

The Grits and Truth.

LYING, barefaced, shameless lying, is a characteristic of several who hold important offices in the Ottawa Ministry at the present time.

In the next place there is Mr. Jones, of Halifax, the newly appointed Minister of Militia. He was accused of making a speech some years ago, in which he said, "That on the day on which the British flag was hauled down from Citadel Hill, he would raise his hat and cheer."

The testimony of the two Judges is corroborated by the accounts given in the newspapers of the day, all of which report the seditious utterance of Mr. Jones, and describe the meeting as breaking up in confusion in consequence of the treasonable speech.

The Colonist immediately after the event gave the words used as follows:—"And when the British flag is hauled down at Citadel Hill and replaced by another, I shall take off my hat," and the correspondent of the Toronto Leader writing from Halifax on the very day of the stormy meeting in the Council Chamber, himself having been present, stated the words used and gave them exactly as the Colonist gave them.

Against all this mass of evidence, Mr. Jones declares that he is not guilty; and Mr. Jones stands up in Parliament and pleads his innocence. Prisoners in the Dock plead not guilty, no matter how strong or how direct the evidence against them may be, and it is clearly the wish of Jones and Huntington, to introduce into Parliament the tactics permitted by law to abandoned criminals in a Court of Justice.

Opening of the Legislature.

THURSDAY, March 14, 1878.—His Honor Sir Robert Hodgson opened to-day the House of Assembly. A company of Volunteers, headed by Galbraith's Band, marched to the House to receive His Excellency. The usual salute was fired from the Battery.

SPEECH:

Mr. President and Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council. Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly.

1. It gives me pleasure again to meet you in the discharge of your Legislative duties. 2. I sincerely congratulate you that, in the midst of the commercial depression which continued during the past season, an abundant harvest blessed the farmers' labors.

3. Propositions were received by my Government during the recess from the Government of Nova Scotia, for the appointment of a delegation from this Island to meet delegates from that Province and New Brunswick to confer upon the subject of a Maritime Union.

4. I am happy to be able to inform you that "The Public Schools Act, 1877," has received the assent of the Governor General, and is now in full operation. Its results so far, especially in the towns, have been very satisfactory, and I am rejoiced to know that, under its provisions, a large increase has taken place in the number of schools in operation, as well as in the number of children receiving instruction.

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ed by as large a number of pupil teachers as the accommodation will permit. The proper training of these teachers will afford one of the best guarantees for the efficiency and improvement of our Public Schools in the future.

3. The practical working of the School Act and of the Assessment Law has suggested a few amendments, which will be submitted for your approval.

6. I have much pleasure in informing you that the contract for the new Lunatic Asylum was awarded early last spring, and that the construction of this much required institution is rapidly and favorably progressing.

7. The necessity for reducing the expenditure to the lowest possible amount, consistent with the proper administration of the public business of the Province, has, with our fixed and limited revenue, become vitally important. It will be for you to consider the desirability of making such alterations in the constitution of our legislature, as will bring its expense more in harmony with our present resources.

8. The Criminal Laws of the Dominion come into force in this Province on the first day of April next, on and after which date our Provincial Criminal Laws are repealed. This great change increases the necessity for the early consolidation of our Statutes. Bills to facilitate this object will be laid before you.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly:

9. I am rejoiced to be able to assure you that the receipts for the past year have not only met the expenditure, but have left a small surplus. The public accounts for the past year, and the Estimates for the present, will be submitted to you: you will find these estimates based upon the strictest economy consistent with the efficiency of the Public Service.

Mr. President and Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council:

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly:

10. I am happy to inform you that the proceedings which were taken to set aside one of the awards made by the Commissioners under the "Land Purchase Act, 1875," have been withdrawn, and that the Proprietor has accepted the award and executed a voluntary conveyance of his Estate to the Commissioner of Public Lands. Several small Estates, which did not come under the provisions of the Compulsory Act of 1875, have also been acquired by my Government during the recess, and negotiations are now pending for the purchase of others.

11. The Report of the Commissioner of Public Lands will be submitted to you. You will be glad to find that this Department is now on a much more satisfactory footing than formerly, and that the Treasury has appreciated the policy of affording them facilities for the acquisition of the fee simple of their holdings upon easy and liberal terms.

12. I beg to assure you of my ready desire to co-operate with you in all measures which may tend to promote the welfare of the people.

