

NOTES FROM THE CAPITAL HOUSE OF COMMONS.

FINANCIAL.

THE country will be reassured by the Revenue and Expenditure Returns of the past six months, submitted by the Minister of Finance. The receipts were as follow: Receipts, per returns, \$10,551,391 Customs (extra), 700,000 Excise, do, 590,000

Total for six months ending 31st December, 1879, \$11,751,391

The expenditures in six months "include all the subsidies, which was not the case in 1878; a larger payment than usual on the Interest Account, and the expenditure of nearly all the Indian Account. These items, if paid only half, as they were in 1878, would reduce the expenditure of the first half of 1879 to \$9,350,000—which, as compared with either actual cash receipts, \$10,551,391, or the figures made up as above to \$11,751,391, shows a very fair chance of either balancing accounts for the first time in five years, or of having even a small surplus."

REPEAL OF THE INSOLVENT LAWS.

Mr. Colby's little Bill has passed a second reading without a division.

CASCUMPEC HARBOR.

In reply to Mr. Hackett, Mr. Langevin said he is considering the propriety of expending money on Cascumpec Harbor, and would decide before the estimates were brought down.

THE MACDONNELL CASE.

On the 24th inst., Mr. Macdonnell, of Toronto, was escorted by two sergeants-at-arms to the bar of the House. The Clerk read Mr. Mackenzie's statement that Macdonnell, on the floor of the House, called Mr. Huntington a cheat and a swindler. Sir John moved that the following question be addressed to Macdonnell:

Have you anything to say respecting the charge just made?

Macdonnell answered:

I would desire to apologize to this House for remarks made by me respecting the member for Sheffield.

McCarthy moved for leave for Macdonnell to make an apology and explanation, if he desired to do so. The motion passed; and so ended that farce.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The first Exhibition of the Canadian Academy of Arts will open on the 3rd of March. There will be a conversatione the night of the opening, at which it is expected his Excellency will make a speech. The Princess and Mrs. Langham will both send contributions.

The Princess Louise will probably hold a drawing room as soon as she has sufficiently recovered.

The amount voted by Parliament for the relief of Ireland was \$100,000.

The number of men employed about the Intercolonial Railway is four hundred and sixty less than it was in September, 1878.

Dr. O'Brien's Lecture.

WHETHER it was the reputation of the lecturer, or the interest which belongs to his subject, or the charitable object for which the lecture was delivered, or all combined, which attracted the citizens of Charlottetown, certain it is that Market Hall was never better filled than it was last evening. Every seat was taken; every available part of the large hall occupied. John Caven, Esq., President of the St. Vincent de Paul Society, occupied the chair, supported by Rev. Father McGilvray, Spiritual Director of the Society. The "early stages of Christianity in Britain" were traced by the scholarly lecturer in a masterly and very convincing style. He contended that the early Church in Britain, from the time of its first organization until the invasion of the Saxons, and again from the time of Augustine for a thousand years, recognized the supreme authority of the successors of St. Peter—the Bishops of Rome; and supported his statements by quotations from Tertullian, Bede, Freeman, and other ancient and modern authorities. The lecture was heard throughout with marked attention. When it was ended, Dr. Leeming and Charles Palmer, Esq., expressed the extreme pleasure which they, although differing in opinion from him, had listened to the learned Doctor's fine, argumentative discourse. The latter moved a vote of thanks to the lecturer, which was seconded, in a few well chosen remarks, by E. J. Hodgson, Esq. The motion, it is needless to say, passed enthusiastically; and, as soon as the Doctor had acknowledged the compliment, it was moved by Hon. A. A. McDonald, seconded by P. R. Bowers, that he be tendered the thanks of St. Vincent de Paul Society. This was

done; and the highly-pleased audience dispersed about 10 o'clock. The amount realized by the lecture was upwards of \$100.

A Contradiction.

MESSRS. FERGUSON AND CAMPBELL both bear out our statement respecting the election of a Secretary for the meeting at Desable.

To the Editor of the Examiner.

Sir,—We can scarcely believe it possible that the letters signed "William McDonald" and "D. K. Currie," which appear in this day's Patriot, are genuine. Hamilton of the Patriot and D. K. Currie were each proposed for the position of Secretary. Neither objected, and neither proposition was withdrawn. A vote was taken by yeas and nays, when Currie was declared elected by the Chairman.

WILLIAM CAMPBELL, DONALD FERGUSON.

Feb. 26, 1880.

