

Anti-Union Majority In Ontario Upwards Of 10,000 Votes Now

The Presbyterian Church Association Issues a Statement

ASK UNIONISTS:
TO PROVE CLAIM

Accepting Unionists' Figures
Antis Still Lead 6,088

Toronto, Feb. 17.—The Presbyterian Church Association has given out the following statement:

"As Dr. Pidgeon, convener of the Union Committee, has recently stated in an interview with the press that even excluding those congregations which are said to be entering Union without a vote there is a majority of several thousands in Ontario for Union, the following correction is issued by the Presbyterian Church Association:

"Total votes for Union in Ontario up to and including February 2, 1925, 47,694; total votes in Ontario

against Union, 57,413.

"It is particularly desirable in the interests of all concerned that the Union Committee produce the evidence for the statement made by the convener. The Presbyterian Church Association is prepared to publish its list of Ontario congregations which have actually voted for and against, till this date.

"Until the same date, 62 congregations and mission stations in Ontario are reported as having resolved to enter Union without a vote. The following facts are to be noted:

"(1)—The names of these congregations have been given mainly on the authority of the Union Bureau, no evidence of the fact beyond their mere statement having been offered.

"(2)—Any or all these congregations may yet vote before June 10.

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"(3)—The total number of communicants in these congregations is 3,721; and among them are many members who if a vote were taken, would vote against Union.

"(4)—Yet even if all the communicants were assumed to be Unionists and added to the actual Union vote in the province, the grand total for Union would be 51,325; leaving a majority still against Union of 6,088."

BANDIT GALLOWS FOR MURDERER HARRY WILLIAMS

St. John, Feb. 4.—The same gallows from which two of the Hochelaga bandits paid the supreme penalty for having murdered a bank messenger in Montreal, may be the one from which Harry Williams, convicted of the murder of Cynthia and Ned Foster his 14 and 10 year old nieces of Posterville will be hanged on April 23 in Fredericton according to Sheriff Hawthorn who was here today.

Whether the Municipality of York County will be called upon to pay the witness' fees for witnesses summoned by the Crown for the defence of Harry D. Williams who was sentenced to be hanged for the murder of his nieces, at Posterville is a matter of doubt says the Fredericton Gleaner. The article continues: The accounts were at first protested by the municipality.

The matter is being referred to the Attorney General's department before being finally passed upon. Williams was assigned counsel by the York Circuit Court and witnesses for his defence were summoned by the Crown at the suggestion of the court after their presence had been requested by the defence counsel. It is estimated that the total cost of the trial which lasted nine days will be upwards of \$3000. Already jury fees amounting to \$882.10 have been paid. Members of the jury which found the accused sane and fit to stand trial and who later found

Why Endure PILES MISERY



The weakening agony of piles robs life of its pleasure, turns days of brightness into days of misery, and brings periods of acute suffering. Overwhelming evidence proves Zam-Buk incomparable for banishing the pain, bleeding, swelling and inflammation.

Mr. Alf Brown, of Merriton, writes:—"I hope that my testimony will reach thousands suffering from that dreadful ailment, piles. For six years I was never free from pain. No one ever spent more money in search of a remedy. A sympathetic friend gave me a part of a box of Zam-Buk to try. Its soothing power was marvellous, and I soon had a further supply of this grand herbal healer. I used Zam-Buk until the old painful trouble was gone completely."

Equally successful for eczema, psoriasis, salt rheum, pimples, boils, bad legs, ulcers, scalds, etc. Dealers everywhere sell Zam-Buk at 50c box \$1.25.

him guilty received an average of \$54 for their services. They were paid at the rate of \$3 per day plus mileage the day and night sessions totalling a period of 19 days' service. Witnesses' fees are still under consideration.

Held Dinner at Victoria Hotel

Former Officers of Famous
26th N. B. Battalion

Former officers of the renowned 26th New Brunswick Battalion assembled Wednesday evening in the Victoria Hotel, St. John for their sixth annual dinner since their return to civil life. J. L. McAvity former officer commanding, president and J. B. Dever was in the vice chair. During the progress of the dinner, songs which were favorites during the war period were sung and stories told. The first toast was to the King and was honored with music; To departed comrades, proposed by W. C. Birrell, responded to by W. A. MacDougall, Debec: Our Country proposed by E. J. White, Bathurst, reply by T. H. Eaton Truro, N. S. Our Old Brigade proposed by Arthur Legger, Newcastle, and J. L. Coles, Moncton, replied: Our Battalion, proposed by James Pringle, Fredericton, responded to by G. G. Anglin, St. John and H. H. Henderson-Campbellton; the Ladies, by W. C. Lawson, replies by L. McC. Ritchie and W. C. McQuade. The committee in charge of the reunion: Charles Leonard, G. P. Grannan and E. C. Armstrong. Next dinner in Saint John on Labor Day.

A GOOD PRICE

The catch of tomcods is reported as fair. They are bringing the fishermen \$2.50 per barrel, which is the highest price ever paid for tomcods on this river.

C. N. R. RESTAURANTS

It is rumored that the Canada Railway News Company was to take over and operate the C.N.R. restaurants. Confirmation of the report could not be obtained, but it was stated that such a proposition between the railways and the news company had been under discussion for some time and it was believed that there might be something to it. There further seemed to be an impression that something definite was to come within a short period.

CHATHAM PLAYED RINGS AROUND BATHURST TEAM

Chatham played rings around Bathurst, sectional leaders in a hotly contested game last Tuesday night. The Chatham team came out on the long end of a 9 to 2 score. At no time in the game was the result in doubt. The home team secured a five goal lead in the 1st period and added two more in each of the succeeding periods. Bathurst secured one tally in the second period, and their other tally in the final period. The game was played on slow ice. At times the play grew listless but this was counteracted by the brilliant individual rushes on both sides and spectacular saves by both Moar and Finnegan.

