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BOARD—Second Friday in each month at 8 p.m.
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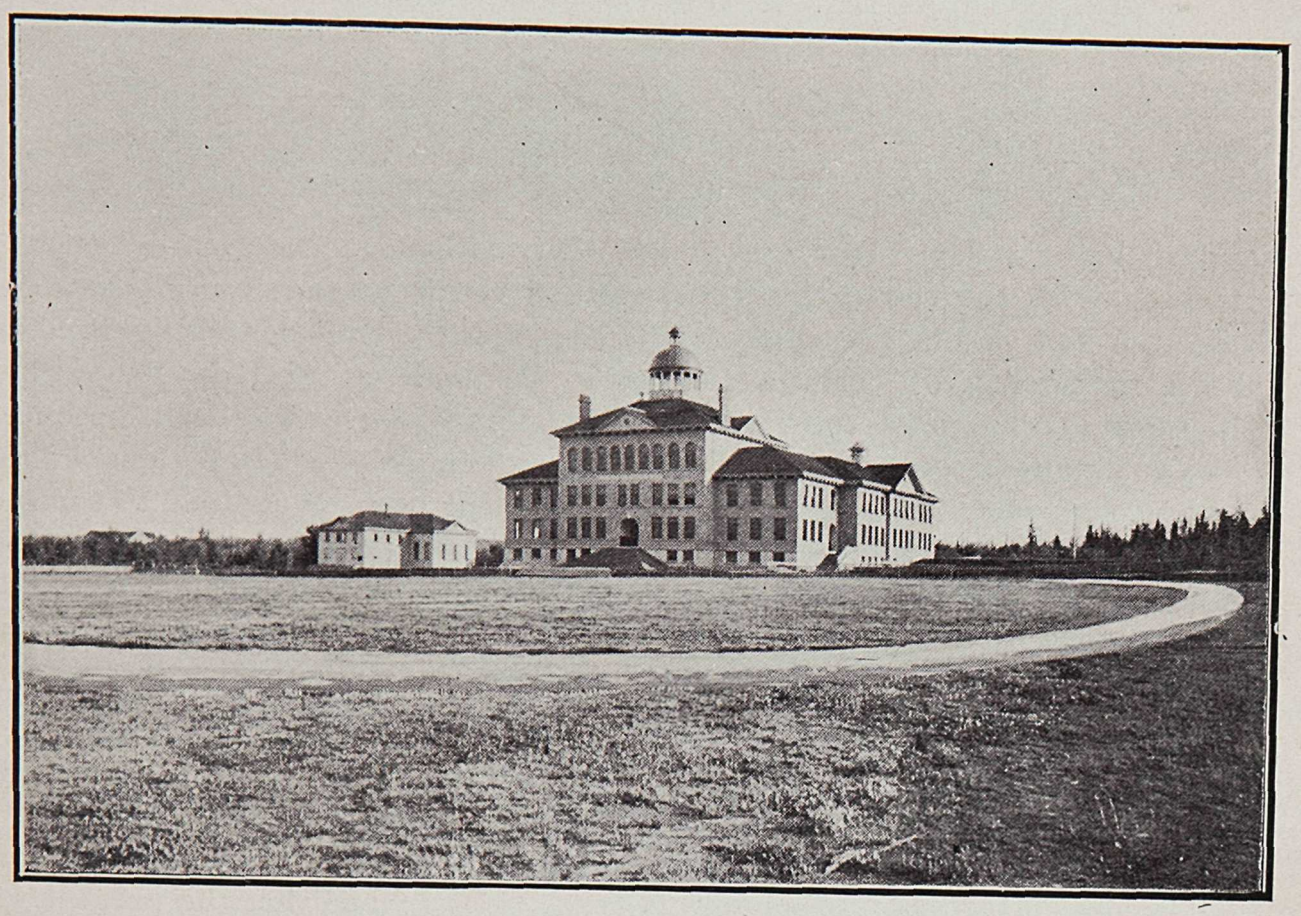

HIGH SCHOOL, FAIRVIEW.

(Showing Gymnasium and Campus.

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CHAIRMAN'S ADDRESS.

To the Board of School Trustees:

GENTLEMEN,—As the Chairmen of the various Committees have presented to you reports in detail of the work done during the year, it is needless for me to give you any lengthened report.

As the education of the youth of the country is at all times of paramount importance, so the duties devolving upon this or any other School Board are always such as to claim the best judgment and energy of the various members.

During the early part of the year just past, overtures were made to this Board by the authorities of McGill University, with a view of extending the work of the High School along the lines of Natural Sciences.

Dr. Tory, a representative of McGill, addressed the Board on several occasions, with the result that the Board agreed to acquiesce in the proposals made. A Bill will be presented to the Legislature at its next session, asking for the ratification of certain changes to be made in the High School here. When this is done, as it no doubt will be, Vancouver College will become to a large extent a separate institution from Vancouver High School; and students who intend taking a Science course will then be enabled to complete their first two years here, as the Arts students have been able to do for some years past. Besides, the Arts students will have an opportunity of taking any of the options prescribed in the Curriculum. The importance of this change is evident; as besides the great advantage to our students, it will fix for all time the educational center of the Province in the city of Vancouver.

A Domestic Science course for the girls of the public schools was started during the year. Miss Berry, a graduate of the McDonald Institute, at Guelph, Ontario, was placed in charge, and is doing highly satisfactory work. That this is only a commencement, I trust; and I hope that the present year will see at least one or two additional Domestic Science centers opened.

In September a Commercial Department was opened in the High School, with an initial attendance of over thirty pupils. This department is well equipped with typewriters and other requisites.

A new Model School, which in architectural appearance and general plan will rank well with any buildings of its class in the Dominion, is now well under construction.

A new School was opened at Grand View, while several portable buildings had to be resorted to in various parts of the city to relieve the pressure in the larger schools.

At the last Session of the Legislature the School Act was materially changed in reference to the government grant. Heretofore, the grant has been on a per capita basis, reckoned on the actual average attendance. Henceforth it will be at the rate of $360.00 per teacher in cities of the First Class,

STRATHCONA SCHOOL.—SIXTEEN ROOMS.

FAIRVIEW SCHOOL.—EIGHT ROOMS.

with a supplemental $100.00 if the salary be $560.00 or over. This will mean an additional financial obligation to the City of Vancouver of approximately $10,000.00, but obligations must be assumed and nothing allowed to interfere with the educational interests of the city.

The school population is rapidly increasing, and the Board will ever have to be on the alert in the matter of procuring new and suitable sites for school buildings in order to keep sufficient accommodation for the public school pupils of Vancouver.

I think the future Boards ought to keep in mind the idea suggested during the past year of beautifying the school grounds with trees and shrubs. This cannot be all done in one year, but by doing a certain amount each year no great outlay need be made at any one time.

In conclusion, I wish to thank the members of the Board for the honor conferred upon me a year ago in placing me in the chair, and to assure you that the honor has been duly appreciated. And further, to express my appreciation of the work done by the City Superintendent and Secretary, in their respective spheres. Under the energetic supervision of the Superintendent, the schools of the city never stood in better position than they do to-day.

Wishing the Members and Officers of the Board the Compliments of the Season,

I am yours,
(Sgd) W. B. McKECHNIE,
Chairman.

Annual Report of Chairman of Management Committee, 1905.

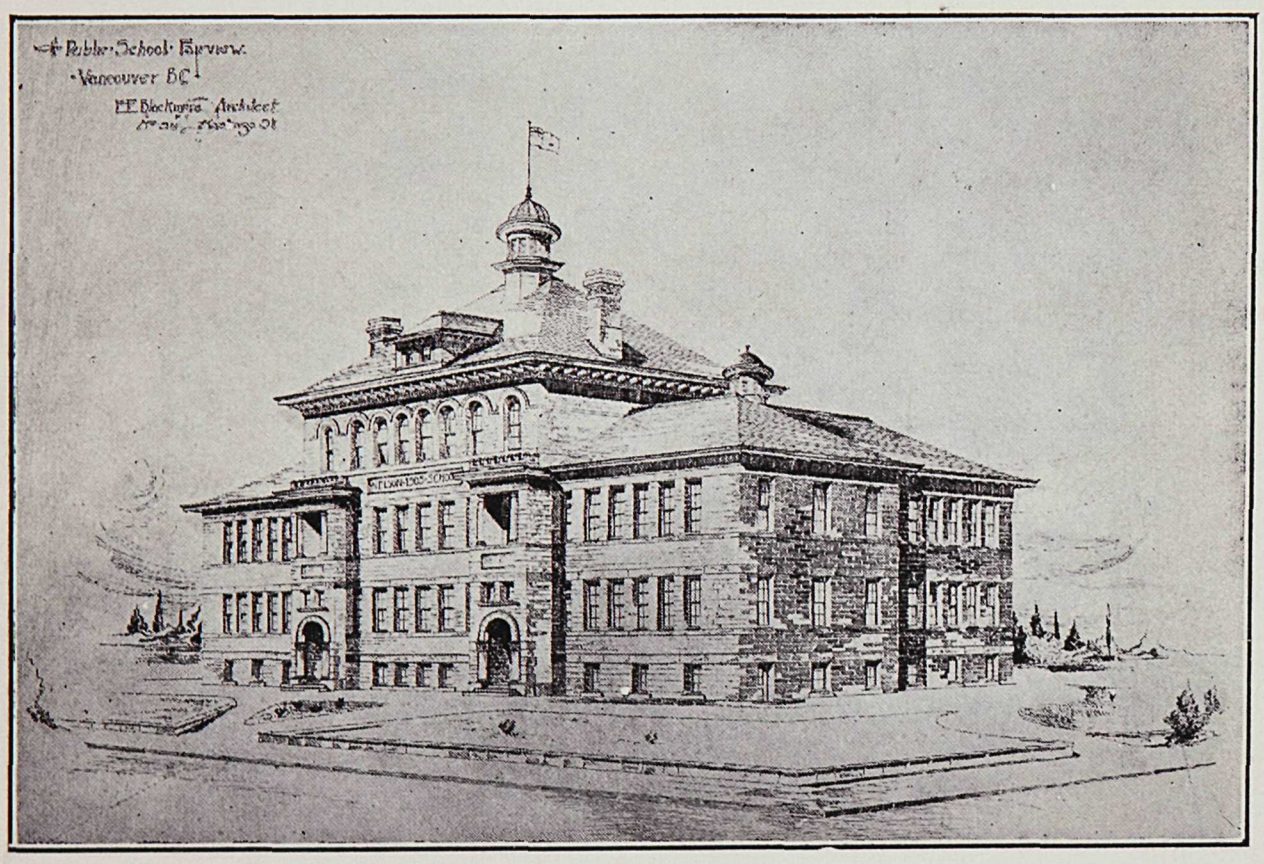
To the Board of School Trustees:

