

Minutes of the Municipal Council of  
the District of Victoria,

February Sessions 1849.

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February

Council met.

Present George Benjamin Esq. Warden

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| Messrs Archibald    | Caniff           |
| Denike              | Hart             |
| Steffman            | Johns            |
| Ketchum of district | Ketchum of Madoc |
| McDonnell           | McTaggart        |
| Parker              | Portt            |
| Smith               | andweeney        |

His Honor the Warden in the Chair.

The oaths of qualification and allegiance of Messrs Archibald, Denike, Hart, Steffman, Ketchum of Madoc and McTaggart were approved of by the council.

Moved by Mr Parker, seconded by Mr Hart, that George Benjamin be elected Warden

Moved in amendment by Mr McTaggart, and seconded by Mr Sweeney, that Joseph Caniff be elected Warden.

Moved by Mr McDonald seconded by Mr Parker, that the council adjourn until 10 o'clock tomorrow. — Carried.

That Mr Benjamin be elected Warden

Members present

Oaths of qualification &c received from sundry councillors

Motion by Mr Parker that Geo Benjamin be elected Warden

Amendment by Mr McTaggart that Joseph Caniff be elected Warden

Adjourned to following day

Read from Adjournment

Members Present

Minutes read

Yeas and Nays on Election of Warden

For George Benjamin 10

For Joseph Canniff 3

George Benjamin elected Warden.

Mr Fitzgibbon re-elected Clerk

Warden addresses Council.

and presented following papers

Letter from Provincial Secretary acknowledging receipt of By Laws.

Also letter acknowledging receipt of certain addresses.

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> February

The Council met.

Present. — His Honor the Warden Messrs Archibald, Canniff, Denike, Hart, Hufferman, Johns, Ketcheson of Sidney, Ketcheson of Madoc, M<sup>rs</sup> Donnell, M<sup>rs</sup> Faggart, Parker, Poett, Smith and Sweeney.

The minutes of yesterday were read. Upon the order of the day for the Election of Warden. The yeas and Nays were called for and taken as follows:

For George Benjamin.

Messrs Archibald, Denike, Hart, Johns, Ketcheson of Sidney, Ketcheson of Madoc, M<sup>rs</sup> Donald, Parker, Poett and Smith. — 10.

For Joseph Canniff.

Messrs. Hufferman, M<sup>rs</sup> Faggart and Sweeney — 3.

Whereupon George Benjamin was declared duly elected Warden for the ensuing year.

Moved by M<sup>r</sup> Parker, seconded by M<sup>r</sup> Archibald that William Fitzgibbon be re-elected District Clerk — carried Unanimously.

The Warden delivered an address to the Council on the General affairs of the District since the last session.

The Warden presented to the Council the following Papers and communications. A Letter from the Provincial Secretary, acknowledging the receipt of the By Laws of the last session, for submission to His Excellency the Governor General in Council. Also a Letter acknowledging the receipt of certain addresses to His Excellency from the Council. —

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Also Report of Superintendent  
with Balance Sheet of School Moneys

The Report of the County Superintendent  
with Balance Sheet of School Moneys for the  
last year

Agreement with John Pennington for  
Canniff's Mills Road

The agreement in Council with John  
Pennington for the construction of Canniff's  
Mills Road.

Plan & Specification of O'Brien's Bridge  
with Tender for constructing part thereof

The plan and Specifications for  
O'Brien's Bridge with a tender for the  
construction of a portion of the same

and Report of District Surveyor.

The Report of the District Surveyor  
Ordered that the contract for the construction  
of Canniff's Mills Road together with the  
Report of the District Surveyor be referred  
to the committee on Roads. —

Contract for Canniff's Mills Road and  
Report of Surveyor referred to Committee  
on Roads.

Ordered that the Report of  
the County Superintendent be referred  
to the committee on Schools —

Report of Superintendent referred to  
Committee on Schools.

Mr Canniff presented the Petitions  
of John Baldrick, of William Cook  
and others, of Robert M. Wain and others  
of A. Taylor, of A. McKenzie, of Jonas  
Canniff the younger, of William Connor  
and others, of John Elwin and others,  
and of Genas Ross and others —

4 Petitions of John Baldrick and 8  
others

Mr Denike presented the petitions of  
John T. Bird and others of John Johnston  
and others of James Cantree, of George Graham  
and others, of Timothy Holmes and others, and  
of William Richards. —

6 Petitions of John Bird and 5 others  
Pennington

Mr Archibald presented the petitions  
of James Haggertie and others, of Martin  
Hough and of Walter Seiver —

3 Petitions of James Haggertie & 2 others  
Pennington

Mr Stuffman presented the petitions  
of John Gilbert and others of Solomon  
Vermilyea and others, of Levi Parry and  
others and of Gideon Turner and others  
of James Lake and of Henry Juby. —

6 Petitions of John Gilbert and 5 others  
Pennington

4 Petitions of Wm Campion & 3 others  
Kerrison

Mr Parke presented the Petitions of Wm Campion and others, of Allen Williams and others of S. S. Wood and others of Adam Laucke and others.

2 Petitions of J Osborne and Geo Farrager  
Lidney

Mr Smith presented the Petitions of James Osborne and others of George Farrager and others.

3 Petitions of Cyrus Riggs and 2 others  
Worce

Mr Ketcheson of Madoc presented the Petitions of Cyrus Riggs and others, of William Campbell and others, of William Zeron and others (2)

Petition of John Johnston  
Ammore

Mr Johns presented the petition of John Johnston and others.

Petition of James O'Sullivan  
Wexford

Mr Seeceny present the petition of James O'Sullivan.

Petition of Norman Clarke  
Wex

Mr Partt presented the petitions of Norman Clarke and others

4 Petitions of James Minnie & 3 others  
Wexford

Mr Hart presented the petitions of James Minnie and others, of James Allen and others, of William Downings, of Samuel Fisher

Petition of Uriah Place

Mr McDonnell presented the petition of Uriah Place.

Committee on Roads

Moved by Mr McDonald seconded by Mr Carriff that the council go into Committee of the whole upon Roads - Carried

Committee report progress

Mr Denike in the Chair. The Committee rose reported progress and asked leave to sit again. Leave granted. The Council adjourned for one hour. 2 o'clock, the Council resumed.

Adjourned for one hour

Met from adjournment

Members present as before adj<sup>d</sup>

Present his Honor the Warden and Councillors.

Committee on Roads resume

Moved by Mr Hart seconded by Mr Archibald, that the committee on Roads resume. - Ordered.

Committee report progress

Mr Denike in the Chair. The Committee rose reported progress and asked leave to sit again - Leave granted.

Committee on Schools

Moved by Anthony Denike, seconded by Joseph Canniff, that the Council go into Committee of the whole on schools - ordered.

Committee report progress

John S. Huffman in the Chair - The committee rose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again - Leave granted -

Notice of By Law on Securities by Superintendent.

James McDonnell gives notice that he will tomorrow bring in a By Law to provide for the giving security by the County Superintendent.

Adjourned to following day

The Council adjourned until 9 O'clock tomorrow.

Met from adjournment.

Thursday, 8<sup>th</sup> February  
The Council met.

Members present.

Present; - His Honor the Warden, Messrs, Archibald, Canniff, Denike, Hart, Huffman, Johns, Kitcheson, Sidney, Kitcheson Macdon, McDonnell, McFaggart, Parker, Pratt, Smith, andweeney.

Minutes read

The minutes of yesterday were read. Moved by James McFaggart seconded by J. Smith that the Committee on Roads resume - Ordered. -

Committee on Roads resume.

The committee rose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again - Leave granted

Committee report progress

Introduction and 1<sup>st</sup> reading of By Law to require security from County Superintendent

Pursuant to Notice, Mr. McDonnell brought in a By Law, to require the County Superintendent to give security for the proper application of all moneys coming into his hands.

Adjourned for one hour

The By Law was read a first time. - The council adjourned for one hour, 3 O'clock the Council resumed -

Met from adjournment

Members present as before adj.

Present His Honor the Warden and councillors -

Committee on Schools resume

Moved by Mr. Denike seconded by Mr. Pelt that the committee on schools resume.  
Ordered -

Committee report progress

Mr. Heffman in the Chair.  
The committee rose reported progress and asked leave to sit again. -

Committee on Roads, resume.

Moved by Mr. Carriff seconded by Mr. Pelt that the committee on Roads resume - Ordered.

Committee report progress.

Mr. Denike in the chair.  
The committee rose reported progress and asked leave to sit again -

Adjourned to following day.

Leave granted

The Council adjourned until 9 o'clock tomorrow. -

Met from adjournment

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February

The Council met -

Members present

Present - His Honor the Warden, Messrs. Archibald, Carriff, Denike, Hart, Heffman, Johns, Kitcheson Madoc Kitcheson Sidney, McDonnell, M'Faggart, Pelt, Smith and Sweeney. -

Minutes read

The minutes of yesterday were read

Committee on By Laws.

