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THE DAILY EXAMINER.

MAY 12, 1897.

THE QUEBEC ELECTIONS.

A FEW years ago Quebec had a Liberal Government which recklessly and corruptly managed public affairs. The absolute truth of this statement is evident upon the face of the public records of expenditure, debt and administrative corruption. It was proved before the courts that the Provincial treasury had been robbed, by these Liberals, of \$100,000; and it was shown that other acts of rascality were committed.

Upon a forced appeal to the people, four years ago, the Liberal Government was defeated and a Liberal-Conservative Government was formed. This latter Government instituted reforms, carried on the business of the Province economically, reduced the expenditure, reduced the debt, improved the public credit, did nothing scandalous, nothing corrupt. Nothing seriously bad was ever charged against it.

Yet, upon an appeal to the people of Quebec, yesterday, this pure, capable and business-like administration was wiped out of existence, and the members and adherents of the former reckless and corrupt Liberal Government returned to power.

The inference seems to be that the people of Quebec do not care to have their public affairs well managed,—that they, rather, prefer heavy debts, heavy taxation, mismanagement and scandalous corruption.

But this inference is too unreasonable, and we are driven to the only other possible conclusion, viz., that they have the "epidemic of Liberalism." The prevailing disease is characterized by fever; and it must have been in a delirium of fever that the electors voted the honest, business-like economists out and the unscrupulous Liberals in.

The result may not, perhaps, be disastrous to Quebec. It is possible that good may come out of evil, and that the people of Quebec may not, ere long, have cause to regret the event of yesterday. But even so, the vote of the Quebec electorate is not calculated to promote the growth of the virtues of economy, purity and careful administration among the politicians of his Province.

GREECE AND THE POWERS.

It is announced that the Government of Greece has accepted the terms dictated by the Powers and placed her interests in their keeping. If the report be true, we shall probably not hear of any more battles. But it does not follow that the people of Greece will not have additional cause to rue the day they heedlessly, in the Powers' despite, provoked a war with Turkey. Turkey will, of course, demand an indemnity; and this the Powers cannot in justice, refuse. Greece caused the war; Greece was defeated in the war; and Greece must pay the cost. But the Powers will protect Greece from further incursions, and additional loss of blood, and a greater national humiliation. For this the people of Greece have cause to be thankful.

So far as the people of Greece are concerned they have not much cause to be ashamed. They displayed national zeal. The pity is that their zeal had not been tempered by discretion. Their soldiers fought bravely and well until it became evident that their leaders had been out-generalled and that the strength, coolness, steadiness and bravery of their enemies were overwhelming. If, then, as in the retreat from Larissa, they lost their heads and gave way to fear, we must not condemn them too severely. The greater blame lies with those who were in authority previous to the war, and who yielded to the clamor of the Athenian mob, notwithstanding the conclusions and dictates of their own better-informed judgments.

Information has reached San Francisco which points to the probability of a match between Corbett and Choyneki in that city in the fall for \$10,000.

KRUGER'S POLICY.

It is not supposed that President Kruger's recent submission to the demands of Mr. Chamberlain is anything more than an expression of the shrewd old bore's conclusion that the "time has not yet arrived." In view of the fact that the Transvaal has been arming steadily, with the avowed purpose of "fighting England," and that the Boers are evidently "spoiling for a fight," we must not suppose that a war in South Africa has been avoided. It has only been postponed. Mr. Chamberlain's ultimatum came to the Government of the Transvaal before the Boers were "all ready," and so the prudent Kruger cried "peccavi," and yielded the point. To well-informed people in Great Britain this is a matter of regret. Great Britain's interests and the interests of the British in South Africa call for the inevitable resort to arms at once. But President Kruger has had his repressive and hostile laws repealed and has conformed his conduct to the provisions of the convention; and so the Transvaal war is off for the present. But as the Empire, of London, remarks: "Only the sword can effectively cut this tangle; and it may as well be cut today as next year; for sooner or later it will have to be. This is as certain as that death follows life. The foolish sentimentalists and blatant unpatriotic place-seekers, of which Mr. Courtney and Sir William Harcourt are fair types, assert that President Kruger means well, and that he is all for peace. This is utter nonsense. Neither knows President Kruger nor what his aims are. President Kruger has never meant well towards this country; and if he wants peace, it is at the expense of British supremacy in South Africa."

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

—What's the matter with Quebec?

—United States Senators evidently feel that something is just now expected of them; so they have submitted a resolution in favor of arbitration in settling international disputes!

—Out of a total population in the United Kingdom of 37,732,922, there are now nearly six and a half million voters. England's population is given as 29,099,565, Scotland's, 4,025,647, Ireland's, 4,704,750.

