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The Final Vote.

After seven weeks debate, the final vote on the great question of the Pacific Rail way was reached; and as it was the final vote on the subject, it may not be out of place here to give the names:—

Yeas.—Messrs. Allison, Arkell, Baker, Bannerman, Barnard, Beaty, Beauchesne, Bergeron, Bergin, Bill, Bolduc, Boultbee, Bourbeau, Bowell, Brecken, Brooks, Bunster, Carling, Caron, Cimon, Colby, Connell, Costigan, Coughlin, Coupal, Coursol, Cuthbert, Daly, Daoust, Dawson, DeCosmos, Desaulniers, Desjardins, Domville, Doull, Drew, Dugas, Elliott, Farrow, Ferguson, Fitzsimmons, Fortin, Fulton, Gault, Gigault, Girouard (Jacques Cartier), Girouard (Kent), Grandbois, Hackett, Hesson, Hilliard, Hooper, Houde, Hurteau, Jackson, Jones, Kilvert, Kirkpatrick, Kranz, Landry, Lane, Langevin, Lantier, Longley, Macdonald (King's), Macdonald (Sir John), McDonald (Cape Breton), McDonald (Picton), Macmillan, McCallum, McCarthy, McConville, McCuaig, McDougall, McGreevy, McInnes, McKay, McLennan, McLeod, McQuade, McRory, Manson, Massue, Merner, Methodi, Mongenais, Montplasir, Mousseau, Muttart, O'Connor, Ogden, Orton, Ouimet, Patterson (Essex), Perrault, Pinsonneault, Platt, Plumb, Pope (Compton), Pope (Queen's), Richey, Robertson (Hamilton), Rochester, Ross (Dundas), Rouleau, Routhier, Royal, Ryan (Marquette), Ryan (Montreal), Scott, Shaw, Sproule, Stephenson, Strange, Tasse, Tellier, Tilley, Tupper, Valin, Vallee, Vanasse, Wade, Wallace (York), White (Cardwell), White (Hastings), White (Renfrew), Williams, Wright—128.

Nays—Messrs. Anglin, Bain, Bechard, Blake, Borden, Bourassa, Brown, Burpee (St. John), Burpee (Sunbury), Cameron (Huron), Cartwright, Casey, Casgrain, Charlton, Cockurn (Muskoka), Dumont, Fiset, Fleming, Flynn, Geoffrion, Gillies, Gilmour, Gunn, Guthrie, Haddow, Holton, Huntington, Killam, King, LaRue, Laurier, Macdonell (Lanark), MacDonnell (Inverness), McIsaac, Malouin, Mills, Oliver, Paterson (Brant), Pickard, Rinfret, Robertson (Shelbourne), Rogers, Ross (Middlesex), Rymal, Scriver, Skinner, Thompson, Trow, Weldon.—49.

The bill was concurred in on the same division.

WHERE WAS MR. YEO

To Prince Edward Islanders, the question will naturally arise, Why did Mr. Yeo shirk this vote? Was he so directed by his constituents or by his legal advisers? After his absence from Parliament during nearly the entire session, one might really expect to find him in his place to vote against the "great calamity" which, according to the Opposition, is now being brought upon the country. Probably the hon. member and his friends, realising the fact that the building of the Canada Pacific by a company will bring a large amount of capital into the country, providing an increased demand for labor and better times generally, have decided upon giving up the Anti-Syndicate agitation, and devoting their attention to their former opposition hobby—the N. P.

Though the *Patriot* is exceedingly fond of calling attention to every little (even the littlest) apparent delinquency of other representatives of this Province, and is indeed so preoccupied in this patriotic occupation that it could not even refrain from alluding to the absence of Dr. Muttart from Senator McPherson's "at-home," it has not a word to say regarding the absence of Mr. Yeo from one of most important Parliamentary divisions that ever took place in Canada. Doctor Muttart, we may remark, had received an invitation to Senator McPherson's "At Home;" but preferred, instead, of responding to it, to attend to his duties in the House of Commons. Mr. Yeo, on the other hand, deliberately absented himself at a time when his presence in the House was urgently needed by his Party and the country. Yet the *Patriot* has not explained "the reason why!" Perhaps it will yet do so.

That Bogus Petition.

The disgrace, which those who sent to Ottawa the bogus anti-Syndicate petition have brought upon the Island, is travelling fast. On the 31st January it had already travelled half across the Continent. From the Winnipeg Daily *Times* of that date we clip the following:—

"The attempt of the Opposition to influence Parliament by petition—signal failure though it was—evidences some of the tricks to which the wily politicians resorted, to make it appear that the people were highly indignant at the manner in which their "country was being bartered away." Of all the petitions, none were more fraudulent than the monster one from Prince Edward Island, presented recently by that patriotic and pure minded statesman, ex Speaker Anglin. It was boasted that this petition contained no fewer than 4,400 names of voters on the Island. A correspondent of a London paper at Ottawa points out that an examination of the document shows that it is utterly unworthy of attention. In the first three or four yards there appear no less than 1,628 duplicates, while all along the line there are the plainest symptoms of forgery. Again and again are to be seen whole pages of foolscap in the one handwriting, while on other sheets there are batches of ten, fifteen or more names written by the one person. There are about 20,000 voters on the Island, and at the last election tion the Opposition candidates received within a few votes of 5,500. So, after all, it seems that not all the Grits of that Province have signed the petition, notwithstanding the indefatigable efforts that were put forth by Grit leaders to make a big show of popular indignation."

On behalf of the people of this Province we utterly repudiate the bogus petition here referred to; and we hope the Island will not be held responsible for the vile work of a few unprincipled politicians of the Grit stripe. It is to be noted that—with a discretion born of conscious guilt—the promoters of the petition did not dare to ask any representative of the Island—any one in a position to know that it was fraudulent—to present it to Parliament.

Slavery on the Island.

