

**Correspondence.**

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**An Untrue Statement Refuted.**

To the Editor of the Examiner:

SIR,—I notice amongst the list of officers in connection with the House of Assembly, as published in the Patriot of Saturday last, my name is mentioned as an Assistant Clerk to the House. Now, I have most emphatically to deny having received any such appointment, or that I have received any such appointment whatever from the Government or House of Assembly; and I trust that for the future, should the editor of the Patriot refer to me in any way, he will confine himself strictly to the truth.

I am, Sir,  
Yours, respectfully,  
W. A. FISHER.

April 23, 1879.

To the Editor of the Examiner.

SIR,—Your Saturday's issue says my resignation was adopted, as I have got a situation at Yarmouth, N. S. With every respect for your reporter, I beg leave to contradict it. My letter to His Worship the Mayor in Council, dated April 9th, all I said was that I have had several offers of a situation. I only wanted to know if I was wanted for the third year, my second year being up on the 14th of June, 1879. Twice before the Council met Councillor Byrne told me I was to stay, (and once last Saturday) He being Chairman of the Park Committee, I took his word for it. I never so much as answered the gentleman's letter. So I am not going away that I know of. As regards the Park, I should not like to leave it the way it is. I was the white elephant last fall; I think the Park is the elephant at present. I must confess I am ashamed of it. Fancy His Excellency the Governor General paying a visit to the Island. What would he think of Victoria Park? All that is wanted is manual labor to make it decent.

Your obedient servant,  
H. CURTIS, Park Keeper.  
Ch'town, April 23, 1879.

**A Clear Sweep Advocated.**

To the Editor of the Examiner.

SIR,—As a supporter of the present party, I am glad to see that the Government so far have carried out the principle that none but true Liberal-Conservatives shall be retained in office. This is a right principle, and one that will be approved of by the electors of this country. If the Government will extend this principle a little further, and make a clean sweep, they will find they have acted a wise part; but if they will leave those Grits in office, who have always worked against the Conservative party, they will find it a great source of weakness.

There is a rumor afloat, Mr. Editor, that there are some Liberal-Conservatives using their influence in behalf of some Grit officials. If this be so it is really too bad. It is a pity that there should be found a man in the Liberal-Conservative ranks who would use his influence to retain in office any Grit, while there can be found good, staunch Liberal-Conservatives willing to take the position. But, Sir, I have too much confidence in the wisdom of the men who compose the present Government, to think that they will follow the advice of those men, and retain in office the worst kind of Grits, while some of their best and warmest supporters would be most willing to take positions. Knowing, Mr. Editor, that you will advocate this matter in your influential journal,

I remain, yours, etc.,  
MECHANIC.

town, April 23, 1876.

**Our Manitoba Letter.**

THE MUDDY PRAIRIE WITH ITS WITHERED GRASS—EMERSON AND ITS PROSPECTS—FORTUNE SEEKERS AT WORK.

As many of the readers of your excellent journal would, no doubt, wish to know a little of this Province of the North-West from a Prince Edward Islander's standpoint of view, I send you a few lines. Those who have not seen the prairies of the "far west" have but a very inadequate idea of what the physical features of Manitoba really are like. Fancy, then, an extensive and evidently an interminable plain, with no perceptible elevation whatever, covered at this season of the year with tall withered grass, here and there dotted with clumps of scrubby trees, or occasionally a belt of stubby oak and poplars, or glittering in places with ponds of water, from whence emerge hundreds of wild ducks and geese when you approach them,—and you have some conception of what the surface of this country is like. If you should undertake the task of walking through some of this tall grass, the mud underneath would become so attached to you that its extreme familiarity would breed your contempt. In short, you would find that five or six lbs. of the much-coveted black loam of Manitoba when attached to each boot is not quite the thing to be desired, even in a prairie country. Some of the streams are deep and swift at the present time. How they shall be when the summer drouths arrive, I will not undertake to say. Some of those streams, no doubt, will shortly be utilized for milling purposes. The Red River being too wide, can never be used for this purpose in Manitoba, though, no doubt, nearer its source in the neighboring Republic, it can be used for that purpose. But there are such streams as the Raseau and Rat Creek, between Emerson and Winnipeg, which can be made available in this way.

