

NOTES FROM THE CAPITAL.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS.

POSTMASTER-GENERAL'S REPORT.

The annual report of the Postmaster-General shows that the aggregate mileage travelled in 1879 was 16,156,034; number of letters sent, 43,900,000; do. postal cards, 6,940,000; do. registered letters, 1,940,000; free letters, 1,384; number of money order offices, 778. On the 1st of January, 1880, the Post Office establishment of the Dominion consisted of the following:—Post Offices, 560; clerks and letter carriers, 452; railway and mail clerks, 190; Post Office Inspectors, 12; assistant Post Office Inspectors, 9; number of local or drop letters sent to Dead Letter Office, 5,221; No. registered letters, 302; other letters, 9,436; total letters, 14,959; newspapers ditto, 12,225. The revenue for the year ending 30th June, 1879, was £1,539,363, against \$1,540,380 in 1878. The expenditure was \$2,167,266, an increase of \$86,900.

MINISTER OF MILITIA'S REPORT.

The Report of the Minister of Militia shows that the militia force of the Dominion consists of 43,000 officers and men; field artillery, 18 batteries, 1,326; garrison artillery, 3,048; engineers, 232; cavalry, 1,803; infantry, 27,320. The reserve militia was of three classes, between the ages of 18 and 60 years. These were administered by Deputy Adjt.-General and there were except in 3) Brigade Majors. There were two schools of gunnery, the Royal Military College, numerous rifle associations and the Dominion Artillery Association. During last year 13,780 members of the active militia put in their twelve days' drill. General Smythe urges that there should be three schools of gunnery located respectively at Toronto, St. John's (P. Q.), and Quebec. With regard to making small arm ammunition the Hamilton Powder Company had been approached, and had declined to go into this manufacture as a commercial venture. General Smythe says, "It would appear to be economy for the Government to purchase plant and machinery and do its own work. The machinery would cost about \$30,000 in England, and it would cost \$1,300 to transport it here." General Smythe also recommended that an arsenal of the second-class should be established under the guns of Quebec. The opinion is again expressed that the time has come for the existence of a permanent battalion of infantry for service in Canada, with relations in Great Britain or interchangeable periodically with regiments of British infantry. The subject of Colonial defences and of the state of the militia in the North-West are exhaustively entered into, and in the latter connexion a redistribution of the Mounted Police force is suggested. The military resources of Canada are contrasted with those of some of the smaller European powers, by way of showing what countries with a smaller revenue, have been able to accomplish, and the importance of keeping up our military organization is urged.

MINOR REPORTS.

The report of the Librarian shows that during the year 3,803 volumes have been added to the library, making in all 96,596 volumes. The Governor General's expenses from Halifax to Ottawa on his arrival were \$7,443.

A statement of Governor General's warrants includes \$200,000 for Indians in Manitoba and North West Territory; \$60,000 for Custom House, St. John, N. B.; \$75,000 for Pacific Railway Survey, and \$50,000 for working expenses; \$25,000 for Paris Exhibition and \$11,000 for protection of settlers in the N. W. Territories.

Statements of receipts and disbursements of the accounts of the House of Commons for year ended 30th June, 1879, show: receipts \$396,391.36; expenditures were—by indemnity, \$199,524; mileage \$21,830.40; by amount transferred to credit of contingencies, \$10,645.60. The contingencies amount to \$155,549.41, including \$16,696.71 for debates. The balance on hand is \$9,359.75.

A statement of unforseen expenses from the 1st July, 1879, to date, has been brought down. The total amount thus expended was \$13,268.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

THE BANKRUPTCY LAWS.

The real work of the Session began on Monday. It is evident that the laws relating to insolvency occupy a first place in the minds of our legislators; for a bill to repeal the existing laws was introduced at the earliest moment possible. It is said there was quite a rivalry between Mr. Colby and Mr. Bechard about who should be first to introduce his "Insolvency Bill." Mr. Colby was the successful one. We learn that both gentlemen propose to en-

tirely do away with the present law. But, on the other hand, the correspondent of the St. John Globe says: "The insolvency law will undoubtedly lead to a long and bitter debate in both Houses of Parliament. Mr. Colby, of Stanstead, will seek to remodel the law, and Mr. Bechard will introduce his total repeal Bill."

SOME MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION.

On Monday, in reply to questions by members: Sir Charles Tupper stated that it was not the intention of the Government to subsidize a railway between Gravenhurst and the Canada Central; the Minister of Justice stated that the Government has engaged counsel to argue the constitutionality of the Temperance Act of 1878; Sir Charles Tupper said the contracts for the construction of 127 miles of the British Columbia railway had been executed and they were not subject to the sanction of the House, the Act of last year giving the Government power to do so; Sir John Macdonald stated that correspondence with the Imperial Government on the appointment of a permanent representative in London was not yet completed; also, that it was the Government's intention to ask for the re-appointment of last session's Printing Committee, giving them power to enquire into practices alleged to be injurious.

THE SENATE.

ILLNESS OF THE PRESIDENT.

