

Registration of Voters.

QUALIFIED VOTERS not yet registered can have their applications made out at the office of John T. Mellish, Esq. Early attention is desirable as the preliminary revision will soon close.

THE DAILY EXAMINER.

JULY 15, 1891.

The Financial Position of this Province.

THE Patriot notes the fact that THE EXAMINER spoke of the duration of the late session as "upwards of a month" instead of "nearly a month." This was a mere slip, patent to everyone, of no material consequence. We regret that it cannot be inferred that our contemporary desired merely to correct THE EXAMINER in a friendly way, and that it must be concluded that the Patriot is, in respect to its argument in favor of the obnoxious debenture loan bill, "very hard up."

It is also contended by the Patriot that THE EXAMINER and "the members of the opposition" are "dishonest." To this it may be replied that those who have a bad case are very apt to call names, and that persons who speak ill of their neighbors are not unusually found to be wandering far beyond the line of moral rectitude.

We do not, it is said, recognize the fact that the subsidy from Ottawa is paid in advance. What has the fact of the advance payment to do with the question of saddling this Province with a debenture debt? This Province would undoubtedly be much better off than it is, if it could hold money in advance for the payment of its accruing liabilities. But most of us are content if we can pay up at the end of the year; and the Government of this Province should rather direct its efforts towards the attainment of this object than float a debenture debt for the purpose of enabling them to hold the subsidy in advance. What will be the position of the Government on the first of January next, supposing they obtain the loan authorized by their majority in the Legislature? They will be paying interest to bondholders on \$185,000; and they will have \$91,000 in the bank, on current account, for which the banks may—and will if they treat Governments as they treat merchants—decline to pay a single dollar of interest. Surely this is brilliant financing.

This Province is one large farm; and its financial affairs should be managed on the principles which guide the prudent, successful farmer. The farm should, if possible, be kept out of debt. If, for any particular reason a debt should accumulate, there should be increased economy until it is paid off. Expenses should be cut down. Debts due the farmer should be collected and carefully husbanded. All the stock, etc., which could be spared, should be sold. A mortgage should be the very last resort. We all know what usually happens in respect to the farmer who, owing a debt of say \$300, which he cannot easily pay, goes to the money lender. It seems to be hardly worth while to "encumber the place" for \$300, so he obtains \$600,—spending the balance in the purchase of machinery, carriages, organs, etc., all of which he and his family want. For a few years he labors hard and hopefully and succeeds in paying the interest as it becomes due. But reverses come—he is prostrated by sickness or the crop fails, and the farm eventually passes out of his hands. He is then broken-down and ruined. Our Provincial Government, representing this Farm-Province, has, under the auspices of Peters, McLean & Co., entered upon this course! They propose to borrow double as much money as they require and to discount all payments at the Land Office and close up that revenue producing institution; they will launch into expenditure on the strength of the money unnecessarily borrowed, and they are doing little or nothing towards the reduction of their expenses and the realization of their assets. The result must be evident to every discerning man.

The course which they ought to have pursued is sufficiently clear. They ought to have taken steps towards the reduction of the cost of Legislation and Government; they ought to have taken effective steps towards the realization of the assets held by the Land Office; they ought to have put forth efforts to collect the outstanding debts due the Province; they ought to husband carefully all the resources and to apply, without fail, a large proportion of their receipts from the land office to the reduction of the debt of the Province; and they ought, if still unable to make ends meet, to apply a small tax. By adopting this course they could easily have paid off their debt. With upwards of \$400,000 due and owing from the Land Office, is it not outrageously foolish to issue debentures to cover a debt which, at the present moment, amounts to little more than \$50,000?

THE STATEMENT BELIEVED.—We have published at different times that we could furnish a piece of crockery or glassware to every man, woman and child on P. E. Island, as yet we have met, but one person who doubted this statement, but after going through our store and warehouse, he said it is all true. If there is another person who yet doubts our statement we wish him or her to call and look through our stock (without charge) and we believe they will be quite satisfied that our statement is correct.—W. P. Colwill.

NOTES FROM OTTAWA.

