

THE DAILY EXAMINER.

JANUARY 15, 1892.

Board of Trade.

It would be disgraceful to Charlottetown if the Board of Trade were permitted to go down. Other towns can maintain their Boards of Trade and make good use of them. Why not Charlottetown? Shall it be said that our merchants and traders are so inert, so lacking in public spirit, that they will permit their Board of Trade, duly and legally organized, to collapse? There is a special reason why the organization should now be maintained. The views of our men of business may at any moment be required as to points which will arise in connection with the tunnel; and how shall they be recorded and conveyed to the authorities if the Board of Trade be dissolved?

The Board of Trade should be maintained from year to year, and be ready to move, on any emergency, in the defence and for the promotion of the commercial interests of the Province.

In view of all the circumstances, we see only one course to pursue to this end. If an expansive room be rented this year, and an expensive secretary appointed, and a five dollar fee exacted from the few remaining members of the Board, all the money now on hand will at the end of the year be used up, and the Board must then of necessity die; for there is no possibility of increasing the membership under the expensive system. We cannot long have a five dollar a head institution in a one dollar a head town.

But it is as desirable that the Board should live after 1892 as that it should live now. It is important that the Board should continue right along.

Consequently, the board must be guided by the simple wisdom of the tailor, who cuts his garment according to his cloth. It must reduce the annual fee and it must, if it is to live, reduce its expenditures.

We see no reason why a room should of necessity be rented at a cost of a hundred, or a hundred and fifty dollars a year, for the purpose of holding four or five meetings and perhaps affording a place for a few men of business, who may desire to leave their homes after business hours. A room might be obtained in which to hold the meetings and be paid for in proportion to the number of meetings held. Nor ought there to be an absolute necessity to engage a secretary at a salary. Surely there is in the community some rising young man of business, possessing public spirit enough to take the minutes and engage in any absolutely necessary correspondence without being paid for his labor.

There are now but two courses for the Board of Trade to pursue. One will end in the dissipation of its resources and its death at the end of the year; the other is the way by which it may be kept alive from year to year and do good work as occasion may require. We trust that the latter course will be adopted.

Hole and Corner Politics.

The public at large will be surprised to learn that a meeting was held last evening for the purpose of manipulating the Civic elections. We cannot say exactly how many persons were present or who was there. No public notice of the meeting was given, nor were reporters for the press invited. This is not the course which the people have a right to expect from civic reformers. Is it a fond hope that the days of hole and corner meetings and Tammany politics in this city are passed? Or is this a good example to set at the beginning of the contest?

We hear that a delegation was appointed by this meeting to wait upon His Worship Mayor Haviland, with a request that he will consent to nominate again. Now, there is no one who will deny that Mayor Haviland is an authority upon constitutional law, and knows the rules which govern the Council. But there are many persons who think that the only honorable position in the city should not be held permanently by one person, and who will, on that ground, support an opposition candidate if a deserving and capable man, unconnected with civic rings or the liquor interest, will come forward. However this may be, we think that the candidature of Mayor Haviland is not likely to be materially assisted by the means which have been resorted to. If it be desirable that Mayor Haviland should again preside at the City Council, we think that he would have a better assurance of the fact if he were urged to come forward as a candidate by men who are not afraid to act openly and above board.

HOME AGAIN.—First mate Garson, the engineers and several seamen of the wrecked steamer William arrived here last night in the Stanley, bringing with them the body of Archibald Livingston, second mate of the steamer, who died at St. Pierre, Mig., a few days after the disaster. The body was taken to Clyde River for interment this forenoon. We understand that the William went ashore on the night of the 28th December, during a snow storm. The officers and crew stood by her for about eight hours, and managed to save most of their effects.

The U. S. Senate has ratified the commercial treaty with the Congo states and the African slave trade treaty.

Too Bad.

It is too bad that now, when there is not a speck of ice in the harbor and the nights are moon-lighted, the Southport ferry steamers stop at five or half past five o'clock each evening. That is to say, communication between the capital of the Province and all the large and important settlements south of the Hillsborough is practically cut off between half-past five o'clock in the evening and the time at which the steamer begins to run next morning. This, though there are two steamers with captains, and engineers, and men, and all necessary appliances. It was for this that the people of Fort Augustus and Lot 48 placed power in the hands of Mr. Peters. It was for this that the people of Pownal and Belfast elected Forbes and McDonald.

The Glangarry Election.

The victory of the Liberal-Conservative candidate for Glangarry by an increased majority shows how public opinion is running in the great Province of Ontario.

Notes and Comments.

