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ACADIA DEBATERS WIN FROM KINGS

Winners Contend Time Has Not Come to Grant India Political Status of Dominion

The Acadia debating team was victorious over the King's College team in the Intercollegiate debate held in the auditorium of the Baptist church here Friday evening. The subject was: "Resolved, that the time has now come, when, in the interests of the British Empire, India should be granted the political status of a Dominion."

King's upheld the affirmative, and Acadia the negative. Acadia was represented by R. B. Curry, T. W. Cook, and E. B. Paul, while the King's team consisted of H. B. Ross, T. G. Bennett and F. J. Keble. The judges were D. Macgillivray, of the Canadian Bank of Commerce; President, Rev. H. R. MacPherson, of St. F. Xavier; and Rev. George Farquhar, of New Glasgow. Dr. F. W. Patterson, President of Acadia, acted as chairman. The church was well packed with an enthusiastic audience.

Mr. Ross, leader of the King's team, in opening for the affirmative, stated that the issue itself is clear cut; India is a sick person in our midst; temperature and ill feeling are at fever heat. Mr. Ross went through the history of India in its development from a military and commercial province to its present position. The government is divided into the Provincial government and the central government at Delhi.

Although India would seem to have self government under the present condition, such is not the case, he said, for the Indian Legislature has no jurisdiction whatsoever over the handling of the public funds. A responsible government is one that is responsible to the people, but India's Government is irremovable by the people governed. Mr. Ross showed the similarity between the present situation and the one in this Province prior to 1840, when there was need of immediate change, and the change was brought about.

R. B. Curry opened the debate for the negative by agreeing with the opponents that India should be granted self government, but he took issue with them on the question of responsible government, which in India would be impossible because of the present conditions. The record of British rule in India warrants the statement that it is good. It respects the rights of minorities, and before Indian Government would be successful, the race would have to give up its narrowness and intolerance.

The ruling Government in India has spread support. For instance, if the Hindus were in power they would have to show respect for the rights of the Moslems, Parsees, and numerous other religious sects.

Mr. Curry then dealt with the question of India's fitness in terms of national advances. The Government of India would be in the hands of the educated minority who constitute the upper classes, such as the Brahmans, and they would immediately take advantage of their position to further their own ends.

Ninet per cent of the men and women, he said, can neither read nor write; they are blindly superstitious, and would inevitably become the prey of their higher brothers. Until these people have shown fit responsibility for the costly experience of self government they have not yet reached the time when they should be granted it.

T. G. Bennett, second speaker for the affirmative, dwelt on the fact that although India pays to England 25 to 30 million pounds every year, she received no direct equivalent for it, and no country can stand such a condition as this without asserting itself. The spirit has spread throughout all India that she must be given the place of a true partner in the Empire, such as Australia and South Africa, or that she will be outside the Empire altogether. Mr. Bennett cited the similarity of India's case to that of France in the Revolution, and also to the U.S.A. in the struggle for independence.

T. W. Cook, the second speaker of the negative, took up the question from the standpoint of the religious barriers, and outlined his case under the three headings: 1. Mohammedan versus Hindu; 2. Caste; 3. Outcaste. Nothing, but Britain has kept the two religious bodies from each other's throats. Gandhi himself has stated that his dream for Muslim

WOLFVILLE ORGANIZED FOR RELIEF WORK

Committees Appointed to Solicit Food, Clothing, and Money for Destitute Miners.

In accordance with an announcement made at the various churches on Sunday a meeting of citizens in which the ladies largely predominated, was held at the Council Chamber on Tuesday afternoon to consider ways and means of providing assistance to those in need in the colliery sections of the province.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Hemmeon Mayor Chambers was asked to preside, and in a brief address he outlined the purpose of the meeting and his reason for calling it. On motion Mrs. R. W. Ford was appointed secretary. It was suggested that the meeting organize by appointing three committees for the purpose of soliciting food, clothing and money for the benefit of the suffering families of the miners. This action was decided upon and the following committees were appointed:

Committee to collect clothing—Mrs. H. W. Phinney (convener), Mrs. J. D. Chambers, Mrs. L. H. Eaton and Mr. G. K. Prescott.
Committee to collect food—Mrs. Roy Forbes (convener), Mr. J. C. Mitchell, Dr. Leslie Eaton, Dr. J. C. A. M. Hemmeon, Mrs. W. M. Black.
Committee to collect cash—Mr. H. Y. Bishop (convener), Prof. Sutherland, Mr. A. G. Cowie, Mrs. W. O. Taylor and Mrs. (Dr.) J. H. MacDonald.

