

THE DAILY EXAMINER.

APRIL 24, 1891.

The First Step.

ONE of the first public acts of the new Government was in the nature of a breach of faith. This is a serious charge. But let the people judge according to the facts. After the announcement that the Legislature would adjourn until the 16th June, in order, as the Premier explained, that the Government may have time to enquire fully into the financial state of the Province and that the by-elections consequent upon the acceptance of office by himself and the Messrs. McMillan and McLean may be held, the Leader of the Opposition requested that the Public Accounts of the past year be laid upon the table of the House, pointing out that the people of the Province are likely to be deceived and misled if the figures and facts contained in the accounts are withheld from them. In support of his request, Mr. McLeod referred to the questionable statement concerning our finances which had been put into the mouth of the Lieutenant-Governor and published from the Chair of State. Hon. Mr. Farquharson at once responded that the request would be granted; and after consulting for a moment with his colleagues, the Premier went, apparently, to get the report. But though he returned in the course of a few moments, the reports were not laid upon the table—nor were they brought down before the house rose, the Government having decided to adhere to the custom of former years under which the official reports are not placed before the Legislature until after the Governor's Speech has been answered.

Thus, notwithstanding the request of the Leader of the Opposition and the promise of the Government, we have to go into a discussion of the financial state of the Province—without the public accounts. The Patriot clamored against the McLeod Administration because the public accounts were not made public long before the Legislature met! What will the Patriot say now!

Our new Government made and broke a promise within an hour. And their excuse is,—the necessity for adherence to an effect form!

It is stated on the street to-day that His Honor the Lieutenant Governor refused his consent to an application for permission to depart from this form. This is very like a story to be told to the marines. It is incredible that the Lieutenant Governor would, on a mere point of Parliamentary etiquette, stand in the way of the reception by the public of definite information which is, at this juncture, of the highest interest and importance to the Province. We refuse to believe that he did so, unless he were under a misapprehension as to the facts and circumstances of the case. But if he did so—then his Government are clearly responsible and accountable for his act. In view of their binding promise to the Legislature, they should not have permitted the House of Assembly to adjourn until their requirement had been complied with and their promise had been fulfilled.

All the facts in connection with this notable incident combine to prove (1) that they have not an exalted idea of the sacredness of a promise (2) that they have no very clear idea of the powers and duties of a responsible government, (3) that they desire to impose upon credulous people, before the bye-elections, false statements which they dare not make if the public accounts were published, and (4) that they are not above making an unfair, and unconstitutional attempt to throw the responsibility and the odium of their act to this end upon the person of the Lieutenant Governor.

Testimony of the Banks.

ACCORDING to the Opposition press Canada is now in a state of financial collapse. The "Bank Statement" for March does not, however, agree with the Grit press. In the contrary, a distinct improvement is exhibited. Turning to the bank accounts at his period in the last three years, we find the following exhibit:—

Table with 3 columns: Year (1889, 1890, 1891), Circulation, and Public Deposits. Values range from \$30,627,074 to \$136,000,000.

These facts and figures speak louder than words. A particularly noticeable feature the addition to public deposits, which mounting up so steadily that before the closes they promise to reach \$150,000,000, or nearly three times the amount of assets held in 1875.

Lawn Tennis Club Entertainment.

The singular success which attended the first entertainment given by the above Club in Charlottetown two years ago made for them a reputation which the brilliant performances of last night not only sustained but greatly enhanced. The programme comprised a Fan Drill and the drama of Mrs. Hodgson Burnett's pretty story of Esmeralda. Long and anxiously has the event been looked forward to, and long and laborious we know have been the pains taken to produce an entertainment worthy of the Club and of the appreciation of the most refined and cultured of our citizens;—nor will any say in vain.

