

The Question of the Day.

For the satisfaction of "Observer" we made application at the office of Public Works, were shown the requisition book, and in answer to his questions we have to report: Mr. John Nicholson was, on the 5th July last, directed to put Government House in order for the new Lieutenant Governor. On the same day Messrs. McKinnon & McLean were ordered to repair the kitchen range, put in new stoves and a new pump. On the 14th July Mr. Trainor the painter was ordered to commence work on Government House. On the 20th July Mr. John Corbett was directed to repair the masonry connected with the House. All this, and more, was done before the Lieutenant Governor was sworn in, and before the Government knew for certain that the Governor General intended to visit this Province. That information was conveyed to them (we are told) on Monday, the 28th July. A council was immediately called, and held on the following Wednesday, 30th July. On the 1st of August a requisition issued for a new carpet for the drawing room. On the same day the furniture was ordered to be upholstered. On the 2nd day of August Mr. Hermans was directed to repair the plumbing. On the 5th of August Mr. Trainor was ordered to paint the exterior of the building. Those facts do not indicate tardiness or unwillingness on the part of the Government. The *Patriot's* statement that the painters "were at work in Government House" on the day previous to the arrival, is not correct. The storms of previous days had, however, retarded the work of the painters; and up to the day previous to the arrival they had not quite completed their work outside the house. But if they had not known, for certain, that the Marquis and Princess would not stay at Government House, they would probably have put on a larger number of hands and had the painting done more quickly.

"Observer" states that we did not speak out boldly in answer to the question whether or not the Local Government had invited the guests. The language we used was:—"Observer" says truly that the Local Government did not invite the Governor General." Perhaps "Observer" did not observe this statement.

The Government have not informed us concerning their particular reasons for not inviting the Governor General. We have not consulted them, nor any one of them, nor have they, or any one of them, inspired us with reference to this discussion—further than to furnish us with the facts called for by "Observer."

"Observer" asks us why we did not come out manfully and state what blame we consider does attach to the Lieutenant Governor. The reason is simply that the matter had not been sufficiently ventilated. Shall we "acquit" before "trial"? This is a matter in which the honor of the Province is concerned. If we acquit our own officials, the plain inference is that we consider the officials of the Governor General, or the Governor General himself, to be blameless; and glad as we should be to relieve Governor Haviland of all blame, we are very reluctant to cast a slur upon our late visitors. Even since the publication of the correspondence we are somewhat puzzled about what we ought, in justice, to say. "Observer" reminds us of the proverb that it is useless to dispute about opinions. To some persons an invitation might seem as warm and hearty as possible, when to others, whose ideas are different, it might seem wanting in ordinary politeness. But we have no hesitation in saying that we believe the Lieutenant Governor did what he thought was right and proper in this matter. When on the 30th of July he simply acknowledged Major DeWinton's communication of the 24th, and expressed his pleasure, and sent a private note asking the names of the suite, he did all he believed the circumstances of the case required of him. Probably he had on his mind the fact that Gov't House is, of right, the residence of the Governor General so long as he remains on the Island; and it may have seemed to him as unnecessary to send a formal invitation to the Marquis of Lorne as to invite a man to his own house. It will be admitted, at any rate, the Lieutenant Governor felt that he wrote as became the high position he occupies and the honor of the Province for whose hospitality he is responsible. But Major DeWinton returned, for answer:—"The suite will consist of three or four, and His Excellency and H. R. H. will stop on board the *Druid*." Now, the Governor General either differed in opinion from the Lieutenant Governor as to

what was required, or he intentionally slighted the Province, or he was misdirected by some one as to the ability of the Province for suitably entertaining himself and his Royal consort.

For ourselves, we incline to the latter hypothesis. While here, the relations of the Vice Regal party with the Lieutenant Governor were said to be exceedingly cordial. We are informed that before she departed, the Princess personally thanked the Lieutenant Governor for his kindness to her, and stated, that had she known that Government House was so nice and comfortable she would have stayed there while on the Island. On leaving the wharf the Marquis also expressed to the Lieutenant Governor his appreciation of the kindness of his reception and treatment while here. All of which goes to show that they must have been misinformed respecting the Island and Government House before they intimated that they would remain on board the "Druid."

Temperance Entertainment.

A grand temperance meeting was held in the Schoolhouse in Brooklyn, Lot 25, on Tuesday the 12th inst., under the auspices of "Blooming Rose" Division, S. of T. The spacious building was early in the evening thronged to its utmost capacity and a number of people were compelled to remain outside.

