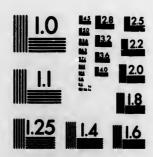


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PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

OF THE

COUNTY OF WELLAND.

DECEMBER SESSION.

DECEMBER 7, 8, 9, 10,-1897.

E. MORRIS, Esq., WARDEN.

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PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

Municipal Council of the County of Welland.

DECEMBER SESSION.

FIRST DAY.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, WELLAND, TUESDAY, December 7th, 1897.

By direction of the Warden the Council met in session in Council Chamber, at Welland, for the transaction of general business at 2 o'clock p. m.

The Warden in the chair.

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

The minutes of second special session, September 1st, were read by Clerk and approved by Council.

The Warden addressed the Council giving a general resume of the business since the June session.

COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS.

The following communications, petitions, etc., were read to Council:

Communication and petition from the united counties Northumberland and Durham, asking the co-operation of Council re the extending the jurisdiction of Police Magistrates by their appointment as County Police Magistrates, thereby enabling them to hold court at some convenient place at or near the place where any offence is committed.

Communication and petition from F. L. Spence, Secretary Dominion Alliance, asking co-operation re the power to prevent renewal of licenses and to limit the hours of sale, placing it directly in the hands of the people in each locality.

Presentment of grand jury—communication from I. P. Willson, local registrar.

Communication and account from St. John's Industrial School.

Communication from Minister of Justice acknowledging receipt of memorial re Alien Labor Law.

Communication from W. M. German, M. P. P., re receipt of memorial which will be presented at the earliest opportunity. Will endeavor to bring about the suggested legislation.

Communication from His Excellency the Governor General, acknowledging receipt of address to the Queen.

An account from town of Thorold.

Motion from the Township of Stamford Council asking Council to petition the Ontario Government to build sheds in park at Niagara Fails for the protection of horses from sun, rain and spray.

Communication and petition from the County of Wellington, asking cooperation re certain amendments to section 31 of the High School Act 1896.

Communication from Philip Morningstar re grant to Willoughby Township for maintenance of bridges.

The Warden laid before Council an account from J. R. Dowd, for services done in connection with the burglary of J. H. Crow's hardware store.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The Warden presented report of Treasurer, which was read to Council. Moved by Mr. Sidey, seconded by Mr. Cruikshank,

That the Treasurer's report just read be referred to the Committee on Finance.—Carried.

CLERK'S REPORT RE LICENSES.

The Warden presented report of County Clerk re hawkers', pedlers' and auctioneers' licenses issued by him since June 3rd, which was read to Council.

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

That the report by the Clerk re pedlers' and hawkers' licenses be received and printed in the minutes.—Carried.

REPORT-INDUSTRIAL HOME.

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

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

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

REPORT-JAIL.

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

Moved by Mr. Sidey, seconded by Mr. Cronmiller,

That the report just read be adopted.—Carried.

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

SECOND DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, December 8th, 1897.

Pursuant to adjournment Council met at 9 o'clock a. m.

The Warden in the chair.

All members present.

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

NOTICES OF MOTION.

Mr. Sidey gives notice that he will on to-morrow ask leave to introduce a bill to confirm by-law, Chapter No. 518, Township of Pelham, re closing portion of road allowance between Pelham and Gainsborough.

Mr. Morden gives notice that he will on to-morrow ask leave to introduce a memorial to the Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Park Commissioners, asking them to erect sheds for the protection of the teams of visitors.

Mr. Morden gives notice that he will on Thursday, Dec. 9th, ask leave to introduce a memorial to the Ontario Legislature in respect to the spread of noxious weeds.

Mr. Morden gives notice that he will on Thursday, Dec. 9th, ask leave to introduce a memorial to the Ontario Legislature with reference to the spread of San Jose Scale.

Mr. Morden gives notice that he will on to-morrow ask leave to intro-

duce a memorial to the Dominion Parliament asking provision for the inspection of nursery stock imported into this country, with a view of preventing the introduction of San Jose Scale.

NO REBATE.

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

That the sum of \$4 be rebated to Mr. John Gross on his license to sell goods; he having had only two months' use of a twelve months' license.—Lost on a division.

POWER OF POLICE MAGISTRATE.

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

That we do concur in the petition from Counties of Northumberland and Durham re the extension of power of Police Magistrates.—Carried on a division.

MILITARY RESERVES.

Mr. Cruikshank gives notice that on to-morrow he will ask leave to introduce memorials to the Attorney General of the Province of Ontario, and also to the Minister of the Interior, respecting the control and maintenance of the military reserve at Fort Erie and Niagara on the Lake.

COMMITTEE RETIRES.

Mr. Cruikshank, chairman of Industrial Home Committee, asked leave for Committee to retire to consider the tenders for supplies for the Industrial Home for 1898.—Leave granted.

No quorum being present the Warden left the chair at 11.30 a. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Pursuant to adjournment the Council met at 2.30 p. m. Moved by Mr. Morden, seconded by Mr. Moore,

MONTROSE BRIDGE-JACOB LOVELL'S ACCOUNT.

That the Council go into committee of the whole to consider the account of Jacob Lovell for repairing Montrose bridge.

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

Council rose without resolution.

The Warden in the chair.

Moved by Mr. Morden, seconded by Mr. Moore,

That Jacob Lovell be paid one hundred and twelve dollars and fiftyeight cents, balance in full for repairs to Montrose bridge.—Carried.

M. BURNS' SALARY.

Moved by Mr. Pew, seconded by Mr. Moore,

That M. Burns be paid fifty dollars for swinging Montrose bridge for the year ending 31st December, 1897, and that the Warden do issue his cheque for the same.—Carried.

WILLOUGHBY-GRANT TOWARDS BRIDGES.

Moved by Mr. Pew, seconded by Mr. Morden,

That a grant of fifty dollars be granted the Township of Willoughby to aid in the maintenance of bridges as provided for in section 533, of the Consolidated Municipal Act 1892, said municipality being unduly overburdened with expensive bridges.

Moved by Mr. Steele, seconded by Mr. Cruikshank, in amendment,
That all words in the original motion after the word bridges be struck
out.—Carried.

The original motion as amended was then put.

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

Yeas-Messrs Cronmiller, Moore, Morden, Pew, Sidey and Upper.-6.

Nays-Messrs. Cruikshank, Steele and Willson.-3.

The motion passing in the affirmative, majority 3.

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

THIRD DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

THURSDAY, December 9th, 1897.

Pursuant to adjournment the Council met at 9 a. m.

The Warden in the chair.

All members present.

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

Mr. Steele asked leave to introduce a bill to repeal By law No. 663, all rules of this Council to the contrary notwithstanding.

Mr. Steele asked leave to introduce a bill to confirm By-law No. 343, passed by Township of Humberstone March 31st, 1897, notwithstanding all rules of this Council to the contrary.

ROAD ALLOWANCE-PELHAM AND GAINSBOROUGH.

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

That leave be given to introduce a bill to confirm Chapter 518, of the By-laws of the Township of Pelham, re road allowance between Township of Pelham, County of Welland, and Township of Gainsborough, County of Lincoln.

Leave granted.

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

That the bill be read a first, second and third time and passed, entitled "A bill to confirm Chapter 518 of the By-laws of the Township of Pelham, County of Welland, and Township of Gainsborough, in County of Lincoln."

BY-LAW 663 REPEALED.

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

That leave be given to introduce a bill to repeal By-law No. 663.

Leave granted.

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

That the bill be read a first, second and third time and passed, entitled had bill to repeal By-law No. 663."

BY-LAW 343 CONFIRMED.

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

That leave be given to introduce a bill to confirm By-law No. 343, of the Township of Humberstone, passed March 31st, 1897.

Leave granted.

Moven by Mr. Steele, seconded by Mr. Cronmiller,

That the bill be read a first, second and third time and passed, entitled "A bill to confirm By-law No. 343, of the Township of Humberstone, passed March 31st, 1897."

MEMORIAL-RE SHEDS IN PARK.

Moved by Mr. Morden, seconded by Mr. Pew,

That leave be given to introduce a bill to memorialize the Commissioners of the Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Park respecting the erection of sheds at the Park.

Leave granted.

Moved by Mr. Morden, seconded by Mr. Pew,

That the memorial be read a first, second and third time and passed.

CONSTABLE DOWD'S ACCOUNT.

Moved by Mr. Sidey, seconded by Mr. Cronmiller,

That the account of Constable John R. Dowd, for detective services in connection with the robbery of Mr. Crow's store be paid; but that it be distinctly understood that in future no such accounts be paid unless the Warden's authority, as well as that of the County Attorney, be first obtained for such work to be proceeded with, as the statute distinctly directs.—Carried.

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

AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 1.30 p. m. the Council resumed.

The Warden presented communication from Jas. H. Ball, County School Inspector, re salary for travelling expenses.

The Warden presented communication from John McCaw, Secretary of Welland Public School Board, re grant to Model School and County's portion of the Inspector's salary.

GRANT TO WELLAND SCHOOLS.

