

A LESSON FOR OUR LIBERAL PREMIERS.

The Hon. Robert Lowe, in a speech explanatory of the course adopted by Gladstone, previous to the last general election in Great Britain, said:—

"A Government regulates itself by the public pulse. When it has a good working majority in the House, that is evidence of the prima facie kind that it enjoys the popular confidence. But it often happens that while this majority, obtained at a general election or otherwise, still gives the Government its best support, the popular confidence in the Government is shaken or lost. It often happens, in short, that although the Government has a majority, and perhaps a large one, the people, the source of power, are so hostile to it that a general election would result in its complete overthrow and the complete disappearance of that majority. Now, no Government worthy the name would consent to hold office when it found itself in the position just outlined. Mere bureaucrats might, but statesmen in a free country have more respect for its institutions, and, I may add, more self-respect, than to attempt or dream of anything of the kind."

If the numerous public indignation meetings held North and South, East and West, throughout the Province are an indication of the state of public opinion, "the people, the source of power," are unquestionably so hostile to our present incompetent Local Government that a general election would result in its complete overthrow. It, however, remains to be seen whether Davies and Stewart, Liberal as they profess to be, will imitate the policy of the great Liberal leader, Gladstone, when, in a similar position, or whether they are content to be—according to the Liberal Lowe—mere bureaucrats, wanting in respect for the institutions of a free country—wanting even in self-respect.

Mr Lowe continues:—"A Government is informed of the state of public feeling among other things by the result of what I may call intermediate elections, isolated elections held after a general election. If those elections go against the Government one after another, it seats long accounted theirs suddenly return members of the party opposite, why then they know—for are they not told in a manner at once brusque and striking?—that their mere majority in the House is no longer proof that they enjoy popular confidence. Knowing that, what are they to do? Hold on to office? Continue to conduct the affairs of a free country when the majority of the people are palpably hostile to them? Why that would be usurpation. We have been called 'disturbers,' but 'usurpers' never."

The Liberal Government of McKenzie, Huntington, LaFlamme and company should take these sound liberal doctrines to heart; and no longer "usurp" the Government of Canada. No less than twenty constituencies have told them—"in a manner at once brusque and striking"—that the majority of the people are hostile to them.

Our Liberal Premiers—McKenzie and Davies—will soon show whether or not they are true to liberal principles as acted out by W. E. Gladstone, and expounded by Robert Lowe.

A BOARD of Health for Mount Stewart district and vicinity has been reconstructed by the Lieutenant Governor and council. This is locking the stable door when the horse is stolen. Winter is now drawing on, and the disease which has heretofore hung over Mount Stewart is almost gone. Had something been done in this matter six or eight months ago, the action would have been timely. But now, when winter comes to banish disease, the Government must constitute a Board of Health to help it. The following gentlemen compose the Board: James, Ross, Esq., Chairman, Edwin Coffin, David Egan, John J. Fletcher, Wm. E. Clarke, J. R. Coffin and James Bambwick, Esquires.

In our harbor on Saturday there were 10 steamers and 2 dredges, together with 10 square-rigged vessels and about 46 schooners. With one exception the steamers all belong to the colony, and the same may be said of the dredges, one of which is owned by Hon. James Duncan and the other is the Dominion (Island) dredge. To the sailing fleet, Mount Stewart, West and North Rivers will probably add some 30 or more vessels.

A CORRESPONDENT at Summerside says: "The Reform Vigilance Committee is hard at work. They have sufficient evidence against two liquor dealers for selling liquor to minors. They will appear before the Stipendiary Magistrate on Monday morning to prove the liquor business is at a standstill in this place."

PUBLIC MEETING.

According to announcement, a large and influential meeting of the electors of Milton took place at the Hall—purpose of meeting well known.

Jonas Carter, Esq., was voted to the Chair.

D. McKay, Esq., first addressed the meeting. Said he was sorry hon. members of the Government were not present to defend themselves, but he should deal with them as if they were. The Assessment Act, he said, was not required, and that he could prove his assertion by the Premier's own figures, which he proceeded to do. He condemned the School Act in detail, but not in principle.

Mr. George Cudmore followed, and expressed himself as being well satisfied with Mr. McKay's exposition of the state of affairs, and dissatisfied with the Government.

Hon. W. W. Sullivan, being called on to address the meeting, came to the front. Showed the position we were in financially when the Owen Administration obtained the reins of power; the monies expended by that administration while there, and how expended; and the position in which we stood when the present Government came into power. He denounced the policy of the Government almost in toto.

