

The Daily Examiner

JANUARY 16, 1885.

The Franco-Chinese War.

It is a curious affair, this war between France and China, which is no war so far as international law is concerned, as neither of the belligerents have formally declared war, yet they shoot each other by scores and hundreds, and destroy each others ships.

Both naval and military officers of other nations are watching the struggle with much interest. The Chinese are, of course, no match for the French in discipline of soldiers, experience of officers in civilized warfare, or in scientific knowledge and appliances in war, or even in peace. With a few well-disciplined soldiers, armed with the most improved patterns of warlike implements, the ill-drilled and ill-armed Chinese soldiers are easily defeated; and the ironclads and torpedo boats of the French work havoc amongst the ships and junks of the Chinese. There is no equality on the land between the forces of the two nations; and it is equally true at sea. The opportunity is, however, furnished to the French to practically test their own scientific improvements in warfare, and the inventions of other nations. Two branches of their service, never before thoroughly tested in actual war, have been conspicuously successful, as chances were offered to ambitious young officers to put in practice against and under the eyes of an enemy, improved torpedo appliances and revolver guns.

At the French attack on the Chinese forts and fleet at Tamsui, the French Admiral called an assemblage of the commanders of the vessels and torpedo boats on the flagship, and the duty of each was pointed out to him, and the Chinese vessel or work each was to attack designated. As soon as the word was given each French ship applied itself to the work apportioned. One daring young officer awaited with impatience, in his torpedo launch, the orders to attack. When the welcome signal was given, the torpedo boat darted away from the side of the parent ship, and in a few minutes, with the rapidity almost of lightning, it struck the Chinese vessel against which it was aimed, orders were given to reverse and back away from the doomed ship, but the torpedo boat was caught by her impact against the vessel. Every moment was precious. Again the attempt was made to back from the ship. A Chinese marksman aimed at the officer who was exposed in the stern of his boat, and the ball struck and lodged near the eye. Just at that moment the launch succeeded in clearing itself. Two precious minutes had elapsed while the launch was fast, but she managed to get away from danger, just as the Chinese vessel was destroyed with all on board by the attached torpedo. The launch returned to its ship, and the whole affair lasted only nine minutes.

The revolver guns—it is the Hotchkiss which the French use, and which are of the same class or construction as the Gatling and Nordenfeldt, which hundreds of our people saw on board of the war ships last season—the revolver guns, placed in the tops of the French ships, worked great havoc on the open decks of the Chinese fleet. The Chinese sailors serving the guns were mowed down by hundreds, and out of a thousand men on board the Chinese vessels, eight hundred perished by the murderous continuous discharge of these terrible modern weapons of war. With these guns there is no cessation of shots—no stopping to load—and men unprotected by case mates or behind iron plating, are destroyed without power to retaliate. The fight of Tamsui was a horrid massacre. Thousands of Chinese perished, and hundreds of vessels of all kinds were destroyed by the terrible fire of the French.

—Women now have the privilege of voting in the Ontario municipal elections. Of those on the list in Belleville, it is said, 41 per cent. cast their ballots as against 64 per cent. of the males. This is certainly an excellent beginning remembering the natural hesitation there would be in going to the polling booth for the first time. It is even said that one woman at Belleville tried to perorate another—an election trick which is said not to be unknown among men. Only qualified unmarried women or widows, we believe, have the privilege of voting and the extension of the franchise to these classes, as is proposed by Sir John Macdonald's franchise bill, will not be objected to. It is perhaps only justice to spinsters and widows owning property that they should have a say in public matters; as for married women few of them would care to vote, and if they did their votes would probably be cast in the same direction as those of their husbands, and would therefore be of no particular purpose.

—The Manitoba and Dominion Governments have arrived at an understanding. In lieu of the lands, Manitoba receives an annual grant of one hundred thousand dollars as a final settlement of the land question. In addition, the Province is to be put in possession of the whole of the swamp lands within her borders instead of half. The revenue of the Province for the present year will be four hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

—The English court of chancery has made a perpetual injunction forbidding the publication of Lord Lytton's letters.

Supreme Court.

FRIDAY JAN. 16.

The case of Coombs and Small vs the City of Charlottetown, an action for damages and trover, in connection with the removal of a building on Lower Queen Street, was settled—the city agreeing to pay costs.

The following absent debtor suits were tried this morning, and verdicts were given for the plaintiffs.

Uriah Matthew and another vs John McDonald, an absent debtor.

Uriah Matthew vs. Mary Bage, an absent debtor.

