

electors of Prince County have nobly sustained the policy and principles of the Government—have utterly disregarded the slanders of the *Islander*, though printed in every imaginable shape, and thrust into every body's hand—and that the electors of one District have placed Mr. Pope in a higher position than he held at the general election. Verily, the Compact are paying dear for their whistle, in retaining so worthless an advocate as Duncan Maclean. The readers of the *Islander* may remember that in Maclean's high-flying description of the Lot 19 meeting, held previous to the last election, the sense of the electors then and there assembled was declared to be in opposition to the Liberals. The Poll-book for that township furnishes the best answer to Maclean's trash, for it shows that the Liberal candidate polled a large majority of votes, notwithstanding that Dr. Conroy believed Lot 19 to be his stronghold. It must be painfully evident to the supporters of the *Islander*, that that precious periodical is very far from being "believed by every body," and that the influence of its editor—if he ever possessed any influence beyond the limited range of his "yahoos"—is getting "small by degrees, and beautifully less."

THE SPEAKER.

Now that the elections are, so far, over, and not the slightest risk can be felt for the fate of the Government, we may freely enjoy the hope that a better order of things will arise amongst us, without let or drawback. The unprecedented conduct of Mr. Rae, in canvassing against his own party, and the manifest sense of his constituents—requires to be visited with something more than the public odium attached to it. A representative, acting as he has acted, ought to be promptly called upon to resign his seat; and if he has differed with his constituents, and feels himself under this necessity, he yet owes them some gratitude for their suffrages long bestowed on him. If, therefore, he does right, he will take the opportunity of Mr. Fraser's nomination on Tuesday, to declare that their connection is at an end. But if he has at heart the interests of those he has represented, he should have done this in time, so that one election might have served for the vacant seat of Mr. Fraser and his own. We presume, however, that he will repair this omission as promptly as it is possible to do so.

ELECTION FOR THE SECOND DISTRICT.

Mr. Fraser will be put in nomination for the above district to-morrow (Tuesday,) and his election, we believe, will be decided by a show of hands. The Obstructives have been so thoroughly thrashed in the other two districts, that they dare not venture an opposition to the Collector. What with Mr. Speaker Rae's lecturing—Dr. Conroy's physicking—the *Islander's* lying, and the enormous expenditure for rum, tobacco, &c., one might suppose the Obstructives hoped to carry the whole of Prince County by storm; and yet (oh! sorrowful reflection to them!) they have been whipped out of every district, and a complete triumph to Liberal principles achieved. Duncan's, like Othello's, "occupation," is nearly "gone."

THE LAST ISLANDER.

Maclean, in stress of political capital, devotes a column of his editorial space, to a reiteration of his objections against the Executive Councillor's oath of office, which Mr. Palmer and his colleagues in the late Government would be only too happy to subscribe to again. The public are so fully conversant with the facts in reference to this subject, that it is quite needless to revert to them. The Government cannot fail to feel proudly conscious of their strength, and of their claim to public confidence, when their wily enemy can discover no other ground of accusation against them.

LATER NEWS FROM CALIFORNIA.—

By a telegraphic despatch from New York to the *Halifax Sun*, dated June 19th, intelligence is received of the arrival of the *Chagres Steamer* at the former city, which furnishes an account of a most calamitous fire at San Francisco, on the 12th May, by which property to the amount of fifteen millions of dollars was destroyed, comprising two thirds of the city of San Francisco.—The steamer brought two and a half millions of gold dust and five hundred passengers.

[From a San Francisco Paper.]

Our once fair city has been visited again with the scourge of fire. Desolation reigns around, and heaps of ashes and smouldering ruins cover the spot where but a few days ago the proudest structures stood. The fire commenced on Saturday night, the 3d of May, a few minutes after 11, in the upholstering establishment of Baker & Meserve, on the south side Plaza. In a moment the combustible materials of which it was composed were in a blaze.

