

THE DAILY EXAMINER.

APRIL 29, 1884.

Erroneous Statements.

The sensational report about Indians starving at Crooked Lake and other parts of the Northwest is denounced as "unmitigated bosh," and it is said, on the highest authority, that "the Indians are doing well."

There is no truth whatever in the statement that Messrs. Angus and McIntyre have sold their stock in the Canadian Pacific Railway Company; and Mr. Angus, a few days ago, told a reporter of one of the Montreal papers, that everything connected with the Company "is going on satisfactorily."

So, the long columns of prose written and published on both these topics go for nothing.

Problem of Canadian Nationality.

We print, on our first page, part of the racy speech lately delivered by the Governor-General before St. James' Club, of Montreal. His Excellency has already grappled the difficulties of "the situation." But he has not, apparently, yet remarked that every one of them—the physical barriers, the impossibility of geographical proximity of parts, the absence of the fear of foreign invasion, the want of identity of interest—belong to the United States as well as to Canada; and the States seem to have solved the problem. They now form a United Nation, though the Union was completed—as by fire—by means of a terrible war, such as we hope Canada will never experience. The difficulties, great as they are, may, we think, be overcome, in a peaceful way, by the exercise of justice, moderation, good sense, mutual forbearance, public spirit and abatement of personal, sectional and Provincial selfishness.

Postal Statistics of the United States.

A good idea of the vastness of the expansion which has been going on in the United States may be obtained from the postal statistics. In the year 1789 there were 75 post offices and 2275 miles of postal route. The revenue of the department was \$7,510, and the expenditure \$7,560. The amount paid for transportation was \$5,563. The population of the United States at that time was 3,919,214. The figures for 1882 give the number of offices at 46,231; extent in miles, 243,618; revenue, \$41,883,005; expenditure, \$40,452,021; paid for transportation, \$22,846,112; postage stamps, etc., issued \$40,978,053; money orders, \$113,400,118; letters received in dead letter office, 4,284,385; population, 50,155,783.

The British Government and Egypt.

MR. GLADSTONE and his colleagues are in sore perplexity as to what the British had better do in Egypt. The *Broad Arrow*, of late date, puts the matter pointedly. It says that, if anything befel General Gordon, Her Majesty's government would not last four-and-twenty hours afterwards. But if the Ministers decided upon making an advance upon Khartoum and disaster were to overtake the expedition in the desert from natural as distinct from military causes—a thing almost inevitable in the hot season—the government would be equally certain of being swept from power. A large section of the community feel unlimited admiration of General Gordon, but there is an equally powerful faction in the country who would oppose the operation of marching a British expedition through the desert for his relief. It may be said that the Government stand somewhat between the devil and the deep sea; and the attitude of fixed rigidity which they have assumed is, perhaps, under the circumstances, a wise one.

New Law Book.

J. TRAVIS, Esq., LL. B., of the New Brunswick Bar, is just completing for the press, a Law Treatise on "The Constitutional Powers of Parliament, and of the Local Legislatures under the British North America Act, 1867." The treatise will cover one hundred and fifty or two hundred pages as large as ordinary law reports, and will be sold by subscription. The author, we are informed, discusses all the cases decided in the Supreme Court of Canada, and before the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council, as well as many other cases, including the fisheries cases, the Mercer Escheat case, the Canada Temperance Act case, and the Ontario License Act case of the Queen vs. Hodge.

Mr. Travis holds a high position in his profession. He has at different times contributed leading articles to the Press of New Brunswick on constitutional questions. He also furnished leaders to *The American Law Register* of Philadelphia, U. S., on "The Common Law Criminal Jurisdiction of the State Courts," and other intricate questions, which shows that he is well able to grapple with the most difficult legal questions in Canada. We should look with great interest for the appearance of the book.

The Oddfellow's Entertainment.

The Oddfellow's Natal Day Celebration was, last evening, closed by an entertainment in Market Hall. As usual, the audience which attended this annual musical event, was immense. The Hall was uncomfortably crowded, and standing room could not be afforded to many. The stage was tastefully arranged and bore the mottoes and insignia of the Order. The best order prevailed, and the programme, which was an excellent one, was carried through without a hitch. It consisted of two parts—the first being chiefly composed of high class vocal and instrumental music, while the second was taken up by the Charlottetown Amateur Minstrels, who made an excellent impression on their first appearance.

