

The Daily Examiner
DECEMBER 17, 1884.

Civic Questions.

The annual civic election will take place on the fourth Wednesday of next month, and the retiring committees are Koughan, Douce, Crabbe, Ladner and Tanton, with His Worship Mayor Hooper.

Now, what are the questions upon which it is most fitting that the electors should, by their votes, give an expression of their opinion? It is, of course, well understood that we are all of one mind as to the necessity of conducting civic affairs with an eye to economy; and, though due discrimination between false economy and true economy is, at all times, advisable, it is not necessary now to make that question an issue. Nor is it necessary to decide upon having better streets and sidewalks—nor upon any proposal with a view to improvements of minor importance, which the city, as a corporation, may make. For this is a progressive town; only a very small minority of grumblers and snarlers are opposed to the ordinary improvements which a Council would introduce; and it is not worth while to take issue with respect to them. Some persons seem inclined to take ground on the Temperance Question and appeal to the electors on it. But the City Council have not at present anything to do with the liquor traffic, the sense of the electors was only a few months ago taken and expressed on a practical aspect of the Temperance Question; and no good would come of deciding upon it again—while some harm might.

There are, however, it seems to us, two important points which should be borne in mind by the electors: First, that men are selected as City Magistrates and Councillors who will actively promote the enforcement of the laws; second, that men are elected who will not hinder, but promote, the passage through the Legislature of a Bill to incorporate a Charlottetown Waterworks Company.

With respect to the first of these points, it is needless to say that citizens have been quite too negligent. How can they expect that the laws will be enforced by a man who does not himself respect them? What folly to invest such a man with the title and authority of a magistrate! Is it any wonder that our laws are systematically violated, when we elect men to represent us who fail to give even a passive support to the officers of the law? It seems to us that at the present juncture it is of vital importance that we elect men who are known to be law-abiding and law-respecting—men who will vigorously promote the execution of the law, and so carry out the well-understood wishes of a very large majority of the people.

As to waterworks, it has been proved, over and over again, that by the acceptance of propositions which have actually been made in black and white, the people of this city will save in hard cash paid for insurance, over ten thousand dollars year. What is wanted now is an Act of Incorporation to enable a Company to begin operations, and what is wanted in order that the Act of Incorporation may be obtained is a Council which will, while fully protecting the interests of the city, promote its passage. This is a matter in which all citizens are deeply interested, and particularly those who do business and own property.

Then let these two points be prominent in the minds of electors when selecting their candidates and when registering their votes: 1st to elect men of influence who will lead their influence to the enforcement of the laws; 2nd to elect men who will urge the passage of an Act to incorporate the Charlottetown Waterworks Company. A meeting at an early day of citizens most interested in the prosperity of the city, and a discussion of the matter is, we think, advisable.

The staid and conservative Island of Bermuda is going in strong for a large, first-class hotel. Business men there have tasted the advantages of having foreigners and outsiders to expend money among them, and they want more. So they are building a splendid hotel. What Bermuda is as a winter resort Prince Edward Island is as a summer resort, and what the Bermudians are doing we should do likewise. We hope the men of business of this city will not be outdone by those of Bermuda. At all events they have now a good opportunity to show how much they desire a first-class hotel in Charlottetown; and it is for them to say as soon as possible whether or not the work of building shall begin next spring.

Notwithstanding the recent stoppage of a number of mills, and the reduction of wages in others, there are some signs of improvement in business in the United States. The New York Evening Post says all trade journals agree upon this point. While some mills have stopped, others have resumed business. The increasing demand for good investment securities on the stock Exchange is perhaps the best evidence of returning confidence. In the nature of things, the depression which has borne so heavily upon all departments of industry in the United States during the past two years, cannot last much longer.

A fact. Farmers in the Canadian Northwest get much more for their wheat than farmers in the United States North-

west. Indeed, some of the Minnesota farmers are taking grain to Emerson, paying the duty of 15 cents a bushel and making more money there than they could by selling it at home. The difference is due to the lower tariff of the Canadian Pacific Railway, and freedom from elevator and milling monopolies, which oppress the settler in Minnesota and Dakota.

Sir John Macdonald says that to his knowledge the Canadian Pacific Railway Company have made no new financial arrangement. The money markets in England are, he says, very much depressed, and it was with difficulty that money could be raised for either Canadian or United States railways.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

How He Got Adrift.

SIR,—Having been asked by several friends to give the particulars of my getting adrift in a boat in Charlottetown harbor, I beg to offer them to the general public.

