

After the Fire.

South Side of Queen Square yesterday and today viewed by thousands, as its business portion lay in ashes. Safes were opened as soon as possible, and the contents generally found in good order. During the afternoon and evening a strong breeze blew from the south, and it was feared the flames and flakes of the debris would do further damage, but for unluckily a heavy rain commencing about 8 o'clock, and it was most effectual in extinguishing them. The ruins of the North American at times burned briskly, and were it not for the watchfulness and work of the firemen, they would certainly have done great damage. The firemen were occupied at this all day, and only succeeded in quenching the fire a short time before it commenced to rain.

The fires being extinguished, the firemen commenced the work of filling the tanks, and making the necessary preparations for future work. All tanks were completely filled at 11.30 p. m.

The Chief Engineer begs leave to thank all citizens who entertained the firemen yesterday evening and the night previous. Following is a correct list of insurance furnished us by the respective agents:—

David Laird, \$2,000 on plant, etc., in Citizens' Insurance Co., represented by A. S. Urquhart.

Wm. Kennedy, \$700 on stock and shop furniture and fixtures, in Citizens' Insurance Co.

McLeod & Morson, \$600 on law books and furniture, in British America Assurance Co., represented by A. S. Urquhart.

E. W. Taylor, \$500 on clocks, watches, etc., in British America Assurance Co.

E. W. Taylor, \$500 on stock, safes, etc., in Western Assurance Co., represented by A. S. Urquhart.

E. W. Taylor, \$500 on stock, safes, etc., in Commercial Union, represented by A. S. Urquhart.

G. H. Hazard, \$1,500 on stock, printing machinery and type, in British America Assurance Co., represented by A. S. Urquhart.

G. H. Hazard, \$1,500 on stock in store and book-binding machinery, in Citizens' Insurance Co.

Cameron Estate, \$1,675 on building, in Commercial Union.

Cameron Estate, \$1,675 on building, in Western.

W. & A. Brown & Co., \$6,000 on stock, in British America Assurance Co.

W. & A. Brown & Co., \$3,000 on stock, in Citizens' Insurance Co.

Heartz & Sons, buildings, \$3,500 in the North British & Mercantile, represented by G. W. DeBlois, Esq.

W. & A. Brown, \$3,000 on stock in North British & Mercantile.

North American Hotel—mortgage of Judge Hensley—\$1,400 in North British & Mercantile.

John Newson, \$3,500, building and stock, in the Queen, represented by Messrs. DesBrisay & Angus.

W. & A. Brown & Co., \$11,000 on stock and buildings in Queen.

S. T. Nelmes, \$1,000 on stock in Queen.

J. F. Power, \$400 on shop plant in Queen.

J. Joseph Wakefield, \$400 on billiard plant in Queen.

Hon. D. Ferguson, \$1,000 for Scott's Carriage Factory in Queen.

Mrs. Stamper, \$800 for shop, and \$500 on household furniture damaged.

W. & A. Brown & Co., \$12,000 on stock and buildings in the Northern, represented by F. W. Hyndman.

Fraser & Reddin, \$2,000 on stock in Northern.

Miss Morris, \$1,500 on "Patriot" building in Northern.

Henry Beer, \$3,500, on stock, in Northern.

Henry Beer, \$3,500 on stock, in Fire Insurance Association, represented by F. W. Hyndman.

Henry Beer, \$3,000 on stock, in City of London.

W. & A. Brown & Co., \$3,000 on stock and building, in Royal, represented by J. McEachern.

W. & A. Brown & Co., \$3,000 in London & Lancashire, represented by J. McEachern.

McLean & Martin, \$600 in City of London.

W. & A. Brown & Co., \$2,000, re-insured in Hartford from British American. Hartford is represented by F. T. Fewbery & Co.

