

THE DAILY EXAMINER.

JANUARY 24, 1898.

A FEW QUESTIONS.

Mr. Warburton had the pleasure of being present in Toronto at one of the numerous Liberal banquets; and he made a pretty speech in response to which the Premier of Ontario said:

"I am delighted to be here to-night and to hear not only a most distinguished member of the Government of the Dominion but also a most distinguished member of the Government of this little island Province of the ocean. I am sure we extend to the new Premier of Prince Edward Island a most cordial and hearty welcome. (Cheers.) It is the first time we have had the opportunity of seeing him, and I trust we will see him often here, and if his policy is only half as good as his looks, it is all that any man or woman would desire."

This is all very fine. But isn't it about time that the people of this Province were informed concerning the results of the government's operations in the past year and the prospects for the future? What about that million or more to be obtained from the Dominion government? What about the present state of the public debt? What has the Commissioner of Public Works been doing? What about the proposed addition to the hospital for the insane and the new Prince of Wales College building? What about exhibitions in this Province? These are questions concerning which the people are much more interested than about Mr. Warburton's post-prandial addresses in Toronto or his good looks; and this is the time in which they have leisure to consider the Government's proposals.

A NEW TRIAL.

The fact that a new trial has been ordered in the case of Mrs. Sternaman, found guilty of having murdered her husband by means of poison, has created a great deal of discussion throughout the country. No more atrocious crime can be imagined. The woman was convicted after a fair trial. But it is alleged that one of the doctors employed in the case saw some liquid in the murdered man's throat which was not referred to in the evidence, that affidavits have been laid before the Cabinet, concerning representations which, if they had been made at the trial, might have changed the result, and that eight of the jurymen have stated that if they had known that their recommendation to mercy would have been ignored they would not have convicted Mrs. Sternaman. Upon these grounds the Government have taken the responsibility of ordering a new trial. It is objected that these grounds are flimsy, and that it is important not to establish a precedent for long protracted proceedings in criminal cases, as in the United States. Certainly, a mistake will have been made if courts and juries conclude that their verdicts in criminal cases may not be final. Such an idea would be very apt to beget looseness in the conduct of trials; and of this the lawyers in criminal cases would be ready to take advantage and petition for new trials involving expense to the country and rendering the prompt punishment of crime uncertain. One thorough trial ought to be as good as a dozen.

Commenting on the application for a new trial the Ottawa Journal says: "The result seems to be a compromise between the feeling that the law should be carried out and a strong demand for clemency, coupled with the idea that the general sentiment of the country would be shocked by the hanging of a woman, even when she is known to be a murderer. The case is the first of the kind, and resembles the Shortis reprieve in that it seems to be the result of weakness or want of decision among the ministers who had to deal with it. There was in the declaration of the jury that the extension of mercy might be justifiable, ground for a commutation of the sentence, if the Minister of Justice could examine the case, find reasons, for clemency. The new trial ordered will be the first of its kind in Canada. It will establish a precedent that is too likely to be frequently appealed to, and the effect of which can hardly be other than to weaken the hand of the law in dealing with the gravest of crimes. Sharp lawyers, taking advantage of such appeals, have, in the United States, brought about a condition of affairs in the administration of the law where capital punishment is involved, that, by common consent, amounts to a scandal. Canadian lawyers are not likely to show themselves less determined to prevent their clients being hanged than are their United States fellows. Appeals for new trials will come to follow convictions for murder almost as a matter of course, and the labor of the Minister of Justice in dealing with capital cases will greatly increase, as well as the expense of the proceedings connected therewith. It will be remarkable, too, if the escapes from just punishment do not also increase."

It is asserted in London that the government has decided to ask Parliament to sanction an increase of the army 15,000 men.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

—A bad day to leave the track.

—It appears that the table of rates on the Intercolonial Railway recently issued has been withdrawn, and that Mr. Blair and Mr. Harris declare it to have been issued in mistake. Such mistakes ought not to occur.

—The majority of the people of the United States will probably awake, ere long—as the Boston Chamber of Commerce has already done,—to the monumental blunder that was committed when the Reciprocity Treaty of 1854 was abrogated by their government.

—It is pleasing to learn that the trade of Montreal has been largely increased since last year. The Star reports: "we have added nearly half as much again to our grain exports; we have given our cheese exports a lift, and have raised our shipments of lumber by nearly a hundred million feet."

ESTEEMED EXCHANGES.

Hamilton Herald: Laurier's sunny ways are again illustrated by his ability to extract sunshine from the "papal encyclical."

