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## PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND FROM EAST TO WEST ENDORSES THE TUNNEL SCHEME

### THE TUNNEL RESOLUTION

WHEREAS—This province of Prince Edward Island entered the Canadian Federation under these explicit terms as to communication "Efficient Steam Service for the conveyance of mails and passengers to be established and maintained between the Island and the Dominion, winter and summer, thus placing the Island in continuous communication with the Intercolonial Railway and the railway system of the Dominion."

And WHEREAS these terms have not been fulfilled, to the great hardship of the people and detriment of the Province.

And WHEREAS, a tunnel under the Straits from Carleton Head Cove to Money Point, as already surveyed and reported on, by Sir Douglas Fox is a possible implection of said terms of Confederation.

Therefore RESOLVED that this meeting of the people of Prince Edward Island in general convention assembled do hereby call upon the Federal Government to fulfil the said terms of the Union forthwith by causing such tunnel to be constructed at the earliest possible moment.

And FURTHER RESOLVED that pending the construction of such tunnel we demand the daily communication by navigation by the most approved ice breaking type and that one of the steamers be used on the Western route in winter.

RESOLVED that the Provincial Government be and is hereby requested to urge incessantly on the Federal Government the absolute necessity of impleting the terms of Confederation and further

RESOLVED that our claims for compensation for the non-fulfilment of such terms be yearly served upon the Federal authorities.

### ANNUAL MEETING OF P.E.I. TELEPHONE CO.

The annual meeting of the Telephone Company of P.E. Island was held at their office yesterday afternoon and was well attended. The officers elected are— President, Benj. Rogers Esq. Secretary, H. J. Palmer Treasurer, A. Ernest Ins. The past year's work was discussed and it was decided that the present policy of constant improvement of the lines would be continued to a larger extent during the coming season.

THE TELEPHONE COMPANY OF P. E. ISLAND. GENTLEMEN,—I beg to submit my report for the past year. During the year I have made a careful examination of this Company's plant. In accordance with the results obtained, your Directors have undertaken a considerable amount of reconstruction. Much of this has not yet been completed, but still, a marked improvement in the service has been gained, and with the completion of the work in progress the improvement will be much greater.

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### SEVERE COLD IN THE CHEST

"My fourteen-year-old boy had a very severe cold in the chest last winter and I really thought he was going to die. He coughed nearly all the time and sometimes would spit up blood. I can positively say that he was completely cured by two bottles of Dr. Chase's Syrup of Linseed and Turpentine, and he has not been troubled since."—Mrs. J. PROVOST, Renfrew, Ont.

### HANDSOME RUGS.

Everybody knows how cheerful it makes a room look to have one or more handsome rugs on the floor, whether the floor be covered with carpets, hard wood, matting, or is polished. A pretty rug need not necessarily be expensive. Paton & Co. have 50 reversible rugs, good designs, 14 yds long by 4 wide with heavy wool fringe, well worth \$4.75 each. To-day they go at \$2.50 and only two to a customer. Other rugs from \$5.00 to \$29.00. 84w 14

Bear in mind the open meeting of Victoria Division, Sons of Temperance, in Wright's Hall on Monday evening. Good speakers and good music. Chair will be taken at 8 sharp.

Ladies' handsome stylish cloth jackets at half price at M. Trainor & Co's.

How to Save Money—Buy sheets music and music books at Miller Bros. on Saturday; 10c for sheets—30c for books—Your choice—One day only. 11d 11

Every person in Charlottetown who is looking for bargains in Sheet Music and Music books should be at Miller Bros. early on Saturday. Bring a little money, not much. 11d 11.

### MEN'S TOGGERY AT THE GREAT MARCH SALE

Such values as we are giving in Men's goods, you simply cannot afford to pass by. Every item of goods in this best Men's furnishing stock in the city is on sale at discounts ranging from one quarter to one third.

Much of the goods shown came over by steamer in January, being advance shipments of our spring orders, but every article is included. We allow a discount even on the collar buttons. Moore & McLeod. 11d 11.

### KIDNEY DISEASE FOR TWENTY YEARS

MRS. CASWELL REID, Orville, Muskoka, Ont., writes:—"For nearly twenty years I was troubled with kidney disease, and have recently been completely cured by using three boxes of Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills. I have tried a great many remedies, but never seemed to get anything to do me so much good until I used these pills."

### WEATHER FORECAST.

TORONTO, March 11—(Special)—Fresh winds, shifting, to westerly, clearing, colder by night.

