

THE CHARLOTTETOWN GUARDIAN

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THE LATE KING LEOPOLD OF BELGIUM.

King Leopold II when he came to the throne forty-four years ago was well accredited at home and abroad. His people hailed his accession joyfully, and in the British Isles he was well spoken of. As the cousin of Queen Victoria, and on personal grounds he was held in favor with the British people. There seemed no reason then to anticipate otherwise than that he would adorn the high station to which he had succeeded. There were many favoring circumstances. Belgium has enjoyed unbroken peace during his long reign, and has prospered. Leopold's people were loyal to him, through good and evil report. But, he lived on bad terms with his daughters, and avarice apparently hardened his heart, not only against them but against the helpless blacks of the Congo, from whom, if common report speaks truly, his agents and officials extorted millions of dollars yearly by unprecedented cruelties. He grew greatly rich, but lost the respect of the civilized world, until he came, whether with or without conclusive evidence to be classed with the late Sultan of Turkey, Abdul the Damned. How far history may yet clear his name remains doubtful.

THE GOVERNMENT'S NAVAL DEFENCE PROGRAM.

For some reason, perhaps awaiting the development of public opinion, the Government is holding back the details of its naval program. There are differences of opinion among representative men of both parties as to what ought to be done. Fortunately there seems to be no difference as to the general admission that Canada should share in strengthening the naval defenses of the Empire in some way. No harm will come of the few weeks delay, and it may be it will result in clearer knowledge of what the people desire. Some Ontario Conservatives have spoken out strongly along the line favored by the Charlottetown Navy League. It is difficult to estimate the precise strength throughout Canada of this movement in favor of contributing the price of a Dreadnought to the British navy, but it is evidently considerable. The question of Canada's duty in regard to naval defence is not and ought not to be a party one, and therefore it is fairly open to the Government to modify or enlarge its program if necessary so as to include both a direct contribution to the British navy and provision for building warships of our own in the future.

Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, President of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company in an interview told a Chicago newspaper the other day that the Hudson Bay route would never pay—that, if it would, the C. P. R. would have been there before now. No railway, he said would go to the expense of running a line which cannot hope to do business more than two or three months in the year. And an experienced Hudson Bay navigator is quoted by the Montreal Witness as saying that no steamship company would go to the expense of building the special steamships required for this route where only three months traffic could be carried out. Mr. Butler's report is not much more favorable. It is about time to drop the notion of throwing away thirty to fifty millions on such a barren project.

The erratic Patriot which some time since professed to have "buried the hatchet" in the interest of peace and good will at the Christmas season, is again in an angry mood, and is "challenging" and "branding" and "demanding" all sorts of things of

Let that pass. As to the reported offer of a Senatorship to Mr. McLean, The Patriot has already given several contradictory versions of the story. Its version of Friday last implied that the offer had been made during a drunken bout somewhere and that The Guardian was the victim of a "huge hoax." Who are these persons who were drinking toasts, making speeches and "juggling with offers of Governorships and Senatorships"? At what large hotel did they meet? There are many good Liberals who would like to know, and it is up to The Patriot to explain. So much smoke implies some fire. We await an answer.

A few days ago Mr. Fraser M. P. for King's made inquiry of the Government whether it is the intention to fill the vacancy in the Senate caused by the death of the late Senator Ferguson before the end of the present session. Sir Wilfrid Laurier replied "I hope so." A promptly made appointment in this case would have saved some suspense and trouble that has already existed, with more delay in case of further long delay Sir Wilfrid's answer gives hope that the appointment may be made before long.

A GREATER BUILDER.—"The D & L" Emulsion is a great builder. It gives weight, adds healthy flesh, an altogether overcomes any downward tendency of health.

Turkey user 1b AT PATON'S.

Things to make beautiful the little tree or big; little tots wool goods Mitts and Booties, at Paton's. When little Mrs. Housekeepers fur nishes her home.

Practical news of linens, at Paton's. A clear track and a straight road to Christmas.

Now comes the real time for furs at Paton's. Perfect service, best assortment wonderful values, at Paton's.

Beautiful tailored suits at very special prices, 1-3 off at Paton's. One's that will appeal to every woman.

A distribution of handkerchiefs that will appeal to every woman. Dainty Christmas things in pretty neckwear at Paton's.

Newest news of finest furs' Muffs and Ruffs at a saving. More incomparable sweater values. A stock full of suggestions for Christmas gifts that will be appreciated.

Extra styles in furs without extra cost. When fur meets fur, then comes comparison generally. Results in a sale for Paton's.

Great bargains in little things at Paton's. 12-18dtf.

"Something nice in biscuits. We have just received a large assortment of Christie's fancy biscuits which we will sell at reasonable prices. F. J. Holman & Co. 2-17dtf.

SPECIAL HOLIDAY FARES

VIA INTERCOLONIAL.

