

MR. POPE ON RECIPROCAL FREE TRADE.

We have no wish to bandy words with the Patriot. Indeed, it is unnecessary. Any one can see that if the Patriot was right in denouncing Mr. Pope as a "traitor to his Free Trade principles" because of what he said on Market Square when the Premier was here, Adam Smith was also a traitor to Free Trade because he wrote the following:—

"The case in which it may sometimes be a matter of deliberation how far it is proper to continue the free importation of certain foreign goods, is, when some foreign nation restrains by high duties or prohibitions the importation of some of our manufactures into their country. Revenge in this case naturally dictates retaliation, and that we should impose the like duties and prohibitions upon the importation of some or all of their manufactures into ours."

"There may be good policy in retaliations of this kind, when there is a probability that they will procure the repeal of the high duties or prohibitions complained of. The recovery of a great foreign market will generally more than compensate the transitory inconvenience of paying dearer during a short time for some sorts of goods."

The misrepresentation of the Patriot concerning Colbert and the "insidious and crafty animal called a statesman,"—there is not a single one of the latter in the ranks of the Grit party—do not deserve notice.

A PHENOMENON.

JUDGE ALLEY, yesterday, explained how, in his opinion, our legislators manipulated the laws so that the young men of the town retain the right to vote while all young men in the country are disfranchised. He says if his rendering is right, the law, as it stands, is "a phenomenon." The Patriot scolds the idea that this "phenomenon" was intentionally produced. In doing so it is not all complimentary to its leader the Local Attorney General. If the Attorney General permitted the Registration of Votes Act to pass and the Statute Labor Act to be repealed without seeing clearly that the effect would be the disfranchisement for a whole year of all the young men in the country, he is not the sharp, shrewd lawyer he gets the credit of being. The assumption that the wrong done our young men was unintentional, is not at all flattering to the young, but great legal luminary, who guides the lesser lights of the Local Government. We have no right to assume that the "disfranchisement" was unintentional; and, even in charity to the Attorney General, we cannot do so.

A LIBEL.

S. G. W. BENJAMIN, in Harper's Magazine for September, writes some good things about P. E. Island. But he misrepresents it in many ways, and libels many of its public officials and religious institutions. The clerks in our public offices are, on the whole, we believe, as capable—although the Government does not pay them as well—and as courteous to strangers, as any in the Dominion—much more so, we believe, than the generality of public servants in the United States. Yet Mr. S. G. W. Benjamin could write of them as follows:—

"We found the clerks of all the Island offices unnecessarily inquisitive, and capable of incredible blunders; there is also inexcusable laxness in the forwarding and care of letters and mail bags, inasmuch that I never felt sure of receiving letters addressed to me, at least not for long after they were due, or that mine would reach their destination after I had posted them. That this was not my own experience alone was evidenced by the frequent complaints against the department constantly appearing in the local papers."

Our knowledge of the Post Office officials is, we think, as intimate as that of Mr. S. G. W. Benjamin; and our readers can bear witness that we are not backward in finding fault where fault really exists. Mistakes certainly do sometimes occur; but most emphatically do we deny that there is such "inexcusable laxness" as S. G. W. Benjamin falsely depicts. As for the care of mail bags, we find, on enquiry, that there has never been a single mail bag lost here—which is more than can be said of the country in which S. G. W. Benjamin lives and moves and libels.

At the Stipendiary Magistrate's Court yesterday morning, Mrs. Mary F. Flynn was committed eight days for being drunk and disorderly. David McCormick was fined \$2 for drunk and incapable. Donald McDonald was fined \$2 for drunk and incapable. Wm. Burns was committed for 14 days for drunk and vagrancy. Pat'k Hughes was committed for one month for drunk and using abusive language.

COUNTY COURT.

