

THE DAILY EXAMINER. DECEMBER 27, 1887.

Mr. Owen Connolly.

The startling rumor of the sudden death of so prominent a citizen as Mr. Owen Connolly produced a profound sensation throughout Charlottetown.

Sudden Death.

OWEN CONNOLLY, ESQ., DIES OF APPOPLEXY WHILE AT HIS OFFICE DESK - BRIEF SKETCH OF HIS LIFE.

At half-past nine o'clock this morning, Owen Connolly, than whom no man in the mercantile community was better known or respected, was in his usual health engaged in the active pursuit of his business.

Mr. Connolly was born in the County Monaghan, Ireland, in 1829, and came out to the Island in 1839. At first he was employed as a farmer by a Mr. Smallwood, at Lot 48, in whose service he remained about two years.

Mr. Connolly was well known throughout the Island as a friend to the poor. He was rich in good works as well as in the things of this world, and in his untimely death the poor and needy have lost a friend.

Capture of Frank C. McNeally.

THE SACO BANK ROBBER UNDER ARREST IN HALIFAX. - SHARP WORK OF TWO NEWS-PAPER REPORTERS.

Our telegraphic news of Saturday conveyed the information that Frank C. McNeally, the Saco Me. Savings Bank robber, had been captured in Halifax.

Mr. Stuyvesant went to the Halifax hotel, where arrangements had previously been made for his board by another young man who was then a guest and who told the proprietor that he was there to meet his cousin, who would be a passenger on the steamer Polynesian and under the name of "W. E. Stuyvesant" went to the Halifax hotel.

Mr. Stuyvesant registered as from Washington, D. C., and was located in room 67, on the same flat as Consul General Phelan and family. He was seldom seen around the hotel and very little was known of him.

Steamers' Movements.

The Lansdowne left here at 3 o'clock this a. m., but did not succeed in getting to open water at the three tides until 1 p. m.

The Northern Light left here at 9 a. m., for Pictou, where she will coal up and then proceed to Georgetown and await further orders.

The Steam Navigation Company's steamers have ceased running for the season, the Princess of Wales having made the last trip from Pictou on Saturday, the 24th.

The following interesting extracts from the diary of a gentleman in this city have been placed at our disposal -

Dec. 8, 1885 - Princess of Wales left Summerside for Charlottetown, closing of navigation there.

Dec. 5, 1886 - S. Lawrence returned from Summerside; had to break through five miles of ice in Summerside harbor.

January 1, 1887 - Raining nearly all day; Neptune arrived from Pictou; broke ice from Harbor's mouth to Connolly's wharf.

January 27, 1886 - Northern Light arrived at Souris, not being able to get into Georgetown.

January 5, 1887 - Alberton harbor partly open. 7 - Charlottetown harbor clear from Prince Street wharf to Rocky Point - mild as April.

January 8 - Night register 21 below zero at Charlottetown.

Dec. 24, 1887 - Lansdowne arrived from Point du Chene, Summerside harbor being open until the 24th, the last trip to Point du Chene.

AGRICULTURE - A Sidney, N. S. W., despatch says: The Hanlan-Trickett sculling match is fixed for May 3rd.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Mr. George Macleod's Speech on Free Trade.

SIR, - The speech which appears in your issue of the 13th inst., deserves more than a passing notice, - not for its intrinsic value, but for the tissue of errors contained in its financial statements, as well as the air of veracity with which they are palmed off on an unsuspecting public.

He says he has lived amongst us for thirteen years, during which time he also states "we had enjoyed uninterrupted good harvests."

Yet he quotes figures of our exports and imports from 1876 to 1886, and tells us in that term of ten years, our exports has decreased \$99,252.00, and the imports \$701,334.00.

Does Mr. Macleod believe this himself? I am inclined to believe he had doubts about it. For a little further along in his speech he says: "In view of the commercial results as shown from the foreign statistics, he could come to no other conclusion than they were not at all commensurate with such naturally prosperous conditions as he had enumerated."

The italics are mine. Certainly not. Our imports in 1872, just prior to Confederation, were \$2,104,134.00; yet Mr. Macleod would fain make us believe that now, after 15 years of uninterrupted good harvests, they have fallen to \$632,171, or decreased just \$1,471,963, or about in round numbers, one hundred thousand dollars per year!

He has taken the Island imports, on which duties were paid, but forgot the important factor that about three quarters of the goods consumed by us is purchased from the wholesale merchants of Halifax, St. John, Quebec, Montreal, Toronto, Kingston, London, Hamilton, &c., at which ports the duties were paid and the imports credited.

Now, let us take the exports. As far back as 1861 our exports were \$793,810; and in 1872, just prior to Confederation, \$1,497,058, or about 88 2-5 per cent. of an increase in that period of ten years; and yet Mr. Macleod would also fain make us believe that during the past 15 years of "uninterrupted good harvests," they have only increased \$69,200, or at the rate of less than \$5,000 per year!

