

The following totals of votes polled in recent elections, effectually dispose of the statement that the Conservatives have lost material strength in West Toronto:

Year,	Reform,	Conservatives.
1874.....	Mess.....1,651	Robinson....1,440
1875.....	Turner...1,484	Robinson....1,927
1878.....	Hedgins.1,528	Robinson....2,165
1880.....	Ryan.....1,836	Beatty.....2,093

The following is a statement of goods entered for consumption, duty paid, at the Summerside Custom House during July and August:

Value of Goods Entered for consumption, July, 1880,	Duty.
do do August, 5,167	\$1,229.10
Miscellaneous receipts, July, 1880,	933.49
do do Aug.,	112.00
	638.62
	\$2,913.21
Total receipts at Customs for the corresponding period of last year,	\$2,062.62
Receipts in excess of 1879,	\$850.59

The editor of the *Examiner* has by this time, no doubt, found that not only will men venture their lives on a dangerous railroad rather than complain at the risk of losing their situations, but that some employes on it will actually lie outrageously in order to deceive the public as to its real condition.—*Patriot*, Sept. 4.

We have no doubt the *Patriot* states that which he believes to be true—as persons, often act from mean and selfish motives; but we would be sorry to suppose that any such persons were in the service of the Prince Edward Island Railway—there is no such evidence.

A SHORT time since we had information that lobsters in tins, from this Island, were being discharged in London, of very inferior quality, or "trash," although labelled with well known brands. We were not, at the time, in possession of the name of the shippers, and would, probably, not have cared to divulge it if we were. Our reference to this matter was made in the interests of the lobster trade, and to prevent a spurious article being sent in the place of the genuine. It is for those who are in the trade to profit by the warning given them.

We are charged with having stated that the evidence adduced in the recent official investigation at the Railway office, was "sworn evidence." In point of fact we never said it was. We find, however, that the language we used has produced that impression; and we lose no time in making the necessary correction. We assume that men who deliberately attached their signatures to a formal statement would have no hesitation in swearing to it. To assume anything else is to regard Mr. Houle and his subordinates as among the most unprincipled of scoundrels—who should not remain in the important positions they hold a single hour.

It is very gratifying to note that the nominal deficit of the past year has already been very nearly wiped out. It will be remembered that, in anticipation of the new tariff, a very large quantity of goods was entered before the commencement of the last fiscal year, which otherwise would not have been entered until after the date of that event. Consequently, the deficit of the year before last was \$1,300,000 less than it should have been, while the deficit of last year was that amount more than it should have been. But for this, the deficit of last year would really have been little over \$300,000—nominally it was \$1,700,000. The excess of revenue for July and August this year is nearly sufficient to cover this deficit, as shown by the following returns. The receipts for July and August, 1879, were as follows:—

Customs.....	\$2,123,994
Excise.....	492,870
Other sources.....	505,154
Total.....	\$3,122,018
The Receipts for July and August, 1880 were as follows:	
Customs.....	\$2,974,776
Excise.....	792,014
Other sources.....	792,539
Total.....	\$4,559,359

With only one sixth of the year gone, the increase for 1880 is \$1,437,341, or within \$255,786.74 of the nominal deficit of 1879. To that we have again an expanding revenue. Prosperous times have returned under the new regime. If there are no unforeseen expenditures, it is evident that at the end of the present year there will again be in the Canadian Treasury a handsome surplus.

THERE is much of interest in connection with the production Dan'l Druce, at the Academy this evening. When first produced in Boston under the direction of Mr. Lewis, the occasion was graced by the presence of many eminent clergy, one of whom delivered an address, upon the merits of the piece previous to the commencement of the same. We predict a full house to-night. lin.

**Correspondence.**

*We do not hold ourselves responsible for the statements or opinions of our correspondents*

**The Railway Accident—Information Wanted.**

To the Editor of the *Examiner*.

SIR,—I notice in Saturday's *Patriot* a sharp criticism of the railway management over the signature of "Fairplay." "Fairplay" asks some very proper questions which I for one would like to see answered. But there is a question which he has not asked to which the public would like to see a reply. It is reported that tenders were called for a large number of new sleepers, that contracts were made with certain parties to the westward to supply them, that these parties failed to perform their contract and left the railway people in the lurch, that the Superintendent was too easy, and failed to prosecute these parties, and make them bring along their sleepers; and that, consequently, the railway is, for the want of them, so much the worse. Is this true? Yours truly,

ENQUIRER.