MR. CHAIRMAN AND GENTLEMEN,—I have the honor to submit a report of the Management Committee for the year 1905.

Enrollment and average attendance for each month of 1905:

	Enroll.	Av. Att.		Enroll.	Av. Att.
January	5186	4622.22	August	5000	4780.30
February	5214	4542.92	September	5543	4825.11
March	5207	4527.25	October	5609	4935.36
April	5267	4563.67	November	5678	5025.33
May	5229	4547.59	December	5469	4933.76
June	4999	4523.16			

DAWSON SCHOOL.—SIXTEEN ROOMS.



VANCOUVER MODEL SCHOOL, FAIRVIEW.

Enrollment for the month of November for each year since 1897;

Year	Enrollment	Year	Enrollment
1898	2724	1902	4063
1899	3078	1903	4334
1900	3316	1904	5003
1901	3634	1905	5678

An examination of the above statistics will show how rapidly the school population is increasing, and will suggest an explanation of the ever present difficulty of providing adequate accommodation. A year ago the High School was moved to the new building in Fairview, and the building vacated was used for Public School classes. In August, the new four-roomed school in Grand View was opened, and in October, three temporary one-roomed buildings were erected in different parts of the city. Notwithstanding this additional accommodation, the following schools are crowded, viz: Cedar Cove, Seymour, Strathcona, Mt. Pleasant, High School, Fairview and Roberts. A large stone building is now under construction on a block of land situated between 10th and 12th Avenues, on Ash Street, which will relieve Mt. Pleasant and Fairview Schools. Immediate steps must be taken to provide relief for the schools in other parts of the city.

Vancouver College and High School continues its excellent record of previous years. Below will be found a statement of the number of pupils who were successful at the various examinations held during the year:

University Second Year	4
University First Year	10
Matriculation	40
Junior Departmental	63
Preliminary High School	122

PRIZES AND HONORS.

The Rhodes Scholarship for British Columbia: Israel Rubinowitz (First Year Arts, 1901).

The Flumerfelt Scholarship: Thomas Ernest Price (Second Year Arts, 1903).

Second Year Exhibitions at McGill: Ellen McClughan (Matriculation in Arts, 1903); Henry Tremanie Logan (Matriculation in Arts, 1903).

Governor-General's Medal to "Head of School": Olive McWhinney.

B. C. McGill Graduates' Society's prize to "Best Matriculant from the Province": Andrew Rutherford Thompson (Second Place).

Early in the year a room in the High School was fitted with special desks, so that a class of thirty-six may carry on experiments at one time. Each desk is provided with water and gas and a small individual equipment. Competent judges consider this room one of the best of its kind in the Dominion. A large amount of physical and chemical apparatus was added to the equipment about March. The new program of studies issued by the Department in August made provision for a Commercial Course in High Schools. This course includes such subjects as book-keeping, stenography, typewriting, business forms, and laws of business, as well as the English and mathematical

Manual Training Centre

Manual Training Centre

subjects of the Junior Grade course. Twelve typewriters, a rotary mimeograph and letter files, have been purchased, and this department has now all necessary apparatus for doing successful work. The Commercial Class numbers thirty-five.

The public schools are doing efficient work. The discipline has been well maintained. Steady progress has been made by the pupils in all grades and in all subjects. The results of the entrance examinations given below, as well as the excellent exhibit of school work made by the Vancouver Schools at New Westminster, are some indication of what is being accomplished.

Number of pupils from each school passing the Entrance Examinations into the High School during the year 1905:

Central	22
Dawson	41
Fairview	18
Mt. Pleasant	17
Roberts	35
Seymour	17
Strathcona	24
Total	174

From information given below, some idea of the growth of the school system may be obtained, as well as some idea of the professional standing of the teachers composing the staff.

Number of teachers on the Vancouver Staff in December for each year since 1902:

	Males	Females	Total
December, 1903	29	63	92
December, 1904	30	71	101
December, 1905	29	83	112

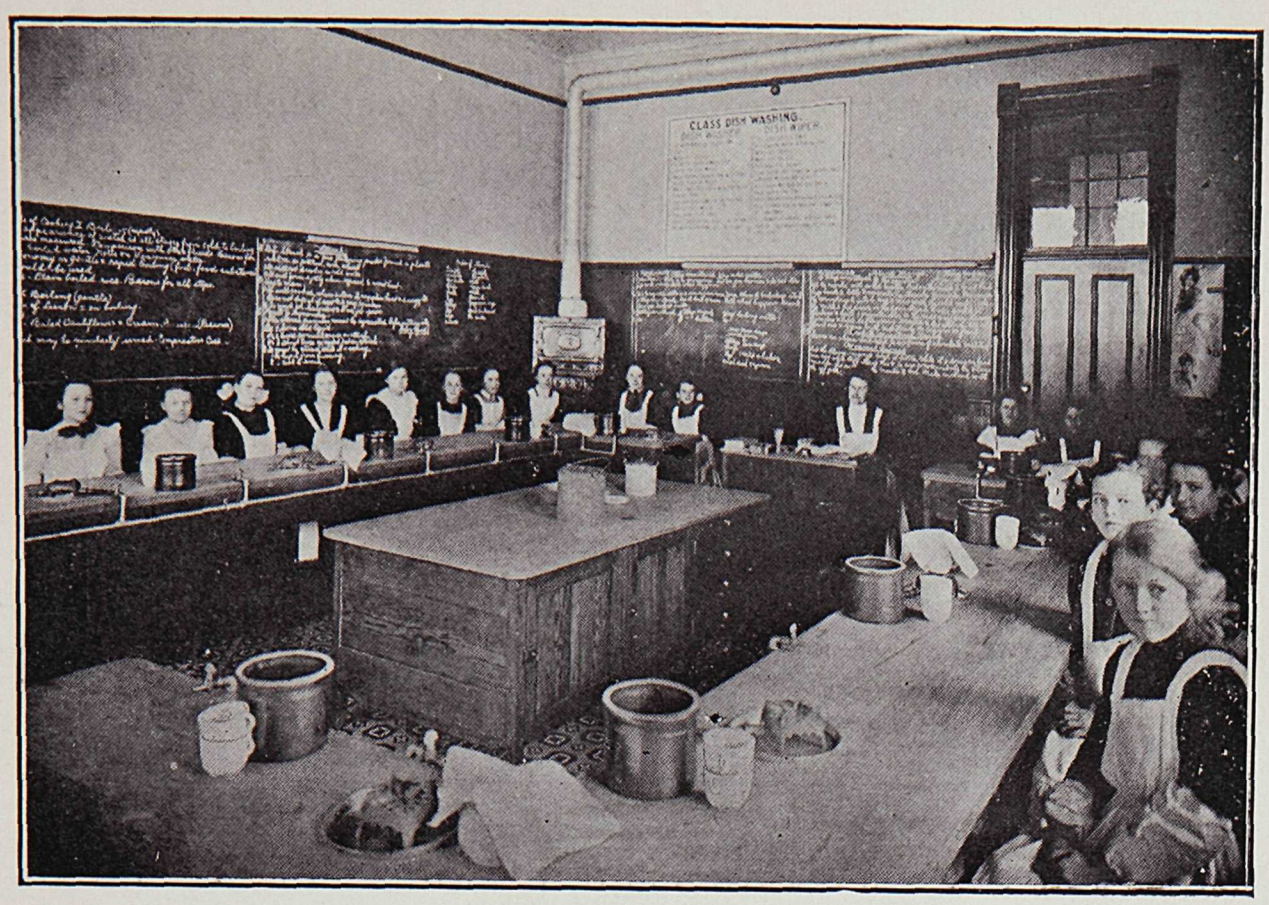
Special instructors employed by the Board:

Manual Training	3
Domestic Science	1
Supervisor of Music	1
Supervisor of Drill, etc	1

Number of teachers holding the different grades of certificates:

University Graduate with Academic Certificate	23
Academic Certificate	2
First Class Certificate	30
Second Class Certificate	55
Third Class Certificate	2
Total	112

For over a year music has been taught to public school classes. Early in January a course indicating what work each grade might be expected to cover was outlined by the Supervisor of Music. It is gratifying to learn that the teachers succeeded in covering the work assigned and in many cases in doing more. Equally gratifying has been the interest the teachers have taken in the subject and the effort they have made to master it. Classes for the



DOMESTIC SCIENCE ROOM.

