

Local and Other Items.

To-Night.—St. James' Concert to-night. MILITARY.—No. 2 Battery, G. A., will meet for drill this evening. THE FOREIGN MAIL arrived in town shortly before four o'clock this afternoon. CONCERT.—Don't fail to attend the concert in St. James' Hall this evening. Programme in another column. A PLEASANT EVENING.—A pleasant evening may be expected by those who attend the Concert in St. James' Hall.

NEW POTATOES.—Mr. J. W. Church has handed the New Glasgow, N. S. Enterprise man some fine new potatoes, picked on his farm, on Tuesday last (Feb. 18). They are somewhat small, but regularly formed.

GREAT RAILWAYS.—The four greatest railways in the world in respect to mileage, an American paper says, are: The Atchafalaya, Topeka & Santa Fe system, 7,530 miles; the Pennsylvania railroad system, 7,539 miles; the Missouri and Pacific system, 7,115 miles; the Chicago & Northwestern system, 7,082 miles.

A WEEK OF PRAYER.—Special religious services are being held each evening this week in the basement of the Methodist Brick Church. These meetings are growing in interest. The addresses by the pastor, Rev. Mr. Read, are full of honest, outspoken truth, and personal appeal. Service this evening at 7.30 o'clock.

THE FIRE FLOOD.—On the 2nd February, says a despatch, a great fire broke out in Shidzaki, Japan, extending down fourteen streets, destroying 1,000 houses, including temples, schools and hospitals. On the following day fire at Yokosuka gutted 500 houses and burned to death three men. The same day ten houses were destroyed at Joshin, and fifteen at Tokio.

THE HALIFAX.—We notice by our exchanges that the S. S. Halifax is carrying a large number of passengers between Halifax and Boston, and is now advertised to make weekly trips between these ports, leaving Halifax every Wednesday at 10 a. m., and Lewis Wharf, Boston, at 3 p. m. every Saturday. We understand that her passenger traffic so far has been largely in excess of what was anticipated by the company.

SETTLED.—The action brought by Philip Coyle against the City of Charlottetown for a trespass on land on Upper Queen Street, has been settled. The case arose under the following circumstances: Last fall the city sold some land on Queen Street and Coyle was the purchaser of one lot, around which there was a board fence. It was said to have been stated at the sale that the city reserved the right to remove this fence. Coyle, however, claims that he never heard of the reservation. The conditions of sale did not contain the reservation, neither did the deed to Coyle. After Coyle obtained his deed, the city removed the fence without his knowledge, but subsequently they replaced it. In the meantime, however, Coyle had issued a writ against the city for trespass but they took no notice of it, and finally Coyle obtained a judgment by default. A writ of inquiry was then directed to the Sheriff, and to-day a jury attended before Sheriff Curtis to assess the damages, but before the jury were sworn the parties agreed to settle the case, the city to pay \$15 damages, besides the costs. The jury were then paid off and discharged.

Philharmonic Society.

SIR,—May I be permitted a little of your valuable space for a few words regarding the object and aims of the new Philharmonic Society which has had such a hopeful beginning, and the success of which, financially at least, is already well insured. The principal object of this and all similar societies is, I need hardly say, by the practice and public performance of high class music, to develop in the people a greater appreciation of and fondness for such music. To argue upon the value of such education and tastes to the moral and intellectual life of any community, is, I think, quite unnecessary.

Now, how is it possible for people to understand or admire any form of development of art in the enjoyment of which they have no opportunity of partaking. And in the experience of all cities and towns where Philharmonic or other similar societies have been at work for any length of time, it is shown that artistic taste and culture are thereby developed, nay, even created, and that the process is by no means so slow as might be supposed. In London all classes flock in crowds almost daily to the performances of oratorio and cantata, and the best works of the masters are almost as well known as is "Old Hundred" or "Auld Lang Syne" among ourselves. This, then is the object at which we aim, and for which we purpose, in a humble way to strive, and it is solely upon the intrinsic merit of the object in view, that we rest our claim for the sympathy and support, moral and financial, of the community. The very great importance, too, of having such a society as the present one, on a permanent basis, can hardly be overstated, for it is only when the same performers practice together regularly and continuously, that really good results are attained, or are attainable.

It is hoped, too, that when the society is thoroughly under way, it will occupy permanent rooms, which will be kept open daily, in the evenings at least, and this grow to be a rendezvous for musicians, and a centre of musical operations generally. There would be a piano, the leading musical magazines, pictures or busts of the masters upon the walls, musical curiosities and MSS., etc., and possibly at some time, even a musical loan library.

