

THE DAILY EXAMINER.

AUGUST 15, 1883.

Grit Prophecies not Verified.

Those who attended the political meetings held during the last Dominion Election will recollect with what fervor the Grit orators, flippant and dreary, dwelt upon the "hard times," the "exodus" and kindred subjects. One of them, a loud-mouthed alarmist, was wont to exclaim that the country was on the very verge of ruin; that those who could raise the means were preparing to leave the Island, while whole settlements had already become depopulated; that "grass widows" were to be met with standing weeping by the roadside, and like Rachel of old, refusing to be comforted. Another dwelt pathetically on the flour, coal and salt questions. Another was moved to tears over the bare prospect of Sir John retaining power for another term; while still another, the most woeful of them all, declared that between landlordism in the Northwest and grinding monopolies everywhere, the country was on the eve of civil war, bankruptcy and desolation. The failure of the P. E. Island Bank was made do service, while the disadvantages of a long cold winter and backward spring were not forgotten. All these were kept well to the front during the campaign and a political turn given to them which was unfair as it was untrue. The horrid N. P., besides being credited with the local depression brought about by the Bank failure, was held accountable for every other drawback the Island had to contend with—cold winter, late spring and short crops included. According to the Free Trade partisans our farmers were being beggared, and our merchants and artisans driven from the country. The same statements, with some slight variations, were made by our Grit representatives in Parliament last winter. Never were there such poverty and hard times, said they, within the recollection of the oldest inhabitant. No doubt the temptation to repeat these untruthful assertions was very great, for all true Grits delight in running down their own country and praising a foreign one. Not one kind hopeful word have they to say for Canada. And if through some unexpected calamity, Canada's present bright prospects were to become dimmed for a time, all, only Grits, would rejoice, for in ominous signs they would see something that could be turned, though unfairly, to political account.

It is almost needless to say that in spite of Grit prophecies and misrepresentations our Province was never more prosperous than at the present moment. Our farmers are rejoicing in the near approach of an abundant harvest. Our mechanics are profitably employed, while our laboring classes generally—all those, at least, who are willing to give an honest day's work for an honest day's wage—find ready employment. Our fishermen too, stimulated, no doubt, to renewed effort, by the Bounty wisely given by the present Government, are more successful this year than ever, in bringing in a rich harvest from the sea. But all this is due, we will be told, to a kind Providence. Admitted. It must, however, be borne in mind that good crops and an abundant catch of fish, are in themselves of comparatively little value—unless they command good prices. And surely no one will have the hardihood to deny that the wise fiscal and railway policies of the present Dominion Government have largely contributed to the present great demand for all kinds of produce both from the farm and the sea. As for the exodus even the local organ has had nothing to say on that subject since it issued its whining lamentation over the departure of a few disaffected Grits who left the eastern end of the Island last spring. The fact is so many are returning of late from the United States that the bottom has fallen out of the exodus grievance, to the great disgust of Grit politicians.

We believe, however, that notwithstanding the prosperous state of our Island at present, the same old plaintive wail of misery and woe will be doled out in Parliament next session, as usual, by our Grit representatives.

Games and Sports—Then and Now.

The very mention of the Grecian Games excites pleasant imaginations. How important an event the celebration of these games was, may be judged from the fact that the Greeks reckoned their chronology by Olympiads, in honor of the Olympic games which took place at intervals of four years. It was one of the proudest honors a young man could win to come off victorious here. The eyes of all Greece, living and dead, seemed to watch the contestants. The wisest and best of every city and province were always in attendance. It was a great reunion of the scattered sons of the same family. Perhaps one is apt to idealize these old celebrations. One is apt to think of them as honorable in every particular, as dissociated from unseemly noise, or bitter rivalry, or dissatisfied competitors. Those were the days, surely, when the refreshments were not at famine prices, and men were not seen staggering over the grounds; when swearing was unknown; and the tall fellow in front always retired, that those behind might get the best view possible of the race or wrestling-bout. There was no need then of the policeman's buttons to awe the youth into good behaviour, or

of his club to keep back the unruly spectators of a larger growth. No! no! these are modern things, created by the advance from a primitive to a civilized society.