The Distress in Ireland.

The Tribune's London special says that Jas. Redpath, now in Dublin, reports that he has received letters from almost every Baronetcy in Kerry, Galway, Sligo, Donegal, South Cork and Clare Counties, where the destitution is the greatest, ranking in the order named. The writers are mostly priests, and the letters indicate that the distress is greater than has been represented in America. It is increasing rapidly and is spreading in many directions. Fever is breaking out in numerous districts. It is produced by want. A pathetic account of nakedness and extreme want comes from Arran Island, Valentia and other Isles, on the west coast. Similar stories come from the counties of Cavan, Fermanagh, Leitrim, Limerick, Monaghan and Roscommon.

Trade in Manufactures with France.

Says the Montreal Gazette:—The Ontario Government has appointed \$4,500 to promote the sale of manufactures of the Province in France. The money is to defray the expenses of an office and warehouse in Paris, under the charge of Mr. Corman, the accredited agent of the Government, but who receives no remuneration for his services other than commission obtained from manufacturers on the sale of their wares. Mr. Corman is apparently meeting with success in his work, having made several contracts for reapers, mowers, cheese, barley, corn shellers, &c., and the trade returns for the last fiscal year shows that our exchanges with France are rapidly increasing. Mr. Corman will be glad, we presume, to display samples of manufactures of any part of the Dominion, and it might be advisable for some of our manufacturers to communicate with him or Hon. Mr. Hardy.

Correspondence.

We do not hold ourselves responsible for the statements or opinions of our correspondents

To the Editor of the Examiner.

Sir,—I shall endeavor to answer "Observer's" question regarding the "Monaco Divorce Case."

The facts are these: The Princess Monaco asked for a decree from Rome, to declare the nullity of her marriage on the ground of moral coercion at time the marriage was contracted.

The Court, having heard the testimony, decided that such was the case and decreed the marriage to be null.

The Court, having jurisdiction to entertain the question, its decision is binding on all courts in every civilized country.

Strictly speaking this is not a "divorce" case at all, because "divorce" is a separation of persons who were married, but these people never were married.

Marriage is a contract—true it is a sacrament as well, but it is not the less a contract. Contracts, to be valid, must be made by free agents. This is a principle not only of the civil law but of our common law.

If a man holds a loaded pistol to my head and compels me to execute a deed of a piece of land, the Court will, upon my proving this fact, set aside the deed, and declare it to be null and void.

The Princess Monaco was found not to have been a free agent, therefore the "contract" into which she had been compelled to enter was not binding upon her.

"Observer" will thus see that this is not a question of "re-marriage" of divorced persons. The decision is that the Prince and Princess of Monaco were really never married, and are, consequently, free to contract other marriage.

Yours truly,

E. J. HODGSON.

Hillsborough House, Feb. 26, 1880.

A Challenge.

F. T. NEWBERRY, Esq.

Sir,—I am glad to find that you have—satisfactorily to yourself and the Editor of the EXAMINER—shown the fallacy of my arguments on the effects of the tariff. As I am desirous of finding the truth of the matter, and do not think that it can be arrived at in a newspaper discussion, I beg leave to say that I am willing to debate the question with you on the basis of my letter of the 18th inst., to be chosen by one party persons, one to be chosen by you, one by myself, the third by the two so appointed to meet at any convenient time and place that you may suggest. The decision of any two of them to be accepted as correct and published in the EXAMINER. The question to be put as follows: "Has the National Policy added to the expenditure of the consumers of this Province for 1879? if so, to what amount?" As the question is one of facts and figures, I think a correct decision is quite possible.

Respectfully yours,

GEO. E. FULL.

Feb. 26, 1880.

CARTER'S, Toiray's, Walkden's and Stephen's Inks, in different-sized bottles, at Bremner Bros.

THE DAILY GAZETTE, containing full TELEGRAPHIC REPORTS of the proceedings of the DOMINION PARLIAMENT from our own Special Reporters, together with daily Letters by Telegraph from our Correspondent, will be sent to any address during the present Session for ONE DOLLAR.

THE WEEKLY GAZETTE is only One Dollar a year. Special Terms to Clubs. Address

RICHARD WHITE, Managing Director, GAZETTE PRINTING Co., Montreal.

DIED.

This morning, February 26, of Bronchitis, Mr. William Bevan, aged 57 years. By his kind disposition he enjoyed the friendship and respect of a large circle of friends. He died in full assurance of the efficacy of the atonement. (Funeral on Sunday next, at 2 p. m.; friends respectfully invited to attend—with sleight.)

