

THE DAILY EXAMINER.

NOVEMBER 3, 1887.

The Inter-Provincial Conference

The Montreal Herald is strongly agitated—if we may judge by its leading article of the 29th October—because Prince Edward Island and British Columbia were not represented at what it calls the Inter-Provincial Conference; and charges that the Governments of these Provinces are guilty of a breach of trust. The Herald's excitement has got the better of its reason and its politeness. Who authorized the Conference? Not the people of the Provinces at the polls; not the representatives of the people in the respective legislatures. Then, how can the Governments of Prince Edward Island and British Columbia be guilty of a breach of the trust the people have reposed in them, simply because they declined to be represented at the Conference? The fact of the matter is that Mr. Mercier, desiring to advertise the good City of Quebec, and to get some more money from the Dominion, asked his fellow Premiers to meet in Conference and have a jolly good time at the public expense. For several of his compeers the attractions were too great, and they accepted the tempting offer—without authority from their Legislatures. But the Governments of Prince Edward Island and British Columbia failed to see that anything could be gained by a Conference, and were not to be tempted by such inducements as "a high old time"; so they declined (politely, we may assume) the invitation of Mr. Mercier. To say that, because they did so, they betrayed a trust, is ridiculous. It might, indeed, much more truly be said that the Governments who, without the authority of either Legislature or people, went out of their legitimate spheres, and put their Provinces to the expense of their junketing in Quebec, are guilty of a breach of trust.

The Herald assumes that great advantages are to be gained as a result of the Conference; and it contends that even though decisions inimical to our interests were arrived at by it, our Province should still have been represented in order that our interests might be protected. The reply to this is that the decisions of the Conference must of necessity be submitted to the Provincial Legislatures, before they can affect in any way any of the Provinces. If these decisions are considered advantageous they will, of course, be adopted, and if inimical, they will certainly be rejected. Neither this Province nor British Columbia had anything to either gain or lose by the Conference; because the Conference has, practically, been useless, unless its decisions are ratified by the Legislature and confirmed by the Parliaments of Canada and Great Britain. We shall be glad if good to Canada results from the Conference. P. E. Island and British Columbia (though unrepresented) will, without doubt, participate in the general welfare.

The Herald's statement that Prince Edward Island and British Columbia were not represented at the Conference because their Governments feared to displease Sir John Macdonald, is merely impertinent. There are no grounds for it in the past conduct of either Provincial Government; and nothing whatever has lately transpired to give it color.

How to Get Rid of It?

"How to get rid of the surplus in the Treasury" remains the grand problem to be solved by the politicians of the United States. A general reduction of the tariff is objectionable to men of both parties, because that would involve the partial removal of the wall of protection; and protection remains the popular policy. Some say, remit the taxes on liquor and tobacco; but free liquors and tobacco, and taxed potatoes and fish would suit neither the feelings nor the interests of a large body of the American people. Others say, subsidize everything and pay out of the general treasury the whole cost of education; but this proposition, though sufficiently large, is very indefinite. The last suggestion we have heard is the purchase of the Maritime Provinces of Canada for the sum of fifty millions of dollars; but this, even if it could be accomplished, would mean only a very temporary removal of the difficulty. Besides Canada would rather buy than sell. Some of the Canadians have even gone so far as to propose that the United States shall yield up Maine, (which properly belongs to Canada) as the price of the privilege of fishing in Canadian waters. We sympathize with the Big Republic in its "little difficulty"—and will watch with interest the efforts of the politicians to get rid of it.

—Professor Wilson, of Boston, says he has an invention which will enable him to burn water and bring the price of coal down to one dollar a ton. The Montreal Star remarks that it will be convenient when one has only to turn on the tap to start a fire.

—The attention of the proper officials is called to the complaint of "A Farmer," at China Point. We have been assured that the statement of "A Farmer" is strictly accurate; and if so, the necessity for immediate action will at once be apparent. China Point Wharf is the shipping place of a large and wealthy settlement, and it ought, certainly, to be kept in good repair, particularly during the shipping season.

The Fisk Jubilee Singers.