Human nature is fond of games. It is instinct with a passion for excellence. It will read of the achievements of athletes with something of an aspiring interest. But he would be considered an unfair competitor of old, who made a business of his athletic powers; to whom sports had become, what they were never intended to become, a matter of life and death. It is here that have crept in the evils of modern competitions; and with gambling has come gambling. Things that were meant for diversions have become serious; and betting, suspicions of dishonesty, and open charges of foul-play are regular attendants of professional encounters. In the interest of true sporting and for the credit of our people, we hope that the games to-morrow will pass off pleasantly for both spectators and contestants.

An official of the United States Treasury Department says that during the last ten years over six million dollars' worth of opium has been smuggled into San Francisco. The business has been carried on by a ring of smugglers assisted by prominent Government officials who have been getting thirty per cent. of the spoils, the others getting the rest, but in addition bribes of from \$20 to \$5,000 have also been given by dealers to the officials. It is reported that many of the wealthy men of the city owe their money to their trade in opium.

Our Volunteers.

THE ACTIVE MILITIA MATCH— FIRING IN HEAVY RAIN—A DIFFICULTY SETTLED.

A heavy rain and a high wind, yesterday morning, were enough to put a damper on the most enthusiastic volunteer. There was, in consequence, a smaller attendance than on Monday, nearly all of No. 2 Batt. Artillery dropping out of the contest. After waiting for some time in the hope that the weather would clear, the Range officer ordered the signal "commence firing" to be sounded, and before long the men settled down to their work. And hard work it was, for dense showers of rain at times made it almost impossible to see the targets. The ranges prescribed by the regulations for this match were at 500 and 600 yards, seven shots to be fired at each range, the highest possible total being 70. In the forenoon, despite the inclement weather, some good shooting was done, notably that of Lieut. Horne, who scored 30 out of 35. After midday the sun shone out, but the high wind still continued.

Firing was now much brisker, and everyone in good spirits. Lieut. Harper, by careful shooting, succeeded in beating Lieut. Horne's thirty, by one point. At 600 yds. the scoring was not so high as at the shorter range. Lieut. Horne secured twenty-five points, making fifty-five in all, averaging (with one point more) a centre for each shot. Darkness coming on before the match was finished, it was completed this morning, being by far the most interesting as yet contested.

THIRD MATCH—ACTIVE MILITIA.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Points, and other details. Includes Lieut. Crockett, No. 4 Co., 55 pts; Lieut. Horne, Engineers, 55; Lieut. Harper, No. 4 Co., 53; Lieut. McGregor, No. 3 Co., 49; Sergt. Campbell, No. 3 Co., 48; Pte. D. Stewart, No. 1 Co., 48; Sergt. Younker, No. 1 Batt. G. A., 47; Color-Sergt. Allen, No. 3 Co., 46; Lieut. White, No. 1, King's, 46; Lieut. Scott, No. 1 Co., 45; Pte. Jenkins, No. 2 Co., 45; Lieut. McDougall, Engineers, 44; Corp. R. Prowse, No. 1 Co., 44; Major Doherty, Engineers, 43; Lieut. Longworth, No. 3 Co., 43; Pte. Johnston, No. 1, King's, 42; Sapper Wakeling, Engineers, 42; Corp. Kennedy, No. 2 Co., 41; Sergt. Hooper, Engineers, 41.

No better weather could have been desired; there was a slight breeze, but not enough to interfere with the shooting. The score of Lieut. Horne was tied by Lieut. Crockett, No. 4 Co., 82 Batt. As the latter made most points at the long range, 600 yards, he secured first place. The shooting to-day, all through, was very good. At the time of going to press the Banker's Match was well under progress, but will probably not be completed to-day.

The difficulty which rose at the All-comers' Match, as to who should receive the medal, has, we learn, been settled to the satisfaction of those concerned. It will be remembered that Lieut. McDougall, Lieut. McGregor, and Corp. J. Dover, besides having highest scores, were all equal. It has since been arranged that the medal will be competed for again by these three parties.

Lobster Fishery Extension.

Mr. Duvall, Inspector of Fisheries, has sent the following circular to his Fishery Wardens:—

ALBERTON, 14th August, 1883. I have not yet had any orders to extend the time of lobster fishing. Should such orders be received, I will telegraph to the Press, and notify you. If not so received, factories must close on the 20th instant.

Our Advertisers.

