

THE DAILY EXAMINER.

NOVEMBER 30, 1886.

Liberal-Conservative Conventions.

CONVENTIONS of delegates of the Liberal-Conservative Party are to be held in Georgetown, for King's County, on the 16th December, and in Charlottetown, for Queen's County, on the 21st December.

As usual, the Liberal-Conservatives are behind their opponents in preparing for the contest; and we may confidently hope that, as usual, they will be ahead of their opponents when the contest is finished.

This will, however, depend, in large measure, upon the care and prudence they display in taking their preliminary measures—"laying the foundation," so to speak—for the action. It is easy for the agitator to be early in the field; because they have nothing to do but select their candidates, make their contributions to their "barrel of money," and scream "extravagance and corruption!" But the Liberal-Conservatives have important questions to consider, important work to do.

First of all, after declaring their political principles, with respect to Canada at large, their conventions will be expected to take a decided stand upon the question—supremely important to this Province—of communication with the mainland. With respect to this question the Liberal-Conservatives occupy a leading place in a strong position—from which they cannot be driven unless they carelessly, or guilefully, or supinely permit their opponents to wrest it from them.

(1.) "They have the Dominion Government bound to provide 'efficient steam service for the conveyance of mails and passengers, to be established and maintained between the Island and the mainland of the Dominion, winter and summer, thus placing the Island in continuous communication with the Intercolonial Railway and the railway system of the Dominion.'"

(2.) They have over the signatures of civil engineers of high standing, an assurance that a Metallic Subway can be constructed (for about \$5,000,000) by means of which this "efficient," "continuous," "communication" "by steam" "winter and summer," can be obtained.

(3.) They have obtained from the Parent Government—the British Government—by the mouth of Lord Granville—an expression of the opinion that "the proposed Metallic Subway should receive a full and, if feasible, favorable consideration on the part of the Dominion," and that "It would reflect credit on the Dominion Government, if it should now be able to complete its system of railway communication by an extension to Prince Edward Island."

(4.) They have cheerfully and warmly supported the Dominion Government in their patriotic National Policy of opening up the great Northwest and the Pacific Coast of Canada by means of the Canadian Pacific Railway, even though it was strongly represented to them by the Opposition, that this Province could obtain no advantage whatever from the enormous outlay of public money necessary to carry out that policy; and they have, therefore, established a strong claim upon the Dominion Government and upon the Western Provinces of Canada to be treated with favorable consideration in regard to their claim for the establishment of means of constant and speedy communication between this Province and the Mainland.

(5.) They have obtained (in spite of the opposition of Mr. McKenzie and the Grit Party) a branch railway to Cape Traverse; and a branch railway has, on the other side of the Strait, been extended from the Intercolonial Railway to Cape Tormentine; so that the middle link has only to be supplied to the end that "efficient" and "continuous" "communication" "by steam" may be established with "the railway system of the Dominion."

(6.) They have obtained a survey of the bottom of the Strait, which proves that the gradients are easy, and that fine brick clay is the substance in which the Subway, if constructed, will be laid.

Standing in this strong position, with so much gained, it will never do for the Liberal-Conservatives of this Province to rest on their oars and permit the Grit project to end in failure, merely because representative gentlemen at Ottawa, who have not looked into the matter, may choose to pooh! pooh! it as a "visionary scheme." It is, in our opinion, of vital importance that the Liberal-Conservative delegates in convention should give strong expression to the opinion of their Party in this Province respecting it, and that they should select only men who are able and prepared to advocate it in Parliament, and to defend it against all opposition from whatever source—unless, indeed, such opposition be backed up by the adverse report of a board of competent engineers.

There are several other questions particularly interesting to the Province which might well be considered; and we are not sure that it would not be well for the Conventions to discuss and express an opinion upon the vexatious delays and evasions of justice caused by the mixed and tangled state of the laws respecting the administration of justice. We make no reference now to the *certiorari* and *prohibition* with which the Stipendiary Magistrate's Court in this city is now

