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CLOSING EXERCISES

The closing exercises of the Fisher Memorial School took place on Wednesday afternoon. F. C. Squires, principal of the town schools, presided. There was a large number of spectators, including parents of many of the children.

W. B. Belyea, chairman of the school board, made the presentation of the Lieutenant Governor's medal to Hubert Seely of this town.

The program was as follows:—
O Canada sung by Grades 9, 10 and 11.

Drill by sixteen children of Grades 1 and 2.

Vocal Duett by Miss Margaret Gibson and Master John Rankin.

Recitation by Carleton Risteen.

Drill by Grades 3 and 4 with singing and recitation.

Vocal Solo by Miss Erma Jones, Recitation by Miss Hope Jarvis.

Dumb Bell Exercises by Grades 5 and 6.

Vocal Selection by sextette composed of Misses Lillian Jones, Bertha Sprague, Mary Dickinson, Ruth McGibbon, Evelyn Nicholson and Erma Jones.

Recitation by Miss Mildred Bailey. Song by Grades 7 and 8.

Piano Solo Miss Marguerite Merriman.

Vocal Selection, Christmas Star, by Grades 9, 10 and 11.
God Save the King.

Soprell-Jamieson

A very pretty wedding took place at the residence of Mrs. William Jamieson, Williamstown, on Monday, Dec. 15th., at 4 o'clock, when her daughter Florence Augusta, was united in marriage to Mr. Ernest George Soprell, of Cambridge, England. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. George Ayers, of Jacksonville in the presence of about seventy-five guests. The bride wore a very pretty dress of white silk with crystal trimming. Her veil was fastened with a wreath of lilies of the valley and she carried a beautiful bouquet of cut flowers. Her bridesmaid was Miss Kate McAuley and Mr. Edward Hills was groomsmen. Supper was served after the ceremony. Mrs. Soprell received a large number of beautiful and expensive gifts and a sum of money.

C. S. Young is spending Christmas with his sisters, Mrs. C. M. Dow and Mrs. Rupert Long, River Bank, Car. Co., and will conduct a Christmas service in the River Bank Hall Dec. 25th at 7.30 p. m. Special music. All are invited to attend.

Teachers' Institute

Attendance Was Good, Business Was Important and Clever Staff of Officers Elected at Meeting.

THURSDAY MORNING.

The thirty sixth annual session of the Carleton and Victoria Counties Teachers' Institute was opened in the Fisher Memorial School building Thursday morning at 10 o'clock. There were 137 teachers present, all of whom, with the exception of three or four, were from this county. It might safely be called one of the most successful Institute gatherings ever held in this county.

In the absence of the president, Inspector Meagher presided.

On motion the enrolment fee was fixed at 50 cents. The following committees were appointed:

Audit committee—Mr Estabrooks, Mr Dew, Miss Crawford.

Resolution committee—Miss Mulherrin, Miss Fraser, Mr Graves.

Nominating committee—Miss Carson, Mr Davidson, Miss Kilpatrick, Miss King, Miss Alward.

A letter from Dr Carter was read by the chairman, in which he expressed his regret at being unable to be present.

A very inspiring address was given by Mr J F Peacock, Provincial Director of Manual Training and Household Science.

The institute next listened to a very interesting address by Mr R P Steeves, Provincial Director of Elementary, Agricultural Training. Mr Steeves made special reference to the benefits to be derived from the teaching of agriculture in the school and to the Summer School of Science to be held in Woodstock next July.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

The Institute this afternoon was attended by one hundred and thirty-five teachers, all of whom with but few exceptions were from Carleton county. It was divided into four sections, primary, intermediate, advanced and trustees and ratepayers sections.

In the last named section which is a new feature of the institute, Inspector F B Meagher acted as chairman and N W Brown, B A, was secretary. This section was treated to a very valuable paper on the government of the school district by the chairman, Inspector Meagher. A practical discussion was held between the inspector and the trustees and ratepayers.