JUDGE ALLEY opened his Court yesterday morning. The attendance was unusually large, and the proceedings were unusually interesting. A large body of electors were present. All wanted to have their names entered upon the voters' lists, but none knew exactly what to do. If ever there were an Act "which those who run may read," it is not (though it should be) the Registration of Votes Act. It is a puzzle to lawyers as well as laymen. Even the Judge is sometimes at a loss concerning it. Judge Alley very good naturedly answered, to the best of his ability, the numberless questions with which he was plying. But even now there are doubts unsolved which should never have existed.

After the formal opening, the Judge explained that as the registration of voters—which took precedence of all other business—would occupy the time of the Court for several days, it would be unnecessary for those having suits to continue in attendance. He thinks the registration may be finished by Thursday next; and he notified suitors to attend after that day. He calculated that he would be able to register the names of about eighty voters per day; but that many were disposed of yesterday, and it is probable that a good many more will be entered per day now that the work has been fairly commenced. We hear that about five hundred electors applied to have their names placed upon the lists.

PROVINCIAL RIFLE COMPETITION.

The annual prize meeting of the Provincial Rifle Association commenced on Wednesday. The first competition was completed yesterday, with the following result:—

| FIRST COMPETITION. | | YDS. | | Tot'l | |
|--|----|------|-----|-------|-----|
| | | 200 | 400 | 200 | 400 |
| Gunner B. Hooper, No. 1 Battery, Ch'town Artillery, | 19 | 23 | 42 | | |
| Pt. J. Dover, No. 6 Queen's Co. Batt., | 19 | 23 | 42 | | |
| Sergt. Jno. Crockett, No. 6 Queen's Co. Batt., | 17 | 24 | 41 | | |
| Corp. E. McDougall, No. 6 Queen's Co. Batt., | 22 | 19 | 41 | | |
| Sergt. L. Younker, No. 2 Battery, Ch'town Artillery, | 16 | 24 | 40 | | |
| Pt. W. Harper, No. 6 Queen's Co. Batt., | 19 | 21 | 40 | | |
| Pt. Daniel Stewart, No. 4 Queen's Co. Batt., | 19 | 21 | 40 | | |
| Bugler F. Horne, No. 4 Queen's Co. Batt., | 15 | 24 | 39 | | |
| Gun. T. Lowery, No. 1 Battery, Ch'town Artillery, | 17 | 22 | 39 | | |
| Gun. Wm. Brown, No. 1 Battery, Ch'town Artillery, | 17 | 22 | 39 | | |
| Pt. David Lawson, No. 4 Queen's Co. Batt., | 18 | 21 | 39 | | |
| Pt. Peter McKinnon, No. 5 Queen's Co. Batt., | 20 | 19 | 39 | | |
| Sergt. W. McLaren, No. 5 King's Co. Batt., | 16 | 22 | 38 | | |
| Capt. McRae, No. 5 Queen's Co. Batt., | 16 | 22 | 38 | | |
| Pt. Sam'l Gay, No. 5 Queen's Co. Batt., | 16 | 22 | 38 | | |
| Capt. McLeod, No. 1 King's Co. Batt., | 17 | 21 | 38 | | |
| Pt. W. Jenkins, No. 5 Queen's Co. Batt., | 17 | 21 | 38 | | |
| Pt. D. Stewart, No. 4 Queen's Co. Batt., | 17 | 21 | 38 | | |
| Pt. George Henderson, No. 4 Queen's Co. Batt., | 17 | 21 | 38 | | |
| Pt. Clas Roper, No. 5 Queen's Co. Batt., | 17 | 21 | 38 | | |