The following are copies of documents registered in the Registry Office of this Province. We omit names:

"Know All Men By These Presents that I of in the County of Queen's County, and Colony of P. E. Island for and in consideration of the sum of twenty pounds, Halifax currency, to me in hand, paid at or before the sealing and delivery hereof by of Lot number aforesaid the receipt whereof I do hereby acknowledge, and ourselves therewith fully and entirely satisfied, have bargained and sold, set over and delivered unto the said a certain Mulatto Boy of three years of age called Simon, with all his wearing apparel, to have and to hold the hereby bargained Mulatto Boy called Simon, unto the said his heirs, executors and assigns to his own proper use and behoof forever, against any claim or demand whatsoever.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day of November, in the year 1802.

Sealed and dellivered in the presence of C. D. } [L. S.

Know all Men by these Presents that I, , Esq., of , in the County of , County in Island Prince Edward, have given to my granddaughter , and my granddaughter , one Mulatto girl, about five years of age, named Catherine, to them and their heirs and assigns forever, and I warrant the said Mulatto girl against any claim or demand whatsoever.

As witness my hand and seal this day of November, 1802.

In the presence of us, Witness, C. D. } [L. S]

Pedestrianism.—Jos. B. Leggett and John Fransham have leased the Market Hall for their go-as-you-please match, which takes place on the 16th and 17th inst.

THE "NORTHERN LIGHT."

Georgetown, Feb. 9.

"The 'Northern Light' was seen last evening about 15 miles east off Cape Bear. She appeared to be steaming slowly through the ice. The boat's crew which landed from her Sunday week, tried to go off again on Monday, 6th. They hauled their boat about five miles over the ice, and walked about three miles, but could see nothing of the steamer. They returned completely exhausted. The snow on the ice is from two to three feet deep, and in all the distance they travelled they did not meet with an acre of level ice."

FURTHER PARTICULARS.

By letter from the Agent of Marine and Fisheries (written Tuesday evening), we have the following particulars:—

"The ice boat and crew belonging to the *Northern Light* tried on Monday to reach the steamer. The boat's crew was under the charge of Mr. J. McKay, mate of the steamer. They left Cape Bear shore at about daybreak, and proceeded in the direction the steamer was last seen. At one o'clock, p. m., having failed to sight the steamer, McKay and two of the men left the boat and walked ahead one hour and still could not see any vessel. They then returned to the boat and put back, having gone about eight miles out to sea, reaching the shore at seven o'clock, p. m., thoroughly done out and wet up to the middle in consequence of the quantity of snow and slush on the ice. Persons on the shore went out and helped them to land.

The Gulf ice presents the appearance of having been completely broken up and jammed together again. There seems to be no chance at all of the men gaining good footing. The crew say that the snow and slush is from one to three feet deep, and where the hollows are the ice is almost impassable.

At three o'clock this (Tuesday) afternoon we got the first sight of the steamer obtained since the last boat with passengers landed, a week ago last Sunday. We could see with the aid of a marine glass, the hull and funnell quite plainly. Should the southerly wind continue through the night, we have strong hopes that she will get to Cape Bear to-morrow (Wednesday) as the ice appears to be opening all over the Gulf."

LATER.

Georgetown, Feb. 9, 2 p. m.

Eleven passengers and three of the "Northern Light's" crew landed at Cape Sharp to-day. They were twenty-six hours on the ice. Last night they gave up all hope of reaching the shore, but this morning they took fresh courage and finished their hard journey. They suffered much from frost and exposure. Several of them are frozen, though not seriously. They left on board three women, one child, two men, and thirteen men of a crew. The provisions are getting short.

The passengers landed were:—W. J. Miller, Thomas Bickwell, (toes frozen,) Wm. Price, Allan McDonald, Capt. Anderson, Mrs Dingwell, A. C. McLeod and wife, Alex. Dixon, (badly frozen on both feet,) Mr. Hennessy, D. D. Ryan, and three of the crew.

LATEST.

Feb. 10.

The passengers for Charlottetown who landed yesterday (with the exception of Mr. and Mrs. McLeod, who remain in Georgetown) arrived here at 11.45 this forenoon. They report that they left the "Northern Light" at about 7 o'clock on Tuesday morning and continued steadily all day and all the following night and landed at Cape Sharp at about 10 o'clock on Wednesday.

The course, in which they were at night guided by Panmure Island light, was through a trackless waste of snow and slush. Some of them think they walked about thirty-five miles.

As it was thought that land was only about thirteen miles away and that they would easily reach it on Tuesday afternoon, they brought away from the ship only a small stock of provisions; and their sufferings were consequently intensified by hunger.

They speak in high terms of the pluck and endurance displayed by Mrs. McLeod, who walked much of the way.

Those who had their feet frozen are doing well.

The passengers and crew on board the "Northern Light" are as comfortable as possible under the circumstances.

They have no positive information regarding the quantity of provisions in the "Northern Light" but are under the impression that those remaining on board will have sufficient to last them about two weeks.

The horse on board lives on the straw ticking of the beds, with an occasional biscuit, and the refuse of the meals of the passengers and crew.

Early this morning, Capt. Irving with an ice boat, from Cape Traverse, left Georgetown for Cape Sharp, with provisions, etc., to relieve the "Northern Light."

The Anti-Syndicate Petitions.

The *Bystander*, speaking of the attempted agitation against the Syndicate, says: "Petitions have been signed with so much levity that signing them has come to be regarded as almost a farce. Still, the paucity of the signatures to those of the Opposition on this occasion indicates that the popular emotion was not very strong."

The "cooked" petition sent up from this Province has not had the effect of raising the Island in the opinion of Canada. The duty of exposing it must have been very disagreeable to the Hon. Mr. Pope and the gentlemen who with him represent the honesty and intelligence of the Island people.

We note that in performing this unpleasant task Mr. Pope showed that P. E. Island was now and has been for years joying "better terms" in consequence of the bargain entered into with British Columbia; and he scorned the imputation that P. E. Island would enjoy the benefit accruing from that bargain and shirk from bearing the share of the burden.

Sir Charles Interferes.

