

The Daily Examiner

MAY 13, 1885.

The Legislative Council Election.

On the 14th April, 1885, Mr. P. R. Bowers, the Opposition candidate for Legislative honors, in the New Era, which has since become defunct, wrote as follows:—"In our opinion the Election in Tignish should be decided on the lines of public policy which are now, on some important questions, quite clearly defined as between Liberal and Conservative party of this Province. 1. The Liberal Party deem it better that a moderate assessment should be imposed year by year, &c., &c."

The Assessment Act, it will be observed, is the very first plank in the platform of the self-styled Liberal Party? Farmers and others know to their sorrow what "Davies' Tax Act" means. Their farms, and not only this but their improvements were taxed, so that the thrifty and industrious farmer was compelled to pay more than his less industrious neighbor. If a farmer happened to put up a new house or a new barn, or even to whitewash his fences or out-buildings, his taxes were increased in consequence. Worst of all, every male person from the age of 16 up to 60 years of age, under the Davies Government, was compelled to pay a Poll Tax of one dollar a head.

Many families under the tax had to pay as much as five and six dollars a year, as Statute Labor money. Even old men who were on the pauper's list, were forced to pay it. And after the poll tax money had been paid, the people had no control over its expenditure. For instance, the money paid by the farmers of St. Peter's or East Point, could be taken and used in macadamizing the roads near Charlottetown. The taxpayers of the country have not forgotten these things yet. They should be especially borne in mind at the election in the First District on Friday next. We trust the property holders of that important section of the country, will turn out manfully, and return to Parliament one of their own men—a man who is willing to give a fair and independent support to the present Government. A Government that has abolished that relic of barbarism, imprisonment for debt, that has repealed the Assessment Act, including the unjust Poll Tax, that has saved the country thousands and thousands of dollars through their policy of retrenchment and reform.

We leave the matter in the hands of the intelligent electors of the First District, believing that they will give a good account of themselves at the election on the 15th. —We regret that the House of Commons have rejected Mr. McDonald's amendment to the Franchise Bill; but we must confess that it was not consistent with a measure framed with the object of equalizing the qualification of voters. The bill as it stands, will not disfranchise any voter in this Province, except the very poorest of the poor, while it will enfranchise thousands in Canada who have never yet possessed the privilege of voting for a representative in parliament. We think our members should make an effort to secure the right to vote to all who have heretofore exercised it. "Once a voter always a voter," is a principle, the justice of which will, we believe, be readily admitted by the majority in Parliament. If a man has not, by his own act, forfeited the right to vote, to deprive him of it by Act of Parliament is a species of legislative robbery.

The census of Newfoundland and Labrador, taken last year, shows that the population is now 196,411. Of these, 4,211 reside on the coast of Labrador, of whom 1,347 are Esquimaux, under the charge of Moravian missionaries, and 2,864 are whites. The population of the island of Newfoundland is now 192,201. When the census was taken in 1884 the population of Newfoundland and Labrador was 161,380. The increase is thus 35,031, or 21.70 per cent. The census gives the various religious denominations as follows: Church of Rome, 74,651; Church of England, 69,247; Methodists, 48,884; Presbyterians, 1,473; Congregationalists, 754; Baptists and others, 53

The Governor General of Eastern Siberia reports that bands of armed Chinese have crossed the Russian frontier and surprised several Cossack villages. The extent of the depredations is not stated.

The Government are pushing the Franchise Bill through vigorously, and are determined not to permit the obstructive tactics of the minority to prevail.

The friends of Mr. Worden will regret to learn that he has been superseded in the office of Consul for the United States at this port.

Qualifications of Indians.