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

That this Council grant the annual sum of \$150.00 toward the maintenance of the County Model School at Welland for the year 1897, as provided by statute. Also the sum of \$27.70, being the amount due Welland Public School Board under section 82, sub-sec. 9, of the Public School Act (re Inspector's salary in towns not separated).—Carried.

REPORT-ROADS AND BRIDGES.

The Warden presented report 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.—Carried.

SAN JOSE SCALE.

Moved by Mr. Morden, seconded by Mr. Pew,

That leave be given to introduce a bill to memorialize the Ontario Legislature in respect to the spread of San Jose Scale.

Leave granted.

Moved by Mr. Morden, seconded by Mr. Pew,

That the memorial be read a first, second and third time and passed.

The Warden presented second report of Committee of House of Industry, which was read to council.

SECOND REPORT-HOUSE OF INDUSTRY.

Moved by Mr. Cruikshank, seconded by Mr. Steele

That the second report of Committee of House of Industry be adopted.

Carried.

MEMORIAL-RE SHEDS IN PARK.

Moved by Mr. Pew, seconded by Mr. Morden,

That a copy of the memorial re sheds in Niagara Falls Park be signed by the Warden and Clerk and forwarded to the honorable the Commissioners of Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Park.—Carried.

NOTICE OF BILL.

Mr. Steele gives notice that he will on to-morrow ask leave to introduce a bill to appoint a Board of Arbitrators to consider the joint petition of the Village of Port Colborne and a certain part of the Township of Humberstone.

ONE DOLLAR FEE REMOVED.

Moved by Mr. Sidey, seconded by Mr. Cronmiller,

That the fee of \$1 heretofore charged all public gatherings occupying the Court or Grand Jury rooms, be done away with when such meetings are held in the daytime, but that the fee for evening meetings remain as before, this motion to rescind any or all previous motions conflicting with the same.

—Carried.

SAN IOSE SCALE.

Moved by Mr. Morden, seconded by Mr. Pew,

That leave be given to introduce a bill to memorialize the Parliament of Canada in respect to inspection of nursery stock imported, with a view of preventing the introduction of San Jose Scale.

Leave granted.

Moved by Mr. Morden, seconded by Mr. Pew,

That the memorial be read a first, second and third time and passed.

Moved by Mr. Morden, seconded by Mr. Pew,

That the memorial to the Parliament of Canada respecting San Jose Scale be duly signed by the Warden and Clerk and forwarded to Wm. Mc-Cleary, M. P., for presentation at Ottawa.—Carried.

MILITARY RESERVES.

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

That leave be given to introduce a memorial respecting the control of the military reserve at Fort Erie and Niagara-on-the-Lake.

Leave granted.

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

That the memorial be read a first, second and third time and passed.

Moved by Mr. Morden, seconded by Mr. Pew,

That the memorial to the Ontario Legislature respecting the San Jose Scale be signed by the Warden and Clerk of this Council and sent to W. M. German, M. P. P., for presentation.—Carried.

COMMITTEE RETIRES.

Mr. Sidey, Chairman of Jail Committee, asked leave for Committee to retire.

Leave granted.

Council visited the Registry Office to inspect the roller shelving just put in.

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

FOURTH DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

FRIDAY, December 10th, 1897.

Pursuant to adjournment, Council met at 9 a. m.

The Warden in the chair.

All members present.

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

MILITARY RESERVE.

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

That leave be given to introduce a memorial to the Attorney General of Ontario, respecting control of the military reserve at Fort Erie and Niagara-on-the-Lake.

Leave granted.

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

That the memorial be read a first, second and third time and passed.

ARBITRATION-PORT COLBORNE AND HUMBERSTONE.

The Warden presented petition from Port Colborne and Humberstone School Boards re Union School Section.

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

That leave be given to introduce a bill to appoint arbitrators to arbitrate on the joint petition of the Village of Port Colborne and part of the Township of Humberstone.

Leave granted.

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

That the bill be read a first time.

Bill read a first time.

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

That the bill be read a second time.

Bill read a second time.

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

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 Bill to appoint arbitrators to arbitrate on the joint petition of the Village of Port Colborne and part of the Township of Humberstone."

NEXT MEETING OF COUNCIL.

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

That the next meeting of this Council be held on Wednesday, 26th January, 1898, at the hour of 9.30 a.m., and that it be advertised accordingly by the Clerk.—Carried.

REPORT FINANCE.

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

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

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

Mr. Sidey, Chairman of Jail Committee, asked leave for Committee to retire.

Leave granted.

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

AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 1.30 p. m. the council resumed.

SECOND REPORT-IAIL.

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

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

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

BETTER ROADS.

A lengthy discussion on the best means of improving the leading roads in the county, took place, all members taking part; resulting in Mr. Cruikshank giving notice that he would at next session introduce motions providing for the improvements of said roads.

· THANKS TO WARDEN MORRIS.

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

That the Warden do now vacate the chair and that Mr. Cronmiller be asked to occupy the same.—Carried.

Mr. Cronmiller in the chair.

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

That the members of this Council do tender to E. Morris, Esq., the retiring Warden, their unanimous, earnest and hearty thanks for the efficiency, courtesy and success with which he has presided over the deliberations of this Council during the past year, and trust that the results of the year's business relations between us may be among the pleasantest recollections of our future lives.

Every member spoke to the motion, congratulating the Warden on the courtesy, ability and impartiality shown as the head of the Council during the year 1897.

The Warden gratefully acknowledged the kind expressions that fell from the lips of his associates, and resumed the chair.

ADJOURNMENT.

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

That we do now adjourn to meet again on Wednesday, January 26th, 1898, at 9.30 o'clock, as per former resolution.—Carried.

Pursuant to motion Council adjourned at 4 o'clock p. m.

(Sgd.) E. MORRIS,

Warden.

APPENDIX A.

BY-LAWS.

BY-LAW NO. 664.

A BY-LAW to Confirm Chapter 518 of the By-Laws of the Township of Pelham.

WHEREAS the Municipal Council of the Township of Pelham, in the County of Welland, at a meeting thereof held on the 15th day of June, A. D., 1897, did pass a By-law (numbered Chapter 518), a certified copy whereof is annexed hereto, authorizing the closing up, sale and conveyance of a portion of the original road allowance between said Township of Pelham and the Township of Gainsborough, in the County of Lincoln;

And whereas the provisions of the Municipal Act, 1892, (Sec. 567, 2, v.,) and of said By-law (Sec. 2) require that such By-law shall be confirmed by the Council of the County having jurisdiction, before it shall have any force:

And this Council is of the opinion that it is expedient to approve of and confirm said By-law:

Therefore the Municipal Council of the County of Welland hereby enacts that By-law, Chapter 518, of the Township of Pelham, in the County of Welland, authorizing the closing up, sale and conveyance of all that part of the original allowance for road or boundary line between the said Township of Pelham and the adjoining Township of Gainsborough, in the County of Lincoln, which extends from the River Welland, north between said two Townships to the northeast angle of the lands of George Rinker, in Lot 28, broken front concession of said Township of Gainsborough; said northeast angle being at the intersection of said Township boundary line with the River Road, which crosses same from the western limits of concession 13 of said Township of Pelham,—is hereby approved and confirmed and shall go into full force and effect upon, from and after the final passing hereof;

And the portion of road described in said By-law is hereby declared to

be permanently closed up, and the Reeve of the Township of Pelham afore-said, is authorized to sell and convey same to the person named in said By-law, his heirs and assigns, upon the terms and conditions contained therein.

Finally passed in Council this ninth day of December, A. D. 1897.

(Sgd.)

(Sgd.)

ROBERT COOPER, County Clerk.

E. MORRIS,

Warden.

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CHAPTER 518.

A BY-LAW to Authorize the Closing Up, Sale and Conveyance of a portion of the Original Allowance for Road between the Township of Pelham, in the County of Welland, and the Township of Gainsborough, in the County of Lincoln.

WHEREAS George Rinker, who owns and resides upon the southeast corner of Lot 28, in the broken front concession of the adjoining Township of Gainsborough, did apply to the Councils for the year 1896 of said Townships of Pelham and Gainsborough, asking them to open up, place in proper repair and maintain as a public highway that portion of said Original Allowance for road or Township boundary line upon which his said lands abut, in order to provide him ingress and egress thereto and therefrom.

And whereas it appears to the satisfaction of this Council that the notices required by Sections 546 and 553 of the Municipal Act to be given of such application were duly posted, published and given by the Council of 1896, and moreover that Calvin A. Farr, the owner of the lands abutting on the opposite side of said unopened road allowance, in response to said notices, did express to said Council his willingness that such road should be permanently closed up, sold and conveyed to said George Rinker.

And whereas a Committee of this Council appointed at its last regular meeting, held on the 31st day of May, 1897, to confer with said George Rinker and a like Committee from Gainsborough Council, concerning said application, has reported that after examining the locality and observing the physical character of that part of said road allowance, the joint Committee deem it desirable in the interest of economy to close up said road as a public

highway, and in lieu thereof to compensate said George Rinker therefor in the sum of seventy-five dollars, one half from each Township, and also by a conveyance from both to him of said unopened road allowance in perpetuity, in consideration whereof he mutually agrees to provide his own way of access to his said lands.

