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The "Herald" and the Civil Service.

We had almost forgotten our "slight difference" with the editor of the *Herald* respecting the economical policy of the Government. But he has been ruminating over the matter during the whole week. We are pleased to note, as a result, that his opinions on the question have approximated somewhat more closely to the correct views expressed by THE EXAMINER. He evidently now feels that he was rather overhasty in condemning the reduction of unnecessary railway expenses by \$10,000 a year; and rather inconsistent in presenting the brazen shield of extravagance—for the good of the Province—after his recent patriotic and notable exploits on the side of economy—for the good of the Dominion at large.

One of the advantages of pursuing a consistent course is the ability to refer to views expressed in the past. On the fifth day of July last—in the midst of the election contest—we gave our views on the permanency of the Civil Service, as follows:

"The Civil Service of Canada is, as it should be, removed from the influences of party politics. A Departmental official, like a Judge, holds his office during life and good behavior. The McKenzie Government, it is true, have, in several instances, violated this rule. Without any cause assigned, they, on their accession to power, discharged several of the Civil Service officials of this Island and placed in their stead men whose only recommendation was a dutiful allegiance to the McKenzie Party.

"We should, however, be sorry to see the bad precedent followed by succeeding governments. In the interests of Canada it is desirable that while parties rise and parties fall the Civil Service shall remain undisturbed by botches—to carry on the business of the country scientifically and efficiently. If incapable men are in office let them be discharged, on proper representation and proof, and let good men be placed in their stead. But above all things preserve the Civil Service from the invasion, after every party victory, of hungry office hunting politicians.

"If, however, we are to be preserved from this vicious system, Civil Service officials must also refrain from taking an active part in politics. For it is not right that an official who has exerted himself to keep a Party out, should continue to hold office after the Party gets in. Besides it is only reasonable to suppose that an official who is also a politician cannot possibly perform his duties well. It is, therefore a good rule, that any official who takes an active part in politics forfeits his office.

"Under this rule, the Sub-Collector of Customs and the Harbor Master of Souris have both forfeited their offices; for they have not only interfered actively in politics, but their interference has also been most disgraceful. They were leading characters in the shameful wrangle at Agricultural Hall. Several of the officials in Charlottetown have also, under the same rule, forfeited their places. They may rest assured that, though the Grits protect them now, they will receive the just penalty of their indiscretion when the Grits are swept from power. The country cannot afford to tolerate official politicians—the bane of Government in the United States."

We can, therefore, with perfect consistency endorse the *Herald's* opinion that—

"Absolute neutrality in political matters should be a leading condition to ensure a civil official in his position. The moment he steps from his office to mix in the battle between political parties, that moment his appointment should be cancelled."

We condemn, as strongly as the *Herald*, the apathy of the Government regarding the flagrant violations of the rules and decorum of the Civil Service by Grit officials in this Province. We say they have been remiss in their duty for not enquiring into charges repeatedly preferred and notoriously true. Moreover, we think the Government should have hastened to right the flagrant wrong done the officials who, by the McKenzie Government, were dismissed at a day's notice, and that without any cause or reason whatever being assigned.

But we will not jump jim crow, go back upon our record, and act a ridiculously inconsistent part because the Government have not done that which we believe should, in this particular case, be done. The Government, we suppose, desire to give the Grits no excuse—no precedent—for adopting the vicious system of the United States. They would rather wrong, for a time, their followers in this Island than inflict a great and almost ineradicable evil upon the whole Dominion. When they become impressed

with the facts—when they know that no such precedent will be established—the condign punishment which justice demands should be inflicted upon rabid political officials, will, we believe, be meted out at their hands. In the meantime we must admire the firmness with which they adhere to the good principle of permanency in the Civil Service.

The *Herald* does us an injustice when it says the EXAMINER has "not a word to say" about the inequality of the pay of Island officials with the pay of officials on the Mainland. In point of fact no newspaper has so persistently reminded both Grit and Conservative Governments of the injustice done the Island in this particular.

The Fort Augustus Election.

