

THE DAILY EXAMINER.

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The Public Accounts.

This report of the Deputy-Minister of Finance upon the public accounts of Canada for 1887...

On capital account there was paid in the year \$4,144,010.93, and investments bearing interest were made by the Government to the amount of \$155,435.13...

The receipts on account of Dominion Lands were \$191,781.78; the investments for Sinking Funds, \$1,592,952.62; and the amount of debt redeemed was \$2,279,558.64.

On the other hand the addition to the amount at the credit of depositors in the Savings Banks was \$3,653,461.49, making a total balance due to depositors in these institutions of \$10,822,275.37.

The average rate of interest paid last year was 3.85 per cent, and the total amount of interest paid was \$10,526,859.14...

On the other hand, Canada possesses assets to the amount of \$45,873,715.37, on which the Government received interest last year to the amount of \$1,521,533.57...

By deducting the assets from the liabilities it appears that the net debt of Canada at the end of last year was \$227,313,911.05, against \$223,159,107.03 at the end of the previous year.

The Deputy-Minister of Finance remarks, in conclusion, that during the year the Dominion imported silver and copper to the value of \$275,000, the profit on which amounted to \$82,134.17...

A correspondent writes: "It would be better if greater care were taken by the opposition line of iceboats at the Capes. They never should allow a boat to leave singly; for in case of accident the results would be terrible."

Attention is directed to the letter of George Robertson & Co., published in another column. It deals with a very important matter. Whether we succeed in obtaining Reciprocity from the United States, or whether we do not, it is the part of wisdom and prudence to seek out new markets for our surplus produce.

Our Book Table.

A Modern Magician, by F. Fitzgerald Molloy, (published by Wm. Bryce, Toronto), opens with a rather clever description of the dramatic personae of whom Mrs. Henry Neeley, a wealthy widow, doing her utmost to obtain entrance into London high society, and using as a stepping-stone a very eccentric personage, poor but titled, and to whom the rich widow pays court.

Miriam Neeley, her niece, refuses to marry for position, but wedds for love, Philip Ammerlov, an author, who is deeply engrossed in the study of Spiritualism, Occultism, etc.

Colonel Jarbert, the lover of Miriam, who, enraged at not being accepted, vows revenge, and makes a fool of Glender, a profligate parson, to further his ends. Louise Westbury, a woman with a history, and an authoress, and Benoni the Magician, who does not quite succeed in making a modern magician of Philip Ammerlov. The story is well told, and the characters well delineated, and the touch of mysticism adds to the story.

North's Philadelphia Musical Journal for February is to hand. It contains choice new music. Subscription only \$1, a year or 10 cents a copy. Address F. A. North & Co., Publishers, 1,303 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia.

From Rev. H. P. Torrey, D. D., LL. D., late President Maine Wesleyan Seminary and Female College, Kent's Hill, Me.: "Dr. F. W. Kinsman—Dear Sir:—For five years the students under my care have used Adoniram Jones's Bible, and have, I think, found it superior to any other remedy for heat and lung troubles." Fred. W. Kinsman, 100 W. 14th St. N. Y. City.

St. James' Concert.

The entertainment in St. James' Hall last evening was largely attended, and was a decided success. The programme was well carried out. The instrumental duet, "Galop de Concert," by the Misses McLean and McLeod, was very pleasing; we will expect from them some very artistic performances in the future...

Exports from Souris for 1887.

Through the courtesy of Mr. M. J. Foley, Collector of Customs, and Mr. Harry Brownell, Station Agent, Souris, we are enabled to lay before the readers of THE EXAMINER the following statement showing the exports from Souris by vessel and by rail, during the shipping season of 1887.

Table with columns for Commodity, Quantity, and Value. Includes items like Potatoes, Oats, Mackerel, Cattle, Canned Meats, Eggs, Canned Goods, and Mackerel.

An Unfaithful Wife.

