

Legislative.

DOMINION PARLIAMENT meets on Thursday next. The Local Legislature of this Province meets on the 4th of March. Both have some important work to do. In the Dominion Parliament, the further reform in the Civil Service, the readjustment of the system of banking, the amendment of the laws relating to bankruptcy, will all, probably be considered. The complaints against the tariff have been confined pretty strictly to the Opposition; and many of them are so evidently baseless or absurd, that they are calculated to render our legislators careless about those features of it which really require revision. The Finance Minister is, however, alive to the interests of the country, and it is probable that the tariff will be changed in a few minor details. In the Local Legislature, the reduction of the Legislature by the abolition of the Legislative Council will, we take it for granted, be again attempted. Not to speak of the expense, the absurdity of having two houses of the Legislature, and over forty representatives, to make laws about the schools and roads of this Province, is apparent, and we trust that no petty jealousy about a useless right will stand in the way of definite action in this regard. Other measures with a view to increased economy in the public service will also, we have no doubt, engage the attention of the Local Legislature.

Stock Raising in the Lower Provinces.

WHILE at Halifax, Mr. Bruce, one of the Scottish Agricultural Delegates, was interviewed by the reporter for the Halifax Evening Mail. In regard to cattle-raising, Mr. Bruce gave utterance to views which apply as well to this Island as to Nova Scotia. We commend them to the attention of our farmers. Mr. Bruce said:—

"I am rather in favor of Nova Scotia; facilities for cattle raising and close proximity to the sea rendering shipping easy and inexpensive. There ought not to be a single acre of cleared land unemployed. The cost of the transport of cattle from Ontario to Halifax alone is a large profit. In addition to which, owing to the short distance to the place of embarkation, the Nova Scotia cattle go on board the ship fresh. Cattle can be raised here as successfully as in Ontario, and more so, judging from the stock shown me. I understand that potato crops grow well; so do turnips and mangolds. Why then, instead of shipping the potatoes to the States, are they not fed to cattle, which may be preparing for the English market? I have £14 10s. capital per acre invested in one way or another on my farm at home. The most of this I should bring with me. I would not do this if I had the slightest doubt as to the ultimate success of my venture. The prospects then for an immigration of good tenant farmers with capital are that a great many with, say from £500 to £3,000 each, will come to this country."

"ROSE BELFORD'S CANADIAN MONTHLY" for February is at hand. The following is a list of its contents:—

- Canadian Nationality: A Present Day Plea. By Wm. Norris, Toronto.
Interlude? A Poem. By Chas. E. Roberts.
B. A., Chatham, N. B.
No Law School. By N. F. Davin and Thos. A. Gorham, Toronto.
Two Windows. A Poem. By Mrs. K. S. Maclean, Kingston.
Ethel Macdonald. A Recollection of the Himalayas. By Arthur J. Graham, Belleville.
In Memoriam. The late Professor J. H. Mackerras, Kingston. By Fidelis.
Jean Ingelow and her Poetry. II. By Felix L. Max, Toronto.
The Fallen Leaves. By Wilkie Collins-Chaps. XXXVII-XL.
Morality and Religion. By W. D. Le Sueur, B. A., Ottawa.
Trust. A Poem. From "Along the Way."
The Cost of Government in Canada. By Wm. McDonnell, Lindsay.
Ballads of Fair Faces. VI. and VII. By C. P. Mulvaney, M. A.
The Irish Land Question. By John Curran, Orillia.
Reputation. An Epigram. By Geo. E. Shaw, Toronto.
Under One Roof. By Jas. Payn. Chaps. XLIV., LIV.
"Chivalrous Homage" to Women. By O. S. Round the Table.—Drink as an Excuse for Crime.—The Use of the Word "Feature"—Cardinal Newman and "Times"—Fire Arms and their Indiscriminate Use.
Book Reviews.—The Egotist—United States and Canada—The Political Destiny of Canada—High Spirits and Stories Written in them—Church Rambles and Scrambles—Family Creeds—The Parson of Dunford—The Canadian Academy.
Music and the Drama.
The "Monthly" Scrap Book.