On the evening of the opening of Parliament Senator McPherson (the new President) was in such good health that he was able to entertain the officials of the Senate at dinner, but he was struck down by bronchitis and congestion of the lungs on Saturday; and he has since been very ill. On Sunday he was relieved by copious bloodletting; and his condition of body is improved. But he will not, even under the most favorable circumstances, be able to resume his duties in the Senate; and Senator Botsford, of New Brunswick, has been appointed Speaker of the Senate *pro tempore*. Senator Carvell has been named as the mover of the Address of the Senate in answer to the Governor General's Speech.

ACCIDENT IN HIGH LIFE.

The accident, on Saturday evening, so nearly disastrous to the Governor General, the Princess Louise, and their attendants, made quite a sensation in Ottawa. But the news, which promptly came, that Her Royal Highness was not much hurt, was reassuring. The intrepidity of Col. Bagot, who stopped the runaway horses, is warmly commended. On the other hand, Major DeWinton has again drawn upon himself the indignation of the Press, because he interfered to stop the Press Dispatches containing accounts of the accident. A meeting of the representatives of the Press in Ottawa was held in the Press Gallery, on Monday, and the following resolution was agreed upon:—

*Resolved*, That whereas certain messages respecting the accident to the Vice-Regal party have been suppressed temporarily by the Telegraph Company, as is alleged by orders received from His Excellency, the Governor General, this meeting of journalists representing the press of the Dominion, in view of these facts, and of the press censorship over European correspondence attempted to be enforced by Lord Lytton in India, expresses its feelings of alarm at any action initiated, intending to cramp the rights of a free press, the birth-right of a free people.

A Conservative Triumph.

The Conservatives of England have won another victory. The recent election in Southwark resulted in their favor—the majority being 813. A despatch to the Halifax Herald says:—

This result is believed to be immensely more important than that of the recent election in Liverpool, as indicating the popular opinion on the policy of the Government. Southwark has hitherto been considered safe for a round Liberal majority, even after making an allowance for a considerable Radical vote which resides in the borough. This pronounced, and, as is declared in certain quarters, somewhat unexpected, Government triumph, will, it is believed assure an early dissolution of Parliament, probably not later than April.

Another Conservative Triumph.

MR. ANGERS, Attorney General in the DeBoucherville Administration, which was dismissed by Lieut.-Governor Letellier, has been elected to the Commons, to represent Montmorenci, by a majority of over three hundred. This is the seventh victory the Liberal-Conservatives have gained since the general election. Facts are better than vituperation; and this fact shows that the policy of the Government is approved of by the people at large.

It is said to be a fact that a steam engine is being erected in a flour mill in Jerusalem. The "infidels" who have thus introduced modern inventions to the "Holy" city are a firm of Wurtemberg colonists, who, with the enterprise of the Teutonic race, are doing all the Oriental Powers will let them to make the historic Old World city march with the times.

Cardinal Wiseman.

ACCORDING to announcement, Professor Cavert delivered a lecture in St. Patrick's Hall on last Wednesday evening, on Cardinal Wiseman. Seldom does it fall to the lot of a Charlottetown audience to be afforded such a rare literary treat. The learned lecturer reviewed the leading events of the Cardinal's life. He dwelt at considerable length on the strong feeling against Catholics in England about the time he was made Cardinal. He referred to the passing of the Ecclesiastical Titles Bill; and, in eloquent language, described how nobly Cardinal Wiseman had borne himself in the agitation to which it gave rise. He gave copious extracts from his lectures on science and revealed religion; and the masterly analysis he gave of the Cardinal's style of writing would be considered worthy of some of the greatest names in letters. Supported by able and impartial authorities, he bore eloquent testimony to the high merit of Cardinal Wiseman's History of the "Last Four Popes." He quoted some lengthy passages from the Cardinal's writings descriptive of Italian scenery and institutions, which showed clearly that the gifted Cardinal's powers of description were inferior to but few if any of the great masters of the English language. He next referred to the beautiful novel of *Fabiola*, and related the circumstances under which this great masterpiece of fiction was written. The Cardinal's lecture on Shakespeare was reviewed by the learned lecturer in a manner which proved him to be a man of great literary attainments. In fertility of illustration and splendour of diction his criticism was fully equal to the best passages in the work he was criticising. He brought his lecture to a close by paying a splendid tribute to the genius and virtues of those three great lights of the Church—Cardinals Wiseman, Newman and Manning. The audience were spell bound during the hour and a half occupied in the delivery of the lecture. Professor Anderson, Chas. Palmer, Esq., Judge Reddin, V. C.; Rev. James McDonald, and John Brecken, Esq., expressed themselves highly delighted with the lecture. Maurice Blake Esq., ably occupied the chair. A vote of thanks, on motion of John Brecken, Esq., seconded by Mr. James C. MacMahon, was tendered to the Professor for his able lecture, to which he replied in suitable terms. We are pleased to have an opportunity of complimenting Mr. Caven on his success in an undertaking quite consistent with the duty he owes the public as a Professor of Prince of Wales College.

Meeting of Parliament.

ST. JAMES' KIRK

BAZAAR!

