

and broaden the gauge of the P. E. Island Railway, so as to conform to the railway system of the continent, as well as build the branches where the traffic may warrant, but more particularly through Belfast to Murray Harbor, and through New London to Rustico, thus tapping the fisheries of the north and south shores of the Island. But that has nothing to do with the question at all. I did not make any use of these figures for the purpose of drawing any deductions from them but simply for the purpose of showing hon. gentlemen in this House and out of it what P. E. Island pays into the revenue of the Dominion. I do not think that it is a fair way to treat the case, but I wish to put an end to the oft repeated statement that P. E. Island costs the Dominion more than the Dominion receives from her. P. E. Island came into the Dominion of Canada, joined the

BROTHERHOOD OF PROVINCES which form this Dominion, and whether the Island is rich or poor has nothing to do with the matter. I do not think it is fair or right to be continually referring to it and other small provinces as being a source of expense to the Dominion.

In bringing this matter to the notice of the House last year, a great many men shook their heads when the project was broached. I thought it my duty to place before the Senate such facts regarding this question as would put it beyond any doubt or ridicule. It is true a great many enterprises have, during the last few years, been taken up in this Dominion. The sound still echoes this Chamber of the ridicule which greeted the first mention of the Pacific Railway project. Many hon. gentlemen laughed at it and said the whole resources of the country would not be equal to its construction; but the railway has been built, and I hope we shall all live to see this tunnel completed. In closing I have to apologize for having taken up so much of the time of the House in the consideration of this measure. I know to some hon. gentlemen the question has not that importance which it possesses for us down by the sea, but I say this, that there are more commercial travellers visiting Prince Edward Island to-day from the great cities of the Dominion than perhaps any other class of the community. We always receive them kindly and are glad to see them, because we belong to the same great country. I hope the time is not far distant when many of our members here will be able to visit Prince Edward Island; then they will aid by their influence and their votes—they will give us this Bill of incorporation to enable a company which is broad minded and liberal enough to take up this great work, and make it one of the greatest engineering works in the world.

It may be here remarked that the enhanced cost of education in 1885 is due to the increased number of schools, the higher rank of the teachers and the larger supplements granted—not to extravagance on the part of the Government—for the scale of salaries and other expenditures in connection with education are precisely the same as they were in 1878.

Under the heading of Public Works, there were expended in 1878 on new Asylum at Falconwood, new Court Houses, Breakwater and Macadamizing, \$60,349.42. These were expenditures for which there were no equivalents in 1885. But with those exceptions, the services of the Public Works Department are the same they were in 1885. Subtract the \$60,349.42 from the difference as above stated, and we find that while the services are at least as well maintained, Hon. Mr. Campbell has effected a saving of \$25,952.58.

Table with 2 columns: Year, Amount. Rows for Legislation cost in 1878, Public Works cost in 1878, Difference, and similar for 1885.

The amount paid for printing, advertising and stationery for the various departments was, in 1885, \$4,460.61, of which THE EXAMINER received \$19.25. The amount paid for printing in 1878 was \$10,185.06. Of this amount the Patriot received \$2,598.94!

What, then, is the result of this comparison? The Liberal-Conservative Party are to be credited with having effected savings,—

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Rows for Administration of Justice, In Legislation, In Public Works, In other services, Total.

And if the uncontrollable expenditure for education were no more than in 1878, if it were not unavoidably enhanced by \$43,766.72, there would now—notwithstanding a decrease in the revenue amounting to nearly \$65,000—be shown, instead of a small deficit, a surplus on the year's transactions of over \$25,000.

But, parties aside, how does the Province now stand, and what are the prospects for the future? It will be noted that the receipts of the Land Office were last year abnormally small; and the cause is readily found in the smallpox visitation, by reason of which the officers of the Land Department were prevented from travelling in the country and making the ordinary collection. It will also be noted that of the large amounts due the province by the Dominion Government only, \$24,240 were paid. There are, therefore, grounds for anticipating that the receipts from these sources will be larger next year; and though the amount of the balance against the Province has been increased from \$53,931.70, to \$72,027.01, there is no good reason for the alarm which the Opposition are trying to create that the Province is on the verge of bankruptcy and ruin. The interest of \$72,000 is, after all, only about \$3,600, which might easily be more than met by the proposed reduction of the Legislature.

