

THE DAILY EXAMINER.

JANUARY 4, 1893

Objections Met.

The Pioneer is unduly excited about the tunnel matter. It asks:

"Is it true, as Howland alleges, that Palmer is not on the staff of and has no connection with Sir Douglas Fox? If so, what confidence can the English engineer place in Palmer's report? If there is no official connection between the two engineers what was the sense of the government giving the contract of the boring experiments to Palmer?"

The answer to this is that the core of each boring has been carefully preserved, and that the cores will show exactly what is in the beds under the Strait. Mr. Palmer's report will not affect the tunnel or weigh with Sir Douglas Fox one way or the other. The borings will show for themselves.

The Pioneer remarks that Mr. Palmer's contract has not been performed, and argues that it will not be performed. Mr. Hendry, the Government engineer, throws a flood of light upon these points; and yet the Pioneer is still in the dark. Mr. Hendry says:

"In answer to the question whether the work might have been finished had Mr. Palmer given it his personal superintendence and what was the cause of his non-completion of the contract, I would say that had the work been vigorously and systematically prosecuted there is no reasonable doubt that all the borings would now be completed, and that it was not so prosecuted was mainly due to the fact that during the greater part of the time there was no one on the ground having any authority to provide plant and material and to fully direct operations. To explain this more fully I may say that the operations were to some extent experimental and consequently it was impossible to say beforehand just what kind or quantity of material might be required or in just what manner it might be expedient to proceed; these things could only be seen from day to day as the work progressed, and it would certainly seem that the best way of overcoming the difficulty would have been for the contractor to have remained continually on the ground and directly in charge of his work."

Here we have clearly stated by the Inspecting Engineer the cause of the failure to finish the borings and an expression of opinion that there is "no reasonable doubt" that the contract can be finished.

The Government have so far given no sign, no justification for the Pioneer's unwarranted assumption that "the borings in deep water have been waited or abandoned." The larger part of the amount voted last session for the work of the borings remains in the hands of the Government, and it is to be presumed that another contractor will finish the work next summer. A year has been lost by reason of Mr. Palmer's neglect and folly. That is all.

The Patriot is hardly fair to Mr. Bair. Mr. Bair argues from the known to the unknown. "Mr. Palmer has undoubtedly misrepresented Mr. Bair; Mr. Palmer may also have misrepresented Senator Howland." This is Mr. Bair's reasoning, and it is, evidently, under all the circumstances right and justifiable. The publication of Mr. Bair's letter by the Patriot, might, in fair play, be expected—seeing that the Patriot published Mr. Palmer's interview with the Halifax Chronicle—and not carrying criticism. The Chronicle has set the Patriot a good example in this regard.

The letter of "Fairplay," Carleton, is very interesting. But reference is made in it to personal matters. Consequently the signature of the writer ought to be attached to it. "Fairplay" makes clear the fact that others besides Mr. Palmer and Senator Howland have suffered loss and annoyance on account of the wretched embroglio.

The Rev. Father Burke, whose letter we publish to-day, seems to forget (1) That THE EXAMINER did not give currency to Mr. Palmer's injurious interview, and that, therefore, THE EXAMINER is not bound, in justice, to publish Senator Howland's reply; (2) that if THE EXAMINER were to publish Senator Howland's reply at second-hand, Mr. Palmer would probably, and with reason, demand the insertion of his interview at second-hand; (3) that the editor of THE EXAMINER owes a service to the readers of THE EXAMINER which does not include the publication of five or six columns of second-hand matter, to the exclusion of the news of the day. Senator Howland's letter, fresh, would have been interesting; or, if it had been short, it might have been inserted; or, if it had been about a matter of great public importance, we should, in any case, have given it prominence. But as it was the mere statement of Senator Howland's side of an unfortunate and discreditable quarrel; as it dealt with mere matters of account and personal, which are not of Provincial or national importance, as it was exceedingly long, and as Senator Howland never asked THE EXAMINER to publish it, we are compelled to decline the request of Father Burke, much as we should like to oblige one of THE EXAMINER'S most esteemed friends. We respect and admire Father Burke's learning and ability as a clergyman and his excellence as a writer, but we must demur to his gentlemanly implication that the editor of THE EXAMINER does not know his own business, and is not the best judge of that which is fitting and just in respect to both writers and readers. It will be observed that Father Burke's insinuation upon the publication of Senator Howland's letter is scarcely

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The Revised Statutes.

Our precious local government have neglected the revised statutes, as indeed they have neglected almost every interest of the country. These statutes are called for by magistrates all over the Province. Our provincial laws are, at present, in a state of confusion worse confounded. A commission of lawyers revised them several years ago at a cost of several thousands of dollars. As revised, they have been ready to submit to the Legislature. But our Premier has done nothing concerning them, and no other member of the Government is able to bring them before the people's representatives. It is all very well for the legal fraternity to have muddled a statute. But the magistrates are continually at loss to know how to proceed, and suitors have to bear the brunt of mistakes which are unavoidable under the existing condition of the laws. The conduct of Premier Peters, in this regard, is in the interest of his craft. But it is contrary to the interests of the country, and it is vexatious to the magistrates.

