

THE DAILY EXAMINER.

MAY 23, 1884.

The Queen's Birth-day.

To-morrow is the sixty-fifth birthday of our Queen. With a single exception, no birthday is so well kept; for the British people love her with a love which no other earthly sovereign evokes, and the British people compass the world. We have somewhere heard it said, or somewhere read, that "this is a world of change;" and the history of the brief period in which our Queen has lived, verifies the saying in a striking way. When Victoria the Good was born, the whistle of a locomotive had never been heard; no smoke-stack had ever crossed the ocean; the click of the telegraph had not sounded; and reaping-hook and scythe were yet unrelieved by a single reaping or mowing machine. She has outlived a good many Sovereigns and billions of subjects. But there are in every land, those who will to-morrow, fervently say "Long Live our Queen God save our Gracious Queen."

It is stated Sir Charles Tupper's recent visit to Washington had reference to Reciprocity and the renewal of the Washington Treaty. His instructions and representations were probably not official.

It is suggested that the different trades and professions in the town plant their trees as much as possible in groups.

Study of the English Classics.

At the last session for the season, on Tuesday evening last, of the Literary and Scientific Society, Mr. P. R. Bowers delivered an earnest and eloquent address on the subject of the "Study of the English Classics," the whole of which was replete with original ideas, which we cannot for want of time and space reproduce. His contrast between the course of English reading generally adopted in the schools of the day and the curriculum of ancient classical studies arranged even in early days for the use of students, was particularly forcible; and his denunciation of the vast quantity of trashy literature given to the public of to-day, apt and scathing. Mr. Palmer, Esq., followed in a neat speech eulogistic of much advanced by Mr. Bowers, and gave a humorous picture of the early dramatic entertainments, somewhere about 1820, at Crapaud, which were advertised in the newspapers of the day, and which were attended by the people from Malpeque and other parts of the Island, and from Wallace and other parts of Nova Scotia. Both Mr. Bowers and Mr. Palmer showed that the reading of Shakespeare especially was much more common fifty years ago on this Island than at present. Mr. Palmer stated that it was the isolated position of the people here in those early days which turned their attention to literature generally, as for a considerable portion of the year they had little else to do. Mr. John Newton disputed some of the points made by Mr. Bowers, and thought that the light reading of the day, when it did not have an immoral tendency, was beneficial rather than otherwise to the fatigued mechanic and farmer, who, after their hard days labor, were incapable of giving much thought or study to abstruse or solid subjects. Mr. Jas. McDonald, of the Customs Department, created some amusement by his incisive remarks, particularly when he said that he "might be a philosopher, but was unhappily unconscious of the fact." Mr. S. G. Lawson, in his peculiar and inimitable manner wrestled with the subject of expanding the mind by classical studies. Mr. A. McNeill regretted that he had not heard Mr. Bower's opening remarks, and then proceeded to give one of his graphic little episodic speeches, which generally tend to stir up audiences, large or small. Mr. Peterson thought that Mr. Bowers' suggestion to enlist the clergy of the Island in the propagation of a taste for Shakespeare would be futile, as the clergy were known to be hostile to dramatic representations. Mr. Donald McKenzie defended the present local Legislature against some of the remarks of Mr. Bowers, who, in his opening address bore rather hard on the general intelligence and literary status of our Parliament, taken as a whole. Mr. Montgomery, Superintendent of Education, in his usual clear and comprehensive manner, gave his opinion on the study of classics, ancient and modern, which were very cogent. It is impossible in this short report to give the many points brought out by all the gentlemen who spoke, or the many keen witticisms, and cultured observations uttered. It is a busy age, of busy people; but the meetings of the Society during the past winter have shown plainly that we have amongst us persons of superior intellectual abilities who only need leisure and opportunity to make their mark in literary and scientific circles. Near the close of the meeting Mr. Charles Palmer proposed that a committee be appointed to carry out some of the suggestions, and to lay down a course of procedure to be adopted by the Society for the next season, in reference to which the President said that a business meeting of the Society would soon be called for that purpose. Mr. Thomas A. McLean, to close the proceedings of the meeting, read in an impressive manner, a passage from "The Tempest."

Our Advertisers.

