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CAMPBELLTON HAS NEW TOWN HALL

New Building Credit to Town and Will Provide Needed Facilities.

Except for a few minor details Campbellton's new municipal building on Town Hall now stands complete. The building which is situated on Roseberry Street East about the centre of the town and at a convenient point is in appearance and structure a credit to the town and suitably symbolic of Campbellton's steady growth. The building is of concrete with a citadel brick front and is 85x35 and two storeys in height. It's total cost is placed at $30,000.

The new Town Hall occupies a site immediately next the town fire station which is 60x35 so that the two fine buildings side by side have a total frontage of 120 feet.

Fine Council Chamber.

The Council Chamber on the second floor is probably the chief feature of the new building. This hall is seventy feet in length and thirty-five feet wide providing ample room for the town officials and several hundred citizens should they wish to attend the meetings of the council. To take care of this comfortable seats have been provided. The chamber is finished, as is the whole interior, in clear birch with a natural finish, and the great white expanse of the ceiling has a pleasing dome effect. At the end opposite the entrance is a spacious platform on which the mayor's desk will be placed. Facing this will be individual tables and chairs for the other members of the board. The room is destined to be a light, cheery place as seven large windows on each side allow the sunlight to stream in unobstructed.

The mayor's private office which is located on the front side of the building and near the head of the main stairway, opens into the council chamber.

Three Entrances.

The building has three front entrances from Roseberry St. The east entrance opens on the stairway giving access to the upper floor; the middle entrance leads to the town offices while the west entrance gives ingress to the court-room and police station. The new court room is spacious and well lighted and is a decided improvement on the old quarters in the Firemen's Hall.

The new town offices comprise four different apartments, the town clerk's office directly facing the entrance, the office of the town engineer to the west of the entry, the town treasurer's office on the east and a store-room to the rear. A convenient entrance hall gives easy access to all three offices which are suitably laid off and very tastefully finished. A spacious brick vault has also been provided. This is located at the rear of the treasurer's office.

There is little doubt but what citizens generally will be well pleased with the new Town Hall. Besides being sorely needed to handle the town's increasing business in a satisfactory way, an up-to-date Municipal Building is quite in order with the numerical growth of the town, for Campbellton is steadily approaching the status of a city.

U.N.B. COLLEGE OUT OF MERGER

Premier Announces University to Remain At Fredericton.

Fredericton, Feb. 20—University of New Brunswick is definitely out of the proposed federation of universities of the Maritime provinces. This was definitely decided by the provincial government here tonight, announcement to that effect being made by Hon. P. J. Veniot, premier, when the executive council adjourned shortly before midnight. The government approved of the recommendations of the university senate on the proposals for a federation of universities of the Maritime provinces with headquarters at Halifax as made by the Carnegie Foundation of New York.

Adoption of the federation proposals would have involved removal of the University of New Brunswick, which is located in Fredericton and is the second oldest college in Canada, from the province which maintains it as the head of its educational system.

The announcement was not simplified by any details tonight but a statement of the reasons for the action will be issued here tomorrow morning, premier Veniot said.

The board of education tonight gave its approval of kindergarten work in the public schools of the province, as advocated by women's organizations in St. John. Inclusion of kindergarten work in the local schools, however, is left optional with the local board of school trustees.

HAD LEG BROKE

Gordon Adams son of Mr. Ernest Adams met with an unfortunate accident about a week ago. While scuffling with some school chums he was thrown to the ground, with other boys falling upon him. His leg was broken above the knee as the result. The little fellow was driven to his home and Dr. Dunam set the fracture.

MASS MEETING AT OPERA HOUSE

Rev. W. D. Wilson and Mr. Donald Fraser Address Audience.

A fairly well attended meeting of citizens was held in the Opera House at 8.30 Sunday evening in the interests of the prohibition law.

His Worship Mayor McKay acted as chairman and introduced the speakers. In his opening remarks His Worship said there were many who said the prohibition law was a failure. He differed with them. We who could go back ten or twelve years could remember when the sight of drunken men on our streets was an every day, many times a day occurrance, while drunken street fights was frequent. Now it was the exception to see a drunken man. He admitted that perhaps the law was not as strictly enforced as it might be.

