

FOREST FIRES.

GREAT DAMAGE TO PROPERTY

West of Port Hill.

LOSS OF LIFE FEARED.

Very Latest Particulars.

For some time past forest fires—many of them started for the purpose of clearing land—have been more or less prevalent in that portion of Western Prince County lying between Port Hill and Alberton. No consequences of a serious nature were anticipated from these fires, and the people generally paid but little attention to them.

However, the high wind of yesterday fanned the flames, and in an incredibly short time all that stretch of country between Conway Station and Alberton was a mass of fire. The flames spread with great rapidity, licking up almost everything in their way. The roaring of the fire as it spread was terrific. Everything possible was done to stay the progress of the flames, but without success. The fire fiered was master of the situation.

At O'Leary, Barclay's mills were burned down. The dwelling house of Mr. White, the dwelling and office of Postmaster Frost and several unoccupied buildings met with a similar fate. It was only by the greatest exertions that the railway station house and coal shed were saved, clay having to be shovelled upon the fire to prevent its spreading in that direction.

It is feared that a squaw and her child, encamped a short distance behind the station at O'Leary, were burned to death. Rumors of other persons being burnt are also afloat, but lack confirmation. Let us hope that the rumors may prove groundless.

Between O'Leary and West Devon the trees were burning so close to the railway track that the express train, in charge of Conductor Kelly, had to be stopped several times to examine the track before proceeding.

At West Devon, Arthur's mills were burnt down, and all his lumber was destroyed. The heat from the burning mills and lumber, as well as from the fires in the woods, burnt the sleepers and warped the rails for nearly half a mile, necessitating the stopping of the train at that place. Here Conductor Kelly took advantage of the only clear space available, and here for a time he and his men had to work hard to keep the train from being burnt up.

Besides Arthur's mills, at West Devon, three or four dwelling houses were destroyed. It is said also that several farm-houses in the vicinity of that place succumbed to the devouring element, but we cannot vouch for the correctness of the report.

The heavy rain which began to fall between seven and eight o'clock last evening put the fires down a little and cooled the air considerably. This enabled the men to go to work and make the necessary temporary repairs to the track, in order that the train might be able to get over. By ten o'clock new sleepers and rails were put down and other work performed which enabled the train to pass over and proceed on her way.

The train had to proceed at a slow rate of speed. The sleepers in many places were burnt, and between Portage and Conway a culvert was destroyed. Here, again, the train had to stop, and temporary repairs had to be made before they could proceed. As they went along, the greatest care had to be taken to prevent an accident to the train. The line was carefully scrutinized to see that the rails and sleepers were in their places, and that the track was free from obstructions. On the way they could see the telegraph poles and trees, as they were attacked by the flames, sway two and fro finally falling—many of them across the track, necessitating further stoppages.

At Portage Mr. Wallace's dwelling house and saw mill were burned down. Several small houses between Portage and Conway also succumbed.

So great was the heat from the flames all along the route of the fire that it was with the greatest difficulty anything could be done to stay the progress of the flames. The smoke was also very troublesome. Some of the people living in the neighborhood took the first opportunity of sending their wives and families away from home, remaining behind themselves to battle with the enemy. But their efforts were largely futile.

Conductor Kelly's train reached Summerside shortly before three o'clock this morning, where she remained until seven this morning, when she left for Charlottetown, arriving at half-past nine.

The mails and passengers by the St. Lawrence were brought to the city last evening by a special train from Summerside in charge of Station Agent Grady. As soon as the news of the delay in the arrival of the express was received here, Summerside was instructed to make up a special and forward the mails and passengers immediately on arrival of the steamer. This was done. The promptness on the part of the railway authorities is very commendable.

The western freight train, in charge of Conductor Ryan, was held at Port Hill by order of the Superintendent until daylight this morning, when she proceeded on her way. To-day all trains except the western freight above referred to, are on time.

Up to the hour of going to press this afternoon there was no telegraphic communication west of Port Hill, so that no information as to the situation of affairs today is available.

LECTURE.—Professor Braden's lecture in the Y. M. C. A. Hall, last evening, was an excellent one, and was listened to by a highly appreciative audience. The circumstances under which the scriptures of the old and new testaments were set forth in a clear and comprehensive manner. Judge Hensley presided, and expressed the hope that a still larger number of persons would avail themselves of the opportunity of hearing the concluding lectures of Mr. Braden.

