

THE DAILY EXAMINER.

APRIL 24, 1893.

Notes and Comments.

There is a whole sermon for intending exodians in a short paragraph in the Boston British-American Citizen, which says there is a proposition to raise a fund to provide a burial place for Provincials in Boston who die in destitute circumstances.

The Ottawa papers are telling of a Canadian official now in Chicago who has up to date been paying \$2 a day for his room at an hotel (board not included) and who received notice the other day that after May 1 he would be required to pay \$7 a day. This looks threatening for the fair!

The United States papers, in their accounts of the fleet of warships at Hampton Roads, acknowledge the vast superiority of the British men-of-war. At first the eagle screamed considerably regarding the new United States' navy and the show it would make, but the appearance of five British ships has moderated the scream to gentle lullaby.

The St. James Gazette estimates that at least \$50,000,000 will be lost by people in Great Britain from the failure of the Commercial Bank of Australia a few weeks ago. Curiously enough, the British loss in that case, as in the failure of the New Oriental Bank Corporation and of the English, Scottish and Australian Bank a few days since, comes largely from Scotch pockets.

A special correspondent of the London Daily News has been investigating workingmen's clubs in the metropolis with most regrettable results. He finds that in almost every case the liquor bills are enormous. One of them, the Central Finlay Radical Club, published a balance sheet in which he found the political expenses put down for the year at £44 12s. 3d.; bills for papers at £7 2s. 2d. and "refreshments" at £1,341 12s. 4d. The "drink account" of the United Radical Club in Kay street, with 1,800 workmen members, he states at £3,500 per annum. The Hackney Club, with a similar membership, is out £4,850 a year.

It is interesting, just now, to note the population and debts of the Australian colonies, which are suffering so severely in financial matters. Last year they were as follows:--

Table with 2 columns: Colony Name, Population, Public Debts. Includes New South Wales, Queensland, South Australia, Victoria, and a Total.

How happy Sir Richard Cartwright and certain others of the grip party would be in Australia!

The Empire rises to remark that the Duke de Veragua, over whom the press and people of the United States are just now making such a fuss, did not discover America. The Empire states this fact to remove a misapprehension under which our neighbors seem to be laboring.

The Duke deserves no more credit for the find than the present Lord Byron does for the existence of Childe Harold. Less, in fact, because if Lord Byron hadn't had a certain predecessor the world would have been without a magnificent poem, while if the Duke's ancestor hadn't discovered America somebody else would.

The annual report of the Newfoundland Fisheries Commission, as presented to the Local Parliament, is an evidence of good work being done with very limited means. Only \$10,000, all told, in the artificial propagation of fish, the establishment of close seasons, the improvement of fishing appliances, etc., had scarcely been considered. It is understood now, however, that the work of the Commission will be further aided by the creation of a fisheries Department.

A Marvellous Growth (The Empire.) The attractions of a new country are always supposed to be exaggerated and its progress magnified, but there can be no question of the position which Manitoba occupies at the present time. During 1892, 20,000 new settlers arrived in the Province, besides 18,000 in the neighboring Northwest Territories; while 150,000 acres of land were broken up and prepared for cultivation in addition to the area already under cultivation.

A general view of the condition of affairs can be obtained at a glance from the following table, prepared by Mr. A. J. McMillan for the Manitoba Government, and just issued by it as an official publication:

Table with 2 columns: 1886, 1891. Rows include Population of Province, Number of Public Schools, Number of Post Offices, Number of miles of railway, Number of Acres of Land under Cult., etc.

Twelve years ago there were 100 schools in Manitoba and only 275 miles of railway. The population has largely increased since the census year and is now probably 185,000. To the farmer, or the man who wishes to become a farmer in Manitoba or in the Northwest Territories, general conditions are steadily improving.

This was clearly shown in an able paper read by Mr. J. C. Sinclair before the Farmers' Institute of Brandon, on April 5. Speaking from the standpoint of personal experience, he observed that in 1882 the farmer paid \$400 or \$500 for a team of horses which he could now get for \$200 or \$300; paid 50c. to 75c. for seed oats and 75c. to \$1 for good wheat, where to-day he could obtain them at his own door for 25c. to 50c. a bushel.