Emerson is the first town which the tourist or emigrant touches when he crosses the line. It is situated on the Red River—the Railway to Winnipeg passing by it. It is a little place, having risen into existence since three years. Two-thirds of the buildings have been put up since last fall, and, at present, the sound of hammer and saw,

is heard incessantly. There are in it two printing offices, issuing two weekly papers, a large steam flouring mill, three or four dry goods stores, two hotels, and the industries of trade are nearly all represented. The inhabitants have great faith in the future prosperity of their town. As yet they have no Railway Station, but are to have one this summer. Every house—both public and private—is full to overflowing at the present time, with land seekers and mechanics of every calling. Those in quest of land make Emerson their base of operation in exploring the south western portion of the Province. Here they get their wagons, etc., before they make the start. The most of the land seekers coming now are intelligent farmers and farmer's sons from Ontario. Some come here determined to buy land near some convenient town, or locate 160 acres and preempt as many more, and they go straightforward and do so. Others come with the same intention; but, when they see the primitive state of the country, and realize the fact that they are now some thousands of miles away from the homes of their childhood and all their friends, the charms that a home amidst the prairie flowers of Manitoba had for them in the east, vanish from their mind as an idle dream, and they turn their faces to the east, singing, "home dear home I never shall forget thee," bid farewell to Manitoba, declaring they have "seen all they want to see of it."

MORE ANON.

**Breadalbane Notes.**

BREADALBANE, April 26, 1879.

SAD ACCIDENT.—Mr. Donald McLure, of this place, was seriously injured yesterday in Mr. Dixon's saw mill, Rose Valley, by being caught in the machinery. One of his legs was broken in several places, and he was badly bruised otherwise. He was promptly attended to by Drs. Robertson, of Crapaud, and Darach, of Kensington. Mr. McLure is a young man of 18 years.

Mr. James Elliot, of Elliot's Station, is preparing for starch manufacturing. He believes in doing instead of talking.

Many of the farmers in this section will try the sugar-beet raising on a small scale this season.

The high price of potatoes is encouraging to the farmers. Buyers are offering as high as 40 cents per bushel for some grades, delivered in cars along the line.

The citizens here have joined together to pay for a public well and pump, which was much needed. A vein of soft spring water has been pierced, at a depth of thirty feet. Formerly, the inhabitants have depended upon the brook—which is very impure and unhealthy—for their supply. At present there is the remains of a dead hog under the Railway Bridge, and further up the stream the remains of a horse was found in the fall, nearly decayed. Many assign the reason for so many cases of diptheria and other diseases in this section to the impurities of the water, it being used for drinking and culinary purposes, as impure water will generate disease.

The temperance cause is in a flourishing condition. A very interesting meeting was held in the Orange Hall last evening. No liquor is allowed to be sold nearer than County Line.

OBSERVER.

A Turkish gentleman died, and in his will left his horses to be divided among his three sons, as follows: To his eldest son, one-half of his horses; to the second son, one-third; and to the youngest son, one-ninth. He left only seventeen horses. The Cadi who was executor of the will, was puzzled how to make the division. It happened that a Dervish came up on horseback, to whom the Cadi related the difficulty. "Take my horse," said the Dervish, "and add him to the number, and now make the division." The Cadi did so, and gave to the eldest son nine horses, to the second six horses, and to the third two horses. "Now," said the Dervish, "I will take back my own horse, as you no longer require him."

**SHIPPING NEWS.**

Halifax, April 25.—Cleared schr. Lizzie and Emma for Summerside.

Brigt. Scotsman, of Charlottetown, P. E. I., Hughes, at New York 21, from Cienfuegos, 25 days, reports April 17, off the Capes of Delaware, had a heavy gale from the N. E., lasting 48 hours, during which broke main boom and lost and split sails.

