

THE DAILY EXAMINER.

SEPTEMBER 9, 1884.

Annexation of the West Indies.

THERE has for some time past been talk of the union of Jamaica with the Canadian Confederation; and a word or two on the subject may not be out of place. Jamaica, or as it was originally—or perhaps more properly speaking aboriginally—called Xaymaca, or land of wood and water, lies in the Caribbean Sea, about 90 miles to the south of Cuba. It is the largest, as well as the most valuable of the British West India Islands, being forty-five miles in breadth, by one hundred and forty miles in length, with a population of over five hundred thousand. It possesses a number of very excellent harbors. Its products are valuable. Among them, the sugar crop takes the lead, the annual average crop being thirty-eight thousand tons.

The chief advantages that would arise from the annexation of Jamaica to Canada would, of course, consist in having a free interchange of the products of the two countries. Raw sugar and fish would constitute the chief articles of interchange. The sugar crop of Jamaica would not be sufficient to meet the full Canadian demand, but we are told that Barbadoes and other West India Islands are seeking closer relations with Canada, and are only waiting for the approval of Imperial and Canadian statesmen to consummate the bargain. If this be so—and we have the statement from no less an authority than the Hon. Henry Berkley, Solicitor-General of the Leeward Islands, in a letter to the London Times—Canadians could be supplied free with all the raw material they require for sugar making, while the West India Islanders would take our fish in return. If the British West Indies were to give us exclusive access to their markets it would not follow that such an arrangement would shut us off from foreign markets. We would, therefore, be able to control a profitable and extensive home market for our fish, without being deprived of any of the privileges now enjoyed of trading with the French and Spanish Islands that lie in that direction. According to the fiscal return for the year ending 30th June, 1883, we exported to the British West Indies alone goods to the value of \$2,300,000. Nearly the whole of this amount was made up from fish exports, chiefly from the Maritime Provinces. At this rate, the greater portion of our fish is consumed in the West Indies, a fact not to be forgotten when our neighbors of the tropics are asking to be admitted into the Union.

By the way, our neighbor the Patriot, we observe, gives an emphatic "No" to the proposal to annex Jamaica. The prospect of having a large number of negroes added to the present population of our Dominion, shocks its sensitive nature. But he must remember that, thanks to the enlightened policy of the Mother Country, slavery has not existed in the British West India Islands for nearly fifty years. The negroes of the West Indies, as well as those of the Southern States, have since their emancipation, shown themselves to be worthy of liberty and entitled to the full rights of free men. It is somewhat surprising that a journal with such democratic tendencies as the Patriot professes to entertain, should be found among the first to place the "colour line" in the way of its fellow countrymen of the tropics. Enlightened journals now-a-days believe in equal rights to all, without regard to creed, country or colour.

All we need add is, that if the opponents of West Indian annexation have nothing better to offer, by way of objection, than horror of negroes, their side of the question is weak, indeed—so weak that it is not at all likely to influence advanced statesmen, either on this or the other side of the Atlantic, when they come to consider the terms and conditions of Union.

There is every reason to believe that a majority of the legal votes at the late Queen's County, P. E. I., election, was cast for the Liberal candidate. His majority in the rural districts, was swallowed up by Dr. Jenkins' vote in Charlottetown. Here a poll tax of \$2 per head is exacted, and payment ten days before polling is necessary to secure the privilege of voting. There were between four and five hundred of the poorer inhabitants of the city who, owing to the extreme stringency of the time, and had not paid their poll tax. The Tory managers were aware of this fact, and on the day of polling, paid the tax of some 250 of these people, and their votes were cast for the Tory candidate. The poll tax for about an equal number of Liberals was not paid, and they were unable to vote. By the illegal voting referred to the Tory candidate secured his majority. The poll tax had been increased from \$1 to \$2 since 1882.

We do not object to the Globe trying its best to do away with the effect on the Ontario Grits of the recent Grit defeat in Queen's County; but we strongly object to that paper making statements that are not only inaccurate in many points, but absolutely untrue.

