

## STILL HOPE FOR ORGANIC UNION

Rev. James Ross Home from Toronto Meeting

### ONLY DELAYED

Judge Forbes Says That Union of Presbyterian and Methodist Congregations Will Come—Total Vote for Canada Shows Three to One Proportion.

Rev. James Ross returned on Saturday from Toronto, where he attended a meeting of the Presbyterian committee on church union, leaving during a lively debate on a resolution finding that the vote of the Presbyterian churches in Canada did not warrant organic union with the Methodist and Congregational churches. This resolution was adopted by a vote of 16 to 3 and it carried by the general assembly will mean that union will not go through for the present at least.

### Finding of Committee.

The resolution was proposed by President Falconer, seconded by Rev. Dr. Armstrong, and read as follows:

"This committee is of the opinion that the large vote of the church in favor of organic union demands some definite action in the direction of closer union between the negotiating churches, though the strong minority in opposition shows that organic union is not feasible at present. It recommends that the union committee be re-appointed to continue such negotiations as the general assembly may order relating to union with the Methodist and Congregational churches in the belief that organic union may yet be consummated. The committee is of opinion that the assembly should proceed at once in the direction of cooperation as far as practicable in the organic work in home and foreign fields, also in the educational work in the theological colleges and in the official publications of the negotiating churches."

An amendment moved by Rev. Dr. Sedgewick, of Dartmouth College, N. B., advising that the matter of church union be allowed to remain in abeyance but that the negotiations be not broken off, was defeated.

Judge Forbes, one of the members of the original joint committee, when informed of the committee's action, said it did not mean that union was defeated. It was possible that the assembly would not accept the recommendation for union was in the air and must eventually come.

### Total Vote.

Out of 69 presbyteries, the committee had reports from 65 on which to base their action.

The questions on which a ballot was taken were: First: "Are you in favor of organic union with the Methodist and Congregational churches?" Second: "Are you in favor of the proposed basis of union?"

The vote on question one is as follows: Elders—Yes, 6,245; nay, 2,473. Members—Yes, 106,755; nay, 48,278. Adherents—Yes, 37,175; nay, 14,174. Total number of elders reported to last assembly, 287,944. Total number of elders who voted, 8,718. Total number of communicants who voted, 155,833.

Ninety per cent of the eldership of the church voted.

Sixty-four and one-half per cent of the total eldership of the church voted for union.

Twenty-five and one-half per cent of the total eldership of the church voted against union.

Fifty-four per cent of the membership of the church voted.

Thirty-seven per cent of the total membership of the church voted for union.

Seventeen per cent of the members of the church voted against union.

Of the elders who voted, 71.2 per cent voted in favor of union and 29.1 per cent against; of the members, 69.4 per cent in favor and 31.1 per cent against; of the adherents, 72.1 per cent in favor and 27.9 per cent against.

The combined total vote of elders, members and adherents was 150,175 for union and 64,928 against.

Percentage in favor of union, 69.34 per cent; against, 30.14 per cent.

The vote cast on question two is as follows: Elders—Yes, 5,104; nay, 2,192. Members—Yes, 77,993; nay, 37,167.

The vote in the Methodist churches is strongly for union as indicated by the result in the Queen's square church yesterday, as follows: For, 124; against, 9.

## DEBT WIPED OUT AT CENTENARY

Monday, Apr. 8.

Centenary church is now free of debt. This pleasing condition was made possible by the generous contributions of the congregation at the Easter services yesterday which brought to a close the active campaign, which has been energetically carried on for several years. At both services yesterday the collections were very large and after the evening sermon, the financial statement was presented by the treasurer of the church, C. F. Sanford. The report showed that the day's collections added to the amount that already had been subscribed had reached a sum sufficient to clear of the church debt.

Following the announcement the Doxology was sung with deep feeling by the congregation. The pastor, Dr. C. R. Flinders, addressed the people briefly, remarking that this was the first time that the Doxology had been sung in Centenary church with the knowledge that the church was free of debt.

