

The Daily Examiner

DECEMBER 17, 1885.

The Discussion about Riel.

The people of the Maritime Provinces are not much troubled about Riel. We are all—or nearly all—of the one opinion that Riel met the fate he deserved; and if there be an appeal to the people on the point, the opinion of Prince Edward Island will be given with no uncertain sound.

But, while we are quiescent about the Riel question, it is interesting to watch the progress of the discussion in the Upper Provinces. Some of the politicians and journals there are trying to make the people believe that it will smash-up or split up the Dominion. They forget, apparently, what a strong enthusiastic, undoubted, National spirit was shown by the people of Canada on the outbreak of Riel's Rebellion—a spirit not to be dissipated in a month though hundreds of such men as Riel should hang.

It is amusing as well as painful to watch the course of the Toronto Globe and the Grit Party with respect to Riel. While there was yet a chance that the sentence of the court would be commuted, all the adjectives in the Grit vocabulary were hurled against the Government, supposed to be "dominated by the French" and "weakly yielding to party expediency the duty of executing the laws and punishing the traitor." But now, after the traitor has, according to the law, been punished, they say "a terrible outrage has been committed, and all supporters of Sir John who are of French extraction should instantly desert their leader and join the Opposition!" Mayor Beaupre, of Montreal, himself a leading Grit, frankly and graphically described a few days ago the motives of these gentlemen. Questioned as to the significance of the Riel agitation, he said:

"We are now trying to unite the French against Sir John Macdonald, believing that Riel was entitled to reprieve. It is simply a matter of politics." And at the close of the interview he further said:—"In America, I suppose, you would call the Riel agitation purely a political trick."

A question of life and death, a question of the upholding of the law, a question of the punishment of a convicted criminal,—made the subject of "a political trick"; and race prejudices and religious animosities aroused in order that the "trick" may, if possible, be successful! What must the people think of politicians who have the heart to do such things "as a matter of politics?"

Another set of critics are those represented by the Montreal Herald. These gentlemen say Riel was a bad man and richly deserved hanging; but he was tried for treason: if he had been tried for murder, his execution would have been all right. This refinement—even if there were anything in it—is not likely to greatly influence a people anxious only that that substantial justice shall be done according to the law. But there is nothing in it. The penalty attached to the crime of treason-felony is the same as that attached to the crime of murder; and in the case of both crimes the clemency of the Crown may be exercised at the discretion of the Government.

The idea of elevating Riel to the rank of martyr has been abandoned by all but the most hare-brained of the agitators; and even, if the physicians had not tested his mental health and found it good, the notion that Riel was insane has been completely dissipated by the last scene on the scaffold. Riel had sense enough to see that in the presence of death he must cease playing his fantastic tricks.

The smallpox epidemic in Montreal having abated, the Citizens' Committee "now trust that confidence will once more be established among us, and that our people of the sister Provinces will not be afraid to visit Montreal." The Montreal Herald says: "The city has doubtless suffered in its business by the epidemic, but not to the extent that was at one time contemplated, and those who at a distance believed that danger was incurred by dealings with or by visiting Montreal may disabuse their minds and continue their former relationship with perfect safety. Neither vigilance nor necessary action will be relaxed, and, as the Committee say, the city is probably in a healthier condition than it has been for many years past."

Ottawa has not hitherto, been famous for its newspapers. The Evening Journal—established a few days ago—is decidedly well made up and is the most newsy and lively journal that has yet appeared in the Capital. It is published by Mr. A. S. Woodburn and edited by Mr. J. Dafoe, a talented young journalist trained in the office of the Montreal Star.

The Northwest Council propose to charge a license fee of \$250 to lawyers who come to practice in their territory!

The Windsor Hotel Co. held its annual meeting in Montreal last week; Mr. Andrew Allan, president, in the chair. The financial statement showed that notwithstanding the cessation of American travel, owing to the smallpox epidemic, the hotel was free from all liability. It is understood that after providing for the expenditure of the hotel and the interest on the bonds there is a small balance left; not sufficient to declare a dividend on. The old board of directors was re-elected.

THE PUBLIC HEALTH.

DEATH AND CONDITION OF PATIENTS AT THE HOSPITAL.

Dr. Jenkins at 1 o'clock to-day made the following report:

To the Chairman of the Board of Health:

Sir,—Mrs. Vaughan died yesterday shortly after my report was written. Christy Bell is very low, but not worse than at last report.

