

Sir John Macdonald at the Beaconsfield Club.

The London newspapers contain reports of some of the speeches delivered at the dinner given to Sir John Macdonald, by the members of the Beaconsfield Club, on the 24th of November last. The Premier was received with great cordiality and he responded to the toast of "Sir John Macdonald and the Colonies," in a pleasant, off-hand manner. The Times supplies the fullest report of his remarks. Mr. Dixon Hartland, M. P., proposed the veteran Canadian statesman's health, briefly and, says the Times: "Sir John Macdonald, in responding, expressed his warm appreciation of the kindness of the club towards him. He had come to England for the sake of his health and to escape from the eternal grind of Government. All sorts of speculations had arisen in Canada as to the cause of his journey. But as a matter of fact he came over to England because his wife said he must. (Laughter) He desired to state on behalf of himself and the Government of Canada that they had no cause of complaint against the Home Government, whether Liberal or Conservative. During his long connection with the Canadian Government he had held communications of different kinds, public and confidential, with various Ministers of the mother country, and he was glad to be able to say that whether the Government of the day was Conservative, or Whig or Liberal or Advanced Liberal, the representatives of Canada had always been received with consideration. (Hear, hear.) The great men of England, no matter what the hue of their home political opinions, were always anxious to continue the bond connecting the colonies to the mother country, and therefore it was that that bond would last for ages. (Cheers.) He was the leader of the Conservative party in Canada; and that party was mainly distinguished by the fact that it adhered to the great principle of the connection between Canada and England. (Hear, hear.) At the present time no man could set up to be a leader of public opinion in Canada unless he accepted this great principle; and any Englishman coming to Canada, if he was a man of any education, invariably joined the Canadian Conservative party, no matter what his home politics might have been. (Hear, hear.) There were in Canada, Republicans and Annexationists, as those were called, who desired annexation with the United States, and Communists, but their power was even smaller than in England. In fact there never was a more Conservative country in the world than Canada—not Conservative in a party sense, but as describing men desirous of conserving the best principles of the British Constitution as transplanted to Canada. (Hear, hear.) The people of Canada had prospered and were prospering now. He did not know of a country with less misery and more happiness than Canada, for every industrious man could obtain a good day's wages for a good day's work. (Hear, hear.) Canada had its House of Lords. (Hear, hear.) Its peers were not hereditary, but peers for life. In a young country like Canada they could not as yet have any hereditary House of Lords, but probably about the time when it was being abolished in England, it would be adopted in Canada. (Laughter.) They had tried an elective House of Lords and had voluntarily abolished it. (Hear, hear.) England might count on the loyalty of Canada. Any insult to the flag of England would be regarded as an insult to Canada, and Canada would be ready to make common cause with England. (Hear, hear.) In return let Englishmen expand their minds to the imperial idea." (Cheers.)

The speech of the evening seems to have been delivered by Sir Stafford Northcote, M. P., who presided on the occasion. He paid a warm and graceful tribute to Sir John, compared him to the late Earl of Beaconsfield, and said that Canada for forty years owed almost everything to him. Sir Stafford touched on many points of public interest during his brief remarks, and our readers, we know, will read what he had to say with pleasure and profit. He responded to the toast of "The Conservative Cause," which had been happily proposed by Captain Cruikshank, the Conservative candidate for Leicester. Said Sir Stafford—

"They were met for the purpose of receiving and doing honor to a guest who was not only a British subject like themselves but who at the same time was the representative of the great Conservative cause as viewed, not in England alone, but in the British Empire. (Cheers.) It was of the first importance to the Empire that the Empire should be kept together. (Hear, hear.) This was a great Conservative principle overriding all minor differences, and of that principle their guest, Sir John Macdonald, was a distinguished representative. (Hear, hear.) With those who wished to maintain this great principle of the Conservative cause, it should be one of the first objects to understand and to keep track with our brethren in the great colonies of the Empire. (Hear, hear.) Of Sir John Macdonald he would only say that if the progress of Canada had been so great, as it undoubtedly had within the last 40 years, if Canada now held so high a position in the estimation of the world, if the difficulties which from time to time had arisen in the development and organization of the great Canadian community had been so successfully overcome, there was one man to whom, above all others, that great progress was owing, and that man was Sir John Macdonald. (Hear, hear.) The difficulties which he had to contend with in bringing about harmony where there was discord, in overcoming the opposition of our rival parties, and in developing the resources of Canada, had all been overcome by his patience and courage, and by his readiness in debate and power as an orator which had gained for him the name of the Canadian Beaconsfield. (Cheers.) There was a great future, he thought, before the British Empire, and he felt convinced that if the people of the United Kingdom did their duty they would not fail to receive from their brethren beyond the seas that support which all Englishmen were proud to give in defence of the country of which they were descendants." (Cheers.)

A revolver fired in a joke during a party at Stafford, N. H., on Thursday night last, caused some dynamite to explode, killing one man, fatally injuring two, and seriously hurting five others, besides destroying \$50,000 worth of property.