A. L. Bridges & Co., have on hand 700 Mackerel Barrels, which they will sell cheap for cash.

S. T. Nelmes, Standard Bookstore, has in stock a choice lot of Stationery, which is being sold cheap.

Beer & Goff, and other prominent grocers, have decided to close their places of business, to-morrow, (Caledonia Day) at one o'clock. Robt. J. Campbell, Secretary Caledonian Club, announces that a special meeting of the Club will be held this evening at eight o'clock. Visiting clansmen are invited and all members are requested to be present. Campbell & Rayden tender their thanks to the party who advertised their business through the agency of the City Council and THE EXAMINER, and announce that they still continue to sell household furniture, stocks, etc., on the Market Square.

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

[SPECIAL DESPATCHES TO THE EXAMINER.]

The Operators' Strike.

NEW YORK, Aug. 15. The Western Union meeting, which takes place to-morrow, promises to be of public interest. The Gold and Stock Telegraph Company report all their wires cut this morning. The stock market opened to-day very weak and feverish. At the opening there was considerable selling off of Lake Shore, which sold at 104, Erie 78, Jersey Central, 82, Western Union weak at 75.

A Terrible Fire.

LONDON, Aug. 15. A private insane asylum in Ealing, Middlesex, was destroyed by fire last night. Many of the inmates were severely burned. Dr. Boyd, proprietor of the institution, was killed while attempting to save the lives of the patients. His son also perished in the flames.

The Tamatave Difficulty.

LONDON, Aug. 4. The Standard states that despatches received from Madagascar fully confirm accounts of differences between French and English at Tamatave. "Should France," says the Standard, "not offer explanations, England must demand them."

A New Railway Co.

NEW YORK, Aug. 15. Gentlemen representing a capital of \$150,000,000, held a meeting to-day, and organized the New York, Danbury and Boston railroad company, with a capital of \$10,000,000 to open a new line between New York and Boston.

The Watkins Regatta.

WATKINS, N. Y., Aug. 15. Owing to rough water yesterday the races were postponed till to-day. Hanlan rows at Sterling on the 17th, and at Fall River on the 18th.

The Turf.

LONDON, Aug. 15. At Kempton Park August meeting, to-day, the race for Kempton Park handicap plate was won by Redford's filly, Galvanic Age Wellington. There were four starters, including Keene's colt Balero.

The Sligo Election.

DUBLIN, Aug. 15. Mr. Kane O'Hara (Conservative), and Mr. Nicholas Lynch (Home Ruler), have been nominated for the vacant seat for Sligo County, in the House of Commons.

An Agrarian Outrage.

DUBLIN, Aug. 14. A party of men supposed to be agrarians shot and severely wounded a farmer near Killarney. Two of the men concerned in the shooting have been arrested.

The Spanish Troubles.

LONDON, Aug. 15. A correspondent of the Telegraph at Bayonne says the King of Spain has ordered Marshal Serrano to form a new Ministry.

A Shock of Earthquake.

LONDON, Aug. 14. A shock of earthquake, lasting five seconds, was felt at Sarajevo, the capital of Bosnia, yesterday.

Count De Chambord.

VIENNA, Aug. 15. Count De Chambord is dying.

Weather Bulletin.

Probabilities for the next 24 hours for the Maritime Provinces.

TORONTO, August 15—10 a. m.

Light to moderate winds; fine weather; not much change in temperature; fine weather and higher temperature to-morrow.

Summerside Exports.

Table with 3 columns: Item, Quantity, and Price. Includes 174 sheep, 42 bbls. mackerel, 1 bbl. pork, 14 bags potatoes, 30 lbs. butter, 6 horses, 93 cases eggs, 973 pelts, 27 lbs. wool. Total value \$2,217.00.

MIDDLE aged men, often lack vigor, this can be restored by that great brain and nerve food known as Mack's Magnetic Medicine. Sold in Charlottetown at Apothecaries Hall. Read the advertisement in another column of to-days paper.

The Exchange Telegraph Company announces that the Senate of Bremen has concluded a convention with the German Government providing for the entry of that city into the Zollverein.

Horsford's Acid Phosphate

FOR WEAKNESSES. Dr. Wm. P. Clothier, Buffalo, N. Y., says: "I prescribed it for a Catholic priest, who was a hard student, for wakefulness, extreme nervousness, etc., and he reports it has been of great benefit to him."