In this connection we must again express regret that no capital account is kept. So far as they go, the accounts are plain, and reflect great credit upon the auditor. But we can never know from them just how the Province stands until there is a capital account. There are a number of cattle on the Stock Farm, but nothing whatever in the accounts to show how many there are, or how much they are worth, or their increment during the year. There are Provincial Buildings all over the country—worth hundreds of thousands of dollars—but the accounts give no information whatever concerning them. This is not right. It is amazing that the business men in the Legislature tolerate so grave an omission.

The Patriot's references to members of the Legislature are, as usual, all one-sided. Its remark about the junior member for Belfast is particularly mean. Messrs. Sullivan and Campbell have established reputations, and cannot be injured by the Patriot. But Mr. Alex. Martin is a young member with a reputation to make; and the Patriot imagines that by representing him as a bully and swaggerer it will promote the candidature of the other Martin. The Patriot is mistaken. All who know Mr. Alexander Martin, know that he is anything but a bully or swaggerer, and that he is not the man to "imitate the bad example" of others. We have no doubt that the Patriot's attack upon "the junior member," will recoil with tenfold force upon the other member for Belfast.

—Is there not a possibility of improving the Railway Summer Time Table, so as to give us our foreign mails earlier in the evening. The steamer often arrives at Summerside from Point du Chene at least an hour in advance of the train from the west, and the mail is in consequence required to remain for the length of time. If the departure of the train from Tiguish were fixed for an hour earlier, close connection could be made at Summerside, and we would be in receipt of mail at seven o'clock. This would be a great advantage, as many evening engagements are made at eight o'clock (the hour at which the mail is supposed to arrive), and much inconvenience is experienced. The change, if made by our esteemed Superintendent, would be a popular one.

PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

APRIL 16.

After recess the House went again into Committee, and resumed consideration of the bill to expedite trials. After some time the bill was reported agreed.

Hon. Mr. SULLIVAN presented the petition of Patrick and Maurice Blake, praying the Legislature to confirm their title to a certain piece of land. He explained that the petition referred to a piece of land known as the site of the Coles Brewery, and that it was described on the deed as being in Georgetown, the name of the former owner being also incorrect. The error was in the deed held by the former owner, and an appeal to the Legislature to confirm the title was now necessary. A bill in accordance with the prayer of the petition was presented and read a first time.

MR. PERRY asked the Commissioner of Public Works if a petition from the inhabitants of Lower Kildare with a subscription list asking for a grant of money to build a bridge across the Lower Kildare has been received in his department—if so what action has been taken thereon.

HON. MR. CAMPBELL replied: I am not aware of any petition having been received. I believe that a petition was sent by a messenger, but it has not yet reached my office.

MR. PERRY asked if the extension of the Central Line Road from Western Road to Huntley had been ordered as promised last session.

HON. MR. CAMPBELL said the road had not been ordered because of a dispute among the people concerned.

MR. BENTLEY introduced a Bill to incorporate the Middleton Hall Company. Read a first time.

MR. PERRY asked the Leader of the Government if it were the intention of the Government to introduce, during the present session, a measure reducing the Legislature.

HON. MR. SULLIVAN said the Legislature was now in session, and he declined to give the required information just now.

MR. PERRY asked the Leader of the Government what action (if any) had been taken by the Board of Education with respect to a petition of the inhabitants of Eimsdale, praying for a new school district.

HON. MR. SULLIVAN said he would give the information to-morrow.

MR. PERRY asked the Leader of the Government to bring in this session a bill to provide registry of deeds, wills and records of judgments of the Supreme Court in the different counties.

HON. MR. SULLIVAN said the Government had had the matter under consideration.

MR. FARQUHARSON asked the Leader of the Government to lay on the table of the House all accounts in connection with the smallpox.

HON. MR. SULLIVAN said he would endeavor to meet the wishes of the hon. member within a day or two.

