

THE DAILY EXAMINER, OCTOBER 29, 1888.

Dr. Hobkirk.

WILLIAM HAMILTON HOBKIRK, M. D., F. R. C. S., long a prominent citizen of Charlottetown, passed away this morning at a ripe old age. Dr. Hobkirk was born in England in the year 1810, and studied medicine and surgery, under the best masters of the day, at Guy's Hospital and St. Thomas' Hospital, London. In 1837 he was made a member of the Royal College of Surgeons, and some years later a Fellow. He came to Charlottetown in 1838; and was, during a long series of years, recognized as our leading physician. After his arrival he had charge of the health of the troops stationed here, and he was for many years health officer for the city and quarantine officer for the port. Since 1867, and until within a few months of his death, he was the Consular Agent in this Province for France.

He was twice married—first to Miss Etwell, by whom he had two daughters, one of whom survives him and now resides in France; and afterwards to Louisa Margaretta, daughter of Commander Charles Hensley, R. N. The result of the latter union was three sons and three daughters, of whom are Mrs. Arnaud and Mrs. James Warburton.

In his latter years Dr. Hobkirk endured much pain and suffering, in addition to the ailments which usually accompany old age; and death was to him a happy release.

The Stock Farm.

We intend to publish a series of articles on agriculture in this Province; and to refer particularly to some of our best farms and farmers.

Perhaps the most fitting place to begin at is the "Government Stock Farm." This farm is situated at the North side of the Hillsborough River, about three miles from Charlottetown. Its aspect is very good; for slopes it gently towards the south, until its bounds are met at the river's side.

For four years after it was stocked it was under the management of Mr. Thorne; for the last nineteen or twenty years it has been superintended by Mr. Francis Bell, an English farmer, who has, under Commissioners appointed by the Government of the day, worked it to the best of his ability.

It is furnished with large, commodious, excellent barns and stables, erected only three or four years ago.

It is a large farm of four hundred and eight acres—including the grounds of the Provincial Hospital for the Insane; and three hundred and twenty acres of it are under cultivation. When it was stocked by the Government, in the year 1865, the land was by no means good; but it is now very fertile, producing abundantly of every kind of grain, hay, and root crops.

In the season which is drawing to a close eighty acres of it were under hay; thirty-five under oats; ten under barley; five under potatoes; seven under turnips; and one and a half under mangold wurtzel. The rest of it is in permanent pasture.

The stock now upon it comprises an Ayrshire bull and sixteen Ayrshire cows and heifers; two short-horn bulls and twenty-two short-horn cows and heifers; two rams and forty ewes and lambs of the Shropshire and Leicester breeds; a number of pigs and several very fine mares and young horses, including the imported mare, Mettie.

The horned cattle are now without exception, pure bred, and their quality has been proved upon many an exhibition field at home and in the neighboring Provinces. In the production of sheep, the farm has never been particularly successful. The sale of imported horses was sold off the farm some years ago; and its operations in respect to horses are now limited to the progeny of two or three well-bred mares.

The surplus stock is divided equally every year, among each of the three Counties, and sold to the highest bidder under certain conditions. It amounts to about fifteen pure-bred calves per year; and a few young sheep and pigs.

Now, the question is whether or not the farm could or ought to be made a greater benefit to the Province; and whether the results obtained are worth what they cost?

It is not easy to obtain a statement showing exactly the expenses of the farm; and it is still more difficult to demonstrate clearly the value of the benefits accruing to the Province which have come from it in the years that are past. Nor is such information, however interesting it might be, absolutely necessary to a consideration of the question. Enough for us to know that the balance against the farm is now about \$2,000, and that its annual deficit has been on the average, for some years past, about \$250. To keep the farm on its present basis the Province must, therefore, aid it by an annual grant.

But in respect to the Stock Farm, as in respect to all other public institutions, there must be progress commensurate with the progress of the age—or else it will fail to give satisfaction, and might as well be sold to the highest bidder first, as last.