CHEMISTRY ROOM.

instruction of teachers were held by the Supervisor after school hours. These classes will be continued.

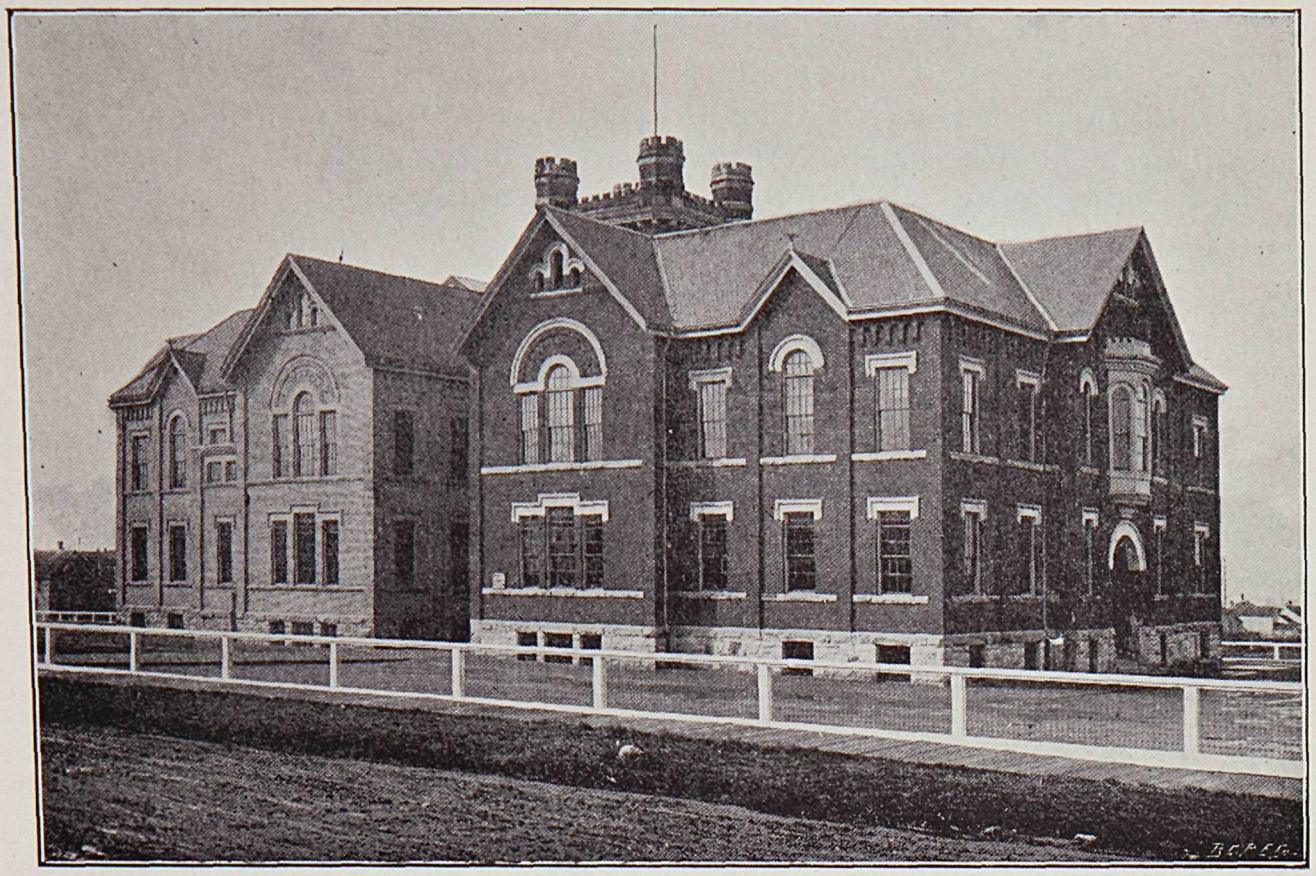
A steady improvement is noticeable in the drawing. It has been felt, however, that the importance of this subject, the necessity for teachers receiving instruction and the necessity for a closer supervision of the work of teachers and pupils, more than justify the appointment of a supervisor, who is a specialist. At a recent meeting of the Board it was decided to advertise in local and eastern papers. Applications are expected to be in the hands of the Secretary the last week of January, 1906.

The woodwork classes have been well attended, and the quality of the work done has been excellent. A splendid opportunity of seeing the character of the instruction given in woodwork was furnished parents, at the closing of the schools in June, when evening sessions were held, and at the Dominion Fair, New Westminster, where the Manual Training Exhibit was such a striking feature. Each woodwork centre has twenty benches, but as many divisions have more than this number of boys, it has not been possible to give every boy an opportunity of attending the classes. To obviate this difficulty, four new benches are being added to each centre.

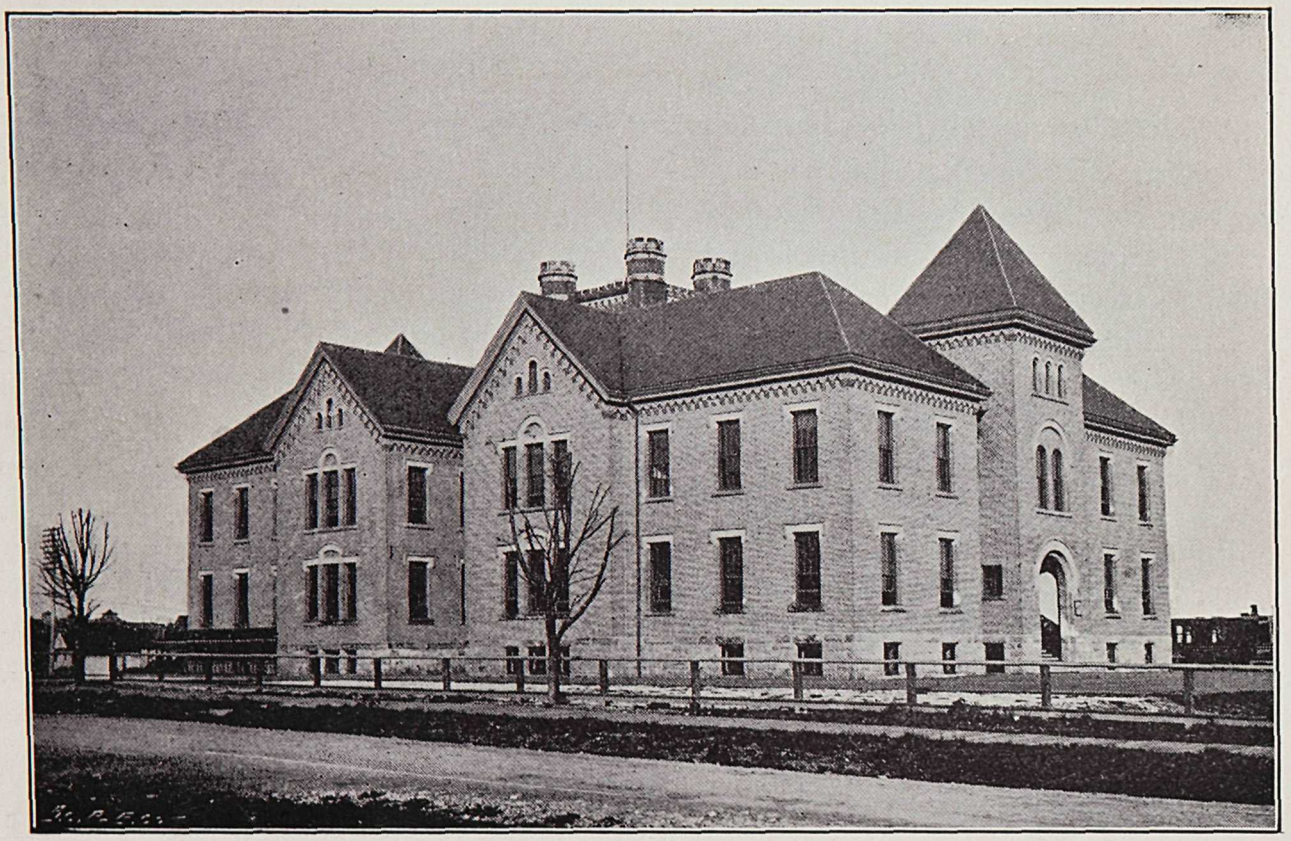
In July, the Board appointed Miss Elizabeth Berry, a graduate of the Macdonald Training School, Guelph, Ontario, teacher of Domestic Science. A kitchen in Central School No. 2 was furnished to accommodate twenty four pupils. Two hundred and eighty-eight girls from the senior grade classes have been receiving instruction. The attendance has been regular, and the interest shewn by pupils and parents is ample evidence that the teaching has been interesting and instructive. Thirty divisions send boys to the woodwork classes and ten divisions send girls to the cooking classes. In the twenty divisions where the girls who do not take cooking are by themselves with their regular teacher, an effort is being made to have sewing systematically taught.

