

THE CHARLOTTETOWN GUARDIAN

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THE ANNUAL FESTIVAL OF SAINT ANDREW.

Saint Andrew's day is again close at hand and tomorrow evening the Caledonia Club will hold their annual festival in honor of Scotland's patron saint. Through a long term of years this strong and spirited organization has kept alive in Prince Edward Island the national games, the national music, the songs and the memories of the Land of the Heather. To that land a large proportion of the people of this Province trace their ancestry, and they feel a pride in the homeland of their fathers that is second to that of no other race. Happily, while it is a source of so much satisfaction to themselves, this pride of race in the men of Scottish blood neither wrongs, nor burdens nor menaces those of any other lineage. And it never serves to weaken the bond of loyalty to the Sovereign or to the Empire.

From their own rugged northland, from "Caledonia stern and wild," Scotchmen have gone to the ends of the earth. The migration has been so great that the Scottish people be-

yond the seas and their descendants now outnumber many times the four and a half millions at home. And, broadly speaking, they have given a good account of themselves the world around, as among the most progressive citizens of Canada, the United States, Australia, South Africa and other lands. To the stirring story of Scottish achievement, at home, in arms, in the battle for liberty, in statesmanship, in jurisprudence, in literature, in invention, in engineering and medicine, must be added what the race has done to extend the British Empire and make the sounds of freedom wider in all the world. Wherefore the orators on a St Andrew's Night can never want for national topics to stir their enthusiasm.

The annual gathering this year will be held at the Caledonian Club Rooms and will include in just and fair proportions something for young and old in speech and song, dancing and refreshments. The attendance promises to be large and enthusiastic.

TO AID THE WAR AGAINST CONSUMPTION.

King Edward Chapter of the Daughters of the Empire, who have already raised a goodly sum in aid of the movement against tuberculosis, have been devising means for the extension of that good work. They have hit upon a plan which has proved very largely successful elsewhere for similar worthy objects. A stamp has been designed for them by Mr Bayer, of which the Chapter has procured one thousand to be disposed of. It is of handsome and expressive design and the low price at which it will be offered for sale will enable every one to contribute to the good cause. Arrangements are being worked out by which the stamps will be put on sale in every part of the Province. Every purchaser will be a contributor toward helping to fight the dread

malady, consumption, just in proportion to the extent of his purchase, be it one cent, ten cents or ten dollars. The stamps are intended to be affixed to letters, parcels, newspapers, for transmission through the mails, or to packages delivered at the stores or sent by express. They will thus attract attention and advertise the war against disease, while at the same time showing that the sender of the article to which such stamp is affixed is helping the war along. Thousands of dollars have been raised for worthy objects in Central Canada and the United States in this way, and there is good reason to hope that through the appreciation of the public great success may attend this good enterprise of the Daughters of the Empire.

HON W. S. FIELDING AND THE TUNNEL PROJECT.

The Hansard report of Hon Mr Fielding's statement in regard to the Tunnel fully confirms the favorable impression made by the telegraphic summary as first printed. He said in part:

"I am glad to hear my honorable friends from the Island say that all they ask is that this matter shall be thoroughly and impartially inquired into and if the Tunnel can be built at moderate cost they think the work should be done. To that sentiment I most heartily subscribe and I am quite sure that the Government will have that feeling towards it. I quite agree with my hon. friends that the matter should be taken up more vigorously and more seriously and that we should endeavor to get a reliable and thorough survey by the best engineers, and if, as a result of that survey it is found that this important work can be constructed at a moderate cost, I for one, would

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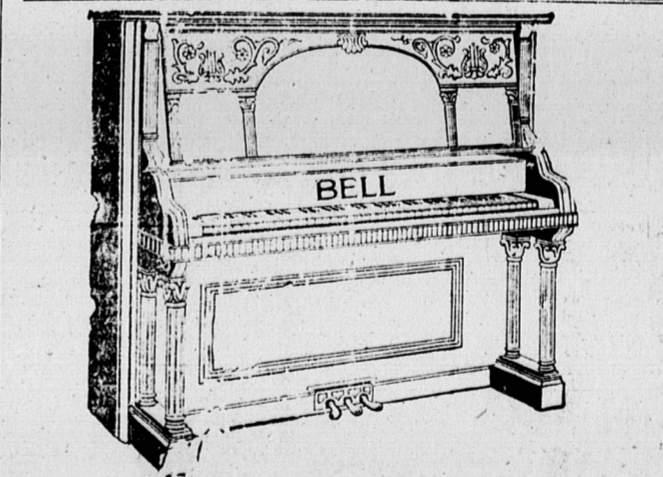
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