

CORRESPONDENCE.

We do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions or statements of our correspondents.

To the Editor of the Patriot.

SIR,—The old adage that "the bully is usually a coward," is well illustrated in your precious person. Having refused to allow me to defend myself in the columns of the paper you control, against your malicious attacks, you return to the charge and bellow forth your slime like a bull of Bashan. Your craven heart would not beat free if my replies had a place, (although printed in the smallest type, and shoved away in the most obscure corner of the daub which you call a newspaper.) You want to fight from your own dunghill; and you are welcome to the delectable spot. You have made it a pleasure to suit you admirably. Mr. Malcolm McLeod's letter seems to show how little both you and your paper are thought of in this community. He was attorney for O'Farrell in the late case. You said that a stolen letter was produced in Court by "O'Farrell's attorney" and demanded why I did not prosecute the man in whose possession the letter was found, and who had the audacity to use it as evidence in a Court of Justice. This foul charge against one of the foremost members of our bar had appeared four days in your paper, and yet Mr. McLeod did not see it until I incidentally referred to it in THE EXAMINER. It is not probable that Mr. McLeod's numerous friends, no more than himself, are readers of your contemptible paper, or they would have called his attention to it. Or possibly they did not think anything you could say calculated to injure any responsible man. I am sorry that my incidental reference to your foul charge against Mr. McLeod has had the effect of giving a respectable circulation to a personal detraction.

Mr. McLeod's letter affords additional evidence of how rotten are all your declarations. In the Patriot of the 17th, in speaking of Mr. Strong's letter to McDonald, you said that I had "the best reason to believe that it was stolen or intercepted out of the Post Office." Mr. McLeod gives O'Farrell's version of how he received that letter, which version is corroborated by Mr. Strong, who has now returned to the office. Mr. Strong says that he delivered that letter to John O'Farrell in a sealed envelope, who volunteered to carry it to McDonald, at a time when it was thought that the dispute would be amicably settled. The forwarding of this letter in this way by Mr. Strong was a straightforward act. But, in your article of yesterday you say that it would not surprise you to find that the letter was given O'Farrell "by one of the officials in the Land Office," and you add: "A little patient urging when one has untruthful, tricky people to deal with often results in making strange discoveries." When you wrote this you knew that the letter was delivered to O'Farrell by Mr. Strong. You may, however, spare yourself the trouble of accusing him or any officials of the Land Office of "tricks" or "untruthfulness." The name of Strong is synonymous in this Island with honesty and truth. In the depth of your moral obliquity, I suppose you think if John O'Farrell had the letter given him to carry to McDonald, he was quite right in opening it and using it for his own purposes.

Mr. McLeod may well say he was surprised when he heard McDonald positively swear that there was no condition annexed to his purchase. Were he a reader of the Patriot, he would, probably, be equally surprised to find that you have again and again, and with great vehemence, made the same statement which your well chosen friend McDonald swore to. But no amount of oaths or protestations by such people as you are, can blot the condition from the books of the Land Office. It can be seen by any person who will take the trouble to call at this office, as stated by Mr. McLeod, on the counter-foil of the Land Sales Book.

When you say that I led you to believe that the Gillis survey was never in the office, you stated an impudent falsehood. I told you it was not produced by O'Farrell as it should have been when he commenced his purchase in 1879, but that it was produced subsequent to the date of both sales. Mr. McLeod, if he thought it worth while, could have disposed of this question, as this survey was in his possession at the Court, and was returned to me by him immediately afterwards.

For the third time you repeat your falsehood that I blamed McDonald for not acting on the advice contained in Mr. Strong's letter. Any person who will take the trouble to refer to my letter in the EXAMINER of the 16th inst., will find that you are simply repeating what you know to be utterly false.

I have now done with you. The public have witnessed for years the malignity and persistency with which you have slandered me. I now publicly and deliberately spit upon your influence. The meanness of your character and the still greater meanness of your abilities, stamp you as a person much more to be prized as an enemy than a friend. You have disgraced every position of life which you have attempted to fill. I am told that at one time you adopted farming as a profession. The reflection that the grass would grow while you slept, no doubt influenced your choice. A little experience, however, demonstrated to your satisfaction that the same rain and sunshine which caused the grass to grow in the fields of industrious men, served at the same time to make the thistle and the briar grow more luxuriantly in the garden of the sluggard. You abandoned farming in disgust. You became a schoolmaster; and at a time when examinations were merely nominal, you secured a third, or worst, class license. But even the children despised you; and I have myself, when you were a teacher in this town, seen you pursued on the public streets by crowds of boys who amused themselves by shouting "Rufus" in your ears.—a nickname by which they familiarly knew you. Throughout life, notwithstanding your inevitable laziness, there was one thing for which you could be induced to leave the bed of the sluggard, and that was to abuse and blackguard the best men in the country. For this purpose you have been bought and sold like meat in the shambles. But every man who has bought you, small as your price has been, has confessed that he was cheated out of his money.

I am yours, &c., D. FERGUSON.

