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MARITIME UNION

Periodically certain persons make an effort to clothe with flesh the dry bones of the Maritime Union Movement. For some months past the press has contained certain references to this movement and the means taken by its promoters to place it before the public. The fact that such methods are used is sufficient proof that the movement has no life in itself. It would not be stretching facts to say that ninety percent of the people of the three provinces have no knowledge of the movement. One method which has been adopted to a considerable extent is to have municipal councils and other public bodies, permit those interested in abolishing the provinces of New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island to speak before them. Apart from press reports of such addresses there seems to be no public notice taken of them.

Judging from the tone of several of the speeches made in the New Brunswick House of Assembly during its recent session this is a particularly poor time in which to propose Maritime Union as a panacea. Several members of the Legislature expressed the opinion in outspoken language that New Brunswick to this day had not received her full share of advantages from Confederation. The opinion that the Crown Lands of this province should provide a greatly increased share of the public revenue was also expressed. In spite of this the Maritime Union advocates blithely suggest that this province give away the last remnant of public domain, for that is what the formation of a new province would mean. Out of a population of somewhat over a million on present estimates, New Brunswick would have about four hundred thousand. Nova Scotia would be the predominant partner not only on account of population but also because of an earlier start in commercial development. If Confederation did not produce justice for New Brunswick what prospect could there be of Maritime Union producing it?

It is a noticeable fact that the chief speakers at the gatherings at which the cause of Maritime Union is advocated are residents of the Isthmus of Chignecto or adjacent parts. The reason is not far to seek as each town in that section has ambitions of being the capital of a new province. A curious feature is the fact that now and then some of the few advocates of Union are able to induce a Montreal or Toronto newspaper to give editorial support to the movement. Just why journals so far removed from the scene should attempt to mind the business of others is difficult to understand.

The finest opportunity to prevent multiplicity of provinces and provide one government for sections of Canada with interests almost identical, was lost when Manitoba was not extended to the Rocky Mountains. Instead of such extension there was the creation of two new provinces and so far no one has heard any clamor for Prairie Union. The best substitute for political union of New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island is that which is being followed today by the administrations of the three provinces. It is close joint action in which the opposition parties in the legislatures are represented as well as the governments. There is little doubt that such will produce good results.

MUST GET TO WORK

Dealing with the present economic situation in Canada Toronto Saturday Night says:

"The seriousness of the situation consists in the fact that there is no cure in sight. The various suggestions of governmental control and interference, attractive as they may seem to the thoughtless and to the type of mind which seeks to shift responsibility or to rule by force, are vicious and can only add to the trouble. We need not look for relief from that direction. One thing we may be sure of and that is that the situation must work its own cure. The process may be long and it may be hard, but it will be the longer and the harder for each effort to interfere arbitrarily. We may as well start without any delusions and false hopes on the subject. There is no short cut. One thing and one thing only will take place to bring down the high prices and that is the reestablishment of a balance between supply and demand. We have signed

economically for many years. It was not voluntary, if you will, but we did it. We ceased for years to produce in sufficient volume and we burned up our store right and left. Thus we gave an enormous value to what was left. To meet the situation we issued business college money and are still fooling ourselves with it.

"Instead of trying to beat it we have got to get to work, and that quickly or we will get into serious difficulties."

The St. John Standard on Friday made a most unfeeling editorial reference to the death of a prominent citizen of Fredericton, a reference which was the grosser because without purpose. The senselessness of such a reference would indicate, to employ words as chaste as those of the Standard, that some person on the editorial staff of that paper should have his head examined.

Many housewives held off at the last fruit preserving season because of the high price of sugar, believing that by the time another season came around the price would again be back to normal. Instead, it promises to be twice as dear. Look where one will there is no relief from the constant advance.

THROUGH OUR SIEVE

Go slow and the other fellow may beat you to it.

One of the things you can't buy on credit is experience.

The optimist is still hoping we will soon have some warm April weather.

The pessimist is already looking for mosquitoes and flies to swat.

This surely is a backward spring—not a word yet about an open-air band concert.

When a woman declares there is no use talking she is preparing for a fresh start.

The man who pays for a book on the art of making money gets the information—but the other fellow gets the money.

Women who know too much to expect water to stay in a sieve continue to tell their secrets.