The Municipal Council of the Township of Pelham aforesaid, with the object of ratifying said mutual agreement and finally disposing of said application, therefore hereby enacts as follows:

- tween the Township of Pelham, in the County of Welland, and the Township of Gainsborough, in the County of Lincoln, extending from the Welland River north between said two Townships to the northeast angle of the lands of said George Rinker in said lot 28, said northeast angle being at the intersection of said Township boundary line with the River Road which crosses same from the western limits of concession 13 of Pelham, is hereby declared to be permanently stopped up and closed, and the Reeve of this corporation is hereby authorized and instructed to convey the same to the said George Rinker, his heirs and assigns, by a good and sufficient deed in fee simple, and also for the reasons aforesaid to issue to him his cheque upon the Treasurer of this corporation for the sum of thirty-seven dollars and fifty cents (\$37.50), payable out of the general funds thereof as Pelham's portion of the compensation money due under the settlement aforesaid.
- 2. This by-law shall not go into force nor have any effect until a Bylaw in similar terms as nearly as may be, has been passed by the Council of the said Township of Gainsborough; nor

Until confirmed by a By-law of the County Council having jurisdiction;

Until said George Rinker shall have duly released this corporation in writing from all claims in and to said road as a public highway.

Passed in Council this 15th day of June, A. D. 1897.

(Sgd.)
J. C. CROW,

(Sgd.) A. HYATT.

Clerk.

Reeve:

I, Judson C. Crow, Clerk of the Municipality of the Township of Pelham, in the County of Welland, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of Chapter 518 of the said Township of Pelham, read a third time and finally passed by the Municipal Council thereof on the 15th day of June, A. D. 1897, and entitled "A By-law to authorize the closing up, sale and conveyance of a portion of the original allowance for road between the Township of Pelham, in the County of Welland, and the Township of Gainsborough, in the County of Lincoln.

Dated at my office, Ridgeville, Pelham, this 3rd day of December, A. D. 1897.

J. C. CROW,

Clerk Township Pelham.

BY-LAW NO. 665.

WHEREAS it is necessary and expedient to repeal By-law No 663 of the Municipal Council of the County of Welland, passed at a special session of this Council on the first day of September, A. D. 1897;

Therefore be it enacted, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the Municipal Council of the County of Welland, that By-law No. 663 of this Council, being a By-law to confirm By-law No. 343 of the Township of Humberstone, be and is hereby repealed.

Read and passed in Council this ninth day of December, A. D. 1897. (Sgd.)

ROBERT COOPER,

E. MORRIS,

County Clerk.

Warden.

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BY-LAW NO. 666.

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

WAEREAS the Corporation of the Township of Humberstone did, on the 31st day of March, A. D. 1897, pass a certain By-law intituled 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 on 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 numbers 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, the owner of the south part of lot number 24, in the said first concession, 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 numbers 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 number 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:

remises situate, lying 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 2-100), and described as follows:

Commencing at a point in the west limit of said lot number 24, which is 55 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 number 25, thence north along the east limit of said lot number 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 the 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 number 24, in the first concession of the said Township, containing two and one-third (2½) acres, and described as follows:

Commencing at a point in the west limit of said lot number 24 which is fifty-two chains and eight links south of the southerly limit of the right-ofway 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 number 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, at 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 number 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. Mc-Gillivray, and the said road be opened as a public highway.

Read and passed in Council this thirty-first day of March, A. D. 1897.

A. E. NEAR,

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 number 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 from and after the passing hereof.

Passed in Council this ninth day of December, A. D. 1897.

(Sgd.)

(Sgd.)

ROBERT COOPER,

E. MORRIS.

County Clerk

Warden.

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BY-LAW NO. 667.

BY-LAW to appoint Arbitrators, as provided in Section 44 of Public School-Act, re Union School Section between Port Colborne Village and part of the Township of Humberstone.

1. That whereas in pursuance of subsection 1, of section 43, of the Public Schools Act, Ontario Statutes 1896, a joint petition of five rate-payers of the said Village of Port Colborne and of that part of the Township of Humberstone lying west of the Village of Port Colborne, was presented

to the Municipal Council of the Village of Port Colborne and also to the Municipal Council of the Township of Humberstone;

- 2. And whereas the Municipal Council of the Village of Port Colborne have appointed as their arbitrator for the formation of the Union School Section as set forth in said petition, a copy of which is hereunto annexed, Mr. J. H. Smith, of the Village of Port Colborne, a copy of which appointment under the hand of the Clerk of the said Village has been handed to J. H. Ball, Esquire, M. A., Inspector of Schools, for the County of Welland, in pursuance of said section.
- 3. And whereas the Township of Humberstone have neglected to appoint their arbitrator as provided by said subsection 1, of section 43, of the Public Schools Act, 1896.
 - 4. And whereas the Public School Board of the Village of Port Colborne have petitioned this Council to appoint arbitrators under section 44 of the Public Schools Act, 1896.
 - 5. And whereas it is considered necessary and expedient to appoint such arbitrators:

Therefore the Municipal Corporation of the County of Welland enacts as follows:—

That Messrs. Benj. F. Canby of Wainfleet, George A. Carl of Crowland, and Robert Cooper of Welland, be, and are hereby appointed arbitrators to arbitrate upon the question of the formation of a Union School Section between the Village of Port Colborne and part of the Township of Humberstone, as per joint petition of five ratepayers from each of the Municipalities concerned to their respective Municipal Councils under Section 43, of the Public Schools Act, 1896, said arbitrators being appointed under Section 44 of Public Schools Act, 1896, and to have all the powers of arbitrators appointed under Section 43 of said Act.

Passed in Council, signed and sealed, as required by law, December the 10th, 1897.

(Sgd.)

(Sgd.)

ROBERT COOPER,

E. MORRIS,

Clerk.

Warden.

APPENDIX B.

MEMORIALS.

RE MILITARY RESERVE.

TO THE HONORABLE THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

FOR THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO:

THE MEMORIAL of the Municipal Council of the County of Welland:

HUMBLY SHEWETH :

THAT whereas this Council and other Municipal Councils in this Province have heretofore petitioned that the Military Reserve at Fort Erie, upon which the ruins of Fort Erie ar situated, and the Military Reserve at Niagara-on-the-Lake, surrounding Fort George and Missassauga, should be placed under control of the Board of Commissioners of Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Park, subject to such restrictions and reservations as may be necessary for military purposes;

And whereas your petitioners understand that the said Board of Commissioners have examined and reported upon the said proposals, and have intimated their willingness to assume control of said lands and provide for the proper maintenance and improvement thereof and the preservation of the historical monuments situated thereon upon certain conditions;

And whereas your petitioners believe that such an arrangement would be of great public advantage and properly complete the Park system on the Niagara River:

Your petitioners therefore humbly pray that you will be pleased to take such action as may be necessary to place the aforesaid lands and property under the control of the said Board of Commissioners of Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Park.

Passed in Council the 10th day of December, 1897.

(Sgd.)
ROBERT COOPER.

(Sgd.)

County Clerk.

E. MORRIS,

Warden.

RE SAN JOSE SCALE.

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 we have reason to believe that there is great danger of the rapid spread of San Jose Scale, greatly to the injury of the fruit growing interests of this country;

And whereas we believe that the appointment of Inspectors with sufficient powers to enable them to secure the destruction of the San Jose Scale insect is very desirable:

Therefore we beg leave to suggest that Legislative provision be made for the appointment of such inspectors with sufficient powers to accomplish the desired result.

Your petitioners as in duty bound will ever pray.

Passed in Council this ninth day of December, 1897.

(Sgd.)

ROBERT COOPER.

E. MORRIS,

County Clerk.

Warden.

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TO THE HONORABLE THE PARLIAMENT OF CANADA:

THE PETITION of the County Council of the County of Welland,

HUMBLY SHEWETH:

THAT whereas the San Jose Scale is a very dangerous pest, which is liable to seriously injure fruit trees and fruits and shrubs;

And whereas it has become so dangerous in the United States that different States are legislating to prevent its introduction and dissemination;

Therefore we pray that such legislation may be had as will secure the careful inspection of all nursery stock and fruits imported into this country

from other countries which may be known to be afflicted with the San Jose Scale;

And your petitioners will as in duty bound ever pray.

Passed in Council this ninth day of December, 1897.

(Sgd.)

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ROBERT COOPER.

E. MORRIS,

County Clerk.

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RE MILITARY RESERVE.

