treasurer \$ 978 00
Balance 994 00
\$ 1972 00 \$ 1972 00

Dec. 31 To balance due County \$ 994 00

ASSESSMENT ACCOUNT—VILLAGE OF BRIDGEBURG.

DR.

June 6 To County Assessment, By-law 651 \$ 919 50

CR.

Dec. 3 By cash Village Treasurer \$ 300 00
Balance 619 50
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Dec. 31 To balance due County \$ 619 50

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NON-RESIDENT TAX—BRIDGEBURG.

		CR.	
April 31	By cash lots 232, 233, 234, 235, 251, Jarvis street, '95	\$	6 93
		DR.	
Dec. 12	To cash Village Treasurer	\$	6 93
		\$	6 93
		\$	6 93

AWARD ACCOUNT—TOWN OF NIAGARA FALLS.

		CR.	
July 11	By cash per settlement to June 25th, '96.	\$	1699 68
		DR.	
Dec. 31	To amount due County	\$	1699 68
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		\$	1699 68

1896.

LICENSES.

Jan. 9	By cash, John Weiss	\$	15 00
11	S. Unis		8 00
13	A. M. Atrap		8 00
15	Peter Jorge		8 00
15	W. E. Henderson		8 00
27	Isaac Unis		8 00
30	Chas. Morden		15 00
March 4	John Unis		8 00
5	S. Abraham		8 00
April 9	Mrs. Geo Crone		8 00
May 8	H. F. Garner		15 00
13	Wm. Shepard		15 00
18	John Robert		15 00
June 30	Solomon Stearns		8 00
July 8	L. V. Garner		15 00
30	Geo. Dabald		15 00
Aug. 25	Moses Cramar		8 00
Nov. 2	M. B. Baldwin, account fine M. Cramer		1 50
Dec. 30	J. E. Keating		15 00

Carried to receipts and expenditure account.....\$201 50

HOUSE OF INDUSTRY—EXPENDITURES.

Capital Account.

Aug. 19	W. H. Lowe, sewer pipe.....	\$ 212 18	
19	James Walker.....	90 00	
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		\$ 302 18	\$ 302 18

Barn.

Oct. 8	W. H. Crow, lumber.....	\$ 43 00	
Nov. 7	W. L. Rice, lumber.....	24 50	
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		\$ 67 50	\$ 67 50

Ice, Wood and Coal House.

Mar. 13	F. Rounds, enlargement.....	\$ 67 00	\$ 67 00
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House Furnishings.

April 11	John Peart, cook stove.....	\$ 29 00	\$ 29 00
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Farm Implements.

July 10	R. Moore & Son, fruit sprayer.....	\$ 5 00	
10	W. G. Somerville, seed drill.....	11 25	
Oct. 8	W. H. Lowe, cultivator.....	10 00	
Jan. 14	Robertson Bros., repairs.....	4 50	
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			\$ 30 75

Medicines.

Jan. 11	To S. D. Ramey, liquor.....	\$ 15 80	
14	T. Cumines, drugs.....	28 41	
Apr. 11	T. Cumines, drugs.....	6 40	
11	A. E. Douglas, drugs.....	24 85	
	S. D. Ramey, liquor.....	14 30	
18	J. H. Burgar, drugs.....	2 00	
July 9	C. Phelps, liquor.....	13 80	
10	A. E. Douglas, drugs.....	32 01	
21	J. H. Burgar, truss.....	2 30	
Oct. 8	A. E. Douglas, drugs.....	26 08	
8	C. Phelps, liquor.....	15 30	
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			\$ 181 45

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Stationery and Stamps.

Jan. 13	To J. J. Sidey	\$ 11 26	
April 11	J. J. Sidey	9 94	
Oct. 8	J. J. Sidey.....	6 86	
			\$ 28 06

Drainage.

Feb. 6	To M. Hobin, guard.....	\$ 34 50	
6	James Walker, guard	34 50	
March 2	W. H. Lowe, pipe	200 50	
April 13	D. D. Hooker, pipe	10 00	
June 6	E. Hamlin & Jones, labor.....	58 50	
9	James Walker, labor.....	39 00	
Dec. 14	D. D. Hooker, pipe	4 00	
			\$ 381 00

Telephone.

Apr. 13	To Bell Telephone Co., rental.....	\$ 12 50	
Oct. 8	Bell Telephone Co., rental.....	12 50	
			\$ 25 00

Incidental Expenses.

Jan. 13	To J. W. Hemming, sundries	\$ 9 24	
17	Telephone Co, messages.....	3 30	
Apr. 11	Dr. Howell, medical attendance.....	3 00	
13	Telephone Co., messages	2 60	
18	A. Simpson, hotel bill.....	1 00	
Oct. 8	B. Lundy, fixtures	1 40	
8	B. Lundy, messages.....	3 20	
8	O. H. Garner, telegrams.....	62	
			\$ 24 36

Manure and Ashes.

April 11	To W. H. Crow.....	\$ 1 00	
11	L. H. Taylor	1 00	
11	S. D. Ramey.....	2 00	
11	Dr. Howell.....	2 00	
11	H. A. Rose.....	1 00	
15	D. A. Doan, ashes.....	30 30	
May 1	A. Haines.....	1 00	
			\$ 38 30

Carried forward..... \$ 38 30

		Brought forward.....	\$ 38 30	
May	23	To D. A. Doan, ashes..	20 00	
July	10	James Dwyer	2 00	
	15	A. D. White	4 00	
Sept.	12	G. W. Cook	9 50	
Oct.	8	A. D. White	1 00	
	8	Sheriff Smith.....	75	
			-----	\$ 75 55

Fuel.

Feb.	3	To J. Blackwell, coal.....	\$ 40 20	
	17	Henry Bartz, wood....	75 00	
Mar.	2	Jas. Blackwell, coal....	23 95	
May	1	Jas. Blackwell, coal....	5 92	
	20	Jas. Blackwell, coal....	8 80	
July	10	Jas, Blackwell, coal....	8 80	
Aug.	28	W. H. Crow, coal	365 25	
			-----	\$ 527 92

Ice Supply.

Jan.	31	To John Misener	\$ 8 00	
Feb.	6	Robert Cooper, to pay labor	24 87	
	10	Chantler Bros., sawdust.....	1 80	
	29	E. Hughes, labor	4 15	
	29	John Holder, labor	3 00	
Mar.	3	T. Patchen, labor	3 00	
April	25	M. Jennings, sawdust	5 00	
			-----	\$ 49 82

Inquests.

April	13	To J. O. Emmett, medical witness.....	\$ 10 00	\$ 10 00
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Salaries and Wages.

		To J. W. Hemming.....	\$ 325 00	
		Mrs. Hemming	175 00	
		J. O. Emmett	100 00	
		John Gyer	172 50	
		Agnes Hemming....	175 50	
		John Griffith..	8 50	
			-----	\$ 956 50

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Printing.

July	11	To J. J. Sidey	\$	2	57	
	13	W. T. Sawle & Co		2	70	
Dec.	1	W. T. Sawle & Co		4	35	
				—	—	\$ 9 62

House Maintenance.

Jan.	11	To J. B. Taylor & Co., groceries	\$	167	47	
	11	McCaw & Son, boots and shoes		51	70	
	11	Ross & Co., dry goods		86	77	
	11	M. E. Lane, bread		94	22	
	11	Town of Welland, water rent		22	50	
	11	M. Vanderburgh, repairs		2	20	
	11	E. Brasford, leather		8	60	
	11	Taylor & Cooper, feed		37	75	
	13	J. Peart, sundries		20	25	
	13	J. E. Cutler, lumber		4	50	
	14	L. Wilson, apples		4	08	
	15	J. Foster, filing saws			20	
	16	W. J. Best, meat		80	32	
	16	W. G. Somerville, churn		4	95	
	17	B. Lundy, sundries			65	
April	11	W. H. Crow, lumber		30	25	
	2	M. Hobin, labor		37	50	
	11	J. H. Crow, hardware		37	40	
	11	F. Rounds, lumber			85	
	11	A. G. Hamilton, clock repairs			75	
	11	E. Brasford, leather		4	15	
	11	J. B. Taylor & Co., groceries		177	29	
	13	H. A. Rose, dry goods		44	00	
	13	E. O. Garner & Co., bread		83	89	
	15	D. McCaw & Son, boots and shoes		8	40	
	15	Town of Welland, water rent		22	50	
	21	W. Doan, painting		6	79	
	25	E. Hilton, masonry		23	07	
May	23	S. Britton, painting		3	50	
				—	—	\$ 1066 50

		Brought forward	\$ 1066 50
June	6	To E. A. Garner, bread	34 59
July	10	Taylor & Crow, hardware	114 88
	10	O. H. Garner, express.	35
	10	Taylor & Co., groceries	153 81
	10	D. McCaw & Son, boots and shoes...	6 70
	10	H. A. Rose, dry goods	67 60
	10	W. H. Crowther, bread	38 67
	10	J. Peart, freight	1 72
	14	J. E. Cutler, sash.	1 20
	15	D. Haist, potatoes	4 00
	17	Killey & Co., furnace manufacturers..	35 00
	17	G. H. Bugar, P. O. box rent	2 00
	20	Reeb & Son, lime	1 20
Oct.	8	W. H. Crowther, bread	59 42
	8	J. B. Taylor & Co., groceries	146 92
	8	H. A. Rose, dry goods	46 06
	8	J. H. Crow, hardware	50 03
	8	Taylor & Crow, hardware	7 21
	8	J. E. Cutler, lumber	9 08
	8	D. A. Doan, soap ashes	7 50
	8	B. Lundy, daily World	3 00
	8	Beatty & Sons, repairs	2 90
	12	O. E. Rounds, wainscoting	24 25
	13	Welland town, water rent	22 50
	13	Hamlin and Jones, labor	3 00
	27	Town of Welland, water rent	22 50
	28	W. J. Best, meat	228 20
	30	J. H. Crow, stove	54 00
Nov.	12	S. Britton, painting	1 50
	16	A. Railton, strawberries	2 40
Dec.	11	M. Vanderburg, repairs	2 25
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Farm Maintenance.

