

THE DAILY EXAMINER.

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THE REMEDIAL BILL.

HAVING shown that the Parliament of Canada is in honor and in duty, in fulfillment of a Parliamentary compact, bound to afford remedial legislation for the minority in Manitoba, we may now proceed to discuss the Remedial Bill, in respect to which Mr. Laurier has, incontinently, moved the six months' hoist. This measure, as introduced by the Minister of Justice, and now before Parliament, is made up of a hundred and twelve sections. The most of these provide for the working out of a system which is on all fours with that of the great province of Ontario, and, which, according to the Hon. David Mills, Mr. Laurier's right hand man, is the best on this continent. Mr. Mills said in 1892:

"I say there is no public school system on this continent producing more satisfactory results, and that works out with less friction, than the Separate School system of Ontario." There are, in the Remedial Bill, but three or four sections by which the machinery, as it were, is to be set in motion. The first section provides that the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council of Manitoba shall appoint, to form and constitute the Separate School Board of Education, a certain number of persons not exceeding nine, all of whom shall be Roman Catholics; and the second section provides that if the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council does not within three months of the passage of the Bill, make these appointments, or if within three months of the occurrence of any vacancy in the Board, the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council does not fill it up, then, in either such case, the Governor-in-Council shall make any appointment not made by the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council. Thus the Bill gives Manitoba the option of continuing in control of the schools, as in the case of Ontario and Quebec; and at the same time provides, without doubt or peradventure, for its operation in case the Government of Manitoba shall continue to be stubborn and disobedient to the law, thus guaranteeing to the minority in Manitoba the right which, according to the constitution of the province, is their right. It cannot be said, on the one hand, that these provisions are "coercive" or "tyrannical"; it cannot, on the other hand, be said that they will be ineffective.

The most important section of the Bill, that which strikes at the root of the whole matter, is the following:—"The Roman Catholic ratepayers of a school district, including religious, benevolent and educational corporations, shall be liable to be assessed for the erection, maintenance or support of any school, whether by provincial law or otherwise; nor shall any of his property in respect of which he shall have been assessed be so liable."

"But any Roman Catholic who is assessed for the support of a separate school shall be liable to be assessed, taxed or required in any way to contribute for the erection, maintenance or support of any school, whether by provincial law or otherwise; nor shall any of his property in respect of which he shall have been assessed be so liable."

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A DECIDED IMPROVEMENT.

The Summerside Journal directs attention to a decided improvement that has been made in the mail service of the Province. It says: "In previous years a great deal of fault has been found with the sortation of Island mail matter by the L. C. R. mail clerks, by which only a small portion of other points were received here on the day crossed at the Capes, the bulk of it going to Charlottetown, and reaching Summerside the following day. This year Mr. Richard Hunt went energetically to work to remedy this grievance, and through his efforts the mail service has been put in as good a shape as possible, and the trouble hitherto complained of no longer exists, or at least not to any extent worth noting. The Postmaster-General has given special instructions respecting the Island mails, and Post Office Inspector King, of New Brunswick, has so arranged and laid off the work for the mail clerks under his direction that the distribution on the L. C. R. is now excellent, and nearly all mail matter intended for Summerside and Summerside distribution, reaches here direct from Capre Traverse the same day it crosses, and little or nothing is carried to Charlottetown beyond a few Nova Scotia papers. All letters, all registered matter, nearly all American and New Brunswick and Upper Province papers, are bagged and labeled separately for Summerside and Distribution, so that they reach here without delay, and are not mixed with matter bagged off and labeled for Charlottetown and the other points. Prince Edward Island R. P. O. The Summerside distribution, for which, as above noted, sortation is made on the L. C. R. includes the following post offices, which all receive their foreign mail matter with the same delay and annoyance of former years: Belemque, Belmont, Carleton, Carleton Place, Lot 16, Misconche, Muddy Creek, North Belemque, North Carleton, Boss Corner, St. Eleanors, Sea Cow Head, Scaletown, South West, Lot 16, Summerside. This is certainly a great and most satisfactory improvement over previous years, and Mr. Hunt is entitled to the thanks of business men and of the community generally, for bringing about so desirable a change."