Moved by Mr. McDonnell seconded by Mr. Johns, that the Council go into committee on the whole on By Laws -

Committee report By Law to take care of  
cities from County Superintendent

Mr. Johns in the Chair  
The committee rose and reported a By Law to provide for giving Securities by the County Superintendent

Report received

Ordered that the Report be received, and that the said By Law be read a third time tomorrow -

Portion of Warden's address relative to  
Court House Lot to be transmitted to  
Board of Police with request that  
Committee of Council on same

Moved by Mr. Carriff seconded by Mr. M'Faggart, that that portion of the Warden's Address, relative to the Court-House Lot be transmitted to the Board of Police, with a request that the Board will meet a committee

of the Council on the subject at the hour of 7 o'clock P. M. in the Council Chamber; and that Messrs Archibald, Denike and M<sup>c</sup>Donald do compose the said committee. — Carried. —

Collector of Sidney to remit certain tax to Van Kinsellaer Warren and John Ford.

Moved by Mr. Keuffman seconded by Mr. M<sup>c</sup>Taggart, that whereas Van Kinsellaer Warren and John Ford were severally assessed for an entire Horse for the year 1848, and have not moved the same for hire. — It is resolved that the collector of Sidney be allowed to remit the amount of such assessment to each said Van Kinsellaer Warren and John Ford. — Carried. —

Order of February Sessions suspending payments for Highway works suspended as to Road from Madoc Mills to Collins.

Moved by Mr. Denike seconded by Mr. Johns, that the order of February Sessions suspending the payment of all grants for the improvements of Highways, over \$10 be suspended as regards the work performed between Madoc Mills and Collins. — Carried. —

Notice of By Law for making leading roads through ten Townships.

M<sup>r</sup>. Denike gives notice that he will on tomorrow, introduce a By Law to provide for the levying a Tax, for the express purpose of making leading Roads through the Ten Townships. —

Committee on Roads resume.

Moved by Mr. M<sup>c</sup>Donnell seconded by Mr. Archibald that the committee on Roads resume. — Ordered. —

Committee report.

Mr Denike in the Chair.

The committee rose and reported. — Ordered that the Report be received.

Upon the order of the day for taking into consideration the appointment of County Superintendant. —

Mr Hutton appointed Superintendent of Education for ensuing year

It was moved by Mr. M<sup>c</sup>Taggart seconded by Mr. Canniff that Mr. Hutton be appointed Superintendent for the ensuing year. — Carried. —

Moved

Claims for compensation for roads running through lands to be supported by 2 disinterested witnesses and to be made not later than session next succeeding order for opening such road.

Moved by Mr. M<sup>o</sup> Donnell seconded by Mr. Wetcherson of Madoc that persons hereafter claiming compensation for Roads running through their Lands, shall prove their claims by at least two disinterested parties and that in all cases where compensation shall be claimed, the claim shall be made not later than the session next succeeding that, in which such Road shall be ordered to be opened, or the council not entertain the same. - Carried. -

Committee on Schools resume

Moved by Mr. Canniff seconded by Mr. M<sup>o</sup> Yaggait, that the committee on schools resume - ordered -

Committee report.

Mr. Huffman in the Chair.

The committee rose and reported - ordered - that the Report be received.

Surveyor to furnish forthwith plan &c for Bridge across Moira in 1<sup>st</sup> Con. of Madoc

Moved by Mr. M<sup>o</sup> Donnell seconded by Mr. Wetcherson of Madoc, that the District Surveyor be immediately instructed to furnish a plan specification and estimate of a Bridge to be built across the River Moira in the 4<sup>th</sup> concession of Madoc, on the Road leading to Frances Collins, and to transmit the same to Robert Nelson and Barnabas Vankleek appointed to superintend the same - ordered -

adjourned for one hour

The Council adjourned for an hour.

met from adjournment  
Members present as before

2 o'clock the Council met.  
Present his Honor the Warden and Councillors. -

Debiture for £36.10.0 to issue to Wm Hutton for salary as clerk and for services as Commissioner

Moved by Mr. Canniff seconded by Mr. Archibald that a Debiture issued to William Hutton Esq for the sum of £36.10, being the balance of salary due to him as Clerk of the Council and for his services as commissioner on the late Treasurers accounts - ordered -

Mr. Hart introduces resolutions on new Municipal Council Act.

Mr. Hart introduced certain Resolutions on the Municipal Council Act now before Parliament

Committee of the Whole on same

Moved by Mr. Hart seconded by Mr. Archibald that the Council go into committee of the whole on the same.

Committee report.

Mr. Canniff in the Chair. The Committee rose and reported the following Resolutions.

Report read

Ordered that the Report be received and read. -

Council are of opinion proposed act will not work advantageously.

Resolved that the Municipal Council of the Victoria District have had under their consideration those portions of a Bill entitled "An Act to provide by one general law for the erection of Municipal Corporations in and for the several Counties, Cities, Townships and Villages in Upper Canada," which have reference to Townships and Districts and are of opinion that the same cannot be worked to any advantage in the Townships and Districts generally. -

Measures contemplated will not benefit poor Townships.

That in the opinion of this Council the measures contemplated by the Bill cannot work to the prosperity of the Poor or thinly settled Townships nor in many of the Older ones - They consider the Machinery as altogether too cumbersome, and are of opinion that instead of aiding it will put a stop to all internal improvements

Machinery too cumbersome

Should be made discretionary for districts to accept or not.

That should it be deemed advisable by the Provincial Parliament to enact the measure in the opinion of this Council it should be left discretionary with the districts to accept the Bill or to continue under the Law at present regulating District Councils; and that at the last Meeting of the District Councils as now constituted a Resolution should be passed declaring whether the New Bill shall be acted on or not.

Memorial to that effect should be presented to Legislature.

That a Memorial based upon the foregoing Resolutions, be presented to the three branches of the Legislature. -

Report adopted

Ordered that the Report be adopted  
Moved by Mr Partt seconded by Mr  
McDonnell. -

Committee on Ways and means

That the Council go into  
Committee of the whole on ways and means.

Committee report Progress

Mr Hart in the Chair.  
The Committee rose, reported progress and  
asked leave to sit again. -

Adjourned to following day

The Council adjourned  
untill 9 O'clock tomorrow. -

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> February

Meet from adjournment

The Council met. -

Members Present

Present - His Honor  
the Warden, Messrs Archibold, Canniff  
& Denike, Hart, Hufferman, Johns - Kitchison  
(Medney) Kitchison (Madoc) Mr. McDonnell  
Mr. Taggart, Parker, Potts Smith, Young

Minutes read

The minutes of yesterday were read  
Moved by Mr. Hufferman seconded by  
Mr. Mr. Taggart.

Rule 39 suspended

That Rule 39 be dispensed  
with for the present session. - Ordered -  
Moved by Mr. Parker seconded by  
by Mr. Smith. -

District Surveyor to provide for  
reconstruction of Rawdon Bridge

That the Warden instruct the  
District Surveyor to proceed to Rawdon  
and there to make arrangements as he  
may think necessary for the rebuilding  
or the construction of Rawdon Bridge, and  
to dispose of so much of the fallen Bridge  
as is not required for the repair of the Old  
Bridge, to make it passable for the present  
Winter. -

Moved by Mr. Parker seconded  
by Mr. Smith. -

Order given to J. Cummings of Rowden to occupy part of 2<sup>d</sup> con Road until in the May Session of 1845, to occupy part of the wanted, resinded and road to be 2<sup>d</sup> concessions read in rear of Lot N<sup>o</sup> 17, until such opened.

That the order given to J. Cummings of Rowden to occupy part of the wanted, resinded and road to be 2<sup>d</sup> concessions read in rear of Lot N<sup>o</sup> 17, until such time as it was required for the benefit of the public be resinded, and that he be required to open the same as soon as any work is to be performed upon it and that notice be given to the Town Clerk to that effect. - Ordered - -

Introduction and 1<sup>st</sup> reading of By Law to levy tax for making leading roads in back Townships.

Mr Denike, pursuant to notice introduced a By Law to provide for the levying a Tax for the express purpose of making leading Roads through the Rear Townships -

The By Law was read a first time. Moved by Mr Denike, seconded by Mr Sweeney, That the same be postponed until the next Session - Ordered - -

Said By Law postponed to next session

Introduction of By Law by 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of By Law for re-construction of Frankford Bridge.

Mr Heppman introduced a By Law to provide for the reconstruction of the Frankford Bridge. -

Committee of conference with Board of Police on Court House Grounds report

The By Law was read a first time Mr Denike from the special committee of the Court House, presented a Report, ordered that the Report be received. The Report was read and adopted. -

Report adopted.

(For report see Appendix)

Report of Committee on Schools read by Clauses.

Ordered that the Report of the committee on Schools, be read clause by clause. -

Committee Room February 9<sup>th</sup> 1849

Committee on Schools report  
Petition of S. G. Woods not granted  
Remarks

The committee on schools beg leave to Report the following resolutions  
1. - Ordered that the Petition of Samuel S. Woods, and others be not granted

Petition of Allan Williams granted By Law to be introduced for same <sup>purpose</sup> 2. - Ordered that the petition of Allan Williams be granted, and that a By Law be introduced be introduced for that purpose specified. -

Petition of Mr S Dean granted & new School Section formed in Elziver X 3. - Ordered that the Petition of William S. Dean be granted, and that a New School Section be formed in the Township of Elziver and that the following be the limits No 2 School Section from Lot No 10 in the 1<sup>st</sup> con-  
-ception and from 12 in the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> con-  
-ceptions to the southern limit of the Township neither of said Lots included. -

Petition of Genas Ross granted by By Law <sup>purpose</sup> 4. - Ordered that the Petition of Genas Ross be granted and a By Law be in-  
-troduced for the purpose specified. -

Petition of James Osborne granted 5. Ordered that the Petition of James O. Osborne be granted, and a By Law be introduced for the purpose specified

Petition of James Sanktree granted X 6. Ordered that the Petition of James Sanktree be granted and that he be attached to the section in the 8<sup>th</sup> concep-  
-tion of Thurlow -

Petition of Martin Haugh granted X 7. Ordered that the Petition of Martin Haugh be granted, and that he be attached to section No 3 in Huntingdon. -

Petition of James Hagartie and John Hagartie not granted 8. - Ordered that the Petition of James Hagartie and Jonathan Hagartie be not granted.

