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ALMANAC FOR NOVEMBER, 1874.

MOON'S CHANGES.
New Moon, 9th Day, 1h. 21m. a.m., N. below horizon.
First Quarter, 16th Day, 11h. 41m. p.m., W. low horizon.
Full Moon, 23rd Day, 1h. 21m. p.m., N. below horizon.
Last Quarter, 30th Day, 2h. 16m. p.m., W. below horizon.

DAY	WEEK	SUN	MOON	HIGH WATER	DAY'S
M		RISE	SET	WIND	WIND
		SET	RISE	WIND	WIND
1	Sunday	9 14	2 42	4 36	9 34
2	Monday	6 48	3 31	5 48	5 1
3	Tuesday	5 38	3 13	6 57	4 8
4	Wednesday	5 1	3 00	7 49	4 45
5	Thursday	5 3	3 44	8 21	4 2
6	Friday	5 41	4 0	9 7	4 40
7	Saturday	5 56	4 18	9 40	3 37
8	Sunday	5 37	4 38	10 14	3 4
9	Monday	5 29	5 6	10 47	3 30
10	Tuesday	5 27	5 20	11 22	2 28
11	Wednesday	5 28	6 21	11 58	2 26
12	Thursday	5 26	7 19	12 33	2 23
13	Friday	5 25	8 14	1 8	2 20
14	Saturday	5 25	9 06	1 19	1 18
15	Sunday	5 22	10 00	2 8	1 15
16	Monday	5 21	11 0	2 53	1 13
17	Tuesday	5 21	12 0	3 38	1 10
18	Wednesday	5 19	1 05	4 16	1 8
19	Thursday	5 18	2 05	4 51	1 6
20	Friday	5 17	3 0	5 20	1 4
21	Saturday	5 16	3 52	5 43	1 1
22	Sunday	5 15	4 41	6 11	0 59
23	Monday	5 15	5 26	6 34	0 57
24	Tuesday	5 14	6 09	7 01	0 54
25	Wednesday	5 13	6 50	7 23	0 52
26	Thursday	5 12	7 29	7 41	0 50
27	Friday	5 12	8 11	8 0	0 48
28	Saturday	5 11	8 46	8 15	0 47
29	Sunday	5 11	9 14	8 26	0 45
30	Monday	5 10	9 37	8 33	0 43

(From Examiner Extra, Nov. 13.)

We publish an EXAMINER EXTRA, containing the correspondence between the Local Government and Mr. Swinyard, the Agent of the Dominion Government. It exhibits the latter in its true light, and shows how hopeless it is for us to expect fair play from our masters at Ottawa.

Never was a correspondence put before the country in so unexampled a manner, while it was still uncompleted that one party should rush into print and publish the letters, with the correspondence in such a state as to convey a false impression, is disreputable and discreditable in the extreme. And this is what the Dominion Government has done. Their agent, under instructions, has endeavored to place, first the Contractors, and then the Government, in a false position. We have no fault to find with Mr. Swinyard personally. He came to carry out orders which were given to him by men who care nothing for us so long as our taxes are regularly paid into the Dominion Treasury. Judged by the standard by which the actions of men in every day life are measured, the conduct of Benedictte, the French Ambassador to the King of Prussia at Ems, was insolent and overbearing. But the world knew that he simply carried out the orders he had received from Paris, and held, and rightly so, his imperial master responsible for his representative's conduct, and the consequences which necessarily flowed from it. And so it is with Mr. Swinyard; he came here, no doubt, well enough disposed towards us, so far as he was a free agent, but bound very strenuously by instructions the most positive, to embarrass the Local Government by every means in his power.

And yet, what must strike every one, is how ill he has succeeded in doing so. For the Government have nothing to fear or be ashamed of from the publication of the correspondence. In every one of Mr. Owen's letters, there appears an anxious and an honest desire to do everything in his power to have the railroad opened at the earliest possible moment. His letters show that everything has been done by the Local Government. Every information Mr. Swinyard asks is granted to him, and a determination is apparent throughout to avoid that collision which was sent here to bring about.

All that the Contractors could do was being done. Mr. Boyd bears witness (see Mr. Owen's letters of 19 Aug.) that they were pushing the work with the greatest energy, and were sparing no expense to forward it. This Mr. S. does not deny. The contractors were then spending over \$80,000 a month. They were employing every man whose services they could obtain for love or money. And there was every prospect that the work would be completed by the time specified in the contract. The question naturally occurs, why was Mr. Swinyard then sent here? what business had the General Government to interfere between the contracting parties until the railway was finished? The Local Government would very willingly have taken from the Contractors the line from Summerside to Charlottetown, but the Contractors could not hand it over, for its use was absolutely necessary to them if the contract was to be completed in time, and they were bending all their energies, and were working day and night to attain this desirable result.

Will it be believed that Mr. Swinyard did not produce his credentials from the Dominion Government until months after his coming here? Was this for the purpose of affording Mr. Mackenzie the opportunity of recalling him as he recalled Mr. Edgar from British Columbia, and of showing his overbearing arrogance, because the people of small or distant Colonies dare to ask for the authority of an agent sent to negotiate with them—a request which every ambassador from every civilized country is expected to comply with. Mr. Swinyard arrived here in May, and not until September would he produce his appointment from the Minister of Public Works. We can well imagine what this was expected to lead to, and but for the forbearance of the Local Government, would have led to.

It would be an interesting matter to know, if the agent of the Government would only inform us, who made the "report" to the Dominion Government referred to in his letter of the 26th May. Clearly, not the Government; as certainly not the Contractors. From whom do these "reports" emanate then upon which the Dominion Government deems itself at liberty to act regarding the internal affairs of this Province?

