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The New School House.

We give below a condensation of the arguments produced by Mr. Edw. Adams, for the Board of Education, at the annual meeting, in advocating the building of a new eight-room school house.

According to the school census of 1903 (the last one taken) there were 1326 children of school age in Hammonton. It is estimated that there are now 1500 between the ages of five and eighteen years,—the Board figure on 1400. It is admitted by those best posted that no teacher can do justice to more than forty pupils; and these figures would make necessary thirty-five school rooms in town.

But, of the 1400, about 70 are excused from attendance by physicians. Then, as the compulsory law applies only to children under fourteen years old, we need to deduct about 180 more from the whole number, leaving but 1180 to provide for. Counting the assembly room five, we have twenty-two school rooms,—giving an average of over fifty pupils to each room, or about 300 unprovided for.

There are now 1018 pupils enrolled in the schools, and the remaining 162 could be compelled to attend, had we the room to accommodate them. The State Board of Education require us to provide such rooms and teachers, and that is why the District is asked to appropriate money for an additional building.

It will pay to do this, for, counting on last year's receipts from the State, the Town would receive for these pupils (if they attended school) and for the additional teachers employed for them, enough money to pay four teachers, at \$45 per month, buy coal to heat four rooms, and have a neat little balance to pay for transporting children from the more distant parts of town.

The new studies introduced the past year will call for additional recitation rooms,—particularly the commercial and scientific branches. The Board fitted up two rooms in the basement of the annex, but these are not satisfactory as to light and convenience. The addition of two years to the course of study required for graduation adds to the difficulty of comfortably arranging the several grades.

Further, the kindergarten and division B second grade have occupied rented rooms for three years. The lease expires this term, and the building having been sold, the new owner declines to renew the lease,—making two more rooms necessary.

We cannot give all the details contained in Mr. Adams' carefully prepared statement, but publish sufficient to show, we think, that the Board of Education were justified in asking for a new eight-room building, and that the voters did only their duty in granting the appropriation for that purpose.

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