At the opening of the session at 2.30 o'clock the trustees and ratepayers section met in the assembly hall of the Fisher School, the two bodies being represented by Chas Connell, Sterling Peabody, Warren Bull, Allison Hall, F T Atkinson, Geo B Laverly, L S Raymond, Wasson Bridges, C L Smith, Burton Bedell, Alex Johnston, Thos Colwell, N W Brown, B A., John J Rogers, J E Colwell, H Stanley Patterson, I E Slipp, John N Emery, C G Hand, George McLeod, Edwin Lipsett, Wm L Margison, Chas H L Perkins, Robt Bell.

THURSDAY EVENING

The teachers' reception held in the recreation room of the Fisher Memorial School on Thursday evening was attended by a large number of teachers from the town and county.

Inspector Meagher presided until the chairman, Mr. F. C. Squires, arrived.

Addresses were made by:—W. B. Belyea, Premier Flemming, Inspector Meagher, N. W. Brown, B. A., and F. C. Squires. Vocal solos were rendered by Miss Caroline Munro and Mrs. F. C. Squires. Mrs. N. Foster Thorne, Miss Dorothy Demming and Miss Alice Sprague were the accompanists. At the conclusion of the program the teachers and invited guests were invited to the class room down stairs where dainty refreshments were served by the teachers of Woodstock. The evening was pleasantly spent by all present.

FRIDAY MORNING.

Friday morning's session of the Teachers Institute heard a very interesting paper from Miss Robinson, of St. John, followed by one on Literature, by Gaynell E. Long.

There was a discussion on the care

and preservation of school register, how to make the school premises attractive, and decoration of school rooms. The discussion was opened by Inspector F. B. Meagher and F. C. Squires.

There was an address on drawing and writing by H. H. Hagerman, M. A.

The chairman introduced R. P. Steeves M. A., who delivered a very thoughtful address in his usual vigorous and forcible way on agriculture in the schools. Taking up his subject step by step, he made a strong plea for the practical teaching of agriculture. Comparing France with our province, he stated that every state-aided school in France must have a school garden. Theory is very good, he said, but when it becomes worked in with the practice, then it becomes effective. He explained the terms on which the grant can be secured for each school that will teach agriculture.

Nelson Brown, B. A., opened the discussion on Mr. Steeves' address. He said the keynote of the movement to hold the boys and girls in the school was to make the latter attractive and then put in competent and enthusiastic teachers. He referred to the results of arbor day observed being not always apparent. He emphasized the fact that the concrete preceded the abstract in all good teaching.

Mr. Atkinson, chairman of the Consolidated School at Florenceville, was then introduced and delivered a forcible address on consolidated schools. He strongly favored consolidation as it tended to produce a far better school.

In closing his address on the government of the school district, Inspector Meagher said that the petty jealousies and differences of opinions so often prevailing in small country districts should be done away with and a broader and more liberal scope should govern the administration of school affairs.

Schools should be far better directed and produce more lasting results, if a general scheme of district union were adopted by which the schools could be centralized, graded and made to enjoy in full the benefits of consolidation.

In the primary section, the following was the programme:—Lesson, arithmetic, grade one, Miss Mabel Lester; lesson, reading, grade two, Miss Clara Carson, paper "Primary Difficulties," Miss Greta Gasken, question box.

In the intermediate section, the following was the programme.—Paper "Weeds and Their Seeds," Miss Jessie Teddie; paper, "Civics," Miss Alice Harold; paper, "Geography," Miss Mary Pringle, question box.

In the advanced section, presided over by F. C. Squires, whose secretary is E. J. Alexander, the first paper was on "Practical Arithmetic," by Walter Daly, principal of the Broadway School. Then followed a paper on the educative value of each subject of school curriculum by Fred C. Squires, principal of the town schools, and a paper on school gardens by Daisy B. Ramsay, followed by the usual question box.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

The session was concluded on Friday afternoon by the election of the following officers for the coming year: F. C. Squires, Woodstock, president; Bessie M. Fraser, Grand Falls, vice-president; E. J. Alexander, Hartland, secretary; Mrs. M. I. F. Carvell, Perth, assistant secretary; J. Hanson, principal of Superior Schools, Grand Falls, Miss Helena Mulherrin, Woodstock, additional members of executive.