Hon. D. Farquharson thought Messrs. McKay and Sullivan had been endeavoring to tickle the ears of their hearers. He considered the Assessment Act good in principle, but did not believe the people were taxed according to the Act. Vote by ballot he considered an error. Expressed himself in favor of reducing the number of members of the Legislative Council.

Messrs. G. Smith, P. R. Bowers, C. Dickieson, J. Robinson and J. Power addressed the meeting, after which the following resolutions were carried unanimously:

Moved by Richard Wise, seconded by John Robinson:—

That Whereas, The Government at the last session of the Provincial Legislature, brought forward and passed several Acts in a hasty and crude state, some of which were not called for, causing unnecessary expense and agitation throughout the country;

Therefore Resolved, That this meeting disapprove of the general policy of the Government, and do request the Governor and Council to call an immediate meeting of the Legislature, and have the present Assessment, Road Service and Registration Acts severally repealed;

Further Resolved, In the opinion of this meeting the Legislative Council of this Island is not now necessary; and in order to lessen the public expenditure, it should be abolished.

Moved by J. K. McInnis, seconded by A. McKenzie:—

Whereas, certain newspapers favorable to the present Government have thought fit to attack our worthy representative, D. McKay, Esq.;

And Whereas, We fully appreciate the independent, manly, and sincere course he has pursued;

Resolved Therefore, That Mr. McKay deserves the respect and confidence of his constituents, for his able advocacy of popular rights.

Moved by R. Wise, seconded by J. Power:—

Resolved, That this meeting tenders their sincere thanks to the Rev. S. G. Lawson, for the noble and independent course he has taken in defence of the rights of tax payers of this country.

On motion of F. Horns, it was resolved that the proceedings of the meeting be sent to the press for publication.

E. TURNER, Sec'y. Milton, Nov. 14, 1877. [Other papers please copy.]

MONCTON GAS AND WATER COMPANY.—The total subscriptions to the stock of this Company at present amounts to \$33,750.

The Moncton Times reports that an unknown scoundrel entered the house of Rev. Mr. Weyman and drugged some tea which the Rev. gentleman was drinking, leaving Mr. W. unconscious on the floor the whole night. The robber had full possession of the house the whole night, and ransacked the chambers.

Shipping Intelligence.

PORT OF CHARLOTTETOWN.

ENTERED. Nov. 17th—Laura C. Chipman, Picton, coal; Champion, Heighton, Picton, coal and hay; Hadji, McDonald, Montreal general cargo; Spirit of the Day, Patton, Wallace, 15 tons hay; Lois Jane, Gillis, Picton, coal; Mary Jane, Pepsas, Boston, sundry goods; Alpine, James, St. Johns, 265 bbls herring; Sophia Bowen, Barnes, Boston, sundries.

CLEARED. Nov. 17th.—Sch. Laura C. Chapman Bay Verte, sundry goods; Anna Florence, McDonald, Picton, ballast; Weara Lere, Trainor, Crapaud, sundry goods; Kate Kentz, Picton, ballast; Str. Hadji, McDonald, Montreal, sundry goods; M. C. Dooks, Halifax, 1,550 bush. potatoes, 150 do turnips, 200 do oats; Brigit, Swiftshire, Harkness, Bristol, 1,040 bushels potatoes, by P. W. Hyndman.

IS THERE A PLOT?

We have several times lately imagined to ourselves that, perhaps, Messrs. Davies and Stewart had some occult motive for their extraordinary action last session. No sane men we reflected—could possibly be unwittingly guilty of such a large number of needless variety of blunders as the Legislation of last session presents. There must, we thought, be some deeper reason for this legislative tangle than mere stupidity and carelessness. We called to remembrance the "Dashaway Policy," to which the patriotic Mr. Sinclair was a party—the policy which—our readers will recollect—culminated in Laird's midnight journey to Ottawa; and we fancied that, perhaps, Mr. Davies was applying, in a somewhat different fashion, the policy of his quondam chief, in order to produce a state of things which would necessitate "Maritime Union," whether the people of this Island liked it or not. We were strengthened in this opinion by the fact that Maritime Union is the settled policy of the Grit Party.

