

The Daily Examiner

MAY 1, 1885.

Tunnelling the Straits.

Prince Edward Island, if one of her representatives in the House of Commons be a true interpreter of the Islanders' desire, would like to be connected by means of a tunnel with the mainland. Here is a chance for Sir Edward Watkin. Without the fear of opening a dangerous way for a hostile invasion of the mainland before his eyes, he may experiment here in submarine tunnel making with a clear conscience. If he will find the necessary capital, nobody will grudge him the benefit of the experiment. The Island representative is asking Canada to find the millions which the experiment would cost seems to have spoken with a gravely serious air; and his colleague, who was not quite sure that a refusal of the needful appropriation would not be a valid ground of secession, had an eye to the fitness of things in seconding the motion. If the Dominion were to make all the money grants which Provinces, or individuals in the name of Provinces, ask, how long a time would elapse before the doom of national bankruptcy would be pronounced?

This is from The Week of Toronto. The Week is known as "a high class journal," and professes to be "truthful and equitable in all its dealings with the public." But this paragraph is neither truthful nor equitable, and it bears upon its face sufficient evidence that it was written by one who did not know what it was about. The representative referred to, who spoke about connecting Prince Edward Island with the Mainland by means of a tunnel, was a member, not of the House of Commons, but of the Senate. But let that pass as immaterial. The fact that the Government of Canada is bound by the Terms of Union to provide efficient and continuous communication by means of steam between the Island and the Mainland winter and summer, and the fact that this cannot be done except by means of a tunnel are evidently unknown to The Week; for if it were known our representatives would not be sneered at for asking "with a gravely serious air" money grants to which we are not entitled. Moreover, the writer could not have read Senator Howland's speech, or he would have known that the tunnel was proposed as means, not only of fulfilling the Terms of Union, but also of lessening the annual loss the Government sustains on account of the P. E. Island Railway. Senator Howland may be wrong and he may be right. But anyone who takes the trouble to read his speech, and who knows that this Province is, in proportion to its size, the most productive in Canada, will readily apprehend that, if the estimate of the cost of the tunnel given here by Mr. Vernon Smith, C. E., be nearly correct, he is not at all unreasonable. The tunnel project is one which will bear discussion and investigation. Meanwhile the Government can show what can be done towards affording daily communication in winter by means of an improved ice-boat service, and writers for high-class journals in Ontario may, perhaps, wake up to the facts of the case.

Canadian Pluck and Endurance.

ALL doubt as to the stuff our young Canadian's are made of has been removed. Their recent performances in the Northwest were those of strong and gallant men. The march of Colonel Otter from Swift Current to Battleford a distance of one hundred and seventy miles over a rough country within six days, is an achievement which deserves to be chronicled. The men marched at the rate of about thirty miles a day. This is a wonderful performance. Again, there can be no stronger test of courage than that in which men are exposed to the pitiless fire of hidden sharpshooters. Yet our own brave militia-men, have nobly stood the test.

The Markets.

Flour.—The price of Flour has been steadily advancing for some time, owing to war rumors. It is now worth about \$1.25 to \$1.50 more than it was one month ago. Superiors are quoted here to-day at \$5.75, and Patents at from \$6 to \$6.50.

POTATOES will be in fair demand, as good many will be required for seed in the neighboring Provinces. They are worth to-day from 25 to 30 cents per bushel.

OATS are for the most part in hands of dealers. The prices abroad are firm, and it is to be hoped shippers will make up this year some of the losses on transactions of previous years. There are none now offering and the price is nominally 40c.

PORK.—The price of this staple is very low, and the outlook for dealers at the moment is poor. Mess is worth \$17, and prime, \$15.

ROGER AMERO.—Mr. D. B. Woodsworth M. P., has received a copy of a despatch from Sachville West to Lord Lansdowne, stating that the British Ambassador in Washington had received a letter from the governor of Massachusetts informing him that the claim of Rogero Amero for compensation had been transmitted to the legislature of Massachusetts for consideration and action. Woodsworth's persistency receives much commendation.

ARCHBISHOP LYON, of Toronto, publishes a letter on the Scott Act. He denies that the use of wine is prohibited in the Bible; affirms that the enforcement of the Scott Act will throw tens of thousands out of employment and says, "if there were a public necessity for the Scott Act all these inconveniences should be overlooked. I have not heard of a single County in Ontario, where the people are so besotted as to require the act." He advocates a strict inspection of intoxicating liquors.