The brilliantly, but becomingly, attired ladies who underwent the rigors, and gracefully performed the intricacies, of the Fan Drill in obedience to Captain Weeks, whose praises were celebrated in song by one of the fair soldiers, acquitted themselves singularly well in spite of obvious, though unavoidable, difficulties. This is the more surprising in view of the fact that the lady accompanist, Mrs. Mitchell, who has practiced with them from the first, was absent owing to illness. Her place was admirably supplied, at the briefest possible notice, by Mr. L. W. Watson. Ease, grace and beauty in combination, with obedience, military bearing and promptitude, made a charming scene, which was fully appreciated by the hundreds who filled the hall,—if hearty and prolonged applause mean anything. Too much praise cannot be afforded Captain Weeks for the labor and pains he took with his interesting company. The drama of Esmeralda was, in our opinion, admirably sustained in all its parts; and, except in one or two unimportant particulars, the striking situations in which it abounds—pathetic, quaint and thrilling—faithfully portrayed. Mr. Bartlett, as Dave Hardy, the hero, and Mrs. Blanchard, as Esmeralda, were very happy in their interpretation of their respective parts. Mrs. Blanchard, especially, exhibiting great histrionic ability and dramatic instinct. The closing scene of the second act (as indeed of all the acts but specially this) appealed most powerfully to the feelings of the audience, and great was their relief when the curtain dropped. Indeed, we have rarely been moved so deeply by any dramatic presentation we have witnessed,—and they are not a few. We should have been none the less pleased had there been a little more passion exhibited by the hero and heroine especially at their parting and meeting, but the restraint which they showed was in its way quite as admirable. Their roles might have been easily overdone—they were however, well done. We feel very much inclined to pronounce Mrs. Blanchard's acting as faultless.

Mrs. Malcolm Macleod as Nora Desmond sustained her part with remarkable ability and with perfect success. Her enunciation and articulation were so good, that every word she uttered was heard by the audience. The difficulties of the love scenes between her and Estabrook—the most important part of her play—were met cleverly and artistically presented, nor was the faintest suggestion of weakness to be observed anywhere. Perfect composure and self-possession characterized Mrs. Macleod's performance from beginning to end, but specially in the scene in the drawing room where Dave Hardy is first told the story of "Esmeralda" his long sought for lover, where her acting was very strong. Might we suggest that the Parisian artists were in straitened circumstances. Mr. F. H. Arnaud was a completely successful "Estabrook," and he played his part with much talent. Singularly happy and appropriate was the choice which made of him an "Estabrook," and of Mrs. Malcolm Macleod a "Nora Desmond," and it resulted in giving unimpaired pleasure and gratification to the audience. Mr. Arnaud's play in the ball room scene was exceedingly good, in perfect taste and sincerity. Mrs. Bartlett's interpretation of the part of "Kate Desmond" was also quite faithful and marked with the supreme simplicity, naturalness, buoyancy of spirit, and brightness of manner which it demanded, nor could we but be struck by her ease and grace of manner. Mr. Harrison Carvell, as "Jack Desmond," Mr. Ings, as "Drew," an American speculator, and Captain Weeks as the "French Marquis," did full justice to their several parts. It now remains for us to refer to the two leading characters, about which we cannot speak but in the highest terms of praise. Mrs. Percy Pope's part was admittedly in many respects a most difficult one, and every situation called for the exhibition of special ability. It will suffice to say that Mrs. Rogers was a true character as we beheld her last night, her firmness, ambition and sordidness remaining strong to the end. We are not likely to forget the ill-used and misunderstood "Mother" for a long time to come, nor the talented lady who played her part. Dr. Blanchard, as the "Old Man Rogers," was a faultless character, and his acting was marked by true genius and dramatic instinct. The pathos of his every situation was naturally and sympathetically displayed, nor did the audience miss what they might otherwise have done had a less true actor stood before them,—this aspect of his play. Hence many of us smiled through our tears. We heartily thank the good ladies and gentlemen of the club for their charming entertainment.

Mr. Vinnicombe's splendid orchestra, which deserves the warm and continued support of our citizens, added much by their capital selections to the success of last night's entertainment, and we cannot forbear an expression of the hope that this band of instrumentalists may be so well appreciated that they will be encouraged to go on.

We could not help thinking last night how proud we ought to be that whenever occasions arise in Charlottetown which call for the exhibition of talent and ability, both are always to be found; and that, in addition to our musicians and other artists, we have to rejoice in the possession of such a brilliant company of dramatic performers as appeared before us last night.

