

SIR CHARLES TUPPER

TALKS ABOUT THE PROSPECTS OF THE CANADIAN WEST.

THE MINING REGULATIONS.

He is Glad That They Are Being Revised

Upon his return to Ottawa from Winnipeg, Sir Charles Tupper, said to a newspaper correspondent: "My visit to the west has been a most interesting one. All my investigations into the question have satisfied me that it is impossible to over-estimate the great mineral wealth of British Columbia, and that taken in conjunction with the attention drawn to the Canadian Yukon, will result in a great influx of population to Canada, much of which, will, no doubt, remain in the country. The demand for products of Manitoba and the Northwest Territories in connection with the opening of the Crow's Nest Pass Road and the great impetus that will be given to mining development in British Columbia and the large amount of British capital now being attracted to Canada, must produce a wonderful effect on the whole of the Dominion and the western country especially. If the Government discharges its duty in the establishment of an all Canadian route, the advantages to British Columbia, the Northwest Territories and Manitoba, in fact, to the whole of Canada, will, in my opinion, be very great."

Asked as to the political outlook in the West, Sir Charles said, "The dissatisfaction that is found existing in every section of the Western country in regard to all the pledges given by the Liberal party before they obtained power, and their failure to redeem any of them is very great, and has produced a wide-spread feeling of revulsion against the Government, which will make itself manifest at no distant day. Indeed, there is every reason to believe that the country west of Ontario will, at the next general election, stand as solidly Conservative as it has done heretofore."

The good crops and the realization of double the prices obtained for many years past, have rendered the agricultural classes quite prosperous and independent, and I have no doubt that population and capital will steadily pour into the country, with greater rapidity than in the past."

"What is the impression created in the West, Sir Charles, by the Yukon regulations now in force?"

"As I said before, under proper regulations there is no reason to doubt the great Canadian Yukon gold fields may be made, for many years to come, the means of creating a great demand for the productions of Manitoba and the Northwest, as well as the agricultural portion of British Columbia. Now, I am glad to see that the Government is eager in revising the mining regulations applicable to the Yukon. I believe the world would be searched in vain for any proposals so monstrous as those which were previously promulgated, and no greater injury could be inflicted on the country than an attempt to carry them out."

Sir Charles takes a hopeful view of the outcome of the campaign for good provincial Government which is being urged in Manitoba.

"I have no doubt whatever," he said, "that the next general election will result in the Hon. Hugh John Macdonald obtaining a good working majority to carry on the province of Manitoba."

THINGS TO MAKE A NOTE OF.

All the ladies who are interested in the formation of a "Women's Council" for Charlottetown will meet in the Y. M. C. A., Parlor, on Friday, at 2 p. m. Lady Aberdeen has written a special letter in connection with this meeting in which she says: "I should be so sorry to leave Canada without seeing a Council at work in Prince Edward Island, and feel sure you have splendid material at hand for it, if it can but make the start."

I. O. F.—Special meeting of Court A. v. d. e. tonight at 8 o'clock. Initiation and report of officers.

The Oddfellows of Charlottetown intend holding their second social on Thursday evening, the 27th inst., at their Hall in the Brown Block. A good time expected.

Confident of the value of their resources the people of British Columbia do not worry about their \$4,000,000 of provincial debt and \$5,000,000 of municipal debt. The provincial revenue from mines timber and special taxes is large and increasing, and the least sanguine of the people expect the population to double within the next three or four years.

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THE FATHER BURKE-GUARDIAN CONTROVERSY.

Dishonest Treatment Forces the Former to Abandon the Latter's Columns

Sir,—A few weeks ago there appeared in the Guardian a statement about the school attendance of Quebec so manifestly at variance with the facts that I imagined I was doing its editor a service in calling his attention to his mistake so as to enable him to make the proper correction and save his readers from error. A correspondence followed. My letters have been so glaringly tampered with, however, as to destroy all further confidence in him and I am therefore constrained to ask the publication of my last letter in THE EXAMINER, feeling that it makes a sufficient resume of the discussion to be understood by all. The insidiously circulated slanders about the Catholic Church's attitude toward education and the illiteracy of certain nations of Europe I shall attend to later.

Yours truly,
A. E. BURKE.

19th January, 1898.

To the Editor of the Guardian.

Sir,—I have to thank you for a copy of the Guardian of the 6th, which has only reached me today. After reading my own letter in it with its numerous misprints and your line of argumentation, I must say that I am not a little amazed—you have not only been abusing the opposite attorney, but showing bad temper, making comparison of figures not comparable, invoking the assistance of the 10 year old pupil of the public schools to my aid, discrediting the Pope's public utterance, ridiculing the priest, and having a good time generally. Well, this is the festive season and if natural history didn't give us the little peculiarity of the cuttle fish as applicable to the case, we might look elsewhere for explanation.