Before the late election a legal question arose as to whether or not the \$2 poll tax, assessed by the city of Charlottetown on the young men, should not have been paid before the teste of the writ of election, viz., the 21st of July, 1884. That it was a grave legal question was admitted on both sides; that it was necessary to have some arrangement made between the parties was also admitted; and accordingly it was agreed

that the opinion of Mr. Malcolm McLeod, Q. C., should be taken, and, when received, be considered as binding, morally, if not legally, on both Dr. Jenkins and Mr. Welsh, as well as their agents at the polls. Mr. McLeod's opinion was taken. He held that the tax might be paid at any time before voting, even on the day of election, and that the voter then could legally vote. An arrangement, based upon Mr. McLeod's opinion, was then entered into by both parties,—that every franchise voter, otherwise qualified, who would produce a receipt for his Poll Tax for the year 1883, no matter when paid, would be allowed to vote, without objection. Who benefitted by this arrangement cannot now be told. The Grits before the election and after an exceedingly careful canvass, were of opinion that the Franchise vote was in Mr. Welsh's favor, and therefore were very anxious to secure the amicable arrangement that was afterwards made.

We understood at the time that the Liberal-Conservative committee in Charlottetown were divided in opinion on this question—a portion being strongly of opinion that the vote would be in Mr. Welsh's favor, while others equally strongly believed that it would be in Dr. Jenkins'. But, notwithstanding this difference of opinion, the committee unanimously agreed to abide by any arrangement under which the young men could vote—no matter on which side they voted. They voted, and our own impression is that Mr. Welsh got a large proportion of their votes. We have it on the most reliable authority that at one polling booth, where thirty-five franchise voters voted, twenty-eight of them were known to be active members of the Junior Grit Reform Club.

Regarding the statement that the "Tory manager" paid the tax of 250 voters: it is untrue. The total number of franchise voters at the late election was 236, and although the taxes of some of them may have been paid by friends of Mr. Jenkins, it is well known that the majority of those 236 voters had their taxes paid by a prominent Grit supporter of Mr. Welsh.

Editorial Notes.

—The Montreal Herald is not convinced that Mr. Duncan McIntyre has not become a large shareholder in the Globe Publishing Company, of Toronto.

—There is a hitch about the loan recently negotiated by the Government of Nova Scotia. It seems that those who tendered for the loan, refuse to pay over the money until a claim of Messrs. Baring Bros. for £52,000 has been settled in some way.

—The Canadian Pacific Railway Company has been the subject of much adverse criticism,—some just and much more unjust. But its merits must greatly overbalance its demerits when leading members of the Opposition and the Opposition press feel constrained to commend it. The Ottawa Free Press (a Grit organ) says:—"There is no company in existence, be it railway or otherwise, which does so much to secure the patronage of the travelling public as does the Canadian Pacific. It can afford to do so. The road is second to none, the time made is consequently fast and safe, and the fares are made so moderate as to suit the most economical. In addition to this the attention of the employees to the wants of those who patronize it is unremitting. The Company has struck the right keynote when it is endeavoring to do a large business with small profits instead of a small business and large profits. It gives the best value possible for the money and this is one good reason why it is doing a profitable and rushing business."

—The Marine Department is at present inquiring into the particulars connected with the loss of the steamer Tuinstall off the North Shore of this Island, with the view of rewarding the brave men who, at the risk of their lives, went to the rescue of the crew. Mr. Lord, the popular agent of Marine and Fisheries, has the matter in hand at present. He went to St. Peter's Bay on Friday last to make necessary enquiries, etc. He also visited, on official business, the breakwater at Fairfield, near East Point. This work, we are glad to learn, has withstood all the storms that came since its erection, without receiving any damage whatever. In order, however, to prevent the sand from filling in, an opening, it is thought, should be made near the shore end of the work. If so the Department ought to attend to it this fall. Engineers, like other mortals, cannot be in two places at one and the same time. But the fact is, and there is no denying it, this Island requires and must have a resident Civil Engineer accessible at all times. Nova Scotia and New Brunswick have several and there is no good reason why we should not have one residing here all the year round.