Correspondence recently brought to light shows that the Minister of Railways vigorously remonstrated with the Messrs. Allan for pursuing in the matter of the Winter Port a course inconsistent with their position as Canadians heavily subdized by the Canadian Government. The result was the circulation of a notification from the firm to their agents and to shippers and others interested that henceforth all goods destined for Toronto and other Canadian points further east would, unless otherwise directed, be landed at Halifax and not at Boston, to be transported over the Intercolonial Railway, and not over American railways. The general result has been good in swelling traffic on the Intercolonial line and other Canadian railways. Sir Charles seems to have acted in the matter with his usual ability and energy.

At a special meeting of St. Joseph's Literary Society, held in St. Patrick's Hall, on Monday evening, 7th February, inst., the following preamble and resolutions were unanimously adopted:—

Whereas, It has pleased Almighty God, in His infinite wisdom, to remove from our midst our much esteemed and worthy brother, William W. Walsh; therefore

Resolved, That while humbly submitting to the Will of Him who orders all things for the best, we must, nevertheless, deplore the loss of one who proved himself a useful member of this Society almost since its organization, and who for many years wisely and impartially filled the office of President. And further

Resolved, That we tender to his family our most sincere and heartfelt sympathy for the loss which they have sustained by the death of so good a son and brother.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to the mother of the deceased, entered on the records of the Society, and published in the city papers.

Committee on Resolutions—Luke McLean, Richard Walsh, James Maguire.

A Great Farm.—The Grandins were "wheatier' than ever last year. On their Dakota farm of 5,921 acres they produced last year, of first rate wheat, 137,287 bushels, or twenty-three and one-sixth bushels to the acre. As to the profits, the Grandins claim that 37,000 bushels of this crop will pay all costs of cultivation, harvesting and marketing leaving 100,000 bushels to represent the net profit. This, at the present market rate in that region—75 to 80 cents a bushel—gives a profit of at least $75,000. This yeat they propose to put 8,000 acres into wheat. Besides the main crop, wheat, the Grandins last year raised 18,725 bushels of oats, 3,520 bushels of barley. They have also in progress a large farm for raising live stock.

Missionary Meetings.

The Missionary Meeting held in the Methodist Brick Church on Tuesday evening was one of more than ordinary interest.

The opening prayer was offered by the Rev. Wm. Tippett. The Chair was occupied by R. Longworth, Esq., who, in a very appropriate address, stated the object of the meeting, and urged the claims of the cause of missions upon the congregation.

The Annual Report was read by the Secretary—Rev. F. W. Moore. The following are some of the interesting facts and figures it contained. The total income of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Church of Canada during the past year was $131,204.00. Of this amount, the New Brunswick and P. E. Island Conference raised $5,070 96 (Charlottetown contributing $1,584.90.)

In addition to the ordinary income of the Society there was raised for the Relief and Extension Fund, the sum of $116,000 And to this fund, Charlottetown contributed about $2,500, making a total of over $4,000 contributed by the Methodist Church of Charlottetown for missions during the year.

After the Report was read, the Rev. Mr. Harris was called upon to speak to the first topic; and in a thoughtful and well arranged address, he spoke of the superiority of modern over ancient civilization, showing that christianity gave an enlightement and permanency to the former which did not belong to the latter.

He was followed by the Rev. G. M. Campbell, who in a very interesting speech spoke of the success which had attended missionary effort during the present century. He presented some statistics showing the rapid growth of contributions to the cause of missions, during the past fifty years, and steady increase of converts to the Christian faith in heathen countries.

The last address was delivered by the Rev. Joseph Seller, A. M., of Alberton. Mr. Seller commenced by giving a graphic description of his journey from Alberton to Charlottetown, during the recent snow blockade. He had been five days performing this journey—more than half the time it takes to cross the Atlantic—and had experienced discomforts and hardships sufficient to give him a tolerably correct idea of a Missionary's life in the North West. His topic was Christian giving, and in a very racy speech, replete with anecdote, he urged upon the audience the duty and luxury of systematic giving to the great enterprises of the church.

After the collection was taken up, the Rev. F. Smallwood moved, and the Rev. J V. Jost, seconded a resolution, in reference to the appointment of the local Missionary Committee and collectors for the ensuing year.

Just before the proceedings terminated the Rev. Mr. Cowperthwaite proposed a vote of thanks to the Chairman for the very efficient manner in which he had performed the duties of his office, and coupled with the resolution, an expression of sincere regret, at hearing of the probable early removal of Mr Longworth to Nova Scotia.

This report of the Anniversary would be incomplete, unless honorable mention were made of the very valuable aid rendered by the choir, under the able leadership of Mr. C. P. Fletcher, in making the whole service one of great interest.

The Biddulph Massacre.

The Toronto *Globe* after referring to the acquittal of a murderer in Kentucky, who shot a judge in open Court for some judicial action adverse to him, thus speaks of the miscarriage of justice in the Biddulph case:—

"Only a few days ago a Canadian, reading of this frightful caricature upon justice, would have raised his eyes to heaven and thanked God that his countrymen were not as these Kentuckians. We are no longer entitled to cast a stone even at the jury that acquitted Buford. When a gang of black masked ruffians dsliberately put a whole family to death; when in order to cover up the traces of their bloody crime, the ruthless wretches proceed to butcher a poor and friendless emigrant girl, certainly guiltless of her fellow victims sins; when we find it impossible to get together in the county in which the crime took place a jury which will listen to evidence which is damming in its strength; it is time that every Canadian should hang his head for shame. Of this the nation may rest assured: Every drop of blood spilt on the Lucan Aceldama will yet be avenged; if not upon the murderers, then upon the country in which such horrors can be perpetrated with impunity. The verdict of Wednesday strikes a shattering blow not only at the fair fame of Canadian justice, but at the foundations of society."