It is pleasing to note that there is throughout the country a demand for bet-

ter knowledge of the science of farming. The people want agricultural education; and many young farmers, of the more enterprising sort, would be glad to take a course in scientific agriculture. Could not our Stock Farm be utilized in the promotion of this object, and at the same time distribute as many calves as it does at present? The "book learning" that could be afforded in the College might be supplemented, under the supervision of a thoroughly capable man, by object lessons and experiments on the farm. Why should not scientific agriculture be taught at Prince of Wales College and illustrated at the farm near by?

It would, of course, cost money to obtain the services of a Professor of Agriculture such as the progress of the country demands—such as the young farmers of Ontario and England and Europe have the privilege of studying under; and it may be urged that we really cannot afford it and that the Dominion Government have furnished Experimental Farms, which are sufficient for all the practical purposes of our farmers.

Well, if the Province cannot afford the money required to enlarge the benefits to be derived from the farm, and if it be decided that the Experimental Farms of the Dominion Government are sufficient to meet our wants, why not sell the farm, and leave the business of supplying pure-bred cattle and sheep, as well as pure-bred horses, to private enterprise and competition?

It seems to us that a Government Stock Farm of four hundred acres, raising and distributing fifteen or sixteen calves a day a few sheep and pigs every year, is a little like the mountain in labor bringing forth a mouse; that private enterprise might be relied upon to do as much or more; and that the capital which would be obtained by the Government as a result of the sale of the farm could be well employed in importing pure-bred cattle for sale and distribution—subject to the usual conditions.

In considering the question, it should, however, be ever borne in mind that this is distinctly an agricultural Province. The Government of the Province should, therefore, it seems to us, promote in every way the advancement of agricultural science, and the modes of farming most suitable to our soil, climate and other conditions; and, if the farm can be used to this end, it ought not, on any account, to be sold.

We have no doubt that the city authorities will take care to protect the interests of the city in respect to the sale of the lots on the extension of Queen street. If their value be not reached at the auction, they will, of course, be bid in. If, on the other hand, a good price be obtained for them, it is hoped that the money will be used in the purchase of other lots suitable for the purpose of an open square for the benefit of residents of that thickly populated part of the town. It will pay in the end to make every possible provision against the fevers and epidemic diseases which otherwise are sure to find a lurking place on the low undrained grounds at the north end. Unfortunately, the streets out there are much narrower than they are in the older portion of the town, which is well provided with open squares.

Lord Sackville wrote a polite private letter to a person in California in answer to a request for his opinion as to the Presidential election and the right man to vote for. The confidence of the British Minister has been grossly violated. The letter has been published and the Minister is freely denounced for daring to interfere with the course of the politics of a nation like the United States. All this for the purpose of working up the anti-British feeling to the confusion of President Cleveland. This may be taken as yet another proof that jealousy of Great Britain is a potent factor in the politics of the Great Republic.

The Storm.

The intermittent showers of yesterday gave place to a steady down-pour between ten and eleven o'clock last night, which continued till this morning, during which time about nine-tenths of an inch of rain fell. About midnight the wind started up from a south-easterly direction, veering south and south-west, from which quarter it was blowing at noon. At midnight the wind blew at the rate of eighteen miles an hour. By four o'clock this morning it had increased to thirty-two miles, and by noon it had attained a velocity of fifty-four miles. The maximum speed was sixty miles, which was attained about eleven o'clock to-day and lasted about five or six minutes.

The tide was also quite high and dashed over some of the wharves with considerable fury. One schooner—the Enterprise—dragged her anchor and was driven to the west side of Connolly's wharf, where she filled with water and had her top-sides stove. Shingles, boards, empty casks and other light material left lying about the wharves were blown higher and thicker. The telephone and electric light wires on Pownall wharf were blown down, and the smoke-stack of the engine house also succumbed to the fury of the gale.

About the city the damage was confined to the blowing down of trees, fences, wires, etc., and the progress of pedestrians was interfered with. One little fellow was observed holding tightly to one of the posts in Queen Square about eleven o'clock, as though he had doubts of his safety if he were to trust himself to the mercy of the wind. The spire of St. Paul's Church was also visibly affected by the gale.

The steamer Princess of Wales left here at midnight, reached Summerside about half-past five this morning, and started for Point du Chene at eleven.

The steamer St. Lawrence left here for Pictou at twenty minutes past seven this morning, but up to the time of our going to press the Company have not been advised of her arrival.

