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Accrington Town Council.

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So on one or two grounds which were quite intelligible. First, they said, the scale of salaries was quite a good one, and only worked out badly in Accrington because the schools were so small. Let them take the same scale at Bury, Bolton, Wigan, Liverpool, or any large town where school boards had been in operation since 1870 or 1875, and the schools were pretty large, and the present scale would represent really good salaries, they said. Those who objected to the increase said the scale was a good one, but the declining number of children in the schools made it a poor one, and it was perhaps unsatisfactory. When the Corporation took over the management of the schools eleven years ago the school population was increasing at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum. If that increase had continued, now they would have had four thousand more children in their schools to-day than they had. Instead of their having that increase, they had an actual decrease of 778, and as the mistresses' salaries depended on the number of scholars they were adversely affected. The salaries of assistants were £50, and were not affected. Those who objected to the increase did so on several grounds. First, they contended, it showed an anomalous state of things when they saw nine of their mistresses could not possibly earn a salary equal to the salary paid to assistant mistresses who were college trained. Misses had a school 150 strong she could not earn more than £115. Every college trained assistant mistress who came to Accrington could receive a maximum salary of £115. As a matter of fact, to-day two of their mistresses could receive £115, and these were doing quite as much work as the mistresses of large schools. They had to teach, and they had the additional disadvantage of not being able to classify or grade their children properly. The mistresses felt this to be a great injustice. He had made no secret of his own opinion. He thought the least they could do was to meet the claims and advance their wages. They had continued hoping against hope they had reached rock bottom in the declining number of school children, and that the mistresses' salaries would begin to increase, but that had not come about, and the mistresses deserved their sympathy.

ALDERMAN SPRAKE'S OBJECTIONS. Alderman Sprake said he could sympathise with the resolution, as moved by Mr. Langham, if the fact of assistant mistresses receiving more than head mistresses applied generally. But there was only one instance where an assistant received more than the head mistress, and in that case the head mistress did not mind. Even so, the remedy in that case was not to interfere with the salaries of the mistresses, but to do what was fair and transfer the assistant to a school where her services could be more usefully utilised. The school where the assistant was in receipt of more than the head mistress had an average attendance of only 61, and was an exceedingly small school. It was a most unfortunate thing for a mistress to have only a small school, but it was not the fault of the Corporation. He pointed out that the average attendance in Accrington schools was 124, and the average salary per unit of average attendance was 17s. 15d. They should note that in the case of Blackburn all the mistresses were in receipt of the maximum salary, which raised the average per unit to 12s. 6d. At Blackburn the average attendance was 124, and the average salary per unit was 17s. 15d. They should note that in the case of Blackburn all the mistresses were in receipt of the maximum salary, which raised the average per unit to 12s. 6d. At Blackburn the average attendance was 124, and the average salary per unit was 17s. 15d.

THE ALDERMANIC QUESTION. The Mayor said he had intended to ask them to stay behind to consider when the informal meeting of members should be held to deal with the question of the election of aldermen, but they had had such a flood of oratory that he did not think it desirable to keep them any longer. He would be glad to suggest, however, as to the most convenient time for the holding of the informal meeting. Ald. Higgins said they would be able to deal with the matter when they met on Saturday for committee of about four members. If they had the whole of the members together they might be sitting for a full day drawing up resolutions. It was decided to adjourn into General Purposes Committee to consider the matter.

INTERMEDIATE TRAM STAGES. Mr. W. Smith said he desired to give notice that at the next meeting he would move that the Council take into consideration the question of arranging intermediate stages on the tram route. The Town Clerk informed Mr. Smith that the notice of motion must be given in writing, and Mr. Smith said he would give the notice as required. KISSES FOR RECRUITS. Major-General W. Douglas, presenting the prizes to the 5th (Arkwick) Battalion Manchester Regiment (Territorials) on Saturday night, said a young man raised the Gordon Highlanders during a kiss to all who saluted. He thought that the young women present might follow her example. They could well spare a kiss for their country.