THE Ladies in connection with St. James' Kirk will hold a Bazaar for the

Sale of Fancy and Useful Articles,

—ALSO—

A Tea and Refreshment Table, On the 4th March Next,

—IN THE—

MARKET HALL.

The proceeds to be applied to the liquidation of the debt on the Church edifice.

Doors open at 2 o'clock, p. m.

Admission—Adults, 20 cents; children, half-price. Tickets to be had at the Drug Stores of W. R. Watson, Dr. Dodd, C. D. Rankin, and at the door.

PRESIDENT—Mrs. McLennan.

COMMITTEE—Mrs. McPherson, Mrs. Longworth, Mrs. A. Kennedy, Mrs. Stirling, Mrs. Lord, Mrs. Dunn, Mrs. McLaren, Mrs. A. Murray, Mrs. Cavanagh, Mrs. Rankin, Mrs. P. W. Hyndman, Mrs. Mackieson, Miss Owen, Mrs. Malcolm McLeod.

Feb. 19, 1880. T. A. STEWART, Secretary.

CAUTION.

THE public are hereby cautioned not to pay to any person except the undersigned, debts due to the firm of McKinnon, Fraser & Co.

WILLIAM JOHN FRASER.

Feb. 19, 1880.

VALUABLE PROPERTY FOR SALE.

THE Subscriber offers for Sale all that Valuable Property situated on corner of Grafton and West streets, and comprising Town Lots Nos. 15 and 16 in the third hundred of Town Lots in Charlottetown. Also, that Property on Kent Street, consisting of Town Lots Nos. 67 and one-half of 66, also in the third hundred. This property is a most desirable one for private residences, and will be sold low. If not disposed of by private sale, it will be offered at Auction about June 1st, next. Offers for part of the property will be received. For further particulars apply to Messrs. DAVIES & SUTHERLAND, or to the subscriber.

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Ch'town, Feb. 19, 1880—2aw Trustee.

GOLDEN SYRUP.

Very Choice.

8 CTS. PER POUND,

—AT—

BEER & GOFF'S.

Jan. 13, 1880.

JANUARY! 1880.

First Arrival this Year.

We have just received, ex Str. "Northern Light," several cases of

NEW GOODS

New Black Silk Velvets, New Colored Silk Velvets, New Colored Satins, New Black Satins, New Black Velvetens

Frillings, Edgings and Laces.

NEW LACE CURTAINS.

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Wool Damasks, Fringes and Curtain Holders.

SPECIAL.

The remainder of our

Fur Goods,

Ladies' Cloth Jackets,

Ladies' Ulsters,

Knitted Wool Goods,

and Blankets,

—WILL BE SOLD AT A—

BIG DISCOUNT,

In order to clear them out before the season is over.

Cash customers in want of any of the above Goods will save money by giving us a call.

Perkins & Sterns.

January 5, 1880.



Canadian Pacific Railway.

TENDERS for a second 100 miles section WEST of RED RIVER will be received by the undersigned until noon on MONDAY, the 29th of March next.

The section will extend from the end of the 48th Contract—near the western boundary of Manitoba—to a point on the west side of the valley of Bird-tail Creek.

Tenders must be on the printed form, which, with all other information, may be had at the Pacific Railway Engineer's Offices, in Ottawa and Winnipeg, on and after the 1st day of March next.

By Order, F. BRAUN, Secretary.

DEPT. OF RAILWAYS & CANALS, Ottawa, 11th February, 1880. [fe 19

LECTURE.

MR. E. J. HODGSON

Has consented to deliver his Lecture upon

FRANCIS OF ASSISI,

—ON—

Tuesday, 24th February Next,

—IN—

St. Peter's Schoolroom,

AT EIGHT O'CLOCK.

Admission 15 cents. Tickets for admission can be obtained at W. R. Watson's. Feb. 18, 1880.

APPLES.

100 BARRELS BALDWIN'S & RUSSETTS. CARVELL BROS.

TEA.

170 CHESTS, } Strong and Excel-  
55 half-chests, } lent flavor.  
CARVELL BROS.

Molasses.

65 PUNS. } Bright Molasses.  
20 Bbls. } CARVELL BROS.

SUGAR.

78 PACKAGES (Hhds. and Bbls.)  
White Granulated,  
Bright Porto Rico,  
Barbadoes,  
Cuba. CARVELL BROS.  
Feb. 18, 1880—2w ws—

PEA SOUP.

PREPARED with Pea Flour and seasoned and flavored with the finest herbs and seasonings, to which is added Liebig's Extract of Meat, making one of the most nutritious dishes that can be obtained. A 25 cent Tin will make 3 quarts of thick Soup.

For sale at

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Feb. 18, 1880.

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CHOICE CATCH OF 1879.  
Smoked Salmon, Salt Trout,  
" Herring, " Shad,  
" Halibut, " Mackerel.  
At HALL'S FISH MARKET,  
Feb. 18, 1880—if

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700 SIDES LOGAN'S BEST,  
50 Sides " No. 2.  
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Valuable Property for Sale.

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Sold by the lb. and in Tins,

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Sept. 13, 1879.

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