This company was greeted by a full house last night. It is hard to speak of its singing without seeming to flatter. To those who love music it was simply delicious. There was an atmosphere of devotion about the religious melodies that made one feel a longing for once at least to be present at a Southern camp meeting. From the opening, "Steal Away" to the "Benediction" at the close, one was constantly reminded of the lines,—

"Like some sweet beguiling melody,  
So sweet we know not we are listening to it."  
The fine solos of Mr. Caldwell and Miss Wells were highly appreciated by the audience, and the quartettes and part songs showed how much can be easily accomplished by well trained voices. We are afraid the Jubilee singers have laid up a store of trouble for our local performers by the ready and gracious manner in which they responded to the encores.

We would advise those of our readers who were not at the hall last night to go to-night. It is a pity to miss so rare and so great a treat.

The New Steamship Line.

The promoters of the projected line of new steamers between Charlottetown, Halifax and Boston, report that they are meeting with gratifying success in obtaining subscriptions for capital stock. While Yarmouth, St. John and Annapolis have had first-class steamship connection with Boston, Halifax has been content with such boats as the Carroll and Worcester. Hence there has been an alarming diversion of travel and traffic via the splendid boats running from Yarmouth, Annapolis and St. John. But Halifax is the great centre for the traffic to Boston. A fast line of modern boats to compete with the Yarmouths, the Cumberlands and the State of Maine—would come money. Beside the direct trade with Boston, they would do a large and profitable coasting trade between Halifax, Cape Breton and Prince Edward Island. Halifax is now going into the harvest field so long the cherished preserve of the Boston company. A local company has been organized. They propose to put two boats on this route that will make the run from Halifax to Boston in 24 hours. They are to be built with every modern improvement to carry 400 passengers, be lighted with electricity, gorgeously furnished, and cost \$200,000 each. The Scotch builders will, it is said, take \$300,000 of the purchase money in capital stock guaranteed to pay six per cent. interest. The boats are to be commanded by the most popular officers whose services can be obtained. The names of Captain Lorway, and Captain Hill (of the S. S. Ulunda) are mentioned as the commanders—excellent appointments. Such a line of steamers, managed with ordinary business tact and foresight, can hardly fail to be successful.—Halifax Herald.

Died in a Pullman Car.

A YOUNG LADY, WHILE MERRILY CONVERSING WITH FRIENDS SUDDENLY EXPIRES.

A beautiful and refined young lady travelling alone from Cincinnati to her home at Xenia, O., suddenly died on the train a few nights ago. A few moments before the train left Cincinnati she, with a party of young ladies, came to the train. She had been on a visit there for several weeks and her friends expressed regret at seeing her leave. They kissed her farewell and wished her a safe and pleasant journey home, all promising to return her visit in a short time. The lady was provided with a seat in one of the parlor cars. She sat reading a magazine for an hour and then engaged in a conversation with a number of lady occupants of the car. She was so handsome and so pleasant and attractive in her manner that she soon drew the attention of almost every person in the car, and her journey was being made a very pleasant one.

"It was a jolly crowd. Everybody seemed in good humor," remarked the conductor, and when I last passed through the car I noticed that the young lady was having a gay time. A moment later she threw up her arms, gave a slight shudder and was dead. Her body fell from the chair before her fellow-passengers could realize what had happened. The scene of gayety was suddenly changed to one of mourning. The ladies cried bitterly, some of them fainted, and the gentlemen wiped the tears from their eyes. The train sped on and the body of the young lady was not cold when we arrived at Xenia. The young lady's father was at the station to meet her. One by one he watched the passengers stepping from the train, expecting to see his daughter next. He then stepped up and asked if his daughter was aboard, giving her description. I told the old gentleman that her body was in the car; that she died while en route, said the conductor. The old father was horror-stricken and so prostrated by grief, that he had to be assisted into the station. The body was removed and our train pulled out. I could not learn the lady's name.

The Times' correspondent at Paris says: "President Grevy is preparing a cabinet crisis in order to down the Wilson commotion. The cabinet will be upset on the conversion debate and M. de Freycinet will become Premier. This will, however, only stave off enquiry which will be demanded later by the Right, supported by the Radicals. Then President Grevy will be upset, and the Radicals will call a congress to elect his successor. Secret committees are being formed in all parts of Paris to watch for a favorable moment to exert mob pressure on the election of a president."

Boston Markets.

Who the prosecution of Constable Endicott, who arrested Miss Cass on the charge of being an improper character, and who was indicted by the grand jury for perjury, because of evidence given against her, has collapsed. The judge before whom the case was heard held that the evidence of Miss Cass was not corroborated, and discharged the constable.