W. & A. Brown & Co., have just placed upon their shelves the contents of forty cases and bales dry goods, which together with the supply formerly in store will be cleared off at low prices. Bass & Goff advertise English Dairy Salt. LECTURE ON BRITISH COLUMBIA.—Rev. B. Chappelle, of Shediac, lectured in the Wilson School house, Salisbury Road, last evening. His subject was "British Columbia," and it was handled in an interesting manner. Mr. Chappelle's travels on his mission in that country enabling him to state many facts from personal observation. Collection in aid of funds to purchase Bibles and hymn books for the service held in the district.—Moncton Times.

An Historical Group.

MR. HARRIS' PAINTING COMMEMORATIVE OF THE QUEBEC CONFERENCE—THE FOUNDERS OF CONFEDERATION.

(The Toronto Globe's Ottawa Correspondent.)

OTTAWA, May 19.—The historical picture, commemorative of the founding of the Canadian Confederation, to cover the cost of which an appropriation of \$4,000 was made by the Dominion Parliament in 1883, was placed in position to-day facing the main entrance of the Parliament Buildings. Mr. Forbes' portrait of Lord Dufferin being placed on the side wall to make room for it. The picture is fifteen feet by eleven, with heavy bronze and gold frame, and as a specimen of native Canadian art is creditable in the highest degree. It is certainly superior to any work of the kind now on exhibition here. Considering that there are thirty-four figures the grouping has been an admirably done, and the likenesses are pronounced excellent. While representing the members of the Conference as they then appeared, twenty years ago, Mr. Harris has at the same brought out the distinctive features of each in such a way as to be readily recognized to-day. The central or prominent figures of the group are:—Sir Etienne Tache (Chairman), Sir George Cartier, Hon. George Brown, Sir John Macdonald, Sir Charles Tupper, Hon. Mr. Mowat, Sir A. T. Galt, Sir Alexander Campbell, Sir L. Tilley, Sir Hector Langevin, and Messrs. Mitchell, McGees, Chapais, and Archibald. The grouping appears to have been the most difficult portion of the whole work. One remarkable feature of the painting is that the places of meeting, in one of the rooms of the old Parliament House, Quebec Harbour, the Island of Orleans, and the Beauport mountains are seen in the distance. This is exactly the view observed from the room where the Conference met. The proportions are well sustained throughout. The artist seems to have caught the pose and expression of each man pretty correctly. The likeness of Hon. George Brown is exceedingly good, as are also those of Sir George Cartier, Sir Alexander Campbell, and Hon. Wm. Macdougall. Eleven of the thirty-four gentlemen represented were dead before the work was commenced, and in some instances very defective portraits or photographs had to be copied. This rendered the work of the artist all the more difficult. Canada, it will be remembered, was represented by Sir John Macdonald, Hon. Geo. Brown, Hon. Oliver Mowat, Hon. Wm. Macdougall, Sir Alex. Campbell, and Hon. James Cockburn, of Ontario, and Sir George Cartier, Sir E. P. Tache, Sir H. Langevin, Sir A. T. Galt, Hon. J. C. Chappis, and Hon. T. D. McGees, of Quebec. The Nova Scotia delegates were Sir Charles Tupper, and Hon. Messrs. Archibald, Henry, Dickay and McCall. New Brunswick was represented by Sir L. Tilley and Hon. Messrs. Mitchell, Johnston, Gray, Steeves, and Fisher. The Prince Edward Island contingent comprised Hon. Messrs. Coles, Whelan, W. H. Pope, A. A. Macdonald, Haviland, Palmer, and J. H. Gray; and Newfoundland had two delegates, Hon. Mr. Carter and Mr. (now Sir Ambrose) Shea. In Mr. Harris' picture the delegates are represented as listening to a speech from Sir Charles Tupper, while Sir John Macdonald has risen apparently to qualify or explain some point made by the speaker. The friends of Sir John will doubtless say that he has scarcely received justice at the artist's hands, while the figure and attitude of Sir Charles Tupper appears rather exaggerated. It is expected that an effort will be made to improve the lighting of the main lobby so that the painting may appear to better advantage. Mr. Harris, who is a member of the Royal Canadian Academy of Art, is now here. The painting was viewed this afternoon by members of the Government and leading citizens, all of whom expressed high opinions of it.