The meeting was called to order by appointing Mr. James Corcoran to the chair. He opened the proceedings by delivering a very racy and eloquent Temperance speech after which the following programme was ably and successfully rendered:—

- Song—The Temperance Jubilee.—Misses L. Bowness and K. Palmer, Messrs. Thos. McKay and L. Haslam.
- Reading.—W. J. Cotton.
- Dialogue.—Elijah and Chester Bowness.
- Speech.—Donald McLean, G. W. P.
- Recitation.—Horatio Bowness.
- Song—Out in the West.—Thos. McKay and L. Haslam.
- Reading.—Robt. Bowness.
- Dialogue.—Thos. Lawless, Elijah and Eliza Bowness.
- Song—Marching through Georgia.—Chas. McKinnon.
- Speech.—E. Cash.
- Song—Nellie Ray.—Thos. Lawless.
- Recitation.—Sarah McLean.
- Song.—Chas. McKinnon.
- Dialogue.—Lydia Bowness, Wm. J. Cotton and H. Bowness.
- Song—Tommy make room for your uncle.—Thos. Lawless.
- Reading.—Wm. J. Cotton.
- Song—My Hat.—C. Hennesy.
- Speech.—H. Crossman.
- Song—Swinging in the Lane.—John McCaul.
- Dialogue.—H. Bowness and Lydia Bowness.
- Song—The Monitor.—John McCaul.
- Speech.—Peter Hughes.

God Save the Queen.
The speeches, songs, recitations etc., were all well chosen and effectively rendered. The best of order was maintained throughout the proceedings and the large audience dispersed seemingly well pleased with the entertainment, and satisfied that as "good a time" can be had under the auspices of a temperance society as in a bar-room.—*Com.*

Supposed Boat Thieves.

Among the arrivals in the port of Sydney on Thursday, was a large boat, sailed by two young men hailing from P. E. Island. They endeavored to sell the boat in Sydney but failed to find a purchaser. Two boats were recently stolen from the P. E. Island coast, and from the suspicious appearance of the strangers it was supposed that they were the thieves, and their boat one of the missing ones. On Sunday a constable resolved to arrest them. They indignantly denied the charge of stealing the boat, but agreed to go quietly with the officer. They had not proceeded far on their way to jail, however, before they gave the constable the "slip" and knocking down a man who endeavored to stop them, succeeded in making their escape. We hear that one of the boats stolen was sold at Ingonish, and that the one lying at Sydney is the other.—*North Sydney Herald.*

Murder by a Boy of 11 Years Old.

THE VICTIM A YOUTH OF SIXTEEN YEARS—SAD RESULT OF A QUARREL.

A sad and fatal stabbing affray occurred at Halifax on the afternoon of the 20th inst., by which a boy named Allison, aged 16, lost his life. About four o'clock a number of boys were playing on Brunswick street, near Dr. Somers' residence. Allison, who has been in Dr. Somers' employ about a month, as groom, was passing, when Rupert Lang, aged 11 years, son of policeman Lang, commenced throwing hurls at him. The two then commenced throwing stones, and finally began to fight. After Allison had struck Lang two or three blows the latter got a pen-knife out of his pocket, and after two or three attempts succeeded in opening it and plunging the largest blade up to the handle in Allison's left side. He then ran, Allison picking up a stone and firing it after him. The latter, walking into his master's house, a few yards distant, said, "I have been stabbed!" fell down, and in less than seven minutes died. The knife penetrated the heart. Lang was immediately afterwards arrested and locked up. The prisoner's father, who was on duty at the time, became almost insane from grief. The murdered boy lived with his parents in Brunswick Lane and has borne a good character.

On Thursday evening a boy named Power narrowly escaped being drowned by the upsetting of a boat in the harbor. He was rescued by Captain Lund in the Rocky Point ferry-boat in an exhausted condition.

The illustrated magazine, *London Society*, is being reprinted in Canada by Messrs. Belford, Clark & Co., and arrangements have been made by Messrs. Clougher Bros., also of this city, to reprint *Cassell's Family Magazine*, another illustrated monthly.

Correspondence.

We do not hold ourselves responsible for the statements or opinions of our correspondents.

To the Editor of the Examiner.

