THE DAILY EXAMINER.

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Political Visitors.

CHARLOTTETOWN is to be honored by a visit from the Leader of the Opposition and Mr. Fisher, M. P., of Brome. The former is a refined and cultured Canadian gentleman of French origin; the latter is one of the most agreeable and talented of the party by which the former is supported in Parliament—and he is a good advocate of temperance principles. We regret that they will arrive at the most inclement season of the year—a season in which their visit will necessarily be accompanied by the least personal enjoyment, and at which they can form no opinion concerning the beauty and capabilities of this "gem of the Northern sea." They will, however, without doubt, be made as comfortable as possible both on board the steamship "Stanley" and at the hospitable residence of Mr. L. H. Davies, M.P. Perhaps they may be able to taste—certainly they will have a foretaste—of our Island's Christmas cheer. They will, too, be placed in a position in which they may form a tolerably definite and correct opinion concerning the disadvantages under which this Province continues to labor for want of means of "continuous communication" with the Mainland.

We confess to a certain amount of respect for Mr. Laurier. He did not obtain his position of Leader of the Opposition by the arts of intrigue or by "dint of cheek." He was elected to it by the suffrages of his fellows as the "best man among them." The mystery is how one of his high character ever became a member of the Party of Shifts; the party which has, in recent years been "everything by turns and nothing long;" the Party which has been driven from one position to another until finally it has adopted a policy which if successful, must inevitably result in—

1. Direct Taxation.
2. Restricted trade with Great Britain and all the world except the United States.
3. Annexation to the Great Republic.

There is no cause for the adoption of a policy involving results so revolutionary. By simply maintaining the even tenor of her way until the Democrats obtain power in the States, Canada will gain all the trade concessions that she desires; for it is the policy of the Democrats to protect the industries of the States by repealing or lowering the duties levied upon products and raw materials such as Canada has to sell.

—In respect to Mr. Carruthers complaint that THE EXAMINER did not refer to the fact that he called attention to the "police register" as well as to the "blue book," we need only say that Mr. Carruthers did not take exception to our figures drawn for the police registers of Charlottetown and Halifax. Mr. Carruthers condemned as "not reliable" only the figures drawn from the blue book; consequently to these only we deemed it the duty of THE EXAMINER to refer when replying to Mr. Carruthers. If THE EXAMINER has in any way misrepresented Mr Carruthers, the mis-representation was unintentional—and we regret it.

The Silken Tie.

We announce to-day, with great pleasure, the marriage of John H. Cairns and Miss Gertrude Mitchell. The ceremony was performed by Rev. John Read. Mr. G. E. Henderson was "best man," and the bridesmaids were the Misses Josie Cairns and Janie Sterns. The bride was handsomely attired in old gold satin and the bridesmaids in cream colored dresses. We unite with the many friends of the bride and groom in wishing the happy couple health, wealth and prosperity. They will reside at the thriving town of Kensington.

A correspondent informs THE EXAMINER that a very pleasant event took place at Georgetown recently, when Mr. Thomas Dunn, of Summerville, was united to one of Georgetown's fair daughters. The bride looked charming, supported by Miss McDonald, whilst the groom was ably supported by Mr. John Lawlor, trader, of this province. The happy couple went on their wedding tour of the Lower Provinces, and will return to the residence of the groom's father.

Personal.

The Boston Daily Globe of the 6th inst., contains a well-excuted cut of Mr. William T. Dougan, formerly of Charlottetown, which appears in connection with an account of the proceedings of the fifth annual ball of the Boston Bookbinders' L. A. 6800 K. of L.

SAM SMALL.—We are able to announce that Rev. Samuel W. Small, D. D., will lecture in the Lyceum, in this city, on Thursday evening next (Christmas Day) at 8 o'clock. Wherever his thrilling lecture "From Bar-room to Pulpit" has been delivered it has met with the unanimous approval of the people. Crowded houses always greet the lecturer. The price of admission is fixed at 35 cents. Reserved seats 50 cents. Tickets will be at the usual places in a few days.

THE FANCY SALE YESTERDAY.—The tea and fancy sale in St. Peter's Schoolroom yesterday afternoon and evening was well attended. The leading feature was the Gypsy's camp with its paraphernalia of tins outside and fortune telling apparatus in the interior. The *role* of Gipsy, taken by a popular young lady, was splendid. Her costume was extremely pretty and very typical of the Gipsy, with its beads, trinkets, etc. A goodly number of people, however, went away with better fortunes in their minds than they will ever hold in their hands. The candy, tea, and fancy-work tables were attended and well patronized. The fish pond also had its attractions for the little ones.

PARNELL WEAKENING

Physically, Politically, and His Enemies say Mentally.

Both Sides Very Sanguine, and Each Claims its Candidate will be Elected by over 1000 Votes.

A large meeting was held opposite the Victoria Hotel, Kilkenny, and was addressed by Parnell, William Redmond, Fitzgerald, Harrison, O'Kelly, and Scully, the Parnellite candidate.