A melancholy accident happened near Malpeque, on Friday evening last. A little before sundown, William Wallace, and James Blackmore, jun., went to the Shipyard River to bathe. The former could swim a little, the latter none at all. They both waded across the river and back again at a very narrow place where there was at the deepest only about 3½ feet of water. Wallace then went a few yards up the river, leaving Blackmore standing in the water, and started to swim across. When about half way across he looked round and could see nothing of Blackmore above water but his hair. Hastening to him he caught him by the arm and both sank to the bottom. On coming up again Wallace struggled to get him to the shore, but they went down a second time. He now loosed his hold on Blackmore, went to the shore, procured a pole and returned to the spot in hopes that he might come again to the surface, but nothing more of him was seen. There was no boat at hand nor any person within hearing. Considerably more than an hour elapsed before a boat and assistance reached the spot; after some little search the body was found lying at the bottom of a hole made by a mud-digger, into which the deceased accidentally stumbled while wading about. An inquest was held before Coroner McNutt, on Saturday afternoon, and a verdict of accidental drowning returned. The deceased was about thirty years of age, quiet and industrious. For several years he has been employed as farmer for D. McNutt; Esq. He leaves a wife and four small children to mourn the loss of a kind husband and father, and their only means of support. We trust that a benevolent community will not forget the claim of the "widow and orphans," remembering that "He that hath pity on the poor lendeth unto the Lord; and that which he hath given will he pay him again."—Com. to Pat.

Local and Other Items.

The FENCES placed around the Squares are giving of fence to many citizens.

The rebuilding of Barnes' Hotel, St. John, was commenced on Wednesday last.

The steamer Carroll sailed for Boston last evening. The M. A. Starr sailed for Halifax at 6 o'clock, p. m.

THE ECLIPSE LAST NIGHT.—The eclipse, last night, was almost total. It was emphatically the "observed of all observers."

Mrs. POWER's communication will receive our immediate attention. No innocent man shall suffer—or think he suffers—at our hands.

DR. WOOD leaves for Summerside on Saturday, and will return to Charlottetown on the following Friday, stopping until evening.—1w

VALUABLE CARGO.—The steamer Carroll, which sailed for Boston yesterday evening, cleared with a cargo valued at \$14,000. Her last cargo was valued at \$17,000.

ST. JOHN PENITENTIARY is overcrowded with prisoners. Several who were sent from the Police Court on Wednesday were returned, as there was no room for them.

THE Moonlight Excursion on board the steamer Southport, last evening, was a grand success. A large number embarked from Steam Navigation Wharf, and a very pleasant three hours was spent in dancing, singing, etc., as the Southport steamed up and down the harbor.

A YOUNG man named Angus McDonald was drowned on Friday evening at Bonshaw bridge. He in company with two other young fellows was bathing, and they undertook to swim through the arch of the bridge. Two of them got through successfully and looking round missed McDonald, who, it is supposed had taken a cramp and sunk. His body was recovered about an hour after, and interred on Sunday.—S. J.

RAILROAD EXCURSION TO SOURIS.—We heard that a special train will leave Charlottetown Station next Thursday, the 30th inst., at 7 o'clock, a. m., to convey passengers to Souris, to attend an extensive sale of building lots, horses, stock, farm implements and store goods, at Souris, on the 30th inst. A bazaar to come off at Souris on that occasion is also spoken of. Look out for particulars in the DAILY EXAMINER in due time.

HOW OUR FREE TRADE PREMIER FOSTER FREE TRADE IN SHIPS.—By a Quebec telegram of the 22d inst., it is reported:—

"Mr. Mackenzie greatly disappointed the committee of merchants and ship-builders whom he had promised to meet on his return from the Lower Provinces. He took no notice of the telegrams to him previous to his arrival, asking if he would cross to Quebec or if the gentlemen could meet him on the arrival of the train at South Quebec, and quite overlooked his pledge to these gentlemen, and proceeded west without even the courtesy of giving a reply."

WESTERN NOTES.

(From the Summerside Journal.)

The Wesleyan Church at Victoria is now nearly completed. It is beautifully located and is a very handsome building.

The Dominion Government, through its engineer, is advertising for tenders for the construction of a Breakwater at Malpeque harbor. It will be remembered that the McKenzie government voted ten thousand for this object last session.

We learn from a correspondent that great catches of Mackerel were taken at Miminigash last week. There are forty-five boats fishing there, each of which averaged about eighteen barrels in the week. One boat took in twenty-five hundred in one day. The fish is said to be very good.

