

THE DAILY EXAMINER.

FEBRUARY 4, 1890.

George Davies, Esq.

MANY persons in town and country will learn with deep regret that George Davies' Esq., of this city, passed away last evening. Mr. Davies was seized by influenza about ten days ago, and this combined with a chronic disease of the throat and lungs, resulted fatally. Mr. Davies had business relations with every part of this country. He was widely known and highly respected.

The Slow Poisoning Case.

THE prompt arrest of Mrs. R. T. Weeks will be satisfactory to a deeply interested public. This is the first important step towards that thorough investigation which is due alike to all the persons immediately concerned and to the public at large. We have heard the authorities, and particularly the Attorney-General, censured because Mrs. Weeks was permitted to leave the Province. It will surprise everyone to learn that the Attorney-General received no information respecting the case until the evening of Friday last, though the suspicions of Dr. Johnson must have been aroused several weeks ago and though the fact that the medicine contained arsenic has been known to Mr. Sutherland himself, as well as to Dr. Johnson and others, for a considerable length of time. Under these circumstances, the Attorney-General cannot be greatly blamed if Mrs. Weeks escaped during the same Friday night; while the fact that she was arrested on the following Monday shows that his action in respect to her, at least, was so prompt and effectual as to reflect credit upon him.

But what shall we say concerning Mr. Sutherland's inaction in a matter affecting so closely the dearest interests of a husband? Surely he ought to have taken instant steps towards the discovery of the fiend who had poisoned his wife to such an extent that she lay paralyzed in all her limbs, and was brought to the door of death. But Mr. Sutherland went off to his election, prosecuted his canvass, and gained a "glorious victory," leaving the authorities in utter ignorance of his domestic tragedy, and not taking one single step, as far as we can learn, towards the discovery of the would-be murderer of his wife. Such conduct is past understanding. Dr. Johnson thought, no doubt, that he fulfilled his duty when he informed Mr. Sutherland of the fact that there was poison in the medicine. With the echoes of the world-renowned Maybrick trial ringing in his ears, it seems strange that the idea of consulting the Attorney-General and employing a detective was not suggested to his mind. That the case be sifted to the bottom is what public opinion and public justice now demand. It is pleasing—if we may use such a word in connection with this sad and terrible case—to know that the first step to this end has been taken.

Notes and Comments.

—The great superiority of the Canadian Pacific Railway to the American trans-continental lines has been demonstrated this season. There have been blocked up with snow, while ours has been entirely free from all impediments. The Central Pacific has been closed for a fortnight, and it may remain closed for another month yet.

—The greatest length of Lake Superior is 335 miles; its greatest breadth is 160 miles; mean depth, 688 ft.; elevation, 827 ft.; area, 82,000 square miles. The greatest length of Lake Michigan is 300 miles; its greatest breadth 103 miles; mean depth, 690 feet; elevation, 536 feet; area, 23,000 square miles. The greatest length of Lake Huron is 300 miles; its greatest breadth, 60 miles; mean depth, 600 feet; elevation, 274 feet; area, 29,000 square miles. The greatest length of Lake Erie is 250 miles; its greatest breadth, 80 miles; mean depth, 84 feet; elevation, 261 feet; area, 6,000 square miles. The greatest length of Lake Ontario is 180 miles; its greatest breadth is 65 miles; its mean depth is 500 feet; elevation, 261 feet; area, 6,000 square miles.

—The New York Marine Journal seems to be alarmed at the proposal to lay a cable from Vancouver to the Hawaiian Islands. It says:—"Canada's little game is to get the first cable to the Sandwich Islands, arrange trade relations and put in a line of subsidized steamers. The grasping at the Pacific trade, which belongs by right to the United States, has long been a favorite policy with Great Britain, and Canada wants to have a larger finger in the pie. The welfare of our shipping in the Pacific trade demands an American cable to the Sandwich Islands and Japan, and such legislation by Congress as will enable it to compete with British shipping now crowding ours to the wall." The Pacific trade will go to the country that has the most enterprise, and that possesses the best facilities to carry it on, and in these respects the superiority of Canada is admitted.

