# MRS. L. P. FISHER PASSED AWAY

## Widow Of Hon. L. P. Fisher Dead At Woodstock In 85th Year Of Her Age—Estimable Lady.

second better than 1.07.

Woodstock, June 17.—In the death of Mrs. L. P. Fisher, which took place at her late residence, at 4 o'clock, this afternoon, a most estimable woman has been removed from our midst. She had been ailing for the past two months and although her death was not unexpected, it came as a shock to her many friends. She was a woman of high character and gave without stint of the means at her disposal to help the poor and needy. Mrs. Fisher was a member of the Methodist church and until a few years ago, owing to the infirmities of age, took a deep interest in the work of that body. She was born in Woodstock about the year 1826. Her maiden name was Mary Demille and she became the wife of the late Hon. L. P. Fisher about 60 years ago. She is survived by one brother, Mr. Demille, of Sussex, and one sister, Mrs. Wallace, of Lawrencetown, N. S. The funeral will be held on Monday.

# COULDN'T DAMPEN MASONS' SPIRITS

Despite a drizzling rain and consequently uncomfortable weather the visiting members of the Shekinah chapter of Chelsea Masons held their outing on the river yesterday as planned, and they did not mind the rain a bit. In fact, as one of them said last evening "we Masons are very fond of water and really we did not know it was raining."

The party left Indiantown shortly before 9 o'clock in the steamer Elaine and went as far as Evandale, where they had an enjoyable dinner and left on the return trip about 3 o'clock. They reached the city at 4.30 and went to their hotel. The return trip was made on the steamer Victoria.

At the Royal they had a special supper last evening. Their table was prettily decorated with cut flowers and the management had arranged that they should have a table to themselves during their stay, a courtesy which is highly appreciated. A specially decorated menu card was also provided for the table. It bears the Masonic emblem and the inscription "Shekinah Royal Arch Chapter of Chelsea Masons." At dinner last evening Shekinah pudding was one of the most popular items.

**A Presentation.**

Just before the members responded to the gavel rap of the High Priest to be seated there was a pleasant little incident. Raymond T. Sewell, P. H. P., of the Shekinah arose in his place and in a brief spech presented High Priest Anderson with a handsome silver mounted calabash pipe as a token of the esteem in which he is held by his fellow chapter men. Mr. Anderson replied thanking the boys for their gift.

In the evening there was no special programme for the visitors and they were permitted to follow their own devices. Some of them attended the theatres while others took the opportunity to visit friends.

Today the visitors will be given an opportunity to partake of an old time lobster dinner at the Bay Shore near the breakwater, when they will be the guests of the Carleton chapter. The party will leave the Royal hotel at 10 o'clock and will drive to the beach. Everything will be ready for them on their arrival and the lobsters will be boiled on the spot. After dinner sports will be indulged in and the party will return to the Royal in time to take the boat for Boston tonight.

**Obliged to Cut Trip Short.**

Two members of the visiting party were obliged to return yesterday. Companion Pearson, king of the Somerville chapter, was summoned to Bangor, where he goes to inspect a buildnig being erected for the government. He left on the morning train yesterday. Raymond T. Sewell, P. H. P., of the Shekinah chapter, received a long distance telephone message summoning him to Boston and he was forced to leave last evening. Before he left the hotel dining room to catch his train he was given three rousing cheers by his companions.

The visiting Masons are charmed with St. John and with the river. Although they saw it yesterday under adverse conditions, they were delighted with the scenic beauties of the Rhine of America. They will also carry away a high opinion of the hospitality of the local Masons.

## HOTELS.

**Dufferin.**

W S Harkins and wife, New York; A J Driscoll and wife, Bermuda; J E Saunders, Woodstock; F Lister, McAdam, Jct; A D McDonald, Montreal; W R Finson, Bangor; S B Scobell, St Catherines; D W Burns, Stratford, Ont; W I Weeks, Boston; Chas Claperton, Dalhousie; Henry Tompkins, Rock Island; Z Garneau, Quebec; A Loudon, Ottawa; G L Cohoon, Galt; H B Potter, Montreal.