When Mr. Swinyard preferred his request to be allowed "informally" to inspect the road, Mr. Owen offered him every facility. But this did not satisfy him. The pertinacity with which the French ambassador, already alluded to, redoubled his demands upon the Prussian King, when each request was granted, bears but a faint resemblance to Mr. Swinyard's ingenuity in raising, what he hoped would prove, insurmountable difficulties. For not satisfied with Mr. Owen's expressed wish that he should "informally" inspect the road, and that he would render him every assistance in his power, he next demands that Mr. Owen should furnish him with an engine and car—a request he knew it was impossible for Mr. Owen to comply with, because the road was in the possession of the Contractors, and with the rolling stock, were completely under their sole control—a demand which even, if it had been complied with, would have had the effect of suspending the work along the whole line.

But the circumstances connected with the publication of this correspondence, shows more plainly still the malevolent spirit which actuates the Cabinet at Ottawa, against the Local Government. We do not hesitate to say that so great a want of courtesy, so complete an abandonment of the ordinary decencies of official intercourse, has never before exhibited by one Government towards another, as that shown by our masters at Ottawa towards this Province. If it were desirable to publish the correspondence, it at all events was to have been expected that some communication would first have been made to the Head of the Executive before doing so. Mr. Swinyard's letters were written for the information of Sir Robert Hodgson's Government, and not of Mr. Owen's Government, as he strangely imagines. (See his letter, 26th May.) Mr. Swinyard's instructions from Ottawa, no doubt, prevented him from making any such communication. But if it were desirable to publish these letters, the Government and their agents should know of one medium for doing so—the Gazette of the Dominion, or at least that of the Province; and no doubt the usual course would have been followed had it not been for the appearance, just at this time, of the Minister of the Interior upon the scene. On Friday night Mr. Laird arrived in Charlottetown from Ottawa. A caucus was at once summoned, and the plan of action decided upon. Some capital might be made for his friends—their political prospects might be brightened if the correspondence in its then unfinished state, be kept from the Royal Gazette, and furnished to the most virulent of the Opposition press, to the exclusion of all the Government organs. We do not credit the Minister of the Interior with any desire to conceal this masterpiece of political strategy. He glories too much in the recklessness of his unscrupulous partisanship to make any secret of his desire to injure the Local Government. He has done what not one of his colleagues would have dared to do with one of the larger provinces. To have given the letters to the *Patriot*,—his own private property,—would have been an indecency too great for even him to have justified when he met his colleagues. And the *Herald* was selected because the bitterness of its invectives would help to do the work which Mr. Swinyard's correspondence was written to accomplish. Fancy a correspondence between the Dominion Government and that of Nova Scotia first appearing in the *Reporter* or the *Colonist*. If such were the case, we imagine that Mr. Vail and Mr. Coffin, as well as Governor Archibald, would have something to say in the matter. But one circumstance, showing still more plainly the animus of the Dominion Government, which does not appear from the correspondence, is this: that it was furnished to the *Herald*, and made no secret of by Mr. Caven, before Mr. Swinyard's letter of the 9th of November was delivered to Mr. Owen. That letter was an afterthought, wrong no doubt, from Mr. Swinyard by his own reflections upon the discourtesy and the unfairness of the orders he had received from Ottawa. Twelve months under the rule of the present Cabinet at Ottawa has taught us the vast difference between the treatment awarded to us, and to the larger Provinces. In every case in which it is possible, we have been exceptionally dealt with. Through the influence of the Minister of the Interior, a clause was introduced into the election law of last session disfranchising one-third of the electors of this Province, an act of treachery which, fortunately for us, the Senate defeated. Despatches from the Local Government are barely and curtly acknowledged by the Secretary of State, and often not otherwise answered at all. And so it will remain so long as we are so inefficiently and unworthily represented in the House of Commons; so long as we are, as at present, handed over to Mr. Laird and to his satellites with, no doubt, the injunction which, in times gone by, was the final warning given by the Colonial Minister to Governors on the eve of their departure for their Governments.—"Do as you like and what you please, only keep the Colonists from troubling us."

Correspondence between the Provincial Government and T. Swinyard, Esq.

CHARLOTTETOWN, P. E. ISLAND, November 9th, 1874.

Sir:—Representations having been made to the authorities at Ottawa, that an impression prevails amongst the people of the Island that the opening of the Railway has been delayed, and is still retarded, by want of inclination, or effort on the part of the Dominion Government to meet the reasonable wishes and expectations of the public in the matter, and explanations having been demanded, I have the honor to inform you that I have been directed to acquaint you with in order that the public may have a correct knowledge of the facts and circumstances of the case, I have received instructions to place at the disposal of the Press, the correspondence which has passed between the Provincial Government and myself upon the subject, and I am at the same time to assure you that this course is deemed necessary, simply to set forth the action of the Dominion Government, and the desire manifested, to take the earliest opportunity of assuming the Railway when completed, and making arrangements to put it into operation as soon as practicable.

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Correspondence with the Provincial Government on Mr. Swinyard's third visit to the Island.

CHARLOTTETOWN, P. E. I., August 7th, 1874.

Sir:—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of yesterday's date, and in reply to state that the Government of this Province are very anxious that the Railway should be open for traffic as early a day as possible; but as the contractors for the building of the road do not intend handing over any part of it until their contract is completed, the Government cannot interfere with them in any way, other than seeing that the road is built in all its parts in accordance with the specification and arrangements made for its construction.

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Low as can be had in the city, and will fit
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A lot of First-class WATER COOLERS
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Correspondence with the Provincial Government on Mr. Swinyard's First Visit to the Island.

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