

THE DAILY EXAMINER

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OUR SCHOOLS AND WHAT THEY COST.

The Superintendent of Education reports that there were 470 public schools in operation last year—an increase of one. Our teachers number 581—an increase of two. As to the pupils and their studies, the following comparative statement supplies all the essential facts:—

Table with 2 columns: 1898, 1899. Rows include Pupils enrolled, Average Attendance, Primer and Book I., Books II. and III., Book IV., Book V., Book VI., Writing, Arithmetic, Grammar, History, Geography, Orthography, Composition, Music, Book-keeping, Drawing, Agriculture, Latin, Greek, French, Geometry, Algebra.

It will be noted that while there is a decrease in the number of pupils enrolled there is an increase in the average attendance, and that while there are fewer scholars in the primary departments there are more in all the higher branches. As Mr. McLeod remarks, "The increase in the number of pupils in Book VI, is over 50 per cent. In writing, arithmetic, grammar and geography, there is also a very marked advancement. But the most noticeable progress is in composition, orthography, drawing, and the high school subjects, such as Latin, French, Algebra and Geometry; in these four last named subjects the increases are: Latin 400 per cent., Algebra and Geometry 300 per cent., each, and French 100 per cent., while the number under instruction in drawing was 102 in 1898, as against 5,404 in 1899. In agriculture, too, there has been an advance of nearly 700 per cent."

The total amount expended by the Government on account of education last year was \$129,817.81, an increase of \$1,155.28. By the trustees of school districts there were also expended the \$33,214.76, making the total expenditure for education, in 1898, \$163,032.57—or \$12.18 for each scholar in daily attendance,—\$9.68 per scholar paid by the Government and \$2.46 per scholar paid by the school boards. The salaries of teachers last year ranged from \$758 to \$130.

The Brockville election was said to have been a contest of brains vs. boodle. Boodle won.

The Liberals now claim with reference to the exodus that it is "not larger than has been." This, as the Montreal Gazette remarks is a very different thing from the claim that the exodus has stopped, which may now be relegated to the limbo of "Laurierisms." But the claim, modern as it has been, will not hold good, as to the Maritime Provinces, in respect from which he has drawn the exodus this year, according to the available evidence, been larger than in any previous year.

A BIGGER DEFICIT THAN WAS SHOWN

The Provincial Auditor has included in the receipts for 1898 the product of the debentures sold in that year, viz. \$18,094.77. While this amount was a receipt at the Treasury, it was not obtained without adding a like amount to the debt of the Province. If this amount had not been obtained by the sale of debentures, the deficit of last year would have been shown to be \$43,611.64. We do not suppose that the auditor intended to deceive the public,—though the casual reader of his report would, of course, be deceived. The \$18,000 have been added to the debt account. But it ought to have been pointed out that this amount was not a receipt of ordinary revenue. The omission is the more remarkable in view of the fact that the auditor has specially noted "Expenditure on Capital Account, \$8,743.00." It appears that of the \$18,094.77 obtained by the sale of debentures for erecting Prince of Wales College building only \$8,743 has been spent upon the college building, and that all the rest has been used for ordinary purposes, and is not available for the expenditure for which the debentures were authorized to be sold. So there must be more debentures sold next year.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

The water-cart is wanted—now. It is suggested that Mr. J. E. McCready should, in view of his long and continued and valuable services on behalf of the Liberal Party, be made Lieutenant Governor of P. E. Island. But we incline to the proposal to maintain Lieutenant Governor Howland in the office. Deputations nowadays don't cost nothing. For one of the little Government delegations to Ottawa last year the taxpayers of this Province paid \$750. How is that for a pleasure trip to the capital resulting in 0? What the delegations of this year have cost has not yet appeared. Doubtless they are upon the same scale of rigid Liberal economy!

The people didn't vote for Provincial Prohibition; the Government didn't promise it,—but the Guardian is anxious to introduce it notwithstanding the constitution and other difficulties in the way. Anything to rile Sir Wilfrid, Mr. Tarte and Co., from the pressure of the present Prohibition position, and provide for their escape from their embarrassments. But the people are not just now in the mood to take any more humbug. It may suit the politicians and office seekers to cry Provincial Prohibition. But the people are more likely to hold the Government to its moral obligation to give Prohibition to the whole of Canada, or bounce them out at the first opportunity.

LOCAL NOTICES.

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Carters' for Wall Paper

A COMPLAINT.

