

NOTES FROM THE CAPITAL. HOUSE OF COMMONS.

ISLAND MATTERS—THE FISHERY AWARD.

In the last Parliament the interests of Prince Edward Island were very much neglected by her representatives. But those who speak for her in the present Parliament are a different class of men. On the 20th inst., Mr. Brecken moved for correspondence, etc., relative to the claims of Prince Edward Island to a share of the Fishery Award, and reviewed the whole case. He claimed that the Island had territorial rights in the Fisheries' around her shores, which should be respected. Sixty-five per cent. of all the fish caught by United States' fishermen was, he said, caught off the coast of P. E. Island. He stated that the Island is not benefited by the National Policy to such an extent as the other Provinces, and strongly urged that, in justice, the Island should receive some equivalent. Dr. Muttart seconded Mr. Brecken's motion. He argued that the Island had not lost its claim to a portion of the award; because the Treaty of Washington was agreed to before she entered the Confederation. Island fishermen, especially, had been greatly injured by reason of the purse-nets used by the fishermen admitted to the Island fisheries under the Treaty of Washington; nor had the Island been benefited, like other Provinces, by the National Policy. He therefore urged that the claims of the Island should receive immediate recognition. Mr. Hackett spoke to the same effect. We shall take the earliest opportunity of laying these speeches before our readers.

CIVIL SERVICE REPRESENTATION.

MR. MUTTART has given notice of the following motion:—

On Thursday next an Address to His Excellency the Governor General for a return of the Inside Division of the Civil Service, by departments, showing—

1st. A list of employees appointed from the several Provinces composing the Dominion, from July 1st, 1873, to the present date; also showing the proportion in which these Provinces are now represented in the Service.

2nd. A list of employees appointed from countries, other than Canada, since Confederation, showing the nationality of each; how long resident in Canada, previous to appointment and present salary, if now in the Service. The design of Mr. Muttart is evidently to show the unfairness with which this Island is being treated in this matter. Under the late Administration no attempt was made to place a proportionate number of Islanders upon the Civil Service, though it is an admitted fact that Islanders are just as capable as others of performing official duties. The Doctor will also, we doubt not, take occasion to point out that Civil Service officials here are not as well paid, in proportion to the duties they perform, as are officials in the other Provinces.

DECEASED WIFE'S SISTER.

The following is the full text of Mr. Girouard's Bill:—

An Act to legalize marriage with the sister of a deceased wife.

Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and House of Commons of Canada, enacts as follows:— 1st. Marriage is permitted between a man and the sister of his deceased wife or the widow of his deceased brother, provided there be no impediment by reason of affinity between them according to the rules and customs of the church, congregation, priest, minister or officer celebrating such marriage.

2nd. All such marriages thus contracted in the past are hereby declared valid, cases (if any) pending in courts of justice alone excepted.

It will be noticed that church discipline and the conscientious scruples of clergymen are not interfered with, the civil aspect of the case being solely dealt with.

REPEAL OF INSOLVENCY LAWS.

Mr. Colby's Bill to repeal the Insolvency Laws is sufficiently short. We quote it in full:—

An Act to repeal the Acts respecting Insolvency now in force in Canada.

Whereas it is expedient to repeal Acts hereinafter mentioned subject to the provision hereinafter made: Therefore Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and House of Commons of Canada, enacts as follows:—

1. "The Insolvent Act of 1875," and the Acts amending it, passed in the thirty-ninth and fortieth years of Her Majesty's reign, and intitled, respectively: "An Act to amend the Insolvent Act of 1875," and "An Act to amend the Insolvent Act of 1875," and the Acts amending the same," shall be and are hereby repealed, and no Act repealed by the said Acts, or either of them, shall be revived: Provided, that all proceedings under "The Insolvent Act of 1875," and the amending Acts, aforesaid, in any case where an assignee has been appointed before the passing of this Act, may be continued and completed, and shall be of the same effect as if this Act had not been passed.

