

calls for the expression of our warmest thankfulness; and it is a very gratifying reflection to find that produce of all sorts has not only been exported to a large extent, but has commanded ready sale at advantageous prices.

7. It is also satisfactory to learn that there has been so considerable an increase in the export of Fish—a circumstance which cannot fail to attract public attention to this valuable and important branch of industry.

8. The communications referred to by your Excellency upon the subject of a Federal Union of the North American Provinces when laid before us, shall receive that attention which their importance demands.

9. So soon as your Excellency is pleased to lay before us the Despatch from Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, setting forth the grounds of the disallowance of the Act relating to the Fishery Reserves in this Island, we will be materially aided in forming a correct judgment as to the most prudent course to be adopted in regard to this question.

10. We are not surprised to learn that Her Majesty's Government has declined to propose the contemplated Loan to the Imperial Parliament; and the Despatches upon the subject will no doubt fully inform us of the grounds upon which this refusal has been based.

11. It is satisfactory to know that the question of the Land Tenures and Fishery Reserves is engaging the attention of the Secretary of State; and so soon as the documents containing his suggestion for facilitating the equitable adjustment of the question shall be laid before us, we beg to assure your Excellency that we will be prepared to give that careful consideration to the subject which its grave importance entitles it to.

12. We trust, notwithstanding your Excellency having tendered your resignation of the distinguished and highly important position of Representative of Her Majesty in this Colony, and of the intended employment of your Excellency's services in another portion of Her Majesty's Colonial possessions, we will nevertheless enjoy the advantage of your Excellency's personal administration until the arrival of your successor in the Colony.

13. We beg to convey to your Excellency the expression of our confidence in your Excellency's desire earnestly to co-operate with us in our exertions to promote the general welfare of the Colony.

AMENDMENTS TO THE ADDRESS.

We learn with regret that the Act passed last session relating to the Fishery Reserves in this Island has not received the Royal assent. We shall give careful attention to the grounds set forth by the Secretary of State for advising the disallowance of this Act, so essential to the welfare of a large portion of Her Majesty's subjects, and so long and loudly called for.

It is likewise with surprise we learn that it is not the intention of Her Majesty's present Government to propose to the Imperial Parliament the guaranteed Loan contemplated for this Island. This measure was adopted at the suggestion and with the concurrence of a late Colonial Minister, (experienced in Colonial affairs), and advocated in the House of Commons by his successor, the Right Hon. Lord Stanley, thus pledging the faith of the Crown to assist the local Legislature and Government to mature a measure so well calculated to allay public discontent and promote the welfare of the people. The Secretary of State's Despatches on this subject will receive our earnest deliberations.

We do, however, observe with satisfaction that the whole question of the Land Tenures, together with that of the Fishery Reserves, is engaging the anxious attention of Her Majesty's Colonial Minister; and we shall give respectful attention to the suggestion referred to by your Excellency for facilitating the equitable adjustment of the difficulties that appear to have surrounded those questions. But should it not be of the most feasible and liberal nature, we shall be compelled to believe that the only mode of an effectual settlement is to be found in the enforcement of the conditions of the Original Grants, by means of which justice may be done to the Tenantry with respect to the land tenures generally, and the claims of the Proprietors to any portion of the Fishery Reserves be fully investigated.

The announcement of your Excellency's services being required in another portion of Her Majesty's Colonial possessions, is a satisfactory proof that your Excellency still enjoys the confidence of your Sovereign. The recollection of the just and impartial manner in which you have administered the Government of this Island for a period of nearly five years, and the readiness you have always shown to co-operate with the Legislature in carrying out all measures that were calculated to advocate the interests of the Colony—will make us feel deeply interested in your future welfare and happiness.

While bearing testimony to the justice and impartiality of your Excellency's past administration of the Government, the House of Assembly deem it their duty to express their deep regret that any untoward circumstance should have arisen to render it advisable on your Excellency's part to consent to the recent alteration in the Constitution of this Colony. When the system of Responsible Government was put in operation here in 1851, it was expressly declared by Act of Parliament, to which Her Majesty readily gave her assent, that it should be the same as that which obtains in the neighbouring Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, the leading feature of which system is, that the Departmental Officers of the Government shall be directly responsible to the people, by holding seats in the Legislature. This form of Government has been attended with the best results wherever it has prevailed; and it was conceded to this Colony on condition of its paying the charges of the Civil List heretofore borne by the Imperial Government. Prince Edward Island has faithfully fulfilled its part of the agreement, and its prosperity has been promoted by the new system of administration. But the Government being now formed on principles directly at variance with those which were established in 1851, and the people having lost all control over the most important offices in the administration, the House of Assembly feel called upon to remonstrate against such a sacrifice of the people's rights, and to declare that should a system, so pernicious, so unconstitutional, and so much at variance with the law of the land be continued to characterise the administration of this Government, your Excellency's advisers will not be entitled to the confidence of the people.