Systematic instruction in drill has been given to all public school classes, and to the Cadet Company in the High School. In the public school the instruction has not been given for the purpose of display, but for the purpose of improving the health of the pupils and of improving the general discipline of the school. Special attention has been given to the following: physical drill, marching drill, turnings, standing positions, method of falling in, forming fours, explanation of terms. The Cadet Company, which numbers about fifty, is fully equipped, and has made good progress in physical and military drill. In April it paraded with the 6th Regiment D.C.O.R., for its annual inspection by Col. J. G. Holmes, D.C.C., who expressed himself as highly pleased with its appearance and drill. About two hundred boys have received instruction at the Drill Hall in the care of fire-arms and the rudiments of rifle shooting, and very satisfactory progress has been made. Attendance at these classes is voluntary, and the practices take place after school hours.

The pupils enrolled in the various schools have attended regularly, the daily average being about 88% of the monthly enrollment. It was necessary in a few cases to take action under the compulsory clause of the Public Schools



Mt. Pleasant School.—Sixteen Rooms.



Dawson School.—Sixteen Rooms.

Act. Of the five cases brought before the magistrate, three resulted in fines being imposed, one in suspended sentence and one in dismissal. In the last case the parent proved that his boy had passed the age limit for compulsory attendance.

The Management Committee congratulate themselves and the Board on securing so many able teachers during the past year, and are particularly pleased with the work done by the entire staff. We cannot speak too highly of Mr. W. P. Argue, City Superintendent, or lay too much stress upon the great good done. No better man could be secured for the position. There is no question the good results of the year's work are largely due to his good judgment and excellent management.

I am, respectfully yours,

THOS. DUKE,

Chairman Management Committee.

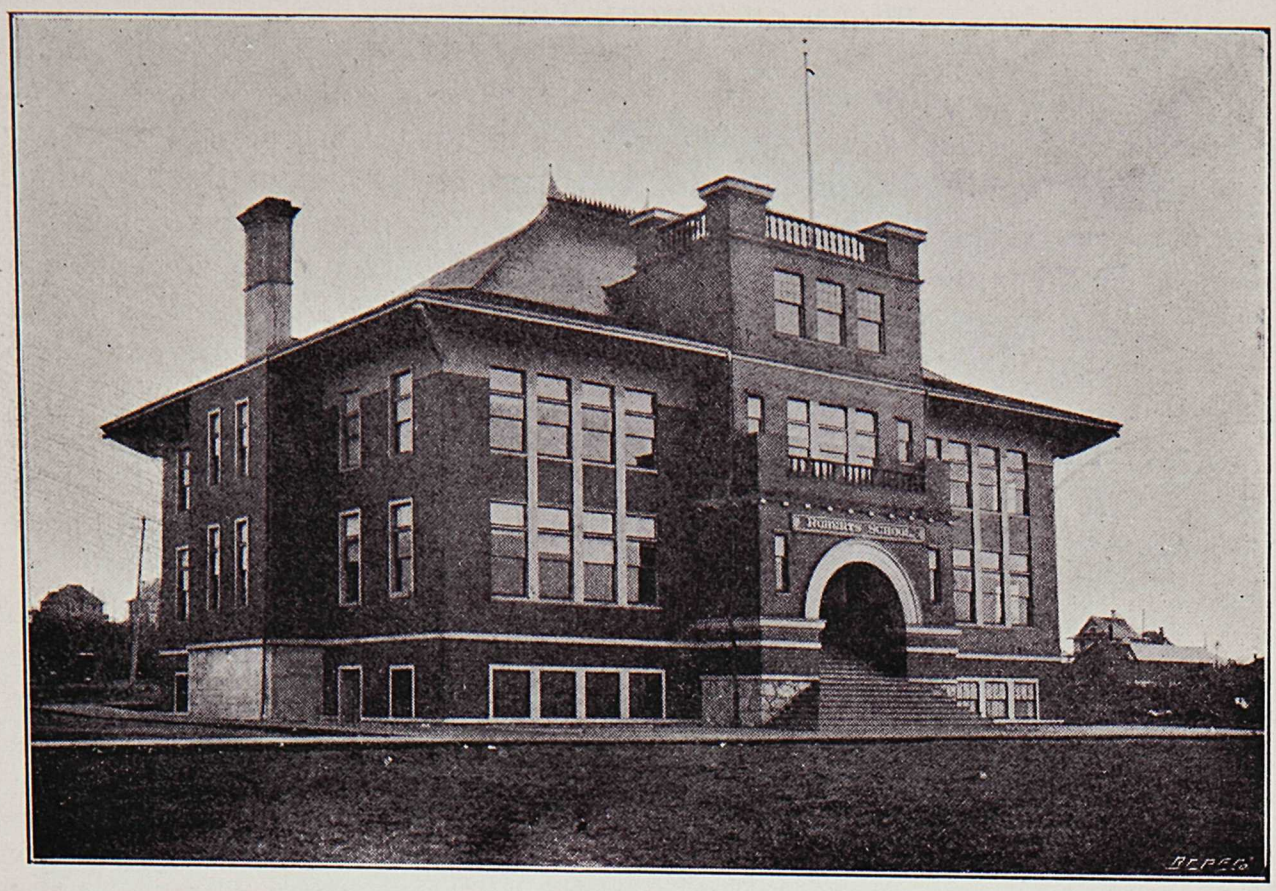
Annual Report of Chairman of Building Committee, 1905.

To the Board of School Trustees:

MR. CHAIRMAN AND GENTLEMEN,—In submitting the report of the Building Committee, we will briefly as possible give a review of the work done during the year which has just ended, and also submit for the benefit of the Committee of 1906, an outline sketch of the work which in our opinion we deem will be worthy of their careful consideration.

At our first meeting we found it necessary to provide accommodation for the school district now known as Grand View. We immediately, with this object in view, requested that competitive plans be called for a four-roomed school building, with stone foundation and superstructure of wood. The architects were requested to submit plans and specifications, arranged in a manner that would admit of a proper extension at some future date, and still conform in general appearance with the building first erected. Several architects submitted plans and specifications, and after a careful examination of the several plans, the Board accepted the one submitted by W. T. Whiteway, Esq., architect, of this city. The contract was awarded to J. McLuckie, Esq., and the building completed and occupied at the beginning of the Fall term in August. We consider this building to be one of the best in the city, both as regards convenience of pupils and teachers, as well as being supplied with the most modern and up-to-date heating and ventilating apparatus, viz., the Fan System, which is now being universally adopted by the most progressive schools of America.

The altering of the heating and ventilating system of the Mt. Pleasant School (which had been recommended by the previous committee), was the next important undertaking, which we found necessary to remedy, and



ROBERTS SCHOOL.—EIGHT ROOMS.

SEYMOUR SCHOOL.—EIGHT ROOMS.

