

THE DAILY EXAMINER.

SEPTEMBER 8, 1886.

"An Absurd Scheme."

The Montreal Herald classes the Subway scheme among the "absurd schemes" encouraged by the Dominion Government.

No doubt the editor of the Herald is a great engineer—though his talent lies rather in the direction of working upon the prejudices of the ignorant and vulgar than in surmounting the difficulties presented by nature.

But does the Subway scheme appear "absurd" from moral or financial points of view? The commonest morality demands that a well understood bargain shall, if possible, be fulfilled; and the Dominion Government is clearly bound—we quote the letter of the contract—to provide

"Efficient steam service for the conveyance of mails and passengers, to be established and maintained between the Island and the mainland of the Dominion, winter and summer, thus placing the Island in continuous communication with the Intercolonial Railway and the railway system of the Dominion."

It is not, we submit, "absurd" to expect the fulfillment of this bargain—seeing that all the engineers (except the editor of the Montreal Herald) are of opinion that it may be fulfilled under the Subway scheme.

But, then, the cost—no doubt the absurdity of the scheme consists in this. It is estimated by Vernon Smith, C. E., that the cost will be about \$2,000,000; other engineers place it as high as \$5,000,000.

In view of the exceptionally favorable conditions shown by the survey and borings and the improvements that are constantly being made in the machinery and appliances used in work of this description, it seems reasonable that the cost will be within the latter estimate.

Say that it will be \$4,000,000, the interest of which is \$160,000 a year—a crushing burden will not be imposed upon the five millions of people in Canada.

Remember that if constructed, the Subway will cause a large saving. Even now, over \$30,000 are expended each year in keeping up communication between this Island and the mainland; and to make connection by means of steamers and iceboats at all satisfactory an expenditure of double that—\$60,000 a year—will be required.

That will be saved if the Subway scheme is successful. Then the loss of the P. E. Island Railway, by reason of the isolation of the Island in winter, ranges from \$75,000 to \$100,000 a year. It is reasonable to hope that that loss will, owing to the impetus to trade which the Subway will give, be saved.

These two savings alone will largely cover the first cost of the Subway. The Island now has a population of about 110,000, but every observant person who travels through it can easily see that it is capable of supporting three times as many persons—to say nothing of the large floating population which may be confidently expected as a result of the fulfilment of the terms of union.

It has, moreover, been demonstrated, that directly and indirectly, the Island pays into the Dominion Treasury some \$150,000 a year more than the Dominion Government pays out on her account.

Under all these circumstances the scheme by which the Dominion Government will be enabled to fulfil its bargain and redeem its pledged word cannot rightly be classed among absurd schemes, even though \$4,000,000 or \$5,000,000 of Dominion money should be expended in carrying it out.

Lord Granville does not think the Subway scheme "absurd," Sir Charles Tupper does not think it absurd, the best engineers in America do not think it absurd; and the Montreal Herald to the contrary notwithstanding—we contend that it is not absurd, and that the Dominion Government are justified in making the surveys and borings, which are necessary to a right judgment concerning it.

Canadian Horses for England. THE Hamilton Times says that "if the farmers of Canada do not find a market for their horses in Great Britain it will not be through lack of persistent effort on the part of the British army officers who have been sent to the Dominion to purchase suitable animals for the army.

The agriculturists have it in their own hands. If they produce suitable animals they will be bought. Some difficulty may be experienced, on their first canvass for animals, in obtaining horses exactly meeting the requirement of the army experts, but in any case it would be well for farmers and horse-breeders to bring as many animals forward as they can.

As the commissioners choose, the points of excellence upon which they rely will be made evident. We believe that they will consist mainly in the demand that the horses shall be reasonably young, sound in wind and limb, and neither very heavy nor very light. In other words, an average Canadian horse will fill the bill admirably."

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My own impression is that the looser the bond is between us and them, the more likely we are to hang together. We are the connecting link—between the Colonies there is none.

ings of the bottom, are furnished, yet from all that we can glean from the data now within our reach we would judge that the expense would not be far from four million and five hundred thousand dollars."

We have also the opinion of Mr. C. C. Gregory, C. E., that the Subway scheme is entirely feasible; and we have, in addition to this mass of scientific opinion, the evidence of a practical test of Mr. Hall's caisson on the bottom of Lake Michigan, which was a "most gratifying success."

We therefore submit that the Herald has not, from a scientific point of view, been justified in classing the Subway scheme among the "absurd schemes" which the Government of Sir John Macdonald delights to encourage.

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Obtaining Money Under False Pretences.

The weekly stipend necessary to keep the ex-cavalry officer in durance vile not being paid on time, he was released last evening. As soon as the fact of his being at large became known, Mr. J. J. Davies, of the Rankin, had a warrant—charging him with obtaining money under false pretences—issued for his arrest.

The warrant was placed in the hands of Sergeant Cameron, and as it was reported that the defendant intended leaving the Island via Summerside, the Sergeant boarded the train for there this morning. On arrival of the train at North Wiltshire, the ex-cavalry officer boarded it.