TO THE HONORABLE THE MINISTER OF THE INTERIOR

FOR THE DOMINION OF CANADA:

THE MEMORIAL of the Municipal Council of the County of Welland:

HUMBLY SHEWETH:

That whereas this Council and other Municipal Councils in this Province have heretofore petitioned that the Military Reserve at Fort Erie, upon which the ruins of Fort Erie are situated, and the Military Reserve at Niagara-on-the-Lake surrounding Forts George and Missassauga, should be placed under control of the Board of Commissioners of Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Park, subject to such restrictions and reservations as may be necessary for military purposes;

And whereas your petitioners understand that the said Board of Commissioners have examined and reported upon the said proposals, and have intimated their willingness to assume control of said lands and provide for the proper maintenance and improvement thereof, and the preservation of the historical monuments situated thereon upon certain conditions;

And whereas your petitioners believe that such an arrangement would be of great public advantage, and properly complete the Park system on the Niagara River:

Your petitioners therefore humbly pray that you will be pleased to take such action as may be necessary to place the aforesaid lands and property

under the control of the said Board of Commissioners of Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Park.

Passed in Council this ninth day of December, A. D. 1897. (Sgd.)

ROBERT COOPER.

E. MORRIS.

County Clerk.

Warden.

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RE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE.

To the Honorable the Attorney General

OF THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO:

THE PETITION of the Corporation of the County of Welland,

HUMBLE SHEWETH:

- 1. That the attention of your petitioners has from time to time been called to the large increase in the amounts expended in the administration of justice in these Counties.
- 2. In many rural Municipalities Justices of the Peace are unwilling to act in matters where a criminal offence is charged, and prosecutors are compelled to seek justice before a Police Magistrate in some town often many miles away, and, instead of the matter being investigated at or near the place where the offence was committed and the witnesses reside, the hearing or trial takes place in such town where the Police Magistrate resides;
- 3. Your petitioners are of the opinion that a considerable amount could be saved by the Government, and by Counties, were the jurisdiction of all Police Magistrates extended by their appointment as County Police Magistrates, thereby enabling them to hold court at some convenient place at or near the place where any offence is committed.
- 4. By this means, your petitioners are of the opinion, a great saving could be effected in the fees payable to witnesses, and in other respects, and the administration of justice placed in the hands of men of legal ability and experience.
- 5. Your petitioners are also of the opinion that many of the minor offences which now go to trial at the County Judge's Criminal Court, or at

the Sessions or Assizes, at great expense, would, by the consent of the accused, be tried and finally disposed by Police Magistrates.

6. By a tariff of fees established for the purpose, Police Magistrates holding criminal investigations in rural localities could be sufficiently remunerated;

Your petitioners therefore respectfully pray:

- r. That the commissions of all Police Magistrates now or hereafter appointed be extended to cover the whole County, or union of Counties, in which they reside.
- 2. That a tariff of fees be established to remunerate all Police Magistrates for services performed outside the town or village where they reside, in respect of criminal informations heard or tried before them.
- 3. That the existing law be altered or amended for the purposes afore-
 - 4. And your petitioners will ever pray.

Dated at Welland this eighth day of December, 1897.

(Sgd.)

(Sgd.)

ROBERT COOPER,

E. MORRIS,

County Clerk.

Warden.

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RE NIAGARA FALLS PARK.

To the Honorable the Commissioners of

QUEEN VICTORIA NIAGARA FALLS FREE PARK:

THE PETITION of the County Council of the County of Welland:

HUMBLY SHEWETH:

- That many persons now visit the above Park by means of vehicles drawn by horses;
- 2.—That many more would do so if their horses and carriages could be sheltered from the sun, passing showers and the spray of the Falls;

3.—That it is very desirable that large numbers should re-visit this beautiful Park and enjoy natural scenery such as cannot be seen elsewhere.

Your petitioners therefore pray that you shall secure the erection of suitable sheds within convenient reach of the picnic grounds in said Park.

Your petitioners will as in duty bound ever pray.

Passed in Council this ninth day of December, 1897.

(Sgd.)
ROBERT COOPER,

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COOPER,

E. MORRIS,

County Clerk.

Warden.

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RE HIGH SCHOOLS ACT.

CLERK'S OFFICE, FERGUS, ONT., Nov. 20, 1897.

DEAR SIR,-

I enclose herewith a copy of a memorial to the Ontario Legislature adopted by the Wellington County Council, praying for certain amendments to Section 31 of the High Schools Act, 1896. On behalf of the Wellington County Council, I respectfully request the co-operation of your Council at the approaching session to obtain said amendments.

Yours obediently,

(Sgd.) JAMES BEATTIE,

County Clerk.

The County Clerk, County of Welland, Welland.

TO THE HONORABLE THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

OF THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO:

The Memorial of the County Council of the County of

RESPECTFULLY SHEWETH:

THAT whereas Section 31 of the High Schools Act, 1896, provides that where the cost of the maintenance of county pupils at any High school exceeds the Legislative grant apportioned by the Minister of Education and of the fees received from county pupils, the county shall, in lieu of the equivalent of the Legislative grant, be liable for the maintenance of county

pupils in the proportion which the average attendance of county pupils enrolled at such High school during the preceding three years bears to the average attendance of all the pupils enrolled at the same school for the same period of three years;

And whereas under the aforesaid system of ascertaining the liability of the county for maintenance of county pupils, very gross injustice arises, and a fair and equitable distribution of the grants to the several High schools in the county in accordance with work performed or pupils taught apparently cannot be obtained:

We submit that payment should be in direct ratio to work performed, and in schools with similar equipment and teaching staff, the cost per pupil to the county ought to be nearly on a par. We find, however, by the above method of ascertaining the liability of the county for the proportion of the maintenance of county pupils in attendance at the several High schools, the cost to the county per pupil in some of the schools is more than double the amount in others of similar or superior equipment.

Your memorialists, therefore, submit that the equity of the case above presented demands an amendment of the aforesaid section of said act, and we would most respectfully suggest, what, to us, appears a more equitable mode of ascertaining the liability of the county for such maintenance, as follows:

Find the total expenditure for maintenance and the total number of pupils and of days' attendance in all the High schools in the Province for one or more years, and from this basis the average cost of one pupil for one year could be obtained, which would be the amount of cost. To this amount add or deduct for superior or inferior equipment according to the recommendations of the inspectors of High schools.

It would then be an easy matter to ascertain the liability of the county for maintenance of county pupils in each school by multiplying the said average cost by the number of county pupils in attendance at said school and deducting the amount of the Legislative grant and fees received from county pupils.

Your memorialists further respectfully submit that subsection 7 of said section 31 of said Act should be amended by striking out the word "may" in the fourth line of said subsection, and inserting the word "shall" in lieu thereof.

The necessity of this amendment is apparent where a High school is situated in a municipality bordering on an adjoining county.

Your memorialists, therefore, pray your honorable body to amend the said sections of said Act in accordance with the foregoing recommendations, or in such other way as will remedy the grievance complained of.

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

Dated

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County Clerk.

Warden.

FROM COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF STAMFORD RESHEDS IN Q. V. N. F. PARK.

Robert Cooper, Esq., County Clerk, Welland:

DEAR SIR,-

I am directed by our Municipal Council to forward you the enclosed petition in order that it may be laid before your council at their special meeting, Sept. 1st.

Kindly do so and oblige, yours truly,

(Sgd.) F.A. HUTT.

Clerk's Office, Township of Stamford, Aug. 31, 1897.

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

GENTLEMEN,—

At a recent meeting of the Municipal Council of the Township of Stamford the following resolution was adopted:

That whereas the Ontario Government maintain a free park at Niagara Falls, and of the many thousands that assemble there annually a large number are conveyed there in vehicles; and whereas there are no sheds to protect the horses from the sun, rain and spray, and many persons absent themselves on that account:

Be it therefore resolved that this Council petition the Ontario Legislature, through their representative, W. M. German, that the necessary sheds be provided, and that the County Council be petitioned to memorialize the government to grant the prayer of said petition.

We beg to state that the petition to the Legislative Assembly referred to in the foregoing resolution has been forwarded to W. M. German, M. P. P.

We therefore in terms of the resolution petition your honorable body to memorialize the government to grant the prayer of said petition.

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

(Sgd.)

(Sgd.)

F. A. HUTT,

J. B. GALLINGER,

Clerk.

Reeve

FROM DOMINION ALLIANCE, RE LIQUOR TRAFFIC.

[IMPORTANT.]

TORONTO, November 1st, 1897.

To the Clerk of the Municipality:

DEAR SIR,-

The Ontario Legislature at its last session declined to give Municipal Councils power to restrict the hours during which liquor may be sold. It was argued that it is not desirable to have the question of regulation of the liquor traffic mixed up with municipal affairs.

It has therefore been deemed desirable to ask the Legislature to place the power to prevent renewal of licenses, and to limit the hours of sale, directly in the hands of the people in each locality.

It is earnestly hoped that in this effort your Municipal Council will cordially co-operate.

Will you kindly lay this communication before that body at its next session, requesting the Council to endorse the enclosed petition, which should then be signed by the head of your corporation and yourself and forwarded to the understand, who will see that it is duly laid before the Legislative Assembly.

