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CHATHAM, N. B., - - JUNE 24, 1897.

CHATHAM CELEBRATES
THE SIXTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE REIGN OF
Queen Victoria!

Chatham in common with other centres throughout the British empire celebrated the sixtieth anniversary of Her Majesty Queen Victoria's accession to the throne, and we, therefore, devote a good deal of space this week to the event.

The celebration on the Miramichi really began at sunrise on Tuesday morning, when Newcastle Field Battery fired a salute. This battery is now under command of Major Maltby and it is an interesting coincidence that his father, Thomas Maltby, fired a salute from the same spot nearly sixty years ago when news of the Queen's accession reached this side of the Atlantic. It was six o'clock when the battery fired the royal salute on Tuesday morning, and then the officers of the battery, accompanied by a small detachment, came to Chatham to take part in the celebration with the other military representatives, and to act as an escort for the Mayor and other functionaries in the procession.

A large number of excursionists from up and down river had arrived by rail, steamer and wagons and the streets were thronged with people.

The Chatham school children paraded at 9.30 a.m., forming opposite the public square on Wellington Street and, headed by St. Michael's band, they marched up Wellington St. to St. John Street, down St. John to Water and thence via Water and Henderson Streets back to the Square, where they were drawn up and sang "My Own Canadian Home," after which the pupils of the advanced grades proceeded to the West end, where they joined the grand parade.

The Procession

was formed at ten o'clock a.m. around the square comprising the properties of Hon. Provincial Secretary Tweedie and others in the West end, under the direction of R. A. Lawlor, Esq., marshal who was assisted by Lt. Col. McCulley and Mr. R. A. Snowball. The order was abont as follows:—

73rd battalion band (Douglastown band) led by Wm. Morrison.
No. 2 company 73rd battalion under command of Capt. J. D. B. F. Mackenzie
Major Maltby, officers and non-commissioned officers as escort to
Members of Parliament and local government and local legislature, viz., Hon. Provincial Secretary Tweedie and James Robinson, Esq., M. P., and Hon. Mr. Speaker Burchill and James O'Brien, M. P. P.
Mayor Benson, accompanied by Lt. Col. Call, High Sheriff, and members of Town Council.
Custom House officials, Collector D. Ferguson and Messrs. T. Crimmin and G. B. Fraser with Wm. Anderson, Esq., late tide waiter.
Miramichi Lodge F. & A. M. marshalled by Director of Ceremonies, Mr. Chas. Gunn.
R. C. T. A. band, led by Mr. John Stapleton.
S. C. T. A. Society, marshalled by Mr. Arthur McKendy.
O. M. S. A., marshalled by Dr. John McDonald.
Children of the public schools, led by Dr. Philip Cox, Principal and Superintendent and their teachers.
Oddfellows' band, led by Mr. W. H. White.
Oddfellows, marshalled by Mr. J. L. Stewart, assisted by Mr. James Johnston.
Ronald Steam Fire Engine.
Cowboys.
Frank Keenan's tailoring show wagon.
Geo. Hildebrand's agricultural machinery exhibit.
G. A. Lounsbury & Co.'s do
W. J. Ekin, butcher wagon.
Alex. Burr's hat stock wagon.
R. A. Murdoch's general dry goods car.
Geo. Dickson's butcher wagon.
Truckmen's association mounted, under Mr. Geo Morris.
J. B. Snowball's wood display.
John Fraser's car loaded with pulp wood.
J. D. Buckley, butcher's wagon.
J. Brooks, sewing machines.
Minstrel band, led by Dan. Duplacey.
Barker's white store display.
W. S. Loggie's pyramid of Golden Crown canned lobsters.
W. T. Harris' red store elephant.
W. B. Snowball's decorated pony cart.
W. J. Moran, representing "Young Canada"
Cypress Club's Bonnet Hop wagon, with automatic organ,
Carriages, etc,

The route of the procession was around the Tweedie block and down Water street, past the Mayor's residence, thence up Hill street to and around Coleman's corner and on to Wellington street, along Wellington to St. John street, down St. John street to Duke, along Duke to King, up King to Wellington and into the Public Square. A part of the procession broke off towards the end of the march and went by a more direct line to the Square.

In the Public Square.