Archibald J. McLeod vs. Daniel Fraser, an absent debtor.

Rick, McKenzie vs. William J. Cameron, an absent debtor.

The Grand Jury brought in true bills on three indictments preferred against Henry Thomas Millie, for obtaining money under false pretences.

In the case of the Queen vs. Sydney Mathers, an indictment for housebreaking and larceny, the jury found a verdict of guilty, with a recommendation to mercy.

The Colts' Supper to the Grand Jury was held last evening at the Osborne. Mr. McGregor, "Mine Host," provided a splendid repast for the gentlemen. George Macleod, Esq., Foreman, occupied the chair, while the Attorney General, Hon. W. W. Sullivan, occupied a seat at his right, the Prothonotary Mr. Irving—at his left, and Deputy Sheriff Curtis acted the efficient croupier. The choice viands were ably discussed, and then the following toasts were honored:—

The Queen.

The President of the United States.

The Federal and Local Parliaments—Responded to by Hon. W. Sullivan.

The Bench and Bar—Responded to by the Attorney-General.

The Foreman of the Grand Jury—Responded to by George Macleod, Esq.

The Veterans and Colts of the Grand Jury—Responded to by Lemuel Wright, George Macleod, Daniel Stewart, Thomas Doyle, Ronald McDonald, G. W. Millner, and W. Koughan, Esq's.

The Army and Navy—Responded to by Capt. D. Stewart and Captain McPhail.

The Host and Hostess of the Osborne—Responded to by Mr. McGregor.

At an early hour the Next Morning Meeting was drunk, and the jurors retired well pleased with the action of the Col.

P. E. Island Hospital.

The Ladies' Hospital Aid Society offers sincere thanks to the kind friends for the following gifts to the P.E. Island Hospital: William Dudd, 1 bri apples; A McNeill, 1 bri apples; Mr Gay, 1 ori onions; A Friend, 1 goose; Mrs Jos Haslem, 1 blanket; per Mrs Thomas Haslem, Springfield; W McKar, \$1; T McKenzie, \$1; James Taplin, New Annan, \$3; per John Beer, 2 feather pillows, 6 cases; per Miss Bessie Knight, Souris East: Mrs Knight, \$20; Mrs Lord, \$1; a friend, 35 cts; Dr Muttart, \$1; Mr Nichol, \$1; N Maskill, \$1; W McNeill, \$1; Mrs Cameron, \$1; F Morrow, \$1.50; C Bronnell, \$2; Mr Mallet, 25 cts; G White, 15 cts; R Seaman, 50c; Mrs Robinson, 25c; Mrs Peter Stewart, 2 towels, 2 pillow cases, old linen; Mrs James Morrow, 1 sheet, 1 towel old linen; Matthew McLean & Co, goods worth \$5; Mrs James McDonald, 2 towels, 2 pillow cases; Mrs Frank White, 2 towels; Mrs Scott, 3 pillow cases; Mrs Wright, 2 pillow cases, 2 towels; Mrs C J Haley, 2 pillow cases, 1 shirt, half doz mats, 5 butter dishes; Sterns Bros, goods worth \$1; D Sutherland, goods worth \$30; Miss Knight, 4 towels; Bessie Knight, 2 pillow cases, 2 towels; Mrs J G Sterns, 3 sheets. Collected by Mrs James Leslie. Souris West—Mrs Thos Perkins, 2 pillow cases, 1 towel; Mrs Capt Lord, 2 pillow cases, 2 blinds; Bessie Leslie, 2 pillow cases; Blanche Lord, 1 towel; T Garrett, 2 towels; Mrs J Leslie, 1 towel, 2 pillow cases, old linen; Mrs R Burke, 4 yards cotton; George Duncan, 25c; Neil McDonald, 50c. Collected in Montague, received per Mrs L Poole, Charlottetown—Mrs Thomas Phillips, 2 towels, 1 worked motto; Mrs W Buchanan, 2 towels; Mrs Johnston, 2 towels, 2 pillow cases; Sarah Suckles, 2 towels; Mrs U Thompson, 1 blanket; Mrs C McNeil, 2 pillow cases; Hannah Aitken, 2 pillow cases; Maggie Aitken, 2 pillow cases; Mrs James Cameron, 2 pillow cases; Mrs C Poole, 2 pillow cases; Mrs J C Poole, 1 pair socks; Miss Minnie Cameron, 1 pair socks; Mrs George B Aitken, 1 pair socks; Charlotte Sencabaugh, 1 pair socks; Mrs James M Farlane, 1 pair socks; Hattie Westaway, 1 worked motto; L Arken, 1 do, Mary Thompson, 1 worked motto; Katie Westaway, worked motto and hooked mat; Mrs R Westaway, 1 sheet; Mrs A Young, 1 pair socks; Mrs J McFarlane, 1 pillow, 2 pillow cases; Mrs J Poole, 1 set toilet mats; Sadie McDonald, 1 blanket, 1 hooked mat; Mrs J Phillips, 1 blanket; Mary McFarlane, 1 blanket; Mrs D Stewart, 2 hooked mats; Mrs S Match, 1 hooked mat; Ella Phillips, 1 hooked mat, 1 pair stockings; Mrs W Poole, 1 hooked mat, 1 quilt; Miss J L Ross, 1 hooked mat; Mrs C Acorn, 1 hooked mat; Mrs G W Aitken, 1 hooked mat; Samuel Aitken, 1 hooked mat; Keturah Young, 1 hooked mat, 1 barrel oatmeal and old linen; A Friend, 1 Comfortable. Collected by Mrs J Beer; Mrs H Oliver, 2 pillows, 4 pillow cases; Mrs Henry B-nnet, 2 pillow cases; Mrs Donald Campbell, 2 pillow cases, 2 towels; John Forsythe, 50c. Collected by Mrs J A Matheson—W B Dyer, Esq., druggist, Alberton, \$3; Mrs James McNeil, senior, Lot 7, \$1; Archibald Coughlan, Campbellton, \$1; John McDougall, do, \$1; James McNeill, do, \$1; J C McKendrick, do, 50c; E Bowden, do, 75; Alfred McWilliams, Lot 7, \$5; Mrs James Dalling, Lot 7, 1 blanket, 1 pillow; Mrs John Pratt, Bloomfield Station, 6 yards cotton; The Masses Ramsay, Lot 7, 1 quilt; Mrs William Thompson, Lot 7, 1 blanket, 1 pillow.

