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General Agent  
Charlottetown

## THE DAILY EXAMINER.

APRIL 15, 1897.

### WE TAKE IT BACK.

It appears that the ice conditions here and at the westward are different from those between Pictou and the Island shore. Mr. Horace Hazard, who crossed in the Stanley yesterday, informs us that the ice outside of Pictou is much heavier than it usually is at this time of the year. This being so, we take back that which we stated yesterday concerning the coming of the Stanley to Charlottetown. The information upon which we depended was given in good faith; but it proves to be erroneous in respect to the passage from Pictou to this port. We are informed by Mr. Hazard that the Stanley will be unable to come to this port for a week or more.

### WHAT SHALL IT BE?

THE Patriot, of last evening, appeals to the selfishness and cupidity of the people of West Prince. But it leaves out of sight altogether the wrong that has been done Mr. Hackett. This wrong must, however, weigh upon the conscience of the justice loving people of that riding. What are the public works or advantages which the people are likely to get as a result of the election of a supporter of the Government, in comparison with that which is right as between man and man? That Mr. Hackett has suffered a great wrong is clear from the admissions of the Chief Justice of Canada. Sir Henry Strong says:—

(a) The object of the law is "to relieve candidates from the consequences of corrupt acts, trivial or unimportant in character, of their agents."

He says further:

(b) "I ADMIT THAT THE OFFENCE PROVED IN THE PRESENT CASE WAS OF A TRIVIAL AND UNIMPORTANT CHARACTER, AND THE APPELLANT WAS ACQUITTED OF ALL THE OTHER CHARGES OF WHICH THE PARTICULARS CONTAINED A GREAT NUMBER."

Then he admits that:—

(c) "It is shown that he (Hackett) did announce at public meetings that he wanted the election to be carried on properly and warned his supporters AGAINST THE COMMISSION OF ILLEGAL ACTS."

Further on he says:

(d) "The bottle of whiskey was in the buggy, but it was not shown the appellant (Hackett) was aware of the fact."

Why then did the Court not give Mr. Hackett the benefit of the law, the object of which is to relieve candidates from the consequences of corrupt acts, trivial and unimportant in character, of their agents? Because he did not do that which it is obviously impossible that he could have done. Because—again we quote the exact words of Sir Henry Strong—"it does not appear that he (Hackett) administered any caution." How, if he was not aware (and Sir Henry Strong admits that he was not) aware that the whiskey was in the buggy could he have administered a caution against treating with it. We may not say one word that is derogatory to the judges of our land. They are all honorable men and profound scholars. But it must be evident to the meanest intellect that their judgment, in this case, does not hang together—that it is illogical and unreasonable.

This being so, Mr. Hackett has been unjustly deprived of his seat; and what are the people of West Prince going to do about it? Will they, for the mere sake of letting Perry in and getting all that he can obtain for them as a supporter of the Government, keep Hackett out and allow an act of injustice to be committed? The responsibility lies heavy upon the electors of West Prince. The eyes of a justice loving people are upon them. Will their selfishness and cupidity get the better of their justice and the sympathy which is naturally bestowed upon a man who has not been well used? They elected Mr. Hackett in June last. What has he done in the meantime to forfeit their confidence? He has done nothing. On the contrary, everyone must admit that he creditably represented West Prince throughout the last session. And who are they asked to put in his place? Old Mr. Perry, who

has little if anything to recommend him, except his verbosity.

Mr. Laprier, has now an ample majority. He does not need Mr. Perry in Parliament. If he is just a state manlike, as his supporters claim that he is, he will do that which is just and right towards West Prince, independently of Mr. Perry; and if not just and statesmanlike, he will only deceive those who vote for Mr. Perry upon the expectation that great advantages will flow from the election of a supporter of the Government. At any rate the electors of West Prince have a duty to perform. They have a wrong to right.

Because right is right. To follow right were wisdom in the scorn of consequence.

On the one hand, there is a strong appeal to their cupidity and selfishness of the people of West Prince. Upon the other hand, there is an appeal to their justice and sympathy. What shall the answer be?