This is but one of the many decided practical improvements obtained, through the instrumentality of our active representative men.—Mr. Hunt, Mr. Martin, Mr. McDonald, Mr. McLean, Mr. Hackett and others, who have interested themselves on behalf of the people—since the Hon. Donald Ferguson obtained a seat in the Cabinet. Mr. Ferguson's energy and ability in support of the memorials of our people have, indeed, been evidenced in every department of the public service. On the railway, stations that had been closed have been opened, trains taken off have been restored, sharper connections have been made, and many of the men and officers have received increases in their pay. On the Stanley, lower rates of freight and passage have been secured. All over the country dairy stations have been established as a result of the efforts of the excellent officers of the Department of Agriculture. These and many other improvements that have been introduced may be taken as evidence that still more will be done in the future. In respect to railway extension through Belias to Murray Harbor and Montague, in respect to improved conditions and means of communication with the Mainland, and in respect to many other things, the assistance of practical and energetic men—men who can be depended upon—is yet needed. It is to be hoped that the men who have done well in the past will have the full confidence of the people in the future.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

—Mail and Empire: Mr. Fraser blames the late Minister of Justice for usurping President Cleveland's hostile message. He does not say which member of the Cabinet edged on Emperor William to wire his congratulations to Kruger.

—Harpers Weekly, an impartial authority, reviews the Manitoba case, and in summing up says: "It has frequently been stated that the whole trouble has arisen through the arrogant demands upon the younger Legislature, but a glance at the facts of the case and a comparison of the dates of the different messages preclude any such judgment. Manitoba holds the possibility of serious trouble in her grasp, and seems determined to push her advantage without regard to the much-wanted quality of 'fair play' long claimed to be exclusively another British possession."

—The Week: It is now quite clear that the most decisive personal score made by any man in English public life since Disraeli returned from Berlin in 1877 is that achieved by Mr. Chamberlain in the Colonial Office within the last few months. In that office he has found an opportunity to prove himself the strong man who knows his own mind—who knows the popular mind, and who has the courage and capacity to express clearly and decisively the will of a great nation. That is the kind of man whom nations watch and wait for, and whom they delight to honor. It is quite certain that Mr. Chamberlain has, at a bound, placed himself in the front rank of the few men who are possible British ministers. The fact has an infinite variety of bearings on British politics, but none which more deserves attention than the Colonial Office is made at once something different in the eyes of English statesmen from what it ever has been before. We may take it for granted that it is not likely hereafter to fall to any but first rate men. When the thunder-bolts of the Empire have to be wielded from Downing Street the directing hand must be steady and strong, and strong men at the Colonial Office, pursuing lines of policy at once popular and national, will find there work worthy of their energies. We may yet see Downing Street looked upon as especially the training place for statesmen of the highest type.

The list of accidents in the hunting field in England continues to be very heavy this season. A recent fatality was the death of a Kirk, aged 76 years, who had hunted with the York and Ainsty pack for over sixty years. He was instantly killed by his horse stepping into a hole and falling on him.

Harry Furness, whose political caricatures have hitherto been drawn from the Corn Law, is now making pictures of Parliament for the Liberal Daily News.

'T'WAS ENGLISHMEN'S NIGHT.

Entertainment in the Upper Methodist Church.

What Mr. Kirby had to Say Respecting the New Poet Laureate.

A large number of people braved the unfavorable weather of last evening, and "Englishmen's Night" in the Upper Methodist Church was well attended. The Sons of England turned out well, and occupied prominent seats in the centre aisle, presenting a splendid appearance in their handsome regalia. Mr. L. B. Prower, M. L. A., appeared.

The Rev. Mr. Kirby prefaced his lecture on "Alfred Austin, Poet Laureate" by several important references. He quoted from "Thomas Watson's History of English Poetry" showing that as early as 1251 one hundred shillings were paid as the stipend of the King's versifier, or as the first appointment, presented a splendid appearance in their handsome regalia. Mr. L. B. Prower, M. L. A., appeared.