The programme in the Public Square included music by the Bands, speeches by His Worship Mayor Benson, Hon. L. J. Tweedie, and Hon. J. P. Burchill, singing by the School Children, flag raising and Military Salute by the Artillery and Infantry combined, who were here under command of Lt. Col. McCulley.

The band stand in the centre of the square was occupied by the Mayor, the High Shirreff, officials of the celebration and leading citizens, and it was estimated that there were about three thousand people present. After the bands had played, the School Trustees distributed to each of the public school children present

THE JUBILEE MEDALS

presented to them by Mayor Benson. This being accomplished, Miss Mary Ryan came forward and read an address, which was beautifully engrossed on white cardboard, and embellished with a border in gold and colors—the work of the ladies connected with the Convent schools. It read as follows:

TO HIS WORSHIP, J. H. BENSON, M. D., MAYOR OF CHATHAM.

May it please your Worship:

We, the pupils of the Chatham schools, desirous of expressing our grateful appreciation of your Worship's kindness in presenting us with these mementoes of our loved Queen's Diamond Jubilee, gladly profit of the present favorable occasion to do so.

This delicate act on your Worship's part does not surprise us. It is but another manifestation of the same noble qualities which in your professional capacity have won for you the respect and affection of all, and which in the office of public trust and honor in which you have recently been placed, lead you to ever rank yourself on the side of whatever is uplifting and ennobling—the patron of whatever is for the progress and enlightment of our people! And for us, as children of Chatham, there is inspiration in the contemplation of such example. Like ourselves, you have spent the early part of your life and received the rudiments of your education on the banks of the Miramichi: the haunts of your childhood and youth are ours. Let us hope that the earnest purpose and christian example of your manhood may be ours as well.

The medals your Worship has to-day given, shall ever be treasured by us. They shall be to us not only souvenirs of the sextennial year of the glorious reign of Her Gracious Majesty, Queen Victoria, but likewise reminders of the first year of our Town's Incorporation, and in a special manner, tokens of the kindness and liberality of our first Mayor.

Chatham, N. B.,
June 22, 1897.

MAYOR BENSON.

On receiving the address Mayor Benson said;—

I thank you very much for the too flattering address with which you have presented me, and will ever look upon it as a valued treasure.

You say you thank me for the medals with which I have presented you in commemoration of the sixtieth anniversary of the reign of our Beloved Queen, but I can assure you that whatever pleasure the receiving of them may afford you I think I can claim equal pleasure in giving them. If they serve to ever keep before you the noble, virtuous and Christian example of her whose Diamond Jubilee we to-day celebrate, and you follow in her footsteps, I shall be amply rewarded, and the world possessed of noble men and women.

Your kind reference to my professional life will only induce me to greater effort to faithfully and charitably discharge my duties as a physician.

Although inexperienced in civic affairs I shall always endeavour to conduct myself in such a manner as to merit the great confidence reposed in me by my fellow citizens by electing me to the high and honorable office of first Mayor of my native town.

I cannot conclude without adding a word in admiration of the very beautiful manner in which you have had the address engrossed.

The Mayor then introduced

HON. L. J. TWEEDIE,

who said he had been advertised to speak without being asked to do so. He made reference to the liberality and thoughtfulness of Mayor Benson in presenting the medals to the school children and proceeded to dwell upon the feelings of pride and loyalty with which the people of the Miramichi were joining to-day in celebrating the sixtieth anniversary of the reign of Queen Victoria—the longest in British history. It was not only the longest, but the most glorious and beneficial to the people under her sway, and marked a period of unexampled progress, development and prosperity in everything that contributed to a people's greatness. This celebration, although not on so large a scale as many in other places, still none the less manifested as much loyalty and love for Her Majesty as could be felt anywhere in her vast dominions. The people of Miramichi were second to none in their loyalty to the throne and appreciation of the public and private virtues of their Queen and it was that feeling which found expression in these observances of to-day. The school children would remember in years hereafter this demonstration and that something had been done which was of a very unusual character, for within the next few minutes, three old citizens, whose combined ages totalled more than two hundred and fifty-five years and who represented England, Ireland and Scotland, would raise the British flag on Chatham's Jubilee flagstaff, and he ventured to claim that in no other place would such an event characterise the Jubilee proceedings.

RAISING THE FLAG.

