

THE EDUCATION QUESTION AT GRAND FALLS.

Large Public Meeting in the Town Hall
—The Town's Committee Proposals
for the Establishment of a First Class
School Carried by Large Majorities.

For the past few years the educational question at Grand Falls has been given a great deal of attention, and the Town Committee here has been recently working very assiduously towards a solution of the difficulty that would suit, and be agreeable to all parties. The difficulty lies in the fact that each denomination is too small to provide a really first class separate school of its own, as is indeed the case throughout Newfoundland.

The Town Committee's proposals are embodied in the following document, and a mass meeting of all residents at Grand Falls was called together on April 1st to discuss and decide by popular vote whether these proposals should be adopted.

Grand Falls Town Committee,
March 24th, 1910.

Gentlemen.—We herewith tender our report on the proposed School including the scope of the syllabus and the ways and means of maintaining the said School.

1. (a). Instructions in Elementary Subjects to the usual Standard.
(b). The advanced section of the School will provide teaching in the following subjects:—

Literature—English.
Logic—Deductive.
Mathematics—Algebra, Euclid, Trigonometry, Mensuration, Plane and Solid Geometry, Mechanical Drawing.

Languages—One Classical, one Modern.
Physics and Chemistry—Mechanics, Electricity, Magnetism, Sound, Light and Heat.

Physiology—Physiography.
Natural Sciences—Geology, Botany, Domestic Economy—Girls.

Agriculture, including Horticulture or Manual work—Boys.

2. The estimated cost of maintenance, we judge, \$3,500.00, made up as follows:—

Teaching Staff	\$2,500.00
Rent and Repairs	800.00
Fuel and Attendance	200.00
Total	\$3,500.00

Our suggestion to meet this would be:—

(1). Educational Grants	\$500.00
(2). Contribution Town Committee	400.00
(3). School Fees, say	150.00
(4). Voluntary Contributions,	100.00
Total	\$1,150.00

Deficit \$2,350.00.
This, you will observe, leaves a deficit of \$2,350.00.

We find it difficult to formulate any plan for securing this amount, but it has been suggested that some portion of this deficit would probably be made up very willingly by the residents of Grand Falls, especially those whose children would reap the benefit of the first class educational facilities.

It is well known it is the Company's earnest desire that really first class school facilities should be provided, and we are authorised to say that if the parents and people are willing to come forward as suggested below, the

Company will be willing to provide the capital cost of a first class School Building, with its main equipment, and to pay the rental which will reduce the deficit to \$1,550.00, and further to contribute an amount each year which will correspond in some ratio to be agreed upon to the amount subscribed by the residents.

The plan suggested is:—That the employees of the Company in Grand Falls, receiving the minimum wage paid to men be asked to subscribe the sum of 10c. per month, and all those receiving a higher wage a proportionately higher amount with a corresponding scale of fees for non-employees of the Company to be arranged by the School Committee.

It is suggested that such School Committee shall consist of the following:—

- Two to be elected by the Company;
- Six to be elected by the people;
- And one representative of each denomination which shall make the usual "per capita" contribution towards the School Funds, to be nominated by the Superintendent.

With this report we shall leave the matter to you for decision.
Yours faithfully,
(Sgd.) T. S. POOKE,
Sec. Town Committee

Mr. Beeton was voted into the chair and opened the meeting by asking Mr. T. S. Pooke, Secretary of the Town Committee, to read the Town Committee's Report, and the debate on the resolutions then commenced.

The following is the text of the resolutions submitted:—

(1). In the opinion of this meeting it is desirable to establish at Grand Falls such a school as will provide facilities for a first class education for the children of those residing at Grand Falls and in accordance with the suggestions submitted by the Town Committee, and read at this meeting;

(2). That the scale of contributions as suggested by the Town Committee be adopted, and that the offer of the Company to provide and equip the School Building be accepted;

(3). That the foregoing resolutions be recorded in the minutes of the Town Committee which is hereby authorised to take such steps as may be necessary to put this scheme into operation with the least possible delay.