Sunday fair and cold.

TEMPERATURES.

Continued mild weather prevailed yesterday, thermometer ranged from 20 to 30 above.

WELCOME AS SUNSHINE after storm is the relief when an obstinate pitiless cough has been driven away by Allen's Lung Balm. No opium in it. The good effect lasts. Take a bottle home with you this day.

STRIKEN WITH PARALYSIS

MRS. W. R. SUTHERLAND, St. Andrews, Man., writes:—"I was stricken with paralysis and lost power of the tongue and left leg. For six months I obtained no relief either by doctors' prescriptions or other medicines. My husband got me Dr. Chase's Nerve Food, which has revived my nerves and given me full power of the paralyzed parts. I am strong and well now, thanks to this great medicine."

### MASS MEETING IN MARKET HALL

Pronounces Strongly in Favor of the Tunnel—One of the most Important Meetings held in the Province—Hearty Thanks to The Guardian.

By a hearty vote at the meeting of delegates from all sections of the Island in the Board of Trade Rooms yesterday afternoon and sustained by the Mass Meeting in the Market Hall last night the resolution above will go down in the annals of Prince Edward Island history as the first decided step by the people of the Province to assert their rights to the fulfilment of the terms of Winter Communication by the only practical solution—A Tunnel under the Northumberland Straits.

There were present at both meetings members of Parliament, representative Clergymen and prominent business men throughout the Island. Those present in the afternoon included H. W. Turner, O'Leary; P. N. Pate, O'Leary; Capt. Jos. Read, M.L.A., Summerside; Rev. J. McDonald, Kinkora; John Wilkinson, Alberton; John Anderson, Kensington; John M. Clarke, M.L.A., Summerside; Hon. Benj. Gallant, M.L.A., Bloomfield; Nell McQuarrie, K. C., Summerside; Lauchlin McDonald, East Point; Gilbert Desroche, Miscouche; Samuel Kennedy, Bradabane; Hon. S. E. Reid, M. L. A., Tryon; Rev. A. E. Burke, Alberton; J. F. Bladgon, Summerside; Ronald Campbell, Summerside; Alex. Campbell, Summerside; Mayor H. A. Compton, Summerside; John Agnew, Alberton; J. E. H. A. Ross, Alberton; M. L. A., Wellington; Neil McLeod, Summerside; Charles Woodman, Alberton; Capt. John L. Read, Summerside; Capt. Alfred McLeod, New London, besides a number of others whose names have not been secured. A number of eastern delegates were not present owing to the frequent postponements and the fact the date had not been known to them.

There were also present representatives of The Guardian and The Examiner. The questions of the tunnel, the third winter steamer and freight rates were considered and resolutions in connection therewith as published were adopted.

In the evening many prominent men including members of the Government, of the local legislature of the City Board of Trade and visiting delegates besides citizens, were present and much enthusiasm was shown. The chair was occupied by Donald Nicholson, President of the Charlottetown Board of Trade.

Rev. A. E. Burke was the first speaker. In moving the resolution he outlined the terms of Confederation which placed us on equal terms with the other Provinces and for which the fathers of Confederation in this province had ever strenuously contended. It had been said that when Canada entered the Dominion those making the terms on behalf of this Province did not expect daily steam communication. In refutation of this he quoted Sir Etienne Cartier who pledged himself to give the very best for this Province, no matter what it might cost. If then this tunnel is feasible, in the words of Sir Wilfrid Laurier himself, it must be built. (Great Applause.) Politics and local feelings should be entirely eliminated and every man should devote himself to working for the only thing that will place P. E. I. equal with the other Provinces of the Dominion.