Jan.	11	To Taylor & Cooper, feed	66	\$33
	11	A. Wilson, labor		75
	11	A. Carl, harness repairs	4	65
	14	J. Goodwillie, baskets	4	11
	14	J. Moriarty, hay	10	50
	15	Chas. Clark, blacksmithing	5	70
	15	F. Ott, repairs	1	00
	18	W. H. Crow, lumber	31	34
Feb.	8	T. Wilson, straw	50	00
Mar.	17	T. Fidler, hay	30	48
	17	Heslop Bros., grinding	2	61
April	2	J. Walker, guard	37	50
	11	E. Brasford, leather	12	50
	11	A. Griffiths, harness	19	00
	11	M. Vanderburgh, hair clippings	2	00
	11	D. Bartz, straw	5	00
	11	Taylor & Cooper, feed	56	37
	11	M. Bridgman, pot	3	75
	13	A. Carl, collars, &c	15	95
	13	Beatty & Sons, repairs	4	00
	13	F. Ott, repairs	2	25
	13	C. Clark, blacksmith	16	86
	13	Robertson Bros., repairs	4	25
	13	J. O. Emmett, tomato plants		50
	18	M. Spencer, potatoes	3	13
	21	D. Bartz, straw	5	00
	22	A. Wilson, hay	10	74
	25	J. Simpson, straw	7	48
	30	Chantler Bros., corn stalks	6	82
May	8	Gurney & Co., scales	22	00
	8	G. W. Haist, potatoes	8	33
	23	A. Wilson, hay	12	46
	30	G. Carpenter, hay	6	78
June	13	T. Marks, straw	10	06
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Carried forward			\$478	14

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June	29	To F. Page, hay	16 85
	30	J. W. Dawdy, potatoes	6 38
July	9	Taylor & Cooper, feed	102 49
	9	L. H. Taylor, clipping horses.....	3 00
	9	A. Carl, harness repairs.....	5 29
	9	C. Clark, blacksmithing.....	5 25
	11	J. W. Hemming, sundries	10 04
	14	W. Rennie, seeds.....	55 39
	21	G. Coggins, berry plants.....	1 50
Aug.	19	A. Kennedy, labor.....	5 00
	19	J. A. Law, seed potatoes.....	3 00
	26	T. Blanchard, threshing.....	5 77
Sept.	11	J. R. Hutton, hay.....	23 40
	11	Heaslip Bros., grinding.....	2 00
Oct.	1	G. Page, hay	25 93
	8	Taylor & Cooper, feed.....	93 71
	8	Chandler Bros., straw, &c.....	13 06
	8	W. H. Crow, lumber.....	40 11
	8	J. W. Hemming, pay labor.....	17 83
	8	F. Ott, repairs	19 57
	8	A. Carl, harness repairs.....	10 63
	8	G. Cutler, blacksmithing	17 20
	8	W. H. Lowe, repairs.....	3 25
	8	W. G. Somerville, repairs.....	7 50
	8	J. Edmonds, hay.....	26 30
	31	J. W. Hemming, pay labor.....	23 00
Nov.	11	R. Doddridge, straw.....	20 00
	30	A. D. White, p't'g and rep'g wagon...	16 50
	30	J. Robins, hay.....	24 55
Dec.	9	J. W. Hemming, pay labor.....	51 00
	12	J. Doddridge, straw.....	23 00
	22	J. R. Hutton, hay.....	11 30

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Farm Products.

Jan. 8	By Gaol supplies	\$ 25 00	
April 1	J. W. Hemming	3 55	
9	Gaol supplies	32 00	
June 30	J. W. Hemming	18 35	
July 8	Gaol supplies	8 75	
Oct. 6	Gaol supplies	10 50	
28	W. J. Best	1 00	
Nov. 6	W. J. Best	25	
21	J. W. Hemming, fruit	121 20	
Dec. 14	J. B. Taylor & Co	20 51	
31	J. W. Hemming	45 56	
		<u> </u>	\$ 286 67

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Farm Stock.

April 1	By cash J. W. Hemming	\$ 20 00	
Oct. 28	W. J. Best	134 87	
Nov. 6	W. J. Best	158 18	
Dec. 31	L. McMann	99 90	\$412 95
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	By total receipts		\$838 99

Summary.

To expenditures, brought forward \$6658 84

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By total receipts	\$ 838 99
Balance	5819 85
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Dec. 31 Balance to receipts and exp. acc. . . . \$5819 85

COURT HOUSE AND OFFICE FURNITURE ACCOUNT.

Aug. 7	To J. J. Sidey, book stand.	\$ 5 00	
Nov. 5	A. Lawrence, desk, county clerk's office	39 00	
		<u> </u>	\$ 44 00

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DEBENTURES.

June 10	To debenture No 7	\$1599 00	
		<u> </u>	\$ 1599 00

DIVISION COURT JURY FUND.

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Jan. 8	To G. L. Hobson.....	\$ 11 00
May 7	G. L. Hobson.....	10 00
June 3	G. L. Hobson.....	12 00
Sep. 8	G. L. Hobson.....	11 00
Dec. 3	G. L. Hobson.....	10 00
31	Receipts and expenditures...	34 97

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Jan. 7	By cash E. Cruikshank.....	\$ 6 85
7	P. J. Wilson.....	60
9	A. K. Scholfield.....	2 42
14	G. L. Hobson.....	12 15
15	J. G. Cadham.....	12 95
Dec. 31	Receipts and expenditures.....	54 00

Balance of expenditure..... \$ 29 03

SALARIES.

G. L. Hobson, payable monthly.....	\$ 700 00
R. Cooper, payable monthly.....	450 00
J. Botterill, payable monthly.....	120 00
Harrison Pew, warden.....	100 00
J. H. Crow, auditor.....	25 00
Percival Prest, auditor.....	25 00

\$ 1420 00

LUNDY'S LANE HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

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June 9	By cash from James McGlashan, trust monies held by him as county treasurer	\$ 65 20
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20	To cash to treasurer of the L. L. Historical Society.....	\$ 65 20
		<u>\$ 65 20</u>

JURY EXPENSE.

Feb. 6	To I. P. Willson, drafting jurors, G. S...	\$ 2 00
6	G. L. Hobson, drafting jurors, G. S..	2 00
3	G. L. Hobson, drafting jurors, H. C..	2 00

Carried forward.....\$ 6 00

	Brought forward.....	\$ 6 00	
Feb. 3	To I. P. Willson, drafting jurors, H. C.	2 00	
April 28	Spring Assizes, grand jury.....	56 40	
28	Spring Assizes, petit jury.....	206 10	
June 10	General sessions, grand jury	41 10	
10	General sessions, petit jury.....	206 80	
10	Sheriff Smith, 1/2 year payment, as per by-law 449	25 00	
July 11	I. P. Willson, selecting jurors.	2 00	
11	G. L. Hobson, selecting jurors.	2 00	
13	G. L. Hobson, selecting jurors.	2 00	
13	I. P. Willson, selecting jurors.	2 00	
Sept. 2	Grand jury, assizes	57 40	
2	Petit jury, assizes	150 50	
15	Judge Fitzgerald, fixing No. jurors.	4 00	
	Sheriff Smith, fixing No. jurors.	4 00	
	Warden Pew, fixing No. jurors.	5 50	
	T. D. Cowper, fixing No. jurors.	4 00	
	G. L. Hobson, fixing No. jurors.	4 00	
Dec. 10	Selecting jurors for 1897 —		
	Judge Fitzgerald	12 00	
	Sheriff Smith	12 00	
	Warden Pew	13 50	
	T. D. Cowper	12 00	
	G. L. Hobson	12 00	
	Grand jury, sessions	82 10	
	Petit jury, sessions	321 30	
Dec. 24	Sheriff Smith, 1/2 year salary under by- law 449	25 00	
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Dec. 11	By I. P. Willson, jury fees,		
	H. C.	\$ 6 00	
11	I. P. Willson, jury fees,		
	G. S.	1 50	
31	Balance expenditures	1263 20	
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		\$ 1270 70	\$ 1270 70
Dec. 31	Balance receipts and expenditures		\$ 1263 20

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INTEREST ACCOUNT.