The first part was opened by a charming overture, "Breeze of the Night." It was exquisitely rendered by the Orchestral Club. Only one fault could be found with the selection, and that was its brevity. Misses Barr and McLeod followed with a pretty duet, "Come O'er the Moonlit Sea." It was sung in splendid voice and elicited hearty applause. Mr. Vinnicombe's violin solo "Air Varié," No. 5, was played beautifully. Mr. Vinnicombe, in response to a well-merited encore, played "When the Swallows Homeward Fly" capitolly. "Queen of Night," which is a rather difficult vocal solo, was gracefully and sweetly sung by Miss Knight, and received an encore. Mr. W. J. Robertson made his debut before a Charlottetown audience last evening. He has a superior tenor voice and displayed it to good advantage by singing a popular solo entitled "The Scout." He was deservedly encored, and in response delighted the audience by singing "The British Lion." The Orchestral Club then played the overture to "Masaniello" in good style, and Mr. A. J. McInnis, of Murray River, concluded the first part of the entertainment with a number of Highland Eccentricities, which fairly convulsed the audience. The Charlottetown Amateur Minstrels performed their part admirably. Messrs. Bremner and Fraser as end men, were quite successful, and the jokes, antics and songs created much merriment. The choruses were well rendered, and the songs, particularly those by Mr. Strong, were good. The second part was concluded with a plantation walk round, "Whose dat Foot a-Burning." Altogether the entertainment was a grand success, and creditable to all concerned.

Mr. Earle, who acted as musical director and accompanist, performed his part to the satisfaction of all. He is a most valuable addition to the Orchestral Club.

Our Advertisers.

The concert committee of the Oddfellow's concert publish a card of thanks.

A. McNeill will sell a new organ at his Salesroom on Friday, at two o'clock.

Geo. Davies & Co., are offering choice teas at low prices, wholesale and retail.

B. E. Wright is selling seed barley. Samples can be seen at Belmont Mills or at J. D. McLeod's.

Wm. Dodd will sell the Lorne Hotel, together with all furniture therein, at his auction room to-morrow, at twelve o'clock.

Carvell Bros. inform the public that the steamer Carroll is due here next Friday morning, and will sail to return on Saturday evening.

Wm. Murphy announces that a meeting of the Shareholders in the Charlottetown Gas Light Co., will be held at the Gas Works on the 13th May, at eleven a.m.

Perkins & Sterns have just received the first instalment of this season's supply of new goods, the selection of their Mr. Sterns in the best English and American markets. In addition to the usual supply of dry goods there is a handsome lot of the latest novelties in satins, silks, millinery, etc. Inspection invited.

The Servant Girl Problem.

(From the Toronto Globe)

It is stated that in communities, such as San Francisco, where Chinamen are employed as domestic servants, a system of boycotting employers exists. A Chinaman who fancies himself ill-treated, before leaving, writes some cabalistic signs in a place where they will attract the eye of his successor, and from that time the mistress of the house finds it impossible to induce a Chinese servant to remain with her. With a good many modifications, the same system exists among domestic servants here. There is a sort of free-masonry among them by which they warn each other to avoid certain houses, and however unjustly the lady of any house may be condemned, she has no redress, for she does not know her accuser, nor the charge against her. The most trivial dispute or the most righteous fault-finding is often magnified by an ill-natured girl to the great annoyance of her former mistress, and it is not an unknown thing for a discharged servant to circulate most infamous slanders without any foundation whatever. The trouble arises from the fact that owing to mistresses being too lax about investigating the character of applicants for situations, girls who are incurably lazy or incompetent find no difficulty in obtaining entrance into situations, and being frequently dismissed on account of such laziness or incompetence these girls conceive an enmity towards the whole race of mistresses, especially the unlucky women who have been their employers. And the reason why mistresses are so lax about investigating the antecedents of girls applying for work is that under the present no-system investigation is too much trouble.

