

THE DAILY EXAMINER. APRIL 20, 1882.

The Platform of the Government.

It is hardly necessary to ask the people of Prince Edward Island to read carefully the "Card" of the Leader of the Government, which is published to day, in another column of THE EXAMINER. We feel sure that it will be studied and criticized with a solicitude commensurate with the importance of the best interests of the Province, which are involved in the result of the coming election.

Some three or four years ago the Leader of the Government published a "Card," and the Government was returned to power by an overwhelming majority. Then the Government had no record; and a gigantic work lay before them. The people of the Island were in a state of high excitement and indignation; quietude and content had to be restored. The public business was in confusion; order had to be established out of chaos. The public accounts showed a large balance against the Province without including the mysterious suspense account, and a legacy of deficit had to be contended against whilst current expenditures were met by current receipts.

All this has been done. By prudence, by economy, by retrenchment, by the passage of judicious measures, the wants of the Province have been met, the heavy deficit has been exchanged for a handsome surplus, the Poll Tax has been swept away, and the Assessment Act has been repealed, and previous to the announcement of the approaching election, the country was politically in a state of absolute calm.

The Leader of the Government now issues a second "card," in which he challenges attention to what has been accomplished, and indicates the course which the Government will, in the future, pursue. They will continue to foster agriculture and stock raising; they will, as soon as possible, abolish the Legislative Council, and reduce the cost of Legislation; they will continue to prosecute their claim for compensation for the use of our fisheries by the Americans; they will require the complete fulfillment of the terms of Confederation, they will maintain the policy of economy, retrenchment and reform.

This is a strong platform; and to match it the Opposition have produced, so far, nothing whatever but a policy of negation, petty slander, opprobrious epithets and nick-names.

Bank of P. E. Island.

At an adjourned meeting of the Stockholders of the Bank of Prince Edward Island, held at the Banking House of the Bank, in Charlottetown, the President in the chair, the following resolution was unanimously passed:—

Resolved, in view of possible resumption, that in the opinion of this meeting, it is advisable to appoint a Committee of eight to ascertain if the Depositors are willing to rebate thirty per cent. on the amount of their deposits, and to correspond with the Dominion Government, the Bank, and other creditors, with a view to a similar reduction.

The following gentlemen were thereupon appointed the Committee: R. R. FitzGerald, L. L. Beer, C. C. Gardiner, Benj. Hertz, Thos. Handrahan, Patrick Blake, Richard Sloggett, and Robert Crabbe, Esquires.

JOHN LONGWORTH, President.

This resolution, in our opinion, means earnest work. The several writers in THE EXAMINER have all written urging a somewhat similar scheme. The Committee appointed are all men well known in this community, and their names are a sufficient guarantee that no effort will be spared, on their part, to accomplish resumption, if possible. We believe that they intend sending a circular to every depositor, whether on call or on interest, asking his consent to this reduction, which circular will contain a full and complete statement of the present position of the Bank. This is, of course, the last hope of resumption; it is but fair, however, to every depositor to try it, so that hereafter no depositor can say, had we been asked, we would have only been too willing to have given up thirty per cent. of our deposit to secure the balance.

This scheme will put it in the hands of the depositors to decide as to the fortune of the Bank. The Directors have contributed their voluntary contribution. The shareholders paid in one full call. The depositors have now the opportunity to contribute their quota. If they do it, resumption is feasible, and a great calamity is averted. No depositor who has his own interest in view should lose a moment in answering this mentor in the affirmative. We still have hopes for the Bank of P. E. I.—a hope founded on the desire evinced by Directors, Shareholders and Depositors coming forward in this, the day of its need, to render it practical assistance.

THE N. Y. Herald's London correspondent writing on the 28th says:—In politics of course there is a lull, but Home Rule is still in the air. The Scotch Home Rulers appear to be better able to reply to Mr. Gladstone's request to formulate a scheme than their Irish brethren. The Scotch convention has commenced its annual meeting in Edinburgh, and immediately proceeding to unanimously adopt a resolution in favour of Home Rule, namely, that all Scotch legislation should be effected, subject to the approval of Parliament and the veto of the Crown, by Scotchmen chosen triennially by the electors of the burghs and counties. This decided step may act, to use a hunting phrase, as a sort of breaking the top bar for the Irish home to follow and make the big jump successfully.