Mrs. Doyle's child is attacked with capillary bronchitis, and is in great danger. Mrs. Parkman is improving steadily.

In the men's ward John Crockett is slightly improved.

James McDonald, who has old tubercular disease of his right lung, shows symptoms of bronchitis on the left side, which makes his case very dangerous.

I have, etc.,

J. T. JENKINS, Health Officer.

CONDITION OF PATIENTS IN THE CITY.

To Dr. Johnson, Health Officer.

Sir,—Eight more of the patients in town are convalescent, viz.:

Four children of Mrs. McMahon, two of Mrs. Vaughan, Mrs. McInnis' child, and Mrs. Watter's boy.

Mrs. McMahon is improving. The others are doing well.

Capt. Walsh has developed the disease.

JAMES WARBURTON.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

The Mayor acknowledges with thanks the following donations for use of patients at the Hospital: A Friend, parcel illustrated papers; W. S. McKie, Carriage Builder, 3 dozen hot rolls; Mrs. J. J. Lane, crock preserves and illustrated papers; Mrs. P. E. Robin, 1 case port wine; A Friend, parcel underclothing.

BOARD OF HEALTH.

The Citizens' Committee last evening passed the following resolution, which was sent to the Chairman of the Board of Health:

Resolved, That in view of the statements made by Dr. Johnson, the Health Officer, respecting the recent vaccination of the citizens, this Council is of the opinion that steps should be immediately taken to have all citizens examined with the object of ascertaining whether or not they have been successfully vaccinated, and we strongly recommend the Board of Health to take the necessary steps to have the work done by those who, in our opinion are alone competent to do it, viz., the medical profession.

At a meeting of the Board of Health held this morning, the above resolution of the Citizens' Committee was read. It was then moved by Mr. Davy seconded by Mr. Kelly:

Resolved, That for the purpose of effecting the re-vaccination of all persons in this city unsuccessfully vaccinated, this Board order that every householder or head of a family do fill up and make true return of the facts required in the subjoined circular, and on or before the 24th day of December inst., return the same to the office of the Health Officer of this city, in the Market building, certified as correct by a physician; and it is further

Ordered, That should any householder or head of a family neglect to make such return so certified as aforesaid, then one of the Health Officers be directed to visit the houses of such persons so making default, and compulsorily vaccinate all unvaccinated or unsuccessfully vaccinated persons.

Moved by Mr. McRae and seconded by Mr. Haszard:

Resolved, That no house or tenement in which any smallpox patient has lived or occupied, during any stages of the development of the disease, be permitted to be used or occupied by any new inmates until the Health Officer is satisfied that no danger from infection still exists from the occupation of the house, and gives a written certificate to that effect, under a penalty of \$30 for each and every infraction, to be recovered from the agent, landlord, occupant or other person permitting the same.

Moved by Mr. Morris and seconded by Mr. Douce:

Resolved, That the Health Officer having reported to the Board that certain houses and premises in this city, namely: the Travellers' House on Sidney Street, and the house occupied by Hannah Egan, and owned by Angus McPhail, on Palmer's Lane, are in an unwholesome condition and that the lime washing, cleaning and purifying of these houses is necessary to prevent the spread of the present smallpox epidemic, it is ordered that the owner or occupant of the above houses do forthwith cleanse, as required by the notice served on them from the Health Officer.

The resolutions were carried unanimously.

MEETING AT KINGSBURY, LOT 47.

A meeting of the residents of Kingsbury School District was held in the School House on Dec. 8th, for the purpose of taking necessary steps to secure ourselves as far as possible from the much dreaded disease, smallpox. William McVean, Esq., was chosen Chairman, and the undersigned Secretary. The following resolutions were then adopted:

Whereas, We have reason to believe the disease may now be in our midst, and we have not as yet taken any precautions to save ourselves from contagion.

And whereas, A Board of Health has not been appointed for this Lot, without which all the steps required cannot be taken.

Therefore Resolved, That we at once apply to the Hon. W. W. Sullivan for the appointment of a Board of Health for Lot 47, and that we now appoint a Committee, composed of the following gentlemen: Theophilus McDonald, Alfred Stewart, William McLean, John Stewart, Alexander Scott, Jr., Donald Robertson, William McVean and Howard McNeill, to act in conjunction with the Board of Health when appointed.

Further Resolved, That this Committee now make arrangements with the Superintendent of Vaccination for this District to come without delay and perform this necessary precaution on all those requiring the same.