Mistresses should have some means of comparing experience. Why should not the ladies in each city form a club or guild, in order to keep one another informed as to the merits of available servants. At present a recommendation is worth almost nothing as a guide in the choice of a servant. The mistresses' guild might prescribe a pledge binding each member to state with absolute frankness her opinion of her former servant. The semi-publicity which would attach to this method of preserving references would act as a protection to the servants, as well as to the mistresses, for some of the latter do not hesitate to perpetrate arbitrary injustice to girls who have offended them. Something might be achieved by organization and earnest effort, and we believe that that effort cannot be put forth in a better direction than in that we suggest.

Items from Souris.

Mr. Carlton is preparing to erect a new building on the site previously occupied by the premises destroyed by fire a few months ago.

The ice has taken its departure from our harbor, leaving the course clear for navigation. Only a few fragmentary patches remain floating about.

Mr. J. G. Sterns has built a strong breastwork round his warehouses on the water front. It presents a massive appearance, well able to support any pressure it may have to bear.

The warehouses occupied by Matthew, McLean & Co., situated on Knight's Wharf, are undergoing repairs. They are being fitted up in a suitable manner, to accommodate the business of the approaching season.

Souris West can boast of work in the shape of shipbuilding. Matthew, McLean & Co.; McDonald & McDonald, and Capt. Lanigan, have schooners on the stocks. The whole three are of very good model, and it is intended to push them on to completion as speedily as possible.

Another important and well-attended meeting was held in the Court House last Wednesday, to provide ways and means against loss by fire. Mr. Michael McCormack occupied the chair, and Mr. C. C. Carlton, jr., acted as secretary. Incorporation, fire engine and hooks and ladders occupied earnest attention. Several of the leading residents and merchants addressed the meeting. Our two M. P.'s had also something to say right to the purpose. The sum of \$186,000 has been subscribed to form a hook and ladder company, and this was increased almost \$100,000 more on its being decided to procure a hand engine, it having been stated by Mr. V. Knight that such an engine could be procured in Charlottetown. At last Souris is to have something worthy of the name of a fire brigade, and the following gentlemen were appointed a committee to purchase the necessary appliances: Messrs. V. H. Knight, J. McLean, Jas. McBride, D. Murphy, James McQuaid, U. Matthew, M. McCormack, James O. Morrow and J. G. Sterns. Mr. S. P. Campbell was appointed by vote of the meeting as Captain of the company to be formed. Incorporation was talked, and "is loomin' in the distance." It will arrive by-and-by. For the present—to use the words of the chairman—the committee on incorporation decline to work further in that direction, owing to the feeling of the people. When the people are educated to the advantages of incorporation the feeling will change from a cold easterly to a warm southerly, and the "royalty" will march right royally into line.

A few weeks will bring summer along again, and our splendid beach, stretching between the Souris, will offer its natural advantages for a "glorious promenade," and what a "glorious promenade" it could be made. We have our three representatives to the Local Houses living right with us—one in Souris West and two in Souris East—and they are not dumbies either. They are all true blue, however different their political complexion may be; but we want them to combine for the general good on the principle of Souris first and politics after. The beach has been terribly neglected. John Bunyan's slough of despond isn't a circumstance to the road across the beach in muddy weather. Kind Providence smiles now and then and gives us tolerably good footing in dry weather, but they say that "God helps them that helps themselves," and we want the Government to give us good footing in wet weather. We are a good-natured sort of people out this way; very patient and long suffering, not very apt to be cross or unreasonable, and mostly in a pious mood; but if all the piety of all the churches was concentrated in our midst, it will not keep us from giving the Government "particular fits" if we are going to be treated with cold neglect about that beach. Everybody complains about it. Last summer, it was frequently the most forsaken looking arrangement imaginable. Nothing human would face it. Right in the middle of the season, the rain would pour in torrents, and the discomfited traveller, when he would face that beach road, could not help fancying that a Northwest blizzard, a Western cyclone, and a Mississippi freshet had met together for a frolic and pitched their spite on Souris Beach. What the road really wants is leveling up some twelve or eighteen inches, its entire length, good banking on both sides, and grading off from the centre, so as to permit of the road being always as dry as possible. The Beach itself is something to be proud of. Souris is one of the finest seashore villages the Island can boast of, and it would add immensely to its present advantages if our local Representatives would cause the Government to come down handsomely for the very necessary improvements advocated above. We want no patchwork policy; give us a good road or none.