In dealing with the deceased Laureate the lecturer showed that he was far from being a Pagan, as George Parsons Lathrop designated him since his death. Apt quotations were made from his writings, as well as from his niece Miss Agnes Grace Weld, showing him to have been a Christian and a firm believer in the religion of Jesus Christ. He did not refer to records which would prove his deathly bed would at once dissipate any thought of his unbelief. His faithful physicians, Dr. S. Andrew Clark and Dabbs have each written of the beautiful death. "Lord Tennyson was a gloriously happy man," said Sir Austin. "In all my experience I have never witnessed anything more glorious. There was no artificial lights in the chamber, and all was in darkness save for the silvery light of the moon at its full. The soft beams of light fell upon the bed and played upon the features of the dying poet like a halo of Rembrandt. Dr. Dabbs also wrote: 'Nothing could have been more striking than the scene during the last few hours. On the bed a figure of breathing marble, flooded, bathed, in the light of the full moon streaming through the oriel window, his hands clasped in the silver light which he had asked for but recently, and which he had kept by him to the end, the moonlight; the majestic figure as he lay there drawing thicker breath irresistibly brought to our minds his own "Passing of King Arthur." His last conscious words were of love addressed to his wife and son, words too sacred to be written here.' How true to his own words was his death: "For though from out our bourne Of time and place The flood may bear me far, I hope to see my Pilot face to face When I have crossed the bar."

This poem was capitally sung by Miss L. Howard. The lecturer then proceeded, and gave specimens of the poetry of the men who were thought to have a better right to the laureateship. Then another selection from Lewis Morris, two pieces, "Gull's Wings" and "The Martyr Crown," from Swinburne were selected. "Sir Phillip Sydney" and "A Baby's Death," all of which were exceedingly fine.

The poem by William Watson on "Memorial Verses on the late Laureate" was then recited by Mr. Ernest H. Duchene. After a recitation by Mr. Wallace Pickard on "Our Relation to America," by Tennyson, and singing by the choir "The Flag of the Free," the lecturer proceeded.

Alfred Austin, poet laureate, received his appointment from the Queen on the last day of December, 1895, three years after the death of Lord Tennyson. He was born at Heavingly, Leeds, May 30th, 1835. His father was a merchant and magistrate of Leeds; his mother was a sister of Joseph Locke, the eminent civil engineer, and M. P. for the borough of Honiton of which he was Lord of the Manor. He was sent to Stonyhurst College, afterwards to St. Mary's College, Quebec, and after that to his degree at the University of London in 1853, and in 1857 was called to the bar of the Inner Temple.

An anonymous publication entitled "Radolph" was his first work, at 13 years of age. On the death of his father in 1861 he quitted the Northern Circuits and went to Italy. His first acknowledged work was "The Season: a Satire," which appeared in 1861. A third and revised edition of this work appeared in 1869. Then quickly in succession came "The Human Tragedy," "The Golden Age," "Interludes," "Home or Death," "Madness or Bliss," "The Power of Babel," a drama, and other works, until now the British Museum contains forty volumes from his pen. As a novelist he has written "Five Years Or More," "Won by a Deal," "An Artist's Progress," "The Poetry of the Period" was reprinted from the Temple Bar in 1870, and a "Vindication of Lord Byron," occasioned by Mrs. Stowe's article, "The Story of Lord Byron's Life." He has written much for the Standard and the Quarterly Review, and represented the Standard at Rome during the sittings of the Ecumenical Council of the Vatican, and was special correspondent at the headquarters of the King of Prussia in the Franco-German war. His political writings include "Russia Before Europe," "Tory Horrors," a reply to Mr. Gladstone's "Budgetary Horrors," "England's Policy and Peril," &c. He founded in conjunction with W. J. Courthouse "The National Review," and continued to edit it till 1893. About fifteen years ago, in the month of May, when Mr. Austin was visiting Italy, a Greek priest tore from a tree, in full flower, a branch of bay and gave it to him. When Lord Tennyson died Mr. Austin sent this branch to Aldworth as his tribute, and it was placed in the wreath with Lady Tennyson's roses and a volume of Shakespeare.

Mr. Austin has been severely criticized, but he has by common consent the two essential qualifications of a laureate, patriotism and royalism. As a writer says, in him they are "irreproachable, uncompromising, ecstatic." He has been more generally designated "the laureate of spring," and he has the happy faculty of spreading out the English lanes, and fields, and flowers, while you all most imagine you revel in Nature's glory. As he sings: "None of these, nor all can match At least for him who loves to watch The wild-flowers come, hear wild birds sing The rapture of an English spring."