### NOTES AND COMMENTS.

—Mr. Peers can't manage to make ends meet without taxing the thrift and industry of the people; and he has made provision for doing so.

—A Winnipeg despatch states that "Manitoba's fund for the India famine sufferers has been closed. Manitoba contributed a larger sum, proportionately, than any other province of the Dominion." This is, we think, a mistake. P. E. Island is ahead.

—Mr. Balfour's prestige has been increased by the shrewdness and ability with which he kept the House in hand during this session. As a tactician he has shown himself Sir William Harcourt's equal; as a disciplinarian for an unmanageable majority he has been alike firm and flexible.

—The Empire, of London, says: The people of England now understand the situation in the Transvaal; they understand Kruger, too, and—outside the "unctuous rectitudes"—they would support the Government in enforcing the rights of Great Britain in South Africa and ending that corrupt and oppressive oligarchy in Pretoria.

—A well-posted Dublin correspondent reports in the Manchester Guardian signs of returning good will among all classes in Ireland, which, if it grows, would take away the keenest objections to home rule. There is, however, no sign of a settlement of differences in the Nationalist ranks, nor the least indication of willingness to give and take, but the people are wiser than their leaders and are sick of factions. A large and generous arrangement alone would command national support.

—The fact, which has now become known in spite of reports to the contrary in Berlin, that Emperor William sent neither a message of congratulation nor other greetings to Prince Bismarck on his birthday has been generally and severely commented upon by the entire German press. Prince Bismarck is said to be so deeply offended that he will never forgive His Majesty. At Friedrichsruhe it is understood that more startling revelations are being prepared for publication, so that the warfare will shortly be resumed.

—Among the curiosities of the Liberal Franchise Bill is the following:

In case, by reason of riot or other emergency, an election, or the voting at a polling place, is not commenced on the proper day, or is interrupted after being commenced, and before the lawful closing thereof, the returning officer or the deputy returning officer, as the case may be, shall hold or resume the election of polling on the following day, at the hour of nine o'clock in the forenoon, and continue it from day to day if necessary until a fair opportunity for nominating candidates is given, or, in the case of polling until the poll has been opened without interruption and with free access to voters for eight hours in all, or thereabouts, in order that all the electors intending to vote may have had a fair opportunity of doing so.

This seems, as the Montreal Gazette remarks, to afford an excellent opportunity for the returning officer's party, in case their voters do not turn up, to kick up a row and have the poll kept open to the following day.

Watson's Household Ammonia—stronger, cheaper and better than the imported.—Watson's Drug Store.

### ESTEEMED EXCHANGES

Railway News: Prince Edward Island enjoys the reputation of being the only Province in Canada that taxes commercial travellers, and Woodstock, N. B., the only town outside of that which glories in the same distinction. Is it not time these places abolished this unjust and idiotic custom?

Mail and Empire: Here is the economical, saving party that came to office to cut everything down, proposing to expend \$44,607,000, or somewhere about six millions more than was spent by its predecessors. What has become of Sir Richard Cartwright? That distinguished statesman appears to be a "fly on the wheel" once more. He sits idly by while the expenditure is rolling up, and he is making himself a party to the increased taxation which is now certain to be laid on.

### BOARD OF TRACE.

The regular quarterly meeting of the Charlottetown Board of Trade was held last evening, the Vice President, Mr. W. H. Aitken, in the chair. The following gentlemen were balloted for and duly elected members of the Association, viz: John Messervey, W. F. Carter, L. M. Poole, S. C. Moore and T. J. Dillon. The subject of tourist travel to the Province was introduced by Mr. John Newson and discussed by Messrs. S. W. Crabbe, W. W. Clarke, E. T. Higgs, W. W. Beer and J. J. Davies and others. In the course of the discussion it was remarked that Mr. Archibald Irwing is now engaged in compiling a book advertising the Island and setting forth its advantages to tourists; and it was resolved that a committee be appointed to wait upon the Provincial Government with the request that they purchase five thousand copies for distribution, and also to furnish the information required by the Tourist Association of St. John—the committee to consist of Messrs. W. W. Beer, W. W. Clarke and N. Ratentbury. Board adjourned.

