

THE PROTESTANT ACADEMY.

FORMERLY the Press was invited to attend the Midsummer Examination of this Academy. This year the Trustees— one of whom is the Commissioner of Public Works—evidently desire it to be regarded as a strictly private institution. Except Mr. Henry Lawson—who in all likelihood was present in the same capacity as Professor Anderson or any other examiner—we do not know that any other member of the press received an invitation to be present at the Academy on Thursday last. Yet in view of the fact that Mr. Manning, the Head Master, is about to enter the office of Chief Superintendent of the Public Schools of the Island, it would, we think—not only have been courteous—it would also have been politic to have had the newspaper press on hand to report—favorably if possible—upon the results of his labors during the past year. However, Mr. W. D. Stewart and his confreres have thought proper to keep the public—or at least the Opposition wing—in the dark; and it is not for us to complain.

We find that we were right in our conjecture that Mr. W. D. Stewart—whose notable absence from the Examinations of all Unsectarian High Schools in the Province we adverted to in our last—was present at the examination of his pet denominational school. And this is the portion of his pretty speech the Patriot has thought fit to report—

Hon. W. D. Stewart, being called upon, intimated that a change might soon be effected in the management of the school. If the government took charge of it, he would like to be clearly understood, it would become a national school, perfectly clear of all denominational influences, and free to all creeds and classes. Every means would be taken to bring the schools in town and country to a high state of efficiency. Attempts had been made to defeat the School Law in certain quarters which he believed would be futile. The law would be abused, Mr. Manning, the Superintendent, would be attacked, but he was certain that both would outlive all opposition. The Public Schools' Act, he was satisfied, was a good one, and would confer great benefit on the people of the Island; and he wanted those who had seen Mr. Manning work, and had benefited by his instruction, to tell their friends and neighbors the simple truth about him. This was all he asked, and this would be a sufficient recommendation.

We have, in the above, the first official information that the Academy is about to become a Government school. The information—from one point of view—gives us great pleasure. The building is a fine one, eligibly situated. It is just such a public schoolhouse as we require. We fear, however, it will greatly strengthen the prevalent suspicion that there has been mutual log-rolling between the Trustees of the Academy and the Government.

CITY COUNCIL.

City Council met on Saturday evening. Present—His Worship the Mayor, His Honor the Recorder, Councillors Byrne, Morris, Smith, Millner, Hertz, and Harris. A specification for the addition to Pownall Wharf was read.

There are two plans and specifications of this work on the table, and are there to be seen by tenderers.

COUNCILLOR MILLNER moved that tenders be called for the new addition to Pownall Wharf, according to plans and specifications Nos. 1 and 2—Carried.

A large number of accounts amounting in all to \$1,600 were read and ordered to be paid.

An application from Martin O'Shea for renewal of store license was read, and on motion of C. Byrne, granted.

A letter from Messrs. Wright and McGowan, asking for an extension of the lease of Queen's Wharf, which has been lately purchased by them.

On motion of Councillor Harris, it was referred to the Wharf Committee, to be reported upon at an early date.

A letter from Henry LePage asking permission to erect a shed on Market Square, to shelter some implements he had for sale there, was referred to Market Committee. Council adjourned till Tuesday at 7.30 p. m.

An application has been made to the City Council for permission to erect a rookery on Market Square. Since Muggford moved his shop from before it, and the Sheriff his shanty from behind it, our City fathers, we suppose, think the square would look bare without some sort of an ornament.

SUPREME COURT—TRINITY TERM.

SAURDAY, June 30.

The Queen, at the prosecution of Thos. W. Dodd and another, v. Wm. H. Redhouse. Indictment for receiving stolen oil. Acquitted. Longworth, Q. C., for prosecution: Reddin and Hodgson for prisoner. Archibald Johnson and another v. John Archibald McDonald. Judgment confessed. McLeod for plaintiff; Hodgson for defendant.

W. B. Morrow v. W. D. Stewart. Judgment confessed for 5 cents over and above amount paid into Court. Bayfield for plaintiff; Davies for defendant.

John H. Gates v. James Stewart. Judgment confessed for \$72. F. S. Longworth for plaintiff; H. Wright for defendant. Archibald Johnson and wife v. Michael Cunningham. Action for assault on Mrs. Johnson: damages claimed \$500. Defendant pleads the assault was committed in self-defence. Trial proceeding.

THE FISHERY COMMISSION.