Hoping to have the esteemed co-operation of your Council in this appeal for what is certainly moderate and reasonable legislation, and with best wishes,

I remain on behalf of the Executive Committee,

Yours sincerely,

(Sgd.) F. S. SPENCE,

See'y Dominion Alliance,

PETITION FOR LICENSE LAW AMENDMENTS.

To the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario:

Your petitioners respectfully call the attention of your honorable body to the following facts:—

- 1. That notwithstanding the restrictive legislation at present in operation, intemperance with its attendant evils still exists in our province to a deplorable extent, is a constant source of misery, pauperism and crime, and a persistent hindrance and menace to the moral and material well-being of our people.
- 2. That your petitioners, while believing that the only right and effective legislative method of dealing with this evil is by total prohibition, cordially endorse and commend all wise and effective legislation by which the evil results of the liquor traffic may be curtailed.
- 3. That it is only reasonable and right that the liquor traffic should be further limited than it is at present in those localities in which a majority of the electorate desire to secure such further limitation.

Your petitioners therefore pray your honorable body to make such changes in he liquor legislation of the Province of Ontario as will

- a. Provide that no license shall be issued to take effect in a polling sub-division in which a majority of the municipal electors petition against the granting of such license.
- b. Give power to a majority of the municipal electors in a locality to further limit the hours during which liquor may be sold in places in which licenses are continued in operation.

And your petitioners will ever pray. Signed on behalf of the

COMMUNICATION AND PETITION FROM COUNTIES OF NOR-THUMBERLAND AND DURHAM.

RE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE.

COBOURG, ONT., Nov. 9th, 1897.

DEAR SIR :

I beg leave to herewith enclose copy of a petition of the Council of these United Counties to be presented to the Honorable the Attorney General of Ontario, and would ask you to place the same before your council at their

approaching meeting, or before any committee who may be empowered to act in such matters, and would kindly ask their co-operation; and would also ask that your representatives in the Legislature be requested to support the same.

I am yours respectfully,

NEIL F. MACNACHTAN,

Clerk.

TO THE HONORABLE THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

OF THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO:

The Petition of the Corporation of the County of

HUMBLY SHEWETH:

- That the attention of your petitioners has from time to time been called to the large increase in the amounts expended in the administration of justice in these counties.
- 2.—In many rural municipalities Justices of the Peace are unwilling to act in matters where a criminal offence is charged, and prosecutors are compelled to seek justice before a Police Magistrate in some town often many miles away, and, instead of the matter being investigated at or near the place where the offence was committed and the witnesses reside, the hearing or trial takes place in such town where the Police Magistrate resides.
- 3. Your petitioners are of the opinion that a considerable amount could be saved by the Government and by counties were the jurisdiction of all Police Magistrates extended by their appointment as County Police Magistrates, thereby enabling them to hold court at some convenient place at or near the place where any offence is committed.
- 4. By this means, your petitioners are of the opinion, a great saving could be effected in the fees payable to witnesses and in other respects, and the administration of justice placed in the hands of men of legal ability and experience.
- 5. Your petitioners are also of the opinion that many of the minor offences which now go to trial at the County Judge's criminal court, or at the sessions or assizes, at great expense, would, by the consent of the accused, be tried and finally disposed by Police Magistrates.
- 6. By a tariff of fees established for the purpose, Police Magistrates holding criminal investigations in rural localities, could be sufficiently remunerated.

Your petitioners therefore respectfully pray:

- 1. That the commissions of all Police Magistrates now or hereafter appointed be extended to cover the whole county, or union of counties, in which they reside.
- 2. That a tariff of fees be established to remunerate all Police Magistrates for services performed outside the town or village where they reside, in respect of criminal informations heard or tried before them
- 3. That the existing law be altered or amended for the purposes aforesaid.
 - 4. And your petitioners will ever pray.

PETITION FROM PORT COLBORNE SCHOOL BOARD.

TO THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE

COUNTY OF WELLAND IN COUNCIL ASSEMBLED:

THE PETITION of the Public School Trustees of the Village of Port Colborne,

HUMBLY SHEWETH :--

- 1. That whereas, in pursuance of sub-section 1 of section 43, of the Public Schools Act, Ontario Statute, 1896, a joint petition of five ratepayers of the said Village of Port Colborne and of that part of the Township of Humberstone lying west of the Village of Port Colborne, was presented to the Municipal Council of the Village of Port Colborne, and also to the Municipal Council of the Township of Humberstone;
- 2. And whereas the Municipal Council of the Village of Port Colborne have appointed as their arbitrator for the formation of the union school section, as set forth in said petition, a copy of which is hereunto annexed, Mr. J. H. Smith, of the Village of Port Colborne, a copy of which appointment under the hand of the Clerk of the said Village has been handed to J. H. Ball, Esq., M. A., Inspector of Schools for the County of Welland, in pursuance of said action;
- 3. And whereas the Township of Humberstone have neglected to appoint their arbitrator, as provided by said sub-section 1 of section 43, of the Public Schools Act of Ontario:

Your petitioners therefore pray:-

1. That your honorable body will appoint arbitrators as provided in

section 44 of the Public Schools Act of Ontario, to arbitrate upon the question of the formation of the union school sections set forth in said petition.

(Sgd.)

EDWIN SMITH.

Chairman.

Dated Dec. 7th, 1897.

D. HUGHES,

Sec'y-Treasurer,
Port Colborne P. S. Board.

To the Municipal Councils of the Village of Port Colborne and of the Township of Humberstone, in the County of Welland:

The petition of the undersigned ratepayers of the said Township of Humberstone and of the said Village of Port Colborne, to the Municipal Councils of the said municipalities sheweth as follows:—

- residents of that part of said Township, consisting of so much of lot 29, in the first concession, as is outside of the municipal boundaries of the said Village of Port Colborne and of lots 30, 31, 32 and 33, also in said first concession, and are also residents of and tax payers in school section number five of said township.
- 2. The school house in said section is situated in the Village of Humberstone in the said County, and is distant from the majority of the ratepayers resident as aforesaid in the school section from one mile to two and-a-half miles, and is by reason of that fact inconvenient to the children within that part of the section before described who are of school age.
- 3. Owing to the fact that the school house in the Village of Port Colborne is so much nearer and so much more conveniently situated, your petitioners resident in that part of the township section before referred to, who have children of school age, are accustomed to send their children to the school in Port Colborne and are obliged to contribute to the support of such school, as well as to pay their taxation in the said school section.
- 4. Your petitioners further show that it would be in the interest of all the parties immediately and directly concerned to form a union school section under the Public School Act, consisting of the said Village of Port Colborne and of that part of said Township of Humberstone consisting of the properties before described, and

Your petitioners therefore pray

1. That the respective municipal councils of the Village of Port Colborne and of the Township of Humberstone will be pleased to take such steps under section 87, of the Public School Act of 1891, as will result in the formation of a union school section, to consist of that part of the Township of Humberstone before described and of the Village of Port Colborne, and that such steps will be taken by the said respective councils at once, and your petitioners will ever pray.

Names.	Residence.
W. L. Scholfield	Humberstone
A. K. Scholfield	
John Scholfield	Humberstone.
F. Wegrich	Humberstone.
O. Wegrich	Humberstone.
Jefferson Steele	Humberstone.
J. H. Smith	Port Colborne.
D. McGillivray	Port Colborne.
Frank D. Noble	Port Colborne.
J. D. Kinnard	Humberstone.
L. Turnbull	Humberstone.
John Spencer	Humberstone.
De W. Carter	Port Colborne,
Robert J. Greenwood	
Thomas Greenwood	Humberstone.
J. E. Stout	
J. C. Jordan	Humberstone.
H. A. Zavitz	Humberstone.
W. H. Bravin	Humberstone.
Chris Wegrich	Humberstone.
A. D. Cross	
D. Armstrong	Port Colborne.
F. K. Brown	Port Colborne.

APPENDIX C.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

REPORT ON ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Council Rooms, Welland, December 9th, 1897.

To the Warden and Councillors:

GENTLEMEN,-

Your Standing Committee on Roads and Bridges submit this their report for the present year.

Your Committee, while showing the expenditure of the several bridges, will also give their opinions of the state, efficiency and the probable cost next year, or in the near future. The Sensabaugh or Laidlaw bridge has had an expenditure of \$12.74 incurred in re-planking and cleaning covering and caps. Welland pays one-fourth of this amount, \$3.19.

Port Davidson has had \$3 expended; filling in holes and cleaning plank and caps. County of Lincoln pays one-half, \$1.50. This bridge is in good state of repair and will need but small outlay next season.

Wellandport bridge has had the sum of \$5.55 of expenditure, viz: filling in or pointing stone abutments and raising south sill and building centre-rest. County of Lincoln pays one-half, \$2.77. This bridge is in excellent state of repair, and will only require small outlay next year.

Robins' Bridge.—The expenses on this have been \$5.00, four of which have been for labor, laying plank, cleaning plank and caps and tightening up burrs or nuts. Your Committee instructed the caretaker to get wrenches for the purpose, which were to belong to the County; cost, \$1.00. Total \$5.00. Lincoln County pays one-half, \$2.50.