A Fredericton, N. B., special to the St. John Telegraph says: "Harry Hooper, a blacksmith belonging to Gibson, has just returned from Cambridge, Queen's County, where he had been having papers served upon his wife, Eva Louisa Hooper, in a case of divorce, the charge against her being unfaithfulness. Hooper told the Telegraph that he belonged formerly to Summerside, P. E. Island, but had been living at Gibson for the past six years; that five years ago he got married, his bride, then 16 years of age, being a daughter of Mr. William Colwell; that their married life had been happy until last August when he received positive information that she had been untrue to her marriage vow, her partner in the crime being a married man now living at Gibson and formerly belonging to Portland, St. John; that his wife confessed her guilt and would make no defence in the action for divorce. Hooper says his wife and he parted in August, and she went to live with relatives in Cambridge, Queen's County, there, he alleges, to escape being served with divorce suit papers. The deputy sheriff of Queen's served the papers a few days ago upon the woman while she was attending a 'singing bee' at Cambridge. Hooper feels very badly over the matter, but says his young wife had been led astray by the man who had interfered between them. He further states that he has no doubt that the wife of the man who robbed him (Hooper) of his happiness will seek a divorce from her husband. Hooper is about 25 years of age. He has no children. The hearing of the divorce case is fixed for June."

The Montreal Star remarks truly that "John Bull and brother Sandy have a quiet way of doing big things. When the Brooklyn bridge was building, all the world was given to understand that a most gigantic work was in progress, as indeed was the case. But at this moment a bridge is being built over the Frith of Forth that consists of two spans each longer by 100 feet than the main span of the Brooklyn Bridge. But nothing much is being said about it. The bridge will be built and opened in a quiet sort of way; and though it will be far the greatest bridge in the world, John and Sandy will not think they have done anything tremendous. The chief question with them will be when to start."

Naufrage Harbor Works.

Pursuant to notice, a public meeting was held at Bear River Line Road School-house on the 8th inst., for the purpose of discussing the feasibility of converting Naufrage Pond into a harbor for boats and other small craft.

Letters expressing regret at inability to attend on account of prior engagements, were read from the Hon. Thomas Kitchham, M. L. C., John McLean, Esq., M. P. P., and A. C. McDonald, Esq., ex-M. P.

Mr. James B. McDonald then stated in detail the object of the meeting. About five years ago the inhabitants of this and the surrounding settlements sent a numerous signed petition to the Department of Public Works at Ottawa, praying that steps be taken to connect the Pond with the sea by a suitable channel. In the fall of '84 an engineer was sent to inspect the place, and report thereon. He had a copy of that report now before him, which he regretted to say was unfavorable. He could account for this by the fact that when the engineer was on, the weather was stormy and prevented him from taking soundings outside. The inside soundings are satisfactory, but full data were required before a report could be considered entire. The report, therefore, was actually not damaging to the contemplated work; it was incomplete. He would assure the Dominion representatives of the County that the Pond was of larger dimensions than represented; that the average depth was fully more than stated; that the Pond was supplied with a powerful head of water, supplemented by various smaller ones, and that beyond the beach the seabed seemed most favorable. He considered \$8,000 would suffice to convert it into a splendid boat harbor, while a larger outlay would assure greater accommodation.

Mr. John O'Henley exhibited a plan, on a large scale, of the pond and its environment. He stated that he assisted Engineer Schain in taking his soundings, and that throughout they found the bed to be soft mud, penetrable anywhere fifteen feet and more. He showed the comparative facility of cutting through the beach where it is narrow—only two hundred feet or thereabouts—and the advantages of cutting there as the canal would have the shelter of the projecting cape in the west.