As soon as he was on board, the Sergeant, after a few preliminary remarks, took him in custody and brought him back to the city. He was arraigned before the Stipendiary Magistrate at noon to-day. Messrs. McLean and McDonald appeared for the prosecution, and Mr. Blanchard conducted the case for the defence.

Mr. J. J. Davies, the prosecutor, was the first witness examined. He said: Late on the evening of the 22nd April last the defendant returned from a party and asked that his bill be given him and at the same time requested the loan of \$100 in cash. He got the bill as well as the \$100, and gave me a check for the entire amount (\$147) on the Agency of the Bank of Nova Scotia in this city. I took the check in good faith as I thought he was all right from the company he kept as well as from the fact that he had previously paid me upwards of \$100 in \$10 Bank of Nova Scotia bills. He told me that he had money in the Bank of Nova Scotia and that the check would be cashed as soon as it was presented. It was on Thursday evening that the check was given me and the following day being Good Friday the Bank was closed. On Saturday I presented the check at the Bank of Nova Scotia but was told by the teller that there were no funds to meet it. I then took it to the cashier but he told me the same thing and asked me to call again on Monday.

I called again on Monday but was again told that there were no funds. For a week or so I kept asking for the money, but the answer was invariably "no funds." He next went to Halifax, and on his return told me that his funds were there. He then gave me two \$1000 checks on a bank in Halifax, and I gave him the \$147 check, which he tore up. I sent both the \$1000 checks to Halifax, but they were not paid. After the checks had been sent to Halifax, and before they had time to return, he asked me for a further loan of \$500. After the return of the uncashed checks the defendant told me that he was expecting his money every day. I asked two of the Bank of Nova Scotia officials about the defendant's business, and both told me that he had no account there. I often lent him money before, but he never gave me a check until this time. I did not ask him for the check. He told me positively that he had money in the Bank of Nova Scotia to meet the amount of the check.

J. A. Moore, Teller of the Bank of Nova Scotia, did not remember much about the check in question, and was not aware that the defendant had an account with the Bank.

Court adjourned at one o'clock.

The Court re-assembled at two o'clock. M. J. Fitzgerald, ledger-keeper of the Bank of Nova Scotia, was the first called. He testified that the defendant did not have an account with the Bank here.

P. Mitchell, Cashier of the Merchants' Bank of P. E. Island, remembered having received two checks for \$1000 each on the Bank of Nova Scotia, Halifax, and drawn in favor of Mr. J. J. Davies. He forwarded them to Halifax and on the 31st May received a telegram from there stating that they had been refused. They were returned to him a few days later and handed over to Mr. Davies. The prisoner wanted him to cash some of his own drafts on France, and said that he expected remittances in a few days.

Mr. McLean here announced that this closed the case for the prosecution. Mr. Blanchard asked for a postponement, so that some important testimony might be obtained.

His Honor granted the request, and ordered a postponement till Friday next.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

The Mayoralty. SIR,—Your last article on the Mayoralty was a word in season. I believe it expresses public sentiment to a T. I am surprised that the Patriot is not equally strong. Citizens of both parties and all classes should unite as one man to put down the faction which wants to "run" the city to its loss and their own benefit.

It may not be expedient to decide about Civic Reform just now; but no more opportune time will, in my opinion, be found to show the faction that they can't rule this City Council.

Yours truly, VOTER.

Wanted a Plan. SIR,—Perhaps it is not your misfortune to live in a house infested by punsters. It is mine. Up to the present date, though I have looked diligently, I have failed to find any reliable method of exterminating them. Mice may be enticed to their destruction, cockroaches circumvented and kittens discouraged, but the punster lives merrily on in spite of all appliances for getting rid of him at present known to domestic science. If any plan not intimately connected with dynamite should occur to any reader in THE EXAMINER, he or she will confer a personal favor upon the public at large by communicating it to your paper for immediate insertion.

A VICTIM.

HOTEL ARRIVALS. RANKIN HOUSE. Sept 7—F S Corey, W H Rolfe, Portland, Me; A G Smith, Chas Cooke, Jacksonville, N B; H J Hamilton, Toronto. S F W Stoner, A McL Armour, Montreal.

OSBORNE HOUSE. Sept 7—N McLeod, Orwell; A Lemon, Montague; F Hope, Halifax; L A Wilton, Moncton; F L Dixon, Dorchester. 8—A Fraser, Dover, N H; E J Ruminton, do; D Fraser, Commercial Cross, Lot 57; G Forbes, W M Forbes, Vernon River Bridge; A Cameron, Halifax; Miss Martha Campbell, Charlottetown, S C; E B Muttart, J Scully, Souris.

GRAND MOONLIGHT EXCURSION

THE BEST OF THE SEASON.

A grand Moonlight Excursion, under the auspices of the CITY CORNET BAND, will be held

On Wednesday, Sept. 15th, in the steamer St. Lawrence.

Steamer will leave Steam Navigation Co's Wharf at 8 o'clock, P. M. The String Band will furnish music for dancing.