Portugal will now submit to the demands of the British Government without danger of a revolution. The anger of the Portuguese seems to have been largely due to their utter ignorance of the subject in dispute and to a misunderstanding of their position as a nation. The British have always been the best friends the Portuguese had in Europe, and they have proved their friendship by a lavish expenditure of their blood as well as their money.

The Slow Poisoning Case.

Arrest of Mrs. R. T. Weeks.

MRS. R. T. WEEKS has been arrested at the Hotel Dufferin, St. John, N. B. It is stated that she is very ill. Marshal Cameron proceeded by way of the Capes this morning to take her into custody and convey her to this province as soon as possible. Advices from Cape Traverse state that Mrs. Weeks showed extreme anxiety to cross on that day; said that money was no object; and offered \$25 for her passage, —keeping herself closely veiled all the while.

Shirking the Vote.

(From the Empire.)

It will strike the public with unpleasant surprise to learn that, when Mr. Mulock moved his resolution in Parliament yesterday, any representatives of the people should have, without good and sufficient reason, absented themselves from the vote, because the motion was one which called for a hearty and emphatic assent by the assembled members of the Dominion Parliament. Recent events, it is true, have shown that there are connected with some of the leading journals of the country men who are traitors to British connection, but it will startle the people of Ontario to learn that they have two men, supposed to be representing them in Parliament, who declined yesterday to unite with all the other members of both parties in passing a motion expressing fully and completely the sentiments of all our people towards our sovereign lady the Queen, a motion of peculiar importance at this time when the loyal attachment of Canada to the British Empire has freely been called in question. In Parliament yesterday, however, Dr. Platt, the member for Prince Edward County, and Dr. Wilson, the member for East Elgin, two Ontario members who cannot be ignorant of the strong feeling of Ontario upon this subject, deliberately shirked the vote, and by their absence expressed in the only way they dared their contempt for the resolution and the loyal sentiments it contained. By so doing they will stir up a resentment which will convince them and all others who on one pretext or other, or from whatsoever motives are false to the obligations, the loyal fealty, and the ardent patriotism of British subjects that there is no room in places of public trust in Canada for men against whose loyalty there is a shadow of suspicion. It may be a piece of cowardice on the part of the shirkers, or it may be an intentional slight, but whatever may have actuated their conduct it is to be hoped the people of Prince Edward and Elgin especially will speak forth their disapproval with no uncertain sound.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

Cardigan District.

SIR.—In your issue of yesterday you publish a letter headed "Cardigan District," and signed "Good Templar," which I would not notice but for the fact that you, Mr. Editor, were willing to take an anonymous scribbler, whose meanness is only exceeded by his untruthfulness, for your authority to repeat the same statements. I now state, and defy contradiction, that the Liberal party (except the most respectable Liberals of the district—such men as Dr. McLaren, who nominated me) had nothing whatever to do with my nomination, and never knew that I intended to enter the contest till my nomination was announced in the Patriot, and that the party never furnished one dollar or one cent, or one bottle of whiskey to aid in the contest; and I defy Good Templar, or anyone else, to name a single case where I or any of the party ever gave a single dollar or a single cent for any vote.

I alone am responsible for the contest, and my only reason for doing so was my interest in the welfare of my own district.

As to his reference to the whiskey, I may say for the sake of putting myself in the right light with those in the district who do not know that I have always been a supporter of the temperance principles and have never yet lost an opportunity of casting my vote for the Scott Act or any other measure to aid the cause—and I hope that I never shall.

One evidence of my conduct during the campaign is the fact that at New Perth, the settlement where I was born and brought up, and where I am best known—and which is also the home of Mr. Shaw—and one of the strongest temperance settlements on the Island, I polled 135 votes against 100 for my opponents.