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During the Holiday Season I WILL SELL Dry Goods, Clothing, and Teas, CHEAPER THAN EVER. Will Guarantee Bargains in Every Department.

J. B. MACDONALD'S, QUEEN STREET. Dec. 20, '81—

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OUR EXTENSIVE STOCK IS MOVING OFF RAPIDLY, AND OUR CUSTOMERS ARE Getting Best Quality at Low Prices.

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- RAISINS - Table Raisins (Extra Choice), Valencia (Off Stalk, fine and large) Boxes and Half-Boxes, Cheap. FIGS - 350 Boxes of Very Choice Layer Figs. COFFEE - Fresh, Roasted and Ground on our premises, warranted Choice. CONFECTIONERY - Woodburn's (St. John) Celebrated Pure Candies, a very large assortment. Chocolates, Creams, Scotch Mixtures, Gum Drops, &c., &c. TEA - Half-chests, Caddies, 5, 7, 10, 15 and 20 lb. boxes. Our new Tea is giving excellent satisfaction. FLOUR - Very Choice Brands (warranted), Hiawatha, Primrose; National Policy, Crown Patent, &c. Nuts, Dates, Spices, Candied Peel, Biscuits, Chocolate, Cocoa (Epps), Schweitzer's Cacao, Cranberries, Green Fruit, &c., &c.

BEER & GOFF. Charlottetown, Dec. 13, 1881.

FRANCIS 53 Queen Street. Prize Christmas Cards. First instalment received this day at HARVIE'S BOOKSTORE. Oct. 31—

NOTICE. WE, the undersigned, have this day entered into Co-Partnership to practice as Barristers and Attorneys in Charlottetown, in the office lately occupied by Messrs. Sullivan & Morson, in the Young Men's Christian Association Building in Charlottetown. EDWARD RAYFIELD, STANISLAUS BLANCHARD. No 28 dry pat 2aw, ne pres

Special Notices.

PRIMROSES can be had at Ridgeway's [Dec 22 21] W. W. WELLNER received a lot of Jewelry and Electro Plated Ware to day, which completes the largest and best selected stock in the city to select Christmas or New Year Presents from. [Dec 22 21] Come and see the great spread of Fancy Confectionery—pure and good—at R. K. BRUCE'S. [Dec 21] THERE is no mistake about it, W. F. Carter's candies are the best. [Dec 20 41] Come, ere it be too late, and select your shells and Xmas presents, at R. K. BRUCE'S. [Dec 21 41] THE Bank of P. E. Island notes taken at John Quirk's Steam Bakery, in exchange for goods, or in payment of Book Account. [Dec 21 41] AN immense quantity of tweeds will be sold at a slight advance on cost at D. A. BRUCE'S, 72 Queen Street. [Dec 21 wtd d31] Buy your Christmas Cakes at W. F. Carter's. They are the best in the city. [Dec 20 41] A WORD to the ladies! Do not exchange your old Sewing Machine for a new one; but fetch it to me and I will repair it and make it as good as new or no charge made.—WILLIAM BROWN, shop on corner of Prince and Grafton Streets, Charlottetown, P. E. I. [Nov 17 41] J. B. MACDONALD, Queen Street, will give great bargains in Dry Goods and Clothing during the holiday season. Go there.—Dec. 20 61. THE cleanest, cheapest and best Raisins and Currants, at the Family Grocery.—R. K. BRUCE. [Dec 21] FRESH SPICES, Essence, Candied Peel, at Fraser & Reddin's Drug Store. [Dec 21] Men's and boys' Ulsters and Reefers selling for cash at D. A. BRUCE'S, 72 Queen Street. [Dec 21 wtd d31] CHOICE Confectionery, only 25 cents per lb., during Xmas and New Year's holidays, at the "City Steam Bakery," Prince Street. [Dec 21] Come and see the Christmas Tree, at R. K. BRUCE'S. [Dec 21] The best Billiard Table in the city is at the Lorne Restaurant. [Dec 8 10in eod] XMAS CONFECTIONERY.—I have on hand the largest lot of home-made Candy ever made in this city. Also a very large lot of imported Candy from the best houses in Canada. Warranted pure. Inspection solicited.—W. F. CARTER. [Dec 20 41] SOMETHING NEW in Confectionery—Decorated Eggs for Xmas, as well as other novelties, at the "City Steam Bakery," Prince Street. [Dec 21] THE 35 cent, 1 1/2 lb boxes of fresh layer figs can be had at the Lorne Restaurant for 25 cents. [Dec 8 10in eod] CHRISTMAS Confectionery, in twenty-five cents to seventy-five cents per pound at W. F. CARTER'S. [Dec 20 41] A LARGE stock of Meerschaum and Biar Pipes, Choice Havana Cigars, Cigarettes, Cigar Holders, Cut and Plug Tobaccos, Tobacco Pouches, etc., at Fraser & Reddin's Drug Store. [Dec 21] FRESH dates, Confectionery, Maple Sugar, Green Grapes, all kinds of Canned fish, French Mustard, Pickles and Sauces, at the Lorne Restaurant. [Dec 8 10in eod] FRASER & REDDIN have just opened a large and superior assortment of Hair Brushes, Ivory Back Hand Mirrors, Combs, Perfumes, etc., suitable for Xmas Presents. [Dec 21] CALL at Harvie's Bookstore and see the beautiful designs of Prang's Prize Christmas Cards. [Oct 31] PICKLING VINEGAR and spices at BEER & GOFF'S. [Dec 21] Don't delay but call at Harvie's Book store for Prang's Christmas Cards—a splendid lot. [Oct 31] SMOKED DIGBY'S at BEER & GOFF'S. [Dec 21] JUST received, at the City Drug Store, fresh ground spices, pure essences, candied citron, lemon and orange peels, Crosse & Blackwell's mixed pickles and sauces, red and black currant jelly, lemon, orange and calf's foot jelly (in qt. bottles); lemon and orange marmalade, preserved ginger, in boxes; genuine India currie powder, vermicelli macaroni, &c.—Wm. R. WATSON. [Dec 17 61] 10,000 Imported Cigars, (choicest brands), cigarettes in Old Magic, Caporal, Vanity Fair, Opera Puffs, etc., and a large lot of superior Smoking and Chewing Tobaccos, just received at the Lorne Cigar Store. [Dec 8 10in eod] Geo. Davies & Co. are now prepared to take orders for Carpets for Spring delivery. They have just received patterns for the coming season from one of the best manufacturers in England. Latest designs in Brussels, Tapestry, Wiltons, and Scotch Carpets. These Patterns will be here for about ten days only. [Dec 19 101]

