

Correspondence.

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CIVIC.

A DEPLORABLE STATE OF AFFAIRS—CHANGES NEEDED.

To the Editor of the Examiner.

DEAR SIR,—Any one who has taken the trouble to read the Mayor's report for the past year must realize the fact that our Civic affairs are in a deplorable condition, and, judging from reports that have since been made public, our credit is at a very low ebb.

The extravagance and incompetence that has of late characterized the management of the City Council should be tolerated no longer. Unless the citizens rise up and protest, and devise some scheme to remedy existing evils, before many months elapse, the result will be bankruptcy.

The Mayor's report shows that something like \$14,000 is due the city for arrears of taxes. Probably not more than 25 per cent. of that amount will ever be recovered. What better evidence is required to prove that the plan of taxing tenants on rental is a failure and a farce? Until the law is altered and the assessment levied on real estate, incomes, etc., taxed, and payment in all cases strictly enforced, the revenue of the city will never be adequate to the requirements, nor be fairly derived from the proper sources.

Great economy must also be exercised in the expenditure, and kept within the income.

The Council should also be reduced to five instead of ten. The old adage "too many cooks spoil the broth," may properly be applied in this case. We have now too many representatives, who, as is the case in the Legislature, waste most of their time squabbling with one another.

With fewer men, more work would be accomplished. As the House of Assembly meets early in March, and any alterations in the City Charter should be prepared at an early date, I would suggest to the Mayor the urgent necessity that exists of his calling a meeting of representative citizens to discuss the situation.

OBSERVER.

Another Fire—A Charge of Gross Mismanagement.

To the Editor of the Examiner.

SIR,—The new Fire Department, under the control of Mr. Pickard, were called out by the sound of "Big Donald," last night, about one o'clock.

As might be expected, the Department was very badly handled, so much so that the building in which the fire took place was pulled down by the Hook-and-Ladder Company and lodged against another house near by, causing it to burn also.

This bungle will entail considerable loss on the owner of the building, as well as the Insurance Company in which the property was insured.

Should a large fire unfortunately occur under the present management, the question will be, "Who is to blame?" and it seems to me it would not be difficult to solve the problem.

Perhaps, Councillor Beer could answer the question.

Yours, &c.,

TAX PAYER.

Ch'town, Feb. 20th, 1880.

The "Northern Light."

To the Editor of the Examiner.

SIR,—Will "A. Irving," the Patriot's correspondent, who evidently feels chagrined at the success of the Northern Light up to within the last four days, tell the public how long it would take to convey to and from the Capes in the N. L. (even if it were within the range of possibility to have her at the Capes last Friday) the quantity of freight landed by her at Pictou? Will Mr. Irving tell us the probable cost per ton of that same class of freight from the railway terminus at the County Line or Summerside until it is landed at the nearest point to Cape Tormentine on the Invercolonial? Mr. Irving must remember that the trade of the country requires means of exportation in winter for our surplus products, and that at present such means can only be had via Georgetown and Pictou on Northern Light. We want more than daily mails across the Straits from December till May.

I remain, yours truly,
Feb. 20, 1880. A. MERCHANT.

No CROSSING at the Capes to-day.

MR. LOWDEN will take a few more pupils for instruction on the violin. Rooms at Mr. Paul McPhail's, cor. of Prince and streets.—31 cent f20

Good Tea. J. B. Harty.—f20

THE Annual Meeting of the "P. E. I. Auxiliary Bible Society" will be held in the Hall of the Y. M. C. A., Charlottetown, on Monday, 23rd inst.—Chair taken at 7½ o'clock p. m. pat pres li

A CHOICE LOT of Groceries, Cheap for Cash. J. B. Harty.

FIRE.—Two houses at the eastern end of Grafton street were burned to the ground in the bitter cold of last night. The house which was first on fire was that of Mr. James Dollar. The alarm was sounded, and the firemen, with their engines, etc., were at the scene as promptly as possible under the circumstances. But water was not easily obtained, and it is said one of the engines was out of order. At any rate, water was not quickly applied. The wind was blowing strongly from the west-north-west, and, fortunately, there was only one house to the leeward. It was burned down; not, however, before most of the articles in it were saved. It was occupied by Mrs. McInnis and Mrs. Corish. It is suspected that the fire was the work of an incendiary.

A FEW Trunks, made to order, suitable for travellers. J. B. Harty.

THE "Northern Light" left Georgetown for Pictou at 8 o'clock this morning.

Herring and Codfish selling cheap for cash. J. B. HARTY.

LONDON

HOUSE.

JANUARY.

During this month we will sell at

Reduced Prices,

to clear our stock in the following departments, viz:

MEN'S AND BOYS'

ULSTERS, OVERCOATS & REEFERS.

MEN'S AND BOYS'

FUR CAPS, LADIES'

Fur Caps and Muffs, LADIES' MANTLES & ULSTERS.

The balance of our

Wool Goods, PROMENADE SCARFS

BREAKFAST SHAWLS,

CROSS-OVERS, &c.