Where he had given \$200 to \$350 for a binder, it could now be bought for \$150 to \$175. Clothing and groceries were correspondingly cheaper. Where the farmer of 1882 had to team wheat 50 miles, the distance now rarely exceeds five or ten miles, while lumber wagons, buckboards, ploughs, etc., were not only obtainable at cheaper rates, Mr. Sinclair urged more encouragement to immigration, and commended the action of the Dominion Government in employing 5,000 booking agents in Great Britain, to whom is given \$125 for every head of a family booked by them through to Winnipeg.

But if the condition of the farming has improved, and no one can fail to appreciate the prosperity which a glance at those golden fields of grain on a summer's day in Manitoba must surely indicate, so have the position and prospects of the cities and growing commercial centres of the Prairie Provinces. Mr. McMillan gives a glimpse of Winnipeg's progress in the following table:

Table with 2 columns: 1880, 1892. Rows include Value of City Property, Volume of Commercial Business, Bank Capital, Post Office Collection and delivery, etc.

The growth of Brandon and Portage in the Prairie has been very similar, while hundreds of little towns are dotting the whole Province, and are especially numerous along the Canadian Pacific and its branch lines. So it is also in the Territories, where Qu'Appelle, Medicine Hat, Virden, Moosomin, Regina, Calgary and many other places are rapidly rising into, or have already attained, importance and prosperity.

And this growth must inevitably continue until in a not distant future the Great West of Canada supplies the world with its surplus cereals, and replaces the United States in the markets of Great Britain.

Escaped From Slaughter. THE TERRIBLE SUSPENSE IN BELGIUM HAS VANISHED. A recent despatch from Brussels says: "A nation yesterday on the verge of civil war is to-day completely at peace. The air of terrible suspense like that which hangs over two great armies about to be hurled against each other, has vanished. The escape from the dreadful slaughter was by the smallest chance. The plans of the revolutionary leaders, now becoming known, make this plain. They counted, with good reason, on timing the guns of the regular army, reinforced by the mob, against the civic guard and the police."

The conflict would have been one of the most sanguinary in the history of the government, and the monarchy itself would have almost certainly been overthrown. Then would have come a communist reign, foreign interference and endless complications from all Europe must be admitted.

The leaders of the revolt have the orders to return to work have been almost universally obeyed, and there has not been the slightest disturbance to-day. The negotiation for universal suffrage without plural voting will be continued, but it is not likely to lead to any such critical situation as that of yesterday. If the demand is not granted by the present parliament probably it will be by the first chamber chosen under the system adopted yesterday.

The scheme of plural or cumulative voting, provided for in the Nysen bill, confers a vote on every male citizen aged 25 years who has resided at least one year in the same commune, and has never been convicted of a breach of the law. The bill confers an additional vote on those who possess the following qualifications:

Firstly, every male citizen aged 35 years, and either married or a widower, paying a government tax of at least £ 5 in amount, unless exempted from the tax on account of his profession.

Secondly, upon every male citizen aged 25 years, who is an owner of real estate of the value of at least £ 2,000 or who has been incumbered for at least two years on the ledger of the public debt, or in the stock book of a bank for savings, as the possessor of at least £ 100 in Belgian rentes.

Thirdly, upon every male citizen aged 25 years, who is the bearer of a diploma of superior education, or a similar certificate showing that he has attended a complete course of higher instruction in a public or private seminary, or that he is holding or has held a position, or is exercising or has exercised a profession implying superior education. The question as to what positions and professions are to be regarded as qualifying under this clause to be decided by law.

No person is to be entitled to more than three votes, and voting is made obligatory. It is reported that the Belgian deputies were moved to accept the Nysen proposals by King Leopold's threat to dissolve the chamber.

The P. E. Island Hospital. The P. E. Island Hospital has received the following, collected by Rev. J. Goodwill from congregations of the Church of Scotland at the following places: Searle-town, \$2.10; Carleton, \$9.30; Bangor, \$7.35; Pleasant Valley, \$3.00; Murray River, \$6.85; Orwell, \$4.00; Rice Point, \$4.00; Brooklyn, \$5.00; Point Prim, \$7.50; Bella Creek, \$5.35; North River, \$3.80; Nine Mile Creek, \$5.90; Argyll Shore, \$4.00; West River, \$4.00; New Argyll, \$5.00; Canoe Cove, \$10.55; Argyll Shore, \$7.50; Augustine Cove, \$12.12; S'anchel, \$4.90; Royalty, \$6.50; Lot 48, \$6.35; Riverdale, \$4.40; Birch Hill, \$10.57; Wheatley River, \$5.75; DeSable, \$5.25. Total \$147.90.