To the prudence, sagacity and faithful labor of Mr. Percy Pope, the accomplished director and stage manager, is unquestionably due the distinguished success of our performance of "Esmeralda" in all its details, nor must we forget to express our admiration for the scenic arrangements of every act, which were made under almost insurmountable difficulties. Long live the Charlottetown Lawn Tennis Club!

The British Columbia Legislature, for a session of 55 days, during which 99 bills were passed, has been prorogued.

Written For The Examiner.

Spring Morn Voices.

BY JACOB B. DOCKENDORFF.

There's a mildness and a sweetness in the dawning of the morn, As the rosy tints of twilight stealing nigh, Telling louder than a whisper that another day is born— Flee the shadows and the darkness from the sky; Loud the lusty cock is crowing, Bright the horizon is glowing, And a roseate blush is flowing over all; The squirrels are all chattering, Industriously pattering, And seemingly all flattering each other on the wall.

There's a softness and a freshness in the breezes of the morn, As the balmy air comes laden from the bowers, Waiting on delicious fragrance from the leaf-lets newly born, And the aromatic haunts of springing flowers; Busy bees are outward hastening, There's no time for reckless wasting, Ev'ry bud and blossom tasting in their flight; All buzzing unpretentiously, And toiling conscientiously, And highly advantageously from morning until night.

There's a joyousness and gladness in the meadows of the morn, As the dew-drops sparkle gayly in the sun, Borne aloft, each shining crystal from the verdure they adorn, Up to heaven, to return when day is done; Snowy lambs in transport joyous, Treasures that will ne'er annoy us, In their artlessness decoy us to their play; Now frolicing and gambolling, Or innocently rambling, And o'er the mothers scrambling, they pass the time away.

There's a wildness and a richness in the forests of the morn, As we listen to the rustle of the leaves, Making music with the songsters that on airy wings are born, Homeward laden with the relics of the sheaves; Ev'ry warbler is screaming, And the rising sun is gleaming, Nature ev'rywhere is seemingly so gay, While thankfully and cheerfully Each toiler rises carefully, To enter into prayerfully the labors of the day.

Vancouver, B. C., April 14th, 1891.

Dalhousie University.

WHAT THE ISLAND STUDENTS HAVE BEEN DOING.

The result of the Dalhousie University examination appears in the Halifax papers to hand this morning. Among the students graduating, we notice the following Islanders: E. J. Jordan, Christopher Munro, J. W. Brehaut, D. D. Hugh, T. F. West.

As will be seen by the subjoined extracts from the past list the position of Islanders at Dalhousie has been fully sustained:— J. W. Brehaut—French, Class I; Latin, 4th year, Class I; Greek, 4th year, Class I. D. D. Hugh—Senior Philosophy, Class I; Advanced Political Economy, Class I; French, Class I; 1st Second Class; Botany, passed.

E. J. Jordan—Senior Philosophy, Class I; Organic Chemistry, passed; Practical Chemistry, Class I. Hedley Ross—Junior Philosophy, Class II; English, 2nd year, Class II; Latin, 2nd year, Class II; Greek, 2nd year, Class I; Mathematics, 2nd year, passed.

Sophia Ross—Inorganic Chemistry, Class II; English, 1st year, Class II; Latin, 1st year, Class I; Greek, 1st year, Class I; Mathematics, 1st year, Class I. Albert Martin—Latin, 2nd year, Class II; Greek, 2nd year, Class I. S. N. Robertson—Greek, 3rd year, Class II; German, I Class, Class 2; Senior Philosophy, passed; Ethics, 2nd class.

Geo. Arthur—Practical Chemistry, Class I; French, III Class, class 2; German, 2nd class, passed; Junior Philosophy, Class I; Mathematics, 2nd year, passed. T. F. West—Senior Philosophy, passed; Ethics, 2nd class; Organic Chemistry, Class II; Advanced Practical Chemistry, Class I; Political Economy, Class II. Christopher Munro—Ethics, passed.