Mr. Girouard, of Jacques Cartier, has given notice of the following amendment: "All insolvents under the provisions of the Insolvent Acts of 1864, 1869 or 1875, (or Acts amending the same, who have not yet obtained a discharge under the said Acts, and who have delivered up the whole of their estate, and have not been guilty of any fraud

within the meaning of any of the said Acts, shall henceforth and forever be discharged from their liabilities to the extent precluded by the said Acts; but all remedies now existing may be enforced by any creditor who shall prove any such fraud or want of delivery of the estate of his debtor. This Act shall not apply to any case where a discharge has been refused by the Court or judge for fraud or want of delivery of any portion of the assets of the insolvent."

Correspondence.

We do not hold ourselves responsible for the statements or opinions of our correspondents.

To the Editor of the Examiner.

Sir,—In your issue of Feb. 20th appears a charge of gross mismanagement by the new Fire Department on the morning of the 20th inst., at the fire at the east end of the city. Ah! a malicious charge indeed, under the dark cover of "Tax-payer!" Well, Mr. Editor, in justice to the new Department, and myself particularly, I wish to inform the citizens, and especially "Tax-payer," that I have no love for any instrument bearing an opprobrious name. Consequently, I am inclined to believe that "Tax-payer" is one of those characterized in the Mayor's report in your issue of the same date, and would be more in keeping with his character had he substituted the charge for his signature, viz., "Gross Calumny."

Citizens, your humble servant was present at the fire on the morning in question, not from a voluntary desire on my own part to rise from my bed at the first hour of the morning, especially with the mercury eighteen to twenty below zero, but simply to fulfil my duty as a citizen when called upon to do so. Therefore, being an eye witness, I charge this "Tax-payer" with writing a deliberate falsehood in respect to pulling down one building thereby setting fire to the other, as the very reverse is the truth. In fact the first building on fire was pulled the opposite way from the second building burned; and not until in the act of falling itself, which had it been allowed to fall, it would no doubt agree with "Tax-payer." It appears to me that "Tax-payer" would deserve more credit if he would explain to the new Department who is to blame for the condition of the two steamers and that inexhaustible tank at the Gas House! Had Providence favored the new Board with high water at the late fire, the calamity would be less lamentable, that is unless "Tax-payer" found a favorable opportunity to apply the torch, as I have no doubt but the person guilty of writing such calumny would not hesitate to do; and then seek the columns of the press to father his dark deeds upon the heretofore raw recruits. M. P. HOGAN. Feb. 23, 1880.

A Charge Contradicted.

To the Editor of the Examiner.

Sir,—In Friday's paper your correspondent "Tax Payer" says, (referring to the fire the night before) "as might be expected, the department was very badly handled." This statement is absolutely and unqualifiedly false, and is calculated to mislead. It matters very little to the taxpayers in general, who is the Chief Engineer or who are the Fire Wardens, so long as the steamers are in the hands of experienced men, as is the case at present. At the fire your correspondent refers to, the Silsby was the first to arrive, and took position at the tank on King Square. In an incredibly short space of time she poured a splendid stream of water on the burning building, and would, in all probability, have saved the one adjoining had it not been for the insufficiency of a fancy coupling which failed to work according to the expectations of its inventor, the Engineer of the Silsby. It is rather too soon to begin to throw blame upon the shoulders of the new Chief Engineer or his assistants, as having been in office scarcely a fortnight, it is a matter of impossibility that he should have been able to effect wonders in that space of time. It is also equally impossible that disorder could have been created since; and therefore if, as your correspondent states, matters are in such a fearful condition, the outgoing administration must be to blame. "Tax Payer" is unconsciously throwing dirt upon those whom he endeavors to extol, and acquitting those whom he wishes to convict. The late Chief Engineer may well exclaim, "Save me from my friends" if they are all of "Tax Payers" stamp. Yours &c., FIREMAN.