Commercial Travellers' Entertainment.

Notwithstanding the rain storm on Wednesday evening, a large number attended the entertainment given in Ludlow Hall, Summerside, by the Commercial Travellers. The stage was tastefully decorated with flags and evergreens. The younger members of the company acted as ushers, and everybody got a good seat. When the curtain rose, round upon round of applause greeted the fifteen gentlemen who have been the means of starting a work that should be carried on in every town in the Province, viz., contributing to the families of the Halifax Volunteers now at the front. Mr. John Rogers, who is always welcome in Summerside, either off or on the stage, was greeted with quite an ovation. He opened the programme with that beautiful song, "Sailing." The following gentlemen joined in the chorus:—Messrs. John Rogers, A. A. Sandeman, Charles Grantham, N. G. Martin, C. H. Martin, S. Rubin, Sam. T. Austin, James Connolly, J. B. Kerr, W. Wright, R. A. Murdoch, Jas. Mattinson, W. C. Blundell, J. L. Black and A. Parsons.

Mr. Rogers' song "The Slave Ship," Mr. Sandeman's "I'm a Duke," and Mr. Blundell's "Take it Bob" brought down the house, and each were encored. Mr. Rogers had to respond three times to encores on his "Wayside Notes," and Mr. Sandeman twice on his specialties. Mr. Parsons' song "Climbing up the Golden Stairs," Mr. Martin's song "Far Away," and the recitation by Mr. Cox, were good indeed. The entertainment was good throughout, and was one of the best ever given in Summerside. Those young gentlemen carry away with them the respect and thanks of the people of that town. Before leaving, they passed a vote of thanks to Leonard Morris, Esq., who so kindly sent one of his best pianos to the hall for their use, and to the clergymen in that town, who spoke so kindly of them, and their laudable undertaking from their pulpits on the Sabbath.

Dalhousie College.

Last Wednesday the closing exercises of this institution were held at Halifax—with great enthusiasm on the part of students, professors and citizens. Hon. David Dudley Field, a distinguished lawyer from New York, was present, and gave an address which was much applauded.

Below we give the results of the year's work as regards our Island students:

Fourth year.—In the graduating class there were four from this Province, viz.: F. S. Coffin, J. M. McLeod, K. J. Martin and George Robinson. The last two passed with honors in Mathematics.

Third year.—F. J. Coffin and A. Nicholson.

Second year.—M. J. McLeod, Charlotte McNeill, J. C. Shaw and H. C. Shaw.

First year.—Geo. McLeod and F. J. Stewart.

M. J. McLeod and F. J. Stewart won prizes in Mathematics; J. C. Shaw and George McLeod, prizes in Classics; and H. Mellish, a prize in Constitutional History.

A Halifax despatch states that the result of the Dalhousie College examination shows that Miss Maggie Newcombe, who graduates this year, is first class and prize in political economy, first class and prize in German, and second class in French. Miss Newcombe is the first girl graduate from Dalhousie College, and has left most of the boys far in the rear. Miss Antoinette Forbes and Miss Charlotte McNeill, second year students, have also made excellent records.

(From the Shareholder and Insurance Gazette.)

The Canada Life and our Volunteers.

The Canada Life, the greatest of our Dominion institutions, leads off bravely for the protection of our volunteers, whilst some other companies have been haggling over the subject and some have flatly refused to keep the volunteers insured. Mr. Ramsay has, with that determination and patriotism with which he has built up the great institution over which he presides, come to the front with the assurance that the men who are protecting our common country need have no fear for their wives and families in case of death on the field. There seems to have been no hesitation about the matter; and at once, on the movement of the troops, advertisements were inserted in all the leading papers throughout the Dominion, regardless of an expense which most companies would have been seared at. The volunteer on the move, who is insured in the Canada Life, may now feel thoroughly at ease as far as provision for his family is concerned, in case of being murdered in this unholy outbreak.

The country, we feel assured, will recognize in various ways the liberality of the great company, and we hope to see a large number fall into line in consequence and become life members of the Canada Life under such a patriot as General Ramsay. William McLean, Esq., is Agent for P. E. Island.

The Liquor License Question.

Sir John Macdonald gave notice on the 29th ult., that he will move in committee that the following be added to bill 134, respecting liquor license; (1st), that if the privy council decide that the suspended clauses are within the legislative authority of parliament of Canada, the governor-in-council may make regulations for bringing the suspended clauses into effect; (2nd), that during the continuance of the suspension, license commissioners appointments, are cancelled with the exception of one commissioner for local license district; (3rd), that applications for wholesale and vessel license may be filed with the chief inspector during the present year until 1st July next; (4th) that the provisions of sections 16 and 49 of the liquor license act of 1883 shall open respectively to the application for and granting of licenses under the Canada Temperance Act of 1878.