RELEASED ON BAIL.—Franklyn, the man charged with fraudulently appropriating \$3,000.00 of Sir Bache Cunard's money, has been released on bail.

FOR PEACE OR WAR.—A German has, it is said, invented a new kind of iron chimney which can be taken down and used as a weapon in time of war.

Sir John Macdonald.

THE NEW GOVERNMENT ORGAN—THE IRON TARIFF—THE ATLANTIC MAIL SERVICE—SIR JOHN'S OPINION OF MR. CHAMBERLAIN AND THE GRIT PAPERS.

(Interview by a Montreal Star reporter.)

The Windsor Hotel was a great political centre on Saturday, 30th inst. Premiers were nearly as common as bell boys. The solid men of the Montreal section of the Conservative party got up early to pay their respects to their chief. Rumor has it that they had all received a hint that Sir John would be glad to see them; that each thought the principal object of Sir John's visit was to see him personally, and that the thought uppermost in the mind of each was: "Is it to be a portfolio or only a senatorship?" Rumor also has it that they looked thoughtful when they found that for the present the Premier only proposed to give them each the privilege of subscribing to the capital stock of the new Government organ in Toronto.

A Star reporter, who was favored with a very pleasant interview with the Premier, found him in the best of humors. The success of Sir John's mission was written upon his countenance. Our reporter remarking that Ottawa despatches stated the object of the Premier's mission to be to help the promoters of the Empire, Sir John smiled, and replied: "I have heard something of the same kind myself down here."

"Has all the capital needed been subscribed?" asked our representative.

"I understand the promoters have got a hundred and sixty or a HUNDRED AND SEVENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS subscribed."

"Is that unconditionally?"

"Yes! At least the charter requires that two hundred thousand dollars be subscribed before commencing business. I do not anticipate that there will be any difficulty in getting the balance subscribed. In fact I have no doubt that the paper will be started before Christmas."

"When will Parliament meet, Sir John?"

"Unless the unexpected will happen, Parliament will meet the last week in January and we will get through in time for the opening of navigation."

"Will the Cabinet meet Parliament as it is now constituted?"

"I do not know about that. I think it will; but we shall know more about it when Sir Charles Tupper returns."

"When will the new department of TRADE AND COMMERCE be formed?"

"That is not quite decided yet. You know we thought of making Sir Charles the head of that department."

"Are you satisfied with the results so far of Sir Charles' new iron tariff?"

"It is too soon to speak of results, but at any rate there have been no unfortunate results and I believe the iron manufacturers of Ontario are satisfied with it."

"When Sir Charles introduced the tariff he remarked that he felt the weak point in his armour was the low duty on scrap iron and it is said that enormous quantities of scrap iron are being imported. Will the Government recommend any increase in the duty?"

"Some Montreal manufacturers have been in to see me on that very question this morning. But the Government has no intention of changing the tariff in any way."

"There are a great many complaints just now about the slowness of the CANADIAN ATLANTIC MAIL SERVICE, especially in England. Are the Government going to do anything to improve it?"

"That is under consideration at the present time. Of course some of you Montreal people would like to have lines of steamers equal to those of New York, but I do not know whether the traffic would bear it."

"Has the Government come to any decision yet about the protection of the south shore of the St. Lawrence from floods?"

"You remember we took a vote on that question and a majority was appointed."

"Has the Commission reported?"

"Yes, and their report is now under the consideration of the proper Department."

"Is there any chance of a friendly adjustment of the difficulty with Mr. Norquay's Government on the disallowance question?"

"The acts we have disallowed we cannot now sanction!"

"No! But there was some talk about a compromise in the Government's railway policy in Manitoba?"

"We have had no communication with the Government of Manitoba on that point."

The conversation then turning upon the HOSTILE AND UNPATRIOTIC CRITICISMS now being made upon Mr. Chamberlain by some of the Canadian newspapers, Sir John said, "I am sure Mr. Chamberlain will faithfully and efficiently represent the interests of Canada and of the Empire. But," he added: "Did you ever know a Grit paper to be patriotic? They not only attack the Conservative party, but they run down the country. Canada has suffered more from Grit newspapers than from any other single cause. I should not like them to cease their attacks upon me, I should feel that I was a very insignificant individual indeed. That reminds me of an illustration I think I have used before. When the boys used to go apple stealing they used to pick out the tree that had the most sticks and stones lying under it. That's the tree that bears the best apples," concluded the Premier with an air that seemed to convey the impression that he was giving our representative a valuable pointer.