Jan. 31	To Imperial Bank, Int. on overdraft, Jan.	\$ 19 55	
Feb. 29	Imperial Bank, Int. on overdraft, Feb.	8 05	
Mar. 31	Imperial Bank, Int. on overdraft, Mar.	8 20	
April 30	Imperial Bank, Int. on overdraft, Apr.	12 40	
May 30	Imperial Bank, Int. on overdraft, May	21 65	
June 10	Imperial Bank, Int. on Deb. No. 7	344 00	
30	Imperial Bank, Int on overdraft, June	35 60	
July 30	Imperial Bank, Int. on overdraft, July	39 05	
Aug. 31	Imperial Bank, Int. on overdraft, Aug.	51 40	
Sept. 30	Imperial Bank, Int. on overdraft, Sept.	65 95	
Oct. 31	Imperial Bank, Int. on overdraft, Oct.	76 05	
Nov. 30	Imperial Bank, Int. on overdraft, Nov.	80 65	
Dec. 31	Imperial Bank, Int. on overdraft, Dec.	57 37	\$ 819 92

SPECIAL GRANTS.

Jan. 30	To E. Morden, Sec.-Treas. Welland Co. Farmers' Institute	\$ 25 00	
30	J. E. Cohoe, Sec.-Treas. Monck Co. Farmers' Institute	10 00	
June 6	Treas. Tp. of Pelham Ag. So., refund of Tp. proportion of Co. grant to Co. Ag. Society	11 64	
15	General and Marine Hospital, St. Catharines	300 00	
20	W. G. Somerville, Co. Ag. Society . . .	73 95	
20	Treas. Lundy's Lane Historical Soc.'y publishing history of county	50 00	
22	Treas. Thorold & Beaverdams Histori- cal Society	25 00	
Oct. 13	Treas. Tp. of Wainfleet Ag. So., refund	14 41	
Dec. 17	J. Coulson, aid of gaol library	10 00	
			\$ 520 00

DIVISION COURT OFFICES.

May 7	To J. Daust, fee book D. C. O., Port Colborne	2 95	
			\$ 2 95

CONTINGENT.

April	4	To Bell Telephone Co., message.....	\$	0	55	
	11	R. Cooper, expense return of Stewart from hospital.....		2	20	
May	1	Sheriff Smith, acc. cuffs and waist belt for lunatic.....		3	00	
June	4	G. Bennett, trimming and grafting...		2	00	
July	14	J. A. Gilchriese, meals, insane.....		1	00	
	23	Expenses of witnesses <i>re</i> division of County into districts.....		68	30	
Oct.	14	Bell Telephone Co., messages.....			40	
	23	J. A. Gilchriese, milk for prisoners...		2	30	\$ 79 75

FUEL.

July	3	To W. L. Rice, coal per contract.....	\$	513	90	
Dec.	5	O. H. Garner, wood.....		4	00	\$ 517 90

LAW EXPENSES.

June	11	To L. C. Raymond.....	\$	5	00	
Dec.	7	L. C. Raymond, drawing deed.....		3	00	\$ 8 00

MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT.

Feb.	1	To Jan. Sessions, members' allowance....	\$	385	70	
	1	Industrial Home committee.....		17	30	
	1	Gaol committee.....		16	20	
June	6	June Sessions, members' allowance...		385	70	
		Industrial Home committee.....		52	80	
		Gaol committee.....		22	80	
		Roads and bridges committee.....		53	90	
		Special committee, <i>re</i> Hellems claims.		10	10	
		Warden, general committee.....		14	00	
Dec.	4	Dec. Sessions, members' allowance....		315	30	
		Gaol committee.....		51	60	
		Home committee.....		73	60	
		Roads and bridges committee.....		56	80	
		Niagara Falls committee.....		22	80	
		Warden, general committee.....		17	50	\$ 1496 10

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SURROGATE OFFICE.

Jan.	8	To Hart & Riddell, books	\$	15	00	
		M. Calder, envelopes		11	00	\$ 26 00
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ELECTRIC LIGHTING.

Jan.	15	To C. J. Page	\$	45	20	
April	16	C. J. Page		37	50	
July	23	C. J. Page		37	10	
Oct.	12	C. J. Page		31	75	
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GAOLER AND TURNKEY'S RESIDENCE.

Jan.	13	To W. L. Rice, lumber, turnkey	\$	7	28	
Feb.	5	J. E. Cutler, lumber, turnkey		1	46	
Mar.	4	J. Peart, material and work		9	60	
April	13	B. Lundy, paper border		1	26	
June	4	J. E. Cutler, moulding and stops. ...		2	15	
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INSURANCE.

Feb.	4	To Jas. Munro, on court house	\$	60	00	
Mar.	2	Swayze & Son		17	50	
		J. F. Hill, on county buildings.		20	00	
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FINES.

Dec.	8	By E. R. Hellem's, P. M.	\$ /	1	00	
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REGISTRY OFFICE.

Jan.	11	To Ross & Co., mat	\$	1	75	
	11	Taylor & Crow, sundries		19	50	
	13	J. E. Morin, sundries		70	50	
June	5	Hart & Riddell, books		48	00	
July	10	Hart & Riddell, books		32	00	
	14	G. Ellsworth, repairs ..		2	63	
	14	Taylor & Crow, repairs		2	50	
	15	T. Main, lawn sprinkler		1	25	
Oct.	13	M. Vanderburg, repairs		6	00	
Sept.	29	J. Botterill, care of lawn		25	00	
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		Brought forward.....	\$209 13	
Dec. 15	To	J. E. Morin, supplies.....	47 70	
29		Town of Niagara Falls, share of govern- ment refund.....	35 62	
31		J. Botterill, 9 months furnace.....	36 00	
		CR.		
Jan. 13	By	J. E. Morin, Reg'r, Co's proportion of fees for 1895.....	\$ 821 79	
Dec. 24		Provincial Gov't, refund of amount paid them by Registrar Morin on acc't. of fees for 1895	255 28	
	To	Balance.....	\$ 748 62	
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Dec. 31	By	balance receipts.....	\$ 748 62	
		PRINTING.		
Jan. 13	To	Thorold Post	\$ 2 88	
		W. T. Sawle & Co., sessional minutes of December session of 1895	24 42	
Feb. 4		J. J. Sidey.....	5 54	
5		L. J. Brennan, binding minutes	23 40	
7		W. T. Sawle & Co.....	12 24	
7		Thorold Post.....	2 88	
April 11		Sawle & Co., printing minutes of Jan- uary session	39 96	
June 6		Sawle & Co	12 36	
13		J. J. Sidey.....	20 97	
13		Thorold Post.....	2 88	
Sept. 5		Sawle & Co., printing minutes of June session.....	51 80	
Dec. 5		J. J. Sidey, advertising.....	12 15	
19		Thorold Post, advertising.	2 40	
19		Sawle & Co., advertising.....	13 38	
29		Sawle & Co., printing minutes of December session.....	22 20	
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HIGH SCHOOLS.

Feb. 8	To treasurer Niagara Falls Collegiate Institute, county grant account of county pupils	\$ 551 62
Mar. 2	Treasurer Welland high school, omitted to be paid in in '93	308 87
May 21	Treasurer Welland high school, equal to government grant for '96	643 94
21	Treasurer Thorold high school, equal to government grant for '96	481 81
21	Treasurer Stamford high school, equal to government grant for '96	566 13
June 4	Treasurer Stamford H. S., additional grant	141 50
4	Treasurer Thorold H. S., additional grant	120 45
July 30	Treasurer Welland H. S., additional grant	714 69
		----- \$ 3529 01

PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Aug. 24	To township of Bertie	\$ 382 00
24	Township of Crowland	124 00
24	Township of Humberstone	340 00
24	Township of Pelham	302 00
24	Township of Stamford	251 00
24	Township of Thorold	236 00
24	Township of Wainfleet	329 00
24	Township of Willoughby	118 00

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June 30	By Provincial treasurer, amount of grant for '96	\$ 2082 00

