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WHAT THE EVANGELISTS, SPEAKERS AND SINGERS, AND LOCAL CLERGYMEN SAY OF THE SERVICES NOW CLOSING

Outside Workers Greatly Pleased With the Success Which Has Attended Their Efforts in St. John ---People Seemed Eager to Take Part in the Meetings

REV. W. A. CAMERON.

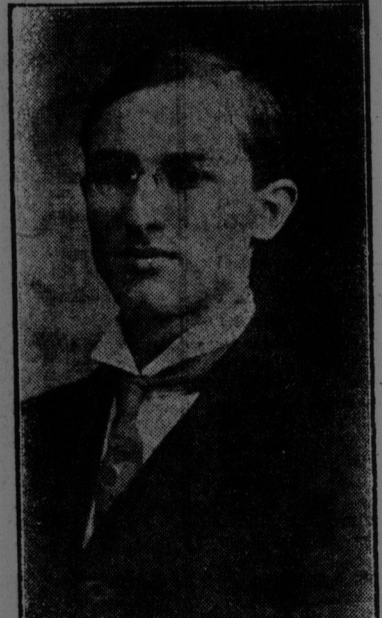
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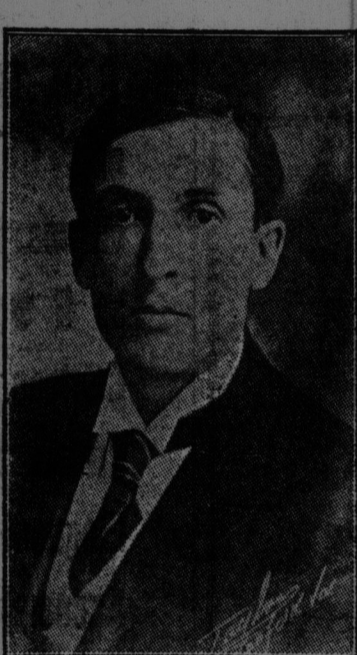
For Fairville I must say that the chorus choir responded from the first night and gave a valiant support...



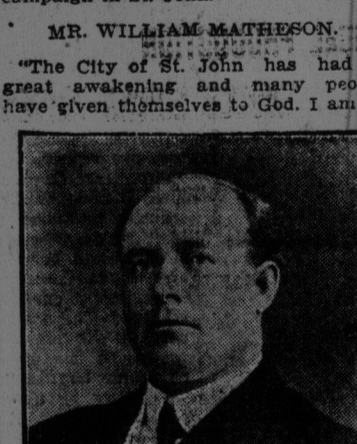
and surprised me, (and I suspect themselves) with the way they sang. As a singing congregation I will say that they have no peers anywhere.

ORA SAMUEL GRAY.

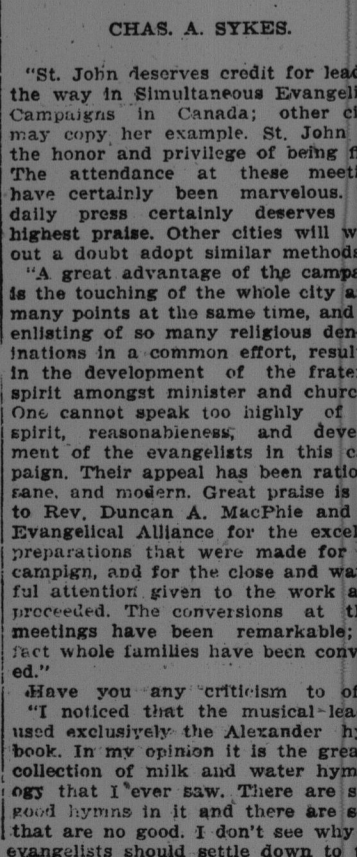
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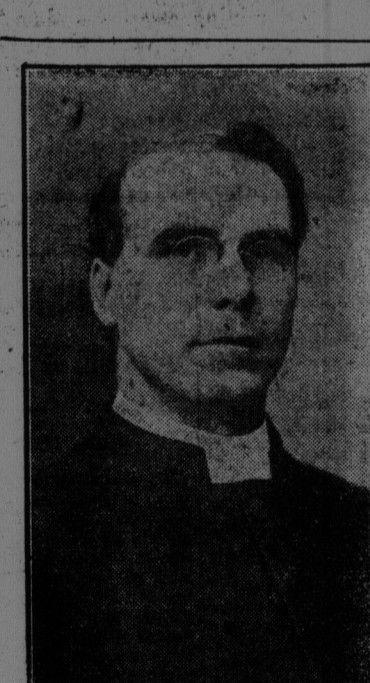