We have good authority for the statement that there is no truth in the report current this forenoon that the Bank of Rustico is in difficulty.

The Montreal Gazette remarks that Mr. Tarte has a peculiarly forcible way of putting things sometimes. His last letter contains the following:—"Sir Hector stands in your eyes as a politician who has rendered great services to his country! And I am only a rogue!"

When speaking of the Masonic Concert omission was inadvertently made of the duet sung by Mrs. A. A. McLellan and Miss Lewis. It was well rendered and evidently appreciated by the audience. We welcome Miss Lewis, whose voice will always be heard with pleasure.

It appears that \$50,000 of the money drawn by Mercier from the treasury of Quebec, or rather raised by means of Provincial letters of credit, was obtained about ten days before the last Federal election. This accounts in part at least for the result in Quebec, and also for Mr. Laurier's championship of the champion boomer.

It appears that the deaths of the Duke of Clarence and Cardinal Manning occurred yesterday morning. The news was in THE EXAMINER office early yesterday forenoon. This shows how prompt as well as reliable are correspondents of THE EXAMINER. Yes THE EXAMINER is usually ahead and always substantially correct.

"What is technical education?" asks the Montreal Witness. "It is," replies the Empire, "the art whereby a Grit journal denounces with apparent consistency the wrongdoings of Liberalism in Quebec, and applauds the Grit leaders of the Dominion, who are the sponsors and champions of Mr. Mercier and his gallant company of highwaymen."

In concluding some remarks upon the recent victory of the Conservatives in North Lanark, the Week says: "We cannot refrain from observing that the remarkable results of the election trials, so far as they have gone, leave the Liberal leaders in a very awkward position. A great deal of explanation and, we fear, not a little purgation will be required to convince even those who may wish to be convinced, that they can fairly claim the honor of being regarded by unprejudiced onlookers as the party of purity, par excellence, in Canadian politics."

Will some charitably disposed flower-fancier take pity upon the local man of the Guardian and send him a spare copy of some florist's catalogue. A short time ago he had Mr. Smallwood planting crocus seeds in the Queen Square Gardens and now he has a "daffney" (!) bush in full bloom in Mrs. Harper's garden. The only (!) and original editor-in-chief might turn his attention to this learned undertaking and begin to teach at home the principles of journalism he sees wanting in his contemporaries. Possibly this modern Daphne is one of the divinities lately invoked by The Guardian man in the classical language with which he ended a late editorial, "Ye gods and little fishes!"

The Earl of Shelburne has replied as follows to a correspondent who requested his opinion on the subject of the Greek question in the universities: "As you wish to know my opinion as to the study of Greek in the universities, I have no difficulty in saying that I ought, in my opinion, to be as much encouraged here now as at any former time; and that the universities are, of all places of education in the kingdom, those in which the duty of cultivating and promoting it is most incumbent. Apart from all other considerations, the fact that the New Testament is written in a Greek which would appear to me to be a sufficient reason for that opinion. It is, I consider, a great misfortune that the Hebrew language is known to so few persons as it is. I think some serious evils have resulted from it, which would be vastly increased if the Greek language also were understood only by a small number of qualified scholars. As to the cases in which the requirement of Greek may properly be dispensed with in favor of students whose special aptitude is for other subjects of study, and who may be trusted to pursue those other subjects in earnest, I am perfectly content to rely on the judgment of the university authorities."

The following table furnished by The Empire will give some slight idea of why Great Britain is so justly called our natural market:

Table with columns: Articles, Exports from Canada, Total Imports by Brit. In. Items include Horses, Cattle, Sheep, Pork, Bacon and hams, Canned meats, Lard, Butter, Cheese, Oats, Wheat, Oats, bush, Flour, Apples, Wool.

These figures are compiled for 1889, and represent an export on the part of Canada large enough in comparison with its population, but infinitely poor and pitiful when compared with its resources and the vastness of the British market. On the other hand all these articles are exported by the United States.

Action has been taken against Pacadud who is the political partner of Mercier, who is the political partner of Laurier, Leader of the Opposition, to obtain restitution of the sum of \$100,000, illegally and fraudulently obtained from the Province of Quebec and divided among the bootlers.

The Sentinel Review strikes the nail upon the head in the following paragraph: "But if our neighbors won't trade with us and persist in keeping up their hostile tariff, we must try and get on alone. Instead of growing barley, our farmers had better go more into cattle, sheep and hogs, all of which pay well. And they can produce more cheese and butter. On our farm products the Americans cannot offer us seriously. Their rulers and ours will come to their senses after a while and frame a treaty of reciprocity, honorable and profitable to both. In the meantime, we must help ourselves. We are far from the slough of despond."

