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UNION CONSTITUTION AS TEXT FOR SERMON

Rev. J. D. Parks Gives Address on Ideals of Workingman to Large Congregation

At the Sunday evening service in the Timmins Presbyterian church, Rev. J. D. Parks delivered an inspiring address on the Ideals of the Workingman, taking as his text the words of section 2, Article 1, of the Constitution of the Miners' Union:—"The object of this Union shall be to promote the practice of those virtues that elevate and adorn society, and remind man of his duty to his fellow-men, the elevation of his position, and the maintenance of the rights of the workingman." He said he had no apologies to offer for choosing this as a text. So far as its practical inspiration was concerned in its effect on the everyday life of the working man, it was as good a text as could be found in the Old Testament, and there were few better on the question in the New Testament. The Constitution of the Miners' Union suggested that the organization had a good moral foundation, and the church could not afford to lack interest in any body of men whose avowed purpose was to "promote the practice of those virtues that elevate and adorn society and remind man of his duty to his fellow-man." He pointed out that the church's foundation was the Carpenter of Nazareth. Hence, the workingman was the especial care of the church that would live and do good. The large majority of men everywhere belonged to the working class and the elevation and advantage of the workers was a consideration for all. In the course of his address, Rev. Mr. Parks took occasion to emphasize the right of men to unite for their common benefit. Since the days of Jesus, labor had changed its conditions and environments completely. To-day was the time of complicated business systems, of immense factories replacing the old industrial artisanship, and of machinery displacing work by skilled hands. New conditions required new remedies for any wrongs or injustices. After briefly reviewing the labor conditions in this and other lands, the speaker showed that there was not equal opportunity for the best in life for all under present conditions. He believed that the remedy was suggested in another part

of the Constitution where it said:—"We assert that the working class and it alone can and must achieve its own emancipation. We hold, finally, that an industrial union and the concerted political action of all wage workers is the only method of attaining this end." He thought the workers had able men among them capable of upholding the workers' cause in Parliaments and other assemblies for government and so enforce eventually whatever regulation and control might be necessary to make conditions as they should be. Another thought expressed by Rev. Mr. Parks was that no fault should be found with the Union because the wrong kind of men got into these organizations. There were hypocrites in the churches but that was not the fault of the churches or of religion, it was because these men did not live up to their obligations. An interesting reference in the address was to the preacher's classmates at college. Practically all of his friends there had come from hard manual labor to graduate for the ministry. He himself, also, knew manual labor from actual experience. So, his sympathies were with those who toiled and he asked the workers to work with the church and the church to work with the workers for a solution of the problems of the time and the dawning of the better day when the service of others, the bettering of the community life and the advancement of high ideals would be the chief considerations among all.

A well-rendered solo by Mrs. J. W. Faithful was one of the musical features of the evening that interested and pleased the large audience present.

CHAS COOPER HANGED AT NORTH BAY LAST FRIDAY

Charles Cooper was hanged at North Bay on Friday last at 7 o'clock after enjoying, or suffering, a two weeks' reprieve from the penalty of the crime of murder of which he was convicted last year. Hangman Ellis joking the callous way of a hangman before and after the event, was the officiating officer of the law for the occasion. He complained about "the dirty rain spoiling his best work," but at ten minutes to the appointed hour he put on his professional manner, saying, saying, "Boys, no rain can put off this job." Cooper was supported to the last by Rev. Father Monahan, who mounted the scaffold with the accused, giving him spiritual comfort and hope for the life to come. Cooper wept as he went to his death but seemed resigned to his fate and repentant for his ill-spent life. "Lord, have mercy on my soul," he is reported as repeatedly sobbing as Hangman Ellis adjusted the noose about his neck. Cooper made no confession as to his actual commission of the crime for which he was executed. Death was practically instantaneous, the man being unconscious from the moment the rope tightened, though there was a slight pulsation in the heart for twelve minutes after the drop.

Charles Cooper was hanged for the murder of old man Taylor at Tomstown last May. He and young Lyman Morrison and Joshua Fuller went out to Taylor's place with a plan to assault Taylor and rob him. The stories of all seemed to agree thus far, but at that point they part company. Morrison and Fuller claimed that they assaulted Taylor and robbed him, leaving him struggling to his feet, and that Cooper later returned and "finished" the old man. Mr. Geo. Mitchell, counsel for Cooper, securing some new statement from Morrison's sister, suggesting that Cooper's story might be the true one, was able to secure a reprieve of two weeks for Cooper who had been sentenced to hang on April 15th. The authorities, however, did not find the evidence sufficient to warrant a new trial or upset the sentence of death. It was pointed out that Cooper need not necessarily have struck the blows causing the death of the old man to be legally guilty of murder. Because he planned and assisted in a crime that placed the old man's life deliberately in danger and was apparently careless as to whether death might result or not, he was, according to law, guilty of murder. Morrison and Fuller, the two young fellows with Cooper, were last year tried and acquitted of the murder, but given ten and fourteen years in penitentiary for robbery with assault and violence. The conditions surrounding the home lives of all the parties concerned in the Tomstown tragedy were of the worst order.

The W. C. T. U. has been organized in Haileybury, with 19 members for a starter. The Liberty League in that part of the country had better get under more cover. If the W. C. T. U. starts a branch in Timmins Secretary W. S. Macpherson of the local branch of the Liberty League will no doubt resign.