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TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

SPECIAL DESPATCHES TO THE EXAMINER.

ACCIDENTS.

Sunday Working Results Fatally Hooked in the Eye.

MONCTON, Jan. 4. On Sunday, while working in the lumber woods six miles from Campbellton, Wm. Connell was struck on the head by falling timber and killed.

On Monday, while Alex. Reid was working around a haifer at McRae's farm, Irish-town, he was hooked in the eye by the animal. His eye had to be taken out.

Bicycling.

SEVERAL RECORDS LOWERED.

MILWAUKEE, Jan. 4. Six indoor bicycle records were smashed yesterday at Exposition Hall. E. W. Ballard lowered the half-mile record from 1:13 to 1:12. John Johnson lowered his own record of 2:30 for the mile to 2:26. R. Rhodes lowered the five-mile record from 13:29 to 13:05. He also sandwiched in new records for two, three and four miles, the figures for each mile being: First mile, 2:36; two miles, 5:10; three miles, 7:44; four miles, 10:26; five miles, 13:05.

"The Empire" and Dalton McCarthy.

TORONTO, Jan. 4. The Empire renews its attack upon Dalton McCarthy. It says: "As long as McCarthy is flouted with an itching to smash the established industries of the country and throw overboard the principles he professed consistently for many years, he may as well know that he cannot repeat Gladstone's success in this country and get a great party to change its opinions at twenty-four hours notice."

Death of a Liberal M. P.

LONDON, Jan. 4. William Sumners, M. P., Huddersfield, died at A. Kabard last week. He was a Liberal Home Ruler of considerable influence.

Death at Springhill.

SPRINGHILL, Jan. 4. Fred Lasby, chief despatcher of the Cumberland Railway and Coal Company, died yesterday.

General Telegraphic News.

BERLIN, Jan. 2.—18,000 Saar miners have struck. Many grave excesses are reported.

ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 2.—Twenty of the Astrakan cholera victims have been sentenced to be hanged.

BERLIN, Jan. 2.—At his New Year's reception Emperor William, it is said, assured his generals that he is determined the army bill shall pass; and he will not hesitate to crush all who oppose him in the matter.

PARIS, Jan. 2.—The Economist says the decline in securities in European exchanges since the beginning of the Panama proceedings amounts to 2,800,000,000 francs.

MONTEREY, Mex., Jan. 2.—The Mexican government has secured evidence implicating 200 prominent Mexicans of the state of Tamaulipas in the present revolutionary movement. Their names are signed to a revolutionary proclamation calling the Mexican people to arms. "Catarino Garza" is named as leader of the revolutionists. The document is signed by Prudencio Gonzalez and 199 others.

BOSTON, Jan. 2.—The mayors and city councils of all cities of the commonwealth inaugurated today with customary exercises Mayor Matthews, of Boston, in his inaugural address, shows the net debt of the city to be \$30,539,289, a decrease of \$164,068 from the previous year. The necessity of rapid transit, improved terminal facilities for steam railroads, extension of the park system, new source of water supply, and new city hall building are strongly urged.

Weather Bulletin.

TORONTO, Jan. 5.—10 a. m. Westerly to northerly winds; fair, turning much colder.

Local Notices.

Navy blue hockey jerseys and knicker-bocker stockings, all sizes, at W A Weeks & Co's, next to Beer & Goff's. Jan 4 31 eod

Clearing out all our fur goods at prices to clear. We intend having no fur to carry over.—W A Weeks & Co, next to Beer & Goff's. Jan 4 31 eod

Balance of our jackets, mantles and fur goods at away down prices.—James Paton & Co., Scotch Mantle House, Victoria Row. All our winter cloths at greatly reduced prices.—W A Weeks & Co, next to Beer & Goff's. Jan 4 31 eod

December Success.—We have just finished the largest December trade we have ever had by some hundreds of dollars, which shows beyond a doubt that the people will buy their goods where they can get the best value.—Frowse Bros., the Wonderful Cheap Men. Jan. 3 31.

January Sale.—Our whole stock of clothing must be sold as low as possible to clear the stock this month if low prices is an object. Come to Frowse Bros., the Wonderful Cheap Men. Jan. 3 31.

Our readymade clothing sale is now on; every buyer delighted with the bargains they are offering; every person in want of clothing will do well to visit the Scotch Clothing House, James Paton & Co, Victoria Row. Jan 3 31

HORSES! HORSES!—Keep them warm by buying Rugs from us. Those of our own make are excellent value.—McKay Woolen Co. 101—dec16

\$5,000 worth of crockery and glassware.—We purpose to sell the above lot of crockery and glassware, commencing on Thursday, 8th inst, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. Tea sets, dinner sets, chamber sets, glass sets, and a large assortment of fancy goods must be sold.—W P Colwell. dec 7

Grenoble walnuts, S S almonds, filberts, green grapes, Northern Spy apples, oranges, dates, figs, etc, all fresh and good at Beer & Goff's. dec 29 31

GEO. CARTER & CO.,

Seedsmen and Grocers.

Charlottetown, Jan. 4, 1893.