There are so many cosy corners in every home in which the woman of it will not permit any of her men folks to sit.

When a man is sure of a woman's sympathy he adds two feet to the height of the giant who attacked him every time he tells the story.

Father is getting reproving looks from mother, either because he does not make the children behave, or because he is trying to.

Masculine vanity is perfectly comprehensible, when you reflect that there never was a man so unattractive that he couldn't find some woman to flirt with him, even marry him.

In Newark, N. J., forty or more dollars buys a suit of overalls with rhinestone buckles. Rhinestone and blue denim make about the same sort of combination as silk stockings and run-down shoes, or a fur coat and faded boudoir cap.

DEATH AT ROSSVILLE.

May 5—Isabella, wife of John Woodman, passed away at her home, Rosville, on the night of April 28th. She was 77 years of age and is mourned by her husband, five sons and two daughters. The funeral was attended by a large number of friends and was conducted by the Rev. J. Middleton, assisted by the Rev. Mr. Bell.

The floral contributions were as follows: A Pillow from Messrs. Ross John, Charles and Mary Woodman, and Mrs. G. A. Cronkhite. A basket from Mr. and Mrs. D. Monroe, Fredericton. A wreath from Ezra Woodman, St. Catharines, and bouquet from Mrs. William Buzils, Bowman, Jean and Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Cronkhite.

The bereaved family wish to thank their friends for these expressions of sympathy and tokens of esteem.

HUMORS OF THE TELEPHONE

London, Eng., May 7—Anxious to keep an appointment, but hampered by the fog, a business man left a stranded omnibus and went in search of a telephone at a tube station.

Getting no reply at the first call-box he went to a second, where he was told to use a third as the girl could not hear the pennies drop.

In despair he rushed to the last box. He placed the coppers in the slot when requested. Another delay, and the operator told him to put the coins in. After a heated discussion he paid again. The operator said she did not hear them fall and would not put him through till she did.

We were half an hour and lost his man by five minutes. He also lost his temper.

LOCAL NEWS

Baby Girl Arrives.

Mr. and Mrs. William D. Boone are rejoicing over the arrival of a baby girl at their home in North Devon yesterday.

Long's Hotel Sale Stopped

Negotiations for the purchase of the Long's Hotel property by J. Clark & Son Limited from William F. Aiken have been stopped and there is nothing further concerning the transfer. This was on account of inability of the two parties concerned to agree on certain details.

Tenders For Gravel.

Sealed tenders for the 4,000 cubic feet of gravel required for the work on the roads of the province have been received by the Department of Public Works. They are being checked over and it is probable that on Monday some announcement will be made, regarding the choice.

Now Owned in St. John

The dredge Tantawanta, formerly owned in this city, which was sold under mortgage in St. John some time ago, is now the property of James S. Gregory of St. John and will be operated by him it is expected. The mortgagee Ralph Gunter of Fredericton for whom the dredge was bid in, sold it to Mr. Gregory.

Bridge Contract Awarded

The Provincial Department of Public Works this morning announced the award of the contract for the construction of the substructure and approaches of the Coal Creek Mouth Bridge, Parish of Chipman, Queen's County. The contract goes to Whitman Brewer of Devon, York County, at a price in the vicinity of \$15,000.

Seven Pages Advanced.

Castle Hall, Queen Street was the scene last night of a very impressive ceremony. Seven pages being advanced to the rank of esquire in the Order of Knights of Pythias, a large number of the members were present and took a keen interest in the degree work. The session was finished shortly before midnight.

Married Last Night

J. J. Hayes Doone and Miss Maude Logan both of North Devon were married at nine o'clock Friday night at Christchurch Parish Church, in this city, Rev. A. F. Bate performing the ceremony. The young pair have gone to Florenceville where the groom will be employed.

POTATOES
SCARCE AND SELL
FOR \$10 PER BBL

The country market was larger than usual this morning, on account of the good roads and fine weather. There was a large quantity of hay, and from \$30-\$35 a ton was asked. Potatoes were scarce and sold at \$10. per barrel. Young pigs were offered at from \$7-\$8 a piece. There was a slight rise in the price of eggs and butter. No beef was offered.