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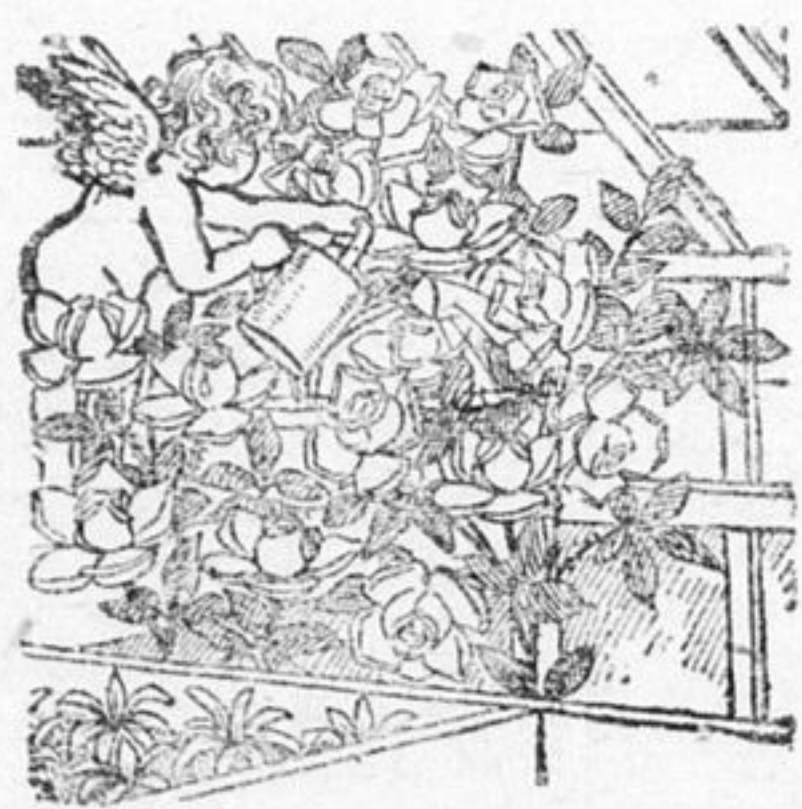
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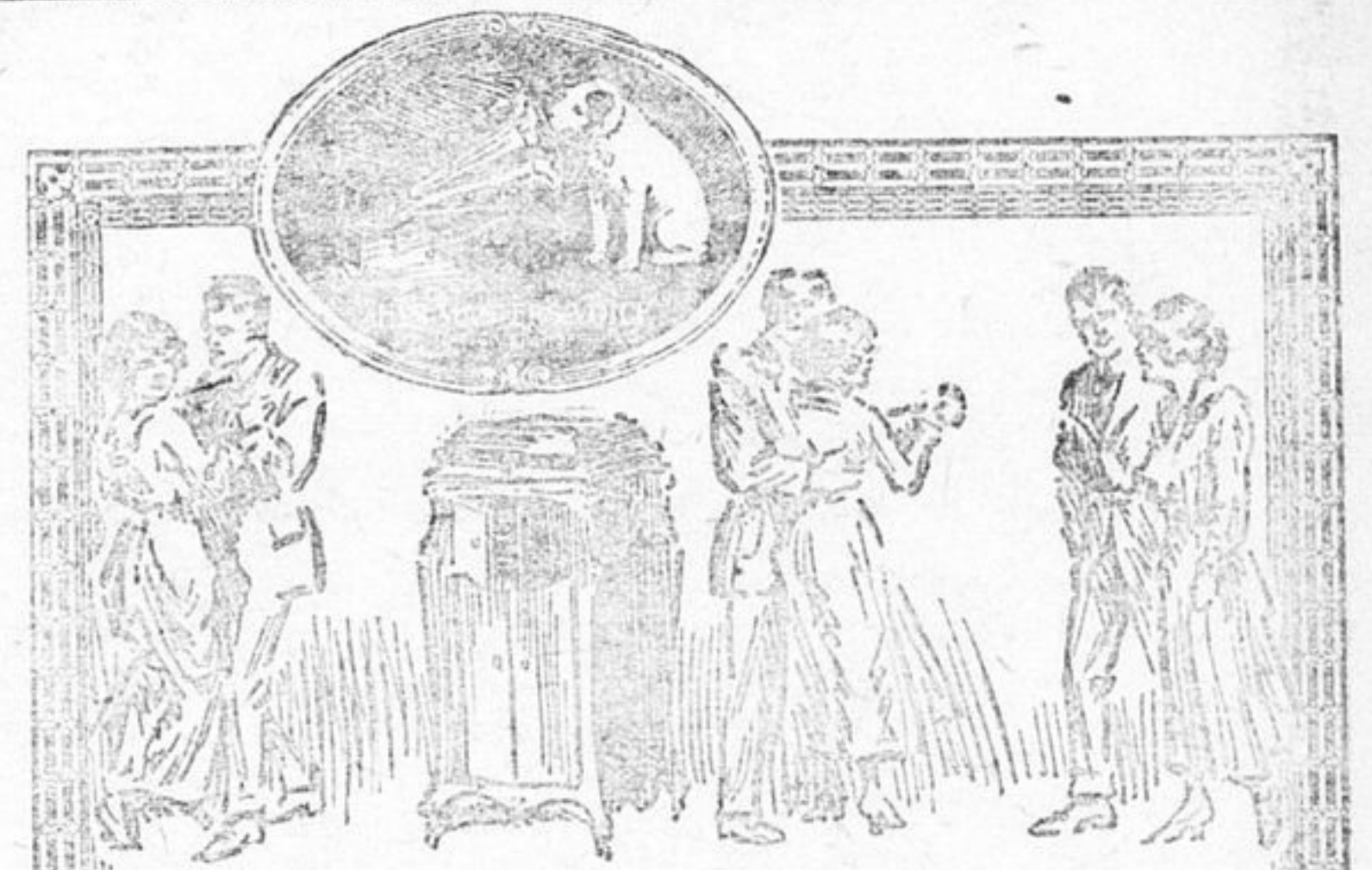
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