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MILLERTON MAN MAKES SHARP REPLY TO ANTI UNIONISTS

The Chatham Commercial Recently Contained the Following Interesting Communication:

Dear Sir:—One hesitates to discuss denominational differences in the public press, but in view of the large interest taken by the general public in the question of Church Union, and in view of the many unfair and misleading statements heard at the Anti-Union meeting in the Presbyterian Church at Chatham on Friday evening, I would like the privilege of setting before the people a few items of documentary evidence. I do this for the sake of the people who may wish to know what the official records say.

First, then, with regard to the question of "coercion," Rev. Dr. Duncan sought to create the impression that the action of the General Assembly has been overbearing, tyrannical and unjust. Let us read the exact instructions of the General Assembly, meeting at Port Arthur, Ont., in June last, to its official committee on Church Union, which is as follows:—

"The Committee is hereby empowered for, and on behalf of, the General Assembly, in its conferences with the like committees of the other negotiating Churches and by such conferences with representatives of the minority to use its best efforts, by amendment of the proposed legislation or otherwise (consistently with the principle and general form of the legislation as approved by the Assembly) to maintain the unity of the Church, or if that be impossible, then to reach a satisfactory agreement with the minority in reference to the name and status of the non-concurring congregations and division of the denominational property and rights of the Presbyterian Church in Canada without recourse as far as possible, to the Commission referred to in the said legislation."

In following these instructions the Assembly's Committee on Union, acting for, and on behalf of the Joint Union Committee of the negotiating churches, issued the following statement:—

"The Committee resolved to draw the attention of any minority in the Presbyterian Church to the readiness of the Assembly's Committee on Union to receive and consider all Suggestions and Recommendations in terms of the above, or to Confer Formally or Informally with any minority in terms of the above up to December 1st, 1923."

This offer to negotiate has been before the anti-unionists since last June. Does this sound like "coercion?" The fact of the matter is, Mr. Editor, that the inside history of the Union negotiations for the past twenty years shows that the majority has been exceedingly patient and charitable with the minority ever since there was a minority. On each and every occasion those in favor of this great forward step have used their utmost efforts towards conciliation and peace. The great movement has been delayed on two or three occasions in the interests of conciliation. This policy of Christian forbearance and patience is still being practised, and is evidenced by the fact that men like Rev. Mr. Mackintosh and Rev. Dr. Duncan are given the privilege of church buildings though they carry on a campaign in direct opposition to the decision of the church constitutionally expressed. Several persons in the audience on Friday evening last had a burning desire to answer the baseless contentions of the speakers but patiently desisted. The intelligent people of Chatham themselves are quite capable of judging between the spirit of these speakers and that which dominates leaders of the Unionist movement.

Again, because Unionists are seeking an Act of Parliament to incorporate their church, Dr. Duncan would be a "Parliamentary Church" and "in bondage to the State." Let the incorporating Bill speak for itself on this point.

Spiritual Independence.
"Section 26—Notwithstanding anything in this Act contained, it is hereby declared:

"(a) That the said Union of the negotiating Churches has been formed by the free and independent action of the said churches through their governing bodies and in accordance with their respective constitutions, and that this Act has been passed at the request of the said Churches in order to incorporate the United Church and to make necessary provision with respect to the property of the negotiating churches and the other matters dealt with by this Act.

"(b) That nothing in this Act contained shall be deemed to limit the independent and exclusive right and power of the United Church to legislate in all matters concerning its

doctrine, worship, discipline and government, including there in the right and power from time to time to frame, adopt, alter, change, add to or modify its laws, subordinate standards and formulas and to determine and declare the same of any of them, but subject to the conditions and safeguards in that behalf contained in the basis of Union."

In conclusion allow me to say that I have every respect for those who cannot conscientiously see their way clear to favor Union, but it gives me a feeling of sadness and disgust to see the discussion of a great religious issue cheapened and degraded by personal aspersions and baseless innuendo. Let us "speak the truth in love."

Yours truly,
W. McN. MATTHEWS.

Millerton, N. B.
Nov. 24, 1923.

BUMPS EM OFF JUST TO KEEP IN PRACTICE

New York, Dec. 5.—Barlow Diamond one of the eight suspects arrested for the murder and robbery of the two West End bank messengers in Brooklyn, on November 14, yesterday refused to accompany the detectives through the slums in quest of the two gunmen the prisoners accuse of actually firing the shots.