Turn and twist the figures of the Year Book as you will, you cannot escape the conclusion they abundantly uphold—that the percentage of all school attendance in Quebec is about 76 per cent and only 56 per cent in Ontario. You accuse me of including colleges, etc., in Quebec and excluding them in Ontario. I do nothing of the sort. You are anxious to confine me to the public schools of Quebec, because fully one third of the school percentage is in the collegiate institutions, while in Ontario only a mere fraction of the average is made up outside the public school. This kind of juggling will not work. I hold you to your figures, and no amount of fireworks will deroute me. Your Year Book for 1896, and your Report for 1895, say clearly that there was an average attendance at school in Ontario of 271,549 pupils in 1895; and the same Year Book and the Supt's Report for 1896, puts Quebec's average for 1896 (schools, colleges and all, as in Ontario's case) at 230,419. The enrolment in the former province was 464,551 pupils, in the latter 303,619. Now, then, call up your ten-year older and he will find, possibly with your help, that this gives the percentage of attendance as 56 in Ontario, and just a fraction less than 76 in Quebec. The page you cite, "119," in the Year Book in your last must be a mistake.

Now, take the percentage of the population at school, and your poor little free school boy is wrong again. The population of Quebec, by the census of 1890, is 1,488,538 and that of Ontario 2,414,321. Take now the figures of average attendance given above for both Provinces and you will find that far from your little table, worked out on your own basis, Quebec still maintains her lead splendidly having over 15 per cent of the population at school for Ontario's 12 per cent. But to remove this subject from the possibility of newspaper manipulation, let me say that I am perfectly prepared to submit it to any honest man for examination and decision confident, as I am, that both my sincerity and my figures will be upheld.

Must ask you to make room for a short citation from the ex-Premier of Quebec's speech before the House on this subject:

"Very well, Mr. Speaker, I do not fear the comparison with Ontario. Let us take Quebec first. We have 228,420 children of a school age and 203,618 inscribed in the schools. Well, what is the mean attendance? The mean attendance is 230,419, or 76 per cent. Now take Ontario, and so as not to be accused of partiality, I hold in my hand the minister's report for 1895. The school population is given at 593,846; of this number 489,978 are between 5 and 21 years. I call your attention to those figures which form the basis in Ontario and favor a more considerable school attendance. Now the number of pupils enrolled is 483,203. The mean assistance is only 268,334 or 56 per cent—20 per cent less than in the province of Quebec. (applause) These figures surpass all commentary, and give the lie to the calumniators of this Province." If I err, you will see, I err in the good company of the respective Ministers of Education, the Year Book, (your own pet authority) and Hon. Mr. Flynn.

You will say this letter is too long also, I suppose, and you edit the paper and can say what you please. I would like to show up your figures about the illiteracy of Catholic countries but must await another occasion. Meantime, I refuse to believe that any intelligent Protestant will take them seriously with the spectacle of the Catholic Church's work for education before him and his knowledge, that through her the world has got about all the secular science it possesses. As to Mulhall, I need only assure you here that no serious student places any confidence in those figures. Only a few years ago they were completely exploded by a Unitarian Minister named Clark, who was specially delegated from his Church in the United States to verify them. He is now a member of the Paulist order, if I mistake not, such tactics having disgusted him with the zealots, and induced him to study the true inwardness of their attacks on the Catholic Church.

Truly yours,
A. E. BURKE.
Alberton, Jan. 9

LOCAL AND OTHER ITEMS

THE WEATHER.—Moderate winds mostly westerly, fine, stationary or higher temperature.

THE STANLEY ARRIVED AT PICTOU this forenoon, and left on return to Georgetown on arrival of the train.

ICE IN THE GULF.—Passengers by the Stanley yesterday report experiencing a thick vapor during the trip, and say the gulf is full of ice.

IN THE MIST OF LIFE.—How true it is that in the midst of life we are in death. At Galt, Ont., the other day, the Rev. Wm. Burns was officiating at a funeral when he died suddenly.

SALE OF PROPERTY.—The Redmond property on the Malpeque Road was sold at auction to-day by Mr. Beattie, and brought \$420. Mr. John Quinn was the purchaser.

LAI D TO REST.—The funeral of the late Mrs. John Yeo took place this afternoon. A large number of mourning friends paid the last earthly tribute of respect by attending her funeral.

MARY QUEEN OF SCOTS.—Tomorrow evening in the First Methodist Church Rev. Mr. Fullerton delivers his popular lecture on Mary Queen of Scots accompanied by colored stereopticon views of persons and places. Come and get your memories brightened up on this bit of interesting British history made 330 years ago. Doors open at 7.20; lecture at 8 o'clock.

THIS WAS IN HALIFAX.—The Halifax Chronicle says: "The other day a poor woman went into a stove store and selected a cooking stove, on which she paid \$5. The firm promised to send the stove to her home and she left the premises. She waited several days for the new stove, but it never came, and then she went down to the store and asked why it was not delivered. The firm told her that they had discovered in the meantime that her husband owed them some money and that they intended to keep the \$5 on account. The poor woman left the shop and proceeded to the city hall for advice. She was referred to a lawyer."

SUPREME COURT.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 19.