Why the Government has Employed Counsel

IN TARTE VS. MCGREEVY.

Extraordinary and Impossible Returns Demanded by Members.

OUR DEBT, REVENUE, EXPENDITURE, ETC.

[Special Correspondence of The Examiner.]

In reply to a member, Mr. Foster stated that it is not the intention of the Government to raise the rate of interest in the Savings Banks to 4 per cent.

In answer to a member, Sir Hector Langevin stated that only one Senator was a candidate at the late general election, and he was the Hon. Mr. Howland. He was not asked to resign; he was not elected and he has been recalled to the Senate.

The item of \$40,000 for extension of Cape Traverse Wharf has been withdrawn by the Finance Minister, who stated to the House that no extension is to be undertaken this year, as it is not considered necessary.

In reply to Mr. Perry, Sir Hector Langevin stated that the work of improving Casumpeque Harbor was suspended on 30th June, no appropriation having been yet made for continuing it during 1891-92. Sir Hector also stated that the reason the dredge Prince Edward is not working is because the repairs were not completed until the end of June. The dredge has been ordered to Summerside to work there.

In reply to a member, Sir Hector Langevin stated that his son, Mr. Hector Laforce Langevin, who, for several years, has been employed as Assistant Engineer of the Quebec Harbor works, is a member of the Canadian Society of Civil Engineers, a society incorporated by Act of Parliament, holding a certificate from that institution dated 22nd June, 1888. The charge had been industriously circulated by the Grit press that Mr. Langevin was not an Engineer. This prompt reply settled that question.

Under the new Act introduced this session, relating to Vice Admiralty Courts, the salary of the local Judge for P. E. Island (Chief Justice Sullivan) is fixed at \$800 a year. Mr. Perry asked if it was the intention of the Government to lay before Parliament this session a return to an order of the House regarding the Stanley, the number of trips made to and from the Mainland and the cost last winter. Mr. Tupper explained the reason of the delay, and that all the papers and correspondence asked for would be brought down shortly.

To a question asked regarding the status of Messrs. Osler and Henry, counsel employed before the Tarte-McGreevy investigation, Sir John Thompson stated: "The enquiry relates to the expenditure of a very large sum of public money, as to which, indefinitely, certain charges have been made against the Public Works Department as well as certain definite charges against particular officials of that department. Inasmuch as this enquiry is proceeding under instructions of the House, the Government thought it proper that counsel should be employed, not only to watch the investigation from day to day, but to aid in the investigation for the purpose of eliciting all the facts surrounding that matter, with a view, not to the defence of any particular officer merely, but also with the view of eliciting all the facts in every possible way. So far from the instructions confining counsel to the defence of any particular person or department, the instructions require that if any person should be implicated in any impropriety whatever, the matter should be followed up to the fullest extent, and then counsel would assume the position of counsel for the prosecution instead of being for the defence." This explains the position of Messrs. Osler and Henry before the Committee, and as the investigation has elicited the fact that Mr. Perley, the Chief Engineer of Public Works, was guilty of impropriety, he was promptly suspended.

As an illustration of the extraordinary and almost impossible returns which members ask for and the preparation of which costs thousands of dollars for no practical purpose, Mr. Trow asked the other day for a return connected with certain Canal contracts. After assuring Mr. Trow that much of the information he sought could be found in returns already presented, Mr. Bowell said: "I have taken some little trouble to ascertain what amount of labour would be entailed upon the department in the preparation of this return, and the cost, and for the information of the House I will state a few of the facts. This motion embraces 177 contracts and these contain about 15 pages of printed matter, or about 45 pages of handwriting each, which alone would be 7,965 pages. It comprises also 177 tenders of about two pages each of printed matter, or six pages of handwriting, which would make 1062 pages. In connection with these 177 contracts there are 177 forms of specifications, averaging about 20 pages of printed matter, or 60 pages of handwriting each, which would make 10,620 pages, or making a total of 19,647 pages for these 177 contracts alone. Then there are no less than 49,000 letters received, averaging a page of writing to each letter, which would make 49,000 pages, and there are 30,000 letters sent from the department averaging a page each, though the clerk who compiled this matter makes it 3 pages to each letter. That would make 30,000 pages more, making a total number of 98,647 pages of handwriting. Then there is the copying of 177 extensions of tenders, which would necessitate the work of one man for some months, and would make nearly 100,000 pages of foolscap, making a total of about 198,647 pages, and this would require about 412 reams of paper. I am not taking into calculation the printing of these returns which would cost about \$1,220. The total cost of preparing this return would be from \$29,000 to \$34,000. The preparation of the return has not yet been ordered."

