

THE DAILY EXAMINER.

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Exhibition Grounds and Driving Park.

The rapidly with which the shares in the Driving Park and Exhibition Association have been taken up by our foremost citizens augurs well for the good conduct and success of the enterprise.

Their success will depend very much upon their conduct of the enterprise. If the driving park be managed on honest principles, if drinking and betting be discouraged, and only fair and square races permitted, it will, without doubt, obtain and hold the patronage and countenance of all lovers of good sport.

As to the exhibition, we cannot say how pleased we are that a way has so soon been opened to the change that is so much needed. With ample grounds and room for the display of stock and produce of all kinds, with means of affording prizes which will attract the attention of stock raisers and farmers in all parts of the country, above the suspicion of being in any way governed by politics, provided with impartial judges of ability—specialists in the various departments,—the exhibitions must obtain the confidence and support of the people, and, under the auspices of the Association, become creditable to the Province, and a means of attracting to it, every year, many thousands of dollars more than have been obtained under existing conditions.

An anonymous scribbler for the Patriot says that THE EXAMINER is wanting in backbone because it adheres to the rule that correspondents who make personal charges must make known their names—at least to the editor.

Flour and Wheat.

The Montreal Produce Bulletin, of the 5th, in referring to the flour market there, says: "The market during the past week has been excited and to-day's prices show an advance of from 30c to 50c per bbl. on the week."

The same scribbler in commenting upon the wheat rise says: "In the present excited state of the speculative market values must be quoted purely nominal, but anywhere from \$1.45 upwards for old No. 1 Hard Manitoba, and \$1.30 upwards for new No. 1 Northern old \$1.40 upwards, and new \$1.25 upwards. Not in the memory of the oldest men on 'Change has such a wild excitement before existed as that which is now sweeping over the market."

In Halifax, says the Herald of yesterday, flour is up to \$7 and \$8, and local dealers talk about \$10 a barrel!

The curious transformation of words, as traced by Grimm's law from language to language, is illustrated by Mullers identification of the English word Nelly, with the Sanskrit word Neli.

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THE BEAZLEY ESTATE PURCHASED—A COMPANY FORMED.

A VERY enthusiastic and successful meeting of subscribers to the stock of the Charlotte-town Driving Park and Provincial Exhibition Association was held last evening, at J. D. McLeod's Hall.

It was moved by A. B. Warburton, seconded by R. R. Fitzgerald, that the purchase of the Beazley property at \$3000 be confirmed. Carried unanimously.

It was moved by C. C. Gardiner and seconded by Archibald Kennedy that the name of the Company be "The Charlotte-town Driving Park and Provincial Exhibition Association." Carried unanimously.

The following resolution was moved by A. B. Warburton; and carried unanimously:—

Resolved, That a Provisional Committee of seven be appointed to complete the purchase of the Kensington property, and until Letters Patent are granted to this Association to assume the full management and control of its affairs, and to take the necessary steps to prepare letters of incorporation under the P. E. Island Joint-stock Companies Act.

The meeting then proceeded to the election of a Provisional Board of Directors which resulted as follows: C. C. Gardiner, P. Blak, R. R. Fitzgerald, J. M. Sutherland, B. Rogers, A. N. Large, John J. Davies.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

An Old Custom—Denounced.

Sir,—One of the horses burnt at the late fire at Messrs. Blake Bros., was taken out to the Kensington rifle range, and there shot and left on the shore to rot.

This has been the custom, in Charlottetown, from time beyond the memory of man. Anyone who had a horse, or a dog, or a ton-cat, which had got the worst of it in the battle with this cruel world, and was, so to speak, "hors de combat," at once encased the poor animal to Kensington shore and there it "shuffled off this mortal coil" and laid its weary bones to rest on the edge of the Hillsborough.

Now, this would not be so bad if it were only bones that were in question. For instance, if Mr. DeCourcy had deposited there the remains of his faithful steed, no doubt they would be like an "everlasting flower" well dried and sweet, and any odor which might arise would be that of the spices of the embalment, where "the filly" lay in state, preserved—like Pharaoh's mummy or Don Quixote's good horse "Rosinante"—for the admiration of ages to come.