I left the wharf at 9:30 o'clock last Wednesday week, the wind and tide being against me. I could not make my vessel, the L. J. Westaway. The weather looked bad, and it was raining and blowing at midnight, so I placed the oars across the boat and steered before the wind for Point Prim. Unfortunately I got round the Point, where a reef runs out, and on the boat grounding I had to swim some distance to make the beach. On getting on the bank I saw Farmer Finlayson, who took me in. I immediately wrote to the owner, asking for advice how to get to town, but received no answer from him. On the Heather Belle's arrival I took passage to town, and reported myself to Mr. D. Farquharson, the owner, for assistance, my vessel having gone away and taken all my worldly possessions with her. The owner enquired particularly about the boat, but could do nothing for me. I then went to the Police Station, when the Marshal kindly sent for something to eat for me, and I then took out a summons against the owner for assistance, I being entirely destitute. He appeared last Thursday, and the case was adjourned until the following day for the Shipping Master's evidence, the owner's defence being that I had not signed articles. On the following day the Shipping Master appeared and stated that the articles I had signed were of course correct, but that the copy which the owner had persuaded him to let him have copied from the original articles, was itself a fraud and of no use whatever. Judgment was at once given against the owner, but he still refused to pay the amount claimed. I then took out a distress warrant on his goods and chattels, and that is, as the case now stands.

Hoping, dear Sir, that you will publish these facts if only in justice to myself.

I beg to remain,
Your Obedt. Servant,
H. J. NICHOLS,
Second Mate brigt. L. J. Westaway.

A Complaint.

SIR,—Yesterday a large crowd of people including men, women and children from the surrounding country, with their teams, laden with baskets, carcasses of pork, and other products, made their way as usual to meet the Heather Belle at Orwell for Charlottetown. On arriving at the wharf there was no steamer in sight, and no word from her agents as to whether she would come or not. The people waited in the cold on the wharf until they despaired of the steamer's arrival, and then made the best of their way back to renew their trip again to-day when the weather being very fine, a larger crowd will assemble; but imagine, Mr. Editor, their disappointment when they will hear that the Heather Belle has given up her trips to Orwell for the season, though there is neither ice nor wind to prevent her making a very pleasant trip to Orwell this day. On behalf of the people of Belfast, I ask you, Mr. Editor, is this proper treatment? If the steamer was taken off the route for the season, why were not the people notified of that fact, and not subjected to the exposure, disappointment and loss which they have to endure because of the very unjustifiable manner in which they are treated by the Heather Belle Company.

Yours,
AN EYE WITNESS.

Dec. 17, 1884.
[The Heather Belle, we learn, did not go to Orwell this week, owing to ice and lolly in Orwell river, and general stormy weather.]

Notes from Harmony.

Everybody is jubilant over the fine autumn which we are having. Many are the carts and waggons passing here laden with grain and potatoes en route for Souris. A great many of them stop at Harmony and sell their produce to the enterprising merchant of the place, who gives as good a value for a dollar as anyone else, notwithstanding the close competition of Mr. Joseph McCormack, who does a rushing trade on the North Side. Mr. McCormack has just completed his fine and commodious store and warehouse. He does a thriving business dealing in farm produce, as well as hides and pelts, including those of the fur-bearing animals of our forest, such as rabbit, bear, squirrel and muskrat skins. He buys directly for the Northwest Territory Fur Company, and can give his customers the highest cash value for their furs.

Our enterprising neighbor, Mr. Ash, has just purchased a splendid heifer calf of the Shorthorn breed, from a gentleman of Cherry Valley. Mr. Ash's purchase will materially aid in improving the comparatively scrub stock of the neighborhood.

A Swiss young lady has lately arrived in our neighborhood. She has been engaged by several of our leading families to teach the language of Switzerland. The language is very difficult to acquire, but the young lady has every hope that her pupils can have a fair knowledge of her native speech before Spring. It would not be fair to our own native young ladies to say that she is as good-looking as they. She says that the climate here is much colder than in her native land.

We sorely miss the hooking station at Harmony. It is a pity it was ever re-

moved to Bear River. There is far more business done here now than at Bear River. We should have an Agent-Operator appointed here as soon as possible. Our Representatives in the Dominion House should note this fact, and see that justice is dealt to the people of Harmony.
R. R. SLEEPER.

Our Advertisers.

Perkins & Sterns intimate that, having recently made an extensive addition to their premises, they are better than ever prepared to give customers good value for their money. Special bargains during the holidays.

J. A. Renuick informs the public that the great sale of Books, Stationery, etc., now going on at Bremner Bro's Bookstore, will be continued until the whole stock is disposed of.

J. M. Campbell announces that Rev. Dr. McDonald, of Georgetown, lectures in Market Hall on Monday evening next. His subject is "The Race of Somerled."

J. J. Davis advertises the Dig Handle Hay Knife, which, he says, is the best article of the kind in use.

D. R. M. Hooper requests all persons indebted to him to pay up within two months and save expense.

D. M. Reid has a second-hand piano which he will dispose of at a reasonable price.

THAT STOLEN MONEY CASE.—The Moncton Times says: Mention was made a few days ago of the theft of some \$48.00 in cash from George Cannon's residence, and the arrest of a Mrs. Walters on suspicion of having stolen it. The suspicion turns out to have been groundless. In consequence of information reaching him that Lame McDonald, a young lad who had been stopping at Mr. Cannon's, had been making enquiries about a shop in which to start a candy store, the Marshal on Saturday arrested McDonald, who immediately acknowledged the theft. He said he had first given the money to his half-brother, William Boudry, who after keeping it three or four days gave him back \$20. He showed the Marshal what he had hidden the \$20. Both McDonald and his half brother were arrested, but it appears the matter was arranged with Mr. Cannon, as he failed to appear against them. They were accordingly, Saturday evening, dismissed from custody. McDonald is 16 years old, and belongs to P. E. Island.