Petition of James Minie referred to District Superintendent. 9. - That the Petition of James Minie be referred to the District Superintendent

Also Petition of James Allen. 10. Ordered that the Petition of James Allen be referred to the District Superintendent

In all cases where school-taxes are to be levied sections 2, 3, and 4 of By Law 39 are to be added thereto 11. - Ordered that in all cases where school taxes are to be levied that the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> sections of By Law No 39 be added

thereto for building School Houses and purchasing sites.

New School Section appointed in Rawdon

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12. - Ordered that Lots No 11 and 14 in the 11<sup>th</sup> concession, and that Lots No 11 and 24 in the 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> concessions of the Township of Rawdon, do form a New School Section and that Alfred Eastwood be directed to call the first meeting of the Inhabitants. -

Collector for Sidney to close with Treasurer Council and report to Council any deficiency

13. - Ordered that the collector for Sidney close with the Treasurer and report forthwith to this Council any deficiency that may exist. -

Lot 10 in 7<sup>th</sup> Con of Marmora to be attached to School Section No 2 of said Township

14. Ordered that Lot No 10 in the 7<sup>th</sup> concession of Marmora be attached to School Section No 2 in said Township. -

Superintendent of Education to give lectures in School Sections on necessity of Educating the young, and to have £70.0.0 per annum for duties.

15. - Resolved that this Council feeling every confidence in the ability and willingness of William Hutton Esq<sup>r</sup>, Superintendent of Education in this District to advance the interests of the rising generation in the Section of the Province, as a Board of Education judge it expedient that the Superintendent in his visits through the different School Sections give notice to School Trustees, in order that the Parents and others interested may attend and that he gives lectures on the necessity of educating the rising generation in order to stimulate the Inhabitants generally to attend to those important duties and that a salary of £70 per annum be given to him for the performance of his duties, and that a By Law be passed for the same, and that the order of Session of October last be repealed ~~as~~ far as regards the amount of salary. -

Signed

John S. Huffman

Chairman.



Report adopted

Ordered that the Report be adopted.

Report of Committee on Roads  
read clause by clause.

Moved by Mr. Canniff seconded  
by Mr. Huffman, that the report of the  
Committee on Roads be read clause by  
clause. — Ordered —

Committee on Roads report

Committee Room 9<sup>th</sup> February 1849  
The Committee on Roads beg to report  
the following resolutions

Surveyors report on Shipmans Bridge  
in Tzendinaga adopted

1. Ordered that the Surveyors report with  
regard to Shipmans Bridge in Tzendinaga  
be adopted. —

Line laid down for road from  
Canniffs Mills to O'Briens Bridge  
to be altered on account of large  
amount of Compensation demand  
ed for land.

2. Ordered that whereas owing to the  
large amount of compensation claimed  
the Council cannot adopt the line laid  
down for the Plank Road from Canniffs  
to O'Briens Bridge. Be it therefore resolved  
that the Road be laid out as follows:—  
From Canniffs Bridge to the Union  
School House, then along the third con-  
cession Road to the Line between 17 and  
18 thence in a direct line to O'Briens Bridge  
as laid down on plan. —

Contract for Road to Smithville to  
be extended to Greenies Corners

3. Ordered that in any contract for the  
Road to Smithville, it be extended to Greenies  
Corners.

John Canniff Daniel Canniff & others  
to attend to state claims for com-  
pensation for land for Smithville  
Road.

4. ordered that John Canniff, Daniel  
Canniff, Matthias Ross, Joseph Thrasher  
and Simon Ashley, be summoned to attend  
the council tomorrow to state their claims for  
compensation if any for the Road crossing  
their Lots to Smithville

Government allowance for road mention  
ed in petition of Norman Clarke to be open  
ed at once except where grain is on ground

5. — Upon Petition of Norman Clarke  
and others, Norman Clarke was sworn  
and examined, and it was ordered that the  
Government allowance for the Road men-  
tioned in said Petition be opened at once  
except where grain is on the ground and where  
grain now is not until the grain be removed.

- Petition of Joseph Caldwell referred to Thurlow Special Sessions 6. - Ordered that the Petition of Joseph Caldwell and others be referred to the special sessions of the Township of Thurlow. -
- Petition of David Wannamaker referred to Special Session of Huntingdon. 7. - Ordered that the Petition of David Wannamaker, and others be referred to the special session of Huntingdon. -
- Petition of Jacob Matt referred to Special Session of Thurlow. 8. - That the Petition of Jacob Matt be referred to Special Session of the Township of Thurlow. -
- Petition of Jonas Canniff referred to Special Session of Thurlow. 9. - Ordered that the Petition of Jonas Canniff and others, be referred to the special sessions of the Township of Thurlow. -
- Petition of Robt McWain not granted Thurlow 10. Ordered that the Petition of Robert M. Wain and others be not granted. -
- Petition of Wm Campbell granted Road referred to to be opened in Madoc. 11. Ordered that the Petition of William Campbell and others be granted, and that a Road be opened commencing at a beech tree marked (V6) on the conception line between the 2<sup>d</sup> and 3<sup>d</sup> conceptions of Madoc, near the centre of Lot No 12, thence East through the centre of the said Lot entering the fields of Walker Johnston, at an Iron wood tree marked (V6) thence through said fields entering the Woods again near a Maple tree marked with a (blaze) on the East and West side, thence through said Woods as near as practicable to the centre of said Lot to a Maple tree marked (V6) near the conception Road, between the 3<sup>d</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> conceptions of the said Township. -
- £3. 15. 0 to James D Sullivan as compensation for road crossing his lots by Madoc. 12. Ordered that the Petition of James D. Sullivan be granted, that he be allowed £3. 15 shillings as compensation for a Road crossing his Lot. -
- Petition of Cyrus Riggs laid over 13. - Ordered that the Petition of Cyrus Riggs and others be laid over. -
- Petition of Wm Button referred to Township sessions of Sidney. 14. Ordered that the Petition of William Button and others be referred to the Township Sessions of Sidney. -

- Plan of O'Brien's Bridge to be accepted and acted upon except N.W. side of approaches 15. - Ordered that the Plan of O'Brien's Bridge be accepted and acted upon with this exception that the North West side of the Approaches to the Bridge be made of abutments and stringers instead of Stone and Gravel.
- Road to be put upon town line from 6<sup>th</sup> Con to 3<sup>rd</sup> Con Road between Thurlow and Sidney 16. - Ordered that the Road be put on the Town line from the sixth concession to the third concession road between Thurlow and Sidney.
- Petition of John Bird, Council ad heres to former order 17. - Ordered that on the Petition of John Bird the Council adheres to its former Order. -
- Petition of Johnson laid over till legal notice be given. 18. - Ordered that the Petition of Johnson and others be laid over to the next sitting of the Council until the necessary notice required by Law given. -
- Order No 16 rescinded 19. - Upon motions to reconsider order No 16 it was ordered that the order be rescinded. -
- Line laid down for road from Summitts Bridge to Grenier's Corner adopted. Warden and Surveyor to vary same if necessary. 20. - Ordered that the line laid down by the Surveyor for the Road between Canniff's Bridge and Grenier's corner be adopted, and that the District Surveyor and Warden be allowed to vary the line so as to avoid any individual opposition to the Road. And that Messrs Kuffman and Canniff be appointed with them to act in determining any such Variation. -
- Surveyor to survey line of road from O'Brien's Bridge to Potts in 7<sup>th</sup> Con Thurlow and report by plan to Warden. 21. - Ordered that the District Surveyor be required to survey the Line of Road from the West side of O'Brien's Bridge to Thomas Potts in 7<sup>th</sup> concession of Thurlow in order to straighten the same and Report the same by plan to the Warden without delay. And also from O'Brien's Bridge to Madoc, and Report the same to the Warden, and that a like survey take place from Jamaison's Mills to Elziver and that Felix Gabourie and William Caton be requested to assist him in the same. -
- Also from O'Brien's Bridge to Madoc and Report the same to the Warden, and that a like survey take place from Jamaison's Mills to Elziver and that Felix Gabourie and William Caton be requested to assist him in the same. -

Surveyor to survey line of road from Genies corners through Rawdon to Marmora. parties within named to assist

22. Ordered that the District Surveyor be required to survey a line of Road from Genies corners through Rawdon to Marmora and that Solomon Johns, Henry Smith, Nicholas Lake, George Fairman, and George Barrager, be requested to assist him in the same, and that he Report as above.

Also line of Road from Genies corners to Madoc Mills. parties to assist

23. Ordered that the District Surveyor be required to survey a line of Road from Genies corners through to Madoc Mills, and that Messrs Luke Nesbitt Reed, Owen Ketcheson, Samuel Boker, John B. Ketcheson and Warden Fuller, be requested to assist him in the same and that he report as above.

Also line of Road from Jamison's Mills through Edgiver parties to assist.

