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# LAYS CORNERSTONE OF NEW SCHOOL

Alexander Haggart, of the School Board, Performs Ceremony at Elmwood.

The ceremony of laying the corner-stone at the Lord Selkirk school at Elmwood, took place Saturday afternoon before a large gathering of the residents of Elmwood. Dr. T. Glen Hamilton, opened the proceedings with a short address, in which he congratulated the residents of Elmwood on having secured the first school to be built with the funds voted at the recent polling on by-laws. The name chosen for the school "Lord Selkirk," was an extremely appropriate one recalling as it did, the name of Kildonan's earliest settler. The chairman called on the Rev. A. Matheson, son of one of the earliest Selkirk farmers, and who taught school close to the spot on which the present building was being erected.

Reverend A. Matheson gave an interesting address concluding by claiming the necessity of giving the children moral training. R. H. Smith, secretary-treasurer of the school board was then called upon to read a list of the articles contained in the tin box which was to be placed under the corner-stone. The following was the complete list: Annual report of Winnipeg public school board, 1907; By-laws of Winnipeg public school board; Report of department of education, Manitoba, 1907; Free Press and copies of other city papers including the Elmwood Saturday Herald; Coinage from the Canadian mint; Set of tercentenary postage stamps.

Alexander Haggart, K. C., vice-chairman of the school board then proceeded to lay the corner-stone. The due performance of the ceremony was the signal for a volley of cheers and the playing of "The Maple Leaf Forever." Short addresses were afterwards given by A. H. Brown and the Hon. T. Mayne Daly the ceremony being brought to a close by the singing of the national anthem. Among those present at the ceremony were Alexander Haggart K. C., Hon. T. Mayne Daly, D. A. Ross, M. P. P., J. A. Mc Kerchar, A. Brown, Dr. McMunn, J. A. Lister, ex-Ald. McCalmann, Rev. E. C. R. Pritchard, Dr. T. Glen Hamilton, Rev. Mr. Armstrong, Rev. A. Matheson, Mrs. Mitchell, Mrs. Sinclair, Mrs. Haggart, J. B. Mitchell, and R. H. Smith.

The silver trowel with which Mr. Haggart performed the ceremony of laying the corner-stone was afterwards presented to him.

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## THREE SCHOOLS CONSTRUCTED.

New One in Elmwood Opened Yesterday—Two Others Nearly Ready.

Three new schools, as modern and excellent in every way as can be built by experts in this line of work are either ready for occupation or will be thrown open to the children in a few days. The Lord Selkirk school, in Elmwood was opened yesterday and gives the children of that thriving portion of the city educational advantages not surpassed in Canada. The Cecil Rhodes school in Weston will be opened in a week or so, and it is also a structure that will afford every facility for the education of the rising generation in that quarter of the city. The King Edward school on Selkirk avenue, near the exhibition grounds, will not be completed for a week or perhaps two weeks.

**Big School for Elmwood.**—The public school board will call for tenders early next week for an additional building on the Lord Selkirk site between Poplar and McIntosh streets, Elmwood. The new building will have 17 classrooms and an assembly hall. It will be of brick and stone and fireproof throughout, and the cost will be about \$125,000. This building, which has been found necessary to meet the rapid growth of population in that part of the city, will be ready for occupation about the end of the present year.

# ACCEPT WORSWICK TENDER FOR LORD SELKIRK SCHOOL

June 1912

To Supply Material and Do All  
Work, Outside of Heating and  
Ventilating, For \$116,000.

Duke of Connaught Will be Asked  
to Lay Corner Stone of Laura  
Secord School.

Dr. T. G. Hamilton presided at a special meeting of the public school board last evening to receive a report from the building committee. The report after considerable discussion was adopted. It is as follows:

1. That the tender of James Ballantyne & Co., Limited, to supply all material and perform all work required in connection with the installation of a heating and ventilating system in the Laura Secord school, in accordance with plans and specifications therefor, for the sum of \$22,700, be accepted, and that the proper officers be authorized to execute a contract in accordance with the same.

2. That the tender of Worswick Bros. to supply all material and perform all the work required in connection with the erection of a school building on the Lord Selkirk site (heating and ventilating not included) in accordance with plans and specifications therefor, for the sum of \$116,000 be accepted, the board to have the privilege of selecting an approved brick, estimated price of \$32 per thousand, the total contract price in the event of such change not to exceed \$118,250, and that the proper officers of the board be authorized to execute a contract in accordance with the same.

3. The playgrounds commission having requested the board to recommend a representative for appointment to the playgrounds supervising staff, your committee ask that they be authorized to make such recommendation on behalf of the board.

4. That his royal highness the governor general, on the occasion of his visit to Winnipeg, in July, be requested to lay the corner stone of the Laura Secord school.

5. That your committee be authorized to secure additional accommodation in the vicinity of the Clifton school to relieve overcrowding in that school.

The principal matter discussed was in connection with the adopting of a better class of brick for the facing of the outside of the school buildings and the question of introducing this in connection with the construction of the school on the Lord Selkirk site was pressed by some of the members. It was finally decided to leave this question over for further consideration, and in the meantime, the work on the school will be proceeded with