

BURY THE PARTY SPIRIT.

In a situation like that of this Province at the present time we have nothing to gain and much to lose by any exhibition of party spirit or sectional feeling. All party predilections should be sunk, all party and sectional bickering should stand rebuked in the presence of the Island's needs, and all citizens should unite to make common cause for the rights of our common country.

Why should we bicker about party in a situation such as ours? Of the thirty-three years that the Island has been tied to Canada, eighteen years were spent under Conservative rule and fifteen years under Liberal rule. One party may have done more or less than the other in the way of new steamers or new subsidies. This fact remains that neither party has yet attempted to seriously grapple with and remove our main killing grievance; neither party has ever seriously attempted to place this Province on an equality with the other Provinces in the matter of facilities or cost for the transportation of our products; neither party has carried out the terms of the union compact either in letter or spirit, or attempted to give us even-handed justice.

Party never aided our cause in any way; it has always been a hindrance. It has divided our counsels and our forces. It has framed excuses, it has urged objections, it has caused delays, denials, prevarications. As it is today it has always been. Some Island member supporting the Government of the day has always been found ready to become the apologist of the Government's neglect, ready to sacrifice the very life of the Province for its own personal interest, ready even to extend his fulsome compliments to those in power who were turning a deaf ear to our most urgent needs. The two parties at Ottawa have been the two malefactors between which the very life of the Island has been crucified. They play off their alleged favors one against the other in the game of politics, the Island being always the victim. One has sent us a winter steamer; the other has sent us another winter steamer of a little greater length. Neither of these steamers in the hour of need can, it seems, navigate the blue water of our harbor at the present time!

One party has conceded a few miles of railway; the other has added a branch and a bridge. What are these and their little subsidy sops, not one of which touch our real needs? What are these when by the action of our masters at Ottawa our trade and industry are paralyzed and labor is denied the fruits of its honest toil? What are these when for each toy steamer a member is cut off from our representation in the Commons? What are these when by the oppression and extortion practiced upon us, ten thousand of our young men and women are driven into exile? We asked for conditions that would enable us to read of the prosperity of the west, without being reminded of our oppression. We ask why it is that in this twentieth century, without a precedent in the history of British North America in two hundred years, one of the fairest Provinces is being rapidly depopulated. And the answer of our masters is that we are always complaining. It is not high time that we took steps to effectually man and to effectually end a situation so disastrous and so painful!

What we really need is an Island party, neither Liberal nor Conservative, neither committed to support nor oppose the powers that be, but pledged to stand together for the defence of our rights and take no denial. Had we years ago been represented at Ottawa by such a body we would long since have brought about a better state of things than exists today. Here is our cue for the future, to send to Ottawa no man of such small calibre that he will defend and excuse the ministers, whether Liberal or Tory, who deny us justice. Today one of the ice-barriers which blocks our progress toward a remedy and behind which the Government finds shelter, is the Liberal members who frame excuses for the oppressions, the bungling and extortion under which we suffer, and are ever ready with the true report that the Conservatives did little better. A plague on both their houses!

Our readers are intelligent enough to see how the game has been and is being played by which our people have been fleeced. When a local Government at Charlottetown is in accord with a federal Government at Ottawa the local lions here roar as gently as sucking doves lest they frighten the ministerial ladies in their parlors at the federal capital! So it has been under one party or the other. The home coming traveler is and has been made to feel his social inferiority. "He travels as a gentleman until he reaches Paines and then, when once definitely routed for the Island he is treated like an Indian." (The words are those of one of the leading Liberals of Prince Edward Island.) If complaint is made of this under Liberal rule as it is today, the answer is that it was the same under Tory rule. When our masters come to see us, they flout their grandeur in palace cars while Island citizens trail behind in dirty second class. They do not share the indignity they put upon us. And so it has been and will be till as a united people we assert our right to be treated as white men.

Party and sectionalism have been millstones about the neck of Prince Edward Island and have done much to sink us in troubled waters deeper than the Gulf of St. Lawrence. We have been fighting among ourselves as incessantly as the defenders of Jerusalem when the Roman legions were thundering at their gates. It is time to have done with this if the Island is to be saved. We are also past the stage when resolutions or delegations can help our case. The time has come for an ultimatum, backed by a resolute and united people. "Who would be free his self must strike the blow." The time has come to radically mend our relations with the Dominion, or to end them forever. The time has come to say to the powers at Ottawa that Prince Edward Island will not remain a Province of Canada unless she is given the privileges accorded to the other Provinces. For if she cannot sit with her sister Provinces in the parlor and the dining room, she at least will not consent to fill the place of a scullion in the kitchen. She will be mistress in her own home.