THE Toronto Globe says:—Some idea of the immense quantity of Manitoba and North-West pamphlets that are sent out from the House of Commons to the various constituencies may be formed from the fact that 500 large mail bags, each containing an average of a hundred pounds, chiefly of this kind of literature, have been despatched during the session. This would make in all twenty-eight tons, and of late the quantity has equalled a ton and a half per day. The white paper on which these pamphlets are printed at the cost some \$4,000. Several members have sent out more copies of a pamphlet or document of some kind relating to the North-West to nearly every elector in their ridings.

The "Mayflower" made a passage across Picton Harbor on Tuesday, through very heavy ice, and will hereafter run regularly.

Notes of a Naturalist.

"Thy song, sweet robin, soft as dew, Heard soon or late, is dear to me; To music I would bid adieu, But not to thee."

Lo, they come! Welcome to the gentle harbingers of spring! Last night a hundred swift thrush wings swept the Gulf. With the first blush of morn they were here, and the groves everywhere rang with the loud, clear, honest calls of robins. The Linnæus poured his head long cascade of song through the golden flood of the morning sky. The Blue-birds' silver bell tolled clear on the still air. The sweet "link" of the Song Sparrow stole with the silver shafts of sunlight through the leafless sprays of the cypripedium. But Robin's louder note, rich and full, came floating from every grove far over the landscape, like the voice of an old familiar friend returned to our companionship.

For the past month we have had a stray Robin or two, but the first real arrival of a spring flock was this morning, April 15th. This is as early as usual, and shows that the season must be advanced in other parts of the continent, though late here.

It is a misnomer to speak of those early arrivals singing. They chirp, call and chatter for companionship or sport; but do not warble for weeks after the first have come. Indeed we must wait some time yet to hear much warbling. When the warming breezes change the deep blue to the soft ultramarine of spring; when the willows put out their silken catkins, and the poplars hang their tresses to the breeze; when the crimson buds of the maple swell, and the brown butterfly floats his gold-edged wings on the sunshine of the leafless glades; then Robin will tune his love note, and the soft, rich, varied tones of his warble fill the mellow air of amber-tinted eve.

At first they sing in the evening; but, later on, if you would hear the full force and beauty of their song, you must be up with the dawn and away to the wood-land. You may be disappointed if the morning is unfavorable; or, again, you may be surprised to hear how the whole air and still dusky sky will ring with the ceaseless flood of soft, pure, rippling music. A thousand purring streams, a thousand silver, gushing waterfalls, a thousand whispering breezes, could not fill the air with a fuller swell of harmony than a score of early juncos thrushes.

While snow covers the fields and great banks pile their frigid marble round the groves, you will wonder where Robin finds his meals. Come with me to the sheltered side of the wood-land, where the great beeches rear their vast crowns to woo the softening breezes to sleep, and the keen sunshine pours in silvery flashes down their great smooth trunks. At their feet the moss-cushioned hillocks raise their velvet through the snow. Don't you mind them long days ago, when we used to go gathering sap from the maples? How we sought the soft cushions to repose on, when weary with tramping through the snow! Well, let us sit down by one of these hillocks now. Wait a minute till all is still, and its disturbed inhabitants have regained assurance. Now the olive sprays of sun-lit moss are alive with insects. Numbers of frog-hoppers, in their light green coats, vault clear across the mossy field. Then there are purple carabi, spotted lady-birds, dusky migales, with their dangerous-looking claws, lurking behind a spray of dead grass, and watching us suspiciously with keen black eyes. Deeper in the recesses of the feathery forest, long, slim worms and fat larvae bury themselves in the shade. Here is an ample larder for Robin, and well he knows these secret stores of nature. Do you not remember "The eyes of all wait upon Thee, and thou givest them their meat in due season?"

CORRESPONDENCE.

We do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions or statements of our correspondents.

To the Editor of the Examiner.

SIR,—I am charged with being the writer of a local that appeared in the columns of yesterday's DAILY EXAMINER, wherein "The attention of the Health Officer and the City Surveyor is respectfully directed towards the vicinity of the 'Railway Hotel.'" I wish to publicly deny being the writer of said local, and I hope you will exonerate me from the charge; but since you have mentioned the case I will give the full particulars.