With us it lingers more than where It comes, it goes, half unaware; Makes winter short, makes summer long.

In autumn half renews its song; Nor even then doth it cease depart; But hibernates within my heart."

Only one learned in spring's successions would ask these questions in a "Letter from Italy": "Have the apple blossoms burst? Is the oak or ash the first? Are there snow-balls on the guelder? Can you scent, as yet, the elder? On the bank-side that we know Is the golden rose aglow, Like Love's evergreen delight, Never out of season quite, But most prodigal in spring When the white-throats pair and sing?"

Or again, his love of spring is heard in these words: "The spring-time will not come to date; With clouds and frosts man's reckoning mar, For bud and bloom you have to wait, Despite your ordered calendar. If nature built by rule and square, Than man what wiser world she be? What wins us is her careless care And sweet unpunctuality."

Mr. Austin himself is the best exemplification of the lines; the secret of his skill comes out in them. Ah! if you knew the hours on hours One lives with birds, one spends with flowers, How many a time one's eggs grow wet By gazing on the violet; How often all one has to show For days that come and days that go, Are woodland nosegays all alloy. You then, I think, would scarcely deem 'One's songs of spring a borrowed theme, But own that English poets learn In every hour, at every turn, From Nature's page, from Nature's speech."

What neither book nor bard can teach. A beautiful poem, "The Season" was read recited by J. H. Ayers, who also recited Austin's idea of peace—"Peace on Earth." Specimens of his ability as a song writer, "The Haymaker's Song" and "The Gave-digger's Song" were recited by Wallace Toombs, and the final poem, "Jameson's Bide," by Alfred Biggs. The lecturer closed the peroration by reciting, instead of singing, as he expected, "The Englishman's Song," the first verse of which is as follows (words written by Eliza Cook):

There's a land that bears a well-known name, 'Tis the star of the earth, deny it who can, The Island home of an Englishman. The lecture was well written, and was most interesting and instructive through out. The music rendered by the choir was a pleasing feature of the evening's entertainment, and the different recitations were generously applauded.

At the close, a hearty vote of thanks was, on motion of John T. Mellish, Esq., tendered by William Harris, Esq., tendered to Rev. Mr. Kirby, to which he replied in a fitting manner. "God Save the Queen" brought the entertainment to a close.

Dr. Wilder, of the Cornell Brain Association, has made another appeal to educated and moral persons to bequeath their brains to the institution for scientific study. In response to this letter, the society has already received eight brains, and has the promise of 25 others which are as yet being used by their owners. These latter include the brains of Thomas K. Beecher, of Elmira, and Mrs. McGee, daughter of the astronomer Simon Newcomb.

Burned in Emory. PRINCETON, N. J., March 6. The Princeton students last evening burned the King of Spain in effigy, and dragged the Spanish flag through the streets.

Holmes to Hang. HARRISBURG, Pa., March 6. Holmes, the murderer, is to hang May 7th.

CHOIR PRACTICE.—The St. Paul's church choir will meet for practice at 7.30 this evening, instead of Saturday evening. Rev. Henry Maher, a Baptist clergyman of Lexington, Ky., committed suicide last week at the age of 100. At very remote intervals a Kentuckian is found who gets tired of his own state.

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TELEGRAPHIC.

PARLIAMENT OF CANADA.

Debate on the Remedial Bill.

OTTAWA, March 6.

Hon. Mr. Ives in resuming the debate on the Remedial Bill said that as the representative of the Protestant minority of Quebec he had naturally to give a great deal of study to the manner in which his position was affected by the present question. He held that there was no need of an investigation. No one wanted further information. All was known already. He said we know on the other hand that if this question is not settled in this House at this session it becomes a question in the next general election. Does Mr. Laurier want for any political purpose to keep this score open, to leave this question unsettled? Is he gaining by it? Does he find his present position happy when he has actually to meet our increasing trade, and in order to make room you can get all your Boots from us at cost prices for yourself or for YOUR GIRLS.

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