The ports of Cow Bay, Glace Bay, Caledonia, Lingan, North Sydney and Sydney were on the 25th closed by drift ice, which was driven in by the east wind. It probably will remain closed until there is a strong westerly wind.

**Died.**

At Sydney Mills, P. E. Island, on the evening of the 23rd inst., Margaret, the beloved wife of Isaac Thompson, Esq., aged 66 years. The deceased was a native of Hoddam Parish, Dumfriesshire, Scotland. She had been in full communion with the Church of Scotland for upwards of 45 years, and was highly respected, and is deeply lamented by a large circle of relatives and friends. Her many acts of benevolence and kindness had endeared her to all around.

**Special Notices.**

WINDOW BLINDS.—Handsome Opaque Linen Window Blinds, with fancy gilt borders and centres. Also, Imitation Lace Blinds do., very durable, with either common or patent rollers complete. Housekeepers putting up new blinds should see these before buying other goods. W. A. WEEKS & Co.  
April 23, 1879—thur sat mon

ORANGES by the box at Beer & Goff's.

FRESH SEEDS, just received, at Haszard's Agricultural Store, Queen Square (West).

FRESH ORANGES and MAPLE SUGAR at BEER & GOFF'S.

VERY Choice Smoked Hams, at BEER & GOFF'S.

BONELLS; FISH at BEER & GOFF'S.

**NEW GOODS**  
AT THE  
**London House.**

EX "ALBERT,"  
VIA GEORGETOWN.

SPRING STYLES.

MEN'S HATS!  
Felt and Straw.

GENTS' WHITE SHIRTS

Frillings.

VELVETEENS.

BUTTONS.

Braids.

Gents' Scarfs.

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BAZAR PATTERNS!

**Geo. Davies & Co.**

April 10, 1879.

**NEW GOODS!**

PER STEAMER "ALBERT."

Ladies' Straw Hats,  
Flowers,  
Feathers,  
Ladies' Scarfs and Sacques,  
Ladies' Kid Gloves,  
Ladies' Thread Gloves,  
Ladies' Sunshades,  
Ladies' Corsets,

Men's Felt Hats,  
Men and Boys' Straw Hats,  
Prints,  
Grey Cottons,  
White Cottons,  
etc., etc., etc.,

VERY CHEAP,

J. B. MACDONALD'S.

Queen Street, Charlottetown, April 22, 1879—her

**ORANGES! APRIL 18th, 1879**

WE SHALL BE RECEIVING  
FRESH LOTS  
EVERY WEEK DURING THE SEASON

—AT THE—  
FLOUR AND TEA STORE!

And will Sell them Cheap for  
Cash by the Box.

20 Boxes Received this Date.

SEND IN YOUR ORDERS.  
BEER & GOFF.

Ch'town, April 26, 1879.

NO. 68.

**NEW BOOKS**  
JUST FROM LONDON.

HYMNS FOR ST. PAUL'S CHURCH,  
HYMNS, ANCIENT AND MODERN,  
(Also with Prayer Book in Morocco Case.)  
METHODIST HYMNS.

Reference and Gaelic Bibles,  
Prayer Books, Tracts,  
Church Services, Catechisms, etc.  
Books, Cards, Papers for Sunday Schools,  
Lett's Diaries.

A FEW SCHOOL BOOKS,  
Can now be had at

68 GREAT GEORGE STREET,  
Opposite Lewis' Photograph Gallery.  
Ch'town, April 26, 1879.

**REMOVAL.**

Messrs. Bracken & FitzGerald  
have removed their Office to the

**BANK OF P. E. ISLAND,**  
SECOND STORY.

Entrance by Side Door.  
April 26, '78.—Gin pat ar her

**MAIL NOTICE.**

MAILS will be closed daily (Sundays excepted) at this Office, at 10 o'clock, p.m., and forwarded by steamer to Pictou. (Prepaid matter posted up to 4.30 a. m., will be forwarded by same boat.)