The Inspector of Hides conducts his business on Richmond Street, in a small building belonging to the London House. He deposits the horns and tails that are taken off the hides in a corner of the yard, about eight feet from my kitchen door, and in close proximity to my outhouses—the only thing that separates us is a board fence.

There are at present about five or six cart loads in this corner, and I do not think that it will be very pleasant of a hot day to inhale the perfume that will arise from this petrifying mass of corruption.

Therefore, I hope the "Health Officer and the City Surveyor" will do their duty and see that this nuisance is removed at once, and also order the Inspector to retire to the outskirts of the city. Should this be done, the neighborhood in general will rejoice, and thank you for being the first to bring this matter to the notice of the proper authorities.

Thanking you for lending us a helping hand, I remain, yours,

JOHN J. REGAN.

Charlottetown, April 20, 1882.

[Mr. Regan had nothing to do with the paragraph in question.—ED. EXAMINER.]

To the Editor of the Examiner.

SIR,—The Patriot sneers at the abilities of the Hon. W. W. Sullivan and Neil McLeod as Lawyers and Legislators, and asks the people of Charlottetown to elect Mr. F. Peters to uphold the dignity of the Bar. Both Mr. McLeod and Mr. Sullivan worked their way up from the ranks to the honorable positions they now occupy at the Bar and in the Legislature. Can as much be said for Mr. Peters, the Patriot's favorite candidate. There are many people in this town unobtainable enough to think that Mr. Peters owes his position at the Bar to the fact that his father is a rich man and a Judge, and that if he had to depend on his own merits, he would never be an ornament to the Bar.

Yours, etc., ELECTOR.

Charlottetown, April 20, 1882.

NERVOUS PROSTRATION, vital weakness, debility from overwork or indiscretion is radically and promptly cured by that great nerve and brain food known as Mack's Magnetic Medicine, which is sold by all respectable druggists. Sold in Charlottetown by Apothecaries Hall Co. See advertisement in another column. 2w wly—73

DIED.

At Halifax, N. S., on Friday, April 14, after a short but severe illness, Neil McLeod, aged 48 years, a native of New Perth, P. E. Island, leaving a wife to mourn her sad loss.

To the Electors of the Second District of King's County.

GENTLEMEN,—The first act of the present Government on assuming the administration of affairs was to appeal to the Electorate of the Province for an endorsement of the personal and policy of the Ministry. A programme was then formulated, which received the cordial approval of the people, and to which the Government have faithfully adhered.

The usual number of legislative sessions constituting a General Assembly, having terminated, the Government take the earliest opportunity of again consulting the constituencies, and of soliciting at the polls a renewal of public confidence.

On assuming office, the ministry found that the recklessness and extravagance of their immediate predecessors had resulted in imposing upon the Province a large amount of indebtedness. By amalgamating some of the Departments, reducing the salaries of officials, diminishing the cost of legislation and of administration, as well as by improved management in every branch of the public service, the Government have been enabled to remove the legacy of debt bequeathed to them by their opponents, and there is now a considerable surplus to the credit of the Province. In view of this state of things, and knowing that they shall have sufficient revenue, for some time to come, to meet the public requirements and amply provide for every interest, the Administration, in pursuance of their policy of lightening the burdens of the people, have felt justified in repealing the Assessment Act.

The Government have, by every means in their power, fostered agriculture and stock-raising, as the leading industries of the Province, and they intend to continue increased encouragement in the same direction.

It is much to be regretted that the measures framed by the Ministry for the abolition of the Legislative Council, failed to meet the approval of a majority of that body. The Government have done everything they could accomplish to give effect to the wishes of the people as expressed at the last General Election; and it is their intention to submit to the Legislature next Session measures providing for the constitution of one legislative body, and otherwise calculated to reduce the cost of legislation.

The Ministry are now engaged in endeavoring to secure for this Province a portion of the Fishery Award, with other compensation respecting the use of our fisheries by United States citizens, and the business shall be diligently prosecuted to its termination.

The attention of the Dominion Government has been called to the failure of Canada to carry out the Terms of Confederation with this Province, by providing efficient steam communication, winter and summer, between the Island and the mainland. The question is now under the consideration of the Privy Council, and it will be the duty of the Provincial Administration to adopt such measures as shall secure to Prince Edward Island a complete and satisfactory fulfilment of the Terms of Union.

