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STRONGLY FAVOR UNION

North Shore Presbyterian Congregations All For Union All But Two.

All the Presbyterian congregations in the Miramichi Presbytery, but Millerton and Harcourt, who have voted on Church Union have been in favor of it. Additional figures to what we have already published, are as follows:

St. John's, Chatham	For	Ag't
Elders	6	1
Communicants	65	9
Adherents	30	2
	101	12
St. Andrew's, Chatham		
Elders	7	3
Members	80	50
Adherents	46	16
	133	69
Doaktown and Boiestown		
Elders	2	0
Communicants	90	9
Adherents	28	19
	120	28
Miscou and Shippegan		
Communicants	45	0
Adherents	62	0
	107	0
Millbank and Baribogue		
Communicants	15	4
Adherents	9	1
	24	5
Millerton	21	45
Upper Derby	22	11
Chelmsford	32	39
	75	95



OCEAN LIMITED EARLY ON ROUTE

Summer Time Change on Intercolonial Railway June 2nd

The summer change of time on the Intercolonial Railway will go into effect on June 2nd, when the famous Ocean Limited will be placed on the route between Montreal, St. John, N. B., and Halifax N. S., with connections for and from the Sydney, and Prince Edward Island, in anticipation of an early rush of summer travel. The time schedule is expected to be practically the same as last year which means that the "Limited" will leave Montreal at 7:30 p. m., reaching Lewis at midnight, and giving through passengers the opportunity of seeing the famed Matapedia Valley during the earlier hours of the morning, and a view of the beautiful valley of Wentworth, N.S., will be seen in the more mellowing light of early evening, and the train will reach Truro at 8:00 o'clock connecting with the through night express for the Sydney, and arriving at Halifax at 10:00 p. m.

The Maritime Express under the summer schedule will leave Montreal at 8:15 a. m. and through passengers will have the daylight journey through Quebec, and a view of the majestic St. Lawrence as it widens in its course to the sea. Making connection at Moncton with morning express for St. John, the Maritime continuing eastward will reach Halifax at 13:30.

The Ocean Limited will leave Halifax westbound at 8:00 a. m. and the Maritime Express will leave as usual at 11:10 thus there will be a through week day service by two trains equal to the best on the continent.

ROBERT EMMET DRAMATIZED AT OPERA HOUSE

An Extraordinarily Good Play Presented Monday and Tuesday Nights by St. Mary's Choir.

The thrilling drama of "Robert Emmet," presented in Newcastle Opera House Monday and Tuesday nights by St. Mary's Church Choir, was an unqualified success. The players, all local young people showed real dramatic talent and gave every evidence of careful training and full appreciation of their different parts. Each seemed not only to do his or her part willingly and gladly but to enter into the spirit of the play, becoming for the time being the real character supposed to be represented.

The subject of the play was a specially good one for the stage. Robert Emmet, the distinguished and fiery young patriot who—a Protestant of a wealthy and respectable family in high favor with the viceroy of Ireland and the British Government officials in Ireland—gives his life to bring freedom to his countrymen, Catholic and Protestant alike, was represented by D. S. Creaghan. His devotion to his lady love, finally leading him into the hands of the law, and his eloquent vindication of himself before the judge who condemns him, went straight to the heart of the audience.

Miss Donalds, as Emmet's sweetheart, acted her part with dramatic force and great ability. Miss Hogan as the avowed friend of the rebel leader, and again as a cone of contention between Squires McGuire and Healy, each of whom desired her hand, acted with her usual success. G. V. McInerney, as the carefully loyal Irish squire, did his part well, as did C. P. McCabe, E. J. Morris and James Sullivan, faithful lieutenants of the hero of the play. H. Hachey as the tender hearted jailer left nothing to be desired. J. Manderson as the pompous old judge who regards himself as the chief pillar of law and order, could not be surpassed. Miss Donalds acted the happy little bride to perfection, while Miss Sullivan as Kitty O'Connor, the competent maid servant, fulfilled her duties excellently. Miss McCabe had a short part to perform, but did it perfectly. The heavy villains of the play were Gen. M. McDade and F. V. Dalton, the former an officer who goes to the furthest lengths to pay off a private grudge against Emmet and the latter a most detestable spy who betrays for the money that is in it. They acted their parts remarkably well. Their detective work was especially admirable. As usual Mr. McCabe had humorous as well as serious parts to perform and did both with the same acceptance. J. C. Demers as The McGuire, who is at length outwitted by the equally comical Healy (B. D. Hennessy) provided much of the fun of the evening's entertainment. The specialties were very good.