The chairman in laying before the meeting the proposals pointed out the gravity of the questions involved, and the pleasure that should be felt by all at seeing their importance being recognised by the large attendance present. Not only would the decision this meeting should come to bear fruit in the present generation, but "or many more to come, for it would affect the lives, characters, and careers of the boys and girls who would be the future men and women of the next generations.

Contrasting education in Newfoundland, where the schools are poor and ill equipped, with that in England, America and the Continent, where the very best and newest equipment is thought none too good, he said that in his opinion Newfoundland has fallen so far behind other countries mainly for three reasons, namely:—first, financial; second, geographical; and thirdly, lack of co-operation and the inability to sink differences of opinion in the cause of what should be a common creed, viz., the best education for the children.

Financially, because the resources of Newfoundland are already severely strained in keeping up the regular Government services so that the surplus available for educational purposes was comparatively small.

Geographically, on account of numberless very small settlements being scattered over the bays and inlets of the coast, and the absence of large communities gathered in one place, intercommunication between these little settlements being very difficult.

Grand Falls has suffered, thirdly, on account of the lack of harmonious co-operation in common with the rest of Newfoundland, and even more than the rest because strictly speaking Grand Falls had no existence as far as the education law was concerned. Nor would it exist till after the next census had been taken, which would be in 1912.

Therefore, as the chairman pointed out, we must take action now. The Superintendents of Education had helped us out of a tight corner dur-

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ing the last few years by handing over special donations out of their special funds, which were voted as "Grants for Destitute Localities."

The chairman went on to say that the Company hopes to make the best paper because it has the best "Stock" (as the papermakers slang terms their "raw material") in the world.

The boys and girls of Grand Falls were also as good as the best "Raw Material" in the world, and they wanted to turn out the best men and women in the world.

The first resolution was then read, and Mr. Frew proposed it.

Mr. Frew thanked Mr. Beeton on behalf of the audience for his eloquent speech in opening the meeting, and pointed out that the present school building at Grand Falls was not very good, and certainly not large enough, for some children had to be refused on account of lack of space. The offer of the Company was a splendid one and should commend itself to every intelligent man and woman.

Mr. Hickman seconded the resolution, and said that what Newfoundland wanted was energy, which comes from education, and this was the most pressing need in Grand Falls. The education provided for in the Syllabus just submitted is better than any given in any other outpost. "Where is the man who is not going to provide for his children? Surely he is far-seeing enough to realize that his children must have a good education to succeed nowadays. Who would not give 10c., nay, 50c. a month to utilize such a grand offer as has been made us?"

The question was supported in a few well chosen words by Mr. A. Corner.

Mr. Leary asked the chairman if any provision was made for religious training in the school, and Rev. Fr. Dwyer wished to know what kind of religious atmosphere was to be around the school, for it was essential to Catholics to know.

Mr. Beeton pointed out that under the Town Committee's proposals the people would elect by popular vote a School Committee who would deal with all such matters, and every question appertaining to the management of the schools.

The resolution was then put and carried amid applause by 121 votes to 40.

The second resolution was proposed by Mr. Josiah Goodyear, who spoke of the miserable means of education in vogue in his youth, while to-day in Grand Falls there was held out a magnificent offer of a school second to none.

"Nothing of public benefit can be had if the people do not pay, and why should not the men of Grand Falls subscribe, each according to his means?"

Mr. M. S. Sullivan addressed a very well framed remarks to swell the tide in favour of the motions.

The third resolution was then read and carried by 114 votes for and 21 against.

This concluded the adoption of the resolutions for the evening, and all listened to the chairman's closing remarks with a feeling of satisfaction in having done their best for the future welfare and success of the children of Grand Falls.

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stirring speech, seconding the resolution and supporting Mr. Goodyear. He thanked Mr. Beeton for showing his interest in the welfare of Grand Falls, and also for representing the Company, of which he is President, and which was doing so much in the interest of the children.

"What mother would not like to see her child equipped for the fight of life? What mother would not hasten to avail herself of the opportunities now held out?"

Perhaps some denominations would not like to join in the Amalgamated School. Well, if that were so they could have their own schools and subscribe for the purpose, and he knew that the Company would give them the necessary land.

