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OBITUARY.

In our obituary of to-day, many will read, with sorrow, the announcement of the death of the Hon. Patrick Walker. By his demise, another link has been broken of the chain which connected the passing history of the colony, with the somewhat remote past. His father was one of those hardy pioneers whom the Western Scottish Isles sent forth to encounter the sufferings and hardships which fall to the lot of early settlers. Launching Place, was the site he chose, and there his children and grandchildren have still their home. The deceased, in early life, turned his attention to mercantile pursuits, and came to Charlottetown, where he learned his business in the store of the late Hon. Daniel Brennan. Subsequently he entered upon business on his own account; and for many years drove a large and flourishing trade. No merchant in Charlottetown was better known than Mr. Walker; and there was no one whose honesty and sincerity were more highly esteemed. His customers had in him the most implicit confidence; and all his transactions were marked by a candor and straightforwardness which made him beloved. Long as he has conducted business, and been engaged in public affairs, we are confident that he never made to himself an enemy, or wittingly inflicted injury on any one. He carries with him to his grave such an amount of deep respect as falls to the lot of few.

For many years Mr. Walker was one of the Representatives of the First Electoral District of King's County, in the Legislative Council. He was assiduous in his duties to his constituents, and was, we believe, always returned by acclamation.

For some time back his health has been rapidly declining. Still, with wonderful persistency he retained, 'mid all his sufferings, that vivacity and cheerfulness which were characteristic of his nature, and although he felt that the hand of death was upon him, his buoyancy of manner never seemed to abate. On Tuesday last he sank rapidly, and at 9 o'clock in the evening he expired without a struggle. The sorrow with which the announcement of his death was received by the citizens of Charlottetown this morning, bears stronger testimony of the esteem in which Mr. Walker was held, than can be conveyed by any words from us. A truly Christian gentleman has passed from among us. To Mrs. Walker we offer our sincerest sympathy.

The Election in Quebec East.

This is election day in Quebec East.— "The dawn is overcast; the morning lowers And heavily in clouds comes on the day— The great, the important day, Big with the fate of"— Laurier and the Government.

BANKING IN AUSTRALIA.

TELEGRAPHIC advices from Sydney to London state that at a meeting of the Bank of New South Wales a dividend was declared at the rate of 15 per cent., and a bonus of 2½ per cent. per annum, or 8½ per cent. for the half-year ending the 30th of September; £10.00 was added to the reserve fund, making it now £140.00.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

THE ladies having charge of the Soup Kitchen desire to acknowledge a further donation of twenty pounds of biscuits from a friend; also kind assistance from Messrs. Dodd & Rogers, Millner, Horne, and N. Large.

The Committee will thankfully receive donations of supplies or money at the kitchen, north side of Dorchester Street, west of Pownall (near Murray's Bakery), from eleven until one o'clock every day. N. B.—Food for the sick will be carefully prepared.

THE ASSESSMENT ACT.

Of the long list of vagaries, inconsistencies and downright blunders laid to the charge of the Davies-Stewart Administration, only one or two are more glaring, and none more conspicuously offensive to the Province, than the passage of the Assessment Act.

The Assessment Act is the pet child of the Local Premier. How he managed to nurse it through the Legislature is a mystery. When he was fomenting discord only a few months previous to its passage, he ridiculed the very idea of a School Act which should not include within its operation incorporate towns. Yet incorporate towns are not compelled to submit to the levy made under the corollary to the School Act. If Charlottetown and Summerside only were exempted from Provincial taxation upon real estate, there would not be so much cause to complain; for those towns heavily tax themselves to provide good public streets and other public facilities; but every village in the country, may, and doubtless will—when by doing so they will be relieved of the heavy burden of taxation—become incorporated, and thus transfer their public burdens to the people of the country. Thus the wealthy townsmen and villagers will escape scot free, while the poor countryman will be obliged to bear a double tax. That this will be the result, if the Act continues in force, is evident from its present working. The magic line which divides Charlottetown from the country, cannot be crossed by the Provincial tax-gatherer. A farmer in the Royalty is forced to pay his \$100, \$200, \$300, or \$400 into the Provincial Treasury. The wealthy merchant, who resides inside the circle made by Mr. Davies, pays only \$1.00 on account of his head. Under such conditions the incorporation of towns will soon be the order of the day, and we will have magic circles everywhere.