Three cheers were given for the Queen and the interest now centred around the Jubilee flagstaff, which has been erected in the Square mid-way between the band stand and south side. It was made from two Princess pine trees contributed by His Honor Judge Wilkinson, (who was prevented from being present by being summoned to meet with the other governors of King's College at Windsor, N. S.) and is 107 feet high, exclusive of the seven ft. weather-vane spindle. The staff was made by Mr. Patrick Desmond, the expense of the work being met by a public subscription, Mr. Arch McLean contributing the weather vane and Messrs. Alex. Robinson and John Bell, gilding and painting, while Mr. Joseph D. Trevors felled and prepared the trees for hauling free of charge and Mr. Snowball had them brought to town, Messrs. Peter Breen and Robert Godfrey moving the staff, when completed, from the wharf where it was made, to the Square. Messrs. P. H. C. Benson and Geo Watt were the committeemen who attended to their own duties and those of their less assiduous fellow members who represented the subscribers to the staff.

As the School Children sang "Raise the Flag," each holding a miniature Union Jack, the uniform waving of which at stated times by all made the scene a picturesque and interesting one, three of the oldest men on the Miramichi, viz.

Patrick Kirby, Irish, aged 89,
B. Stapledon, English, aged 85,
Jas. Neilson, Scotch, aged 81,

all of Chatham—representing the three races of the United Kingdom—ran the British flag up to the head of the Jubilee Staff, which being done, the military saluted and the bands played.

Dr. Cox now called for the singing of "For He's a jolly good Fellow," meaning Mayor Benson, who had presented the medals to the children, after which the "Red, White and Blue" was sung. Then there were calls for

HON. J. P. BURCHILL

who responded. He said: Mr. Tweedie complained that he had been advertised to speak without being asked, but said he, I've been asked to speak without being advertised. I am very glad however to be with you to-day and to witness and take part in the splendid demonstration which the people of Chatham have with commendable enterprise got up to celebrate this day—the sixtieth anniversary of the reign of England's noble Queen. Throughout the vast empire to-day, an empire upon which the sun never sets, the subjects of that noble Queen will vie with each other in demonstrations of thankfulness, loyalty and joy and fitting it is that these demonstrations should take place, and as we glance back over the long reign of her who as maiden, wife, widow, woman and queen has left an example of living worthy of imitation by all her subjects from the highest to the lowest, and whose great influence has been directed towards the prosperity and well-being of her subjects, we can understand why from thousands, aye of millions of hearts and lips throughout her vast domain will today rise this aspiration to the throne of grace, "God bless England's Noble Queen." It is not necessary for me to add to what has already been so well said and detain you, but I will ask you to join in three cheers for the Queen.

Three cheers were now given for the Queen, and three each for the Mayor, and Hon. Messrs. Tweedie and Burchill, and the crowd dispersed about 12 30 to prepare for

The Races at the Driving Park,

which were attended by a large crowd The grand stand was well patronized and, for some reason unexplained hundreds of men, women and boys were allowed to occupy the track to the extent of about one half of its width opposite the judges' stand.

The judges were Messrs. J. R. Lawlor, D. Chesman and John McKeen, Mr. John Sargent being time-keeper, altho' some "smart Alecks" near by were keeping their own time and telling people how much better they were doing it than the official watch holder, the result being that a local paper informs its readers that the official time of one heat in the 3-minute was 2.29½ while it was really 2.40. Of course no such time as 2.29½ was either made or announced.

The trotting events were mile heats, best three in five, and their results were as follows:—

FREE-FOR-ALL—PURSE $125

Sargeant's "Carnot"	1	1	1
Burr's "Joe Hooker"	2	2	2
Warman's "Sambo"	3	3	3

Time: 3.00, 2.59½, 3.00

THREE MINUTE CLASS—PURSE $75.

Anderson's "Bess"	2	1	2	1	1
Warman's "Black Harry"	1	3	1	2	2
A. Snowball's "Mary Wilkes"	3	2	3	3	3
Fenton's "Harry"	4	4	dis.		

Time: 3.01, 3.00¾, 2.59½, 2.59½, 2.59

RUNNING RACE

Half mile heats best two in three.

A. Snowball's "Duchess"	1	2
McKeen's "Rocket"	2	dr.
Strang's "Frau"	5	2
Fisher's "Doctor"	4	3
Fenton's "Jack"	3	4

BOYS' RACES.