Wonderful Weather.

The thermometer (out doors) registered 32 deg. at ten o'clock last night.

Grass is growing in our fields.

Mr. Robert Glover informs the Summerside Pioneer that on the 12th and 13th of January, 1840—fifty-three years ago—he plowed an eight pace land, eight chains long each day. This was done on a field now owned by Mr. Geo. M. Price and across which the railroad now stretches. This might easily be done on the 15th of January, 1892.

Civic.

A QUESTION OF FACT.

FRIDAY, 15th Jan., 1892.

H. M. DAVISON, Esq., City Clerk.

Having observed in the Island Guardian newspaper of the 13th inst., under the heading Civic Accounts, the following: "Having increased the taxes for the year some five or six thousand dollars, etc." Will you kindly inform the citizens if there was any increased taxation last year and to what amount, and

Oblige yours truly THOS. MORRIS, Chairman Finance Committee.

THOS. MORRIS, Esq., Chairman Finance Committee.

DEAR SIR.—In answer to your request I may state that the taxes for the year 1891, were in excess of 1890 to the amount of (\$551.79) five hundred and fifty-one dollars and seventy-nine cents only, which the City Reports will show.

Yours &c. H. M. DAVISON, City Clerk.

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The Quebec Commission.

The Royal Commission now investigating at Quebec will, in addition to other matters, enquire into the facts and circumstances which preceded, accompanied, caused and followed the making, signing, execution, issue and negotiation of the letters of credit, and promises to pay the following subsidies, viz:

- 1. \$28,546 to the Hon. H. Mercier, formerly Premier of the province of Quebec, for the Baie des Chaleurs Railway Company, the 28th November 1889.
2. \$32,140 to the Temi-couata Railway Company, the 8th May, 1890.
3. \$7,700 to Joseph B. Rivin, deputy provincial secretary for the Drummond County railway, June 16, 1890.
4. \$5,000 to the said Hon. H. Mercier for the Drummond Railway Company, September 8, 1890.
5. \$14,940 to the said Hon. H. Mercier for the Montreal and Ottawa Railway, February 14, 1891.
6. \$37,800 to the said Hon. H. Mercier, for the Great Northern, February 14, 1891.
7. \$20,000 to the Herford Railway Company, June 18, 1891.
8. \$25,000 to the Canada Atlantic Railway, June 1, 1891.
9. \$160,000 to the said Canada Atlantic Railway, June 30, 1891.
10. \$112,500 to the People's Bank, in order to reimburse certain sums of money previously advanced by that bank to Commissioners R. Prefontaine, M.P., F. X. Choquette and Charles N. Armstrong, all of Montreal, by virtue of a letter of credit from the Hon. H. Mercier, dated June 6, 1887, with reference to the building and equipping the Montreal and Sorel Railway.

The evidence in connection with the above amounts is expected to present a record of plunder, of boodle and official crime altogether without a parallel in the history of any responsible government.

FROM HALIFAX.—The barkentine Erema, Captain Rendle, left Halifax for this port at eleven o'clock this forenoon, wind fair. Messrs. Butt Bros' tug is in waiting to proceed to Canoe to tow her up.

EDUCATION.—Educational classes have been arranged in connection with the Y. M. C. A. These classes will meet on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays of each week in the classroom of the building. Arithmetic, Penmanship and Literature will be taught under the supervision of a competent committee of education. The first meeting of the classes will be held on Monday evening, the 25th inst.

POINTER FOR ADVERTISERS.—No one who will take the trouble to look into the matter can doubt that there are many articles now regularly on the market which might be advertised with good profit in a general way. Some of them have gained a moderate sale on their own merits and without pushing. This condition of things seems to be satisfactory to the proprietor, possibly because he does not realize how profitable advertising would be for him, possibly because he does not know how to go about it. In either case he needs waking up.

At Lloyd's. That's what they say about a seaworthy ship. At—In the affections of the women of Canada. That's what can be said of Lessorive Phenix. Of course you don't use the old washing powder now. That might have been excusable before you know of Lessorive Phenix. What a wonderful thing that Lessorive Phenix is! Cleans anything and everything. Cleans your clothes, cleans your silverware, and cleans your tin or zinc, or wooden or glass or earthenware. And so easy to use! Makes the hands soft. Ask your grocer.

Personal.

Bishop O'Mahoney, of Toronto, is seriously ill of pneumonia.

Lord Randolph Churchill has arrived in England from South Africa.

Grace Field Lindy, eldest daughter of Mr. Cyrus W. Field, died in New York a few days ago.