—It is stated by the Empire of London that all the Colonial troops arriving for the Jubilee are timed to arrive in England between May 19th, and the middle of June. It is intended to house all the men at Chelsea Barracks, and the horses for the cavalry contingents will be supplied from Aldershot and elsewhere. There will probably be a thousand men and some sixty officers.

—We are in receipt of the "Endeavor Banner," published at Montreal, of which the Rev. W. J. Kirby, of Grace Church in this city, is associate editor. It is a capital periodical, containing much that is interesting and elevating. We note several items respecting Prince Edward Island and the rest of the Maritime Provinces, and an excellent article by the Rev. D. Sutherland, of Zion Church.

—The area of planted potatoes in France is three times, and in Germany six times, greater than that of Great Britain and Ireland. The potatoes are almost entirely grown as an esculent; whereas in France about two-fifths of the total or about 4,000,000 tons annually, are used in the manufacture of starch and alcohol; while in Germany about 1,800,000 tons are employed for distilling purposes alone.

—The May number of the Canadian Home Journal (Toronto) comes to us with a suggestion of apple blossoms and spring flowers. Among other things it contains an entertaining article on "The Rise and Fall of the May Pole," by Thomas Swift; an editorial on the Armenian question; a prettily illustrated page on Golf, by the lady champion; the latest fashions, music, art, book chat and short stories; a sketch of early spring in Edinburgh; receipts and household notes by Jean Joy. Subscription \$1 a year, 10 cents a copy.

—The fiscal year of the Presbyterian church in Canada, which closed April 30, is said to be the most successful in its

history. This has special reference to the large amount of work of all kinds done by the church and the healthy state of its finances. The foreign mission fund on February 25 was in debt to the extent of \$45,642, with accruing salaries to missionaries and other charges, amounting to \$24,000 more due by April 30. It was therefore necessary to raise \$69,500 in March and April to liquidate the debt. The responses were so generous that, while the debt is not cleared off, the committee has entered on new work to the extent of \$30,000, and are confident that in a very short time they will be freed from the embarrassments which, in former years, have hampered them.

—A Halifax despatch reports that J. T. Bulmer, who worked hard for the Liberals at the general election, is out in a strong letter against the changes in the tariff, particularly on books. He says a tax of 24 cents on a dollar is made on a book, that the tariff strikes hard at every doctor, lawyer, engineer, clergyman and professor, that it makes it impossible to build up large libraries in Canada, that Canada is now marching in the rear of the procession headed by Turkey and Spain, and that the Government in this book tariff are the ablest archbishops of ruin ever known in the history of Canada. It is not impossible that Mr. Bulmer is a disappointed office seeker. Yet there is truth in what he says.

ESTEEMED EXCHANGES.

—The Empire: Yet a further discovery of coal in Rhodesia; this time within a few miles of Bulawayo. There seems, according to the present demands, too much coal in South Africa; and some experts are beginning to prophesy a slump in colliery shares.

—The Flag: In Canada, our laws, customs, roads, railways, canals, markets, and everything else to the point, are calculated so far as anything in a comparatively undeveloped country can be, to make things easy for the man who desires to become his own landlord, and the tendency that way is always increasing. We know too well what it is to live alongside a commonwealth that had a long start of us in getting the kind of settlers we want—farmers, farmer's sons, farm laborers, to be niggardly in our inducements to the right sort to come over and take our lands. The day of the Western States is past; all the good land is taken up, and Canada's turn has come. The only cheap lands in a healthy bracing climate, worth having on the American continent, north of the Gulf of Mexico, are to be found under the British flag alone, north of the St. Lawrence and the great lakes.

LOCAL NOTICES.

Bankrupt goods to be closed out. When this store does it, it's done at prices that do the work quick.—Beer Bros.

The bankrupt bargains being offered by Beer Bros. are spoken of as the biggest snaps ever offered in the city.

Until all this bankrupt stock is gone, until there's nothing left but empty counters to remind us that we ever had such a sale, you and your friends can choose as you like for about half price.—Beer Bros.

Special low prices on Ladies' Capes at the Always Busy Store.—130 Capes, latest and best in style, fit, quality and finish; bought at a price, now offered at 25 per cent. less than the regular value. See them at Stanley Bros., the Always Busy Store. 111 St.

Do you want to save 25 p. c. on Men's Ready-made Clothing? Then visit Paton & Co.

Must be cleared out—our stock of readymade Clothing. No reasonable offer refused. Now is your chance. Paton & Co.

All new, fresh, up-to-date goods in our Clothing Department at 25 p. c. off for cash.—Jas Paton & Co.

Visit the great clearance sale at Paton & Co's,

1,700 boys' and children's suits 25 per cent. and half price. Youth's suits, men's suits. No reserve.—Jas. Paton & Co.

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To-day the first question of every convert is "Which wheel shall I ride?"