The Northern Light.

HER REPAIRS.

Since the opening of navigation the Department of Marine has given more than ordinary attention to the improvement of the Northern Light. She has been thoroughly repaired, and her present condition is as good as when she was completed by Mr. Sewell, the inventor. As she now lies at the railway wharf she presents the appearance of a new boat, and not the craft which has battled with ice and icebergs for eight successive seasons. While on the Marine Slip, Pictou, this season, she received a new stem and iron stem-plate, which runs from two feet above the load line down to the joining of the stern at the keel. She also received a new keel, and had her new hull of five-inch planks covered with three-inch birch planks. Where the ice chafes—at the water's edge—is coated with greenheart, and secured at the end with iron plates. Her hull has been thoroughly caulked, and the interior has been strengthened by several new knees and beams. The main deck has also been re-laid.

On arrival here from Pictou it was found that her stern was effected with dry rot. The Department of Marine, therefore, thought it advisable to remove all wood so effected, and consequently the steamer received a new stern and stern-post. The improvements to the Northern Light's cabin have been large. All seats have been newly upholstered, the floors of the cabins have been recast, and the state-rooms have been newly furnished, making her as comfortable as possible. The repairs to her machinery, this season, have been extensive. Her boiler has received new tubes, the steam and feed pipes have been thoroughly adjusted, and the engine has been completely overhauled. As regards machinery, the Northern Light is in as good condition as ever she has been. The Northern Light is commanded by the pioneer, Capt. Allan Finalyson, who has won the esteem of all by his able and efficient management and splendid seamanship. Mr. John McMillan is her most worthy engineer. Mr. D. D. Ryan, is the efficient purser, and Mr. Peter McCrudden the attentive steward.

The Movements of Commander Davies, R. N.

FROM the Western Weekly News, published in Plymouth, we clip the following respecting H. M. S. Griffon and Commander Davies:—"The gun-vessel Griffon, Commander R. W. Davies, arrived in Plymouth Sound on Wednesday from North American and West India Station, and proceeded up harbor to moorings on the Hamoese. The Griffon was commissioned at Davenport in September, 1877, and the first twelve months were spent on the southeast coast of America, after which she was for two years and seven months in the West Indies. She was re-commissioned at Bermuda in March, 1881, when she returned to the West Indies station, and was subsequently engaged in protecting the fisheries on the coast of Newfoundland. The Griffon was employed during the Haytian revolution in protecting British interests along the coast, and was afterwards sent to Harbor Grace in order to put a stop to a serious outbreak which had occurred there amongst the railway employes and the inhabitants. In this she was completely successful, and having put a stop to hostilities there, she left Harbor Grace for England on the 6th inst., and arrived here on Wednesday after a passage of thirteen days. During the first week she encountered very heavy weather, but better weather was experienced as the ship neared the English coast. There have been a few desertions during the Griffon's commission, but the deserters were men of indifferent character. The ship has been an exceedingly comfortable one, and the commander has done everything in his power to make the men perfectly comfortable and happy throughout the commission. The Griffon will be inspected on Monday prior to being dismantled and paid off."

The Markets.

BOSTON MARKETS. FISH—Messrs. Hatheway & Co's. report of the 6th inst., says: There has been a light trade in all kinds, with no material change in prices. Mackerel are held with confidence, but large lots cannot be placed except at some concessions. POKE—There is a fair demand for the trade and exporters, with sales of Clear at \$15.50 and \$17; and backs at \$16.50 and \$18. Lean ends are quoted at \$16. Mess is steady at \$13.50 and \$14 per barrel. LARD—Sales continue to range from 7 1/2 to 8c. per lb., the inside for large lots to the trade. SMOKED HAMS—There continues to be a fair demand, with sales at 11 and 12c per lb., including small and large sizes. EGGS—The demand continues to be mainly for stridly fresh Eastern, which are selling at 28 and 29 cents per dozen. Lined Eggs are in fair demand, with sales at 20 and 21 cents per dozen. Market closes with a very dull tone, and held stock is not wanted at any reasonable price. We quote: Nova Scotia and P. E. Island, 26 and 27 cents. POTATOES.—The Potato market has ruled steady with a fair trade, and at the close there is a little firmer tendency. We quote: Rose per bushel..... 50 to 55 Burbank Seedlings..... 48 to 50 Peerless..... 40 to 48 Beauty of Hebron..... 50 to 52 Prohibitory..... 45 to 50

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Meeting at York.

A PUBLIC MEETING to protest against the removal of the telegraph station and ticket office from York, was held last evening. Richard Gill, Esq., occupied the chair, and after speeches by Henry Beer, Esq., M. P., P., the Hon. Donald Ferguson, and others, strong resolutions were adopted to the effect that the facilities taken away should be replaced.

Supreme Court.