24. Ordered that the District Surveyor be required to survey a line of Road from Jamison's Mills through Edgiver and that Felix Gabourie and William Calow be requested to assist him in the same and that he report the same as above.

Petition of N. Frizzell, referred to Special Sessions of Tyendinaga.

25. — Ordered that the Petition of Nelson Frizzell be referred to the Special Sessions of Tyendinaga.

Petition of Asa Yeomans to Special Session of Thurlow

26. — Ordered that the petition of Asa Yeomans be referred to special sessions of Thurlow

Petition of John Gilbert to Special Session of Sidney

27. — Ordered that the Petition of John Gilbert be referred to Special Sessions of Sidney.

Petition of John Reid to Special Session of Madoc

28. — Ordered that the Petition of John Reid and others be referred to the Special Sessions in Madoc.

Petition of Wm Cook cannot be entertained. Thurlow

29. — Ordered that the council cannot entertain the Petition of William Cook and others the complaint therein being under the jurisdiction of the Justice of the Peace

Petition of Mr. Campion cannot be entertained  
Amended

30. Ordered that the Petition of William Campion and others be not entertained, there being no proof of Notice. -

Petition of F. Graham to Special Session of Thurlow

31. Ordered that the Petition of Francis Graham and others be referred to the Special Sessions of Thurlow. -

Surveyor to examine Wymans Bridge in Tyendinaga. Warden to enter into contracts

32. That the District Surveyor be directed to examine Wymans Bridge in the Township of Tyendinaga, and to Report by plan or otherwise and that the Warden be authorized to receive tenders for the same payable in Debentures at three and four years, the plan to be accompanied by the usual Specifications and also an Estimate, the amount which is not to be exceeded in any contract. -

Geo Hart Esq to superintend repair of Bridge at Wallbridge's Mills his drafts for same to be honoured by Treasurer.

33. - Ordered that George Hart Esq be authorized to superintend the repair of the Bridge over the River Merisa at the place commonly known as Wallbridge's Mills and that his order upon the Treasurer be honoured as soon as funds are in hand for that purpose

All which is respectfully submitted

Signed

Anthony Denike  
Chairman

On question of adoption of Report

Upon the question of the adoption of the Report

Motion by Mr. Stappman

It was moved by Mr. Stappman seconded by Mr. Stappman of Sidney that order No 12 be rescinded, upon which the yeas and Nays were taken as follows - yeas Messrs Stappman and Retcheson of Sidney? -

Order No 12 be rescinded

Yeas and Nays

Nays Messrs Archibald, Caniff, Denike, Hart, Johns, Retcheson of Madoc, Parker, Potts, Smith, Sweny, McDonald and Mr. Zaggar - 12 -

Lost by 12 to 12

Lost by a Majority of 10

Report adopted.

Motion by Mr Hart

Address to Legislature be adopted and passed

yeas and nays on same

passed by 8 to 4

Warden to sign same

By Law for County Superintendant's Security passed, and signed 50

Introduction and 1<sup>st</sup> reading of By Law for construction of Road from Independence to Belleville

Also of By Law for assessment of certain School sections

Also of By Law for erecting Bridge over Beaver Creek in Marmora.

Committee on By Laws.

Committee report 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of foregoing By Laws

Also of By Law for re-constructing Bridge at Frankford.

By Laws for Independence Road and School sections Assessment and Beaver Creek Bridge passed and signed

Ordered that the Report be adopted,

Moved by Mr Hart seconded by Mr Archibald that the address to the three branches of the Legislature and the Municipal Council Bill be read a third time and passed upon which the yeas and nays were called and taken as follows, yeas Messrs Archibald, Merritt, Hart, Johns, Ketchesaw of Madoc, Mc Donnell Parker and Pelt. 8 -

Nays Messrs Carriff, Keppman, Ketchesaw of Sidney, Mr Taggart, Smith andweeney 6 -

Carried by a majority of 2 -

Ordered that the Warden do sign the same

The By Law to provide for the giving Security by the County Superintendant was read a third time and passed and the Warden signed the same -

The following By Laws were introduced and read a first time.

By Law for the construction of a Road from the Eastern Limit of Independence to Belleville

By Law for the assessment of the several school sections therein mentioned

By Law to provide for the construction of a Bridge over Beaver Creek in the Township of Marmora -

Moved by Mr Keppman seconded by Mr Pelt that Council go into committee of the whole on By Laws. - Carried -

Mr Johns in the chair

The Committee rose and reported as having been read a second time the foregoing By Laws, together, with the By Law for re-constructing a Bridge over the River Trent at Frankford

The By Laws for Independence Road School sections assessment and Beaver Creek Bridge were read a third time and passed, and the Warden signed the same - - - upon

On passing Frankford Bridge Bill it was amended as within written

Upon the question of passing the Frankford Bridge Bill, it was moved by Mr. Hoffman seconded by Mr. Ketchum of Sidney -

That the second clause be amended by inserting "three, four, and five" - Ordered -

Moved by Mr. Partt, seconded by Mr. Canniff

3<sup>d</sup> Amendment on Same.

That the third clause be amended by inserting "two, three, and four," instead of "three and four" - Ordered. -

Moved by Mr. Canniff seconded by Mr. Denike.

Warden authorized to issue Debentures in sums of £10.0.0 and upwards

That the Warden of the District be authorized to issue District Debentures in the sum of Ten pounds and upwards, any Resolution of the Council to the contrary notwithstanding. - Ordered -

Moved by Mr. Parker seconded by Mr. Smith,

Warden to issue Debenture for reconstruction of Rawdon Bridge

That the Warden be authorized to issue a Debenture redeemable in two years, for the reconstruction of Rawdon Bridge. - Ordered. -

Order to District Surveyor and Clerk for amounts now due them.

Ordered, that the Warden be authorized to issue Debentures to the District Surveyor and District Clerk, for the amounts now due them. -

Moved by Mr. Parker, seconded by Mr. Archibald. -

Piece of Plate to be presented to Warden at next session.

Whereas, at the February Session of 1848 the Council ordered the purchase of a piece of Plate to be presented to the Warden, and whereas it is the desire of the Council, that the presentation of the same should not be delayed beyond the next Session of the Council. And it therefore resolved, that the Gentlemen who were appointed to procure the said piece of Plate take steps in conjunction with the District Treasurer, to procure the same, in order that it may be presented to the Warden at the next meeting of the Council. - Carried. -

Adjourned for 1 hour

The Council adjourned for one hour.

2 o'clock, P. M. — The Council resumed.

Committee on Ways and Means resume

Present his honour the Warden and Councilors  
Moved by Mr. M. Donnell, seconded by  
Mr. Archibald, that the Committee on ways and  
means resume. — Ordered —

Committee report Progress

Mr. Hart in the Chair

The Committee rose, reported progress, and  
asked leave to sit again. — Leave granted.

Adjourned to Monday following

The Council adjourned until Monday  
at 12 o'clock. —

12<sup>th</sup> February 1849

Met from adjournment

The Council met.

Members present.

Present. — His honour the Warden  
Messrs. Archibald, Canniff, Denike, Hart  
Huffman, Johns, Ketcheson of Sidney, Ketcheson  
of Madoc, Mc Donnell, Mc Taggart, Parker,  
Smith and Sweeney. —

Minutes read

The minutes of Saturday were read.

Alex<sup>r</sup> Taylor resigns office of Pound  
keeper in Thurlow, and Asa Yeomans  
appointed in his stead

Mr. Canniff moved, seconded by Mr. Huffman  
Upon Petition of Alexander Taylor, that  
he be relieved from the duties of Pound Keeper  
in Thurlow, and that Asa Yeomans be ap-  
pointed in his stead. — Ordered.

Introduction and 1<sup>st</sup> reading of Bill  
Law for levying School tax for 1849.

Mr. Huffman brought in a Vote Law  
for levying a Tax for common school purposes  
for the year 1849. — which was read a first  
time.

Also of address to Legislature on Assess-  
ment Bill before House.

Mr. Denike presented an  
address to the Legislature on the assessment  
Bill now before the Legislative Assembly  
which was read a first time. —

Committee on said Address.

Moved by Mr. Denike, seconded,  
by Mr. Mc Taggart.  
That the Council go  
into Committee of the whole upon the  
said Address. — Ordered —

Mr

Committee report

Taxation on actual value of property only just and equitable mode of taxation

Yeas and Nays on adoption thereof

Carried by 6 to 5

Introduction and 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of address to H. C. the Governor General on Carrying place Canal

Address adopted

Council views with much regret certain resolutions presented to Parliament by Hon. Mr. Lafontaine for Compensation to the amount of £80,000 to parties in arms against Government in 1837 and 1838.

Council at all times would repudiate transaction but especially condemn same at present.

Mr. M<sup>c</sup> Taggart in the Chair.

The Committee rose and reported the following Resolution

That in the opinion of your Committee; Taxation according to actual value on property as now taxable, is the only just and equitable mode of Taxation. -

Upon the question of adoption of the Resolution; the Yeas and Nays were called and taken as follows

Yeas Messrs Hart, Huffman, Johns, Hetcheson of Sidney, Hetcheson of Massé and Parker. 6

Nays, - Messrs. Canniff, Denike, M<sup>c</sup> Taggart, Smith, and Sweeney. 5.

Carried by a Majority of one.

Mr Hart introduced an address to his Excellency the Governor General, on the Subject of the carrying place Canal, which was read a first time.

