

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

A Letter of Repudiation.

SIR,—As I understand I am credited with being the author of the communications published in your paper signed "Common Sense," I beg to state that I neither wrote, inspired, or have any knowledge of the letters in question.

With reference to the non-fulfillment of the Terms of Union and insufficient means of communication provided by the Federal Government between the Island and the mainland, my views have not changed, but the meeting last night was certainly not the place to discuss that question, and I am surprised that you should have attached so much weight to the suggestions of your correspondent "Common Sense," to mix up the discussion of the two subjects.

Yours, &c., FENTON T. NEWBERRY.

[THE EXAMINER did not advocate the mixing up of the two subjects. The subject of Winter Communication is now, in the opinion of THE EXAMINER, out of the region of discussion. A strong expression of regret that the works under construction have not been prosecuted more vigorously and of hope that no more time be unnecessarily lost in carrying out the Terms of Confederation, is what is now required. That could have been given last evening by a large and influential meeting in ten minutes, after the Exhibition business was concluded, and would, we believe, have had more weight with the Ministry than columns of empty declamation on a subject in which no question is involved.—EDITOR EXAMINER.]

"There are many ways of killing a dog, besides choking him with butter."

SIR,—The attitude of covert hostility to the proposed Dominion Exhibition, assumed by one, if not two, of the speakers at last night's meeting, affords a good illustration of the old saw quoted above. It is quite true there are grave difficulties in the way, but why exaggerate these difficulties as was done by Mr. Laird last evening. The idea advanced by both Mr. Laird and Mr. Davies that our Exhibition to be successful must be as expensive as those Dominion shows already held in St. John and other large cities, and that we must at the outside erect buildings as large and expensive as those used for exhibition purposes in those cities is too ridiculous to be seriously considered.

Last summer when the manager of the St. John Exhibition offered a prize list of only a little over \$5,000 out of Government and Civic grants amounting to \$25,000, Mr. Laird came to their assistance and threw difficulties in way of an enlargement of the prize list in the interest of P. E. Island. He defended the St. John Board in offering a prize list disproportionate to their means, but he now demands that if we undertake a Dominion Exhibition we must launch into expenditures, greatly in excess of our wants or the profitable funds at our disposal. There are some people who are natural obstructionists, and in their desire to oppose every movement for the good of the country are not very particular about their own consistency.

PROGRESS.

Ch'town, Dec. 19, 1883.

Souris Notes.

Three or four Nova Scotia schooners, one American, are loading potatoes and oats for the Halifax and St. John markets. The shippers are Mathew McLean & Co., and Macdonald, Macdonald & Co.

The bark "Isobel" is wind-bound here during the past ten days. She has about 30,000 bushels of oats for the French market. Some difficulty was experienced in getting a crew to man her. Some as soon as articulated left nothing but old rags to mark the place where they had once slumbered. Notwithstanding the fact that three able-bodied men were keeping vigil, two of the A. B.'s (1) managed to show a clean pair of heels.

Trains alone acknowledge Standard Time in this part of the Province. Town and country generally are hostile to the change. The old time will be adhered to as usual because little sympathy is felt for the adoption of the new.

Mr. Fletcher, Secretary of the British American Bible and Tract Society, and successor to the late A. N. Archibald, is here in the interests of the Institution he represents.

Souris, Dec. 17, 1883.

VERITAS.

Our Advertisers.

Fenton T. Newberry is offering sole leather at bottom prices.

Fenton T. Newberry has in store flour, sugar, molasses, tea, etc., which he offers for sale at lowest wholesale prices.

G. H. Taylor announces that he has in store some handsome new patterns in silverware, gold lockets and necklaces, etc. He is giving bargains in silver jewelry, as he is closing out that line of goods.

W. W. Wellner intimates that the collection of watches, clocks, jewelry, etc., now on sale at his establishment, is far superior to any former display made for the holiday season. He invites the public to call and inspect the handsome designs and low prices.

Jas. Coleman, Superintendent P. E. I. R., notifies the public that a special passenger train leaves Charlottetown for Georgetown every evening at 4:15, and leaves to return on arrival of "Northern Light." When a foreign mail is on this train, two long and two short blasts of the whistle will be sounded when approaching Charlottetown.

You will get a good Tea at the Market Hall this evening for 25 cents. Tea on the tables at 5 p. m.

OVERCOATS and Reefers at clearing prices at J. B. MACDONALD'S. [dec19]

READ THIS.—Two thousand pounds Raisins and Currants, extra choice for Christmas, selling fast at George Carter's Grocery Store. Call at once and get your supply. [dec19]

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

[SPECIAL DESPATCHES TO THE EXAMINER.]