THURSDAY, Dec. 11. Anderson and another vs. Reid and another.—This was an action for an alleged breach of a covenant. It appears that the defendants sold out the good-will of a business carried on by them in Summerside, and in doing so agreed not to carry on business there again. Some time afterwards one of the defendants went into business, upon which the present action was brought against both defendants, and the question was whether they were both liable for a breach of the agreement by one of them. The case was very fully argued in October last, and judgment given this evening in favor of the defendants, the Chief Justice dissenting.

Arrested in Church.

SINGULAR CHARGE AGAINST A LONDON CLEVERGEMAN.

(Correspondence of the Globe.)

LONDON, Oct. Dec. 7.—R. v. Timothy O'Connell, Rector of the Chapter House, opened the services as usual this morning, when the Senior Churchwarden, Mr. George McNab, arose and forbade him to proceed, claiming that the Bishop had inhibited him from conducting Divine Service. Mr. O'Connell, however, continued the services, when Detective Phair stepped forward, on the authority of Mayor Hyman, arrested him. Mr. O'Connell, was taken to the Station House, where he was charged with disorderly conduct and disturbing public worship. Mr. W. R. Meredith subsequently secured Mr. O'Connell's release. It seems the inhibition was served on Mr. O'Connell on Saturday, but he returned it to the Bishop unopened. He denies the charges on which the Bishop's inhibition is based. The Bishop will investigate the charges during the week. Mr. W. R. Meredith, Q. C., and Mr. W. P. R. Street have been retained by Mr. O'Connell, who will enter an action for false imprisonment.

Sir John Interviewed.

Shortly after landing in New York Sir John A. Macdonald was interviewed. This is, in brief, what he is reported to have said:—

IMPERIAL FEDERATION.

The object of the association regarding Imperial Federation he said is to rouse the attention of the people to this subject. It will collect information on the subject, and will submit this to Canada. Sir John said that there was a proposition on foot to have a Colonial Council, somewhat on the plan of the India Council.

THE PACIFIC RAILWAY.

Respecting the Canadian Pacific Railroad, he said that it would be completed from sea to sea by the autumn of 1885, and would be in operation in the spring of 1886. It would endeavor to attract as much Asiatic trade as possible.

RECIPROCITY.

As to a Reciprocity Treaty with the United States, Sir John said that Canada had made several overtures and had met with no response. While Canada would much like to renew the Reciprocity Treaty of 1854, she must wait patiently until the United States is ready to meet her.

INSOLVENCY LEGISLATION.

Sir John also stated that a deputation waited upon him in London with respect to the equitable distribution of insolvent estates in Canada. He told them that there was a great division of opinion on the subject in Canada. He was inclined to think that if the chambers of commerce in England would communicate with similar bodies in Canada and get joint action, it might have the effect of inducing the Canadian parliament to pass such a bill.

The report of the Secretary of the Navy defends the new ships from the attacks made on their design, recommends the construction of seventy new cruisers within the next ten years, and calls for some system of government and to enable first-class steamships to be sailed under the country's flag.

The Ottawa district phosphate trade last season is looked upon as having been fairly favorable.

A deputation has been appointed to wait on President Arthur and ascertain his views regarding the New York senatorship.

MARRIED.

In Boston, Mass., on the 2nd inst., by the Rev. George B. Prescott, Mr. Robert Powell to Frances S. Easton, eldest daughter of the late William Easton, Charlestown Royalty. At Summerside, on the 3rd inst., at the residence of R. S. Bowness, brother of the bride, by Rev. Walter B. Hinson, Mr. Albert Weeks of Alberton, to Miss Elizabeth Bowness, daughter of Mr. Robert Bowness, of Montrose.

At Georgetown, Dec. 5th, by Rev. W. H. Spencer, Gen. A. Forbes, to Mary Beaton, both of Caledonia.

On the 3d inst., at Malpeque, by Rev. G. McMillan, Matilda, daughter of Mr. Neil McGowan, of the above place, to Mr. John Smith of Vernon River.

DIED.

At Birch Hill, Lot 13, Nov. 27th, of cancer in the stomach, Miss Mary McKendrick, aged 74 years, much and deservedly respected by a large circle of friends and acquaintances.

At Northam, Lot 13, on 17th Nov., of rheumatic fever, Hugh Ramsay, youngest son of Mr. Daniel Sullivan, aged 10 years. Deceased was an intelligent and promising boy.

At his residence, Lot 11, after a short illness, on 20th ult., William Moran, in the 59th year of his age, leaving a wife and three sons and three daughters, together with a large circle of friends and relatives to mourn their irreplaceable loss.

On Nov. 17, at his residence, Spring Bank Farm, Glanford, Ont., Mr. John Yao, aged 72 years, a native of Bradwoity, Bidford, Devonshire, Eng.

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E. MACDOUGALL. Ch'town, Dec. 1, 1884—2 aw wkly

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A. McNEILL, Auctioneer. Ch'town, Dec. 11, 1884.—3i

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