Canada and England.

We have seen a good many changes since the time five years ago when the London Times said to Canada, as the Post Laureate interpreted it, "Friends, your love is but a burthen; loose the bond and go." And at that time there was a strong party in England which believed that the colonies were a burthen to England, and that the Mother Country would be stronger and better without them.

The Fishery Award.

A Washington despatch of the 11th says: "The Fishery award was discussed in Senate to-day on the resolution of Blaine calling for official correspondence, which was adopted. Senator Blaine made the principal speech. He pronounced the Treaty a mockery of justice, which is destroying one of our great interests, essential to the success of our great naval power. He claimed that we were paying to Great Britain \$1,000,000 per annum for the privilege of catching less than \$400,000 worth of fish, and that the injustice of the award is so palpable that it is difficult to treat it with the respect due to all subjects involving international questions.

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Latest by Telegraph.

WAR NEWS.

Special Dispatch to Examiner.

VIENNA, March 13.

Political Correspondence says the conviction prevails in St. Petersburg that the British arrangements reveal England's intention to occupy some point in the Levant, possibly Mitylene. Russia would then have to consider the safety of her Black Sea coast, which is only a few hours sail from Mitylene.

Immediately after the arrival of General Ignatieff and Raouf Pasha in St. Petersburg, conditions of peace will be submitted to the Powers.

VIENNA, March 13.

The Hungarian delegation to-day voted, in committee, the grant of 3,720,000 florins for urgent requirements.

CONSTANTINOPLE, March 15.

At the request of Mr. Luyard, the Sultan has approved the charter for the Protestants of Turkey, similar to that possessed by the Greek Armenian Church.

LONDON, March 14.

The "Standard" announces, in official form, that the British squadron in the Mediterranean is now at Besika Bay, and will advance to the Dardanelles, so as to be near Admiral Commerell, who commands off Gallipoli. Admiral Commerell's squadron thus comes more powerful than Admiral Hornby's, and will form a reliable reserve.

A special from a Vienna says the Rumanian agent will hand Count Andrassy a memorandum to-morrow, with the intimation that Rumania refuses to be bound by the Russo-Turkish peace preliminaries.

A Paris correspondent says that it is rumored that Prince Gortschakoff has intimated that if Greece is represented in Congress Serbia and Montenegro must be admitted.

The Post's special from Berlin reports that the various Governments have agreed in principle to the representation of Greece at the Congress.

A captain of the Russian navy is about to proceed to New York to inspect the fast steamer Abailath for transport service.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 13.

A correspondent of the Times says that the account of warlike preparations of England and Austria cause little excitement. Convictions that peace will be maintained is very general.

CONSTANTINOPLE, March 13.

The Grand Duke Nicholas' visit to the Sultan is postponed until after the treaty of peace is ratified.

LONDON, March 13.

A correspondent at Berlin confirms the report of Andrassy's statement before the Hungarian committee, and says the Count also declared that in the event of Russia insisting on a change of the balance of power mobilization might become necessary at a moment's notice, not to occupy Bosnia, but to effectually defend Austrian interests.

GENERAL NEWS.

MONTREAL, March 11.

John Hotchette, wholesale grocer, has failed; liabilities, \$35,000, and assets, \$10,000. This insolvent suspended one year ago for \$100,000, and compounded with his creditors for 25 cents on the dollar.

Picault & Co., wholesale and retail druggists, have failed, with liabilities of \$50,000 and assets \$30,000. This firm has been established here sixty years, and always engaged first-class credit.

In addition to the two men who were stabbed in the party riot, last night, John G. Bell, a Catholic was shot in the left side and neck, inflicting dangerous wounds. The police magistrate took his ante mortem deposition, this evening, in the hospital. The balls have not been extracted and the doctors cannot yet say what may be the effect of the wounds. Five men are under arrest for participating in the affray. There is a good deal of excitement in the city over these religious troubles.

Hon. J. L. Beaudry was installed, this afternoon, for another year as mayor. He announces the civic expenditure for the past year to be nearly \$50,000 less than the appropriations.

A sensation was created by the fall of Merchants' from sixty-one to fifty-six and a quarter, owing to the fact that a committee of the House of Commons has recommended reduction of capital to sixty-six and two-thirds instead of seventy-five, as asked by the bank.

Inauguration of New City Hall, shows a gratifying financial statement.