J. Newson, \$3,500 in the Imperial, represented by F. T. Newbery.

W. & A. Brown, \$4,000 in the Imperial.

North British & Mercantile, \$ 8,000

Imperial, 7,600

Hartford, 2,100

Queen, 17,500

Fire Insurance Association, 8,000

Northern, 19,000

Royal, 8,000

City of London, 6,600

London & Lancashire, 4,000

Guardian, 5,000

British American, 6,600

Citizens, 7,000

Commercial Union, 6,175

Western, 3,675

\$104,450

A SPECIAL TRAIN, with about forty of Summerside's citizens, arrived in this city yesterday evening, they said, for the purpose of rendering assistance at the fire, which threatened Charlottetown. Thanks to our active fire department and our energetic citizens, their services were not required. Late in the evening they dined at the "Osborne House." After the report, speeches on various subjects were delivered, and the best of harmony prevailed. The party returned to Summerside during the night.

POSTING notices on the ruins of the Post Office Building, warning the public against the danger of approaching too near, is like the farmer who stocks a notice up in a field, on account of the viciousness of a bull he kept there, the result being that when a neighbour saw the notice he went into the field to read it, and the bull taking him by a flank movement, or from the rear, made short work of him before he had time to finish reading the notice.

THE King's County Branch of the Dominion Alliance will meet at Georgetown, on Wednesday, 27th Feb., at 2 o'clock, p. m. In the evening, at 7 o'clock, p. m., a Public Meeting will be held, all the friends of the cause are earnestly requested to attend.—REV. WILLIAM WASS, Secretary.

A SPECIAL meeting of the Benevolent Irish Society will be held in St. Patrick's Hall this evening at half-past seven o'clock to consider the revised Bye-Laws and Constitution of said society.—H. FITZGERALD, Secretary.

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

(SPECIAL DISPATCHES TO THE EXAMINER.)

General Gordon's Arrival.

CAIRO, Feb. 20.

On General Gordon's arrival at Khartoum thousands crowded to kiss his hands and feet, calling him Sultan of the Sudan. Addressing the people, Gen. Gordon said: "I come without soldiers, but with God on my side, to redress evils. I will not fight with any weapons, but will mete out justice. There shall be no more Bashi Bazouks." The populace say that Gen. Gordon is giving them more than El Mahdi could give. General Gordon is sending copies of his proclamation in all directions.

A Terrible Tornado.

AUGUSTA, GA., Feb. 20.

An awful tornado prevailed along the Ohio Valley last night, devastating everything in its course, and carrying death and destruction in its every blast. Railway tracks and buildings are swept away, and the reports coming in state it was the most terrible tornado of many years.

Sir Stafford Northcote's Motion Defeated.

LONDON, Feb. 19.

The division to-day on Northcote's motion of censure resulted in the defeat of the motion by 311 to 262. Sir Stafford Northcote will resign and offer for reelection.

Troops for Suakim.

LONDON, Feb. 19.

Gen. Graham, with a full complement of forces, is now timed to reach Suakim on Sunday next, and advance on Tuesday. This leaves eight days still before relief is possible.

Osman Digma's Threat.

SUAKIM, Feb. 19.

Osman Digma declares he will sweep all the English into the sea. The friendly tribes report that Osman Digma will attack Suakim in a few days.

Stormy Weather.

AUGUSTA, Ga., Feb. 20.

A heavy rain and hail storm visited this section last night, breaking down the telegraph lines and doing much damage and much injury to persons.

Explosion in a Mine.

CONNELLSVILLE, Pa., Feb. 20.

A terrible explosion occurred in the mining shaft to-day, killing thirty or forty miners.

Movements of Osman Digma.

SUAKIM, Feb. 20.

Osman Digma says as soon as he has finished Tokar he will treat the English as he has treated the Egyptians.

The Liver Falling.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., Feb. 20.

The river is falling very slowly. The gale of yesterday it is feared would cause much loss of life in the submerged districts.

Ross and Bubeare.

LONDON, Feb. 20.