Sir,—As a property holder and a resident of Ward Five I would ask why is it we cannot have some protection from the authorities against the numerous toughs who frequent the shanties on the lower Spring Park Road. Complaints are daily made to the police about the disgraceful scenes which occur almost every day and night in and around that section of the road which is better known as "the Bowery", and I am sorry to say, no heed is paid to them. On Friday night a row took place in which blacks and whites participated, and another again on Saturday afternoon last. In fact rows are continually taking place. The police sometimes take a walk around after the fight is over, and although they know who the principals are they make no complaint or issue no summons. Now Mr. Editor I ask, why? Property in this locality cannot be let to any respectable persons, and if you wish to sell a house no one would think of buying—in fact property on this road is valueless. Still we must pay taxes, and get no protection whatever. Surely we are entitled to some police help in order to keep down these disgraceful scenes. At night no one is safe in passing. Young boys, scarcely ten years old, are mixed up with men of 30 and 40, who parade up and down the street, shouting, swearing, and insulting all who may have occasion to go that way. Can you, Mr. Editor, do anything through your columns to stir up our police in order that this nuisance may be stopped, as complaints to them by us property holders are unheeded,—and forever oblige

PROPERTY HOLDER.

ESTEEMED EXCHANGES.

Montreal Gazette: Mr. Tarte is reported to have been sick for some days past. It would be accepted as an evidence of good faith if, when he re-appears in public, he would bring a medical certificate as to the cause of his temporary retirement. There are things up Brockville way that look as if he was altogether too robust.

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DOMINION OF CANADA.

Province of Prince Edward Island

In the Surrogate Court

In re Estate James Laird, late of New Glasgow, in Queen's County, in the said Province, merchant, deceased Intestate.

The undersigned, Jane Laird, Administratrix of the estate and effects of the said James Laird, will on Thursday, the fourth day of May, next, A. D. 1899, at the hour of eleven o'clock forenoon, under and by virtue of a license granted me by the surrogate of the said Island, sell by public auction, at the dwelling house, at New Glasgow, occupied by the said James Laird, at the time of his decease, the following pieces and parcels of land:—



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IF A GIRL IS IN LOVE that's her business.

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(1) All that tract of land situate on the beach of Rustico, on Township number 21 commencing at a stake set in the west side of Water Terrace, and in the north east angle of Fishing Station number one, in possession of R. B. Morrison and running thence by the magnetic meridian north 88 degrees 56 minutes 30 seconds west 200 feet to the shore of the Bay of Rustico aforesaid thence north westerly a distance equal to 30 feet at right angles thence north 60 degrees east 30 feet and thence easterly along the same to the place of commencement together with the fishing station thereon.

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The undersigned will also on Friday the fifth day of May next at the hour of twelve o'clock noon in front of the Court House, Charlottetown sell by public auction under and by virtue of the said license the following pieces of land:—

All those plots or parcels of land, situate and being parts of Common Lot number twenty, of the common Lots of Charlottetown, bounded and described as follows: Plot No. 17—commencing on the west side of the Malpeque Road at the southern boundary of Lot No. 18, thence running south along said road 15 feet or null it meets a new road or street running at right angles from said road, and thence easterly along the same a distance of 30 feet to the place of commencement.

Plot No. 7—Commencing on the west side of said new road or street in the southern boundary line of plot No. 6, sold by the Charlottetown Wooden Factory Company to Albert Warren thence running westerly along the south side of said new street or road 12 feet or to the east boundary of plot No. 8, sold to John H. Jones, thence north 75 degrees east 10 feet to the south boundary of plot No. 8, thence along said south boundary easterly 80 feet to the place of commencement.

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Dated this 30th day of March, A. D. 1899. JAS. PATON, Administrator.

W. S. STEWART, Proctor at law & writer.

Farmers & Dairymen Attention

The subscriber will sell by Public Auction, at his farm on St. Peters Road, three miles from Charlottetown, his entire stock of pure bred registered cattle, comprising

Jersey, Guernsey, Ayrshire and Holsteins

containing Mrs. Jones' Great Herd of Jerseys supplemented by importations direct from the Channel Islands. This sale will be without reserve on WEDNESDAY, MAY 10th 1899, at 12 o'clock noon. This is a chance of a lifetime for individuals, clubs or corporations to secure animals bred in the purple. BENJAMIN HEARTZ. 90 w3: d2 a wk for 2 wks

NOTICE!

The report that Dr. Matheson is about to quit his practice at Montague is not true. That he is about taking a post graduate course at McGill University, is true, and that he will resume his practice at Montague about June 25th, next is also true. 92—dy 3aw 2wke, wk3i

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