F. K. MAYNE, Secretary L. H. A. S.

A Breeder's Association.

Mr. Bell, M. P. P., of New Glasgow, N. S., writes to the Nova Scotia Journal of Agriculture, urging the formation of a Breeder's Association for the Maritime Provinces, the main object of which would be to promote the improvement of stock. Mr Bell claims that while a great deal has been done towards improvement of stock in Nova Scotia by the aid of Government grants, even more has resulted from the efforts of private individuals. The Journal of Agriculture warmly seconds Mr Bell's suggestion. The matter is at least worth considering and discussing. The formation of such an association, and assuming it to operate efficiently and prudently, might pave the way for the establishment of a model farm for the Maritime Provinces.

The Earl of Aylesford, who died in Texas on the 14th inst., was born 21st February, 1849. He succeeded his father as seventh Earl of Aylesford on January 10th, 1871. He was married to third daughter of Lieut. Col. Peers Williams, of Temple House, Berks, on January 8, 1871. Had two daughters, Hilda Joanna Gwendolin, born July 25th, 1872, and Alexandria Louisa Minn, born July 9th, 1875. The Prince of Wales stood sponsor for the latter. The seat of the Earl was at Maidstone, in the county of Kent. His life was clouded by his domestic relations. His wife eloped with Lord Blandford, now Duke of Marlborough, and the Queen's proctor intervened to prevent his obtaining a divorce from her. He dropped out of London society, and led a roving life.

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A British Congo company has been formed in London with a capital of £2,500,000.

The admiralty has invited tenders of the shipbuilders at Belfast for the immediate construction of six cruisers.

The Anglo-French engineer commission has decided to give the Suez Canal a breadth of 210 feet and a depth of 27 feet. The cost of the improvement is estimated at \$40,000,000.

Glaistone has written a letter to Prince Albert Victor, the Prince of Wales' elder son, congratulating him on his reaching his majority and trusting that he will prove a worthy inheritor of the most illustrious throne in the world.

The North German Gazette says many retired army officers have gone to China to instruct the Chinese army in European tactics. The government is powerless to prevent this. It, however, prohibits officers still in the army and reserve from going.

A man named Delhanty, who was occupying a farm at Kibbegan, in Westmeath, Ireland, from which a tenant had been evicted, was shot dead on the night of the 14th inst. Constable Colburn, who was prominent in connection with the Castle Wellan riots, and who had resigned and was about to depart for America, has been arrested under the crimes act.