In the same paper there is intelligence from the place of trial of the sort following:—

"London, Feb. 3.—The scenes of joy enacted last night in the several resorts frequented by the Biddulph people during the trial were very enlivening. Drinking, singing, dancing and boisterous conversation were heard continually over the result. The acquittal of Carroll was virtually the acquittal of fifty or sixty persons in Biddulph. A sensation was caused in the Western Hotel by Bob Donnelly, who walked in amongst a crowd of Biddulphers saying, "Now, I want all you murderers to come up and have something with me." No one stirred.

The Bob Donnelly named is a son of the James and Judith Donnelly murdered with three of their family in Biddulph. He has gone back to live in Biddulph with his brother William. One may judge from his style of address in the circumstances what the prospect of peace is for that wretched settlement.

A Fenian Proclamation.

The Fenian organization, fearing that the agitation would lead to a premature outbreak, issued the following proclamation on the night of the 31st inst:—

TREASON TO IRELAND.

The most rigid discipline must be enforced and partial outbreaks prevented. Move only at the command of your officers. Our present duty is to prepare, to watch and to wait until the hour of action comes. Let your attitude be one of calm and resolute self sacrifice and of unshaken confidence in the final triumph of our cause. By order of the

Irish National Directory.

It is said that this proclamation was drawn after grave consultation with Irish leaders in America, Scotland and England. It was posted all over Ireland at midnight on all the chapels and police barracks of Ireland and in the Irish centres throughout Scotland and England. In Dublin the copies were torn down and taken possession of by the police. The appearance of the document caused the greatest excitement.

Movements of the Fishing Flett.—The Georges fleet are making an unusually long trip for the first one, and report rough weather upon the Banks, with a long succession of westerly gales. Some of the vessels have been a week or more on the passage home. The number of arrivals in this branch since our last report has been 17, bringing 354,000 lbs. codfish and 56,-500 lbs. halibut, against 13 arrivals with 320,000 lbs. codfish and 52,000 lbs. halibut the previous week, and 5 arrivals with 135,000 lbs. codfish and 15,000 lbs. halibut for the corresponding week of last year. Four arrivals have been reported from Grand Manan, and 3 from the Banks the past week, the latter bringing 110,000 lbs. halibut. For the corresponding week of last year there were 4 herring arrivals (one from Newfoundland) and 4 from the Banks, with 90,000 lbs. halibut. Last week we reported 4 arrivals from the Banks with an aggregate of 150,000 lbs. halibut, and 5 arrivals from Grand Nenan with frozen herring.—*Cape Ann Advertiser.*

The Scotch are a superior race all round, and the absence of any serious feeling against them, in spite of their success and their occasional clannishness, is a confutation of the theory that the feeling against the Jews is merely envy.

Local and Other Items.

We are indebted to Mr. James M. Butcher for a mammoth Colorado paper.

Archbishop Hannan, and his Secretary, have arrived safely and in good health, at Rome.

The brig *Parnell*, Gavin master, sailed from Ferindeno Fla., on the 28th ult., for River Platte.

The *Argus* reports the death in Schuyler County, Illinois, of Mr. John Gay, formerly of Pownal, aged 74 years.

The barque *Malinche*, Kickham, master, owned by M. Foley, arrived at London, on the 7th. 20 days from New York.

Charley Ross is found again. This time the lucky man is an Ontario farmer, who found him among the Indians.

Mr. Sterns, of the firm of Perkins & Stearns, is on his way to England to purchase goods for sale during the coming season.

It could not have been all irony that prompted an Englishman to apply to Mr. Parnell for a passport to travel on in Ireland.

The Rev. Mr. FitzGerald thankfully acknowleges the receipt of $38.42 collected by Miss Cambridge and Miss Mayne, for fuel for the poor.

Mr. D. H. Fowler, formerly shipping editor of the Halifax *Herald* has been appointed shipping editor of the New York *Journal of Commerce.*

Mr. J. G. H. Brown, left the city *via* the Capes Wednesday, *en route* for England. Where he goes on business for the firm of W. & A. Brown & Co.

Among those storm-stayed in the city during the past few days were Rev. Mr. Cameron, of Souris, and Malcolm McFadyen, Esq., of Murray Harbor.

"The King's College Record," of Windsor, says:—"The degree of B. A., *ad eundum*, was conferred on the Rev. D. Fitzgerald, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Charlottetown, on Monday, Jan 14th. He was then admitted to the degree of M. A., *in absentia.*"

Executions.—The three McLeans and Hare who in 1879 murdered Constable Hester and James Kelly were executed at New Westminster, British Columbia, on the 31st ult. * * * Three men were lynched at Little Rock, Arkansas, on the 3rd inst. * * * Thebeau was executed at Annapolis, N. S., on Tuesday.

Mr. Childers, Secretary of War, stated in the Imperial House of Commons recently that at the time of the outbreak of the Boer rebellion there were 4,000 British troops scattered over the Transvaal; 4,500 more will have reached Natal by the 10th inst., and he had been prepared to send even further reinforcements, but Sir George Colley declared that he did not need them.

By the death of Rev. Dr. Tupper, father of the Minister of Railways and Canals for the Dominion of Canada, the Rev. Dr. Cramp becomes the oldest ordained minister of the Baptist denomination in the Maritime Provinces. The Rev. I. E. Bill stands next in in order. The dates of ordination were: Dr. Tupper, 1817; Dr. Cramp, 1818; Rev. I. E. Bill, 1829.

The Supreme Court has been adjourned until next Monday. Previous to adjournment Arbackle, who pleaded guilty of larceny, was placed at the bar to receive his sentence. When asked what he had to say why sentence should not be passed upon him, he replied that at the time he committed the larceny, he did not think there was such a quantity of money and valuable papers in the box. The court did not think this a valid reason for suspending sentence, and he was accordingly sent to the common jail for twelve months, with hard labor.

A Good Invention.—On Monday last we were shown a simple and ingenious invention by Mr. W. N. Riggs, of a self-acting car coupler. The model though made very roughly just for trial, works admirably. May every success attend the inventor. The Railway accidents which so often proves the need of great improvement in the present system of coupling cars. Doubtless the Government Railroads and Railway Companies generally will adopt this self-acting coupler, when the same is perfected. Mr. Riggs has applied for a patent.