ARRESTS FOR DRUNKENNESS.

Elsewhere in today's Guardian we print a table compiled from the police court records, showing the number of arrests for drunkenness in this city during three years last past. For the information of our readers in other Provinces who may not be familiar with our local circumstances, we may say that Charlottetown has a population of over 12,000, and that the Prohibitory Law, which was passed in 1900 came into operation in June 1901.

The immediate effect of prohibition was to greatly reduce the arrests and convictions for drunkenness and assault. Good progress was made from year to year in this way. At the beginning of 1904 the law had been in operation two and a half years. The arrests for drunkenness in 1904 numbered 171. In the following year, 1905 they were brought down to 95, or about one arrest in five days. In 1906, just closed, the number of arrests was further reduced to 79. There was but two arrests for drunkenness in January, three in February, none in March five in May and two in June. This for what is in summer a busy shipping port, in, we think a clear indication that prohibition greatly lessens the drink evil.

With telegraph communication entirely cut off for a week, and likely to remain so indefinitely, even The Patriot, the Government organ, is moved to remonstrate. It is not idle to make a fuss! Our masters at Ottawa expect us meekly to submit like whipped curs. We can see only one way to bring them to terms, a way that we have indicated in other recent articles.

"The Doctor," Ralph Connor's new book, another lot of 50 copies just received from the publishers. This book is considered the best yet written by this popular Canadian writer. Send for a copy, strongly bound in cloth, price \$1.25, by mail postage paid. Address Carter & Co., Ltd., Booksellers & Stationers, Charlottetown, 1111111.

State of Ohio, City of Toledo, I ss. Lucas County. Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure.

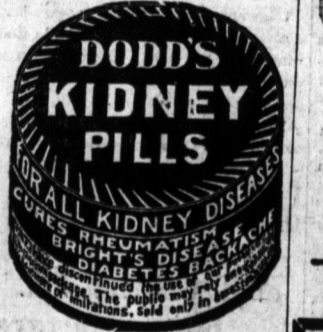
FRANK J. CHENEY SWEAR to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1886.

A. W. GLEASON, Notary Public. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Send for test testimonials free.

F. J. CHENEY, & Co. Toledo, O. Sold by all Druggists, 75c. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

IMPORTANT

The Charlottetown Guardian is the only Prince Edward Island newspaper that places its circulation figures before the public. Prospective advertisers are invited to call and investigate the Guardian's circulation statement before placing their advertising elsewhere.



Your Groceries. Can be had at shortest notice when left with me. You can also get bargains in all kinds of FANCY or PLAIN DISHES, DINNER SETS, CHAMBER SETS, GLASS SETS. Do you need hay, oats and feed for your horse, if so deal with D. L. HOOPER, Upper Great George St. Sts 127171.

THE BOTTLE THAT COMFORTS

It would be hard to find anything that will afford the comfort that a good hot water bottle will.

WARMING COLD FEET

is but a small part of their mission. Wherever there is pain, they will relieve.

The hot water bottles we carry are the all rubber kind. Some are pure Para gum, others cloth insertion with reinforced seams. All are reliable no matter what the prices. We have one, two and three quart sizes and face bags.

J. G. JAMIESON, DRUGGIST, The Medical Hall.



WHAT ABOUT A GOOD TIME-PIECE FOR 1907

One of our watches at a medium price will secure this for you.

Call and inspect our large stock.

G. H. TAYLOR, Sunnyside, Queen Square.

Send me your sorting order for Rubbers. I handle Kant Krack Dairy Mode Maple Leaf Canadian. We can guarantee you quick delivery. C. Leonard Grant, CHARLOTTETOWN, Phone 8. Box 700.

GAB SERVICE. Passengers, baggage, etc., conveyed anywhere desired. Leave orders at McDonald & MacKinnon's Drug Store or at Stables, Sydney Street, near Stevenson's Corner. J. M. NICHOLSON, 1-284 1/2 r. Telephone No. 25.

Chamois Vests, Lung Protectors, Chamois Skins, All sizes. All prices. Reddin Bros., Phone 86. Opp. P. O.

Ada Mac For Sale.

The Pacing Mare, Ada Mac, 2:17 Queen of the Maritime used is offered by the Owner For Sale.