Special foot races were got up for the boys by Mr. R. A. Lawlor, and these were contested as follows:—

Jas. Watson, Thos. Murphy, Wm. Walsh, H. Brobecker, Gordon Tingley, Harry Lee, John Fraser, N. McRae.

The prizes $1.00; 50c. and 25c. were won in order by the three first named, respectively.

The second race was for boys of 14 and over and was contested by the following: Jack Pallen, Jas. Watson, Jas. Brobecker, Thos. Murphy, M. Olsen. The prizes were $1.50, 75c. and 25c, and were won in order by the three first named, respectively.

The sport of all the races at the Park was heartily enjoyed, the events of the regular programme being varied by a sun-shower, or a scrap outside the track fence, which kept the crowd moving and generally in good humor.

St. Michael's band occupied the grand stand and furnished excellent music during the afternoon.

The Steamboats

under the direction of Commodore Miller, of the Miramichi Yacht Club, having formed up at 7.30 p.m. off Kerr's Mill, proceeded up river in two lines, turning off Newcastle and steaming down past Chatham, turning again off the Canada Wharf and proceeding to a point opposite the upper end of the town, where they again turned and broke off, each going to its wharf, or home, excepting the Dominion Pulp Company's steamer Arthur, which lay off the town for some time and gave a fine display of fireworks. The steamers in the procession were as follows:—

Steamers	*Owners*
St Isidore,	J B Snowball
St Andrew,	J B Snowball
Mascott,	Wm Richards
St Nicholas,	J B Snowball
Lina,	A & R Loggie
Edith,	Maritime Pulp Co.
Laura,	Millers' Tanning Ex. Co
May Queen,	Fisheries Dept.
Zulu,	Thos Power
Florence,	Millers' Tanning Ex. Co.
Bessie,	T. Crocker
Arthur,	Dominion Pulp Co
Alcyone,	Harry Eagles
Twilight,	John Betts
Gracie,	Jas Robinson.

The steamers presented a very interesting spectacle, all being more or less decorated some of them, such as the Edith Mascott, Arthur, Laura and Bessie looking particularly well. The Florence had some evergreen mixed with her bunting which gave her a very attractive appearance. As they saluted by blowing their whistles in turn, and afterwards all together, the sounds produced were varied in tone and great in volume, and the steamboat parade will be one of the best remembered features of the celebration. All the arrangements were well ordered and skillfully executed, as Commodore Miller's nautical undertakings generally are.

Fireworks.

Fireworks were displayed by several citizens in the evening, and the public display was a large and quite brilliant one. It was under the management of Capt. J. D. B. F. Mackenzie who was assisted by Messrs. Alex. McKay and R. A. Snowball. The ground selected—in the Loban field—was rather too far to the south, as it was back on the summit level of the hill, the brow of which, to some extent, shut out the view from vantage points in the town. The display was well managed and expediously fired. It consisted of the following:

12 Colored Star Rockets, ½ lb.
12 " " " 1 "
12 " " " 2 "
6 " " " 3 "
3 " " " 4 "
6 New Colored Exhibition Rockets, 1 lb.
6 " " " 3 "
3 " " " 4 "
3 Colored Parachute Floating Star Rockets, 2 lbs.
1 Wheatsheaf Rocket 4 lb.
1 Fiery Meteor " 4 "
1 Jewsled Cloud " 4 "
6 Prismatic Lights
6 Special Colored Bengal Lights, No. 7.
6 Bags of Crimson Fire,
3 " Emerald Fire,
6 Special Colored Bomb Shell, 11 inch.
8 Richly Illuminated Vertical Wheels, 14 inch.
4 Colored Triangle Wheels, 1 lb.
1 " Double Triangle Wheel.
12 Large Fiery Whirlwinds.
4 Special Colored Star Mines, No. 5.
3 " " " " " 6.
1 " " " " " 7.
2 " " Jack in the Box.
2 Battery of Colored Stars, large.
2 " " " small.
1 Colored Serpent Mine.
1 " Devil among the Tailors.
2 Fountains of Golden Showers.
2 " " " mammoth.
1 Extra Large Set Piece, Falling Waters.
1 " " " " Beaver or Maltese Cross.
1 Set Piece, Bouquet of Herbs.
1 " " Colored Gallopade.
1 " " " Radiatur Wheel.
1 " " " Chinese Fan.
1 " " " Silver Glory.
1 Bouquet of Colored Rockets, No. 1.
8 Dozen Port Fires,
1 Bundle Punk,
8 Rocket Chutes
1 Motto "God Save the Queen."