Beckett's Bridge.—Expenditure on this, \$50.40, consisting as follows:—Walter Clendenning, for planking, \$10.46; Wm. H. Crow, matched lumber, \$15.02; A. B. McLean, nails, spikes, bolts, paint and oil, \$7.92; C. A. Farr,

hauling plank and lumber, bracing piles, laying plank, erecting snow sides and painting, \$17.00.

The state of this bridge is not good. The sleepers in many cases need renewing. The support at the north end of bridge (iron portion) is not sufficiently strong, and the wooden approach at north end is in poor state of repair.

What the probable cost of the repairs will amount to we are not in position to say, but quite a large sum will be required. Has been paid by Warden's cheque.

O'Reilley's Bridge.—Expenditure, \$3.35—hauling dirt to fill washout, fixing fender, cutting burdock and thistles and putting in new plank. The caretaker has also rendered account of \$1.10 for last year, making total of \$4.45.

This bridge is, in our opinion, in poor state. One pile in north bent wholly gone with dry rot, one in south bent cracked almost off about two feet above the water. Not having a boat your committee could not make a thorough examination, but from what was noticeable to us, we are of the opinion this bridge is unsafe for heavy traffic.

Port Robinson Bridge.—Expenditure, \$11.34—\$5.34 for hauling stone and placing on north approach, the balance for filling holes and cleaning covering. Good state of repair. Small sum required next year.

Black Creek Bridge.-No expenditure, good state of repair.

Saur Bridge.—No expense. Caps of sills not sound. Will require recapping of bents in a couple of years.

White Pigeon.—Expenditure \$1.50, cleaning plank and caps. Good state of repair.

Montrose Bridge.—Your committee, acting on instructions of Council, invited the several tenderers for wooden bridges to examine bridge with view of repairing same. Messrs. Krafft and Lovell tendered for the work. The latter being the lowest, was awarded the contract at \$235.00—to build north and south approaches, erect four trusses, brace piles; to receive \$35.00 per M., putting in stringers where required; \$5.00 per span for taking up and re-laying plank; \$2 each for splicing or planking piles. Extras: cross braces under bridge, material, \$5.12; time putting braces on, \$5.00; snow boards, entire length of bridge, swing included, \$9.33; putting on snow boards, \$2.12; support for south end of swing, \$12.30, and guards at south

end, \$2.00. The contractor has been paid \$250.00 on work by Warden's cheque, leaving a balance of account, \$112.58: ordered paid by Council.

The present state of bridge is fairly good considering, but the parts not renewed are old and not in a state to be depended upon for a great length of time.

We would recommend payment of all unpaid sums mentioned.

Total expenditure for all bridges is as follows:-

				*		
1st, Sensabaugh	\$12	74	1/4 to	Welland\$	3	19
2nd, Port Davidson			1/2 to	Welland .:	1	50
3rd, Wellandport	5	55	1/2 to	Welland	2	77
Robins'		00	1/2 to	Welland	. 2	50
4th, Beckett's					50	40
5th, O'Reilley's					4	45
6th, Port Robinson					11	34
7th, White Pigeon					. 1,	50
Welland Tribune, printing					7.7	74
Welland Telegraph, printing					6	70
Bell Telephone						25
Telegraphing and messages delivered					1	50
Montrose bridge					369	08
Plan, \$5.00; one day, \$3.50: T. Ray	y		• • • •		8	50
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Total\$471 42

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Signed, H. N. WILLSON, E. MORDEN, ROBERT MOORE.

FIRST REPORT OF JAIL COMMITTEE.

WELLAND, Dec. 7th, 1897.

To the Warden and Councillors of County of Welland:

GENTLEMEN, -

Your committee beg to report re matters connected with the jail and other county buildings, which have come before the committee since the June session.

Your committee met on July 3d and awarded contract for placing 180 metallic roller shelves in the registry office at a total cost of \$330. The Office Specialty Company of Toronto had the work, which was completed in due time to the full satisfaction of the committee, accepted, and a cheque issued in payment of the same. Your committee wish that councillors will inspect this work during present session.

Your committee also beg to report that the Government granted the county permission to take 25 cords of stone from the canal banks, to be used in providing labor for prisoners in the jail. A contract was entered into with George Sutherland, who delivered the stone at Welland for \$2.50 per cord (22 cords in the load), and G. H. Putman hauled the stone to the jail yard at 70c per cord—the stone costing \$3.20 laid down. A great part of this has been broken—some used for county purposes at Port Robinson bridge, and some sold to the Town of Welland.

In case the amount of stone is used up before another meeting of council, your committee ask permission to procure additional stone (not to exceed 25 cords) in case it can be secured at \$3.20 per cord, or less, during the season of good winter roads. While visiting the canal recently, Hon. Mr. Blair, Minister of Railways and Canals, intimated that the county could have all the stone it wanted from the canal banks for public purposes. There seems to be ample demand for broken stone, and your committee believe the plan of making prisoners work for their food is a good one, although it is rather early yet to arrive at any safe conclusion.

In accordance with instructions given at special meeting of County Council, your committee entered into contract with the Electric Light Company of Welland to light all the county buildings at the rate of \$80 per annum—the contract to run for three years if County Council so desires. A cheque for \$15 was issued to Mr. McMurray to recoup him for all trouble in connection with acetylene gas estimates, etc., and a full release given by him and filed with the County Clerk, as was also the contract with the Electric Light Company.

Your committee met on October 4th and ordered necessary repairs in and about the county buildings, namely: New blinds for the council chamber, repairs to jail yard fence, cell door hinges and cracks in jail walls, advertised for tenders for wood for the ensuing year and accepted of O'Neal & Hobin's tender for hammer handles, etc. The stone steps at rear of court house were found in very bad shape, and the cost of repairing them or re-

placing them with wooden steps will be reported upon later. The quarterly accounts were carefully audited.

Your committee met on October 21st, when the following tenders for wood were received:—

O. H. Rounds, hard wood, per cord \$3	00
W. R. Phillips, hard wood, per cord	
J. E. Beckett, hard wood, per cord 3	45
Alex. Eastman, hard wood, per cord	50

The tender of O. H. Rounds being the lowest was accepted, and an agreement signed, bonds given and placed in the hands of the County Attorney. Five extra cords of wood were also secured from Mr. Rounds for use during the balance of the present year at the same figure.

A number of small accounts were approved and ordered paid, and the large open seams in the coping stones of the jail wall ordered to be filled with cement.

Your committee were unable to procure potatoes for jail use at the Industrial farm owing to shortage of crop, and local parties asked 80 cents perbushel for same. A contract, however, was made with I. L. Pound of Ridgeway, and fifty bushels were delivered at the jail at 56 cents per bushel.

Your committee would recommend that when public meetings are held in the court house during the daytime the charge of \$1 for attendance be not enforced, as the officers of the jail will then be on duty, and not seriously inconvenienced by such gatherings.

Your committee is informed that the Central prison is so thickly populated with criminals that the authorities of that institution refuse to accept of prisoners committed as vagrants. We fear this will have a tendency to increase the number of tramps in our jail in future.

During last month a man named Spears was committed from Niagara Falls on a charge of vagrancy and sentenced to four months in Central prison. Before the prison bailiff arrived wild insanity developed in the prisoner, and the Central prison authorities refused to accept of him as an inmate. Spears had been corresponding with his wife in New York City. It was shown that he was a man of unsound mind, and that his wife was anxious for his return. The prison inspector was made acquainted with the circumstances and said a release could be granted Spears under these peculiar circumstances, in case arrangements could be made to send him to his home. To have Spears examined for the asylum would have cost the county

about \$23, and then he might remain in jail some time awaiting removal—then to become a charge upon the province. As Spears was liable to become violent at any moment prompt action was necessary, and after consulting with the jail officials your chairman ordered a ticket issued for Spears' trip to New York, Turnkey Gilchriese accompanying him to Buffalo and placing him on a through train for New York. This cost \$12.50, and your committee trusts Council will approve of this action as being in the interest of economy, as well as the most humane treatment of the man Spears.

The following statement regarding stone broken in the jail yard is given for information of Council:—

Amount of stone received	. 22	cords
Amount already broken (about)	7	cords
Leaving15 cords	4	
Less small stone sold to town r cord	* 1,-	
Yet to be broken	14	cords
The stone broken yielded about	28	yards
Taken to Port Robinson bridge 5 ¹ / ₃		
Sold in Welland town	-	ALT STORY
		2.42

Broken stone on hand (about) 14 yards.

The stone is supplied to municipalities at about cost price, \$3.25 to \$3.50 per cord.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

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

SECOND REPORT JAIL COMMITTEE.