LECTURE.

PROFESSOR ANDERSON will deliver the third Lecture of the Course in connection with the St. Patrick's T. A. & B. Society, in

ST. PATRICK'S HALL,

Friday Evening, 5th March.

SUBJECT—"HAMLET."

Doors open at 7 o'clock; Chair to be taken at 8.

Admission 10 cents. RICHARD WALSH, Secretary



Canadian Pacific Railway.

Tenders for Rolling Stock.

TENDERS will be received by the undersigned up to noon of MONDAY, the 23rd FEBRUARY instant, for the immediate supply of the following Rolling Stock:—

- 4 First-class Cars. 2 Postal and Baggage Cars. 60 Box Cars. 60 Platform Cars.

Drawings and specifications may be seen, and other information obtained on application at the office of the Engineer-in-Chief, Pacific Railway, Ottawa, and at the Engineer's Office Intercolonial Railway, Moncton, N. B.

The Rolling Stock to be delivered on the Peubina Branch, Canadian Pacific Railway, on or before 15th of MAY next.

By Order,

F. BRAUN, Secretary.

DEPT. OF RAILWAYS & CANALS, Ottawa, 7th February, 1880. } fe 164i2aw

The time for receiving the above Tenders is extended one week, viz.: to MONDAY, 1st MARCH, and the time for delivery of a portion of Rolling Stock is extended to the 1st JUNE.

By Order,

F. BRAUN, } fe 26

The Insolvent Act of 1875 and Amending Acts.

In the matter of John Selier, an Insolvent.

THE Subscriber will sell at AUCTION, on WEDNESDAY, the 3rd day of March next, at the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon, at his new Warerooms, 52 Queen Street, the whole Stock in Trade of the above Insolvent, consisting of

- Ass't lot Crockeryware, Earthenware, Confectionery, Biscuit and Crackers, bbis. Pilot Bread, boxes Fancy Soaps, boxes Blacking, Canned Lobsters, Laraps, Lamp Chimneys, Lanterns, Brooms, Pails, lot Logwood Dyes, Cream Tartar, Paper Bags, quintals Codfish, 1 Buggy, etc., etc., Shop Furniture, 1 Show Case, 1 Glass Case, 1 Iron Safe, 4 sets Counter Scales, 2 Platform Scales, 50 Egg Boxes, 2 Stoves, 1 Cheese Case, 1 Molasses Tin, lot of Tin Measures, 3 Shop Lamps, etc., etc.

Also, to close sundry consignments,—

- 5 bbis. Dried Apples, Puns. Molasses, Cheats Tea, 1 Iron Safe, etc., etc.

B. WILSON HIGGS, Auctioneer.

Charlottetown, Feb. 25, 1880—pat till sale

NOTICE.

THE Best, Shortest and Cheapest route to Cape Traverse is via Train to County Line Station, thence via HUGHES' Teams to Capes—which are in readiness at all times.

J. W. HUGHES, J. HUGHES.

Feb. 25, 1880—tf

Union Bank of P. E. Island.

THE Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of this Bank will be held at their Head Office, Charlottetown, on WEDNESDAY, 3rd March, at 12 o'clock, noon, for the purpose of electing Directors for the ensuing year, and the transaction of such business as may be laid before them.

Proxies for voting must be left with the Cashier at least one day previous to the meeting.

GEORGE MACLEOD, Cashier.

Charlottetown, Feb. 24, 1880.

FINAL NOTICE.

THE DOG TAX, now overdue, if not immediately paid, will be sued for without distinction of persons. City Court, February 24, 1880.

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FEBRUARY! 1880.

STOCK-TAKING.

WE hereby inform the public of this city, and the Island generally, that previous to Stock-taking, we have resolved to clear out as much of our Winter Stock as possible. We are aware that at this season it is hard to get people to buy even at reduced prices; but in the face of this difficulty we have made up our mind to adopt full measures, and sell our Wool Goods and Dress Goods at a sacrifice.

Our Goods have been very cheap all winter, as the run of trade we have had fully testifies. Our store has become the resort of those Ladies who know how to make a penny go a long way, and who know a cheap article when they see it; and when we say we are going to reduce the prices of our Dress Goods and Trimmings, we know we shall be believed. We are particularly anxious to clear out our present Stock, in order to introduce as much of the newest style of Dress Material as possible, and at the very lowest prices. We shall make special prices on Black Cashmeres, Black Merinos, Black Cords and Lustres, Lustrines and Brilliantines.