Ross and Bubeare the oarsmen, have gone into strict training for their coming race.

Gen. Gordon Advises.

CAIRO, Feb. 20.

Gen. Gordon, in a telegram, advises that the tribes be assembled for conference.

Dominion Political Notes.

OTTAWA, Feb. 20.

The House met to-day at 3.30. Several returns were laid upon the table. After questions by members had been answered, Costigan desired to be excused from making any estimate, as he had promised at the close of the House this morning, his voice, he said, being inadequate to the occasion. He said he would make the statement when the House went into concurrence.

Vail moved the six months hoist, in amendment to Sir Charles Tupper's resolutions. Blake moved in amendment to the amendment that it was fitting before asking the House to proceed with the resolutions that the Government should lay before it fuller particulars.

Sir Charles Tupper, in reply, spoke for some time, and pointed out that Blake had to move an amendment to a motion of his own supporters. So conscious was he that the Government proposals were supported by the country, that he (Blake) realized that the country had determined upon completing a system of railways, and accordingly not only ceased opposing the resolutions that wanted the government to go and build other railways, the details of the cost of which he had asked for.

Vail followed Tupper, declaring that he was firmly convinced that the loan would never be repaid.

After recess McNeill spoke against Blake's amendment to Vail's amendment, followed by Anger, Sproule, Howde and Finlour.

On a division on Blake's amendment to Vail's amendment, the House voted it down, 137 to 62, giving a majority of 75 against Blake's amendment.

On Vail's six months hoist, the vote stood for 63, against 136.

The resolutions were carried by the same vote, and the House went into committee thereon, Rykert in the chair.

By cablegram to Peake Bros. & Co., we learn that the bark "Ralph B. Peake," P. Trainor, master, arrived at Brunswick, Ga., from Lisbon the 20th inst., making the passage in 27 days.

A Fatal Smoke.

LONDON, ONT., SHAKEN BY AN EXPLOSION—ONE MAN KILLED—TWO OTHERS INJURED—A FOOLISH ACCIDENT CAUSED THE DEATH OF DONALD SMITH AND DESTROYED THREE BUILDINGS.

An explosion occurred at London, Ont., on the 18th inst., in the wholesale hardware establishment of Hobbs, Osborne & Hobbs, which SHOOK THE BUSINESS PORTION OF THE CITY

for 300 yards around. The cause was assigned to the ignition of about 20 pounds of gunpowder, which was kept in the fourth story of the building. The explosion was occasioned by some employes of the firm, who, in order to enjoy a smoke, had left their office and ascended to the top story. These were Percy Ince, the short-hand writer, and Frank Shaw, the assistant bookkeeper. They met there Donald Smith, the clerk who had charge of the stock in the flat. ONE DEAD AND TWO FATAALLY INJURED.

That is all that can be ascertained of their doings, as Smith is dead and the other two are so seriously injured as to be beyond hope of recovery. Next came the hurling of the front of two of the stories into the street, accompanied by a terrific noise, which resembled the explosion of a steam boiler, and which was heard for miles around. The buildings adjoining—Robinson, Little & Co's. and Burns & Lewis—were badly shattered, and across the street, the entire length of a block, every vestige of glass was smashed to pieces.

The firemen were quickly on hand, but their efforts were apparently misdirected, and when they did get to work, a length of hose burst and retarded their exertions. In the meantime the three men named previous were

BURNING TO DEATH among the debris in the fourth story, and a few persons who ventured on the roofs of the adjacent buildings, could hear distinctly their cries as they were burning by inches. Finally, twenty minutes after the fire broke out, Ince's body was recovered, and in twenty minutes more Shaw was extricated from the debris. Smith, the young man who was in charge of the flat, was taken out dead. His hands and wrists were burned to a crisp, his body was badly burned and his legs broken. He was about 20 years of age and had recently come out from Scotland.

