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Communication With  
the Mainland.

From Hansard of June 6th, we  
quote the following extracts of a  
speech by Mr. Martin, member for  
Queen's County. The item of  
supply under consideration was  
\$375,000 for maintenance and re-  
pairs to government steamers and  
ice-breakers, including steamer  
Arctic.

Mr. A. Martin. When this item  
was up before I referred to the  
new ice-breaker which it was  
proposed to place on the straits of  
Northumberland for the winter  
service between Prince Edward  
Island and the mainland of the  
Dominion. At that time we  
laboured under some disadvantage,  
because a return which I asked  
for on that matter was not laid  
on the table of the House. That  
return has since been brought  
down, and I hold it in my hand.  
There was some difficulty in dis-  
cussing the matter at that time  
from the fact that the whole  
province was up in arms against  
the proposition made by the  
Minister of Marine to send the  
'Montcalm' down to perform that  
service in the place of the new  
boat which his predecessor pro-  
posed to have built. The minister  
said that the 'Montcalm' was one  
of the best boats in the world and  
the best in America, and that he  
had the authority of Mr. Duguid  
for saying that she was adapted  
to perform the service between  
Prince Edward Island and the  
mainland. Mr. Duguid was an  
expert who was brought from  
England at a salary of £500 ster-  
ling a year and expenses to report  
on the new steamer which was to  
be built for that route. I have  
looked over Mr. Duguid's report,  
and there is nothing in it to show  
that he ever uttered a word in  
favour of the 'Montcalm' being  
placed on the route. The 'Mont-  
calm' was designed for another  
service altogether, and she has no  
means of loading or unloading  
freight, which will be required in  
a boat going into that service.  
The proposal is to change and re-  
model the 'Montcalm' so as to fit  
her for the service. The question  
for this committee to consider is  
whether the 'Montcalm' was or  
was not actually required for the  
route for which she was obtained  
two years ago. If she was not  
required, it was a waste of public  
money to build her expressly for  
that route. It may be that there  
was something to unfit her for  
service on that route, and the  
minister proposes to transfer her  
to a service which is more difficult  
to perform. Mr. Duguid does not  
say that the 'Montcalm' is suit-  
able for that service. Here is  
what he says.

At the consideration as to  
the difficulties of the winter ser-  
vice in the Northumberland  
Straits, and the necessity for a  
larger and more powerful boat  
through the ever increasing traffic,  
I beg to recommend that a vessel  
of about the following dimension,  
specially designed and strongly  
constructed, due regard being paid  
to the great strains experienced  
and the high power developed,  
will be the means of providing a  
suitable service between Prince  
Edward Island and the Nova  
Scotia ports:

Length B. P., 250 feet.  
Breadth mid., 42 feet.  
Depth 26 feet.  
Draft, mean, about 18 feet 3  
inches.  
Displacement, about 3,250 tons.  
Speed in knots, 15 to 16.  
Horse-power, 5,000 to 5,500.  
The report goes on to say that  
the vessel has to be equipped in  
accordance with the most modern  
and up-to-date practice, and that  
the hull should be so shaped as to  
resist crushing by ice, and that  
she should be provided with

special facilities for loading and  
unloading cargoes. Now, any-  
body who knows anything about  
the 'Montcalm' knows that she is  
not fitted for loading or unloading  
cargoes. This report says that  
the cost of that vessel would be  
about \$350,000. I have also here,  
as showing the importance of this  
question to the province which I  
have the honour to represent, a  
petition from the merchants of  
the province, a petition from the  
legislature of the province and a  
resolution passed at St. John by  
the maritime board of trade. I  
am quoting these to the minister  
because I think he has not been  
as much impressed with the neces-  
sity of some improvement on that  
route as his predecessor was. The  
late Hon. Mr. Prefontaine, having  
come into contact with deputations  
from the province, and having read  
these petitions from the legisla-  
ture and from the merchants of  
the province, and taking into con-  
sideration all the circumstances,  
was deeply impressed with the  
necessity of something being done  
to improve the means of com-  
munication between the province  
and the mainland. The maritime  
board of trade, which knows the  
requirements of the country, and  
knows especially the difficulties  
of this communication in the  
winter, passed this resolution:

It would appear that the time  
has come when it is necessary to  
take action in the direction of  
providing a thoroughly reliable  
and permanent connection between  
the two shores.