Our Advertisers.

Geo. F. Owen informs all interested that the King's County Exhibition for 1884 will be held at Georgetown on the 1st October. The services of Belle's Centennial can be secured at the stable of T. A. McLean, near Esdale Foundry. Sarah McKinnon announces the sale at public auction of certain valuable property on King Street. A. McNeill advertises a fruit sale at half-past ten to-morrow. Three Chinese armies, numbering 65,000 men, are said to be marching on Tientsin.

RAILWAY ACCIDENT.

Break-up of a Train

AND INJURY OF TWO TRAIN HANDS.

The Passengers Escape.

The afternoon train from Charlottetown to Summerside—Conductor Thompson—was thrown off the track, a few miles west of County Line, last evening, and badly wrecked, driver N. Watson and fireman Craswell, sustaining severe injuries. The train was made up of a Baldwin engine and five cars, including first and second-class passenger cars. After crossing the evening express train from Summerside at County Line, and just before reaching Nod Road Station, Mr. Watson, the driver, noticed something on the track ahead; but as it was dusky he could not see it distinctly. He immediately signalled "down brakes" and they were at once applied. But it was too late. Before the speed of the train was slackened appreciably, the locomotive struck a platform car loaded with iron rails, the end of which protruded from the siding over the main track. The consequence was that the car was overturned, the rails thrown out, the engine knocked to the right, the tender to the left, and they and the freight cars of the train were badly wrecked, while the rails and sleepers were torn up and smashed a distance of one hundred feet. Fortunately the passenger cars and their occupants, including eighteen or twenty passengers, escaped without serious injury.

The shock of the collision was such that a distance of thirty feet clear of everything; and the fireman was also thrown a considerable distance. Watson was injured in the hips, three of his ribs were broken, and he was bruised both externally and internally. Craswell, the fireman, it is feared, seriously injured in the spine. But both men were able to walk from County Line Station to the Hotel.

As soon as possible after the occurrence, Conductor Thompson walked back to County Line Station and telegraphed for aid, which was promptly forwarded from both Charlottetown and Summerside. The train from Summerside took the passengers to their destination, at which they arrived only three hours behind time; and the train from Charlottetown brought equipment and material to remove the wreck and repair the road. To-day the track is all right again, and the trains are running on time.

As to the cause of the accident: the siding is slightly off the level, and it is supposed that the brakes in the car of rails which had been left on the siding, were not properly set up; and that the vibration caused by the passing of the Express, about twenty minutes before the accident, started the car and caused it to move down over the points of the switch on the main track.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

Who is not the Tramp?

Sir,—In justice to me, will you please insert this short letter in your valuable and influential journal. On Wednesday last, I received a despatch from Jas. E. Birch, of Alberton, to attend a sick horse. So I took the train and arrived there about noon. Mr. Birch and I were up all night, and in the morning I left for Miscouche, where I remained all day, and performed several operations in that vicinity for Joseph Simmons, Henry Craswell and others. Mr. Craswell drove me to Summerside on Thursday evening, and on Friday morning I started for home. No sooner had I reached here, than I was insulted and threatened. Then I learned that on Wednesday night, while I was in Alberton, the tramp had entered a house on King Square, and the people said it must be me. Now, Sir, for the last six months, I have been slurred and insulted on the streets, in the shops, and even in the churches, and been pointed out as the tramp, so that on the Sabbath, instead of going to church, I remain in my office for peace and quietness. I am no tramp, thief, nor drunkard, and I owe no man one cent. I have my rights as a British subject, and this Island is as free to me, as it is to any man, so long as I conduct myself properly, and I have stood insults until patience has ceased to be a virtue, but I will not be insulted with impunity any longer. My faults are many, and my past life is not blameless, but since I have been here, I have molested or insulted no one, and try to be civil, obliging, and respectful to everybody, and people ought to give me fair play. Whoever is going about at nights will be caught, and then the public will see who the real tramp is. I have something else to do than tramp the streets all night, and I want the police and all decent men to watch my actions, both day and night for my actions are open for investigation. There are lots of bummers and loafers who do no work, but bump people on the streets for money to get rum with, and no one insults them. I thank "Lynch" for his generosity to me in Saturday's issue, as he wants to give me justice. Hoping to hear no more insinuations about this tramp business, and thanking you, Mr. Editor, for your valuable space, in your liberal-minded paper,

I remain, respectfully,  
J. M. WHITMAN.