Our Fancy Wool Goods will be sold at less than cost. Our Stock of this class was the largest, most select, and finest in the city, and the remains of it will be sold at a great sacrifice.

Blankets, Quilts, Horse Rugs, &c., will be cleared out at great Bargains.

We make no apology to the Tea-drinking public for drawing their attention to our fine flavored and rich Teas, 32, 36, and 40 cents per lb. They are receiving the highest praise, and those who use them, strongly recommend them to others. Our trade in this article is growing rapidly. Tea appeals to the most subtle of the senses, and as the proof of the pudding is in the eating, so the proof of the Tea is in the drinking. Friends, try it.

83, QUEEN STREET,

TREMAINE & METCALF.

Ch'town, Jan. 21, 1880.

RE-OPENED!

McKAY'S

Watch & Jewelry Store,

NO. 57, GREAT GEORGE STREET,

OPPOSITE WALKER'S CORNER.

Repairing Neatly Done.

ALL WORK WARRANTED.

Feb. 20, 1880—3w 2aw

New Spring Tweeds

JUST RECEIVED,

A CHOICE SELECTION, AT

J. B. MACDONALD'S.

Queen Street, February 23, 1880—2w 3aw

TEA.

170 CHESTS, } Strong and Exol. 55 half-chests, } lent flavor. CARVELL BROS

Molasses.

65 PUNS. } Bright Molasses. 20 Bbls. } CARVELL BROS.

SUGAR.

78 PACKAGES (Hhds. and Bbls.) White Granulated, Bright Porto Rico, Barbadoes, Cuba. CARVELL BROS.

Feb. 18, 1880—2w ws

Bank of P. E. Island.

THE Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of this Bank will be held at their Banking House, in Charlottetown, on TUESDAY, the second day of March next, at 12 o'clock, noon, for the purpose of electing Directors for the ensuing year, and the transaction of such other business as may be laid before them.

Proxies for voting must be left with the Cashier at least one day previous to the meeting.

J. R. BRECKEN, Cashier.

Charlottetown, Feb. 20, 1880—pat h pre ar ne

Meeting of Parliament.

ST. JAMES' KIRK

BAZAAR!

THE Ladies in connection with St. James' Kirk will hold a Bazaar for the

Sale of Fancy and Useful Articles,

—ALSO—

A Tea and Refreshment Table, On the 31st March Next,

—IN THE—

MARKET HALL.

The proceeds to be applied to the liquidation of the debt on the Church edifice.

Doors open at 2 o'clock, p. m.

Admission—Adults, 20 cents; children, half-price. Tickets to be had at the Drug Stores of W. R. Watson, Dr. Dodd, C. D. Rankin, and at the door.

PRESIDENT—Mrs. McLennan.

COMMITTEE—Mrs. McPherson, Mrs. Longworth, Mrs. A. Kennedy, Mrs. Stirling, Mrs. Lord, Mrs. Dunn, Mrs. McLaren, Mrs. A. Murray, Mrs. Cavanagh, Mrs. Rankin, Mrs. P. W. Hyndman, Miss Mackieson, Miss Owen, Mrs. Malcolm McLeod.

T. A. STEWART, Secretary.

Feb. 19, 1880.

CAUTION.

THE public are hereby cautioned not to pay to any person except the undersigned, debts due to the firm of McKinnon, Fraser & Co.

WILLIAM JOHN FRASER.

Feb. 19, 1880.

PEA SOUP.

PREPARED with Pea Flour and seasoned and flavored with the finest herbs and seasonings, to which is added Liebig's Extract of Meat, making one of the most nutritious dishes that can be obtained.

A 25 cent Tin will make 3 quarts of thick Soup.

For sale at

BEER & GOFF'S.

Feb. 18, 1880.

Labrador Herring.

CHOICE CATCH OF 1879.

Smoked Salmon, Salt Trout,

" Herring, " Shad,

" Halibut, " Mackerel.

At HALL'S FISH MARKET.

Feb. 18, 1880—tf

Valuable Property for Sale.

TO BE SOLD, all that part of Town Lot No. 74, in the first hundred of Town Lots in Charlottetown; having a front of 67 feet, Dorchester Street, and running back 60 feet, together with the buildings thereon erected.

For further particulars apply to Messrs. Hodgson & McLeod Charlottetown.

Sept. 18, 1879.