

Halifax, N.S.

Monday

March 4 1915

At a special meeting of the Board held at their
 Offices, 81 Sackville Street, this date at 4 o'clock p. m.

Present

- Commissioners J. P. Quinn, Chairman
 R. H. Woodbury,
 H. S. Crosby,
 G. A. Redmond,
 C. P. Wood,
 W. R. Wakely,
 J. S. Parker,

J. J. Wilson, Secretary
 G. H. Butler, Supervisor

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The Chairman stated that the Board had been
 called together to consider the application of the Board
 for an additional loan to put Bloomfield High School
 in repair and the reply of the Commission.

Letters were read as follows:-

- " Ralph P. Bell, Sec. Halifax Relief Commission
- " Dear Sir, At a meeting of the Board of School Commissioners
 held last evening your decision re repairs to Bloomfield
 School was considered and a special committee
 consisting of the Chairman and Comrd Parker was
 appointed to consider your decision re repairs to Bloom-
 field High School Building.

The Board decided to submit the following resolution
 for your further consideration:-

- " That your Committee loan the Board an amount
 of money to cover the repairs on the Bloomfield High
 School Building on the same terms as the previous
 loan.
- " That the awarding of the Contract for said repairs and
 supervision of the work be at the discretion of the
 Board, but suggest that if your Commission
 think fit to appoint an inspector for the work, the
 Board will be pleased to cooperate with him."

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Trusting you will be kind enough to give this matter your immediate consideration, that, if favorably considered, the Board may take the matter up with the Board of Control in order that no delay may be incurred in furnishing a school building for the north end children.

I am, yours very truly

J. Wilson, Secretary

And the Commission's reply

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Miss J. Wilson

Secretary - Board of School Commissioners

Dear Madam:-

On February 15 there was a conference between this Commission and representatives of your Board. We were ready to build a temporary structure on the Bloomfield School property, but after discussion it was decided the best course would be to repair the present building.

The City Engineer being called in he decided that the building could be repaired for occupancy between April 1st and 15th. This Commission stated that they would undertake the work by its Reconstruction Department forthwith, and charge the expenditure to the School Board as in the case of former advances, and they agreed that the work should be inspected on behalf of the School Board by Mr Parker.

This Commission heard nothing more from the School Board in connection with this matter until February 27th when Mr Quinn and Mr Parker then stated that the School Board wished the Commission to hand over the money to them and that they would do the work. This the Commission refused to do, pointing out that of the total School expenditure one half or more had been placed at the disposal of the School Board, and that in this particular case the terms suggested by the Commission at the conference on February 15th must be adhered to. It was then pointed out that the School Board must be considered responsible for any further delay in having the school accommodation increased.

Two weeks time have now been lost.

This Commission is, therefore surprised to receive your letter of February 28th. Our offer of Feb. 15th is still open to the School Board, but if not accepted by Monday March 4th will be withdrawn.

The time required to repair the school must, of

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course, be extended by the time lost by the delay that has taken place on the part of your Board.

Yours truly (sgd) Ralph P. Bell,
Secretary

On motion of Commrs Wakely and Redmond it was Resolved

That, under the circumstances, and in order to provide school accommodation for the children of the northern part of the City, the Board feels compelled to accept the conditions set forth in the letter of Relief Commission, March 2.

The Secretary was directed to send a copy to the Relief Commission and to the Board of Control explaining the Board's position and action in order that they may prepare and submit the necessary resolution.

adjourned 4.50 p.m

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