"Have a heart!" he begged. "That's like handing me a death warrant without trial. You don't know these guys, wily—(naming the more notorious of the two gunmen) would kill me in front of you and would get away with it. Between stick ups and jobs where he has been paid to get men out of the way, he just goes out and bumps people off for practice and takes whatever happens to be in it."

Then Diamond was taken before District Attorney Dodd and amazed him with an elaborate sketch of the killer. Mr. Dodd said Diamond had supplied him with explanations of hitherto unsolved mysteries which fitted in nicely with details already obtained by the detective bureau. The district attorney said he believed many crimes would be cleared up with the gunman's arrest.

While the police, in addition to pushing their local search, eagerly awaited news of the man hunt from other American and Canadian cities, Inspector Coughlin predicted that the two missing gunmen, as well as the driver of the car in which they fled from an elevated station after slaying the messengers and stealing \$43,607, soon would be arrested.

"We've caught them before and sent them up, and I'll catch them this time," said Inspector Coughlin. "They can't escape us because we know too well who they are."

Indictments of the three missing men probably will be returned in Brooklyn next Tuesday, said Coughlin, who added that until they were indicted or arrested, their names would not be made public.

COLLIE DOGS VERY CLEVER

Mary and Mackenzie Mac are two educated collies of Orchard Park Farm, Presque Isle descendants of a long line of highly intelligent ancestors. At present they are just school pups but are daily adding to their repertoire of clever tricks. For instance they are water carriers and on command will take a pail each down to the lake, fill them and return without mishap. They are accomplished herders and live among the stock. The grandfather of these two puppies was one of the cleverest of his species and aided his master in the care of the Presque Isle light-house. He knew the different boat whistles and his master could sleep absolutely and sure he would be wakened up in time to get to the wharf to meet the different boats. He would always wake his master at precisely the same hour every morning buy atting him on the face.

The two puppies here depicted bid fair to be as clever and highly educated as their illustrious grandfather Buller.

Mix 5-8 cup sugar with 1-4 tsp cornstarch. Add 1-4 cups boiling water gradually. Boil for 5 minutes stirring constantly. Remove from stove and add 1-2 tsp. lemon juice, 1-2 tsp. butter and a grating of nutmeg.

Discretion in speech is more than eloquence.

CANADA'S VETERAN STATESMAN COMES IN FOR WARM PRAISE

Hon. William Stevens Fielding will be seventy-five years of age next Saturday, November 24. He is being entertained at a banquet in Halifax, his native city, the scene of his early labors and triumphs in journalism; the place which did itself the honor of calling him to public life, forty-one years ago; the capital where he was leader of the Provincial Government for twelve years, before resigning to enter the Ministry of Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

The Finance Minister and acting Premier of Canada has given and received many hard knocks in his forty years of public life, but he has ever commanded the respect and personal friendship of all who have known him whatever their party affiliation. His editorial life was passed in the days when the Liberal Party were handicapped by hard times and confronted by the ablest men that the Conservative party has ever produced. His writing was ever marked by courage, dignity and conviction. As in public life so as a newspaper man he was quiet living, but intensely earnest and conscientious, mastering every detail of his profession and had scarcely more than reached his majority when he became Editor in Chief of the Halifax Chronicle, the leading Liberal Newspaper of the Maritime Provinces. He was the fourth from the staff of that paper to make a mark in public life and to attain the position of Premier of the Province. Hon. William Annand, who headed the first Liberal Administration in Nova Scotia after Confederation, was editor of the Chronicle. Hon. John S. D. Thompson (afterwards Sir John who headed the Conservative Government defeated the day Mr. Fielding entered public life, had been a reporter on the paper in his early days. Then Hon. Joseph Howe, the famous leader of the Liberal Party and a Premier of the Province before Confederation, was editor of the weekly paper from which the Chronicle originated.

If ever there was a case of the office seeking the man it was that of Mr. Fielding. He had no intimation beforehand that he was even thought of as a candidate in the election of 1882. Except among a comparatively small circle of intimate friends he was unknown in the Country. The nominee of the Young Mens Liberal Club of Halifax, he made his first speech where probably not over a dozen or so in the hall had ever seen him. He made an instant and lasting impression. His fluency of language wide and unsuspected, knowledge of public affairs, readiness of manner and convincing sincerity were inspiring. From being unknown to become the most talked of man in the Province. While his party suffered a crushing defeat in the Federal election in Nova Scotia in 1882, in the Provincial election held at the same time they carried all before them and were handsomely returned, ending the only term of office the Conservatives have had in that Province since Confederation. It was an unquestionable personal triumph for Mr. Fielding.