The Stearns is not the oldest bicycle built, but a modern bicycle which has led the cycling world in advanced wheel construction. Light, strong, graceful—there's speed and satisfaction in its every line.

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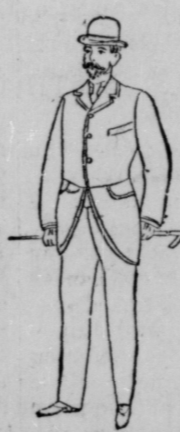
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See our Coat and Vest for \$3.00.



See our Suit for \$5.00



See our Suit for \$4.50



MEN'S SUITS

Extra Special During Sale Only.

500 pairs of Men's strictly all wool black and blue heavy English Serge Trousers—finely tailored—\$3.00 qualities to-days choice for. **\$1.90**

Extra Special During Sale Only.

300 Men's All-Wool Odd Coats—left over from our best selling \$10, \$12 and \$15 suits—sizes—33, 34, 35 up to 45 inch. During Sale. **\$2.50**

The materials come direct from the factory to the wearer! This applies to the fabrics in the make-up of some seven hundred pairs of TROUSERS which we are offering.

700 pairs in stock at 75c, 95c, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.98 and \$2.25. \$1.00, \$2.00, \$3.00 and \$3.50.

Our prices for similar goods have been \$3.50, \$4.50, \$5.50. Note: Not a thread of cotton or any particle of waste enters the composition of any of the material used. Every pair of Trousers is warranted strictly all-wool—and comes straight from the work rooms to the counters.

Summer Coats in Lustre and Silk at sweeping reductions for cash.

IN THE BOYS' CLOTHING DEPARTMENT

Admitted by everyone who ever crossed this threshold to be the finest, largest, most complete boys' outfitting store in this city—we offer this week—values phenomenal!

543 Boys' Knee Pants Suits—age 5 to 16 years—all choice new 1898 styles—every suit made of pure all-wool material, in the fancy brown and grey plaids and mixtures—you could not possibly equal them at any other store in Ch'town for less than 25 per cent. more than what we ask. Choice for **\$2.75, \$3.00, \$4.00 and \$5.00**

BOYS' SUITS.

Also a lot of odd Coats and Vests to fit boys of this age.—J. P. & Co.



700 Boys' Knee Pant Suits—age 6 to 12 years—made of fine imported and domestic woolsens, newest styles in choicest plain blue, black & fancy brown, also in nobby gray, effects lined with serges or farmer's satin, trimmed and finished equal to the best suits shown at other stores for \$4.00 to \$5.00 at our store this week for **\$2.00 and \$2.50**

We have also a few hundred very fine Suits

left—the highest grade of ready-to-wear garments made and sold by any store in America—imported and domestic cloths of the richest and costliest styles—suits that used to sell for \$4.50 to \$6.00—and in order to close them out we offer the choice of these best, finest and costliest heavy and medium weight suits in our store, this week—it's a great chance at **\$2.50**

36 Pair Black Worsted Pants.

39 pairs Blue Serge and black worsted pants—fine make, worth up to \$3.50, now \$2.25.

500 suits, new goods; all sizes two piece suits at 25 per cent off for cash.

MOTHERS—Now is your chance to save money. Lot of Linen Suits for 25c

Sailor Suits, \$1.75 for \$1. Other lines in Sailor Suits new—25 per cent. off.

40 Spring Overcoats, 25 per cent off for cash, in grey lawn and blue Serge and Worsted.

MEN'S SUITS.

GOOD WORKING SUITS

\$4.50, \$5.00 and \$6.00. SALE PRICE 25 per cent off.

150 NAVY SERGE

\$9.00, \$10.00, \$12.00 and \$15.00. SALE PRICE: \$5.75, \$7.50, \$9.00, \$11.25. Best Goods in the city. No shoddy nor on Suit bought for sale purposes.

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Made from Good Worsted, \$4.00, \$4.50, \$5.00 and \$6.00. See our all wool \$5 \$6 \$7. See our all wool \$7 \$8.

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For your swell Business Suit, Sack, 3-button Checks, Plaid, Overplaid, in Browns and Blues, and new shades, at \$10.00, worth up to \$12.00.

100 pairs of Boys' All Wool Knee Pants—in choice colors and perns, all sizes, from 3 to 14 years—substantial, thoroughly well made Knee Pants, that are actually worth 75 a 95c, we will place on sale to-day at 50c—not over 2 pairs to any one person—at a price that will be the marvel of Charlottetown, 45c.

48 Men's All-wool Blue Serge Suits, \$8 and for \$5.

43 Double and Single Breasted Suits, pg. Serge, \$4.50 to \$8.00. Yours for \$3 to 4 50

All last year's Goods, sweeping reductions.

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