The alarm bell startled the citizens from their repose, and brought the firemen to the spot in a few minutes. Ten minutes had barely elapsed before the Monumentals were playing upon the fire a steady stream; but alas, to no purpose.

In one hour from the first outbreak, the Standard Office, on Sacramento street, a brick building, in which had been stored great quantities of goods, fell toppling to the ground. As has often been noticed in great fires, the wind suddenly shifted and commenced blowing from the south. This drove the fire right back on its course. It passed from Sacramento to Commercial street, crossed the latter, and advanced to Clay street, leaped that—on it spread, passed Merchant and Washington streets, and stopped at that portion of Jackson street, on the north side between Montgomery and Kearney street, only because there were no buildings to be consumed.

In three hours from its origin, the fire had enveloped the city from Pine to Pacific street, and from Dupont to Battery. The sight was awful, and grand beyond description. Nothing could stay the course of the fierce destroyer for a moment.

Buildings with the thickest walls and iron doors and shutters, built with a special view to making them fire proof, formed no exception to the general destruction. They only delayed but could not resist the fire.

The streets were on fire in every direction; several of the engines had to be abandoned, so daringly close had the firemen approached to the flames.

Every Newspaper Office, except the *Alta California*, was destroyed. The *Balance*, *News*, and the *Herald*, however, saved a portion of their materials.

Besides the immense loss of property, which is variously estimated at from 5 to \$20,000,000, but which probably ranges between 10 and \$12,000,000, we have to record the melancholy fact that ten or twelve individuals lost their lives. We have probably not yet heard of half those who lost their lives—but among them are Capt. Welch of Baltimore, Edward Cahill, Mr. Grenbaum, and Mr. Vincent.

The most terrible scene was enacted in the iron store of Tarfee & McCahill at the corner of Montgomery and Sacra-

mento streets. Into this five persons had gone after the flames had reached it, in order to save some valuable articles. They closed all the iron window shutters and doors, so that no draft of air might enter. When they found the house getting too hot to stay longer, they attempted to get out, but, horrible to relate, the windows and doors had expanded so much with heat, that all their efforts were unable to open them, and all within perished in the flames. Their calcined bones could be seen on Monday, smouldering amid the ruins beneath.

STOCKTON DESTROYED BY FIRE.—A *Stockton Journal* extract gives an account of a most destructive fire at that place, on Wednesday night, the 14th of May. The fire originated in the Merchants' Hotel, formerly known as the "branch," and beyond a doubt was the work of an incendiary.

Every mercantile house on Levee st, except 6: all on Main street; all on Center street; all on El Dorado street, except 2; and all on Hunter street, except 3, composed the victims of this incendiary attempt. The total loss is over £1,000,000.

SUPREME COURT.—The Trinity Term of this Court for Queen's County commenced on Tuesday last. We understand that there have been many criminal cases, chiefly larceny, on the docket—most of which have been disposed of. Our absence from town during the past week, prevented our obtaining a report of the cases that have been tried. We shall, however, publish a complete list of them in our next.

The Grand Jury have found a true Bill against William Young, a laborer, for the murder of Mary Ann Hughes. Young has not yet been apprehended.

A CRUMB OF COMFORT FOR THE OBSTRUCTIVES.

We learn from a paragraph in *Willmer & Smith's European Times*, brought by the last English Mail, that the Hon. GEORGE COLES has been appointed by Her Majesty the Queen in Council to be Administrator of the Government of Prince Edward Island, during the absence or sickness of the Lieut. Governor. To the Tories this must be the "unkindest cut" of all.

The Sons of Temperance Annual Demonstration came off this afternoon (Monday), with great eclat. We shall endeavour to give an extended notice of it in our next.

THE HON. MR. POPE and his friends returned from the Westward on Friday last. They were accompanied to town by a large concourse of the Tryon people, together with the Band belonging to that place, whose waggon, drawn by four horses, was beautifully decorated with flags. They were met in the Royalty by a large number of the Charlottetown Liberals, with several large flags, and formed a procession through the town, which has seldom been surpassed for the extent of its numbers.