Little May Dunn delightfully represented the old lady of long ago in both recitation and tableau. Then six little maids—Maud Keating, Florence McEvoy, Beatrice Dolan, Bessie Donovan, Maggie Campbell, and Helena Griffiths—acted "six little grandmas" to perfection, very skillfully dancing the minuet, etc.

The Bird Song by Misses Agnes Lawlor and Mary McCarron and Masters Chas. Morris and Leo Keating, was a pleasing feature of the evening. Miss Mae Morrison, accompanied by Miss H. Lawlor on the violin, sang a very sweet solo, and both performers were heartily encored. Miss Donald's recitation—Skimpsey the Jockey and (as an encore) The Bald Headed Man, showed fine elocutory talent.

Much credit is due Miss Nan Quinn and the others who took much pains in preparing for the drama, etc.

The hall was crowded each night.

CAST OF CHARACTERS

Robert Emmet, D. S. Creaghan
 Major Morrison, Traitor & Villain G. M. McDade
 John Philpot Curran
 G. V. McInerney
 F. V. Dalton
 E. J. Morris
 B. D. Hennessy
 J. C. Demers
 C. P. McCabe
 James Sullivan
 J. Manderson
 H. Hachey
 Miss Donalds
 Mrs. O'Donnell
 Miss Hogan
 Miss Morris
 Miss Sullivan
 Miss McCabe

Attempt to Kill Italian King.

Rome, March 14.—Antonio Dalba, a young man calling himself an Individualist Anarchist, shot at the King of Italy several times this morning, but all the shots missed. Dalba is not of full age and the highest penalty for his crime is penal servitude for thirty years.

B. C. ELECTIONS MARCH 28TH.

Vancouver, March 14.—This was nomination day for elections. Two Conservatives were returned by acclamation. For each of the 40 other seats there is either Liberal or Socialist opposition. In the last house there are 39 Conservatives, 2 Socialists and 1 Liberal.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY OBSERVED

Great Parade of Catholic Societies in Chatham Sunday Afternoon, and Eloquent Sermon by Rev. Father Roach.

St. Patrick's Day was exceptionally fine, and many from Newcastle, Nelson, Douglastown, and other places drove to Chatham to fittingly celebrate the day.

The A. O. H. divisions of Chatham, Newcastle, Douglastown, and St. Margaret's; The C. M. B. A. divisions of Chatham, Newcastle, Loggieville and Nelson; the Chatham Knights of Columbus; St. Michael's R. C. T. A., and others lined up at St. Michael's Opera House and, with St. Patrick's and St. Mary's bands, marched to the pro-cathedral. The societies presented an excellent appearance and numbered about 400 strong. The bands were in fine trim and played very nicely.

At the Cathedral a vast audience was addressed by Rev. Thos. Roach, who spoke with great eloquence for forty-five minutes, after which mass was celebrated.

Father Roach paid a high tribute to the life and labors of Ireland's patron Saint and to the Irish people, whose lot after so much persecution had lately been so greatly altered for the better and which in a few days would be very much more improved. Ireland's religion had kept her men strong and brave and her women models of virgin purity and maternal love and tenderness. Though it would now seem that, in the day of Ireland's good fortune, the A. O. H. was no longer needed, yet it was needed more than ever to combat infidelity and Socialism, and preserve the holy institution of matrimony. The church looked to Irishmen in general and the A. O. H. in particular to preserve the faith of God and the purity of the home.