It is for us now, then, Mr. Editor and fellow-citizens, to work heartily and unitedly for the success of the present enterprise, and strive to place the Charlottetown Philharmonic Society on a level with the sister institutions in Canada. Thanking you for your kind indulgence, I am, Sir, Yours, etc., J. H. LOGAN.

Persault.

Mr. George T. Davies left for Summerside this morning to see his old friends there. Mr. J. T. McKenzie, of the firm of McLeod & McKenzie, crossed at the Capes to-day on his annual business trip to the Upper Provinces and the United States. The friends of Mrs. Hubbard—once a familiar figure in our streets—will be glad to learn that the old lady is still in good health and bravely bearing the infirmities of age. She will be eighty-one on the last day of March.

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

DOMINION PARLIAMENT.

Summary of Proceedings.

OTTAWA, Feb. 25. The House spent all afternoon in the discussion of Private bills of little interest to any person but their promoters, and in the transaction of other routine business. Gen. Laurier received a communication from England to-day stating that the Royal Humane Society had awarded a silver medal to Daniel Hunt, of Halifax, stevedore, for his bravery in rescuing the life of a drunken man in Halifax harbor, on which occasion his foot was crushed off. Senator Porrier will call attention to the state of deterioration of which the oyster fisheries of Canada have been brought for want of proper protection, and will urge prohibition of oyster fishing through the ice. Dr. Weldon, of Albert, gives notice of a bill to extend the provisions of the extradition act. The object of the bill is to extend the scope of extraditable offences, and to make provision which will admit of the surrender of criminals to countries with which Canada has no extradition Treaty. In the event of the bill passing it would extend the number of extraditable offences with the United States from seven to the whole number in the calendar.

BRITISH PARLIAMENT.

IRISH MATTERS DISCUSSED.

LONDON, Feb. 25. In the House of Commons this afternoon Morley moved the adoption of an amendment to the address in reply to the Queen's Speech condemning the administration of law in Ireland as harsh, unjust, and oppressive, and asking that measures to content the Irish and re-establish the real union of Great Britain and Ireland be adopted. Morley asked why, if the condition of Ireland was better as claimed by the Government proceedings against Irish members of the House of Commons were more frequent. Morley strongly condemned the singular lack of prudence, foresight and care shown by the administration in Ireland, at least for some months. He ridiculed the idea of arresting men for such offences as cheering William O'Brien. The Opposition requires the fullest explanation regarding the employment of Irish magistrates, crown solicitors and police in framing the Times case.

Balfour, on rising, was greeted with cries of "Pigot," until the Speaker peremptorily insisted upon the House coming to order. Balfour said the Opposition would have shown themselves unworthy of their position had they not taken the earliest opportunity to bring forth accusations, for the rivals of which, in bitterness, he might vainly search history. He twitted Morley with alluding to the Parnell Commission, ignoring the most horrible charges of cruelty in humanity and cynical savagery. His (Balfour's) waste basket had been flooded during recess. Balfour declined admitting that offenders against the Crimes Act were political offenders. If they were treated differently on that account, the same treatment ought to be conceded to the dynamiter and political assassin. Balfour contended that the state of Ireland was improving wherever the Plan of Campaign had not penetrated. At the present moment there were 20,000 persons in the ordinary prisons of the Kingdom, and 100 imprisoned in Ireland under the Crimes Act. If the object of punishment is to prevent crime, never had so great a result been attained with so little suffering. The conspiracy which began in Ireland last August—(renewed cries of "Pigot")—showed signs of abating, and statistics of agrarian crime showed a marvellous improvement in the condition of the country since the Crimes Act was passed.

Chamber of Commerce Meeting.

HALIFAX, Feb. 25. The Halifax Chamber of Commerce to-day protested against the enforcement of the Acts of 1868 and 1873, under which it is sought to compel sawmill men to dispose of their sawdust other than allowing it to go into the rivers, and asked the Government to change it as regards sawdust. It was stated that the expenditure of a half million dollars would be necessary to the mills if the law is enforced, which would be ruinous, and that ten million feet less lumber is being cut this season than last owing to the Government's announcement that the law will be enforced. The Chamber also asks the Postmaster General to have insufficiently stamped letters forwarded to their destination and postage collected, instead of to the dead letter office, as now, and to establish a dead letter office for the Maritime Provinces at Halifax. The Chamber condemned the recent increase of coal rates on the Intercolonial Railway, and protested against any official being permitted to harass a great maritime industry by an arbitrary increase in the freight tariff. In this connection several speakers vigorously condemned Mr. Schreiber's management of the Intercolonial Railway. The chamber also unanimously protested against any increase of flour duties as disastrous to the interests of the Maritime Provinces.