Decorations and Illuminations.

The space at our disposal does not admit of our giving details of the decorations and illuminations in Chatham, or even of mentioning all who made displays of this character.

Amongst the leaders however in this line were Hon. L. J. Tweedie, Mayor Benson, H. H. Pallen, the Alms House, Geo. Watt, Robt. Murray, Alex. Robinson, The Adams House, Roger Flanagan, Jas. Nicol, Wm. Wyse, R. A. Lawlor, D. McLachlan, W. B. Snowball, J. R. Goggin, Jas. Pallen, D. Ferguson, Chas. Gunn, G. J. Vaughan, John McDonald, St. Mary's rectory and grounds, S. U. McCulley, Wm. Mather, P. H. C. Benson, W. R. Gould, St. Patrick's Hall, Geo. Stothart, John Coleman, F. E. Danville, J. M. Ruddock, Andrew Morrison, A. W. Walters, Arch McLean, J. B. Snowball, W. C. Winslow, D. Chesman, M. and J. Hickey, Jas. Desmond, J. L. Stewart, P. Connors, J. D. B. F. Mackenzie, Rev. Dr. McKay, Mr. Hyde, Wm. Johnston, Riverview House, W. S. Loggie, Millers' Foundry, the ADVANCE Office and the stores of Messrs. Snowball, Creaghan, Murdoch and Burr.—the Snowball store deserving special mention. The best illumination was that of the Bishop's residence, and the Alms House was also very brilliant.

Bunting was profusely displayed by the shipping in port, and from all the regular and many new flagstaffs. The yacht Oriana was also profusely decorated.

Lt. Col. Call had a huge bonfire lignted on the hill below The Rocks, Newcastle, and it appeared to considerable advantage to Chatham spectators.

BASE BALL.

A game of base ball was played in the Loban field between a Newcastle team and the R. C. T. A. team of Chatham, resulting in a victory for the Newcastle team by a score of 24 to 6.

BONNET HOP.

The Bonnet Hop in the Curling Rink in the evening was largely attended and kept up until daylight yesterday morning. The dancers thoroughly enjoyed the event, which was under the auspices of the Cypress Club whose net receipts were $152.38.

Taken altogether, the celebration was the greatest Chatham has ever had, and the Town therefore did itself credit in thus honoring our beloved Queen.

The Churches and the Jubilee, Sunday, 20th June.

AT THE PRO-CATHEDRAL.

Thanksgiving services were held in the Pro-Cathedral in connection with the 60th anniversary of Queen Victoria's Reign. At the 8.30 o'clock Mass, His Lordship, Bishop Rogers was celebrant, assisted by Rev. Fathers Joyner, Ellison and Babineau. At this Mass confirmation was administered to 121 children, with the following programme of music:

March, "Dream of the past" — W. F. Sudds.
Hymn, "How pure, how frail and white"
Before Communion: Hymn, "O, Come my sweet Saviour"
After Communion: Hymn, "What happiness can equal mine."
During Confirmation: Hymn, "Veni Sancti Spiritus"

At the regular parish high Mass Rev. T. H. Ellison was celebrant. The choir sang Coleman's Mass, with Lambillotte's "Lauda Sion" at the Offertory.

The Rev. Father Joyner, supplementing his sermon on the gospel of the day, said we should rejoice and thank God on this day in celebration for the long reign of our faithful Queen. Peace and prosperity have continued throughout the empire and Catholics have special cause for thanksgiving. We should clasp hands together with our fellow countrymen in honoring our Sovereign, especially in these days of socialism, when emperors, sovereigns, and even presidents are considered useless and but mere figure-heads. St. Paul in his epistle to the Romans says: "Let every soul be subject to the higher powers; he that resisteth the power, resisteth the ordinance of God." Again, in the Jewish nation before Christ, the people were governed by prophets sent from God, who guided and taught them. But this did not satisfy them; they asked for a king or ruler which was granted them, but having their special rights and prerogatives. We should, therefore, look to and pray in thanksgiving to the all-powerful Sovereign who has permitted this glorious reign, and whatever has been accomplished has been ordained by Him. And, while we thank Him for blessings bestowed on us during the reign of the present Queen, let us pray that peace and prosperity may continue. Let us, also, now that she is nearing the close of her earthly career, pray that she may, with all faithful sovereigns share in the kingdom of eternal rest with Him, who is Sovereign of sovereigns.

