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# THE DAILY EXAMINER.

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THE third year of the DAILY EXAMINER opens to-day. We have succeeded in carrying the enterprise through two years of hard times and many difficulties, and we now confidently appeal to the public for a continuance and an increase of patronage and support during the time to come.

### The Lien Law.

THE mechanics of the Province are watching, with anxiety, the progress through the Legislature of the Lien Law. If men never entered into contracts which they have not the ability to carry out; and, if all men were honest, there would, of course, be no necessity for the Bill. But, unfortunately, some men in these days have unduly large ideas, and some are not sufficiently considerate of the mechanics and workmen. The consequence is that many of the latter class work in the full trust and belief that they will be paid for their labor—but without any security that they will be paid—and are, in the end, left in the lurch by their employer, who, perhaps, has been duped by the man who employs him. For instance: "A" employs "B" to build a house. "B" employs a number of men, and the house is erected. But, in the meantime, "A" gets into commercial difficulties; and to extricate himself makes the house over to "C." "A" is left without either money or property with which to pay "B," who, in his turn, find it impossible to pay the men he employed to build the house. Or, perhaps, "B" does not pay his men—puts them off till he gets money from "A"—and when he does get it he runs away from the Island; and the poor men and their families are left to suffer without recourse. These latter are the men who, above all others, should be protected by the law. And these are the men who are now left wholly without protection in either of the cases instanced.

The Bill before the House is designed to provide the required protection. It provides that, if they be not paid for their labor, they may, on giving a specified notice, have a claim or lien upon the result of their labor, viz., the house, ship, or whatever it may be. It also provides that the contractor may register a lien upon the result of his labor, and thus secure himself against losses to which contractors are often subject, through the failure or roguery of those who contract with them. In short, the Bill simply renders the property liable for the work performed upon it and the materials used in it.

But an agreement may be made between the contracting parties that the Lien Law shall not apply to the work they have in hand. We confess that we think the Lien Law should, if applied at all, be applicable to all contracts. The law would be less complicated if this were so; and all parties concerned would, we think, know better how to secure their own particular rights and interests. Why should anyone escape the application of the law, if either a contractor or his workman desire, at any time while a work is in progress, to take advantage of the security which it provides?

As for the interests of the person who has the work done, they seem to be very securely guarded by the Bill. In no case is he subject to pay more than he originally contracted to pay, and he is empowered to retain 10 per cent. of the amount in his hands until such time as the claims of all the mechanics and laborers concerned are fully satisfied, or until the lapses. In case of a dispute between the contractor and his workmen as to the amount to be paid, the owner simply holds the money in his hands until the dispute is settled—and thus secures himself. No lien can be taken without the owner's knowledge, for a written notice must be given him before a lien can apply.

The interests of mortgagees, etc., are also provided for by the Bill.

In Halifax on the 19th, a two-year old son of James Packham was run over and killed on Creighton street.

# PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE.

## HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

THE EXAMINER'S SUMMARY REPORT.

TUESDAY, May 20.

### Afternoon Session.

Upon motion of Mr. Shaw, the Act to further amend the Act regulating the sale by license of spirituous liquors was read a third time and passed.

Hon. Mr. McLEOD moved the House into Committee of the Whole on the Mechanics Lien Act. The measure provides that unless there be an agreement between the contractor and the party about to erect a building, to the effect that they will not be subject to the Lien Law; they will both be governed by its provisions. The contractor who engages to erect a building for another party, shall have a lien upon said building to the amount of the contract price. The measure is designed to afford equal protection to both parties to a contract. In order to protect himself, the owner of a building under construction may retain 10 per cent. of the price of the contract till ten days after its completion. In case a contractor should fail to pay his employees, the Bill empowers them to notify the owner that they have a claim against the contractor; in which case the owner can, if the claim is a just one, pay over the amount of such claim to the employees, and deduct it from the sum to be paid the contractor. And, unless the contractor and his employees mutually agree upon the amount of said claim, it will be settled by arbitration. In the case of a building being erected upon land upon which there is a mortgage, the mortgagee will have a prior claim upon said land, but only to the extent of its real value before any improvements were put upon it. The lumber and other material of a contractor would be exempt from execution at the hands of any party, except him from whom it was obtained.