ALDERMAN LEPTON'S FACTS. Alderman Lepton, in seconding the amendment, asked them to consider the question from a business point of view. If a man in business found his business declining he did not think the time was opportune to raise the wages of his staff. For the information of the new members, he quoted from the quarterly report issued last September, a paragraph which stated that the reduction of scholars on the register which had taken place since the schools were taken over by the Corporation were 778. The significance of those figures would be appreciated when it was pointed out that the number was greater than the whole of the scholars attending any of the largest schools in the town. He was given to understand that the reduction was now 800. If they reckoned those 800 scholars at £2 per head, it represented a loss to the town of £1,600, a sum equal to more than the proceeds of a 2d. rate. He could not see the increase of salaries in face of facts like those.

THE £136 asked for. After all, there was a bottom to the ratepayers' pocket. It would be very educational to the members of the Council if a comparison could be made of the salaries paid to teachers before the Council took over the schools with the salaries in operation to-day. He reminded them that just prior to the schools being taken over by the Council the salaries were £100 per annum, and he would be morally bound to continue to pay the advanced salaries. He was fairly safe in saying that the wages of teachers had increased 20 per cent. during the last ten years since the adoption of the new system. The time had arrived when the Council should consider if a mistress had a grievance in that an assistant with less responsibility and a less pleasant job was in receipt of a higher salary. If she would appeal to the Education Committee they might allow her to change places, but he was perfectly certain that she would prefer to remain a mistress with less salary than be an ordinary teacher. He would ask the Council to instruct the Education Committee if it was a fact that the resolution was carried, not by representatives of the ratepayers, but by co-opted members of the committee. Whether or not the Council voted to raise the wages, he was certain that the elected representatives should have the master voice in deciding the issue. Alderman Duckworth also spoke in favour of the amendment, and pointed out that the scale of salaries was quite as high as the scale in other towns. Mr. Langham briefly replied to the discussion, and pointed out that the maximum in Accrington for schools of 125 was £115. Whereas the maximum obtainable in a large number of other towns for an average attendance of 125 was £136, as in the case of the following neighbouring towns: On being put to the vote, the amendment was carried by a large majority, 21 voting for the amendment.

PERSONAL QUESTION. In moving the adoption of the Education Committee, Mr. Langham mentioned that they contained one that was of a personal character, and had reference to the Borough Treasurer, whom he asked to produce certain correspondence that was placed before the committee. Mr. Crawford asked if it was essential that the correspondence should be read. If it was a case of washing dirty linen and hurting anybody's feelings, was it really necessary that it should be gone into. He was sure they had confidence in the teaching staffs and in the Borough Treasurer. The matter was 12 months ago. The Borough Treasurer (Mr. Beckett): It was resurrected last month. He said the minute book was put there with the correspondence, but the Education Committee, in order that he might deal with a matter which concerned himself primarily, and which was of interest to the Council and to the public generally. At the last meeting of the Council it was suggested that he had forgotten to be impartial and to discriminate against a member of the Council by dealing with the information. Mr. Walsley: Mr. Mayor, I object totally to any man who is a paid servant speaking in this Council. He must be elected before he can speak in this Council. Voices: Oh, no, no, no! Mr. Walsley: I say yes. I consider it very unfair to those who are elected to allow a paid servant to dictate to any councillor, whoever he may be. Mr. Beckett said that as a paid servant he was confined to that Council Chamber to remove papers, and he was not allowed to attend Council meetings to what he alluded to an incident that occurred at the meeting of the 22nd. Walsley then complained that he asked Mr. Langham a question with regard to the corporal punishment in one of the schools. Mr. Langham said that he had asked Mr. Walsley a question with regard to the corporal punishment in one of the schools. Mr. Walsley then complained that he asked Mr. Langham a question with regard to the corporal punishment in one of the schools. Mr. Langham said that he had asked Mr. Walsley a question with regard to the corporal punishment in one of the schools.