Owing to the unavoidable absence of Mrs. Ena Britton her paper on "The Connection Between the Home and the School from the Mother's Standpoint" was not read.

A telegram was received from the St. John County Institute sending hearty greetings and best wishes for a successful institute, to which a suitable reply was sent by Inspector Meagher.

The paper "Connection between the Home and the School from the Teacher's Standpoint" by Miss Juliet Jordan proved to be very interesting and was listened to with marked attention as also was Miss Eleanor Robinson who opened the discussion on this subject.

The reports of the various committees were then read and the officers elected.

A motion was made that the next meeting of the institute be held at Grand Falls in October 1914, to which it was moved as an amendment that the next meeting be held in the Fisher Memorial School building at Woodstock on the last two teaching days of December. The amendment carried.

Among the usual votes of thanks was one to the acting president, Inspector F. B. Meagher, for the able and effective manner with which he presided at the proceedings.

The committee on Resolutions submitted the following, which were adopted by the Institute:—

Be it resolved—That this Institute record its regret at the absence from our meetings of Dr Carter, Chief Superintendent of Education, whose presence has always been so helpful to us in our discussions, and in arousing our enthusiasm for the work in hand.

Be it also resolved that the thanks of the Institute be tendered to the Board of School Trustees for the use of the Fisher Memorial School Building in which our meetings have been held.

To Miss Gaynell Long of St. Martins for her excellent paper on literature, and for the inspiring address on same delivered by Miss Eleanor Robinson.

To Mr W B Belyea, chairman of the Board of School Trustees of Woodstock; to the Hon J K Flemming, Provincial Premier; Mr F C Squires and Mr Nelson Brown for the addresses delivered at the teacher's reception, and the ladies who rendered the musical numbers at same.

To Director Steeves and Mr W F Atkinson for the addresses they delivered in the Trustees' and Ratepayers' section; also to Mr J Fletcher Peacock and Mr H H Hagerman for their instructive and helpful addresses.

To the Carleton Sentinel for the beautiful program donated to the Institute.

To the teaching staff of the Town of Woodstock for the pleasant social entertainment of Thursday evening.

To the members of the Executive committee for the enthusiastic manner in which they have worked to make this (which it undoubtedly is) the greatest Institute which has ever been held in Carleton county.

That the Institute record its regret at the absence of Mrs Ena L Britton owing to the illness of one of her children, the Institute being thereby deprived of a valuable paper on "Connection between Home and School from the Mother's Standpoint".

And be it further resolved that this Institute record its approval of the establishment of a Trustees' and Ratepayers' section in connection with its proceedings, and that the success of the same merits its continuance in the future.

Signed in behalf of the members of the Carleton and Victoria county institute.

BESSIE FRASER
HELENA MULHERRIN
LEO GRAVES, Committee.

(From a special reporter.)

On Thursday J Fletcher Peacock, provincial director of manual training, addressed the Institute on the value and necessity of a more practical education to fit the next generation for their future career.

R P Steeves, director of elementary agricultural training, then followed with a very practical and instructive talk on Nature Study and School Gardens. As Carleton and Victoria counties are considered the finest agricultural part of the province, this subject should occupy a very important part in the curriculum; and how to do this was plainly shown by Director Steeves.

In the afternoon, the Institute was divided into primary, intermediate, advanced and trustees and ratepayers sections. This was a very satisfactory arrangement, as members could choose the department from which he or she hoped to derive ideas which could be applied to the work of their own school.

The advanced section was presided over by F C Squires, E J Alexander secretary.

Here was read an excellent paper on Practical Arithmetic by Walter Daley

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