

THE DAILY EXAMINER

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WHAT POLICY ?

The Bye-election in the New London district, in September, will afford Premier Farquharson an excellent opportunity to set forth his policy. The Premier is of course, technically responsible for all the acts of his Liberal predecessors. He was himself a member of the Government of Premier Peters, and he accepted his position from Premier Warburton. It will be admitted that he has a heavy load of responsibility to carry. But the people will not, we feel sure, be disposed to hold him to strict account if he should try to do better than his predecessors have done, and to correct, as far as he can, the blunders they committed and the evils they created. The British people of this Province are, we have no doubt, disposed to give Premier Farquharson the "fair chance" which has been craved on his behalf. But they want to know what course he intends to pursue. They want to see laid down a clear-cut, well defined policy of reform, and they want to see that policy carried out. Political corruption is at present sapping the vitals of our Provincial independence. What does Premier Farquharson intend to do about it? The financial situation is deplorable. Does Premier Farquharson intend to place our finances upon a sound basis, or does he intend to let the Province drift along to financial ruin? What about our legislature, our public works, our public schools? Are the reforms needed in respect to each of these to be attempted by Premier Farquharson, or are these matters to continue going on from bad to worse? Is Premier Farquharson, in short, going to be a working Premier, making good his opportunity to benefit and improve Provincial conditions, or is he going to be a typical Liberal leader? He will do well, if he intends to attempt reforms and improvements, to take the people into his confidence at any early date. We look for a declaration of his policy before the election that is soon to be held in the first district of Queen's County.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

—It is stated that Mr. Joseph Martin is to be made Chief Justice of British Columbia. This "deal" will, it is expected, relieve the situation, by uniting the Liberals under Mr. Semlin's leadership, and enabling Mr. Semlin to form a government.

—Judge Day has gone out of and Colonel Hay has gone into President McKinley's Cabinet. The former is to be a Commissioner to arrange terms of peace with Spain. The latter will be Secretary of State in Judge Day's place. Col. Hay's successor as Minister to Great Britain, has not yet been named.

—It is likely that last year's deficit on account of the Intercolonial will prove to be a quarter of a million dollars, (250,000) as against \$50,000 for the previous year. The increased deficit is largely due to the operation of the extension into Montreal, which has not so far furnished business commensurate with the outlay.

—It is stated at Moncton that the Intercolonial Railway department is now inviting tenders for the construction of 400 new 60 ton freight cars—the cost of which will be charged to capital account. It is also alleged that the expenses have been unduly relieved and the capital account duly swelled by the inclusion of expenses which have heretofore been met by revenue.

—The Spanish papers appeared in deep mourning when they announced the terms of peace with the United States and the loss of Spain's Colonial empire. El Nacion says, bitterly: "If Spain had at least been vanquished after a furious and heroic struggle, she could resign herself. El Pais says, "Spain, without colonies, is reduced to the role of a third-rate power."

—Russia too may have internal troubles on her hands in the event of war. It is stated, on what seems to be unquestionable authority that the Russian Ministers of War and Interior admit that Poland is as menacing to Russia today as she was in 1863, and that a Polish insurrection would be supported more unanimously by Poles now than at the last rising, while there is no evident way of winning the peasants back.

—Sir James Winter reports that his mission to England was eminently successful. The colony obtains a Royal Commission to investigate the French shore question, which commission will leave England next month, and also the establishment of a naval reserve as well as many minor concessions. Sir James denies the statement sent in a cable despatch to the effect that the Right Hon Joseph Chamberlain, Secretary of State for the Colonies, in an interview with him, advised the Colony to enter the Canadian federation.

—It is reported that a bitter controversy is raging in Newfoundland over a petition that is being circulated by the friends of Sir Herbert Murray, praying the Imperial Government to permit him to withdraw his resignation of the Governorship. The petition is promoted by the parties favorable to giving Newfoundland the status of a crown colony, and is opposed by politicians of both sides, who regard it as an insult to them and the thin edge of a wedge working toward a revocation of the colony's charter.

PLACES AND PEOPLE.

The country is not a veritable cure-all, but it cannot fail of having some good effect upon the inveterate sluggard. What with the busy labours of human life, the many mingling sounds of the lower creation, and the persistent efforts of the morning rays to peep in at some corner of the window blind, then streak boldly across our chamber and dance their merry measures on the wall opposite, one would feel very obtuse indeed if he did not take the hint and get out of his sleeping quarters.

Learning that Confirmation services were to be held in the church on Montague Road, Rev. James Phelan, early morning saw us up and on our way thither. The sun never shone on a prettier sight than on those groups of interesting looking children who wended their way up the hillside to their place before the altar in the church of their fathers.

There are some who set much by the "beauty of holiness" and others by the entire absence of effect; as for us, believing that "God is a spirit and they that worship Him must worship Him in spirit and in truth," outward guise matters little. The Bishop in his golden-decked robes and the silver-haired priest in his simple white, were alike humble servants—and felt honored in being so—of Him who, reigning among the hosts of Heaven was once "the despised and rejected of men."

A youthful priest, Father Monaghan, preached a most appropriate sermon, of which we carried away the words "faith alone will not save you." Calvinists are said to depend merely upon faith; Armenians upon works. For the first, "faith without good works is dead," and for the second "he that believeth not," however conformable his life, "shall be damned." His Lordship shortly counselled the young communicants against the evils that would confront them in their Christian course, urging them to fight the good fight; "for," said he—a sermon in itself—"if you do not overcome them they will overcome you."

