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NEWCASTLE, JULY 8th, 1905.

WHAT UNION ACCOMPLISHES.

Newcastle's successful Dominion
Day celebration is a sample of what
our citizens can accomplish when
they work together with one purpose.
In union is strength. Had they
pooled together as well last October
we should now have had a pulp
mill within the town limits—an in-
dustry that would shortly add very
materially to the population and
wealth of the place. Our past errors
may yet be retrieved if, forgetting
old differences, we in future hold
together and help each other.

NEW TIME TABLE WANTED.

W. S. Loggie, in his Dominion
Day speech, expressed the hope that
as soon as the Indian town Black-
ville railway is finished—which will
be before the end of next autumn—a
new time table on the Fredericton-
Chatham road will be inaugurated,
by which travellers will be able to
leave Boiestown and points to the
Eastward in the morning, visit New-
castle or Chatham, and transact
business, and return the same even-
ing. There is no reason why such
an arrangement should not be made.
Judging from what Mr. Loggie has
already accomplished in aid of the
mercantile interests of Northumber-
land County, we are sure that he
will leave no stone unturned to bring
about the needed improvement in the
I. C. R. time-table.

DOOMED TO DISAPPOINTMENT.

The Halifax Herald and Moncton
Times, hitherto staunch, leading Con-
servative journals, are trying, with
considerable success, to induce the
working men of those cities to forsake
their allegiance to the two old parties
and run independent candidates at
next Dominion election. Possibly
the papers in question are really
interested in the workingmen's hap-
piness; possibly they, despairing of
ever again electing Conservative
candidates in those constituencies,
take this means of weakening the
Liberal cause. If, however, they be-
lieve that the Labor vote can be
delivered to the Conservative party,
they are doomed to disappointment.
The intelligent worker knows that
there is no hope for him in the ranks
of the party led by R. L. Borden and
George E. Foster.

TYRANNY TRIUMPHANT.

Thanks to Russia, the attempt of
the Persians to establish a free par-
liamentary government has for the
time ended in failure. The Shah
has, within two years, sworn to the
constitution four times and as often
broken his oath. On June 22nd, the
parliament sent the Shah an ultima-
tum demanding an answer within
twenty-four hours. They got the
answer. It was bombardment by
Russian troops called in by the cow-
ardly monarch who is willing to ruin
his country if he cannot rule it
otherwise. The Liberal leaders who
failed to escape to the British emba-
sy have been put to death with
revolving cruelties; and the Shah—
reduced to a mere puppet of Russia—
now reigns over a desolate country
and a sullen and heartbroken people.
It is most unfortunate that the fear of
Germany entertained by Britain and
France compels those powers to court
the friendship of the Russian govern-
ment and shut their eyes to its
abominable tyranny.

STILL ANOTHER

POLITICAL PARTY.

That portion of the reform element
of Saskatchewan which is dissatisfied
with Liberals and Liberal-Conserva-
tives but not prepared to accept the
whole of the Socialist program met
in convention at Regina on the 10th
ultimo and after deliberating upon
the political situation organized the
People's Political Association, of

which the following is the platform:—

I.—The public ownership and oper-
ation of elevators, railways, tele-
graphs and telephones, waterworks
and lighting, and all other public
utilities.

II.—The abolition of contract system
on all public works. That minimum
wages be paid for an eight hour day,
subject to local conditions.

III.—Equal rights to all, absolutely
no special privileges to any individual,
municipal body or province.

IV.—That the public domain be ad-
ministered by each province in the
sole interests of its people, and that
the products of mineral and timber
lands, when needed, be made avail-
able to the people under provincial
supervision.

V.—That all money be issued by the
Dominion government, and not by the
banks as at present.

VI.—Tax reform by taxation on
land values.

VII.—Restriction of Asiatic immi-
gration.

VIII.—Compulsory education up to
the age of fourteen years.

IX.—Abolition of child labor under
14 years of age in all branches of in-
dustry, such as mines, workshops,
factories, etc.

X.—Government inspection of all
industries.

XI.—Direct legislation through the
initiative and referendum, with power
to recall representatives if pledges are
not lived up to.

XII.—Prohibition of prison labor in
competition with free labor.

XIII.—That settlers who have had
no pre-emption be permitted to locate
one upon residence and cultivation
requirements, and the payment of \$1
per acre.

XIV.—Abolition of property qualifi-
cations for all public offices.

XV.—Exemption Act to be retained.

XVI.—The payment of the poll tax
and one year's residence to carry with
it full municipal voting powers.

The above platform will, upon close
inspection, be seen to be somewhat
different from, and a little more
radical than, that of the Canadian
Labor Party, which it displaces in
Saskatchewan.

Hardly had the echoes of the Re-
gina convention passed away, before
the Independent Labor Party of
Winnipeg joined the Socialist ranks
by adopting a plank declaring that
its ultimate aim was the collective
ownership and operation of all the
means of production, distribution and
exchange. This practically banishes
the old fashioned Canadian Labor
party from the western half of the
Dominion and although it has still
some influence in Ontario, where it
has one member in the Local Legis-
lature, and in Montreal, where it has
elected one representative to the
House of Commons, its prospects in
the East are not at all encouraging.

THE FRANCHISE ACT.