At the Cardigan poll, notwithstanding the fact that during all election day it was surrounded by all the force of Cardigan against me, viz: Mr. H. L. McDonald, Mr. Geo. F. Owen and Messrs. Morson and Morgan. I took the largest Liberal vote ever polled there, or 139 votes against 140 for the Government candidates.

What wonder that I was defeated in Dundas or Launching, when my time was so short that it was impossible for me even to enter those settlements or to make a single call, and this unfortunately was the part of the district where I was least acquainted, and besides this, I was opposed on election day at the polls by Messrs. Mathew and McLean, of Souris, and Mr. James E. McDonald, of Cardigan and the McDonalds of Georgetown.

This shows the error of allowing any district to go by default at any general election, as I have no doubt but that if there had been elections in Georgetown and Souris on that day, so that those gentlemen would have had to attend to their own contests at home, I should have been relieved of the influence of their personal attendance at the polls, and the result would have been different, and I should have had a majority at the polls of the lower end of the district, as well as at the upper end. E. H. Noxton.

One Word.

"Write me an epic," the warrior said—"Victor, valor and glory wed."
"Prithee, a ballad," exclaimed the knight—"Prowess, adventure and faith unite."
"An ode to freedom," the patriot cried—"Liberty won and wrong defied."
"Give me a drama," the scholar asked—"The inner world in the outer masked."
"Frame me a sonnet," the artist prayed—"Power and passion in harmony played."
"Sing me a lyric," the maiden sighed—"A lark note waking the morning wide."
"Nay, all too long," said the busy age—"Write me a line instead of a page."

The swift years spoke, the poet heard.
"Your poem write in a single word."
He looked in the maiden's glowing eyes,
A moment glanced at the starlit skies;
From the lights below to the lights above,
And wrote the one-word poem—Love.
—Wallace Bruce, in Blackwood's Magazine.

DIED.

At his residence, Brighton, on Monday evening, the 3rd inst., in the 60th year of his age, George Davies, Esq., of Pembrokeshire, South Wales.

[Funeral will leave his late residence at 3.15 p. m., local time, to-morrow, Wednesday, for the Railway station, thence by train to Sherwood.

In this city, on the 27th January, Elizabeth, daughter of Malcolm and Elizabeth Mc. Millen, aged three years.

At Springton, Strathalbyn, on the 22nd inst., in the 43rd year of her age, Effie, wife of John K. McLeod, and eldest daughter of John McKenzie, Hartsville. The deceased was deeply beloved, not only by her own family and relatives, but by all who had the pleasure of her acquaintance. Her affectionate disposition, her cheerful hospitality, her deep piety, her uniform Christian character, will not be forgotten in the lifetime of her many friends. She lived continuously in the atmosphere of love. But our sorrows are alleviated. Her pure and loving spirit is gone to be with Christ, which is far better. "Be ye also ready."

Local Notices.

Don't forget we are headquarters for Bran, Shorts, Crushed Feed, Oil Cake, Flax Seed, &c., at lowest prices.—Geo. Carter & Co.

Bran and shorts for sale by the bag at Beer & Goff's. feb 4 3i

Northern Spy apples for sale by the barrel at Beer & Goff's. feb 4 3i

Charlottetown Markets.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Includes Beef (small) per lb. \$0.08 to 0.12, Eggs per doz. 0.26 to 0.39, Flour per cwt. 0.40 to 0.50, etc.

The United States and Canada have 645 1/2 miles of electric street railways, running 1,280 cars. There are 45 electric roads in construction, having a length of 512 1/2 miles. Davy Prichard is an eccentric old man who lives at Shelby, Mich., and imagines he is president of several railroads. He meets every train, gives orders to the train men, passes through the cars and asks passengers for suggestions as to the management of the road, and claims a back salary of \$1,000,000 for 15 years' services. He decorates himself with all the imaginable badges and insignia of office, and departs himself with great dignity.

Y. M. L. A.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH.

The Fifth Annual Course of Lectures.