Disastrous Conflagration at Rat Portage.

WINNIPEG, Dec. 18.

The most disastrous conflagration that has yet visited Rat Portage occurred there on Sunday night about half-past eleven. The total loss will foot up one million dollars or more. Seventy-five people will be rendered homeless. The origin of the fire is attributed to the explosion of a lamp in a bake-shop.

The Price of a Carey.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.

At a meeting of Fenians last night, Robert Blissett proposed that every Irishman should pay \$5 a year to start a fund out of which \$10,000 be paid to any man who kills a Carey. He further stated he would subscribe for a fund to be given the man who fixes Justice Denman.

Joe Poole Executed.

DUBLIN, Dec. 18.

The execution of Poole took place at 8.05 o'clock this morning. Poole slept well last night and had a light breakfast this morning. Poole stood the ordeal well and asked to be permitted to kiss the crucifix. The bolt was drawn at exactly five minutes after eight and life was extinct in three seconds and a half.

Another Murder in Ireland.

DUBLIN, Dec. 18.

A farmer named Philip McGarvin was murdered yesterday in the County Cavan. The crime was due to agrarianism. Several arrests have been made.

Indignation in Paris.

PARIS, Dec. 18.

A meeting of Irish refugees was held in this city yesterday, at which resolutions were passed condemning the execution of O'Donnell, and threatening revenge therefor.

The Tonquin War.

PARIS, Dec. 18.

The Chamber of Deputies, to-day, voted a supplementary Tonquin credit of \$20,000,000. General Melliot will start for Tonquin on Wednesday, to take command of the French troops.

Fatally Shot.

PARIS, ILL., Dec. 18.

In an effort to frighten some boys by shooting a gun in the air, Sanford Morris to-day fatally shot his brother.

Lost Fishermen.

GLOUCESTER, MASS., Dec. 18.

Two more, and the last of the overdue fishing vessels have been given up by the owners.

Fatal Explosion.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 18.

By the explosion of a boiler in Richards' oil refinery, two men were killed and four injured to-day.

Obituary, Storm, etc.

FREDERICTON, N. B. Dec. 18.

The funeral of the late Mr. Pickard, M. P. for York, will take place to-morrow at 1 p. m. A heavy snow storm set in here yesterday and continued until to-day. It is now sunshine and pleasant.

Weather Bulletin.

Probabilities for the next 24 hours for the Maritime Provinces.

TORONTO, December 19—10 a. m.

Moderate to fresh winds, from southwest and west, fair to cloudy weather, lower temperature.

CANDIED PEELS, Eggs, Spices, Apples, Confectionery, Nuts, etc., at George Carter's. [dec19 4in.]

The "Northern Light" arrived at Georgetown from Pictou yesterday. Mails and passengers arrived here by regular train this forenoon. The steamer returned to Pictou this morning and will arrive in Georgetown again this evening, and will continue daily trips. A special train with mails and passengers will leave every evening until further notice at five o'clock, Charlottetown time.

CHOICE Green and Black Teas at J. KNIGHT & SON'S. [dec19]

THE funeral of the late John McCallum, Esq., will leave his late residence at Cornwall, to-morrow (Thursday), at 1 o'clock.

LADIES Wool Jackets cheap at J. B. MACDONALD'S. [dec19]

Go and see the beautiful Lansdowne Lounge on exhibition at the Market Hall to-night. Don't forget. Will be sold cheap for cash.

CALL at J. Knight & Sons and see samples of Frosted Christmas Cakes. [dec19]

THE steamer "M. A. Starr" started for Halifax this evening with a cargo of produce.

EVERYTHING cheap during the Holidays at J. B. MACDONALD'S. [dec19]

The "Summerside" left Pictou for this port at 2 o'clock, p. m., to-day. She will not make further trips to Pictou this season.

WOOLEN Squares and Scarfs at clearing prices at J. B. MACDONALD'S. [dec19]

A GRAND display of Fancy Articles suitable for Christmas presents at the Bazaar this evening.

J. KNIGHT & SON'S for Fancy Christmas Confectionery. [dec19]

J. KNIGHT & SON sell the best Crackers and Biscuits manufactured in the city. [dec19]

A MAN'S creed is what a man believes. What a man believes is the man himself. "As he thinketh in his heart, so is he." Belief are potent. They save or condemn. They mark men as the children of God, or children of the devil. They locate men as in the realm of life, or realm of death. "Believe in the gospel," was the first sermon of the Lord Jesus. "He that believeth shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned," was his last.