Dr. Oronhyatekhe, in a letter to the press, referring to the enfranchisement of Indians, says:—

"Let me briefly put before your readers the qualifications of some of those people whom the bill seeks to entrust with the right of franchise. Take first the Mohawks, of the Bay of Quinte reservation. Chief Sanson Green has a farm near Deseronto, on which he resides, consisting of about 80 acres of land under cultivation. I believe at present he has a tenant working his farm, while he himself is, and has been for years, a clerk in Rathbun & Co.'s general store. He has a near neighbor, Chief Cornelius Marish, father of Dr. Kenwendeshon. He lives on his farm of about 100 acres, the greater portion of which buildings would do no discredit to any farm in the County of Middlesex. Going to the western portion of the reserve we will find Mr. John Loft and his brother, Chief Solomon Loft, each living on his own farm of 100 acres, raising hundreds of bushels of grain and farm produce for the market. These Indians are fairly educated, and are intelligent, sober and industrious men. They are but types of scores of other Indians upon that reserve, and we ask for them and others of their class that they be given their rights as British subjects, without being asked to sever their connection from their people by becoming "enfranchised" under the old laws.

"If we go to the Grand River reservation we will find scores of Indians, such as the Ganovers, the Martins, the Sizers the Beavers, the Hiltz the Johnsons the Smiths, that are equally intelligent, equally capable, and who are living, each upon his own farm, in comfortable frame or brick houses, raising thousands of bushels of grain and farm produce each year, and thus adding to the wealth of the country. "These are the Indians that the bill proposes to entrust with the vote, and I respectfully submit that they are capable of exercising the right of franchise, intelligently, as are the majority of the farmers of this or any other country.

"But it is urged that we receive 'bounty' from the government, and therefore ought not to vote. It is true we receive annuities from the government, but what are these annuities? Why, simply the interest due to us for moneys earned by our forefathers and loaned to the government. If there is any "bounty" in the matter it is on the side of the Indian.

"It is also claimed that our votes could not be independent because we are 'wards' of the government, that the Right Hon. Sir John A. Macdonald could vote for us en bloc, because he is our Superintendent-General. They who say that know very little of the Indians, at least of the Six Nations; besides, as a matter of fact, every Indian is far more independent of any such improper contract than are, say the post office officials of this country and other civil service employes who has votes, and who use them very frequently against the Government. As an employe of the Government I might be dismissed from the service. As an Indian, residing on my farm on the reserve, there is nothing that the superintendent-general could deprive me of were I to vote against the Government.

It seems to me therefore, that there is no good reason why every Indian, who is otherwise qualified, whether resident upon a reservation or not, should not be allowed to vote, and that is all that we ask, and I am sure the intelligent people of this Dominion will not refuse to us such rights, because somebody is afraid that in such case the great majority of the Indians would turn out to be conservative voters.

"Again, it is said that in enfranchising our Indians you also enfranchise Poundmaker and others who are now engaged in scalping our settlers in the Northwest. Surely no one will be misled by such statements as that any more than if it were said by giving a vote to the white you are giving a vote to Riel, who is causing our volunteers to be shot down.

"The Indians for whom we are pleading are loyal to the core, and we submit that they should not be deprived of their rights because a few Indians in the Northwest have been led by an ex-M.P. into hostile acts."

Boston Markets.

BOSTON, May 10.

POTATOES—Stock continues in light receipt, and prices are firm at 68 and 70 cents for Rose, Hebrons and Prolifics. Maine Central stock runs mostly at 63 and 65 cents, and Northern and New York at 60 and 65 cents per bushel. We quote:—

Rose, per bushel 63 to 65c
Beauty of Hebron 65 to 70c
Barbuck Seedlings 55 to 65c
Peerless 54 to 60c

EGGS—The tendency of the market is in favor of buyers, owing to liberal receipts. Sales of Eastern extra have been at 14 1/2 cents, and Western and Northern at 13 and 14 cents per dozen. At the close it is not easy to sell any kind over 14c. We quote P. E. Island 13 1/2 and 14 cents.