IN DOMINION PARLIAMENT

Surplus of \$39,000,000 Over Ordinary Expenditure. Debt to be Reduced by \$1,000,000.

Ottawa, March 13.—The salient features of the budget speech are: The largest surplus on record namely, \$39,000,000, being the difference between a total estimated revenue for the current year of \$136,000,000 and an expenditure on revenue account amounting to \$97,000,000.

Capital expenditure for the year including an extra outlay of \$5,000,000 to implement the Grand Trunk Pacific bond guarantee, met out of revenue, with a balance left for debt reduction amounting to \$1,150,000. No tariff changes and no bounty renewals, pending investigations by the new Tariff Commission.

The Manitoba boundary bill was read a third time. Manitoba gets her extra territory unconditionally. The Lamarche—Mondon amendment in favor of separate schools for New Manitoba was defeated, 160 to 24. Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Hon. R. L. Borden voted together against separate schools. Of the 24 who favored the amendment 17 were Liberals (all French Canadians but two from Ontario) and 7 were Conservatives—Nationalists of Quebec. Dr. Beland's amendment, that a conference take place between the Dominion and Manitoba to ascertain what vested rights separate school had in Keewatin and, if so, how they could be safeguarded, was supported by the Liberals and defeated 107 to 52.

SUDDEN DEATH OF EX-CONDUCTOR SPROUL

Dr. H. Sproul received word Sunday evening of the sudden death of his father, ex-Conductor Sproul of Sussex, one of the most widely known trainmen on the I. C. R. Mr. Sproul had many friends on the Miramichi, which he used to visit annually, having besides Dr. Sproul of Newcastle, another son a doctor in Chatham.

Minard's Liniment Relieves Neuralgia

THE COAL MINERS' STRIKE

240,000 German Miners Out and Those of the United States May Follow on April 1st.

London, March 15.—The Government's efforts to secure a settlement of the coal strike by effecting an agreement between the coal mine owners and their employees, have failed. After three days of joint conferences, the negotiations were broken off this evening and legislative action now will be invoked to secure a minimum wage for all the underground coal workers. In making this announcement to the conference to-day Premier Asquith said:

"The Government has done all in its power to secure a settlement of the controversy by an agreement, and they have come to the conclusion, with great regret, that this is impossible and that other measures must therefore be taken."

The Prince Minister stated that the government would ask from Parliament a legislative declaration that a reasonable minimum wage, accompanied by adequate safe-guards for the protection of the employees should be made a statutory term of the contract of employment of the people engaged in underground coal mines. The miners' delegates expressed satisfaction at the turn affairs have taken.

Brussels, March 14.—It is believed that the strike, which threatened all the Belgian collieries, will be averted, as the owners are showing a disposition to concede the increase demanded by the men. The Mariemont colliery has already granted a five per cent. increase.

New York, March 15.—The United Mine Workers of America will not compromise a single demand that they have made of the anthracite coal operators," declared John P. White, president of the mine workers, yesterday afternoon. "I look for a general suspension of work in the anthracite coal fields on April 1st," he added.

The bituminous miners have asked for a ten per cent. increase in wages and the operators have offered in reply, to make a new agreement reducing wages ten per cent.

"We expect to get the increase in the bituminous section," Mr. White said to-night. "Should the unexpected happen there is little doubt that the bituminous men will also favor a strike or that the policy committee should recommend such action."

CENSUS OF NORTHUMBERLAND

The following are the census returns for Northumberland County:—

	1911	1901
Alnwick	3,893	3,334
Blackville	2,591	2,439
Blissfield	1,040	997
Chatham	2,088	1,756
Derry	991	847
Glenelg	1,294	1,337
Hardwick	1,476	1,299
Ludlow	1,100	993
Nelson	1,985	1,948
Newcastle	1,642	1,623
North Esk	1,789	1,664
Rogersville	2,390	1,797
South Esk	1,304	1,134
Chatham, t. v.	4,666	4,868
Newcastle, t. v.	2,945	2,507
	\$1,194	28,543

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