Here is the resolution passed  
by the Maritime Board of Trade  
held at Yarmouth on August 16,  
1905:

Whereas, the province of Prince  
Edward Island entered the  
Canadian confederation under  
specific terms as to continuous  
communication; and, whereas,  
such communication has not to  
this day been accorded to her;  
and, whereas, much loss and very  
great hardship is occasioned to her  
yearly in the winter season espe-  
cially, owing to the want of per-  
manent communication, her natu-  
ral progress and the extension of  
interprovincial trade being there-  
by greatly hampered and handi-  
capped; and, whereas, no pro-  
vince of Canada, irrespective of  
size or population, should be with-  
out at least one permanent and  
efficient system of communication,  
provided it can be afforded by the  
reasonable expenditure of public  
money, since such system is essen-  
tial to the intercourse of the dif-  
ferent parts of the federation and  
leads greatly to up-build and con-  
solidate them; therefore,

Resolved, that this Maritime  
Board of Trade in annual conven-  
tion assembled request, and does  
hereby urgently request, the fed-  
eral government to complete the  
terms of confederation with  
Prince Edward Island by the  
construction and operation as  
soon as possible of a railway tun-  
nel under the Straits of North-  
umberland, the only sure, per-  
manent and adequate system of  
communication available; and,

Further Resolved, that the sys-  
tem of navigation in vogue, pend-  
ing the construction of the tunnel  
be made as perfect as may be, the  
new ice-breaking steamer to be  
built being equipped with all the  
modern improvements for such  
vessels, and by employing one of  
the fleet of ice-breakers on what  
is known as the western route.

Mr. Martin pointed out that  
while in this resolution of the  
Board of Trade advocated the  
building of a third boat, it also  
most strongly urged the construc-  
tion of a more permanent and  
sure way of making connection  
between the Island and the main-  
land. Estimating the cost of a  
tunnel at \$10,000,000, he shows  
the annual cost would be about  
\$515,000. The annual cost of the  
two steamers he places at \$248,-  
000. He expressed his belief that  
while a new steamer should for a  
while be put on the route, the al-  
ternative proposition would have  
to be adopted.

'I do not wish,' said Mr. Martin,  
'to take up the time of the com-  
mittee, but I think the representa-  
tives of Prince Edward Island

should know why this change  
was made. How is that the gov-  
ernment, after deciding to give  
better communication last year,  
has now given up that plan and  
resorted to this method of carry-  
ing on the service, which after all  
will not be any improvement on  
the present. Last year the pro-  
posal was to build two new  
steamers—one for the St. Law-  
rence below Quebec and the other  
for Prince Edward Island; and  
the government has only built  
the one for Quebec and has  
neglected to build the one for  
Prince Edward Island.'

Address to Rev. Mat-  
thias J. Smith.

On Sunday the 2nd inst., Rev. Mat-  
thias J. Smith, who had been ordi-  
ned priest on the previous Friday,  
celebrated his first solemn High Mass,  
in his native parish church, St.  
Joseph's, Kelly's Cross. After Mass  
a committee of the parishioners waited  
on him at the residence of his brother,  
Mr. M. A. Smith, Maplewood, and pre-  
sented him with the following address,  
which was read by Mr. John Bradley:

Reverend and Dear Father:—It is  
with feelings of great pleasure we  
come today to tender you on behalf  
of the parishioners of St. Joseph's our  
warm congratulations on this happy  
occasion, the celebration of your first  
Solemn Mass.

It has always been a marked feature  
of every community to watch with in-  
terest the career of her young men,  
and to rejoice with them in the suc-  
cess they may have achieved, either  
at home or abroad, in their chosen  
professions. Permit us to say that  
your native parish is no exception to  
this rule. We, who have known your  
boyhood could not fail to observe  
your punctuality in the discharge  
of your duties and your close application  
to study, nor could we fail to respect  
and admire your truthfulness, affa-  
bility and modest demeanor, coupled  
with all the enabling qualities of a  
Christian young man which were re-  
flected in your every day life and  
which gave promise of your future  
success. When a mere boy in your  
teens you entered upon the arduous  
and responsible duties of teacher, and  
so well and faithfully did you labor  
in the schoolroom that soon you stood  
in the front rank of your profession  
deservedly recognized as one of the  
most successful teachers of the pro-  
vince. Nor did you allow the keen  
interest you took in your special duties  
to lessen, in any way, your usefulness  
as a member of society. Every move-  
ment tending to the social, moral or  
intellectual advancement of the com-  
munity found in you a ready, active  
promoter and a generous enthusiastic  
supporter.

While it is true that communities  
rejoice in the success of their young  
men in general, it is equally true that  
in none of her members does a parish  
take such a deep and sympathetic  
interest or more heartily rejoice at  
their success than those of her sons  
who by their exemplary lives, learn-  
ing and piety prepare themselves to  
worthily enter God's Holy Ministry.  
We feel sure that your whole life has  
been a continuous preparation for the  
sacred office to which it has pleased  
God to call you. It is therefore with  
feelings of unfeigned pleasure that we  
the parishioners of St. Joseph's offer  
you our warmest congratulations on  
your elevation to the exalted dignity  
of the Priesthood. Nor need we tell  
you with what joy and gladness we  
assisted at your first Mass this morn-  
ing and received your blessing the  
first time your hands have been raised  
in benediction at God's Holy Altar.  
Here it is but fitting to say that the  
pleasure we feel on this occasion  
is heightened by the fact that the  
eloquent sermon of this morning came  
from the lips of another talented son  
of St. Joseph's parish.