CHINA gift Cups and Saucers, Monstache Cups and Saucers, Fancy Mugs, call and see them, at Lewis'. [dec19 w&f.]

The bark "Sara" Hobart" (of Boston) Crocker, which arrived at New York Dec. 9 from Colombo. No date, lat. 6 15 S., lon 83, passed large quantities of pumice stone, about the size of an egg.

HAVE your snowshoeing and tobogganing pictures made by the instantaneous process with all the latest improvements at Lewis'. [dec19 w&f.]

Thirty-eight different nationalities, each of them speaking its own language, which is foreign to all others, live under the sceptre of the Czar.

NOTE THIS.—Christmas and New Year Cards, all the newest designs, very cheap at Lewis'. [dec19 w&f.]

The Compagnie Generale Transatlantique has entered into a contract for a new mail service between France and the West Indies and Mexico for eighteen years, with a subsidy of 10,000,000.

MEN and Poy's Ulsters at cost at J. P. MACDONALD'S. [dec19]

It is interesting to learn that the French have captured a lot of Chinese junks. If France can't do anything else she can open a junk shop.

LEWIS' assortment of Juvenile Books excel any previous year. [dec19 w&f.]

A pert little girl boasted to one of her companions that "her father kept a carriage." "Ah, but," was the triumphant reply, "my father drives a street car."

YOUR choice of a thousand things for ten cents at Lewis'. [dec19 w&f.]

The dry dock in Havana was destroyed by fire on December 4.

GO TO LEWIS' for LADIES, the cheapest and best assortment in the city. [dec19 w&f.]

Temperance is the hope of youth and the strength of age.

CHRISTMAS and New Year presents in endless variety at LEWIS'. [dec19 w&f.]

DIED.

At Cornwall, on the 18th inst., of inflammation of the lungs, John McCallum, Esq., in the 63rd year of his age. He was a consistent christian.

CHRISTMAS AUCTION SALES

—AT—

HARVIE'S BOOKSTORE,

QUEEN STREET, COMMENCING AT

Seven O'clock Thursday Ev'g, December 20th,

and continued every evening during the Christmas Holidays. Great Bargains may be expected in

Fancy Goods, Dolls, Vases, Albums, Toys, Ink Boxes, Ink Stands, Pencil Cases, Church Services, Christmas Cards, Miscellaneous Books, &c.

Ch'town, Dec. 18, 1883.—H

Tenders for Shoeing Horses.

TENDERS will be received at the office of the Chief Engineer, up to Saturday, the 22nd December, from parties willing to contract for providing shoes and shoeing Fire Department Horses (5), for one year from 1st January, 1884.

By order,

PETER MACGOWAN,

Secretary.

P. E. ISLAND RAILWAY.

Christmas Excursion.

EXCURSION RETURN TICKETS, at one First Class fare, will be issued to and from all Stations on this Railway, on 24th and 25th December instant, good to return up to and including January 2nd, 1884.

JAMES COLEMAN,

Supt Railway Office, Ch'town, Dec. 18, 1883.

WANTS, LOST, FOUND, &c.

TO LET—Part of House opposite Railway Station. Enquire at this office. [dec19]

STOVES.—One No. 9 Magician Cook Stove, as near as good as new, with pots and pans complete, for \$14.00. One Base Burner Hall Stove, cost \$10.00 and but little used, will be sold for \$15.00. These prices only open for a few days.—H. COOMES, Agent. [dec18 2i]

BOARDERS.—Mrs. Robert Rodd, has removed to the house of Mr. C. Hearts, Enston Street, where she can accommodate a number of Boarders, on reasonable terms. [dec19]

REMEMBER

THE

FANCY SALE AND TEA,

In Aid of the Baptist Church Building Fund,

IN THE MARKET HALL,

THIS, WEDNESDAY, AFTERNOON AND EVENING.

A grand time may be expected. See small advertisement for particulars.

XMAS PRESENTS.

More Useful and Durable than Xmas Cards and other Fancy Goods of same class.

NOW ON SALE A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF

Music Rack Stands, Canterbury's, Easels, etc., Music Stands, Work Tables, Chess Tables, Flower Stands, Light Stands, Fire Screens,

Card Tables, Parlor Easels, Pallets, Japanese Brackets, Clock Shelves, Comb Brackets, Wall Pockets,

Fancy Looking Glasses, Framed Chromos, Fancy Chairs, Children's Chairs,

Smokers' Tables, Mantle Mirrors, Fancy Inlaid Whatnots, Leather Work, &c.

OUR STOCK OF ABOVE GOODS IS THE

Largest and Most Varied Ever Offered in the City.