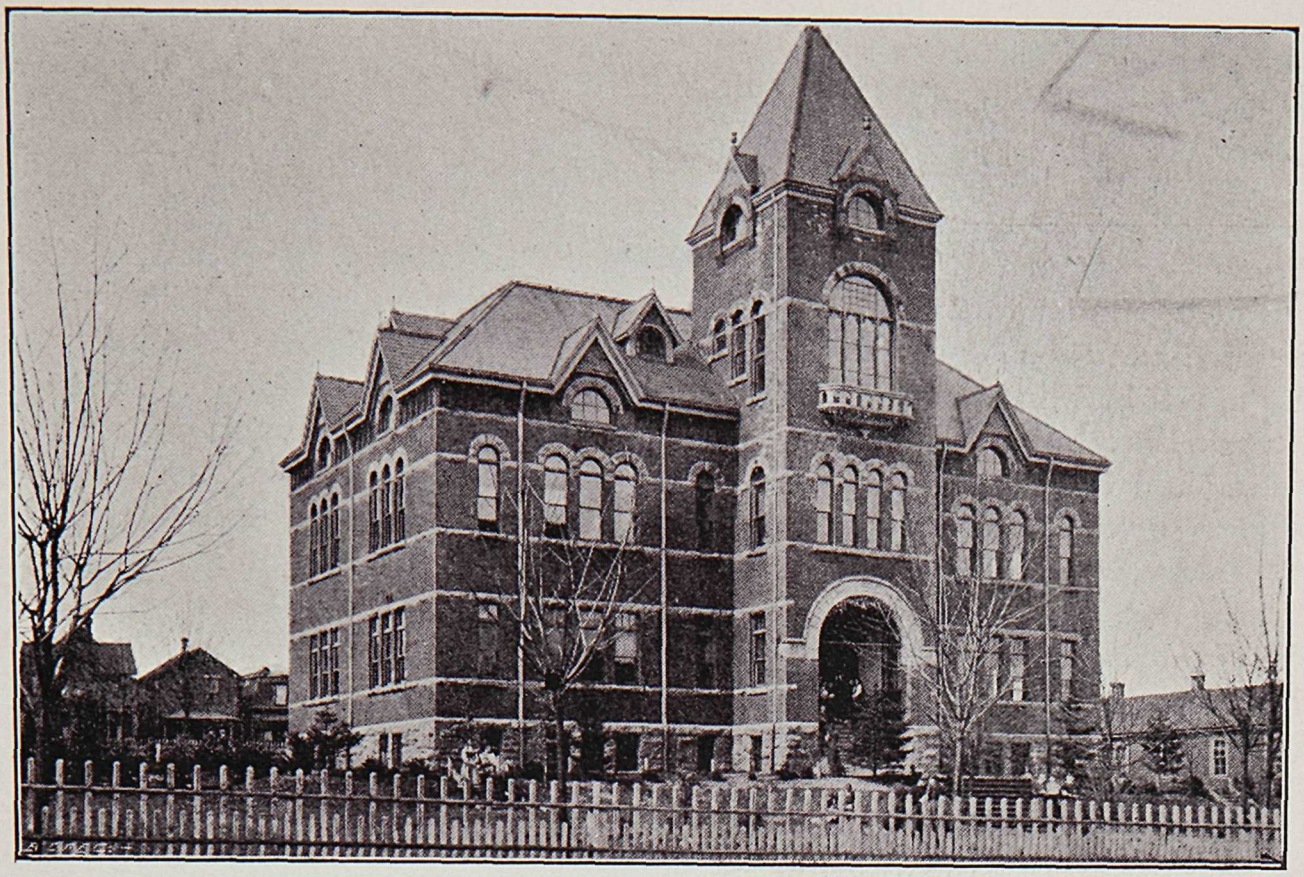
decided after a thorough investigation, that tenders be called for this needed improvement. The Fan System was decided upon, it being the opinion of the committee, from reliable information received, to be the best method to adopt in order to provide good and sufficient ventilation. Tenders were received for this work, and the one submitted by W. Ralph, Esq., for the sum of $2,487, was accepted. The Mt. Pleasant School, as you are aware, contains seven furnaces, placed in the following manner; two in the north east corner, two in the south-east, and three in the center of the west portion of the basement. In the plan which was adopted, the four furnaces, viz., those in the north-east and south east parts of the basement, were placed side by side in the south-east corner, forming a battery of four furnaces with hot and cold air pipes leading to every room in the building, with a fan driven by a motor forcing the air under the furnaces, where under pressure it is distributed to the different rooms. The three furnaces remaining were taken out of the building, and two of them utilized for heating the Grand View school. We find that the new system just outlined is giving good satisfaction, with a saving of about 25% of the cost of fuel, besides giving the desired ventilation.

The contract for the plumbing of the Gymnasium in connection with the High School was awarded to W. A. Brown, after competition, and completed at a cost of $312.90. The plumbing consists of the following fixtures, viz., lavatories, bath tubs and shower baths, in two rooms, one for the young men and one for the young women. At this time also, the Gymnasium building was painted, and electric light fixtures put in at a cost of $190.

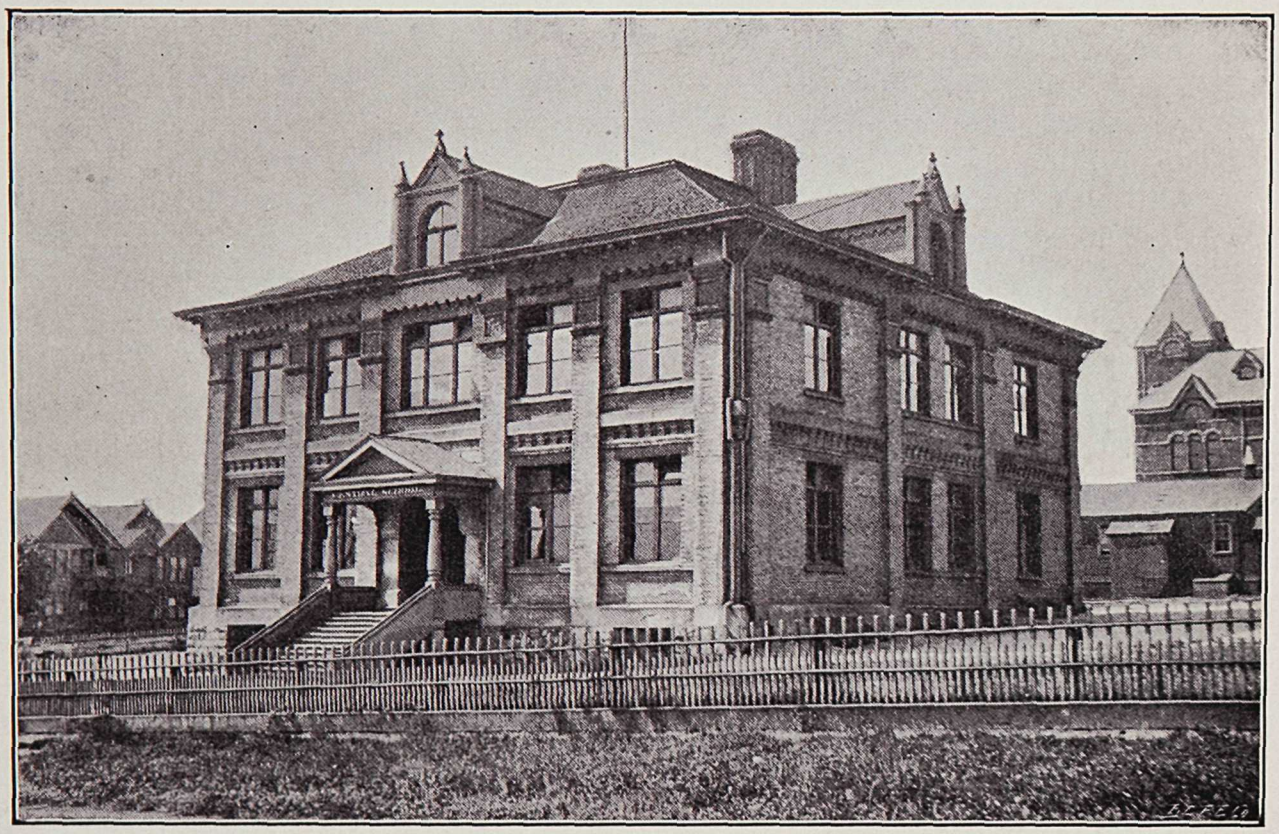
The High School grounds required to be laid out in a uniform manner, and in order to get a variety of suggestions so as to arrive at the best manner in which to lay out the grounds and beautify them, the pupils of the city schools were requested to furnish plans, showing the manner which they deemed best of beautifying the grounds. Prizes of $10 each were awarded to persons submitting the three best plans. The successful competitors were Harold E. Powe, Fairview School, Kenneth A. McLennan, High School, and Geo. W. Shier, Central School. The services of an engineer were engaged, and the plan for the improvement of the High School grounds was made, tenders were called for, and the contract awarded to Messrs. Smith and Storey, for the sum of $1,450.00.

As considerable heat was lost owing to the hot air pipes in the High School having no protection, it was deemed necessary to have them covered with asbestos paper, the contract for the work being awarded to Messrs. MacLachlan Bros., at a cost ot $104.00. This work has been a great saving in fuel as well as improving the heating of the school.

Owing to the rapid growth of that portion of the city on the south side of False Creek, lying between Granville and Bridge Streets, it became necessary for more school accommodation to be provided in that locality. After considerable delay, negotiations were entered into for the purchase of land; a site was secured between Bridge and Ash Streets, and between 10th and 12th Avenues, the purchase price of the site being $5,824.20. As soon as the site was secured, immediate steps were taken to have the ground cleared and roughly graded, and competitive plans were called for a school building.



OLD HIGH SCHOOL.—EIGHT ROOMS.



CENTRAL SCHOOL.—EIGHT ROOMS.

Among the several plans submitted, E. E. Blackmore, Esq., architect, of this city, was awarded the selection. Tenders were called for, and J. McLuckie, Esq., being the lowest tenderer, was awarded the contract, for the sum of $46,000.00. The heating and ventilating contract was awarded to Messrs. Wilband and Morrow. It was decided that the building be erected of stone and brick, similar to the new High School, viz., the front and two sides being of stone, and the rear of brick. It is considered that this will be one of the best school buildings in Canada. The general plan of the building shows the latest and best manner of accommodation for both pupils and teachers. The heating and ventilation is hot air and the Fan System, which is acknowledged to be as near perfection as possible. In the third story of this building a large auditorium is arranged for, where all the pupils can be assembled on occasions when it is deemed advisable to do so. This building when completed will be a fine structure, both as regards accommodation and appearance, and being situated in a very prominent place, will materially add to the attractiveness of the other public buildings in that locality.