Again, the Act prohibits an appeal to the courts in which ordinary grievances are redressed. The unfortunate farmer whose salary has been valued at \$1,000 more than it is worth, must pay the full amount levied upon him, or submit to distraint or imprisonment. He has no alternative—no redress. The decision of Assessors, who drove past his door one fine summer's day, is absolute and unalterable. All his pleadings before the court to which he may be summoned to have judgment pronounced against him, must be vain; because no court can change the award of the Assessors. "Their award is final and decisive."

Then the idea of sending a brigade of Assessors and Collectors through the land to collect the insignificant sum of \$35,000 and to absorb one-seventh of the amount. At a time, too, when the people required, for their own private use, every dollar they can scrape together—at a time when money is exceptionally scarce and heavy instalments are required at the Land Office in order to free their farms. The Assessment Act was a mistake from the beginning. It was not required. The object to be attained by it, viz.—That the wealthiest should pay the most taxes—defeated by the constitution of a large number of Boards of Assessors, who not unnaturally vary in their estimates of the value of property. It is opposed to a fundamental right of every free people—the right to appeal. It is obnoxious, because it operates—necessarily operates—unfairly and

"The Political Puritan."

Grip had a capital cartoon last week, entitled "The Political Puritan." The Puritan in question is the Hon. Alexander Mackenzie. He is represented walking along the street with himself, the one Mackenzie appearing in Puritanic garb, the other in Scotch plaid. Sir John Macdonald passes along carrying a board on which, under the heading, "Grit Professions of Purity," are the following paragraphs from the Mail:—"Come along John"—Maddiver. "Missionary expenses, \$11,000—S. Neelon. "I spent \$800 of my own to elect Blake"—Lovekin. "My expenses in the two elections were probably \$28,000"—H. Cook. "\$20,000, I think"—Major Walker. "\$14,000, I believe"—M. C. Cameron, of Huron. "We must make a Big Push. Come down handsomely"—G. B. "I mesmerised them in batches of 15 and 16 and turned a hundred that night"—J. Simpson.

The Mackenzie dressed in plaid looks round at the array of evidence of Grit corruption, but the Puritan Mackenzie, with pious eyes turned towards heaven, urges him not to look at the record, saying:—"Come awa. Dinna be lookin' around. As I was sayin'—although Reformers might hae adopted the old Tory principle o' carryn' on elections through corruption, yet they never resorted to it." Pure Reformers! Innocent Mackenzie!

STREET IMPROVEMENTS.

THE vigor displayed by the City Corporation, in the improvement of our streets, is worthy of the highest commendation. Citizens will not object to pay taxes when they see their money well laid out. The macadamization of Water Street is the most notable of the numerous improvements recently made. This work is creditable to all concerned.

TRAMPS.—St. John, N. B., is now overrun with tramps—men who say they cannot find work, have no money, and want a few words to procure food. Some of these have been working during the busy season and have spent all their earnings. In view of their increasing numbers the "Globe" wants to know what is to be done with them.

COMMUNICATION OF ROBERT MINARD, with regard to the "Curran Robbery," will be held till the trial before the Stipendiary Magistrate is closed.

Latest by Telegraph.

A Threatening Situation in France.

PEACE PROPOSALS IN RUSSIA.

[By Telegraph to Reading Room and Daily Examiner.]

LONDON, Nov. 28.

McMahon threatens to let the Senate choose between another dissolution of Deputies and his resignation if the budget is refused.

General Harnantovitch has ordered the inhabitants of Alexandria-Sartchar and Kagagantz districts to be ready in fifteen days to retire to the interior.

Troops are distributed all along the frontier, and orders are given for the second-class militia to be mobilized and in readiness to march to the frontier.

An official Russian dispatch says the losses since the commencement of hostilities amounts to 71,705 men.

Bucharest advices says that Gortchakoff is engaged in a lively diplomatic interview, and a proposal is already made for a conference on peace conditions.

The iron strikers on the Clyde resumed work to-day.

Fully a hundred lives were lost by the wreck of the U. S. steamer "Huron."

WAR NEWS.

LONDON, Nov. 26.

A despatch from St. Petersburg says it is reported that the Russian Government is actively endeavoring to exclude England from any part of peace negotiations.