Fresh Parker House Rolls and Cream Tartar Buns at Knight's Bakery this evening.

THE ARTILLERY BANQUET.

A GRAND SUCCESS.

THE banquet tendered the victorious artillery team by the citizens, was held at the Hotel Davies last evening, and was in every respect a decided success. His Worship Mayor Haviland presided. On his right were Hon. N. J. George, United States Consul, and Patrick Blake, Esq., M. P. P.; on his left Senator Howlan and L. H. Davies, Esq., M. P. A. N. Large, Esq., Chief of the fire department, occupied the vice-chair. The table was spread in that excellent manner characteristic of the Davies. The menu was as follows:—

- MENU. SOUP. Tomatoe aux Quenelles. Puree of celery with chicken. FISH. Baked Red Rock Fish—Brown Capier Sauce. Boiled Halibut—Egg Sauce. Cucumbers, Olives, Radishes, Picaille. BOILED. Boiled Capon—Supreme Sauce with Pork. Corned Beef. Ham. Tongue. ROAST. Roast Duck—Apple Sauce. Green Goose with Jelly. Rib of Beef. Sirloin of Beef—Dish Gravy. ENTREES. Baked Scallops au Gratin. Fricassai of Chicken. Small Peas. Compote of Tomatoe. Lobster Rissoles. VEGETABLES. Mashed Potato. Green Peas. Cauliflower. Tomatoes. Beets. PASTRY & DESSERT. Marietta Pudding—with Persian Cream. Snow Pudding—Custard Sauce. English Apple Pie—with Lemon. Butter. Coconut Pie. Pumpkin Pie. Raspberry Tarts. Lemon Jelly. Sherry Wine Jelly. Rock Jelly. Sponge Cake. Walnut Cake. Chocolate Cake. Vanilla Custards. Peach Ice Cream. Assorted Nuts. Figs and Raisins. Apples. Bananas. Grapes. Peas. Creamed Dates. Crackers and Celery. Cheese. TEA & COFFEE.

After this bill of fare had been well discussed, and letters of regret at their inability to be present were read from His Honor Judge Young, Capt. E. Palmer and Henry Weeks, Esq., the intellectual portion of the programme was proceeded with, the chairman calling the toasts in the order in which they appeared on the list.

After the toast to "The Queen" came that to the "President of the United States," to which Consul George responded.

"Our Guests" was next on the list. It was proposed by L. H. Davies, M. P., and supported by P. Blake, M. P. P. Capt. H. McL. Davison, responded.

"The Militia of Canada" was proposed by Hon. Senator Howlan and supported by Hon. Neil McLeod. Lieut.-Col. Irving and Capt. J. A. Longworth responded.

R. R. Fitzgerald, Esq., proposed "The Press," and Messrs. A. B. Warburton and James McIsaac responded.

"Our Contributors" was proposed by Adjutant Morson, and drew forth responses from Vice-Chairman Large, Jas. Byrne, C. C., and D. O'M. Reddin, Jr.

"The Ladies," proposed by Captain Weeks, was suitably responded to by Consul George, Col. Irving and Adjutant Morson.

"Our Host and Hostess" was proposed by A. B. Warburton and supported by Hon. Senator Howlan. Mr. Davies responded.

After a number of volunteer toasts were honored, the party dispersed, well pleased with the proceedings.

Telegraphic Odds and Ends.

A BUDGET OF GENERAL NEWS FROM ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD.

LONDON, Sept. 18.—Sexton is preparing a speech which he will deliver before the Parnell commission when it resumes its session next month. It is expected that the speech will occupy four days in delivery.

QUEBEC, Sept. 18.—The Quebec signal service reports the steamship Canopus, from Cape Breton with Coal to Montreal, off Fame Point at 1.30 p. m. with her cargo on fire. Assistance will be sent from Quebec.

TORONTO, Sept. 18.—The late William Gooderham, amongst many other benevolent bequests, has left \$125,000 for Victoria College building and \$50,000 for endowment, on condition of its removal to Toronto.

ROME, Sept. 18.—The English and Italian Governments have signed a more stringent anti-slavery convention than has hitherto existed. The new convention declares the slave traffic to be an act of piracy and enables cruisers to deal more promptly with the captured slaves. The Mediterranean is excluded from the operations of the treaty.