**Royal.**

J H Hickman and wife, Dorchester; Fred Jones, Geo C Cook, Halifax; H B Murdock, Montreal; F G Wheaton, Amherst; Robt M MacQuin, James H Crocket, Fredericton; Mr and Mrs F McR Conway, Brooklyn, NY; Geo H Dale, Watertown, Mass; T B Orr, H V Cowie, R W B Cowie, Boston; G R Pendleton, Toronto; W M Oate, Montreal; W D Leste and wife, W J Younger, St. Paul; Wm J Riffen, Edinburgh; H E Wasson, N Y; R R Klemjung, Ridgewood, N J; Mr and Mrs J W Shaw, Cobalt; H L Fenerty, Halifax; Mary Moore Jones, Cincinnati; A Eves, Groseville, Que; F H Wallace, Montreal; R C Mac, Centi, Ohio; Mr and Mrs W Wigmore, Newfoundland, NJ; John Morrissy, Newcastle; F M Lilley, Lawrence, Mass; W J Greathead, Boston; F P Lillie, Toronto; A Beauchesne, Ottwa F G Wheaton, Amherst.

Sergeant C. Nichols entertained the members of No. 4 section, B Company, 62nd Fusiliers, at a dinner in the Boston restaurant, last evennig. Sergt. Nichols presided at the head of the table, and J. W. Morrow, ex-sergeant, acted as toast master.

# WHAT THE RETURN FROM ELBA MEANS TO AMERICANS

# *Methodists Make Rapid Progress*

## Reports of Different Branches of Church Work Show Satisfactory Progress--Departure of Mr. S. D. Scott from Province Subject of Regretful Comment--Historical Society Banquet.

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The following circuits have become independent during the past year, Pt. de Bute, Margate, Apohaqui, Derby, Milltown.

**Dr. Carmen Present.**

Rev. Dr. Carmen, of Toronto, general superintendent of Methodism in the Dominion of Canada, was introduced to the conference by the president, the hour of closing having arrived, Dr. Carmen omitted making any remarks until the morning session.

The Methodist Historidal Societf of the conference of New Brunswick and P. E. I. conference held its annual meeting in the academy. The president, Rev. Mr. Wightman in the chair, and in connection therewith was a banquet which was attended by about one hundred persons, members of the conference and others. The affair was arranged perfectly, the tables presenting a most attractive appearance, and all passed off in a very satisfactory manner. The president was supported on his right by the honorary president, Rev. Dr. Wilson and on his left by Rev. Dr. Cosman and a most enjoyable time was had. Grace was said by Dr. Wilson after which the good things provided for the inner man were dealt with in a way that showed the eaters knew just what was suited to the occasion. After all had been satisfied, President Wightman called upon Rev. Dr. Evans, who, in a well worded and humorous speech presented the society with some valuable papers dating back to July 1792. He was followed by Rev. Dr. Carmen Dr. David Allison and Dr. Charles Stewart.

Mr. J. Hunter White referred in eulogistic terms to the regret of the society in losing Mr. S. D. Scott who is soon to take up his home in Vancouver. He was ably supported by Dr. J. R. Inch.

Election of officers for the year resulted as follows:—President, Rev. F. A. Wightman, first vice president, Rev. A. D. McCulley, secretary treasurer, Rev. Geo. A. Ross, Curator W. Gladstone Watson.

The following have been appointed by conference to hold services on Sunday in St. John, Queen Square, Rev. S. Peirce; Exmouth Street, Rev. E. Westmorland; Portland Street, Rev. J. J. Pinkerton; Carleton, Rev. J. A. Ives; Fairville, Rev. G. Orman.

The afternoon session opened at two o'clock, the election of delegates to general conference being resumed, and on the first ballot three more were elected, Rev. M. R. Knight, Rev. Dr. Rogers, Rev. H. E. Thomas, and on the second Rev. Wm Harrison, Reserve, Rev. Neil McLaughlin. Alternatives, Rev. A. D. McCully, Rev. Geo. A. Ross.

Those chosen at the morning session were: Rev. H. D. Sprague, Rev. T. Marshall, Sackville; Rev. George Steel, Bedeque, P.E.I.; Rev. G. F. Dawson, Chatham; Rev. S. Howard, St. Stephen

The laymen are J. N. Harvey, W. D. Baskin, St. John; Dr. Allison, Dr. Inch, Professor Hunton, Principal Palmer, Sackville; J. J. Weddall, Fredericton; F. C. Curren, Rexton; H. Smith. Lay alternates are W. C. Turner, Charlottetown; J. Hunter White, St. John. Ministerial elections will be continued after dinner.