Special fares for the Christmas and New Year's holidays will prevail on the Intercolonial Railway from December 21st, to January 1st, for the accommodation of those who find it convenient or necessary to travel at this festive season of the year. Between all stations on the line tickets will be issued at first class one way fare, on the dates given above, good for return up to January 3rd. To points beyond Montreal a one way fare rate will prevail on December 24th and 25th good for return on December 27th, and on December 31st and January 1st, good for return until January 3rd. To Detroit, Port Huron, Sault Ste. Marie, Mich; Port Arthur, Ont; and points East in Canada, there will be a special rate the equivalent of first class one way fare and one third, good going on December 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 28, 29, 30, 31, and January 1st; good for return until January 5th. With these low rates prevailing and the excellent train service in effect, there ought to be a big rush of travel Christmas week.

GUILTY OF ASSASSINATION.

A man, razor in hand was caught by his wife assassinating; not an enemy, but a corn—that he needed was Putnam's Corn Extractor; its safe, painless, and sure. Try Putnam's, nothing sells so good.

WHEN SOMEONE TELLS YOU "IT'S JUST THE SAME AS MONARCH BROADCLOTH" IT WILL PAY YOU TO DO A LITTLE COMPARING. REMEMBER THE WIDTH OF MONARCH. NOTE ITS SILKY FIRM TEXTURE. SEE ITS PERFECT DRAPING QUALITY AND YOU WILL DECIDE THAT NO IMITATION IS AS GOOD AS THE REAL THING. MONARCH IS \$1.75 PER YARD—NAME AND PRICE STAMPED ON THE CLOTH—MONARCH SOLD ONLY HERE. MOORE & McLEOD. 12-18dtf.

"One of our new ties daintily boxed would make a Xmas gift any man would appreciate. We have had the same for a long time, of carrying the finest neckwear in the city, and we have surpassed ourselves for the Xmas season. D. A. Bruce. 12-7dtf.

BUY HIM TIES—HE'LL APPRECIATE YOUR THOUGHT, AND YOU WILL BE DELIGHTED IN HIS APPROVAL OF YOUR TASTE. THE FINEST STOCK OF NEW TIES WE HAVE EVER HAD READY FOR YOU NOW—FRONT CENTRE CASE, WITH A BRIGHT CLERK IN CHARGE WHO MAKES A SPECIALTY OF IT—DOES NOTHING ELSE. 50c, 60c, \$1.00 ARE OUR LEADERS. MOORE & McLEOD. 12-18dtf.

ISABELLA FOX SET (BROWN) WORTH \$73.00. MAGNIFICENT CABBINE, VERY LARGE, TRIMMED WITH FOX BRUSHES WITH ENTRA LARGE, PILLOW SHAPE TRIMMED WITH HEAD AND PAWS TAKEN ALTOGETHER. FUR TRIMMED. COSEBET SET IN THE STORE. OURS AT CHRISTMAS MUFF SALE. \$60.00 NET AT PATON'S. 12-18dtf.

HANDSOME CHRISTMAS WAISTS IN SILK AND LACE—THE BEST RANGE IN THE CITY—JUST EXAMINE THIS GREAT LOT OF NEW THINGS WE HAVE GOT READY FOR YOU DURING THE LAST FEW DAYS. \$3.95, \$4.95, \$5.50, \$7.50 ARE SOME OF THE PRICES. MOORE & McLEOD. 12-18dtf.

You can buy cheap commonplace neckwear any place, but for something exclusive and fashionable come to Prowse's. See our handsome Xmas novelties. Each tie in a neat presentation box. Prowse Bros Ltd. 12-17dtf.

SWELL MINK SET BEST DARK LINK WORTH \$120.00. THROW WITH EXCEPTION OF TWO HEADS. MUFF LARGE PILLOW SHAPE BOTH THROW AND MUFF BEAUTIFULLY MARKED. YOURS AT THE CHRISTMAS FUR SALE. \$95.00 NET AT PATON'S. 12-18dtf.

"The Big store is full of useful elegant things for men, women and children, and a quality of your gift will not be questioned when it comes from Prowse Bros Ltd. 12-17dtf.

UMBRELLAS.

Umbrellas—that's the idea you're after. Every man and every woman wants a particular nice one as "private property" as well as a commonplace one to lend now and then. We have them in all grades both men's and woman's sizes in the fine natural wood, mother-of-pearl, horn, gummetal, silver, gold, carved ivory and Dresden handles the strongest and best. Umbrellas made and the closest rolling—from \$ 1.00 to \$5.00 at Paton's. 12-18dtf.

At Carter's Bookstore. Santa Claus' Headquarters. Here you find Santa Claus' headquarters. No denying the fact. No shutting your eyes to the evidence piled up on every shelf in every department of this large establishment. Here is the place where your Xmas wants can be supplied. This year the importation for Christmas Trade exceed in quantity, in variety in quality and in novelty all former efforts in this line. Gifts for the little ones. The articles suitable for this purpose embrace a list whose variety is surprising—and even more surprising are the moderate prices charged. Never was better value offered from the article costing only a few cents to those of a higher price. For Grown-up People. The worrying questing of selecting a suitable gift, will, we promise you, be easy of solution in our store this season. In all the various lines we offer, you will find wide variety and sterling value enabling you to purchase profitably and satisfactorily. Carter & Co., Limited. Santa Claus' Headquarters. Charlottetown.