hampered. But we refer to the notorious fact that throughout Canada the operation of the laws has been hindered, and is constantly being impeded, by reason of the anomalous and ill-defined relations of the Courts with the General, Provincial and Municipal governments, and by reason of the trackless mazes of the labyrinth of the law. It usually happens, that the very time when justice requires that the law shall work smoothly, it is clogged by questions as to legislative powers, gubernatorial functions, and jurisdictions of the Courts. In respect to the Administration of Justice, the Constitution of our country seems to fault and confuse. For instance, we read in the British North America Act that the Provincial Legislature may make laws in relation to "The Administration of Justice in the Province, including the Constitution Maintenance and Organization of Provincial Courts, both of Civil and Criminal Jurisdiction and including Procedure in Civil matters in those courts"; and the same Act gives the Parliament of Canada "exclusive legislative authority" over "the Criminal Law, except the Constitution of Courts of Criminal Jurisdiction, but including the Procedure in Criminal matters." Thus the procedure in Criminal matters is vested in the Dominion, while the sheriff or constable who arrests the criminal, the Attorney-General who prosecutes him, the jurors by whom he is tried, the Clerk who reads his sentence—are all appointed and paid by the Provincial Government! The responsibility for procedure in Criminal matters is divided; and it is to be wondered that the procedure is halting and unsatisfactory! Again, the Dominion Government are careful to appoint the Judges—including those who have Jurisdiction in Civil matters only; but the Local Government goes on appointing magistrates whose most important duty has been understood to be to hold investigations in criminal matters, and to see that criminals are brought to justice. In order that they may do this "according to law" the statutes of the Dominion are at great expense sent, every year, to every magistrate whom the Provincial Government, in its wisdom, chooses to appoint. And what is the consequence? Suppose that the crime of theft is prevalent in a settlement to the annoyance and loss of its people, and suppose that the thief has been arrested and brought before the magistrate of the district, and that the evidence of his guilt is clear,—the thief may still snap his fingers in the magistrate's face and defy the magistrate to send him to prison, on the ground that the magistrate's commission was obtained from the Lieutenant Governor and not from the Governor General; and the magistrate may puzzle his brains over his books, and not be able to tell whether the thief's contention is right or wrong. It seems to us that this subject should, as soon as possible, be cleared up; and that our representatives should be instructed by their constituents to press upon Parliament the necessity of defining clearly, in the interests of justice, the duties and powers of the several courts. The judge or magistrate who has not a clear understanding of the limits of the authority of his court, cannot possibly act with that promptitude and vigor and dignity which justice and the protection of the people may demand.

"Mind Your P's and Q's."

The popularity of the Rev. Job Shenton as a lecturer was evidenced by the large audience assembled in Y. M. C. A. Hall last evening. Mr. Justice Hensley presided. In a brief and happy introduction, Mr. Shenton explained the meaning of number of apt phrases in common use, and, last of all, that of "Mind Your P's and Q's." Some years ago there lived in a village of England, a bar-keeper—not a literate person—who used to score the purchases of those of her customers who obtained credit on the door,— "P," meaning "pint," and "Q," "quart"; so that if the neighbors saw "Tom Jones" too often intoxicated, a friendly one among them would go to him and say "Mind Your P's and Q's Tom"; while others would remark, "Tom is not minding his 'P's and Q's.'" Mr. Shenton did not, however, lecture on temperance, but on the necessity of "minding your P's and Q's."—(1) in forming the habits and character when young; (2) in obtaining a helpmate—wooing, wedding, etc.; (3) in conducting the business of life; (4) in the matter of politics. Under the latter heading, he dealt a hard blow at those who try to mislead the public by "fantastic financial figures," and laid down a platform of which the three main planks were "Progress," "Principle" and "Patriotism." The lecture was at once amusing, interesting and full of sound philosophy. At the close, Mr. Shenton was heartily applauded.

SOMETHING NEW!—Dr. Warren's Perfumed Corsets at James Paton & Co's.

THE BEAUTY!—Cheapest Corset in the city, for sale at James Paton & Co's.

ST. MATTHEW'S Temperance Society holds its regular session this evening, at 8 o'clock.

BI-CENTENARY!—Rollers should attract a large crowd at the Roller Riak to-morrow (Wednesday) night.

It is estimated that there were at least seventy-five barrels of prime herring taken in Grand River on Monday night, the 29th inst.

HANDSOME Christmas Cards, imitation of pearl, only two cents each, at the Diamond Bookstore. A large stock of superior designs, all prices, opened to-day. View them.

H. R. STARBUCK, Canadian Fruit Commission, over at the Colonial Exhibition, has returned home. He says that Nova Scotia can export a million barrels of apples to the Mother Country and then not supply the demand.

CALL and see the splendid lot of Bohemian Glass in Amber, Ruby, Roses, Amberina Rose and Amber, also, a new lot of Hall and Library Lamps, cheap, at W. P. Colville's, nov 24 3wks dy

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TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

[SPECIAL DESPATCHES TO THE EXAMINER.]

The Ministers' Tour.

