THE DAILY EXAMINER.

MAY 15, 1880.

City Book-keeping.

A SPECIAL committee of the St. John City Council has been engaged for some months past, with the assistance of a professional accountant, in investigating the accounts of that City; and to judge from the report presented, and remarks made by members of the investigating committee, they find matters in a very fishy state. That a live city like St. John should allow its accounts to get into such a disreputable condition is most astonishing, and can only have arisen from the great lack of interest taken in civic affairs; and allowing third or fourth class men, who do not sufficiently understand the value of good book-keeping, to manage things.

The dullness of trade, following the fire, caused the City Council to ascertain in what branches of civic expenditure retrenchment could be made; and in overhauling the accounts to arrive at this, the Chamberlain or City Treasurer confessed to a deficiency in his accounts, amounting to $20,000.00. A searching investigation was made, and the result is that, so far as can be ascertained, there is a deficiency of $24,160.07. But the books are in such a mixed-up condition that any accurate audit is impossible; and the professional accountants decline to go on further with the audit.

Of the amount deficient the City Clerk appears to have obtained advances from the Treasurer amounting to $9.336.36, for which he had given "I.O.U's." The Chamberlain had overdrawn $9,396.68, and $5.427.03 is entered as due from the former Chamberlain, J. R. Ruel. The latter, however, indignantly repudiates any liability.

This state of things has been existing for the past eight or ten years, and seems inexplicable in the face of an annual audit by the Audit Committee.

Alderman Jones, of the Investigating Committee, thought "that the Chamberlain was not wholly to blame in the transaction. He had not language enough to express his indignation at citizens permitting such a thing to go on. They were he said, not better fitted to govern the city than babies. It was no use to attempt to audit the books. All the investigation possible would be of no use."

The state of things in St. John revealed by this investigation is, on a large scale, what was commencing in this city, until the city accounts were put into a proper shape by Mr. Carvell; though Mr. O'Reilly seems to have been the veriest tyro in the art of obtaining advances compared with the St. John officials. The citizens of Charlottetown will be able to realize somewhat their indebtedness to Hon. J. S. Carvell for his labors in placing the accounts of the city on a proper footing during his mayoralty.

Information Wanted.

THE public are anxious to know about the movements of the Steam Navigation Company's steamers on the Pictou route. The middle of May is here; and yet we have no definite information from the Company. A few have a general idea that a steamer leaves Charlottetown on the mornings of three or four days in each week, at the most inconvenient hour of five o'clock in the morning, and that she arrives at Pictou at about nine o'clock, and that her passengers have to remain there from about nine until two o'clock (five long hours) before proceeding on their journey. It is known, too, in a general way, that the steamer does not go to Hawkesbury this year; and it is quite certain that she does not go to Georgetown. What she does with herself on the "off days" seems to be a mystery. How long is this state of affairs going to last? Are those who make up the "travelling public" to be roused out of their slumbers at four o'clock in the morning in order that they may loaf about Pictou Landing five hours of every day on which the steamer runs—throughout the summer? Is the public to be treated with lordly indifference and to be kept in the dark respecting the movements of the steamers, when a very small per centage of the $10,000 subsidy will do all the advertising required?

DEATH OF THE HEAVIEST AND TALLEST MEN.—John Weatherby, Esq., of Little Ridge, St. James, died last Friday, aged about 65 years, and was buried on Sunday. Mr. Weatherby was the largest man in the county, his weight being over 350 lbs. He was a man whose memory will be held in high estimation for his many excellent qualities, especially for his kind, generous disposition which was often evidenced in acts of kindness to his neighbors and especially to the poor. Columbus Tyler, known as the tallest man in this section, his height being six feet eleven inches, died on Sunday at his home, Union Mills. He must have been under thirty years of age, and was the victim of consumption.—*St. Croix (N. B.) Courier.*

County Line Items.

May 15.

Messrs. Blake Bros. got some fine fat steers here this week, averaging 1,250. They are for the English market. The parties who are sending these cattle deserve well of the farmers of this Province.—"May their shadows never grow small!"

Jas. A. Leaming, Esq., Truro, bought eight choice horses here, yesterday. They were shipped by rail to Charlottetown to-day. Mr. Leaming was well received and treated by the farmers of Somerset, Middleton and Newton, and purposes coming again, as there is a few nice 1,400-lb. horses on hand yet, and also some fancy drivers.

Messrs. McQuarrie and McArthur, who tapped the silver mine at North Wiltshire, are engaged in this vicinity boring for pumps.

