The Daily Examiner

AUGUST 10, 1885.

Grit Prophets of Evil.

WITH no policy of their own, except the policy of opposition, the Grit leaders are often very much bothered in keeping up the drooping spirits of their party. But however black to them the political outlook may be, they always profess to have one consolation left, and that is that the present Government will, some day or other, be overthrown. Just when that event will happen, none of them ventures to predict. It is always, however, sure to happen, and always sure to happen soon. On the eve of an election, more than at any other time, is the sure and sudden downfall of their opponents predicted. But that reaction which is to carry Blake, Mills, Casey and Co. on to victory has not yet set in, nor is it likely to either, as long as the current runs so strongly in the opposite direction.

It suits certain Grit politicians to say that Sir John's Government is on the wane; for by preaching such stuff they keep up the hopes and expectations of their office hunting followers. But the people have heard this Grit cry too often to be deceived by it. They know that Sir John is by far the ablest and most popular man in Canada, and that while he remains at the front the country is safe. Even sensible Grits will admit this. And more than this, the taxpayers of Canada know who are their best friends; and we believe if Sir John were to retire from the political career tomorrow they would continue to uphold the party that he has so long and successfully led.

What nonsense then for Grit members and their partizans to be telling the people that the present Government will be defeated at the next election. Why, many of them admit when talking over the situation privately, that Sir John's Government will be sustained at the polls next time; and they are preparing for another defeat, else we would not hear so much about the "iniquities" of the Franchise Bill. Previous to the election of 1882, Grit members admitted on the floor of the House that the Redistribution of Seats Act would keep them out of power. They knew that defeat was sure to overtake them in any case, and it was quite convenient for them to blame it on that Act, a bad excuse being considered, no doubt, better than none.

Another defeat to their party is again staring them in the face; and this time it seems the Franchise Act is to be blamed. The Franchise Act may serve them as an excuse, but the plain truth is, the people don't want any more Grit misrule. They had quite enough of it in the gloomy days of deficits from 1873 to 1878. If ever they expect to gain the confidence of the electors, they must first bring forward a policy that will recommend itself to those whose suffrages they seek. It will not do to depend simply upon opposing, which means in their case obstructing the policy of their opponents. And as the old, old story, that Sir John's Government is on its last legs, is now much "too thin," they must only content themselves to remain out in the cold, where the votes of intelligent electors have placed them.

The Telephone in P. E. Island.

IT is pleasing to learn that the Prince Edward Island Telephone Company concluded on Saturday the purchase of the patent rights and all the property of the Bell Telephone Company in this Island. The amalgamation thus effected will enable the Prince Edward Island Company to eslablish trunk lines, as well as exchanges, connecting all the principal towns and villages throughout the Island; and we shall soon be able to set down in our offices or houses and have a quiet chat with friends and others in Tignish and Alberton, Souris and Georgetown, Summerside and Mount Stewart, or give business orders, or dun for the payment of overdue accounts, or say what we like so long as we belong to "The Exchange."

The Hudson Bay Route.

THE experience of the present season is not more satisfactory than that of the past as to the possibility of utilizing the Hudson Bay route for trade between Great Britain and the Northwest Territories. The well found and well manned steamer Alert lett Halifax on the 17th of May; and on the 1st of June she was at Blanc Sablon, where she met field ice from 50 to 100 miles in width; coasting along the edge of this ice, she entered it and passed through 50 miles of it north of Cape Beau; on the 16th of June she was jammed in the ice and drifted 40 miles west of Cape Beau. She was unable to penetrate farther west, and at length, on July 8th, she got clear of the ice and shaped her course tor St. John's for repairs; now she is making a second attempt to reach the Bay.

—The Half-breed Land Commission have issued 337 certificates for scrip, varying from 160 to 240 acres, 67 certificates for land scrip for 240 acres each and 10 for 160 acres each, 362 certificates to heirs-at-law of deceased persons for sums from $10 to $880, but principally for smaller sums than $240, and 28 certificates for money scrip to children under 18 years of age. At Edmonton 114 claims were received, upon which 94 money certificates in sums varying from $30 to $240, and 36 land certificates for 240 acres of land each were issued during the first visit, and during the second 45 money scrip and 12 land scrips were issued, a total of 865 money scrips, representing a cash value of about $90,000, which with that issued at Fort Saskatchewan, would make considerably over 1,000 scrip issued in Edmonton and vicinity, while a large number of claims yet remain unsettled. Claims have also been adjusted at Fort Saskatchewan, Battleford and Prince Albert.

—Riel's new religion was a singular mixture. It was as follows:—"We believe all believers constitute the true church. We do not believe in the infallibility of the Pope. We believe in the inspiration of the Holy Scriptures and the right of every man to learn the truth they contain. We believe in a regularly ordained ministry. We believe in a form of church government, preferring the Episcopal. We believe there is one God. We pray to God, to Christ, to Mary, to the saints. We believe in the final salvation of all men.'