The crowded condition of the Roberts School district made it necessary for us to provide additional accommodation. This was accomplished by the placing of a temporary one room building on the corner of the school grounds, which gives a measure of relief for the present.

In order to protect the school property, the Board deemed it advisable to have gates placed on all school grounds, the gates to be locked during Summer months at 9 p.m., and in Fall and Winter at 5 p.m. The janitors were all sworn in as special constables, and were instructed to put a stop to any unseemly conduct on the part of the boys, as well as to see that no damage was done to the property.

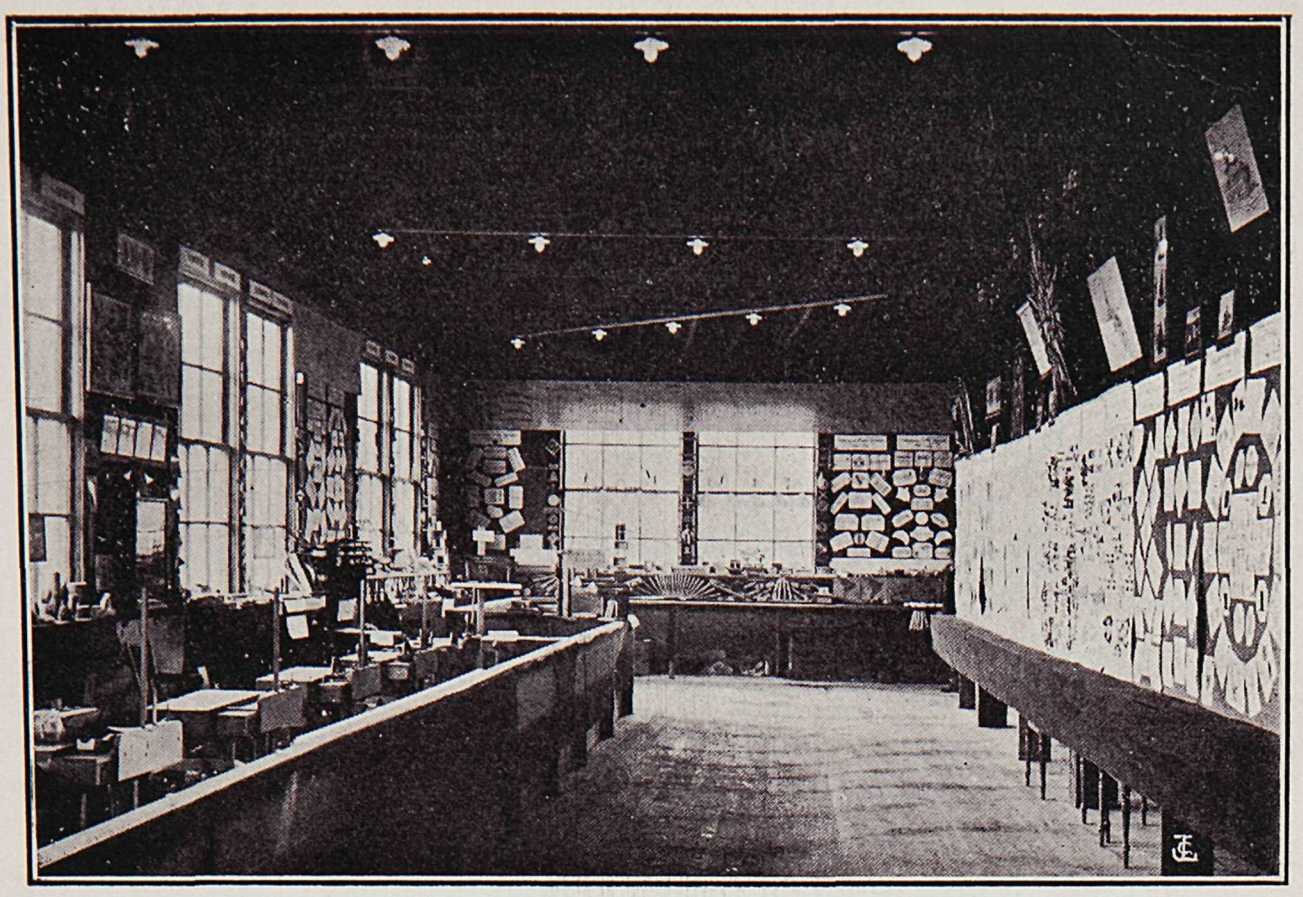
When the Grand View School was nearing completion, we found it necessary (there being no sewer) to have a septic tank constructed in order to make the sanitary conditions as good as possible.

A room in the old High School, Cambie Street, was fitted up for the purpose of teaching Domestic Science. The room is provided with all the necessary and most modern utensils and appliances for demonstrating and giving instruction in that very desirable subject.

The Mt. Pleasant School being overcrowded, it became necessary for us to relieve the pressure, which was accomplished by the erection of a temporary school building, similar to that erected on the Roberts School grounds.

The distance from Cedar Cove to Seymour School being considered too great for small children, we had another temporary building erected on Block 47, D.L. 184, corner of Victoria Drive and Princess Street, which we have no doubt is very much appreciated by the parents living in that section of the city.

A block of land has been secured for the English Bay section, which will be needed in the near future.



MANUAL TRAINING EXHIBIT AT DOMINION FAIR, NEW WESTMINSTER.

PRIMARY ROOM—MODEL SCHOOL.

REPAIRS AND IMPROVEMENTS.

HIGH SCHOOL.—Considerable work was done on the grounds, such as placing cinders around the building, so as to keep the walks in as dry a condition as possible.

DAWSON SCHOOL.—Gates were placed on the grounds, the plank walks repaired, and the wire on the fence renewed where broken.

CENTRAL SCHOOL.—The foundation was repainted, cement steps entering the basement renewed, platform at rear of building raised and relaid, also some galvanized iron work repaired.

STRATHCONA SCHOOL.—The roofs of both buildings received some attention, the front entrances overhauled, repaired and painted. The grounds were graded and drains put in, gates put on and fence repaired.

MT. PLEASANT SCHOOL.—Heating and ventilating received a thorough overhauling, the furnaces being renewed and the ventilating of the building put in first class condition; also some repairs to the walks and steps, lavatory put in the Manual Training centre and fence repaired.

FAIRVIEW SCHOOL.—Slight repairs to front entrance.

SEYMOUR SCHOOL.—The roof repaired in places, gates put on and other slight repairs.

ROBERTS SCHOOL.—Roof repaired, gates put on and broad plank walk built at the rear entrance.

FAIRVIEW WEST SCHOOL.—The ground in front of the school was planked to enable the pupils to line up properly.

SUGGESTED IMPROVEMENTS FOR 1906.

HIGH SCHOOL.—Considerable work will be required to be done on the grounds, and the Building Committee for 1906 should have an amount placed in the estimates so that that work can be carried out. Some provision should be made for fitting up the Gymnasium; bicycle sheds should be built, one for boys and one for girls. When this building was erected, the ventilating flues for several of the rooms only extended into the attic, where it was supposed to find its way to the ventilator in the roof and thus escape. This should be remedied by having each ventilating flue carried to the ventilator in the roof, thus preventing any possibility of foul air remaining in the attic and probably under certain atmospheric conditions be forced back into the rooms.

DAWSON SCHOOL.—The roof of this building will need considerable overhauling, as the slates are gradually dropping off. The planking around the building will need renewing in a great many places. Should the increase in school population continue, a new school building will have to be erected on the ground now occupied by the Dawson Primary School. It would be a move in the right direction to have the heating and ventilating in this building remodelled on the lines adopted in the Mt. Pleasant School.

CENTRAL SCHOOL.—This building will require some slight repairs to the interior stairs on the south side of the building; also a residence erected for the use of the janitor, as the rooms at present occupied are not a fit place to

live in. The old High School building should be kalsomined, and woodwork varnished.

FAIRVIEW SCHOOL.—This building should be raised, the basement excavated and a stone foundation built, also the heating and ventilating apparatus renewed and changed to the Fan System. The building should be painted, as well as the roof and some repairs to the planking around the school. As the new survey gives an additional 20 feet on the south side of the block, the fence should be extended to the new line, which will give quite an addition to the grounds.

STRATHCONA SCHOOL.—The roof of the old building will need shingling. The furnaces will have to be overhauled, and it would be well to adopt the Fan System in this school.

MT. PLEASANT SCHOOL.—The floor in the Manual Training School will have to be renewed, new walks will have to be laid on the east and south sides of the old part of the building, also from school to the street on the east side. More accommodation is required for the janitor, as the present building is too small.

SEYMOUR SCHOOL.—Furnaces overhauled, some planking of walks done, the interior kalsomined, and woodwork painted inside and out, also the roof.

ROBERTS SCHOOL.—The exterior of the building and roof needs to be painted, also some filling in about the school with cinders.

FAIRVIEW WEST SCHOOL.—An addition to the present building will be required, as this section of the city is growing rapidly.