MR. FARQUHARSON asked the Commissioner of Public Works to lay upon the table of the House a statement in detail, showing the number of contracts entered into with the Government since the 31st of December, 1884, to date, that have not been tendered for or sold by public auction or competition, giving the name of each person receiving money for work done. Also a statement of all contracts entered into and work done in any way since the 31st day of December last up to this date. Also a statement of all unfinished contracts and money due on work belonging to the year 1885.

HON. MR. CAMPBELL said his annual report would be laid on the table in a few minutes, and all other information it was possible to give would be given.

The official reports were laid on the table.

HON. MR. SULLIVAN moved the second reading of the Bill respecting Bills of Sale, and explained its provisions.

House went into Committee, and after some time reported progress.

April 17. House spent the forenoon in Committee on the Bill respecting the Bills of Sale. House adjourned to meet on Monday.

The Fishery Question.

SUMMERSIDE VERSUS A YANKEE PROFESSOR.

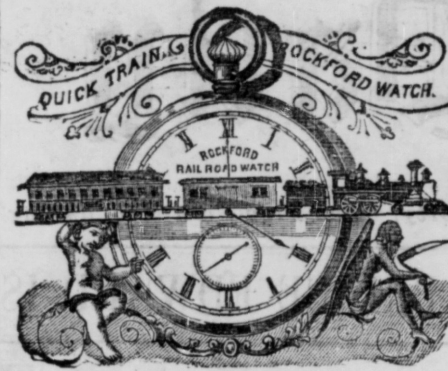
It was in a barber shop not 100 miles from the metropolis of the western part of the Island. There were about six waiting for the word "next." The subject under discussion was the wonderful match of oyster opening which took place recently in New York. "Boys, I will tell you a good story about oyster opening," says a jovial oyster dealer. "The Professor and I were talking about the business the other day, and I said that I could open oysters faster than he could eat them, providing he gave me a start of three oysters." "Done," says the Professor, "I'll bet the drinks." "We, along with three others, accordingly adjourned to my warehouse. I opened the three oysters and gave the word go, the 'Prof.' waded in, the fourth oyster I threw to the far end of the building the 'Prof.' after it; the fifth I threw to the other end. 'Hold hard,' cries the 'Prof.,' 'I'll treat, I am stuck. If I had known there was a foot race attached to the oyster I would not take that bet.' 'Well, did he treat?' asked one of the audience. "O, Yes; he sent over for a bottle of the Captain's best, and asked us not to mention to the 'Boys' his experience of an oyster bet. 'Next.'"

The British Home office will cease to offer rewards for the detection of criminals or pardons to accomplices who make confessions, on the ground that the principle involved is wrong and that experience shows that such a course almost invariably fails in its object.

Lord Kenmare, one of the largest landowners in Kerry, and whose splendid seat looks out upon the lakes of Killarney, has had his income so reduced that he now gets absolutely no rents at all, and is obliged to live entirely upon his salary as lord chamberlain.

There are in the United States four times as many cattle as there are in the United Kingdom; one and seven-tenths as many sheep; and twelve and three-tenths times as many swine.

In Albuquerque, N. M., a company is organizing to explore the ruins of a vast ancient city, where it is thought \$20,000,000 worth of plunder may be found.



Increasing Demand

—FOR—

ROCKFORD WATCHES.

Another lot received to-day.

E. W. TAYLOR,

CAMERON BLOCK.

April 17, '86—2aw

Riflemen, Attention!

THE Annual General Meeting of the Provincial Rifle Association will be held in the City Court Room, on WEDNESDAY, the 21st inst., at 8 p. m.

G. L. DOGHERTY, Secretary.

Ch'town, April 17, '86—tl wed

P. E. ISLAND RAILWAY.

EASTER EXCURSION.

RETURN TICKETS, at one first-class fare, will be issued to and from all Stations on this Railway, on Good Friday, and Saturday, 21st inst., good to return up to and on April 26, 1886.

JAMES COLEMAN, Superintendent.

Railway Office, Ch'town, April 17, 1886.

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ANNIVERSARY

OF THE

METHODIST BRICK CHURCH

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Missionary Society.