Boston Markets.

BOSTON, Oct. 31.  
EGGS.—Receipts to-day 1939 packages. The market is firm for choice fresh stock with a steady demand. Island firsts 22 to 22½ cts. per dozen.  
POULTRY.—P. E. Island Rose per bbl. \$2 to \$2.25. P. E. Island, N. S. and N. B. per bush: Hebrons, 70 cts.; Rose, 65 cts.; White Stock, 65 cts.; Chenangoes, 60 cts.

Diphtheria of a mild form is prevalent in Alna, Albert Co., N. B. There were five deaths thus far—all children. Several adults are sick of the disease now.

The favorite prescription of Dr. Pierce cures female weakness and kindred ailments. Druggists.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Jubilee Singers.

SIR,—The Jubilee Singers reappeared before a Charlottetown audience last night. Every seat in the Y. M. C. A. Hall was occupied, and the Concert was evidently enjoyed by every one present. Speaking from a musical standpoint, the singing is very far above the ordinary, the sweet voices blending harmoniously in the weird emotional songs of the South, whose melody and harmony possess a peculiar charm, although the words do rather shock one's orthodox ideas as to what is devotional and reverent. It seems to me a pity that the negro melodies chosen are not all like the funeral hymn, "How we Take this Feeble Body," or "Hard Times," which, while reverent, are quite characteristic enough to attract the large audience which the Jubilee Singers always secure, without introducing such songs as "The Old Ark A-moving" and "Look Away"—examples, 'tis true, of the old devotional negro song, but none the less calculated to rob holy things of their dignity and reverence by a familiarity which approaches dangerously near irreverence. The "Lord's Prayer," and the "Benediction" were very beautifully sung, and the part songs took the audience by storm. Frequent encores were responded to with a kindly willingness that was almost imposed upon by the exacting and delighted audience. Mr. Caldwell and Miss Wells sang solos with much taste, and received the encores they deserved, Miss Wells singing "Comin' Thro' the Rye" with a perfect Scotch accent. The indignation of the audience almost evinced itself in hissing when some disrespectful persons tramped out of the hall during the soft singing of the "Benediction." When will our people learn ordinary civility in concerts? Successful and well received the first night, the singers will no doubt meet with a good reception to-night—the last of the season in Charlottetown.

FLOUR.

We have on hand and to arrive over 1,400 Barrels Choice Family Flour, comprising such well-known brands as Estey, Matchless, Kent, City and White Duck, every barrel of which is warranted and which we will sell at the very lowest price for cash.

TEA.

Our 24 CENT TEA takes the lead every time, because we keep up the quality and give the best value in the city. We have a large stock of Extra Fine Tea on hand and will arrive in ½ chests, ½ chests, 5lb., and 10lb. Tin Caddys, which will be sold low. We warrant every pound of Tea we sell, and if it does not prove satisfactory, return it and we will refund you the money.

SUGAR.

A large stock of Sugars always kept on hand, in Refined, Raw Demerara, Extra Granulated, Best Lump and Frosting.

Kerosene Oil.

We buy nothing but the Paris American Kerosene Oil, as we find it is the only kind that will give satisfaction. If you want a five-gallon tin, give us a call before buying elsewhere, as we can make the price right.

Molasses, &c.

A large stock of Molasses, American Cornmeal, Raisins, Currants, Rice, Soap, Tobacco, &c., &c., always kept on hand and sold low for cash.

We beg leave to thank our numerous customers for their patronage in the past and to solicit a continuance of the same for the future, being confident that we can give them the best satisfaction in the city. We buy our goods direct from headquarters in England, United States and Canada, and are therefore in a position to sell lower and give better value than those who buy second-hand.

The Scott Act Contest.

SIR,—My short letter has been deemed worthy of reply. I quite agree with your correspondent when he says: "Could your correspondent 'C' have been present at the Stipendiary Magistrate's Court he would be heartily ashamed of the manner in which the Scott Act is worked." Just so. What with bogus leases, false oaths and clever evasions, the natural outcome of the liquor business, and a prosecutor appointed to do the work that the police are paid to do, is certainly enough to make any good citizen heartily ashamed. This need not, however, (and I believe will not) necessitate the friends of temperance, law and order putting down their arms in the present contest, but rather the opposite.