Rev. W. D. Wilson was the first speaker introduced and made a fighting address. This is probably Rev. Mr. Wilson's last appearance here for some time at least as he goes to Middleton, N. S., to take charge of a congregation.

The next speaker was Mr. Donald Fraser of Fraser's Limited, who told many interesting experiences, both under license and prohibition which went to show that prohibition was anything but the failure some people would like to have us believe.

The following resolutions were read by Rev. F. E. Boothroyd and adopted unanimously by standing vote:—

1. This mass meeting of Campbellton citizens hereby express its appreciation of the reported declaration of the Premier, Hon. P. J. Veniot, to the effect that the N. B. Prohibition Law shall be rigidly enforced. As Temperance people of this town, we pledge support of the Premier and others concerned in such urgently needed, added effort towards law enforcement. We firmly believe that if all responsible officers, including policemen, do their duty, the law will be a great success.

2. We recognize, however, that in the business of the Liquor Export Houses there exists a severe handicap to the adequate enforcement of the Law. In our opinion, the Carrier License System, under which these businesses work, amply protects the conveyance of liquor, until, in large part, it culminates in bootleg transactions in this and other dry territory. The revenue which is thus gained by License Taxation is more than counterbalanced by the accompanying disrespect shown towards the intent of the Law. We therefore implore the N. B. Government to follow the example of some other provinces and promptly use the effective weapon providd by the Federal Government and pass the Order in Council to bring to an end this so-called Export Business in liquor.

3. In the matter of the recent appointment of the Chief Inspector of two additional Liquor Vendors for this town, we must and do protest most strongly. These appointments were made in the face of vigorously expressed Temperance sentiment of this town. In our opinion, the appointments were made either to more conveniently supply the permitted sale of liquor aas medicine, etc., or they were made to encourage the sale of liquor for revenue purposes and under the camouflage of medical requirements. The latter motive is transparently dishonest and unworthy any self-respecting body of Law Administrators. The former intention is absurd, inasmuch as all the bona-fide needs of liquor for medicinal purposes etc., could be fully and easily supplied by the two previously appointed vendors. The more easy of access liquor is made, the more difficult of enforcement of the law is made. We therefore strenuously protest against the additional appointments.

NEW NAME IS ATLANTIC REGION

Eastern Division Cut off at Riviere du Loup—Other Divisions Also Named.

Ottawa, Feb. 20.—The names of the three grand divisions of the Canadian National Railways were decided upon here today by the President, Sir Henry W. Thornton, after consultation with his principal operating officials.

The lines in the Maritime Provinces and as far west as Riviere du Loup and Monk in Quebec will be known as the Atlantic region of the system. The lines from Riviere du Loup and Monk in the east to Fort William and Port Arthur in the west as well as that section of the Grand Trunk Railway west of the Detroit and St. Clair rivers in the United States, will be known as the Eastern region, and the lines from Port Arthur and Fort William to the Pacific coast as the Western region.

STOP!
Sharp Curve Ahead
Look out for
"THE SILVER CAR"

LOCAL AMATEURS SCORE A SUCCESS

Sparkling Comedy Ably Presented by Local Players on Monday Night.

The Lyric Dramatic Club scored another decided success on Monday night when that sparkling comedy "The Private Secretary" was presented at the Opera House under the direction of J. J. Bernier. The occasion was the scene of a capacity audience which was enthusiastic in it's hearty applause.

In choosing a vehicle through which to provide theatre-patrons with an evening of ideal entertainment the Dramatic Club made a wise selection in "The Private Secretary," for this delightful comedy has stood the test of public opinion for a number of years and has proved a genuine gloom-chaser wherever it has been shown. In casting his characters Mr. Bernier showed good judgment for each player was well suited to his role.