He was offered the Premiership but declined it. A year later, however, his leader having tendered his resignation to the Lieut. Governor without even telling his colleagues of his intention, the call for Mr. Fielding was persistent and unanimous. He accepted, retired from newspaper work and became the strongest personality in public life in his Province. He enjoyed the absolute confidence of the electorate, the common people having for him something approaching personal affection, while even busy men of affairs who were Conservatives in Federal contests gave him an active or passive support.

Since he has occupied a position in the wider field of the Dominion Parliament he has been an outstanding figure in the public life of the British Empire. Thoroughly democratic in his views he declined an offer of knighthood when attending the coronation of King Edward VIII. At Ottawa as at Halifax he commanded the highest respect and regard of all parties and was a very tower of strength to his party, a masterly parliamentary, at once skillful as a leader, yet modest.

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straight-forward and trustworthy. For fifteen years he introduced the Budget, a fact unique in the history of Canada, showing that he had held office longer than any other Minister of Finance the country ever had.

Wherever there is a heart to recognize honestly and admire ability in public life there is a friend and admirer of W. S. Fielding, and from every part of Canada thousands unite with the citizens of Halifax and the others at the banquet in every good wish and kindly impulse towards the truly great Canadian who has spent the best years of his life in the service of his country. (Montreal Herald.)

IRENE'S LATEST IS "SIDESTEP"

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 5.—Irene Castle's latest "step" is the side step.

This she has learned since she became the bride of Maj. Frederic McLaughlin, wealthy Chicago clubman. Newspaper men who have been the principal witnesses of this new step of the dancer testify that she has mastered it to perfection.

Mrs. McLaughlin and her husband demonstrated the side-step at a hotel here last night after their arrival from the East when reporters attempted to obtain an interview.

"We're giving no interviews on this trip; sorry" was all the bride would say. Then the McLaughlins disappeared.

According to representatives of the Admiral oriental line arrangements have been made for the newlyweds to occupy the bridal suite of the steamship President Grant when it sails today for the far east.

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NOTICE

To Sculptors, Architects and Artists
The Government of Canada proposes erecting in the Parliament Grounds at Ottawa a monument to the memory of the late Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

Parties are invited to submit designs in the form of sketch models in plaster made at a uniform scale of 1½ inches to the foot.

The design must take the form of a portrait statue.

The competition is open to architects, artists or sculptors throughout the world. The Minister of Public Works reserves the right of other things being equal to give preference to architects, artists or sculptors of British birth resident in the British Empire or elsewhere.

The author of the best design who is awarded first place, will be given the commission of the work, and the author of the second best will be awarded a prize of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00).

The memorial, including pedestal above the level of the ground, when completed and in position, is not to cost more than Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00).

The designs must be addressed to and received by Mr. Eric Brown, Director of the National Art Gallery of Canada, Victoria Museum, Ottawa, Canada, not later than the 2nd day of April, 1924.

Copies of the conditions, etc., and photographs may be obtained on application at the office of the Secretary of the Department of Public Works, Room 784, Hunter Building, Ottawa.

Parties who intend to compete should notify, at once, the undersigned of their intention to do so.

By order,
L. H. COLMAN,

Secretary,
Department of Public Works, Canada,
Ottawa, October 24, 1923.

TENDERS

Separate sealed tenders marked "Tender for Seed Extracting Plant" will be received at the Crown Land Department, Departmental Building, Fredericton, until Thursday, December 12th, 1923 at 12 o'clock noon for the building of a 16 ft. x 26 ft. Seed Extracting Plant, according to plans and specifications to be obtained at the Crown Land Department.

Building must be completed not later than May 1st, 1924.

Each tender must be accompanied by a cheque for an amount of five per cent of the total amount of tender, which will be forfeited if the party declines to enter into a contract when called upon, but will be returned to parties whose tenders are not accepted. There is no obligation to accept lowest or any tender.

(Sgd) C. W. ROBINSON,
Minister of Lands and Mines,
Crown Land Office, Nov. 28, 1923.

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS

Taxpayers will please take notice that their taxes must be paid on or before Wednesday, the 12th day of December, in order that they be qualified to vote at the Civic Election for Mayor and Aldermen to be held on the second Monday in January 1924.

(Sgd) G. R. PERKINS,
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