

Ottawa Correspondence

In presence of the great calamity which has befallen Canada, a narrative of the past week's legislation, confined as it was to questions of minor importance and to subjects which have been thrashed out over and over again, would be very much out of place in your columns.

People did not retire at their usual hour on Saturday night, and when they went to bed it was not to sleep. Men and women wept as though it had been one of their own household who had died, for Sir John seemed to belong to everyone here, and was everywhere regarded with affection, irrespective of creed, nationality or politics.

Sunday morning, from the high tower of the Parliament Buildings, from every flag-staff, from many windows hung flags at half-mast. There was not a breath of air to stir their folds, and they drooped lifeless till shortly before mid-day, when a pleasing breeze sprang up from the westward.

On Sunday the noon gun on Parliament Hill fired at ten o'clock, and quick upon its report comes the tolling of the bell in the tower near by, which lasted for half an hour. In most, if not all, of the churches, appropriate allusions were made to the premier's death, funerals hymns were sung and dirges played.

These reflections have an especial appropriateness when our thoughts are turning, as I know they must be, towards that home by the river, where a form long familiar among us lies cold and still. Ever since he was stricken down, the people of this Dominion and thousands far beyond its borders, have been eagerly watching the last struggle of one who for many years has been the most prominent figure in the public life of our country.

He has gone from us, but not until there has been given him a long opportunity to work for the land he loved so well; not until our scattered provinces had been united into one harmonious Confederation, not until the wish of his life had been realized in the strengthening of the bonds of national unity and the growing renown of this our great Dominion.

In this crisis of public affairs there is a loud call to Christian patriotism, and I have faith enough to prophecy that the call will not be heard in vain. Never before has there been greater need of putting aside all selfish ambition, all political and religious prejudice and joining hearts and hands together for the sake of the common weal.

We need not fear but He, the living God, who has guided our land through many an hour of peril, will still lead us onward towards the Crown of abundant reward. Valuable as has been the life just closed, and absolutely unique in its influence upon the councils of State, the loss we have sustained, so far from plunging us into despair, or forming a pretext for pessimistic dirges, ought rather to inspire us every one to a fuller trust in God and a more ardent effort to serve our generation according to His will.

The Rev. Mr. Bogart, Rector of St. Alban's Church, Sir John's own pastor, said: "God gave him a work to do, and may it not be added he did it well. How well he did his work as a statesman will be proven by the future, and there were others better able to speak of it. While he would not speak of the departed as a politician, nor as a citizen, it might not be out of place to speak of him as a churchman. His regularity in attendance at God's house, notwithstanding the cares of State and his many onerous duties, his earnest devotion and reverent demeanour when engaged in the worship of God, more especially in Celebration of the Holy Eucharist, his humble attention to the message delivered by God's ambassador, all show the love he entertained for God's service, which he also exhibited by receiving thankfully that which small minds evade and sneer at."

Rev. Dr. Hunter, of Toronto, preaching in the Dominion Methodist Church, made a touching reference to the dead statesman.

One of Sir John's favorites was the parliamentary hairdresser, Napoleon Audette. With tears in his eyes Audette speaks of the many kindly deeds performed by the late Premier. The last occasion upon which Napoleon shaved the lamented Premier was on Friday, the 22nd May, shortly after 11 o'clock, a. m., at the usual place in the Commons buildings. The Premier came in and said: "Harry, Napoleon, I've got to be at committee. Cut my hair but don't cut much; I've not a great deal to lose. How is business?" "Well, Sir John," replied Audette, "is quiet, the members do not seem to shave very often." The Premier smiled, and remarked: "Oh, so many new members; they have not discovered your parlor yet." He then added, addressing one of the attendants: "Boy, hand me that picture."

The body of the deceased statesman, attired in the uniform of an Imperial Privy Councillor, with the Order of the Bath upon his breast, was on Sunday cremated in an elaborate casket, the exact counterpart of that in which the remains of President Garfield were borne to the grave. It is very handsome, made of rolled steel, with rosewood finish and oxidized silver handles extending the whole length, while the lifting-plates are fastened down with knobs of the same material. The lifts are embossed, being in the shape of a wheel with a pair of seraph's wings folded. Heavy drapings of purple and white cover the sides of the casket, which is understood to be completely surrounded by potted plants heavy with fragrant flowers. Numbers of handsome wreaths and crosses sent by lamenting friends, among them one in the form of a St. Andrew's Cross ordered by the Marquis of Lorne and the Princess Louise, also fill the air with their perfume.