Mr. Alexander A. McDonald stated that the ocean bed lying to the westward of the cape referred to by Mr. O'Henley was a rocky and not a sandy bottom as sometimes supposed by strangers, and that therefore sand obstructions need be apprehended only from the east or north-east. Gales generally come from the west and north-west. He contended that the action of the tides and the press of water from the head streams would effectually keep the passage clear. He would tell his hearers that the body of water in the pond is heavier than perhaps they imagine. The surplus water is not all carried off by the little outlet that now appears on the surface. He would remind them that where the sand now is, was formerly a marsh. Therefore that marsh still affords a means of drainage by filtration or percolation. He referred to the schooner Edith Weir that was stranded on that beach some ten years ago. She was embedded in the sand, and when the wreckers were engaged in floating her, they found the marshy substratum to which he alludes, plainly underlying the scene of the wreck.

Mr. John O'Henley rose again to corroborate that statement of invisible drainage by percolation by personal observation. He owns a farm close by the pond, to reach which he has occasion to pass over the main road bridge frequently. Many times he noticed a perceptible rise and fall in the waters of the pond which he can only satisfactorily account for by supposing that the percolation was arrested by the rising tide in the sea.

Captain D. Costello who claimed intimate acquaintance with the pond and its sources, stated that he knew of full half a dozen spring holes, of very considerable depth, which certainly acted as independent sources of supply to the pond. He fully believed in the feasibility of the scheme, and referred to the statements of Senator Howland, who, some years ago declared, when visiting the spot, that \$8000 would make a magnificent boat harbor there. Being the only meeting in the county dealing with public works he hoped our request would meet with favorable consideration at Ottawa.

J. C. Underhay, Esq., M. P. P., remarked that some eighteen years ago he made, at the instance of those interested in the work, a preliminary survey, and quoting from memory, he thought he calculated the cost of opening a canal large enough for boats at about \$3000. He fully believed a little money judiciously expended would assure the most gratifying results. Indeed, he hoped to see the work undertaken at once, and carried to a successful issue.

Dr. McIntyre, M. P., Dr. Robertson, M. P., James R. McLean, M. P. P., and Dr. Muttart, ex-M. P., in turn addressed the meeting, each speaker dwelling on the necessity of harbor accommodation of some kind in the vicinity, and expressing the hope that where nature had done so much, her efforts should be generously seconded by the Department of Public Works. The two former gentlemen pledged themselves to use their best endeavors during the coming session of parliament to effect the carrying out of so important a public work. The following resolutions were then put and adopted:— "Whereas, In the opinion of this meeting the report of Chief Engineer Perley is based on notes and data furnished by Engineer Schain; and whereas, The time when he visited Naufrage for the purpose of his survey, was most unfavorable on account of stress of weather which prevented safe soundings from being taken, a precaution most necessary in this connection to render his work complete. Therefore Resolved, That this meeting do request our Dominion representatives to approach the Minister of Public Works with the view of removing the erroneous impression this report is calculated to convey. And Further Resolved, That our representatives, acting on the petition sent to the Department in 1883, do request the Hon. the Minister to send an engineer in mid-summer, to report anew, in this, to us, most important public work. After the thanks of the meeting had been conveyed to the public gentlemen who were present, and suitably acknowledged by Dr.

Robertson for himself and fellows, the meeting dispersed. HUGH MCPHREE, Secretary. Naufrage, King's Co., Feb. 10th, 1888. (Patriot and Herald please copy.)

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

Manufacturers and Producers of the Dominion.

SIR,—Will you kindly grant us space in your valued journal to solicit the active cooperation of the manufacturers and producers of the Dominion in an enterprise that we believe will materially assist in promoting the future trade of Canada. To facilitate the objects of the government's trade Commissioner to the Argentine Republic, the St. John, N. B., Forwarding and Trade Promoting Association intend dispatching a clipper sailing vessel at the earliest possible date from this port to the port of Buenos Ayres, for the purpose of enabling the manufacturers and producers of Canada to send consignments of their products (at the lowest possible rate of freight) to the Argentine Republic. Shippers can consign to their special agents at Buenos Ayres or to the care of the commissioner, who will see that the shipments are placed in the hands of reliable agents for exposition and sale. The following is a list of articles, which, among many others, will generally find a ready sale in South America, viz:—