Farming operations has received a severe check by the cold weather and snow of yesterday.

Business is looking brighter.

T. B. Hall, Esq., has gone to St. John for a large supply of goods.

Latest News Notes.

It is understood that Bradlaugh will take the oath under protest.

Three steamers are due at Montreal, with 2,100 immigrants on board.

Another rich discovery of gold is reported in the township of Madoc, Ont.

The Channel Islands are daily receiving numbers of Jesuits from France.

The Governor General and the Princess are shortly to take a fishing excursion to the far-famed Saguenay River.

The gold ore found in the Colar districts of Madras is yielding considerable, and there is every prospect of alluvial deposits being found.

The fortifications of Kars are being pushed forward with vigor, and some very heavy pieces of artillery are already in position.

The Liverpool *Mercury* states that at no period in the history of the shipping trade of Barrow-in-Furness, Lancashire, England, were the docks ever so busy as at present.

M. DeLesseps is most sanguine regarding the feasibility of the construction of the Panama Canal, and there is every possibility of the capital required being subscribed without very many difficulties.

There apears to be some difficulty with the St. Petersburg authorities and those at White Hall, regarding the men-of-war of the former being accorded permission to make their passage to China via the Suez Canal.

News has been received from Scutari that the whole of Northern Albania is in arms. The authorities seem to have lost all power. Scutari has already sent 1,200 men to the insurgents, and the entire population capable of bearing arms are ready to turn out in case of need.

A Vienna despatch to the *Standard* says that 4,000 horses, 6,000 Martini Rifles, and 130,000 cartridges, have lately arrived at Scutari for the use of the Albanians, who now occupy the whole territory from Scutari to Kavaga. Turkish officers and men are everywhere fraternizing with them.

Extensive preparations are being made by the leading printers and stationers for an exhibition of materials used in their trades, to be held in July, at the Agricultural Hall, London, which promises to be very successful. The proceeds to be devoted to charitable purposes.

A Vienna correspondent says that the publication of Lord Granville's note and Mr. Gladstone's letter is much appreciated there. Lord Granville recently warmly assured Keroy that the British Government was animated by a most sincere desire to cultivate friendly relations with Austria, and he expressed satisfaction at the Austro-German understanding.

It is announced that in consequence of the war in Afghanistan, and the increased expense of Indian Administration, the Indian Government will next month effect a loan of 913 lacs of rupees, a sum equivalent to $11,300,000 pounds, about 56,000,000. A large portion of the money is said to be expended in the construction of public works.

The much talked of English circular note, drawing the attention of the Powers to the unexecuted points of the Berlin treaty, has been issued, but does not appear to have that general character it was supposed it would have, for it specifies questions which, according to the opinion of the British Cabinet, ought to engage the attention of the Powers, namely the Montenegrin, the Greek, and the American question.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

ROCKLIN HOUSE.

May 14.—Dr McIntyre, Souris; R Burdett, Dundas; Henry Douglass, Mt Stewart; D W Eskern, Hamilton; Geo H Yeaton, Halifax; Alex Thomson, New Orleans; Rev. S. Bernard Maitland, N S; J R Bourke, Mt Stewart.

A Good Account.

"To sum it up, six long years of bed-ridden sickness and suffering, costing $200 per year, total $1,200—all which was stopped by three bottles of Hop Bitters taken by my wife, who has done her own housework for a year since, without the loss of a day. And I want everybody to know it for their benefit."

"JOHN WEEKS, Butler, N. Y."

MR. FORSTER, Chief Secretary for Ireland, in sending an additional £50 to the Mansion House relief committee, said he believed the distress would be very severe during the next few months.

LAUNCHED, on the 12th instant, from the shipbuilding yard of the Messrs. McLure Bros., at Murray River, a beautifully modeled barque of 350 tons. The writer of this notice has seldom seen a more symmetrical and substantially constructed vessel, in all her appointments. She is a credit to her owners, and especially to her master-builder, Mr. Gaven McLure, one of the firm, for the superior workmanship and artistic skill displayed in her construction. She will be ready to take in her cargo in a few days, consisting of square timber, now in the yard, ready for shipment to the British market.—*Advertiser.*

THE schooner "H. B. Gibson," of Boston, arrived here on Monday, from Canso, where she was detained all winter by the Customs' officials, her captain being discovered in the act of smuggling last fall. The captain, however, made good his escape, and the owners only succeeded in getting their vessel released this spring. Mr. C. W. Varrell, of Boston, one of her owners, is now in Summerside, and will load her with potatoes for that place.—*S. Journal.*

Household Furniture,

Horse, Wagon, Sleven, Billiard Table, Soda Water Fount, &c.