GIVE HER A PAIR OF PRETTY SILK STOCKINGS IN A HANDSOME GIFT BOX THOSE WE ARE OFFERING HAVE SHEER PURE SILK LEG, LISLE THREAD SOLE HEEL AND TOE, \$1.50 PER PAIR. BEST VALUE IN SILK STOCKINGS WE HAVE EVER HAD—LOOK THEM OVER. MOORE & McLEOD. 12-18dtf.

Sterling Bitters is a sure cure for Stomach Troubles! Sterling Bitters is an excellent Heart and Nerve Remedy! Dyspepsia, indigestion or stomach cases vanish when Sterling Bitters is used. It gives a good appetite, induces sleep, builds up weak nerves and makes you increase your weight rapidly. Nothing like it for a general body builder. Try it for a full medicine. Sold by P. McQuaid. 42 Queen St. Price 50c per bottle.

Winter Overcoats AND Winter Suitings. Why not save money on your winter wants in our line? We can save you many dollars on orders entrusted here, and assure you the style and fit will please the most particular people. We have: "Men's Auto College coats" "Men's College Coats" "Men's heavy winter weight College Coats" "Men's heavy winter weight double breasted overcoats" "Men's Black Beaver overcoats" "Men's Black Suits" "Men's high grade worsted suits" A good line of cloth to choose from. M. ROSS, Custom Tailor. 11-16dtf & 140 Great Geo Street 12-18dtf.

YOU CAN NEVER TELL when your family may need the benefits of your Life Insurance. Last year the Life Insurance Companies in Canada paid out to widows, orphans and for old age Annuities over Nine Million Dollars. Every Policy holder in an old line Insurance Company is a partner in one of the greatest beneficent Institutions in the world. It will pay you to investigate the benefits contained in the monthly Income, Investment and Annuity Policies of the Great West Life. Our Policies grant the largest amount of insurance for the least money. We should be pleased to have an opportunity to quote terms. Head Office Winnipeg, Manitoba Branch Office Charlottetown, P. E. I. HYNDMAN & CO. Charlottetown P. E. I. Offices, 61 Queen Street Telephone 67. T. E. McNUTT, Special Agent. mstf

Furniture for Xmas I am in a better position than ever to supply your Xmas wants. My Stock includes: Chairs, Rockers of all kinds, Music Cabinets, Ladies' Writing Desks, Odd Parlor Chairs, etc All at Lowest Prices. MARK WRIGHT Newson's Block Where Money Goes Farthest

Haven't You Decided Yet? THEN give her Chocolates. We have the best makes of these delicious dainties in the world; and there never WAS a girl who would not appreciate a Box of Chocolates as a Christmas Gift. Your choice from—Rockwood's Lowney's Moir's Ganong's Cadbury's. And from a big line of other confectionery as well. Boxed handsomely for the Xmas trade. 60 cts to \$7.00 a box. E. J. DesRoches, Sunnyside. dmwtf

Toilet Goods Singly and in Sets. Among the most popular holiday goods are toilet articles. They are practical gifts and handsome ones as well. Our line is not only the largest in this locality but includes kinds and qualities of goods that will not be seen elsewhere. We have the latest designs in brush s, mirrors, singly and in sets. These goods deserve early and careful inspection. Choice is extremely large now but will be more limited later. J.G. Jamieson, DRUGGIST

Locketts Brooches Rings 3 acceptable gifts. Stock large and "up-to-date" patterns. G.H. Taylor,

OVERHEARD ON THE STREET THE OTHER DAY "THAT MOORE & McLEOD STORE IS THE MOST WONDERFUL PLACE—I'VE BEEN IN THERE AT ALL TIMES OF THE DAY" AND "THEY'RE ALWAYS BUSY" REASON WHY? THE GOODS ARE HERE AND THE PRICES ARE EASY TO PAY. THINK IT OVER. MOORE & McLEOD. 12-18dtf.

Beer & Weeks Furniture-Carpets-Household Linens. Select children's chairs --NOW-- We'll send them Xmas eve. The youngsters will be disappointed if the chairs they expect are missing when Xmas comes, better select now while our assortment is at its largest, and we'll send them home Xmas eve. Children's Rockers 40c to \$4.50 Children's Chairs 35c to 1.50 Children's high chairs 75c to 4.75

Immense showing of Xmas hand made Linens. Don't fail to visit our display of hand-made linens—all kinds of dainty drawn work pieces—handkerchiefs too. Prices will astonish you. BEER & WEEKS---Furniture

SLIPPERS IN ALL STYLES. Christmas Shoes for the Children. We have made a large contract with old Santa Claus to supply his little friends with Christmas Footwear, Shoes and Slippers for the young toddlers pretty little footwear of all sorts for the baby. We have everything that is right in juvenile footwear. GOFF BROS

White's Chocolates. Just received at Carter's Confectionery. A large variety to choose from. A sample will convince you of their superiority.