HOWEVER gratifying—as showing the immense popularity of the Liberal-Conservative Party—it may be to see six candidates running for election for the single seat left vacant by the death of the Hon. Francis Kelly, it is by no means pleasant to contemplate the advantages the six competing Conservatives give their Grit opponent. We hope an arrangement may be made under which all the Liberal-Conservative votes may be given to the same candidate.

PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

THE EXAMINER'S SUMMARY REPORT.

THURSDAY, May 15.

Hon. Mr. SULLIVAN moved the House into Committee of the Whole to consider the amendments proposed by the Legislative Council to the Indigent Debtor's Bill.

Citizens' Skating Rink.

The annual meeting of the "Citizens' Skating Rink Company" was held in the Rink on Wednesday evening, the 14th inst. The affairs of the Company are in a flourishing condition, as their statement shows. They declared a dividend of 10 per cent., payable June 1st. The old Board of Directors was elected. It consists of W. C. Hobkirk, W. C. DesBrisay, J. E. Hazard, John McEachern, and Dr. Strickland. The latter gentlemen was, at the close of the meeting, elected President of the Board.

MASONIC.

LAST EVENING P. H. P., Adam Murray, installed the officers elect for Alexandra Royal Arch Chapter, No. 11, for the ensuing year:

- Comp. Simon W. Crabbe, M. E. H. P.
- David Small, E. K.
- Geo. W. Wakeford, E. S.
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- Charles J. Clarke, P. S.
- A. A. Baldwin, R. A. C.
- Rev. T. B. Reagh, G. M. 3rd V.
- Rev. Alfred Osborne, G. M. 2nd V.
- Arthur Holroyd, G. M. 1st V.
- John Hobbs, Tyler.

A DESPERATE plot among the prisoners at the Halifax Penitentiary to effect an escape has been discovered and frustrated. While the prisoners were at exercise on Saturday night, keeper Ross noticed one of them pass something to another named Slaughterwhite, which the latter hid under his coat. On being searched, a heavy hammer used for breaking stone was found on him. Other prisoners suspected were searched. On a man named Winslow was found another hammer. Another, named Hughes, had a double-edged knife, which would prove a murderous weapon in close combat, sewed up in his pants. A similar weapon was found in Slaughterwhite's bed, and behind one of the buildings was a long rope made of pieces of sheets. The prisoners had determined on desperate measures to secure their liberty, and had not the plot been discovered and frustrated the consequences would have been serious. Slaughterwhite and Hughes admitted that they intended to "use the knives."

In Toronto, on the 13th inst., as three little boys, named Richard Casey and John Casey, aged respectively 5 and 3 years, and John Enard, aged 4 years, were playing in a shed in the rear of 425 Bathurst street, the structure took fire, and after the flames had been extinguished their bodies were found in the ruins. The shed was filled with old shingles, and it is supposed that the fire resulted from matches, with which the victims were playing.

DREDGING PICTOU HARBOR.—The dredge boat *Canada* is still working at the Pictou public wharf. The *Cape Breton* is dredging the East River near the Halifax Company's wharves. The *St. Lawrence* left St. John on Saturday for Pictou. She will be employed deepening the harbor at the west end.—*Standard*.

THE EXAMINER, every day, goes into nearly every respectable house in Charlottetown. It is, every day, sold indiscriminately at all bookstores, on the streets, on the railway cars, and at towns, villages, and stations throughout the length of the Island. It is not strange, therefore, that such enterprising and leading firms as those of William Dodd, Geo. Davies & Co., Perkins & Stearns, J. B. McDonald, Owen Connolly & Co., Carvell Brothers, F. T. Newbery & Co., Beer & Goff, Beer & Sons, Robert Young, Mark Butcher, John Newson, W. W. Wellner, G. W. DeBlos, besides many others (too numerous to mention), have recognized its worth as an advertising medium, and are regular advertisers in its columns. It has been remarked that those who advertise in the EXAMINER do most business; and the wonder is that even a greater number than those who at present patronize it, do not take advantage of its columns.

NEWS BY TELEGRAPH.

The Prorogation.

PERSONAL.