A BONE SPRAIN ON A VALUABLE HORSE.—Blistered, fired, rowelled, and did everything without any benefit. A neighbor advised me to try Giles' Liment. I bought a quart bottle. To my intense satisfaction, the bony deposit disappeared, also the lameness. H. B. Edwards, Park Hotel, Oceanport N. Y. Send to Dr. Giles, 150 West Broadway, N. Y., for pamphlet containing full information. Giles' Pills cure rheumatism. Trial bottles 25 cents.

Despatches from Panama say the Chileans are preparing to blockade Callao, and land some 15,000 men at Lima and the same number at Arica, by this final blow compelling the Peruvians to sue for peace.

The Masonic Entertainment.

As we anticipated, the entertainment in Market Hall last evening was one of the best ever enjoyed by a Charlotetown audience. The hall was so completely transmogrified by means of tastefully arranged flags, banners, emblems, pictures, etc., that it presented a not unpleasing appearance. Indeed, there was scarcely a trace of the market and its concomitants about it. The pains the Committee were compelled to take to make it consistent with the occasion evidence the need there is for a good concert hall in this city. Past Master L. H. Davies occupied the chair, supported on the left by John Yeo, Grand Master of the Masonic Order in this Province, and on the right by Albert Carvell, Master of King Solomon Lodge, under whose auspices the entertainment was given. After the opening ode, "We Meet upon the Level,"—sung by H. Beer, A. A. Baldwin, Alex. McKinnon, J. E. Davison and B. Bremner—the Chairman delivered a short address. He referred to the antiquity of Free Masonry, the democracy of Free Masonry, the charitable purpose of Free Masonry, said it was a shame that Charlotetown did not possess charitable institutions such as they have in nearly every town of the United States, advised the erection of a hospital building in which persons having infectious diseases, as well as others, may be treated, and expressed the hope that the masonic body would not fail to secure a ward in the hospital which will, either by the Government and Corporation, or by means of private subscriptions, sooner or later be built. The programme was carried out as published by us last evening—except that there were several encores. The Quintette Club produced such "a concord of sweet sounds" as only they can produce, and the violin playing of Messrs. Vinnicombe and Montgomery, with accompaniments by Mr. Earle, were very delightful. Mr. George Peske does not often favor us with a reading, but his rendition of "the death of King Charles the First" was so good that his next appearance will be looked forward to with pleasure. Mr. T. A. McLean recited "The Sign of Distress" very well. Mr. Williams' beautiful solo, "The Sad Sea Waves," was very finely sung, and Mr. Hermann's solo "The Standard Watch," exhibited to good advantage the powers of his magnificent voice. The comic and humorous elements in the programme were of a much higher and better order than is usually found in popular entertainments. The musical dialogue between Miss Sadie Wilson and Master DesBrisay was well done and deservedly encored. In the character song, "Sarah Walker," Mr. B. Bremner was very laughable and was enthusiastically encored. As "Roger O'Mally" Mr. Williams was unimitatable; and "McCarthy's Mare," which he sang in response to an encore, brought down the house. Selections from "Pinafore" were exceedingly well rendered by Messrs. Bairnsfather and Morris. Though they lacked the support of "a Company" their efforts were highly appreciated by the audience, as evidenced by the hearty applause they received. Mr. F. S. Longworth's comic reading, "The Queen's Coronation," was very good indeed. Altogether, we have to thank the Brethren of King Solomon Lodge, and those by whom they were assisted, for an exceedingly good entertainment.

Washington Letter.

THE PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN. WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 2. The political pot is boiling very vigorously just now. Several weeks ago it was thought that the Presidential canvass would be postponed until later than usual. But Mr. Cameron ordered the Pennsylvania Convention to meet early in order to help along his favorite boom. It waked up the opposition of the Republican leaders, and lately the controversy has been most animated. In fact, it has become acrimonious since it has been developed that Cameron is determined to have his way in Pennsylvania, whether the majority of his party like it or not. He went home on Saturday, and announced as he went that the State Convention must declare for Grant. He is greatly wrought up, because whenever county conventions have been called in Pennsylvania, Senator Blaine seems to have been favored with the votes of the majority. The impression in the public mind here is that he thinks the voters in his State have no rights contrary to his interests, and therefore he is going to manipulate the convention to his own fancy. There is consequently great interest felt in the controversy, especially as a large number of his constituents declared themselves independent of him.