ISLANDERS ABROAD.—We have before us a business card of "McEachern & McLeod, gent's furnishing goods, The Dalles, Oregon." The former had been at one time an employe on the P. E. I. Railway, and afterwards was with his cousin, John McEachern of the "Italian Warehouse." Subsequently he went West and held up in Oregon. The latter (McLeod) is a native of Strathcona, and started on his own hook in the employ of Beer & Son, Charlottetown, and after four years with that firm started for the West and secured a position as salesman in Gov. Moody's concern at The Dalles. On the death of Mr. Brow (also an Islander), McLeod got the situation of book keeper in the large establishment on Mr. Moody making a change in his business, consequent on being appointed governor, both young men left and struck out for themselves. They are sober, energetic fellows, well liked in the community, and are apparently on the road to success. McLeod is a brother of Mr. M. McLeod, Station Agent at Bradalbane, one of the most efficient and obliging men on the P. E. I. R., noted as the line for the excellence of its agents, conductors, engineers and other employes.—Pioneer.

The beautiful weather of Thursday last, enabled the pleasure seekers an opportunity to visit the outskirts of the city, of whom quite a number clustered to the Four Mile House, where they were met and greeted with the utmost cordiality by the genial proprietor, Mr. P. C. Conolly, formerly of Charlottetown P. E. I. After a very pleasant afternoon's enjoyment, dinner was ordered, and served in the most elaborate manner; after which the gay party faced their steeds for Halifax, all highly pleased to again see the old resort in such capable hands as those of Mr. Conolly. Com.—Halifax Recorder.

CAPT GORDON of the British navy, who located the expedition sent out to report the feasibility of navigating Hudson Bay, is in Ottawa, and had a long interview with the Minister of Marine, on the 12th inst. It is understood that Capt. Gordon, who went in command of the expedition now stationed in Hudson Bay and the straits, reports that with suitable steamers, both the Bay and the straits could be safely navigated for at least four months in the year.

JOHN P. HARDEN, residing near Littleton, accidentally shot himself, wife, and four children, at Wheeling, West Va., on the 11th inst, while trying to extract a load from a shotgun. He was pounding the muzzle of the gun on the hearthstone to jar out the slugs and shot when the gun went off. Eighteen slugs took effect on the various members of the family. One slug broke Mr. Harden's leg, and the baby had seven marks in the region of the abdomen. These are the only ones seriously hurt.

Of the numerous improvements instituted by Mr. Coleman since he took charge of the P. E. I. Railway, his efforts to stop drinking on the line is not the least deserving of notice. The shows that he has the safety of both passengers and employes at heart. Few situations require so much a cool head and steady hand and with the disappearance of rum from the railroads of America no doubt accidents would largely diminish.—Pioneer.

FOUND DEAD.—The Picton, N. S., News reports that last week as a man was driving through Punket woods, Antigonish, he discovered the body of a man lying near the road and upon examination found it was an old man named Donald Fraser from back land of Tracadie. He had left Donald Bourke's on Sunday, and probably being ill laid down on the side of the road and before assistance came died.

THE business failures throughout the country during the seven days ending 12th inst., were: United States, 324; Canada, 42. The failures in the Western, Southern and Pacific States are above the average considerably, and in other sections of the country about as usual.

A SURVEY is being made at Gloucester, Mass., Harbor to ascertain the location of rocks dangerous to navigation, and report submitted for their removal.

MARRIED.

At the residence of Mrs. Weldon, Church street, Moncton, on Saturday, Dec. 13th, by Rev. Joseph Hogg, Mr. Edwin Bowser, I. C. R., of Weldford, Kent Co., to Miss Bertha McLeod, of Summerside, P. E. I.

DIED.

In this city, this morning, Frederick Smallwood, third son of the late John and Lucretia Dorey, aged 2 years, 4 months and 11 days.

[Funeral from his mother's residence, Sydney Street, to-morrow, at 3 o'clock, to People's Cemetery.]

At Five Mile House, Lot 49, on Dec. 4th, Mary, infant daughter of Daniel and Johannah Edmonds, aged three months.

At Summerside, on Friday, 12th inst., in the 26th year of her age, Mary, dearly beloved daughter of Margaret and Maurice Walsh. May her soul rest in peace.

On the 10th inst., at Quebec, P. Q., Lady Belleau, nee Marie Reine Josephine Gauvreau, wife of the Hon. Sir N. F. Belleau, K. C. M. G., aged 73 years.

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The proceeds of the Lecture to be given to the poor.

J. M. CAMPBELL,
Secretary.

Ch'town, Dec. 17-51

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Ch'town, Dec. 16, 1884-21

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Ch'town, Dec. 11, 1884-60d wklv21

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