Rose V-ley Presbyterian Church, \$3.29; collected by Mrs. Sarah Jones, Pownal, \$8.10; collected by Mrs. D. E. Campbell, Darlington, \$5.50.

LICOR LICENSES.—The Mayor of St. John has made public the names of those to whom liquor licenses have been granted. The number of retail licenses is 83, which, at \$150 each, will yield a revenue to the city of \$12,450. The wholesale licenses number 19, but probably a few more will be granted. More than 100 licenses for the sale of liquor may appear a large number, but under the old license system the number was about three times as large as now.

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

SPECIAL DESPATCHES TO THE EXAMINER.

The Governor-Generalship.

OTTAWA, April 24.

Speculation prevails in official circles as to the probable effect that Earl Derby's death will have on His Excellency's movements in the near future. He was not expected to leave for England before the end of July or the beginning of August. He has not yet received official notification of the appointment of his successor.

Blair Appoints a Sheriff.

ST. JOHN, April 24.

H. L. Sturdee is to be appointed sheriff. An effort was being made to have H. J. Thorne appointed, but two county members having recommended Sturdee, Attorney-General Blair says the Government will accept their advice.

Anti-Home Rule Meeting.

LONDON, April 20.

An immense Unionist Alliance meeting was held in Albert Hall yesterday in opposition to Home Rule for Ireland. The Duke of Abercorn presided and made a speech.

A Quebec Legislative Appointment.

QUEBEC, April 24.

John Sharpless, a well-known lumber merchant of this city, has been appointed Legislative Councillor in place of the late Hon. John Roche.

Declined the Call.

MONCTON, April 24.

Rev. W. Weeks, of Brockville, Ont., has declined to accept a call extended to him by the Moncton First Baptist Church.

Coal Barge Sunk.

NEW YORK, April 24.

The coal barge Plymouth sunk off Barnegat, and the captain's wife and two men were drowned.

General Telegraphic News.

TACOMA, Wash., April 20.—Hundreds of forged Chinese passports have been discovered. Thirty-two Chinese actors for the World's Fair and 241 Chinese merchants will be returned to China on Wednesday, the authorities refusing to recognize their certificates of identification.

AMHERSTBURG, April 20.—Nelson Chambers and C. J. Jones, of this place, were killed by an explosion on the steamer Chocota at Lake St. Clair yesterday. Two others of the crew were badly injured.

LONDON, April 20.—In view of the reports of cholera in the north of France the medical commission of the local government board has been ordered to visit the principal towns in Southern and Western England and to confer with the local authorities as to preventive measures.

PARIS, April 21.—The influenza shows no signs of diminishing. On the contrary, the mortality of aged and weak folks increases. Lord Mowbray, who was visiting Paris, and the young Duchess de Polignac, died of the disease yesterday despite the official statements, too, that the typhus epidemic is confined to the prisons. The disease is favored by the prolonged drought and is undoubtedly spreading. The surgeon at the Hotel Dieu succumbed to it yesterday.

MONTREAL, April 21.—The Gazette says: Premier Fielding announces his intention to abolish the Legislative Council, but says he will take his own time for carrying it into effect. Things have changed with Mr. Fielding since in the Quebec Inter-Provincial Conference he wanted the constitution altered so that he could demolish the upper chamber by a stroke of his pen.

WINDSOR, Ont., April 20.—Three cargoes of Russian immigrants passed through here on Monday on their way to Dakota. Some of them informed the station agent, Mr. Dow, that they were being driven from Russia because they were Roman Catholics and would not join the Greek Church.

BELLEVILLE, April 20.—The London correspondent of the Post reports an interview with Cardinal Logue, in which His Eminence said there were good grounds for the assertion that if the present Home Rule Bill should be defeated, the Conservatives would offer the Irish a still more sweeping measure on the condition that a Conservative-Irish alliance be concluded for the overthrow of the Liberals.