A Complaint.

SIR,—While walking down Gitch George Street to-day, I observed a horse "hitched" to one of the trees which were planted with the expectation of one day being an ornament to that street. On my passing that way a short time afterwards, I perceived that the horse had been detached, and the tree, as a result of its being made a "hitching post," almost uprooted. Now, there was a good deal of agitation to have these trees planted, and when our citizens succeeded in planting them, they are made use of for the purpose which I have just named. Cannot our city authorities do anything to put a stop to this work?

Special Notices.

APPLE SALE.—Carload choice winter keeping Apples, to-morrow, Friday, at 11 o'clock.—A. McNeill, Auctioneer

AUCTION SALE.—Valuable horse, etc., at Market Square at 2 o'clock to-morrow.—A. McNeill, Auctioneer.

FLEECY COTTONS.—Special value at Stanley Bros., Brown's Block. 21 NOV 3

FRESH QUININES received to-day at Beer & Goff's. 21—NOV 3

FLOWER POTS, all sizes, at Beer & Goff's. NOV 3—21

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

RANKIN HOUSE.  
Nov 2—Mrs. Jas Jackson, D E Hart, Miss Willey A Buckley, Miss Laura A Wells, Miss Annie L Johnson, B A Thomas, G E Barrett, J C Mearns, J N Caldwell, Fisk Jubilee Singers; C Williams, St John, F H Picard, Montreal; Frank Fales, St John; Theo Clarke, Truro; A J Craig, Halifax; J T Leaman, Truro; D M Kerr, Montreal; J Danaher, do; J A Matheson, Campbellton. 3—Geo W Morrow, Souris; H A Dewey, St John; H A Whitney, Moncton.

OSBORNE HOUSE.  
Nov 2—Jas Berry, Portland, Me; Percy H Palmer, Victoria; Geo B McKay, Clifton; R J Macdonald, Liverpool; John McDougall, S S Coban; J Wharton, Liverpool, N S; D McCallum, Pownal; John A Stewart, Boston; Miss Katie Stewart, do; A McLean—Sinclair, Springhill, N S; D M Clark, Portland, Me; J C Vilce, do; Miss Jessie Dewar, Salem, Mass; Miss Jane Dewar, do; Rev W H Spencer, Georgetown; R A Longley, Philadelphia.

RIFLE GALLERY.

THE Gallery, King Street, has been re-opened for Rifle Practice. The best rifles and ammunition, and the "very best" Range in the Lower Provinces. G. L. DOGHERTY.

Nov. 3—pat 2wks

Next of Kin Wanted of William Adolphus Barnby Goodwin (deceased)

WHO is believed to have died at Tryon, Prince Edward Island, in or about the year 1859. Next of kin living at the time of the death of the said William Adolphus Barnby Goodwin, or the legal personal representatives of such of the said next of kin as are now dead, should at once forward full particulars of their kinship to LOWLESS & CO., of 25 Martins Lane, Cannon Street, London, England, from whom they will learn something material to their advantage. Nov. 3—21

CARRIAGE, HORSE, &c.

I AM instructed by W. M. Raylen, Esq., to sell by auction on FRIDAY, next, November 4th, at 2 o'clock, p. m., on Market Square, — 1 Good Driving Horse. 1 Light Wagon. 1 Set Carriage Harness. 1 do Cart Harness. 1 Gentlemen's Riding Saddle.

TERMS—Cash. A. McNEILL, Auctioneer.

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August 6, 1887.—2aw & wky

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Brooches, Earrings, Scarf Pins, &c., manufactured and engraved to order with any name or initials.

All Silverware and Jewelry sold from this date will be Engraved FREE.

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We invite Purchasers to Compare our Prices and our Quality with other Stocks, as we have SPECIAL VALUE IN THESE TWO LINES.

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Ch'town, Nov. 1, 1887—eod & wky

APPLES.

BY Auction, FRIDAY, Nov. 4th, at 11 o'clock, at Rooms, Queen Street, — 1 Carload No. 1 Winter-keeping Apples, in Baldwin's Pippins, Tompkins, &c., &c.

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