There was an increase in revenue, and the committee kept within appropriation.

Irish Catholic Union have determined to walk on St. Patrick's Day.

The stabbing and shooting affray last night has ended in the death of one of the victims.

At Neveiton, Ont., on Saturday, twelve dynamite cartridges which workmen were preparing for blasting, exploded, killing John S. Mon and fatally wounding Thos. Madill. The shock was felt at St. Catharines, where it sounded like a heavy discharge of artillery.

THE "ALBERT"—The steamer Albert, which left Pictou on Thursday last for Magdalen Islands and the seal fishery, got within 35 miles of Magdalen on Friday, when a fierce north wind blew down on her immense fields and floes of ice, and she was compelled to put back for Souris, P. E. I., where she lay yesterday, awaiting a change of wind.—Hc. Herald.

A FOUL DEED.—Digby Neck has been excited over the finding of the mutilated remains of an infant in a gully. The head and arm were found in one place and a leg and foot in another. The rest of the body does not appear to have been secured. A verdict of murder was returned by a coroner's jury—but there is no clue to the guilty ones.—St. John Tel.

AUCTION SALE!

WE will offer for Sale, TO-MORROW, The 15th inst., at 2 o'clock, p. m.,

AT OUR SALESROOM,

A VARIETY OF DRY GOODS,

in lots to suit purchasers. The Goods are last Fall's importation, and valuable.

MACKENZIE & STUMBLE, Auctioneers.

Ch'town, March 14—li

AUCTION.

To be sold by PUBLIC AUCTION, on THURSDAY, the Eighteenth day of APRIL, A. D. 1878, at the hour of twelve o'clock, noon, at the Court House, in Charlottetown, under and by virtue of a Power of Sale, contained in an Indenture of Mortgage bearing date the sixteenth day of December, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy-six, and made between Angus McDonald, of Springton, Township Number sixty-seven, in Queen's County, farmer, and Mary Ann, his wife, of the one part, and Daniel Hodgson, of Charlottetown, in said County, Esquire, of the other part (and which said Mortgage was duly assigned by the said Daniel Hodgson to Edward J. Hodgson, by Indenture of Assignment bearing date the sixteenth day of December, A. D. 1876)—

ALL that Tract, Piece and Parcel of Land situate, lying and being on Lot or Township Number sixty-seven, in Prince Edward Island, bounded as follows, that is to say:— Commencing at a brook crossing the western boundary of land in the possession of one Myles Melniss, and thence running south along said boundary, for the distance of forty chains or thereabouts, until it meets the northern boundary of Lot or Township Number Thirty; thence running along said boundary west, for the distance of fifteen chains, or until it meets the eastern boundary of land in the possession of one James Nicholson; thence running along said boundary north, for the distance of thirty chains or thereabouts, until it again meets said brook; thence running along said brook easterly to the place of commencement, and containing Fifty-five Acres of Land, a little more or less.

ALSO—All that Tract, Piece or Parcel of Land situate, lying and being on said Lot Sixty-seven, commencing at a stake set in the south side of the new road leading from Charlottetown to Bedeque, called Anderson's Road, eight chains westwardly from the division line between Lots Numbers Twenty-two and Sixty-seven; from thence running westwardly along said road the distance of eight chains; from thence running southwardly, at right angles with the said road, fifty seven chains; from thence running eastwardly and parallel with the said road the distance of eight chains, and from thence running northwardly in a direct course the distance of fifty-seven chains, or to the said stake at the place of commencement, containing, by estimation, Fifty Acres of Land, a little more or less, together with all Buildings, Rights, Member and Appurtenances thereto belonging.

For further particulars apply to Messrs. Hodgson & McLeod, Solicitors, Charlottetown. Dated this 14th day of March, A. D. 1878.

EDWARD J. HODGSON, Assignee of Mortgagee.

March 14th, 1878—

TOBACCO. TOBACCO.

25 TONS Prime Chewing & Smoking Tobacco, SECOND TO NONE.

Sold at prices to suit the times. Give us a call.

HICKEY & STEWART.

No. 1 Queen St., Ch'town, March 13—1m eod

BANKRUPT SALE

NEW GLASGOW!