A Question Asked.

To the Editor of the Examiner.

Sir,—In the last English papers I read the following:— "Lady Mary Hamilton—who has been divorced by a Court composed of certain Cardinals—has asked the authorization of the Church to contract a new marriage with a Hungarian Prince. The Church finds no impediment, but the marriage must be performed in some country where no civil marriage is known. The marriage will take place secretly at Vienna."

I was always under the impression that the Church of Rome was most strict and unyielding in the matter of divorce, and that, while permitting a "separatio," she never allowed such a divorce as enabled either of the parties to marry again. How then is this marriage permitted? I write in no carping spirit, but solely for information. Yours truly, OBSERVER.

A Suggestion.

To the Editor of the Examiner.

Sir,—I noticed with satisfaction that committees engaged in the collection of aid to suffering Ireland, have published their subscription list in full, and have also given a statement of how the money has been disposed of. May I ask why the Committee engaged in raising a relief fund for the unemployed poor of Charlottetown have not thought proper to publish the names of the donors, nor the manner in which the money has been used? Is it because the money has been entrusted by the Committee to such prudent and trustworthy hands as those of W. D. Stewart, that no further account is to be given to the donors? A CONTRIBUTOR. Charlottetown, Feb. 23rd, 1880.

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LECTURE. MR. E. J. HODGSON Has consented to deliver his Lecture upon FRANCIS OF ASSISI, —ON— MONDAY, 1st March Next, —IN— Y. M. C. A. HALL, AT EIGHT O'CLOCK. Admission 15 cts. Tickets for admission can be obtained at W. R. Watson's. Feb. 18, 1880.

New Spring Tweeds JUST RECEIVED. A CHOICE SELECTION, AT J. B. McDONALD'S. Queen Street, February 23, 1880—2w 3law

Sprink Park School District. ALL PERSONS who have not paid their Tax for the current year are hereby notified that all delinquents will be sued before the next County Court without further notice. JOHN HIGGINS, Collector. Charlottetown, Feb. 21, 1880.

Merchants Bank of P. E. Island THE Annual Meeting of the Shareholders of this Bank will be held at their Banking House in Charlottetown, on THURSDAY, the 4th day of March next, at the hour of 12 o'clock, noon, for the purpose of electing Directors for the ensuing year, and the transaction of such other business as may be laid before them. Proxies for voting must be left with the Cashier at least one day previous to the meeting. W. W. McLEAN, Cashier. Charlottetown, Feb. 21, 1880.

JUST RECEIVED, Per S. S. Northern Light, A CHOICE SELECTION OF Spring Tweeds and Worsteds. SPECIAL BARGAINS GIVEN. BRUCE & McKENZIE, Feb. 21, 1880—3law 1/1 Queen Street.

The Early Stages of Christianity in England. REV. C. O'BRIEN, D. D., will deliver a Lecture in the MARKET HALL, —ON— Wednesday Evening, Feb. 25,

On "The Early Stages of Christianity in England." Doors open at 7.30 p. m.; Lecture at 8 p. m. Admission—Reserved seats 20 cents; unreserved, 10 cents. As the proceeds of the Lecture will be given for the relief of the poor, the patronage of the public is respectfully solicited. P. R. BOWERS, Secretary St. Vincent de Paul's Society. Feb. 23, 1880—1 m tu, all papers

Hake. Hake. Hake. 500 QUINTALS very superior WHITE HAKE, pickled cured, equal to Cod-fish. For sale low for cash. B. WILSON HIGGS, 52 Queen Street. Charlottetown, Feb. 20, 1880—2w 4law

RE-OPENED! McKAY'S Watch & Jewelry Store, NO. 57, GREAT GEORGE STREET, OPPOSITE WALKER'S CORNER.