(For Address see Appendix)

Moved by Mr Hart Seconded by Mr. Huffman

That the same be adopted. Carried - Moved by Mr. Johns, seconded by Mr. Denike. -

That it be resolved, that this Council has seen with much regret a series of Resolutions presented to the Parliament, by the honorable Mr. Lafontaine, asking for an appropriation of £80,000, to be made chargeable upon the Consolidated fund, for the purpose of paying certain losses said to have been incurred by the party in Lower Canada, who in 1837 and 1838, took up arms against her Majesty's Government. -

Resolved, that this Council would at all times repudiate such an appropriation, but thinks that at present, in the depressed state of the Finances of the Country, when grants cannot be obtained

for the making of Important Roads, and  
means cannot be provided by the Government  
for the prosecution of those works already begun,  
Any Appropriation for such a purpose, is censurable  
in the highest degree. -

Regard the proposal as an attempt  
further to impose upon Western Province  
No Member from this section should  
vote for said resolutions

Resolved, that this Council do not  
regard the applications made by the honorable  
Mr. Lafontaine in the light of any party measure  
but as an attempt further to impose upon the  
people of Canada West, and are of opinion that  
no member from this portion of the Province,  
should vote for said Resolutions. -

Memorial in spirit of foregoing to  
be drawn up and presented by  
Member for County.

Resolved, that a Memorial to  
be presented to the honorable the Legislative  
Assembly embracing the spirit of these Resolu-  
tions be drawn up, and that it be forwarded  
to the Member of the County for presentation  
Carried Unanimously

Committee on By-Laws.

Moved by Mr. Huffman seconded by Mr.  
Archibald.  
That the Council resolve itself into  
a Committee of the whole on By-Laws - Carried.  
Mr. Johns in the Chair. -

Committee report 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of  
By Law imposing tax for School  
purposes.

The Committee rose and reported a By Law  
to levy a tax for Common School purposes for  
the year 1849, as having been read a second  
time.

By Law passed and signed

Ordered that the Report be received  
Ordered that the said By Law be read a  
third time, and that the Warden do sign the  
same. -

Committee on Ways and Means resume.

Moved by Mr. Huffman, seconded  
by Mr. Caniff.  
That the Committee on ways  
and means resume. - Carried. -  
Mr. Hart in the Chair. -

Committee report Progress

The Committee rose, reported progress,  
and asked leave to sit again. Leave granted

Adjourned to following day

The Council adjourned until nine  
to-morrow. -

13<sup>th</sup> February, 1849

Met from adjournment

The Council met

Members present

Present. His Honour the Warden, Messrs. Archibald, Carniff, Denike, Hart, Huffman, Johns, Ketcheson of Sidney, Ketcheson of Madoc, M<sup>r</sup> Jaggart, M<sup>r</sup> Donnell, Parker, Smith, and Sweeney.

Minutes read

The Minutes of yesterday were read.

Address to H. E. the Governor General upon Registry Office.

Mr Hart introduced an address to his Excellency the Governor General, upon the Registry Office, which was read a first time, and adopted

(For Address see Appendix)

Committee on Ways and Means

Moved by Mr Huffman, seconded by Mr Ketcheson of Madoc, that the Committee on ways and means resume Carried

Committee report

Mr Hart in the Chair

The Committee rose and reported Ordered that the Report be received.

Report read by Clauses.

Ordered that the Report be read clause by clause.

The Committee on Ways and Means, beg leave to report the following orders.

£ 0.5.0 for week to S Givins for support of N Rubie from 1<sup>st</sup> Nov last.

1. Ordered that the sum of 5 Shillings per week be paid by the Treasurer to the Rev. Saltern Givins in part of the support of Nathan Rubie a Pauper, to commence from the 1<sup>st</sup> November last

£ 5.0.0 to Rev S Givins for support of Jacob Hall

2. Ordered that the sum of Five pounds be paid to the Rev. Saltern Givins towards the maintenance of Jacob Hall.

£ 1.15.0 to B. Vanckleek surveying Road in Madoc.

3. To B. Vanckleek for surveying & reporting Road in Madoc near Jackson's Mills £ 1.15.

Warden and Surveyor to contract for Bridge over Beaver Creek in Harmon

4. Ordered upon the Petition of B. Johnie that the Warden and District

Surveyor be authorized to contract for the construction of a Bridge over Beaver Creek in Marmora payable in Debentures @ 2 and 3 years, provided the tenders do not exceed the Estimate of the District Surveyor. -

£12.10.0 for repairing Lucas's Bridge in Sidney.

5. Ordered that the sum of £12.10 Shillings be paid in Debentures payable in Two years to the order of John Wetherston and J. S. Huffman Esqrs, for repairing Lucas Bridge in Sidney. -

£7.7.6 Balance maintaining Ellison Tottenham to So. Canniff

6. Ordered that the sum of £7.7.6 being the balance of maintenance of Ellison Tottenham to 6<sup>th</sup> February be paid to Joseph Canniff Esq

£0.5.0 per week for maintaining H. P. Watkins of Rawdon.

7. Ordered that the sum of Five Shillings per Week be paid through R. Parker Esq to the person supporting H. P. Watkins of Rawdon to commence from 10<sup>th</sup> November last

£3.5.0 to A. Place for maintenance of E. Harcus. a final grant.

8. Ordered that the sum of £3.5 for the maintenance of Edward Harcus be paid to A. Place, and that he be forthwith forwarded to the asylum at Toronto and no further remuneration will be granted. -

£10.15.0 to A. Denike for maintenance of W. Richards

9. Ordered that the sum of 15 Shillings per Month be granted, to be paid to the order of Anthony Denike for the maintenance of William Richards a destitute Pauper until the next Session

£0.5.0 per week to So. Canniff for maintenance of Ellison Tottenham

10. That the sum of five Shillings per week be paid to the order of Joseph Canniff for the maintenance of Ellison Tottenham a destitute pauper until the next meeting of the Council. -

£0.10.0 per month for maintenance of Patience Wood.

11. Ordered that the sum of Ten Shillings per Month be paid to the order of the Councillor of Marmora for the maintenance of Patience Wood a destitute Pauper. -

Ordered

£50.0.0 to Warden Fuller for repairing  
Road in  
And to be paid in 3 debentures

12. Ordered that Warden Fuller be allowed  
the sum of Thirty pounds Currency for re-  
pairing the Road from Raileys to Collias,  
and that the sum be paid by Debentures  
of Ten pounds each in one and three years

Motion by Mr. Huffman for 2  
debentures only - Lost

J. S. Huffman, seconded by Mr.  
Archibald, moved that order No 12 be  
amended by striking out the third  
Debenture, and two Debentures only  
issued at 1 and 2 years, for the sum  
of £90 each. - Lost

Years and Days on original order

The Year and Days being called  
on the original order were taken as follows

Original order carried by 7 to 5

Years. - Messrs. Denike, Hart, John  
Ketcheson of Madoc, Mr. Donnell, Smith  
andweeney - 7  
Days. - Messrs Archibald, Canniff,  
Huffman, Ketcheson of Sidney and  
Mr. Jaggard - 5

Carried by a majority of 2.

£50.0.0 by Debenture for centre  
Road in Tyndinaga

13. Ordered that a Debenture issued  
for the sum of £50, for the centre  
Road in Tyndinaga, redeemable in  
4 years. -

Years and Days thereon

Upon which the year and Days  
being called, were taken as follows -  
Years. - Messrs. Denike, Hart, John  
Ketcheson of Madoc, Mr. Donnell, Smith  
andweeney - 7  
Days Messrs Archibald  
Canniff, Huffman, Ketcheson of Sidney  
and Mr. Jaggard 5 - Carried by a majority  
of 2. -

Order carried by 7 to 5.

£1.5.0 to Geo Neilson for Stationary

14. Ordered that the sum of £1.5.0 be  
paid to George Neilson for Stationary

Petition of J. Solmes postponed

15. Ordered that the Petition of Timothy  
Solmes and others be postponed. -

£0.15.0 to Jas Blacklock for Brooms

16. Ordered that the sum of fifteen  
shillings be paid to James Blacklock  
for Brooms. -

£5.2.6 for maintenance of Mary  
Doney

17. Ordered that the sum of Five pounds  
two shillings and six pence be paid

£40.0 on Road over Hogs Back  
in Hungerford

to John Ketchison an account of maintenance  
of Mary Gomez

18. - Ordered upon Petition of Samuel Fisher  
and others, that there be paid through the  
Councillors of Hungerford the sum of Four  
pounds to be expended under their direction on  
the Road on the Hogs Back on the West of  
the River Maira in Hungerford the inhabitants  
first performing work of equal value upon the  
same upon which the Yeas and Nays being called  
were taken as follows. -

Yeas and Nays on same  
frant carried by 9 to 24

Yeas Archibald, Denike, Hart, Johns,  
Ketchison of Madoe, M. Donnell, Smith and  
Sweeney. 8

Nays. - Messrs Canniff, Hufferman, Ketchison  
and M. Taggart. 4 -

£12.10.0 on Petition of John Hirst  
in Rawdon

19. Ordered that the sum of £12.10.0 be  
granted on the Petition of John Hirst and others  
to be expended under the direction of the Council  
lors of Rawdon. Upon which the yeas and Nays  
were taken as follows. -

Yeas on same (Nays omitted)

Yeas. - Archibald, Denike, Hart, Johns,  
Ketchison of Sidney and M. Taggart.