The meeting of the Fishery Commission, which was appointed to take place in Halifax in June, gives new interest to one of the oldest and most interesting of international "questions," short of the Eastern Question. I think it would be found that no public international discussion had ever been carried on at such length and under such varying conditions as the North American Fishery Question. The discussions began almost with the first fishing fleets that sought our waters in the sixteenth century, and the merchants of Bristol and Brest had their quarrels of the waters. In the seventeenth century we find that France and England began to make treaties regarding the right to the fishery grounds particularly with reference to Newfoundland, which was at that time insisting on becoming an established colony, though the Royal will was that it should continue to be a mere fishing station. In the eighteenth century the United States came, in their usual practical but very practical way, into the discussion, and added a third factor to the sum of discussion and dispute. A long line of illustrious men have been connected with the negotiations concerning the fishing grounds. Edmund Burke's name is connected forever with the most magnificent tribute ever paid to maritime and fishing industry. Daniel Webster deserves the equivocal gratitude of his countrymen for having obtained for them concessions and privileges which they ought never to have enjoyed. Lord Castlereagh, Lord Bathurst, and Messrs. Rush and Galdwin all had an active part in the discussion. They all died without seeing the end. The war of 1812 was waged and concluded; the convention of 1818 was fixed upon; and

All seemed as peaceful and as still as the mist slumbering on yon hill, or as the mists of the misty Bay of Fundy in May; till one day an English vessel, acting under instructions, captured an American schooner for violation of the convention, and then uprose the old Fishery Question that diplomatists had considered dead and buried.

It proved too much for Webster, Everett, Lord Stanley, Lord Aberdeen, and Lord Elgin, who all appear to have been killed by the oppressive debate on the Fishery Question. A great effort was at last made in 1871 by the Washington Treaty, and to Sir John A. Macdonald and his friends give the credit of having temporarily settled the question by that treaty which provided for a commission to finally determine the matters in dispute between ourselves and the United States. Having thus brought the reader down the present time, and given him an idea of the greatness of the abstract Fishery Question, which like the giant released from the jar in the Arabian Nights, threatens the existence of all who touch it, let us proceed to answer the very natural question, What is the Fishery Question? There are two men in Canada pre eminently fit and able to answer that question. One is Hon. Peter Mitchell, whose ex-official rank demands the earliest mention, who has devoted much time and thought to this question, and whose fulness of knowledge is dangerous for those who either speak or write on the question without agreeing with him. The other is Mr. W. F. Whitaker, the Commissioner of Fisheries. Perhaps no man in the public service has so complete a command of the details of his department as Mr. Whitaker. He has labored with a strenuousness, activity and forethought on this great question, as well as on the minor, though still great, question of internal or river fisheries, which, in the imperial service would long ago have been rewarded with an embassy. To him above all others is due the importance which the Fishery Question has assumed of late years; to him is due the fulness of information which the Government must possess now, as it possessed in 1873; and to him will be due in great part the success of the Canadian claims, if, indeed, the traditional ill-success of British diplomacy with Americans does not pursue us here.—Martin J. Griffin, in Belford's Monthly for July.

RECREATIONS FOR TO-DAY.—A grand tea-party at Morell, in aid of the R. C. Chapel at that place. Train will leave this city at 9.45 a. m., arriving at Morell shortly after 11 a. m., returning to Charlottetown at 7.25 p. m.; good time expected.—Grand tea-party and Regatta at Cardigan bridge in aid of All Saints' Church. Train will leave this city at 8 o'clock, a. m.; returning to Charlottetown at 7 o'clock p. m.—Grand tea-party at Summerside by the Catholic congregation of that place. Train will leave this city at 7 o'clock, a. m., for Summerside; returning at 9 o'clock, p. m.—Steamer Princess of Wales left the Steam Navigation Wharf for Picton this morning at 5 o'clock with a large number of excursionists. They will return to-morrow evening. There are also a number of private picnics and excursions to take place in South port, South Shore, and in the Royalty.

Latest by Telegraph.

Latest from Montreal.

Heavy Failure—Suspended.

Grand Reception for Sir John.

Officers Dismissed—Attempted Suicide.

Failure of Grit Pic-Nics

[Special Dispatch to Daily Examiner.]

MONTREAL, June 30.

Henry Dinning, ship-builder, of Quebec, has failed. Liabilities two hundred thousand dollars.

The Stadacona Insurance Company have suspended business, and have made a call of twenty per cent to meet the losses by the St. John Fire. It is not likely to resume.

A grand reception for Sir John, on the occasion of his visit to this city, is being organized.

