

Daily Guardian.

SATURDAY, JAN. 3, 1891.

Where is the Report?

Enquiries have reached us respecting the final report of the commissioner appointed to enquire into the affairs of the Land office. The report, we understand, was rendered to the Government last September, and it is high time that it was published and placed in the hands of the public. Of course it will be laid on the table of the House in the spring, but the public have a right to it before then, as they will have to pay for it—and pretty dearly too.

Tax Payers, Attention.

Do you want to be called on to pay the salaries of a force of sixteen policemen, as we had before the Scott Act was adopted, instead of six as now, entailing an additional burden of some \$3,500!

Do you want to support out of your own hard earnings from six to seven hundred drunks in the County jail, besides many more thieves, burglars and assaulters, as we did before the Scott Act was adopted?

One Kind of Electors.

IS SPEAKS of all that is being written and said in relation to the question of the retention or non retention of the Scott Act, it is wonderful how uniformly formed some of the opponents of the Act are—men, too, who would be expected to have an intelligent idea of the issue. This is the more surprising in view of the fact that the liquor traffic affects every single individual in the community directly or indirectly. Hence it is surely not too much to expect that at least, those who are credited with being thoughtful, would take a practical interest in the matter to be decided and consider it on its merits. An instance of the truth here stated took place a day or two ago, when a prominent citizen entered our office and declared that he did not even know what the papers were arguing about. This gentleman was sure will not vote for the Scott Act. Such culpable indifference is highly reprehensible.

The Rumseller's Brief.

Repeal the Scott Act and we will flood the city with the vilest concoctions conceivable.

We will keep open house for young men and boys on the plea of providing a means whereby they may spend a happy hour. We will rob them of their manhood, of their will, and of their money.

We will see that they have a good time, but we must not be blamed if when they become obtrusive or violent we "throw them out into the street."

We will do our best to make money; nor will it cost us a thought if to effect our purpose we rob wives, mothers and sisters, of that which of right belongs to them.

We will provide the jail officials with plenty of work and the cells with inmates.

We will stop the progress of religion in the soul, and, so far as we are able, close the doors of the churches. We will pledge ourselves to do more injury and to work more mischief in Charlottetown than has ever been known before, nor will we hesitate to take every advantage of those who may come within our power.

This and a great deal more will we do should the Scott Act be repealed at the forthcoming election. Vote for destruction, ruin, and degradation—vote for us.

Archbishop Cleary on the Independence of Catholics.

The editor of the Canadian Freeman, a Roman Catholic journal, is a bold and courageous writer, and, we may add, an enlightened man. But he has had the misfortune to incur the condemnation and abuse of the some what sharp ire of Archbishop Cleary by a recent frank utterance on the independence of free men. The Freeman's editor wrote:—

"The general diffusion of education among the masses has brought about a complete change in the relation between the common people and the church and state. Formerly the temporal rulers in the state and the educated clergy in the church exercised a peculiar and commanding influence over the uneducated masses, but now all this is changed, and the latter hold in their hands the power and influence formerly wielded by the former. The consequence is that an educated common people no longer allow themselves to be looked upon as so many nonentities in either church or state, and on every proper occasion they assert, in no unmeaning terms, the manhood and independence of freemen. The fact is, a mere blind and unreasoning submission to authority is no longer the rule but the exception. The people demand and insist upon, and we think justly so, the reason of things, and if the reason given does not prove convincing to their intellects why, they simply laugh to scorn the would-be dictator and petty tyrant."

The position expressed in the foregoing is reasonable as well as prudent, and all classes and creeds will respond to them. In the course of a letter to the editor of the Freeman the Archbishop says in view of "frequent repetition of offences against religion in your paper I am constrained by the imperative exigencies of my office to choose between public correction of those shocking delinquents

against God's church and the reproach of scandalous delinquency of my pastoral duty." Continuing His Grace invites attention to what he considers "most glaringly erroneous and contumelious passages, in which the substance and spirit of the whole article are embodied." One of these passages, he says, reads as follows:—

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The pregnant words in italics are the Archbishop's special dislike. In the emphatic condemnation which follows the indignant ecclesiastic exclaims:—

"Who has ever heard of the Catholic church treating the children as 'nonentities,' and crushing out their 'manhood and independence of freemen?' It shall no longer be allowed, says your article, 'critic.' When has it ever or anywhere been done or attempted? Has not the elevation of man, the maintenance of his right to the 'independence of freemen,' been the special work of the Catholic church throughout her long centuries of conflict with the multitudinous oppressions of human liberty and personal conscience?"

These statements on the lips of an distinguished prelate of their Church should be well weighed by our Roman Catholic brethren in view of the forthcoming Scott Act election. Archbishop Cleary, it would appear, would be the first to applaud them for exercising the freedom of their opinions and obeying the dictates of their consciences!

