

THE DAILY EXAMINER

MAY 7, 1895.

NOTES AND COMMENTS

Mail and Empire: It is becoming a serious question whether a man who does not ride a bicycle is entitled to recognition as a citizen.

The advance in sugar reported yesterday should have read "one-eighth of a cent." A further advance of one-eighth of a cent is reported today. The advance so far amounts to seven-eighths of a cent per pound.

Speaking at Ottawa Dr. Robertson, a Presbyterian missionary to the Northwest, was of opinion that the people of Manitoba should be allowed to settle the school question themselves. So say we all. But will they do so,—that's the question.

The Patriot complains that there are to be no taxes imposed to meet the Dominion deficits of this and last year. Don't be alarmed; the renewal of trade that has set in will make up for the deficiency caused by a season of depression. Besides the present Government still has a balance in favor of surpluses amounting to \$10,000,000 or \$11,000,000.

The Department of Agriculture has issued bulletins on the culture of various crops, on spraying for injurious insects, on potato blight, and on black knot of the plum and cherry. These bulletins contain most valuable information for growers and farmers. A copy may be had on application to Professor Saunders, Director of the Experimental Farms.

The rapid growth of the summer conference idea as a factor in American progress is illustrated by a somewhat elaborate article in the May Review of Reviews, in which forecasts are given of not less than seventy-five important scientific, religious, patriotic, reformatory, and educational gatherings to be held in the United States during the next six months. The article is of value to teachers and other intellectual folk as an aid in determining the mooted question, "Where to spend the summer?"

There appears to be an eagerness on the part of the people at large to elect the present Government at Ottawa. The Montreal Gazette remarks that these words agree with what many Liberal papers are saying to-day that they might be taken for a recent utterance. They are from the Halifax Recorder of January 11, 1887. The people have had two chances since to "get at" the Conservative Government at Ottawa and "get at" the Liberal's instead. Liberal boasts before an election have nothing behind them.

Very many persons throughout this Province will hear with regret of the death of Joseph A. Macdonald, Assistant Commissioner of Crown Lands, which occurred yesterday afternoon. Mr. Macdonald had been in failing health for some considerable time, and a week or two ago was obliged to take to his bed, where he remained until the end came. He was appointed to a clerkship in the Public Lands office, fifteen or sixteen years ago, and in the fall of 1889 was made Assistant Commissioner. He gave the fullest satisfaction in the discharge of his duties. Previous to his appointment to the Land Office, Mr. Macdonald conducted a large merchant-tailoring and gentlemen's furnishing store in this city. His bereaved widow and family have the sympathy of all.

The Week: We cannot agree with those who say that the recent compromise on the liquor traffic was a mere waste of time and money. Undoubtedly it has cost a good deal, but we cannot accept the theory that it was a mere device by which parliament escaped from the responsibility of legislating on the liquor traffic. If members of parliament were asked to pass a measure prohibiting the manufacture and sale of alcoholic liquors, except for certain purposes, most of them—indeed all who were not mere fanatics—could very properly make answer that they had not sufficient information as to the expediency of such a measure. It is quite easy to dogmatize on such subjects, on each side; but reasonable men do not dogmatize; they do their best to ascertain the facts, to weigh the principles, and to find out what is practically the best course to adopt.

A bill before Parliament to promote the safety of railway employes provides that—

- 1. On and after the first day of January, 1900, it shall be unlawful for any railway company...
(a) To use any locomotive engine that is not equipped with an air brake in proper working order...
(b) To use on a line any locomotives or cars not equipped with automatic couplers in proper working order...
2. On and after the passing of this Act, it shall be unlawful for any railway company to employ any person—
(a) As engine driver, who has not been employed for at least five years as fireman on a locomotive engine...
(b) As conductor, who has not been employed for at least five years as brakeman.

