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GOVERNMENT OWNERSHIP

The demonstration at Bonaventure

on Tuesday clearly set forth upon

which side the residents of the Gaspé

Peninsula are in respect to govern-

ment ownership of the railways which

serve that district.

We believe that the various argu-

ments set forth in favor of the tak-

ing over of the railways by the gov-

ernment met a responsive chord in

the heart and mind of Sir Henry

Thornton.

Perhaps one of the strongest argu-

ments in favor of government own-

ership was the remarks of Mr. Angus

McLean of Bathurst. Mr. McLean

said that for about twenty years he

had endeavored to conduct a number

of industries on the coast, but be-

cause of the handicap of an inade-

quate railway service, and double

freight rates, he could not make a

success of them, and consequently

moved to another locality with better

facilities.

Although various speakers spoke of

the inadequate service rendered by

the present railways, they had noth-

ing but commendation for Mr. Gordon

the present manager, who was indefat-

igably working wonders with the facilities

at his command.

We think that the matter of taking

over the railways has been commu-

ated very auspiciously and it will be up

to the gentlemen behind the move-

ment to observe carefully and pat-

iently every move and look of move-

ment and from time to time make en-

quiries so that the matter may not be

allowed to grow cold, or repose too

long upon the file of records, while no

doubt embetter the office of the gov-

ernment railway commission.

PUBLIC PLAYGROUND.

There seems to be some miscon-

ception of the plans of the Athletic

Club in regard to Sugarloaf Park,

so called. The Graphic knows for a

fact that it was never the idea of the

leaders of the sport movement to

make an athletic field only of the

property. The plans are more am-

bitious. They consist of a running

track, baseball diamond, and football

field. But the young children were

not to be neglected as was the in-

tention to have a thoroughly equip-

ped play ground after the pattern of

those to be seen in almost every pro-

gressive town throughout Ontario and

the West. We may add that in a

great majority of towns these mun-

icipal play grounds are provided,

equipped and supervised by the towns

from money assessed by the towns or

is provided by the school boards. The

Athletic Club is now, and has been

since its inception, working in the

interests of the children as well as the

older youths and that is one reason

why it deserves the wholehearted as-

sistance of every citizen of the town.

SOME FACTS ABOUT

VOCATIONAL STUDY

Some Timely Information About

This Important Branch of

Educational Work

Vocational education is the term

which has come into frequent use dur-

ing recent years to indicate the form

of education which provides definite

training and definite knowledge ex-

pected to be useful in enabling an

individual to carry on his vocation in

a way most advantageous to the

community and satisfactory to him-

self. Vocational education has been

classified for convenience of expla-

nation under six headings, each one de-

signating the group of vocations in-

cluded under it, such as professional,

industrial, agricultural, commercial,

marine and housekeeping.

Vocational education is older than

any form of liberal education. Man

has always followed occupations, re-

quiring more or less skill and intelli-

gence, by which they could secure a

livelihood; and they have always

trained the young for these occupa-

tions.

The field for secondary vocational

education is so large that in the past

it has not been seen. School statis-

tics show that less than 50 per cent

of the children who enter the public

schools complete the work of the el-

ementary grades. Less than 75 per

cent enter the secondary grades and

high schools and only about 5 per

cent complete the work. It is among

the 95 per cent whose education has

not fitted them to deal with the prob-

lems of life, that the opportunities of

vocational education are to be found.

The field is entirely distinct from

that of the high school and experi-

ence has proven that technical schools

do not attract pupils in any number

from the high schools.

The School Board and Vocational

Committee are taking advantage of

this form of education and have estab-

lished a Day Commercial Course in

the High School, also night school

courses in typewriting, bookkeeping,

dressmaking and motor mechanics.

The Day Com. Course is offered to

any boy or girl who has successfully

passed the High School Entrance ex-

amination. The course is begun in

grade nine, continuing through grades

ten and eleven. This course was be-

gun last year. This year there are

two grades, nine and ten. Both of

these grades are pursuing the same

course of study in English Grammar,

English Literature and French as is

offered in the regular High School

Course. In addition to these, grade

nine have the following studies: Com-

mercial arithmetic, rapid calculation,

spelling, penmanship, elementary

bookkeeping, and typewriting.

Grade ten in addition to the above

studies have shorthand, commercial

law and com. geography.

The evening vocational classes have

been organized and are now in full

swing. The motor mechanics class

which was a week later than the

others in opening is now running with

an attendance of seventeen. This

class is under the instruction of

Mr. A. Jamieson, who is a first class

garage man.—Orr.

PERSONAL

Miss Garland Lutes has returned

from a short visit to Montreal.

Miss Mildred Turner very pleas-

antly entertained a number of her

friends at a Halloween Party last

evening.

New Richmond

A very pleasant evening was spent

at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon

McWhirter on Oct. 21st, the occasion

being the twenty-fifth anniversary of

the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Mc-

Whirter. The entertainment came as a

surprise to the host and hostess when

their friends came in with words of

congratulation. Mrs. McWhirter was

presented with a gift of twenty-five

dollars in silver.

Refreshments were served and all

spent a very pleasant evening. The

guests were Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Mc-

Whirter, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Mc-

Whirter, Mr. William McWhirter, Mr.

and Mrs. James Campbell, Mrs. Wil-

fred Steele, Mrs. Neil Campbell, Mr.

Mrs. Cass Campbell, Mrs. Isabella

Campbell, Mrs. Basil McWhirter,

Mrs. Benjamin Woodman, Mrs. Gar-

den Dredbridge and Misses Mrs. Neil

Leona Macdonald, Edith Macdonald, John

Steele and Messrs. Otto Campbell,

John Dredbridge, Clifford Shubert, Al-

len Brown.

GREAT DEMONSTRATION

TUESDAY IN FAVOR OF

GOVERNMENT OWNERSHIP

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capital which they claim they are un-

able to raise, owing to legislation of

a retroactive character adopted by

the Dominion Parliament, find them-

selves unable to give the country the

service which they are entitled to

have.

That these lines are practically in-

debt and shippers are unable to ob-

tain through rates and the service

which would enable them to reach the

main markets of the country, as it

is one of the oldest settled parts of

Canada and is rich in natural resources,

agriculture, lumber, pulpwood, minerals,

deep sea and river fisheries.

That the Counties of Bonaventure

and Gaspé are among the most in-

tructive colonization areas in the

Province of Quebec with a sturdy

population of French and English

stock who are anxious to develop their

home land and fisheries if they are

only given a chance to reach the mar-

kets with their products, on reason-

able terms.

That for want of an adequate rail-

way service for freight and passen-

gers, our resources are practically

dead and the young men and wom-

en have to leave their homes to

seek employment in other parts of

Canada and the United States to the

detachment of the country generally.

That in addition to its rich natural

resources, the Gaspé coast is one of

the most attractive in North Amer-

ica, for tourists who visit it in thou-

sands every year and whose number

would be increased many times with

an adequate railway service.

That Matapédia, the junction point

with the Canadian National System,

is at the foot of the Grand Matapédia

Valley on the border line of Quebec

and New Brunswick; that Gaspé, one

of the finest natural harbours in the

world, has lately been made the

head of the new Diocese of Gaspé, which

includes the whole Gaspesian Penin-

sula.

That in 1915, the Parliament of

Canada authorized the acquisition of

branch lines not exceeding 200 miles

in length connecting with the Cana-

dian National System and that, as a

result, ten branch lines have been ac-

quired, one of which has the importance

of these lines.

That the operation of these rail-

ways as part of