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The Citizens' Meeting

Turned Down School Extension

The result of the public meeting on Monday evening must have been a real disappointment to any citizen interested in the progress of our public school. Last week THE ACADIAN pointed out that the purchase of the property under consideration was the most natural and practically the only direction in which our school-grounds could be extended. That there is need of extension both as regards land and buildings must be admitted. Inspector Robinson stated at the meeting that unless more adequate accommodation were provided the provincial grant would be withheld. The only explanation for the decision reached on Monday evening is that the majority of the citizens failed to realize their responsibility in the matter and depended upon others to put through what was very generally regarded as a most reasonable proposition. On the other hand private interests were arrayed against public interests and brought about the defeat of the plan to increase the efficiency of our public schools and advance the best interests of the town. Those who advocated progress in the conduct of our educational affairs certainly had the best of the argument, but when the ballots were counted it was found that while twenty-nine persons had voted in favor thirty had recorded their objection. The advancement of our public schools in this direction is thus blocked. The need, however, of more accommodation is still a problem that must shortly be faced and overcome.

RECENT EDUCATIONAL LEGISLATION

In Nova Scotia the Provincial School grant has been increased, allowing the same amount to men and women teachers according to the license held, as follows: Class D, \$70; Class C, \$105; Class B, \$140; Class A, \$175; Academic, \$210; and University, \$245. High Schools, \$245 for the year.

The municipal school fund to each school section shall be apportioned at the rate of \$120 for each qualified teacher employed and a small sum in addition for each "rural school library and school garden kept up to the standard of form and efficiency prescribed by the council".

No pupils can legally be admitted to public school without (a) a physician's certificate of successful vaccination; (b) a physician's certificate that by reason of the child's health, vaccination is inadvisable; (c) the declaration of conscientious objection on the part of parent or custodian; (d) a physician's certificate that the child has had small pox.

BASEBALL NOTES

The Yarmouth baseball team, champions of the South Shore league, defeated the Middleton team on the latter's grounds, on Wednesday afternoon, by the score of 9-3. The Middleton team protested the game as three of the Yarmouth players were not eligible to play in the championship series. It is expected that Yarmouth will forfeit the game.

The Berwick team defeated the Annapolis players at Berwick on Wednesday, the score being 15-11.

A total of 236 returned soldiers have settled on farms throughout Nova Scotia, of whom all but 48 are located along the Dominion Atlantic Railway. There remain 161 to be settled.

Social Service Meeting

Successful Gathering at Berwick

A very important meeting was held on the Camp Meeting Grove on Wednesday, 29th inst. It was a representative gathering of all the Social Service Councils of Kings County. The meeting was called to order at or near one o'clock p.m. Rev. Owen Chipman was elected chairman, Rev. H. R. Grant, Social Service Secretary for Nova Scotia, explained the reason of the gathering. Every County in the Province was to be organized to promote the work of temperance people on the Referendum of October 25th, when Nova Scotia is to give a law-making vote on a real prohibition of the liquor traffic. A large nomination committee headed by Mr. E. B. Newcombe, of Kentville, was appointed and these nominated a general committee of representatives of every Ward in the County. Those present agreeing to act and absent workers to be informed of their election to this holy work. The desire of the convention and the determination as voiced by several speakers was that Kings County should roll up a splendid majority for prohibition.

MONDAY'S EAST BOUND FREIGHT LEFT RAILS.

Monday's East Bound Freight left the rails between Beaver Bank and Windsor Junction. Six cars loaded with lumber left the track and were quite badly damaged, their contents being strewn about in such a way as to prevent clearing of the track until early Tuesday morning. It was necessary to transfer passengers on the Bluenose train from Yarmouth and both east and west bound afternoon passenger trains.

CHANGE IN COURSES AT COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE

Beginning with November of this year, two Regular Courses will be offered at the Nova Scotia College of Agriculture. The first will be very similar to the one heretofore given, except that practical training will receive more time, while there will be less of the more purely scientific studies. This course will extend over two years, and will be known as the Farmer's Course. All boys and young men who have had a reasonable amount of farm experience will be admitted, irrespective of school standing.

The other will be known as the Four Year's Course, although for the present at least, only the first two years will be given at Truro. The remaining two years may be taken at any Canadian or American Agricultural College which offers a four years course leading to the B. S. A. degree. This course will require more of the purely scientific studies, and only those who have University Matriculation standing in general education will be admitted to it. This arrangement of Course is also being put in force at Guelph and MacDonald Colleges this year.

Lachute, Que., 25th Sept. 1908. Minard's Liniment Co., Limited.