The prices were as follows:—
 Butter 50 to 55 cents per pound.
 Eggs 45 cents per dozen.
 Veal 10 to 12 cents per pound.
 Potatoes \$10.00 per barrel.
 Turnips \$1.25 per barrel.
 Smoked Ham 35 cents per pound.
 Pork 25 to 30 cents per pound.
 Maple Honey 75 cents per bottle.
 Hay \$30.00 to \$35.00 per ton.
 Live Pigs \$7.00 to \$8.00 each.

MOTOR BOAT WANTED

Motor boat wanted to operate McKinley's Ferry. At least ten horsepower. Capable of towing scow across St. John river. Apply to
 ALFRED KING,
 Fredericton R. R. No. 6.
 Phone Keswick 2-3.

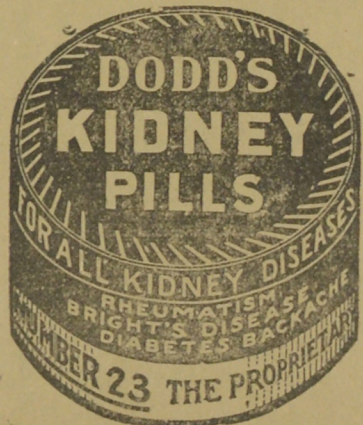
NOTICE

THERE will be sold at public auction at the City Hall, Fredericton, on the 12th day of May, 1920, at twelve o'clock noon, the public wharves and anchorages of Fredericton, from May 1, 1920, to April 30, 1921. Conditions and terms will be announced at time of sale.

G. R. PERKINS,
 City Clerk.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

TENDERS for the reconstruction of the Gibson Methodist Church, Devon, will be received by the Building Committee up to Saturday, May 15th. Plans and specifications can be seen at any time at J. R. Burpee's and at the Methodist Parsonage. Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.
 A. D. MacLEOD,
 Chairman.



House Cleaning Time

CURTAIN SCRIMS, White and Ecru

CURTAIN MARQUISSETTES, White and Ecru

SCRIM and MARQUISSETTE CURTAINS

TAPESTRY COVERINGS, CRETONNE COVERINGS.

OILCLOTHS, SANOLIN and LINOLEUMS.

BLINDS, All Colors and Combinations.

We have a very large and complete line of Blinds which were bought before the advance in price. See them just inside the front door.

John J. Weddall & Son

Mail orders solicited.

PAINT
A BIG BARGAIN IN READY MIXED
WHITE PAINT

We had purchased a large quantity of Ready Mixed White Paint before the last advance in the Paint Market, and we are going to give our customers the benefit of it. We are offering this paint to you at the remarkable low price of **\$4.65** per gallon, in IMPERIAL GALLON CANS ONLY.

If you are going to paint your buildings, this is your chance to beat the high cost of living and save money.

This Paint is the equal of any offered by any mail house.

Don't delay, because it won't last long.

REMEMBER THE PRICE—\$4.65 PER GALLON.

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WHOLESALE

THE HARDWARE PEOPLE.

RETAIL

Our store opens at 8 o'clock a.m., closes at 6 p.m. daily, except Saturday. Open Sat. ev'g until 9 o'clock

TOWN OF DEVON

Notice to Water Consumers.

YOUR water rates are now due and payable at the office of the Town Treasurer. If not paid within thirty days there will be no discount.

Do not wait for a bill.

All persons owning or harboring a dog in the Town of Devon must pay their dog tax forthwith.

WM. JAFFREY,
 Town Treasurer.
 Devon, N. B., May 1st, 1920.



No trouble at all to get rid of these pests if you use this. It is quick and effective and is guaranteed to do the work.

STAPLES' PHARMACY
 ALONZO STAPLES, Prop.

AT THE GAIETY FRI-SAT. May 7-8

LEWIS BENNISON

THE NEW GOLDWYN STAR, IN

"A MISFIT EARL"

Also ANTONIO MORENO in

"THE INVISIBLE HAND" EPISODE 5 Today

Mon. "FIRES OF FAITH" Tue.

Rexall Shampoo Paste

An invigorating Scalp Cleanser and Dandruff Remover. Makes the hair soft and pliable and gives a silky, fluffy effect. A jar costs you 40 cents and lasts an age.

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