In the afternoon the C. M. B. A. and the C. T. A. Society, headed by St. Michael's Band marched from St. Patrick's Hall to the Pro-Cathedral for the special Jubilee services and were seated in the eastern wing of the cathedral. Notwithstanding the heavy down-pour of rain a large congregation was present. Before the services commenced the hymn "All ye who seek a sure relief" was sung, and His Lordship the Bishop, with Father Joyner as deacon and Father Babineau as sub-deacon, headed by the altar boys with lighted tapers, entered the sanctuary. The altar was beautifully decorated with flowers and lighted tapers and the Rosary was recited by Father Joyner. Then followed a hymn to the Sacred Heart, Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament and the following music:—

Lauda Sion. — Lambillotte.
Tantum Ergo, — Rossi.
Anthem, "Domine Salvam fac Reginam Victoriam."
Te Deum (*Gregorian*)
God Save the Queen.

Miss Agnes Beckwith presided at the organ during the day and the singing throughout was well rendered.

At the close of the afternoon services the band played God Save the Queen.

JUBILEE SERVICES IN S. MARYS AND S. PAULS.

Although the weather was very unfavourable the attendance at the Jubilee services in S. Paul's and S. Mary's on Sunday last were up to the average, the largest congregation being at S. Mary's at the 6.30 o'clock service. S. Marys was very handsomely decorated with flags and flowers, and flags floated from the church tower and rectory. In the absence of Miss Goggin, Mr. Geo. Burchill, jr. of Nelson played the organ at St. Mary's with his usual ability. The special form of service compiled by the Bishop of Fredericton was used, being with the special psalms and hymns neatly printed in colors and distributed in the churches. At all the services the national anthem was sung in addition to the other appropriate hymns. The Rev. Canon Forsyth delivered sermons suitable to the occasion.

ST. LUKE'S

St. Luke's Methodist church was prettily decorated with flags for the Sunday services. The letters V. R. with 1837—1897 were on the wall each side of the choir and flags were crossed between the pillars around the church. The I. O. Foresters attended St. Luke's in a body and the pastor preached a jubilee sermon and also one appropriate to the order in the morning. In the evening the sermon was a particularly good one dealing more fully with the personal character of our most gracious Sovereign and the extension of her domain, and the progress made during her reign in arts and science. Appropriate music was rendered by the choir at both services.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH.

The order of the service on Sabbath in St. Andrew's church was slightly altered, opening in the morning with the long meter doxology, and in the evening with "Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Hosts" followed by the usual order.

In the morning the text of the sermon was Prov. 29: 2 "When the righteous are in authority the people rejoice."

Reference was made to the fact that we have came, in the good providence of God to the 60th anniversary of the accession of Her Gracious Majesty, Queen Victoria to the throne of Britain. Jubilee means the season for rejoicing and thanksgiving.

1. We thank God for the government of the Empire.

2. We thank God for the Queen, being such a head to the government.

3. We thank God for the attendant blessings.

1. Those personal to the Queen.
2. Those general to the public.

Peace, Prosperity, Advancement.

In the evening the text was 1 Kings 3: 6-9. Solomon's choice. Solomon was still a young man when he made his wise choice. A parallel between him and our beloved Queen was drawn: 1. As he did, so she recognised her need of divine help in her high and responsible position. 2. As he did, so she desired to be fit for her station and duties. "I will be good."

Moreover she was sustained and blessed. She not only has performed her state duties faithfully, and with great profit to the empire and to the world; but even the humblest duties of wife and mother she has discharged with scrupulous care. Her piety has been exhibited in no ostentatious manner, yet with good effect. Her regard for the Sabbath should be conspicuous by the many careless ones throughout the land.

The organ voluntaries, rendered by Miss Edgar were beautiful and appropriate; while the choir under her direction led the service of praise very efficiently. The anthems were very fine, that of the morning being "The March of the Christian Soldiers," and of the evening being "Blow ye the Trumpet." After the evening sermon the congregation sang heartily the national anthem.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH.