To the Warden and Councillors County of Welland:

Your Standing Committee on Jail beg to report, recommending payment of the following accounts:

Beatty & Sons, iron for gate in jail yard	• • •	 \$ 4 50
E. P. Robins, office diary and almanac		 i 50
W. L. Rice, lumber.		 . 3 30
Ross & Co., blinds for council room		 3.00
Swayze & Son, tickets for prisoners sent away		

	eo. Cronmiller, repairs to registry office desks	
Jn	o. Botterill, caretaker registry office furnace, etc	4 00
J.	A. Gilchriese, cash paid, Buffalo, re expenses for Spears	65

Your committee recommend that the stone steps at rear of court house be removed by the aid of the prisoners, the stone sold, and wooden steps placed in lieu thereof.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

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

Council Chamber, Welland, Dec. 10th, 1897.

FIRST REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOUSE OF INDUSTRY.

To the Warden and Council of County of Welland:

GENTLEMEN, -

Your committee beg leave to submit this their report for eleven months, ending on the 30th day of November, 1897:—

INMATES.

The number of inmates at that date in the House of Industry was 47, being 33 males and 14 females. Twenty-eight persons have been admitted during the period above mentioned, ten have died, nine have been discharged and two have absconded. Of those committed six came from Welland town, four each from Thorold and Stamford, three from Humberstone two each from Thorold township and Niagara Falls town, one each from Bertie, Bridgeburg, Crowland, Chippawa, Fort Erie, Niagara Falls Village and Pelham. The entire number of days' board from the first day of January to the 30th day of November, 1897, both days included, is

For inmates	 	14,455
For hired help		
Aggregate		
Weeks' board for inmates		

Weeks' board for keeper's family and servants........... 236 2/7

Average number of inmates for	or entire term		43 -
Average of whole, including ke	eeper's family and don	nestics	48
NÚMBER OF DA	AYS' BOARD BY MUNIC	IPALITIES.	
Municipality.	No. of Inmates.	Days	Board.
Bertie			
Bridgeburg			668
Chippawa		••••	21
Crowland			
Fort Erie	T		289
Humberstone	4		518
Niagara Falls Town			516
Niagara Falls Village			
Pelham		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	1,405
Port Colborne	 .		280
Stamford	, 8		910
Thorold Town	9		1,580
Thorold Township			
Wainfleet			
Welland Town			
Willoughby	3	They.	1,002

DOMESTICS.

George Pearson's time of engagement as hired man terminated on the 30th of November, and it is not the intention of your committee to employ any person in his place until spring. Miss Agnes Hemmings is still employed as housemaid on the same terms as reported in June.

MAINTENANCE.

The gross expenditure for maintenance during the	above	term was as
follows:—	1	3 16
Agricultural implements and repairs		\$ 18 27
Boots and shoes		26 95
Committee pay		77 80
Drugs and medicines		
Dry goods		110 59
Fuel, coal		11 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
Fruit baskets		
Furniture and repairs	*****	7.91

	7718 TV	2
Hardware, tinsmithing and bug finish	34	
Hay.	65	and gray I
Ice	19	
Incidentals	3	_
Insurance	3τ,	
Labor	308	
Leather	7	230
Light	24	1
Live stock	110	
Lumber	49	
Manure	56	-
Medical attendance, extra	. 5	1.0
Mill feed	202	1
Paints and oils	5	A .
Printing and stationery	33	
Provisions, bread	416	63
Provisions, groceries	393	07
Provisions, meat	249	66
Repairs, blacksmiths'	24	85
Repairs, harnessmakers'	. 7	15
Repairs, furnace	22	50
Repairs, waterworks	P. 17 .	49
Railway and car fare expenses to asylum and hospital	15	95
Salaries	550	88
Seeds and seed grain, farm and garden	42	40
Seed potatoes and corn	3	85
Straw	₹8	80
Telephone	30	40
Telegraph	1 4 G	26
Tile for drainage	3	16
Veterinary surgery		00
Water		
Whiskey	13	-
	1	14 3
Total expenditure	3268T	74
Total expenditure	2002	17

DEDUCT RECEIPTS.

Board, from Niagara Falls	\$ 45 45
Board, from Niagara Falls	18 00
Board, from Mrs. Collier	. 42 71
Board, Mrs. Taylor	34 00
Farm produce sold.	240 16
Farm stock sold	527 82 908 14
Deduct sum due from Niagara Falls Town for destitute	275 00
Net expenditure by County	\$2498 60
Net weekly cost of each inmate	I 21
Net weekly cost of all, including keeper's family and	servants 1 081/2
Your committee have had the tool shed pa	v .

Your committee have had the tool shed painted and have found it necessary to put a new fire pot and return flue in the hospital furnace, at a cost of \$15.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Signed, ERNEST CRUIKSHANK,
C. E. STEELE,
W. UPPER.

Welland, 7th Dec. 1897.

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

GENTLEMEN, -

Your Committee on House of Industry beg leave to report that, having duly advertised for tenders for supplies for the House of Industry for the eleven months ending on the 30th November, 1898, tenders have been received as follows:

Bread-W. E. Young, W. H. Crowther, Wm. Letcher.

Meat-W. F. Guest, W. J. Best.

Groceries-J. B. Taylor, S. H. Griffiths, H. A. Rose.

Dry Goods—D. Ross Co. and H. A. Rose.

Boots and Shoes-D. McCaw & Son.

The following tenders have been accepted by your committee:

BREAD.—W. E. Young—5c per 2 lb. loaf.

GROCERIES—H. A. Rose—Coffee, 12½c per lb.; japan tea, 13c; black congo, 1oc; yellow sugar, 3½c; molasses, 16c per gal.; chewing to-bacco, 38c per lb.; cornmeal, \$1.27 per sack; salt, 94c per bbl.; black pepper, 11c per lb.; smoking tobacco, 65c per lb.; rolled oatmeal, \$1.58 per cwt.; pot barley, 1½c per lb.; cheese, 9c; soap, 2½c; coal oil, 14½c per gal.; brooms, \$1.14 per doz.

DRY GOODS.—H. A. Rose—36 in gingham, 73/4c per yd.; shirting, 73/4c per yd.; grey flannel, 10½c; twilled sheeting, 13c; towelling, 4½c; factory cotton, 4½c; spool cotton, 200 yds., 28c per doz.; spool linen, 73c per doz.; 3-ply woolen yarn, 36c per lb.; blue overalls, \$4.75 per doz.; grey and white factory flannel, 15c.

BOOTS AND SHOES.—D. McCaw & Son—Men's button shoes, 3 and 6 pair lots, \$1.00; do. balmorals, \$1.65; men's slippers, 60c; women's do., 40c.

Your committee cannot recommend that either of the tenders for the supply of meat should be accepted.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

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

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

To the Warden and Council of the County of Welland, in Council assembled:

Your Standing Committee on Finance beg leave to submit the following report:

 We would advise payment of the following accounts, viz.:

 W. T. Sawle & Co.
 \$11 98

 J. J. Sidey.
 30 87

 L. Clarke Raymond.
 7 50

 Jas. E. Morin.
 45 33

 Bell Telephone Co.
 85

 St. Johns Industrial School, for maintenance of boy, Martin Cassidy,

COMMITTEE TIME.

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On Roads and Bridges—		
H. N. Wilson		46 90
Robert Moore		23 80
E. Morden		43 70
J. H. Pew		2.30
E. Cruikshank		3 80°
On Jail—	`	
S. J. Sidey		
H. Cronmiller		8 40
J. H. Pew	- · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	7 00
On Industrial Home-	1 v 1	y as what they will be
E. Cruikshank		25 20
C. E. Steele		9 90
Walter Upper		5 20

In paying the account of St. John's Industrial School, your committee advise that the clerk be instructed to send account to Port Colborne for refund of amount, they being subject to payment of same.

We regret to find that the treasurer has not carried out the instruction of the council re the depositing of all monies received by him in the bank, and urge that in the future this be fully carried out.

Your committee are gratified to note that owing to the reduced rate of interest procured from the bank through the effort of the Warden, the amount paid for interest during the current year has been \$169.00 less than last year.

We are also pleased to note that the financial standing of the county generally, according to the treasurer's report, has materially improved, and hope by strict economy to show in the future a still better report.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

(Sgd.) C. E. STEELE, Chairman,
S. J. SIDEY,
E. CRUIKSHANK,
ROBT. MOORE,
H. CRONMILLER,
W. UPPER,
J. HARRISON PEW,
E. MORDEN.

APPENDIX D.

MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS.

REPORT OF COUNTY CLERK RE AUCTIONEERS' AND PED-LERS' LICENSES.

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

GENTLEMEN,-

I herewith make a return of licenses issued by me and amounts paid the County Treasurer since June 3d, 1897, as follows:

HAWKERS AND PEDLERS.

June 28	William Horton	olborne\$15	00
July 2	James E. Kelly Bridgeb	ourg 15	00
Aug. 13	Joseph Michael Buffalo		00
Aug. 31	The American Wringer Co. Toronto	»,	00
Oct. 18	Isaac Salt (half-year)London	7	50
Oct. 23	John Gross	1	.00
	AUCTIONEERS.		
Aug. 7	John R. Dowd		00
All c	of which is respectfully submitted.		A CONTRACT
Cl	erk's Office, (Sgd.)	ROBERT COOPER,	The second
Welland,	Dec. 6th, 1897.	County Cl	erk.