The disappearance of the debt comes as a fitting event to mark the close of the pastorate of Dr. Flinders, for in whose guidance the congregation has made substantial progress in both spiritual and material affairs. Dr. Flinders said on Saturday that he had decided to accept the offer tendered him by the First Methodist church of London (Ont.), but that the acceptance would not call for his leaving here until June of next year.

He had been released by the board of the First Methodist church in Charlotte town from his promise given to become pastor there, and this allowed him to accept the offer.

## RAPID GROWTH IS INEVITABLE

C. P. R. General Manager Believes in St. John

### WORK TO BE STARTED

Building of Yards on West Side and Extension to Mill Street Warehouse Decided Upon—Says St. John is Natural Gateway and Will Grow With Country.

"While unable to give the particulars, I can tell you that as a result of my visit to St. John that the C. P. R. will begin important work on the west side in a few days."

This was the Easter message which Dr. McNicoll, vice-president and general manager of the C. P. R., left for St. John on his return to Montreal Saturday evening and it is believed that he referred to the building of temporary protection at Blue Rock and the beginning of yards on the forty acre lot acquired from the city in exchange for the 600 foot strip. Mr. McNicoll also announced that an extension would be added to the new C. P. R. freight warehouse in Mill street and that further development in this district was being planned by the company. Mr. McNicoll said he had not heard of the reported diversion of the main line from Hilyard street into the city for the purpose of making more room.

The plans for the new elevator are now in hand and Mr. McNicoll says that this building with a capacity of 1,000,000 bushels is likely to be completed for the season of 1913-14. It is also understood that the general manager while here had under consideration the securing of new general offices for the C. P. R. in the city.

### Only Natural Gateway.

When asked generally about the prospects for St. John, Mr. McNicoll said that the wisecracker, although they knew nothing about it, were perfectly safe in predicting such things for St. John. The port was the only natural winter gateway for the whole of Canada and the trade of St. John would grow with the development of the country as a whole. Solid growth, however, depended upon industries and he hoped these could be secured by holding out more encouragement to employers and outside labor to come to the city.

When asked about the reported car shortage and congestion in the west, Mr. McNicoll said that he hoped the time would never come when there would be no congestion of grain.

"It would be a very bad sign," he said, "if the C. P. R. or any other railway had cars ready waiting for business. So long as there is some complaint that there are not enough cars to carry the trade there will be good times."

Mr. McNicoll said that the C. P. R. was not inclined to blame the railways of the United States for the car shortage. He said that on the other side of the line as there were many American cars in Canada and this was a matter which would adjust itself.

Mr. McNicoll was accompanied to Montreal by Capt. Walsh, C. P. R. marine superintendent, who will return here, however, before the end of the winter port season. Capt. Walsh does not expect to leave St. John before the first of May.

## MONCTON MAN TELLS OF PROGRESS IN THAT CITY

Real Estate Active and Natural Gas is Wonderful Asset—Greater Publicity Needed.

Friday, Apr. 5.

A. H. Jones, a prominent real estate man of Moncton, was in the city yesterday on business and to a Telegraph reporter he gave some reasons why Moncton is to be in line for forward advance which the whole province is making at the present time. Mr. Jones said that by Sunday natural gas would be burning under the boilers of the Moncton Tramways Gas and Electric Company, turning the wheels of the street cars and the lighting plant. He said that the concern which has been burning natural gas for about two weeks figured they were saving one-half the cost of coal.

Mr. Jones predicts that Moncton will grow in the direction of Sunny Brae and Lewisville and says there are few very reasonable prices in the water and sewerage district at the present time. He looks for the railway into Albert county to come into Moncton through the oil and gas well district crossing the Petibou dioc at Moncton on a bridge also suitable for highway traffic.

He believes that the 1917 Club of the St. John board of trade might very easily secure the co-operation of Moncton men in their back to New Brunswick campaign if Moncton is included in the excursion to be run from St. John and given a share of the attractions. No systematic advertising of Moncton's advantages has yet been done and the importance of the oil and gas discoveries is hardly realized by the outside world. The visitors from the United States and Western Canada could not help but be impressed with the gas fields eleven miles from Moncton.