News Notes.

The burning of the Canadian Pacific cabinet shop at Montreal caused a loss of \$75,000. Three hundred coal heavers at the Cleveland docks have struck for an increase of wages. Rioting by the strikers continues in the Pennsylvania coke regions.

Arrol Bros., a well known Glasgow firm, have suspended payment. Six hundred of the 950 laborers engaged in grading Jackson Park, Chicago, for the World's Fair, have struck for an increase in wages from \$1.50 to \$1.75 per day.

The British steamer Hogarth, from Rio Janeiro, is detained in quarantine at New York because her chief engineer died at sea of yellow fever.

While the earnings of the Grand Trunk Railway are steadily dropping, those of its great all-Canadian rival, the C. P. R., are growing wonderfully. For the week ending April 14th, the C. P. R. earnings were \$371,000 as compared with \$304,000 the same month of last year. No wonder Sir Henry Tyler abuses Sir Charles Tupper.

During the past five days over 200,000 pounds of fish were thrown away in New York because there was no sale for them at any price. And yet there are thousands in that great city on the verge of starvation, to whom these fish would have been a luxury, and who had not the means, limited though they were, to purchase them.

Consul General New of London, in a report on the commerce of Great Britain, says the total value of imports into the United Kingdom in 1889 was \$2,138,187,975, and exports \$1,573,528,705, or together a total trade of \$3,711,716,680. The imports and exports both exceed those of any previous year and were in the proportion of \$98.12 per head of population of the kingdom.

DIED.

At her brother's home, Long Creek, of congestion of the lungs, on the 17th inst., Catherine McPherson, second daughter of the late Duncan McKinnon, aged 45 years.

NOTICE.

THE IMPORTED CARRIAGE STALLION "G.M." will make the season of 1891 as follows:—

Will go to Charlottetown by train on Monday, 4th May, and will stand at Barrister's stables up to Monday, May 11; thence will proceed to Montague Bridge by Half-Way House, where he will remain over night; thence to Montague Bridge on 12th and remain at J. J. McDonald's until evening of the 14th; thence to his stable at Lower Montague, remaining there until Monday, 18th.

The above route will be continued fortnightly during the season, health and weather permitting.

Terms for the Season:—\$11 00 cash, or note of hand at first service, payable 1st November.

CLOW & POOLE, Owners. JAMES PHILLIPS, in charge. Murray Harbor, April 24, 1891—dy & wy

Card of Thanks.

THE members of the Charlottetown Lawn Tennis Club beg to offer their sincere thanks to the ladies and gentlemen of the orchestra, and to all others, by whose valuable assistance they were able to bring the entertainment of last evening to so successful a conclusion. ap24



BLACK GOODS.

OUR STOCK OF SPRING DRESS FABRICS has been carefully and judiciously selected, and all Novelties in BLACK DRESS MATERIALS will be found on our shelves.

India Cashmeres, Mohair Brilliantines, Fancy Brilliantines, Jacquard Cloths, Plain Viole Laines, Fancy Viole Laines, Priestly's Henriettes, Wool Surahs, Fancy Checks, Fancy Stripes, Plain Grenadines, Fancy Grenadines, Conrail's Crapes, Priestly's Crapes.

STANLEY BROS., ap15 Brown's Block.

GRAND CONCERT.

—TO BE GIVEN IN— THE LYCEUM, CHARLOTTETOWN, —ON—

Tuesday and Wednesday Evenings, 28th AND 29th APRIL.

THE INDIAN BOYS OF LENNOX ISLAND will give a Grand Entertainment in their costumes. Some of the most ancient performances in War Dancing and Treaty Dancing, such as Mohawk Dance, Micmac Dance, Mohawk War Dance, Micmac Pow Wow, Fight between two Indians of different Tribes, Game of Dice, such as used among the Indians in the olden times, Scalp Dance and Snake Dance, and making of Baskets, Tubs and Axe Handles.

Admission, 20c.; Reserved Seats, 30c. M. P. FRANCIS, ap22—eod tl m then dy Manager.

PRESSED HAY.