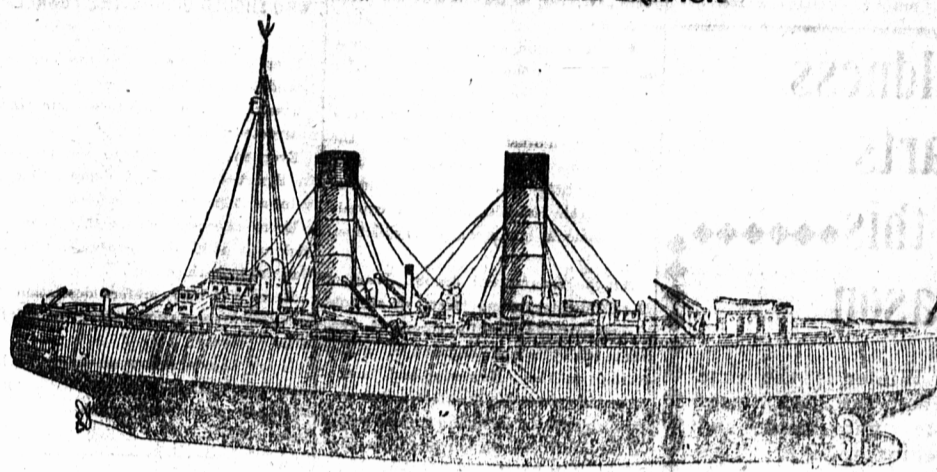
He reviewed the Albert, the Northern Light, the Stanley and the Minto which had been built to imple the terms of Confederation and from his own experience he could safely say that no steamers could keep up continuous winter communication for the Island. Years ago the late Hon. G. W. Howland had begun with the subway but when this proved to be impossible he evolved a tunnel, at first a small one of \$5,000,000 cost with electric traction. Geologists have said the geological structure between Money Point and Carleton Head is the easiest to bore of any place in the world. This has been testified to by our own Mr. Bala, Sir William Dawson and other leading scientists. We have no volcanic difficulties to contend with such as have

been met with where tunnels have been elsewhere built. Sir Douglas Fox's plan was shown to the audience and the strata underneath the Strait explained. The distance between the two points is marine miles or about 7.47 land miles. We know the strata is easily worked, that the grades are not heavy, and the work, estimating for a tunnel which would give us the same gauge as the mainland could be built for ten and a half million dollars. This would imple the terms of communication and give us the only satisfactory solution of the problem. The Government have enforced the bond to the letter in our representation question and we should hold them to the bond in the terms of communication. Years ago in Sir Louis Davies' time one chorus from one end of the Island to the other went up to Ottawa for a tunnel. We have the words of Sir Wilfrid Laurier himself on the tunnel question: (Here Father Burke read the letter written to the Editor of The Guardian saying the tunnel must be constructed if at all feasible.) Prolonged cheers. (In Ottawa at a representative meeting he (Father Burke) had spoken for the tunnel and this body of representative men and said if the conditions were represented P. E. I. should have a tunnel. He said he had a prospectus from eminent New York engineers offering to do the work, showing they had confidence in the scheme; but we don't want companies to do the work but instead we want the Government to construct the tunnel, and we must urge it till it is constructed. He instanced the benefits of making Georgetown an ocean port, by means of a journey of travel could be saved in a journey to Montreal and Upper Canada. Great grants of money are being made to other provinces, our natural market is swept out and we cannot compete with the remainder of Canada. Give us the tunnel and we will be able to compete manfully and successfully with the remainder of Canada. He closed amid continued applause by reading the resolution passed in the afternoon meeting.

Capt. Jos. Read, M. L. A., in opening stated that he had opposed Hon. Mr. Howland's subway but since then the scheme had been changed to a tunnel which was practicable. Then the science—it is a science now—of tunnelling was in its infancy; now it is being carried on in all parts of the world. Should we ask for a tunnel ten millions? Some are timid and say "we should not"—but this small Island is much bigger than we think. It is many of the small places that have conquered the world. Look at Greece, look at Japan and look at Great Britain herself that rules the world. Some people think the Dominion is making us a present in carrying out the terms of communication. What are the facts? We have surrendered our independence and we are paying to Ottawa yearly millions in indirect taxation while millions are being paid in excessive freight rates. There would be a great increase in land value which at least would be to the extent of \$15,000,000. It had been said that the narrow gauge railway is an objection but he could say that even at the present time the authorities are preparing the P. E. I. Railway for the wide gauge. With a tunnel P. E. I. would become a manufacturing centre of Canada and an era of prosperity would dawn that even now is undreamed of. Our fish would be a gold mine in itself. We want the tunnel in summer as well as in the winter if Prince Edward Island is to occupy her place in the galaxy of Provinces of the Dominion. We want a strong public opinion in favor of the tunnel and in the meantime we want a third winter steamer. Let the people unanimously and vigorously insist on the terms of union and soon we will see the tunnel running from shore to shore. (Applause)

At this juncture a number of stereoscopic views of the Ermack, the Marie and St. Ignace at the Straits of Mackinac were shown and explained by Mr. Tidmarsh. W. F. Tidmarsh moved a resolution re the rates of freight to the Mainland which was seconded by George E. Fall. The latter emphasized the benefits accruing from the proposed tunnel. He quoted statistics showing the great monetary advantages to the Island from proper trade facilities in the fish trade, as along the agricultural lines millions would be saved if the terms of union would be carried out.

