

THE DAILY EXAMINER.

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The Special Vote.

THE special vote has not materially affected the political situation. The parties still stand sixteen to fourteen, with Mr. Ferguson in instead of Mr. Kelly, and Mr. Montgomery instead of Mr. Gallant. The majorities are very narrow.

A statement of the special vote in the most closely contested districts will be found below:—

QUEEN'S COUNTY.

Table with 5 columns: District, McKay, Currie, Fairquharson, W. Mac. Rows include Wheatley River, North Rustico, South Rustico, Cavendish Road, Hunter River, Milton, North River, Bluefield, New Haven, Long Creek, Nine Mile Creek.

Table with 5 columns: District, Ferguson, E. Kelly, Peters, Commiskey. Rows include Fort Augustus, Mt Stewart & Pisquid, Lot 34, Duck's, Johnson's River, York, Covehead, Brackley Point Road, Mount Herbert, Tracadie Cross Roads, Bedford, Southport.

Table with 5 columns: District, Martin, McLean, Forbes, Macdonald. Rows include Point Prim, Cherry Valley, Vernon River, Eldon, Wood Islands, Avondale, Orwell, Grandview, Belle Creek, Caledonia, Pownal.

Table with 5 columns: District, Avenault, McDonald, Gallant, Montgomery. Rows include Votes in District, Special votes, Queen's County, Prince County, King's County.

Table with 5 columns: District, Bentley, Wright, Bell, Burns. Rows include Kensington, Travellers Rest, Freetown, Centreville, Newton, Scaletown, Somerset, Cape Traverse, Cross Roads, Tryon.

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Diocesan Church Society.

The annual meeting of the Diocesan Church Society was held in St. Paul's schoolroom last evening, the Archdeacon in the chair.

After the meeting was opened by singing and prayer, the chairman delivered a very appropriate address, giving to the meeting the result of his observations when accompanying the Bishop on his visitation tour last summer, and, when later, acting under His Lordship's instructions he had visited several of the churches that during the first trip had been unavowedly passed over. He stated that wherever he had been he had seen evidence of progress and awakening interest in church work. No doubt there was plenty of room for improvement, but he was most happy to be able to state that there was, indeed, much to be thankful for. He had just returned from opening the church at Springfield, the old church having been practically rebuilt and considerably enlarged, and he felt sure that there was not a prettier little country church in the Maritime Provinces than that now possessed by our fellow-churchmen at Springfield. He also referred to the rectory lately built upon the church lot at Charlottetown, stating that it was the admiration of all who saw it, and he hoped that before long a church built of the same materials would replace the present old structure. He then called upon the Secretary to read the reports.

REPORT. With reference to the condition of the Church of England in this Province, your committee realize that while there is much to be thankful for, there remains also much to be desired.

Last year the S. P. G. withdrew a considerable portion of its grant to this province, and this year the Colonial and Continental has also made a reduction. Your committee cannot but recognize that such action on the part of the Home Societies is justified, but we should not forget that the withdrawal of such aid entails a severe loss upon the clergymen interested. Their parishioners are unable to make good the deficiency, and, as a consequence, their stipends—already much too small—are materially reduced.

We contribute considerable amounts to missions, both foreign and domestic, whilst at the same time we fail to recognize our responsibilities in the matter of home missions, which certainly have the first claim upon us. What is required is that the needs of individual congregations be brought fairly before the united body. The D. C. S. offers just such an organization as is required for this purpose, and it rests with the clergymen on the Island whether it is to be made available or not.

Last summer the Rev. J. M. Forbes assumed charge of the parish of Alberton, vacated by the Rev. C. E. McKenzie, so that we have now no vacancies. In all the parishes services have been regularly conducted throughout the year. Since we last met, death has again been very busy in our midst, and we have to record the loss of one of our vice-presidents, the late Chief Justice Palmer, who passed away full of years and of honor. Also that of the late Thomas McKinlay, for many years a member of our executive committee.

The following is a short synopsis of the reports of the clergymen in the various parishes:

ALBERTON. The Rev. J. M. Forbes, Deacon in charge, reports that he has been ministering in this parish during the past six months. The new churches of "the Jubilee" at O'Leary and Holy Trinity, at Albia, are well nigh completed, and about \$150 have been raised towards the improvement of St. Peter's at Alberton. An assistant clergyman is needed in this large parish. Mr. Forbes acknowledges the help that he has received from the laity, particularly Mr. James Webb, Mrs. W. B. Dyer and Mr. Charles Travers, superintendents of the Sunday Schools at O'Leary, Alberton and Kildare respectively; and says that there is a marked improvement in the singing in all the churches, especially in Alberton, where Mrs. W. B. Dyer is organist and leader of the choir. Mr. Forbes also conveys his thanks to Miss Minnie Leard for continued assistance in presiding at the organ in Christ's Church, Kildare.