Our Fisheries afford a never ending source of wealth to those who seek it. We know that "all is not gold that glitters," but still there has been a wonderful amount of glittering gold manufactured from odd-fish. The Island is surrounded by the ocean, and "there is millions in it." There are whole villages nestling in peace, content and plenty on the shores of Nova Scotia. Poverty is unknown, and oddfish did it. Prince Edward Island is behind-hand in this matter. With advantages the very best, and men who know all about how to use them, it is very singular that we cannot boast of fishing fleets on the Banks, such as proceed from many ports on the shores of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. It is pleasing to notice that Matthew, McLean & Co. have fitted out a stout schooner—the *Lorraine*, Capt. Tierney—to proceed to the fishing grounds off Cape North. It is to be earnestly hoped that the Captain will have such success with the *Lorraine*, as will induce many others of our merchants to go at work with a will, and reap a good share of the wealth which lies all around them, only waiting to be taken.

"Vacant chairs—mute, inanimate things we think them, and yet they are eloquent with a language all their own, and which appeals to our inmost hearts." Loved ones pass away, friendships are surrendered and hearts break, and we can only gaze from "out our tears" at vacant chairs. Death has visited one of our quiet village homes, and two of "the little ones" are sleeping now to wake with God. Happy children

so early beckoned to Heaven. The parents sorrow, but there is a glorious golden lining behind the dark cloud which has overshadowed them, and out of its eternal sunshine their two darling children beckon them upward to themselves and to Him who said "suffer the children to come unto me."

LANSCASTER.

Souris, April 28th, 1884.

The report of the commissioner (Capt. P. A. Scott, R. N.) appointed to take evidence in the case of the wrecked steamer Daniel Steinmann, has been made to the deputy minister of marine. After referring to the evidence, etc., it concludes as follows: The master appears to have navigated his ship with all due care up to the time of his making the light, and by going aloft himself, in the endeavor to make it, showed that he was cautious. But it will be seen in the evidence that the master had no observations that day, and was, therefore, uncertain as to his position. By his own statement that the night was dark, foggy and rainy, and the soundings were irregular. It was highly imprudent under all these circumstances to attempt to enter the port of Halifax. It was clearly his duty to have hauled off shore, until he was able to verify his position and obtain a pilot. To this circumstance alone can be attributed the loss of that fine ship and the lives of 124 persons who were sacrificed through this unhappy event.

The exports of Canada for March were \$3,005,054, of which produce of the mines were \$201,035; fisheries, \$353,718; forest, \$470,427; animals and their products, \$773,751; agricultural products, \$823,570, manufactures, \$297,668. The increase in mines over March of last year is \$150,000; of forest, \$100,000; of animals, \$90,000. The decrease in agricultural products is \$870,000. The imports for home consumption for March were \$8,065,150, and the duty collected was \$1,592,731, a diminution of \$440,000 as compared with March of 1883.

LORNE HOTEL.

I AM instructed to sell by AUCTION, at my Salesroom,

To-morrow (Wednesday), April 30, AT TWELVE O'CLOCK,

The property known as the "Lorne Hotel," together with all the Furniture therein, fully fitted for the running of a first-class house.

Terms and other particulars at sale.

WILLIAM DODD, Auctioneer.

Ch'town, April 29, 1884

TEAS!

On hand and to arrive, 425 half-chests choice retailing Teas, in packages of 5, 10, 15 and 20 pounds, also at Wholesale Prices.

GEO. DAVIES & CO.

Ch'town, April 29, 1884.

BOSTON STEAMERS.

"CARROLL" WILL be due here Friday morning, and will likely sail to return on Saturday evening.

CARVELL BROS.

Ch'town, April 29, 1884—2i

A NEW ORGAN.