On the opening of this morning's session a memorial was presented to the conference from the general supernumerary fund to appoint some one to canvas the church to raise an endowment of $50,000—of which $20,000 be allotted to the conference of N. B. and P. E. Island. The motion was carried and a committee of seven was appointed to devise the best means of carrying out this matter.

Committee as follows:

Rev. Geo. Steel, Rev. C. R. Flanders, Rev. H. E. Thomas, Rev. R. W. Weddall.

Laymen—J. N. Harvey, R. C. Tait, B. H. Beer.

The following resolution was moved by Rev. George F. Dawson and seconded by Rev. M. R. Knight.

Resolved, that this conference having listened with great interest, pleasure and profit to the fervid and eloquent address of Rev. Dr. Graham, secretary of the Educational Society, would express to him out hearty appreciation of his perserving diligence and ability with which he has administered the affairs of the society, and would assure him of our confidence in his leadership in this important department of church enterprise, and of our determination to cooperate with him in increasing an intelligent interst among our people in behalf of our educational society.

**Laymen's Meeting.**

The Laymen's Association held their second session in Bethovan Hall, President J. N. Harvey in the chair.

After the reading of the minutes of the last meeting, the central executive were elected as follows:

W. D. Baskin, A. C. Powers, E. R. Machum, A. E. Hamilton and Percy J. Steel.

The following were then elected committees for the several districts:

St. John District—Ald. J. A. Likely, Charles J. Brown, James Myles, J. A. Humphrey, Ald. R. T. Hayes.

Fredericton District—A. C. A. Sampson, J. J. Weddall, J. A. Lamont, Howard Rogers, Wm. Munroe.

Woodstock District—C. H. Smith, G. A. White, J. T. G. Carr, John Watters, Woodford Kyle.

Chatham District—Frank Curran, L. J. Wathen, H. B. Allen, S. McClune, Thos. Clark.

Sackville District— Principal Palmer, Dr. Secord, J. R. Inch, S. L. Stockton, J. D. Goss.

St. Stephen District—G. S. Wall, W. H. Stevens, W. G. Robinson, Geo. M. Young, J. R. Pye.

Charlottetown District—Lt. Col. Moore, J. F. Whear, Jas. Matthews, Charles Bryenton, G. F. Hutchison.

Summerside District—T. Moyse, H. L. Pickering, J. A. Braise, W. H. Turner, Hy Smith.

The Fredericton district passed the following resolution:

Resolved, that the members of this district desire to record their appreciation of the services now being conducted by Dr. A. R. Torrey and his co-workers, as also to express the hope that the time may come when Dr. Torrey may be secured to deliver his adress to ministers and his sermon on "The Holy Spirit," and his lecture on "How to Study the Bible," before our annual conference at some future reunion, satisfied that few efforts would be more productive of good results to the church at large. Carried.

The great need to carry this into effect is the money it would take to secure the services as above mentioned.

# WELLESLEY COLLEGE STUDENT A SUICIDE

Boston, June 17.—The suicide of Miss Mabel R. Gordon, 29 years old, a graduate of Wellesley College, who escaped yesterday from a private sanitarium in Jamaica Plain, which was indicated last evening by the finding of her clothing on the shores of Jamaica Pond, was made certain today by the discovery of her body in the pond. It is believed nervousness, due to over study, was responsible for the young woman's act.

Montreal, Que., June 17.The Empress of Ireland with a record list of saloon passengers numbering 300, and acapacity list second cabin, sailed at 4 p. m. from Quebec. Among this large list were: Dr. Wm. Peterson, Dr. Shirres, W. F. Angus and Mrs. Angus, Montreal; Mr. G. P. Schofield and Mrs. Schofield, Dr. G. Sterling Ryerson and Mrs. Ryerson, Mrs. W. S. Alley, Mon. Wallace Nesbitt and Mrs. Nesbitt, Toronto; Mr. E. L. Newcombe and Mrs. Newcombe, Col. and Mrs. Elliott.

# ST. JOSEPH'S HOLDS CLOSING EXERCISES

## Eloquent Valedictory Delivered By J. O. LeBlanc—Successful Concert By Students—Those Who Got Degrees.

St. Josephs, N. B., June 17.—Students of St. Josephs University have completed another successful year and have departed for their homes, the buildings and beautiful grounds presenting a deserted appearance. Exercises in connection with the annual closing were more interesting than usual and were marked by an excellent concert in Memorial Hall and the eloquent valedictory of Joseph

JOSEPH LEBLANC.