CALL AT "CHEAPSIDE" FOR

Croceries, Hardware, Glassware, Earthenware, Woodenware, &c.

OUR FLOUR, MEAL, TEA, SUGAR, MOLASSES AND OTHER GOODS Are Giving General Satisfaction.

Goods expressed to Steamers, Railroad Depot and other parts of the City FREE OF CHARGE. HENRY BEER. Charlottetown, July 28, 1883.—taw and wky.

DOMINION SAFETY FUND.

THE following acknowledgments for payments death claims show the promptitude with which such claims are paid by the Dominion Safety Fund Life Association:— As insurances are effected in this Association at actual cost, with a small fixed charge for office commission, there cannot possibly be a more equitable and cheap system of life insurance. No delay no heavy premiums, no enormous profits at the expense of the insured! This company having made the deposit of \$50,000 at Ottawa, as required by law, offers this further guarantee as to the prompt payment of its obligations. Every policy in this Association for \$1,000 is secured by the obligations of its members representing upwards of \$2,000,000 and rapidly increasing.

FREDERICTON, N. B., July 3rd, 1883. To the President and Directors of the Dominion Safety Fund Life Association, St. John, N.B. GENTLEMEN:—I hereby acknowledge receipt of the sum of two thousand dollars, in full settlement of my certificates, Nos. 369, 370, on account of the death of my husband, Dr James Henry Ellis, M. D. paid to me immediately upon presentation of proofs of his death. I beg to express my grateful thanks for your promptitude in paying the claim, and gladly authorize you to publish this letter, if you deem it desirable, in the interests of your valuable Association. Yours, respectfully, MARY ANNE ELLIS. Witness: (Signed) Wesley Vanwart.

St. JOHN, N. B., July 30, 1883. To the President and Directors of the Dominion Safety Fund Life Association, St. John, N.B. GENTLEMEN:—I beg to offer you my sincere thanks for the promptitude with which my claim on your Association for one thousand dollars, as beneficiary on my husband, the late Moses Lockhart, was paid to me as soon as the necessary papers were completed and presented, and I trust the Association will continue to receive the support it so fully deserves. (Signed) SARAH LOCKHART. Witness: (Signed) C. A. Madonald.

LEONARD MORRIS, Agent for P. E. Island. Summerside, Aug. 3, 1883.—ly

FURNITURE, FURNITURE, AT COST.

Opposite Post Office, Charlottetown. BEDSTEADS, Chairs, Tables, Washstands, Sofas, Lounges, Parlor, and Drawing Room Bed room Buis, Looking Glasses and Mirrors, Window Furniture, Picture Frames and Picture Mountings.

JOHN NEWSON, Charlottetown, Jan. 2, 1883.—ly

COAL! COAL! IN STORE, AND WILL BE SOLD CHEAP.

Anthracite Egg and Chestnut Sizes. (BEST QUALITY.) PICTOU ROUND & NUT, ALBION SLACK, (For Blacksmiths' use, good), Sydney Old Mines

—AND— GOWRIE MINES ROUND. CAPT. JOHN HUGHES, Charlottetown, Aug. 10. [mo we fr pat tu th sa 3m. he pres 3m]

TO LOBSTER SHIPPERS.

STEAMERS of Fishwick's Express Line, sailing from Charlottetown every Thursday, connect at Halifax with Allan Line for Liverpool, Furness Line for London and Hamburg Cromwell Line for New York, at present offer special rates of freight, and grant through bills lading here. L. A. BARNABY, Halifax. A. H. B. MACGOWAN, Charlottetown. July 24, 1883.

JOSEPH GILLOTT'S STEEL PENS

SOLD BY ALL STATIONERS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD. GOLD MEDAL PARIS 1876. BUY THE DAILY EXAMINER, the Cheapest and Newest paper in the Province.

P. E. Island Railway.

Tenders for Cape Traverse Branch.

SEALED TENDERS, addressed to the undersigned, and endorsed "Tender for Cape Traverse Branch," will be received until Wednesday, the 22nd August, 1883, for grading the Cape Traverse Branch.