Music in the open air is always enjoyable and particularly impressive was the chant in the cemetery, which concluded the services and the large congregations betook themselves homeward, all the readier for the toils of earth by their foretaste of a nearing heaven.

All is quiet for the time being, but soon, again, the noisy rattle of the reaping machine will be heard over the land; and as if to remind us that we are only mortal, if the hay crop has been excessive the wheat is, in some cases, most deficient.

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THE NEW DIGGINGS

Gold Productions at Pine Creek.

JUNEAU, ALASKA, August 10. via Seattle, Wash August 15.—What is regarded as an important discovery of rich placer diggings is reported to have been made on Pine Creek, a small stream emptying into Arlin Tagish. The discovery is located in the Canadian Northwest. The news caused a great stampede from Juneau and other south eastern Alaska points, and it is estimated that at least 106,980 prospectors have started for the locality. As reported here the find was made two years ago by George Miller, of this city, about the time Klondike was made known.

Miller allowed his discovery to remain dormant and went to the Klondike. Last June he returned and taking a few friends into his confidence revisited the place and staked out claims.

Walker Carter, who has just returned from the diggings, says:—"I saw four men shovel in twenty-six ounces in two days, on a pan from bed rock containing four dollars. This was on discovery claim. Pine Creek is about 15 miles long and will average 75 feet in width. The current is very rapid. The diggings are what is known as bar diggings or summer placer. Discovery claim is about 8 miles from the mouth of the creek. The bed rock is only five feet from the surface and is of slate formation. Miller has five men at work shovelling into sluice boxes and he pays \$12 a day each, settling every night with dust taken from the boxes."

ESTEEMED EXCHANGES.

Mail and Empire: Mr Fieding has added four millions to the debt in one month. This is another instalment of the promised reduction.

Montreal Gazette: Hon Sidney Fisher, plebiscite and prohibitionist, member of the Laurier Government, in an interview with the London Post, spoke of Canada's fine grapes, and added:

"Our making of wine is as yet only in the experimental stage, but we hope to make something of it."

Mr Tarte and Mr Fisher seem now to be on record as expecting that the plebiscite will not result in prohibition. Is there any minister on record thinking that it will?

Mr. Russell, law agent in England of the Laurier administration—the writer of the famous letter to Rome—is at present visiting Canada. It is supposed that he is here to receive further instructions concerning the Manitoba matter. Sir Wilfrid paid the prairie Province a visit a few days ago, and will be able to communicate the latest news about the situation there. As the St. John Sun remarks, "the Premier has to keep up the game of persuading the Protestants that he has prevented a surrender to Rome, and of convincing the Vatican that he is making concessions to the Roman Catholic church which the late government refused. This requires continual bargaining with Greenway, and many memorials to Rome."

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SITUATION AT SANTIAGO.

A soldier in the American army at Santiago writes as follows to a St. John friend:

"It is almost impossible to get writing materials in the field. The roads are so bad and transportation so uncertain that sometimes we did not get half enough to eat. Since we came into Santiago we are better off and have a chance to recuperate. Nearly every man in this regiment is sick, but now we hope they will soon get over their chills and fever. The only fight we had was on the 1st. of July, when we captured Fort San Juan. The fight lasted three days, and a hot time it was. People who want war can have it; they can also have my share of it, too. The more we see of the Cubans the stronger dislike we have for them. They are a lazy, shiftless, good-for-nothing lot. Altho' they go with scarcely any clothing on, they stole a great quantity from us, which we had to abandon for a time during the fight. Here in Santiago we are feeding the Spaniards and Cubans, but when we try to hire them to help unload the boats, it is no go. They simply will not work. I don't think the Cubans can run this island themselves and it is likely the U. S. will keep troops down here for two years any way. But I am not anxious to stay. The Spanish sailors all look half starved, but they are a better lot than the Cubans, the majority of whom are negroes."

Rothsay Church School.

Rothsay College for Boys will re-open Monday, Sept. 5th.

STAFF, 1888-9.—Principal, Rev. O. W. Howard, B. A., Honor Graduate and Governor-General's Medalist Toronto University; Honor Graduate Huron College London.

Mathematics.—I. E. Moore, Esq., B. A., Honor Graduate University of Toronto, School of Science, Toronto.

Classics.—P. J. Robinson Esq., B. A., Honor Graduate, Toronto University.

Modern Language.—W. A. McClean Esq., M. A., Graduate Toronto University; Ontario Normal College; London Military College.

Correspondents should be addressed to Rev. O. W. Howard, Rothsay.

"Kinghurst" will re-open on Wednesday Sept. 14th, 1898.

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RACES.

Cymbria Driving Park

Monday, August 22nd

There will be a Grand Race at the above Park, at which the following events will be contested:

3 minute class (Trotters and Pacers) \$20
Free for all..... \$20
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5 to enter and 3 to start in each race. Entries, ten per cent. of purse, to close on Saturday, August 20.

Races to commence at 1.30 p. m. Admission—Gentlemen, 25c; ladies free. Refreshments on grounds. No liquor peddlers allowed at or near the grounds.

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