

THE PREMIER AT TRUKO.

The Premier's stumping tour in the Maritime Provinces has, throughout, been a signal failure.

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The Halifax Reporter says:—Who we regret that a man like Mr. McKenzie, occupying the position he does, has not been the recipient of warmer attentions.

THE SCOTTISH GATHERING.

Some 300 excursionists have already arrived from Pictou, and adjacent districts to attend the Highland Gathering.

HOW THE SCHOOL QUESTION IS SETTLED.

LET us sum up the result of a year's legislation on the School Question. In August last there were, as all know promoters of great reforms.

This act was supposed to be a talisman—the application of which was to set all matters right. A Board of Trustees was appointed for the city, consisting of Messrs. James Duncan, John Longworth, W. E. Dawson and R. Johnson.

Thus far then the School Question is settled. The property which was almost valueless has become a good speculation, and its owners are in a position to increase the rate from time to time.

THE PREMIER'S STRAIGHT (?) POLICY.

"I keep a straight policy before the country."—The Premier in Charlottetown.

We shall see. Mr. McKenzie, when in opposition, had four particular planks in his platform. His first plank was laid down in a speech he made to the electors of North Suffolk, as follows:—

"He could find no possible excuse for the Coalition unless it be alleged that the leading men in the Reform party are not capable of forming a Government and carrying on the affairs of the country.

"He objected to the Coalition. "[1] Because it was unprincipled. "[2] Because association is formed with men whose iniquitous doings have been condemned universally."

This plank is exemplified in the present composition of Mr. Mackenzie's Government, thus:—

Table with 3 columns: Reformers, Tories, Men whose iniquitous doings have been, &c. Includes names like Mackenzie, Cartwright, Cauchon, Blake, Scott, Huntington, Mills, A. J. Smith, Lafamme, Burpee, Coffin.

In his opposition platform his second plank was "Reduction of the Cabinet." In his speech at London (Ont.) he said:—

"While the finances of the Dominion were formerly administered by one Minister, we had now four. One who was supreme with Hincas; the other, Tilley, was Minister of Customs; Morris was Minister of Inland Revenue; and another gentleman was Receiver-General.

Yet Mr. Mackenzie has to-day a Cabinet of thirteen, and another is talked of!

In his Opposition platform Mr. Mackenzie's third plank was "Economy." Under his Government the public expenditure increased:—

Table with 2 columns: Year, Amount. Categories include DEPARTMENTAL SALARIES, COST OF CIVIL GOVERNMENT, COST OF COLLECTION OF EACH \$100 OF STAMPS REVENUE, COST OF COLLECTION OF EACH \$100 OF EXCISE REVENUE, CONSOLIDATED FUND, COST OF EACH DOMINION IMMIGRANT.

Plank number four in Mr. Mackenzie's platform was "complete Parliamentary control of Public Expenditure." The "straight policy" of Mr. Mackenzie is shown by the following little account incurred without the knowledge or consent of Parliament:—

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Category: STEEL RAILS BOUGHT. Includes items like Messy Steel and Iron Co., Morton, Rose & Co., Mr. Sandberg, for Inspection, etc.

Or, in Canadian currency, \$2,927,920.

In one of his Opposition speeches Mr. McKenzie said:—

"He would never accept office upon any consideration; if in doing so he had to abandon the least of the principles he now professed. The man who taught one thing in Opposition and another when he was in power, was a demagogue in whom the people could have no confidence whatever."

And yet, with every one of his Opposition planks "from under him" Mr. McKenzie still clings to the governmental craft! Straight Policy indeed!

THERE were over two hundred excursionists arrived from Pictou yesterday evening in the Steamer Pictou of Wales, to attend the Scottish Gathering to-day.

CITY COUNCIL.

The first regular meeting of the City Council, since the late elections, was held last evening. Present: The Mayor, the Recorder, Councillors Peake, Harris, Crabbe, Davy, Heartz, Quirk, Hooper, Smith and Morris.

After the minutes were adopted, the Mayor read the following

MESSAGE:

Gentlemen of the Common Council:

Before entering on the business of this, the first regular meeting of the Council since my election to the office of Mayor, I desire to say a few words relative to the duties and responsibilities which devolve upon the Mayor and Common Council; and before proceeding further, I would take this opportunity of thanking the citizens of Charlottetown for the evidence of their respect and confidence, as shown by placing me in the honorable and responsible position I heretofore occupy.

The questions uppermost in the public mind are those of taxation, and the sanitary condition of the City.

The large amount of money paid by the people for city purposes makes it incumbent upon us to scrutinize, in the most careful manner, our every official act.