This is an exceptional opportunity of securing not only a young and sound horse, but one that is capable of reducing her record. Ada Mac is generally recognized as being one of the finest and fastest horses in Eastern Canada. Sealed Tenders addressed to the undersigned, and endorsed "Tender for Ada Mac," will be received by the undersigned until the 15th day of January next, 1907. An accepted cheque on a Chartered Bank payable to the order of A. C. Saunders for 20 per cent of the purchase money must accompany each tender. The cheque will be forfeited if the party tendering declines to complete the purchase according to the tender and will be returned in case of non-acceptance of tender. The highest tender will be accepted. ALBERT C. SAUNDERS, 1-5411111, Summerside, P. E. I.

CASH greases the wheels of trade and helps them run swiftly—we are rendering our DECEMBER BILLS. Kindly favor us with prompt payment. MARK WRIGHT FURNISHING Co. S. F. TARBUSH.

REMNANTS! REMNANTS! REMNANTS!

ALL REMNANTS and ODDMENTS left over from the largest year's selling in our history.

Remnants of dress goods, silks, ribbons, embroideries, laces, prints, muslins, curtain material, hosiery and veilings.

100 ends dress cloths at HALF PRICE.

This morning at 9 o'clock sharp.

JAMES PATON & CO.

SCOTCH LINOLEUMS

James Paton & Co's

Broadly speaking there are two ways of making Inlaid Linoleum.

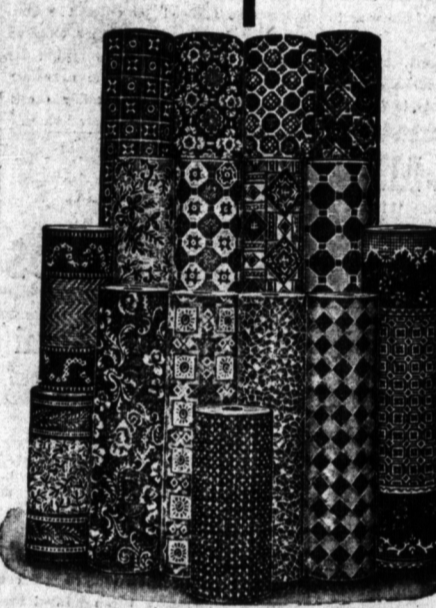
(FIRST.) By cutting out the patterns with dies and piecing them together. This means joints liable to break around every pattern and depressed lines to catch dust, water and disease germs.

(SECOND.) THE OTHER METHOD is by moulding the patterns together in one entire piece, without a joint of depression anywhere.

Which kind of inlaid Linoleum think you will wear the longest and is the most sanitary?

And in Printed the Scotch make is superior because being more pliable the pattern is not so likely to crack or chip.

In buying either Inlaid or Printed Linoleum look at Paton's. See their Carpet Man and he will fully explain the above statement.



JAMES PATON & CO.

VICTORIA ROW

CHAPLOTTETOWN.

The BANK OF NEW BRUNSWICK (Founded 86 years) Special Attention given to the business of farmers and Country dealers. Farmers' notes handled, and blank forms supplied on application. A GENERAL BANKING BUSINESS TRANSACTED. Amounts of \$1.00 and upwards received in our Savings Bank and Interest at highest rate compounded twice a year. Stampers' Corner, Charlottetown. H. S. PETHICK, Manager.

New Advertisements TENDERS Vernon River Bridge. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. Charlottetown, January 10th, '07. Sealed tenders will be received at this office until noon on MONDAY, JANUARY 28th '07. From any person or persons willing to contract for the building of superstructure and approaches of Vernon River Bridge, according to plans and specifications to be seen at this office and at the store of George Forbes, Esq., Vernon River Bridge. Names of two responsible persons willing to become bound for the faithful performance of contract, must accompany each tender. The Department is not bound to accept the lowest or any tender. Tenders to be marked "Tender for Vernon River Bridge." L. B. McMILLAN, Secretary of Public Works.

The Same Special Offer will run for a short time longer on all pictures, mirror, fancy goods, etc., at the High Grade Art Parlors, Queen St., opp J. T. McKenzie's. They are really going less than auction prices, quality considered. Orders are coming in by mail for them. S. F. TARBUSH.

NOTICE! Will receive tenders for my smoked fish factory on A. A. McDonald's wharf, Georgetown, P. E. I. to Jan'y 20th. For full particulars write G. P. NEWTON, Grand Marine, N. B. A. A. LECKIE, M.R.C.V.S. Veterinary Surgeon. Graduate of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons, Glasgow, Scotland. ADDRESS—Eden Hotel, Kent St. 1-3411111