There has been very little business done in the House except the presenting of petitions, since the passage of the address. The Election contest between Messrs. Owen and Walker, and Messrs. McAulay and McDonald, will be the matters that will chiefly engage the attention of the House during the present week. We cannot of course, determine now what the decision of the House will be on these matters. The whole weight of the Government, and all the ingenuity of the three lawyers in the House, are brought to bear against the sitting members; and if the law can be construed or twisted into any shape that will justify their expulsion, out they are doomed to go. There is one thing very much against the young members—they are both Catholics,—and that appears to be a disqualification in the sight of the present Government.

NEW SHERIFFS.

We understand that the following gentlemen have been appointed to the office of High Sheriff for the ensuing year:—Queen's County—Robert Longworth, Esq. Prince County—John Townshend, Esq. King's County—Major Smith.

POLITICAL THIMBLERIGGERY—NEW CHAINS IN THE FAMILY LINK.

We have little intelligence to communicate beyond what was given in our last No., respecting the progress made by the Government in filling up the several offices. The Land Commissioner's Office, intended for the late Mr. D. McLean, has, according to report, been set apart for Mr. Henry J. Cundall, to which the office of Surveyor General has been united; and the Registry Office has been given to another young gentleman named Crawford, from Craipaud, who was off the Island at the time of his nomination, and had to be sent for. We do not know what his peculiar claims to the office are, further than that he belongs to the Baptist denomination at Craipaud, and that Mr. Cornelius Horatt, the self-constituted "master of the Government," would not be in the House had it not been for the support of that body. He feels that he has the power to smash the Government whenever they won't do as he bids, and so they must make whatever appointments he dictates. This is a glorious way of securing "the independence of the Legislature!"

George Wright, Esq., has taken the office of Treasurer. We need not inform our readers that he is connected by family ties with the other officials, and with several of the Executive Council. What a happy people the P. E. Islanders must be to have so many patriots in one family circle, who are so willing to take the burden of all the public offices on themselves! and what a free and independent House of Assembly we have, when nearly all the majority are so closely interwoven in each other's welfare!

DEATH OF D. McLEAN, ESQ.

This gentleman, who has been editor of the *Islander* for nearly nine years, died at his temporary residence in this city on Friday morning. He came from home about a week previously, walking nearly the whole way to Charlottetown—a distance of about 24 miles. He was accommodated with a ride in a wagon for two or three miles of the way, and the sudden transition from the heat of walking to the comparative inactivity of riding, produced a severe cold which ended in pleurisy and inflammation, by which his life has been thus suddenly brought to a close.

Mr. McLean came to town for the purpose of filling the office of Commissioner of Public Lands, to which he had been nominated by the new Executive Council. No one doubted his fitness for this office; nor was there any one who questioned his claim to its possession, since the party he so long and laboriously served have been placed for a time at the head of affairs. The reward of his labours being thus within his reach, and snatched from his grasp by a greater than earthly power, will sharpen the grief which his friends should feel for his demise.

Mr. McLean's abilities as a public writer have been often freely admitted by those who have been in conflict with him. It is not for us now to criticise the soundness of his opinions, or speculate upon the degree of sincerity with which he advocated them. He had several conspicuous qualities as a public journalist—in private life some estimable traits of character; and he had his full share of human infirmities. Let the latter be entombed with him; we trust the former may be long remembered by those in whom his services have established the best right to cherish his memory.

CATHOLIC YOUNG MEN'S LITERARY INSTITUTE.

On Thursday evening, the 14th inst., the Rev. Angus McDonald, of St. Dunstan's College, delivered before this Institute a highly instructive and eloquent lecture on "The Church in her relations with Education." The Rev. gentleman powerfully and ably refuted the gross and unfounded charges preferred against the Church by prejudicial and ignorant writers as the enslaver of the human intellect. The lecture being strictly defensive, was characteristic of its fairness and impartiality. As the public, however, will probably have an opportunity of reading for themselves the lecture in a printed form, we shall refrain from any further comment. After the lecture a discussion took place.

On Thursday evening next, the 21st instant, the Hon. D. Brennan will lecture before the Institute. Subject, "The late Repeal Agitation in Ireland."—Com.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE EXAMINER.