Gen. Booth not the Author.

LONDON, Dec. 26.—The Times announces that Commissioner Smith, of the Salvation Army, has resigned. His resignation, the paper says, at this critical period in the history of the Army is most important. Mr. Smith formed the one substantial guarantee that an earnest and businesslike effort would be made to test the practical utility of General Booth's scheme of social regeneration. The secret authorship of 'In Darkest England' is now common knowledge, but the charitable hypothesis assigns to General Booth the credit for having written at least two chapters of the book. General Booth's explanation is that he supplied a professional writer with the material for the work. The question whether General Booth under these circumstances was justified in allowing the book to appear as if written by himself is one of the literary ethics whereunto we have no right to expect General Booth to enter. We believe that when the whole story is revealed it will be found that the substantial parts of the scheme of the Salvation Army, Gen. Booth's method of inviting donations, despite his apparent willingness that the funds should be divided, leads to the mingling of all the separate funds into one common fund, rendering it obvious that every contribution to a specific department sets a proportionate amount of the general fund free to be spent at the discretion of Gen. Booth. Nothing but a sense of duty," the paper continues, "could have induced Commissioner Smith to resign at so important a juncture. There must be something wrong with the scheme and the management of the funds. Those who promised donations are now enabled to withhold them until a full and satisfactory account of Mr. Smith's resignation is given. He was the life and soul of the social reform wing of the Army. It is likely his resignation is destined to be the death-blow to General Booth's more ambitious schemes."

Search out and Seize.

The Police Committee of the Moncton city council acting as a unit, has issued under date of Dec. 19th the following instructions to the City Marshal and Police Officers:—

Pursuant to the Resolution of the City Council, respecting the seizure of intoxicating liquors, we hereby instruct you and each one of you to enter and inspect once a week without breaking, every bar and place within the city of Moncton where intoxicating liquor is supposed or suspected to be sold without distinction of place, and report each week in writing signed by the officer making the same, giving the date of each visit and inspection and full information gathered. The same to be filed each Saturday of each week with the Police Magistrate. And upon which information warrants for seizure of liquor shall be required to be made out. And the City Marshal shall determine who shall lay the information for such seizure. And each officer shall be so required to lay such information as he reports.

Upon securing such information, the officers are hereby required to carry into immediate effect the Resolution of the Council already in your possession.

Newsy Briefs.

A PETITION is being circulated against the re-admission of the Jesuits to Germany.

SPEAKING of the probability of an early Dominion election, an Ottawa Conservative said:—"We have won a by-election in each Province since the passage of the McKinley bill. An election will take place in P. R. next one of these days. If we win that, look out for a general election within six weeks thereafter."

The petition forwarded from a representative meeting of Ind. ans, held some time since at Deseronto, asking the Dominion Government to recognize the principle of hereditary chiefship, will be negatived.

The Jews who have been driven from Russia by the severity of the laws are to be transported to the number of half a million to South America. Brazil expects to become their new home.

SOMEbody has been tersely saying: The devil doesn't care two straws for your profession. All he is afraid of is your practice. How true that is in regard to the elector and the drink traffic! What does it matter how much temperance resolutions are "res. void," and how many temperance professions are made, if such men crawl into a hole at election time.

Abandoned Farms.

AUGUSTA, Maine, Dec. 26.—Labor Commissioner Matthews has completed his compilation of abandoned farm statistics in the state. Out of 5,000 cities, towns and plantations in the state, returns were received from 497, and the number of abandoned farms reported aggregate 3,310, or about an average of six and two-thirds per town. These are valued for taxation at \$1,248,739, an average of \$4.90 per acre. The assessors do not, as a rule, give any reasons why these farms were abandoned.

A New Industry.

A London correspondent writes:—It seems to me that Canada is missing it in not competing with Holland in manufacturing margarine for the English market. The use of this product as an article of food has become quite common in this country among the humble classes of our cities and towns. Here in Dublin it is to be seen in nearly every store, and sells at from twelve up to twenty-eight cents. The best quality is really excellent, and it would take an expert to know it from butter. Canada has such splendid opportunities of starting large factories for the production of this article, that Holland is sending in enormous quantities and is quite monopolizing the market in most butters. Here in Ireland they are thinking of starting the manufacture. Canada with her enormous dead meat trade should make a most remunerative industry in the margarine traffic.

Chinese Prohibition.