The Branch extends from the Prince Edward Island Railway to Cape Traverse, a distance of about two (2) miles. Plan, Profile and Specification may be seen at the office of the Chief Engineer, Moncton, and also at the Engineer's Office at County Line Station, where forms of Tender may be obtained.

Each tender must be accompanied by a deposit equal to five per cent. of the amount of the tender, made up on the basis of quantities furnished. This deposit may consist of cash or an accepted bank cheque, and it will be forfeited if the party tendering neglects or refuses to enter into a contract when called upon to do so, or if, after entering into the contract, he fails to complete the work satisfactorily according to the plans and specification.

If the tender is not accepted, the deposit will be returned. Tenders must be made on the printed form supplied. The Department will not be bound to accept the lowest or any tender.

Chief Engineer's Office, Moncton, N. B., August 9, 1883. [aug 14 11 22]

5 DOLLARS REWARD.

THE above reward will be paid to any person who will give such information as will lead to the conviction of the person or persons who destroyed a target at the Kensington Rifle Range, on the night of the 11th instant. GEORGE L. DOGHERTY, Secy Pro. Rifle Association of P. E. I. Ch'town, Aug. 14, 1883.

SCOTTISH GATHERING 1883.

THE Annual Gathering of Caledonian Club will take place on the Grounds of the Hon. John Longworth, CHARLOTTETOWN, ON Thursday, 16th instant.

The list of prizes for this year is the largest yet offered. A Public Holiday is proclaimed. Galbreath's Band and Pipe Music will be in attendance. Particulars in programmes. ROBT. J. CAMPBELL, A. McNEILL, Rec Secy, President. Ch'town, Aug. 13.—31

JUST ARRIVED.

100 bls. No. 1 New Herring. Come and see them at IMPERIAL GROCERY STORE. Ch'town, July 21.

WANTS, LOST, FOUND, &c.

DRAWING.—Miss E. Longworth wishes to receive pupils, after the first of September, for instruction in Drawing and Painting. [aug 15 eod tf]

WANTED IMMEDIATELY.—A man for general work. Also a girl for dining room. Apply at the Revere House. [aug 14]

LOST.—Saturday night, Aug. 11th, between York Station and McMillan's Hotel, a black overcoat, with velvet collar. The finder will be rewarded by leaving it with Mr. Hayden, York Station, or at the London House, Charlottetown. [aug 14 wly lin]

WANTED.—A good general servant. Small family. No washing. Apply during forenoon or evening to Mrs. O'Meara, Pleasant St. [aug 14]

TO LET.—The Tenement House, on Cumberland Street, lately occupied by W. H. Stewart, Esq., and formerly owned by Mr. R. B. Heustis. Apply at the store of Davison & Co., corner Great George and Kent Streets. [aug 11 6i]

THE CREAMER that I manufacture with iron top is the "Champion."—HENRY D. WADMAN, 55 Pownall St. [aug 10]

RARE OLD CHINA.—A few specimens for sale. Apply Box 245, P. O., Ch'town. [aug 2 6i eod]

RARE BOOK.—"Hogarth's Analysis of Beauty," for sale. Apply Box 745, P. O., Ch'town. [aug 2 6i eod]

TO LET.—That Dwelling House containing twelve rooms, besides kitchen, on Upper Hillsborough Street, lately occupied by Capt. Michael Foley. Apply to Henry Blatch. [y30 eod tf]

VINEGAR.—Just received a supply of French Imperial Triple Vinegar, warranted of best quality. For sale at John Hobbs' Grocery Store. [aug 2 3w taw]

WANTED.—A GIRL, about eighteen years, to do general housework. One from country preferred. Apply to Mrs. Geo. Tweedy, Spring Park Road. [aug 5 1w wly 2i]

TO LET.—A house containing six rooms. Apply to James McLeod, Spring Park Road. [an 4]

BOARDERS.—A few boarders can be accommodated at Mrs. Rodd's, opposite Pickard's Bakery. [jly 31]

FOR SALE.—Set of Smith's Tools, also a lot Tinware, &c. Apply to Mrs. Rodd, opposite Pickard's Bakery. [jly 31]

TO LET.—(with immediate possession) the handsome and commodious residence in the northern suburbs of the city, on St. Peter Road, lately occupied by L. B. Archibald Esq. Enquire of LONGWORTH & HANZARD. [may 16, 1883]