Yeas 6

£250.0 on Petition of W. C. Schryver  
in Deventures

20. - Ordered upon the Petition of Walter, C.  
Schryver, that Deventures issue in compliance  
therewith for the sum of £250.0.0 redeemable  
in 4 or 5 Years, upon which the yeas and Nays  
being called, were taken as follows. -

Yeas and Nays on same

Yeas. Messrs Archibald, Denike, Hart-  
Johns - Ketchison of Madoe, M. Donnell -  
Smith and Sweeney. 8

Carried by 8 to 4

Nays. - Messrs Canniff, Hufferman  
Ketchison of Sidney and M. Taggart. 4.

Carried by a Majority of 4 -

Petitions of James Lake laid over

21. ordered that the Petition of James Lake  
and others, be laid over to next session, to  
enable the parties to substantiate their  
claims for damages. -

22. Rescinded

- Petition of Jno Canniff laid over 23. - Ordered that the Petition of Jonas Canniff the younger, be laid over till next Session.
- Petition of W. R. Perry not granted 24. Ordered that the Petition of Robert R. Perry be not granted.
- £10.0.0 out of Petition of M<sup>r</sup> Jerson made. 25. Ordered upon the Petition of William Jerson and others, that there be granted the sum of £10 to be expended in accordance with its prayer, upon which the year and Mays being called, were taken as follows.
- Year and Mays taken but not recorded
- £10.0.0 to Township of Rawdon 26. Ordered upon the Petition of George Panazer and others, that there be granted the sum of £1000.0.0 to be expended under the direction of the Councillors of Rawdon, the Inhabitants of the Neighborhood contributing an equal amount in labour upon which the year and mays being called, were taken as follows: -
- Year. - Messrs. Archibald, Deinko-Hart-Johns, Kitcheson of Madoc, McDonnell Smith andweeney. - 0.
- Mays. - Messrs. Canniff, Hufferman Kitcheson of Sidney and M<sup>r</sup> Taggart. 4.
- Carried by a Majority of 4.
- Petition of Geo Graham postponed 27. Ordered upon the Petition of George Graham and others, be postponed until next Sessions.
- £0.7.6 to G. Turner for Lakes Compensation two reports. 28. - Ordered that the sum of £0.7.6 be granted to G. Turner for Lakes compensation, report.
- Petition of E Sandford not granted 29. Ordered upon the Petition of Ebenezer Sandford and others that the Petition be not granted.
- £0.15.0 to P. Vanclerk for surveying Road in 3<sup>d</sup> Con. Madoc. 30. - Ordered that the sum of £0.15.0 be paid to Barnabas Vanclerk for surveying Road in 3<sup>d</sup> concession of Madoc.

On *S. M. Washburn's* a/c for printing 31. Ordered upon account of *S. M. Washburn* and advertising £1. 18. 1 to be deducted for printing and advertising for district, that *id.* and balance paid in debentures. the sum of £1. 18. 1 for Licences and District Court be deducted, and the Warden and Treasurer be authorized to issue a Debenture for any balance due him; over and above orders accepted for him by Treasurer at six months. -

Credit of £5. 0. 0 to be given to William Downing on Hungerford collection Roll for 1818. 32. - Ordered upon Report of G. Hart on Petition of William Downing, that the Treasurer be authorized to give William Downing credit on the Hungerford collection Roll for the year 1818. £5. 0. 0

£31. 9. 11 to Mr Powell as per a/c 33. Ordered upon account of M. M. Powell £31. 9. 11, as per account.

£4. 14. 10 to James Harrison 34. Ordered that the sum of £4. 14. 10 be paid James Harrison. -

Current expenses of Council to be paid regularly. Also - allowances for paupers. That in the opinion of this Committee it is incumbent on them to have the current expenses of the Council paid regularly and that the Treasurer be requested to make these payments according to this expressed opinion, and that allowances for the support of the several destitute Paupers shall be upon the same footing.

Treasurer's report shows balance of £583. 0. 0 to be applied on debt due for Court House along with uncollected taxes. Your Committee have had under their consideration the Treasurer's Report and account, duly audited showing a Balance in his hands of £583 which together with the accounts yet to be collected, will be appropriated to the liquidation of the Debt due on the Court House, which in the opinion of your Committee will be thus reduced to about £500. -

Regret want of an efficient system of assessment. Your Committee must regret with the Treasurer the want of an efficient system of assessment by which assessors will be compelled to discharge their duties and they further find the statement made

by the Warden at the opening of this Session as to the falling off in the amount of property assessed confirmed by the Treasurers Report -

Fund for administration of Justice should be applied exclusively to that object but sums refunded by Govt should be applied to credit of Council.

Your Committee beg to report, that in their opinion, the fund levied for the administration of Justice for one year, should until expended, be appropriated for the expenses of that service, for the year for which it is levied, but the Committee are of opinion, that all monies refunded by the Government should be placed exclusively to the credit of the District Council, Your Committee however, thank the Treasurer for meeting the orders of the Council as he has done, and merely offer the above remark, to relieve the Treasurer from any unnecessary explanations to individuals

Debentures to be issued for all liabilities where they will be accepted

Your Committee further recommend that in all cases where they will be accepted, the Warden and Treasurer be authorized to issue Debentures of this District, for any liabilities incurred by an order of the District Council, and that they may be governed in their period of payments, by the liabilities already at the time entered into -

Treasurer will not be able to pay orders remaining due till taxes of 1849 come in.

Your Committee feel that until the Taxes of 1849 come in the Treasurer will not be able to meet any of the orders yet remaining due, but they feel that the Council would not be warranted in levying a Tax this year, when from the Taxes already levied, about £1000, may be relied upon to defray a portion of your Debt, to wit, £500 from the District Debt fund, and at least £600 which will probably be refunded by the Government upon the administration of Justice.

Statement of liabilities.

Your Committee state the liabilities thus -

The District Debt for Court House and Gaol - - - - -	£ 1115. 0. 0
Debentures issued by the Council	678. 0. 0
Contract for Catons Bridge	170. 0. 0
Remaining due on orders of Council	550. 0. 0
	<u>£ 2523. 0. 0</u>

Statement of Assets.

Brought forward £ 2523.0.0

They state the assets thus:—

Balance of Collections to be applied from Taxes of 1848 £ 625.0.0

Refunded administration of Justice for 1848 yet to come about 250.0.0

Surplus of extra Tax for 1849 500.0.0

Refunded Administration of Justice for 1849 about 600.0.0

Ward Fund and other Miscellaneous sources of Revenue 200.0.0

£ 2175.0.0

£ 348.0.0

No Special tax to be levied.

And your Committee cannot regard this a very depressed state of your finances, when it is taken into consideration that no Special Tax is to be levied to produce this state of Affairs, But your Committee cannot help but remark, that had an honest assessment of the property within the District been given in since we have been separated from the Midland District, that the Court House Debt would have been discharged at least two years since, and the District would have been in the enjoyment of this Tax for Roads and Bridges —

Have not included amount due from estate of late Treasurer as an early available asset.

Your Committee have not taken into consideration as an early asset the Debt due by the Estate of the late Treasurer, from the fact of the period allowed for payment, which your Committee hope the parties will still accept, and avoid the disagreeable necessity of a new suit. — Your Committee learn from the Warden that he has given orders for the prosecution of the bonds

Warden has given orders for prosecution of Bonds.

Recommend Treasurer's report to be printed with Minutes.

Your Committee further recommend, that the Treasurer's Report be printed with the minutes of the proceedings of this Council. —

Regret remissness of Collectors of 1847 and 1848

Your Committee regret that there has been so much remissness on the part of the Collectors for the years 1847 and 1848, and suggest that the Warden and Treasurer take such steps as to procure the early close of such returns now remaining open as they may deem advisable,

all which is respectfully submitted  
 George Hart  
 Chairman

Note. Expenses of Collection of Tax  
about £200.0.0 to be deducted  
from amount.

Report adopted

Council cannot meet claims for  
smaller works at an earlier date  
than 4 years

Introduction of By Law for assess-  
ment of School Section No 4 in Thur-  
low for erection of School House.

Committee on By Law

Committee report By Law

Said By Law passed and signed

District Surveyor to advertise for  
tenders for Frankford Bridge and  
Warden to enter contracts for same

Clerk to receive tenders for printing till  
7<sup>th</sup> March, and Benjamin and Canniff  
to open and decide upon same.

500 copies of Minutes to be printed

Note. — Since the drafting of the Report  
it is found that the expenses incidental upon  
the collection of the Tax to the amount of  
about £200, will be deducted from this amount  
and will increase the balance ascertained at  
the expiration of 1849 to a similar amount.

Ordered that the Report be adopted.

Moved by Mr Canniff seconded by Mr Smith  
and — Resolved that the Council having  
entered into engagements which will require the  
available resources of the District for four years  
cannot hold out to parties understanding any  
of the smaller works ordered this session, any  
certainty of being able to meet any claims on  
their account, at an earlier date.

Mr Canniff introduced a By Law to  
provide for the assessment of School Section No 4  
in Thurlow for the erection of a School House

Moved by Mr Canniff seconded  
by Mr McDonnell that the Council resolve  
itself into a Committee of the, on said By Law  
Carried.

Mr Canniff in the chair.

The Committee rose and reported said By Law  
Ordered that the Report be received.

Ordered that the said By Law be read a third time  
and passed and that the Warden sign the same.