AT AUCTION, at my Sale Room, Queen Square, on TUESDAY, 18th inst., at 2.15 o'clock,—

Sofas, Lounges, Chairs, Oval Tables, Dining Table, Stoves, Pictures, Oil Cloth, Cocoa Matting, Hat and Umbrella Stand, Iron Bedsteads, Mattrasses, Wardrobes, B. R. Tables, Washstands, Chest of Drawers, Crockery and Glassware, 1 Refrigerator, 1 Sausage Machine and Filler, 1 Water Cooler, Bronze Gas Fixtures, Air Guns, Targets and Pistol, Cooking Range and Cooking Utensils, 1 Billiard Table (O. Briggs maker), One Stand, Cues and Counters, 1 Soda Water Fount, Tank and Glass Stands, 5 doz. assorted Flavoring, 5 gals. Catsup.

—ALSO—

1 Mare (6 years old), 1 Single Seat Wagon, 1 Box Sleigh, 1 Wood Sleigh, 1 Sloven, 2 sets Harness, 1 Wolf Robe, &c., &c., &c.

WILLIAM DODD,
May 14, 1880. Auctioneer.

VERY HANDSOME
Building & Paddock Lots.

I AM instructed by HON. J. C. POPE to sell AT AUCTION, on the Premises, on WEDNESDAY, 26th inst., at 11 o'clock,—One Hundred and Eighteen Very Handsome Building and Paddock Lots, part of the "Strawberry Hill Property," situated between the Upper St. Peter's Road and the Bank of the Hillsborough River, and comprising some of the very handsomest and most eligibly situated Building Lots in the vicinity of the City, commanding extensive and beautiful views of the River and Harbor scenery.

Plans of the Property can be seen at the Colonial Building, Y. M. C. A. Reading Room, at each of the City Banks, and at the office of the subscriber, where full information may be had.

TERMS AT SALE.

WILLIAM DODD,
Ch'town, May 15th, 1880. Auctioneer.
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Flour, Cornmeal, Navy Bread, SPLIT PEAS, &c.

NOW LANDING per S. S., *Miramichi*,—

100 bbls. Superior Extra FLOUR,
100 " " "
25 " Kiln Dried CORNMEAL,
5 " Split PEAS,
20 bags Sea BISCUIT,
5 bushels Timothy SEED.

For sale by

HORACE HASZARD.
Ch'town, May 15, 1880—1w eod

MARKET HALL.

Lindley Opera and Comedy Co.

FINAL APPEARANCE

THIS EVENING.

The Local Vocal and Political Extravaganza,

HUMPTY DUMPTY AND B. B.

May 15, 1880.

POTATOES WANTED!

ONE THOUSAND Bushels Sound Potatoes, to be delivered early next week.

HORACE HASZARD.
Water Street.
Ch'town, May 15, 1880.—2i

Marine Insurance!

EFFECTED on Vessels, Cargoes, and Freights, at moderate rates.

Sterling certificates issued when required.

HORACE HASZARD,
61 Water Street.
Ch'town, May 14, 1880—1w

New Fruit!

EX S. S. "PRINCE EDWARD,"—

Raisins, Currants, Figs, Dates, Oranges, Lemons, Nuts, &c.,

—AT—

BEER & COFF'S.

May 8, 1880.

THE place to get your Printing done is at the EXAMINER PRINTING ROOMS.

NEW GOODS.

We have Just Received our first instalment of

NEW

Spring Goods

Ex S. S. "Californian," from London.
" " "Nestorian," from Glasgow.
" " "Polynesian," from Liverpool,

and in a few days, on arrival of other Steamers *via* Halifax, and

'Prince Edward' Direct to this Port,

will have the Balance of our New Stock of

Staple and Fancy

DRY GOODS.

As our Buyer purchased our Stock at OLD PRICES and in anticipation of large advances in the price of all kinds of DRY GOODS, *bought a much larger Stock than usual.* Therefore, we are in a position to give our customers the benefit of

CHEAP GOODS

DURING THIS SEASON.

With our extended premises giving us greater facilities for doing business, and our very large Stock well bought in the best

English, American and Canadian markets,

we expect to add to our present *large number* of customers.

It is only necessary to give us a call, examine our Goods, and you will be satisfied they are right in

Price, Quality and Style.

We give patterns of every kind of Goods, and take pleasure in showing them whether you purchase or not.