Mayor Chambers was appointed general chairman of all those committees. Mayor Chambers read a letter from Mr. J. Alfred Elderkin, who suggested that an effort be made to collect and ship a carload of apples, potatoes, turnips and other vegetables, and provisions towards the relief of the sufferers. Mr. Elderkin volunteered to furnish a contribution and solicit other firmen in this vicinity. On motion his name was added to the food committee to which the proposition was referred.

Reference was made to the proposed visit on Wednesday of Mrs. John McPherson, of the Glace Bay relief committee, who is touring the province in the interest of this most worthy work. It was decided that arrangements be made to have Mrs. McPherson meet the several committees at the Council Chamber in the afternoon and that a public meeting of citizens be held at the Baptist church in the evening, at which meeting Dr. Marshall was asked to preside.

Mrs. MacDonald generously offered to entertain Mrs. McPherson during her stay in Wolfville.
The secretary was instructed to arrange for advertising the meeting by hand-bills, and Dr. MacDonald and Dr. Hemmeon were appointed a committee to secure the attendance of representatives from Grand Pre, Gaspereau, Greenwich, Port Williams and other sections.

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

At a special meeting of the School Board held on Saturday evening last, Mayor Chambers and Coun. Roach and Macpherson were in attendance.

The meeting was called for the purpose of considering matters relating to the teaching staff for next year that required attention before the regular time of meeting.

Miss Olive Wickwire, who has been a valuable member of the staff, tendered her resignation to take effect at the end of the present year.
Misses Troop, Locke, Westhaver and Ritchie were re-engaged for the ensuing year, their salary being increased to \$700, the same as is paid to other teachers.
A letter was read from Mrs. Nina Davidson, who has been on furlough during the past year, stating her intention to resume her position at the beginning of the next term.
A number of applications were read from teachers desirous of receiving appointments should any vacancy occur, and these were filed for future reference.

MAY RETURN TO ENGLAND TO DISCUSS INDIAN ISSUES



Earl Birkenhead, Secretary of India in the Baldwin Government, has extended an invitation to the Earl of Reading, Viceroy of India, to return to London on a short leave of absence in order that they may have a personal discussion on Indian affairs. The above is a recent photograph of the Earl of Reading and Lady Reading, who will accompany her husband to England.

OTTAWA, March 30.—"The government has not decided on a date for a general election. So far as I am concerned the matter has not been considered," said Premier King, in the House this afternoon.

The question came up when Robert Forke, leader of the Progressives, read a Canadian Press despatch from Winnipeg, which quoted Hon. E. J. McMurray, Solicitor General, as suggesting an election following the prorogation of parliament.

While Mr. Forke was reading the despatch William Duff, Liberal, Lunenburg, called to the Progressive leader: "Speak for yourself, John," and the House rocked with laughter while the prime minister rose to make a reply.

GASPEREAU

The play entitled "Aaron Slick from Punkin' Crick" was given in the Hall, Thursday evening, was repeated Friday evening, and was greeted with a full house each night. All seemed to enjoy the program very much, as a goodly number returned to hear it the second time. The cast was as follows: Aaron Slick—Kenneth Hunter. Mrs. Rosy Berry—Miss K. Fraser. Mr. Wilber Merriew—Percy Baker. Clarence Green—Avery Duncanson. Gladys May Merriew—Mrs. E. O. Davison.