DONALD A. MCKAY vs. DONALD McMillan and other owners of S. S. Elliot. This was an action to recover damages for an injury received by the plaintiff through falling into the hold of the steamer Elliot, of which vessel the plaintiff was the boatswain. The plaintiff alleged that his fall was caused through the construction of the hatchway of the vessel, but the strong back was out of repair and that the injury and damage was sustained through the negligence of the owners of the steamer in not having the hatch and strong back in proper repair and condition. The plaintiff's case was finished this morning. The defendant's Counsel Mr. McLeod, Q. C., moved for a nonsuit on the ground that there was no evidence of negligence before the court. Mr. McLean, Q. C. for the plaintiff argued to the contrary, and at the end of the argument, Mr. Justice Hodgson granted Mr. McLeod's motion, and ordered a nonsuit, and the jury were thereupon discharged.

Fred McRae vs. Mark Wright & Co. The case was called on this afternoon before Mr. Justice Fitzgerald and a jury. It is an action to recover damages for injuries caused through a bicycle which plaintiff hired from the defendant and which he alleged was defectively constructed and broke down while he was riding it along the road. This case was before the Court last summer when the jury disagreed and no decision was reached. McLean Q. C. for the plaintiff. Stewart Q. C. and Hazard Q. C. for the defendants.

—Rev. Dr. Lucas and Rev. Dr. Grant will debate the question of prohibition in the City Hall, at Kingston, on January 27th and 28th. Mayor Livingstone will preside. The admission fee charged will go to the poor. The issue discussed will be: That a Dominion prohibitory law would injure the cause of temperance as well as public and political morality. The speakers will be limited to time and will speak alternately. There will be no vote taken at the close.

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List of Ratepayers for the City of Charlottetown

In default for Assessment due on Real Property, for the year ending 31st December, 1897, containing names of all such defaulters, and the amount due from them respectively, with a statement of the Number of the town Lot, Water Lot and Common Lot upon which or any part thereof such assessment is in default.

Name of Ratepayer in Default.	Statement or Description of Property upon which Assessment is made.	Amount of Assessment due & unpaid.
McArthur, Sarah	House & Land on Common Lot No. 22,	\$ 4.50
Birch, John,	House & Land on Town Lot No 72, 3rd hun,	3.25
Coyne, Stephen,	House & Land on Town Lot No 3, 2nd hun,	6.75
Carroll, Est. of Jas	House & Land on Town Lot No 73, 3rd hun,	10.25
Doerndorf, Chas. & Jas	Vacant Land on Town Lot No 72 & 73, 2nd hun,	6.25
Griffith, John A.	Vacant Land on Town Lot No 10, 4th hun,	1.12
"	House & Land on Town Lot No 64, 1st hun,	7.50
"	House & Land on Town Lot No 85, 1st hun,	10.25
Hollman, John,	House & Land on Town Lot No 91, 3rd hun,	19.60
"	House & Land on Common Lot No 21,	19.12
Hughes, Peter,	House & Land on Common Lot No 23,	6.75
Hughes, Bridget,	House & Land on Common Lot No 23,	4.50
Low, Walter,	House & Land on Town Lots No 5 & 6, 4th hun,	1.37
"	House & Land on Town Lot 49, 4th hun	6.88
"	House & Land on Town Lot 98, 4th hun,	5.96
McNeill, Duncan,	Vacant Land on Common Lot No 31	2.00
"	House and Land on Common Lot No 22,	8.40
"	Vacant Land on Common Lot No 22,	1.90
Purdie, Jane, Estate of, W. A. O. Morrison and Leslie S. McNutt, Trustees,	House & Land on Town Lots No 97 and 98, 1st hun-	33.25
McQuaid, Dennis,	Vacant Land on Town Lot 100, 1st hun,	
Reid, Richard B.	House & Land on Town Lot No 95, 2nd hun,	7.50
Steel, Robert,	House & Land on Town Lot No 20, 3rd hun,	8.40
Trainor, Patrick,	House & Land on Town Lot No 83, 2nd hun,	6.25
Thorne, Charles E.	Small house & Land \$390, Vacant Land Corner Lot, \$300, on Common Lot 23,	6.25
Thorne, Charles E.	House and Land on Common Lot 23,	7.12
Thorne, R. & Geo. S.	Large House & Land on Common Lot No 23,	16.87
Williams, John,	House & Land on Common Lot No 24,	7.25
"	Vacant Land on Common Lot No 27,	4.90
Ward, Estate Robert	House and Land on Common Lot No 25,	5.62

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the provisions of the Statute 51 Victoria, Cap. 12, Section 91, after 30 days publication of the above list, being a list of the Ratepayers of the City of Charlottetown who have failed to pay within the time prescribed the Assessment severally levied upon their Real Property in said city, I will make an application to His Honor, the Stipendiary Magistrate of said City, for Judgment against each and all of the lands above described, for the respective amounts so levied against them, and then unpaid, and that upon such judgment being duly entered, I will further apply for a warrant for the sale of such lands.

Dated this 28th day of December, A. D. 1897. ROBERT VANDERSTINE City Collector

December 28, 1897, [m.]

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