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BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Jan.	4	To O. H. Garner & Co., supplies for examination of modelites	\$ 4 70
	20	Treasurer U. S. S. 3, Pelham and Thorold, leaving examination . . .	15 00
	30	Treasurer S. S. 11, Bertie, leaving examination	20 00
Mar.	2	J. H. Ball, account Teachers' association	25 00
	30	J. H. Ball, inspector, salary	173 75
April	22	Treasurer Fort Erie, leaving exam . . .	30 00
May	1	Thorold Post, advertising entrance examination	6 40
June	20	J. H. Ball, stamps, &c.	16 73
	30	J. H. Ball, inspector, salary	173 75
July	11	J. House, entrance exam., Marshville	14 20
	22	J. H. Ball, entrance and leaving examinations at Pelham	53 00
	24	J. J. Sidey, advertising entrance exam.	5 94
	25	J. H. Ball, entrance examination at Bridgeburg	68 00
	11	L. G. Lorrinan, entrance examination at Marshville	16 85
July	29	To Treasurer S. S. 9, Wainfleet, entrance and leaving examination	\$ 10 00
	30	Treasurer Welland high school, leaving and entrance examination	41 00
Aug.	5	D. McKay, entrance exam., Ridgeway	14 20
	8	J. H. Ball, entrance and leaving exams., Marshville and Bridgeburg.	107 00
	23	B. Lundy, supplies	1 50
	11	J. H. Ball, salary, secretary county board of examiners	25 00
	11	A. H. Kilman, holding examinations at Bridgeburg	11 05
Sept.	29	J. H. Ball, inspector, salary	173 75
		Carried forward	\$ 1006 82

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		Brought forward.....	\$ 1006 82	
Sept.	23	To Treas. S. S. 5, Pelham acc't leav'g examination.....	5 00	
Oct.	6	H. N. Hibbard, assistant examiner at Ridgeway.....	6 00	
	6	A. B. McLean, examination supplies..	5 20	
Nov.	30	P. W. Anthony, examination supplies	6 74	
Dec.	1	Treasurer S. S. 4, Wainfleet, account leaving examination.....	10 00	
	1	Treasurer P. S., Bridgeburg, account	5 00	
	5	Treasurer S. S. 4, Crowland, account	10 00	
	7	J. H. Ball, sundries.....	21 15	
	11	Treas. Fort Erie P. S., leaving exam .	45 00	
	17	Treas. town of Welland, proportion of inspector's salary.....	27 70	
	17	Treas. town of Welland, grant to Model school.....	150 00	
	17	R. Harcourt, acc't county examiner...	28 00	
	17	J. McNeice, services as examiner....	32 00	
	23	J. H. Ball, services as county examiner of teachers.....	52 00	
	23	J. H. Ball, inspector, salary.....	173 75	
	23	Treas. S. S. 3, Pelham, account leaving examination.....	15 00	
	24	Treas. S. S. 5, Pelham, account leaving examination.....	15 00	
	24	O. H. Garner, supplies for teachers' examination.....	5 60	
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Jan.	27	By F. Shriner, per J. H. Ball, refund acc't of June examination....	\$ 7 00	
Dec.	1	Prov. of Ont., acc't of leav- ing examinations....	245 00	
	31	Balance.....	1372 96	
			<u>\$1624 96</u>	<u>\$ 1624 96</u>
Dec.	31	To balance of expenditure.....	\$ 1372 96	

COURT HOUSE AND JAIL.

Expenditure.

Jan.	11	To P. McMurray, sundries and repairs...\$	17 45
	11	S. H. Griffith, sundries	24 99
	11	Town of Welland, water	18 75
	13	J. J. Sidey, stamps, jailer's office	5 00
	14	O. H. Garner, books	1 45
	15	J. Foster, filing saws	20
	17	Telephone Co., 6 months rent	6 00
	18	W. H. Crow, lumber	4 02
Feb.	6	J. Botterill, repairing shoes	1 15
	8	C. Asher, account freight	70
April	11	M. Vanderburgh, repairs to steps	53 30
	11	T. Main, repairs to lockup	10 00
	11	W. H. Crow, lumber	23 20
	11	F. Rounds, lumber	8 25
	11	A. Lawrence, repairs	2 00
	11	O'Neal & Hobin, paint, &c	57 30
	11	G. H. Burgar, postoffice box	2 00
	11	J. J. Sidey	5 00
	11	Office Specialty Co., desk, sheriff's office	40 88
	11	Ross & Co., sundries	32 95
	11	A. D. White, repairs	2 35
	11	Telephone Co., messages	50
	11	Mrs. Tuckey, clock repairs, sheriff's off.	75
	18	Town of Welland, water	18 75
May	1	J. V. Hyatt, painting	1 25
	1	C. Asher, cartage	25
June	3	J. Coulson, electric bell system	29 00
July	11	M. Vanderburg, repairs	14 89
	13	J. Botterill, repairing shoes	6 00
	14	J. J. Sidey, stamps, jailer's office	5 00
	14	O'Neal & Hobin, sundries	10 92
	17	Killey & Co., castings for furnace	10 00
	17	W. H. Crow, lumber	6 39
Carried forward			\$383 17

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July	20	To Ross & Co., dry goods	1 50
	30	O. H. Garner & Co., flag	17 00
	30	Town of Welland, water rent	18 75
Aug.	3	Telephone Co., 1/2 year's rent and messages	6 60
Oct.	12	P. McMurray, repairs, court house roof	240 05
	12	P. McMurray, sundries	5 85
	12	Ross & Co., dry goods	6 61
	12	O'Neal & Hobin, sundries	6 75
	13	M. Vanderburg, repairs	6 87
	14	Town of Welland, water rent	18 75
	20	Tarrant & Duly, painting court house roof	15 50
	20	Taylor & Crow, hardware and oil	3 20
	28	B. Moore, straw	4 00
	29	J. H. Crow, paint and oil for court house roof	18 76
Dec.	5	J. J. Sidey, stamps for jailer's office ..	5 00
	5	C. Asher, freight and cartage	70
	8	B. Moore, straw	4 00
	10	O. H. Garner, message	43
	26	C. Asher, freight and cartage	60
	26	Morris & Co., trees for lawn	2 25

Receipts.

Dec.	17	By Town of Welland, rent of lockup	\$ 50 00
	17	Balance	753 81
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			\$ 803 81
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			\$ 803 81

Dec.	31	Balance to expense account	\$ 753 81
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Office Expenses.

Jan.	31	To J. J. Sidey, stamps, &c., C. C. office ..	\$ 7 25
Mar.	13	J. J. Sidey, stamps, &c., treas. office ..	5 00
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		Carried forward	\$ 12 25

		Brought forward	\$ 12 25	
April	4	To J. J. Sidey, stamps, &c., C. C. office..	5 00	Dec
	15	Speckman & Co., type ribbon	1 00	
June	6	J. J. Sidey, stamps, C. C. office	6 00	
	13	G. H. Burgar, P. O. box, C. C. office and T. office	4 00	
Aug.	7	J. J. Sidey, stamps, C. C. office and T. office	10 00	
	7	J. J. Sidey, dictionary	18 00	
Oct.	19	J. J. Sidey, stamps, C. C. office	6 00	Dec
Nov.	16	J. J. Sidey, stamps, C. T. office	5 00	
Dec.	5	J. J. Sidey, stationery, &c.	12 80	
	19	W. T. Sawle & Co., tax receipts and envelopes, T. office	8 75	
	24	J. J. Sidey, stamps, C. C. office	6 00	
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			\$ 94 80	

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

June	4	To W. Burns, work, Montrose bridge . . \$	15 00	
	4	A. Howey, work, Montrose bridge	11 00	
	6	W. Cook, carpenter, Montrose bridge	12 25	
	6	A. Abbey, carpenter, Montrose bridge	16 12	
	6	A. D. McLean, paint and oil, Beckett bridge	6 45	
	19	C. Farr, rep'g and painting Beckett bridge	8 00	
	26	Treas. Welland town on account of maintenance of bridge over Wel- land River	50 00	
	26	C. Sauer, repairs, Sauer bridge	24 03	
	26	McCleary & Co., material, Montrose bridge	27 39	
Oct.	24	A. Abbey, labor, Port Robinson b'dge	41 50	
	26	W. H. Crow, plank, Port Robinson bridge	74 88	
Nov.	5	J. Gilmore, rep'rs Port Davidson b'dge	19 00	
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		Carried forward	\$ 305 62	

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		Brought forward	\$ 305 62
Dec.	4	To W. Burns, swinging Montrose bridge	50 00
	4	W. Burns, repairs to Montrose bridge	3 00
	9	J. R. Goring, repairs to Wellandport bridge.....	1 50
	11	C. A. Farr, repairs to Beckett's bridge	8 00
	26	P. J. Moore, repairs to Robins' bridge	10 00

Receipts.

Dec.	8	By treasurer Co. Lincoln, half exp. of rep'rs Robins' and Port Davidson bridges	\$ 14 50
	8	Balance	363 62
			\$ 378 12
			\$ 378 12
	8	Balance to receipts and exp. acc't	\$ 363 62

ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE.

Expenditure.