Services in St. John's Church, Chatham, were conducted by Rev. J. D. Mackay, Dorchester N. B., in the absence of the pastor Rev. Dr. McKay. At the morning service prayer was offered, in accordance with the wish of the General Assembly on behalf of Her Majesty, and the discourse had special reference to the celebration of her diamond jubilee. The text was Rev. 11:15 "The kingdoms of this world are become the Kingdoms of our Lord and of his Christ." The disposition of the age has been to settle questions upon the basis of merit. We are justly proud of our institutions which are the outgrowth of centuries of conflict and historical development. We have still many unsettled questions. We have seen in Victoria's reign the rise of democracy, a vast untempered power. What shall be the outcome? enlistment of this power for truth and right, or shall it bring anarchy and disintegration? We love our Queen because she has embodied in her personal character those sentiments which we cherish and venerate most highly. May the civil power over which she presides continue to exert itself on the side of the true progress of humanity. There has always floated before the minds of men an ideal of civic perfection, shall we not venture the hope that it shall yet be adequately embodied, and this earth crown its true King not with thorns, but as Lord of all.

SERVICES AT NEWCASTLE.

Special services were held in all the Newcastle churches on Sunday. About forty members of the Newcastle Field Battery attended St. James' Presbyterian church in the morning. Rev. W. Aitken preached. A special choir of twenty was in attendance. The national anthem was sung at the close.

The Free Masons and Foresters attended St. Andrew's (Church of England) at 3 p.m. where Rev. P. G. Snow conducted the services.

The Orangemen attended the Baptist Church in the morning. A contingent from Chatham went up on Sunday morning.

The Sons of Temperance and other temperance societies attended service at the Methodist Church at 5 p.m., Rev. Mr. Clark officiating.

A temperance mass meeting was held in the Temperance Hall in the evening.

BY ACCLAMATION: Hon. C. H. LaBillois, the new Commissioner of Agriculture in the Provincial Government, was returned for Restigouche by acclamation in Dalhousie, yesterday, Wednesday.

[Telegraph.]

Mr. Blair and His Enemies.

For several of its recent issues the Sun has been devoting itself to attacks on the minister of railways, whom it hates with an intensity only to be found among those who have been for years nursing a revenge which they are unable to gratify. The Sun's abuse of Mr. Blair began in February, 1883, when the Hanington-McLeod government was defeated in the house of assembly and compelled to resign, and it has been continued without interruption for 14 years, and in almost the same terms. There is no vile epithet which the imagination of the writers for the Sun could invent which it has not applied to Mr. Blair, and yet, strange to say, the Sun's attacks, so far from doing him any injury, have apparently been of immense service to him in recommending him to the favor and support of respectable people. For from the hour when the Sun, more than fourteen years ago, began its vindictive and malignant attacks on Mr. Blair he began to rise steadily in the estimation of the people of his native province. He appealed to the people at four general elections, and at each of them the majority for his government was increased. After being more than thirteen years premier of this province he went to the larger sphere of the house of commons, to become a member of the new Liberal cabinet and to serve New Brunswick as faithfully at Ottawa as he had done at Fredericton. There are some men and some newspapers whose abuse is the highest compliment that can be paid to the integrity and virtue of the man who is abused. It was said of Mr. Cleveland at the first convention which nominated him for the presidency, "We love him for the enemies he has made." So the friends of Mr. Blair and all good men like him better because the Sun denounces him, and pours out the vials of its feeble wrath upon him.

It is not often that the Sun, in its abuse of Mr. Blair condescends to give us a statement which can be met and answered. It prefers to deal in glittering generalities, lurid flights of declamation which cannot be dealt with by the ordinary methods of argument; it is a safe system for those who have no regard for the veorities, but it soon palls on the public taste, and if indulged in too often has the effect of destroying the reputation of the newspaper or the public men who resort to it. Yesterday, however, the Sun, departing from its usual custom, proceeds to attack the minister of railways as follows:—

Then the minister of railways exhibited another well known characteristic, that of utter dishonesty in statement and unlimited capacity for falsehood and false suggestion. His misrepresentation of the condition of affairs in the Intercolonial in regard to the number of employees was promptly exposed by Mr. Powell and Mr. Foster as well as by Sir Charles Tupper. Mr. Blair professed to give a fair comparison between the number of employes in 1878 and 1895, causing the house to believe that he was fairly comparing the same extent of railway system. Sir Charles showed that he was comparing a system of 1,100 miles with one of 700, and a road with a certain traffic with one of more than double the business and double the revenue. It was a clear case of utter deception and dishonesty in argument which Sir Charles exposed.