The plot of "The Private Secretary" is to well known to require repetition here. It's many laughter-provoking situations, it's abundance of humorous complications and its surprising and intriguing twists all contrive to make a comedy vehicle of consummate plot construction, and it is safe to say that each and every player admirbly rose to the possibilities of his and her part.

Thomas G. Adams in the leading male role of Rev. Robt. Spalding, alais "the private secretary," handled his part with the precision and judgment of a professional evoked repeated cheers of applause and vociferous laughter from the appreciative spectators. To his well deserved laurels previously won J. J. Bernier added fresh leaves by his life-like portrayal of the hilarious Mr. Cattermole who was fat, gruffy and sixty and whose eccentricities of disposition and temperament tickled the risibilities of the audience into uproarious mirth. Miss Vera George as Mrs. Stead, the landlady, caught the right spirit of her part and demonstrated histrionic ability far above the average.

Gordon T. Kennedy as Mr. Marsland, M. P., took the part for which he was responsible in most creditable style and his work met with well deserved approval from all. Leo Wagner as Harry Marsland and Lionel Roy as "a Tailor of Bond Street" both scoared successes and received merited applause. In making his debut on the local stage Alonzo Louden interpreted the role of Douglas Cattermole with good judgment and scored a decided hit. In their respective parts the Misses Corrine Roy and Carmelle LeClare did splendidly as did also Robert Nealy as John the butler.

The musical numbers were a most enjoyable part of the programme. "O That We Now Might Wonder," a duet by Mrs. Whitney MacDonald and P. James Murray was splendidly rendered as was also a selected solo by Mrs. MacDonald. "O'er The Billowy Sea", a solo by Leo Wagner was especially good.

Come and see "Billy" with his "cheese-box" at the Opera House, Monday night.

N.B. GOV'T IS IN SESSION

Premier and Cabinet Ministers Discuss Plans for Opening of House.

Fredericton, Feb. 20.—Dr. Violette, M. L. A.-elect for Madwaska, has telegraphed from New Jersey that he will return to the province from his winter sojourn in the Southern States in time to be present at the opening of the provincial legislature here on Thursday, March 8th, and that he will second the address in reply to the speech from the throne. His colleague, Hon. J. E. Michaud, member of the government without portfolio, presented a message to the above effect to Hon. Peter J. Veniot, the Premier, this morning, and thus the programme of formalities for the opening of the legislature session was completed. James D. McKenna, Mayor of Sussex and M. L. A.-elect for Kings, will move the address.

Other plans in connection with the session of the legislature, including the subject matter of the speech from the throne and the preliminary legislative programme, will be considered before the conclusion of the meeting of the government which opened here this morning.

The short time the cabinet met was taken up with hearing a delegation and considerable communications upon the routine schedule. A. H. Lindsay of the Canadian National Railways staff at Moncton appered before the government relative to inclusion of certain matters in connection with the national railways, in the work of the public schools as has already been adopted in some other provinces.

A memorial of protest against suggestions made by fire insurance interests recently was read but consideration deferred.

All this talk about Ford being another Lincoln is probably a subtle scheme to advertise his other car.

POOR COAL MAKES TROUBLE

Electric Light Dept. Seriously Handicapped Tuesday—Only One Engine Running.

Because of conditions in the United States, and poor railway deliveries, the electric light plant has been seriously handicapped during this week.

On Monday it was found that the big gas producer which supplies gas for the large engine, was being badly clinkered up. Despite all that the staff could do this grew gradually worse, until Tuesday noon this producer refused to function and the big engine had to cease. Every effort was made to have matters improved before dark, but without avail. The fires had to be down and the slag cut out of the producers. This slag is caused by the large percentage of slate in the coal now being used. Tuesda night the entire residential section was in darkness, but the small engine produced enough current to light the business section.

After working all night the crew at the power house were able to cut the slag out of the big producer and power was back to normal last evening.

Two carloads of coal shipped twenty-four days ago have not yet reached the American line, but it is hoped they will arrive here shortly.

The fact that our plant here is now carrying a constant overload, and also that Campbellton is weekly demanding more current, should spur the local authorities along to arrange for additional current for next fall.