Splendid lines of

DRESS GOODS,

AT 10, 12 AND 14 CENTS PER YARD.

TERMS CASH.

Geo. Davies & Co.

Jan. 8, 1880.

NEWS BY TELEGRAPH.

More about the attempted assassination of the Czar.

Ottawa News.

Special dispatch to Examiner.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 19.

Information which has come to a correspondent's notice establishes a connection between the late attempt upon the life of the Czar and the arrest by him of forty inmates of the Winter Palace on Monday last—the day before the explosion.

General Gourko, Governor General of St. Petersburg, was engaged at the Winter Palace on the night of the 17th, investigating the circumstances connected with the explosion. He ascertained that the dynamite was fired by an electric battery and several pounds of that explosive must have been used.

The cellars of this Palace had long been used for storing purposes, and appear to have been occupied by four workmen, three of whom have been arrested, and the fourth is missing.

The Duchess of Edinburgh was in the Winter Palace at the time of the explosion.

The bodies of two more soldiers have been found among the debris at the Winter Palace, and of the forty-five injured, several have since died.

OTTAWA, Feb. 19.

The House was so uncomfortable, owing to the cold and draught to-day, that Speaker Blanchet kindly allowed the reporters to wear their hats in the gallery.

Mr. O'Brien, President of the New Canadian Academy of Arts, has invited the members of the press gallery to visit the Academy to-morrow between twelve and one o'clock.

In the Supreme Court, the argument in Dolville vs. Glesion was concluded.

Mr. Girouard, of Jacques Cartier, gave notice of an amendment to Mr. Colby's Bill to repeal the Insolvent Act, by making provision that all insolvents shall be immediately discharged, except in cases of fraud.

Her Royal Highness, although progressing favorably must have rest and quiet, and in consequence of the severity of the injuries to the head and neck, will not be able to undergo the fatigue of any public ceremony for many days.

Dr. Fortin has received permission to address a meeting of journalists in their room at 9 o'clock, p. m., today in regard to his telegraph scheme.

Financial.

The following are the selling rates for Exchange at the Agency of the Merchants Bank of Halifax:—

London—sight.....	92 per cent. prem
" 60 days.....	9 per cent. "
New York—cheque.....	1 per cent. "
Boston—cheque.....	1 per cent. "
Montreal, Toronto, etc.....	1 per cent. "
Halifax.....	1 per cent. "
St. John, N. B.....	1 per cent. "
St. John's, Nfld.....	2 per cent. "

Special Notices.

BLANK BOOKS, of every description, on hand and for sale at Bremner Bros.

BOSTON MIXED PICKLES, in bulk, 20 cents per quart, at Hall's Fish Market.

A LARGE assortment of Purses, Pocket Books, and some very choice quality Wallets, at Bremner Bros.

CHOCOLATE CARAMELS and other choice confectionery received by Northern Light. B. BALDERSTON. [Feb. 11, 5]

ENVELOPES of every imaginable size and quality, from 50 CENTS per 1000, and upwards, at Bremner Bros.

CHOICE FRUIT and Pound Cakes at BEER & GOFF'S.

NOTE PAPER, from 20 CENTS per five quires, and upwards, at Bremner Bros.

ESTERBROOK'S, Gillett's, Mitchell's, and McNiven & Cameron's Pens, at Bremner Bros.

CARTER'S, Torray's, Walkden's and Stephen's Inks, in different-sized bottles, at Bremner Bros.

CAPE COD CRANBERRIES, and Baldwin Apples, at Hall's Fish Market.

A CHOICE LOT of Papeteries on hand. Will be sold low, at Bremner Bros.

Herring. Codfish.

CHEAP FOR CASH,—

50 bbls. Herring,
100 qtls Codfish,
200 bags Salt.

D. SMALL,
Head Queen's Wharf, opposite I. C. Hall's.

To Fisheries and Factories.

ONE TON AMERICAN MANILLA MARLIN (Tanned and White), Cotton Lines, Twines, Leads, Hooks, Bait Mills, Fishing Anchors, Cotton Ducks (light and heavy), 100 coils Manilla Rope, Hemp Rope, Wire Rope, Paints, Oils, Tar, Oakum, Ships Chandlery, Sail Making, Light Ducks for Boats' Sails.

D. SMALL,
Jan. 21, 1880—tf

S. S. "NORTHERN LIGHT,"

WILL MAKE DAILY TRIPS between Georgetown and Pictou, until further notice, (Sundays excepted) leaving Georgetown at 6 a. m., and Pictou at 1.40 p. m., weather permitting.

WM. MITCHELL,
Agent o Dep't.
Ch'town, Dec. 19, 1879.

SUBSCRIBE for the DAILY EXAMINER, the Cheapest and most Newsy Paper published in the Provinces.

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FEBRUARY! 1880.

STOCK-TAKING.