O'Brien LeBlanc, of Dorchester, delivered at this morning's proceedings. The programme for the concert follows:—

Overture . . . . . .Fanfare
Declamation—"Le Messe sur P'echafaud" . . . . . F. X. Asselin
Address—Canadian Railway Development . . . . . John J. Casey
Declamation—"L'enfant blond"... . . . . J. Bte. J. Nowlan
Address—Literature and Morals.. . . . . .Urban J. Sweeney
Discourse—Dollard des Ormeaux.. . . . . J. E. Ouellet
Declamation—"A Hero" W. H. Moffit
Discourse—"L'Emigration" . . . . . .J. Bte Lepage
Song—"Far Away" R. J. McCarthy
Declamation—"The Sweeter Revenge" . . . . . James Tischer
Finale—:"Ave Maria Stella" Fanfare God Save the King.

Rev. Dr. Louis Guertin, the superior, spoke of the class work of the year at the close of the programme and said a good word for the graduates.

**Closing Programme.**

At the morning proceedings Mr. H. L. Sullivan made a farewell address in French. Mr. LeBlanc then read his valedictory. He made reference to the feeling of the graduates in looking out upon the world from the shelter of the college and the benefits occurring from the training received and the need for strong character. He also addressed the father superior, classmates, fellow students, and his alma mater in fitting terms.

The degrees were conferred as follows:

**Bachel or Arts.**

Francois Xaxior Asselin, Providence R. I.

Hector Louis Belliveau, Fredericton, N. B.

John Joseph Casey, St. John, N. B.

Joseph O'Brien, LeBlanc, Dorchester, N. B.

Joseph Emile Ouellet, Ste. Marie, N. B.

Urban James Sweeney, St. John, N. B.

James William Tischer, Victor, N. Y.

**Bachelor of Letters.**

Jean Baptiste Lepage, Sandy Bay, P. Q.

**Bachelor of Science.**

A. Raymond Landry, M. D., Dorchester, N. B.

**Commercial Diplomas.**

Awarded to William Henry Moffat, New York, N. Y.

Jean Baptiste Nowlan, Ste. Marie, N. B.

Joseph Henry Poirier, Bonaventure, P. Q.

Francis Henry Bourgoin, Edmundston, N. B.

Martin Edward Bergin, New York, N. Y.

Aramis Albert Talbot, Robertsonville, P. Q.

Ricardo Silverio, Ramirez, Havana, Cuba.

William Charles Gorey, Johnville, N. B.

George Washington Raymond, Kouchibouguac, N. B.

Julio Bernardo Latour, Havana, Cuba.

Ervin Joseph Ultican, Jacquet River, N. B.

Thomas Joseph Landry, Thomsonville, Conn.

Joseph Herve Foisy, Worcester, Mass.

# *Farcical Lumsden Inquiry Exposed*

## Hon. R. L. Borden Reveals Whitewashing Methods of House Committee Appointed to Investigate Over-Classification Scandals--Enormous Cost of Transcontinental Largely Due to Dishonesty

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to Providence and its entrance into that city indicates most clearly that it thoroughly realizes how independent it is of any control in this respect.

The National Transcontinental Railway will cost the people of Canada between $225,000,000 and $250,000,000. Present indications distinctly foreshadow the result that this enormous sum will have been expended very largely in the interest of the great ports of the United States, while our own national ports are quite capable of handling all the business thus diverted to a foreign country. The probability of this outcome was most distinctly pointed to the government during the debates of 1903 and 1904. The government gave no answer worthy of the name. The final refuge of Mr. Fielding made in the assertion that although the provisions of the contract might be inadequate, the patriotism of Candian shippers would lead them to route traffic through Canadian ports instead of United States ports. Such a contention requires no cemment. Canada expending more than two hundred millions in this undertaking, had the right to exact adequate safeguards not only from the Grand Trunk Pacific Company, but from the Grand Trunk Company, which really controls the whole situation.