There it lies, poisoning air and water (with our children, perhaps, bathing close by) until kindly nature interposes, and it is resolved into its original elements.

N. W. Sir, custom is a good thing; and, of course, in some matters, is as binding as positive law. But this I call a barbarous, brutish custom, that ought not to be tolerated in a Christian country.

Now! It is not barbarous. Savages would not be guilty of it. Nor can we call it brutish, for the lower animals, led by instinct alone, do that which man with his boasted reason has here neglected, and will not live near a rotting carcass.

It is a habit worthy of fiends alone, and should be relegated to the infernal regions. Let our City Fathers, or Board of Health require that the carcass of every animal, dying in or near the city, be properly buried or disposed of for manure; and let this practice of depositing carcasses and slaughter-house refuse, on our shores (and on our harbor ice in winter) be stopped at once.

Yours, &c., F. W. L. M.

P. S.—Will some of the Medical gentlemen on our Board of Health say whether an atmosphere, loaded with decomposing animal matter, is an antidote to typhoid fever. They might try the experiment in many places in the Royalty.

The Fish Market.

Boston, Oct. 6.—The market for mackerel is very firm, and the tendency is toward higher prices. The fleet is not landing many fish, and the outlook is not encouraging for the balance of the season.

The fleet has been in Barnstable bay nearly all the week, and has found but few fish. The last sales at Gloucester were at \$16.87; to 17, and \$26 from vessel with bbls. Sales are reported from vessel of 180 bbls., averaging 175 lbs., fishermen's weight, \$17.25. There are no large fish at Halifax.

The supply of oysters is very short. The stock is opening poor and dealers are unable to fill orders. The demand is very good and prices are well sustained.

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City Council.

THE regular monthly meeting of the City Council was held last evening, Mayor Haviland presiding. Councillor McLean was the only absentee.

After routine, and a good deal of discussion in reference to the payment of the bill for policemen's uniforms,—

Mayor Haviland read a letter from the sixteen residents of Gerald street complaining that they have had no water for the last fortnight but that which they had to carry from Spring Park, and adding that they were badly off for sidewalks and lights.

Councillor Morris, from the committee appointed to enquire into the matter of the grievance complained of by certain residents of Upper Queen Street, presented a report unfavorable to the change made in the course of the drain, and moved that it be adopted.

Councillor Crabbie moved that the report be on the table. Seconded by Councillor Small. Amendment carried.

Councillor Davison, from the committee appointed to report upon the matter of the removal of Salsby steam fire engine from Ward One to the new city building, said that he had seen several of the people in the ward who had contributed money towards the purchase of the engine, and they seemed rather favorable to the removal. Report adopted.

Councillor McCarron, from the Committee to select rooms for the firemen in the new city building, said they had decided to fit up rooms on the upper flat in accordance with plans to be seen at the office of Phillips & Chappell. Report adopted.

The Mayor read a letter from Rev. Mr. Reagh, Kensington, asking permission for Mr. Mungford, photographer, to move his saloon to Market Square again. The request was not granted, as the Square was set apart for market purposes only.

Mayor Haviland called the attention of the Board to the necessity for fixing the rate of salary to be paid the Sanitary Officer.

Councillor Byrne moved that the salary be \$350 per year, from the date of his appointment. Seconded by Councillor Morris and carried.

Councillor Davison, from the Tender Committee, presented the tenders for coal, and moved that the tender of Chas. Lyons, being the lowest, be accepted. Carried.

He also moved that the tender of H. Rackham, for fitting up the rooms in the new city building be accepted, it being the lowest. Carried.

Councillor Davison also presented a tender from Geo. D. Davison offering to lease the fish market building for \$40 a year, payable quarterly, for a term of years, and moved that it be accepted.

Councillor Morris thought the tender was too low, and moved that the fish market be sold at auction, same as the market stalls. Councillor Douse seconded the motion.

Councillor Crabbie thought it would be better not to proceed with the matter at present, but let it stand over for a little while.

Councillor Morris said he would not press his motion.