On the subjects to which I have alluded, as well as on all other public questions, the policy which the Government submitted to the people at the last general election, remains unchanged, and shall be pursued.

During the term of office of the present Ministry, the blessings of contentment, happiness and peace have prevailed throughout the Province, and it is the desire and determination of the Government to contribute towards a continuance of this pleasing state of things, by the practice of economy and retrenchment in every department, and by an honest and faithful administration of public affairs.

I have the honor to be, Your obedient servant, W. W. SULLIVAN.

April 20th, 1882. pres ne kca sf pat li

The Liberal-Conservative COMMITTEE

Have secured Rooms Next to H. Hart's Restaurant.

Open Market days, and Meetings every evening, commencing at 8 p. m. Friends all invited. [ap 20]

Household Furniture.

I WILL SELL AT AUCTION, at my Sale Room, Queen Square, on FRIDAY, 28th inst, at 2 o'clock.

A collection of Household Furniture, consisting of H. S. Lounges, Sofas, Chairs, Easy Chairs, Rockers, Mahogany Centre and Card Tables, Ext. Dining Tables, Marble Top Cheffincoer, Mirrors, Carpets, Window Curtains, Poles and Rings, Pictures, Parlor and Bed Room Stoves, Bed Room Suite, Bedsteads, Mattresses, Bedding, Bureaus, Toilet Tables and Glasses, Kitchen Furniture, Cooking Utensils, Crockeryware, Glassware, Hall Stove and Pipe, Flower Stands, Tools, &c.

WILLIAM DODD, Auctioneer.

Liberal-Conservative Meeting.

A MEETING of the Liberal-Conservatives of Lot 65 and vicinity will be held in Cumberland School House, on SATURDAY, the 22nd day of April next, at 7 o'clock, p. m. April 20, 1882.

POLITICAL MEETING

A MEETING of the Electors of Lot 65 and vicinity will be held at New Dominion School House, on MONDAY EVENING, the 24th inst., at 7 o'clock, for the purpose of selecting a candidate in the interest of the Liberal-Conservative Party. A large attendance is requested. [ap 20]

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Every description of Property covered at lowest rates. Policies issued by the undersigned.

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Every description of Property covered at the lowest rates.

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Issues Policies on the Tontine system. Also ordinary Life and Industrial Plans.

The London and Lancashire Life Assurance Company. All rates lower than the majority of Offices.

FRED. W. HYNDMAN, AGENT.

Charlottetown, April 10, 1882—ood pat

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During the month of April I will accept Fire Risks at very lowest rates, and will also allow a discount of 7½ per cent. on all premiums. Fifteen per cent. discount allowed on all new Life Insurance premiums.

MORACE HASZARD, General Insurance Agent,

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Commercial Union Fire Assurance Company, of London, Eng. CAPITAL, £2,500,000 STG.

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British America Fire Assurance Company, of Toronto. CAPITAL, \$500,000.00.

Sun Mutual Life and Accident Insurance Co., of Montreal. CAPITAL, \$500,000.00.

Charlottetown, April 4, 1882.

CHRISTYS HATS

- Christys' Paris Silk Hats, Christys' Hard Fur " Christys' Soft " Christys' Hard Felt " Christys' Soft " Christys' Hats for Men, Christys' " " Boys, Christys' " " Ladies,

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Large Stock of Canadian and American Felt Hats!

CHEAP FOR CASH!

G. DAVIES & CO., LONDON HOUSE.

Charlottetown, April 3, 1882.

Wanted. TWO GOOD MEN TO PEDDLE GOODS for EGGS, &c. Must find their own Teams. Apply at once, with reference to R. K. BRACE. April 19, 1882—wky

Freehold Property! FOR SALE.

THE Subscriber offers at private sale her dwelling house, store and outbuildings and premises, situate on the west side of Lower Spring Park Road. It is a good stand for any public business. The land has a front of fifty feet on the said road, and runs back by parallel line one hundred feet. If not previously disposed of by private sale, the same will be offered at PUBLIC AUCTION, on WEDNESDAY, the 3rd day of May next, at 2 o'clock, p. m.

For further particulars apply on the premises to MRS. WATTS. Char'town, April 18, '82—ood

Estate of Late W. B. Allin.