GRAND VIEW SCHOOL.—The ground should be properly graded and seeded.

CEDAR COVE SCHOOL.—A new building will be required in this part of the city, as the increase is becoming very marked. It would also be advisable to have the block cleared and graded.

The advisability of appointing an architect either on salary or commission was considered. Correspondence on the question was had with a large number of cities in Canada and the United States. As there is a diversity of opinion regarding the benefit to be derived from such an appointment, the matter was laid over for future action.

The by-law to be submitted for the sanction of the electors on the 11th inst., it is proposed to be expended in the following places:

Cedar Cove, building, grounds, etc.	$14,000 00
Grand View, grounds, etc.	4,500 00
Seymour, improving grounds	500 00
Dawson Primary, 8 room brick building	35,000 00
Roberts, building and grounds.	12,500 00
Fairview, corner 9th Avenue and Granville Street	6,000 00
Fairview West, building, etc.	12,500 00
English Bay, securing grounds	5,000 00
Contingencies	10,000 00
Total	$100,000 00

The amount realized from this by-law we are in hopes will be sufficient to carry us through the year 1906, and probably well on in the year 1907. We realize that the problem of providing school accommodation for this rapidly-growing city is quite a tax on the ratepayers, but on the other hand it is a good indication of the ever-increasing and substantial growth of this young and progressive city. The suggested improvements for 1906 are given as nearly as can possibly be done at this time, and there may in all probability be some repairs and improvements needed in the school buildings and grounds which may crop up as the year advances.

The work of this Committee during the year just ended was as in the past year a busy one, and although we no doubt have made mistakes, we feel on the whole that the work was fairly well done, both as regards selection of sites and plans for buildings, as well as the structures erected. The work of the Building Committee for the year 1906 will be a busy one, and we trust our successors will endeavour to carry on the work in a better and more thorough manner than we have done.

We desire to express our appreciation for the many courtesies received from the members of the Board during the past year, and we earnestly hope that our successors will receive the same consideration. In conclusion, I might say that in the discharge of the committee's duties, many occasions have arisen where the long practical experience and wise council of Mr. Murray, the efficient Secretary, has been of the greatest service, in fact his services during the year have been almost invaluable, and as Chairman of the Building Committee for the past year, I have no hesitation in stating that the School Board is exceedingly fortunate in having in its employ such a competent and reliable officer, and I am sure this statement will be heartily endorsed by every member of the Building Committee.

WM. CLUBB,
Chairman Building Committee.

LIST OF TEACHERS, SHOWING MONTHLY SALARIES.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Jas. C. Shaw	$150 00
Geo. E. Robinson	130 00
J. K. Henry	125 00
Miss Maud Hunt	100 00
L. Robertson	100 00
James Henderson	100 00
S. W. Mathews	100 00
D. B. Johnston	100 00
R. W. Suter	100 00
Thos. Brough	90 00
Thos. Pattison	100 00

CENTRAL SCHOOL.

D. M. Robinson	$105 00
R. Sparling	90 00
C. L. Fillmore	65 00
Miss M. MacLachlan	50 00
Miss A. Hay	50 00
Miss A. L. Buttimer	57 50
Miss A. E. Elmsley	55 00
Miss A. Moore	52 50
Miss K. Bajus	50 00
Miss R. Springer	50 00
Miss M. Watson	50 00
Miss E. Lawrence	45 00

MODEL SCHOOL.

Miss D. Allison	$50 00
Miss M. McCain	50 00

DAWSON SCHOOL.

F. M. Cowperthwaite	$110 00
Geo. E. McKee	65 00
Miss M. Burns	57 50
E. Caspell	67 50
Miss E. M. Logan	50 00
Miss M. Paul	50 00
Miss E. J. Carter	55 00
Miss L. Maclaren	55 00
Miss M. Creech	55 00
Miss K. Lane	50 00
Miss C. McNair	55 00
Miss R. Tanner	50 00
Miss W. Creech	52 50
Miss E. E. Fletcher	65 00
Miss F. M. Currie	55 00
Miss Emily Beattie	45 00
Miss E. LeFeuvre	50 00
Miss M. Hastings	45 00
Miss Alice M. Lewis	40 00

ROBERTS SCHOOL.

Thos. Leith	$105 00
R. S. Sherman	87 50
Miss A. Newsom	62 50
Miss M. Johnston	55 00
Miss H. Allan	50 00
Miss E. D. Perkins	50 00
Miss P. Musgrove	40 00
Miss M. Lewis	50 00
Miss M. I. Fraser	62 50

STRATHCONA SCHOOL.

G. H. Tom	$110 00
R. H. Cairns	85 00
James Beath	60 00
Miss G. Wilson	50 00
Miss B. Johnston	80 00
Miss M. McKay	65 00
Miss C. Barnes	55 00
Miss M. McKinnon	55 00
Miss L. McNair	62 50
Miss E. Burpee	50 00
Miss H. Carter	50 00
Miss E. Leek	50 00
Miss D. Cattell	50 00
Miss J. Curtis	45 00
Miss H. Mackay	45 00
Miss A. E. McEwen	40 00
Miss K. Bethune (Substitute)	40 00

FAIRVIEW SCHOOL.

A. Gilchrist	$95 00
A. Clark	80 00
Miss E. J. Cameron	50 00
Miss A. J. Davidson	50 00
Miss M. McNair	45 00
Miss J. Campbell	50 00
Miss E. Olding	52 50
Miss B. N. Macken	50 00
Miss I. Henderson	52 50

FAIRVIEW WEST SCHOOL.

Miss M. N. McKenzie	$55 00
Miss J. Trembath	57 50
Miss Ella J. Brown	45 00

SEYMOUR SCHOOL.

E. H. Murphy	$95 00
Wm. McDonagh	80 00
Miss S. McAlpine	55 00
Miss W. Lawson	50 00
Miss M. Shannon	40 00
Miss L. Burpee	45 00
Miss H. Copeland (Substitute)	40 00
Mrs. A. G. Shine	50 00

CEDAR COVE SCHOOL.

Miss M. Truswell	$57 50

GRANDVIEW SCHOOL.

Miss E. C. Parker	$57 50
Miss E. L. George	55 00

MT. PLEASANT SCHOOL.

G. W. Jamieson	$110 00
H. B. King	82 50
John Martin	67 50
Morris Shaver	62 50
Miss L. McGeer	52 50
Miss M. Sloan	55 00
Miss A. McCallum	55 00
Miss D. C. Caldwell	50 00
Miss L. Robinson	50 00
Miss G. L. Brethour	50 00
Miss M. Holloway	45 00
Miss E. Snider	45 00
Miss L. Laursen	40 00
Miss G. Davidson	40 00
Miss S. Peppard	50 00
Miss A. Smith	40 00
Miss Helen Milne	40 00
Miss M. O'Dwyer (Substitute)	40 00
Mrs. A. J. Colbeck	50 00

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MONTHLY SALARIES.

MANAGEMENT.

W. P. Argue, City Superintendent	$183 35
C. W. Murray, Secretary	125 00
Miss F. I. Parker, Assistant Secretary	45 00
John Paul, Attendance Officer	50 00

MANUAL TRAINING INSTRUCTORS.

S. Northrop, Dawson School	$100 00
W. A. McKeown, Strathcona School	83 35
J. Geo. Lister	83 35

MUSIC INSTRUCTOR.

Geo. P. Hicks	$83 35

DOMESTIC SCIENCE INSTRUCTOR.

Miss E. Berry	$62 50

DRILL INSTRUCTOR.

Sergt.-Major Bundy	$55 00

JANITORS.

H. Keeley, High School	$60 00
S. Holmes, Central School	50 00
S. Harris, Old High School	50 00
J. Dorman, Dawson School	95 00
J. W. Ellis, Strathcona School	90 00
H. W. Howes, Mt. Pleasant School	85 00
G. A. Stevens, Fairview School	55 00
W. Doig, Seymour School	50 00
Wm. Carter, West Fairview School	35 00
Thos. Price, Roberts School	55 00
Geo. Yates, Grand View School	30 00
Mrs. Hale, Cedar Cove School	10 00

STATEMENT SHOWING TEACHERS EMPLOYED, PUPILS ENROLLED, YEARLY EXPENDITURE, ETC., FROM 1893 TO 1905 INCLUSIVE.

YEARS	No. of Teachers	No. of Pupils	Ordinary Expenses.	Expended on Buildings and Grounds
1893	41	2175	$39,450 43	$16,082 04
1894	41	2247	47,537 33	.....
1895	45	2375	43,300 00	3,172 02
1896	49	2403	48,162 87	.....
1897	54	2644	48,051 20	68,937 26
1898	60	2983	56,380 00	.....
1899	65	3296	56,296 27	.....
1900	72	3493	66,184 62	61,054 83
1901	78	3639	78,542 18	.....
1902	88	4036	88,525 75	.....
1903	92	4334	89,822 14	18,721 17
1904	*101	5003	102,351 84	96,044 78
1905	*112	5678	115,477 21	55,085 71

*Also Three Manual Training Instructors, Drill Instructor and Supervisor of Music.