WANTED—A servant girl for general housework. Apply to Mrs. W. A. WEEKS & CO., Brighton. Jan 4

Wishing You a Very Happy New Year!

CHAPTER I.

We are already planning for 1893. Of one thing there is no doubt—we will pay even greater attention than ever to OUR SPECIALTIES.

In drawing attention to them we wish to emphasize the following facts:—

- 1. We are the largest importers of Ladies' Jackets on Prince Edward Island.
2. We are the largest importers of Ladies' Capes on P. E. Island.
3. We are the largest importers of Ladies' Ulsters on P. E. Island.
4. We are the largest importers of Ladies' Cloaks on P. E. Island.
5. We are the largest importers of Ladies' Goods on P. E. Island.
6. Our specialties are:—

DRESS GOODS, HATS, FUR GOODS, MILLINERY, AND STAPLE DRY GOODS.

WE BUY in large quantities!—in the best markets!—at lowest prices!—for cash! WE MARK our goods in plain figures!—at WE SELL at a small margin, firmly believing in "nimble fingers," and our goods are in every case guaranteed to be exactly as represented.

BEER BROS.

CHAPTER II.

Does this interest you?

Because we don't believe in carrying over goods, and because our sales this season are the largest in our history.

We have decided to make a clear sweep of everything remaining in our Mantle room. The large quantity we have sold makes it possible for us to sell these without profit and—if needs be—at a loss.

Here's the List:—

- Winter Jackets—Less than half a dozen each.—at prices to clear.
Winter Capes.—Only about a dozen in stock. They're very good and very pretty, but all must go. Your choice, 30c. off the dollar—some even less.
Winter Cloaks.—All the cheap ones are sold. Those remaining are extra good, but we are not going to spare them. All over \$18 must go at half price. Cheaper ones at 20c. to 30c. off the dollar.
Winter Ulsters.—First there's a line at \$1.95 (worth \$3.50 but small sizes only remain). Then there's a pretty range at \$4, \$5, etc., nearest styles, perfect in fit, finish and quality, but WE WANT AN EMPTY MANTLE ROOM to receive our magnificent Spring Stock, so all must go.

Odds and Ends of stock have been placed on one counter. These you can have at your own price, only hurry and clear them out.

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CHAPTER III.

Closing Remarks

are not always interesting. Ours will be brief and to the point.

- 1. This is the time to buy.
2. If you don't really need one of these garments to-day, perhaps you will before long.
3. Why not buy now and save money?
4. We intend the bargains we are now giving to be a tremendous advertisement for our Mantle Room.
5. All goods are marked in plain figures.
6. Please call early.

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INSURANCE COMPANY.

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OFFICE—Next to Bank of Nova Scotia, Charlottetown. Low Rates. Prompt Settlements.

School for Girls, Charlottetown, —WILL RE-OPEN ON—

TUESDAY, JAN. 10th, at 10 a m

MISS RUSSELL, Principal.

APPLES!

35 BARRELS CHOICE WINTER APPLES by Auction, at 11 o'clock to-morrow.

E. H. NORTON & CO., Auctioneers.

WANTED—A general servant. Must be well recommended. Apply to Mrs. T. M. PATTON, 23 Cumberland Street, near Grafton Street. Jan 3

WANTED—The Dwelling House and Outbuildings, also one acre of land, situated at the corner of Winlow and St. George Streets. This place is suitable for a mechanic or trader, being four miles from Charlottetown. Rent moderate. Apply to JAMES F. CURRIE, Customs. Jan 3—7 31

In order to keep up with the times

We find it necessary to make alterations and improvements in our Millinery Room.

The Carpenters are ready whenever the Room is empty.

Now there are two ways of emptying the room—the first is to pack up all the remaining stock and put it away until next fall. THAT'S NOT OUR WAY.

Another is to close out everything and open again next spring with an immense new stock of hands-up goods. THAT'S OUR WAY.

Now how is this to be done? Slaughter sales have forced a lot of goods on the market; clearance and closing out sales still tempt the purchaser; auction sales have used up a lot of floating capital. Only one course is open, so

SMASH

go the prices on all Trimmings and Straw Hats for Ladies and Children must go. Half price will make them fly—so half price they will be.

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go the prices on all Trimmings. Many will go at half price—others at 20, 30 and 40 cents off the dollar.

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go the prices on a lot of Trimming Velvets. Your choice of these, too, for half price.

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go the prices on a lot of Trimming Ribbons, Ornaments, Wings, etc. Half price is surely too low for these, but we must make a clearance, and a speedy one at that, so half price will take these, too.

SMASH

AS EVERYTHING IS MARKED IN PLAIN FIGURES YOU CAN SEE FOR YOURSELF WHAT DISCOUNT WE GIVE.

NOTICE.

- 1. This sale is for cash only.
2. By calling early you secure first choice.
3. No goods given out on approval from the Millinery Room.
4. One price to all alike.

To give everyone an equal chance to secure these wonderful bargains, we will commence this sale on

Tuesday, January 3rd.

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London House.

BARGAINS

—IN—

Winter Goods.

We want to clear out the