An individual who represented himself as a "scientist" has been amusing the medical journals with descriptions of his method for the cure of all diseases. It consists of no less formidable a process than the complete filtering of the patient's blood—in a vacuum—and thereby removing all deleterious substances. He applies one mouth of his machine to an artery and the other to a vein, and, as he remarks, "the blood's got to go through my filter or the man'll die." The doctors are kind to him, his language is good, he asks for nothing, and he believes he is going to save the human race.

A state of anarchy exists in many parts of Italy on account of the cholera scare and the conflict of authority of the local and general governments.

FRUIT.

BY AUCTION, To-morrow (Wednesday), September 10th, at 10.30 o'clock, 25 barrels choice Apples, and other Fruit, ex steamer from B. Stou.

A. McNEILL, Auctioneer.

Ch'town, Sep 9.

LAND SALE.

TO be sold at Public Auction, on the premises, on King Street, opposite the Post Office, Charlottetown, on Friday, the 17th day of October next, all that valuable property, with dwelling house thereon, on the south side of King Street, having a front on said street of about thirty-four feet, and extending southwardly by parallel lines sixty-three feet for horses, carts, trucks, etc.

TERMS—One-third cash at sale, the balance to be secured by a mortgage of the premises, bearing six per cent interest.

For further particulars apply to Messrs. McLeod, Morson & McQuarrie.

SARAH MCKINNON.

Ch'town, Sept 9, 1884.

KING'S COUNTY

EXHIBITION,

1884,

WILL BE HELD AT

GEORGETOWN,

—ON—

Wednesday, the 1st October, instant.

All entries at the Drill Shed must be made before ten o'clock a. m., and for the Cattle Show at eleven o'clock a. m., on Exhibition day.

His Honor the Lieutenant Governor will open the Exhibition at the Drill Shed at one o'clock p. m.

Admission to Show Grounds and Drill Shed, each time of entering, twelve cents; children under twelve years, six cents; horses and carriages, twenty-five cents. Tickets will be sold at the Market House and at the gates.

Restaurant on the Grounds. Passengers and Exhibits will be conveyed to and from the Exhibition at one first-class fare.

Commissioners appointed to the several departments will please be on the grounds early.

For Rules and other particulars, get Prize Lists by applying to the Commissioners for King's County Exhibition, at the Post Office throughout the County, or at the Secretary's Office, at Cardigan.

GEORGE F. OWEN,

Secretary King's County Exhibition.

Cardigan, Sept 9, 1884—31 w y w p her 3i

Pure Bred Stock.

THE services of the celebrated Jersey Bull "Belle's Centennial," No. 7,977, American Herd-Book, can now be had at the stable of T. A. McLean, Esq., near Esdale Foundry. Fee, \$2.00. Now is the time to get milking stock, as he will likely be in Charlottetown but a short time.

Sept 9—1m

AUCTION SALE.

STEAM BOILER, TANK, ETC.

TO be sold by Public Auction, on Monday, 16th of September, inst., at 2 o'clock, on the site of the Old Post Office, the following articles:—

- 1 Tubular Steam Boiler 4 x 12 ft., (25 horse)
- 1 Large Hot-water tank,
- 1 Iron Tank, Boiler Plate,
- 3 Vault Doors and Frames,
- 2 Cast Iron Columns (18 feet by 8 inches,)
- 1 Force Pump,
- Lot Steam Piping and Heating Coils,
- Quantity of Malleable Iron in bars,
- Lot of Cast Iron, Sashweights, etc.,
- Lot of Galvanized Iron Conductor Pipe,
- Quantity of Dressed Freestone,
- 2 Black Walnut Bookcase Frames,
- Window Frames, Sashes and Glass.