ORANGEVILLE, Nov. 29. The grand united demonstration of the Counties of Dufferin, Peel, Cardwell and Wellington, which was held here to-day in honor of the great Conservative chief, Sir John McDonald, has far surpassed the expectations of the most sanguine members of the party. Wherever he goes, the veteran chief is greeted with undoubted enthusiasm and the general approval of the community. The speeches of Sir John, Hon. Mr. White and Hon. Mr. Thompson, at the meeting this evening, were enthusiastically applauded.

The Ministerial Association.

TORONTO, Nov. 29. The Toronto Ministerial Association to-day decided to use their influence in support of a movement for the discontinuance of Sunday milk delivery. They also expressed an opinion that the election of clergymen to the public school board would increase the efficiency of that body.

Two Clever Swindlers.

HALIFAX, Nov. 29. Two alleged St. John men perpetrated a neat fraud on Halifax business men. They solicited advertisements for a novelty in the display of card line, got \$175 worth, secured the money, got them printed, borrowed \$23 from the printer, left cards on his hands and skipped to Boston.

Another Shooting Affray.

SMICOE, Ont., Nov. 29. A young man named Shelby was attacked near here by four men, one of whom carried a gun. Shelby fled, and was shot fatally, it is believed, in the back. The shooting is supposed to have been done by one McCafferty, whose sister Shelby was courting.

The Fisheries Dispute.

LONDON, Nov. 29. At the British Foreign office doubts are entertained whether President Cleveland will be in a position to announce in his coming message the solution of the fisheries dispute. No progress is being made toward its settlement.

The Extradition Treaty.

LONDON, Nov. 29. The Extradition Treaty has been definitely settled upon, the exact terms of the convention drafted by Minister Phelps and Lord Roseberry. The reports that amendments have been made by Canada are incorrect.

A Cabin on Fire.

HALIFAX, Nov. 29. The cabin of the bark Brinkburn, discharging sugar at the Refinery wharf, caught fire and the cabin was destroyed. A considerable lot of sugar was damaged by water.

Attempted Suicide.

NEW YORK, Nov. 29. Wm. Kutz, 18 years of age, attempted to commit suicide by jumping from the Brooklyn Bridge to-day. He was picked up in the river and taken to a hospital.

Found Dead in Bed.

HALIFAX, Nov. 29. M. S. Brown, agent and founder of the well known jewelry house, M. S. Brown & Co., was found dead in bed this morning. He was in his usual health yesterday.

More Illicit Still Captured.

HALIFAX, Nov. 29. Customs Detective Curless captured two illicit whiskey stills near Port Hood yesterday. One man paid \$100 fine and the other was jailed.

A Captain Injured.

HALIFAX, Nov. 29. While returning from Sable Island Capt. Guiddford, of the Government steamer Newfield, fell on the deck and was seriously injured.

A Singular Encounter.

RANGOON, Nov. 29. The British troops in Burmah, in a recent encounter with the forces of Boshway, killed 143 of his followers without losing a soldier.

A Missing Clerk.

MONTREAL, Nov. 29. Joseph Moquin, Clerk, has been missing since Saturday, with \$800 of his employers' money.

The Death Penalty.

SYDNEY, N. S. W., Nov. 29. Nine youths have been sentenced to death here for committing an outrage on a 16 year old servant girl.

Weather Bulletin.

TORONTO, November 30—10 a.m. Moderate to fresh south-west winds; fair, mild weather, with local showers, followed by colder west and north winds.

Rev. J. HUTCHINSON, M. A., will (D. V.) officiate at North River, on Sabbath first, the 5th of December, at 10.30 a. m., and at New Glasgow Road at 2.30 p. m.

Local and Other Items.

SAINT ANDREW'S DAY. THE S. S. Clifton left London on Sunday. ST. ANDREW'S DINNER to-night at the Revere. USE Dr. Pierce's Pellet's for constipation. CAPT. LORWAY and Lieut. Hughes, of the cruiser L. Houlett are in the city. PATRICK BLAKE, Esq., M. P. P., is a passenger in the S. S. Clifton, which left London on Sunday.

MESSRS. L. H. DAVIES and William Welsh were chosen as candidates to contest Queen's County by the Grit Convention held to-day.

CANADIAN exhibitors in the Colonial Exhibition are asked to allow their exhibits to be sent to the Australian Exhibition, to be held at Adelaide.

HORSE KILLED.—During the storm on Friday last, a barack belonging to a man named Russel, who lives near Ashton Station, was blown down. A valuable horse, which happened to be in it at the time, was killed.

ST. ANDREW'S DAY.—The annual meeting of the Caledonian Club will be held at their rooms this evening, at 8 o'clock sharp. After the transaction of business the Club, headed by their Piper, will proceed to the Revere House, where the usual St. Andrew's Dinner will be held.—J. M. Campbell, Secretary.

