

THE DAILY EXAMINER. MAY 1, 1889.

The "Patriot" and the Public Works.

The Patriot says: "There must be something wrong in the Public Works Department." The people of Prince Edward Island, who are accustomed to regard this Department as exceptionally well administered under the careful supervision of Hon. Mr. Bentley, would, no doubt, like to know all about the facts on which the Patriot bases this charge. Let us, therefore, look into the matter.

There were, as the Patriot points out, expended in 1888:

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Includes On Government House, Colonial Building, Prince of Wales College, Normal School, Asylum Repairs.

The Patriot asks, "Where was the money spent?" and assumes a tone which is carefully calculated to suggest suspicion in the public mind—well knowing all the while that a clear and satisfactory explanation of these expenditures had been submitted to the Legislature. Why did not the Patriot tell the whole truth? The Patriot knows, for instance, that Mr. Sinclair asked for a return of expenditures in connection with the Provincial building, that the return was laid upon the table of the House, and that Mr. Sinclair felt constrained to express himself as perfectly satisfied with it. Here is a copy of the return as tabled, showing how the \$1433.98 were expended, viz.:

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Includes Repairs, Gas Company, Coal, Wood, Water, Water Closets, Trackage and labor, Scrubbing and cleaning, Supplies, locks, glass, etc.

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If the Patriot wished to make an honest statement, why did it not say that the item of \$544.94 expended in connection with Government House, was incurred for necessary repairs to the foundation of the house, for fences around the grounds and farm, for rebuilding a shed which had rotted down, for repairing the roof of a building over fifty years old, and for other repairs, and for gas for the lamp at the gate of the grounds? Why not tell the public that the sum of \$610.56 for the Prince of Wales College, and \$197.51, for the Normal School included coal for these institutions, costing \$127.10, the painting of the outside of the College building, and whitewashing both buildings inside, repairing the roofs of both buildings, etc.?

Why not say that the item of \$596 for the Asylum included repairs to the furnace which had to be taken down and rebuilt, besides a thousand other small expenditures absolutely necessary in an institution containing throughout the year an average of a hundred and fifty human beings?

The Patriot knew all about these expenditures—or if not, it ought to have found out before daring to insinuate that the Commissioner of Public Works had been guilty of malfeasance in office. Let us see how some of the expenditures of last year compare with those of former years—years in which Mr. L. H. Davies and Mr. W. D. Stewart administered our finances and our public works. Take, for instance, the Provincial Building. In 1877 there were expended,—

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Includes On repairs and fuel, On offices.

In 1878 there were expended—

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Total in two years, Average each year.

Compare this result with the expenditures under Mr. Bentley's supervision. In 1887, there were expended,—

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Includes On fuel and repairs, On offices.

In 1888,—

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Making a total for two years of, Average each year.

Showing a saving in two years of \$1,775.54!

The Patriot will, of course, contend that the expenditures under Messrs. Davies and Stewart were all right; but in respect to those of Mr. Bentley, "there must be something wrong." The public will readily see that the wrong is in the Patriot and its "outside editors."

The Patriot refers to the expenditure of \$833.12 on account of "rights of way," and for inquisitions \$195.41, and says, "in other words, the land damages for new roads cost the country \$833.12, and to value these damages it cost us \$195.41, or 25 per cent." Thus this conclusion nothing could be further from the truth. Mr. Sutherland made the same statement on the floor of the House of Assembly, and it was then fairly and squarely met and explained by the Commissioner of Public Works, who clearly showed that the valuation of the damages cost the country nothing, as the damages were, in every case, valued by himself. The item of \$195.41 under the heading of "inquisitions" was for surveying, labor,

etc. When we state that between thirty and forty deeds for right of way were registered during the year 1888, and that all the roads had to be surveyed and plans and deeds drawn, the public will, we think, conclude that the expenditure was very moderate indeed. How does it compare with that of 1878? Let us see:—

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Includes Inquisitions cost, 1878, do 1888, A difference of.