It is reported by way of Constantinople that Mukhtar Pasha has probably withdrawn from Erzeroum.

The Roumanians, after ten days' fighting, have occupied the strong position of Provitza.

Lord O'Donnell has returned suddenly to his post at Berlin.

It is represented that things at Sofia are unsatisfactory. Mehemet Ali can get neither men nor artillery enough to form a relieving army. The Turks have evacuated Morica and all the villages of Tarasms district, and retired beyond Bryara.

The Meridikes are again in revolt, and have advanced to the vicinity of Scutari.

Servia's intervention is now certain. It is stated that her independence is to be proclaimed, and all her militia are ordered to be ready to march to the frontier by Nov. 29th.

It is stated that the Sultan has expressed the intention to treat separately with the Czar. He abandons all idea of applying to any foreign power for mediation.

The Russian newspapers profess a strong desire for peace. Much talk of the probability of such settlement is said to grow bolder daily.

A report published on Saturday that England might be compelled to go to war with Russia, and was preparing an army corps is contradicted.

The Russians on Saturday captured the fortified town of Entrpol, twenty miles north of the Balkans, with trifling loss. The Turks fled in disorder.

The "Times" Cutting despatch says the Citadel at Antivari still holds out encouraged by assurances of relief coming by sea.

GENERAL NEWS.

LONDON, Nov. 26.

A fearful gale raged around the British Isles on Saturday night. Thirty vessels are ashore between Ramsgate and Deal, and many lives are reported lost.

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Official notice is published by the city authorities, inviting proposals for the immediate removal of Temple Bar.

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A Paris Correspondent of the Times; telegraphs: "It is said that one great obstacle to reconciliation of public powers is, that prompters of the Executive foresee that at no distant date; through the then vacancy in the Holy See, France may have to play an important part, and are resolved, at any cost, that the office shall not then be held by Liberals, who not only would not pursue traditional French policy, but might add immense strength to quite an opposite course. From this point of view many things otherwise obscure become intelligible, and one can understand how the 6th of May, though evidently directed against the Liberal party, was not designed to favor any other particular faction. This also explains formation of the new Cabinet. Neither Republican nor Bonapartist Ministry can satisfy those governed by this special anxiety, for the latter would not sever their interests, but would dissolve Chamber only for the Empire. Now in the view of which governs the policy of Elysee, dissolution with or without budget being voted would continue power for some time in hands of those who regard external interests as paramount."

NEW YORK, Nov. 26.

So far but 34 out of 134 persons aboard the United States steamer Huron are saved.

Great fears are entertained for the safety of the Torpedo boat Alarm which left New York on Thursday for Washington in charge of two officers. There is no intelligence of her whereabouts.

SOUTH AMBOY, N. J., Nov. 26.

By undermining a track at South Amboy, N. J., a construction train was derailed and three persons killed and four injured.

NORFOLK, Va., Nov. 26.

The steamer Banto arrived at the Navy Yard this morning with 30 seamen and four officers, survivors of the wrecked steamer Huron, and eight dead bodies, all that had been recovered when the boat left the scene of the disaster last night at eight o'clock.

Four fishermen, of the Gloucester fishing schr. "Grace Coat," were drowned off the Middle Banks on last Sunday week. One of their names is Daniel McDonald of Cape Breton.

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Offer Wholesale,

AT LOWEST MARKET PRICES.

1,500 BARRELS CANADA FLOUR.

Patent Process, Superior Extra, Extra, Fancy, Strong Baker's, Spring Extra, Choice Superior.

GRAHAM FLOUR (Barrels and Half Barrels).

BRAN.

CORNMEAL

Yellow Kila-Dried, White Kila-Dried.

CHOICE BARBADOES MOLASSES.

Punchoons, Tierces, Barrels.

SUGAR.

Dry Crushed, Granulated, Coffee Crushed, Golden Yellow, English Refined, Barbadoes.

AMERICAN KEROSENE, 120° & 160°

CANADIAN KEROSENE, 120°

FINEST CONGOU & SOUCHONG TEA. Chests, Half-Chests and Boxes.

RANKINE'S BISCUIT.

Abernethy, Butter, Fruit, Graham, Soda, Pilot, Wine, &c.

White Beans, Split Peas, Smoked Herring, Cheese, Canned Vegetables, Baking Soda, Baking Powders, Vinegar.

APPLES.