The captain of a schooner, which arrived here to-day reports passing the steamer St. Lawrence off Point Prim, clear of the outer buoy, and steering west, at nine o'clock this morning.

The Pope Interviewed

ON THE RECENT VISIT OF THE GERMAN EMPEROR TO THE VATICAN.

The London Daily Telegraph's correspondent at Rome has had an interview with the Pope. His holiness received the correspondent graciously. He said he worked very hard but did not engage in literary labors. He continued: "You may tell English Catholics that I am well, considering my advanced age and the multiplicity of my occupations. My health is really good, though I have had a good deal to trouble me of late." I ventured to ask his holiness if the German Emperor's recent visit to the Vatican had proven satisfactory. "I cannot say," he replied, "that we are either satisfied or dissatisfied with the Emperor's visit. That he came to Rome was not at our request, nor was his object in coming favorable to us, but rather to those who are against us—to those who for ten years past have practically compelled me to restrict myself to this palace from which I cannot issue. My dignity forbids me to do so. This young man, having acceded to the German throne, has been making a round of visits to European courts, and finally to Rome, where his presence was calculated to strengthen our adversaries and consolidate their position, not to benefit us. He came to see me. It was an act of courtesy and I was glad to receive him. I had much to say to him, but just as I was beginning my discourse he interrupted me by calling in his brother in order to present him to me. After that I had no further opportunity of speaking privately with him. With our episcopacy and clergy in Germany all is going on smoothly and satisfactorily. Vacant offices have been properly filled up with the accord of Church and State alike and to the contentment of both. Of our religious orders which have been expelled from Germany, three have been authorized to return, the Franciscans, the Dominicans and the Benedictines. We are in negotiation about the withdrawal of prohibitions affecting our educational orders, but there is great difficulty in this. The German government desires to keep in its own hands the exclusive instruction of Catholic children. To this I cannot consent. The teaching rights of the church must be recognized and their exercise must be recognized by the state. With less than this I may not be satisfied, and as you know, when the Pope is dissatisfied Catholics are discontented. In Germany there are 15,000,000 Catholics whose wishes and feelings must be respected, it being to the interest of their temporal rulers to keep them contented. When the civil authority is righteously exercised it is always supported by the church. As the head of the church I cannot countenance the injustice done to those who are committed to my care and whom I am bound to protect and defend.

Prizes for Ferns and Wild Flowers.

Mention of the following prizes were omitted at the time the general prize list was printed:—

Collection of assorted native ferns—1st, Vernon Bourke, Royalty; 2nd, Annie Elliott, do; 3rd, Alfred Stewart, Lot 48. Collection of Wild Flowers—1st, Corrie Burnett, St Peter's Road; 2nd, James Ferguson, do; 3rd, Valeria McSwain, city.

We hope to see prizes offered for the above again next year and that the children will take an increasing interest in the ferns and flowers of their native Island.

Our Advertisers To-day.

Messrs. McIntosh & McDonald want men. A. McNeill has another car load of apples, which he will sell by auction on Wednesday. J. B. MacDonald is showing a magnificent stock of mens' and boys' clothing, etc. Beer Bros. announce bargains in dress goods, millinery, etc.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.—Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup should always be used when children are cutting teeth. It relieves the little sufferer at once; it produces natural quiet sleep by relieving the child from pain; and the little cherub awakes as "bright as a button." It is very pleasant to taste. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, relieves wind, regulates the bowels, and is the best known remedy for diarrhea, whether arising from teething or other causes. Twenty-five cents a bottle. Be sure and ask for Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup, and take no other kind. (April 1 '88)

MOTEL ARRIVALS.

OSBORNE HOUSE. Oct 27—F Bearisto, Boston; A Brown, Stanley Bridge; J H Reid, S Betts, Oxford, N S; D Egan, Mt Stewart; J T McMurray, Halifax; G Forbes, W M Forbes, Vernon River Bridge; R H Reid, Truro, N S.

HURST BAY. Oct 27—W A Craven, N Lewis, J F Black, J Warren, J H Cross, F A Draper, J Donnelly, Donald Reid, Montreal; Chas S Ellis, Toronto; Frank Fales, J B Dearborn, J C Smith, St John; D G Chalmers, Ottawa; J A Preston, Boston; E E Ross, Quebec.