SIR,—If you will allow me a few words more, I will not trouble you further. You say that even "Observer" will not contend that the Government should have invited the Vice-Regal party. I have never contended that they should do so. My contention is that they should plainly say why they did not ask them. That is all. Now, the objections that you raise to their doing so, are at once removed by the fact that it has been done in New Brunswick and Ontario; and the relation of Governor and Governments are the same there as here. Even though it involved "communication over the signatures of the Provincial Secretaries"; even though it risked arousing (why, I can't tell), "the indignation of the Lieutenant Governors"; even though "the Local Governments must have decided where to ask them to go," still, the Governments asked them. The rules of etiquette are the same for us as for the other Provinces; so it is absurd to try and make people believe that what has been done elsewhere, could not have been done here. The only question now is, Why did not the Government invite the Vice-Regal party? Possibly they may have very satisfactory reasons for not having done so; but certainly those reasons must be different from the ones suggested in your last.

OBSERVER.

Editor Examiner.

SIR.—Will you use your influence with the Government to get some necessary repairs done to Mount Stewart Bridge. It is in a most dangerous state. In one place there is an opening leading quite half way across the bridge. The condition of this bridge certainly does no credit to those whose duty it is to keep the highways in order.

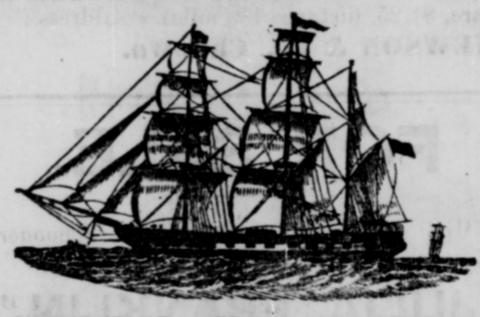
TRAVELLER.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

RANKIN HOUSE.
Aug 20—Rev H Lyman and 4 sons, Montreal; Mrs S F Jones, Mrs E T Thomas, Shipley Jones, New York; G T Stephens, Rev F T Chapins, Weymouth, Mass; G E W McLaughlin, St John, N. B.; R F Raun, New York; Preston Stephenson, do; E Hartley, do; R C Lyman, Montreal; H H Lyman, do.
Aug. 21.—H M Churchill, Rustico; J J Kern, Amherst; Lt. Col J Hunter Duvar, Alberton; W T Jones, Bermuda; W F Burdett, St John; A J Covam, Lowell; M Bowell, Ottawa.

VALE COAL.
Excellent NUT COAL.
\$1.25 PER TON.
CARVELL BROS.
Aug. 22, 1879.—2aw 2w

NOTICE.



BARKENTINE "ETHEL BLANCHE,"

WILL SAIL
From Charlottetown for London
DIRECT,

—ON—
Saturday, the 23rd instant.

Returning, will leave London for Charlottetown, following the *Moselle*,
About the 25th September.
PEAKE BRO'S & Co.
Charlottetown, August 22, 1879.

FIREMEN'S ARCH. AUCTION.

WILL BE SOLD ON MONDAY EVENING, the 25th inst., at Dr. Dodd's Corner, the **Arch and Decorations** recently erected by the Firemen in honor of the Marquis and Princess.

TERMS CASH. F. S. HANFORD & CO. Auctioneers.
Ch'town, Aug. 23, 1879. 2is

Wanted Immediately!

AT MY FISHING STAGE, RUSTICO,
20 Good Mackerel Fishermen.
Apply to I. C. HALL, Charlottetown.
August 21, 1879—6i, her pat 2in

CITY SCHOOLS!

THE CITY SCHOOLS WILL BE RE-OPENED after the Midsummer Holidays, **On Monday, August 25th, inst., at 9 o'clock, a. m.**
Pupils from East Kent Street, Scott's Hall, Trainor's Building, Spring Park, and Grafton Street Schools will attend the new West Kent Street School.
Pupils belonging to other Schools will assemble at their respective rooms as usual.
By order of the City School Board.
ISAAC OXENHAM, Secretary.
Sept. 20, 1879.—4in pat 2i

J. B. MacDonald

HAS JUST RECEIVED
NEW FANCY DRESS GOODS,
NEW BLACK LUSTRES,
NEW BLACK & COLORED CORDS,
VELVETEENS & SILK VELVETS,
NEW FLOWERS AND FEATHERS,
New Straw Hats, (Fall Styles),
FRILLINGS, FRINGES, AND RIBBONS,
AT THE LOWEST PRICES.
J. B. MACDONALD.
Queen Street, Charlottetown, Aug. 22, 1879—her

"Encourage Home Manufactories."
CITY STEAM BAKERY.