A sad accident occurred here on Friday evening last. Two young men, William Wallace and James Blackmore, went to bathe in the Shipyard River. Both waded out in the water for some time, when Wallace, who could swim a little, started to swim across the river, leaving Blackmore standing in the water. When about half way across Wallace looked around and could see nothing of his comrade but the top of his head. He hastened to his assistance, caught him by the arm, but being unable to bear him up, sank with him to the bottom. Coming to the surface again he vainly tried to draw Blackmore to shore, but only sank with him a second time. He now let go of him, procured a pole and returned to the spot, hoping he would come up again, but he had sunk to rise no more. The body was recovered a few hours after. It appears that in wading about he suddenly fell into a hole made by mud diggers. An inquest on the following day returned the verdict of "accidental drowning." Deceased was a steady, industrious man. He leaves a wife and four small children bereft of their only support.

New Advertisements

NOW OPENED,
AT LONDON HOUSE!
—EX CASPIAN—
RIBBONS,
TURQUOISES,
BLACK LUSTRES,
BROWN LUSTRES,
SILESIA,
DRESS LININGS!!
Aug. 24—6in

OPENING OF CITY SCHOOLS.
The Board of School Trustees OF CHARLOTTETOWN

HEREBY gives notice that the following schools will be opened, under the provisions of the "Public Schools' Act, 1877," on MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 3rd, prox., at the hour of 9 o'clock, a. m., for the admission of pupils, viz:—

- Upper Prince Street School, [late Methodist Academy],
- East Kent Street School, [late Normal School],
- Rochford School, [Scott's Hall],
- Spring Park School, [Large's Hall, Great George Street]
- Kensington School, [near Gas Works].

N. B.—In order that pupils may be properly graded, it is requested that all intending applicants be present on the day of opening.

By Order of the Board,
ISAAC OXENHAM,
Secretary.
Office of School Board, }
Ch'town, Aug. 24, 1877. } allc p till sep 1

APPLES.
50 BARRELS JUST LANDED!
B. BALDERSTON.
No. 11 Queen St., Aug. 24—1in

To the Electors of Charlottetown.

HAVING been chosen at a large and influential meeting, called for the purpose of nominating Candidates for the ensuing election to the "Licensing Board" of this City, we have accepted the nomination. If elected to that important office, it shall be our earnest endeavor to discharge with fidelity the duties which may devolve upon us and to carry out the law to the best of our ability, with advantage to the City Corporation and for the welfare of our fellow citizens.

W. J. CUNDALL,
H. E. DAWSON.
Aug. 22, 1877—3 i o d—other papers lin

WANTED.
A CITY CLERK for the City of Charlottetown. Must be a good accountant. Application to be made in writing, and addressed to
J. S. CARVELL, Mayor.
Mayor's office,
Ch'town, Aug. 23, 1877—pat ar h if

MUSIC.
MISS FORGAN, Kent Street, will open a Class for Music, August 29th.
Aug. 23—1w

PLASTER PARIS!
50 BBLS. now on hand.
CARVELL BROS.
Ch'town, Aug. 23—pat ar 2w

Notice to Special Constables.
ALL Special Constables on service on and after the 12th of July last, who have not returned their "staves," are required to do so immediately.
THOMAS FLYNN,
City Marshal.
Police Station,
Ch'town, Aug. 22, 1877—3in

Wants, etc., etc.

Advertisements under this heading, in space not exceeding half an inch, will be inserted for TEN CENTS per day.

LOST, on the evening of the 22nd, between the hours of 5.30 and 9 p. m., a large-sized Russia Leather PURSE, containing about \$25 00. The finder will please leave it at this Office.

SITUATION WANTED.—By a young man of good education, as clerk in a store. Good references given. Address "P," EXAMINER OFFICE,
Ch'town, Aug. 23—1in

WANTED—By a sober, steady and respectable young man, a situation in a store, office, or hotel. Good references. Apply at off of DAILY EXAMINER.
Aug. 13—

Auction Sales.

ELEGANT
NEW FURNITURE!
BY AUCTION,
Saturday next, August the 25th.