Moved by Mr Huffman seconded by  
Mr Ketchesaw of Sidney

That the District Surveyor  
be authorized to advertise for tenders for  
the construction of Frankford Bridge, and that  
Warden be authorized to enter into contracts  
for the same in accordance with the By Law  
of the Council.

Ordered that Tenders for the printing  
of the Council for the ensuing year, be received  
by the Clerk until the seventh of March  
next and that Messrs Benjamin and Canniff  
do open and decide upon the same.

Ordered that 500 copies of the  
Minutes of the Council be in future

published for distribution.

J. W. Annan, Esq. elected Auditor

James Ross, Esq. Appointed Auditor  
by Warden.

Adjourned sine die

Moved by Mr. Keuffman, seconded by Mr. Johns that Francis McNamoy be auditor for the ensuing year. — Carried —

His Honor the Warden stated to the Council that he had nominated James Ross as auditor for the same period.

The Council adjourned

M. J. Macinnis  
Warden

No 48

By Law to construct road from east  
western limits of Tyendinaga to Belleville.

Road to be made under provisions  
of By Law No 114

Description of Road

By Law for the construction of a Road from the eastern limits of Tyendinaga to Belleville, and for other purposes

Whereas it is expedient to extend the provisions of By Law Number 44 and to provide for the construction of a Road through Tyendinaga and Thurlow to the Town of Belleville.

Be it therefore enacted, by the District Council of the District of Victoria in Sessions Assembled, at the Town of Belleville, in the said district that the said road shall run in the following directions, that is to say — along the Slack Road in the first conception of the Township of Tyendinaga from its Eastern limits to the Western line of the Township of Tyendinaga to the second conception of Thurlow thence through the second conception of Thurlow thence through the second conception of Thurlow to the limits of the Town of Belleville upon the route now travelled.

Contracts for said Road to be subject  
to conditions of "received" By Law  
Provided that Bridge over Salmon  
River be included.

And be it further enacted that the contracts for said Road shall be subject to all the provisions of the said received by Law, and shall be subject to all the conditions thereof. Provided always that the contract for the same shall include the Bridge to be erected across Salmon River.

Contracts to be for not less than 5 miles

And be it further enacted, that Section 4 of By Law 44, be reported & that the contracts for any section of the Roads provided for in said By Law or under this By Law shall not be given at less distances than five Miles

Amends Section 8 of By Law 44

And be it further enacted that Section 8 of By Law 44, be so amended, as to place the following words, after the words the

District Surveyor in the first line of the Printed Copy of the said By-Law section of said By-Law Number 41 namely with the advice and consent of the Warden and Messrs Parker Mc Yaggart Archibald, and Canniff  
Council Chamber 10<sup>th</sup> Feby 1889

No 49

By Law to provide for Assessment of certain School sections for erection of School Houses.

By Law to provide for the Assessment of the several School sections therein named, for the erection of School Houses in said sections.

Whereas it is necessary to provide for the Assessment of certain School sections for the erection of School Houses. —

£ 10.3.9 with charges of collecting same assessed on Section No 2 in Marmora

Be it therefore enacted by the District Council of the District of Victoria in Sessions assembled at the Town of Belleville in the said District that the sum of Ten pounds three shillings and nine pence over and above all charges and expenses for levying or collecting be levied and collected on the Inhabitants of School section Number two in the Township of Marmora, for the present year, to pay the balance due for erecting a School House in said section

£ 40.0.0 with charges assessed on Section No 4 in Rawdon

And be it enacted that the sum of Forty pounds over and above all expenses for levying and collecting the same, be levied and collected of the Inhabitants of School section Number four in the Township of Rawdon to pay for the erection of a School House in said section. —

£ 13.0.0 with Charges on Section No 24 in Rawdon and Sidney

And be it enacted, that the sum of Thirteen pounds over and above all expenses for levying and collecting the same be levied and collected on School section Number Twenty four in the Township of Rawdon and Sidney to pay for the erection of a School House in said section. —

£ 50.0.0 with Charges on Section No 11 in Thurlow

And be it enacted that the sum of Fifty pounds over and above all expenses for levying and collecting the same, be levied and collected upon the Inhabitants of School section Number

Eleven in the Township of Thurlow, for the purpose of building a school house in said Section

Said Assessments to be subject to provisions of Sections 2, 3 and 4 of By Law Chapter 39, Feb'y 1847

And be it enacted, that the said several Assessments shall be subject to the several provisions of Sections Two, Three and Four of By Law Chapter 39 of February Sessions 1847 Council Chamber 10<sup>th</sup> Feb'y 1849

No 50

By Law to require security from District Superintendent of Common Schools

By Law to authorise the Council to require the District Superintendent of Common Schools to give security for the due performance of his duty, and for other purposes.

Whereas it is expedient to provide means to secure the proper application of the common school funds of this District.

Security to be required - self in sum of £1400.0.0 and two security securities in £700.0.0 each.

Be it therefore enacted by the District Council of the District of Victoria in Sessions assembled at the Town of Belleville in the said district, that the District Superintendent of common schools, who shall be elected by the District Council, shall before he enters on the duty of his office give security for the safe keeping and the lawful application of all monies which have or may come into his hands, by virtue of any enactment of the Legislature of the Province of Canada or any By Laws of the District Council, and such security shall be, by such Superintendent in the sum of fourteen hundred pounds and two sufficient securities, to be approved of by the said Council, in the sum of seven hundred pounds each.

Salary of Superintendent to be seventy pounds per Annum.

And be it further enacted, that the salary of the County Superintendent of Common Schools be seventy pounds per Annum, and that the order of <sup>Session</sup> last October be repealed so far as regards the amount of said Superintendants salary.

Council Chamber 10<sup>th</sup> Feb'y 1849

By Law for reconstruction of Bridge  
over Beaver Creek

District Surveyor to prepare plan and  
estimate of same.

Warden to receive tenders and enter  
into contracts for same.

By Law to levy School Tax

Assessment of three pence on the  
£ struck

No 51

By Law for the Reconstruction of a Bridge across  
the Beaver Creek. -

Whereas it is essential to reconstruct  
the Bridge across Beaver Creek in the Township  
of Marmora

Be it therefore enacted by the District  
Council of the District of Victoria in Sessions  
Assembled at the Town of Belleville in the  
said District, and it is hereby enacted by  
the same that the District Surveyor be, and  
he is hereby authorised and directed to prepare  
a plan, specifications and estimate for the  
Reconstruction of a Bridge across Beaver  
Creek, in the Township of Marmora -

And be it further enacted that the  
Warden of the District be authorised, and  
that he is hereby authorised to receive tenders  
and enter into contracts for the reconstruction  
of said Bridge, payable in Debentures at Two  
years provided the sum does not exceed the  
estimate of the District Surveyor -

Council Chamber 10th Febry 1849

No 52

By Law to provide for the levying a Tax for  
common school purposes for the Year 1849

Whereas it is necessary that there be  
raised levied collected within the District of  
Victoria for the Year 1849 a sum of money for  
common school purposes

Be it therefore enacted by the District  
Council of the District of Victoria in Sessions  
Assembled at the Town of Belleville in  
the said District, that there be raised levied  
and collected on all rateable property  
upon the several Assessment Rolls of the  
different Townships of the District, for the  
Year one thousand eight hundred and forty  
nine the sum of three pence on the  
pound, for the purposes of raising an amount  
at least equal to the Government -

Appropriation for the said year

And be it enacted that the said assessment shall be made in the same manner and subject to the same conditions as contained in By Law Number 33 for levying a school tax for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty seven Council Chamber 12th Feby 1847

No 53

By Law for reconstruction of Frankford Bridge

By Law to provide for the reconstruction of the bridge over the River Trent at Frankford, and for other purposes.

Whereas it is essential to provide for the reconstruction of the bridge across the River Trent at Frankford.

District Surveyor to prepare plan

Be it therefore enacted, by the Warden and District Council of the District of Victoria in session assembled at the Town of Belleville, in the said District that the District Surveyor be and is hereby authorized and directed to prepare a plan specifications and estimate for the reconstruction of a bridge across the River Trent at Frankford

Warden to receive tenders for same

And be it enacted, that the Warden of the District be, and is hereby authorized to receive tenders and enter into contracts for the reconstruction of the same, payable in Debentures of the District, redeemable in three, four and five years; provided the said tenders do not exceed the amount of the estimate of the District Surveyor,

Surveyor to prepare plans for bridge at Lazier's Mills -

Warden to receive tenders for same.

And be it further enacted that the District Surveyor be directed to prepare plans estimates and specifications for the bridge at Lazier's Mills on Salmon River, and that the Warden do receive tenders and enter into contracts for the construction of said bridge provided the amount tendered for do not exceed the estimate of the District Surveyor, to be paid by Debentures redeemable in two, three and four years.

also for Wymans Bridge in Lyndenage

And be it enacted that the District Surveyor proceed to Wymans Bridge in Lyndenage and prepare plans, estimates and specifications for

for the reconstruction of said Bridges, and that the Warden be authorised to receive tenders for the same, payable in debentures redeemable in three and four years, provided the said tenders do not exceed the estimate of the District Surveyor -

Council Chamber, 12<sup>th</sup> February 1869

No 54

By Law to assess sections in Thurlow for erection of School House

By Law to assess section four in Thurlow for the erection of a school house -

Whereas it is necessary to impose a Tax or Assessment upon school section Number four in Thurlow for the erection of a school house therein

£50.0.0 assessed on said section

And it enacted by the District Council of the District of Victoria in Session assembled at the Town of Belleville in the said District that there be raised, levied and collected upon the inhabitants of school section Number four in the Township of Thurlow, over and above all charges and expenses for levying and collecting the same, the sum of Fifty pounds upon all rateable property on the Assessment Roll of the said Division, for the Year 1869, and that the said Assessment shall be subject to all the provisions and conditions of the several Assessments levied under By Law No 39, for levying Taxes for school purposes -

Council Chamber 13<sup>th</sup> Feby 1869

Memorial of Council on new Municipal Law

The Memorial of the Warden and District Council of the Victoria District humbly sheweth

Have considered provisions of Bill.