Riel has, however, recanted.

The Political Pic-nic.

THE morning was fine and promising; and the charms of music were not wanting. But only an ordinary little crowd—about 150 or more—were attracted to the steamer Heather Belle, and not half that number to the special train which left at half past ten. Our advices are to the effect that very few persons came from the east; and that on the whole the political picnic of the Grits is one of the smallest affairs of the season. We regret the comparative failure of the first Political Picnic. After all the great preparations that were made and the efforts that were put forth to obtain a trustworthy man to take the money at the gate, there should have been thousands on the ground. The disappointment of our friends—the enemy—will, we fear, prove crushing.

Electricity.

THE following clippings from our exchanges show what our neighbors are doing:—

During the past few days, says the St. John's, Nfld., *Mercury* of July 29th, Mr. Starr has succeeded in getting the capital subscribed for the St. John's Electric Light Company, which has been organized with the following gentlemen as provisional directors: Hon. A. M. Mackay, Hon. Moses Monroe, W. B. Grieve, John Steer, and Edwin Duder, Esqs. This quick despatch speaks well for the enterprise of our capitalists, and for the energy of Mr. Starr. The boiler will be furnished by Mr. Hugh Gemmell, of this town, and the other plant and machinery by the Royal Electric Company of Montreal, and it is expected that the station will be in operation during the month of September.

The St. John, N. B., *Globe* says:—Mr. W. A. Patrick has received the contract to supply a dynamo and the necessary lamps for the Carleton street lights. The dynamo will be 30 light, and 16 lamps will be required. Each light will be 1,200 c. p. These Mr. Patrick has ordered from Cleveland, Ohio. Mr. Clark is now preparing at his mill the foundation for the engines. On Saturday last Mr. Patrick received an order from the local Brush-Swan company for a 45 arc-light dynamo and 500 incandescent lights with fittings, comprising $10,000 worth of plant for operation in this city.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

Long-Winded Speeches.

SIR,—Readers of some of our Island papers have usually to put up with a great deal that is dreary and uninteresting in the shape of old speeches from the Legislative Councillors. The publication of them generally begins early in March, and lasts from four to six months, more or less. As soon as the last one is published, a sort of relief is felt that nothing more of the kind will be seen until the lords of the Upper Chamber shall meet again. Alas for the uncertainty of all human joys! No sooner had we begun to congratulate ourselves upon the prospect of seeing the end of their political speeches for this season, than the *Patriot* began to publish one of Blake's everlasting harangues. It is now deep into that speech of his on the Northwest rebellion, and although it has been running on with all the persistency of a dime novel story for the last few weeks, we are sorry to find it still marked "to be continued." When it will end is not known yet. The probability is that it will be a long time before we see the last of it.

The press is supposed to exercise an influence for good over the young and rising generations, and so it really does in the great majority of cases. But much political buncombe is good for neither body, mind nor estate. It would be reckless to expect a tough chancery lawyer like Mr. Blake to boil down his remarks to something near the readable point. But until he does do it, he need not expect his "ideas" to have any perceptible effect on the public mind, one way or the other. Gladstone, one of the greatest men of the century, seldom speaks longer than two hours, and in delivering some of his ablest speeches he occupies even less than that time. The only result of Mr. Blake's long-windedness is that his speeches are always listened to with impatience by the House, and never read all through, except by the very few, and even they read them more as a matter of disagreeable duty than as a source of intellectual enjoyment. As he is generally wound up to run six or eight days at a stretch, it would not be at all surprising if his Northwest speech should last till after harvest. We shall see.

Yours truly,

PRINCE COUNTY.

August 9, 1885.

Mr. Gladstone is the owner of what is probably the longest pencil ever made. A manufacturer at Keswick has sent to him a walking stick 49 inches long made of cedar, and forming a large pencil, with a lead nearly half an inch square runhing through it. The curious pencil has a solid silver band bearing an inscription in verse.

CURRENT NOTES.

Lord Wolseley resumes the position of adjutant general, which he held prior to the Soudan campaign.

Despatches from St. Petersburg say that there is a strong war feeling in Russia and military pearations are in progress in Finland.

Punctuality is one of the modes by which we testify our personal respect for those whom we are called upon to meet in the business of life.

Fourteen special detectives are being sent by the Ontario Government up the line of the Canadian Pacific to break up the bands of whiskey peddlers.

Six bullets, all flattened, were found in the heart of Albert, the vicious elephant that was shot some days ago at Keene, N. H. Twelve of the firing party had fired at the heart. The hide of the animal was found to be an inch and a quarter thick in some parts, and weighed altogether 1,455 pounds.