Mr. Hare, who was associated with Dr. Winchester in St. Stephen's group, says: I find the people here a little more conservative than in other places, the congregations being a little slow at first to take hold of congregational singing...



"St. John deserves credit for leading the way in Simultaneous Evangelistic Campaigns in Canada; other cities may copy her example. St. John has the honor and privilege of being first. The attendance at these meetings have certainly been marvelous. The daily press certainly deserves the highest praise. Other cities will without a doubt adopt similar methods."

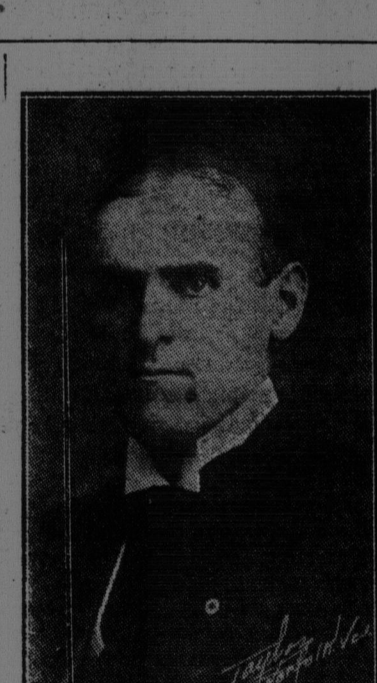
Musical score for 'The Fight is On' with lyrics and musical notation for voice and chorus.



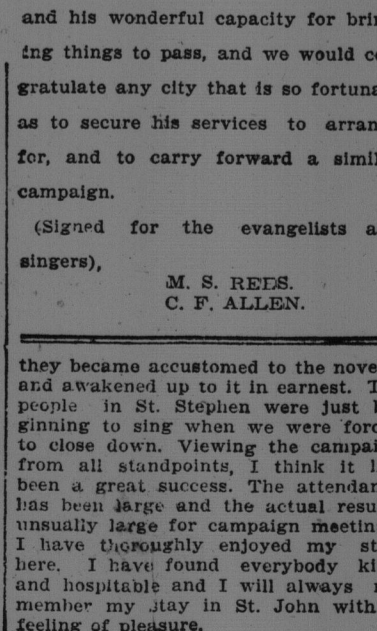
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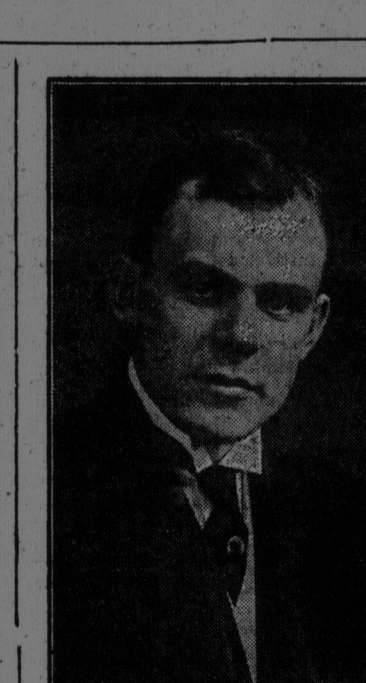
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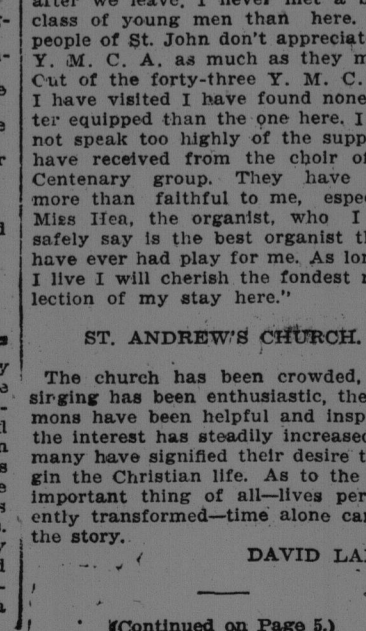
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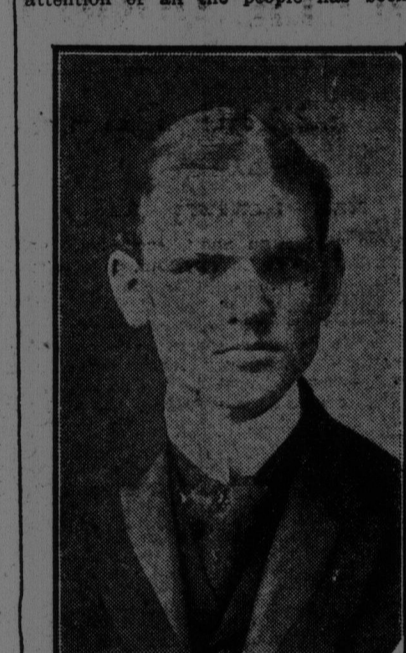