CHEESE—The Cheese market continues quiet and irregular. Fine old stock is selling in a small way at 10 1/2 to 11c per lb., but round lots cannot be quoted over 9 1/2 to 10c. The quality of the new cheese is improving, but very little offering is worth over 10c though sales in the country run up to 10 1/2c. Common grades are slow at any price. Liverpool quotation 58s.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

A Voice from the Country.

Sir,—Many people from Montague Bridge and all round this section are grieved to see by the papers that Mrs. A. D. MacLeod is being roughly treated. There are many on this island who keep the name of her father, Martin MacQueen, Esq., in grateful remembrance, and all who knew him say that he was one of the greatest and kindest gentlemen that ever lived. He gave employment to hundreds, both of Irish and Scotch, who had good reason to feel sorry at his early death. Those who think so much of her writings, and who know how bravely she set out to work for her living, upon the loss of the fortune left by her father, will never believe that Mrs. MacLeod would deserve bad treatment from anyone.

Yours truly, JOHN GILLS.

Victoria Cross, May 7, 1885.

Captain Howard

It is no disparagement to our brave Canadian officers and men to say that the brightest honors of the first day's fighting at Batoche seem, by one consent, to be accorded to Capt. Howard. He wears the uniform of a United States captain of artillery, we are told, and has seen service on the frontier in the Indian wars of the Republic. When the rebellion broke out, our Government purchased two Gatling guns from the manufacturers in New Haven, Conn., and Captain Howard came with them to show the Canadians how to use them. It was inferred by the general public that the duties of this officer would be confined to preliminary instructions of our volunteers in the use of the gun. Fortunately, however, Captain Howard has gone to the front, and takes his chances on the battlefield with the true spirit of the soldier. His coolness and bravery at a critical moment in the late battle appear to have been of priceless value. From the account published it would seem that he saved not only the Gatling but the other field guns from capture by the rebels.

All Canadians will join with our officers on the field to pay cheerful tribute to the gallant conduct of a brave officer of the United States who has entered our service. The incident may also serve to draw the two nations into closer sympathy. The most effective feature of the late Hon. Joseph Howe's great speech at the Detroit trade convention of 1865 was that in which he referred to his son's service in the federal armies. The great assembly who then listened to him rose to their feet and gave "three cheers for the boy." We propose three cheers for Captain Howard, in return of an international compliment, as well deserved now as it was twenty years ago.—St. John Telegraph.

The Lord of Asia.

The rumor is again current in Russia that the Czar is to be crowned as "Emperor of Central Asia." He is to proceed within the next year or two to Samarcand, the capital of Bokhara, and there, in the ancient palace of Timur Leng, better known as Tamerlane, undergo the ceremonies with great state and pomp. What memories would be evoked by the coronation. What striking resemblances in the careers of the Romceffs and the Timurides, between the Czar and that grand descendant of Genghis Khan, whose conquests extended from the Chinese Wall to Moscow and in India from the Indus to the Ganges, and whose successor, Babur, conquered Hindostan and became the founder of the empire of the Grand Mogul.

SOME very fat cattle, brought into the city to day and sold to a butcher, were taken to the city scales to be weighed, and while waiting were hitched to the posts near by. The ever vigilant Market Toll Contractor was promptly at the scene, demanding toll, as the cattle stood within the Market place. The owners of the beasts were naturally somewhat incensed at the unexpected and unwelcome interference, and declined, in no very gentle terms, to comply with the request of the toll taker. How the dispute ended we have not learned.

A FARMER'S SUICIDE.—On Friday morning, says the Miramichi Advance, Mr. Alex. Smith, who lives near Lower Bartibogue Bridge, left his house before breakfast time for his barn, and was expected to return, as usual, to his breakfast. He did not do so, however, and after a time search was made for him, when his body was found suspended by a rope in the barn, where he had committed suicide.

THE Oddfellows of this city entertained the performers of the opera "Pinafore" at their Natal Day celebration, by a social in Oddfellows' Hall last night. Mr. C. V. McGregor supplied the refreshments, and the affair was in every respect most enjoyable.