The market on Tuesday, notwithstanding the very bad roads was largely attended. Sales brisk. Prices as follows:—Beef (small) 5 to 12cents; do qr, 4 to 7 cts; mutton, 5 to 10 cents; Lamb, 5 to 8 cents; Geese, each, 50 to 60 cents; Turkeys each 75 to $1.50; Ducks 20 to 30 cents Butter, fresh 19 to 25 cents; Butter tub 18 to 20; Eggs 20 to 25 cents; Hay 45 to 59 cents; Oats 43 to 45 cts; Potatoes 16 to 18 cents; Flour $0.00 to $3.00; Oatmeal $3.00 to $3 50; turnips, 15 to 16 cts.; sheepskins, 70 to 95 cents each; Pork (small), 7 to 9; do carcass, 5¼ to 5¾.

Presentation.—On Tuesday afternoon the officers and employes of the Railway presented Mr. Devine, Chief Clerk in the Superintendent's office, with a handsome gold chain and locket, and an address, expressive of the high respect and esteem in which he is held by his colleagues, and their regret at his departure. Mr. Devine replied in a brief and feeling manner, expressing his sorrow at leaving the Island, and thanking his fellow officers and employes for their expression of regard for him. Mr. Devine left for the Capes Wednesday *en route* for Battle Creek, Michigan, where he has accepted a position in the office of the Superintendent of the Chicago and Grand Trunk Railway.

Here is another slander from the Ottawa *Free Press*: "Mr. Richard Hunt, who has been appointed Census Commissioner for Prince Edward Island, is another relative of the Hon. J. C. Pope, provided for at the public expense." Mr. Hunt is not in the slightest way connected with Mr. Pope, and I might add that his appointment is an uncommonly good one, besides being his just due under our sytem of recognizing long and hearty political support. The insinuations about Mr. Pope's relative's have been too often proved flatly false to need any further mention. It is only a part of the Opposition stock in trade—abuse of ministers, and all their belongings.—[*Ottawa Correspondence Montreal Gazette.*

The Semi-Annual Public Examination of the Crapaud West school was held on the 28th ult. Considering the storm there was a good attendance of pupils and visitors. The scholars did exceedingly well in all the branches examined, which shows the thorough drilling they have gone through, and which also shows, that Mr. Alexander Campbell and Miss Amelia Robertson are capable and painstaking teachers. Abstracts of history were read by Grace Newsom and Ida Smith; also an abstract of physical geography, by Walter Smith, some map drawing shown by the scholars was excellent. Several very amusing dialogues were given by the pupils at the close of the examination, after which several gentlemen present addressed the scholars, all expressing themselves, highly satisfied and well pleased both with the teachers and scholars. The examination then closed with the singing of our National Anthem by the pupils.

Supreme Court.

STEWART VS. LAWSON.

The court-room was well filled this morning when the Chief Justice and Mr. Justice Peters took their seats upon the bench.

L. H. Davies, Q. C., moved for the sentence of the Court in the case of the Queen and the prosecution of W. D. Stewart vs. Stephen G. Lawson.

The traverser was asked if he had anything to say as to why sentence should not be now passed.

E. J. Hodgson, Q. C., said that as Counsel for the traverser he had much to say. He had to state to the Court facts showing that the safeguards around the administration of justice had, in the decision of this case, been broken through by the Deputy Sheriff—Hezekiah Hull Pollard. He read an affidavit made by J. D. Irving, Esq., Deputy Prothonotary, to the effect that, on visiting the jury room, he (the Deputy Prothonotary) had found Pollard closeted with the jury. He also read affidavits, made by several of the jurymen, to the effect that Pollard chided them with being so long in bringing in a verdict, and recommended them to find the traverser guilty with a petition for mercy, and pretended to be the bearer of messages—affecting the verdict in the case between—the Court and the jury.

A *rule nisi* was immediately granted to set aside the verdict and for a new trial. The rule is made returnable, and will be argued on Saturday next.

Local and Other Items.

John Ings, Esq., left home last Tuesday for England.

Mr. P. Power, ex-M. P. for Halifax is very ill.

The New Brunswick Legislature met yesterday.

Grip says the three F's are Fwhiskey, Fun, and Frolic!

The Penny Readings in St. Peter's School-room, on Tuesday evening, passed off successfully.

Mr. Prescott, who crossed at the Capes yesterday, says that a steamer would now be of Great service there.

Wm. Chisholm has at present 80 horses and over 200 men employed lumbering on East River, Sheet Harbor, N. S. He expects to have 8,000,000 feet hauled before the season closes.

The Rev. Mr. FitzGerald thankfully acknowledges the receipt of $50 from Miss Ings,—a "Thanks-offering" to be distributed among the most deserving of the poor of St. Paul's congregation.

The United States war steamer "Yantic," 900 tons, 4 guns, Edwin T. Woodward, commander, is now in Halifax, from Norfolk, Va. She is on a cruise in search of a water-logged wreck which is dangerous to navigation.

The brigt. "Livonia," owned by the Hon. S. Prowse, sailed from Liverpool for Murray Harbor early in November, has turned up at Queenstown. Vessel and cargo are badly damaged.

The Kingston *Whig* unfolds the tale of a fish, caught in the Bay of Quinte, the interior department of which contained a gold piece worth twenty dollars. Our contemporary says the fish was a pike, but the story looks very like a whale.—*Toronto Mail.*

Cheif Joseph, of the Iroquois, died suddenly at Coughnawaga, on the 5th inst. He only recently finished a translation of the New Testament into the Iroquois. It will be remembered that he took a leading part in the opposition to the claims of the seminary at Oka.

The Joseph Hume scholarship in political economy has been awarded by the Council of University College, London, to Miss Ada Heather Bigg, LL. A., St. Andrews, and moral science scholar 1877 [Cambridge higher local examination]. This is the first time that the Hume scholarship in political economy has been carried off by a lady.