The University of Pennsylvania has started a "department of physical culture." Dr. J. W. White, who will preside over it, states that his duties will be to examine each student, note wherein he needs physical development, and recommend the proper mode of exercise to induce it. If his back is weak, the rowing machine or boat is advised; if the chest is flat, parallel bars are in order. The ordinary trainer generally picks out for the boat a man who does not need it.

The shipment of small fruits, embracing thirty varieties, sent by Mr Saunders to the experimental gardens of the Japan Government at Azabu, Tokio, reached their destination in excellent order. Mr Saunders, of London, Ont., has received a very interesting letter from the superintendent of the establishment, accompanied by several packages containing an interesting collection of the seeds of some of their finest flowers and trees.

The scandals in connection with private insane asylums, which have been shown up lately by Mrs. Weldon's successful suit against Dr. Winslow, have led to a prospect of a sweeping reform by the British Government. Sir William Vernon Harcourt, the Home Secretary, is now arranging a scheme for the gradual suppression of all the private madhouses and the substitution of government asylums, in which patients able to pay for special attention and indulgences can be as well treated as in the best of the private institutions.

When the Canadian contingent of the Nile expedition enlisted it was for a term of six months. At the expiration they were to be returned to Canada at the expense of the Imperial Government. Nearly five months have passed, and as it is believed it will be five more months before the campaign ends, they will be in a position to dictate their own terms with the British Government in renewing the contract. They cannot be left on the desert, and will have to follow the expedition. They expect to reap a good harvest out of John Bull.

They laid out a new town in Dakota last fall, and called it Golden City. A Chicago speculator who was out there took 500 lots at \$5, and in 30 days the price of the city lots had gone to \$75 each. Some one built and opened a saloon, and the figures jumped to \$50. A second saloon went up and the city lots changed hands at \$5 apiece. The Chicago man was advised to sell, but he concluded to hang on for a few more saloons. The snow came, and it was with difficulty the Chicago man's agent could get through the drift, to find the place deserted by human beings, but on a tree was a sign reading "sell you the whole city for \$10."

The British barque James Stafford, 1,116 tons, commanded by Capt. Reynolds, arrived at San Francisco, Cal., on the afternoon of the 3rd inst., in 2 1/2 days from Yokohama, making the fastest sailing passage on record between Yokohama and San Francisco. She left that port on December 11, the day before the City of Peking, and arrived at San Francisco on the same day. The barque came in ballast, and had fine weather and favorable winds the entire passage. Some years ago the barque Victor made the passage from Yokohama to Point Reyes in 21 days, but was three days getting into the harbor. The J. S. belongs to Annapolis, N. S.

The St. James' Gazette, speaking of a case in which the judge's assumption of the black cap caused intense emotion in the convicted prisoner, asks: Is there any good reason for a continuance of this unseemly practice? Surely the scene on these occasions is of itself quite impressive enough without the addition of a black cap to its horrors. The origin of the cap is shrouded in mystery. Its only apparent use is to increase suffering at a moment of intense mental agony. As a relic of the dark ages, the judge's black cap may have some claim to veneration; but the sooner it is consigned to a museum the better. It is quite out of place nowadays in a court of justice.

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Charlottetown, Jan. 12, 1885.

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Examine our Magnificent Parlor and Chamber Suits, which we are Selling at Cost.

CHAIRS—Parlor, Chamber, Office, Children's and Kitchen Chairs, cheap. All kinds of Upholstering Work, Painting, Varnishing and Gilding.

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Bedsteads, Lounges, Tables, Sideboards, Bookcases, Scheffioneers, Washstands, &c.—Cheapest.

JOHN NEWSON.

Ch'town, Dec. 19, 1884—3mos

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FUR CAPS! FUR CAPS!

A Big Reduction in price of Men and Boy's Fur Caps to clear. Balance of stock of Ladies Mantles, balance of stock of Shawls, balance of stock of Knitted Woollens, Squares, Scarfs, Vests, Jackets, &c.; Ladies Plush Felt and Velvet, 26 cents (half price). Blankets, in white and grey, very cheap. Buffalo and Goat Robes, Coco and Bear Coats, Ladies Astracan Jackets, Ladies Fur and Plush Caps and Muffs—Must be cleared.

Come and get Real Bargains to J. B. MACDONALD, Queen Street.

Charlottetown, Jan. 3, 1885—wily her pres

VOICE TRAINING. PIANO TUNING.

MR. REID wishes four additional pupils to complete his class in the mechanical formation of the voice. Persons desirous of obtaining a knowledge of the correct method of singing would do well to call at once. Ch'town, Jan. 5, 1885—6i wily

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CARD.