### LOCAL NOTICES.

Aspinall's Enamel, all colors, at Watson's Drug Store.

Gloves Dress Goods and Millinery Saturday Paton & Co.

At our grand Easter opening on Saturday you'll find a splendid display of stylish up-to-date Spring Mantles.—Moore & McLeod.

The stylish ladies of Charlottetown will be delighted with our handsome display of Spring Hats and Bonnets. See our ad. today.—Moore & McLeod.

Watson's Furniture Polish—the original and best—requires no rubbing—15 cents.—Watson's Drug Store.

For leading patterns in Wall Papers see our assortment.—McMillan & Hornsby.

Display of Easter Millinery.—A strikingly complete assortment of the daintiest and most exclusive novelties in shapes and colors.—Stanley Bros., the Always Busy Store.

New Evening Silks at most pronounced bargains for Saturday. New Spring Dress Goods. A rich collection from Paris. One hundred and three of the season's most high class (marked) novelties just opened for Saturday's show.—Jas. Paton & Co.

Show Day, Saturday, at Charlottetown's Greatest Store.—Paton & Co.

Ladies.—Miss Murphy, Messrs. Weeks & Co.'s new milliner, is very busy now attending to the wants of her numerous millinery customers. Miss Murphy is now ready, and reports millinery orders pouring in thick and fast. Our new hats are admired, our new flowers are beautiful. Our millinery display is now ready and we invite your inspection.—W. A. Weeks & Co., the People's Store.

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First view Paris Bonnets and Hats.—Saturday's event is being looked forward to by Charlottetown ladies. We promise to surpass in interest any exhibition of Paris dresses or hats or bonnets, also wraps, as yet made this season either here or elsewhere. The show will be made in Charlottetown's Greatest Store. Every garment, each costume, every bonnet shown are absolutely new, and are first exhibited on Saturday morning. Students of style and women of taste will find this occasion extremely important. The exhibition will open at 9 o'clock and will remain open till 9.30.—Jas. Paton & Co.

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Oh, I loved her well, I loved her true,  
I loved her every way,  
I loved with twenty-eight horse power  
For a twelvemonth and a day;  
And then my love received a shock,  
And went into quick decline;  
That false, false maid declared her bike  
Was a better make than mine!

Orange or black finish,  
Ladies or Gents' models, at

\$50, \$70, \$90 and  
\$100 each

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awn's Greatest Store, at Jas. Paton & Co.



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## The Best Hat Store, The Best Dry Goods Store The Best Millinery Store

And a dozen others that may have rivals but not superiors. Because we have the best things to tell of, and tell their story in plain, simple, brief words, our Store news has a claim upon your attention. Your own interests require you to keep posted upon what we are selling, and especially upon the bargains that trade chances enables us to place before you.

Of course there is much advertising that nauseates. Mere twaddle. We have to contend against its influence. All that we print contains a direct appeal to pour intelligence and self-interest. ON SATURDAY The Paris, Costumes, Hats and Bonnets will hold a reception to which you are invited.

## Black Dress Goods, Fancy Dress Goods,

### COTTON DRESS GOODS

All these departments are enlarged to meet the increased demand. If we are rightly informed no one attempts to give as much space nor to offer so large an assortment. Neither could we afford to do it but for the fact that our lower prices and direct importations of the newest novelties have given great impetus to our business. Certainly every good thing that can be found anywhere else is on our counters, and equally certain is it that a great many things that cannot be found anywhere else are here, because we made special orders limiting the sale of goods to our own house. No two alike. Our dress costumes are select, and you will find they can only be had from us.—J. P. & CO.

Ribbons—Such is interesting to women everywhere. Almost all the lots that be the talk of the town the next two weeks are in fair supply.

Extraordinary Dress Goods News—It's masterful merchandizing that brings you such values as we will offer. An opening display in the completeness and unapproached variety of goods shown. Every Ch'town shopper is interested, and so is every other shopper who can get to Ch'town or who promptly uses the mails—which make us all neighbors.

All the Fashions There are in Capes are opened here at 9 o'clock a. m. Saturday.

Visit Us Saturday.

# JAMES PATON & CO.

Ch'town's Greatest Store.