Refreshments on board. Tickets—Gents, 40c; Ladies, 30c, to be had at D. O'M Riddin's, and C. D. Rankin's Drug Stores, of the Committee and at the Wharf. Should the weather prove unfavorable, the Excursion will be held on the following Friday evening.

By order of Com. Sept. 1, 1885—eod

To the Electors of the City of Charlottetown:—

GENTLEMEN,—In compliance with the Resolution passed by a large majority of the electors present at the city meeting, held in the Market Hall on Saturday night, I have consented to become a candidate for the office of Mayor, now vacant in consequence of the lamented death of Henry Beer, Esquire.

Should I be elected to the Mayoralty, I will do all in my power to advance the moral, social and commercial interests of my native city. Yours respectfully, T. HEATH HAVILLAND. Alma Cottage, 7th Sept., 1886.

The Lecture on Love, Courtship and Marriage,

BY PROFESSOR CAMPBELL, which was to be delivered at J. D. McLeod's Hall, on Tuesday evening, is postponed till 8 o'clock on FRIDAY EVENING, the 10th inst., at the same place. Admission, 15c. Ch'town, Sept. 8, 1886—3i

HARD COAL,

ARRIVED to-day per Robbie Godfrey from New York.

280 TONS.

Will be sold low while landing. R. McMILLAN.

Sept. 8—6i & wky 11

FURNITURE, STOVES, &c.

BY Auction, at my Salesroom, on FRIDAY, 10th inst., at 1.30 P.M., general lot of Household Furniture, consisting of— 1 Parlor Set, in haircloth, 6 Walnut Dining-room Chairs, cane-bottom, 1 Side-board, 2 Bed-room Sets, 1 Walnut Umbrella Stand, Bureaus, Chairs, Lamps, Clocks, Pictures, Oilcloth, Rugs, &c., &c.

—ALSO— 1 Cook Stove (Victoria No. 8), 1 Hall Stove and Parlor and Bedroom Stoves. *This is a fine lot of Furniture. G. M. HARRIS, Auctioneer.

Sept. 7.—3i

Linear Perspective.

V. R. H. GREEN is preparing a class for a course of practical instruction in the above.

PERSPECTIVE DRAWING is essential to Artists, Engineers, Surveyors, Architects, Builders, Designers, &c., and will be found a most fascinating study. The class is intended for both A and Junior classes, and is taken separately. In view of a large class the terms will be moderate.

The Hour will be arranged to suit the convenience of the greatest number. Apply to H. GREEN, Kent Street. Sept. 4.

SPECIAL CIVIC ELECTION.

IN pursuance of an act of the General Assembly of this Island, made and passed in the forty-third year of the reign of Her present Majesty Queen Victoria, intituled, "An Act to amend the Act of the eighteenth Victoria, Chapter thirty-four, intituled 'An Act to incorporate the town of Charlottetown and all Acts amending the same.'"

We do hereby give Public Notice that an Election of a Mayor for the said City, in place of Henry Beer, Esquire (deceased), will be held on

MONDAY, the 13th day of September, A.D. 1886,

At the several places, that is to say: In Ward No. 1, at or near the store of Messrs. J. & T. Morris, corner of Queen and Water Street, and the parcel of land formerly known as the Military Barrack Ground.

In Ward No. 2, at or near the house of Thomas Connolly, opposite Mr. R. Hearty's Warehouse, Sydney Street, between Great George and Prince Street.

In Ward No. 3, at or near the Market House. In Ward No. 4, at or near the Fire Engine House, fronting on Kent Street, east, between Weymouth and Cumberland Streets.

In Ward No. 5, at or near the carriage shop of Carroll & McAleer, corner of Euston and Great George Streets. 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 north of the 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. MONDAY, 6th inst., from the time of Twelve at noon until the hour of Four o'clock in the afternoon of the same day.

Qualification of Electors, see Act 33, Victoria, Cap. 15, sec. 20 and 61 and 48 vic, and Cap. 5, Sec. 12. [L. S.] A. A. McLEAN, HENRY C. DOUSE, ALEXANDER HORNE, SAMUEL McRAE, JOHN KELLY, THOMAS MORRIS, HORACE HAZZARD, Common Councilmen of the City of Charlottetown.

A. H. MACPHERSON, City Clerk. City Clerk's Office, Charlottetown, September 3rd, 1886. ti etec

LONDON HOUSE.

SEPTEMBER, 1886.

FLANNEL SALE.

WHITE FLANNEL, WHITE FLANNEL, WHITE FLANNEL. BLUE FLANNEL, BLUE FLANNEL, BLUE FLANNEL. FANCY FLANNEL, FANCY FLANNEL, FANCY FLANNEL. SCARLET FLANNEL, SCARLET FLANNEL, SCARLET FLANNEL. GREY FLANNEL, GREY FLANNEL, GREY FLANNEL. Eleven Thousand Yards now Open and Selling at the LOWEST PRICES Ever Shown. Terms—CASH.

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