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Local Clergymen Delighted with the Results Apparent to Date---One of the Greatest Campaigns Ever Undertaken---Slow at First but Fine when Under way

REV. A. B. COHOB.

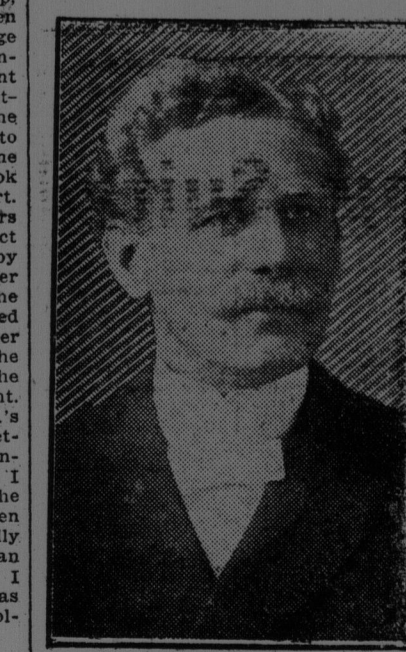
Rev. A. B. Cohob, chairman of the Brussels street group, says: "It is a pleasure to be able to testify to the success of the campaign. For three weeks people of the city have crowded the various meetings and for that time the churches of the Christian life have been the scene of the most intense and earnest work in the history of the city."



held in a way that would be quite impossible by the isolated endeavors of individual congregations. A notable feature of the work in Brussels street group has been the absolute harmony that has prevailed. Unconventional differences and congregational ambitions have been quite forgotten. The people have been sincerely united in a common effort. Of the leadership of Rev. W. A. Cameron it would be impossible to speak too highly. He has gained and retained the confidence of the pastors and the people. Men who have not been accustomed to associate evangelistic zeal with intelligent mildness have received a new conception of the dignity and intelligence of the work of the evangelist. His appeals have been fervent and resolvable. Many people have been reached during the meeting that in itself would be an interesting and impressive story. Perhaps the most important result will be the renewing of evangelistic endeavor in the future activities of the church. The pastors of the groups are emphatically of the opinion that the work has begun and that because of the campaign the churches of the district will display greater zeal and intelligence in meeting the wants of the people.

REV. DAVID HUTCHINSON.

Rev. Mr. Hutchinson, chairman of the North End group, says: "I have no hesitation in saying that as far as the North End is concerned the campaign has been a splendid success. From the start of the meetings conditions in the North End were favorable. The pastors of the group had in mind the campaign in their preaching and prayers for some weeks previous. All the pastors of the group have had the pleasure of seeing people connected with the church and their family signifying their intention to enter the Christian life. One pleasing feature in the interest awakened among the men. From every denomination and from every calling the men have looked to the meetings, and in many ways have shown that they meant business. Many homes have been brightened, and into many a hopeless life the light has shined."



the church has been crowded, the singing has been enthusiastic, the sermons have been helpful and inspiring, the interest has steadily increased and many have signified their desire to begin the Christian life. As to the most important thing of all--live permanency transformed--time alone can tell the story.