Fifteen thousand dollars has been subscribed in London, England, for the relief of the sufferers by the St. John fire.

Several Intercolonial Railway officers are to be dismissed, including Ralph Jones, Secretary.

A man named Masters, who lost everything by the St. John fire, attempted suicide by poison, in Quebec, yesterday.

The picnic tour of McKenzie and Huntington has been a conspicuous failure thus far.

THE WAR!

Enormous Russian Losses!

NICHOLAS DECORATED.

THE FRANCHISE IN ENGLAND.

[Special to the Daily Examiner.]

LONDON, June 30.

A telegram to a Paris paper says the Russian losses in crossing the Danube were enormous. The Turks are concentrating their forces in the forts, where they will be attacked.

The Grand Duke Nicholas has received the Grand Cross of St. George for his success in crossing the Danube.

In the British House of Commons, Trevelyan (Liberal) moved to adopt a uniform franchise for boroughs and counties. The motion was carried by a majority of fifty.

Miscellaneous.

BUCHAREST, June 28.

The fourth army corps from the interior of Russia is now entering Roumania via Belgrade.

ERZERORM, June 28.

A Russian column of 15,000 strong has arrived before Khorassan, in the rear of the Turkish centre.

Capt. Mehemed, with a brigade, has occupied Kupulkor to the west of Khorassan. Ammunition has been sent to Mukhtar Pasha's camp.

LIVERPOOL, June 28.

A St. Petersburg official telegram of June 23, says the Russians attacked Zichichidiri on the Black Sea, north of Batoum. The Turks, aided by a monitor and an armed population, offered obstinate resistance from entrenchments on a high ground, fighting through the day. Towards evening the Russians captured a portion of the enemy's position. They lost a Lieut. Colonel, 16 officers wounded, 4000 men killed and wounded.

A special dated Sistova, Wednesday, says the Turks were driven back from their landing place at the point of the bayonet. About 6 o'clock the Turkish infantry, some 3000 in number, made an attack on the troops which had landed, but were repulsed by the musketry of the brigade, which soon occupied the heights. Sistova will be occupied to-morrow.

The Grand Duke Nicholas crossed the river at Petrocina, and declares that 50,000 Russians now occupy the southern side of the stream. By this passage at Pinnitz both Wladim and Nicolopolis are isolated from Turkish quadrilateral.

The Times correspondent at Bucharest sends the following additional details of the Simitza crossing: At 8 o'clock, p. m., 25th everything was in motion, and at 2 o'clock landing was effected and the Tete de Tour was secured. The first position was in position at 3 o'clock, and it is extremely probable that bridges at Simitza and Petrocin are completed before this and that artillery, cavalry and munitions were passing over.

Losses in the second affair, of Petrocin and Simitza are estimated at less than a thousand.

A dispatch from Galatz says bloody fighting is going on at Pyrgos, on the Danube. Russian troops are crossing en masse, and engaging the Turks, who are making desperate resistance. The slaughter on both sides is terrible.

New Advertisements.

SEWING MACHINES REPAIRED.

Mr. John D. Fullerton BEGS to announce that he will be at the ROCKLIN HOUSE for a short time, to Repair Sewing Machines of all kinds. Having had seven years experience at Machine work and repairing, he guarantees satisfaction. Apply immediately. July 2, 1877—4 pd

Hams. Hams.

A FEW CHOICE HAMS, slightly smoked, put up especially for City sale. HAZARD BROS. Ch'town, July 2

CHEESE.

150 BOXES, at CARVELL BROS. Ch'town, July 2—3in

LONDON HOUSE.

NOW OPENING, Ex Steamship "Prince Edward." Black Silks, Black Cashmeres, Black Persian Cords, Black Brilliantines.

FRILLINGS, RIBBONS, LADIES' UMBRELLAS, STRAW HATS. June 30—4in

NEW TUB BUTTER! CHEAP, at CARVELL BROS. Ch'town, June, 28—2in

Ex HIBERNIAN, HALIFAX. NEW Worsted Coatings, in Blue and Black, at the LONDON HOUSE. June 30—4ins.

PLIMSOLL BRAND! 100 BARRELS landed to day. It is the best Flour imported. CARVELL BROS. Ch'town, June 23—3in.

PUMPS. WE have just received a Consignment of those celebrated Combination Barrel-Pumps from JAMES HARRIS & Co., of St. John, to which we invite the attention of those requiring such an article. They suit all kinds of Wells. MCKINNON & MCLEAN, Esdale Foundry. Ch'town, June 29—6in

MARKET HALL, CH'TOWN, Thursday & Friday Evenings, JULY 5 & 6.