Mr. Sherman appears to be boldly pushing his Presidential interests in a manner not altogether pleasant to contemplate in a man who aspires to so high a position. He is provoking criticism in his own party equal to that against Cameron. It is asserted that he has sent several special agents, who are in the pay of the Government, through the State of North Carolina to get delegates appointed to Chicago, pledged to vote for him. The four delegates at large have been appointed by the State Committee, three of whom are members of that Committee, of course are for Sherman. One is Collector at the port of Wilmington, and one has recently, it is said, received a Treasury appointment. Of the Committee who made a selection of delegates, is one Chief Clerk of the Loan Division of the Treasury, one Collector of Customs, and one Collector of Internal Revenue. It may be asked, what has become of civil service rules? Is the President entirely ignorant of the means employed by the Secretary of the Treasury to force his nomination upon his party? If not, his attention should be called to it at once. The Secretary has been raised to a high position ready, too high by far if he can see in it nothing but a stepping stone to a higher place. He has no right to employ men in the pay of the Government to canvass for him.

The dismissal of Commissioner Hoyt does not end the troubles in the Interior Department. It is thought that several others connected with the Indian Bureau may be involved in the irregularities which killed Hoyt. Secretary Schurz is now urged to look sharply to the Commissioner of Pensions, and it is believed that he will have to go soon.

Take Notice!

CHARLOTTETOWN, Feb. 10, 1880. EXECUTIONS will be issued against those persons who have been sued for City Taxes for the year 1878, if not paid forthwith. Also, City Taxes owing and unpaid for the year 1879, will be sued for if not paid immediately. By order, W. SHEPHERD, City Collector.

NOTICE!

Merchants Marine Ins. Co'y OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the Company will be held in the

Y. M. C. A. HALL,

Wednesday, 10th March Next, AT 3 O'CLOCK.

for the election of Directors for the ensuing year, and the transaction of other business. FENTON T. NEWBURY, Feb. 9, 1880—2aw

Sabbath School CONCERT.

THE SABBATH SCHOOL in connection with the SECOND METHODIST CHURCH will give a

Concert and Literary Entertainment,

UPPER PRINCE STREET CHURCH,

Friday, 13th Feb.,

Assisted by the Choir and several Musical Instruments. We intend this to be a first-class entertainment. General admission, 15 cents; children, 10 cents. Concert to commence at 8 o'clock. M. N. WRIGHT, Sec'y Com. Feb. 9, 1880—mth

The Insolvent Act of 1875 and Amending Acts.

In the Matter of John Seller, an Insolvent.

BY AUCTION, will be sold at the Subscriber's office, on FRIDAY NEXT, the 13th inst., at Two o'clock in the afternoon, the following Stock, being part of the Estate of above Insolvent:—

- 5 Horses,
1 Cow,
2 Wood Sleights,
1 Jaunting Sleigh,
1 Box Sleigh,
1 Cart,
1 Express Wagon,
1 Sulky,
1 Buggy,
1 Cultivator,
1 sett Harness,
1 Wood Plough,
1 Mowing Machine,
2 Cart Harnesses,
1 Sulky Rake, etc., etc.

Terms at Sale. B. WILSON HIGGS, Assignee. Charlottetown, P. E. I., Feb. 9, 1880—2i

GOLDEN SYRUP.

Very Choice.

3 CTS. PER POUND,

BEER & GOFF'S.

Jan. 13, 1880.

COOKED CORNED BEEF

Most Economical for Family Use, being More than Twice its Weight of Uncooked Meat.

Sold by the lb. and in Tins,

BEER & GOFF'S.

Jan. 13, 1880.

The New Year Has Come,

BUT MANY PERSONS have failed to come and settle their accounts. The subscriber respectfully requests all parties owing him, either by

Note of Hand or Book Account, To Settle the Same at Once. J. QUIRK.

Jan. 2, 1880—9i eod, h ne 3w

EMPLOYMENT.—In every village and township of P. E. Island not yet occupied, ONE ACTIVE, intelligent Lady or Gentleman can obtain a most respectable and very profitable engagement. Address, with full particulars, D. DOWNIE & CO., name. Box 1964, Montreal Jan. 6, 1880.

LONDON HOUSE. JANUARY.

During this month we will sell at

Reduced Prices,

to clear our stock in the following departments, viz:

MEN'S AND BOYS'

ULSTERS,

OVERCOATS

& REEFERS.