Baldwins, Russets, Greenings.

RAISINS.

Layers, Valencias, Loose Muscatel,

Currants, Coffee, Cream Tartar, Chocolate, Cocoa, Cocoa Sticks, Broma.

Prepared Corn, Pepper, Ginger, Mustard, Spices.

Candles, Laundry Soaps, Toilet Soaps, Blue and white Starch, Washing Soda, Washing Crystal.

TOBACCO.

Boxes Twist, Flat 12's, Caddies Bright Smoking, Caddies Cheewing,

SOLE LEATHER.

Extra, No. 1 & 2.

CRATES ASSORTED EARTHENWARE.

Brooms, Blacking, Bartlett's Bluing, Pails—Grained, Painted & Varnished, Tubs, Washboards.

MATCHES.

Cases, Half-Cases and Boxes.

MANILLA ROPE.

all Sizes.

T. D. Pipes, Horse Nails, Wrapping Paper, Paper Bags.

LIBERAL DISCOUNT FOR CASH. Charlottetown, Nov. 27, 1877.

New Advertisements.

GRAND LITERARY AND MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT

THURSDAY EV'NG,

NOV. 29, 1877.

PROGRAMME.

- Chorus. Choir
- Address. Rev. Geo. Hodgson
- Violin, Piano, Cornet. Miss Newbery, Winnicombe and Fletcher.
- Song. J. J. Regan
- Reading. S. D. Fitzgerald
- Address. A. McKenzie
- Solo Instr. Prof. Earle

INTERMISSION.

- Cornet Solo. C. P. Fletcher
- Recitation. T. A. McLean
- Address. F. W. Hales
- Song. A. McKinnon
- Reading. W. L. Cotton
- Piano and Violin. Miss Newbery and [Winnicombe.]

"GOD SAVE THE QUEEN."

Admission 10 Cents. Doors open at 7½; commence at 8.

PROFESSOR DANIELLES' GRAND CARNIVALISTIC & FANCY DRESS BALL

WILL TAKE PLACE IN THE

MARKET HALL,

THURSDAY EVENING, Dec. 6, 1877.

When the respectable public of Charlottetown will have an opportunity of witnessing some of those grand spectacular scenes seldom witnessed outside of London, New York and other large cities.

The costumes to be worn are gorgeous in the extreme, and will represent an outlay of Four Thousand Dollars and every nationality.

At this Entertainment a new feature will be introduced: that of numerous living canaries, which, under excitement from the gay scene below them, will enliven the evening by their merry notes.

The two main features of the evening will be the opening Procession (the Grand Amazonian March) by all the characters, and the unveiling of the Statues of Apollo, Azarela, and the Spirit of the Sun, in full view of the assemblage.

Only the members of Prof. D's Classes, and such ladies and gentlemen as they invite, will take part in this Carnival Ball, and those so invited will be furnished with Costumes from Prof. D's wardrobe, at the same prices as they are furnished to the pupils; while those having Carnival Costumes of their own are privileged to wear them.

A limited number of spectators can witness this dazzling scene, at 25 cents each. Reserved seats (on the stage), 50 cents.—the latter to be procured at—where a plan can be seen after Saturday, Dec. 1st. Ch'town, Nov. 26—m w s th w th w

GENERAL AGENCY NOTICE.

I BEG to announce to the TRADE of this City, and the Island generally, that on the 2nd of JANUARY I will have a complete

ASSORTMENT OF SAMPLES, of the following lines of Goods for Spring and Summer:

English & Canadian TWEEDS & WOOLLENS, BOOTS & SHOES,

AMERICAN COTTONS, Readymade Clothing

AMERICAN RUBBER GOODS, IN GREAT VARIETY.

Tobacco & Cigars, Confectionery, Coffee & Spices, Naval Stores, Teas, Sugars.

I am also SOLE AGENT for the Lower Provinces for WYATT & Co's (London) CELEBRATED

Pickles, Sauces, Jellies, Etc., —AND—

E. James & Son's (Plymouth) celebrated STARCH, BLUE & DOME LEAD.

This Notice is only to the Trade—no Retail orders being solicited or accepted.

Sample Rooms at No. 9 Queen St., over the Office of Messrs. Hyndman Brothers.

JOHN H. CATHRAE, Ch'town, Nov. 23, 1877—1w & lweoy