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**THE DAILY EXAMINER**

DECEMBER 27, 1898.

**OUR HIGH COMMISSIONER.**

THE Gaspesia steamed out of our harbour in the quiet silence of Christmas morning. Not many were on the wharf to see her off and bid her good speed. For although it was well understood that she was filled to overflowing with our farmers' products, it was not generally known that she carried a very notable passenger—no less a personage than the High Commissioner on behalf of the Government and people of Prince Edward Island to—well, not exactly to the Court of St. James, but to the merchants and consumers of Great Britain. Some persons may be surprised to learn that there is such a functionary, and most of all that he is Mr. Joseph Wise, M. L. A. If it had been known that Mr. Wise—licitly dubbed "Sir Joseph" by his friends—and not unlikely to be Sir Joseph in reality before he returns—was on board, the wharves would have been black with cheering people as he passed out of our harbour.

"Sir Joseph"—we adopt the familiar appellation—sailed away a proud man; and he left behind a well-pleased Government. All legitimate trade brings profit to both parties; and there has evidently been trade in this case. A few weeks ago, Sir Joseph was, in the forcible, if somewhat profane language of his boon companions, "damning the Government up in heaps." He "had no use for Farquharson," and he wrote a letter to the Editor of the Patriot—so it is said and not denied—in which he stated the fact in set terms. But the letter never appeared. And now "Sir Joseph" has gone home (with a free pass in his pocket) accredited by the Government of this Province to the merchant princes of Liverpool and London, Birmingham and Manchester.

How it all came about may shortly be stated. Mr. Wise agreed that his letter to the Patriot should not be published "for a few weeks." In the meantime the Gaspesia came in and a grand luncheon was given on board. While the sparkling wine flowed freely, the importance of our prospective trade with Great Britain grew in the minds of the steamship's guests. Premier Farquharson made a speech in the course of which he suggested that a representative of the Government might profitably be sent to the Mother Country for the purpose of obtaining information valuable to our farmers, merchants and shippers entering into a business which is new to many of them. THE EXAMINER approved the idea, but expressed a doubt that a suitable man could be found in the ranks of the Liberal party. Premier Farquharson caught at the word of approval, and sent Mr. Wise!

The Guardian explains that Mr. Wise called upon Premier Farquharson on Friday last,—incidentally of course, probably to wish him the compliments of the season:

"Mr. Farquharson related to him what had been said regarding sending a man to England, to which Mr. Wise remarked in terms of high approval that "he was glad to know that the government were in readiness to do something of such great importance and in the interests of the farmers."

"Mr. Wise," said the Leader, "it appears to me that you would be the right man to go on this momentous errand."

"Well," said the energetic farmer, and member for the Second District of Queen's, "it is pretty short notice, but I will consider the matter."

"Yes the boat will likely leave tomorrow night and if you decide to go, call in tomorrow morning and I will have things ready."

Mr. Wise, after a few moments thought, consented to go and said, "I'll be ready in the morning."

It will be observed that Mr. Wise exhibited British promptness in responding to the call of duty to his country; and we can fancy the thoroughness, dignity and complete satisfaction with which the duty

will be performed. The report of our High Commissioner to Great Britain will be awaited with interest and impatience. The Guardian sees visions of "practical information," in it; and we suppose that the result will be that Mr. Joseph Wise—fresh from the presence of the Queen—will, upon his arrival home, be created Commissioner of Agriculture and Trade, and that he will vote with "the Farquharson Administration."

Premier Farquharson is to be congratulated upon his Christmas strategy. But we are not at all sure that it will secure the permanence of his government. It is related that when the ancient Romans began to buy off their enemies with gold out of the public treasury, their enemies increased in number, difficulties multiplied, and their Empire speedily dissolved. We entertain the idea that it is possible that the purchase of supporters—even if made at a cheap rate—will cause others to demand a forfeit, will result in loss and disgrace to the Province and lead to such jealousies and divisions in the party of the majority as will speedily result in the downfall of the government which resorts to it.

—The semi-annual meeting of the Farmers and Dairymen's association of P. E. Island will be held in the Hall at Wilmot on Thursday next at 1 o'clock p. m., and will continue on the next day. This ought to be an important meeting, and should be attended by all farmers who can possibly get there. There will be paper read at the meeting by some of our practical farmers.