The mails for Great Britain, by Canadian Packet sailing from Halifax on Saturdays, will be closed on Thursdays, at 10 o'clock, p. m.

Mails for all places West of Charlottetown receiving Mails by Railway Train or Postal Car, will be closed daily at 7 o'clock, a. m.

Mails for Georgetown and Souris East, also for all places on the route to those points, will be closed daily at 2 o'clock, p. m.

Post Office open from 8, a. m., till 8, p. m.  
A. A. MACDONALD,  
Postmaster.

Post Office, Charlottetown,  
April 23, 1879.

**HOUSEHOLD**

Furniture Repaired.  
Furniture Repainted.  
Venetian Blinds Re-taped.  
Venetian Blinds Repaired.  
Carpets Cut and Laid.  
Jobbing promptly attended to—  
all at Low Charges.

JAMES H. BUTCHER.  
April 23, 1879—pat

**MOLASSES.**

JUST RECEIVED ex "M. A. Starr" via  
Georgetown,

21 puns. Choice New Crop  
DEMERARA MOLASSES.

For Sale Low.

FENTON T. NEWBERY CO.  
April 23, 1879—3i

**SPRING REQUIREMENTS.**

New Worsted Cloths,  
NEW SCOTCH TWEEDS,

—A PORTION OF OUR—  
SPRING STOCK  
received, which we are prepared to  
make up in our

Custom Tailoring Department

—IN THE—  
VERY BEST STYLES,  
and at right figures.

**BEER & SONS.**  
April 18, 1879.—3w

**THE NEW TARIFF.**

IF THERE IS ANYTHING IN THE

Watch, Clock or Jewelry Line  
that you require, you will not find the price  
raised, but in many instances lowered, at

**E. W. TAYLOR'S,**  
WATCHMAKER AND JEWELER—  
Ch'town, April 8, 1879.—tf

**Cracked Corn and Bran.**

FOR SALE LOW:  
150 BAGS COARSE CORNMEAL,  
130 " BRAN.

**Owen Connolly & Co.**  
Ch'town, April 18, '78—6w 3aw

**Clover and Timothy Seed.**

2,000 POUNDS ALSIKE CLOVER,  
10,000 do. RED CLOVER,  
300 Bush. TIMOTHY SEED,  
AT WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.

**Owen Connolly & Co.**  
Ch'town, April 18, '78—6w 3aw

**FLOUR. FLOUR.**

IN STORE AND FOR SALE

60 BBL'S BAIN'S CHOICE,  
100 " TROPICAL—Celebrated and  
Choice Brands.  
300 " BAKERS' CHOICE,  
500 " EXTRA and SUPERFINE,  
200 " Kiln Dried CORNMEAL.

**Owen Connolly & Co.**  
Ch'town, April 18, '79—6w 3aw

**THE WEEKLY EXAMINER.**—Persons having relatives or friends abroad, and desiring to keep them informed concerning P. E. Island, cannot do so in a better or cheaper way than by subscribing to THE WEEKLY EXAMINER. Sent, postpaid, to any address in Great Britain, the United States, or the Dominion, on receipt of One Dollar.

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**TO LET**—House—4 rooms—with 1 or 2 acres land, near Mt. Edward Road. Situation Wanted—By a Clerk, a Man-servant, a Farm Hand and Housemaid, etc. Wanted—Houses containing from 4 to 6 Rooms. Can be let immediately. House and Intelligence Office, opposite Rocklin House. April 23—pd

**Wanted**—A GOOD COOK. Apply immediately at Employment Office, opposite Rocklin House. apr26 11pd

**Boarders Wanted.**—A few more can be accommodated at a reasonable figure, on Fitzroy street, opposite the residence of Wm. Brown, Esq. MRS. JACKSON, late of Seaside Hotel.  
Ch'town, April 23—2w

**To Let.**—A HOUSE containing 4 rooms, a good cellar and yard, situated near Lea's Factory, east end of Grafton Street.  
Apply to R. B. HUESTIS,  
At A. A. Baldwin & Co.'s.

April 23, 1879.