The Guardian scouts the idea that supporters of the Opposition can obtain favors from the Government. This could not have been exactly the ground taken by Mr. L. H. Davies when he promised the people of Belfast that he would advocate the building of the Belfast and Murray Harbor railway; for if he had supposed that his advocacy could do no good, he would not have made the promise. Nor was this the ground taken by the Conservative representatives of British Columbia when the McKenzie administration was in office. No; they hammered away at the Government, and kept the question before the public,—and, eventually, success crowned their efforts. We are not aware that Mr. Hugh Sutherland has been particularly steadfast in his support of the Conservative administration; and certainly his success in respect to the Hudson Bay Railway has not resulted from his party services. Mr. Sutherland Bay Railway, and although he has not yet succeeded, he has obtained from the Government not one, but several, important concessions. If Mr. Davies had fulfilled his promise, if he had worked for the railway as Mr. Sutherland has worked, the Southern Railway would now be an assured, if not an absolute, fact. However that may be, what is the use of raising objections and placing blocks in the way of those who have taken the matter in hand?

A SERIOUS SITUATION

According to late advices from Hong Kong the situation in the Island of Formosa is serious, and fears are entertained for the lives of the foreigners there. British and German mariners have been landed at Anping on the southwest coast, to protect the foreign residents, and at Takau harbor, south of Anping, is being patrolled by bluejackets in armed launches. The Black Flags are most unruly. The Black Flags are predatory, irregular forces. They are not in China's pay, though sometimes she has a little authority over them. Warfare is their profession, and they depend upon it for bread, and they raid and rob Chinese and others indiscriminately. They are much bolder and more warlike than the average Chinaman, and have little fear of death. The French were greatly troubled by them in Tonquin. It is said if the Chinese can turn the Black Flag upon any especially hated enemy they consider it a great stroke of enterprise.

A despatch to the London Times from Paris says the Temps has a despatch from St. Petersburg stating that Japan has replied to the friendly protest of Russia, Germany and France. Japan agrees to renounce possession of the peninsula which she will retain Port Arthur. This compromise leaves intact all the dangers that the powers wished to avoid. Fresh representations have been actively proceeding. Japan will probably yield Port Arthur, though demanding to hold the place temporarily, which the powers will concede.

A Berlin despatch to the Times says that nothing has occurred to diminish the hope of an amicable settlement of the trouble in connection with the Chinese-Japanese peace treaty, though it would be difficult to say upon what basis will be. It is probable that the compensation to Japan for foregoing possession of the Liao Tung peninsula will be the payment by China of an increased indemnity. A Madrid despatch says: All reports to the contrary notwithstanding, it can be stated that a decision has been arrived at in Spain in respect to joining Russia, France and Germany in their protest against the terms of the Chinese-Japanese treaty of peace.

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NEWS NOTES

The ratpayers of Hamilton, Ont., have voted \$36,000 for the erection of a new city hall.

Over Mr. Gladstone's bedstead is hung the motto, "Christian, Remember What Thou Hast to Do."

The wealth of the Rothschilds at present is estimated at \$400,000,000, and it is believed to have doubled within the 20 years past.

Magistrate Boswell, of Calgary, Alberta has been committed for trial for the alleged offence of converting to his own use the police court fines.

The United States deficit to date this year is forty-five and a half million dollars. The Democratic tariff for revenue does not produce the revenue.

To open an account in the Bank of England a person must deposit not less than \$200, and the authorities require the depositor to be introduced by a customer.

Great interest is taken in Berlin in the coming exhibition of the presents received by Prince Bismarck in the last twenty-five years. They include the pen with which the treaty of peace was signed between Germany and France in 1871.

The Prohibitionist may be highly respectable, but the man who drinks is the country's standby in time of difficulty. The twenty cents a gallon addition to which the Finance Minister proposes to put on spirits consumed in the country will all come in through the despised rumrunner's till.

The New York Legislature, after indicating how the Nicaraguan matter should be handled, has indicated that it would be greatly pleased if the people of Great Britain and Ireland would give Ireland home rule. Is there anything in the minds of the British people that would prevent the arrangement of the world's affairs.

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Liberal Parties Rebuked for Their Liberal Measures.

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