MONTREAL, Sept. 18.—When the Synod met to-day the Jesuit question was referred to a committee. A. T. Gault was elected treasurer of the Synod. Hon. G. W. Allan moved a resolution to petition the Dominion parliament for laws for the better observance of the Sabbath. The resolution was supported by Dean Carmichael, Judge McDonald, Rev. Mr. Stevenson, Hon. Mr. Vale, Rev. Mr. Burke, Rev. Mr. Lander, and passed.

LONDON, Sept. 18.—The directors of the dock companies have sent a protest to Cardinal Manning and the Lord Mayor, pointing out the cases of violence on the part of the strikers since the agreement for the settlement of the strike was arrived at, and stating that a number of men are refusing to submit to the terms of the agreement.

They ask the Cardinal and Lord Mayor to use their influence in the interests of peace. A conference was held to-day between Cardinal Manning, the Lord Mayor and the directors of the dock companies, relative to the attitude of the strikers. Cardinal Manning promised he would urge on the strikers to observe their agreement, and not to molest the "blacklegs." The Lord Mayor said he would issue a proclamation against demonstrations by strikers.

OTTAWA, Sept. 18.—A company with \$300,000 capital has been organized on the Pacific coast to run the Joggins raft enterprise between British Columbia and San

Columbia and San Francisco. The estimated saving in freight is 86 per cent.

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 18.—As the result of the inquest over the body of young Jackson, killed in the prize fight early yesterday, Ahern, the surviving principal, has been held without bail to answer the charge of murder, while the referee, seconds and timekeepers are held as accessories and abettors.

OTTAWA, Sept. 10.—Begg, emigration agent, who has just returned from England expresses great confidence that the special committee of the imperial commons will recommend a grant of three quarters of a million dollars to assist crofter immigration to Canada.

MADRID, Sept. 18.—The captain, four sailors and one passenger of a Moorish vessel captured by the natives of the Rif coast of Morocco have been carried into the interior with the object of selling them into slavery. The Spanish Government will make an immediate demand on the Sultan of Morocco for their release.

SEAORD, Del., Sept. 18.—A destructive fire is raging there. The town hall, mason's hall, oddfellow's hall, and ten stores and several dwellings have already been burned.

MANCHESTER, Sept. 18.—The Guardian, in its commercial article, says there has been a little increase in business due to the conclusion of a few moderate contracts. Spot business is trivial.

COLUMBUS, O., Sept. 18.—The sovereign grand lodge of oddfellows, convened in annual session at noon yesterday, with representatives present from every state and territory, and from Canada and the provinces. The delegates were welcome to Ohio by Governor Foraker, and on behalf of the Ohio oddfellows by grand master McKinley and grand patriarch Frost. Grandraire P. C. Underwood, president, and all the grand officials were present. The usual standing committees were appointed, a steady rain pouring down all the afternoon and evening seriously interfered with musical and military programmes. Visitors came in by the thousands during the day and evening.

ANTWERP, Sept. 17.—A large number of suits for damage have been begun here in connection with the recent disastrous explosion of Corvillain's cartridge factory.

PARIS, Sept. 18.—The Boulangist manifesto remains placarded throughout Paris, the Government seemingly being convinced that its removal would only increase the publicity already given the manifesto.

QUEBEC, Sept. 18.—The engine and tender of the Quebec Central Railway went through the track of the Intercolonial line at Beaulieu Wharf, Levis, yesterday afternoon. Traffic was interrupted considerably.

BERNE, Sept. 18.—The military manoeuvres at Hanover yesterday in the presence of the Emperor. The feature of yesterday was a series of dashing and brilliant cavalry charges. The prominent part taken by the cavalry is significant as showing the importance attached to cavalry movements in modern warfare.

QUEBEC, Sept. 18.—The palace of Cardinal Taschereau has been burglarized and over \$400 carried off. The desks in which the money was kept were broken open. Detectives are working the matter up.

PARIS, Sept. 18.—Mr. Constans, Minister of the Interior, in an electoral address, declares that the real Boulangists are merely jugglers, trusting in the confusion and disorder of elections to fish in troubled waters. M. Ferry says a revision of the constitution means civil war. Boulanger has issued a violent final manifesto. His list shows 1800 candidates for 50 arrondissements. They will entail numerous ballottings.