Your scholarly attainments and  
brilliant course of studies eminently  
fit you Reverend Father to discharge  
the functions of your sacred office  
and give assurance that in the ex-  
ercise of your priestly duties you will  
reflect credit upon yourself and your  
native parish and do honor to the  
Diocese.

We feel confident that in whatever  
portion of God's vineyard He may  
choose to call you, your zeal, untir-  
ing energy and perseverance will win  
success, and your labors be abundantly  
blessed.

In conclusion, Reverend Father, we  
cherish the hope that in your minis-  
trations, particularly when offering the  
Adorable Sacrifice of the Mass you  
will ever remember the people of your  
native parish.

That God may give you health and  
length of years to labor in His service,  
that your work may be abundantly  
blessed and when the Loving Master  
bids you rest from your labors may  
the reward of the "good and faithful  
servant" be yours, is the earnest  
prayer of the parishioners of St.  
Joseph's.

We remain Reverend and Dear  
Father on behalf of the parishioners  
of St. Joseph's.

Your Humble Servants,  
To this address, Rev. Mat-  
thias J. Smith made a suitable reply.

Minard's Liniment Cures  
everything.

St. Dunstan's College  
Alumni Endowment  
Fund.

Amount previously reported	\$3,402.11
Rev. J. J. McDonald, Kinkora	100.00
Rev. J. S. Gallant, St. Dunstan's	25.00
College	
Rev. Bernard Praught, Oakland	10.00
California	
Rev. Thos. H. Trainor, Cache	10.00
Bay, Ont.	
Prof. J. A. McDonald P.W.	25.00
College	
Mr. A. E. Arsenault, St. Side	10.00
Mr. Joe. M. Condon, Me-	
ganic, P. Q.	5.00
	\$3,587.11

## DIED

On June 30th, at Afton Road, Lot 36,  
Angus McEachern, aged 45 years, leav-  
ing a sorrowing widow and seven small  
children, seven sisters and two brothers  
to mourn their loss, besides a large  
circle of friends and acquaintances.  
At Reskin, July 1st, James Jack,  
aged 83 years.  
At New Perth, June 27, John Kane  
aged 81 years.  
At Millville, the 9th inst., William  
McGee, in the sixty-sixth year of his  
age. May his soul rest in peace.

If you want anything at  
any time, and cannot come  
yourself; just drop us a postal,  
and we shall be pleased to  
send you samples and give  
you any information of any  
line of goods offered in a  
first class store like ours.  
Stanley Bros.

## The Prices.

Butter, (fresh)	0.20 to 0.22
Butter, (salt)	0.00 to 0.20
Calf skins	0.00 to 0.12
Ducks (per pair)	0.80 to 1.00
Eggs, per doz.	0.14 to 0.15
Fowls (per pr.)	0.75 to 0.90
Chickens (per pair)	0.08 to 0.07
Flour (per cwt.)	2.30 to 2.40
Hides	0.94 to 0.10
Hay, per 100 lbs.	0.42 to 0.45
Mutton, per lb (carcase)	0.04 to 0.07
Oatmeal (per lb)	2.50 to 0.00
Potatoes (buyers price)	0.22 to 0.25
Pork	0.08 to 0.84
Sheep (per cwt.)	0.75 to 1.00
Sheep pelts	0.10 to 0.12
Sturgeon	0.12 to 0.00
Turkeys (per lb)	0.00 to 0.00
Geese	0.46 to 0.48
Blk oats	0.00 to 0.00
Pressed hay	0.00 to 0.00
Straw	0.00 to 0.25

Our mail order depart-  
ment is growing rapidly—  
every mail brings us orders  
from different parts of the  
country, and we have invari-  
ably given the utmost satis-  
faction. If anything by any  
possibility might be wrong,  
we are always here to make  
it right. Stanley Bros. The  
Always Busy Store; Char-  
lottetown.

## Souris Tea.

The Parishioners of St. Mary's, Souris,  
will hold their annual Tea in aid of the  
new Church in the beautiful church  
grounds

On Wednesday,  
The 18th July, 1906.

Every effort will be made to make  
this gathering one of pleasure, comfort  
and amusement to all patrons. As  
Souris is the most charming summer  
resort in this Province, yearly visited  
by countless tourists from the neigh-  
bouring Republic and all parts of the Do-  
minion, a visit to it at this season of the  
year will be most enjoyable. It is well  
worth a visit to see the magnificent  
stone church, admitted to be one of the  
very finest in the Dominion of Canada.  
Remember the day and the date and  
cancel all other engagements and come  
to the great Souris tea on Wednesday,  
the 18th July.

STATIONS.	FARE.	TRAIN DEPT.
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