It has been decided that Sir John shall have a state funeral. This will be the third of the kind since Confederation, Sir George Cartier and D'Arcy McGee having been similarly honored. It is not expected that Sir John's will will be opened until after the burial. It was drawn up some years ago by Hon. Mr. Abbott and is understood to contain a wish that Kingston should be his last resting place. The estate, though not large, will probably realize \$100,000, the great bulk consisting of the testimonial of \$80,000 presented to Sir John in 1870 by the Conservative party. The salary of the premier was \$8,000 or \$9,000, with the sessional indemnity, but Sir John was so generous an

entertainer that all, or nearly all his income was spent. It is reported that Hon. Mr. Dewdney, who has been for some years one of the trustees of the \$80,000 testimonial fund invested in Lady Macdonald's name, is named an executor of Sir John's will, and is also the guardian of the premier's daughter Mary.

Ottawa, June 8, 1891.

Supreme Court—Prince County.

SUMMERSIDE, June 10. The Court finished trying the absent debtor cases this morning, after which several civil suits were disposed of.

In the assault case preferred by Ross against Rogers the petit jury rendered a verdict of guilty of common assault and was fined \$30. The Grand Jury were discharged this morning. Previous to being discharged they presented the following address to Judge Hodgson.

ADDRESS To the Honorable Edward Jarvis Hodgson, LL. D., Master of the Rolls, &c., &c.:—MAY IT PLEASE YOUR LORDSHIP:—

Assembled at the present term of the Court to perform our ordinary duties as the Grand Jury of the County, we desire to avail ourselves of the occasion to welcome you to the County town in your judicial capacity for the first time, and to offer you our congratulations on your elevation to the Bench. When through well-merited retirement from official life the country lost the services of your able predecessor, Mr. Justice Peters, those of us who have become more or less connected with the public administration of the laws anticipated that the choice of a successor would fall upon you, this sentiment, we think, is endorsed by the community at large.

Now that you have accepted the position of Master of the Rolls and Judge of the Supreme Court, with all their responsibilities, we feel sure that the brilliant reputation which you achieved in the legal profession, and as a recognized leader of the Bar for many years will furnish the best guarantee to the public that a faithful and impartial administration of justice will mark your judicial career. Wishing you the blessings of health and prolonged years with a full portion of that ease and dignity associated with the judiciary, we have the honor to remain, Yours most respectfully, ROBERT H. McDONALD, For self and follows.

Grand Jury Room, S. side, June Term, 1891.

In reply, His Lordship thanked the Grand Jury for their kind and only too flattering address. A number of them were strangers to him, he said, but amongst them he recognized not a few who, while practising at the bar, reposed confidence and trust in him.

This address, he stated, he valued very highly, and would preserve it as a mark of esteem and confidence from the Grand Jury of Prince County.

Referring to his predecessor, Mr. Justice Peters, Judge Hodgson remarked that the difficulties of his present position became, he might say, increased when he considered the long and distinguished services rendered to the public by that able and erudite jurist, who, for the almost unprecedented period of forty-two years, dispensed justice from this Bench with acknowledged learning and independence.

He trusted that when the time came for him to lay down his office it would be found that he had so administered justice as to have justified the anticipations which they had expressed in their address. His Lordship then thanked them for their attendance, and finally discharged them.

Farmers' Meeting at Centreville.

Centreville Hall was filled last evening with representative farmers to hear Prof. Robertson lecture on Dairying. Mr. Dugald S. Wright was appointed chairman, and introduced Prof. Robertson in a few well-chosen words. Prof. Robertson was gratified to hear that the Island had in contemplation the establishment of a dairymen's association. He thought it would be productive of much good. He regretted that Professor Shuttleworth had decided to leave the Island. He then said that the principal theme would be the subject of "Fodder Corn as an adjunct to the business of dairying." He pointed out that dairying had made great strides in Ontario, and the Dairymen's Association of that province had done much to bring about this result. The Island was admirably adapted for growing forage crops, and for the production of the best cattle, especially the dairy and beef breeds. There is no part of Canada better adapted for dairying than this Province. He said he would undoubtedly have a long season when cattle had to be fed inside. The main thing then for the Island farmers to do was to provide cheap feed for their cattle during the long winter season. He explained the working of the Experimental Farm at Ottawa, but especially the growing of fodder corn. They had there several breeds of cattle. Their business, however, was not to decide for the farmers which was the best. Every breed is good in its own particular way. Let every man pick out one of these breeds and use them well, and he will get good satisfaction. Their business is to find out the best way to feed these animals to bring about the best results. He then gave the result of a test of feeding at the farm. They found that steers, fed on corn, ensilage and meal were the best, pronounced so by the butchers, although they were no heavier than the other which were fed with hay, oats and roots. The cost of the steers which were fed on corn and ensilage was nine and a half cents per day, while the others cost double that much, eighteen and three-quarter cents per day. He advised feeders to treat their animals kindly and disturb them as little as possible. The test on the dairy brood was even more favorable than on the beef. The cows fed on hay, roots and corn fell off in their milk right along, while the cows fed on succulent ensilage along with cornmeal kept up the flow of milk all winter. After pointing out the suitability of the Island for fruit growing, he advised the meeting to form a Dairymen's Association for the Province. Murdoch Ross moved then moved the following resolution, seconded by A. M. Wright:—

That this meeting approve of the action of a meeting held in this Hall, in April last, organizing a Dairymen's Association, and that a permanent board of directors be now appointed to prepare a constitution and by-laws, and to organize local branches to cooperate with it.