The expenditure on rights of way was larger in 1878 than in 1888; but the percentage for inquisition or for valuing—as the Patriot would write it—was just as great. We do not say that there was anything wrong in either case; but we do say that the showing is largely in favor of Mr. Bentley's administration.

Then the Patriot proceeds to insinuate that "there is something wrong" in respect to the expenditures on roads and bridges. How easy, and how mean, it is to insinuate that which cannot be proved! The editor, or "outside" editor, of the Patriot seems to think that the best way to injure honest men, whom he wishes to displace, is to throw out dark hints concerning them.

The Patriot, in closing its laboriously insinuating article, refers to a statement laid upon the table of the House, which shows that Mr. John S. McCarvell was paid \$62.50 for fifty days' inspection of the building of a bridge. This is the heaviest charge against the Commissioner of Public Works that can possibly be trumped up. It has done duty in two sessions of the Legislature and was spread abroad by the Patriot last year. Poor McCarvell! His sin is that he is an Irishman and a supporter of the Government! The Commissioner of Public Works cannot always, as the Patriot very well knows, absolutely control contractors with the Government, nor fix the exact length of time to be occupied in the construction of a bridge. The wages per day paid to Mr. McCarvell were, it will readily be seen, not excessive. There was nothing wrong about the matter—only Mr. McCarvell was an Irishman, and the Patriot's party's motto is: "No Irish need apply."

Notes and Clippings.

The Nova Scotia Cotton Company is issuing \$100,000 6 per cent debentures which were authorized at the last meeting of the shareholders. The debentures are to run ten years, and are only offered to shareholders.

June dividends are now being announced by the various banks in Canada. The Merchants' Bank of Canada, the Canadian Bank of Commerce, and the Ontario Bank declare each at the annual rate of seven per cent. That of the Bank of Hamilton is at eight.

Merchants and citizens generally are strong in their complaint about the late arrival of the mails,—and say that it is quite impossible to answer letters by return mail. We hope that the Steam Navigation Company will make such arrangements as will ensure the arrival of the mails on time.

DIED.

On 1st May, at her brother-in-law's residence, James Vatcher, Kent street, after a long and lingering illness, Julia Ann, the beloved daughter of Mark and Mary Ann Pike, of Carbonara, Nfld., aged 21 years. [Funeral at half-past three to-morrow, Thursday.] (Newfoundland papers please copy.)

Entered into rest at Port DiNorwie, North Wales, on the 10th of April, 1889, John Haws, formerly of St. John, N. B., in his 63th year.

Remember the sale of freehold farm, the property of the late William Fife, at Stanley Bridge, to-morrow (Thursday), at 12 o'clock noon.—G. M. HARRIS, Auctioneer.

If you want a barrel of good, sound Apples for retailing, go to Beer & God's. 21—ap30

The best bargain in the city.—300 yards remnants worsted cloths fifty per cent less than usual price, at James Paton & Co's.

"ALL RIGHT."

The sire of George Lee, 2.33; Black Pilot, 2.30; Black Bird, 2.36; Defiance, 2.39; Little Fred (trial 2.28), 2.39; Mand R., 2.40; Lucy Derrick (4 years old), 2.44; Charley Mitchell (trial) 2.33; Nelly T. (trial), 2.35.

Will stand at A. N. Large's stable, Charlottetown, every week during the season, from Tuesday morning till Saturday morning; at Summerside, every Saturday from noon till Monday at noon; at Emerald every Monday afternoon till evening train to Cape Traverse, and every Monday evening till Tuesday morning at Strang's Hotel stables.

Terms for the season, \$25.00. Cash or note of hand at time of first service. NEWTON LEE. may1—dy 3i eod wky 6w

The Bedeque Mail Coach

LEAVES Charlottetown every TUESDAY, THURSDAY and SATURDAY mornings, calling at North River, Cornwall, Clyde River, New Haven, Bonshaw, DeSable, Hampton, Victoria, Crapaud, Tryon, Augustine Cove, Cape Traverse, Carleton, North Carleton, Summerside and Centreville; returning MONDAY, WEDNESDAY and FRIDAY, calling at above places. Headquarters and Booking Station at John J. Trainor's, "Imperial House," Queen St., Charlottetown. B. TOOLE, Contractor. may1

APPLES.