Will be Sold by Auction, On Monday, the 18th inst.,

at 12 o'clock, noon, at the Establishment of ALEXANDER McDONALD, New Glasgow, an Insolvent,

THE FOLLOWING ARTICLES:

4 FINISHED WAGONS, 5 Unfinished WAGONS, 1 Unfinished Threshing MACHINE, 5 Unfinished SLEIGHS, 1 Ton IRON, assorted; 1 Sewing MACHINE, 1 COLT, 3 years old; Lot Lumber, Hardwood, Etc.

B. WILSON HIGGS, Auctioneer.

March 13, 1878—pat t sale

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under signed has been appointed Executor of the Estate of the late Henry Cooper, of Charlottetown, deceased. Any persons having any claim against the Estate of the deceased will please present the same, duly attested; and any person indebted to the said Estate are requested to make immediate payment to me or to his widow, at her residence, Prince Street.

RICHARD M. GIDLEY, Executor.

March 13—3i eod

BUTTER!

JUST RECEIVED— 25 Tubs BUTTER, choice article, will sell low for CASH.

B. WILSON HIGGS, Water Street.

March 8—1w

WANTED TO RENT—By a small family, a HOUSE containing about six rooms, centrally located. Apply within a week at the EXAMINER Office.

AUCTION!

Fishing Station at Rustico.

TO BE SOLD, ON

Thursday, the 9th May next, at 11 o'clock, on the premises,

THE FISHING STATION of the late E. E. Churchill, which comprises all that tract of Land situate on Rustico Beach, in Lot 24, bounded and described as follows: Commencing at a stake set in the west side of Water Terrace, and in the northeast angle of Fishing Station No. 1, in possession of R. B. Morrison, and running thence by the Magnetic Meridian of the year 1764, south sixty degrees west, two hundred feet, to the shore of Rustico Bay; thence north sixty degrees east to the said Terrace; and thence southwardly along the same to the place of commencement—together with Buildings thereon.

—ALSO—

4 Fishing BOATS, 8 DORIES, 38 PUNCHEONS, Lot of Fishing Gear, Baits, Barrels, &c., &c.

Terms at sale. J. S. CARVELL, Administrator,

Ch'town, March 11—eod wkly t sale

DOMINION OF CANADA,

Province of Prince Edward Island.

In the Supreme Court of Judicature

The QUEEN vs. NICHOLAS COLLINS and others.

WHEREAS comments have been made by the Press on the trials of the defendants in this case.

It is ordered that no comments on the proceedings, either with reference to the evidence, the speeches of Counsel or the Judge's charge, or to any other proceedings relating to the said trials shall be made until the whole of the said trials are finished; and any proprietor or editor of any newspaper disobeying this order shall be liable to be punished for contempt.

By the Court,

D. HODGSON, Prothonotary.

[Signed]

March 11, 1878.

Marine Insurance Company

—OF—

P. E. ISLAND.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the above Company will be held in their Office, corner of Great George and Lower Water Streets, on Thursday, the 28th March, at Eleven o'clock, forenoon, for the election of Directors for the ensuing year and the transaction of other business.

By order,

F. W. HALES, Secretary.

Ch'town, 12th March, 1878.

GROCERY

—AND—

Provision Store!

Cor. Great George & Kent Sts.

THE Subscriber wishes to inform his friends and the public generally that he still keeps on hand a choice assortment of

Groceries and Provisions,

AT HIS OLD STAND,

and will be pleased to have them call and inspect for themselves.

ON HAND,

10 CHESTS CONGOU TEA,

("New Season")

1,000 Lbs. Canadian Cheese,

10 Casks American Kerosene Oil,

(120° test; 36 cts. per gal)

20 BARRELS SUGAR

(all kinds),

100 Bbls. Sup. Extra Flour,

3 Puns. Very Choice

MOLASSES

20 doz. Pickles, 20 doz. Assorted Jams

20 boxes Dessert Prunes,

100 Tins Sardines

CANS PEACHES, PINEAPPLES

STRAWBERRIES, TOMATOES

NEW RAISINS, ZANTE CURRANTS

DRIED APPLES, STEWING PRUNES,

300 QUARTS CRANBERRIES,

GREEN CRAPES

30 LBS. SMOKED HALIBUT,

25 QTLs. CODFISH,

100 BOXES DIGBY HERRING.

and all goods usually found in a First-Class Grocery Store.]

FAMILIES SUPPLIED BY THE MONTH.

DONALD NICHOLSON.

Jan. 16, 1878—y.