Mr. Jones has been trying to interest manufacturers in some sites he has laid out along the I. C. R. through Moncton and announced yesterday that the Havelock Mineral Springs Company would remove its plant from Havelock to Moncton.

When sewing on buttons, especially on garments that are to be laundered, if the knot in the thread is placed on the upper side of the garment, so it will come under the button the button will not come off easily. In washing the knot is rubbed off and the thread loosens.

To make gelatin harden quickly, use only half the boiling water called for. When the gelatin is dissolved and the other ingredients added, mix in the rest of the water, cold, and in a few minutes, instead of a half hour, the jelly will be cold enough to put on the ice.

## OBITUARY

Dr. Isaac K. Funk.

Montclair, N. J., April 4.—Dr. Isaac K. Funk, founder and president of the publishing firm of Funk & Wagnall, died at his home here yesterday. He had suffered an attack of acute indigestion about two weeks ago, and failed to rally. A son and a daughter survive him.

Mrs. James McBride.

The death of Mrs. James McBride occurred at her home in Ambridge on Sunday morning last after an illness of eight days. She was forty-nine years old. She was greatly loved and respected by all who knew her. She is survived by her husband, one son, James McBride, of St. John, and four daughters, the daughters being: Mrs. Richard Malloy of Portland (Me.), and Misses Pearl, Edith, and Hattie. Mrs. McBride was the eldest daughter of the late John and Maria Rodgers, of Long Reach. She leaves two brothers and three sisters, Charles and George, and Hattie, Mary, and Jennie all in the West.

George Dunham.

George Dunham, a life-long resident of Grey's Mills, Kings county, died suddenly at his home last Friday of heart disease. He was seventy-eight years old and was well known to the public, having for years attended the St. John river boats at Dunham's Landing. He was the pioneer in sturgeon fishing on the St. John river.

Walter B. McCurdy.

St. Stephen, N. B., April 4.—(Special.)—Walter B. McCurdy, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel McCurdy, died at the home of his parents, in excess street, this morning after several months illness. He was first stricken with typhoid, and before fully recovering from that was operated upon for appendicitis and this was followed by peritonitis, resulting in his death. He was seventy-eight years of age and leaves to mourn their dead loss besides his parents two brothers—Howard of the C. P. R.; Arthur, with H. Estabrook, St. John and two sisters, Gladys and Alley at home. The funeral will take place Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

F. H. Young.

Frank H. Young, who will be remembered by many friends in this city, died in New York on Monday morning, April 2, after a long illness. He was born in Montreal on Saturday last. He was employed with Scovill Bros. & Co. before leaving St. John, and in New York he had been engaged at the same firm. He was thirty-three years old and single. His death resulted from an attack of pneumonia. Sydney C. Young, of this city, is a brother, and is also survived by his mother, residing in Montreal, two other brothers and two sisters.

Mrs. Samuel F. Matthews.

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The death occurred yesterday at noon of Mary J., beloved wife of Samuel F. Matthews, of St. Matthew's street. Her sister, the late John Allingham, was born in Ireland and came to St. John when twelve years of age. She died a large amount of work among the poor. The funeral is to take place Saturday afternoon from her late residence, 275 Princess street. The service is to begin at 2:30 o'clock.

James Howes.

Sussex, N. B., April 5.—(Special.)—James Howes, a well known and highly respected citizen of the town, died this evening at his home, aged 58 years.

Mr. Howes was an employee of the I. C. R. for many years. He was in charge of the water supply for the railway here. A few weeks ago he was stricken with paralysis and kept gradually sinking until the end.

Mr. Howes was formerly a resident of St. John, and while there was connected with the Everett foundry, and when he came to Sussex was the Howes Foundry & Manufacturing Company. He was married to a Miss Edith, and had three sons—James E., at home; Ernest, formerly manager of the Park Hotel, St. John, and Willard, of the I. C. R.

The funeral will take place Monday at 10 o'clock. Service will be held at St. Francis church, conducted by Rev. Father McDermott and interment will be made at Ward's Creek R. C. cemetery.

Miss Mary Frye.