MR. ERRINGTON, English representative at the Vatican, failing to persuade the Pope to appoint Dr. Welsh to the vacant archbishopric of Dublin, has left for London for consultation with the British Government. The Pope it is said, had to consult the wishes of the Irish clergy in the matter.

THE S. S. Clifton is due here from London via Barrow, about the 18th inst. Shippers wanting to secure freight for the homeward voyage should apply to the agent without delay.

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J. B. MACDONALD

HAS now opened his new stock of SUMMER GOODS. Everything New and Cheap. Ladies Hats, Flowers and Feathers, newest styles and colors. Dress Material in all the newest fabrics—Silks, Satins and Velvets.

HATS! HATS!

Special attention is called to the stock of Mens' and Boys' FELT HATS. All the newest styles and Lowest Prices.

CLOTHING.

Mens' and Boys' CLOTHING, big stock and at the cheapest prices ever offered. Do not fail to see goods and prices at

J. B. MACDONALD'S, Queen Street.

Ch'town, May 13, 1885.

'Peerless' Creamer.

THE BEST AND CHEAPEST IN AMERICA.

OUR Patent Tinned Lock Gages do away with rusty, leaky, taps; our Perforated Glass Protector prevents glass from breaking. It has a handle, for lowering in the well; a self-fastening cover, a new ventilator, and improvements which no other Creamer contains. Before purchasing useless Creamers, write for particulars or call upon

L. W. HARRIS, or LEWIS P. TANTON.

Agents wanted in unrepresented districts. See that "Peerless," Patd. 1884, is stamped on every Creamer. Ch'town, May 13—11 wklly 3i

MARKET SQUARE!

WEEKS & CO. are now showing, in their new establishment, Market Square, a full stock of rich and fashionable DRY GOODS, embracing all the leading novelties for the season. Ladies will find a very attractive stock of Dress Fabrics, Millinery, Hats, French and English Flowers, Silk Mantles and Dolmans, Laces, Ribbons, Trimmings, Buttons, London Hosiery and Gloves, &c., &c.

The Carpet and Oilcloth Room is well worth a visit from those who contemplate a purchase in these goods.

The Queen Street Store is also fully stocked with newest goods, and business will be continued there as usual.

W. A. WEEKS & CO.,

MARKET SQUARE AND QUEEN STREET.

Ch'town, May 11, 1885

Public Meeting.

A MEETING of the Electors of the 1st Electoral District of King's County, for the Legislative Council, will be held at the Court House, Souris East, on THURSDAY, the 14th day of MAY inst., at 7 o'clock in the afternoon.

Both candidates are hereby notified to be present. Some of the members of the Government are to attend. By order of Committee. Souris, May 11, 1885—may 12 2i

P. E. ISLAND RAILWAY, TO BUILDERS.

SEALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned, and marked on the outside, "Tender for Engine shed at County Line Station," will be received until Wednesday, 20th May, 1885 for the erection of an Engine shed at County Line, to be completed by June 30th, 1885.

Plan and specification may be seen at the Superintendent's Office, Charlottetown. Each tender must be accompanied by a deposit equal to five (5) per cent. of the amount of the tender, which will be forfeited if the party tendering neglects or refuses to enter into a contract when called upon to do so; or, if after entering into the contract, he fails to complete the work satisfactorily, according to the plan and specification. If the tender is not accepted the deposit will be returned. The Department does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

JAMES COLEMAN, Superintendent.

Railway Office, Ch'town, May 12, 1885. —6i her pres jour pio li

\$40 REWARD

WILL be paid by me to any person who will give such information as will lead to the conviction of any person or persons who broke into the cellar of my dwelling house, on the night of Friday the 8th day of May.

EDWARD J. HODGSON.

Ch'town, May 11, 1885, 2 ins, eod

EXTRA SUGAR CURED HAMS

Breakfast Bacon, Rolled Bacon, and Shoulders.