Jan.	7	To Judge Fitzgerald, audit crim. accounts.	\$ 4 00
	7	E. Cruikshank, audit criminal accounts	6 20
	7	Thos. Clark, audit criminal accounts. .	4 50
	7	Sheriff Smith, January audit	514 80
	7	Sheriff Smith, April audit	522 74
	7	Sheriff Smith, July audit	503 30
	7	Sheriff Smith, October audit	351 38
	7	T. D. Cowper, county crown attorney, Jan. audit	689 43
	7	T. D. Cowper, county crown attorney, April audit	447 04
	7	T. D. Cowper, county crown attorney, July Audit	559 68
	7	T. D. Cowper, county crown attorney, October audit	535 89
	7	J. Coulson, jailer, payable monthly ..	691 67
	7	J. Gilchriese, turnkey, payable monthly	450 00
		Carried forward	\$ 5280 63

		Brought forward	\$ 5280 63
Jan.	7	To Thos. Mains, turnkey, payable monthly	450 00
	7	C. M. Gilchriese, matron, payable monthly	187 83
	7	J. H. Howell, jail surgeon, January . .	34 00
	7	J. H. Howell, jail surgeon, April	29 00
	7	J. H. Howell, jail surgeon, July	31 00
	7	J. H. Howell, jail surgeon, October . .	30 00
	7	N. Brewster, coroner, per audit	6 20
	7	Sheriff Dawson, per audit	1 03
	7	Sheriff Brown, per audit	2 26
	7	Sheriff Brady, per audit	5 08
	7	Sheriff Flintoft, per audit	1 33
	7	G. Robertshaw, constable, per audit . .	7 00
	7	M. Heenan, constable, per audit	6 80
	7	Thos. Dundas, constable, per audit . .	56 90
	7	L. Barnett, constable, per audit	3 00
	7	L. V. Garner, constable, per audit . . .	40 60
	7	A. D. White, constable, per audit	12 60
	7	W. Taylor, constable, per audit	7 00
	7	J. Kimmins, constable, per audit	20 55
	7	A. W. McAlpine, constable, per audit .	2 50
	7	C. Ramey, crier, per audit	27 00
	7	M. E. Lane, bread, per audit	84 11
	7	W. F. Guest, meat, per audit	38 26
	7	Ross & Co., dry goods, per audit	114 75
	7	Industrial Home, potatoes, per audit .	25 00
	7	J. H. Burgar, medicine, per audit . . .	33 97
	7	Brown Bros., liquor, per audit	2 95
	7	S. H. Griffith, groceries, per audit . . .	50 56
	7	W. J. McCoppen, meals jury, per audit	7 70
	7	O. H. Garner, telegraph, per audit . . .	15
	7	J. J. Sidey, stationery, per audit	27 95
	7	W. T. Sawle & Co., stationery, per audit	19 68
	7	I. P. Wilson, stationery, per audit	10 00
	7	Dr. Glasgow, exam. insane, per audit .	8 00
		Carried forward	\$ 6665 39

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		Brought forward	\$ 6665 39
Jan.	7	To P. McMurray, sundries, per audit	12 95
	13	J. H. Howell, examining insane and p'ty	10 00
	13	Crown witnesses, Reg. v. Farr	15 70
	13	Constable Ramey, Reg. v. Farr	1 50
	30	Provincial Treasurer, account doctor's order conv'y'g prisoners & lunatics	67 12
Mar.	3	Central Prison, acc't. shoes	20 10
	3	J. Coulson, expense conveying Stewart to hospital, St. Catharines	2 65
	10	Ramey, constable, Reg. v. Quinn	1 50
	14	Ramey, constable, Reg. v. George	1 50
	24	G. W. Benner, watching American tug	2 50
	24	L. H. Barnett, <i>re</i> pollution Niagara River	2 50
	24	J. Coulson, expenses conveying Wick to St. Catharines hospital	2 15
	30	A. D. White, constable	25 00
April	8	Industrial School, account Asa Cline	11 15
	8	E. Cruikshank, county audit board	6 20
	8	B. F. Canby, county audit board	5 30
	8	T. Cumines, coroner, per audit	8 70
	8	C. Ramey, constable, per audit	3 55
	8	P. O'Malley, constable, per audit	1 50
	8	E. W. Shisler, constable, per audit	1 50
	8	Thos. Dundas, constable, per audit	28 40
	8	A. Pettit, constable, per audit	8 60
	8	L. V. Garner, constable, per audit	22 40
	8	M. Heenan, constable, per audit	8 60
	8	J. R. Dowd, constable, per audit	6 00
	8	J. Kimmins, constable, per audit	4 60
	8	G. Chapman, constable, per audit	8 95
	8	A. D. White, constable, per audit	10 20
	8	C. Ramey, crier, per audit	1 20
	8	Sheriff Mowat, per audit	1 46

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		Brought forward	\$ 6968 87
April	8	To W. F. Guest, meat, per audit	67 64
	8	W. H. Crowther, bread, per audit	111 72
	8	Ross & Co., dry goods, per audit	70 03
	8	O'Neal & Hobin, groceries, per audit	81 32
	8	Industrial Home, jail supplies per audit	32 00
	8	J. H. Bargar, medicine, per audit	78 62
	8	J. H. Howell, examining insane, and for penitentiary, per audit	5 00
	8	O. H. Garner, wood, per audit	84 85
	8	Dr. Hopkins, exam. insane, per audit	5 60
	8	Dr. Glasgow, exam. insane, per audit	4 00
	8	J. J. Sidey, printing, per audit	10 88
	8	W. T. Sawle & Co., per audit	11 80
	8	W. F. Gilchriese, constable, per audit	5 55
	8	W. F. Gilchriese, guard, per audit	3 75
	20	Provincial Treasurer, account convey- ing prisoners, &c., March qr.	17 84
	20	Crown witnesses, Reg. v. Ryan	19 95
	20	Crown witnesses, Reg. v. Sweeney	47 55
	20	Constables at Assizes	17 20
June	10	Crown witnesses, Reg. v. Savigny	11 90
	10	Crown witnesses, Reg. v. Ryan	24 95
	10	Constables, General Sessions	17 20
	10	E. R. Hellems, services, committing vagrants, '92, '93, '94, '95.	100 00
	10	F. Swayze & Son, ticket for prisoner to Hamilton	1 15
	30	A. D. White	25 00
July	7	Judge Fitzgerald, board county audit	4 00
	7	Judge Fitzgerald, board county audit	6 20
	7	B. F. Canby, board county audit	5 30
	7	J. McGarry, coroner, per audit	29 40
	7	T. Cumines, coroner, per audit	7 25
	7	W. B. Hopkins, coroner, per audit	6 00
	7	C. Ramey, coroner's const., per audit	1 75
		Carried forward	\$ 7884 27

		Brought forward	\$ 7884 27
July	7	To Sheriff Brown, per audit	4 90
	7	Sheriff Brady, per audit	2 03
	7	D. Stringer, constable, per audit	6 70
	7	E. Killens, constable, per audit	8 50
	7	E. W. Shisler, constable, per audit	21 00
	7	E. L. Haun, constable, per audit	8 15
	7	G. Fulsom, constable, per audit	20 96
	7	M. Heenan, constable, per audit	4 85
	7	L. V. Garner, constable, per audit	11 90
	7	A. D. Turner, constable per audit	26 10
	8	C. Ramey, crier, per audit	12 30
	8	W. F. Guest, meat, per audit	13 02
	8	Industrial Home, potatoes, per audit	8 75
	8	O'Neal & Hobin, groceries, per audit	31 69
	8	W. Crowther, bread, per audit	21 81
	8	J. H. Burgar, medicine, per audit	27 35
	8	S. H. Glasgow, exam. insane, per audit	4 00
	8	I. P. Wilson, stationery, per audit	10 00
	8	W. J. McCoppen, meals jury, per audit	3 60
	8	J. J. Sidey, stationery, per audit	20 01
	8	W. T. Sawle & Co., stationery, per audit	12 84
	8	J. B. Stephens, advertising, per audit	18 90
	8	A. D. White, constable, per audit	9 90
	9	F. G. Ponton, stenographer at General Sessions	10 00
	10	Industrial School, <i>re</i> Asa Cline	26 00
	10	E. R. Hellems, salary as P. M. 1/2 year	25 00
	15	J. H. Howell, examining prisoner for penitentiary	3 00
	15	F. Swayze & Son, railway ticket for prisoner	5 00
	24	Provincial Treasurer, account convey- ing prisoners, June quarter	23 36
	29	J. A. Cowper, M. D., medical witness and holding post mortem, <i>re</i> Bright	10 00
		Carried forward	\$ 8337 54