Gen. Merritt, who commanded the troops at Manila, and was afterwards summoned to Paris to advise with the American peace commissioners, has returned to New York. He is a strong advocate of the retention of the Philippines and anticipates no troubles from the insurgents. He relates this incident of them:—An order has been issued forbidding any native entering the city. The order was resented, and one evening a detachment of insurgents, numbering about 150 men, advanced on the First Colorado Regiment, firing their guns and making a tremendous show of force. At the critical moment Col. Hale, an old West Pointer, in command of the regiment which was drawn up, ordered the ranks to be opened. The insurgents marched through the opening toward the city, whereupon the Colorado men closed in upon them, took their arms and unceremoniously kicked the confused Filipinos out of camp. Aguinaldo was much grieved and hurt over this incident, and sent an emissary, with profuse apologies, saying his men had made a mistake in the darkness.

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SIR,—It does seem passing strange that with this mild weather and all the time for the authorities to put into execution those favors which the press assures us have been telegraphed from our influential rulers, the mail service is intolerably bad—indeed has never been worse in my whole experience of eleven years in the west. The Board of Trade cannot have realized this or we would have had a change or a hearty protest. To some persons it doth appear not a little surprising that this Island community is in the same position with regard to mails, putting up with the same inconveniences, delays, stupidity of officials, etc., as it was ten years ago—aye, perhaps twenty, all of which, or about all of which, could be avoided and would not be suffered twenty-four hours elsewhere. Is the Board of Trade, so potent in effecting useful improvements, devoting its serious attention to the communication problem? It is the first in importance to us of all our Island concerns, and it were a pity to be "splitting hairs" twixt west and nor'west on simple affairs," while matters of such moment impatiently await regulation. Are they afraid of this interest and that, —and therefore put off pushing for immediate connection at the Capes where, with any kind of activity, we ought, inside a year at least, to have Provincial connection with every through train on the other side. It has got to come to this; why hesitate for this or that interest, local, personal, or corporate, to bring it about at once?

And I would like to call the Board of Trade's attention to our Western train wants in winter especially, and until a way out of this "splendid isolation" be afforded by connection at the Capes. Why could not a generous government and a progressive railway management give us the two trains a day in winter that operate between the two towns? The extra cost would not be adrop in the bucket, and if any portion of the road ought to be served it is that which supplies a large proportion of the revenue. After Christmas we will be obliged to spend a whole day on a slow and antiquated train going to the capital and another getting back. This is certainly not what is being done for Nova Scotia or New Brunswick, and we want equal rights and privileges when we're paving for them. I thought all along the Superior end Sheriff would inaugurate something new this year as economy at the expense of improvement was not under consideration; but, I see we are to have the same old time table of pioneer railway days with the possibility of burning the farmers rails to get up steam enough to reach the termini. Could not the Board of Trade lend us a helping hand "out of the woods?"

A. E. BURKE,  
Alberton, Dec. 23rd, 1898.

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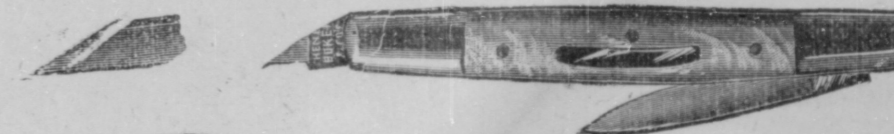
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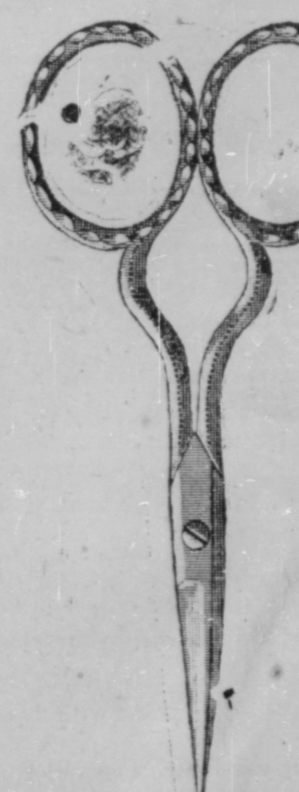
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