It was then carried by vote,—

That the School and other public gatherings be stopped until such time as all danger had disappeared.

A suggestion was made that the Board of Education be acquainted with the action taken in regard to the School.

R. H. McNEILL, Secretary.

SMALLPOX IN MONTREAL.

On the 12th inst., there were only 55 infected houses in the city, 32 east and 24 west of St. Lawrence Street. There are 226 patients in the civic hospitals, 134 in St. Camille, 59 in St. Vincent de Paul and 33 in St. Saviour. Eight reports of smallpox cases were made to the Health Department on the 11th inst., 46 physicians' visits were made, 11 new cases verified, 19 houses disinfected and 6 placarded.

NOTES.

With reference to the young man Corney, who died in the Smallpox Hospital, and about whom the public is so much concerned, it has been intimated to us that Dr. Taylor had something to do with sending him there. On enquiry, however, we find that Dr. Taylor had nothing to do with him. He has not even seen Corney for the last six months. Whatever responsibility attaches itself to the matter, must devolve upon the Health Officer.

Scotch Land Reform.

A FRESH MOVEMENT ABOUT TO BE STARTED BY THE NEW CROFTER MEMBER FOR CAITHNESS.

A new land reform movement is about to be started in Scotland. Its originator is Dr. C. B. Clark, who has just been elected for Caithness as a Crofter candidate. Dr. Clark is a member of the staff of the Central News, of London, and has written extensively on the rights and wrongs of the crofters. He was nominated without solicitation, and beyond writing an election address he has given no personal attention to the canvass. This inaction fooled the Liberals, and they were split up into factions in Caithness. Each faction ventured to put up a candidate. There were thus three Liberals running against Dr. Clark, and while he did not obtain a majority over all, he did obtain an ample plurality over the next highest candidate, Major Clarence Sinclair. Now that he is elected, Dr. Clark proposes to devote himself energetically to the cause of the crofters. He is already at work organizing a Highland party to secure reforms for Scotland similar to the Irish Land Act. The new party will be allied on all Irish questions with the Parnellites, and will be a valuable auxiliary in the fight for Home Rule.

The Soudan.

SERIOUS STATE OF AFFAIRS—ANOTHER BRITISH EXPEDITION TO BE DESPATCHED IMMEDIATELY.

The activity and daily increasing strength of the rebel forces have attracted the attention of the British Government to the serious state of affairs in Egypt, and to the fact that the present British force in Egypt is totally inadequate to cope with the formidable army of the new Mahdi. Hence it is announced that the government has decided to send a new expedition to the Soudan, and it is being prepared for immediate departure for Egypt. The frontier field force in Egypt consists of about 6,500 men under command of Brigadier-General Grenfell, one-half of the force being British and the remainder Egyptian. The force in Egypt proper, which, with the above field force, constitutes the command of Lieut.-Gen. Stephenson, consists of about 8,000 British and 3,000 Egyptians. Some 2,000 of the former are stationed at Alexandria, the remainder being in Cairo, with small detachments at Assiout, Suez and Port Said. Under Gen. Hudson, at Suakin, there are about 3,000 British and Indian troops. Caliph Abdulla has ordered every man over the age of 16 years to join the army of the Soudan. The natives are readily obeying the order. Orders are expected for the reoccupation of Dongola. There is continuous desultory firing at Keshay. Four British soldiers have been wounded.

A Strange Love Freak.

The following story of a strange love freak is current in Annapolis County, N. S. The incident is quite recent. A young lady on the North Mountain, endowed, I should imagine, with double attractiveness, and more blase—shall I say than many of her sex—had two suitors to be quite successful in his suit. She thought she liked him, and by mutual understanding a license was obtained, and the date of marriage decided upon. Before the marriage day arrived number 2 presented himself and pressed his claims. She rather thought she liked him, and agreed to marry him. A license was obtained and the date fixed for marriage, singularly enough, the same day and hour as in the previous arrangement. The time came round, and a clergyman was summoned to perform the marriage ceremony. Number 2 and the bride stood up, and the ceremony was begun, when, as the clergyman proceeded, number 1 appeared and forbade the marriage. This brought matters to a dead lock for the time being. Not to be baffled, however, number 2 and the lady took the first opportunity of riding into the valley, where the marriage ceremony was performed without interruption.

DEATH OF A WELL KNOWN PRINTER.