Sir,—Having some business in Charlottetown on Monday last, my attention was called by a friend to an article published in your paper of the 21st of March, headed "An incident of the Charlottetown Election," containing some strictures on a remark made by Mr. Beer at the hustings, with which I have nothing to do, as Mr. Beer is well able to defend himself if he chose to do so. But the writer speaks of Mr. Beer, or his family—I know not which—previously to his leaving the shores of Old England, now nearly thirty years since; and as I happen to have known Mr. Beer from his infancy, and was also well acquainted with his family in the Old Country, I beg to assure you, sir, that there is no truth whatever in the statement before alluded to. Mr. Beer and his family were much respected in England, and always maintained a respectable position in Society. There never was anything, to the best of my knowledge, that could give the least colour of truth to the remarks contained in the article published in your paper of the 21st March. Your publishing this in your next number will be nothing more than an act of justice to Mr. Beer.

Yours respectfully, SAM'L WESTACOTT.

St. Peter's Road, 14th April, 1859.

NEWS BY THE ENGLISH MAIL.

A CONGRESS ON ITALY PROPOSED BY RUSSIA.

The *Monitor* contains the following:—"Russia has proposed the assembling of a Congress with a view to prevent the complications to which the conditions of Italy might give rise, and which would naturally disturb the peace of Europe. The Congress is proposed to be constituted of the Plenipotentiaries from France, Austria, England, Prussia, and Russia, and to be summoned to meet in some neutral town. The French Government has given its assent to the proposal of the Russian Cabinet. The Cabinets of London, Vienna, and Berlin, have not yet returned official replies."

It has been announced in the *Times* that Lord Cowley's mission was so successful that he returned from Vienna with proposals, to which Austria consented, for a Congress, by which all the Italian difficulties were to be settled, the causes of alarm in Europe dispelled, the threatening state of affairs on the banks of the Ticino rectified, and the maintenance of universal peace guaranteed. It would seem, however, that the statement in the *Times* is incorrect. Notwithstanding the paragraph in the *Monitor*, the *Times* says:—"It has been proposed that the Congress shall be held at Geneva, but that place has been objected to, on account of the comparative difficulty of access and the severity of the climate at this season. Aix-la-Chapelle has also been proposed, and with more probability of its proving generally acceptable. It has abundant accommodation, excellent hotels, and is accessible by railway from every direction. London, Brussels, and the Hague have also been mentioned, but we believe Aix will ultimately be selected."

The *Patrie* very much doubts of any solution of the Italian question, because Austria up to the present moment has not given any signs of consenting to a revision of treaties, beyond deceptive language intended to insure the good-will of the British Government, and to invite the sympathy of the English people in her favour. "Despite the favourable reports of diplomacy," adds the semi-official journal in question, "war preparations continue; Trieste is no longer a city for commerce, but a place d'armes."

The *Monitor* says:—"The Cabinets of London and of Berlin have adhered to the proposition of Russia concerning the meeting of a Congress. The reply of the Vienna Cabinet is not yet known."

In consequence of representations made by M. Cavour, the French Government consents that Piedmont and the other Italian States shall be represented at the conference. It is said that Austria accepts the conference.

SARDINIA.

On the 21st inst. a piquet of Austrian cavalry crossed to the Piedmontese side of the Ticino for the purpose of exploring the frontiers opposite Pavia, which they subsequently returned to that town. On the 23rd the annual commemoration of the Piedmontese soldiers slain at the battle of Novara, in 1849, was celebrated in the Cathedral. The ceremony was solemnised in the most impressive manner. The ministers of state, deputations from parliament, the officers of the Sardinian army, and of the National Guard, the students of the University, and the immigrants from other parts of Italy were present.

FRENCH REINFORCEMENTS.

The *Sentinel* announces that four steam frigates have received orders to sail, for the purpose of fetching troops from Algiers.

MARSEILLES, MARCH 23.—The General of Division last night received a message from the Minister of War, dated 2 o'clock p.m. of the same day, transmitting to him orders to keep back in Marseilles the reinforcements of 1,000 men which were intended for Algeria, but they had already left at 12 o'clock, per steamer Euphrate, for their destination.

THE EAST.

Advices from Constantinople to the 16th state that long conferences have taken place between the Austrian Ambassador and the Grand Vizier. The English Ambassador is said to have represented to the Porte, that if the latter will yield to the wishes of the Roumanian people with respect to the election of Hospodars, England on her part will call upon the capitalists of Europe, will found a new bank and schools, and will construct public roads and railways in Turkey.

The Ottoman Commissioner in Belgrade has protested against the proclamation of Prince Milosev, in which he claims for himself and his family authority as an hereditary ruler.