Chatham had the best of the territory play throughout the whole encounter. They were out to win and every man on the team turned in an excellent game. In the last period Bathurst tried every trick in the hockey bag, in a vain endeavor to overcome the seven goal lead. This ended the locals' games in the Northern Section. They broke even in their schedule, winning six games and dropping the other six.

INFLUENZA SPREADING IN BRITAIN

London, Feb. 12.—Forty thousand London school children are influenza victims, in some cases less than half the average attendance being in the classes. The British Isles are in the grip of an epidemic that is spreading with alarming rapidity, although the disease itself is comparatively mild.

The influenza has made serious inroads on business, society and government works. Many functions have been abandoned and many committees lack quorums as their members are stricken with the "flu". In many districts throughout England and Scotland there is a severe epidemic of measles.

PAINS IN BACK AND SIDES

Ended by Taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound

Fussler, Sask.—"For two or three days every so often I would have such pains in my back and sides that I could not do anything—could not even lie quietly in bed, and my head ached, too. I was this way about three years, but was worse after I was married. I was on a farm with not a house nearer than five miles and there was not a person to advise me, as my folks live in Manitoba. My sister-in-law told me about Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and told me to try it. I took her advice and have been thankful for it ever since. After taking the medicine for three months I can say it has helped me a lot and I am doing fine. I am glad to recommend the Vegetable Compound to others and you may publish my testimonial."—Mrs. HELEN BALANOFF, Fussler, Saskatchewan.

Often some slight trouble will cause a general upset of the system. Such symptoms as nervousness, painful times, irregularity, backache and headache indicate some form of female weakness.

Women so bothered should give Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound a trial. This dependable medicine has helped thousands of women and it is reasonable to expect that it will help you. Try it today. Your druggist sells this medicine.

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HEAD OFFICE - - MONTREAL

A Statement of Remarkable Progress

Extracts from Directors' Report

Your Directors present their fifty-fourth Annual Report with unusual satisfaction. The rapid expansion of operations, and the steady upbuilding of resources, which have so markedly characterized the Company's transactions in previous years, have continued during the past twelve months, and at a greatly increased rate of progress.

These figures (hereafter quoted) show the growth which has taken place in the volume of the Company's operations, and in its resources. The figures as to profit-earning power and financial strength are even more impressive.

As to profits actually paid, the sum of \$6,051,692.40 has been disbursed during the year to policyholders under this heading.

As to provision for the future, the Company's position has been materially strengthened in all directions. There has been a further upbuilding of the life policy reserves. Heretofore policies issued prior to 1908 have been valued on the basis of assuming three and a half per cent. interest, as the discounting rate for the Company's obligations, but this year the entire life assurance contracts have been valued at three per cent., the extra amount thus set aside being \$1,111,002.

There has also been a strengthening of the Annuity Reserves. Recent investigations have shown a progressive increase in the average lifetime of annuitants. A special annuity reserve of \$750,000 has this year been set up beyond the amount required by the Government standard.

The Company's Head Office and branch buildings and other real estate, have been written down by \$750,000.

The Contingency Reserve has been strengthened by the addition of \$4,000,000 taken from the earnings of the year, \$5,000,000 of this amount going to the fund to provide for possible fluctuations in the market value of our securities, raising that fund to \$5,500,000, and \$1,000,000 going to General Contingency account, raising that to \$6,200,000. These contingency accounts thus amount now to \$7,500,000.

After making these heavy allocations, the undivided surplus has yet been increased by \$4,524,000, bringing it to a total of \$92,107,529.

The Company is, of course, in a position to increase its already generous scale of profits to policyholders, and your Directors have pleasure in announcing, for the fifth year in succession, that such an increase will be made.

While many factors have contributed to this remarkable showing, the most noteworthy has been the large earnings from investments. As has been mentioned in previous reports, it has for many years been the policy of the Company to invest in long-term bonds and similar choice securities, in order that by this means the high rates of interest then prevailing as a result of the abnormal conditions produced by the war, might be projected into future years. This policy is now bearing fruit. Current rates of interest, though still very satisfactory, are materially lower than those of former years, and as a consequence there has been a marked rise in the quotations for most of the securities owned by the Company. During the past year some of these increased values have been capitalized by sales, and a net profit of \$2,291,550.48 has been realized from this source. In addition there has been an increase of \$6,961,277.49 in the market value of the securities still held. Although most of the increased value is undoubtedly permanent, and due mainly to the readjustment of interest rates to a more normal basis, it will, be noted that the Company has carried \$9,200,000 of the amount to contingency accounts, as already explained.

The rate of interest earned during the year on the money invested amounts has been 4.20 per cent., exclusive of profits from sales. This is a substantial increase over the rate of the previous year, and has resulted from our having realized on some of our holdings of government and other bonds which had risen to high figures, the proceeds being then reinvested in securities yielding better returns.

1924

New Assurances Paid For	\$137,466,000
Increase	\$30,075,000
Total Income	\$62,245,000
Increase	\$15,280,000
Payments to Policyholders and Beneficiaries	\$31,881,000
(Total paid since organization, \$183,798,000)	
Assets at December 31st. . .	\$274,130,000
Increase	\$64,873,000
Reserves for Unforeseen Contingencies	\$7,500,000
Surplus Over All Liabilities and Contingency Reserves Increase	\$22,107,000 \$4,234,000
Assurances in Force (Net) . .	\$871,636,000
Increase	\$167,671,000

Policies in force (excluding Group Policies) . . . 384,113
Employees of firms protected by Group Policies . 30,160

Dividends to policyholders again increased

The Sun Life ranks amongst the Foremost
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