And upon what data has he constructed such a calculation? A table which he calls a "Dominion statement of P. E. Island Exports for 1886." Permit me to give you a few items from it as a sample of the rest:

Table with 2 columns: Item and Value. Includes Pickled Mackerel (\$74,000), Canned Mackerel (1,000), Horses (65,000), Sheep (16,000), U.S. B.W. NED., Potatoes (\$147,000), \$3,300 \$30,000, 187,000, Starch (17,000).

He seems to have had misgivings about these statements also; but his explanations are a verification of the old adage, of the blind leading the blind.

There is a general wall of misfortune running all through this speech, the highest note of which is reached when he states: "Without some change in our present commercial condition, I can see little prospect for P. E. Island."

God help us poor Islanders, if there is no higher destiny in store for us. The farmers better give up at once, and leave if nothing better than this can be done.

There is anything really alarming in the present state of this Province to warrant such a prophecy? Let us examine the matter for ourselves. First we will take the Bank returns. He quotes: -

Table with 2 columns: Item and Value. Includes Current Account (\$415,000), Deposits bearing interest (594,000), Loans (1,485,000).

There is nothing very alarming in this. Nos. 1 and 2 shows that our business is done more on capital and less on credit.

No. 2 that the general public has lost faith in our Banks, and have removed their deposits to the Savings Banks. There is nearly a million less in loans to the people at large; but all this does not indicate poverty. Let us glance at our visible indebtedness and ability to meet it:

Table with 2 columns: Item and Value. Includes We owe the Banks for Current Account (\$184,000), For Loans (694,000), Making in all (\$878,000), And the Banks owe us for deposits (\$161,000).

Leaving us in debt the sum of \$717,000 or about seven dollars per head. And against this we have in the Savings Banks at Charlottetown and Summerside, as shown by the latest returns, \$2,412,586.

Leaving us the snug sum of \$1,695,586 or about the sum of \$15 per head for every man, woman and child in the Province after all our visible debts are paid. Not a bad result for "15 years of uninterrupted good harvests."

Besides this we have been blessed with an abundant crop, there is no poverty or sickness throughout the Province and there never was a time during the past thirty years, when the farmer could buy so many of his wants for one dollar as he can at this present hour.

In the face of all this it is fair or just, to the people of this Province that our poverty must be held up to all the other Provinces, to the world, in fact, when there is no poverty, to be crying wolf, wolf! when there is no wolf!

To advertise this Province as having "fifteen years of uninterrupted good harvests," and during all that time, although we have had no manufactures of our own, yet we imported less year by year than we did fifteen years ago until the amount has reached the enormous amount of \$1,471,963,000, or about one hundred thousand dollars per year. And also that our exports, notwithstanding our fifteen years of "uninterrupted good harvests," has

fallen off five thousand dollars per year. If these are facts, what is the good of building a Subway to connect this miserable Province with the mainland? Such, no doubt, will be the exclamation of many of my friends throughout the other Provinces.

What shall I say to this if twitted with it in my place in Parliament. I shall state to them this paradox: That we have had fifteen years of "uninterrupted good harvests," during which time our people have placed to their credit in the Savings Bank the sum of \$2,312,536, as against the sum on deposit, bearing interest in all the other Banks in 1872 of \$594,000, showing that our people have saved during that period of fifteen years \$1,718,536. They will then be able to draw their own conclusion as to whether Mr. Macleod's speech is not the ravings of a pessimist, the justification of a bank manager for a poor year's business, or a want of a proper knowledge of the trade of the Province.

For the present I subscribe myself, Yours truly, GEORGE W. HOWLAND, Watermark, Dec. 27, 1887.

BIRTH.

In this city, on the 25th inst., the wife of W. G. Gillespie of a daughter.

P. E. ISLAND RAILWAY.

NEW YEAR'S EXCURSION.

RETURN TICKETS at one first class fare will be issued to and from all Stations on this Railway on SATURDAY, Dec. 31st, inst., and on MONDAY, 2nd January, 1888, good to return up to and on January 3rd, 1888.

J. UNSWORTH, Acting Superintendent, Railway Office, Charlottetown, December 26, 1887.

MORTGAGE SALE.

TO BE Sold by Public Auction, on the premises, Brackley Point Road, Lot 33, in Queen's County, on THURSDAY, the 26th day of January, next, A. D. 1888, at the hour of two o'clock in the afternoon, under and by virtue of a Power of Sale, contained in an Indenture of Mortgage, bearing date the 20th day of September, 1872, and made between William Sidney Smith, of the one part, and John Duff, of the other part, all the household interest of the said William Sidney Smith, for the unexpired term of 999 years and so to.

All that tract, piece or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in Township Number Thirty-three, in Queen's County aforesaid, bounded as follows in said Mortgage, that is to say: Commencing at a certain fixed point in the ground in the east side of the Brackley Point Road, thence easterly along the southern boundary of land in possession of James Walker, forty-seven chains and sixty-three links, thence west along the western boundary of the said William Sidney Smith's land, southerly for the distance of ten chains and six links, thence southerly and easterly along the northern boundary of the said John Duff, Junior's land, westwardly for the distance of forty-seven chains and sixty-three links, until it meets the Road aforesaid, thence northerly along said Road to stake or place of besting, containing fifty acres, a little more or less, and being the premises lately occupied by the said William Sidney Smith.