It was very hard for all to see eye to eye in such matters, and that was the reason why Newfoundland was so backward in education. But here there would be a school, built by the Company without expense to the people, costing \$8,000 or \$9,000 and given for all time rent free; and not only this but a donation in money proportionate to the amount collected from the people on the monthly subscription system.

It was co-operative work that told, and that alone would solve the complex educational problem in Grand Falls.

The Rev. Mr. Whittle pointed out that a religious atmosphere was not a detail but a very large factor in a child's life in a Christian country.

Mr. Dover then expressed the opinion that in Grand Falls denominational differences were greatly to be regretted, and that in a small place like Grand Falls all should join together for the common good. The religious side of education could far better be left in care of the parents and Sunday Schools.

The chairman hereupon reminded the audience that such discussion was departing from the order of the resolutions, and that these questions would be decided by the School Committee to be elected under the proposals.

The chairman's remarks were followed by Mr. Sheppard's opinion that the school should be undenominational.

The second resolution was then read and the vote taken; it was passed by 129 votes to 14.

The concluding resolution was brought on the table by the chairman, and Mr. Gay proposed it with an exceedingly pleasant oration. He pointed out that he was not a Newfoundland but hoped to stay in Grand Falls and become as one of its own people.

He had experience in his boyhood days of such a school as the promised one, in which he received secular education, while to his mother and father he owed his religious training. His experience was that the importance of up-to-date education could not nowadays be over-estimated.

He had great pleasure in proposing the resolution and did not doubt that the Town Committee would bring the business entrusted to them to a successful issue.

The platform was then occupied by Mr. T. Judge, who spoke as a Catholic. Not being a resident of Newfoundland he was not familiar with the ways and customs here, and was not aware of the keen difference of opinion existing on the subject of education, and how vital was the question. The Catholic Church and the Anglican Church did not look favourably on undenominational education, but the offer made by the Company was generous in the extreme, and the proposals put forward by the Town Committee were the best that could be made under any circumstances. Any other community would be fortunate under like conditions.

Mr. Saunders next gave his views in support of the resolution, the gist of which was the advantages to be derived by working together one and all.

Mr. Willett also contributed some well framed remarks to swell the tide in favour of the motions.

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Newfoundlander Drowned.

Another half masted vessel was in the harbor Tuesday, March 29, the fishing schooner Elva L. Spurling coming in with a flag in her rigging for the loss of one of her crew, John Yetman, of East Boston, who was lost from his dory during a heavy blow Monday afternoon while fishing about 20 miles southeast of the Cape Elizabeth Lightship. Capt. Gould, the master of the Spurling, says that during the forenoon thirteen men went out in their dories and at 1 o'clock all but one of them had put back. As Yetman did not show up with the rest the schooner commenced cruising around where he was last seen, and about 3 o'clock his dory was found floating bottom up. The wind was blowing heavy all through the forenoon, increasing to a gale during the afternoon, and the rest of the men had hauled their trawls as quickly as possible, hurrying to the schooner

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Mr. Laurence Carew, of Broad Cove, B. B., arrived in town by last evening's express. "Larry" walked 75 miles to take the train at Clarendville. He left his home at 9 a.m. on Saturday and arrived at Clarendville 7.30 on Sunday night. Mr. Carew is very much interested on the Festival of Empire, and is thinking of joining the party that will be leaving here in June to attend the festivities.

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M. C. L. I. MEETING.—The annual meeting of the M. C. L. I. will take place to-morrow night.

Sergt. Corbett, the Guard at the police station, who had been ill for several days, is now somewhat improved.

FUNERAL TO-DAY.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Chafe took place at 2.30 p.m. to-day from her late home 230 Coronation St.

BILLIARD DINNER.—The Masonic Billiard Tournament dinner will take place at Wood's Restaurant to-night.

BUYERS RETURNED.

A number of buyers returned by the Siberian from England yesterday where they had been purchasing goods for the summer.

DONATIONS FOR ST. BONAVENTURE'S DANCE.—The ladies of St. Bonaventure's Association request that those who so kindly promised donations for the dance on Wednesday night will send them to the British Hall on that day before 6 p.m. if possible.