ANOTHER lot Canadian Timothy Hay just arrived. For sale by HORACE HASZARD.

REAL ESTATE BY AUCTION.

Eligible and Handsome Building and Pasture Lots.

I AM authorized by Miss Jennie E. McGill, Executrix to the Estate of the late John McGill, Esq., to sell by Auction, on the premises, Spring Park Road, on WEDNESDAY, the 6th day of May next, 1891, at 11 o'clock, a. m., THE MCGILL PROPERTY, COMPRISING First—2 Acres of Land, with Dwelling House and Outbuildings, all in good repair. Second—13 Half-Acre Building Lots. Third—8 One-Acre Pasture Lots.

This property is situated in one of the most desirable parts of the city, commanding an excellent view of the city and harbor. For private residences it has no equal, being high and dry with a southern aspect. Also—1 Bone Crusher and a quantity of Lumber. Terms made known at sale. R. BEAIRSTO, ap20 Auctioneer.

EGGS FOR HATCHING.

I HAVE FOR SALE Eggs from thoroughbred BUCKLE 21-ORCAS, at \$1.00 per dozen. I will give a prize of Five Dollars for the best trio hatched from Eggs bought from me and exhibited at the Charlottetown Exhibition next fall. All orders for Eggs must be addressed to Box 184. L. A. HASZARD, ap7—1m eod

IMITATION THE SINCEREST FLATTERY.

Our advertising methods, our arrangement and display of goods, our window dressing, may all to a large extent be imitated, but

OUR STYLES —AND— OUR PRICES Cannot be Reproduced!



Owing to the late arrival from London and Berlin of many lines of goods purchased expressly for our Show Days, we have decided to make a further display of Novelties,

DAILY BEER BROS.

THE NEW YORK "HERALD" speaks thus of Sir Edwin Arnold's new poem, "The Light of the World":—

"The diction is careful, noble, pure and exquisite, as becomes the subject, the clime and the characters; it will please all readers of poetry and fill Christian souls with rapture." For sale by HASZARD & MOORE.

"The appearance of such a poem as Sir Edwin Arnold's new work, 'The Light of the World, or the Great Consumption,' is as important an event in art as the appearance of a new star in the heavens would be to science."—The Boston Budget.

Have you read Arnold's "LIGHT OF THE WORLD"? For sale by

HASZARD & MOORE.

Charlottetown, April 24, 1891—eod

Gents' Hats.

We are now opening our stock of New Hats. Anyone in the need of a Nobby Hat at a very low price should see our stock.

D. A. BRUCE.

Charlottetown, March 26, 1891—dy & wky

FURNITURE BY AUCTION.

I AM instructed by Mrs. D. Howard to sell by Auction, at her residence, Great George Street, on WEDNESDAY, April 23, at 2 o'clock, p. m.:— All her Household effects, comprising Parlor, Dining Room, Bedroom, Hall and Kitchen Furniture. R. BEAIRSTO, ap22—pat eod Auctioneer.

TO LET.

THAT large brick store on Queen Street, lately occupied by Mr. Charles E. Robertson, now undergoing repairs. Possession given May 1st. Place open daily for inspection. Apply to Mr. Charles I. Morrison, next door, or to the subscribers, M. McLEOD, H. J. CUNDALL, Ch'town, April 18, 1890.—d 10i

WANTED TO PURCHASE For Spot Cash!

2 PAIRS of Heavy Draft Horses, weight 1400 to 1600 lbs. each. 2 pairs of Light Draft Horses, weight 1200 lbs. each. 2 pairs good lookers and drivers, weight 1000 lbs. each. 1 good reader, and can trot in 2.50 or 3 minutes, weight from 1000 to 1100 lbs. These horses must be sound and good to haul and drive, and must be from 4 to 6, or not older than 7 years. —ALS— 50 or 75 Sows, in pig or with litter. 50 or 75 Young Pigs, from 1 to 3 months. Will be at the Market Square on 21st and 24th, or at P. S. Brown's from 20th to 25th. HEBER HARTLEN, Colonial Market, Halifax. ap9—tl