Personal.—After spending several months visiting the chief cities of England, our genial friend, Mr. Fred Sawyer, Purser of S. S. "Worcester" left Liverpool on Friday last in S. S. "City of Berlin," for New York, *en route* to his home in Gloucester. We shall be glad to see him about the last of April, in his old position on the "Worcester."

Cablegrams say that Bismarck has lately declared in favor of a policy of cure in his further treatment of German Socialism. Hitherto he has depended on coercion, which he finds out does not and cannot reach the conditions out of which Socialism grows. It is to be feared that cure in this case will be found less easy than coercion.

The Educational Institute will hold its nex meeting to-morrow (Friday) evening at 8 o'clock, in the Upper Pince Street school. The discussion on "Reformatories in connection with our present School Laws" will be resumed—the opener being A. A. McKenzie, Esq. Miss Smith will repeat the reading given by her at St. Peter's Readings. The public are invited.

Valentine Day this year will have an attraction not usual on the day. The Market Hall is to receive all valentine senders and receivers, and added to the valentines of paper and pen portraiture, some of a more valuable nature will be offered for sale—really useful articles priced at no fictitious value. A valentine table, displaying some exquisite English prize valentines imported direct, will be a special attraction at the "Fair" second only to the Fancy Table, which will be well supplied with articles of taste and utility. We understand that there is to be a substantial dinner, refreshment and tea table. A flower show and music and other attractions in the evening.

Loyal Orange Association.—The Annual meeting of the Queen's County Lodge took place in Calvin Lodge Rooms, Bradalbane, on the 1st inst., at which the following officers were duly elected and installed for the current year:

W. C. M.—Murdoch McLeod, Milton (re-elected).

W. D. M.—J. R. Hooper, Milton (re-elected).

W. C. Secy.—W. D. Tanton, Ch'town (re-elected).

W. C. Chap.—Theop. McLeod, Hunter River.

W. C. Treas.—Wm. McKenzie, Rose Valley.

W. C. D. of C.—D. W. Henderson, New Wiltshire.

The National Debts of the various nations seem in many instances enormous, and when we remember that in most instances they represent nothing but wars and their results, we naturally congratulate ourselves on our own immunity, from such expensive luxuries. The debt of France is the largest of any nation, being no less than £940,000,000 stg., or about $125 per head of the population. Yet France bears the load with a light heart, and is believed to be the most prosperous nation in Europe. Great Britain comes next with a debt of £840,000,000. Then follow in order the United States (including State debts) £513,000,000; Russia, £500,000,000; Italy, £395,000,000; Austria, £370,000,000; Germany, $188,000,000; and Belgium—with a population of 5,300,000 and an area a little more than half the size of Nova Scotia a debt of £53,728,000; while Greece with a population of only 1,679,000, has a debt of £17,552,000.

Grip is to the front in the Alley-Duchemin Case. A very correct portrait of Mr. Thomas Alley adorns its issue of the 5th inst. He stands eagerly listening with the aid of a large trumpet which he holds to his ear, whilst with his right hand he waves off the Duchemin Brothers, who are to be seen handcuffed, and in charge of an officer of the law, a short distanc from him. A bag with the all powerful $ mark projects from his coat pocket, and Mr. Alley seems to be entirely wrapped up in his own selfishness. Anent the case *Grip* remarks. "This commitment was made, it appears, at the instance of one Mr. Thomas Alley, who alleged that he was disturbed by the noise of the Duchemin's who were his next door neighbors. This Mr. Alley is, no doubt, a Grit, who abhors the "hum of industry." By the judicious use of an ear trumpet, he could no doubt secure the conviction of all the noise-making workmen within a block of his residence. We give his portrait as a natural curiosity." *Grip* is for sale at the Diamond Bookstore.

A Fuel Famine.—Moncton is suffering just now from a fuel famine. The present winter has been a very hard season on fuel, and to add to the difficulty the recent heavy storms have about suspended operations in the woods. Towards the latter end of last week, and especially on Saturday, the demand was very urgent. One or two small loads of wood came into town on Saturday and were eagerly snapped up. One man who had been keeping his fires going on refuse wood for three days, paid $2 for a small load containing less than half a cord. The roads leading to the country were all blocked up by the recent storm, and in many places they have been and are being abandoned. As far as the famine in coal is concerned, the scarcity is due to the stoppage of the works at Spring Hill and the running out of the supply of the dealers in coal from other mines.—*Moncton Times.*

A Bloody Duel Avoided.—Considerable amusement has been created in Ottawa over a scene that took place on Parliament Square, early on the morning of the 7th. It appears that a young Montreal swell went to Ottawa to have a good time, and some Ottawa swells with whom he became acquainted, put up a job on him. He was duly introduced to "Lord Campbell," and subsequently received an invitation to the ball from "Capt. Morris, A. D. C." The joke, however, began to leak out, when the victim became outrageously mad, and finally, fixing upon a friend as the instigator of the entire affair, there were hot words, which ended in arrangements for a duel. The spot chosen was the plateau in front of the Parliament buildings, between the Russian guns, at the hour of one a. m. "Pistols for two and coffee for the crowd" was the order. But before the preliminaries were settled a squadron of Dominion Police appeared on the scene and scattered the gang, driving them from the grounds. A bloody scene was thus avoided, but the principals had it out with fists in a leading hotel an hour later. Each of the parties were more or less bruised before they could be parted or were satisfied. Probably it is well the way it is.

NEWS BY TELEGRAPH.

Ottawa, Feb. 7.

It is reported that there was a slight shock of earthquake here yesterday morning. If there was, there were few sensible of the phenomenon.

It is generally understood that there will be few changes in the tariff in the way of increased or additional duties, but there may be some taken off.

There seems to be a strong feeling in favor of placing tea and coffee on the free list, now that the revenue is in a condition to warrant the change.

In the House to-day nothing of importance transpired.

London, Feb. 7.

It is rumored that Harcourt, will make a statement to-night that Davitt was arrested on account of the grave suspicion of the Government that he was connected with the new movement looking toward the employment of physical force for the establishment of the complete independence of Ireland.