SHEPPARD JUBILEE SINGERS! They are Genuine Colored people, under the leadership of Andrew Sheppard, thirty years a slave, formerly the property of Gen. Robert E. Lee, Arlington, V. A., emancipated by Abraham Lincoln's Great Proclamation of Freedom. All having been slaves, they give the truest and best representation of Slave Life on the Old Plantation. Solemn, Sacred Songs of the Old Plantation, which for Harmony and Melody are unsurpassed. Organized by Rev. Father Hawley, City Missionary, in Hartford, Connecticut, for over 29 years. Admission 25 and 35 cents. Door open at 7 o'clock; Concert to commence at 8. Capt. F. G. GRAYTON, Manager. Dr. GEO. W. HUNTLEY, Gen. Agent. Tickets at Dr. Dodd and Watson's Drug Stores. June 28—8in

Wants, etc., etc.

Advertisements under this heading, in space not exceeding half an inch, will be inserted for TEN CENTS per day.

HOUSE TO LET.—Pleasantly situated Apply at the Office of the DAILY EXAMINER, or June 27— W. W. CLARKE.

Auction Sales.

FLOUR, MEAL, &c.

WE will offer at Auction, at our sales-room, on Tuesday, the 3rd July, AT ELEVEN O'CLOCK.— 200 Bbls. FLOUR, 100 do K. D. CORN MEAL, 15 Chests TEA, 10 Casks KEROSENE OIL, 15 Doz PAILS, 10 do Zinc WASH BOARDS, 20 Boxes SOAP, 4 Pun. Trinidad MOLASSES, 50 Boxes Digby HERRING, 50 Sides SOLE LEATHER. FENTON T. NEWBERRY & CO. July 2—pat 1 in.

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

I WILL SELL AT AUCTION, at my Salesroom, Queen Square, TUESDAY, JULY 3RD AT 2 O'CLOCK,

A Lot of Household Furniture, the Property of a gentleman leaving the Island, consisting of— Handsome Walnut Bed-room Suite, with Marble Top; Chest Drawers and Wash Stand, 1 Rosewood Cheffoner (Marble Top and Mirror), 1 Walnut Centre Table, Couch, Lounge, Walnut Rockers, Easy Chair and Chairs, Pictures, Brussels and other Carpets, Mats, Oil Cloth, C. S. and Wood Chairs, Tables, Mirrors, Glassware, Crockeryware, Tangle and Bed Linen, Hair Mattresses, Spring Beds, 2 Cribs, with Feather Beds and Bedding; 3 Feather Beds, Pillows and Bolsters, 20 pair Blankets; 2 Handsome Toilet Sets, Looking Glasses, Toilet Articles, &c.; Kitchen Furniture, Cook Stove and Cooking Utensil.

—ALSO— One Mare and Foal. WM. DODD, Auctioneer. June 30

STEAMER "ALPHA" YARMOUTH.

WE ARE INSTRUCTED TO SELL BY AUCTION, under Foreclosure of Mortgage, at our Sales Rooms, Lovell's Building, Yarmouth, On Saturday, July 7th, at 3 o'clock, P. M., THE STEAMER ALPHA, Built in 1874—149 45-100 Tons Register. Terms and particulars at sale. WILLIAM LAW & CO., Auctioneers. June 26, 1877.—tl Jul 5

ROSS BROTHERS, PHOTOGRAPHERS.

WOULD inform the people of Charlottetown and vicinity that they have opened a Studio, in the building owned by D. FARQUHARSON, Esq., corner of QUEEN and DONCHESTER STREETS, where they are prepared to make PHOTOGRAPHS in all the latest styles. Porcelains, Photo Enamels, Ferrotypes, &c., of a superior quality and at reasonable rates. All kinds of old pictures copied and enlarged, and finished in India Ink, Crayon, Pastel, Oil or Water Colors. Copies finished as above we will guarantee as equal to any done in America. We would esteem an early examination of our specimens a favor. ENTRANCE: Directly opposite the Merchants' Bank of Halifax. Ch'town, June 27—6in

WANTED.

THE Highest Cash price paid for Calf Skins and Sheep Skins. ROBERT BRIDGES. June 26—to&fr 14

BOOTS & SHOES!

20 CASES BOOTS & SHOES received by steamer from Montreal, for Sale CHEAP. SIMON W. CRABBE, "Sign of the Stove," 109 Queen St Ch'town, June 27—law f&w