1897—STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES OF THE COUNTY OF WELLAND.

Statement showing receipts and expenditures of the County of Welland from January 1st to November 31st, 1897—inclusive:

trom Jan	uary 1st to November 31st, 1897—inclusive:	Jan 1973	*	
I897.		Receipts	e An	Expenditures.
Jan. i.	Cash on hand		84	\$ /
	Amount due Imperial Bank	/A _ 0	pt gran	7564 91
Nov.30	Jail and office furniture account	;* *;		25 50
7 - (Registry office furniture account		2 - 4	330 00
	Debentures			1678 00
The Tar	Division court jury fund	30	68	31 00
The state of	Salaries		3.5	1285 50
The state of the s	Interest	٠	- F	351 37
The state of	Special grants		26	635 00
	Niagara Falls Town	1628	07	
	Division court offices	4	1.5	8 54
	Contingent	1 - 4".	1/2 1/2	79 30
	Fuel			846 32
	Municipal government		e*	653 60
	Electric light			157 40
	Jailer's and turnkey's residences			4 50
	Registry office, running account	617	02	465 40
The state of the s	High schools	7.		3942 22
	Court house and jail, running account	100 mg		319-12
* * 1. Th	House of Industry	849	88	3775 21
	Board of education	The Park of	e de.	1275 16
	Printing		, te ^{ta}	196-48
	Office expenses		1.70	46 98
	Licenses	267	00	
	Administration of Justice			8717 69
	Roads and bridges		7.5	363 37
	Jury expense	3	00	803 20
	County Council elections	3	,	213 50
	Imperial Bank	12126	88	33
The state of the s	Assessment account 1896			
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	Carried forward\$	32255	61	\$33769 27
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	Brought forward	\$32255	61	\$33769 2	7
	Assessment account 1897	3025	74	*	-
	Non-resident taxes		03	606 o	3
	Public schools			2057 0	0
	Cash on hand			41 6	4.
And the same	Amount due by bank		_	1470.4	
		\$37944	38	\$37944 3	8
Nov. 30	Amount due bank per pro. notes	\$13136	88	7	17
	Less balance to credit of county.	,	2 4		,
	Total debt due bank this date.	\$11666	44		
Nov. 30	Balance of assessment acc't due	county for		and the same of the same of	
	1897		44		
Tre	asurer's Office, County of Welland	1 1 1			
	Welland, Dec. 1st, 1897.		- 6.		
		GEO. L. HOBS	ON	E A	
				y Treasurer	r.

APPENDIX E.

COMMUNICATIONS.

RE WELLAND MODEL SCHOOL.

To the Warden and Council of the County of Welland:

GENTLEMEN,-

I am instructed by the Welland Public School Board to make application to your honorable body for the grant to the County Model school for the current year as provided by statute.

Also for the amount due the board under section 82, subsection 9, of the Public School Act (re inspector's salary in towns not separated.)

I am yours, &c.,

Welland, Dec. 7, 1897.

(Sgd.) J. McCAW,

Sec. P. S. B.

FROM REEVE OF WILLOUGHBY, RE BRIDGES.

DECEMBER 7th, 1897.

To Warden and County Council:

DEAR SIR,-

I beg leave to apply for an equitable grant to Willoughby Township to assist in maintaining our bridges as in times gone by, and has been regularly done in the case of Welland town. We claim under section 533 of the Municipal Act of 1892. Our general expenditure from freshets has been large. We have built a pier near the mouth of Lyons Creek at a cost of about \$100, particulars of which are herewith furnished.

The water at this point exceeds 100 feet at all times.

(Sgd.) PHILIP MORNINGSTAR.

Reeve of Township of Willoughby.

FROM W. M. GERMAN, M. P. P., RE LAW RELATING TO INSANE PERSONS.

WELLAND, Ont., Nov. 25, 1897.

Robert Cooper, Esq., County Clerk, Welland:

DEAR SIR, -

The memorial of the County Council to the Ontario Legislature, of 4th June last, praying for an amendment of the law relating to the committing of insane persons to the county jail, is duly received and I will take the earliest opportunity of presenting same to the Legislature and endeavor to bring about the suggested legislation.

Yours very truly,
Signed, W. M. GERMAN.

RE ADDRESS TO THE QUEEN.

OTTAWA, 2nd July, 1897.

SIR,

I have the honor by direction of His Excellency the Governor General, to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 1st ult., forwarding an address to the Queen from the Council of the County of Welland, and to inform you that His Excellency will have pleasure in transmitting the address for submission to Her Majesty.

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

(Sgd.) C. J. JONES,

For the Governor General's Secretary.

The County Clerk, Welland.

RE ALIEN LABOR LAW.

OTTAWA, Sept. 22, 1897.

SIR, -

I am directed by the Minister of Justice to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 20th inst., enclosing a memorial from the County Council

of Welland, urging the enforcement of the Alien Labor Law in the County of Welland.

The matter is receiving attention.

Your obedient servant,
(Sgd.) LAWRENCE J. BURPEE,

Private Secretary

Robert Cooper, Esq., County Clerk, Welland, Ont.

FROM COUNTY INSPECTOR OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

WELLAND, Ont., Dec. 8, 1897.

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As the report of the Educational Committee of the Council in June, provides that an additional yearly allowance of fifty dollars be granted the 1875, County School Inspector for traveling expenses, which report was adopted by resolution of the Council, and as it appears that the passing of a by-law in reference to the matter was overlooked, I would beg leave to express the hope that the intention of that date will now be confirmed by by-law.

I may state the number of schools at that time was 92 and that it is now 110, an increase of 18 schools; so that the original allowance, which was looked upon by the Council as small, would be still more slender now.

Trusting the matter will receive your favorable consideration,

I have the honor to be, sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Sgd.) JAS. H. BALL,

County Iuspector.

Robert Cooper, Esq., County Clerk, Welland.

APPENDIX F.

MISCELLANEOUS.

GRAND JURY PRESENTMENT.

PRESENTMENT OF GRAND JURY—COMMUNICATION FROM
I. P. WILLSON.

OFFICE OF HIGH COURT JUSTICE, WELLAND, 30th Nov., 1897.

The Warden of the County of Welland :

SIR, -

By direction of His Lordship Honorable Mr. Justice Meredith, who held the recent sittings of assizes for this County, I have the honor to transmit herewith a copy of Presentment made by the grand jury at said sitting, for the information of the County Council.

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

(Sgd.) I. P. WILLSON,

Local Registrar County of Welland.

To the Honorable Mr. Justice Meredith:

The grand jury heartily unite with your Lordship in expressing satisfaction at the entire absence from crime throughout the county, as shown by the fact that they have not been called upon to investigate any cases what-

They have in course of the performance of their duty visited the gaol, and find that everything therein is entirely satisfactory.

They also visited the Industrial Home, and find that it is properly conducted throughout; but the jurors would strongly urge upon the County Council that some other and better arrangements in the way of water closets should be provided for the aged and infirm inmates.

The jurors find that a proper system of water closets is in use in the gaol, and they would recommend a similar system to be used in the Home.

The inmates of the Home, who are all aged and infirm, are surely entitled to as much consideration as prisoners.

Dated 24th Nov., 1897.

(Sgd.) JACOB FRETZ,

Foreman.

Certified, A true copy,

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November 30th, 1897.

(Sgd.) I. P. WILLSON,

Clerk of Assize, County of Welland.

JOHN R. DOWD'S ACCOUNT-RE CROW BURGLARY.

Arrest of Richard Arnett and James Smith.

County of Welland in account with John R. Dowd, Constable, Instructed by County Attorney.

897.		
Oct.	13 -	One day going to Thorold\$2 00
p. 6	. 42	Horse hire \$2, expenses \$1.25 3, 25.
	14	One day Thorold township and Fonthill 2 00
	14	Railway fare 6oc., expenses 5oc
4	14-16	Two days in Buffalo, \$2 4 00
	rop	Railway fare \$1.50, hotel \$3.75, assistance \$2 7 25
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	18	Man for watching premises
	20	One day went to Buffalo-telegram (to identify
		goods)
- 3	20.	Paid witness \$1, railway fare \$3, expenses 75c 4 75
	21	One day going to Buffalo 2 00
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Under and by virtue of R. S. O., Chapter 83, section 12, the above account is certified and approved by me.

By error.....

Nov. 6, 1897.

Sgd.) T. D. COWPER,

County Attorney, County of Welland.

ACCOUNT FROM TOWN OF THOROLD RE MRS. HUTTY.

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June 28 I	Paid for taking	Mrs. Hutty from V	Velland jail to	Hamilton	7.45
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				\$15	00

The above account is in accordance with the statute of Ontario, chap. acc, sec. 11, sub-section 2, in regard to insane destitute, which requires the mayor to pay the above amounts and to be repaid by the county. Please have the account passed by the County Council and remit the amount and oblige.

-(Sgd.) WM. T. FISH, Clerk.

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