BY AUCTION, at my Sale-room, TOMORROW, at 11 o'clock, a. m.:— 20 Barrels APPLES.

R. BEARISTO, Auctioneer. may1 Mortgage Sale.

To be sold at Public Auction, on MONDAY, the Third day of June, A. D. 1889, at Twelve o'clock, noon, at the Court House in Summerside, in Prince County, under a power of sale contained in an Indenture of Mortgage, dated the 20th day of January, A. D. 1877, and made between Jesse Green, and Catherine, his wife, of the one part, and John Robins, of the other part:—

ALL that tract of Land on Lot Seventeen bounded as follows:—Commencing at a stake fixed in the south-west angle formed by the intersection of Crozier Street with Spring Street, and running from thence along Spring Street north thirty degrees east seventy feet to the south line of a lot of land formerly owned by Benjamin S. Mills; thence easterly along the said lot at a right angle sixty-four feet; thence at right angles northwardly sixty-eight feet to Shear Street; thence easterly along the said street sixty-two feet to David Rogers' lot; thence at right angles southwardly along said lot one hundred and thirty-eight feet to Crozier Street aforesaid; thence westwardly along said street one hundred and twenty-six feet to the place of beginning.

For further particulars apply to Edward J. Hodgson, Esq., Charlottetown, or J. E. Wyatt, Summerside. Dated this 30th day of April, 1889.

CATHERINE ROBINS, Trustee and Executrix under Will of may1—w law John Robins, deceased.

Sugar and Molasses.

NOW LANDING: 100 barrels Centrifugal Sugar. To arrive early in May; 100 barrels Refined and Granulated. 40 hhd. Raw Grocery. 300 puns. Antigua Molasses. FENTON T. NEWBERRY. ap25 dy5i wy2i pat s j

PASTURE LOTS, IN ROYALTY.

TO BE SOLD BY AUCTION, On Thursday, 9th of May, At 11 o'clock, on the Premises:

Thirty-two and a half Acres of Land, formerly the property of the late John Holman, subdivided into 4 Acre Lots, situated on the Malpeque Road, between the Cross Road and the Charlottetown Waterworks Pumping Station. The Land is at present laid down to grass, and is all available for Pasture, each lot having a right of way to water. Terms—25 per cent. at time of sale; the balance in four years, with interest at 5 per cent. per annum. R. BEARISTO, Auctioneer. ap25—pat

AUCTION SALE OF CROCKERY, GLASSWARE, &c.

I WILL SELL BY AUCTION, On Friday, 3rd May, AT 2 O'CLOCK, P. M., A Large Assortment of Crockery, Glassware, &c. GEO. M. HARRIS, Auctioneer. ap30

P. E. ISLAND STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

Pictou and Point du Chene.

ON AND AFTER MONDAY, 29th INST., the Steamers of above Company will leave every morning (Sundays excepted) from Charlottetown to Pictou at Seven o'clock (local), and from Summerside to Point du Chene on arrival of morning train from Charlottetown. By order, F. W. HALES, Secretary. ap27

PASTURE LOTS, BY AUCTION.

I AM INSTRUCTED BY GEORGE McLEOD, ESQ., to sell by Auction, on the Premises, ON THURSDAY, 23rd OF MAY, AT 12 O'CLOCK, NOON,

His Two Pasture Lots of one acre each, situated on Lower St. Peter's Road, adjoining Dr. Beer's land. This property is conveniently located for Pasture, as it is less than a half mile from the city. Terms at sale. GEORGE M. HARRIS, Auctioneer. ap20—tl sle

VALUABLE PROPERTY, BY AUCTION.

I am instructed to sell by Auction, On Wednesday, 17th April, AT 12 O'CLOCK, NOON:

The Premises formerly occupied by the late George P. Tanton as a Photograph Studio, situated on Great George Street.