THE Proprietor of this Establishment, after having fitted up his premises with the newest machinery, etc., is now prepared to supply the citizens of Charlottetown, and the inhabitants of the whole Island, with all kinds of Bread, Crackers, Biscuits, Confectionery Cakes, Pastry, etc., **Cheaper than ever.** He warrants all goods manufactured by him to be of the *purest nature*, and *always fresh*.

Picnics and Tea Parties Supplied at the Shortest Notice.
Orders from the Country Promptly Attended to.

WEDDING CAKES!
MADE TO ORDER, ALL SIZES AND DESIGNS.

All Biscuits and Crackers put up in boxes or barrels, without extra charge; and are always fresh, not being over a week old when delivered, which is a great advantage to customers, as imported Crackers (very often) are not fresh when brought here by importers. The following is a list of Crackers and Biscuits always on hand:

BISCUITS, CRACKERS, ETC.		FANCY BISCUITS.
SODA BISCUIT,	in boxes	ORANGE CRACKERS, in boxes,
WINE "	"	LEMON "
FRUIT "	"	ALMOND "
COFFEE "	"	FILBERTS "
TEA "	"	QUEEN "
DYSPEPSIA "	"	WASHINGTON "
WINE CRACKERS,	"	FINGERS "
BUTTER "	"	JUMBLES "
SUGAR "	"	GINGER SNAPS,
MILK "	"	LEMON "
WATER "	"	JENNY LINDS,
MEDFORD "	"	CORNHILLS,
OYSTER "	"	CRACKNELLS,
SEED SUGAR CAKES,	"	MACCARONIS,
GINGER BREAD,	"	
CINNAMON BISCUIT,	"	
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NAVY BREAD,
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DOMESTIC BREAD A SPECIALTY,
Being hot from the Ovens daily. Also French Rolls, "Parker House Rolls," "Bath Buns," "London Buns," "French Twists," etc.

PASTRY AND CAKES.
Fruit Pound Cake, Plain do. do., Sultanian Plain do. do., Maderia do. do., Sponge Cake, Cup Cake
Ornamental Wedding, with Almond Frosting, any size from 5 lbs. Upwards.
JOHN QUIRK.

August 5, 1879.

Prince Edward Island RAILWAY. TENDERS.

TENDERS ADDRESSED TO THE undersigned, at Charlottetown, P. E. I., marked "Tender for News Agency," will be received up to the
31st August, 1879, inclusive,
from persons disposed to contract for the sale of Newspapers, Books, &c., on the Trains of the Prince Edward Island Railway.
Printed forms of tender, with conditions endorsed thereon, may be had at the Railway Office at Charlottetown and Summerside, and also at the office of the Station Agent at Halifax, Moncton, and St. John, on the line of the Intercolonial Railway.
ALEX. MACNAB, Superintendent & Engineer.
Railway Office, Charlottetown, P. E. I.
August 20, 1879.
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HORSES.

I WANT to buy a few medium-sized Horses, good drivers. Apply to H. COOMBS.
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Wants, Lost, Found, &c

LOST—On Wednesday last (Aug 13), between McKinnon's Tannery and Market Square, a small Black Lace Cape. The finder will oblige by leaving at the EXAMINER Office—Aug. 18.

GAMES.—Lawn Tennis, Croquet, etc., cheap, at JOHN NEWSON'S, July 28 1m

WANTED TO RENT—A house containing 7 or 8 rooms, and situate in a good locality. Apply at the EXAMINER office. [Aug 18]

LOST—In Charlottetown, a Ladies Gold Necklace, pencil and Locket, set with pearls and Blue Enamel. The finder will be suitably rewarded by leaving it at the EXAMINER office. [Aug 17-9]

TO LET.—A HOUSE containing 5 rooms, situated on Euston street east. Apply to MRS. OFFER, Queen Street. [Aug. 8.—tf]

TO LET.—A TENEMENT HOUSE situated on Kent street, next door to Dr. Creamer. Apply to MRS. OFFER, Queen street. [Aug 1—tf]

TO LET.—The Two-storey HOUSE on King Street, lately occupied by Mrs. Dewar as a Boarding House. Enquire on the premises.

TO BE LET.—A COTTAGE, situated at the corner of Kent and West Streets, West End, lately occupied by Lieut. Bolton, R. N. Apply at the Office of Messrs. S. J. Ryan & Morson, Solicitors. [July 15, '79]