The Missionary Sermon will be preached on Sunday next, 19th inst., by the REV. JOB SHENTON, at 8:30 p. m.

The Annual Missionary Meeting will be held on the following evening,

Monday, 19th Inst.

Chair taken at 7:30 p. m.

Addresses will be delivered by young men of the congregation and the Rev. W. W. Lodge.

The children will occupy the galleries and conduct the singing.

Collections will be taken up at each service in aid of the Society.

A. E. CROSBY, Secretary.

Ch'town, April 15, '86—ood tl mva

"Birnie," Farm, Stock and Im-

plements at Auction.

I AM instructed by EDWARD PICTON, ESQ., to sell at Public Auction, on the premises, on

Wednesday, 21st April inst.,

AT 11 O'CLOCK, A. M.,

His splendid Farm, near Southport, containing about 200 acres, 60 of which is a high state of cultivation. On the premises are a superior Dwelling House, five first-class Barns and Out-houses—all in perfect order; a good Mill Site, two Springs, two Wells—altogether being one of the most desirable properties of the kind in the Province, offering such an opportunity as seldom occurs for securing a first-class Farm, centrally situated for stock-raising, marketing, shipping, &c., &c.; well watered, convenient for fertilizing and with sight of Charlottetown.

—ALSO—

2 Horses, 1 Mare, 1 Filly 6 years old, 5 Milk Cows, 4 Heifers in calf, 50 Sheep and Lambs—all well bred and superior stock. Together with complete Farming Plant, consisting in part of: Thrashing Machine and Fan, Mowing Machine (combined), Carts, Ploughs, Trucks, Sleighs, Roller, Carriages, Carriage and Cart Harness, &c., &c., &c.

TERMS:—On Farm, 25 per cent down, balance bearing interest at 5 per cent, secured by mortgage. Stock, under \$20, cash; over \$20, seven months credit, on approved bank notes.

A. H. R. MACGOWAN, Auctioneer.

Ch'town, April 2, 1886—apr 10 14 17 & 20 wky 21

Board of Civil Service

Examiners.

OTTAWA, 17th March, 1886.

THE Civil Service Entrance Examinations will commence at Halifax, N. S., St. John, N. B., Charlottetown, P. E. I., Quebec, Montreal, Ottawa, Kingston, Toronto, Hamilton, London, Winnipeg and Victoria, B. C., on Tuesday, the 11th day of May, at 9 o'clock, a. m. Forms for making application may be had from the undersigned until Monday, the 15th of April, and the same must be returned duly executed not later than Friday, the 30th idem.

P. LESUEUR, Commissioner and Secretary.

April 1, 1886—oww

SEALED TENDERS

addressed to the undersigned and endorsed "Tender for Indian Supplies," will be received up to noon of THURSDAY, the 23rd day of May next, for the undermentioned articles, or any of them, to be delivered to the Indian Superintendent on Lennox Island, in such quantities and at times as they may be required by him.—Flour, Tea, Sugar, Factory Cotton, Print, Moccasins, Lumber, Shingles, Nails.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

Any newspaper inserting this advertisement without authority from this Department through the Queen's Printer will forfeit payment for the same.

L. VANKOUGHNET, Deputy of the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs.

Department of Indian Affairs, Ottawa, 27th March, 1886.

\$10 REWARD.

TEN DOLLARS REWARD is offered to any one proving that any House in the Trade is selling

HATS, WHOLESALE OR RETAIL, CHEAPER THAN D. A. BRUCE.

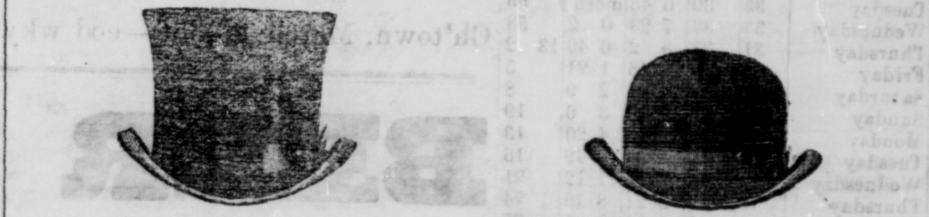
THIS IS A STANDING OFFER FOR THREE MONTHS.