MR. WALSLEY'S REJOINER. Mr. Walsley said that he asked if a punishment book was kept, and if so, could he see it. Mr. Beckett said yes. He went to Mr. Beckett's office and he was not shown one. Nor had Mr. Beckett up to that day produced a punishment book to the school. He said that the punishment book was kept at the school, and that he could not go into the school to see any punishment book. Last Council day Mr. Beckett's reply was that the book had nothing in it. He asked Mr. Beckett why he did not produce it if there was nothing in it. If the book had been produced he would have been satisfied. He stated that the book Mr. Beckett said was the Council Chamber was kept at his office was not there when he applied. Nor had Mr. Beckett produced or shown him the book. All he saw was a black lead letter. Mr. Beckett: I never said the book was at my office. It ought not to be at my office, but at the school. I told you I had seen the punishment book, that there was no record in it, and if you don't believe me I have finished. Mr. Walsley: If you tell me that this book is in existence and you keep it out of my sight, then I say you produce it. I am entitled to say there is not one. Crisis of dissent followed, and the incident was referred to the Education Committee.

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DOWRY PICTURE PALACE.

Following on a week of one big picture, the proprietors of the Dowry Picture Palace have decided to revert to the usual order of things, and give an attractive "show." "In the Midst of the Jungle" makes a thrilling subject, and though the first part is a happy one for the hunters, they later on find the tables turned, and one of their party is detached from the rest, and is at the mercy of the beasts of the jungle. The unfortunate person is a woman, and she trains a leopard for her defence, and three years are spent in this secluded manner until she is found. One fine scene in the film depicts the actual shooting of a lion, and its final plunge into a river. "A Proposal Deferred" sees another step in the serial picture, but the state of mind of the much-sought-after Mary is still unsettled. "Race to Destruction" is an excellent railroad story, and some realistic adventures of a young man and maiden on a locomotive are cleverly portrayed, and doubt as to whether the daring hero of the piece saves the situation by avoiding a collision. Unfortunately the engine cannot be stopped and it dashes along and runs into a dining house, where the desperado is watching his work, and he succumbs to his own deeply-laid plot. Another railroad film which makes an interesting story is "A Railroad Warning," and many anticipating moments pass before all the danger has been overcome.

Oswaldtwistle & District Sunday School Amateur Football League.

LEAGUE TABLE (Record up to date). St. Mary's R.G. 15 8 2 4 41 18. Atley 15 8 2 4 41 18. (Moosey Hill) 15 8 2 4 41 18. St. Matthew's 15 8 2 4 41 18. St. Andrew's 15 8 2 4 41 18. St. Paul's 15 8 2 4 41 18. St. Mary's 15 8 2 4 41 18. St. Andrew's 15 8 2 4 41 18. St. Paul's 15 8 2 4 41 18. St. Mary's 15 8 2 4 41 18.

"PANTOMIME" AT THE "GRAND."

The first pantomime of the season at the Grand Theatre, Accrington, is being presented this week, a company under the auspices of Fred Granville's Productions Ltd., presenting a version of "Aladdin" written by Mr. Jos. L. Barry. It is presented in eight different scenes by a full company. Specialties are introduced by The Delhi's, Little Harry Wright, Miss P. Verrier, Willie Black, Marie Duncan, Carl and Gary, Fred Hudson, Little Sidwell, Miss Conroy Grey and Mr. T. Percival, and The Eight Orphans, a clever troupe of dancers.

STOCK AND SHARE MARKETS.

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ROSSDALE GOLDEN WEDDINGS.

An instance of the longevity of Rossdale folk is afforded by the golden wedding party, just held at the residence of Mrs. Henry Rowley, of Forest-street, Lumb. At the celebration the party included Mr. Jonathan Wilkinson, of Southport, and Mrs. and Mrs. Thomas Hargreaves, of Haslingden, all of whom (with Mrs. Wilkinson) were present at Maudsley's marriage fifty years ago.

Edgar Harding.

An elderly Hallam man, Charles Jordan, was found dead in the cabin of a Hull trawler Okino, on Sunday. His wife made the discovery on visiting the ship in Albert Dock, having had a presentiment that something was wrong with her husband. It is stated on good authority that the recent illness of the Carewvich has passed entirely, and he is now in a fair way of recovery. He has not yet recovered fully from his fall, but his general health is declared to be much more satisfactory as the result of the long stay of the Empire family in the Crimea.

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