The readers of The Telegraph have already had an opportunity of reading the Hansard report of Mr. Blair's speech, and therefore they know that the statement from the Sun which we have quoted above is not true. Mr. Blair did not institute a comparison between 1878 and 1896, "causing the house to believe that he was fairly comparing the same extent of railway system." What Mr. Blair did was to compare the number of employes on the Intercolonial in 1880 with the number in 1881, and the number in 1895 with the number in 1896, on the eve of the general election. What Mr. Blair said, as reported in Hansard, was as follows:—

In February, 1880, there were in the employ of the Intercolonial Railway, as the official documents show, 2,596 persons. That was the number which remained on the pay role of the Intercolonial Railway after the hon. gentleman (Sir Charles Tupper) had plied his little axe, and had decapitated the 400, as he says—but as I am inclined to think, more than 400—from the public service on the alleged ground of economy. We know that the services go on from year to year in the ordinary, regular way, the only changes occurring being those rendered advisable in certain seasons of the year, when it is necessary either to cut down the staff somewhat or when as the service increases it is necessary to put them on again or to augment the number of employees. Any changes resulting from that fact, I could well understand and approve; but whether that was the reason that influenced the hon. gentleman in making these changes, I think we shall discover. When we come down to the corresponding month of 1881, we find that he had added about 800 people above the number employed in February, 1880, there were 2,596 people on the pay-roll of the Intercolonial railway—the hon. gentleman, having reduced the number to that figure, impelled by his desire to economize—in February, 1881, a corresponding period of the year, when business would be in the same condition, and when any greater staff than in the previous year would be unlikely to be required, he had increased the number to 3,310. I think it would try the ingenuity of the hon. gentleman himself to justify such a condition of things; and it strongly convinces me, as I think it will carry conviction to the mind of any fair person in the house, that, instead of the hon. gentleman being moved to make that number of dismissals solely with the view of reducing the cost of the service, to put it on a plane more comformable with the public interest, he was moved solely by the desire to decapitate the people whom he wanted to get out of the way in order to make places for his own friends and supporters. In this connection it may be interesting to hon. members that I should furnish some information showing how the service has grown, and how the number of employees increased under our friends opposite. I find that in the month of June, 1893, there were in the employ of the Intercolonial railway, 3,941 persons, as against 3,310 in February, 1895. But in 1896 there came to be a most marvelous increase in the business of the Intercolonial railway, demanding more labor, and filling up the shops; because I find that in the corresponding month of June in that year, there were on the pay-rolls of the Intercolonial railway no less than 5,296 persons. And this is the condition of things which the hon. gentleman justifies and sustains with such majestic intrepidity, getting up in this house and charging people who have been trying faithfully to do their duty in this regard with being cruel to public employes and degrading the public service. While I am referring to this point, I may state that during the month of April—I have not the return for the month of May, but I know that there is no substantial difference one way or the other—according to the information furnished me, the number on the pay-roll was 4,083, a difference of 1,213 between the month of April, 1897, and the month of June, 1896.

Any one who reads the above extract from the verbatim report of Mr. Blair's speech will see in a moment that the Sun has deliberately misrepresented it. In February, 1880, and February, 1881, the mileage of the Intercolonial was the same, 840 miles, yet in that period of twelve months Sir Charles Tupper, after discharging 400 Liberals from the railway on the ground that it was overmanned, increased the number of employes from 2,595 to 3,310, a net increase of 715. Again, the mileage was the same in June 1895 as it was in June, 1896, viz., 1,154 miles, yet in that period the staff of the railway was increased from 3,941 to 5,296, an increase of 1,355 in a single year. Can any honest man say that there is anything unfair or dishonest in these comparisons? It would be an insult to the intelligence of our readers to pursue this subject farther. It is only necessary to read the paragraph which we have quoted from Mr. Blair's speech to convict the Sun of deliberate falsehood and wilful perversion of the facts.

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