During the month of June the debt of the Dominion was reduced by \$612,150, being now \$235,530,231, as against \$234,142,372 on the first of the month. The expenditure for the month both on

account of consolidated fund and capital account, shows a large reduction compared with the corresponding month of the previous year. The capital expenditure for the month on capital account was \$247,710, compared with \$5,236,626 for June, 1890. The expenditure on account of consolidated fund was \$1,989,135. The revenue for the month was \$2,848,764.

For the fiscal year ended June 30th, 1891, the revenue and expenditure were as follows: Expenditure on capital account, \$4,039,395; expenditure consolidated fund, \$30,909,170; total expenditure, \$34,948,565; revenue, \$37,689,137; surplus above total expenditure, \$2,748,572, and a surplus of revenue over expenditure on account of consolidated fund amounting to \$6,779,969.

On Monday last, Mr. Dewdney introduced a bill to amend the North-West Territories Act. This bill abolishes the Advisory Council and the legal experts and gives the Legislative Assembly full powers to deal with the troublesome liquor question after the next general election for that body. Section 110, which deals with the dual language, is altered in accordance with the resolution of the House of last session. W. C. D.

Another New Steamer.

Captain A. H. Kelly, who made so many friends here while he was in command of the steamers Princess Beatrice and Fastnet, is in the city. He informs THE EXAMINER that he has been chosen commander of the Premier, the new steel steamer built at Ayre, Scotland, for the Eastern Steamship Company, and which will be put upon the route between Halifax and this port in about a fortnight. The Premier will also call at Sheet Harbor, Sherbrooke, Isaac's Harbor, Canso, Arichat and Summerside. Her headquarters will be at Charlottetown. She will leave here on Monday's of each week and will be due at Halifax on Tuesday evening. The Premier is 155 feet long by about 24 feet wide, and is about the same tonnage as the Princess Beatrice. She has all the modern improvements. Her saloon is splendid, and she has first-class accommodation for about fifty passengers. Her freight accommodation is also good. The Premier will likely be very popular with shippers and the travelling public. We understand that there are several local men in the company.

News Notes.

The Czar and Czarina will review the French squadron on July 25.

Guatemalan telegrams say that President Barrillas is preparing for flight.

The young King Alexander, of Serbia, will start on July 22 for Russia.

It is said that several Parnellites have made overtures to join the McCarthyites.

The Spanish Cortes has approved the measure granting amnesty to political exiles.

Indian lands at Edmonton, N. W. T., have been sold at an average of nearly \$4 an acre.

During a storm on Saturday, 18 farm houses at New Lingbach, Austria, were destroyed by lightning.

Dressed frogs caught in Canada and exported to the United States must pay a duty of 10 per cent. ad valorem.

Harvesting is well under way in the county of Essex, Ont., and the yield of wheat is likely to be above the average.

The census of England and Wales just taken, shows a population of 29,002,018, an increase of 3,026,572, or 11.65 per cent., since the last census.

Telegrams from Constantinople state that the Porte has invited the French Government to resume the initiative in a movement against the English occupation of Egypt.

A landslide on the banks of the Skeena River at the North Pacific cannery, B. C., occurred recently, resulting in the death of one white woman and forty Indians. Early in the morning of July 7th, those residing near the cannery were aroused by an avalanche on Sloop Mountain, back of the cannery. Nine houses with their occupants were swept away. Thirteen bodies have been recovered.

The Provincial Debt.