The steamer "Bohemian," from Boston (Jan. 27th), for Liverpool, went ashore on the Irish coast in a dreadful storm. Thirty-two persons were drowned and, to the present time, twenty-one of the crew have been reported saved. The steamer is a total loss.

Omro,, Wis, Feb. 7

Half the business portion of the town was burned this morning. Loss, $200,000.

New York, Feb 7.

Meetings of the Irish Lond League branches were held in many wards of this city on Sunday. Resolutions and speeches generally strongly condemnatory of the British Government for the arrest of Davitt, and of Parliament for the suspension of the Home Rulers, were passed.

London, Feb. 7.

Carlyle will be buried in Westminster Abbey.

Ottawa, Feb. 8.

Mr. Girouard introduced to-day a Bill entitled "An Act to amend the Canada Temperance Act of 1878." He explained that the object of the Bill was to make it necessary that a majority of the total vote of a municipality was necessary to carry it.

There was a buzz among the committees of the House of Commons this a. m., and the various organizations have been very busy all morning making extensive preparations for hard work in connexion with the public bills. Members will be very busy in future until the session closes, and in view of this a hint to their constituents may not be out of place. This is simply done when too many letters, as answering entails large amount of work.

Chicago, Feb. 7.

The storm of wind, snow and rain, which has been prevailing in the Northwest, for the past two days, reached here during the night. The rain falling congeals upon telegraph wires causing much damage.

Omaha, Feb. 7.

The heaviest storm of the season was on last night. Telegraphic communication is almost cut off. Cattle men entertain great fears for the safety of their stock.

Pensacola, Feb. 7.

The heaviest storm for years. Several vessels fouled in the harbor. One bark ashore, flying a signal of distress.

New Orleans, Feb. 7.

A very severe storm prevails here. About eleven o'clock to-day the firemen's look-out tower fell, crushing the roofs of buildings Nos. 164 and 166 on Julia street, causing damage to the extent of $5,000. The tower cost $1,000. Telegraph wires are nearly all down.

Buffalo, Feb. 8.

The old part of the New York Central Depot, on Exchange street, fell with a terrible crash this morning. A number of lives were lost; the exact number is not yet known.

Portland Oregon, Feb. 8.

The destruction of live stock by the flood is very heavy.

London, Feb. 7.

No word of the steamer "Batavia" from New York, Jan. 19th, yet.

A fire is raging in Victoria Docks, London. Twelve barges and eight railway tracks destroyed. A ship and four sheds are now on fire.

San Francisco, Feb. 8.

A despatch from Reddin states that all the buildings at the United States Fishery, on McCloud River suffered severely by the storm. Loss very great. Despatches from all points report heavy damage. Many steamers are plying over submerged plains, taking people off and stock.

London, Feb. 7.

A colliery explosion occurred this morning at Cheadle, North Staffordshire. Twenty persons were in the pit at the time and it is believed all perished.

Laycock has returned to Putney from Southwick. The betting is 5 to 1 on Hanlan.

Durban, Feb. 9.

General Colley's forces yesterday attacked and defeated the Boers between Newcastle and the frontier. At Ingozo River the British loss was 150 killed and wounded; the officers killed were McGregor of the Engineers, Grier of the Artillery, O'Connell and Garrett, both of the 69th Regiment.

The Boers lost heavily. The Boers have taken possession of a British ambulance train.

London, Feb. 9.

The bill for the protection of life and property in Ireland passed a second reading today.

It is reported that General Skobeloff has been reinforced.

The War Office has a telegram from Gen. Colley announcing the defeat of the Boers, and giving details of the battle yesterday.

The *Times* says: "The repulse of the Boers is a questionable success. Colley's object was to escort the mails over the Ingoge river and to meet the convoy from Newcastle. The Boers opposition was so strong that Colley had to send for three more companies of troops to reinforce his original force of five companies. He then left only 300 men in camp. The Boers got to the rear of his force and captured a mule train of ambulances and some goods. He was for a time unable to advance or retire, being assailed on all sides. The Boers, strongly reinforced from Laingirec, getting between the supports and the column. The Boers, though repulsed, are threatening. Military critics fail to see what has been gained by so costly an operation.

Ottawa, Feb. 9.

It has been raining considerably here since 3 o'clock yesterday, and presumably the weather is bad to the west, as I learn that telegraph communication was badly interrupted last night in various directions.

The Public Accounts Committee met this morning, but beyond the moving for some returns of expenditure, no business of importance was transacted.

A large number of people from a distance have arrived to attend the State Ball this evening.

Polyglott Scraps, partly Selected and partly Original

BY VICH DHOMNUIL NAN ORD.

For a Sign-Board of an Inn or Hotel.

In questa casa trovarete
Toutes les choses que vous souhaitez;
Vinum bonum, costes, carnes,
Neat postchaise with horse and harness.

At the Skating Rink.

Skaters jungere, Virgo, vis?
Will you join the skaters, Miss?
Aspice retro in vultu,
You look at me, I look at you!
Round and round the Rink we'll go;
Vis-a-vis, or dos-a-dos!
On the light fantistic toe
To the ice we give a "*bump,*"
Nil desperandum! Up we jump!
Music sounds in upper air;
Galbraith's glorious band is there!
Waltzes, marches, he can play;
"Johnny Cope" and "Duncan Grey,"
"Moneymusk" and "Patrick's Day."
Well his baton times his men!
He's the PRINCEPS TIBICEN! *

* Vide Phædrus.

Ch'town, Feb. 7th, 1881.

The Land Leaguers in Ireland are looking forward to the arrest of a number of their members as soon as the coercion bill passes.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Forts are being erected along the Galway coast.

All the troops in London are confined to their barracks.

"O for a thousand tongues!" said the lad when he crawled into a treacle barrel.

There is a rumour that the Government has seized the Land League offices in Dublin.

An infernal machine, containing a pound of gunpowder, was found in a London square.