The census report shows the curious fact that there are now only nine distilleries in Ontario, whereas in 1851 there were 102, or more than ten times as many. This reduction in the number does not, however, indicate a reduction in the production, for the Inland Revenue returns of last year show that the quantity of liquor produced had increased to over four million gallons, half of which was made at one distillery, and nearly three-fourths of the remainder at a second. The New Orleans Picayune is now printed on paper made from a substance called bagasse, which is the refuse of the sugarcane fibre. The paper is said to be superior in every respect to that made from wood pulp, and to be cheaper. CONRAD SCHLEMMER is overseer in the shearing department of Assabet woolen mill at Maynard. He is industrious and frugal. About a year ago Mrs. Schlemmer died, leaving three children, the youngest a baby. The father managed to keep his family together, but at last concluded that a woman's hand was necessary. He journeyed to Rockville, Conn., being informed that there had just arrived a comely German girl, who had learned of Conrad's situation and was willing to be considered a candidate. Conrad reached Rockville in the early evening, and was soon formally presented to Augusta Green. In a few short hours there were declarations of love. A quiet wedding took place the next day. MACK'S MAGNETIC MEDICINE—the great brain and nerve food—will restore lost nature to young, middle-aged and old. Life is too short to waste away. Read the advertisement in another column, and if you are afflicted make no delay in procuring the cheapest and best medicine ever sold. Sold in Charlottetown at Apothecaries Hall. [m19 lw wkly]

THE ANGLICAN SYNOD.—For the first time since the erection of the Diocese of Ontario, the Synod of the Church of England will meet in Ottawa. The Bishop has summoned it for the 24th of June. The proceedings will be unusually interesting from the importance of the subjects discussed. The Senate Chamber is spoken of as the place of meeting—a most fitting and appropriate place.—Ottawa Citizen.

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OUR QUEEN.

MAY 24TH, 1884.

Oh, Queen of Scotland's bonnie braes! Of England's stately homes! This day thy people speak thy praise Where'er the exile roams.

By gorgeous India's ancient fane, On Greenland's banks of snow, Where o'er Columbia's boundless plains Majestic rivers flow.

On frozen seas, in balmy air, By forest's daisy green, Arise up to Heaven the prayer, "God bless our gracious Queen."

God guide her through the evening light To where no shadows frown; Nor sorrow's pall, nor darkness night Will dim that lustrous crown.

There, Noble Mother! clasp again That Type of Motherhood Who, for her loved ones sunk in pain, And He, surmamed the Good

Whose soul of music waked the tone Our children love to sing; Who stood beside his Sovereign's throne Now reigns—a crowned king.

Let earthly glory sink in night— Life's record, without stain, Shall cast an ever hallowed light Across Victoria's reign.

It is not that thy vessels' prow In every port appears; Or that thy flag, which streameth now, Hath waved "a thousand years;"

'Tis not the sceptre, nor the sword, Nor gold, nor precious stone; True sympathy hath knit the cord Which binds us to the Throne.

Thy sire in siege and battlefields Full bravely bore their part; But, without strife, to thee there yields The fortress of the heart.

Not land from weakling nations rent Shall keep thy memory green; But this—thy lasting monument— She was the people's Queen.

SUSAN McLEOD.

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

[SPECIAL DESPATCHES TO THE EXAMINER.]

Attempt to Wreck a Train.

TROY, N. Y., May 22.—An attempt had been made to wreck the express from Montreal to New York by stealing an engine and sending it along the track at full speed, colliding with the Montreal sleeper. The express messenger of the Montreal train had \$100,000 in gold in his charge, and it is expected that robbery was the motive of the outrage.

The Grants in Trouble.

NEW YORK, May 22.—Ferdinand Ward was to-night immured in a cell at Ludlow Street jail. As yet no order of arrest has been issued for J. D. Fish or any of the Grants. U. S. Grant, Jr., is said to have fled to Canada. Serious criminal charges are made against the several members of the firm.

Gold from Montreal.

TROY, N. Y., May 22.—An immense amount of gold has been shipped daily from Montreal to New York, since the panic by Montreal banks. The shipment of gold since the 9th inst., amounted to three-quarters of a million.

Steamer Ashore.

LONDON, May 22.—Steamer Castalia, of the Anchor Line, is ashore off Deria, Spain. Ship is in a bad position, and the weather prevents assistance reaching her.

Hanlan the Victorious.

TORONTO, May 22.—Despatches from Australia, to-day, report that Hanlan defeated Lycock in a match sculling race, by half a length.

The Bennett Cable.

ROCKPORT, Mass., May 22.—The shore end of the new Bennett-Mackay cable was successfully laid to-day amid great enthusiasm.

Ship Wrecked.

LONDON, May 22.—The British ship Syria has been wrecked at the Fiji Islands. Seventy of her passengers were drowned.