Perkins & Sterns.

April 27, 1880.

QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY.

Lively Races at Upton Park.

TURFMEN ATTENTION!

THE Turfmen of this Province will celebrate the 24th at Upton Park in grand style. Five lively races will take place, viz:

No. 1—Three Minute Class. Purse $50, in three divisions.
No. 2—Gentlemen's Driving Race. Purse $30, in three divisions.
No. 3—Four Year Old Race. Purse $30, in three divisions.
No. 4—Sweepstakes Running Race—half mile heats.
No. 5—Slow Race—mile heats.

☞ Races to start at 1 o'clock, sharp. ☜
☞ For further particulars see handbills. ☜

P. S. BROWN.
Ch'town, May 15, 1880—4i eod

Child's Carriages.

HENRY COOMBS is now opening a splendid assortment of Child's Carriages, similar to those which gave such general satisfaction last year. Intending purchasers will kindly call and examine before forwarding their orders.

H. COOMBS.
May 13, '80—pat ne 3i

SUGAR!

15 HHDS. PORTO RICO,
5 hhds. HAVANA,
25 bbls. WHITE GRANULATED.

CARVELL BROS.
May 10, 1880—3i

Flour. Flour. Flour.

TO ARRIVE,

900 BBLS. "Alabaster," "Golden Age," Choice Superiors XXX.
600 bbls. "Golden Age,"
300 bbls. "Alabaster,"

Now *en route* for Charlottetown. Offers will be accepted for above to arrive.

J. R. FOSTER,
Millers' and Shippers' Agent,
May 8, 1880. Moncton, N. B.

Wants, Lost, Found, &c.

TO LET—A Double Tenement House, situated in upper Hillsborough Street. Rent moderate. Apply to R. LONGWORTH. [ma 14

LOST—This morning, between St. Peter's Schoolroom and Prince Street, a bunch of five keys on a steel ring. The finder will oblige by leaving it at this office. [ma 14

TO LET—A pleasantly situated Dwelling House, with stable and garden, directly opposite the "Dundas Esplanade," West Sidney street. For further particulars apply on the premises. [ma 12

BOARDERS WANTED—Two or three persons can be accommodated with furnished rooms and board in a pleasant part of the city. Enquire at this office. [my 13 eod

WANTED—Six men (with outfit) to peddle Tinware. Apply to C. F. HARRIS, City Tin Store, Queen St. [ma 7 tf

TO LET—That comfortable and convenient COTTAGE (9 rooms), with stable and coach house, situate on Dorchester Street, adjoining the premises of the undersigned. Possession given immediately. Apply to H. J. CUNDALL. [ma 7 eod

BABY CARRIAGES—CHEAP. Call and get Bargains at JOHN NEWSON'S. [m 3 2w

TO LET—A large HOUSE on King's Square, with Stables, &c. Apply Glass Box 124, Post Office. [m 3

WANTED—A Carriage Blacksmith. Only first-class workman need apply. —HEWSON, McDOUGALD & SEAMAN. [ap 30

TO LET—A nearly new HOUSE on Euston Street, containing 9 rooms. Apply to CHARLES McGREGOR, Esq., or E. W. TAYLOR. [ap 30

TWO HOUSES TO LET—One containing 6 rooms, the other 5 rooms; situated on Spring Park Road and Long Street. Rent moderate. Apply on the premises to JAMES McLEOD. [ap 30

MERCHANTS AND TRADESMEN wishing accounts adjusted can avail themselves of the services of an experienced Accountant, by addressing "ACCOUNTANT," this office. [ap 21

TO LET—Good Pasturage for seven Cows, within a convenient distance of the city. Apply at this office. [a 9

HOUSE TO LET—A large and commodious Dwelling of 13 apartment, suitable for Hotel Accommodation, centrally located on Hillsborough Street, within a few minutes walk of Railway Depot, Market House, and Post Office. Possession given 1st May proximo. Apply to ROBT. BRIDGES. [a15tf

FOR SALE OR TO LET.—The House at present occupied by the subscriber, on West Street, opposite the residence of James Peake, Esq., apply to SAMUEL N. EARLE.—ap. 12.

TO LET—The commodious and neat COTTAGE, with good yard, garden, coach house and stables, conveniently situated on Richmond Street west. Possession given about the 17th May, ensuing. Apply to JAMES D. MASON. [ma 12 3i eod

TO LET—TWO HOUSES—One containing 8 rooms, the other 6 rooms. Apply to JOHN STENTIFORD. [m 27, oaw tf