Y. M. C. A.

BULLETIN FOR THIS WEEK.

Monday, 24th—Business men's gym class, 4.45; young men's gym class, 8. Tuesday, 25th—Boys' gym class, 4; mock parliament, 8. Wednesday, 26th—Vocal music class, 8.45. Thursday, 27th—Business men's gym class, 4.45; young men's gym class, 9; bookkeeping class, 8. Friday, 28th—Boys' gym class, 4. Saturday, 29th—Business men's gym class, 5; young men's gym class, 8; teachers' institute, 8; social hour, 9. Sunday, 30th—Union mass meeting of young people's societies of the city, 4.

NOTES. Yesterday afternoon's meeting was very well attended. A thoughtful address on "Conscience" was given by J. D. Seaman. Next Sunday's meeting will be an interesting one, being a united gathering of the young people's societies. A strong committee have the details now under consideration. Special efforts will be made to have good music, and two 15-minute addresses will be given on young people's work.

This will probably be the last week that regular gymnasium classes will be held. Members should, therefore, take advantage of them. The football club hope to get to work in earnest this week if the weather continues to keep dry.

Trouble for the Ex-Regents.

THE BOY KING OF SERBIA HAS DISCLOSED MUCH CROOKEDNESS.

According to a recent despatch from Belgrade, trouble has begun for the ex-regents, Ristic and Belmarovitch, and their late ministry. The new governments, as a result of the investigations already made concerning the finances of the country since Alexander acquired power by the coup d'etat of a few days ago, has made a demand that the ex-regents and ex-ministers shall reimburse the government for the sum of 2,400,000 dinars, or francs, misappropriated during the regency under the pretext of having been used in the secret service of the state. The general acquiescence, if not approval, with which King Alexander's coup d'etat was hailed, is already interrupted. The Liberals have gathered courage, and now apparently propose to incite the people against the government. They have issued a manifesto, in which they describe the new ministry, composed of M. Dokitch and his colleagues, appointed by King Alexander since he has seized royal authority, as usurpers of political power, and as having invited the king to the coup d'etat, in violation of the constitution and laws of Serbia. The Liberals state that they make their stand upon the rights of the people, which they claim have been outraged and ignored by the alleged usurpation.

The Mutual Life Insurance Company OF NEW YORK. ASSETS (December 31, 1892).....\$175,081,156 61 ANNUAL INCOME (1892).....40,238,865 24

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J. MACRACHERN, Agent. ap24-1m (in s) pat

COAL. TWO CARGOES OF Acadia and Vale Nut, NOW LANDING. —ALSO— A Cargo —OF— SYDNEY (OLD MINE) ROUND NOW DUE AT R. McMILLAN. Ch'town, April 24—tf

LINE. LINE. NOW landing, Fresh Burnt St. John Lime in casks and barrels. POOLE & LEWIS, Peake's No. 3 Wharf. dy2w 2w wk 1m

TRULY COMING! Interesting to the Citizens of Charlottetown, Georgetown, Souris and Summerside. PROF. W. H. BROWN, of Halifax, who has visited all the principal Towns of Nova Scotia, will shortly appear in your midst to execute all orders in the way of CHIMNEY SWEEPING.

All persons desiring to have their Chimneys swept can have it done without removing furniture, covering carpets, or removing ornaments, etc., from mantels. All work done from inside of the house. W. H. BROWN. ap22-2aw

HOUSE TO LET.—A Dwelling House on Bayfield Street, containing nine rooms, stable and coach house. Heated with hot water and in good condition. Possession given at once or on the first of May. Also, a 2nd Floor Garden attached, if desired. Inquire of A. HERMAN, the Queen Street. a24 tf

FOR SALE.—A lot of old wrapping paper for sale at this office. a24 11

ANNOUNCEMENT!

To the Ladies awaiting the arrival of our second shipment of Carpets, Squares, Matings, Curtains and Oil-Cloths, we take pleasure in asking them to visit our Carpet Department, as the above shipment has arrived.

JAS. PATON & CO.

Charlottetown, April 24, 1893.

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