Agricultural implements and tools, alcohol, apples, bushes, toilet, clothes and horse, biscuit and crackers, baby carriages, boots and shoes, billiard tables, brads and tacks, bells for churches, better in earthen pots, clocks all styles and grades, bituminous coal, carriages, buggies, Victrolas and Phonos, cutlery of all kinds, chairs and rockers, canned goods, (oysters in particular,) corrugated iron, cotton goods, prints, sheetings, shirtings, woollen fabrics, chemicals, (general and photographic,) drugs (prepared), ground and fluid extracts (druggists), glassware, drills for mining and blasting, dental instruments and supplies, electrical apparatus, fire proof and burglar safes, fire extinguishers, the engines, hand and steam; farinaceous preparations, furniture, (every description, specially school;) fish, salted, smoked, dried; gas fixtures, guns and pistols, gun powder, hay in bales, harness, horses, (scythes, for family;) carriages, horse cars, printing and writing ink, knitting machines, kerosene oil in cans, and lamps; leather and morocco; lumber, every description of pine, also spruce and hardwood; lard in earthen jars, and cans, locomotive engines, machinery of all descriptions, machinery and lubricating oils, nails of all kinds, patent medicines, pianos and organs, pails, (wooden and paper;) paints, dry and mix-d; paper for printing, writing and wrapping, paper bags, printing presses, potatoes, railway cars and supplies, sewing machines, saws, straight and circular, saddlery hardware, starch, cooking stoves, shooks and headings, steam pumps, refined sugar, surgical instruments, family soap, wooden tubs, tools, hand and machine, all kinds; type, wagons for farming, wind mills, washing machines, woodenware, &c. Agent-General Wood, the commissioner to Australia, forcibly complains of the want of support his mission received from the Canadian manufacturers—stating he was promised two hundred samples, and only thirty were forwarded, two-thirds of which found sale, and in some cases will lead to extensive orders, and he found it almost impossible to introduce Canadian goods without samples or drawings. If Mr. Wood can testify to that degree of success in a far off and very wealthy and sister colony, with a rapidly growing manufacturing genius, may we not expect a much greater success in the Argentine Republic, with its marvellous development and without manufacturing possibilities. It is true we will have to meet British, American and Continental manufacturers in a fair field, and may meet with many disappointments; but the perseverance, determination and genius of the Canadian people will, in time, enable us to hold our own in a fair field against the world.

All who intend making shipments will please communicate at once with George Robertson & Co., St. John, acting agents, stating the character and quantity of the products or manufactures. The government railways will carry all such goods at special rates of freight, and will co-operate with other railways. The agents of the association will cheerfully furnish all information, and shipments here in St. John will be attended to free of charge. We remain, Yours faithfully, GEORGE ROBERTSON & Co., Acting Agents for the Forwarding and Trade Promoting Association.

Notice to Owners and Masters of Fishing Vessels.

ATTENTION is called to the following Regulation, approved by His Excellency the Governor-General-in-Council on the 12th January, 1888. "Owners or Masters of Fishing Vessels intending to fish and claim bounty, are required before proceeding on a fishing voyage, to procure a LICENSE in the authorized form from the Agent-Collector of Customs or Fishery Officer, in addition to a compliance with existing regulations. This LICENSE must be transmitted to the Fisheries Department, together with the claim for bounty, on or before the 1st December in each year. By order, JOHN TILTON, Deputy Minister of Fisheries. Fisheries Department. Ottawa, 11th January, 1888. Feb 17—wky 1.

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Liberal-Conservative Convention.

A CONVENTION of Delegates from the Polling A Divisions of the Belfast District, will be held at Eden on WEDNESDAY, the 22nd inst, at 2 o'clock, p. m., for the purpose of choosing a candidate in behalf of the Liberal-Conservative Party for the approaching partial Election. Polling Districts that have not already elected Delegates will please do so forthwith. ALEXANDER MARTIN, Vice-President Belfast District. Feb 15 1888—wky 1

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