THE Trustees being anxious to sell, will receive offers up to May next, for a two story Dwelling Cottage with nearly half an acre of land, opposite Mr. Gay's property, Malpeque Road; also for a Warehouse four stories high, and a good cellar, opposite the police station. Enquire of J. W. PICKARD, JOS. KNIGHT. April 18, 1882.

CARRIAGES.

THE subscriber is prepared to make to order good seasoned lumber, CARRIAGE BODIES and GEARING of the most improved style and finish, at prices to suit all. N. B.—Particular attention given to repairing and painting at ROBERT SCOTTS, Halloran's Corner, Great George and Fitzroy Streets. [ap 14 wky]

TO LET.

DWELLING HOUSE, containing 10 rooms and 2 Kitchens, with Coach House, Garden, etc., opposite the residence of the subscriber. Dry Cellar, and train to the River. Painters, etc., now at work. Possession 1st May. Apply to JNO. WM. MORRISON. April 18, 1882.

For Sale.

THE pleasant residence of Dr. McIntosh, Pownall. Private offers made until 15th June. If not then disposed of, will be sold to the highest bidder. Apply to Dr. McIntosh and Jons Acoax. [ap 15]

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WANTS, LOST, FOUND, &c.

WANTED IMMEDIATELY—Four Good Journeymen Tailors. Apply to John McKenzie, Merchant Tailor, Summerside. [ap 20 1w]

MONEY TO LEND—Apply to Palmer & Mulhally, Attorneys, etc., Charlottetown. [ap 19 1w, wky]

BOARDERS can be accommodated in a private residence, in a pleasant part of the city, the 1st May. For further particulars enquire at this office. [ap 19]

TO LET—A House containing 5 rooms. Apply to James McLeod, Spring Park Road. [ap 19]

TO LET OR TO SELL—A House finely situated in Souris, fronting on Chappell Street, containing ten rooms, grocery shop, stable, and well of really excellent water. Possession given on or about the 1st of May next. For particulars apply to C. C. Cavlin, Esq., Souris; or here, to Hon. W. W. Lord. [ap 19]

WANTED—A young man capable of keeping Books, acting as Dry Goods salesman, and collecting accounts, by a party in Summerside. Good reference required. Apply at this office. [ap 15]

WANTED—A first-class reliable man to drive NORTON'S EXPRESS. Apply with references to R. B. NORTON. [ap 15]

WANTED TO RENT, about 1st May, a House containing 7 or 8 rooms, in a central part of the city. Rent moderate. Apply at this office. [ap 15]

LOST—A Wolf Robe (hanger with tails) between Vernon River and Charlottetown, on Friday last, 14th inst. The finder will be suitably rewarded on leaving the same with M. I. FitzGerald, Esq., Montague, or with the subscriber in Charlottetown.—B. R. FITZGERALD. [ap 15]

TO LET—A Dwelling House, situated on Sydney Street, opposite the Methodist Church, containing nine rooms. For terms apply to Mrs. J. Carroll. 1w eod pd

CITY HOTEL TO LET—This Hotel is finely situated, standing opposite the Bishop's Palace, on the highest ground in the city. It contains 37 rooms, and being contiguous to the Steam Navigation Company's Wharf, is admirably adapted for the accommodation of summer visitors to the island. Terms easy. Apply to Messrs. Geo. Davies & Co., London House. [ap 17]

TO LET—Possession given the first of May, the House in King Street, at present occupied by A. Tomlin, Esq., City Clerk. Apply to WILLIAM DODD. [ap 14]

TO LET—A Two-Story French Roof House, on Corner Euston and Cumberland Sts. Apply to Robert Pennel. [ap 12 eod 2]

TO LET—The House at present occupied by R. Sloggett, Esq., at the head of Pownall Street. Possession given the 1st July next. Apply at this office. [ap 4 eod]

TO LET—A house containing eight or eleven rooms, situate on Kent Street, half of the subscribers premises. Rent moderate. Apply to Francis McGarry. [ap 7 eod]

TO LET—The second story of the Brick Building, on Queen Street, lately occupied as the Orange Hall. It is conveniently situated and well adapted for a Lawyer's office. Apply to Mrs. Owen, Queen Street. [ap 14 2w]