Terrible Explosion.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Feb. 25. A terrible explosion took place in a squib factory at Plymouth at noon to-day, by which nine girls were burned to death and seventeen severely injured. The factory was owned by J. R. Powell, who employed many women and boys. Geo. P. Reese was blown through a window of the building and fatally injured. Eight bodies have been recovered. At 3.30 p. m. it was reported four girls were yet missing.

The Skating Championship.

MONTREAL, Feb. 25. The ten mile skating race for the championship of Canada, to-night, was won by Lavasseur; time, 38 minutes. Latremouville was the only antagonist. He kept ahead until the last lap, when he fouled with Lavasseur, preventing him from passing.

The Cross of St. Gregory.

MONTREAL, Feb. 25. Judge Baby, who is now in Rome, has received the decoration of the Grand Cross of St. Gregory the Great, which is the highest distinction the Papal authorities can bestow upon a layman.

Hockey Match.

MONTREAL, Feb. 25. The match to-day between the Chedabucto Hockey Club, of Halifax, and Montreal, was won by Montreal; 5 goals to 1.

Weather Bulletin.

TORONTO, Feb. 26.—10 a. m. Moderate to fresh winds; partly cloudy; moderately cold weather, with light snow in some localities.

The Philharmonic Society.

A MOST influential and enthusiastic meeting of the new Philharmonic Society was held last evening in McLeod's Hall, several ladies being present. The principal business before the meeting was the election of officers.

Mr. W. E. Dawson was called to the chair, and made a few introductory remarks upon the success thus far attained, after which the minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The chairman then proceeded, as convener of the provisional committee, to read a list of the honorary business members who have already been secured, whose names are as follows:—

HONORARY MEMBERS.

- Judge Young. H. J. Cundall. H. C. Chalmers. F. H. Arnaud. D. C. Ferguson. J. M. Sutherland. F. L. Hazard. Jas. Byrne. W. E. Dawson. Thos. Handrahan. W. Miller. A. Kennedy. F. T. Newbery. H. Weeks. L. E. Prowse. W. A. Weeks, Jr. G. E. Full. Judge Hensley. Dr. McLeod. Charles Palmer. Weeks & Beer. D. Montgomery. Carvell Bros. G. W. Bentley. Stanley Bros. J. D. Irving. Rear Pros. D. C. McLeod. W. W. Sullivan. W. S. Stewart. Fredk. Peters. H. C. McDonald. Neil McLeod. L. Watson. John Inga.

G. A. Sharp.

The election of officers was then proceeded with. It was moved by Mr. D. Montgomery, and seconded by Mr. W. C. Harris that His Honor Lieutenant-Governor Macdonald be requested to act as patron of the society. Carried unanimously. The remaining officers were elected by ballot as follows:—

President—Mr. W. E. Dawson. Vice Presidents—Prof. Caven and Mr. H. Hazard. Secretary-Treasurer—Mr. W. C. Harris. Rev. Fred. E. J. Lloyd had already consented to accept the position of conductor. On motion of Rev. S. Weston-Jones, seconded by Mr. H. Hazard, the position of leader of orchestra was for the present left unfilled. The Executive committee consists of the officers, and five others were then chosen, the five additional members being Messrs. H. Beer, Geo. Sharp, L. W. Watson, D. J. McLeod, and J. H. Logan.

A discussion followed upon the means to be adopted for securing active (performing) members, and was taken part in by Rev. Fred. E. J. Lloyd, S. N. Earle, W. C. Harris, D. M. Fraser, Geo. Sharp, H. Beer, H. Hazard and D. Montgomery. It was decided to leave the matter entirely in the hands of the Executive Committee. The meeting then adjourned.

DECEASED.

In this city, Feb. 25, Peter Iunis, after a severe illness, aged 42 years, leaving a wife and large family to mourn their loss. (Funeral from his late residence, Upper Queen Street, on Wednesday afternoon at half-past two o'clock.) (St. John and Moncton papers please copy.) In this city, on the 26th inst., Georgia, daughter of John N. and Jane D. Campbell, aged 19 days.

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Mantle and Ulster Cloths, Jackets, Furs, Wool Shawls, Squares, Hosiery, Underclothing, Corsets, White, Red and Grey Flannels, Embroidery, Gloves, Handkerchiefs, &c.

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