SHAW IS BURNED AND CRUSHED with the falling bricks. His injuries are dangerous. His legs are broken in several places. He is not likely to recover. His home is in London east. Hobbs, Osborne & Hobbs' loss on stock is roughly estimated at \$50,000 or \$60,000. The building is valued at \$15,000. The three upper flats of it are entirely wrecked. The insurance is \$70,000.

The Ladies' Hospital Aid Society will meet in St. Paul's Schoolroom on Friday, 22nd February (to-morrow), at 4 p. m. All members are earnestly requested to attend, as a subject of importance will be brought before the meeting.

EASTER CARDS, quite new, at the Diamond Bookstore.

Fog sale at a bargain or to let, the shop and premises directly opposite the R. C. Cathedral, Great George Street. Apply to A. McNeill, auctioneer. feb21 tf

The funeral of the late Joseph Weeks will leave his late residence to-morrow, (Friday), at 2 p. m., precisely.

VALENTINES at the Diamond Bookstore.

A TERRIBLE SLAUGHTER—The way in which the prices of all kinds of goods at the Diamond Bookstore are slaughtered continues to be the chief topic of conversation.

D. A. BRUCE will give extraordinary bargains for four weeks in clothing and gents' furnishings. feb 21 wky 3i

G. D. LONGWORTH, Esq., has returned from Ottawa.

No mails crossing to-day.

SHIP AND HOUSE BUILDERS,

Will find every requisite for the trade at

DUCHEMIN'S

STEAM FACTORY

Beer's Wharf.

Always on hand, a complete stock of

Ship's Blocks.

Deadeyes,

Steering Wheels.

—ALSO—

Mouldings, in great variety, Cornice, Base Panel, Door and Window Finish, Spouting, Conductor and Handrail, Naval Posts, Baskets and every description of Turning.

Free Circular and Jig Sawing, Planing and Moulding turned out neatly and with despatch. Satisfaction guaranteed.

Don't forget the place, Beer's Wharf near McMillan's Coal Depot.

Albert Duchemin.

Ch'town, Jan. 11, 1884.—w kly 6i.

JOB PRINTING of every description executed with neatness and dispatch at the EXAMINER JOB PRINTING ROOMS, 307, Water and Great George Street.

Perkins & Sterns

ARE NOW OFFERING EXTRA GOOD VALUE IN

Flannels and Blankets,

Ulster Cloths and Mantle Cloths,

Tweeds and Coatings,

Fur-lined Cloaks and Cloth Jackets,

Wool Squares and Wool Scarfs,

Fur Muffs and Fur Caps,

VELVETS, VELVETEENS AND PLUSH,

Winter Goods, of every description, Good and Cheap, at

PERKINS & STERNS.

Ch'town, Nov. 19, 1883.

GREAT SALE OF New Cottons.

We have just opened a large Stock of

ENGLISH AND AMERICAN PRINTS, NEW SPRING STYLES,

Received Before the Advance in Duty.

We have an immense stock of

GREY AND WHITE COTTONS,

Purchased when the Cotton market was at the lowest point of depression.

Fleecy Cottons,

Sheeting Cottons,

Pillow Cottons,

TABLE LINEN AND NAPKINS,

Towels and Towelling,

TAPESTRY, SCOTCH AND BRUSSELS CARPETS,

And other House Furnishing Goods.

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.

GEO. DAVIES & CO.

Ch'town, Feb. 11, 1884.

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Annual Clearance Sale At

J. B. MACDONALD'S.

I AM now having my Annual Clearance Sale, and will CLEAR OUT Wool Goods in

Scarfs, Clouds, Wool Squares, Heavy Winter Cloths, Winter Dress Stuffs, Ladies' Fur Caps and Muffs, Ladies' Fur Tippets, Ladies' Felt and Fur Hats, Men's Fur and Cloth Caps, Men's and Boys' Ulsters, Overcoats and Reefing Jackets, Also Remnants in Cloths, Remnants in Dress Stuffs, Remnants in Prints, and Remnants in Canton Flannels.