SHIP NEWS. PORT OF CHARLOTTETOWN. ENTERED. Sept 17—Isabella, Brown, Newcastle, lumber; Harvest Home, Langille, Pictou, coal. Sept 18—J. A. G. C. Reid, Port Hawkesbury; Laura C. Pollard, Northport; Sea Bird, Hyde, Murray Harbor. CLEARED. Sept 17—Isabella, Fraser, Miramichi, bal. Sept 18—J. A. G. C. Reid, Wallace; Laura C. Pollard, Pictou; Sea Bird, Hyde, Murray Harbor. OTHER PORTS. Summerside, Sept 16—Ent sehr Richard Thompson, Walsh, Pictou, coal; Jessie Newell, Grady, Pictou, coal. 17—Advance, Orr, Richibucto, lumber. Cld 16—Richd Thompson, Walsh, Paguewash, bal; Mary Mac, Ferguson, Richibucto, bal; Advance, Orr, do. S'ide, Sept 18—Ent Kate, Allen, Pictou, coal. Cld 18 Jessie Newell, Grady River Philip, bal; James Davies, Allen, Alberton, empty casks.

AUCTION SALE OF MIRRORS, BY AUCTION, at my Saleroom, TOMORROW, SATURDAY, at 11 o'clock, a. m. 12 British Plate Mirrors, ranging in size from 24x30 to 50x60 inches. GEO. M. HARRIS, Auctioneer.

W. F. M. S. THE ANNUAL MEETING of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society (E. D.) will be held in Zion Church on THURSDAY and FRIDAY, the 26th and 27th inst., at 10 o'clock, a. m., and 2 o'clock, p. m. A Public Meeting will be held on THURSDAY EVENING, at 7.30, when addresses will be delivered by Rev. Mr. Morton and Mrs. Morton, returned Missionaries from Trinidad, and others. A collection will be taken. sept20

KEROSENE. TWO CARGOES—about 2,000 Barrels—best American, on the way and hourly expected. CARVELL BROS. sept17—pat 4i

NOTICE. ALL PARTIES indebted to us are requested to make immediate payment, or same will be handed in for collection without further notice. McLEOD & McKENZIE. sept17—ti

150 TONS Barb Wire Fencing.

PRICE LOW.

NORTON & FENNEL.

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CHALLENGE.

WE, the undersigned, challenge Carroll and McDonald, of Pictou, to row us a three-mile double scull race on Charlottetown Harbor, on the 2nd of October next, for \$100 a side, in the same boats that were rowed in Pictou on the 18th September, and have deposited with Mr. John Joy the sum of \$25 as a guarantee. This challenge is open for ten days.

FRANK COLLINS, JOHN MCKENNA. sept19 2i

UNDERWRITERS' SALE.

For Benefit of all Concerned.

TO BE SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION, on MONDAY, September 23rd, at 12 o'clock, noon, at McCre's Wharf, Egmont Bay:—The Hull and spars, with rigging attached, also Sails, Running Gear and other outfit of the Schooner C. PHARL, as she now lies stranded at the entrance of Egmont Bay Harbor, Prince County, P. E. Island. JOHN SMITH, Broker. Egmont Bay, Sept. 19, 1889—2i

CARD.

MISS MINNIE GALLANT, Milliner, is now working at her home on Upper Queen Street, where she will be most happy to attend to all her old customers and friends. sept19 1w

Partnership Notice.

WE have this day entered into Partnership as Barristers and Attorneys, under the name of STEWART & MACNEILL. Office in Newson's Block, opposite the Post Office. WILLIAM S. STEWART, ALBERT H. MACNEILL. Charlottetown, Sept. 9, 1889. sept18—dy 1w wky 1m

DESIRABLE PROPERTY, BY AUCTION.