PORT HILL. The Rev. Henry Harper reports that the people here are ever ready to do what they can for the advancement of the parish in matters both spiritual and temporal. The graveyard at Port Hill has been put in order. About \$700 have been obtained to be expended upon the erection of a church at Ellerslie, and it is hoped that the outside of this church will be completed next summer. At Lot 11 several improvements have been made to the church and its surroundings. Services have been held regularly.

NEW LONDON. Rev. T. B. Reagh reports a large reduction in the grant for the Colonial and Continental Church Society, and points to the necessity for larger collections in the parish for sustenance of the clergyman. He acknowledged the great kindness and thoughtfulness of many of his parishioners.

GEORGETOWN. Rev. Fred. E. J. Lloyd says that the work of this parish has been carried on during the year with as much success as possible. The Rector's stipend has been promptly paid, and he acknowledges many kindnesses to himself and his family. The Sunday-school is, he states, carefully superintended by Mr. James Easton, Lay Reader. Mr. Lloyd expresses the hope that Georgetown and Cherry Valley may have the services of a resident clergyman.

CHERRY VALLEY. Rev. Fred. E. J. Lloyd reports encouragingly from this small parish, and acknowledges the devotion of the adherents of the Church of England, especially the ladies. When services are held the congregations are always good and enthusiastic.

SOURIS. The Archdeacon reports that he has several times visited Souris, and that the services he held there were well attended. A hall has been secured, provided with chairs, "lectern and reading desk," which, together with a holy table and some decorated hangings given by friends, help to make the place somewhat like a place "where prayer is wont to be made." A subscription list is about to be opened for the erection of a church upon a beautiful and central site in the village, presented by the Knight family.

SUMMERSIDE AND ST. ELEANORS. Rev. O. F. Lowe reports "a steady advance all along the line." The parishes

work and organization have both been quite satisfactory. A parish manse is to be built near St. Mary's, Summerside, \$210 having already been raised for that purpose. Mr. Lowe thanks his parishioners for many expressions of kindness, and says that "never in the history of this parish were pastor and people more thoroughly united in bonds of mutual sympathy and good will."

MILTON AND RUSTICO. Rev. W. H. Sampson notices with pleasure a good attendance at all his services, while the continued improvement in responses and the earnest desire to promote the interest of the church are very gratifying, especially in the case of Milton parish. Milton Sunday-school continues to increase in numbers and influence, and the attendance to be most regular and punctual. Miss Holroyd's services as teacher in the Sunday-school and organist in the church are suitably acknowledged. The parish church at Milton has been thoroughly renovated, and the graveyard has been cleaned and refenced. A shed has also been erected for the accommodation of horses on Sundays.

ST. PETER'S, CHARLOTTETOWN. Rev. James Simpson reports steady progress in all branches of work, with regular services and increasing congregations. The Hodgson Memorial Chapel has been used since November, though not yet finished, and has been found a great convenience in every way. The fabric of the Church has been repaired at a cost of about \$450, a new vestry has been built, and the class rooms in the school altered to make more room.

ST. PAUL'S, CHARLOTTETOWN. The Archdeacon refers to the new rectory as "most commodious and comfortable, and peculiarly well fitted for the special purpose for which it was designed"—"the handsomest and most suitable rectory in the diocese"—but expresses his regret that further steps have not been taken towards the erection of a new church. He thanks the boys and others of St. Paul's choir for their interest and regularity at both practices and services, and mentions particularly the indefatigable labors of the lady members of the various organizations for the relief of the poor and for other church purposes.

After the reports had been adopted, Charles Palmer, Esq., in moving a resolution of thanks to the Parent Societies, the S. P. G., S. P. C. K., and C. C. S., gave a short history of their origin and sphere of operations. He was followed by F. T. Newbery, Esq., who dwelt more particularly upon the working of these Societies in their relations to this Province.

After a vote of thanks to the lady collectors had been passed and the appointment of the Executive for the ensuing year had been confirmed, the Hon. Justice Hensley, seconded by Hon. F. de St. C. Brecken, proposed the following resolution:—

That the members of this Society deeply regret the death, since our last meeting, of the Honorable the late Chief Justice Palmer, for many years a Vice-President of this Society, and desire to express their appreciation of the earnest Christian character of the deceased gentleman, and also to tender their sincere sympathy to the members of his family.