WE have 2,232 Hard and Soft Felt Hats, bought for Cash, and offered from 20 to 30 per cent. cheaper than the majority of buyers value them.

We mean to Sell if you give us the chance. Buy from us and we will be mutually benefitted. Drop in and C us, even if you don't want to buy.

D. A. BRUCE, 72 Queen Street.

Ch'town, April 17, '86—ood & wky



CHRISTY'S LONDON HATS!

Spring Stock Just Opened

LONDON HOUSE!

Newest Styles! Lowest Prices!!

TAILORING DEPARTMENT—A fine stock of Scotch and English Tweeds and Worsteds to select from.

HARRIS & STEWART SUCCESSORS TO GEO. DAVIES & CO.

Ch'town, March 22, 1886.—dy & wky

STANDARD GOODS

—AT— LOWEST PRICES!

PERKINS & STERNS'

LARGE STOCK OF SEASONABLE GOODS:

- 400 Pieces Grey Cottons, 55 Pieces Hessians, 220 Pieces White Cottons, 48 Pieces Table Linen, 150 Pieces Print Cottons, 140 Dozen Towels.

White and Colored Knitting Cotton. Large Stock of Colored Dress Goods.

Black French Merinoes, Black Cashmere, Black Cords, Black Nuns' Veiling, Black Costume Cloth, &c.

Brussels, Tapestry and Wool Carpets. OILCLOTHS & LINOLEUMS. Cocoa, China and Twine Matting.

Largest Stock of ROOM PAPER on P. E. Island.

PERKINS & STERNS.

Ch'town, Feb. 23, '86.

The Daily Examiner

APRIL 17, 1886

Accounts of the Province.

AFTER the long delayed passage of the Address, the Government lost no time in placing the Public Accounts of the Province before the Legislature. These accounts are always interesting. But this year they were invested with more than ordinary interest by reason of the discussions and speculations—notably those of the Patriot and Herald—which have taken place during the recess; and when they were laid upon the table, Honorable members of the Opposition scanned them with great eagerness, preferring them even to the Patriot, with its carefully revised versions of their speeches. No doubt, all were surprised, relieved, and rejoiced to find that, instead of a deficit of \$100,000 as predicted, they found a deficit of only \$18,051.31, or about \$5,500 less than the deficit of 1878—when a windfall of \$30,000 was obtained from the Dominion Government, and about \$35,000 of taxes were wrung from the people!

The receipts and expenditures of the past year were as follows:—

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Rows for RECEIPTS 1885, Subsidy from Dominion Government, Public Lands, Casual Revenue, Provincial Secretary's Fees, Probationary, Registrar of Deeds, County Courts, Hospital for the Insane, Prince of Wales College, Private Bills, Pedlars' Licenses, Fines and Penalties, Rent of Warren Farm, Vendors' Licenses.

Total Receipts, \$248,222.44

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Rows for EXPENDITURE 1885, Supreme Court, Salaries, County Courts, Salaries, Disbursements, Jails and Court Houses, Maintenance, Repairs, Education, Elections, Hospital for the Insane, Maintenance, Legislative Council, House of Assembly, Public Buildings, Ferries, Packets, Ferry Wharves, Bridges, Roads, Right of Way, Supervisors' Salaries, Miscellaneous, Other Services, Classification of Expenditure.

Total Expenditure, \$266,273.75

As the people will soon have to judge and decide between the two parties, it will now be in order to compare the expenditures of the last year under the Liberal Conservative Administration with those of the last year under the Grit Administration.

The expenditures in 1878 amounted to \$334,133.29. The expenditures in 1885, amounted to \$266,273.75.

Difference in favor of the administration of 1885, \$67,859.54.

Thus we see that in the total amount there is a difference of nearly \$68,000 in favor of the Liberal Conservatives!

But let us compare the items of expenditure separately.

Administration of Justice cost in 1878, \$30,304.74. In 1885, \$19,768.06.

Difference in favor of 1885, \$10,536.68.

Education cost in 1878, \$5,349.13. In 1885, \$4,952.85.

Difference, \$496.28.