That they have under consideration, those portions of a Bill before the present Parliament entitled "An act to provide by one general Law, for the erection of Municipal

Councils in and for the several Counties, Cities Townships and Villages in Upper Canada" which refer to Townships and Districts generally

That in the opinion of your Memorialists the measure contemplated by the Bill, cannot work for the prosperity of the Poor or thinly settled Townships nor in many instances in the older ones They consider the Machinery altogether too cumbersome, and are of opinion that instead of aiding the bill, if it becomes Law will put a stop to all internal Improvements

Your Memorialists further represent that should it be deemed advisable by Parliament to enact the Measure that in the opinion of your Memorialists, it should be left discretionary with the Districts to accept the Bill or not, and if the desire to continue working under the Law at present regulating District Councils, and at the Meeting of the District Councils next preceding the period appointed for the contemplated measure to come into operation, the District Councils as now organized, should have power to declare by resolution whether the new Law shall be acted upon or not

And your Memorialists further represent that should it be deemed advisable by Parliament that the contemplated Law should pass, that provisions ought to be added to put each Township respectively in possession of the fund arising from the Tax on Wild Lands in each Township respectively, and the District Treasurer should be directed to pay over the same to the Township Treasurer after deducting all expenses and charges

Council Chamber 10th February 1849

The Memorial of the Warden and District Council of the District of Victoria Humbly sheweth

That many years since Her Majesty's Government ordered a survey to be made in order to connect by Canal the Waters of the Bay of Quinte with those

are of opinion that some cannot work advantageously

That it should be discretionary with districts to accept Bill or not.

If Law is to pass provisions should be added to make over to Townships funds arising from Wild Land tax within same

Memorial of Council on Murray Canal

Survey ordered many years ago.

of Lake Ontario, that in conformity with such Order a survey was made, and the line of a Canal laid down, designated as the carrying place Canal.

Survey laid down upon Maps and Revenue made and lands to be sold for payment of same.

The survey: having been made, it was laid down upon the Maps, and a Revenue made as well for the Canal, as for Lands, to be sold for the payment of the same, as your Memorialists have been informed -

Many years since Government adopted survey

Your Memorialists would further represent that as many years have passed over since the Inhabitants of this section of the Country were lead to believe, that the Government had adopted the said survey, and as many large Appropriations have since then been made for works of a purely Civil character, your Memorialists feel that they have some claim upon the Provincial Authorities, and therefore

Pray that same may be included in estimates

hereby request that your Excellency in Council will be prepared to include in the Estimated the amount necessary for this purpose  
Council Chamber 15<sup>th</sup> February 1849

Memorial on state of Registration

The Memorial of the Warden and District Council of the District of Victoria  
Dumbly Stewart

About 4000 Memorials unregistered during Deputy Registrars of Robt Smith and Robt. A. McLean.

That they have learned from the Register of the District that there are at present about 4000 Memorials in his Office unregistered and which bear the certificate of Robert Smith Deputy Registrar and Robert, C. A. McLean, Deputy Registrar, during the respective periods that each held said Office

Titles in jeopardy and impossible to keep proper Index

That from this state of the Registration of Deeds, the title to many valuable properties are in great jeopardy, and the Register finds it utterly impossible to keep such an Index of the Registration alone in his Office as the proper information sought from him requires -

Method of insuring registration of said Memorials.

Your Memorialists are of opinion, that the only method to be pursued to ensure the registration of all these Memorials, is to

direct the Registrar to register the same in the manner that he has registered deeds of this kind, and that a proportionate allowance should be paid to him for so doing.

Remedy should be speedy.

Your Memorialists would further represent, that it is important to take speedy steps to remedy the evil complained of as every day only increases it. — Many of the Witnesses are removed or removing, and of course many of them are dead — And the length of period over which these defalcations extend, increases the difficulty and renders the prosecuting Witnesses still more doubtful —

Defalcations arise from negligence of Government Officers therefore no blame should be imposed to meet expense.

That in the opinion of your Memorialists as these defalcations were often brought before the Provincial Government, and as no steps were taken to remedy them, and as it was through the negligence of the Government Officers they arose, and not through the default of the Inhabitants of the County, your Memorialists strongly urge upon the Government the justice for providing means for attaining the object of this Memorial as they do not deem it just that any general assessment should be imposed on this County to accomplish it. —

Council Chamber, 12<sup>th</sup> February, A.D. 1849

Committee appointed to confer with Belleville Board of Police report

Mr. Whiteford will submit Council's opinion to Board.

No further action can be taken at this time.

The committee appointed to confer with the Board of Police Belleville, on the construction of the Court House Lot, beg leave to Report

That they met Messrs. Whiteford and Sawyer and after discussing the subject, Mr. Whiteford President of the Board, stated, he would submit the opinion of the Council to the Board, and convey their determination to the Council. —

Your Committee therefore Report, that no further action can be taken on the matter until the communication of the Board of Police is received.

Committee Room 12<sup>th</sup> February, 1849

To His Honor the Warden and the District  
Council of the District of Victoria  
Gentlemen

Enclosed of District reports

In laying before you my accounts  
as District Treasurer, I take the liberty of sub-  
mitting the following in connexion therewith

Irregularity of Collectors in paying  
in Taxes precludes making com-  
plete statement of Balances being  
made.

The circumstances of the Taxes being paid  
in by the collectors almost every month in the  
year, without regard for the time specified  
by Law for making their returns, precludes  
the possibility of my furnishing you with  
a statement of each fund showing the balances  
thereon, were the collectors accounts for 1847  
closed, I might to a certain period as do but  
those for Huntington and Hungerford remain  
open, and as yet all the collectors for 1848  
are enclosed except Huntington and Madoc,  
Under these circumstances I can only give you  
the receipts and expenditure of the District  
funds since your last sitting in the form  
of a running account, This however in fact  
makes but little difference (the keeping the  
several funds separate) so long as that for li-  
quidating the old District debt is carefully  
Appropriated -

Remissness of Collectors returns  
is on the increase.

I notice that the remissness on the  
part of the Defeasors, mentioned in my Report, is  
evidently on the increase, as the Defeasment of  
one penny on the £ will yield less this year than  
last, which certainly is a disgrace to the District  
and shows great fault somewhere.

No money from Government for  
administration of Justice has been  
received since last session, and  
in consequence some embarrassments  
have been experienced.

Since your last session no money  
has been received from the Government for defray-  
ing the expenses of the Administration of Justice  
and you will perceive that in order to discharge  
some of the most pressing claims for District  
Council grants, I have been obliged to trespass  
upon that fund, the balance in hand, together  
with what may be received of the last years  
rates, will all be required during the year to  
apply in payment of the old District Debt, the  
concurrent expenses of the District Council  
charges for the Administration of Justice and

and the Lunatic Asylum so that the large amount of District Council grants (many of which have been along time due) must remain unpaid for another year, and many not even then, unless provision is made for them, I think it proper to mention facts in order that you may at your present session take steps that will warrant me in saying to the creditors of the District, that by waiting until next fall they may be sure of having their claims met, otherwise I am satisfied that if they find they will be required to wait for one or two years longer they will resort to legal process for the recovery of their demands. — This will have the effect of injuring the credit of the District and subject it to costs and embarrassments.

Anticipates necessity for imposing additional tax.

In anticipation of the improved state of the District Revenue, after payment of the old District Debt, you have already authorized the issue of Debentures for indispensable improvements, which at maturity must be paid, so that knowing the state of the liabilities of the District and its prospects I cannot devise any other means for immediate relief from present embarrassments than the imposition of an additional Tax.

More taxes, required to keep up bridges than in most other Counties

It is but right that the Inhabitants of the District should be made aware that, from its peculiar situation being cut by numerous streams, an additional Tax over most other Districts, will always be necessary in order to build and keep in repair the great number of Bridges required within its limits.

Has prepared Memorandum of liabilities

By request of His Honor the Warden I have prepared a Memorandum of the liabilities of the District, which I suppose has been laid before you. —

Notifies small amount of resources for improvements, and recommends provision to be made to satisfy creditors

For the last four years there has been but little else of funds at your disposal for Improvements, that the penny on the £ levied in 1844 which yielded almost £8000 — a comparatively small sum to the large amount of District Council grants and the concurrent expenses of the District — I do not however anticipate prolonged financial difficulties for the District but take the liberty of suggesting the necessity of preparation for the requirements of the various creditors of it. — All which is most respectfully submitted

I have the honour to be Gentlemen your Obedient humble Servt,  
 S. Belleville 5<sup>th</sup> Feb 1849 N. G. Reynolds Treasurer, W. D.  
 P.S. — The account of the Township of Marmora has since been closed by the collector. — N. G. R.