Mr. RICHARDS spoke briefly in favor of the enactment of such a measure, after which the House went into Committee on the Bill, Mr. Underhay in the chair.

Messrs. RICHARDS, McMillan and Farquharson offered some opposition to the opening clauses of the Bill.

At 6 o'clock progress was reported, and the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, May 21.

### Forenoon Session.

Hon. Mr. McLEOD moved the House into Committee of the Whole to further consider the Lien Law. Mr. Underhay took the chair.

### The Afghan War Over.

The best news of the day is that the Afghan war is over and that Yakob Khan has conceded the points insisted on by England as a preliminary to peace. Henceforth the British will possess those dangerous passes out of which the Afghans were accustomed to issue against the peaceful dwellers of the plains. The Russian intrigue in Afghanistan has failed, and Great Britain has triumphed at all points. This is glory enough for one day.

### County Clare Election.

In the election for the district of Clare, Ireland, for member of Parliament, O'Gorman Mahon, the Nationalist candidate, was returned by 130 majority. The election was warmly contested. There are 5,371 registered electors in the county, but McMahon was returned by a narrow majority of 130. He was opposed by Captain Vandeleur and Mr. O'Brien, a well-known Catholic barrister who occupies a high position on his circuit, and whose family are intimately acquainted with the county. At the last general election, County Clare returned Lord Fras. Conyngham and Sir Bryan O'Loghlen, both Home Rulers.

### Germany.

A despatch from Berlin says the debates on the tariff bill in the Reichstag have now continued for two weeks, and, although the Government has consented informally to modifications of their original measures, still much yet remains to be accomplished before the bill will assume such shape as will insure for it the vote of a majority of Parliament. The Government's position upon this measure is, that the reform of the methods of levying customs and taxation has become inevitable, and this reform should not be partial, but complete, inasmuch as it will affect the finances of the Empire, and, in fact, the whole financial system of Germany. The Government contends that the Empire should be made financially independent, and the inequality now existing in the contributions of various States should be removed. Prince Bismarck argues that fixed incomes should be taxed, and that uncertain incomes should be left free, or at least burdened very slightly. He lays stress upon the fact that personal property throughout Germany is very unequally taxed, and that was the cause of the depression of the agricultural interest, and the low values of land and property.

It turns out that Mother Shipton's renowned poetic prophecies, supposed to date from 1448, and beginning:—

"Carriages without horses shall go,  
And accidents fill the world with woe,  
Around the world thought shall fly  
In the twinkling of an eye,"  
were written by one still living.

There is a great demand in London for United States four per cents. J. S. Morgan & Co. asked the First National Bank, of New York, for \$30,000,000. The bank was not willing to concede so much even at ruling quotations, and made a counter offer to furnish \$10,000,000 at the outside price. This was subsequently increased to \$15,000,000 at the request of J. S. Morgan & Co., and the transaction was closed late Wednesday evening. The bonds will be sent direct from Washington to London. It is understood that the price paid was 102 flat, or with accrued interest 102 7-16. During the past three days the sales of four per cents in large blocks have aggregated \$26,000,000.

# MISCELLANEOUS NEWS.

A PARLIAMNTARY return shows that the amount of foreign and colonial wine imported into the United Kingdom increased from 3,195,513 gallons in 1859 to 21,682,356 in 1873, but declined to 18,429,305 gallons in 1875, and 16,462,538 in 1878.

THE population of Spain and the adjacent islands is 16,625,860, including 40,731 foreigners. This is an increase of 952,324 since 1860, civil war and emigration having prevented a larger increase; 94,000 Spaniards inhabit Algeria, and 62,000, other countries.