The St. John Globe says: Mr. George W. C. Lugin, a well known printer, and a member of an old New Brunswick family, died very suddenly at his residence to-day. Mr. Lugin, who has been for a number of years in the job room of the Telegraph, left work on Friday as he did not feel very well. He was able to go about the house, however, and to-day sat down to dinner with his family. Soon after he left his seat, and laid down for a moment. He came back again, and as he sat down in his chair, he leaned forward on the table, as though suffering with pains in his breast, and in a moment more, while the family conversation was going on around him, he was dead. Mr. Lugin was a native of Fredericton, and was the son of the late George F. Lugin, a former Queen's printer of this Province. He had been connected with several journalistic enterprises in this Province and in Prince Edward Island, and was a man very much liked by all his fellow craftsmen. Mr. Lugin was about sixty years of age. His family consisted of three children and a sister, who presided over his household since the death of his wife. Death resulted from angina pectoris.

REFERRING to a gentleman who was at one time a prominent official of the P. E. Island Railway, the Grafton Herald of Dakota says, (Nov. 18):

"On Tuesday morning the happiest man on the North American continent was E. O. Faulkner. He danced a Highland Fling, whistled Yankee Doodle and sang God save the Queen in two times and one motion, and there was cause for it, too, as Mrs. Faulkner presented him with a handsome son and heir. Mother and son doing well, and E. O. says he can now take a rest from overwork during office hours as the young deputy is a host in himself."

It is pleasing to learn that Mr. Faulkner is in such a prosperous way, and THE EXAMINER adds its congratulations.

One quarter of the live stock of the United States is owned and fed in the South. The South has \$600,000,000 invested in milch cows, oxen, o. her cattle, sheep, hogs, horses, and mules.

Lord Salisbury's Government intends to introduce proposals for a large increase of expenditure on the Navy.

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Ch'town, Dec 10, '85.

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Ch'town, Dec. 10, 1885—3wks

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The Local Government having rescinded the regulations adopted by the various Boards of Health throughout the Province, in respect of restricting travel, all persons provided with certificates of vaccination and freedom from infection, are now at liberty to go where they please.

JAMES COLEMAN, Superintendent.

Railway Office, Ch'town, Dec. 17, 1885.

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WELLAND CANAL ENLARGEMENT.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

SEALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned and endorsed "Tender for the Welland Canal," will be received at this office until the arrival of the Eastern and Western mails on MONDAY, the 29th day of JANUARY next (1886), for raising the walls of the locks, weirs, &c., and increasing the height of the banks of that part of the Welland Canal between Port Dalhousie and Thorold, and for deepening the Summit Level between Thorold and Ramey's Bend, near Humberston.

The works, throughout, will be let in Sections. Maps of the several localities, together with plans and descriptive specifications, can be seen at this office on and after MONDAY, the 11th day of JANUARY next (1886), where printed forms of tender can be obtained. A like class of information relative to the works north of Allanburg will be furnished at the Resident Engineer's Office, Thorold; and for works south of Allanburg, plans, specifications, &c., may be seen at the Resident Engineer's Office, Welland. Contractors are requested to bear in mind that tenders will not be considered unless made strictly in accordance with the printed forms, and, in the case of firms, except there are attached the actual signatures, the nature of the occupation and place of residence of each member of the same; and further, an accepted bank cheque for the sum of Two Thousand Dollars or more—according to the extent of the work on the section—must accompany all respective tenders, which sum shall be forfeited if the party tendering declines entering into contract for the works, at the rates stated in the offer submitted. The amount required in each case will be stated on the form of tender. The cheque or money thus sent in will be returned to the respective parties whose tenders are not accepted.

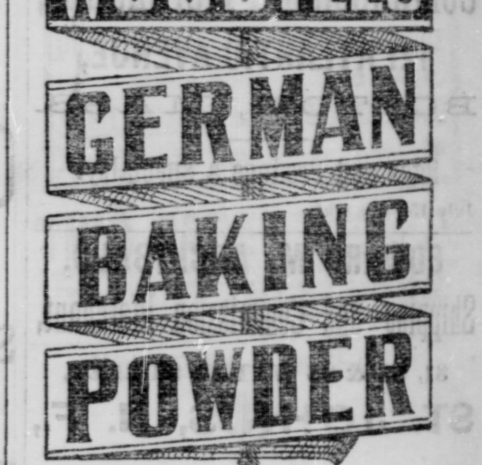
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