DURING this month only we will receive orders for single pieces at wholesale prices. Now is your time to order.

A. L. BRIDGES & CO.

Ch'town, May 11—md till may 31

TENDERS.

TENDERS will be received by the undersigned, until Thursday, 21st inst., at noon, for certain alterations to the B-7 school Irish Society's Hall, in this city, according to plan and specification to be seen at my residence, Kent Street. The lowest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted.

M. P. HOGAN

Ch'town, May 13, 1885—wed sat



MILITIA.

SEALED TENDERS, marked on the left hand corner of the envelope "Tenders for Militia Clothing, Store Supplies and Necessaries," addressed to the Honorable the Minister of Militia and Defence, will be received up to noon of Monday, the 18th May, 1885. Printed forms of tenders, containing full particulars, may be obtained from the Department at Ottawa and at the following Militia Stores, where also sealed patterns of all articles may be seen, viz:—The offices of the Superintendents of Stores at London, Toronto, Kingston, Montreal, Quebec and St. John, N. B.

No tender will be received unless made on printed forms furnished by the Department. The material of all articles will be required to be of Canadian manufacture and Canadian workmanship. Each tender must be accompanied by an accepted Canadian bank cheque, for an amount equal to ten per cent. of the total value of the articles tendered for, which will be forfeited if the party making the tender declines to sign a contract when called upon to do so, or if he fails to complete the service contracted for. If the tender is not accepted the cheque will be returned. The deposit will not be bound to accept the lowest or any tender.

C. EUG. PANET, Deputy of the Minister of Militia and Defence. Ottawa, 30th April, 1885—may 12

VALUABLE

Household Furniture, &c.

I AM instructed to Sell by Auction, in front of my Store, on FRIDAY next, 15th inst., at Two o'clock:—

One handsome walnut Bedroom Suit (marble top), one superior solid mahogany Parlor Suit (in haircloth), 1 Piano, 1 walnut Extension Table, Bedsteads, Mat a sea, Chairs, Tables, Carpets, Stoves, Bookcases, Chat Racks, Pictures, Lamps, Crochets ware, Wagons, Harness, 1 Cow (a good milker), and numerous other articles, the balance of a party going out of housekeeping.

N. J. CAMPBELL, Auctioneer.

Ch'town, May 11—4i

GEO. DAVIES & CO.

ARE now receiving and opening their magnificent stock of

Spring & Summer Goods,

which were selected in the English Markets by MR. HARRIS.

Ch'town, May 1, 1885.

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CHANGE OF TIME.

WILL leave Charlottetown, every Thursday at SIX P. M., instead of Five, as formerly. After 1st Oct her hour of sailing will be FOUR o'clock.

CARVELL BROS. AGENTS.

Ch'town, May 11—2i pat



A FINE ASSORTMENT OF

Men's Felt Hats!

For Sale Cheap at the

LONDON HOUSE.

WANTS, LOST, FOUND, &c.

WANTED—A Girl for general housework. Apply to Mrs. W. R. Boreham, Grafton Street. may 13

FOR SALE—A good, second-hand Top Buggy; good as new; will be sold cheap. Apply at this office. may 13 1/2

WANTED. Three more Men, with teams, to sell the "Peerless" Creamer. Apply to L. W. Harris, or L. P. Tanton. may 13 1/2 wklly

WANTED—A young man of temperate habits and good qualifications desires a situation in a store or office. Good references given. Apply at this office. may 13 1/2

PASTURE TO LET—At Kensington, in the Common and Royalty, well watered and sheltered from dews. Enquire of Isaac GODKIN, East End, City. [may 11 till jul

FOR SALE—A second-hand Express Wagon. Apply to Wm. Murray, Baker, and style. Passengers will find this the most pleasant route to Boston. Freight carried at lowest rates. EGGS are handled with the greatest possible care.

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