Councillor Crabbie moved that the engine houses on King Street and Grafton Street, the city property on Bayfield Street, and the Pound on Upper Queen Street, be sold at auction. Councillor Byrne seconded the motion. Carried.

Councillor Morris complained that there had been no money spent in Ward One this year.

Councillor Douse drew the attention of the Board to the dangerous condition of the sidewalk from the foot of Pownall to Richmond Street. He also said that the city men and horses were engaged filling up Councillor Small's garden, while the work on the streets was neglected.

Councillor Horne said that Councillor Small would have to pay for the refuse carted upon his premises the same as any other citizen. The work was not being done at the public expense.

Councillor Small said that others as well as he get clay from the city and pay for it.

Councillor Byrne thought that Councillor Small had vacated his seat by contracting for the clay with the city; and he moved that a sidewalk be laid down on Great George street in front of the Bishop's Palace. Seconded by Councillor Morris.

Councillor Horne said the sidewalk would be laid as soon as the ashes therefor could be obtained.

Councillor McRae said he was opposed to the city's selling refuse to any person; the landing at the west end of Water Street was the proper place to put it.

Councillor Douse thought that the city horses should not be employed trucking refuse. He did not think it was right to use the city men and horses for private purposes.

Councillor Morris said that this sort of thing had been going on for some years past and it was shameful. Even the stones had been taken from the Jail Square and carted away for private purposes, instead of being put on the streets where they were intended for.

Councillor Horne thought it showed Councillor Morris' breeding to talk as he did when he knew what he said was false.

Morris—What's false?
Horne—He knows well that what he says is false, and—

Morris (rising up and looking at Horne)—What's false?
Horne—About the stones.
Morris—It's not false; it's true.

Horne—I say it's false, and—
The Mayor (rising up in his chair and calling "order")—If you do not want to keep order and observe the rules you must get another chairman; I will not sit any longer. So saying His Worship left the chair and was calling for his coat and hat to go home when Councillor Byrne asked him to go back.

The Mayor—Well, I will go back; but I will not act as chairman for a set of rowdies.

While he was making this remark the Mayor was getting into his chair again, and happened to look in the direction of Councillor Douse.

Councillor Douse (rising up)—What are you looking at me for? I'm norowdy!
The Mayor—I was looking at Councilor Davison; if the cap fits you you can wear it.
Douse (smiling at Davison)—You're the rowdy, are you?
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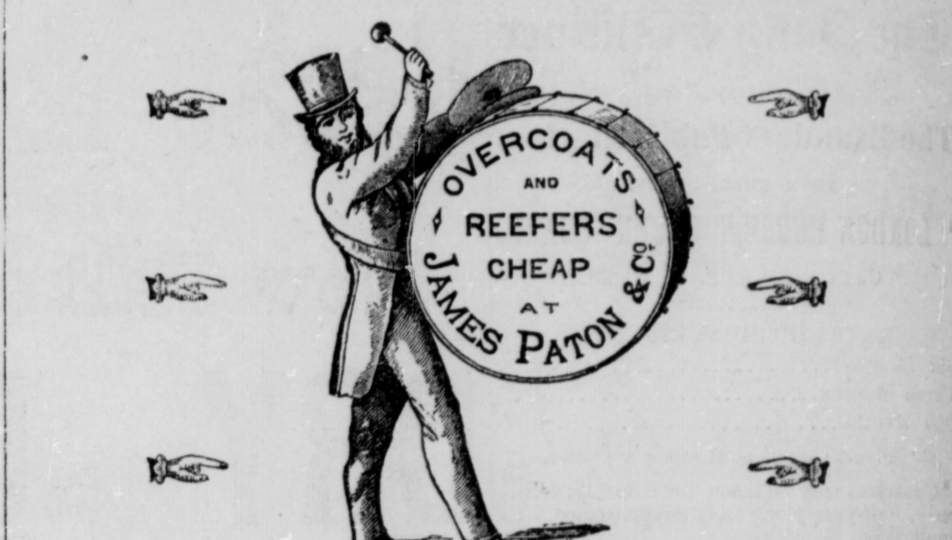
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