The great majority of the people were curious to see Parnell, but when they had seen him they manifested no satisfaction—they kept silent, they neither cheered nor hissed, although there was plenty of cheering from the rough element and from the boys.

Parnell's voice was very husky, and he had to stop in the middle of his speech to take a raw egg. He entirely devoted himself to an attack on Sir John Pope Hennessey. This seems a mistake, considering that he was Parnell's own candidate until the row took place. He denounced Hennessey as a tuft-hunting place-hunter, but he did not bring forward any facts showing how this reputation belonged to him now any more than it did two months ago. His speech fell flat, and was a distinct failure.

Scully said it was poor business to swap a horse in the middle of a stream, especially when you hadn't another horse.

The meeting broke up very quietly, and without any enthusiasm.

Meanwhile Parnell's opponents are not idle. A meeting of priests was held at Ballyragget, in North Kilkenny. Thirty-five were present. They declared their firm conviction that Parnell had rendered himself totally unfit on moral and political grounds to lead the Irish people. They condemned the Freeman's Journal and the seizure by Parnell of United Ireland, and adopted the candidature of Sir John Pope Hennessey.

And then immediately followed the address of the Bishop of Ossory, who lives in Kilkenny. It is addressed to the priests and the people. He casts his lot in with Dillon, O'Brien and the other seceders, and asks the electors of North Kilkenny to do the same.

Davitt says that Parnell is undoing the work of years, by inciting a hatred of races, after years spent by the Irish leaders in uprooting it, for all recognize that Home Rule cannot come except through the English people, whom he is now trying to incite against the Irish.

Four well-known papers have declared for Parnell, the Leinster Leader, the Ballina Western People, the Westmeath Examiner and the Derry Journal.

Father Murphy, parish priest of Kilmanagh, in a letter to the Freeman's Journal, protects against the clerical attacks which have been made on Parnell. He declares that the people have as good a right as the priests to form a judgment on a political question while repudiating Mr. Parnell as a moral guide.

The Dublin Express commenting upon the Parliamentary contest at Kilkenny and the activity in the canvass there by the Parnelites asks: "Where is McCarthy."

THE STAR'S POETIC COMPARISON.

The Star (Home Rule) published an article denying that Ireland has declared for Parnell. The Irish people, it says, may be for the moment in the grip of the fascination to which all yield in their administration of strength, whether bad or good. The feeling which even his opponents cherish for the rude masterfullness of Parnell is akin to the admiration entertained for Milton's "Satan." Ireland in time will exorcise Parnell and vindicate her right of self-government without confiding her destiny to one great personality.

The Efficiency Competition.

NO. 2 BATTERY, G. A., WINS, WITH NO. 1 BATTERY ONLY TWO POINTS BEHIND—SPLENDID WORK.

The Canadian Militia Gazette, at hand this morning furnishes the following highly interesting information in reference to the late efficiency competition:—

"Once again Prince Edward Island Brigade have won first place in the General Efficiency Competition for Garrison Batteries, thus maintaining for the ninth year their unbroken record of victory. As in the previous six years, No. 2 Battery are the Brigade and Dominion champions. Their score was 118 points (the same as last year) out of the 130 possible. No. 5 Battery of the Halifax Brigade were a very close second, with 117 points, and for third place No. 1 P. E. I., and No. 1 New Brunswick, tie numerically with 116 points each. The contest thus proved unusually close. There were not more than two points difference between the first two batteries in any of the seven departments of the contest, and in four they tied. The first prize is the cup presented annually by the Governor General; and the second consists of $25 cash and a year's possession of the challenge cup, the parting gift of the Marquis of Lansdowne. We are happy to be able to renew our annual congratulations to No 2 Battery, P. E. I., and their commanding officer, Captain Longworth, and trust that they may long continue to set so hot a pace for this contest. The official returns, hitherto withheld by reason of the protest disposed of as reported in this issue, will be given in full in our next."

At the meeting of the Dominion Artillery Association, held at Montreal a few weeks ago, to take action in reference to the protest made by Captain Oxley, of Halifax, we learn from the same paper that,—

"On motion of Captain Finlayson, seconded by Capt. Ogilvy, it was unanimously resolved that the action of the Inspector of Artillery be sustained and that it was only fair and just that, Captain Longworth being absent on duty, his Battery should not suffer by such absence.

"It was pointed out that as there is no rule regarding the presence of an officer at inspection, it would be well to have this point more clearly defined for future competitions.

"The following members being unable to attend the meeting, sent their opinions in writing: Lt.-Col. Montizambert, Lt. Col. Cotton, Lt.-Col Macdonald, Lt.-Col. Armstrong, Lt.-Col. Moore, Major Lindsay and Capt. Gregor. All of these were in favor of sustaining the action of the Inspector of Artillery.