BY AUCTION, Friday, May 2nd, at two o'clock, at my Auction Room, a beautiful new organ, 8 stops, 2 full sets Reeds, value \$125.00, will be sold at a bargain.

A. McNEILL, Auctioneer.

Ch'town, April 29, 1884.—3i

SEED BARLEY.

FOR SALE—Eighty bushels prime Seed Barley—yields twenty-six bushels from one.

Samples to be seen at Belmont Mills, the market, or Mr. J. D. McLeod's.

Price moderate.

April 29, 1884.

B. E. WRIGHT.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders in the Charlottetown Gas Light Company will take place at the Gas Works, on Tuesday, the 13th day of May next, at the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of electing Directors, and the general transacting of business.

WM. MURPHY, Secretary.

Ch'town, April 29, 1884.—2aw

GARD OF THANKS.

THE Committee of Management of the Oddfellow's Concert hereby tender their sincere thanks to the Orchestral Club, and the ladies and gentlemen who so kindly assisted in making the Concert such a success, and also to the public who so generously patronized the entertainment.

April 29, 1884.—1i

TO LET,

The large Brick Store on Queen Street, lately occupied by Mr. W. A. Hutcheon. Apply to A. WHITE, or W. F. CARTER.

March 29, 1884.—2a 11

YACHT FOR SALE

THE YACHT "CLARIBEL" with her Tackle and Sails, will be sold by Auction, on

Tuesday, the Sixth day of May,

at the hour of twelve o'clock, noon, where she now lies, on Peake's Number Three (3) Wharf.

This boat has a length over all of 40 feet, is of the registered tonnage of 12 tons (yacht measure, about 18 tons), has large cabin accommodation, and is in every way sound, well equipped, and handsomely finished.

—ALSO—

at the same time and place, the yacht

CARITA,

with her tackle and sails. This yacht has been entirely re-sparged, and new standing and running rigging put on her this spring.

For terms and conditions of sale, apply to

R. R. FITZGERALD, Charlottetown.

April 18 pat 11 sale

FIRE! FIRE!!

I WILL sell, by AUCTION, at my salesroom, on

Wednesday next, 30th instant,

at eleven o'clock, the balance of the Stock-in-Trade of Mr. S. T. Nelmes, saved from the late fire, comprising Bibles, Prayer Books, School Books, Blank Account Books, Games, Books of Travel, Novels, and a full assortment of Stationery and Novelties.

ALSO, one Office Safe.

Sale positive.

N. J. CAMPBELL, Auctioneer.

Ch'town, April 23, 1884—2i

Pearl Barley and Oatmeal

FOR SALE by the Subscriber, three tons Pearl Barley and three tons Oatmeal.

LEMUEL WRIGHT,

Kent Street, Ch'town, April 28—2i odd

Now opening at the London House, part of our Spring stock, selected by our Mr. Harris, in the British Markets, and arriving by the steamers Wetherby, Boston City, Waldensian, Hibernian, Caucasian, Castle City, Texas, Polynesian, and sailing ships from Liverpool and London.

GEO. DAVIES & CO.

Ch'town, April 28, 1884.

HATS! HATS!! HATS!!!

A splendid assortment of Christy's Hats, in Silk, Felt, etc., via Northern Light, just opened, at the London House, and prices very low.

JAMES PHILLIPS,

Kent Street.

Ch'town, April 19, 1884.

MONUMENTS.

PARTIES wishing neat and elegant monuments for their departed friends are invited to examine the choice assortment of Italian, White and Colored American Marble Monuments, Tablets and Headstones, in subscriber's saleroom, made from the most approved modern designs, at prices that cannot fail to give satisfaction.

JAMES PHILLIPS,

Kent Street.

Ch'town, April 9—2aw wklly 2m

WANTS, LOST, FOUND, &c.