LOST AT SEA.—By telegram from Capt. Jas. Lunigan, of the ship, Mary Alice, of Souris, the sad news of the death of one of his crew by drowning has been received. No particulars, except that the man's name is McKinnon, and that he was washed overboard on the voyage up to Boston. The deceased, we are informed, was a native of Cape Breton.

KING'S COUNTY Liberal Conservative Convention.

A CONVENTION of Liberal Conservative Delegates will be held in the Old Court House, Georgetown, on THURSDAY, Dec. 16th, at 1 o'clock p. m., to nominate candidates to contest King's County at the next Dominion election. Chairmen of delegates are requested to have their respective divisions thoroughly represented. All electors favorable to the Liberal Conservative Party are cordially invited to attend. D. GORDON, President. A. J. MCINNIS, Vice do. CYRUS SHAW, Sec'y. New Perth, Nov. 23th, 1886—nov 29 th wky 2

Political Meetings!

MEETINGS of Liberal-Conservative Electors of the First Electoral District of King's County, for the purpose of nominating two delegates from each of its divisions, to attend the General Convention at Georgetown, on the 16th DECEMBER, next, will be held as follows:— At King-boro School House, on the 2th Dec. at 3 o'clock, p. m. At Mr. Thomas Ross's Store, North Lake, same day, at 5 o'clock, p. m. At West Road School House, on the 19th Dec. at 3 o'clock, p. m. At Mr. Thomas Grinnell's House, Souris Line Road, same day, at 5 o'clock, p. m. At Mr. Daniel Sweeney's Store, Bear River Line Road, on the 13th Dec. at 3 o'clock, p. m. At Mr. A. McDonald's Store, Head of Rollo Bay, same day at 1 o'clock, p. m. At Murray's Hall, Sable East, on the 14th Dec. at 7 o'clock, p. m. A full attendance is requested. By order, JOHN MCLEAN, Vice Pres. G. A., K. C. Souris, Nov. 27, 1886—nov 29 th wky 2

Public Meetings.

PUBLIC MEETINGS of the Liberal-Conservative Electors of the Third Electoral District of King's County, for the purpose of nominating two delegates from each of its divisions, to attend the General Convention at Georgetown, on the 16th DECEMBER, next, will be held at the following places:— At Baldwin's Road School House, on Friday, 19th Dec. at 7 o'clock, p. m. At Mr. Daniel Sweeney's Store, Bear River Line Road, on the 13th Dec. at 3 o'clock, p. m. At DeGros Marsh School House on Saturday, 11th Dec. at 7 o'clock, p. m. At Carleton's Road, on Monday, 13th Dec. inst. at 7 o'clock, p. m. A full attendance is requested. By order, GEORGE F. OWEN, 2nd Vice President King's County Lib. Con. Association, Cardigan, P. E. I., Nov. 23, 1886—nov 29 th wky 2

Liberal Conservative Convention

QUEEN'S COUNTY.

A CONVENTION of delegates from all the Polling Divisions of Queen's County will be held at Scott's Hall, Kent Street, Charlottetown, on TUESDAY, the twenty-first day of December, next, at the hour of Eleven o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of nominating two candidates for the county in the Liberal-Conservative interest, and for the organization of the Party. It is desirable that each polling division be represented, and meetings should therefore be held immediately for organization and the nomination of delegates. By order of the Executive Committee, A. A. MCLEAN, Sec'y Lib. Con. Association, Nov. 29, 1886.

Public Auction.

THE Building and Tank at Spring Park will be sold at Public Auction on SATURDAY, 4th December, at 12 o'clock, noon. E. NEEDHAM, Auctioneer. Nov. 29—3 wks

APPLES.

BY Auction, at my Salesroom, WEDNESDAY, 1st December, at 10.30 a. m.— A Carload Choice Winter-Keeping Apples in Baldwins, B's'op Pippins, R. I Greenings, Quinz' nbers, 20 doz. Pippins, Concord, T. Sweet's, VanCortvyes, York Pippins, Northern Spys, Golden Russets, Pomo Gris, Red Jenning's, Blue Parmans. G. M. HARRIS, Auctioneer. Nov. 29, 1886—21

CITIZEN'S SKATING RINK.

A SPECIAL meeting of the Stockholders of the Citizen's Skating Rink Co. will be held at the Rink Building, WEDNESDAY, DEC. 1st, at 8 p. m. Important business in connection with the Rink. By Order of Directors, W. W. STANLEY, Secy. Nov 27, 86.

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Ch'town, Nov. 29, 1886.



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