Repairing Neatly Done. ALL WORK WARRANTED. Feb. 20, 1880—3w 2aw

Bank of P. E. Island. THE Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of this Bank will be held at their Banking House, in Charlottetown, on TUESDAY, the second day of March next, at 12 o'clock, noon, for the purpose of electing Directors for the ensuing year, and the transaction of such other business as may be laid before them. Proxies for voting must be left with the Cashier at least one day previous to the meeting. J. R. BRECKEN, Cashier. Charlottetown, Feb. 20, 1880—pat h pre ar ne

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. SUBSCRIBE for the DAILY EXAMINER, the Cheapest and most Newsy Paper, Published in the Provinces.

JANUARY! 1880.

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We have just received, ex Str. "Northern Light," several cases of

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Frillings, Edgings and Laces.

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BIG DISCOUNT, In order to clear them out before the season is over.

Perkins & Sterns. February 5, 1880.

Meeting of Parliament. ST. JAMES' KIRK BAZAAR!

The Ladies in connection with St. James' Kirk will hold a Bazaar for the Sale of Fancy and Useful Articles, —ALSO— A Tea and Refreshment Table, On the 31st March Next, —IN THE— MARKET HALL.

The proceeds to be applied to the liquidation of the debt on the Church edifice. Doors open at 2 o'clock, p. m. Admission—Adults, 20 cents; children, half-price. Tickets to be had at the Drug Stores of W. R. Watson, Dr. Dodd, C. D. Rankin, and at the door. PRESIDENT—Mrs. McLennan. COMMITTEE—Mrs. McPherson, Mrs. Longworth, Mrs. A. Kennedy, Mrs. Stirling, Mrs. Lord, Mrs. Dunn, Mrs. McLaren, Mrs. A. Murray, Mrs. Cavanagh, Mrs. Rankin, Mrs. P. W. Hyndman, Miss Mackieson, Miss Owen, Mrs. Malcolm McLeod. T. A. STEWART, Secretary. Feb. 19, 1880.

CAUTION. THE public are hereby cautioned not to pay to any person except the undersigned, debts due to the firm of McKinnon, Fraser & Co. WILLIAM JOHN FRASER. Feb. 19, 1880.

APPLES. 100 BARRELS BALDWIN'S & RUSSETTS. CARVELL BROS.

TEA. 170 CHESTS, } Strong and Excel- 55 half-chests, } lent flavor. CARVELL BROS.

Molasses. 65 PUNS, } Bright Molasses. 20 Bbls. } CARVELL BROS.

SUGAR. 78 PACKAGES (Hhds. and Bbls.) White Granulated, Bright Porto Rico, Barbadoes, Cuba. CARVELL BROS. Feb. 13, 1880—2w ws

PEA SOUP. PREPARED with Pea Flour and seasoned and flavored with the finest herbs and seasonings, to which is added Liebig's Extract of Meat, making one of the most nutritious dishes that can be obtained. A 25 cent Tin will make 3 quart of thick Soup. For sale at BEER & GOFF'S. Feb. 18, 1880.

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GOLDEN SYRUP. Very Choice. 8 CTS. PER POUND, —AT— BEER & GOFF'S. Jan. 13, 1880.

Labrador Herring. CHOICE CATCH OF 1879. Smoked Salmon, Salt Trout, " Herring, " Shad, " Halibut, " Mackerel. At HALL'S FISH MARKET. Feb. 18, 1880—tf

Valuable Property for Sale. THAT FARM lately owned by John and Peter Meikle, situate on Lot 23, in Queen's County. For further particulars apply at the office of Messrs. Hodgson & McLeod, Charlotte town. Jan. 9, 1880—eod

Valuable Property for Sale. TO BE SOLD, all that part of Town Lot No. 74, in the first hundred of Town Lots in Charlottetown; having a front of 67 feet, Dorchester street, and running back 80 feet, together with the buildings thereon erected. For further particulars apply to Messrs. Hodgson & McLeod Charlottetown. Sept. 13, 1879.