These goods must be cleared out and Bargains Extraordinary will be given.

J. B. MACDONALD'S,

Ch'town, Jan. 12, 1884.—2aw wky. Queen Street.

NEW FRUIT,

Wholesale and Retail, Cheap.

ON HAND:

- 230 boxes very choice Valencia and Layer RAISINS,
- 30 half-boxes choice LAYERS,
- 3,000 pounds CURRANTS,
- 200 boxes prime FIGS,
- 5 cases choice PRUNES,
- 200 barrels hard WINTER APPLES, No. 1,
- 20 kegs GRAPES,

AND MORE TO ARRIVE.

BEER & GOFF.

Nov. 14, 1883.—2aw wky



ST. LAWRENCE CANALS

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

SEALED TENDERS, addressed to the undersigned and endorsed "Tender for St. Lawrence Canals," will be received at this office until the arrival of the eastern and western mails, on TUESDAY the 12th day of February next, for the construction of a lock and regulating weir and the deepening and enlargement of the upper entrance of the Cornwall Canal.

Also for the construction of a lock, together with the enlargement and deepening of the upper entrance of the Rapid Place Canal, or middle division of the Williamsburg Canals, and the deepening, etc., of the channel at the upper entrance of the Galops Canal.

A map of the head or upper entrance of the Cornwall Canal and the upper entrance of the Rapid Place Canal, together with plans and specifications of the respective works, can be seen at the Resident Engineer's office, Dickenson's Landing; and for the works at the head of the Galops Canal, at the Lock Keeper's house near the place, and in each case plans, etc., can be seen at this office on and after Tuesday, the 29th day of January inst., where printed forms of Tender can be obtained.

Contractors are hereby informed that trial pits have been sunk on the CORNWALL and RAPID PLACE sections of the works, and they are requested to bear in mind that tenders will not be considered unless made strictly in accordance with the printed forms, and be accompanied by a letter stating that the person or persons tendering have carefully examined the locality and the nature of the material found in the trial pits, etc.

In the case of firms there must be attached the actual signatures, the nature of the occupation and residence of each member of the same; and further, a bank deposit receipt for the sum of \$4,000 must accompany the tender for the Cornwall Canal Works. The tender for the Rapid Place Works must be accompanied by a bank deposit receipt for the sum of \$3,000. The tenders for the deepening, etc., at the head of the Galops Canal must be also accompanied by a bank deposit receipt for the sum of \$3,000. The respective deposit receipts (checks will not be accepted) must be endorsed over to the Hon. the Minister of Railways and Canals, and will be forfeited if the party tendering declines entering into contract for the works at the rates and on the terms stated in the offer submitted. The deposit receipts thus sent in will be returned to the respective parties whose tenders are not accepted.

This Department does not, however, bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

By order, A. P. BRADLEY, Secretary.

Dept. of Railways and Canals, Ottawa, 21st Jan. 1884. Jan 20—law 3in.

Scholarship Examination.

AN examination for the "Daniel Hodgson Scholarship," for King's College, Windsor, will be held in Charlottetown, in June next.

Candidates must be natives of and residents in P. E. Island, under 20 years of age, and not already matriculated members of any University.

The subjects of examination will be as follows: Homer Iliad I, or Xenophon Anab II; Cicero pro lege, Manilia, and Horace Odes I; Latin Composition; The ordinary Rules of Arithmetic; Vulgar and Decimal Fractions; The four Elementary Rules in Algebra; Euclid I and II.

In English—Orthography, Writing from Dictation, the Grammatical Structure of the Language, Outline of History of England, and General Geography.

The Scholarship is of the annual value of \$125, and will be tenable for three years. For further particulars apply to

GEORGE W. HODGSON, Hon'y Sec'y, Trustees. Jan. 25, 1884.—wly day oaw 1m pat 8j.

SULLIVAN & MAUNELL,