THE EXAMINER again heartily congratulates No. 2 Battery upon its almost phenomenal success; also No. 1 Battery upon the excellent showing it has made. Captain Davison has worked hard in the interest of No. 1 Battery since taking charge and has evidently both eyes on the efficiency prize. Captain Longworth will have to look to his laurels.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

Another Letter from Rev. James Carruthers.

SIR,—I do not suppose that you desire wilfully to misrepresent what I say, although you have the habit of dropping into this mistake in almost every article; and yours yesterday is not an exception. You say, "In his first letter the Rev. Mr. Carruthers directed the attention of THE EXAMINER to the blue books." "You have at hand said he the blue books. But now he declares that the statistics found in the blue books and published in THE EXAMINER are not reliable. It must be admitted that Mr Carruthers is hard to please." Now, sir, I stated in my first letter that half statements were not in order. I might have expected them from some anonymous correspondent, but not from you. What I said was "You have at hand the blue book and the police register" the one referring to the amount of importations and the other to the number of arrests for drunkenness. I never refused to accept the Customs returns, but I did refer to the criminal statistics as not reliable. I do not think that there is anything to be gained by making me say something I never said with the apparent purpose of making a point. If you can score a point against me, all right, but let it be honestly made.

If you are not satisfied with my figures, if your readers are not, or if they do not represent the true state of affairs, then I must press beyond figures. I might call in as witness men who could testify as to the condition of the city in the days of license, which were days of lawlessness, but their testimony might be discounted. I, therefore, submit as proof—in addition to my figures—the report of our most energetic Stipendiary Magistrate, R. R. Fitzgerald, Esq., for the year 1877. He has no point to make. He has nothing to gain. It is not the word of a man years after, but the official report given in at the very time. This is what he says of the city under the license system:

"In June, 1875, when I assumed the charge of the police of this city, the force consisted of a marshal, eight police constables, and a bailiff for the small debt court. With this number only four men could be on duty at one time; and at night when two men were required to remain in the station, there were, consequently, only left for night patrol two men, a force wholly insufficient for the protection of the city. In the month of October, 1875, on my representing this to the City Council, four additional policemen were appointed.

"Again, last autumn, I felt there still was not a sufficient force to suppress crime in this city. The number of drunkards was appalling. Larcenies were being committed at the rate of nearly two in every week; assaults at rate exceeding one every week, and strangers coming into our city were often assaulted at night with the evident intent at robbery. Hordes of street roughs thronged the street corners, and women were not safe from open insult. At this time, also, incendiaries were at work in many of the cities of the neighboring provinces. The Council were, therefore, asked to increase the police force, and in November last it was increased to its present number by one marshal, sixteen policemen, a messenger and a bailiff."

Now, Sir, I leave it to you and to your readers to say whether the facts warranted me in speaking as I have done as to those days of license. So far as I know there has not been a man on the temperance side who has characterized the state of the city in such strong language.

And now as to your remarks of yesterday, in which you say "Mr. Carruthers in his anxiety to include these years, seems to have overlooked the fact that the three following years were also under license." I did not overlook the fact. You will remember that I said in my first letter that "Explanations may be required on your side as on mine." I made that statement with the knowledge that no point that could be made against the act would be forgotten by you, and that my attention would be called to these figures. My answer is briefly this: In 1878, D. Banks MacKenzie visited the Province and started the movement known as the "Reform Club" or blue ribbon movemen. He was welcomed by the churches. The revival found its way among all creeds and classes. In St. Dunstan's was one of the ablest temperance men ever seen in Charlottetown,—I mean Father McGillveray. In St. Peter's was Rev. Mr. Hodgson, than whom none labored so earnestly and successfully. Hundreds signed the pledge, and the result of that movement was felt as never before nor since. That sir, not your license system, was the cause of the figures jumping down from 737 to 370. In saying this I am not alone, and lest I should be accused of quoting from some fanatical temperance man, I will again give you the Stipendiary's official report. He says concerning the decrease, "The increased power of punishment given me by the Dominion statutes, and the beneficial influence of the temperance movement mainly contribute to this." That, sir, is my explanation, and comes from a source, which you, and every right thinking man, must admit is free from temperance fanaticism.

I consider that my figures and the extracts from the reports proves conclusively my point. Later on I purpose dealing with another aspect of the question.

JAS. CARRUTHERS.

Dec. 17th, 1890.

A Quotation from the Guardian.

SIR,—The Guardian of the 7th June, 1889, contains the following:

"GETTING WORSE.

"There were more melancholy effects of intoxicating liquor drinking last Sabbath in and around Charlottetown than on any similar occasion for a large and long number of years previously. Hand-to-hand fights of hell-inspired men were occurring in different parts of the city drunken, incapable wretches were staggering or lying around, and rows and street brawls, with abusive and profane language, were to be heard in several parts of this rum-stricken town of scattered grog-shops."

This is part of an editorial article. The same paper is now making desperate efforts to make the public believe that drunkenness has decreased.

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