I am instructed by MRS. W. F. DAWSON, to sell by Auction, on the Premises, On Monday, 30th Instant, AT 11 O'CLOCK, A. M., 12 Acres of Land lying between the Upper and Lower St. Peter's Road, about 1 1/2 miles from the city. Also, at same time and place—11 Acres situated on the Lower St. Peter's Road. This property will be sold in 3 or 4 Acre Lots, to suit purchasers. Terms at sale. Immediately after the sale of the above property, the following Stock and Implements will be sold:— 1 Oak's Heart Filly, 3 1/2 years old, 1 Barrister Gelding, 2 1/2 " 1 Grade Holstein Bull, 2 1/2 " 7 Calves, all under 9 months. Also—1 Cart, Plough, Wood Sleigh, Box Sleigh and Harrow. GEO. M. HARRIS, Auctioneer. sept16—tl sle

Estate of McDonald, McDonald & Co., Souris. TRUSTEES' SALE. TENDERS will be received by the undersigned at Charlottetown, until WEDNESDAY, the 25th inst., at noon, from persons disposed to offer for the following belonging to the Estate of McDonald, McDonald & Co., of Souris, P. E. I.:— LOT 1.—Dry Goods, Hardware, Boots and Shoes, Groceries, Miscellaneous Goods, Wagons, Harness, Sleighs, Horse, Safe and Shop Furniture, contained on the premises at Souris. LOT 2.—Book Debts, Notes of Hand, Judgments. Inventories and Stock Lists may be seen on application to Mr. Reginald H. McDonald at Souris, or office of Carvell Bros., Charlottetown. The undersigned will not be bound to accept the highest or any tender. Terms Cash. A. A. MACDONALD, W. H. AITKEN, Trustees. Ch'town, Sept. 17, 1889—tl 25th

P. E. ISLAND RAILWAY.

County Exhibitions. A SPECIAL PASSENGER TRAIN will leave Charlottetown for Summerside at 7.45 a. m. on WEDNESDAY, Sept. 25th, inst., returning at 4 p. m. same day. A Special Train will also leave Charlottetown for Georgetown at 8 a. m. on THURSDAY, Sept. 26th, inst., returning at 3.45 same evening. These trains will stop only at regular stations. Return tickets will be issued by same at single first-class fares. J. UNSWORTH, Superintendent. Railway Office, Charlottetown, Sept. 18, 1889.

Potato Baskets. 2000 INDIAN MAKE. For sale by CARVELL BROS. sept17—2aw

Men Wanted. WE want a Wood Turner, a Man to attend a Circular Saw, six to eight Benchmen, and four smart, strong Boys. MARK WRIGHT & CO. sept14—dy 4

20th September.

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Charlottetown, Sept. 20, 1889—dy wky

For Thirty Days

GREAT SLAUGHTER SALE

Of Boots and Shoes.

WE will offer the balance of our Spring and Summer Stock at a BIG SACRIFICE FOR CASH. The Biggest Bargains in the City guaranteed. J. C. SPRAGUE. Charlottetown, Aug. 19, 1889—tu fri wky

First Arrival of Autumn Goods!

BEER BROS.

WE ARE OPENING TO-DAY: BLACK CRAPES. BLACK CASHMERES, HOSIERY, BLACK PLUSH, COLORED PLUSH, PRINTED POUJEE SILK, &c., &c., &c.

BEER BROS.

Charlottetown, Aug. 26, 1889—eod

DOMINION LINE P. E. ISLAND RAILWAY.

Royal Mail Steamships SAILING WEEKLY FROM Montreal and Quebec for Liverpool, AND FORTNIGHTLY FOR Bristol, Avonmouth Dock. STEAMSHIPS VANCOUVER, OREGON, SARNIA, TORONTO, DOMINION, ONTARIO, TEXAS. Passengers booked to and from all the principal Cities in Great Britain, Ireland and the Continent. For rates of passage or other information apply to FENTON T. NEWBERRY, Agent for P. E. Island. sept4

FRESH GRAPES.

BLACK HAMBURG AND WHITE GRAPES at 35 cents per pound. Orders will be received daily at the Store of Messrs. Beer & Gott. pd 2w t f—sept17

Pickling Vinegar.

20 CASKS EXTRA STRONG, full Government proof. 100 Demijohns same kind. CARVELL BROS. sept11—tu sat pat mon thu

FOR SALE OR TO LET.

THE Subscriber offers for Sale, or to rent for a number of years, a Two-story Double Tenement House, situate on Great George Street, between Fitzroy and Easton, opposite Large's Carriage Factory. For terms apply on the premises to JAMES BRADLEY, aug 24, 1889—tl