DON'T administer too much soothing syrup. In Montreal, on Monday, an infant died from the effects of an overdose of Dr. Chaderies' Soothing Syrup. Dr. Rodgers testified his belief that medicine contained preparations of opium, and was highly dangerous.

A queer journalistic suit was commenced in Cincinnati lately by James L. Ryman, proprietor of the defunct *Breakfast Table*, who sues E. B. Brown for \$50,000. He charges that Brown was employed to furnish the funny business for the paper—three columns per week for ten dollars; that Brown suddenly stopped his funny work, and the paper died in consequence.

Mark Twain's brother, Mr. Orion Clemens, has been excommunicated from a Presbyterian Church at Keokuk, Ia., for heresy. He had delivered a lecture denying the inspiration of the Old Testament, making out Abraham a fire-worshipper, declaring the last six commandments in the Decalogue to be moral rules always practised by mankind, and so on.

MILITARY PROMPTITUDE.—The Duke of Cambridge, addressing the Fishmongers' Company, pointed with pride to the fact that a portion of the 91st Regiment, which left England on February 19th, after traversing 6,800 miles of sea and 165 on land, were in time to take part in the relief of Ekove on the 4th of April. His Royal Highness doubted whether the French or the German military authorities could have sent 8,000 men to so great a distance in so short a time.

A DESPATCH from Ottawa reports that Mr. Gill, M. P. for Yamaska, has been appointed a Judge of the Superior Court of the Province of Quebec in the place of Judge Loranger, whose resignation has been in the hands of the Government for some time. The appointment is very warmly approved of by the legal profession of the Province. Judge Gill is only 34 years of age, and was called to the bar in 1867. He was elected to the Quebec Assembly for Yamaska in 1871, and to the House of Commons in 1874, and has held the seat ever since.

### HOTEL ARRIVALS.

#### RANKIN HOUSE.

May 19.—W. L. McKenna, Montreal; H. J. Sutherland, New Glasgow, N. S.  
May 20.—George Bamage, St. John, N. B.; J. Lockwood, do.; W. C. Cogswell, do.; Miss Cogswell, do.; A. Gunn, Halifax; J. B. Pearson, Boston.

#### REVERE HOUSE.

May 20.—H. L. Sterns, Montreal; E. Sandalum, St. John; T. McCarthy, do.; Alex. H. Brown, Halifax.

### SHIPPING NEWS.

#### PORT OF CHARLOTTETOWN.

##### ENTERED.

May 21.—Schr. Lettie, Magdalen Islands, 300 bbls. herring; Lassie, Pictou, coal; May Emma, Cocagne, boards and shingles; Gazelle, Pictou, coal; Maggie, Tatmagouche, boards; brig. Sienna, Trinidad, 150 puns, 11 tierces, 10 bbls. molasses, and 204 hds. and 20 tierces sugar from Barbadoes, and 128 puns, 20 tierces, 34 bbls. of molasses from Trinidad; barque Journal, Liverpool, mdse; steamer Worcester, Boston, mdse.

##### CLEARED.

May 21.—Schr. R. Munn, Port Hood, 700 bush. potatoes, 100 do oats; Susan King, Tatmagouche, oats, etc.; W. Wright, Chatham, ballast; Margaret Jane, Buc-touche, ballast; brig Lauretta, St. Nazaire, France, oats and deals.

##### OUTPORTS.

Georgetown, May 19.—Schr. Isaac Rich, Magdalen Islands, 10,000 bbls. herring; Bunker Hill, Magdalen Islands, 1,400 bbls. herr. g.  
Grand River, May 16.—Cleared schr. Lettie, Halifax, 16,000 bush. potatoes, 100 do oats, 1 cow.

Cardenas, May 7.—Sailed barque City of Charlottetown, North of Halleras.

Bridgewater, May 9.—Arrived brig. Quango, from Portland.

Philadelphia, May 14.—Cleared barque M. J. Foley, for Liverpool, and brig. J. M. S., for Arichat.

##### Died.

This morning, 21st May, 1879, aged 92 years, Neil McCallum, Esq., Brackley Point.

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