The marriage of the Sultan's son-in-law was on the point of being solemnised. The Sultan has relinquished his previous intention of celebrating the occasion by public fetes.

It is stated that fresh reinforcements will be despatched to the strong places on the Danube. Prince Couza, intends visiting that part of Bessarabia which is annexed to Moldavia. According to advices from Persia the Shah will proclaim at the Camp of Sultanies reforms which Feruka Khan had elaborated.

Married.

At the residence of the Bride's Father, New Wiltshire, on the 24th ult., by the Rev. H. Pope, Mr. Stephen Weeks, of Lot 67, to Mary, daughter of Benjamin Balderson, Esq.

Died.

At Little York, on the 3rd instant, of Scarlet Fever, Wallace, eldest son of Mr. Henry Hardy, in the 19th year of his age.

At Little York, on the 8th instant, of Scarlet Fever, Eliza, eldest daughter of Mr. Henry Hardy, aged 23 years.

At his late residence, in the East Royalty of Charlottetown, Mr. John Lowry, in the 36th year of his age, deservedly regretted by all who knew him, leaving a sorrowing wife and young family to realize their irreparable loss. Mr. Lowry had for some time filled with great acceptance the office of Class Leader in the Wesleyan Church.

At Cove Head, on the 11th of last March, Janet, wife of Mr. M. Darrach, aged 78 years, much lamented by all her acquaintances, leaving a disconsolate husband and family to mourn their loss.

At Blackheath, G. B., on the 13th of March, in his 98th year, Thomas Fellowes, Esq., the father of Robert Fellowes, Esq., of this City.

On the 8th instant, of Scarlet Fever, Agnes Maude, only daughter of John Hunter, Esq., of the Associated Press.

At Sea, while on a sailing voyage, on the 13th March, Mr. Edward C. McCallum, eldest son of Peter McCallum, Esq., St. Peter's Bay, aged 29 years. His remains were brought to St. John's, Newfoundland, on the 3rd April, and interred there on the 5th. He has left many sorrowing relations and friends to lament their loss.

At 3 o'clock, on Wednesday morning last, in the 31st year of her age, deeply lamented by a numerous circle of friends, Josephine Augusta, the beloved wife of A. H. Yates, Esq., of this City, and youngest daughter of the late Mr. Samuel Watts, Merchant, Fredericton, N. B.

Ship News.

HALEPAX, April 8.—Lady Jane Gray, Paul, P. E. Island. 9—Clyde, Davidson, do.; 950 bbls. Flour, 70 bbls. Salt. LIVERPOOL, March 21.—Isabel, Charlottetown, P. E. I.

New Advertisements.

Legislative Council Chamber.

TUESDAY, 12th April, 1859.

RESOLVED—That the following standing order of this House, as amended in the last Session, be inserted three times in each of the Newspapers published in Charlottetown, for the information of the Public, viz:

"That no Bill, Resolution, or other proceeding founded upon any application addressed to the House of Assembly, be sustained by the Council, (except petitions relating to the appropriation of Money for the service of Roads, Bridges and Wharfs,) unless an application to the same effect, with such documents as may accompany the same, be also presented to the Council in General Assembly."

CHARLES DESBRISAY, C. L. C.

TEA, TEA, TEA.

THE Subscriber will sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, on FRIDAY, the 23d day of APRIL instant, at 12 o'clock, noon, at the Store lately occupied by Mr. J. C. CARROL, Queen Street:—

25 Chests very Superior TEA,

imported from England. Wm. MCGILL, Auctioneer. April 18, 1859.

Horses for Sale.

TO be sold by PUBLIC AUCTION, on SATURDAY, the 23d day of APRIL inst., on the MARKET SQUARE,

Two Superior HORSES,

the property of a person about to leave the Island. TERMS.—Three months by an approved Note. April 18, 1859. Wm. MCGILL, Auctioneer.

Five Pounds Reward!

THE above reward will be paid to any person or persons who will give such information as will lead to the conviction of the party or parties who stole my pitch-fork from my barn on Sunday night, the 10th April, and broke open Mrs. Barrett's store with said fork, and stole therefrom goods and liquor to a large amount, and left said fork at said store door, which, no doubt, was done to implicate me in the theft. JAMES McMULLIN, jurr. Lot 19, April 15, 1859.

New Advertisements.

COLONIAL LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

BONUS YEAR.

SPECIAL ATTENTION is directed to the advantage of joining the Company on or before 25th MAY, 1859, as the SECOND DIVISION OF PROFITS will take place as at that date.

The Fund to be Divided will be the Profits which have arisen on the Business of the Company since 25th May, 1854, when the last Division took place.