The estimated cost of the road requires revision year by year because the official returns brought down indicate a continued increase in the estimated total. Mr. Haughton Lennox, M. P., who has made an exceedingly careful study of the returns has prepared and submitted to Parliament an estimate based on these returns indicating that the cost of the Eastern Division alone, at the time it is to be handed over to the Grand Trunk Pacific Company under the terms of the contract will be no less than $175,475,754 The company is to have the road free of rental for seven years and the interest for that period at 3 1-2 per cent amounts to $42,991,560, thus bringing the total cost to the enormous total of $218,416,314 before the country can receive any return. To this must be added the cash assistance which the country affords towards the construction of the Mountain Section of the Western Division. That assistance consists of the payment of interest on the bonds guaranteed by the government for a period of seven years and which will amount to no less than $13,413,750. Thus the total cash expenditure by Canada will be as follows:

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| Cost of Eastern Division at end of seven year period .. .. ..... | $218,467,314 |
| Guarantee on Mountain Section .. .. ..... | 13,413,750 |
| | $231,881,064 |

This startling total shows that the road will cost the country at least four times the amount estimated by the government when the contract was forced through Parliament. No reasonable explanation, nor indeed any explanation has been given of this enormous increase. It is alleged that it is due to greater cost of material and labor and improved standard of the road. Any increase in the cost of material and labor would count for little in the enormous total and the government in making its estimate in 1904 took into consideration a grade not exceeding four-tenths of one per cent.

A leading government organ in a recent attempt to explain the startling discrepancy between the estimates of the government and the actual results declared that it would be "somewhat pragmatic" to hold Mr. Fielding down to detailed estimates of the cost. It also asserts that his estimates were "avowedly academic." On the contrary he declared that they were based on the report of an able engineer. "Somewhat pragmatic" and "avowedly academic" are rather unsatisfactory explanations of an increase of $150,000,000. The Minister of Railways has produced statistics upon which he bases the contention that the cost of railways in several foreign countries as well as in Canada has been equally great. These statistics were available to the government in 1903 and 1904 when they made the reckless estimates which have been so outrageously falsified. The government can take refuge behind Mr. Graham's contention only upon the assumption that its estimates in 1903 and 1904 were wilfully false and designed to mislead Parliament and the people.

**Classification Scandal.**

Mr. H. A. Woods, the chief engineer of the Grand Trunk Railway Company, made startling charges as to the cost of the eastern division in a letter dated 7th October, 1907. His letter is the official returns of Parliament and has been quoted repeatedly upon the pages of Hansard. He deliberately stated over his own signature that common earth excavation worth about 25 cents per cubic yard was being classified to an alarming extent as loose rock, worth about 50 cents and as solid rock worth about $1.50 per cubic yard. It should be remembered that the contracts upon this road are not for a lump sum, but are based upon schedule prices for the various classes of work. Mr. Wood's statement are supported by the official records. Under such contracts in order to determine the lowest tender it was necessary for the government to make an examination of the line and to estimate approximately the quantity of common earth excavation of loose rock and of solid rock excavation respectively. Otherwise the lowest tender could not be determined because one tender might be lowest in one class and highest in another, or in both of the others. The following table shows the cubic yards of each class estimated by the government engineers and the actual results upon the work up to date in respect of five of the contracts:—

**National Transcontinental Railway Contracts.**

| | Estimated by Govt. Engineers | | | Actual cost to 31 Dec., 1909. | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Number—1 | Cubic yds | Rate | Amount | Cubic yds | Amount | Fin. |
| Solid rock. . . | ——— | $1.50 | ——— | 42,219 | 63,328.50 | 94.3 |
| Loose rock. . | 129,379 | 55 | 71,158.45 | 938,728 | 516,300.80 | — |
| Common Excav... . . | 1,841.152 | 25 | 460,288.00 | 520,728 | 130,182.00 | — |
| | | | $531,446.45 | | 709,811.30 | |
| Number—5 | | | | | | |
| Solid rock. . . | 252,893 | 1.49 | 376,810.57 | 801,189 | 1,193,771.61 | — |
| Loose rock.. . | 971,224 | 35 | 339,928.40 | 548,817 | 192,085.95 | 73.6 |
| Common Excav. . .. | 1,224,284 | 24 | 293,828.16 | 163,828 | 39,318.72 | — |
| | | | $1,010,567.13 | | $1,425,176.28 | |
| Number—10 | | | | | | |
| Solid rock. . . | 776,161 | 1.50 | 1,164,241.50 | 2,849,832 | 4,274,748.00 | — |
| Loose rock. . | 278,552 | 50 | 139,276.00 | 1,351,519 | 675,759.00 | 87.7 |
| Common Excav.. . . | 4,508,480 | 21 | 946,780.80 | 1,552,331 | 325,990.00 | — |
| | | | $2,250,298.30 | | $5,276,497.00 | |
| Number—11 | | | | | | |
| Solid rock. . . | 220,200 | 1.65 | 363,330,00 | 847,949 | 1,399,115.85 | — |
| Loose rock.. . | 180,200 | 60 | 108,120.00 | 449,313 | 269,587.80 | — |
| Common Excav.. . . | 1,966,458 | 27 | 530,944.00 | 631,199 | 170,423.73 | 60.5 |
| | | | $1,002,394.00 | | $1,839,127.38 | |
| Number—21 | | | | | | |
| Solid rock. . . | 3,696,336 | 1.70 | 6,283,771,00 | 6,415,868 | 10,906,977.30 | — |
| Loose rock. . . | 733,454 | 60 | 410,072.00 | 2.056.297 | 1.233.778.20 | 93.7 |
| Common Excav.. . | 11,233,247 | 30 | 3,369,974,00 | 2,215,876 | 664,762.80 | — |
| | | | $10,093,817.00 | | $12,805,518.30 | |