As there is a large amount of routine business to be disposed of this evening, I must only detain you to refer to some of the more urgent matters, requiring immediate action, promising that at other times, and in like manner with this as circumstances may require, and as my knowledge of the wants of the city shall increase, to bring other matters before you, feeling assured that all measures suggested or recommended, in these messages, will receive due consideration by you.

First, then, I ask your authority to fit up and furnish in a suitable manner, the room in front of this chamber, as the Mayor's Office, where the mayor or presiding Councillor may be found during some portion of each day, and the "City Clerk" every day from 9 a. m. till 6 p. m., or such longer hours as the business of the office may at times require.

My second request is for sufficient assistance to do the work which properly belongs to that office. The present clerks are, neither of them, in any degree capable of keeping accounts.

The collation and codification of the laws which govern the City is a matter so urgently needed that I recommend that his honor the Recorder, with the Stipendiary Magistrate, be immediately requested to undertake the work.

The civil fiscal year should, as nearly as possible correspond, with the term of office of the Mayor and Councillors, and I propose, therefore, to make the year from the 1st August to the 31st July, inclusive.

The cost to the city for the efficient performance of the service will show a saving of several hundreds of dollars directly, and possibly of many hundreds indirectly.

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COUNCILLOR HARRIS thanked his Worship for the sentiments expressed in the above.

COUNCILLOR BYRNE also congratulated His Worship.

Mr. O'Reilly, Accountant, by permission of the Council, explained matters relating to the present state of the books.

The Council then proceeded to appoint auditors and elect committees for the ensuing year, as follows:—

AUDITORS—J. R. Brecken Cashier of Bank of P. E., and Frederick W. Hyndman.

FINANCE COMMITTEE—Councillors Harris, Quirk, Heartz, Byrne and Peake.

STREET COMMITTEE—Councillors Harris, Morris, and Davy.

MARKET COMMITTEE—Councillors Crabbe, Peake and Quirk.

POLICE COMMITTEE—Councillors Heartz, Byrne and Morris.

PARK COMMITTEE—Councillors Morris, Byrne and Peake.

COMMITTEE FOR INSPECTING TRUCKS—Councillors Smith, Hooper and Heartz.

After some remarks, Councillor Crabbe moved the following resolution:—

That all articles required for the use of the city be furnished on written requisition from the City Clerk and countersigned by the Mayor or Chairman of the Committee that require the supplies, and that any article furnished without such requisition will not be paid for by the Council.

Moved by Councillor Harris, that the above resolution be published twice in all the city papers. Carried.

The Mayor requested authority to furnish a room for Mayor's office, and that he be allowed the privilege of selecting a City Clerk for the approval of the Council.

Moved by Councillor Harris, That the Mayor be authorized to fit up and furnish a room for the Mayor and Clerk's office. Carried.

Matter relating to selecting the Clerk was let stand till next meeting.

The Mayor referred to the codification of the By-Laws and also to their present disgraceful state; and, after a few remarks, Councillor Harris moved the following resolution, which was seconded by Councillor Byrne:

That His Honor the Recorder, in conjunction with His Honor the Stipendiary Magistrate, be instructed and empowered to collate and codify the laws of this City, and prepare the same for publication.

Council adjourned till Monday evening at 7 o'clock.

Latest by Telegraph.

Prorogation of Parliament!

THE QUEEN'S SPEECH.

RIOT IN LONDONDERRY.

(Special Dispatch to Daily Examiner.)

LONDON, Aug. 14.

The war news of to-day is unimportant. The Queen prorogued Parliament to-day.

In the speech upon the occasion she said the relations of Great Britain with all foreign powers continued friendly. She referred to the great exertions made by the Government to maintain peace, and declared that the strict neutrality now existing is to be maintained.

LIVERPOOL, Aug. 14.

Breadstuffs weaker. There was rioting in Londonderry on the occasion of the opening of the Prentice Boy Memorial Hall. The militia were called out. One man was killed and many wounded.

Gold 105 1/4.

GENERAL NEWS.

LONDON, Aug. 13.

At Berlin a coup d'etat in France is believed probable, and it is thought that a government established by coup d'etat will not be recognized by Germany.

Notwithstanding that profound peace prevails throughout France, Ultra-Conservative papers urge the Government to declare martial law. The report is current that the Cabinet has already resolved upon this step, and some journals discuss it in the light of a foregone conclusion.

Frederick A. Stanley, member of Commons for North Lancashire, succeeds William H. Smith as Secretary of the Treasury.

It is reported that a war of extermination is being waged at Eski Saghra; all male Christian population have been sentenced to death by the Turkish General.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 12.

Intelligence from the scene of Gibbon's fight with Indians in Montana confirms the report that the Indians suffered severely, as forty dead Indians were counted on one half of the battle field.

Howard had arrived and would pursue the Indians as soon as his command arrived. General Gibbon would move to Deer Lodge and take his wounded to Fort Shaw as soon as medical aid and transportation arrived.