TO LET—A HOUSE AND GARDEN with land, on Malpue Road. Possession immediately. Apply to S. W. DODD, Medical Hall. [ap29 3w tu fr

WANTED—A Lad of 12 to 15 years (must be able to write fairly) for office work. Apply to George Coombs, Queen's Wharf. [ap29

FOR SALE—A Spanish Cedar "SHELL," cost forty dollars, will be sold at a bargain. For particulars enquire at this office. [ap29 6i cod

WANTED—A good, steady MAN, to work on a farm and take charge. Apply at THE EXAMINER OFFICE. [ap29

TO LET—A Tenement House, situated on Hillsborough Street, containing seven rooms, with workshop and stable attached. Apply to JAMES A. ALLEY. [ap28 1w

TO LET—A Cottage, corner Hillsborough and Richmond Streets. Enquire on the premises. [ap28

HORSE FOR SALE—Suitable for farm or trucking. Apply to HENRY BEER, Water Street. [ap28

WANTED—A Furnished House, for the summer months. Address, the United States Consulate. [ap26

WANTED—A NURSE Good reference required. Apply to Mrs. George Peake, Edgecombe House. [ap26 1f

TO LET—About the 1st May, a Cottage, on Weymouth Street. Apply to F. L. HASZARD. [ap24 3aw

A SIDE-SADDLE (English make) will be sold at a bargain. Apply at this office. [ap24

TO LET—On the St. Peter's Road, half a mile from the city, a neat, well finished Cottage, with half an acre of land attached. Pleasantly situated. Formerly occupied by Mr. Cook. Apply to Hector McLeod, St. Peter's Road, East Railway. [mar27

THE Parties having in their possession a set of new Driving Harness, taken from the use of the 20th February, will oblige by returning them to the subscriber without further notice.—JAMES NEWELL. [mar27

Citizens' Skating Rink.

THE General Annual Meeting of the Shareholders of the Citizens' Skating Rink Company will be held in the Rink, on Wednesday, the 14th day of May, at eight p. m. By order.

W. W. STANLEY, Secretary.

Ch'town, April 28, 1884.—3aw

Grand Orange Tea.

A PUBLIC TEA will be held in Pownall, on 12th day of July, of which further particulars will be given in due time. By order of Committee.

April 29, 1884

Valuable Property.

BY AUCTION, May 9th at five o'clock, p. m., that beautiful plot of land, in Southport the property of Mrs. P. Breen.

Terms at sale.

HENRY BOYVER, Auctioneer.

Southport, April 25.

Schooner R. Munn.

BY AUCTION, SATURDAY, MAY 10th, at two o'clock, p. m., at Southport Wharf, the schooner R. Munn, with Sails, Anchors, Chains, etc.

HENRY BOYVER, Auctioneer.

Southport, April 25.

Lobster Fishermen Wanted.

Ten good Fishermen, to whom the highest wages will be paid, and immediate employment given. Apply to

HORACE HASZARD,

Ch'town, April 25—10i

HOME INDUSTRIES.

P. E. ISLAND SOAP WORKS. FULL LINES in Maple Leaf, Acme, Spruce Bnd. Mottled, Island Bouquet. Values fully equal to imported Soaps.

BEER & SONS, Proprietors.

Ch'town, April 21, 1884.—1m 6od

IMPORTED STALLION!

BY AUCTION, on the arrival of the first boat from Britain, a very fine dark bay Entire Horse, from Ontario. This Horse has taken first prizes and diplomas at Toronto, Hamilton, and other exhibitions.

Particulars on arrival of horse at Charlottetown.

A. McNEILL, Auctioneer.

Ch'town, April 21, 1884.

Schooner Mary Charles.

BY AUCTION, MONDAY, APRIL 28th at 12 o'clock, noon, at Peake's Wharf No. 1, the schooner Mary Charles, with Sails, Anchors, Chains, etc.

Terms at Sale.

A. McNEILL, Auctioneer.

Ch'town, April 19, 1883.—4i cod wklly 1i

Valuable Business Stand.

BY AUCTION, MONDAY, MAY 5th, at twelve o'clock, noon, that beautifully situated property, on Great George Street (opposite the R. C. Cathedral), known as Mrs. Coombs' House and Premises.

Two-thirds of the purchase money can remain on interest for a term of years.

For further particulars apply to Messrs. Palmer & McLeod.