[We are authorized by the Superintendent to state that a large number of sleepers was tendered for last spring; that some of the contractors did fail to supply the sleepers at the time fixed upon; but that sleepers were purchased from other persons to supply the deficiency and keep the road in good order. We are also authorized by the Superintendent to say that there has been no reduction in the staff of trackmen; that a great deal of work has been done throughout the summer, and will continue to be carried out until winter sets in.]

**The Water Question.**

LETTER FROM A CIVIL ENGINEER.

To the Editor of the *Examiner*.

SIR,—The late fire, I am glad to see, has again brought "The Water Question" before the City Council, and I trust, before the citizens.

The scheme proposed by Mr. Hales, in your edition of Saturday, is one which Mr. Thomas Alley, architect, spoke to me about, on his return from a tour he made to the United States this summer, visiting, amongst other places, Brooklyn. Mr. Alley spoke very highly of what he saw there; and if feasible here—that is should there be a sufficient or inexhaustible supply of good water at Quirk's pump,—would be well to adopt for the lower part of the city.

Before going on with that or any other scheme, care should be taken to find out, as far as practicable, what what supply could be obtained from any source, and if Quirk's pump, or spring at said pump, be found to yield a sufficiency, I would suggest that a circular reservoir be sunk in the ground on the north side of St. Paul's Church, lined with brick and cemented, and that a tunnel or pipe be laid from Quirk's pump to it, (so as not to interfere with that spring, as by excavating in the same place, the water might be lost altogether). And that an Engine and Pump, with Tower be built adjoining the tank—the tower to be high enough to carry the water with a sufficient pressure to any part of the city, the boiler chimney to be in the centre of the tower, and an upright stand pipe to be erected alongside of it, the head of pressure in the pipe causing the water to flow to any part of the city, and the heat from the chimney keeping the water from freezing in the winter. This plan is adopted in St. Petersburg and Riga, in Russia, with great success. But before going into any scheme, proper care should be taken to insure a sufficient supply of good water from any of the places, and to be satisfied on that head, you should know the strata from which the supply is derived.

Councillor Morris' scheme is a very feasible one, and could be carried out very cheaply, provided there is a good supply.

To build large tanks or reservoirs at Winter River or elsewhere is out of the question in this climate.

I hope to see some scheme or other carried out soon. More on this subject anon.

I am, yours faithfully,  
JAMES BROWN,  
Civil Engineer.

Charlottetown, Sept. 6, 1880.

**Queen's County Election.**

THE Central Committee of the various Temperance bodies met again on Saturday evening. All the necessary arrangements for the present were attended to, in order to ensure success. The following programme of public meetings was, after due consideration, adopted:—

- Tuesday, Sept. 7—Strathalbyn.
  - Tuesday, Sept. 14—Eldon, Crapaud and Southport.
  - Wednesday, Sept. 15—Wood Islands.
  - Thursday, Sept. 16—Pownal.
  - Friday, Sept. 17—Vernon River and Long Creek.
  - Monday, Sept. 20—Rustico.
  - Tuesday, Sept. 21—Stanley and North River.
  - Wednesday, Sept. 22—Summerfield.
- The 3rd District, embracing Mount Stewart, Fort Augustus, Little York, &c., has been handed over to Revs. W. R. Frame, D. J. Gillis and Wm. Lawson.
- Central committee meet again on Thursday evening.

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**OSBORNE HOUSE.**  
Sept. 4.—M L Bell, Mt Stewart; Wm Bagnall New Glasgow; W S McKie, do; James McLaughlin, Souris; Angus McLean, Georgetown; Wm Richardson, Halifax; B C Perry, Souris; Wm Clark, Smith's Falls, Ont; H Forsey Breen, Point Prim; Mr and Mrs Sheehan, Tipperary, Ireland; J Perrie, Glasgow, Scotland; John Cairns, White Sands.

**ROCKLIN HOUSE.**  
Sept. 4.—Rev. Neil McKay and son, Summerside; Rev. Mr. Hind, Georgetown; J D Trenaman, Ont; James Robison, Bonshaw; William J Simpson, Cavendish; James Easton Georgetown; James Gay, Pownal; Alexander McKinnon, Pownal.

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