For further particulars apply at the office of R. B. Fitzgerald, Solicitor at Law, Charlottetown, P. E. I., dated 23rd day of December, A. D. 1887.

H. J. CUNHALL, Trustee, Assignee of Mortgagee.

ALSO, at the same time and place, all the Leasehold interest of the said William Sidney Smith, for the unexpired term of 999 years, and to the one hundred acres of land adjoining in and to the said advertised farm of 50 acres.

The above farms are distant from the City about nine miles, a fine stream of water runs through them, and on the front farm is a good dwelling house and large barn.

Good title guaranteed. Bedlow, W. S. SMITH, per R. R. FITZGERALD, his Attorney.

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Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of a Writ of Statute Execution to me directed, issued out of Her Majesty's Supreme Court of Judicature, at the suit of Alexander McKay, against the said James Matheson and hereditaments of Annie E. Cole and Archibald McKay, absent or absconding debtors, I sold Annie E. Cole and Archibald McKay, absent or absconding debtors, all the right, title and interest of the said Annie Cole and Archibald McKay, absent or absconding debtors, in and to all that piece or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in Charlottetown, in Queen's County, Prince Edward Island, bounded and described as follows: -

All that tract of land being part of Town Lot Number 86, in the second hundred of Town Lots in Charlottetown, bounded and described as follows: - On the north by Queen Street, with a front thereon of 42 feet; on the south by a line running parallel to said street at the distance therefrom of eighty (80) feet; on the west by Town Lot Number Eighty-eight, for the length of 80 feet; and I do hereby give Public Notice, that I will on the Thirtieth day of DECEMBER next, 1887, at Twelve o'clock, noon, at the Court House in Charlottetown, in the said County, set up and sell at Public Auction, the said property, or as much thereof as will satisfy the debt marked on the said Writ, being one hundred and seventy-four dollars and eighty cents (\$174.80) besides Sheriff's fees and incidental expenses.

JAMES CURTIS, Sheriff. Sheriff's Office, Queen's County, June 14, 1887. NEIL McLEOD, Plaintiff's Attorney, Dec. 27, 1887.

IN REGARD TO THE ESTATE OF JOHN A. MATHESON.

TENDERS will be received by the undersigned Trustees of said Estate, until

THURSDAY, JANUARY 5, 1888, at NOON, from persons disposed to purchase the Assets of said Estate, as follows: -

- 1 - For 18 shares of the Schooner Lots, including Seines and Seine Bots.
2 - For the Interest of the Estate on the Schooner 'Loring', as she now lies ashore at Alberton.
3 - For the Lobster Factory at Campbelton, including Traps and Outfit.
4 - For Lobster Factory at Miminigash, including Traps and Outfit.
5 - For Half Interest in Lobster Factory, Traps and Outfit, at Black Pond.
6 - For Fishing Stand at Miminigash, including Outfit.
7 - For Homestead Property, at Campbelton, including Farm Stock and Implements, well as Tools, Book Accounts and Notes of Hand, Judgments and Mortgages, and Claims against Government Lands and Household Effects.
8 - For Cash, or Approved Security.

An Inventory can be seen on application to John A. Matheson, Campbelton, or to the undersigned, at Charlottetown, on and after Thursday, 29th inst.

Tenders will be received for each lot, as herein enumerated, or on any one or more of them, at the lowest or any Tender.

Dated at Charlottetown, this 23rd day of December, 1887.

WALTER MATHESON, LEWIS CARVER, Assignees.

Dec. 24, 1887 - 1st ex 1st Jan 5, '88 Jour Assignees.

REMOVAL.

City Hardware Store

We will Move Next Week into the NEW STORE,

Refitted for us, lately occupied by the Boot and Shoe Factory. Brennan's Old Stand.

NORTON & FENNEL

A List of Useful Xmas Presents

THAT YOU CAN BUY AT JAMES PATON & CO., MARKET SQUARE.

- FOR LADIES: Kid Mitts, Muffs, Wool Squares and Shawls, Astracan Jackets, Hand Satchels, Umbrellas, Waterproof Capes, Kid Gloves, Collars, Cuffs, H'Kchfs, &c.
FOR GENTLEMEN: Fur Caps, Fur Mitts, Kid Mitts, Silk Scarfs, Fur Coats, Braces, Cardigan Jackets, Handsome Silk H'Kchfs.

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THE EXCELLENT STOCK OF GOODS FOR '87 HOLIDAY SEASON '88 NOW OPENING.

They are Superior in Quality, Low in Price, Elegant in Appearance, and no Plush trash, as it is all gone out of fashion. Christmas is drawing near, so do not wait until too late, but call at once on

G. H. HASZARD, BROWN'S BLOCK.

BRING along your Pictures for Frames, and if we cannot suit you in price we will make you a Xmas present. Twelve Dozen (144) Boys' and Girls' Sleighs, all sizes and shapes. This lot is offered

During the Holidays to Clear at Cost. We have a fine stock of Fancy, Useful and Durable Goods, very suitable for Xmas Gifts. Call and inspect. MARK WRIGHT & CO. Dec. 13, 1887.