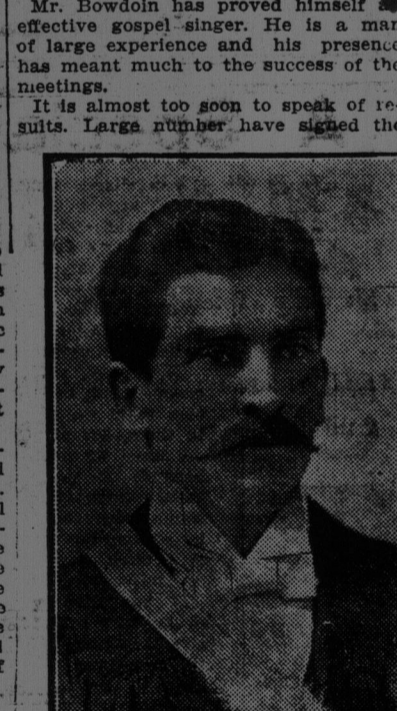
DAVID LANG.

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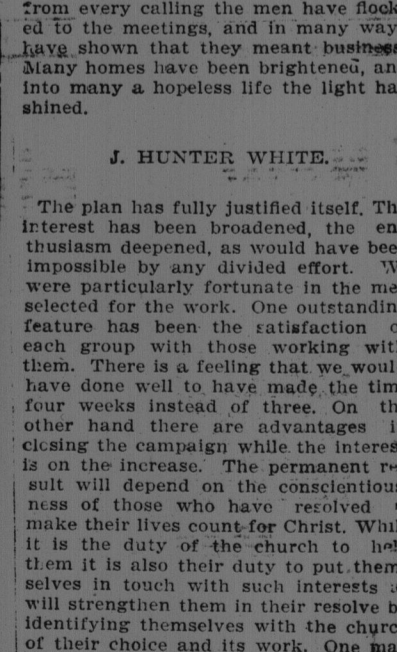
Mr. Lamb, who was associated with Dr. Smith as soloist and leader, has been highly successful and greatly appreciated. So far as Dr. Smith is concerned he goes leaving a splendid record and we will be pleased to have him back any time.

REV. H. R. READ.

The West End group is composed of two Baptist, the Methodist and Presbyterian churches in that part of the city, and the campaign has been under the leadership of Rev. Milton S. Rees, assisted by Musical Director F. A. Bowdoin. It was intended at first that services should be held in the Methodist church, but it soon became evident that a larger building was necessary. The City Hall was procured and night after night the spacious auditorium has been completely filled with an attentive and appreciative audience of men and women. One cannot fail to be impressed by the way in which the interest in the services has been sustained. The different congregations have given the movement their fullest support and have entered into the work with the utmost enthusiasm. Dr. Rees is a brilliant speaker, an optimistic worker, and a firm leader. In a most manly and ineffective way he has urged men and women to respond to the call of their Saviour. Possibly his greatest strength is in his strong attractive personality. To meet him is to be convinced of his genuineness and sympathy. And the large numbers who have come to the after-meetings attest his influence and success. Mr. Bowdoin has proved himself an effective gospel singer. He is a man of large experience and his presence has meant much to the success of the meetings. It is almost too soon to speak of results. Large numbers have signed the



The plan has fully justified itself. The interest has been broadened, the enthusiasm deepened, as would have been impossible by any divided effort. We were particularly fortunate in the men selected for the work. One outstanding feature has been the satisfaction of each group with those working with them. There is a feeling that we would have done well to have made the time four weeks instead of three. On the other hand there are advantages in closing the campaign while the interest is on the increase. The permanent result will depend on the conscientiousness of those who have received the message. It is the duty of the church to help them. It is also their duty to put themselves in touch with such interests as will strengthen them in their resolve by identifying themselves with the church of their choice and its work. One man said to me the other day there is one thing about all these evangelists, they have a splendid aim.



I feel the campaign has been a splendid success. It is much ahead of a central campaign. The arrangement and organization has been very excellent. The tendency has been to awaken on the people to their responsibilities.

JUDGE FORBES.

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