

THE CHARLOTTETOWN GUARDIAN

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THE N. B. AUDIT ACT.

One of the new measures passed by the New Brunswick Legislature after the new Government came into power last spring was the Audit Act, which provides for the appointment of a competent Auditor General who shall be independent of the Government and only removable for cause and by the Legislature. His powers are extensive and include such as the Auditor General of Canada possesses in the larger field. He is obligated to hold in check any expenditure not provided for by vote of the Legislature or authorized by Government warrant. The new Audit Act went into force on November 2. It seems to be approved by the press of both parties in view of the fact that the public accounts of the Province had got into sad disorder, many improper payments having been made, and at least one important default occurred, which led to the suicide of a prominent official.

THE PROVINCIAL CAMPAIGN.

A provincial election campaign differs from a federal one in being largely, although by no means exclusively, confined to local issues. Another important difference is in the relatively small size of the electoral divisions. In a district containing but three or four thousand people, the candidates are in most cases personally known to a majority of the electors as neighbors or friends. This is an advantage on both sides. Both parties may be said to have put forward a strong array of candidates, and if the best men are selected from among them by the electorate the incoming Legislature will be superior to that which it succeeds in ability and debating talent. The system of joint meetings and the good order which has prevailed give the electors the best possible opportunity for comparison between the opposing candidates and the policies of which they are respectively the exponents. Fortunately our provincial contest is not a campaign of slander and abuse, but a discussion of principles, politics and records, on which, while there are wide differences of opinion the discussion is not incompatible with good feeling and courtesy. Personal recrimination when indulged in relegates principle and public policy to the back ground and ought to be, as we believe it has been generally avoided in the canvass.

PRESENT OPPORTUNITIES.

The demand for the Tunnel which has existed in definite form for many years should not shut the farmer's eyes to his present chances. "We shall be all right," the farmer says, "when we get the Tunnel." But in the meantime is he not neglecting the facilities for shipment which he has? Is he not neglecting the Charlotte-town market, when in one day fifty barrels of apples were imported from Nova Scotia into this town? Is he not neglecting the West Indian market, whilst a line of steamers is carrying potatoes to Cuba from St. John? Is he not neglecting the Canadian markets whilst potatoes from New Brunswick are selling in the smallest Ontario towns at sixty cents a bushel?

In one day, it is true, 17,000 bushels of potatoes were exported from Summerside, but on the same day at hundreds of other places in the Island they were unsaleable. Large as this quantity appears it is not enough for the supply of one day's needs of a city of any considerable size. The whole problem of modern life is one of transportation, to place the products of one community where they may minister to the necessities of another. The dwellers in cities are hungry for food which is going to waste upon the farms.

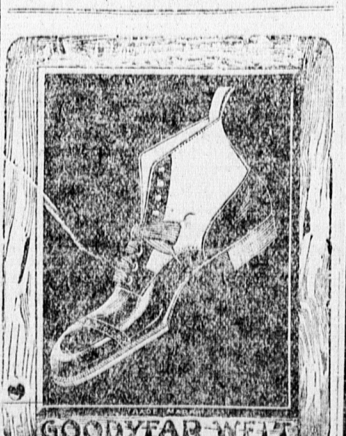
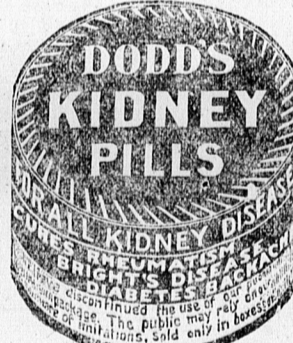
If the farmers of this Island would expend as much thought upon marketing their produce as they do upon politics they might keep more of their sons at home; and if the energy applied to holding public meetings and arousing the public mind, were given to this question of getting in touch with the world's markets, it might be more usefully employed. Are not the farmers of this Island too prone to rely upon what the "Government" is going to do for them, and too little disposed to do something of their own initiative? No amount of public management can take the place of personal industry and private enterprise. The vision of the Tunnel must not blind our eyes to the value of such means of transportation as we have already at hand.

But we must have the Tunnel, and in the meantime must demand a fair through freight rate.

So far as we have learned a good-natured campaign is being conducted, in which, while the records of both parties are being closely scrutinized and weaknesses or mistakes exposed the good points in both platforms are being attractively presented thus giving to the electorate the best possible opportunity of pronouncing an enlightened judgment in their votes at the polls. Present indications are that we shall also have an honest election, fairly free from corrupt influences. This is as it should be.

REDUCTION OF FARE ON THE HARVARD AND YALE UNTIL THEIR WITHDRAWAL FROM SERVICE.

BOSTON, Nov. 4.—In accordance with the precedent established last year the fare to New York on the Harvard and Yale will on November 1st, be reduced from \$3.65 to \$2.65. This reduced fare will apply until the close of the week when the Harvard and Yale will be withdrawn from service. The final trip from Boston for the season will be made on Friday November 6th and from New York Saturday November 7th. The Harvard and Yale have enjoyed an unusual volume of travel during this season and this reduced rate will unquestionably during the coming week appeal to many who have not yet made a trip via the Metropolitan Line on the popular turnpikes.



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SHIPPING NEWS.

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