CELEBRATE THEIR SILVER WEDDING

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Belle-Isle Pleasantly Surprised Sunday Evening.

Sunday evening was made a very pleasant occasion for Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Belle-Isle by a number of thoughtful friends who remembered that this couple will reach the 25th anniversary of their marriage before the week is out. To add to the enjoyment of the occasion the principals were taken completely by surprise at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Legere where they were deeply impressed by the hearty congratulations and good wishes of their friends.

Dr. A. Martin read a suitable address and presented the happy couple with a chest of silver. Mr. Belle-Isle responded with appropriate remarks and expressed sincere thanks at this unexpected demonstration of kindness and good wishes.

As hostess Mrs. Legere served dainty refreshments during the evening and music and singing also contributed to the enjoyment of those present, who were: Rev. Father Melanson, Dr. and Mrs. Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Vautour, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. St. Onge, Mr. and Mrs. H. McIntyre, Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Shannon, Mr. and Mrs. George Vermette, Mr. and Mrs. Whitney MacDonald, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Comeau, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Bugold and Mr. and Mrs. Numa Bernatchez.

WAS SEVERELY INJURED BY FLYING SHIM

James McMillan of Chatham, who is working in Flaherty and Harriman's mill at Digman's, about 12 miles out of Chatham had a narrow escape from death last Monday. A shim flew from one of the machines and struck McMillan full in the body one-half inches. The injured man was taken to the hospital at Chatham penetrating to the depth of one and and this morning is reported as doing nicely.

CLOSE GAMES FOR ARCHER CUP

Local Rinks Win Out by Two Points Only—Last End Kept Cup.

Two rinks of Chatham curlers under skips Irvine and Burke arrived here on the Ocean Limited last evening and met two Campbellton rinks, skipped by Rev. Mr. McNairn and J. T. Mowat in the Archer cup games. The result was one of the closest games ever played for this trophy.

Campbellton started off with a big lead, having sixteen points before Chatham scored, but from that point on the Chatham curlers steadily outcurled the local rinks until at the conclusion of the second last ends Chatham was leading by four points. In the last two ends Campbellton scored six points and won out by two.

The score was as follows:—

Chatham		Campbellton	
Burke,		Mowat,	
Skip	14	Skip	13
Irvine,			
Skip	12	McNairn	15
	26		28

After the games the visitors were entertained by the local club.

The Archer cup is a handsome silver trophy donated by Mr. Peter Archer of Chatham in 1913. It was won from Chatham by Newcastle and in 1915 was won by Campbellton from Newcastle and has been held here ever since. It is open to play by rinks from any of the North Shore Clubs members of which have not played in the McLellan cup or Bonspiel rinks.

PASS RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION

Executive of N. B. Temperance Alliance Appreciates Premier's Decision.

Fredericton, N. B., Feb. 17.—A resolution, expressing the appreciation of Premier Veniot's published statement regarding his purpose of enforcing prohibition, was passed by the executive of the New Brunswick Temperance Alliance yesterday afternoon, assuring him of the full and active support of the Alliance in this undertaking.

The resolution also draws the attention of Premier Veniot and the members of the provincial government to the fact that one of the greatest hindrances to adequate enforcement lies in the existence of the export liquor warehouses in the province and the revenue derived therefrom, and urges that immediate steps be taken to bring into force recent federal legislation which would remove the export liquor houses from the provinces.

A resolution placing the Alliance on record as being unalterably opposed to the administration of the prohibition law for the purpose of raising revenue for the province was also adopted.

Messrs. Watson and Alexander will show real professionalism in "Triss; or Beyond the Rockies" at the Opera House on Monday night next. Come and enjoy a treat.

FRASER COMPANIES, LTD. MAKE GOOD SHOWING

Montreal, Feb. 21.—The annual report of the Fraser Paper Companies, of Edmundston, N. B., shows a net profit from operations for the year of 1922 of $804,614, as compared with $1,001,460 for 1921. With deductions for bond interest, depreciation, etc., there remains a balance at credit of surplus account of $523,759.

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