To entitle parties to Participate in the Division, proposals must be lodged at the Head Office, or at one of the Branch Offices or Agencies at Home or Abroad, on or before 25th May, 1859.

THE COLONIAL was established in 1840, and its present income is Ninety-five Thousand Pounds sterling per annum.

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Every information regarding the Company's conditions and rates, (which are most favourable to the assured,) will be afforded by JOHN LONGWORTH, Agent. Charlottetown, April 18, 1859. 8w.

Boston Packet.

THE fast sailing PACKET Brig "AFTON," ATWATER, Master, will make her regular trips, as formerly, between this Port and Boston during the season, calling at Georgetown for Freight or Passengers, to and from Boston.

The above vessel will leave this Port for Boston on or about the 1st of MAY next. For Freight or Passage, having good accommodation, apply to

SAMUEL A. FOWLE & Co., Charlottetown, or to J. A. & S. A. FOWLE, No. 11 Foster's Wharf, Boston. Charlottetown, April 18, 1859. 4w.

COTTAGE FOR SALE.

TO be sold by PUBLIC AUCTION, on TUESDAY, the 3rd day of May next, at 12 o'clock, on the premises, that neat and well finished COTTAGE in Hillsborough-street, containing eight Rooms and Kitchen, with Stable and Coach-house attached, at present occupied by Mr. W. E. Dawson. Terms—one-half the purchase money down; the remainder in two years, on security on the property.

WILLIAM DODD, Auctioneer. April 18, 1859. (1st & Mon.)

Valuable Property for Sale.

THE undersigned being authorised, offers for sale one of the most eligible situated properties in the City, fronting on Queen's Square 175 feet, immediately opposite the Market House, on the north, by Grafton-street 138 feet. If not previously disposed of, it will be sold in Building Lots at Public Auction, on TUESDAY, the 31st May next, at the hour of 12 o'clock, noon. A plan of the property can be seen, and any information obtained by applying to

Charlottetown, April 18, 1859. JOHN BALL.

Bricks! Bricks!

THE subscriber's premises will be opened on Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. J. P. BEETE. Charlottetown, 18th April, 1859. (Mon. 4.)

For Sale,

WHAT FARM, consisting of 59 acres, fully occupied by Richard Milford, Esq., situate on Mill Creek, West River. On the Farm is an excellent Dwelling House, as well as new Out-buildings, consisting of Barn, Sheep-house, &c. Within a mile of the Farm are both Grist and Saw Mills, as well as Blacksmiths' Forges and a Cartwright, and a short distance from the shore is a never-failing bed of musculo-mud. For further particulars apply to Mr. William E. Dawson, Charlottetown, or to

April 18, 1859. (4w.) JOHN MILFORD, Realty.

In the House of Assembly.

TUESDAY, April 12, 1859.

RESOLVED—That no Petition praying aid for Roads, Bridges or Wharves or for any object of a local or private nature, be received after Wednesday, the 20th inst.

ORDERED—That the foregoing Resolution be inserted in all the newspapers published in Charlottetown. JOHN McNEILL, C. H. A.

Charlottetown Gas Light Company.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the shareholders in the above Company will be held at the Company's office, on TUESDAY, the 3d day of May next, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of electing Directors, and the general transaction of business.

By Order, WM. MURPHY, Sec'y. April 11, 1859.

NOTICE.

THE Co-partnership heretofore existing between the undersigned, under the firm of McLellan and Campbell, is this day dissolved by mutual consent. All parties due the said firm are hereby notified to pay the amounts due by them to Alexander Campbell, who is only authorised to collect and discharge the same.

JOHN McLELLAN, ALEXANDER CAMPBELL.

According to the foregoing notice, all parties due the late firm of McLellan and Campbell are hereby notified to pay their respective amounts due by them to the undersigned otherwise their accounts will immediately be handed to an attorney for collection. ALEXANDER CAMPBELL. Summerside, P. E. I., April 11, 1859.

Lime! Lime!

TO be had at DODD'S KILN, Princetown Road, LIME burnt from British and Provincial Stone. FARMERS can be accommodated with a Credit of six months. Orders for the above article left at DODD'S BRICK STORE will be punctually attended to. The highest price given for LIMESTONE. April 8, 1859. 6w THOS. W. DODD.

Seeds. Seeds.

Fresh Seeds, the growth of 1858.

M. W. SKINNER is now opening a case fresh Garden and Flower SEED, which are the growth of 1858.

It is only necessary to say to his usual customers that these Seeds are from the same Seedsmen from whom he has been supplied for the last three or four years, and which have given such general satisfaction.

A large variety of choice Flower Seeds. Charlottetown, April 12, 1859. 131