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YOU WANT TO BUY where you can buy to your best advantage. CHEAP GOODS will not suit you if they are of poor quality; and very high-priced articles, however good, do not suit in all times like these. You don't want to deal in a store where one or two articles are sold below the market price as a bait, and other articles sold dear to make up the deficiency. You want to trade at a store where good articles are sold all the year round at moderate prices, and prompt and careful attention is given to all orders. On this basis we solicit your patronage. We warrant all our goods. We are direct importers, and can and will do as well for our customers as any store in the city. Now, try us, and see if these things are not so. This is the time to buy PICKLING SPICES and VINEGAR. We have Crystal Pickling, French, White Wine and English Must Vinegar, Whole Mixed Pickling Spices, Whole Pepper, Mustard Seed, &c. For the Farmers, we have Machinery Oil, Sweet Oil, Bran, Ground Oil Cake, Potato Baskets and Butter Tubs. In GENERAL GROCERIES, we offer Flour, Corn Meal, Tea, Sugar, Molasses, Kerosene Oil, Raisins, Currants, Spices, &c. Eggs taken in exchange for Goods at One Cent advance over Cash prices.

GEO. CARTER & CO., Market Square, Charlottetown, P. E. I. sep 21—dy law (mon) wky

Charlottetown Driving Park.

WANTED IMMEDIATELY, Forty (40) Men and Six (6) good A teams; also, Fifteen (15) Horses and Carts and Five (5) Double Teams to work on Houghs and Scrapers. For further information apply at the Park, or at the Contractors' office, in rear of J. D. McLeod's Grocery Store. McINTOSH & McDONALD, Contractors. oct 29—14

ANOTHER CAR!

Received by Pictou Boat, and must be sold. BY AUCTION, on WEDNESDAY, Oct. 31st, at 10.30 o'clock, a. m., at the Park: 150 BARRELS, in Gravensteins and other good kinds. A. McNEILL, Auctioneer. oct 29—21

P. E. ISLAND RAILWAY.

Match Race at Summerside.

IN connection with the Match Race between BLACK PILOT, HELENA and BLACKBIRD, which comes off at Summerside Driving Park on SATURDAY, inst., fares will be arranged by this Railway as under:— Return Tickets at one first-class fare will be issued from all Stations east of Royal Junction to Summerside by Forenoon Trains on October 30th, good to return on 1st November; also from Charlottetown, Cape Traverse, Tignish and intermediate Stations by Afternoon Trains on October 30th, and by Forenoon Trains on October 31st, good to return on evening of 31st October, and on November 1st.

A Special Passenger Train will leave Charlottetown for Summerside at 8.30 a. m. on Oct. 31st; returning, will leave Summerside at 5.00 p. m. Return Tickets, good to return by Special Train only, will be issued by this Train to Summerside at undermentioned rates:— Charlottetown, Summerside, Royal Junction, Winslow, Milton, \$1.00; Laysal, Colville, North Wilshire, Hunter River, Cape Traverse, Tignish, 75; Clyde, Fredericton, E. Bosts, Kinkora, Albany, 50; Bradshaw, Emerald, 40; Fredtown, 35; Bueshnik, Kensington, 25; Barbara West, 15; New Annan, 10; Travellers' Fare, 10.

The regular Afternoon Train for Tignish will be detained at Summerside until 4.30 p. m. on October 31st. J. UNSWORTH, Superintendent. Railway Office, Charlottetown, Oct. 26, 1888. oct 27—31

Young Men's Literary Society.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH. Fourth Course of Lectures.

THE FIRST LECTURE of the Course will be delivered in ST. JAMES' HALL, by REV. D. M. GORDON, B. D., on TUESDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 30th.

Subject—"Rambles in the North-west." Chair taken at 8 o'clock. Admission, 15 cents. oct 27

GLASSWARE.

RECEIVED PER STEAMER "WORCES- TER," from Boston, an assortment of Table and other GLASSWARE, which, together with FINE TEA, DESSERT and other GLASSWARE, are offered for sale at the lowest possible price. LAMP CHIMNEYS of many kinds constantly on hand. J. B. POLLARD, No. 291 Kent Street. oct 27

CLARK'S WASHING MACHINE.