The property has a frontage of 33 feet, and runs back 79 feet, with right of way from Kent Street. Terms at sale. G. M. HARRIS, Auctioneer. mch30—tl sle

The above sale is hereby postponed until WEDNESDAY, 8th May. ap11

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Charlottetown Gas Light Company will take place at the Gas Works on TUESDAY, the 14th day of May, 1889, at the hour of Eleven o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of electing Directors and the general transacting of business. DENNIS MURPHY, Manager. ap25—tl mng

NEW SPRING STOCK NOW OPEN! The Latest Novelties in Dress Goods and Trimmings; Fine Range of Black and Colored Silks, Millinery Goods, Flowers, Feathers, etc.; Ladies' and Childrens' Hosiery and Gloves, all sizes and kinds: Ladies' and Childrens' Underclothing; Prints, Chambrays, Lawns, Embroideries, Parasols and Umbrellas, very cheap. Mourning Goods! Mourning Goods! Mourning Goods! STANLEY BROS., BROWN'S BLOCK.

Grand Display OF SPRING GOODS!

Now Opening Direct from the Manufacturers, of which we invite inspection.

AS we have been fortunate enough to get the greater part of this season's goods direct from the manufacturers, thereby saving the wholesale houses' profits, we are able to sell fully TWENTY PER CENT. LOWER than usual prices. You have only to call and see our goods and be convinced of the above.

Our Cutters are second to none in the trade, and our workmen are first-class. If you leave us your order for your Spring Suit, you will be sure to have the correct style and Twenty per cent. lower than any other house in the trade. By buying from us you will save money.

HATS, CAPS, SHIRTS, COLLARS, TIES, HOSE, TRUNKS, VALISES, always in stock.

JOHN McLEOD & CO., MERCHANT TAILORS, UPPER QUEEN STREET.

GEO. E. FULL.

Grand Opening!

Spring this way, please, for Good, Cheap Clothing, Shirts and Linders.

NOTICE

Our Stock of Prints, Hats, Flowers and Dress Goods.

GEORGE E. FULL, Ch'town, April 24, 1889. QUEEN STREET.



Perkins & Sterns.

New American Hats, New American Prints, New American Gingham.

American Pongee Cloths,

PONGEE DRAPERY, FOR CURTAINS.

New Hosiery, New Gloves, New Parasols.

PERKINS & STERNS.

Charlottetown, April 25, 1889—dy & wky

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McLEOD & McKENZIE, STAR MERCHANT TAILORS,

The Original and Peerless Artists of Our Day.

THE ABOVE HAS BEEN A SETTLED FACT FOR YEARS, and to keep before the public what is so well known to every good dresser in this Province, may seem superfluous. But as a good dinner tends to give a quietus to the disturbing influences within the inner man, so a thorough knowledge of our capabilities will give a quietus to anyone who may have had the good fortune of being dressed by us. The sun rises and sets, and it appears to the ordinary judgment that the sun revolves around the earth instead of the earth revolving around the sun; so we, through the immense strides we have taken in our art, would appear to the uneducated to be moving around our many friends, instead of they moving around us; like the sun imparts its warm rays to revive drooping nature, so we are the benefactors of our people, by aiming high and attaining to a STYLE and FINISH in our Garments, which cannot but commend us as the MERCHANT TAILORING PHILANTHROPISTS of our day.

Are you anxious to test the foregoing? Come in, then, and see our line of Goods, which are superior, in every sense of the word, and we will fit you out with a Suit which will doubtless draw the loving remark from your best girl that she has "the best dressed young man in town." Call early, if you must have it before 1st July.

HATS and FURNISHING GOODS in the LATEST STYLES. McLEOD & McKENZIE, FASHIONABLE MERCHANT TAILORS. ap17

P. E. Island Electric Co.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of the above Company will be held at their Office, in Charlottetown, on WEDNESDAY, the 8th day of May next, A. D. 1889, at the hour of Twelve o'clock, noon. Dated 23rd day of April, A. D. 1889. JAMES WADDELL, Superintendent. ap24—dy 8th