Montreal Gazette: Though the Legislature (of Quebec) enacted a hundred and nine new laws at the late session its record was not so bad as might have been. It killed a hundred and two bills.

Halifax Herald: Some people would have us believe that while Mr. Blair is Minister of Railways and Mr. Harris General Traffic Manager with a free hand, somebody else makes and publishes new freight rate tables! The question whether Mr. Harris is a myth, may be revived.

Buffalo Enquirer: Russell Sage, the New York millionaire, while talking about himself the other day, said: "I have always been guided by my Heavenly Father." This may be true, but the conviction will force itself on many people that there have been times when Russell lost sight of his conductor.

SUPREME COURT.

MONDAY, Jan. 24.

Fred B. McRae vs. Mark Wright & Co. Mr. Stewart, Q. C., for the defendants addressed the jury this forenoon. Mr. McLean, Q. C., for the plaintiff replied. After which Mr. Justice Fitzgerald charged the jury and at the time of going to press they are out considering their verdict.

A controversy is going on in the Irish press as to the most advantageous port of call for the new Canadian fast Atlantic service. The Tuam Herald and other newspapers of the south urge the claims of Galway as opposed to Derry, on the grounds that the former is the nearest by land to Dublin and affords the shortest Atlantic route. Petersen, Tate & Co., the contracting firm, have not yet made a selection, and will no doubt be guided in a great measure by the wishes of the British and Canadian Government.

Nervous people find relief by enriching their blood with Hood's Sarsaparilla, which is the one true blood purifier and nerve tonic.

Two of the convicts in St. Vincent de Paul Penitentiary were recently flogged on account of insubordination. It is hoped that a touch of the "cat" will ensure good order in the future.

White Goods Sale now on at Paton's.

HOTEL PROPERTY TO LET AT SOURIS.

The subscriber offers to let, for any term from one to ten years, a very pleasant situated property, comprising a plot 220x100 feet, with a good house and large nearly new well suited for Hotel purposes, affording a rare chance for any energetic person to make money, of the present demand, for increased Hotel accommodation in the rising town of Souris. The house contains two large halls, and thirteen rooms, besides the kitchen, there is also a veranda extending along the front, which is about forty-eight feet. Immediate possession will be given. J. G. STERNS, Souris Jan 14 '98

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NEWS NOTES.

The Illinois National Guards, thirteen hundred strong, propose paying a visit to Canada next summer.

Knox College, Illinois, has conferred the Degree of Dr. of Laws upon Dr. Nansen, the Arctic Explorer.

The C. P. R. earnings for the week ending Jan 14th amounted to \$404,000—\$79,000 more than in the corresponding week last year.

The eight months old daughter of Mr. Gauthier, who is employed in the Finance Department, Ottawa, was choked to death one day last week by trying to swallow a candy.

The suit against Lady Sykes in London by Jay, a money-lender has failed, the jury finding that the signatures to the notes were forged. This put her Ladyship in a rather worse position than before.

The Dominion Bank is to put in circulation an issue of twenty dollar bills, engraved with the head of its president, Sir Frank Smith. An issue of ten dollar notes is to follow. It is many years since this honor last fell to the president of the bank.

Great Britain, it appears, has again refused to re-open the Behring Sea sealing question. The U. S. Congress passed the annoying and trade disturbing anti-seal skin law to no purpose save the inconvenience of the people of the United States and their visitors.

The British Admiralty has just issued a list of the whereabouts of the warships of Great Britain in the far East. It shows that the first-class twin screw armoured cruiser Undaunted (of 5,600 tons, 8,500 horse power, and 12 guns), and the twin-screw sloop Algerine (of 1,050 tons, 400 horse power, and six guns), are at Kiao Chau bay.

An unfavourable view is taken in London of the financial position of Austria, and it is based on economic conditions. The shortage of the harvest in Austria-Hungary is much greater than has been anticipated. Advances from good quarters indicate that it will be necessary to import £20,000,000 worth of food supplies. This will have an important effect on exchanges.

White household and linen goods sale. Paton's annual big sale begins this morning at 6 a. m. Table linens, napkins, pillow cottos, sheetings, towels and towelings, white cottons, elegant Swiss embroideries, lace curtains, apron cloths, tucked muslins, ladies and gents' handkerchiefs, gents white and unlaundried shirts, collars and cuffs, ladies underclothing. Special prices and large display at Jas Paton's & Co's.