Frederick, April 5.—(Special.)—The death of Miss Mary Frye occurred today at the home of her nephew, George D. Gilbert, Burton. She was 92 years of age and was long suffering. She is survived by her husband, J. A. Frye, and three sons—James E., at home; Ernest, formerly manager of the Park Hotel, St. John, and Willard, of the I. C. R.

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Fulton McDougall.

Moncton, N. B., April 5.—(Special.)—Fulton McDougall, former manager of the Royal Bank of Canada here, passed away in Boston about 10 o'clock this morning. Although citizens had been prepared for the bad news, yet the death of Mr. McDougall was heard with widespread regret. He had been a resident of Moncton about thirty years and had made a host of warm personal friends. He took little interest in civic affairs and was a prominent and active member of the St. John club.

Mr. McDougall, prior to coming to Moncton, was manager of the Royal Bank in Montreal (N. S.), being the son of the late William McDougall, a well known ship-builder in his time. He entered the bank's service in Pictou where he was well known. He was fifty-one years old and was twice married. His first wife was a Miss Dawson, of Pictou, and his second wife, who died three years ago, was Miss Black, daughter of the late J. B. Black, Skerville. Three sons—Arthur, in the Royal Bank, Toronto; Charlie, at McGill; Jack, at home, and four brothers and three sisters also survive. Two sisters are Misses Hannah and Hannah McDougall at present in Moncton.

Besides being widely known as a bank man, Mr. McDougall had many acquaintances and friends among the citizens of the city. In April, last year, while in the Pictou, Italy, Mrs. Drake was attacked by neuritis, which finally caused her death. She had not visited St. John for some years, but it is believed that she would have heard of her death with much regret.

Mrs. M. J. V. Drake.

A despatch from Baltimore says Mrs. Mattie J. V. Drake, wife of Rear Admiral Franklin J. Drake, U. S. navy, retired, died in Johns Hopkins Hospital in that city on Thursday. The funeral services were held in St. Ignace church, and the remains were interred in Arlington cemetery, Washington.

Mrs. Drake was the youngest of the three daughters and the only one to marry in her native city. Timothy McCarthy, in his day a prominent St. John coal merchant and shipowner. In the last fifteen years Mrs. Drake was in her native city, where she was on service in those parts and she spent some time as a resident of California. Baltimore has been her late place of residence. She was well known in Pictou, Italy. Mrs. Drake was attacked by neuritis, which finally caused her death. She had not visited St. John for some years, but it is believed that she would have heard of her death with much regret.

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Mrs. Elizabeth Emery.

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The death of Mrs. Elizabeth Emery, widow of James Emery, occurred yesterday afternoon at 1 o'clock at her residence 277 King street east, after an illness of nine months, heart trouble being the final cause of her death. She is survived by two daughters, Miss Ada and Miss Laura, and three sons, J. Herbert and A. Wallace Emery, of the firm of Emery Brothers, all living at home, and Frederick B. Emery, of Boston. Mrs. Emery, who before her marriage, was Miss Elizabeth Phillips, was born in Leeds, England, in 1834, and came to St. John with her parents when eleven years of age. She was a member of the church of the Disciples of Christ, and has many friends throughout the city who will regret her death with sincere regret. The funeral will be held from her late residence on Tuesday afternoon, the service commencing at 2:30 o'clock.

Mrs. Robert J. Campbell.

Word has been received here of the death in Calgary, Alberta, on April 5, of Mrs. Helena M. Campbell, wife of Robert J. Campbell. She was the daughter of the late James and Ellen Campbell, formerly in Everett (Mass.), and moved to the west about six years ago. Besides her husband, she is survived by one son, Edward, aged seventeen, and three daughters and three sisters. The brothers are T. J. Galbraith, of Lormeville; James A. Galbraith, of St. John, and S. H. Galbraith, of Calgary. The sisters are Mrs. M. J. Cavour, of Lormeville; Mrs. M. J. McDermott, and Mrs. W. M. Cavour, of this city.

James Smith.

Hopewell Hill, April 5.—James Smith, a well known resident of Harvey, died at his home here yesterday, after a long illness. He was 66 years of age and was survived by his wife, Mrs. Mary Smith, and three children. The funeral will take place Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

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