### THE ICE BREAKING STEAMER ERMACK



Above is an illustration of the ice breaker, Ermack designed from the two similar steamers St. Ignace and Marie in the Straits of Mackinaw. These latter boats, from which the late Admiral Makaroff obtained his ideas for the Ermack, were interestingly described to The Guardian

yesterday by John Hales, Winnipeg who is visiting his father, F. W. Hales in this city. In front is a propeller ten feet in diameter which breaks the ice, forces the water underneath the ice or drives it back if the motion is reversed. This propeller is made of gun metal and is stronger than the engines working it, thus cannot be broken. Those boats encounter heavy ice and pass through it without difficulty. In the rear are three propellers which furnish the motive power and push the steamer forward with tremendous force.

### RUSSIA'S GREAT DISASTER CONFESSED BY KUROPATKIN

His Message to the Czar—Believed he is Surrounded and to be Starved into Surrender—The Japs Occupy Mukden—Rojostvensky Ordered Home—The Russian People Hope for Peace.

St. PETERSBURG, March 10—(Special)—Gen. Kuropatkin has sent the following despatch to the Emperor Nicholas under today's date:

"Last night began the retreat of all our armies. During the night there was no fighting but a heavy cannonade."

St. Petersburg knows nothing of the extent of this disaster. This brief message from the General probably expresses the greatest defeat ever known to Russia. Experts cannot even guess at the route taken by the retreating armies, whether the route to Tie Pass is still open; whether Kuropatkin is trying to cut his way through; or whether he has taken to the mountains.

It is, however, believed that he is now completely surrounded and that his army will within the next few days be starved into submission. Mukden was taken by the Japs early on Friday and this was rapidly followed by the capture of Fushan. Everyone is now discussing peace. Kuropatkin's surrender is decided and peace is hoped for by the people. Rojostvensky's fleet has been recalled and is now on the way home.

ELLENDALE, Dakota, March 10—(Special)—The most destructive prairie fire that ever visited this section passed over here today. The town was saved but the fire which spread over a stretch of eighteen miles destroyed thousands of horses and cattle, burned a great many farm houses and an enormous quantity of hay.

To cure a headache in ten minutes use Kumfords Headache Powders.

### CHICAGO MARKETS.

CHICAGO, March 10—(Special)—March, Corn 48 1/2, May, Corn 47 1/2, Wheat 98 1/2, Pork 112 1/2.

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Miss Pearl Hunter will sing a solo in St. James' Church tomorrow evening.

The following telegram was received last night by G. A. Sharp, Superintendent of the Railway: Stanley reports herself at 6.10 o'clock as being in heavy ice off Cape Bear. Minto at Pictou wharf. She did not move today. W. C. WEBSTER.

Mechanics, Farmers, Sportsmen? To heal and soften the skin and remove grease, oil and rust stains, paint and earth, etc. use The "Master Mechanic's" Tar Soap. Albert Toller Soap Co., St. Paul.

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RESOLVED that the thanks of this meeting be tendered The Guardian newspaper for its able, persistent and faithful efforts in behalf of better winter communication between this Province and the mainland and for the resolute manner in which it has been endeavoring to attract the attention of the Canadian public to the great drawback and loss which our Province has sustained by reason of the very inefficient way in which the terms of Union respecting winter navigation are being carried out by the General Government.

R. B. Norton seconded the motion and contended that all should urge for the tunnel and the tunnel alone in fulfillment of our terms of union. The resolutions re the tunnel and the improved freight rates were heartily endorsed by the meeting.

The resolution tendering thanks to The Guardian was vociferously carried amid applause, Peter McCourt, Editor of The Watchman and one other gentleman alone dissenting.

At a meeting of the delegates held at the close of the Mass Meeting the following Committee, with those from the Government who will supplement it, were chosen in the order below to go to Ottawa to press the claims re the tunnel and the winter steamer

J. E. B. McCready, Charlottetown. Rev. Dr. Burke, Alberton. John McLean, Souris. Geo. S. Inman, Montague. Nelson Rattenbury, Charlottetown. Nell McQuarrie, K. C. Summerside. W. F. Tidmarsh, Charlottetown.

After votes of thanks etc. the meeting adjourned.

### The 30 Years' Old Cure for Asthma.

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