SPRING stock of picture mouldings just received, and will be made up as in the past, the cheapest in Charlottetown—Mark Wright & Co. [May 1] 17

A FIRE at Radway, New York, on the 29th ult., destroyed Freeman's carriage factory, Gordon's opera house, the residence of L. P. Freeman, and a small frame house. The total loss is \$100,000.

THE RIEL REBELLION. FURTHER PARTICULARS.

DUMONT AND RIEL.

George H. Ham, the Toronto Mail's correspondent with General Middleton, in his report of Friday's fight at Fish Creek, says: Dumont was not seen during the fight, but one of our scouts saw him riding off after all was over. His directing hand was seen, however, as nobody else on Riel's side could have arranged the rebels plans or picked the ground so well. The rebel movements appeared to be directed by long, low whistles. General Middleton said it was like the piping of a boatswain. Occasionally they could be heard shouting to each other to "keep back," "go on," "this way," "fire lower," "fire higher," etc., but during the tedious part of the day they fought in grim silence. The rapidity with which some of them loaded their shot guns with the old-fashioned powder horns and paper wadding, was truly marvellous. A few of them who had Winchester ran from one part of the ravine to the other, strengthening their line as circumstances directed. Gen. Middleton says they are finer skirmishers and bush-fighters than he ever imagined them to be. Riel was not in or near the fight as far as we can learn. The scouts say he was at Batoche's all day, getting his reserve force ready. It is now said that he is quite insane. The buckskins has made very ugly and painful flesh wounds. Old style leaden balls were also fired with considerable effect. Had the rebels been armed with Sniders they would have wiped us out in short order from the shelter they occupied.

THE SITUATION AT THE FRONT.

Events in regard to the North-west troubles follow each other now in quick succession, and what was but a small speck in the horizon of trouble a month ago, bids now to develop into a regular Indian war. Current discontent pervades all tribes, which seems to have fanned into a flame, half-breed runners having given Indians the idea that General Middleton was defeated in the late battle. The feeling manifests itself strongly around Fort Qu'Appelle. Sioux Indians report that half-breeds threaten to massacre them if they don't join Riel, and they further state that it is the intention of half breeds to rise and attack the Fort, and also to capture the supplies which are going north for Gen. Middleton's forces. The wires are still down, and still believed to have been cut by malcontents in this district, who are said to have gone north to join Riel at Batoche. It is the intention of the government to have Sioux Indians brought to the fort and placed under military protection. T. W. Jackson, member for Northwest Council has been threatened on several occasions by half breeds, and will remove his family. Lieut. Col. Turnbull in anticipation of trouble occurring has fortified the town and taken other measures for defence. Arms and ammunition were served out yesterday afternoon to citizens of the fort. Mounted infantry sentries were placed on all surrounding hills last night, and a hundred men were kept under arms all night. Cavalry have brought in Norbet Welsh, the half-breed who recently arrived here, claiming that he had been plundered at Batoche by rebels. He was captured with a wagon which is supposed to contain supplies for rebels being taken north by him. A despatch from Calgary announces that Gen. Strange with his advance await the left wing of the 65th battalion, so as to effect a junction with it at Battle River. Lieut. Cayell's scouts has advanced to within 25 miles of Edmonton. Rev. Mr. McDougall and his Stonies were supposed to have reached Edmonton Monday. Seven hundred friendly Cree are assembled at Battle River. They are not believed to be hostile, as they are assembled to cheer on the troops. At three o'clock yesterday afternoon Col. Osborne Smith's battalion began their tedious march north. Company number four remain doing garrison duty. Major Hatton's troops of mounted rifles, forty-six strong, formed the advance guard, with Lieutenant Landers. Sixty heavy wagons accompanied the division, the rear being guarded by sixty troops, all being mounted rifles under Lieutenant Dunn. The 92nd battalion were preceded by life and drum bands. They crossed the river at the West Fork, and would camp two miles north of the Bow, starting early next morning. They were in excellent spirits and orders to march were received with cheers. The panic at Edmonton, according to the latest news from there, was as great as at Battleford. Capt. Griesback, of the mounted police, took charge of all available forces of police and volunteers, with head quarters at Fort Saskatchewan. Both Fort Saskatchewan and Edmonton were put in a state of defence. At the former place there were 35 women and children, at the latter 60 or 70 more. There are two brass cannon at the Fort, but small arms and ammunition are scarce. In view of the early arrival of Gen. Strange with troops, the panic has subsided. The troops of the Edmonton division have, besides stores, 19,000 rounds of Snider ammunition and 2,000 rounds of Winchester. The division will push its way north to Edmonton as fast as possible. The Alberta mounted rifles are armed with Winchester repeaters. Each man carries 200 rounds besides small arms and knives. The Seventh Fusiliers are under orders to proceed to Calgary from Swift Current and will be replaced by the Halifax battalion. Many of the 65th are suffering badly from snow blindness, snow being yet in the Red Deer country. The Halifax battalion left on the 29th inst., by special train for Swift Current. The orders came from Ottawa, on account of telegraphic communication having been cut with Gen. Middleton.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