SIR,—I see by the Pioneer newspaper, that the debt left by the late Government up to the 24th of April, is put down at about \$172,000. Why doesn't that paper publish the statement which it says was prepared by Messrs. Chalmers and Davison, showing the actual debt at the above date,—so that the people may judge for themselves as to how it is made up. I presume it will bear inspection.

FARMER. Prince Co., July 13th 1891.

HARD COAL, EX S. S. "WILLIAM."

Cargo of JERMYN Hard Coal, Chestnut and Egg Sizes,

SAME QUALITY as supplied customers for some years past, to arrive from New York on WEDNESDAY, 8th inst., will be sold low while landing. Parties who have ordered will please be ready to receive on following day (Thursday). R. McMILLAN. July 4—dy 1w wy li

TENDERS FOR COAL.

TENDERS, addressed to the undersigned and marked "Tenders for Coal," will be received at the Water Commissioners' office, City Hall, until THURSDAY, July 30th, at 12 o'clock, noon, for the supplying of

100 Tons (2240 lbs.) Round Coal, 160 " " Slack "

to be delivered not later than 25th September, 1891, on any of the City Wharves—wharfage and weighing to be included in price named in tender. Bidders to specify the Mine from which Coal will be supplied.

D. McLEAN, Secretary. Water Commissioners' Office, City Hall, July 14, '91. } 2w 2aw

REVERE HOUSE

CORNER of Weymouth and Grafton Streets, close by Hillsborough Park, not two minutes walk from Railway Station, is now open for the accommodation of permanent and transient boarders. Terms moderate. Good attendance.

MRS. MURPHY.

FIREMEN'S MOONLIGHT EXCURSION!

1891. 1891.

THE FIREMEN of this City purpose holding a Moonlight Excursion on the Steamer ST. LAWRENCE, on

Wednesday Evening, July 22nd,

to assist them in raising funds for a Tournament to be held in Charlottetown next summer.

Artillery Band will be in Attendance.

STRING MUSIC will be furnished for Dancing at both ends of the Steamer.

TICKETS—Gentlemen, 35c.; Ladies, 25c. Tickets can be secured from members of the Fire Department and at the Wharf.

Steamer will leave the Wharf at 8 o'clock, sharp.

A. N. LARGE, Chairman Com. D. FINLAYSON, Secretary. July 15—pat guar eod

RUSTICO PARK RACES.

A Grand Day's Racing will take place on Rustico Park,

On Wednesday, July 22nd.

The Races will be composed of

THREE-MINUTE RACE..... Purse \$25 00  
THREE-YEAR-OLD RACE..... " 20 00  
GREEN RACE..... " 15 00

Entrance fee, 10 per cent. of purse, payable previous to race. Five to enter and three or more to start. All trotting to be mile heats, best three in five, to harness. Any horse distancing the field or any part thereof is entitled to first money only. National rules to govern. Purses divided—50 per cent. to first, 30 to second, and 20 to third.

As Rustico Park is in excellent condition this year, a grand day's trotting is therefore expected on the 22nd.

A well-stocked Saloon, Swings and other amusements will be on the grounds.

Admission to Park—Gents 25 cents; Ladies free.

Should the 22nd prove unfavorable, the Races will take place the next fine day following.

MAURICE MARTIN, Proprietor. STANISLAUS BLANCHARD, Secretary.

South Rustico, July 13, 1891. July 15—dy 2i wky li S'die prs



Gathering of the Clans!

THE Annual Scottish Gathering of the Clans, under the auspices of the Caledonian Club of P. E. Island, will be held at

SUMMERSIDE,

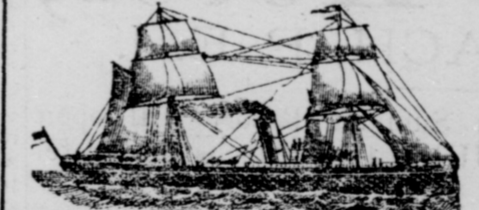
—ON—

Thursday, August 13th, 1891.

For Prize List, Train Arrangements and other particulars, see programmes.