The Toronto Globe offers "Maritime Union" as the panacea for all the numerous ills brought upon the Maritime Provinces by the Globe's humble servants—the Dominion Government; and the Patriot which, before, was rabidly opposed to Maritime Union, is now as mute upon the question as our representatives at Ottawa are when seated in the House of Commons. Besides, McKenzie was—if we mistake not—on the Island on some secret mission in the year 1875; and it is quite possible that he and the Local Premier then settled upon the course to be adopted by both Governments to force on a Maritime Union, and please the Globe. Mr. Davies has been in Halifax nearly all summer, and it is impossible to say what he did there. The Halifax Chronicle, of a late date, contains the following paragraph:—"MARITIME UNION.—It is probable that another member of the Government will be appointed with Mr. Hill and Mr. Holmes to form the delegation to New Brunswick on the subject of Maritime Union. The conference which will be merely of a preliminary character, is held under the authority of a resolution unanimously passed at the last session of the Legislature."

We may be mistaken in our surmises; but the course adopted by Mr. Davies would, if continued, undoubtedly result in a union with our sister Provinces by the sea; for we would be so politically tangled and harassed that we would, in a few years, be glad to take advantage of any offer to rid us of our Provincial difficulties.

TRADE OF SOURIS.

The following is a statement of the total amount and value of the produce shipped from Souris to the United States since April, 1877:—

Table with columns: MONTHS, Value. April, May and June, 42,007 3/4 bush. Potatoes, \$18,081 40. July, August and Sept., 1,316 bbls. Mackerel, 14,785 14. 10 casks Oil, 225 00. Codfish, 11 36. October, 1,745 bbls. and 21 half bbls. Mackerel, 39,475 00. 651 qtl. Codfish, 1,854 89. 263 qtl. Hake, 936 00. 24 casks Oil, 514 40. 38 bbls. Herring, 152 00. 5 bbls. Tongues and Sounds, 40 00. 85 bbls. Hake Sounds, 5,000 00. 1 tub Butter, 10 00. Total Amount, \$31,982 29. 65,085 09.

CARD.

THE Subscriber, having associated himself with THE EXAMINER PRINTING & PUBLISHING COMPANY, would take this opportunity of returning thanks to his friends, and the public generally, for the patronage extended to him in the past, and would solicit a continuance of their favors in connection with the above Company.

All orders for Printing, as heretofore, will receive prompt and personal attention. J. W. MITCHELL. Charlottetown, Oct. 20, 1877.

THE MAPS

For the Public Schools HAVE ARRIVED, and are for sale at the SCHOOL BOOK DEPOT. HARVIE'S BOOKSTORE, Queen Street. Ch'town, Nov. 15—41 eod

Musical Instruments. Concertinas, Violins. Guitars Accordeons. Etc., Etc., Etc., ALL PRICES, AT FLETCHERS' MUSIC STORE. Oct. 30—3rd eod

New Advertisements

SELLING OFF!

ALL MY STOCK, in Boots and Shoes, Will be sold at GREATLY REDUCED PRICES, till 15th DECEMBER, as I intend closing my present business at that time. Also all Accounts remaining unsettled at that time will be handed over for collection. Hoping parties interested will take notice and govern themselves accordingly. JOHN MACKENZIE. Ch'town, Nov. 17, 1877—1w

CARD.

MR. D. McRAE, a teacher of upwards of 25 years experience in the Province of Ontario, ex-Superintendent of Schools for the Township of Kingston, intends (if sufficient encouragement offers) to open, during the winter months, Evening Classes, in Writing, Arithmetic, Algebra and Elocution. Mr. McRae would give his earnest attention to Posting Books, Making out Accounts, Collecting, &c. Apply at 124 Kent Street. Two permanent boarders can be accommodated. Ch'town, Nov. 15, 1877—

CHARLOTTETOWN TEMPERANCE REFORM CLUB.

MUSICAL & LITERARY

ENTERTAINMENT,

MARKET HALL,

Wednesday Evening,

21st Nov. 1877.

The Committee have the pleasure of informing the public that a First-class Programme has been prepared, which will be issued shortly; and they feel confident that this Entertainment will be fully up to those heretofore given by other societies. The Musical Department will be under the direction of Professor Earle. The CHARLOTTETOWN AMATEUR ORCHESTRAL CLUB have kindly consented to perform on the occasion. TICKETS: Reserved Seats, 50 cents; unreserved do., 25 cents, to be had at the usual places. Doors open at 7 1/2; to commence at 8. BENJ. BREMNER, Sec'y, pro tem.

1,000 LAKESIDE AND SEASIDE LIBRARY,

JUST OPENED AT BREMNER BROS. Nov. 16—41

CURRIE'S GRAMMARS, COLLIN'S GEOGRAPHY,

JUST RECEIVED AT THE SCHOOL BOOK DEPOT. HARVIE'S BOOKSTORE, Queen Street. Ch'town, Nov. 15—41 eod

Wants, &c., etc.