CAPTAIN W. A. WEEKS will lecture in ST. JAMES' HALL, on

Tuesday Evening, Feb. 4th,

AT EIGHT O'CLOCK.

Subject—"How We Fought in Days Gone By."

CARNIVAL

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WEDNESDAY,

February 12th.

Hopkinton, Ky., has a prodigy that is attracting great attention. It is a colored infant named Louella Graves, daughter of Rev. J. C. Graves, that is only three months old, but can talk distinctly. The child could pronounce many words before it was 3 weeks old, and now, at the age of 3 months, it can talk plainly. Great crowds have visited the minister's house to behold this infant prodigy.

BEER BROS. Important Sale of White Goods NOW GOING ON!

Carpet Remnants 250 ENDS, In 1 Yard, 1 1/2 Yard and 2 Yard Lengths, SELLING CHEAP.

HARRIS & STEWART, LONDON HOUSE. Charlottetown, January 31, 1890—1w.

BANKRUPT FURNITURE! Lower than Auction Prices.

An Immense Lot of Bankrupt Furniture for sale at Dazzling Discounts. Must be sold at once. I defy competition.

JOHN NEWSON, South Side Queen Square, Charlottetown, Jan. 29, 1890. OPPOSITE THE POST OFFICE.

ROBT. PALMER & CO., Charlottetown Sash and Door Factory.

READ THIS! READ THIS! WE ARE NOW BETTER PREPARED THAN EVER to supply Contractors with PANEL DOORS and FRAMES, SASHES and FRAMES, MOULDINGS and FINISH, SPOUTING and CONDUCTORS, STAIR RAILS, STAIR BALUSTERS, NEWEL POSTS, which are always kept constantly in stock.

ROBT. PALMER & CO., Ch'town, Jan. 28, 1890. PEAKE'S NO. 3 WHARF.

A CHANGE IN BUSINESS. I HAVE DECIDED TO SELL ALL MY STOCK OF JEWELRY, SILVERWARE and CLOCKS at greatly reduced prices to clear for Sixty Days. Watches at the usual low prices for cash. All goods warranted as represented. Watches, Clocks and Jewelry repaired and warranted. E. S. BONNELL, Upper Queen Street. Charlottetown, Jan. 24, 1890—1w

Amazing Prices! —AT— JAS. PATON & CO'S., Market Square.

3,000 yards White Embroidery, all new goods, wide and narrow, at the wonderful low price of 6 1/2c. per yard.

360 yards English Prints, suitable for lining quilts, worth 12c., now 7 1/2c.

A big lot of Fancy Bordered Cambric, suitable for Bedroom Curtains or Quilt Linings, all fast colors, only 4 1/2c. per yard.

Beautiful White Linen Table Cloths, with border all round, clearing out at \$1.75 and \$1.50.

White and Colored Table Napkins, in great variety. Prices very low. We have just opened three large bales of English Prints, new designs and fast colors. This big lot is now on our counters at prices lower than ever.

4,000 yards English Prints, in lengths from 3 1/2 to 20 yards, clearing out at the wonderful low price of 11c. This is a decided bargain. Don't miss this chance of securing a nice piece of Print for a little money.

Room Paper! Room Paper! Our whole stock of Room Papers must go, and in order to make a speedy sale, we are offering the whole stock at a little over cost price.

Stock-taking just being finished, and as a consequence some very special lines are laid out.

Extraordinary value in Pillow Cottons and Sheetings; also a nice lot of Seamless Pillow Cotton.

Rare Bargains in the Dress Department! Don't pass Paton & Co's. door if you want to buy a dress.

A few very handsome Dress Robes, suitable for brides.

CARPETS! CARPETS! Marvellous Bargains in Brussels, Tapestry and Scotch Carpets.

Reefers and Overcoats At Exceedingly Low Prices.

We strongly advise our friends to call early.

Jas. Paton & Co., MARKET SQUARE. January 18, 1890.