DETAILED EXPENDITURES OF SCHOOLS FOR THE YEAR 1905.

Name of Schools	Teachers' Salaries	Janitors' Salaries	Miscellaneous	Fuel	Water	Repairs	Insurance	Advertising	School Supplies	Cost each School
High	$14,300 00	$620 00	$946 74	$427 14	$96 00	$339 17	$80 00	$33 30	$2,328 79	$19,171 14
Central	8,467 50	1,225 00	220 80	410 37	96 00	487 16	98 80	1 40	256 60	11,263 63
Dawson	12,847 50	1,142 50	272 98	345 55	67 20	318 75	32 00	1 40	403 73	15,431 61
Strathcona	12,025 00	1,100 00	227 10	244 99	67 20	543 45	.....	12 20	211 08	14,431 02
Mount Pleasant	11,647 60	955 00	244 55	327 13	48 00	346 26	113 04	7 25	347 07	14,035 90
Fairview	5,935 00	680 00	262 10	175 35	48 00	184 28	.....	1 40	150 84	7,436 97
Roberts	6,335 00	665 00	238 97	152 43	48 00	287 74	10 00	1 40	200 88	7,939 42
Seymour	5,376 50	620 00	159 22	142 61	48 00	160 68	.....	1 30	199 08	6,707 39
Fairview West	1,798 00	440 00	20 80	49 25	16 00	62 79	.....	.....	79 58	2,466 42
Grand View	562 50	130 00	10 00	37 95	.....	12 72	172 20	12 90	28 52	966 79
Cedar Cove	115 00	22 00	...	10 70	.....	.....	10 00	.....	43 92	201 62
Model	1,410 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	67 01	1,477 01
Totals	$80,819 60	$7,599 50	$2,603 26	$2,323 47	$534 40	$2,743 00	$516 04	$72 55	$4,317 10	$101,528 92

Salaries Manual Training Instructors	$3,200 40
Salary Supervisor Music	1,000 20
Salary Domestic Science Teacher (5 months)	312 50
Salaries Management	4,840 20
School Desks	2,480 52
Contingent	2,114 47
Permanent Improvements	55,085 71
Total	$170,562 92

EXPENDITURE, SCHOOLS, 1905.

TEACHERS' SALARIES—			
High School		$14,300 00	
Central School		8,467 50	
Dawson School		14,047 50	
Strathcona School		13,025 20	
Mt. Pleasant School		12,647 80	
Fairview School		7,733 00	
Roberts School		7,745 00	
Seymour School	$5,376 50		
Less	41 00	5,335 50	
Grand View		562 50	
Cedar Cove		115 00	
			$83,979 00
CARETAKERS, MAINTENANCE, ETC.—			
High School		$5,756 06	
Central School		3,202 74	
Dawson School		2,468 70	
Strathcona School		2,564 52	
Mt. Pleasant School		5,513 30	
Fairview School		2,262 02	
Roberts School		2,163 83	
Seymour School		2,009 13	
Grand View School		775 08	
Cedar Cove School		23 50	
			$26,738 88
CONTINGENT ACCOUNT			$13,769 79
			$124,487 67

(Signed) JOHN JOHNSTONE,
AUDITOR.

Vancouver, B.C., 5th March, 1906.

LIST OF TEACHERS, WITH GRADE OF CERTIFICATE AND DATE OF APPOINTMENT.

TEACHER	CERTIFICATE	DATE OF APPOINTMENT
Allan, Helen C.	2nd	January, 1904
Allison, Dorothy	2nd	August, 1904
Bajus, Kathleen	1st	January, 1904
Buttimer, Annie	3rd	August, 1892
Burns, Margaret	2nd	October, 1902
Brough, Thomas	B.A.	August, 1904
Beattie, Emily	1st	September, 1904
Beath, James	2nd	February, 1903
Barnes, Catherine	2nd	August, 1890
Burpee, Ethel	1st	January, 1903
Burpee, Leila	1st	August, 1904
Brethour, G. Lilian	2nd	August, 1903
Bethune, Katharine (Temporary)	2nd	September, 1905
Brown, Ella J.	2nd	August, 1905
Caspell, E.	1st	August, 1899
Carter, Ethel Jane	2nd	August, 1899
Curtis, Julia	2nd	October, 1904
Creech, Mary M.	3rd	April, 1899
Creech, Winnifred J. E.	2nd	April, 1902
Currie, Flora M.	2nd	January, 1904
Clark, A.	1st	August, 1902
Campbell, Jessie	1st	October, 1902
Cairns, R. H.	1st	February, 1903
Carter, Hilda	2nd	August, 1903
Cowperthwaite, F. M.	B.A.	1890-1897, 1902-1906
Cattell, Dorothy	1st	January, 1904
Caldwell, D. Claire	B.A.	April, 1904
Cameron, Elizabeth J.	B.A.	August, 1905
Copeland, Gertrude (Temporary)	2nd	November, 1905
Colbeck, Mrs. A. J.	2nd	March, 1900
Davidson, Augusta J.	2nd	February, 1900
Davidson, Gladys	2nd	August, 1905
Elmsly, Ada B.	1st	November, 1900
Fraser, Mabel I.	2nd	February, 1897
Fletcher, Elizabeth E.	2nd	August, 1893
Fillmore, C. L.	B.A.	August, 1905
Gilchrist, A.	1st	August, 1897
George, Elizabeth L.	2nd	August, 1898
Henry, J. K.	B.A.	August, 1893
Hunt, Maude	M.A.	August, 1899
Henderson, Jas.	M.A.	January, 1902
Henderson, Isobel	1st	March, 1901
Holloway, Mamie	2nd	August, 1904
Hay, Alice	2nd	August, 1897
Hastings, Marion	2nd	February, 1905
Johnston, D. B.	B.A.	January, 1902
Johnstone, Marion B.	2nd	March, 1891
Johnston, Bessie	1st	March, 1891
Jamieson, G. W.	1st	August, 1890
King, H. B.	Academic	January, 1904
Leith, Thos.	1st	August, 1897
LeFeuvre, Eva	1st	August, 1903

TEACHER	CERTIFICATE	DATE OF APPOINTMENT
Lawrence, Edith	2nd	November, 1904
Leek, Edith	2nd	March, 1904
Lawson, Winnifred	2nd	February, 1902
Lewis, Margaret	Academic	October, 1904
Logan, Elizabeth M.	B.A.	November, 1905
Lane, Kate E.	B.A.	August, 1905
Lewis, Alice M.	2nd	August, 1905
Laursen, Lili J. U.	1st	August, 1905
Moore, Annie	1st	January, 1902
Martin, John	1st	January. 1904
Murphy, E. H.	1st	January, 1901
Mathews, S. W.	M.A.	April, 1902
Maclaren, Louise	1st	November, 1895
Musgrove, Pearl	2nd	August, 1905
Mackay, Hattie	1st	April, 1905
Macken, B. Norine	2nd	August, 1901
Milne, Helen B.	1st	October, 1905
McDonagh, Wm.	1st	February, 1903
McCain, Minnie C.	2nd	August, 1904
McNair, Clara	2nd	March, 1901
McKay, Minnie G.	2nd	March, 1891
McKinnon, Mary	2nd	January, 1897
McNair, Laura	2nd	August, 1897
McAlpine, Sara	2nd	October, 1900
McCallum, Ada E.	2nd	August, 1895
McGeer, Lucy	2nd	November, 1901
McKee, Geo. E.	B.A.	May, 1905
McEwen, Agnes E.	1st	August, 1905
McNair, Muriel	2nd	July, 1905
McKenzie, Margaret N.	1st	January, 1905
MacLachlan, Mary	2nd	May, 1904
Newsom, Annie	2nd	March, 1900
Olding, Elizabeth	2nd	January, 1902
O'Dwyer, Mabel (Temporary)	2nd	November, 1905
Peppard, Sara I.	B.A.	October, 1905
Pattison, Thos.	M.A.	February, 1901
Parker, Edith Clara	2nd	February, 1899
Paul, Margaret	1st	October, 1902
Perkins, Ella D.	B.A.	August, 1905
Robinson, Geo. E.	B.A.	August, 1893
Robinson, D. M.	B.A.	January, 1894
Robinson, Leonora	2nd	April, 1903
Robertson, L.	B.A.	August, 1901
Shaw, James C.	M.A.	September, 1892
Suter, R. W.	B.A., B.Sc.	October, 1902
Sparling, R.	1st	August, 1900
Sherman, R. S.	1st	February, 1903
Springer, Ruby	2nd	February, 1903
Shine, Mrs. A. G.	2nd	April, 1903
Shaver, Morris	2nd	February, 1904
Sloan, Marjorie	2nd	August, 1900
Snider, Emma S.	2nd	August, 1904
Shannon, Mary	2nd	August, 1905
Smith, Annie	2nd	October, 1905
Tanner, Rebecca	2nd	August, 1900
Trembath, Jennie	1st	February, 1900
Truswell, Mary	1st	August, 1899
Tom, G. H.	1st	August, 1891
Wilson, Grace	B.A.	August, 1904
Watson, Margaret	B.A.	March, 1905