Mr. George Buillen, who has just died at Father Point, Que., lived 92 years, and never knew paid or sickness until his final illness.

Mr. John W. Godfrey, of this city, took a high place in his class at the examinations held last month at the University of Edinburgh.

Mrs. Mary Macrae Stuart, a millionaire New Yorker, by the terms of her will, bequeathed over \$4,000,000, the bulk of her estate, to local institutions of charity and education.

His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor last evening received the following despatch: OTTAWA, Jan. 14, 1892.

To Lieut.-Governor, Charlottetown, Regret to inform your Honor that an official telegram has been received announcing death of Duke of Clarence this morning.

(Signed) GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S SECRETARY.

The following reply was immediately sent: To His Excellency the Governor-General, Ottawa:

Intense sorrow pervades the Province over your sad news. Deepest sympathy for parents, and for our beloved Queen. (Signed) J. S. CARVELL, Lieutenant-Governor, Prince Edward Island.

LATE.—The Northumberland and Stanley were each several hours late in arriving last night, owing to the thick fog prevailing.

UNLUCKY DAYS.—In Grafton's manual of his Chronicles, 1565, the unlucky days, according to the opinions of the astrologers, are named as follows: January 1, 2, 4, 8, 10, 15, 17 and 20 are unlucky; February 26, 27 and 28 unlucky; 8, 10 and 17 very unlucky; March 16 17 and 20 very unlucky; April 7, 8, 10 and 20 unlucky; May 3 and 6 unlucky; 7, 15 and 20 very unlucky; June 10 and 22 unlucky; 6 and 8 very unlucky; August 29 and 30 unlucky; 19 and 20 very unlucky; September 3, 4, 21 and 23 unlucky; and 7 very unlucky; October 4, 16 and 24 unlucky; 6 very unlucky; November 5, 6, 29 and 30 unlucky; 15 and 20 very unlucky; December 15 and 22 unlucky; 6, 7 and 9 very unlucky.

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At St. Paul, Minnesota, on Dec. 3rd, 1891, John C. Green, second son of W. C. and Cecilia Green, aged 13 years.

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Office, Patrick Morris', Millcove. Jan 15 - wky 2m

Farm For Sale. THE subscriber offers for sale the Farm lately occupied by the late James Ching, situated at St. Catherine's, Lot 15, consisting of one hundred acres of Freehold Land, one-half of which is in a high state of cultivation, and the balance covered with a good growth of hard and soft wood. There is a good Dwelling House and Outbuildings.

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West River, Lot 47, Jan. 15, 1892 - wky 3m

JANUARY 1st, 1892.

75th Semi-Annual Financial Statement of the PHENIX INSURANCE CO. OF HARTFORD, CONN.

At Close of Business, December 31st, 1891.

CASH CAPITAL, \$2,000,000.00

Assets Available for Fire Losses, \$5,676,386.79

AS FOLLOWS: Cash on hand, in Bank, and with Agents; State Stocks and Bonds; Bank Stocks; Corporation and Railroad Stocks and Bonds; County, City and Water Bonds; Real Estate; Loans on Collateral; Real Estate Loans; Accumulated Interest and Rents.

LIABILITIES. Cash Capital; Reserve for Outstanding Losses; Reserve for Re-insurance; NET SURPLUS.

Total Assets, \$5,676,386.79

Total Losses Paid since Organization of Company, \$29,037,788.62

Premium Income, 1891, 3,007,501.82

D. W. C. SKILTON, President. J. H. MITCHELL, Vice President. G. E. H. BURDICK, Secretary. CHAS. R. GALACAR, 2nd Vice-President. JOHN B. KNOX, Assistant Secretary.

H. M. MAGILL, General Agent Western Department, Cincinnati, Ohio. THEO. F. SPEAR, Assistant General Agent Western Department, Cincinnati, Ohio. A. E. MAGILL, General Agent Pacific Department, San Francisco, Cal.

GERALD E. HART, General Manager Canadian Department and Newfoundland, MONTREAL, CANADA.

CANADA BRANCH, Head Office, 114 St. James Street

STATEMENT FOR THE FIRST FULL YEAR: Gross Amounts written; Premiums thereon; Losses incurred; Deposits with the Dominion Government and Investments in Canada.

CHARLOTTETOWN AGENT, - - E. H. BEER, January 14, 1892 - 31

Stamper's Corner.

ON ACCOUNT of proposed Building Operations I am going to leave and CLOSE UP MY BUSINESS at STAMPER'S CORNER. Now is the time to get BARGAINS in

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