Special to Daily Examiner.

OTTAWA, May 15. Parliament prorogues at 2 p. m., to-day. Hon. J. C. Pope will return to the Island in a few days.

CANADIAN NEWS.

MONTREAL, May 13. Messrs McShane & Wiser have made arrangements for shipping 300 head of prime steers and heifers by S. S. *South Le Tyne* for Glasgow on Thursday next. J. W. House, of Beebe Plain, will ship 102 head of cattle this week by S. S. *Govina*, for Bristol, and E. B. Morgan, of Oshawa, ships by the same steamer 102 heads of very choice cattle, fed in Whitby district; also 1,020 sheep, weighing 100 lbs. each. Alderman McShane ships 200 head on S. S. *Cybele*. S. S. *Ocean King* will also take 400 head of cattle, and S. S. *Lake Nepigon* nearly 300 head. The *Waldensian* takes out 140 head of cattle, and S. S. *City of Bristol* 650 head. Over 2,000 head of cattle are expected to leave port during this week.

UNITED STATES.

ROUNDOUT, N. Y., May 13. Immense fires have been raging on the Catskill Hills for several days and are increasing. The burned district is about 7,000 acres; the air is filled with smoke; the weather is dry.

GALVESTON, May 13. Last night, all the prisoners but one escaped from the jail at Bryan, Texas. A confederate of a prisoner concealed in the jail overcame and secured the jailer. Among the escaped are John Brothers, murderer of Morsa at Calvert; Anderson Walker, a murderer, and Bond, a counterfeiter. The prisoners secured the jail arms. The citizens are in pursuit.

GREAT BRITAIN.

LONDON, May 13. In the Commons, to-night, Dellwynn, Liberal, moved that, in the opinion of the House, it was necessary that the limit of prerogative be more strictly observed, so as to prevent Ministers, under cover of supposed interposition of the sovereign, from withdrawing from the cognizance of the House matters which are properly within the scope of its powers. Dellwynn, in his speech, pointed out, as examples of such matters, the annexation of Transvaal, the sending of Indian troops to Malta, the sending of the fleet to the Dardanelles, etc.

Much confusion was caused by the motion, which in its original form implied the Queen's action unconstitutional, but being at the last moment remodelled into a simple vote of censure. Its original motion would meet with even less support than the present one. The motion is certain to be overwhelmingly lost.

Gladstone called attention to the fact that the House already had approved of several acts of the Government which the motion proposed to censure. He regarded the allegations of the motion as untimely and not supported by the facts.

Sir Stafford Northcote announced that the Government had decided to meet the motion by a direct negative. He explained that Lord Lytton's correspondence with Her Majesty was not political, but was merely relative to movements of troops.

The Marquis of Hartington also paraphrased Gladstone's declarations. Mr. Cross, Home Secretary, announced that he was authorized to state that the letter from the Queen to Lady Frere was merely a general expression of sympathy.

EASTERN AFFAIRS.

LONDON, May 13. The first intelligence of actual Russian evacuation comes from Rostchuk, where the twelfth division is now embarking.

ODESSA, May 13. It is stated that the Russian Steam Navigation Company will convey 40,000 men and 2,600 horses from Bourgas between May 15 and June 15, and the remainder of the evacuating army will go by Railway via Rent.

LONDON, May 13. The *Times'* Maritsburg despatch says Naguwanda reports that no Zulu force of any size existed on the 28th April.

EGYPT.

CAIRO, EGYPT, May 13. Communications continue to pass between the British and French Consuls and Khedive. It is stated that England would be satisfied with the appointment of British and French Comptrollers General with extended powers, whereas France will insist upon the appointment of two Europeans as members of the Egyptian Cabinet.

Rates of Exchange.

HALIFAX, May 13.	
Sterling Exchange, 60 days.....	9 1/2
" " sight.....	10 1/2
Cable Transfers.....	10 1/2
Drafts on New York.....	1 1/2 prem.
" " Boston.....	1 1/2
" " Montreal.....	1 1/2
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50 doz. Pails.

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75 Coils large size.

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