Gentlemen,—Ever since coming home from the Boer war I have been bothered with running fever sores on my legs. I tried many salves and liniments; also doctored continuously for the blood, but got no permanent relief, till last winter when my mother got me to try MINARD'S LINIMENT. The effect of which was almost magical. After two bottles the sores completely disappeared and I have worked every working day since.

Yours gratefully,

JOHN WALSH.

Educational Conference

Interesting Meeting of Educationists

The Provincial Education Association for Nova Scotia met in College Hall, Wolfville, Tuesday, August 24th at 10.30 a. m. The President Dr. A. H. MacKay gave the opening address welcoming the delegates and expressing gratitude to the college authorities for placing their buildings at the disposal of the association.

Dr. MacKay's address dealt with the problem of the small school section. While we deplore the fact, the small section seems to be a fixture and cannot be done away with in Nova Scotia.

Dr. Brunt followed in a short history of the Beginnings of Five Schools in Nova Scotia. Owing to the absence of Professor DeWolfe of the Normal College, his place on the program was taken by Principal H. H. Blois, who read a carefully thought out paper on Elementary Economics as a High School subject.

Tuesday afternoon a paper prepared by Miss Elizabeth Nutt on Art in the Public Schools was read. A discussion led by Dr. Sloan of the Normal College followed.

In the evening a public meeting was held. This was addressed by President Cutten and Dr. E. D. Burton, Senior Professor of Biblical Literature in Chicago University. Dr. Cutten's address dealt with the use and abuse of Mental Tests, and held the close attention of the audience. Dr. Burton's address aroused the enthusiasm of the teachers. He spoke of the necessity of the teacher having a Vision of the Task. To make citizens is the real task. The teacher must have Personality—that indefinite something that makes him or her a leader. Personality is more than Intelligence; more than Technical Skill. It is Character.

Dr. Sloan voiced the thanks of the teachers for the addresses of the evening.

Wednesday the session opened at 10 a.m. Dr. MacKay in the chair. Two addresses were given. Rev. J. MacDonald spoke on "The Teacher's Place in Agriculture," and Professor DeWolfe gave his address on Rural Science.

Both were listened to with deep attention. At 2 p.m. the Association was addressed by Dr. Royer on Health Teaching, and by Dr. H. H. Woodbury on Dental Inspection. It was alarming to learn that the death rate in Nova Scotia is far higher than in Ontario, and that of Halifax much higher than that of London. More preventable deaths occur each year in Nova Scotia than were caused by the Halifax explosion. All the citizens of Wolfville should have heard both of these admirable addresses.

Wednesday evening was devoted to the purely business side of the association. Two members were elected to the Advisory Board. For the first time two women are to serve on this important Board. The members of the Executive Council were then elected.

The Teachers' Union held an hour's session. The Union has started on a new lease of life, and promises to make itself felt in all branches of educational work.

The Association then adjourned to the Science building where Dr. Wallace gave an illustrated lecture on The Care of the Feeble Minded. The extensive buildings, and the actual work of the Massachusetts Institution, were made clear by means of lantern slides.

Thursday morning the Association listened to two able addresses on the Subnormal Child, the first by Dr. Eliza Brison, the second by Dr. Wallace. The regular business of the session was closed by the adoption of the report of the Committee on Resolutions.

Thursday afternoon a large audience of townspeople, as well as teachers, heard an interesting address by Dr. Vincent, President of the Rockefeller Foundation. Dr. Vincent began by defining Education as the ability to solve problems. Not mathematical problems, but the problems of Life. Our system of education tends to make us mechanical, and automatic. Life everywhere presents new situations. We must be prepared to face new issues, new problems, and to solve them.

Dr. Vincent is a rapid speaker. He carried his audience with him.

As many of the delegates wished to leave on the express east the Association adjourned at four o'clock.

The registration was considerably over two hundred.

The Wolfville schools will re-open on Monday.

Sugar Prices Tumble

Welcome News For Housekeepers

OTTAWA, August 24.—A Government expert on the sugar situation is quoted by The Citizen as stating that while sugar prices are tumbling in the United States, and it is selling in certain places at 17 cents a pound retail, Canadian Wholesalers, jobbers and others maintain their united front to the effect that it isn't going down in Canada. He prophesies that sugar will be around ten cents a pound in the not distant future. He says, of course, the refiners and wholesalers will try to keep up the prices, but economic laws work in such a way as to make it impossible.

The present situation in Canada is that sugar is selling on an average of 26 cents a pound retail. There is no excuse for this, he maintained. The refiners in Canada, it is true, paid 18 or 19 cents a pound for their last lot of raws, but since then the bottom has been knocked out of the boom in the United States and sugar is slumping.

