

**THE DAILY EXAMINER**

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**SIR CHARLES' OPINION.**

When speaking at Yarmouth, a few days ago, Sir Charles Tupper referred to the situation in South Africa. He said Great Britain had shown great patience in dealing with the Boers. But they were evidently under the delusion that the English were really afraid of them. The struggle was imminent. He expressed the opinion that the time had come for Canada to offer the services of a body of sharpshooters from the Dominion militia unsurpassed as they were as marksmen by any in the world. In view of what England had done for Canada and what Canada expected her to do, the people of this country could not afford to be idle spectators of the struggle. He had taken the responsibility of telegraphing to the Premier of the Dominion the hope that a body of Canadian volunteers would be offered for service in South Africa and assuring him not only of his support, but of the belief that the project would have the enthusiastic support of all Canadians.

**A FALSE REPORT.**

Some of the English papers are printing such paragraphs as the following:

"Mr. Tarte, the Canadian Minister of Public Works, is organizing a regiment of volunteers for South Africa. A number of French-Canadians have signified their intention of joining it, and no difficulty is anticipated in raising a regiment of full strength."

It would be interesting to learn how the English papers obtained information so utterly at variance with the fact. Mr. Tarte, it appears, put his foot down upon the organization of a regiment of Canadian volunteers for the Transvaal. It remains to be seen whether or not Canadian public opinion will cause him to yield to the demands of brave and loyal militiamen of this country who desire to assist the Mother Country in the duty of relieving the Uitlanders.

**AN AMERICAN OPINION.**

MR. JOHN HAYS HAMMOND, an American civil engineer who has been employed at several of the mines in Transvaal, and who is well acquainted with the country and the people, says:

"It will be a short war, ending with the capture of Pretoria, after which the Boers will recognize the utility of further fighting. The Boers to-day are not as formidable fighters as they were fifteen years ago; for example, their former enormous advantage in marksmanship over the British troops no longer exists, because, game having to a great extent disappeared, the Boers have no experience in shooting at moving objects. A few old Doppers are still good shots, but they are fast dying out. Moreover, the British Lee-Wefford rifle, with its remarkable flat trajectory, puts Tommy Atkins quite on an equality with the Boers so far as marksmanship is concerned.

Quasi friends of the Boers deuded them into the belief that Great Britain would not resort to war in any event, and unfortunately thereby provoked a spirit of opposition to the British demands, resulting in the present diplomatic impasse, which I fear makes war inevitable. Encouraged by the present weakness of the British garrisons, the Boers evidently hope to occupy strategic positions, and by rapidly assuming the defensive, deal telling blows before the arrival of the bulk of the British army.

Mr. Hammond thinks there is no danger of the conflict developing into a war of races, because the Boers, especially the generation now attaining manhood, have commercial instincts and are fond of making money. They are altogether more enlightened than the old "Doppers," with their dog-in-the-manger exclusiveness. Mr. Hammond feels confident that both nations will have reason to respect each other more after a war.

**NOTES AND COMMENTS.**

—A sea-observable observation—the yacht race be blowed.

—In the course of his speech at Yarmouth Sir Charles expressed his satisfaction at the report of Hon. Mr. Mulock's speech in Ontario in favor of Newfoundland's entry into the Canadian federation, a scheme which had always had his hearty support.

—Queen Victoria, says a recent literary note, has a fine sense of humor. Lieutenant Totten sent to her a copy of the curious-genealogical tree in which her descent from King David is traced by those people who believe that the Anglo-Saxons are the lost tribes of Israel. Totten predicted that a grandson of the Queen would restore the kingdom of Israel. She has forwarded the curious document to the Emperor William, who is her eldest grandson, with the suggestion, we suppose, that he is of Hebrew descent and would be the proper king of the new Jerusalem. But what interesting things would happen if William should take this thing seriously!

**Wheatley River Notes.**

For a locality especially adapted to fishing it is remarkable the number who devote their time to the honorable and lucrative calling of fishing.

Once again has the farmer reaped the reward of his spring and summer labor. As he gazes on immense stacks and bulging lofts of grain his one anxiety is what will the price be.

Since, last writing the hall has been painted and now presents a nice appearance. Messrs Rackham and McRory, Ch'town, did the work.

The Literary and Debating Club intend shortly re-opening their meetings with a new organ and some fifty volumes added to the library. A large number in membership is expected. A big concert is talked of, regarding which due notice will be given.

The Misses Ida and Carrie Stead and Miss Martha Stevenson, who spent the summer at their old homes, left Thursday morning on their return to New Bedford, Mass. A goodly number gathered at the station to see them off.

Mr. E. S. McLeod recently paid a visit to his native home, St. Catherine's. Master George and Willie accompanied him.

Mr. Henry Rackham, the well known temperance worker, is sojourning in our midst. Passing years seem but to add to his geniality.

Rev. A. N. Simpson, New Glasgow, is announced to deliver a lecture in the hall at an early date.

A well qualified teacher of vocal music would find this locality a good one in which to form a class. None but a thorough musician need apply.

Mr. William McCallum, a native of the province, but for the last fifteen years a resident of Iowa, has returned to the Island and is making this place his headquarters while engaged buying cattle for the Chicago market. The cattle most sought are steers from one and a half to two and a half years. These Mr. McCallum will buy in any number. So far he has purchased about one hundred. Mr. McCallum intends shipping them first to Iowa, where, on the rich grass of the prairies, he hopes to get them in condition for the above market. The initial shipment will be taken through in a few days. Should this venture prove a success it will not be his last shipment.

**Morell News.**

The starch factory is taking large quantities of potatoes. It is the best market in view at present. The price paid is 24c per 100 lbs.

The little son of Mr. Patrick Sinnott, who was so badly hurt by a kick from a horse a short time ago, is out again.

Our cheese-maker, Mr. McAulay, is giving the best of satisfaction. This has been a banner year in the cheese business.

A meeting of the Liberal Conservatives of Morell and Marie polls was held in the Hall on Saturday, 7th inst., to appoint delegates to attend the convention at Dundas on 11th. This meeting was unanimous in favor of Hon A C McDonald.

It is reported that the Messrs Cox are going to open a store at Sydney, C. B., early next spring. We understand that arrangements are about completed to that end.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Duff, of Boston, are visiting relatives here.

Mr. John Sinnott, of St. Peter's Harbour, intends enlarging his summer hotel for next season's business. It is a charming place.

Mrs. Duffort has moved into the house of Wm Stern, Esq., who intends to spend the winter at Truro, N. S., his native place.

Mr. Gordon Sterns has gone to Boston. We hope to see him back amongst us soon. He is a young man of exemplary character. Such young men as he are not too plentiful, and we don't want to part with them.

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