Extraordinary precautions were taken at Chester and Crewe to prevent the rescue of Davitt by the Irish populace.

When a pretty Irish girl is stolen away, they suspect some Boycotter.—*New Orleans Picayune.*

The British Government has received information of the commencement of war with Ashantee.

Henry Ward Beecher is said to have refused an offer of $300,000 a year to stop preaching and devote his entire time to lecturing.

An emergency committee, composed chiefly of Conservatives, has been formed in London in connection with the Dublin emergency committee.

English culture now delights in pouring contempt on the memory of the Puritans, but where would English culture have been if the Puritans had not made England free.

The pigeon shooting match for £400 between Dr. Carver and Mr. Scott, came of in London on the 7th inst. The shooting was good and the match well contested, notwithstanding the disagreeable weather. Dr. Carver won the match, killing 66 birds. Mr. Scott killed 62.

General Garfield is credited with making a new and wholesome departure in the matter of political appointments. He declines to turn out of office good men who are doing their work well, merely for the sake of providing places for his own hungry supporters. But the report is not confirmed yet.

The rumor recently published in the London "Times" to the effect that it was the intention of a committee of the Privy Council to order slaughtering of Canadian cattle at the port of landing, was untrue. Hon. Mr. Pope, Minister of Agriculture, has been advised by cable that no such order has been issued, nor is it contemplated.

C. T. Act.—By an Order in Council published in the Canada "Gazette," it is made compulsory that in all future petititions under the Canada Temperance Act, each signature attached to the petition shall be attested to by a witness as being in the proper handwriting of the person whose signature it purports to be. It further provides that the quality of each signer shall be attested to by an affidavit.

On the Little Colorada lives a woman who avers that she is 128 years old and that she distinctly remembers the famous dark day, 29th of May, 1780. There are still a number of old people who have "heard tell" of that remarkable phenomenon from those who experienced it. Perhaps it is not generally known that the darkness, which was that of a dark night, extended for many miles out into the Atlantic. It was not in anywise explainable by eclipse.

Thomas Carlyle, the deceased author, leaves a large circle of relatives residing in Canada. Among them are a sister, Mrs. Henning, a widow lady, in Hamilton; a family of nephews and nieces in Burford, the children of his brother Alexander, who settled there; and a family of nephews and nieces in Brant township, the children of his brother John. One of these nieces is the mother of Mr. Ellis, of Barber, and Mr. Ellis, of Toronto. Dr. Carlyle of the Toronto Normal School, is a nephew. Alexander Carlyle, son of the late Alexander Carlyle, of Burford, married the niece who was present at the death-bed.

Holloway's Ointment and Pills.—Much watchfulness must be exercised at the present time, and the earliest evidences of ill-health must be immediately checked, or a slight illness may result in a serious malady. Relaxed and sore throat, diphtheria, quinsey, coughs, chronic cough, bronchitis, and most other pulmonary affections will be relieved by rubbing this cooling Ointment into the skin as near as practical to the seat of mischief. This treatment, so simple and affective, is admirably adapted for the removal of these diseases during infancy and youth. Old asthmatic invalids will derive marvellous relief from the use of Holloway's remedies, which have brought round many such sufferers, and re-established health after every other means had signally failed.

A report was current in London recently that on the day originally fixed for the race between Hanlan and Laycock the Australian was not in condition to row, which report would imply that Laycock was not making an effort to win. Inasmuch as the Australian is backed by the people's money, raised by subscription from high and low, the report was deemed a very cruel one, so much so that when the meeting was held at which the race was postponed till St. Valentine's day, Mr. Ashley, proprietor of the London *Sportsman*, called attention to it and said: "I know something about training for pedestrianism and other contests, and I can tell when a man is fit and well; I repeat that I never saw one in better condition than Laycock was." Trickett, who represented Laycock at the meeting, said: "Any man who says Laycock was not fit to row is quite wrong. No man could be in better health than Laycock is at present, and he has been well ever since he arrived in England."

The publishers, Messrs. W. J. Gage & Co., have kindly sent us for criticism the first number of the "School Examiner and Monthly Review," the science and school departments of which are under the direction of Messrs. Thos. Kirkland, M. A., and Wm. Scatt, B. A., and the literary department under that of C. P. Mulvany, M. A. The quality of the essay on Sir Walter Scott is such as to make one wish for more; and the Topics of the Month contain the sensible suggestion that the "elder scholars should know something of what is passing in the world around them, yet too often they know more about the Saxon kings of the Heptarchy than of what is now occurring in France and Russia." Twelve pages out of thirty-two are devoted to notes, questions, discussions and specimen examination papers, and matters of interest to teachers especially, Chemistry, Statics, Mathematics, History, Grammar, are among the headings.

MARRIED.

At North Bedeque, on Wednesday, the 2nd inst., by Rev. Robert S. Patterson, Mr. Charles McLean, of Searletown, to Miss Mary McQuarrie, of the same place.

A St. James Church, Georgetown, on the 31st ult., by Rev. J. C. McDonald, Mr. Martin Lannigan, to Miss Mary Dunn, both of Sturgeon.

At the residence of the bride's father, on the 22nd Jan., by Rev. N. McKay, Mr. Charles J. Wescott, to Miss Euphemia Callaghan, daughter of Mr. John Callaghan all of Summerside.

DIED.

At New York on the 6th ult., Fannie, wife of Robert Clarke, and daughter of the late Edmond Mawley, Summerside, in the 33rd year of her age.

At Hampton, Iowa, on the 19th January, of diphtheria, John Thomas Heartz, second son of the late John Inman, aged 8 years.

At Cape Traverse, of Diptheria, on Wednesday, the 12th of January, William Joseph, only son of John and Margaret Harvey, aged 2 years and 3 months.

Of Diptheria, after a very short illness, Annie, the youngest daughter of the late Robert Cole, of Summerside, aged 14 years. On Saturday, the 22nd ult., her father was buried in the Summerside Cemetry, and on Saturday the 5th inst., Annie was laid beside him.