The Girl in Red—Mrs. D. L. Coldwell. Little Sis Riggs—Evelyn Miner. Proceeds amounted to over \$91.00. We are very sorry to hear Mr. Wyile Nowlin met with a bad accident on Monday last by cutting his finger when sawing wood, the finger having to be amputated.
Mrs. Clara Hunter, who spent the winter in U.S.A., has returned to her home here.
Mr. William Millett has returned home after spending several months in Toronto.
Mr. Milford Kinney, who spent the winter with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Kinney, returned to Boston on Tuesday of this week.

"THE PEN IS MIGHTIER"

A debate was held recently by the members of the literary society at Paradise, Annapolis county, on the subject: "Resolved, that the Press exerts or has exerted a greater influence for good in the moulding of public opinion than the Platform."
There were three speakers on each side and the discussion was interesting and informing. At the close a vote of the members was substantially in favor of the affirmative.

W.C.T.U. MEETING

The regular meeting of the W.C.T.U. was held at the home of Mrs. D. G. Whidden on Monday afternoon. The devotional exercises were led by Mrs. Nowlan. The business part was conducted by the president, Mrs. Taylor. A goodly number were present and much business was done.

ASSISTANT TO TOWN CLERK APPOINTED

At Regular Meeting of Council Last Evening—Number of Ladies Present—Aubrey Dakin Appointed Superintendent of Streets

The regular monthly meeting of the Town Council was held last evening with the Mayor and all the Councillors present. After the reading and confirming of the minutes of meetings of March 4th and 19th the Mayor announced that in consequence of matters which the Health Officer wished discussed the Council would meet first as a Board of Health before proceeding with the regular business.

Dr. deWitt brought up the matter of the tenements in Pleasant street, owned by Mr. J. D. Sherwood, and which had been condemned last fall and ordered to be either made habitable or destroyed.

Mr. Sherwood, who was present, was heard and stated that in the case of one of these the necessary repairs had been made, while in the other case it was found impossible to make the premises fit for occupancy and the destruction of the house would mean turning the occupants out with no possibility of their securing other accommodation.

The Council then resumed and heard the reports of the various standing committees.

For the Streets Committee Coun. Leslie reported expenditures during March \$362.01; the Committee on Water and Fire, through its chairman, Coun. Porter, reported an outlay of \$91.25; Coun. Rosch, for the Sewer Committee, reported an expenditure of \$10.75; the outlay on account of Police Committee, according to the statement of Coun. Mitchell, the chairman, was \$12.50; and for the Poor Committee, its chairman, Coun. Combs, reported an expenditure of \$20.00.

Macpherson, the chairman of the Finance Committee, presented the statement for March, verified by the auditors. It showed receipts \$1416.12 and expenditures \$1917.71. The debit balance at the end of the month was \$13,150.53.

NOVA SCOTIA COAL FOR ONTARIO

TORONTO, March 31.—That Ontario's future source of coal supply is Nova Scotia, and not Alberta, was the opinion expressed by Hon. R. H. Stevens, M.P., former Minister of Trade and Commerce, who is in Toronto today.

The fact that railway cars would have to go back to Alberta empty, he thinks, would make it more expensive to bring fuel from the West than by water from Nova Scotia.

The Simson farm at Melanson has been purchased by Mrs. J. L. Martin and will be occupied by her son, "Bud". This property is a valuable one and THE ACADIAN congratulates the new owner on its acquisition.

SUBSIDIES GRANTED FOR BASIN SERVICE

D. A. Railway to Build New Boat for Wolfville-Parasboro Route

PARRSBORO, March 31.—Subsidies totalling \$8,000 have been granted the Dominion Atlantic Railway towards the re-establishing of the steamship service between the ports of Parrsboro, Kingsport, and Wolfville, and, as a result of these grants, a new steamer capable of accommodating the increasing tourist traffic over this route will be constructed at an early date.

George E. Graham, general manager of the D.A.R., F. J. G. Comeau, general passenger agent, and Laurie Ells, superintendent, were in Parrsboro today interviewing shipbuilders with reference to the construction of the steamer.