A report to the Agriculture Department at Ottawa, from London, Eng., regarding the butter trade, says:—"There has been a fair demand for Australian butter during the past week, especially for butter at a low price, so as to bring a good profit when retailed at 24 cents. Prices are somewhat easier, and while some agents are selling their choicest brands at 20 1-2 to 21 cents, others are fighting hard for 21 1-2 cents, but those who are selling lowest will win in the tug of sale, and succeed in lowering prices, as well as the pockets of the Australian dairymen. There is in the North of England a very good demand for Canadian creamery butter, and in Manchester choicest qualities have brought from 21 1-2 to 22 3-4 cents wholesale, thus exceeding the price for the Australian product."

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THE MANITOBA SCHOOL QUESTION

Pope Leo's Encyclical Read in the Churches Yesterday.

In all the Roman Catholic Churches of this Diocese, yesterday, the encyclical Letter of His Holiness the Pope, respecting the Manitoba School Question, was read. In St. Dunstan's Cathedral the Encyclical was read by Rev. Dr. Morrison at High Mass. In connection with the encyclical the following letter from the Lord Bishop of Charlottetown was also read:

BISHOP'S PALACE, Ch'town, Jan. 19, 1898. To My Dear Brethren, the Clergy of the Diocese of Charlottetown.

I send you herewith a copy of the recent encyclical of His Holiness Pope Leo XIII on the "Manitoba School Question," which will be read in each church of the Diocese the first Sunday on which the pastor officiates therein after its reception.

I send you also a copy of the Pastoral Letter of His Grace Archbishop Begin, Coadjutor to His Eminence the Cardinal Archbishop of Quebec, to whom the Encyclical was forwarded from the Vatican. As I make this Pastoral Letter my own, you will also read it to the faithful under your charge. I earnestly pray God that on the instructions thus given by the Supreme Pontiff of the Catholic Church the faithful will be of one mind, as are the Bishops of Canada, and I feel confident that you will all do your duty in maintaining the sacred principles of Catholic education as expressed in that revered document which we have received from the Holy Father.

Trusting that the Almighty God will assist us in the cause of right, I remain, dear Rev. Fathers,

Yours Faithfully in Christ, J. C. McDONALD, Bishop of Charlottetown.

The Pope's encyclical, as well as the pastoral letter to which reference is made by Bishop Macdonald, have already been published and need not be reprinted today.

LEITER'S GRAIN.

How He is Transferring it, and Other Interesting Particulars.

The New York World prints the following telegram from Chicago: "Joseph Leiter is now transferring 2,500,000 bushels of his wheat from the Armour elevators into the holds of vessels in order to stage it and at the same time be ready to rush the grain to market when the time comes. From 9,000,000 bushels Leiter's line has increased to 15,000,000 bushels. He owns about all the contract wheat in this market about 9,000,000 bushels. He has at Duluth about 1,000,000 bushels and at Minneapolis another 1,000,000. He controls about 540,000 bushels at Buffalo, and has some grain abroad. The ownership of over 11,000,000 bushels of cash wheat, almost a third of the visible supply, would make any interest at this time of the year a factor. Leiter's influence is the more commanding by reason of his grain being of the contract quality, and amounting to at least 75 per cent., of the whole stock in storehouses available for delivery on speculative sales. But this does not end his interest. No one knows how large his purchases for future delivery are. The pit assumes that he is "long" 503,000 bushels for January, and that he has several million bought for May."

INFORMATION WANTED.

SIR,—There was a law passed during the regime of Mr. Peters determining that no company doing a life insurance business in this Province directly or incidentally as its object could operate without paying a tax of \$150 to the Government.

Will you kindly explain on what ground such societies as the I. O. F. C. O. F. C. M. B. A., etc, claim exemption from the law and continue to do an illicit business in what professes to be life insurance.

ENQUIRER.

Come, love, to Rossie Dea, Nane o' the lave will ken What blithesome hours we spen' at Burns' concert. Tickets 25 cents, at Paton's.

Come to Carter's bookstore to night. The greatest stock of books, papers, and magazines, ever shown in this province and cheap; cheap.

As the assurance is vouchsafed that Nane will gae hame the war o' nappy, A' will be sober, blithe an' happy. At Burns' concert Tuesday evening.

Miss Lucy Lefurgey, graduate of the Emerson College of Oratory, is at home to a limited number of pupils in physical culture and oratory. For particulars enquire at her residence, Mrs. L. J. Sontner's, Weymouth St. 13 4w eod

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Each took off his several way, Resolved to meet some other day, at Burns' concert.