(St. John Globe.)

The premier has made some im-
portant modifications in the franchise
act, and that measure is now before
the Commons with a reasonable
prospect that as amended it will
become law. Some of the extreme
men in the liberal party do not look
with favor on the changes; some of
the extreme men in the conservative
lines think the measure should not
be allowed to pass even as amended.
Those who listened to the earlier
debates on the subject could not fail
to note that what was proposed was
based upon an endeavor to correct
evils which grew up, not out of the
existing law, but out of the machina-
tions of dishonest men. We have
not yet reached that high state of
civilization in which justice is the
rule and guide of all our actions.
Therefore, in making up the electoral
lists political schemers do not so
much consider what is right abso-
lutely as what is best for the party to
which they belong. A general
statement of this kind is, perhaps,
more applicable to the newly settled
west than to the east. In the older
communities in which men are pretty
well known to each other, in which
so many have lived all their lives, as
their fathers did before them, the
majority of men are disposed to allow
their neighbors names to get upon the
electoral roll in the ordinary way;
but in the west, where there is an
ever-changing population, where men
are newly come, are but recently
naturalized, and may move some-
where else at any time, there is a
great deal of distrust, and though the
franchise act is generous, there is not
generosity in the operation of it.
With one party in power in the
province, and another in the Domini-
on, things are done—according to
some of the speakers—in the face of
high Heaven well calculated to make
men weep. Between all the contest-
ants it is not very easy to hold the
scales of justice in equal poise, but
Sir Wilfrid is endeavoring to do it.
Hence the concessions which he has
made.

PRESBYTERY MET

AT NEWCASTLE

Regular Meeting of Election of
Officers and Appointments of
Committees. Requests Heard

Miramichi met in quarterly session
in St. James' Hall, on Wednesday last
at 11 a. m. Moderator J. G. A. Cal-
houn in the chair.

The following were present: Revs.
S. J. MacArthur, Newcastle, James
Wheeler, Bathurst, J. M. McLean,
Chatham; J. B. MacKay, Tabusintac;
A. D. Fraser, Blackville; A. J. W.
Myers, Black River; Geo. S. Mitchell,
Redbank; R. H. Staver, Harcourt; H.
J. Fraser, Loggieville; Geo. P. Tattier,
New Carlisle; W. B. McCullum, New
Richmond; J. N. McLeod, New Mills;
Elder James Edgar of Chatham.

In the afternoon Commissioners
William McKnight and Duncan Mc-
Naughton of Napan were present and
asked that Napan be given weekly
instead of fortnightly sessions.

The following officers were elected
for ensuing year:

Moderator—Rev. S. J. MacArthur.

Clerk—Rev. J. N. McLeod.

A committee consisting of the Mod-
erator, and Revs. Wheeler and Colqu-
houn, were appointed to strike stand-
ing committees.

Their report, which was as follows,
was adopted:

Church Life and Work—Revs. Mac-
Lean, Dr. Carr, Campbell, Staver,
Mitchell, and St. Andrews Church
Chatham elder.

Home Missions—Revs. MacLean,
Simpson, Myers, Colquhoun, H. J.
Fraser and Dalziel Elder.

Sabbath schools—Revs. Myers, A.
D. Fraser, Geo. Wood, Chatham, J. H.
Kirke, Dalhousie, McCullum and New
Mills elder.

Young Peoples Societies—Revs. H.
J. Fraser, C. A. Hardy, Flat Lands,
Tattier, MacKay, Wood.

Statistics—Rev. MacLeod, Dr. Carr,
Hardy, Wheeler and the elders of
Chapellville and Millerton.

Systematic Benevolence—Revs. A.
D. Archibald, Rexton, Colquhoun,
Staver, Myers, MacCullum and the
Rexton elder.

Augmentation—Revs. McLeod, Dr.
Carr, H. J. Fraser, Wheeler and
Black River elder.

Temperance and Moral Reform—
Revs. F. C. Simpson, Douglastown,
McArthur, H. J. Fraser, A. D. Fraser
and Kirke.

Rev. Mr. MacArthur gave an interest-
ing report of the general assembly in
Winnipeg.

Rev. Mr. Colquhoun was reappointed
treasurer of the Presbytery fund.

Rev. Mr. McLean reported on Home
Mission work.

On motion, Rev. J. R. McKay was
appointed to dispense the communion
in Miscou and Shippegan; Rev. A. D.
Fraser, in Napan and Black River;
Archibald, in Kouchibouguac; Rev. H.
J. Fraser in Millbank; Rev. J. Wheeler
in New Brandon; Rev. C. A. Hardy in
Macphead.

Rev. J. N. McLeod was appointed
Moderator of Doaktown, vice, Rev.
Mr. Colquhoun resigned.

Application was received from Hard-
wicke, asking permission to remodel
their church buildings and to borrow
\$800 therefor.

It was agreed to ask from church
building fund a grant of \$150 for
Hardwicke church.

Memorials were received from the
churches at Napan and Black River
and from St. John's church, Chatham,
asking for incorporation under terms
of new act of N. B. legislature.

AFTERNOON.

Presbytery resumed at 2.30 p. m.

Minutes of the last meeting were ap-
proved and forwarded to Synod fund
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