INQUEST.—On Monday last an Inquest was held on view of the body of Mary Ann Hughes, a woman who has led an abandoned life in this place. It appears that she was thrown from a vessel on the Sunday evening previous to the discovery of her body, by a person named William Young, who was employed on board the vessel. The Jury found a verdict of "Wilful Murder" against Young, who has absconded.

The Saw Mill, on the Brackley Point Road, owned by John Stewart, was burned to the ground on Wednesday the 18th inst, supposed to be the work of an incendiary. The value is estimated at £120, besides £30 worth of Boards, and a Chest of Carpenter's Tools.

DIED.

On the 19th of April last, Jane, the beloved wife of James Bowness, Lot 25, and daughter of Mr. William B. Tuplin, Margate Mills, Lot 19, aged 27 years.

MARRIED.

On the 14th inst. by John Morris Esq., J. P., James Billing, Sergeant of the 38th Regt., to Mary, daughter of Mr. Donald McKinnon, of the Malpeque Road.

On Thursday the 19th inst., by the Rev. F. Smallwood, Mr. John Higgins, of the state of Illinois, to Miss Gemina Smith, of Charlottetown.

LAUNCHED.

From the Shipyard of John & James McDonald, Souris, a Brig of about 200 tons called the *Lochaber*, built for Mr. Joseph McDonald, Charlottetown.

PASSENGERS.

In the steamer from Pictou on the 23d—James Fogo, Esq.

In do. on Thursday, 26th—Rev. Mr. Hitchborne, Rev. Mr. Narroway, Rev. Mr. Dunphy; Miss Wilson, Miss Brownrig, Mrs. Kitchen; Joseph Whidden, Esq.,—Messrs Story, R. Adams, Robinson, Morton, Murray, Archibald, Dixon, J. H. McNab, Pidgeon, D. Wilson and son, Stamper, Dr. Cooke.

TO THE INDEPENDENT ELECTORS OF THE SECOND DISTRICT OF PRINCE COUNTY.

GENTLEMEN—

I take the earliest opportunity to offer you my best thanks for the independent support you gave me at the late Election. Great exertions were made by the opponents of Responsibility to upset the present Government. The people, however, have been true to the principles which were almost unanimously supported at the different meetings during the last winter. They have declared that neither the rent-roll nor the ledger shall, for the future, influence them in the choice of a representative. To the Electors of the First District of Prince County has the whole Island looked up to; and nobly have you vindicated the cause which you never failed to support. You have returned me by a majority of 225 over the Charlottetown candidate. In the name of the Liberal party I thank you for it. The Electors of the 3rd District have followed your example, they have returned Mr. Pope by a majority of 101 over his opponent, Dr Conroy.

Although I shall be obliged to reside in Town, I assure you I shall not forget the many happy years I have spent amongst you; neither shall I be unmindful of the kindness shown to me on every occasion by every resident in the District with whom I had the good fortune to associate. I hope ere long to have the pleasure of seeing you again. In the mean time I assure you nothing shall be wanting on my part to promote the prosperity and happiness of a District whose inhabitants have treated me with such marked tokens of regard. You have gained Responsible Government to the fullest extent. Let not the cry, then, "That no office holder should hold a seat in the Assembly," deter you from supporting the true principles of that system. The offices of emolument are in your gift: confer them only on men whose political opinions coincide with your own.

I remain, Gentlemen,

Your obt. Servt.

JAMES WARBURTON.

June 30, 1851.

Sweet Oil, Indigo, &c.

M. W. SKINNER has received per M. Schr. "Emily" from Halifax, in addition to his Spring Supply:

A large quantity of SWEET OIL for wood, which he is prepared to sell cheap. I case good Spanish INDIGO. Dye Woods and Dye Stuffs of every kind.

Medical Warehouse, Dalhymple's }
Corner, June 30, 1851. }