At 11 o'clock, at W. D. STEWART'S Auction Room, Queen Street, Embracing Black Walnut and Mahogany Parlor Sets, Bed Room Set (in ash), Walnut and Mahogany Chairs, Office Desk (walnut), Lounge, Cheffonier, Easy Chair, Bureau, etc.
2 very superior Pier Mirrors, gilt frames; 2 do do B. P. Mirrors, walnut and gilt frames.
Hall Table, Hall Stand, Vases, and sundry other articles. Also,—
1 American Top Buggy (new).
1 Sett Harness (new).
1 Piano, second-hand, etc.
Terms—All sums under \$40, cash; over that amount, 3 months approved notes.
A. MCNEILL, Auctioneer.
No. 11 Queen St., Aug. 24—

Thursday, August 30th.

LAKELANDS.
SALE OF A LARGE AND BEAUTIFUL ESTATE.

I AM instructed by the Hon. George W. DeBlois, of Charlottetown, P. E. Island, to sell at AUCTION, at my rooms, Granville Street, on Thursday, the 30th inst., at 11 o'clock, noon, that valuable Estate known as LAKELANDS, situate in the County of Hants, Nova Scotia, containing 3,000 acres of land. On the premises are two Dwelling-houses, two large Barns, Horse Stable, Cow Stable, Coach House, Ice House, etc., etc., all of which are in a good state of preservation. The two picturesque Lakes on and belonging to this property, with their surroundings, afford sport for the sportsman and amusement to the pleasure-seeker. LAKELANDS contains a large quantity of very valuable Timber; also, Firewood and Longers.
Terms made known at sale. For further particulars apply to Mr. G. Walter DeBlois, on the premises, or by letter to Hon. George W. DeBlois, Charlottetown, P. E. Island.

R. D. CLARKE, JR.,
Auctioneer and Real Estate Agent,
79 and 81 Granville St., Halifax.
Aug. 15—12in pat till sale.

UNCLAIMED GOODS!
CUSTOM SALE.

TO be Sold at Public Auction, at the Appraiser's Office, Water Street, Charlottetown, on FRIDAY, the 24th August, 1877, at 11 o'clock, a. m., the following

Goods, Wares & Merchandise.

- namely—
- 10 Boxes TEA.
- 1 Cask HARDWARE.
- 20 Cases MATCHES.
- 1 Cask MERCHANDISE.
- 1 Case do.
- 1 Cask KEROSENE OIL.
- 2 Cases MERCHANDISE.
- 1 Bbl. do.
- 1 Bbl. CURRA TS.
- 1 Qr. Cask do.
- 226 Bars IR.
- 50 Bils.

D. CURRIE, Collector.
Charlottetown, August 10, 1877—law

MOLASSES, SUGAR, SALT!

BRIGHT FLEETWOOD is now landing, at Peake's No. 1 Wharf, the following cargo:—
60 Puns. BARBADOES MOLASSES (queen syrup).
20 Hds. BRIGHT SUGAR.
20 Tierces do do.
3,500 Bushels coarse SALT, suitable for pork or fish, which will be sold low white landing.
LONGWORTH & CO.
Aug. 22—1w

FOUND.

BY the City Marshal, on Friday last, on Connolly's Breastwork, a quantity of LADIES' BOOTS, which the owner can have by proving property and paying expenses.
THOMAS FLYNN,
City Marshal.
Police Station,
Ch'town, Aug. 22, 1877—3in

J. F. McKay,
(NORTH SIDE QUEEN SQUARE)

Has just received a varied assortment of American and Geneva

- Watches,
Gold and Silver;
- Ladies' & Gents' Watch Chains,
Gold and Silver;
- Plain & Fancy Rings,
Gold Lockets, Brooches,
Earrings, Studs,
Silver Thumbles, etc
- ALSO—
Watches, Clocks, and Jewelry skillfully repaired.—Satisfaction guaranteed, and all work warranted.
Aug. 21—1w