The service between the ports mentioned was only recently discontinued by the railway because of the fact that insufficient government subsidies were given. A few days ago, however, a delegation from the Parrsboro Board of Trade, consisting of President E. B. McDade and H. T. Smith, had a conference with the government at Ottawa, and succeeded in obtaining a federal subsidy of \$5,000 per annum for the line.

In addition to this a telegram received from Hance J. Logan, M.P., yesterday, announced that a further mail subsidy of \$1,000 per annum had been secured from the Post Office Department for the proposed service. These amounts, with a subsidy of \$2,000 a year from the Provincial Government, bring the total grant to \$8,000.

It is understood that the officials of the D.A.R. will leave here today and will make their report to the head office of the Canadian Pacific Railway, after which matters with regard to the construction of the vessel will be settled. Extra accommodations for the transporting of motor cars will be afforded and the towns interested in the route which the steamer will take, are enthusiastic over the fact the scheduled sailings are to be resumed.

MISSIONARY ADDRESSES B.Y.P.U.

Last Tuesday evening the Baptist Young People's Union had the privilege of listening to an interesting address delivered by Miss Wilson, returned missionary from Bolivia, S.A. During the past month the B.Y.P.U. has included in its program the study of pioneer missionary work in Bolivia, and Miss Wilson's address made a fitting climax to its mission study.

The speaker chose as her topic "The Joy of the Missionary Life," thus relating to a secondary place the hardship and sacrifice which such a life involves. She also gave an interesting picture of life among the natives of South America, and displayed a bridal costume of the South American Indian woman. After the meeting Miss Wilson exhibited many articles of South American workmanship, such as wearing apparel, musical instruments, dishes, etc., and explained their manufacture and use.

In spite of the disagreeable weather there was a good attendance and much interest was evinced in the message of the evening.

LOSS TO CANADA

That position at a salary of \$45 per month, beginning March 16th.

Town Solicitor Withrow presented a draft of a bill to amend Chap. 107 of the Acts of 1924, respecting the recent extension of the West end sewer. The cost of this work was at first estimated to cost \$5,000 and a vote of the citizens to authorize that amount was secured. Subsequently it was decided to make changes in the plans which considerably lessened the expense. Debitures for the full five thousand dollars were issued, and three thousand dollars' worth of these were sold. The entire cost of the work amounted to only eighteen hundred dollars. The amendment asks for authority to spend the balance of the full amount of five thousand dollars in other sewer extensions.

On motion the bill was accepted and ordered to be sent to the legislature for enactment.

Town Topics

Tid-bits on the Tip of Everybodys Tongue

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Congratulations

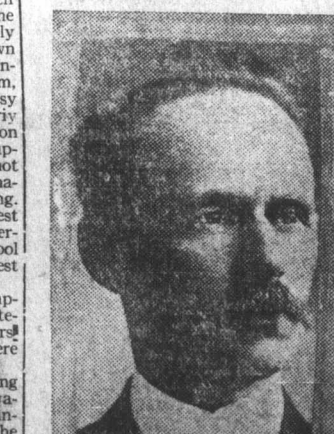
Moirs Ltd. associate themselves with the people of Halifax, Dartmouth and a dozen other communities in felicitating Rev. Joseph Hale and Mrs. Hale on the Golden Anniversary of their Wedding.

Presentations, speeches, showers of confetti and a three decker wedding cake, frosted in gold, were features of the celebration held in honor of the event last week.

And meanwhile Moirs are receiving inquiries for June wedding cakes, thus linking the present with the past.



General Lord Henry Seymour Rawlinson, Commander-in-Chief of the British forces in India, died last Friday night, following an operation for appendicitis. Lord Rawlinson's term in India would have expired in November.



Rev. Dr. J. G. Shearer, General Secretary of the Social Service Council of Canada, who died suddenly at Toronto last Friday evening following an attack of angina pectoris and pneumonia. He was in his 66th year, and had just returned from an arduous six weeks' convention campaign in the Maritime Provinces.