CHARLES I. MORRISON, General Agent for P. E. Island. —FOR THE— "Ideal" Washing Machine.

The only Washing Machine worthy of the confidence of the public. Hundreds of Testimonials of those who have used it. Correspondence solicited. CHARLES I. MORRISON, Charlottetown. N. B.—Mr. J. W. Hodgson, Travelling Agent. oct 25

BOSTON STEAMERS.

SINGLE FARES. —BY— 'Carroll' & 'Worcester,' \$4.00.

EXCURSION TICKETS, —GOOD FOR— BALANCE OF SEASON, \$6.00.

—GOOD FOR— CARVELL BROS., AGENTS. oct 18—

Fur Goods, Wool Goods, Dress Goods, Millinery.

All Good, Fashionable, Serviceable. Fur Goods, Wool Goods, Dress Goods, Millinery.



Ulsters, and CHEAP, at Ulsters, Jackets, at Jackets.

Beer Bros. Charlottetown, Oct. 13, 1888.

FALL & WINTER CLOTHING FOR MEN AND BOYS.

J. B. MACDONALD IS NOW SHOWING A MAGNIFICENT STOCK OF Mens' and Boys' Overcoats, Reefers and Suits, IN NAPES, BEAVERS AND WORSTEDS.

PRICES SO LOW AS TO DEFY COMPETITION. No Brag or Bluster required to sell those Goods.

Anyone seeing this Stock of Clothing, and the low prices which the goods are being sold for, will at once be convinced of their superior value. For your own sakes, don't buy until you see the Stock and Prices at J. B. MACDONALD'S, Queen Street. Ch'town, Oct. 29, 1888. oct 29

TROT!

GRAND MATCH RACE! BLACK PILOT, 2.30, by All Right, 5817, BLACKBIRD, 2.36, by the same sire, HELENA, 2.32, by Mambrino Charta, 868, —WILL TROT A GRAND MATCH RACE ON—

SUMMERSIDE DRIVING PARK —ON— Wednesday, Oct. 31st, Inst., —FOR— TIME AND A PURSE OF \$200.

THE ABOVE MATCH will, without doubt, be the most exciting and hotly contested race ever trotted in the Maritime Provinces, and as it is one principally for record, there will be some of the fastest speed ever seen in Prince Edward Island, if not in Lower Canada, as the contestants are among the fastest of the Provincial horses. Pilot and Blackbird will be driven to lower their records, in order that they may become eligible for registration. The race will therefore be a fair, square, honest trial of speed, in which each animal will trot on its merits.

Every objectionable feature will be eliminated from the contest, and those who wish to witness a square race will have the opportunity of doing so, as the managers are determined to prove that trotting can be conducted in an entirely satisfactory manner.

Lovers of the Noblest of all Sports should not miss this Race. No fakir business or intoxicating liquor will be allowed on the grounds. The races will be conducted according to National Rules, and first heat will be called at 1.30 p. m. sharp.

Admission to Park: Gentlemen, 25 Cents; Ladies Free. SPECIAL RAILWAY FARES.—A Special Train will leave Charlottetown at 9.15 a. m. (local time), returning after the trot is over in the evening. Return Tickets will be issued on this Train at ONE DOLLAR from Charlottetown, and from intermediate Stations between that city and Summerside at same rate as those granted late Hernandez-Black-Pilot race. Return Tickets at one first-class fare will be issued from all other Stations on the line.

To fill in the time, it has been suggested to give the patrons of the Park a full afternoon's genuine sport, and consequently it is probable there will also be a 2.55 class, for a good purse, in which several of the best local horses will take part, and of which particulars will be given in Monday's *Agriculturist*. Summerside, Oct. 26, 1888. oct 22

WANTED! Sale of City Property.

The undersigned will sell by Auction, On Wednesday, 7th November Next, AT ELEVEN O'CLOCK. The Following City Properties: ENGINE HOUSE and LAND on Grafton Street. ENGINE HOUSE and LAND on King Street. Three BUILDING LOTS at Head of Queen Street. HOUSE and LAND on Bayfield Street. Sale to commence at Engine House on Grafton Street. R. BEAIRSTO, Auctioneer. oct 22