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SPLENDID WELCOME EXTENDED TO LORD AND LADY BYNG

Great Concourse of People Crowded At Station Monday to Greet the Hero of Vimy—After Formal Welcome in Town Hall Their Excellencies Visited the Hospitals.

In point of numbers at least, the turnout of citizens who thronged the depot and vicinity here on Monday afternoon to greet their Excellencies Lord and Lady Byng was evidently the finest demonstration of welcome ever extended any visitor to Campbellton. The station grounds and the street for several blocks was literally jammed with cars, while the great concourse of eager people seemed to comprise almost the entire population of the town and hundreds of people from out-lying districts.

The special train arrived here at 2:30 o'clock and as their Excellencies stepped from the Governor General's private coach the local band, on hand for the occasion, rendered a patriotic air. After being personally greeted by His Worship Mayor McKay, their Excellencies were introduced to Mrs. McKay, the Misses McKay and the council board who likewise extended hearty greetings to the distinguished visitors. Lord Byng, accompanied by His Worship and Major A. Troy then greeted and chatted for several minutes with a number of returned men who were lined up along the station platform.

Their Excellencies and the other members of the Vice Royal party with them were conveyed by auto to the Town Hall where an address of welcome, beautifully bound for presentation, was read and presented by Mayor McKay on behalf of the town of Campbellton. Their Excellencies were deeply affected by the sentiments of friendship and cordiality manifested and responded with an address which, though brief, spoke clearly the sincere appreciation of himself and Lady Byng. The address of welcome and Lord Byng's response followed:

Following the address a beautiful young girl presented to her Excellency Lady Byng by little Charlotte Troy who performed the task by which she had been honored in a most proper and pleasing manner. The young girl, before presenting the bouquet and backing from the presence of the distinguished lady as she returned to her chair.

Citizens were then presented to their Excellencies and a large number eagerly took the advantage of shaking the hand of the Hero of Vimy and his gracious Lady who won the hearts of all who met her. The party were then conveyed to the Soldiers Memorial Hospital and Hotel Dieu Hospital and here the distinguished visitors paid glowing compliments to the up-to-dateness and admirable efficiency of these two local institutions. This was followed by a drive about the town, the autos conveying the visiting party and the reception committee driving in procession. Later in the day Lord Byng at his own request was taken on a brief visit to the golf course of the Restigouche Country Club. Before leaving His Excellency declared Wednesday, Sept. 5th a holiday in the schools.

On Tuesday morning their Excellencies visited Matapedia and upon their return by train to Dalhousie, embarked on the Governor General's yacht for New Carlisle and other points along the Gaspé Coast.

Address of Welcome

To His Excellency, the Rt. Hon. General Lord Byng of Vimy, G. C. B., G. C. M. G., M. V. O., Governor-General of Canada.

May it Please Your Excellency: On behalf of the citizens of the Town of Campbellton we extend to you, our Governor-General, the representative of our Most Gracious Sovereign, King George V., and to Lady Byng, a most loyal and hearty welcome upon this your first visit to our town.

Apart from your present official position we welcome Your Excellency as leader and friend of our young men overseas who won an enviable reputation for good fighting qualities and general efficiency under your command during some of the most anxious times of the great war. We take this opportunity of expressing to Your Excellency our great esteem for the able leadership which you displayed. We therefore feel that we can offer you a double welcome. The Town of Campbellton, founded

NARROW ESCAPE IN AUTO ACCIDENT

Car Considerably Damaged and Occupants Badly Shaken

Dalhousie, N. B., Sept. 5.—Mr. and Mrs. Lester Allan, their daughter Miss Lena and their son Freddie had a very narrow escape from serious injury this forenoon in an automobile accident. They left their home on Adelaide St., for Campbellton to cross the ferry on route to New Brunswick, P. Q., to visit friends. After leaving and getting near the bridge now being rebuilt by the government they gave a team coming towards the highway with a load of stone, the two horses being driven by a small boy through a field road. Young Allan the chauffeur with long experience in care of the horn frequently, but the driver failed to stop and the result was that the horses collided with the side of the car, demolishing the top, smashed glass and gave Mrs. Allan and her daughter a bad shaking up. Miss Allan was slightly injured. The unfortunate incident came in bad for Miss Allan as she fell last winter and broke a limb and it is only since a few days that she has been able to move about with the aid of a cane.

about the year 1798 and settled by Scotch settlers, receiving its name in honor of Lord Campbell, Governor of New Brunswick, situated in the heart of a lumbering district at the head of deep water navigation on the Restigouche River, and through whose port during the summer months is shipped more lumber than through any other port in the Province. It has a population of English, and French united in sentiment and interest. On the 11th day of July, 1910, the town, having at that time a population of about four thousand, was entirely destroyed by fire, with the exception of some ten or twelve houses. However, the people undismayed immediately began to rebuild their homes and places of business, and to-day the town is almost as populous as it was at that time. We cannot point to any great public works of interest but can present from the surrounding hills the natural scenery as is hard to surpass in any country, while our river is known as perhaps the greatest salmon river in the world.

During your tenure of office in Canada we wish your Excellency every success and enjoyment, and trust that in later years the memory of your experience in our Dominion will be full of pleasant recollections. With renewed assurances of our loyalty towards and our love for our revered King, George V., we respectfully request Your Excellency to accept this address as a slight recognition of your worth and express a hope that this may not be the last occasion upon which we may welcome you in our midst.

We have the honor to subscribe our signature and affix the seal of the Town of Campbellton.

Your Obedient Servants,
N. C. McKay, Mayor,
JOHN T. REID, Town Clerk.

Lord Byng's Response.

Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen: I thank you sincerely for your welcome to us to-day and for the expression of your sentiments of loyalty and devotion to His Majesty, which I shall be delighted to transmit to him. In King George we have a Sovereign, who by his untiring efforts on behalf of his people has set an example to the whole Empire. For myself I can assure you that I deeply appreciate your greeting. It is a real encouragement to meet with such sympathy and helps me to understand the aspirations of the Canadian people, so that I hope that I can be of some use to the Dominion during my term of office. You have made kind reference to my services during the war, but our

MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL

Various Matters Taken Up At Meeting Held Tuesday Evening.

A meeting of the Town Council was held Tuesday evening, His Worship Mayor McKay presiding.

Couns. Belle-lale, St. Ouge, Moores, McDonald and Graham were present. The reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was dispensed with. Philip Bujold of the Florence Hotel wrote respecting an old man he had been keeping for the past two months, and who he thought the town should look after. This matter was referred to the Public Charities Committee.

J. King Kelly wrote thanking the Council and citizens generally on behalf of the Union of N. B. Municipalities for many courtesies shown the delegates. He also suggested that the Council appoint the Clerk a permanent member of the Union.

The letter was placed on file and the Clerk appointed a permanent delegate. The Clerk was also instructed to write Mr. Kelly. The usual departmental reports were passed. The regular order of business was suspended in order to hear a delegation from the Athletic Association. (See report in another column.) On reporting to the regular order the business Council Moores moved that the Council give the Athletic Association permission to use part or all of the L. N. R. lot as an athletic grounds as long as the association existed, also that a committee of three be appointed to work with the Athletic Association to help prepare the grounds.

This was seconded by Coun. Belle-lale and carried unanimously. The following committee were named: Couns. Graham, Moores, Belle-lale. Coun. Belle-lale asked for the correspondence, re the Governor General's visit. The clerk produced and read same. Coun. Belle-lale said that he regretted that some one had erred, and that no word of the proposed visit to the Hotel Dieu Hospital had been sent to those in charge, consequently no preparations had been made for the visit and he was afraid His Excellency noticed the omission and had considered it an insult. The blame should be placed where it belonged, and His Worship should have advised the Mother Superior in the morning of the proposed visit. He felt it was the duty of the Council to make proper explanation to the Mother Superior and His Excellency the Governor General.

Coun. Belle-lale moved that a letter of explanation be sent to the Hotel Dieu Hospital and His Excellency. Coun. St. Ouge seconded the motion. His Worship asked Deputy Mayor Graham to take the chair.

His Worship said that the correspondence proved that he had done everything to have His Excellency visit both hospitals. His Excellency had said that he was afraid time would not permit a visit to both hospitals and he had written him pressing him to visit both. He did not know in the morning that the visit would be made, and therefore could not permit a visit to both hospitals and he had written him pressing him to visit both. He did not know in the morning that the visit would be made, and therefore could not permit a visit to both hospitals and he had written him pressing him to visit both. He did not know in the morning that the visit would be made, and therefore could not permit a visit to both hospitals and he had written him pressing him to visit both.

Coun. Moores said that he did not think it was any person's fault, just one of those little incidents which are bound to crop up once in a while. Could not see how the Mayor or the Council was in the wrong. His Excellency had changed his mind and made the visit, and changed it so late that it was impossible to notify the hospital. On being put the motion carried. The matter of finances for the water extension was again taken up but was allowed to stand until the manager of the Royal Bank had been interviewed. The Council then adjourned.

CAMPBELLTON ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION SECURED SITE FOR FIELD

Perseverance of Club Officers Dispenses With Field Problem and Council Board Gives Club Use of "I. N. R. Property"—Council to Assist—Interest Increases And Success Now Assured.

COUNTY ELECTIONS ON TUESDAY

Some Changes in Makeup of Municipal Council—Members Elected.

The elections for County Council were held Tuesday and some interest was created. In addition the first election in twenty-eight years was held and six candidates offered, the results were as follows:

Campbellton	Flatlands
H. C. Gillis..... 197	H. C. Gillis..... 9
P. S. Martin..... 186	P. S. Martin..... 11
A. M. Duncan..... 122	A. M. Duncan..... 45
N. B. McDavid..... 113	N. B. McDavid..... 51
Anthony Boudreau..... 78	Anthony Boudreau..... 31
John Connors..... 65	John Connors..... 5

So far as we were able to learn the following were elected in the different parishes:

Dalhousie—John McKinnon, P. LeBlanc.	Durham—A. Murchie, Paul Doyle, Balmoral—Edward Savoy, F. LeBlanc.
Coburne—A. S. Arsenau, Jackson Miller.	St. Quentin—Jos. Soucier, Fred Malefant.

As the result of admirable perseverance on the part of the supporters of the recently organized Amateur Athletic Club the most formidable problem in connection with its successful organization has at last been disposed of and the Club is to have its athletic field a part or all of what is known as the "old I. N. R. property." Moreover the Town Council has become actively interested in the project and will assist in preparing the site. A meeting of the Executive of the Club will be held tonight at 8 o'clock at the Town Hall and there is no doubt but what success for the new association is now assured. A delegation from the Campbellton Athletic Association composed of Rev. Mr. McNair, Jas. P. Jardine, Harry McLennan, J. W. Howard and G. T. Harding met the Town Council at its meeting Tuesday evening and set fully before the Council the aims of the Association, and requested that the I. N. R. property or a part of same be set aside for an athletic field. Rev. Mr. McNair was the first speaker. He clearly set forth the needs of the town in the line of athletics. The town had good material but it needed developing. It could never be properly developed without proper plan. An athletic field was the first requirement. Together with other members he had visited the I. N. R. lot and found that there was

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