A meeting of agents of steamship lines was held at Liverpool on Thursday, with the view of calling a conference of agents of all steamship lines in the kingdom. The meeting resolved to propose an increase in steerage rates to America of £1, and to arrange a minimum rate for freight.

The Earl of Shaftesbury, writing to the promoters of a meeting on the subject of Funeral Reform, says that the lesson has yet to be learned that excess in mourning apparel, in flowers, in entertainments, and in funeral furniture is no real indication of affection or respect. The tyranny of public opinion still drives persons to spend on funeral sums out of all proportion to their circumstances.

The Montreal *Witness* gives a cattle shipper as authority for the statement that this year will show a fair increase over last. The total shipments now amount to 35,000, an increase of 8,000 over last year. Over 23,000 head of sheep have been shipped, which is an increase of 6,000 over 1884, but a decrease of 10,000 compared 1883, and of 15 000 with 1882. The prices are better this year but not so good as in 1883.

A man of 79 and a woman about the same age were married recently in the vicinity of East Greenwich, R. I. The couple are old lovers, having been engaged to each other more than half a century ago, but a quarrel ensued, and they separated. Each, however, married and has raised a family. Death broke into both families, and the old lovers were again free, which fact having come to the ears of the groom, he hunted up his early sweetheart, a meeting was arranged for, and their marriage was the result.

A Georgia colored woman just returned from Liberia, where she has lived for seventeen years, says to the Atlanta *Constitution*:—"Among the thousands of natives I saw while there only three had been civilized. Missionaries are scattered all over the country, and they find no trouble in getting crowds of the natives into their churches and schools. Many of these profess conversion and are enrolled as Chaistians, but almost invariably they go back to idolitary when they return to their tribes."

The Pacific mail steamers which have for the past ten years plied between the ports of San Francisco and Melbourne, Australia, are shortly to be taken off that route, owing to the refusal of the United States government to subsidize the line. During the past ten years the trade of the United States with the Australian colonies has more than quadrupled, having increased from four to seventeen million dollars annually, and as this increase is mainly due to the establishment of the Pacific line of steamers, the owners naturally feel that their enterprise deserves to be encouraged by the government, more especially as New Zealand, Victoria and New South Wales have willingly subsidized the line

We must needs feel thankful that the loss of life during the recent rebellion in the North-west was comparatively so small. No doubt this is partly due to the fact that General Middleton kept his men as far as possible under cover, and that the enemy were concealed in their rifle pits; but the death roll still remains out of all proportion to the ninety thousand pounds of ammunition used by our troops, to say nothing of those used by the rebels and Indians. Well disciplined troops are certainly a desideratum, but their effectiveness in time of war depends more on the skill with which they use their rifles, than upon the promptness with which they go through their drill, or the polish or pipe clay they use upon their accoutrements. Our volunteer militia require more target practice than they now have, and the militia department should see to it that a reform be made in this respect.

The following paragraph on the political situation in England appeared in the London *Weekly Despatch*:

SIR WILLIAM HARCOURT (LOQ)

Whigs, Liberals, Radicals, lend me your ears;
I cannot speak of Gladstone and not praise him;
The work that statesmen do lives after them,
Though it is oft imperilled by their fall,
So will it be with Gladstone. The noble marquis
Hath told you Gladstone was ambitious.
If it were so, now by the late default
Of his supporters, he hath answered it.
Here, under leave of Cecil and the rest
(For Cecil is an honorable man;
So are they all, all honorable men),
Come I to speak of Gladstone's overthrow.
He was my friend, faithful and just to me:
But Cecil says he was ambitious;
And Cecil is an honorable man.
He hath brought many markets to our trade,
Whose commerce doth the general coffers fill.
Did this in Gladstone seem ambitious?
When "Tax the Corn!" they cried, Gladstone hath kept
Taxation from the tables of the poor;
Yet Cecil says he was ambitious,
And Cecil is an honorable man,
You all did see that in her audience-room
The queen did offer him a coronet
The which he did refuse; was this ambition?
Yet Cecil says he was ambitious;
And Cecil is an honorable man.
I speak not to disprove what Cecil spoke,
But here I am to speak what I do know.
You all did rally round him and his cause;
What cause withholds you now to vote for him?
O Judgement, thou has past from Radicals,
And Whigs have lost their reason! Bear with me
My heart is on the benches Ministerial,
And I must sigh till I get back to them!

CLEARING PRICES.