"Let the man who introduced intoxicating liquor into China be exiled from beyond our frontier, and let him never be permitted to return." So spoke the sage Emperor who ruled the destinies of the Celestial Empire four thousand years ago. To this wholesome warning and brave example is due the comparative sobriety of the Chinese people. Hundreds attempted to pur-ude the Chinese government to legalize the opium traffic, the Emperor's noble reply was, "It is true I cannot prevent the introduction of this poison. Gain-seeking and corrupt men will, for profit and sensuality, defame my wishes; but nothing will induce me to derive a revenue from the vice and misery of my people." Let this brave Emperor be obliged to submit to the legalization of the traffic, under the point of the bayonet, but the war was a convincing token of China's standing protest against the infamy. It is hard to distinguish between "Christian" and "heathen" nations in these gro-d-devouring times.

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PUBLIC MEETING. MR. F. S. SPENCE, of Toronto, Secretary of the Dominion Alliance, will address the citizens of Charlottetown, TOMORROW (Sunday) EVENING, in the Market Hall. Chair taken at 8.30 o'clock. A. W. STERNS, Sec'y Committee.

SEALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned, and endorsed "Tender for Municipal Works," will be received until Friday the 16th day of January next, inclusively, for erecting and strengthening the South Pier at St. John's, Newfoundland. Plans, specifications, and a plan and specification to be seen on application to William Callaghan, Municipal Engineer, and the Department of Public Works, Ottawa.

NOTICE. THE Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of THE ISLAND GUARDIAN will be held on WEDNESDAY, the 31st day of January at the hour of 3 o'clock, p. m., at the office of the Company, Cameron Block, Charlottetown, pursuant to the Statute of Incorporation. CHARLES PALMER, President.

The Natural History of Prince Edward Island. By Francis Bain. AUTHORIZED for the use of Public Schools by the Board of Education. Price FIFTY CENTS. For sale, wholesale and retail at G. H. HAZARD'S, Charlottetown, April 17, '90, Queen Square.

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WITNESS to the excellence of these stories are the judges in each Province who award the prizes, and the inspectors and teachers of schools in the Dominion and of Newfoundland, as well as the newspapers, some of them, in addition to the Household and Question and Answer departments, the Market Reports, the Literary and Artistic Trial Articles, the Serial Stories, and, in fact, the whole body of the press, make it a well-known member of the family in every house where it is taken. In November the Weekly Witness was enlarged by more than a third, thus making an enlargement equal to two pages a week within two years, adding greatly to its value and interest. The Weekly Witness is mailed free to subscribers in Canada, Great Britain and the United States for \$1 a year; the Daily Witness for \$2 a year. The Publishers are Messrs. JOHN FORTALL & SON, to whom you may mail your subscription, or who will send you a sample copy or answer any

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L. O. A., B. A. THE Annual Meeting of Crapaud District Orange Lodge, will be held at Derry Lodge Room, Long Creek, on TUESDAY, 13th January, 1891, at the hour of 10 o'clock, a. m. Primary Lodges in said District will please forward returns at once to District Secretary. J. I. MACLEOD, District Recording Secretary. Crapaud, Dec. 30.

L. O. A., B. A. THE Annual Meeting of the Strathvalley District L. O. Lodge, composed of Primrose Lodge, Nos. 1047, 1048, 1127, 1124 and 1207, will be held in Calvin Lodge Room, Bradalbane, on TUESDAY, 13th January, 1891, at 2 o'clock, p. m. Primary Lodges are requested to forward returns. A. M. ROSS, D. Sec. Bradalbane, Dec. 20—21

I. O. G. T. THE Semi-annual Session of the Grand Lodge, Independent Order of Good Templars, will be held in Charlottetown, on THURSDAY, 3rd January, 1891, commencing at 11.30 a. m. Tickets at one single first-class fare can be obtained by delegates at all railway stations on the 14th and 15th good to return on the 16th January. A. D. FRASER, G. Sec'y.

I. O. G. T. VICTORY DISTRICT LODGE will meet in the Orange Hall, Lower Montague, on the 6th day of January, 1891, at 10 o'clock, a. m. A good attendance is requested. WM. H. BEERS, District Secretary. Dec. 30

NOTICE. THE Annual Meeting of the Presbyterian Congregation of Woodville and Little Sands will be held in the Woodville Church, on Monday, the 5th day of January, 1891, at 11 o'clock, a. m. By order of the Trustees. DUNCAN CRAWFORD, Secretary. Wood Islands North, Dec. 30—31

SALE OF LAND COMMERCIAL CRO S. THE undersigned offers for sale his Freehold Farms near Commercial Cross, Whim Road, Lot 57, that is to say, 50 acres of excellent Land, on the South Side of Whim Road with House and Buildings in good repair. Also, 100 acres on the north side of said road, partly cleared, and the rest having mud, scantling and poles. Both Farms about three miles from Montague Bridge, and three miles from Lower Montague Wharves. A good Schoolhouse in the immediate neighborhood of both farms. The whole will be sold together with the Farming Implements. JAMES MCKENZIE, Commercial Cross, Dec. 30—2005

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