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BURNS' ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION UNDER THE AUSPICES OF The Caledonia Club. Opera - House Tuesday Evening, 25th inst

PROGRAMME. PART I. 1. Overture... Orchestra. 2. Living Pictures... Charge of Gordon Highlanders, 3. Male Quartette... Robin Adair. 4. Vocal Solo... Mary of Argyle Miss Hyrdman. 5. Recitation... Miss Flo. McKenzie. 6. Solo... Highlandman's Toast Mr. R. H. Lamont. 7. Orchestra... 8. Dance... Miss McDonald. 9. Solo... Loch Lomond Miss Gillis. 10. Solo... Prof. Coven. PART II. 11. Orchestra... 12. Vocal Duet... When Ye Gave Awa' Jamie? Mr. and Miss Earle. 13. Recitation... Miss Stentford. 14. Violin Solo—Fantasia "Auld Lang Syne"... Farmer Prof. Vinnicombe. 15. Solo... Jessie's Dream Miss Cullings. 16. Solo... Character Song Mr. Geo. Rogers. 17. Orchestra... 18. Solo... Mr. J. H. McDonald. 19. Solo with violin obligato... Pretty Jean Mr. Lees. 20. Orchestra... Tickets and plan at usual places on Friday morning. Popular prices. Reserved seats 35c unreserved 25 cents. J. A. MACDONALD, Sec'y of Com. Jan 21

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CIVIC ELECTION

In pursuance of an Act of the General Assembly of this Island, made and passed in the fifty-first year of the reign of Her present Majesty Queen Victoria, Chap. 12, intituled "The City of Charlottetown Incorporation Act," and of the Act amending the same, 55 Vic., Chap. 10, intituled "An Act to amend the City of Charlottetown Incorporation Act."

I do hereby give Public Notice that an election of a Mayor for the said City, and for one person to serve as common Councilman in the City Council for each of Wards Numbers 1, 2 and 3 of said City, and of two persons to serve as Common Councilmen in the said Council for Ward No. 4 of said City, and of three persons to serve as Common Councilmen in the said Council for Ward No. 5 in said City, being in all a Mayor and Eight Common Councilmen representing the City as follows:—

For Ward Number One... One Councillor, " " " " Two... One Councillor, " " " " Three... One Councillor, " " " " Four... Two Councillors, " " " " Five... Three Councillors,

WILL BE HELD ON Wednesday, the 9th day of February, A. D. 1898,

At the several places, that is to say:

In Ward 1, at or near the office of Mr. John MacEachern, Queen Street. In Ward 2, at or near the house of Mr Thomas Connolly, opposite Mr. R. Heartz's Warehouse, Sydney Street, between Great George and Prince Streets. In Ward 3, at or near the Market House, In Ward 4, at or near the City Hall, corner of Kent and Queen Streets. In Ward 5, at or near the carriage shop of Philip Large & Son, on Great George Street.

And at the said Election the Poll will be opened at nine o'clock in the forenoon, and continue open until five o'clock in the afternoon of the same day.

DESCRIPTION OF WARDS.

Number One shall comprise all that part of Charlottetown which lies south of Dorchester Street, and the parcel of land formerly known as the Military Barrack Ground. Number Two shall comprise all that part of Charlottetown which lies south of Richmond Street and north of Dorchester Street. Number Three shall comprise all that part of Charlottetown which lies south of Grafton Street and north of Richmond Street. Number Four shall comprise all that part of Charlottetown which lies south of Fitzroy Street and north of Grafton Street. Number Five shall comprise all that part of Charlottetown which lies north of Fitzroy Street including the Common of the said Town.

NOMINATION DAY.

WEDNESDAY, February 2nd, A. D. 1898, from the hour of Twelve at noon until the hour of Four o'clock in the afternoon of the same day. For qualification of Electors, see above Act 51 Victoria, Cap. 12, sections 24 to 29. [L. S.] W. E. DAWSON, Mayor of the City of Charlottetown. H. M. DAVISON, City Clerk.

City Clerk's Office, Charlottetown, Jan. 20, 1898, Jan 20—101

Election of a Water Commissioner.

In pursuance of an Act of the General Assembly of this Island, made and passed in the 50th year of the reign of Her present Majesty Queen Victoria, intituled "Charlottetown Water Works Act, 1887," I do hereby give Public Notice that an

Election for a Water Commissioner for the City of Charlottetown,

in the place of PETER HALLORAN, retired, will be held on Wednesday, the 9th day of February, A. D. 1898,

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