		Brought forward.....	\$ 8337 54
July	29	To Jury fees.....	7 50
Aug.	6	Crown Witnesses, Reg. v. Haun.....	2 05
	6	Constable Ramey.....	1 50
Sept.	2	Constables at assizes.....	20 70
	23	J. A. Cowper, M. D., holding inquest on unknown man.....	10 00
	23	Jurors' fees on the inquest.....	19 00
	29	Chas. Stewart, constable at inquest. .	12 50
	30	W. Douglas, M. D., post mortem, <i>re</i> Brown.....	10 00
Oct.	5	Industrial School, <i>re</i> Asa Cline.....	26 00
	6	Judge Fitzgerald, board county audit.	4 00
	6	E. Cruikshank, board county audit ..	6 20
	6	B. F. Canby, board county audit.....	5 30
	6	T. Cumines, coroner, per audit.....	26 49
	6	W. B. Hopkins, coroner, per audit... .	6 00
	6	N. Brewster, coroner, per audit.....	12 80
	6	Chas. Stewart, constable, per audit ..	10 00
	6	L. V. Garner, constable, per audit ...	25 42
	6	J. R. Dowd, constable, per audit ...	1 95
	6	S. Gilchriese, constable, per audit....	7 60
	6	A. Gilchriese, constable, per audit....	6 10
	6	J. Kimmins, constable, per audit....	9 10
	6	E. Augustine, constable, per audit....	8 12
	6	J. B. Doan, constable, per audit.....	6 15
	6	C. Ramey, crier, per audit..	5 20
	6	W. H. Crowther, bread, per audit....	13 53
	6	Industrial Home, potatoes, per audit.	10 50
	6	W. F. Guest, meat, per audit.....	8 70
	6	O'Neal & Hobin, groceries, per audit.	21 12
	6	J. H. Burgar, drugs, per audit.....	32 05
	6	Brown Bros., liquor, per audit.....	4 70
	6	J. A. Cowper, exam. insane, per audit.	4 00
	6	G. Cronmiller, undertaker, <i>re</i> unknown man.....	11 25
		Carried forward.....	\$ 8651 32

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		Brought forward.....	\$ 8651 32
Oct.	6	To W. T. Sawle & Co., printing, per audit	19 07
	6	J. J. Sidey, printing, per audit.....	36 70
	12	T. Mains, expenses sending prisoner to Toronto.....	2 60
	12	Swayze & Son, ticket for a prisoner to Buffalo.....	85
Nov.	21	Crown witnesses, Reg. v. Bradley....	12 10
	21	C. Ramey, constable, Reg. v. Bradley	1 50
Dec.	2	J. R. Dowd, <i>re</i> Rosette and Eastman.	15 50
	4	Central prison account, clothing and shoes.....	83 05
	10	Crown witnesses, Reg. v. Eastman...	8 00
	10	Crown witnesses, Reg. v. West.....	22 45
	10	Crown-witnesses, Reg. v. Rosette....	12 00
	10	Crown witnesses, Reg. v. Richards .	82 80
	10	Court constables.....	38 70
	10	C. Ramey, stenographer at General Sessions.....	20 00
	10	E. R. Hellems.....	25 00
	10	Chas. Stewart.....	12 50
	10	C. Ramey, constable, Reg. v. Gillam..	1 50
April	11	J. H. Howell, medical witness <i>re</i> Robinson.....	5 00
	11	J. Gilchriese, meals, insane prisoner..	4 50

RECEIPTS.

Jan.	16	By Prov'l Gov't, proportion of quarter audit, Sept., '95	\$ 491 97
Mar.	24	Prov'l Gov't, proportion of quarter audit, Dec., '95	1186 78
May	21	Prov'l Gov't, proportion of quarter audit, Mar., '96	651 44
Sept.	23	Prov'l Gov't, proportion of quarter audit, June, '96	835 46
		Balance.....	5889 59
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			\$ 9055 24 \$9055 24
Dec.	31	Balance to expense acc't..	\$ 5889 59

SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENT RECEIPTS.

Township of Bertie	\$ 4167 31
" " Crowland	1450 00
" " Humberstone	2625 00
" " Pelham	2713 82
" " Stamford	2258 63
" " Wainfleet	3462 50
" " Thorold	2190 00
" " Willoughby	1314 00
Village of Chippawa	212 50
" " Fort Erie	250 00
" " Niagara Falls South	342 50
" " Bridgeburg	300 00
Town of Thorold	1078 00
" " Welland	978 00

Dec. 31 By balance carried to rec. and exp. acct. \$23342 26

SUMMARY OF BALANCES DUE ON ASSESSMENTS.

Township of Bertie	\$ 361 34
" " Crowland	692 00
" " Humberstone	1341 16
" " Pelham	1145 25
" " Wainfleet	3507 50
" " Thorold	2197 81
" " Willoughby	708 50
Village of Port Colborne	477 75
" " Niagara Falls South	362 50
" " Bridgeburg	619 50
Town of Welland	994 00

Dec. 31 Balance added to capital account. \$12407 31

ABSTRACT STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES.

Bank overdraft, per audit, Dec. 31, 1895	\$ 7262 34	
Less cash in Treasurer's hands	54 96	
Deficit, per audit, Dec. 31, 1896		\$ 7207 38
Bank overdraft, Dec 31, 1896	\$ 7564 91	
Less cash in Treasurer's hands	190 84	
		\$ 7374 07
Balance, being increase of deficit		\$ 166 69

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Receipts.

Amount brought down, increase of deficit	\$ 166 69
Assessment	23342 26
Non-resident taxes :	
Township of Bertie	180 51
" " Crowland	41 26
" " Stamford	171 32
" " Wainfleet	26 38
" " Thorold	7 65
Village of Chippawa	42 72
" " Fort Erie	52 83
" " Port Colborne	4 08
" " Niagara Falls South	55 60
" " Bridgeburg	6 93
Award, Niagara Falls Town	1699 68
Licenses	201 50
House of Industry	838 99
Division court jury fund	34 97
Lundy's Lane Historical Society	62 50
Jury expense	7 50
Fines	1 00
Registry office	1077 07
Public schools	2082 00
Board of education	252 00
Court house and gaol	50 00
Roads and Bridges	14 50
Administration of Justice	3165 65
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Total receipts	\$33588 29

Expenditure.

Non-resident taxes :	
Township of Bertie	\$ 180 51
" " Crowland	41 26
" " Stamford	171 32
" " Wainfleet	26 38
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Carried forward	\$ 419 47

Brought forward	\$ 419 47
Township of Thorold	7 65
Village of Chippawa	42 72
“ “ Fort Erie	52 83
“ “ Port Colborne	4 08
“ “ Niagara Falls South	55 60
“ “ Bridgeburg	6 93
House of Industry	6658 84
Court house and office furniture	44 00
Debentures	1599 00
Division court jury fund	54 00
Salaries	1420 00
Lundy's Lane Historical Society	65 20
Jury expense	1270 70
Interest	819 92
Special grants	520 00
Division court offices	2 95
Contingent	79 75
Fuel	517 90
Law expenses	8 00
Municipal Government	1496 10
Surrogate office	26 00
Electric lighting	151 55
Gaoler's and Turnkey's residence	21 75
Insurance	97 50
Registry office	328 45
Printing	249 46
High schools	3529 01
Public schools	2082 00
Board of education	1624 96
Court house and gaol	803 81
Office expenses	94 80
Roads and Bridges	378 12
Administration of Justice	9055 24
Total expenditure	\$33588 29

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Capital Account.

Capital, Dec. 31, 1895.....	\$106463 19
Less expenses over receipts	10509 41
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	\$ 95953 78
Plus unpaid assessments.....	12407 31
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Capital, Dec. 31, 1896.....	\$108361 09

SUMMARY OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES.

Assets.

Court house and gaol	\$67870 39
Registry office.....	8631 67
Furniture, gaol.....	1017 60
Furniture, court house.....	1253 00
Furniture, registry office.....	125 00
House of Industry.....	29471 62
Insurance, unexpired.....	248 82
Assessment account, balance due.....	12407 31
Cash on hand.....	190 84

Liabilities.

Balance of debenture account.....	\$ 5291 00
Imperial Bank, overdraft.....	7564 91
Capital, Dec. 31, 1896.....	108361 09
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PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

OF THE

COUNTY OF WELLAND.

SPECIAL SESSION.

AUGUST 12, 1897.

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SPECIAL SESSION.

WELLAND, August 12th, 1897.

By direction of the Warden, the Municipal Council of the County of Welland met at the Grand Jury Room, in the Court House, at the Town of Welland, on Thursday, the 12th day of August, 1897, in Special Session, at 10 o'clock a. m.

The Warden in the chair.

Members present :—Messrs. Cronmiller, Cruikshank, Moore, Morden, Morris, Pew, Sidey, Steele, Upper and Willson.—10.

The Warden addressed the Council, and stated the cause of calling this Special Session, namely, the taking into consideration the repairing or rebuilding of Montrose Bridge, and the putting of acetylene gas in the county buildings.

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

The Warden presented report of Standing Committee of Road and Bridge Committee, which was read to Council.

Moved by Mr. Willson, seconded by Mr. Moore,

That the report just read be adopted.

A discussion arose, all members taking a part.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the Warden left the chair.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 1.30 p. m. the Council resumed.

PUPIL AT AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE.

Moved by Mr. Sidey, seconded by Mr. Morden,

That this County Council nominate Mr. Warren Crow of Pelham as the pupil now entitled to be received from this County as a free pupil in the Ontario Agricultural College, at Guelph.—Carried.

CONTRACT FOR LIGHTING.

Moved by Mr. Cronmiller, seconded by Mr. Pew,

That whereas the cost of lighting the court house, registrar's office, jailer's and turnkey's residences by electricity has been very expensive in the past, the Jail Committee be instructed to have placed on the premises an acetylene gasometer and generators, with sufficient piping for the purpose, at a cost not to exceed \$275.00, to be completed and ready for use at the expiration of the present contract with the electric light company.