All marked at Holiday Prices. Call and inspect. No charge for showing them.

MARK WRIGHT & CO.

Ch'town, Dec. 17, 1883.

BALDERSTON'S GROCERY AND FRUIT SHOP

IS THE PLACE TO GET YOUR

CHRISTMAS GOODS.

Choice Tea, 25 and 32 cents. Excellent sugar, 8, 9 and 10 cents. Raisins, 8, 12 and 16 cents.

Potato Farina, Corn Starch, Essences, Lemon, Orange and Citron Peel, Canned Meat, Extract Beef, Pickles, sauces, etc., etc. Green Grapes, Oranges, Lemons, Apples, Pears, Nuts, Candy, Figs, Dates, etc., etc.

We will sell you Goods as cheap and as good as anybody else. Just drop in and see our Fancy Confectionery, Crockery, Glassware and Woodenware, selling off at slaughter prices.

B. BALDERSTON.

Queen Street, Charlottetown, Dec. 13, 1883.—cod tl 25th wky 2i

CHRISTMAS FRUIT.

200 BOXES Fine Valencia RAISINS, for sale low by the box. W. A. WEEKS & CO. Dec. 12, '83.—1w cod

OATS.

30,000 BUSHELS WANTED. highest prices. Cash on delivery. D. GORDON. Georgetown, Dec. 10, 1883.

FOR SALE. FISHERIES 1884.

A TWO-STORY HOUSE, on Great George Street, near the centre of the city. Contains fourteen rooms. Suitable for large family, or boarding house. Will be sold cheap, and terms made to suit. Apply at this office. Ch'town, Dec. 4, 1883.

WE are prepared to supply a satisfactory MACKEREL NET, HAULING and PURSE SEINE, POUND or TRAP for the year 1884, at low prices. Fisherman can procure all our wares through the Home Merchant. AMERICAN NET & TWINE CO. Oct. 18.—5i law wy 101. Boston.

FANCY SALE

—AND—

TEA,

IN aid of the BAPTIST CHURCH BUILDING FUND, will be held in the

MARKET HALL,

—ON—

Wednesday, the 19th December

The sale will begin at two p. m. Tea on the tables at five p. m. Refreshments during the afternoon and evening. Admission to Hall, 10 cents; Tea, 15 cents. Ch'town, Dec. 3.

SANTA CLAUS

arrived by Special Train at

W. F. CARTER'S

last night, and you should come and see the load of good things he brought. It consists of choice

Confectionery, Fruit, Pastry and Cakes,

SUCH AS

Delicious Dessert Creams, Chocolate Cream, Fig Cream, Coconut Cream, Raisin Cream, Chocolate Cream Drops, Lawasdale Creams and French Creams, Barclay Sugar Toes, Almond Candy, Walnut Candy, Butter Scotch, Molasses Candy and Taffy, Vanilla, Walnut, Chocolate, Coconut, Molasses and Strawberry Caramels, Fruit Cake 20, 25, 32 and 40 cents per pound, Plain Cake 32 and 40 cents per pound. Also a large assortment of small cakes. Beautiful Apples, Pears, Oranges, Lemons, Grapes and Figs, and lots of other nice things.

All the above are the very best quality. Please call and see for yourselves at

W. F. Carter's Confectionery.

Ch'town, Dec. 17, 1883.—H

More New and Cheap Books

JUST RECEIVED AT THE

British-American Book Depository.

LEURE HOUR Sunday at Home, Our 4th Dairings, Sunday Toy Books, Girls and Boys Own Annual, Gospel Hymns, Consolidated, Nos 1, 2, 3, 4; Miss Havrigal's Works, The Poets, etc., etc. Xmas and N w Years, and a great variety of other Books, suitable for Xmas Presents.

Gaelic Bibles and Psalm Books, Testaments with Psalms.

Corner Queen and Fitzroy Streets.

Dec. 12—4i 2aw

Y. M. C. A.

THE Annual Meeting of the Young Men's Christian Association will be held in the Parlor in Y. M. C. A. Building, on the evening of Thursday, 20th instant, at eight o'clock, for the election of officers, etc. By order, F. S. MOORE, President.

Ch'town, Dec. 18, 1883.

EARLE'S GRAND CONCERT

WILL take place in the Y. M. C. A. Hall, on FRIDAY EVENING, JANUARY 4th. Tickets, 35 cents; to be had at Mr. Fletcher's Music Store and at Fraser & Reddin's. Concert at eight, sharp. No encores. S. N. EARLE.

Ch'town, Dec. 8.—2aw

ADVERTISE in the DAILY EXAMINER. Rates moderate.