J. D. IRVING, President. WM. McNEILL, Secretary. July 15—dy li wy 4i

For St. John's, Newfoundland.



THE S.S. "BONAVISTA," for St. John's, Newfoundland, will be due at Charlottetown on MONDAY MORNING, the 30th inst., and will carry Cattle and Sheep on deck.

For Freight or Passage apply to PEAKE BROS. & CO., Agents. July 15—3i

P. E. ISLAND RAILWAY.

Picnic to Cape Traverse.

A SPECIAL PASSENGER TRAIN will leave Charlottetown for Cape Traverse at 7.30 a. m., standard, on SATURDAY, July 18th, arriving at Cape Traverse at 9.30 a. m., standard, and leaving there for return at 3 p. m., standard, arriving at Charlottetown at 5.20 p. m., standard.

Fare for the round trip, 60 cents. Excursionists can either take their Baskets or have Dinner at the Lansdowne Hotel. The large freight house on the wharf will be placed at the disposal of excursionists.

If the weather should prove unfavorable, the Picnic will come off on the following Saturday.

J. U. SWORTH, Superintendent. Railway Office, Ch'town, July 15, 1891.

NOTICE.

THE undersigned wishes to hear from Mr. John McMurchie (or Jack the Sailor) on very important business.

W. GEDDES, P. O. Box 1011, Tacoma, Washington State, U. S. A. July 15—dy li wy 1m

Men Wanted.

FROM Ten to a Dozen workmen—Bench Hands, Carpenters and Machine Hands. Also, three smart boys.

MARK WRIGHT & CO. July 8—1w

FASHIONABLE Capes, Jackets AND Dolmans.



Our Stock is so Large, Our Styles are so Correct, Our Prices are so Low.

LADIES

Desiring anything in our MANTLE DEPARTMENT cannot fail to be pleased. We draw special attention to the fact that the leading London and New York Fashion Magazines illustrate the styles now showing by us. Only a few remaining of our wonderful bargains in Jackets. Don't fail to secure one.

BEER BROS.

Seasonable!

EGYPTIAN EGG SHAMPOO AND SEA FOAM—A delightful, healthy, cleansing and cooling Toilet Preparation, equally as well adapted for Women's and Children's use as for Men's. Especially refreshing after bathing.

FLESH BRUSHES—all fibre—not injured by water.

BATH GLOVES, Rubber Bathing Hoods, Sponge Bags, Oiled Silk, Bay Rum, Cologne, Lavender, Florida and other Toilet Waters, Sponges, Pocket Combs.

STICKY FLY PAPER, Poisoned Fly Paper, Glass Fly Traps.

WATSON'S DRUG STORE.

Charlottetown, July 11, 1891.

Quite a Sensation

CHEAP GOODS NO GOOD, BUT FRANCIS DRAKE'S

CELEBRATED Belfast Ginger Ale, Champagne Cider, Orange Phosphate, Cream Soda, Crab Apple Champagne Cider, Lemonade, Sarsaparilla, Plain Soda, Nerve Food, and all kinds of Fruit Syrups.

ARE THE ONLY GENUINE SUMMER DRINKS.

Picnic and Tea Party managers should write for prices and terms. Families and the Trade supplied at shortest notice.

THORNE BROS.,

July 8—1m eod Agents for P. E. Island.

The Embodiment of Strength

JOHNSTON'S FLUID BEEF

—IMPARTS— Robustness, Lustiness, Vigor.



An invaluable means of developing firmness of muscle, power of endurance, and general healthfulness.

July 4—dy & wky

GEO. H. COOK, PHOTOGRAPHER

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Special attention paid to beautiful enlarged Portraits on opal paper, finished in monochrome and colors which are greatly admired for truthfulness and delicacy of finish. These really high class permanent Portraits are rapidly taking the place of all inferior kinds, and are produced at prices consistent with conscientious work.

They can be produced from negatives, or taken by us from any photograph sent however old and faded, Daguerreotypes, Ivory Miniatures, Glass Positives, etc., and will not fail to give entire satisfaction. Remember the place. Over Apothecaries Hall. May 9, '91—2aw & w 5m