Moved by Mr. Morden, seconded by Mr. Cruikshank,

In amendment, that all the words after "that" in the first line of the original resolution be struck out and the following be substituted therefor :
 "Whereas the manufacture of the acetylene gas is subject to irksome restrictions on the part of the underwriters, therefore this Council accepts the offer of the Electric Light Company to supply light as heretofore at \$80.00 for the coming year, with the privilege of the same terms for 3 years to come.—Carried on a division.

TREASURER'S STATEMENT

The Warden presented Treasurer's statement, showing receipts and expenditures from June 1st to date.

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

The report of Road and Bridge Committee was again taken up, and after a lengthy discussion the report was adopted on the motion of Messrs. Willson and Moore.

Moved by Mr. Pew, seconded by Mr. Sidey,

That the Chairman of the Road and Bridge Committee be instructed to have plans and specifications prepared for the construction of the southern approach to the swing bridge at Montrose in wood, steel and iron, and procure estimates as to cost of each at as early a date as possible ; also the cost of an entire new bridge from end to end in wood, steel and iron, and submit the same to this Council for their consideration.—Carried.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Moved by Mr. Sidey, seconded by Mr. Upper,

That J. Harrison Pew be elected Chairman of the Finance Committee for the present session in the absence of County Councillor Steele.—Carried.

MONTROSE BRIDGE.

Moved by Mr. Sidey, seconded by Mr. Upper,

That if a temporary wooden bridge be adopted at Montrose, it be an instruction to the Road and Bridge Committee to make the driveway of same of similar width to the present structure, suitable to utilize the present narrow swing.

The yeas and nays being called, were taken as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Cronmiller, Cruikshank, Moore, Pew, Sidey, Upper and Willson—7.

Nays—Mr. Morden.

Motion passing in the affirmative—majority 6.

Moved by Mr. Morden, seconded by Mr. Upper,

That the Warden be authorized to communicate with the Dominion Government and solicit assistance in the construction of the proposed new bridge over the Welland River at Montrose; it being a bridge over a navigable stream forming a part of the Welland Canal system, and similarly situated in every respect to the Chippawa bridge, wholly constructed by the said Dominion Government in the year 1888.—Carried.

The Warden presented report of Finance Committee, which was read to Council.

Moved by Mr. Sidey, seconded by Mr. Pew,

That the report of the Finance Committee just read be adopted.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Pew, seconded by Mr. Upper,

That this Council do now adjourn to meet at the call of the Warden.

Pursuant to motion, Council adjourned, at 6 o'clock p. m.

(Sgd.) E. MORRIS, Warden.

APPENDIX A.

REPORTS.

FIRST REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE ON ROADS AND
BRIDGES FOR THE COUNTY OF WELLAND FOR THE
YEAR 1897.

*To the Warden and Councillors of the County of Welland in Council
Assembled :*

GENTLEMEN,—

Your Committee on Roads and Bridges beg leave to submit this their report *re* the Montrose bridge.

Your Committee on June the 16th made their first inspection of this bridge. After a careful and thorough examination of the same, your Committee were astonished to find the structure (excepting swing) in the advanced stage of decay which we did. It was decided at this time to meet again, and in the meantime procure some practical bridge builder to confer with your Committee with a view of ascertaining his opinion whether it would be expedient to undertake patching or repairing the bridge. His opinion agreeing in the main with your Committee's, that in the county's interest the better course to pursue would be to build anew to the swing. Accordingly Mr. Ray was instructed to make a plan in accordance with the Committee's views, (which is hereby submitted). In closing this our report, we would recommend that a stationary bridge or approach be erected this season.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

(Signed,) H. N. WILLSON,
ROBERT MOORE,
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REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

To the Warden and Council of the County of Welland :

GENTLEMEN,—

Your Finance Committee beg leave to report that they have examined the following accounts, and find them correct, and recommend the payment of same :

ROAD AND BRIDGE COMMITTEE.

H. N. Willson	\$33 30
Robt. Moore	22 30
E. Morden	20 40

JAIL COMMITTEE.

S. J. Sidey	\$ 8 00
J. Harrison Pew	9 30
H. Cronmiller	7 90

All of which is respectfully submitted.

(Sgd.,) J. HARRISON PEW,
S. J. SIDEY,
E. CRUIKSHANK,
H. N. WILLSON,
H. CRONMILLER,
W. UPPER,
E. MORDEN,
ROBERT MOORE.



1897.

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

OF THE

COUNTY OF WELLAND.

SPECIAL SESSION.

SEPT. 1, 1897.

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SECOND SPECIAL SESSION.

WELLAND, September 1st, 1897.

By direction of the Warden, the Municipal Council of the County of Welland met at Council chamber, in the court house, at the town of Welland, on Wednesday, the first day of September, 1897, in special session, at 10 o'clock a. m.

The Warden in the chair.

Members present:—Messrs. Cronmiller, Cruikshank, Moore, Morden, Morris, Pew, Sidey, Steele, Upper and Willson.—10.

The Warden addressed the Council, and stated the cause of calling this special session, namely, the receiving of tenders for Montrose bridge.

The minutes of Thursday, August 12th, were read by Clerk and approved by the Council.

THE QUEEN'S APPRECIATION.

The Warden presented communication from David Erskine, Esq., Governor General's secretary, conveying to the Council of the County of Welland the Queen's sincere appreciation of the congratulations and loyal assurances contained in their address to Her Majesty on the occasion of Her Diamond Jubilee.

HUMBERSTONE BY-LAW.

Mr. Cronmiller gives notice that he will to-day ask leave to introduce a bill to confirm a by-law No. 343, passed by the Township of Humberstone on the 31st day of March, 1897, notwithstanding any rule of this Council to the contrary.

ALIEN LABOR.

Moved by Mr. Cruikshank, seconded by Mr. Moore,

That this Council do memorialize the Attorney General of Canada to put in force in this county the act to restrict the importation and employment of aliens.—Carried.

MONTROSE BRIDGE.

The Warden presented report, tenders, plans and specifications of Road and Bridge Committee, which were read to council.

The Warden also presented tender and plans from F. W. Krafft.

A discussion arose, all members taking a part.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the Warden left the chair.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 1.30 o'clock p. m. the Council resumed.

CHAS. A. HART.

Dr. Chamberlain addressed the council *re* the committal of Chas. A. Hart from the home to the county jail

MONTROSE BRIDGE.

Moved by Mr. Morden, seconded by Mr. Upper,
That this Council go into committee of the whole on Montrose Bridge.
—Carried.

Pursuant to motion, Council went into committee of the whole—Mr. Cronmiller in the chair.

Moved by Mr. Morden, seconded by Mr. Pew,
That the committee do now rise and report the following resolution.
The Warden in the chair.

Moved by Mr. Sidey, seconded by Mr. Morris,
That the Montrose Bridge matter be left wholly in the hands of the Road and Bridge Committee ; it being an instruction that they shall have said bridge put in a safe condition at once and as cheaply as possible.

The yeas and nays being called, were taken as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Cronmiller, Morden, Pew and Sidey.—4.

Nays—Messrs. Cruikshank, Moore, Steele and Willson.—4.

The vote resulting in a tie the Warden voted yea, and declared the motion carried.

HUMBERSTONE BY-LAW.

Moved Mr. Cronmiller, seconded by Mr. Steele,
That leave be given to introduce a Bill to confirm By-law No. 343, of the Township of Humberstone.

Leave granted and Bill read a first, second and third time and passed, entitled, "A Bill to confirm By-law No. 343, of the Township of Humberstone."

RE ALIEN LABOR.

Moved by Mr. Cruikshank, seconded by Mr. Moore,
That leave be given to introduce a Memorial to the Minister of Justice.
Leave granted and Memorial read a first, second and third time and passed, entitled, "A Memorial *re* Alien Labor Laws."

MONTROSE BRIDGE.

Moved by Mr. Willson, seconded by Mr. Cronmiller,
That the plans and specifications as furnished by contractor for bridge
at Montrose be returned if requested. —Carried.

Moved by Mr. Morden, seconded by Mr. Sidey,
That this Council do now adjourn.

Pursuant to motion, Council adjourned, at 7 o'clock p. m.

(Signed) E. MORRIS,
Warden.

APPENDIX A.

BY-LAWS.

BY-LAW NO. 663.

A BY-LAW to confirm By-Law No. 343 of the Township of Humberstone :

Whereas the Corporation of the Township of Humberstone did, on the 31st day of March, A. D. 1897, pass a certain By-law entitled : " A By-law closing the south portion of the original road allowance between lots numbers 24 and 25, in the first concession, and to open a road across lot number 24 in the said first concession of the Township of Humberstone, in the County of Welland, in lieu thereof," and the following is a copy of said By-law :

BY-LAW NO. 343.