City Architecture.

SIR,—I was a little amused on reading the letter of Citizen in your paper of 30th, criticising the action of the City Council for engaging Messrs. Phillips and Chappelle to furnish plans for the erection of a building for the city. I am not a supporter of the present majority in City Council. However, in this matter, I don't see anything to blame them for. I think they did wisely. Citizen says there are a great many buildings of bad design in this city. That is very true, but none of them are of Messrs. Phillips and Chappelle's designing. So the City Council have shown their good sense in engaging parties who design good buildings only. Citizen labors to show that Messrs. Sterling and Harris are superior in architectural skill, and brings as proof the desparity between the Cameron Block and Brown's Block. Now, Mr. "Citizen," if you open both eyes you ought to see that had Messrs. Phillips & Chappelle followed the style of architecture of Messrs. Sterling & Harris, instead of an agreeable contrast in architecture, we would have a large warehouse. The Cameron Block is a good plain building, having a first class situation on high ground, but having no pretensions to architectural beauty. That is about the best that can be said of it. In Brown's Block the site is not quite so good, on lower ground, but the style of architecture is neat and pretty, and would do no discredit in any city, and if that is the worst that can be said of the skill of Messrs. Phillips & Chappelle, the City Council have reason to be proud of their choice. Mr. Phillips has been a resident of this city from his childhood, and has an unblemished record, and has designed some of the best and most substantial buildings in the city and throughout the country, and if a fine church or other building requiring taste and skill is required, Messrs. Phillips & Chappelle are always in demand, and it seems small business for "Citizen" to try to belittle them.

Yours, &c., ANOTHER CITIZEN.

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I AM instructed by Mr. Frederick W. Hyndman to sell by Auction, immediately after the sale of Col. Freeland's land, at Brighton,

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May 1, 1885—4i

REDDIN'S DRUG STORE.

RECEIVED to-day, via Picton, from English and American markets, the following fresh stock:—

Eno's Fruit Salt, Pepp's Soap (all kinds), Citrate of Magnesia (English), Holloway's Pills, Mellin's Food, Wyeth's Popoma, Mother Seigel's Syrup, Hop Bitters, Bardsack Bitters, Furniture Polish, Warner's Safe Cure, Essence Vanilla, Tartaric Acid, Cream Tartar, Sponges.

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IN great variety of patterns, selling very Cheap at the

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Ch'town, April 18th, 1885 1mo 00c

amongst them in twelve hours, and they have been such as to inspire them with contempt for the military and with confidence in Riel. The Indians have been disaffected for some time, owing to their harsh treatment by those in authority, and notwithstanding that messages have been sent to Sir John, it is now known that they are secretly preparing for a rising. Those in a position to know consider the situation of extreme gravity, surrounded as we are by Indian reserves. Arms were being distributed to the settlers for their protection a few days ago, but when a rising occurs the settlers surrounding the fort and contiguous to the reserves, it is feared, will be in a bad position. Every precaution is being taken by Colonel O'Brien with the force under his command, and by our local formation.

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WINDOW SHADES.

MADE of Patent Window Cloth, for Fifty Cents each, only the price of paper blinds. These shades will last for years and can be cleaned with a sponge as often as desired.

To arrive from Boston, next week, a large assortment of OPAQUED HOLLAND WINDOW SHADES,

with gilt and fancy Dados, in latest tints. We are showing a fine stock of Cornice and Pole Pictures, Spring Rollers, Cord, Tassels, Nickel Blind Pulleys, &c, &c.