OUR FOOD SUPPLY DEPENDS ON BIRDS

Do we appreciate our birds?

The west is threatened with a grasshopper plague, while in the east the caterpillar is causing havoc among the trees.

Man, by his insatiable slaughter of the birds, has so reduced the balance of nature that the destructive insects are getting the upper hand. Dr. Tolmie, Minister of Agriculture, in introducing his estimates in the House of Commons on May 24, stated that Canada's annual loss from parasites amounted to \$125,000,000, and that in preparation for the expected grasshopper plague alone, there had been purchased 100,000 pounds of arsenic, 2,000 tons of bran and 50,000 gallons of molasses from which to make poisoned bait.

To overcome, or at least to minimize, the caterpillar plague, various methods are being suggested, chiefly that of spraying.

Recently, a woodpecker was noticed at work upon a tree which was being deluged by caterpillars. With the aid of binoculars, it was found that, in one visit to the tree, it secured twenty-four caterpillars. This bird, or another, returned at about quarter-hour intervals, each time disposing of a number of caterpillars.

Birds are the natural enemies of insects and bugs and, without them, we could not successfully combat the pests which destroy our food supplies.

By protecting the birds, we protect ourselves.

THE MONTREAL GAZETTE ADVANCED TO 5 CENTS

MONTREAL, August 25.—The Montreal Gazette carries today an announcement that the paper will on and after Wednesday, September 1st, 1920, be sold at FIVE CENTS, while the subscription price will be raised to TWELVE DOLLARS a year.

The announcement states that the new price represents an advance to subscribers of about one-third the increased cost of publication and that the average percentage increase in costs has been 170 per cent, in the past six years.

Twenty-nine persons lost their lives on Aug. 20th, when the steamer Superior City sank near White Fish Point in Lake Superior after colliding with the steamer Willie L. King.

At the Wicket Again

Wolfville Defeats Kentville

These two teams played a well contested match last Saturday which resulted in a victory for Wolfville, the third victory for the home team out of five games played during the past few weeks. Kentville had a strong team including three new members, Messrs. Murphy, Oyer and Grant, but the bowling of Messrs. Robinson and Spittal was so effective that the visiting team was disposed of for only 32 runs, while Wolfville scored 75. The batting and fielding of the home team was excellent and maintained a remarkably uniform level. Koppel again distinguished himself as our "star fielder", making two difficult catches. Waterbury and White also made two very difficult one hand catches. A large contingent of spectators accompanied the players from Kentville and Mr. Anslow, of the Hants Journal, captain of the Windsor eleven was present and kindly acted as umpire. Windsor and Wolfville will probably play a match next week. Windsor played Bridgetown yesterday and will play Kentville on Saturday. The match between the West Indians and the Valley team is being arranged. The following is the score at Saturday's game:

Wolfville	
Saunders, c Grant b Morel	16
Phipps, b Holland	9
Herbin, c Vereker b Brooke	9
Spittal, c Grant b Walker	9
Robinson, c & b Brooke	3
Koppel, c Vereker b Morel	9
G. Bauld, c Grant b Walker	0
White, b Holland	16
Waterbury, b Holland	0
Smith, not out	1
O. Porter, b Morel	0
Extras	3
	75
Kentville	
Grant, b Spittal	0
Murphy, b Robinson	0
Oyer, b Spittal	0
Foster, c Phipps b Spittal	2
Young, b Spittal	2
Morel, b Robinson	2
Holland, c White b Spittal	7
Vereker, c Koppel b Spittal	2
Walker, c Koppel b Spittal	5
Brooke, c Waterbury b Spittal	2
Clarke, not out	2
Extras	5
	32

WHAT THE COUNTRY NEEDS

More and more we are convinced that what this country most needs is a religion or training that will make a man pay his debts. Shouting does not settle accounts with God or man. Often we want to bounce a fellow right out of church because he went fishing on Sunday, but never say a word to the pious scamp who never pays his debts, and such people are doing the church more harm than any lot of Sunday deserters, for there are more of them in the church. Reader, are we getting close to you? Then lay down this paper and go and pay up and you can read on at ease. And don't you stop paying because the "statute of limitations" excuses the open account which you made for bread and meat. You must pay it in cash or God will make you pay it in fire and brimstone. God knows no such excuse for paying as "homestead exemption." When you raise that excuse to keep from paying your debts you can stop singing. "When I can read my title clear to mansions in the Skies," You've got none up there.

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The Eureka News Agency Phone 228

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... DANCE ...

BY THE SEA!

EVANGELINE BEACH

Friday, August 27

Boston Jazz Band in Attendance