A BY-LAW to close the south portion of the original road allowance between Lots Numbers 24 and 25, in the First Concession, and to open a road across Lot Number 24 in the said First Concession of the Township of Humberstone, in the County of Welland, in lieu thereof :

Whereas the south portion of the original road allowance between lots number 24 and 25, in the first concession of the Township of Humberstone, is unfit for public travel on account of the high sand hills thereon, which would be a very difficult and expensive undertaking for the construction and maintenance as a roadway ; and

Whereas D. McGillivray is the owner of the south part of lot No. 24, in the said first concession, and has requested the Municipal Council of the Township of Humberstone to pass a By-law to close up said south portion of original road allowance between lots number 24 and 25, in the first concession, and to convey said road to him in exchange for a new road which the said D. McGillivray has opened to the full width of four rods and ready for public travel, which crosses said lot No. 24 at a point north of the sand hills along Lake Erie, and is known as the Lake Shore road ; and

Whereas George Ross, a provincial land surveyor, has reported in writing to the Municipal Council of the Township of Humberstone that the road given by D. McGillivray and now used is a very practicable one, and can be maintained at a very moderate expense ; and

Whereas Messrs. Nicholas Reuter, William Woods and others, owners of real estate in the vicinity of the Lake Shore road, have appeared before

the Council of the said Township and requested them to make the said exchange ; and

Whereas the notices as required by the Municipal Act of Ontario, 1892, have been complied with, by publishing the same in the Welland Telegraph newspaper for four successive weeks before the passing hereof, and notices posted in six of the most public places in the neighborhood of such road allowance ; and

Whereas it is desirable to comply with such request :

Therefore the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the Township of Humberstone, with the powers granted by the Consolidated Municipal Act of Ontario, 1892, enacts as follows :

1st. That all and singular that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate and being in the Township of Humberstone, in the County of Welland, being the south portion of road allowance between lots numbers 24 and 25, in the first concession, containing one and two one-hundredths acres, ($1 \frac{2}{100}$), and described as follows : Commencing at a point in the west limit of said lot No. 24 which is fifty-five chains and seventeen links south of the southerly limit of the right of way of the Grand Trunk Railway, and measured along said west limit of said lot ; thence south still along said west limit of said lot ten chains and forty links more or less, to the water's edge of Lake Erie ; thence westerly along the said water's edge to the south-east angle of said lot No. 25 ; thence north along the east limit of lot No. 25 ten chains ; thence east one chain to the place of beginning, is hereby closed and stopped up.

2. And the Reeve and Clerk of this Municipality are hereby empowered and instructed to convey that portion of road allowance above described and closed to D. McGillivray, and to attach the corporate seal of this Municipality to such conveyance.

3. That all and singular that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and being in the Township of Humberstone, in the County of Welland, being composed of part of the south part of lot No. 24, in the first concession of the said Township, containing two and one-third ($2 \frac{1}{3}$) acres, and described as follows : Commencing at a point in the west limit of said lot No. 24, which is fifty-two chains and eight links south of the southerly limit of the right of way of the Grand Trunk Railway, and measured along said west limit of said lot ; thence south sixty-four degrees and thirty minutes east thirteen chains and ninety-two links more or less to

a post ; thence south fifty-eight degrees and thirty-three minutes east eight chains and seventy-two links more or less to a post planted in the east limit of said lot No. 24 ; thence south along said east limit of said lot two chains and fifty links ; thence north sixty-six degrees and forty minutes west fifty-four links ; thence north parallel to said east limit of said lot one chain and forty-two links, more or less, to a post planted at the distance of one chain measured southerly at right angles to the northerly limit of the road herein described ; thence north fifty-eight degrees and thirty-three minutes west, being parallel to said northerly limit of road eight chains and sixty-eight links to a post ; thence north sixty-four degrees and thirty minutes west still parallel to the northerly limit of said road, and at the distance of one chain measured at right angles thereto thirteen chains and thirty-eight links more or less to the west limit of said lot No. 24 ; thence north one chain and eleven links, more or less, to the place of beginning.

And that a conveyance to the Municipal Corporation of the Township of Humberstone of the above described road be accepted from D. McGillivray, and the said road be opened as a public highway.

Read and passed in Council this thirty-first day of March, A. D. 1897.
 (Sgd.,) A. E. NEAR, (Sgd.,) JACOB MILLER,
Clerk. *Reeve.*

Whereas it is necessary, in order to give effect to such By-law, that it should be confirmed by this Council, and whereas no objections to the confirmation of said By-law have been made to this Council, and there appears to this Council no reason why said By-law should not be confirmed, enacts as follows :

That the said By-law of the Municipality of the Township of Humberstone, being No. 343 of the By-laws of said Township, passed on the thirty-first day of March, A. D. 1897, be and the same is hereby confirmed and declared to have full force and effect upon, from, and after the passing hereof.

Passed in Council this first day of September, A. D. 1897.
 (Sgd.,) E. MORRIS, (Sgd.,) ROBERT COOPER,
Warden. *County Clerk.*

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APPENDIX B.

MEMORIALS.

RE ALIEN LABOR.

TO THE HONORABLE THE MINISTER OF JUSTICE
 FOR THE DOMINION OF CANADA :
THE MEMORIAL of the Municipal Council of the County of Welland :

HUMBLY SHEWETH :

THAT WHEREAS the United States have enacted and retain in force a most rigorous Alien Labor Law applying to Canada ;

And whereas your Memorialists are credibly informed and believe that considerable numbers of aliens have been imported, are being imported and are being employed within the aforesaid County of Welland ;

And whereas your Memorialists are of the opinion that the public interest requires the immediate restriction of such importation and employment of aliens :

Therefore your Memorialists humbly pray that the Honorable the Minister of Justice may be pleased to direct the enforcement of the Act to restrict the importation and employment of aliens within the said County of Welland ;

And your Memorialists, as in duty bound, will ever pray.

Passed in Council this first day of September, A. D. 1897.

(Sgd.,)

ROBERT COOPER,

County Clerk.

(Sgd.,)

E. MORRIS,

Warden.

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APPENDIX C.

REPORTS.

REPORT OF ROAD AND BRIDGE COMMITTEE.

To the Warden and Councillors Assembled:

GENTLEMEN,—

Tenders were invited for the construction in part, or whole, both in steel or wood, of the Montrose bridge, as ordered by resolution of your honorable body at special session held on the 12th last.

We beg to report the following tenders received for the work, with plans, specifications and cost of same, viz.:

Hamilton Bridge Co., Hamilton, three plans, as follows :

Plan No. 1.—Steel superstructure, 109 ft., 6 in., for the sum of twelve hundred dollars	\$1200 00
Plan No. 2.—Swing span, 126 ft. long	2000 00
Plan No. 3.—Swing bridge, 80 ft.; fixed bridges, 109 ft., 6 in.	2700 00

Robert Weddell, Trenton Bridge Co.:

Plan No. 1.—Ninety feet permanent and ten feet temporary, to allow widening channel in future, abutments and piers com- plete	4120 00
Plan No. 2.—Sixty-four feet (64) stationary, and thirty-six feet tem- porary, allowing in future for centre swing	3980 00
Plan No. 3.—Swing, full government width and fixed bridge on piers	9800 00
Plan No. 4.—Equal arm bridge, 104 ft. long, and 64 ft. temporary bridge	10,700 00

Thos. Ray, Esq., Welland :

No. 1 proposition.—Stone abutments on piling in boats	3197 00
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- No. 2 proposition.—Fenders complete\$ 862 00
- No. 3 proposition.—To raise present swing, put bents under same,
to be used as north approach on fixed bridge, also construct
approaches at either end 300 00
- No. 4 proposition.—New swing, 110 feet long, 12 feet roadway,
with steel pivots 1400 00
- No. 5 proposition.—Will build steel riveted bridge, 12 feet roadway,
for the sum of 2300 00
- No. 6 proposition.—Will build stationary bridge, 120 feet, 12 feet
roadway, for 1200 00

Freeman Hodgkins, Esq., Welland :

Will build foundations as shown in plan for the sum of..... 5525 00
 (And will remove the swing and swinging gear if given the rest of
 bridge.)

Mr. Jacob Lovell, Niagara Falls :

Will build bridge of wood, according to plans and specifications,
 for the sum of..... 1085 00
 (And will allow fifteen dollars per M. for plank fit to use.)

Plans, specifications, estimates and all communications are hereby respectfully submitted.

(Sgd.,) H. N. WILLSON,
 ROBT. MOORE,
 E. MORDEN.

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APPENDIX. D.

COMMUNICATIONS.

THE QUEEN'S APPRECIATION.

OTTAWA, 16th August, 1897.

SIR,—I am desired by His Excellency the Governor General to inform you that he has received instructions to convey to the Council of the County of Welland, the Queen's sincere appreciation of the congratulations and loyal assurances contained in their address to Her Majesty on the occasion of Her Diamond Jubilee.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Sgd.,) DAVID ERSKINE,

Governor General's Secretary.

The Warden of County
of Welland.