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Ch'town, May 1—2wks 3aw wkly 2w

DO NOT

Throw your money away in buying Shoddy Boots. Come! come at once and buy a Good Solid Leather pair of Boots or Shoes for Spring, at a Low Price

We want to keep all the money we can on the Island, so we are bound to give better value in our make than can be had in any imported Boot. Therefore, buy from us.

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Ch'town, May 1, 1885

Hermitage Grove for Sale. P. E. ISLAND RAILWAY.

NOTICE.

THE subscriber offers for Sale his property of 40 Acres, situated on Malpeque Road, one and a quarter miles from Spring Park, known as the "HERMITAGE GROVE."

About 35 acres are under grass and pasture. Property runs from Malpeque Road to North River Road. There are 25 Apple Trees, which yielded last year about 80 bushels.

It may be sold in two blocks to suit purchasers. It will be sold by PUBLIC AUCTION, on Wednesday, May 13th, at 12 o'clock.

Terms: One quarter of purchase money at time of sale, balance in five years, at 6 per cent.

ROBERT D. McLAREN, Ch'town, April 29, '85—6od wkly

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 12th 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.

DENNIS MURPHY, Secretary. Ch'town, April 28, 1885—pat 11 date

To the Electors of the First District for King's County for the Legislative Council.

GENTLEMEN,—At the earnest request of a number of you, I offer myself as a candidate to fill the vacancy in the Legislative Council, occasioned by the death of the late Lawrence Kitcham, Esq.

I solicit your suffrages on the present occasion in the interest of the Liberal Conservative party; although, if elected, I shall support the present Administration in such measures only as I consider to be for the good of the country. I will not promise to support the present or any other Government, unless I believe them to be administering the affairs of the Province so as to keep down taxation, secure Provincial rights, and promote the general welfare of the people.

Owing to the bad state of the roads at this season of the year, it will, I fear, be impossible for me to make a personal canvass of the entire District; but I trust to be able to meet you at public meetings before the election, when I can more fully give you my views on questions affecting your interests.

Respectfully soliciting your votes, I remain, gentlemen,

Your obedient servant, CHARLES McEACHEN. Bayfield, Lot 46, April 28, 1885.

NOTICE.

CANDIDATES for the Daniel Hodgson Scholarship are requested to send their names to the undersigned, on or before 15th May next.

GEORGE W. HODGSON, April 17—pat law wkly.

SALT! SALT!

TO arrive at Point Duchene, and due early in May, Eight Thousand Sacks Liverpool Common SALT and One Hundred Sacks Fine SALT. For Sale low.

JAMES FRIER, Shediac, N. B. April 21, 1885 10i

FOR CHARTER.

THE fast sailing schooner Onward, 52 tons, now lying in Summerside. Apply to A. C. McLEOD, Kensington, or F. W. HYNDMAN, Charlottetown, Apr 20 1i

The Charlottetown Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

THIS Company is now organized and prepared to accept good Fire Risks at Moderate rates.

Hon. Thomas W. Dodd, President. DIRECTORS: Geo. R. Beer, Esq., D. Farquharson, Esq., Fred'k Perkins Esq., Alex. McKinnon, Esq., Benj. Hartz, Esq., Benj. Hooper, Esq.

JAMES M. SUTHERLAND, Sec'y and Treas.

April 7, 1885—12i 2aw

SEEDS! SEEDS!

WE are now offering a very large assortment of FIELD and GARDEN SEEDS, in

Canadian Seed Wheat, Timothy Seed, Barley, Buckwheat, Clover Seed, in all the varieties needed, and will be sold cheap at

W. P. COLWILLS, April 20, 1885—2aw wkly 1mo

ON and after Wednesday, 29th inst., until further notice, a Special Passenger Train will leave Charlottetown for Summerside at 7 15 a. m., daily (Sundays excepted), connecting there with steamer for Point du Chene, and returning to Charlottetown on arrival of steamer in the evening.

JAMES COLEMAN, Superintendent. Railway Office, Ch'town, April 28, 1885. 6i wkly papers 1i

TO LET.

WHAT COTTAGE, situate on Pleasant Street, at present in the occupation of Mrs. Lunn, with Stable attached, and Pump in the yard. The House has a good, dry frost-proof C-Bar. The buildings are in first class order.

Possession given the 1st of May next. Apply to John Kelly, Esq., Dorchester Street, or to the owner,

EDWARD KELLY, Lake View, April 22, 1885.



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