To the Electors of Ward 2:

GENTLEMEN—Having been solicited by citizens to offer as a candidate at the forthcoming municipal election for the City, I have decided to place myself at the disposal of the electors of Ward 2. Should you elect me I shall endeavour to assist the interests of the City impartially. Let me assure you that I am in favor of introducing a system of water-works into the City of Charlottetown, by a company, on such basis and conditions as will not only satisfy the present needs, but be a source of revenue hereafter. Such conditions obtained to be submitted for your approval before final action on my part. I must also inform the electors that I would endeavor to bring about a readjustment of taxation more equitable than the present mode, and also introduce a levy on other sources of revenue, with regard to economy in all matters of detail. The question as to the mode of levying tax I propose, let me assure you, shall not deviate from the principle of real estate, such principle as I assist in establishing. But, in addition to the levy on real estate, I am convinced that a personal property tax will be the only equitable method in reaching all classes. However, the prosperity of the city is retarded by the excessive rate exacted, which is owing to the inability to recover the income tax introduced with the real estate levy. Therefore, as citizens, we are each and all depending upon one another. Consequently, each and all have a right to contribute in proportion to their ability, otherwise they obstruct the progress of the City, and do themselves indirect injury. But, in conclusion, feel assured it shall be my duty at all times to sanction such measures only as will tender equal rights to all. Having no personal desires to sit at the Council for honor or abuse, only the interest of the City, and in the humble capacity of your servant, Electors, when the day arrives, exercise your right, pro or con, and I shall be your friend still.

M. P. HOGAN Ch'town, Jan. 15, 1885—3i

BANKRUPT STOCK.

BY Auction, Saturday evening, January 17th, at 7 o'clock, at my Auction Room: A general assortment of Reefers, Overcoats, Suits, Pants, Tweeds, Rubber Coats, Shirts and Drawers, Socks, Brushes, Combs, Pocket Books, Fish Hooks, Mitts, Braces, Neckties, Shirts, Collars, Reels, Thread, Buttons, &c. Terms Cash. No reserve. A. McNEILL, Auctioneer, 11 Queen Street. Ch'town, Jan. 14, 1885—5i

NOTICE

IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of THE EXAMINER PUBLISHING COMPANY will be held at the office of THE EXAMINER newspaper, on WEDNESDAY, the 28th of January, inst., at the hour of eight o'clock, in the evening. N. A. MITCHELL, Secretary. Ch'town, Jan. 15, 1885—wily

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ONE large Store, 56x65, ceiling 14 feet, plate glass front with well-lighted basement, stone vault, hoisting gear, &c., and all other modern improvements. —ALSO— Two sets offices on second floor, second to none in the Lower Provinces for style and finish. —ALSO— One large room on third floor, 31x65, ceiling 12 feet, with well-lighted broad staircase leading thereto; suitable for public hall, club rooms, &c. Ready for occupation on or about 1st February next. Apply to HORACE HASZARD, Ch'town, Jan. 12, 1885—2w eod

Lobster Factory for Sale

THE undersigned offer for Sale the Lobster Factory situated at Tracadie Beach. There are about 80 Traps (mostly new), seven Boats, 30 lbs. Bait and 40 cords Wood. Will be sold at a bargain. MOHR'S & HYNDMAN, Ch'town, Jan. 12, 1885—5i

FRENCH & GERMAN

MR GREGOR is forming additional Saturday French Classes, beginning with the new year. An opportunity is thus afforded to all who desire to learn correct pronunciation, or to improve their conversational in German if desired. Private Lessons or similar lessons in German if desired. Ch'town, Jan. 10, 1885—3i eod

WANTS, LOST, FOUND, &c.

FOUND—On Lower Queen Street, yesterday, a large Door-Key. Owner can have same on applying at this office. jan 16

LOST—On Saturday last, on Sydney Street, between the Methodist Church and Queen Street, a gold Locket and Chain. The finder will be rewarded by leaving the same at this office. jan 15 2i pd.

THREE Boarders can be comfortably accommodated in a private family. Terms, \$2 per week. Apply at this office. jan 12

WANTED—A Servant for general household work in a small family. Reference required. Apply at the EXAMINER office—jsh

TO LET—The premises at present occupied by Horace Haszard, Esq., at the foot of Queen's street. Possession given on the 1st day of January next, A. D. 1885. For further particulars apply to R. R. Fitzgerald. nov 26

TO LET—A Cottage on Pleasant street, containing eight rooms, with stable and coachhouse attached. Apply to J. W. Kelly. gov 17 eod