GRAND HOLIDAY GIFT ENTERPRISE. FIRST PRIZE—A comfortable DOUBLE DWELLING HOUSE, only eight years old, and Freehold Lot, situated on Euston Street, Charlottetown. SECOND PRIZE—A new and handsomely finished COTTAGE, with Coach House and Stable attached, on Freehold Lot, situated on the Malpeque Road, about half a mile from Charlottetown. 3500 Tickets will be issued at ONE DOLLAR EACH. Clubs of 11 tickets for \$10. 276 prizes will be distributed as follows:— 1st Prize, Double Dwelling House, \$2,000 00 2nd Prize, New Cottage, do. do., 1,000 00 1 Cash Prize, 250 00 1 " " 100 00 1 " " 50 00 1 " " 25 00 2 " " 20 00 2 " Prizes each \$10, 40 00 10 " " 5, 200 00 250 " " 1, 250 00

The owners of the properties belonging to the holders of the lucky tickets a full and undisputed title, free from all encumbrance, and I will pay the cash prizes immediately after the drawing is closed. The drawing will take place in Charlottetown, on Saturday, the 31st Dec. Next. A meeting of ticket holders will be held on FRIDAY, December 30th, to appoint a Committee of five persons to conduct the drawing on the following day. Parties ordering tickets by mail are requested to register their letters. Agents wanted in Towns and Villages. Any further information in reference to above properties or their owners will be cheerfully supplied. E. H. BABBITT, Manager. Kent St., Charlottetown, Dec. 3, wtdly

BEER & GOFF'S. 53 Queen Street. SIGN OF THE Blue Flag. Extraordinary and Unprecedented Bargains IN BOOTS AND SHOES. The stock is good and seasonable, and the opportunity is a very rare one to secure really MARVELLOUS BARGAINS. P. E. Island Bank notes taken at their full value for goods. E. W. SMITH. Charlottetown, Dec. 5, 1881—col

THIS IS A GRAND TIME TO PURCHASE ALL KINDS OF GOODS FOR THE SEASON, —AT THE—

LONDON HOUSE, as we are offering special inducements to CASH BUYERS,

and can meet the wants and means of all in Town and Country.

WE HAVE AN IMMENSE STOCK OF DRESS GOODS, Special Values, at 9, 10, 12, 16, 20 and 25 cents per yard.

BLACK & MOURNING GOODS, ALL PRICES.

A large lot of Ladies' Felt, Cloth and Knitted Skirts, from 50 cts. up. Ladies' Sacques and Fur Lined Circulars. A lot of Colored Table Cloths, many of them at Half Price, to clear.

Wool Tweeds for Men's and Boy's wear, at 50 cents per yard, up. Mantle and Ulster Cloths, double width, 50 cts. per yd. up. Grey Union Flannels for 16 cents, up. All Wool Flannels, in all prices.

A LARGE STOCK OF Ladies' Wool Squares. Bales of Buffalo and Wolf Robes. Coon and Buffalo Coats. Waterproof Tweed and Rubber Coats, JUST OPENED.

A VERY LARGE STOCK OF OVERCOATS & ULSTERS, \$5.00 UP.

Reefing Jackets, \$3 up. A GOOD LINE OF BOYS' CLOTHING, SUITS FROM \$1.50 UP.

Boys' Ulsters and Storm Coats. Men's Wince and Flannel Shirts 50 cents up. Men's Woolen UNDERCLOTHING and CARDIGAN JACKETS. A Good Selection of Ladies' and Men's Fur Caps.

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GEO. DAVIES & CO. Charlottetown, Nov. 21, 1881.