Judge Hensley dwelt in most touching terms upon the many admirable qualities of the late Chief Justice, and also referred to the losses we had sustained by the deaths of so many of our members during the past year, referring particularly to those of Thomas Mackinlay, Esq., for many years a member of our Executive, of Mrs. E. J. Hodgson, Mrs. Henry Haszard, Mrs. Benjamin Davies, Mrs. Holl, Miss Maria Longworth and others.

Mr. Brecken also supported the resolution in a very feeling speech. The meeting then closed with a hymn and the benediction.

A Sad Tragedy at Washington.

SECRETARY TRACY'S HOME DESTROYED—HIS WIFE AND DAUGHTER LOSE THEIR LIVES—MR. TRACY ALSO DIES FROM HIS INJURIES.

A Washington despatch of the 3rd inst., says: The house of Secretary Tracy caught fire at 6:45 this morning and was completely destroyed. The house was three stories, with brick basement, and had recently undergone repairs. Some persons passing about seven in the morning saw smoke issuing from the front windows and at once raised the alarm of fire. Soon it was discovered that the house was all ablaze inside and that the main stairway was burned, thus cutting off communication with the sleeping apartments on the second and third floors. A scene of the wildest excitement ensued when it was known that all the members of the family were in the house. The firemen behaved like heroes in the emergency and went through fire and smoke in searching for them in the different apartments. Mrs. Wilmerding, the Secretary's daughter, and Miss Wilmerding forced their way through the burning smoke and jumped from a second story window in the front. Ladders were raised for them, but in the excitement they failed to see them. Mrs. Wilmerding broke her left wrist and was severely bruised. Her daughter was badly injured about the lower limbs, but broke no bones. Both suffered severely from the shock. They were taken at once to a residence near by. While this scene was being enacted in front of the house, the firemen were engaged in removing other members of the family from the rear. Chief Engineer Parsh forced his way into Mrs. Tracy's bedroom, and found her lying on the bed, overcome by suffocation. He carried her almost lifeless body to a neighboring house, where she died within a few minutes after her rescue. She was not burned at all. Almost at the same time two more bodies were taken from the burning building. One was that of the Secretary's daughter, Miss Marie, a young lady about fourteen years of age, and the other one of the servants. Both bodies were burned to a crisp and were unrecognizable by their features. Miss Tracy's body was distinguished from the other only by the superior texture of what remained of her stockings. The charred remains were taken to an undertaker's establishment, where they were joined soon after by the remains of Mrs. Tracy. Secretary Tracy himself was overcome in his sleep by the smoke which filled the house and rendered him completely helpless. He was discovered in this condition and with considerable difficulty removed to a place near one of the windows, whence he was removed on a ladder. A later despatch announces Mr. Tracy's death.

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Notice of Meeting. THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the Merchants' Bank of P. E. Island, for the election of Directors and receiving a statement of the affairs of the Bank, will be held at the Banking Office on THURSDAY, March 6th, at the hour of Eleven o'clock, a. m.

Stopping the Slave Trade. MEASURES TAKEN BY THE CONGO STATE TO PUT A STOP TO THE INTERNAL TRAFFIC. A Brussels despatch says that a long report has been received from Captain Van Gele, who has just established two stations of the Congo State far up the Mobangi affluent of the Congo. The station nearest the great river is about 500 miles distant from it. The slave trade is particularly lively along the Mobangi, and Captain Van Gele is following out the policy which the Congo State is now pursuing at all its stations of putting a stop to the traffic.

THEATRICALS. St. Peter's Schoolroom. A THEATRICAL ENTERTAINMENT will be given in St. Peter's Schoolroom, Wednesday Evening, February 12th.

HOCKEY MATCH! A MATCH GAME OF HOCKEY WILL BE PLAYED AT THE Hillsborough Skating Rink, Friday Evening Next, the 7th inst.

Advantage to Russia. Late advices from St. Petersburg are to the effect that the Nova Vreima advises a general continental policy, the purpose of which shall be to impose every possible impediment to the extension of British dominion in Africa, and to favor the advance there of the German schemes of colonization. It frankly presents the subject from the point of view of its double advantage to Russia—first, as Germany would become a counterpoise to British power in the eastern world; and next, as German immigration to Africa would open an easy outlet for the superfluous population that now swarms into the western Russian provinces, and "is regarded as a very undesirable addition to the population, and a detriment and danger to Russia."

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A big lot of Fancy Bordered Cambric, suitable for Bedroom Curtains or Quilt Linings, all fast colors, only 4 1/2c. per yard.

Beautiful White Linen Table Cloths, with border all round, clearing out at \$1.75 and \$1.50.

White and Colored Table Napkins, in great variety. Prices very low.

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