Advertisements under this heading, in space not exceeding half an inch, will be inserted for TEN CENTS per day.

STOLEN—From Victoria, Crapaud, on Friday night, a Dark Brown HORSE, with Truck Wagon attached. Any person knowing of or returning the same to Bernard Kiggins, Euston Street, City, or Thomas Kelly, Lot 29, will be amply rewarded. Nov. 19—21

LOST—A Black Spaniel DOG, with slight white mark on the chest, and cut tail. The finder will be suitably rewarded by leaving said Dog at the office of EDWARD BAYFIED. Nov. 16—31

TO LET—A Cottage on the Malpeque Road, at present occupied by Mr. Job Bevan. Enquire at this Office. Ch'town, Nov. 9—

WANTED—A Smart Boy, 15 or 16 years of age, to learn the Printing Business. Apply immediately. Nov. 17, 77.

BOARDERS WANTED.—Four or five Boarders wanted. Gentlemen preferred. Rooms are large and suitable for married couples. Apply at this office. Ch'town, Oct. 12, 1877.

TO LET.—Two or more Rooms to let in convenient part of this city. Apply at this office. Ch'town 77.

Auction Sales Etc

AUCTION.

LABRADOR HERRING!

This Day, Monday,

AT 11 O'CLOCK,

ON QUEEN'S WHARF, 250 Barrels Prime Labrador Herring.

TERMS at Sale. D. FARQUHARSON. Ch'town, Nov. 19—11

PRESSED HAY!

20 BALES PRESSED HAY for sale, VERY CHEAP, if called for THIS DAY,

MONDAY,

AT

A. McNEILL'S AUCTION ROOM.

Nov. 17, 1877—21

TRADE SALE!

WE WILL SELL,

BY AUCTION, AT OUR SALESROOM,

—ON— Wednesday, 21st inst.

AT 11 O'CLOCK,

200 BBLs. CANADA FLOUR (Choice Brands),

- 15 GRAHAM do., 10 do do do., 75 Bbls. Yellow K. D. CORNMEAL, 20 do White do., 30 Chests TEA (warranted), 30 Casks American KEROSENE, 120°, 25 Canadian do., 120°, 10 Puns. Choice MOLASSES, 5 Hhds. Barbados SUGAR, 15 Bbls. Coffee do., 10 Granulated do., 20 ONIONS, 25 WINTER APPLES — BALDWIN'S AND GREENINGS, 100 Boxes SMOKED HERRING, 60 LAYER RAISINS.

FENTON T. NEWBERY & CO. Nov. 19—31 pat at 11

FLOUR AT AUCTION.

I WILL SELL, At my Warehouse, QUEEN'S WHARF,

Wednesday, 21st inst., at 11 o'clock, a.m.,

300 BARRELS FLOUR, Now landing from schooner "Mary Jane," I. C. HALL. Ch'town, Nov. 19—31

CUSTOMS SALE

—OF— UNCLAIMED GOODS

The following unclaimed Goods will be sold by Auction, at No. 1 Warehouse, ON FRIDAY,

THE 23RD DAY OF NOVEMBER INSTANT, at 11 o'clock, a.m., viz:

- 2 CADDIES TOBACCO, 2 Boxes do, 2 ORGANS, 2 CASES, 1 Piece METAL, 1 Box VARNISH, 1 Box SAMPLES.

Terms at Sale. D. CURRIE Collector. Custom House, Charlottetown, } Nov. 17, 1877.—21 } nov19

MORTGAGE SALE.

TO be Sold, by PUBLIC AUCTION, on TUESDAY, the 12th day of FEBRUARY, 1878, at the Court House in Charlottetown, at the hour of 12 o'clock, noon, of the same day, under and by virtue of a Power of Sale contained in a certain Indenture of Mortgage, dated the 3rd day of January, 1860, and made between PETER MCINNIS and Mary his wife, of the one part, and JOHN KNIGHT, now deceased, of the other part—All that Piece and Parcel of Land being part of Township No. 45, and situated near the head of Souris River, bounded on the west and north by land then in occupation of Donald McCormack, and on the east by land then in the possession of Angus McDonald, and on the south by Souris River—containing fifty-one acres of land, being the farm then and until lately in occupation of the said Peter McInnis, together with all the Buildings and Appurtenances connected therewith. For terms and conditions of sale, apply to Messrs. Hodgson & McLeod. Dated 9th day of November, 1877. JAMES McFARLANE, EDWARD J. HODGSON, VERNON H. KNIGHT, Trustees and Devises under the will of the late John Knight. Nov. 10—t sale