All geological theories must be revised if common loose earth or sand can become converted into loose rock or solid rock within a period of three or four years. No such metamorphosis has manifested itself in Canada except within the narrow area comprised within the boundaries of the Grand Trunk Pacific. North and south of that line geological conditions have apparently remained stable. Within the boundaries of this railway this remarkable change has occurred to the great detriment of the country from whose treasury many millions must be abstracted in order to pay the increased cost thus occasioned.

**Lumsden Inquiry Farce.**

Shortly after the opening of the present session the Prime Minister in consequence of the resignation of Mr. Lumsden proposed an exceedingly restricted inquiry into the causes of that resignation. The Conservatives moved an amendment that having regard to the enormous and unaccountable increase in the cost of the road a thorough investigation and inquiry into the whole matter should be forthwith undertaken and carried out. According to the regular formula of the Liberal leaders this inquiry was voted down. The Conservative members of the committee which was thereupon constituted demanded the employment of counsel who would represent the people of Canada in the investigation without constraint of interference by the government or by the representatives of the government upon the committee.

The demand was refused and the three Conservative members realizing that the investigation must develop into the farce which was intended withdrew from the committee. Toward the close of the pretended inquiry Mr. H. A. Woods, Chief Engineer of the Grand Trunk Railway, who had made these definite and specific charges over his own signature was placed upon the witness stand. **NO MEMBER OF THE COMMITTEE, THE CONSERVATIVE MEMBERS HAVING WITHDRAWN, NOR EITHER OF THE COUNSEL EMPLOYED BY THE GOVERNMENT ASKED HIM A SINGLE QUESTION AS TO THE STARTLING CHARGES CONTAINED IN HIS LETTER OF OCTOBER 7, 1907. THOSE CHARGES AND OTHER EQUALLY IMPORTANT MATTERS HAVE UP TO THE PRESENT REMAINED ABSOLUTELY UNINVESTIGATED TO THE INFINITE DISCREDIT OF THE GOVERNMENT AND OF THE COMMISSION ITSELF.**

**The Mummy and the Humming Bird.**

The Mummy and the Humming Bird as produced by the Paul Gilmore Company in the Opera House last night was attended by another large audience and as on the previous evening every one was delighted with the performance. The work of Mr. Gilmore as Lord Lumley was particular strong and on the whole the company gave an excellent production. This afternoon and evening will afford the last opportunities to see one of the best dramatic companies of the season.

# HON. H. F. M'LEOD PRESENTS FLAG

## Orange Lodge At Covered Bridge Honored By Solicitor General—Brilliant Addresses At Interesting Function.

**Special to The Standard.**

Fredericton, June 17.—Hon. Harry F. McLeod, solicitor general of the province, and past grand master of the New Brunswick Orange Lodge, last evening presented a handsome Union Jack to McLeod Lodge at Covered Bridge, Nashwaak.

The flag is a large one and bears the inscription "McLeod Lodge, L. O. A., No. 93," and will fly over the spacious hall of the lodge which was named after the past grand master.

The presentation was made at the close of a public meeting held by McLeod Lodge at their hall at Covered Bridge last evening. Mr. Peter McLaggan, jr., worshipful master of McLeod Lodge, presided at the meeting and gave an interesting address at the opening. Rev. A. A. Rideout of this city, grand master of the New Brunswick Grand Orange Lodge, was first called upon and gave an eloquent address after which Hon. Mr. McLeod concluded his address with the presentation of the flag, which was received with tremendous applause.

Following the meeting an oyster supper and sale was held and the affair proved highly successful and enjoyable.