Butler Accepts.

BOSTON, May 22.—Gen. Butler has accepted the nomination of the Anti-Monopolist Convention for the Presidency.

A Great Fire.

LONDON, May 22.—Messrs. Milne's wood yards, at Aberdeen, were destroyed by fire yesterday. Loss £50,000.

Weather Bulletin.

Probabilities for the next 24 hours for the Maritime Provinces.

TORONTO, May 23—10 a. m. Moderate winds; fair weather to-day; local rains to-morrow; not much change in temperature.

METEOROLOGICAL OFFICE.

Charlottetown, May 23, 1884. Highest temperature yesterday . . . . .56.9 Lowest temperature (read at midnight) . . . . .40.9 Lowest temperature this morning . . . . .40.1 Temperature this morning, at 8 o'clock . . . . .48.1 Temperature this afternoon, at 1 o'clock . . . . .59.4

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FOR ALCOHOLISM. Dr. J. S. Hullman, Philadelphia, Pa., says: "It is of good service in the troubles arising from alcoholism, and gives satisfaction in my practice."

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ALSO

500 Colored and White Shirts, at a Big Reduction.

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Ch'town, May 23, 1884.—dy wkly

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Ch'town, May 19—wkly

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The fullest information will be given on application. DESBRISAY & ANGUS, General Agents for P. E. Island.

Ch'town, May 7, 1884.

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Ch'town, Feb. 27, 1884.

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4 cases (480 doz.) Frank Miller's best BLACKING, 40 boxes HOPS, 250 lbs. OLIVE BRAND FLOUR, 125 lbs. GEM " 125 lbs. PORT RYENS " 125 lbs. GOLDEN AGE " 200 lbs. K. D. CORNMEAL.

CARVELL BROS. Ch'town, May 22—pat 21

1,000 LOADS OF CLAY

FOR SALE. Apply to JOSEPH MAHER. Ch'town, May 22—td

NOTICE.

AN adjourned meeting of the Citizens will be held in Market Hall, on

Friday Evening, 23rd instant, AT EIGHT O'CLOCK,

to receive the report of the Committee appointed by the Citizens at a former meeting in reference to water supply for fire purposes, etc.

DAVID R. M. HOOPER, Mayor. Ch'town, May 22

SPECIAL NOTICE

The Subscriber, being about to make a change his business, requests all persons indebted to him by Note of Hand, Book account, or otherwise, to pay up on or before the twentieth day of July next, after which all unpaid debts will be handed to his attorney for collection. All persons having claims against him will please send in their accounts before the date mentioned.

P. H. TRAINOR. Kent Street, May 21, 1884—31 cod

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—ALSO— A Building Lot, 75 feet square, on Oriole Street, near Euston Street.

BENJ. DESBRISAY. Ch'town, May 17—sa mo we fr

WANTS, LOST, FOUND, &c.

FOR SALE—A Breach-Loading No. 10 Gun, Brass Shell, cost \$40. Will be sold at a bargain. Owner about to leave the Island. Apply at this office. [may22]

WANTED—At the Osborne House, a Man that understands the care of horses. [may21 9i pd]

FOR SALE—A Peddling Wagon, suitable for carrying eggs, tinware, or general goods. Bent axles. Cost when new \$125. Will be sold cheap. Apply to P. Monaghan, Queen Square. [may20]

KENT MILLS and other choice brands Family Flour for sale by Henry Beer, Office and Warehouse, Water Street, near Ferry Wharf. [may16]

WANTED—An experienced Cook for a Hotel. To a person who understands her business good wages will be paid. [may15 6i cod pd]

TO LET—Two Tenements. Possession given about first June. Apply to JAMES McLEOD, Spring Park Road. [may9]

PASTURAGE—Excellent pasture for the season, for a limited number of cattle, in the twelve acre lot next to Henry's Line Kilo, Malpeque Road. Apply early to GEORGE ALLEY. [may7 wa]

A CHEAP WAGON and a WASHING MACHINE for sale. Apply to Doctor McLeod, St. Peter's Road, Charlottetown. [may7 td]

TO LET—A House on King Street, between Hillsborough and Weymouth Sts. Possession immediately. Also a Warehouse on Grafton Street. Apply to WILLIAM BOLD. [may2]

TO LET—A HOUSE AND GARDEN, with land, on Malpeque Road. Possession immediately. Apply to S. W. DODD, Medical Hall. [may23 wa fr]