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DURING AUGUST

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WILL CLEAR OUT the balance of stock of Straw Hats, balance of Summer Dress Goods, balance of Summer Prints, balance of Summer Tweeds, Men's and Boys' Summer Clothing and Cloths, Summer Underclothing at cost, white and colored Cotton Shirts, black and colored Cashmeres, Merino, Soleil Cloths, Crapes, Flowers, Feathers, Hosiery and Gloves at

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At North Lake, on the 5th inst., the wife of John S. Rose, of a son.

MARRIED.

At Souris, on the 6th inst, by the Rev. Wm. Wass, Miss Hannah Webster, of Mario, Lot 40, to Alonzo Herbert Lavers, of Georgetown, King's Co., P. E. I.

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BY Auction, TUESDAY, August 11th, at 11 o'clock, on Queen's Wharf:—

95 Tons Round Coal,

Ex. Schr. "L. and C," from Old Bridgeport Mines, Sydney, C. B.

This coal is pronounced excellent for steam and house use, and will be sold in lots of five tons and upwards.

A. McNEILL,
Auctioneer.

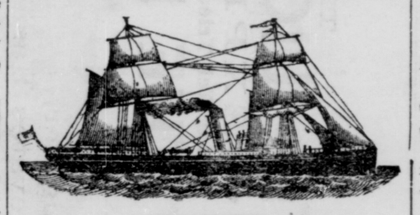
Ch'town, August 10, 1885.

CARD.

MISS LUCY CAVEN will resume her Musical Classes on the 1st of September.

Grafton Street, Aug. 10, '85.

For St. John's, Newfoundland,



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Ch'town, Aug. 5, '85—union 1 wk

Notice to Contractors.

SEALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned, and endorsed "Tender for Post Office, Custom House, &c., Montague, P. E. I.," will be received at this Office until TUESDAY, the 1st September next, inclusively, for the erection and completion of

POST OFFICE, &c,

—AT—

Montague, Prince Edward Island.

Plans and specifications can be seen at the Department of Public Works, Ottawa, and at the office of the Collector of Customs, Montague, P. E. I., on and after TUESDAY, the 11th August next.

Persons tendering are notified that tenders will not be considered unless made on the printed forms supplied, and signed with their actual signatures.

Each tender must be accompanied by an *accepted* bank cheque, made payable to the order of the Honourable the Minister of Public Works, *equal to five per cent.* of the amount of the tender, which will be forfeited if the party declines to enter into a contract when called upon to do so, or if he fail to complete the work contracted for. If the tender be not accepted the cheque will be returned.

The Department will not be bound to accept the lowest or any tender.

By order,

A. GOBEIL,
Secretary.

Department of Public Works, Ottawa, July 2nd, 1885. } aug7 3i

WANTS, LOST, FOUND, &c.

WANTED—A good smart Girl to learn the Bindery business. Apply at once at No. 44 Queen Street. aug10

TO RENT—A desirable residence on Grafton Street. Apply at this office at once. aug 10

LOST—Lady's plain, gold Wedding Ring, Caledonia day. The finder will be suitably rewarded by returning the same to this office. aug 10

FOR SALE—One very superior, No. 12, central-fire Gun, with all modern improvements; also, gun case, tin cartridge box, and a lot of brass shells, with loading apparatus; cost $60, will be sold for $37.50. Apply at this office. aug5

TO LET—The whole or part of Furnished House in a nice locality. Apply at THE EXAMINER office. aug 4

MRS. TIERNEY offers to dispose of that Valuable Property fronting on Great George and Euston Streets by private sale. Apply at her residence. jly 17 tf

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HOUSE TO LET—Pleasantly situated on Prince Street, containing eight rooms; rent moderate. Apply to Peake Bros. & Co. jly9 tf

TO LET—The top flat of store at P. G Fraser's corner. Apply to Dorsey, Goff & Co. jun 24

HOUSE TO LET—Containing five rooms. Apply to Jas. A. McLeod, Spring Park Road. jly8

TO LET—Shop and Tenement on Upper Queen Street, lately occupied by N. J. Campbell. Apply to J. McGill. jly20 eod tf

BOARDERS.—Two or three gentlemen or lady boarders may find comfortable accommodation, by applying to Mrs. William Kennedy, Brick House, Hillsborough Park. july 7, tf

TWO or three Boarders can be accommodated at Miss Stewart's, corner of Great George and Euston Streets. jun27

TO LET—The Dry Good Store on Queen Street, lately occupied by Mr. James Shand. Apply to M. Stevenson. mar23 tf

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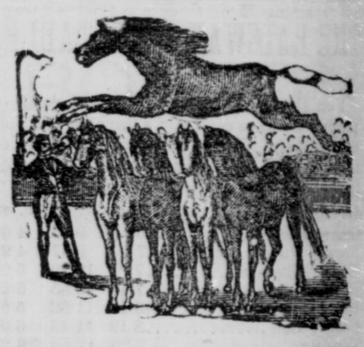

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