MEN'S AND BOYS'

FUR CAPS,

LADIES'

Fur Caps and Muffs,

LADIES'

MANTLES & ULSTERS.

The balance of our

Wool Goods,

PROMENADE SCARFS

BREAKFAST SHAWLS,

CROSS-OVERS, &c.

DRESS GOODS,

AT 10, 12 AND 14 CENTS PER YARD.

TERMS CASH.

Geo. Davies & Co. Jan. 6, 1880.

Readings and Musicale,

THE LAST OF THE SEASON,

—ON—

ST. PETER'S SCHOOLROOM,

—ON—

Tuesday Next, 10th inst.

PROGRAMME.

- 1. Glee—"There is Music by the River"—Mrs. McNab, Miss DesBrisay, Major Freeland and Mr. Williams
2. Reading—Rev. R. D. Bambrick
3. Song—"The Gambler's Wife,"—Herr Hermann
4. Reading—Mr. W. C. DesBrisay
5. Song—"Flowers, only Flowers,"—Miss Palmer
6. Reading—Miss Wright
7. Song—"Wearing o' the Green,"—Major Freeland
8. Reading—Mr. E. J. Hodgson
9. Duett—Mrs. Strickland and Miss DesBrisay
10. Reading—Mr. Morson
11. Inst. Trio—"Meditation," (by request), Messrs. Vinnicombe, Wilson and Watson
12. Reading—Mr. Cotton
13. Song—"Thady O'Flinn,"—Mrs. MacNab
14. Reading—Miss Smith
15. Piano Solo—"The War March of the Priests,"—Mr. L. W. Watson
16. Reading—Mr. L. E. Hazard
17. Song—Mrs. Strickland
18. Reading—Rev. G. W. Hodgson
19. Song—"Madolen,"—Mr. Williams
20. Reading—Mr. F. S. Longworth
God Save the Queen.

Doors open at 7.30. Admission 10 cents. Feb. 7, 1880.

EXTENSIVE SALE OF STAPLE GOODS! AT AUCTION.

I AM instructed to sell at PUBLIC AUCTION, an extensive Stock of

Tea, Liquor and Tobacco,

—AT THE—

Bonded Warehouse,

—ON—

Thursday, 12th Feb'y, inst.,

AT 11 O'CLOCK, A. M.

Will be sold in lots to suit purchase, Duty paid or in Bond.

TEA.

50 chests } Warranted good.

25 half chests }

LIQUORS

- 3 hhds Gin,
19 qr. casks Gin,
110 cases Gin,
70 cases Brandy, Quart Flasks and Barrels,
116 cases Whiskey, Quarts and Flasks,
10 cases "Old Tom,"
3 casks Port Wine,
1 cask Brandy (dark), Duty paid.
1 cask Ginger Wine,
TOBACCO.

The above Goods are ordered for positive Sale, and afford a chance that will not occur again this season. The Stocks held of these classes of Goods is very light, and will be much wanted before new Spring arrivals come in.

W. D. STEWART,

Auctioneer.

Feb. 5, 1880—eod

Herring. Codfish.

CHEAP FOR CASH,—

- 50 bbls. Herring,
100 qtls Codfish,
200 bags Salt.

D. SMALL.

Head Queen's Wharf, opposite I. C. Hall's.

To Fisheries and Factories.

ONE TON AMERICAN MANILLA MARLIN (Tanned and White), Cotton Lines, Twines, Leads, Hooks, Bait Mills, Fishing Anchors, Cotton Ducks (light and heavy), 100 coils Manilla Rope, Hemp Rope, Wire Rope, Paints, Oils, Tar, Oakum, Ships Chandlery, Sail Making, Light Ducks for Boats' Sails.

D. SMALL.

Jan. 21, 1880—tf

S. S. "NORTHERN LIGHT,"

WILL MAKE DAILY TRIPS between Georgetown and Pictou, until further notice, (Sundays excepted) leaving Georgetown at 6 a. m., and Pictou at 1.40 p. m., weather permitting.

WM. MITCHELL,

Agent o Dep't. Ch'town, Dec. 19, 1879.

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. Hopeson & McLoud, Charlottetown. Jan. 9, 1880—eod

NOTICE.

PARTIES having SCHOONERS from 35 to 65 Tons for Sale, may hear of a purchaser by applying to JOHN H. CATHRAE. Ch'town, 2nd Feb., 1880—1w