WILLIAM DODD,

Auctioneer.

Sept 8, 1884—her pres jour lin

OYSTERS!

FRESH Bedouque Oysters, at the "BLJOU" RESTAURANT, Great George Street, near Beales' Corner.

Ch'town, Sept. 8, 1884.—3in.

CONSIGNMENTS SOLICITED.

R. O'DWYER,

Commission and General Merchant

FOR SALE OF P. E. I. PRODUCE.

289 WATER STREET,

St. John's Newfoundland.

In connection with the above is Captain English, who is well known in P. E. Island, who will take special charge of all consignments, and will also attend to the chartering of vessels or the carrying trade of P. E. I. The firm is one of the oldest and most reliable in Newfoundland. Orders guaranteed to be prompt and satisfactory. Parties wishing to procure Labrador Herring should send their orders in time.

Sept 6, 1884.—till 31st Dec. '84.

NEW SEASIDES,

—AT—

BRENNER BROS.

July 28, 1884.

ASSURE IN THE Sun Life Assurance Company.

THOMAS WORKMAN.....President.  
R. McAULAY.....Manager.

Capital.....	\$ 500,000
Deposit with Dominion Gov't.....	50,000
Assets.....	1,173,440
Surplus to Policy Holders.....	550,000
Reserve Fund.....	626,307
Assurances in force.....	10,147,615
Annual Income, about.....	273,000

The Sun is a Home Company, investing all its funds in Canada, and has thus a special claim on Canadian assurers.

It is a strong and prosperous Company, with large and well-invested assets.

Its rates are low and its profits to Policy Holders large, and equitably divided.

The Sun alone issues an absolutely UNCONDITIONAL POLICY. Great care is taken in the selection of risks, but when a Policy is once issued the money is paid on simple proof of the death of the assured, no matter how, or when, or where. The only condition is the payment of premiums.

The Sun has not one Contested or Disputed Claim on its Books.

The Sun issues the Most Liberal Straight-forward, and Untechnical ACCIDENT POLICY in existence.

Any information concerning Assurances will be cheerfully given, personally or by letter, on application to

H. SUTHERLAND, Halifax,

Manager for Maritime Provinces;

Or to S. M. BENT,

Agent for P. E. Island.

Ch'town, Sep 5—6i w y 3in

LONDON HOUSE.

THIS week we shall offer all our Stock of Colored Cotton Shirts, AT A SURPRISING REDUCTION, TO CLEAR.

Regular Price, \$1.65, for \$1.25.

" " " " \$1.40, for \$1.00!

" " " " \$1.15, for \$0.80.

" " " " \$1.00, for \$0.75.

" " " " \$0.90, for \$0.70.

A LOT OF

Unlaundered White Shirts,

65 CENTS EACH.

GEO. DAVIES & CO

Aug 14, 1884.

LONDON AND LIVERPOOL.

1884. Regular Traders. 1884.

BARKENTINE

"EREMA,"

300 tons Register, classed 9 years A1 at Lloyds,

Richard Rendle, Commander,

Will sail from

London for Charlottetown

ABOUT THE 20th SEPTEMBER.

ALSO THE BARK

"MOSELLE,"

500 tons Register, classed 10 years A1 at Lloyds,

Alex. McLeod, Commander,

Will sail from

Liverpool for Charlottetown

About the 25th September,

Carrying freight at through rates to Pictou, Georgetown, Souris, Summerside and Shediac.

For freight or passage apply in London to John Piteira & Sons, 16 Great Winchester Street; in Liverpool to Piteira Brothers, 51 South John Street, or here to the owners,

PEAKE BROS. & CO.