The Indians have disappeared, in which direction it is not yet learned.

A yacht overturned off Chicago yesterday; four persons were drowned.

YARMOUTH, Aug. 13.

The reform temperance movement here has assumed huge proportions, embracing every phase of society, high, low, rich, poor, white, black, Protestant and Catholic, old and young, drunkards and moralists.

Yesterday, Mr. Dutcher addressed an outdoor assemblage of nearly three thousand people. Several parties engaged in the liquor traffic have taken the pledge. Nearly two thousand in all are now enrolled. To-morrow a mammoth picnic and procession takes place. Mr. Dutcher is much thought of here. He is the author of a four hundred page volume entitled: "Disenthralled, or the Story of my Life."

New Advertisements

FLOUR.

Ex "Alhambra," to-day, "Chancellor" (patent), "White Buns" (extra), "Plimsoll" do., "Pine Grove" (spring extra), "Meadowdale" do., "Oshawa" do., "Dufferin" (superfine), "Mammoth" do. CARVELL BROS. Ch'town, Aug. 15-4in

STEAM MILL, MOUNT STEWART.

THE Subscribers are prepared to take orders for dimension Lumber of all kinds, in Oak, Elm, White Pine, Pitch Pine, Spruce or Birch; also, Spruce Knees, Tremails, Wedges, Deck Plugs, and Ship's Blocks of every description—all delivered at short notice.

LONGWORTH & CO., Water Street. N. B.—Spruce and Fir Shingles very low. Aug. 15-3m

GRAND TEA.

THE Ladies of the Methodist Congregation and others, of Crapaud and vicinity, have arranged to provide a splendid Tea, to be held on

Monday, the 20th August inst., AT 2 O'CLOCK, P. M.,

on the beautiful grounds adjoining the new Church, now in course of erection near Victoria, Crapaud.

The Steamer Heather Belle will leave Charlottetown at 9 o'clock, a. m., and will return in the evening of the same day.

Tickets for Excursion and Tea, 75 cents,—to be had at the stores of H. A. Harvie, W. E. Dawson, and on the boat.

The committee will spare no pains to make the Tea a grand success; everything necessary will be provided. Speeches suitable for the occasion will be delivered by several prominent gentlemen—interspersed with vocal and instrumental music.

Refreshment Tables will be on the grounds, supplied with all the delicacies of the season. Carriages will be in readiness to the wharf, on the arrival of the steamer, to carry passengers to the grounds. The trip up in the good steamer Heather Belle will be very pleasant, and a goodly number of the Charlottetown friends will be expected—as ample provision will be made for their comfort and entertainment.

Now, friends, depend upon having a good time; so come one, come all, and see what our ladies can do in providing a good tea.

Tickets 25 cents; children 12 cents. Proceeds to pay debt against the Church.

OLIVER B. WADMAN, Chairman of Com. Crapaud, Aug. 14-4in

GRAND LODGE of A. F. & A. M.

A QUARTERLY Communication of the M. W. Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. will be held at "Orient" Lodge in Souris, on WEDNESDAY, the 15th inst., at 7 1/2 o'clock in the evening.

A special train will leave Charlottetown at 9 o'clock, a. m., connecting at Royalty Junction with the 6 o'clock train from Summerside. Tickets will be issued at single fare.

B. WILSON HIGGS, Grand Sec. Aug. 14-

Grand Musical and Literary

ENTERTAINMENT!

MARKET HALL, WEDNESDAY EVENING, THE 15TH AUGUST,

under the auspices of the Grand Section

CADETS OF TEMPERANCE.

A splendid Programme has been prepared comprising the side-splitting farces: "My Uncle the Captain," "Unwarrantable Intrusion," and "A Sea of Troubles,"—interspersed with Songs, Readings etc.

Admission 15 cents; Reserved Seats, 25 cents. See small Bills. Aug. 13-3in

DR. WOOD,

PROPRIETOR of the celebrated OTTAWA CANCER CURE, will be at the Rankin House, Charlottetown, from the 12th to the 22nd of August, and in Summerside, at the Clifton House, from August 23rd until September 1st. His treatment of Cancer, Cancerous Tumors, and growths of all kinds, has, during a period of twenty years, proved a marvellous success. All persons afflicted with such diseases are invited to call Consultation free.

Wants, etc., etc.

Advertisements under this heading, in space not exceeding half an inch, will be inserted for TEN CENTS per day.

WANTED—By a sober, steady and respectable young man, a situation in a store, office, or hotel. Good references. Apply at office of DAILY EXAMINER. Aug. 13-

LOST—A Masonic Pin. Finder will be rewarded by leaving it at E. W. Taylor. Ch'town, Aug. 13-1in