WE hereby inform the public of this city, and the Island generally, that previous to Stock-taking, we have resolved to clear out as much of our Winter Stock as possible. We are aware that at this season it is hard to get people to buy even at reduced prices; but in the face of this difficulty we have made up our mind to adopt full measures, and sell our Wool Goods and Dress Goods at a sacrifice.

Our Goods have been very cheap all winter, as the run of trade we have had fully testifies. Our store has become the resort of those Ladies who know how to make a penny go a long way, and who know a cheap article when they see it; and when we say we are going to reduce the prices of our Dress Goods and Trimmings, we know we shall be believed. We are particularly anxious to clear out our present Stock, in order to introduce as much of the newest style of Dress Material as possible, and at the very lowest prices. We shall make special prices on Black Cashmeres, Black Merinos, Black Cords and Lustres, Lustrines and Brilliantines.

Our Fancy Wool Goods will be sold at less than cost. Our Stock of this class was the largest, most select, and finest in the city, and the remains of it will be sold at a great sacrifice.

Blankets, Quilts, Horse Rugs, &c., will be cleared out at great Bargains.

We make no apology to the Tea-drinking public for drawing their attention to our fine flavored and rich Teas, 32, 36, and 40 cents per lb. They are receiving the highest praise, and those who use them, strongly recommend them to others. Our trade in this article is growing rapidly. Tea appeals to the most subtle of the senses, and as the proof of the pudding is in the eating, so the proof of the Tea is in the drinking. Friends, try it.

83, QUEEN STREET,

TREMAINE & METCALF.

Ch'town, Jan. 21, 1880.

Fire. Marine. Life.

HORACE HASZARD,
General Insurance Agent,
REPRESENTING

Commercial Union Fire Assurance Company, of London, England; Capital £2,500,000 stg.

British-American Fire Assurance Company, of Toronto, Ont.; Capital (paid up in full), \$500,000.00.

Sun Mutual Life and Accident Insurance Company, of Montreal.

MARINE INSURANCE ALSO EFFECTED. Office, South Side Queen Square. Ch'town, Feb. 17, 1880—1m cod

GEORGE CARTER,

—DEALER IN—

CHOICE

Groceries,

Provisions and Confectionery,

68 GREAT GEORGE STREET.

Next Millner's Tin Shop.

Jan. 29, 1880—1m oaw th

POLL TAXES

AND ASSESSMENTS

Are to be Paid at the Store of D. R. M. HOOPER,

Easton Street,

Immediate Payment Requested.

Charlottetown, Jan. 9, 1880.

NOTICE.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the St. Lawrence Marine Insurance Company will be held at their Office,

EXCHANGE BUILDING,

—ON—

Wednesday, March 10, 1880,

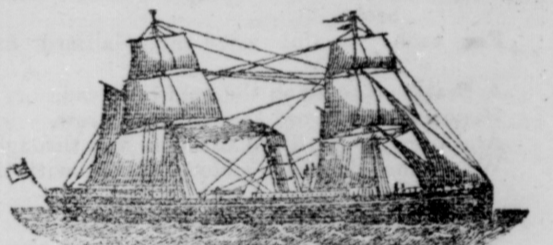
AT THE HOUR OF TWELVE O'CLOCK,

in compliance with the Act of Incorporation.

FRED. W. HYNDMAN,

Feb. 11, 1880—2aw till mtg Secy.

Ocean Steamship Co'y OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.



SPRING TRIP, 1880.

The First-Class Iron Screw Steamship

PRINCE EDWARD,

1364 Tons Register, Classed 100 A1, which is the highest class at Lloyds,

Robert Fraser, Commander,

Will be on the Berth at Liverpool to Receive Cargo About the 1st of April.

AND WILL SAIL FROM

Liverpool for Charlottetown

ABOUT THE 15th APRIL,

Carrying freight at through rates from London and Glasgow, deliverable at Charlottetown, Georgetown, Summerside, Alberton, Souris and Pictou.

For Freight or Passage, apply in London to JOHN PITCAIRN & SONS, 16 Great Winchester Street, E. C.; in Glasgow, to JAMES KELSO, 134 St. Vincent Street; in Liverpool, to PITCAIRN BROTHERS, Brookley Buildings, 51 South John Street; in Pictou, N. S., to NOONAN & DAVIES, or here to

PEAKE BRO'S & CO.,

MANAGERS. Charlottetown, Feb. 6, 1880—10i oaw

GOLD MEDAL, PARIS, 1878.

JOSEPH GILLOTT'S STEEL PENS. BY ALL DEALERS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.

Wants. Lost, Found, &c.

WANTED IMMEDIATELY—TWO FIRST-CLASS GIRLS. None other need apply. Must have good reference. Apply at EXAMINER Office.

TENEMENT on Hillsborough street, opposite residence of Thos. DesBrisay, Esq., containing hall, seven rooms, pantry, front and back stairs, to Let, with immediate possession. Enquire of JOHN STUMBLE. Jan. 3, 1880. d l w e o d t f.