Aug 21—3aw 1i

VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

To be sold, by Auction, on

Wednesday, the 10th September,

AT ELEVEN O'CLOCK,

at the residence of Mrs. Swabey, Prince Street all her Household Furniture, consisting of Drawing Room Suit (in Walnut), handsome Mantle Mirror, Centre Table, Whatnot, Brussels Carpets, Dining Room Extension Table, Wall and Leather Chairs, China and Glass Ware, Book Case, Hall Oil Cloth and Carpet, Hall Stove, Bed-room Furniture (very handsome), Iron Bedsteads, Wardrobe, Chamber Sets, Beds and Bedding, Kitchen Stove and Kitchen Utensils, etc.

—ALSO—

A very handsome London made Piano, in walnut case. A first-class instrument.

WILLIAM DODD, Auctioneer.

Ch'town, Aug 29, 1884—pat

FLOUR. FLOUR.

125 bbls. CHOICE PATENT, 375 bbls. SUPERIOR EXTRA,

for prompt delivery at Charlottetown or Summerside.

90 bbls. No. 1 PILOT BREAD, 10 bbls. THIN FAMILY,

FOR SALE BY

J. A. CHIPMAN & CO.,

Corner Pownal and Water Streets,

Ch'town, Sep 5.

TO SHOEMAKERS

JUST RECEIVED and ready for sale, a new stock of Shoe Findings, etc., consisting in part of,—

SHOE TOPS, in Balmorals, Elastic, Billes and Kip Balmorals.

C. D. FRONTS, Clarence, and Grafts. Also a choice lot of French Calf, in skins.

This Stock has been specially selected in the English Market, and is very superior.

M. McQUAID.

Lower Queen Street, Sep 3—1i

HARD COAL.

JUST RECEIVED, per schooner Isaac Burpee,

300 Tons Anthracite Coal,

Chestnut and Egg Sizes. Orders left at

CAPT. J. HUGHES,

Water Street.

WANTS, LOST, FOUND, &c.

LOST—In this city, a few days ago, a narrow Silver Bracelet. The finder will please leave it at this office, and be rewarded.

WANTED—A smart boy as an Apprentice to the Printing Business. Apply at the office of THE EXAMINER. [sep 8]

FOR SALE—A New Schooner of about 15 tons. Apply at this office. [sep 8, '84]

A Gentleman (formerly of P. E. I.) wishing to select his winter quarters would be glad to hear of vacant rooms through E. L. Lydiard, Esq., Customs Broker, Charlottetown. [sep 8, '84, 1w]

TO LET—A very desirable Residence, containing nine rooms, on Bayfield Street. Good Stable and Coachhouse on the premises. Apply at EXAMINER'S OFFICE. [sep 8]

PRINCE STREET SCHOOL.—Applications in writing will be received at the office of the Secretary of the City School Board, up to twelve o'clock, noon, September 10th, from persons willing to accept the position of Janitor and Keeper of this school. [sep 4 3i sa mo]

A FEW BOARDERS may be accommodated, at moderate rates, by applying to Mrs. Mellen's, next door to Methodist Church, Sydney Street. [sep 3 1w pd]

WANTED—A Young Girl for general housework. Apply to Mrs. G. Tweedy, Spring Park Road, Charlottetown. [sep 3 1w]

WANTED—A COOK. Apply to Mrs. Haviland, Alma Cottage. [sep 2]

A CLERK with some experience in a Grocery Store will find employment by addressing P. O. Box 51. [sep 1]

WANTED—A COOK. Apply to Mrs. DeBlois, Devonport Cottage, Charlottetown. [aug 28]

GIRL WANTED immediately, to do general housework in a small family. Good wages. Apply to Mrs. John A. Moore, Hillsborough Square. [aug 21]

WE will give exclusive sale at and near Charlottetown, of our Entire Wheat Flour, to a dealer who will push it. Covered by patent. Easily sold. We guarantee 100 lbs. more bread to the barrel than any other flour.—FRANKLIN MILL CO., 38 Clark Street, Chicago, Ill. [aug 2]

TO LET.—Shop and Tenement on Upper Queen Street, at present occupied by Mrs. McLean. Apply to J. McGILL. [aug 2—pat.]

BOARD—A couple