On motion the following directors were appointed for Queen's Co.: Hon. D. Ferguson, F. T. Newbery, E. G. King's County: John H. Milton and Jas. D. Dewar, Esqs., Prince County, Hon. Alex. Laird, Stewart Burns and D. S. Wright, Esqs.

Jas. Heber Huslam was appointed Secretary. A meeting of the Board of Directors will be held the second week in July, in Charlottetown, to proceed with the business of the Association, of which due notice will be given.

TEA AND FANCY SALE

—IN THE— MARKET HALL, —ON THE— 24th and 25th of June.

A TEA AND FANCY SALE will be held in the Market Hall on the 24th and 25th of June, for the benefit of Notre Dame Convent.

The ladies in charge of the tables intend to leave nothing undone to make it the most successful and enjoyable affair of the season. Tea on the tables from 5.30 p. m. Entrance 10 cents; Tea, 25 cents. Strawberries, Ice Cream and Refreshments at any hour during the afternoon and evening. June 10

CLEARING-OUT SALE.

Furniture, Horse, Carriages, Harness, Etc. BY AUCTION.

I AM instructed, by the Executors of the Estate of the late Hon. R. P. Heythorn, to sell by Auction, at his late residence, corner of Dorchester and Hillsborough Streets, On Thursday, June 13th Instant, COMMENCING AT 11 O'CLOCK,

All the Household effects, comprising Parlor, Dining Room, Hall, Bedroom and Kitchen Furniture. Also, Horse, Carriages, Harness, Garden Tools, etc. R. BEARISTO, Auctioneer.

FURNITURE by AUCTION

I AM instructed by MISS JEMIMAH B. McHILL to sell by Auction at her Residence, Spring Park Road,

On Monday, 15th June Instant, AT 2 O'CLOCK, SHARP,

All her Household Effects, comprising Parlor, Dining Room, Hall, Bedroom and Kitchen Furniture. ALSO—1 Buggy and a quantity of Lumber. R. BEARISTO, Auctioneer.

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For Sale or To Let.

A COTTAGE AND GARDEN on Upper Spring Park Road, now occupied by Mr. John Ball, and next to Mr. George Simmonds'. Possession given 24th June. Garden can be worked at once. Apply to MRS. OFFER, Queen Street.

Tenders for Steam Heating.

TENDERS will be received by the undersigned until SATURDAY, 27th inst., from persons willing to contract for the erection of Steam Heating Apparatus, low pressure, in the Catholic Church, V. men River, and to have it completed by the 1st November next.

The following are the approximate dimensions of the Building:— Length of Church 127 feet. Width of " 58 " Average Height of Ceilings 33 " Length of Vestry Room 21 " Width of " 25 1/2 " Height Ceiling " 15 " Length of Side Chapel 33 " Width of " 25 1/2 " Height Ceiling " 15 "

Separate Tenders will be received till same date, for Heating the Parochial Hall at the same place by Hot Water.

The House is a Two-story Brick Building, 44 feet by 30 feet, and 10 feet ceilings, with an attic. But tenders are expected to ascertain the exact figures for themselves.

The undersigned will not be bound to accept the lowest or any tender. By order of Church Committee, PATRICK DOYLE, Pastor.

Vernon River, June 6, 1891—eod wat jour

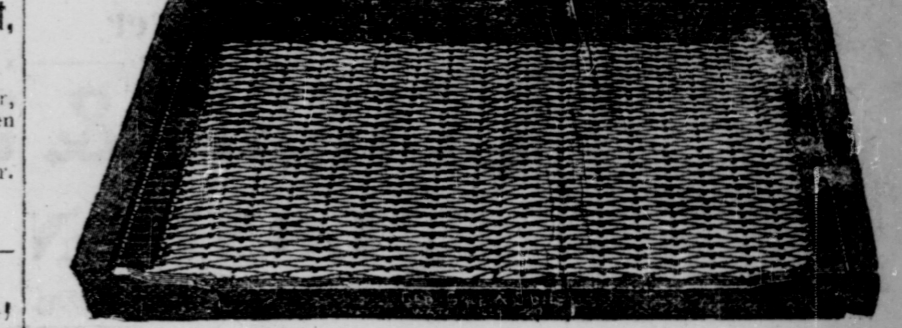
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