

THE DAILY EXAMINER.

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Education and Agriculture.

It is evident—from the long list of successful candidates for admission to Prince of Wales College and Normal School, published a few days ago—that the spreading young intellect of the Province has already exceeded the bounds provided for it within the College walls.

Now, what is best to be done under these circumstances? This is the difficult and perplexing question with which the Legislature must grapple—the sooner and the more decisively the better.

The Government have obtained the services of a Professor of Agriculture—one capable and energetic in enlarging and improving the existing system.

But, though this be done, the problem will still be only partially solved. How to provide for the expense of education? and how to recoup the Government for expenses incurred in educating young men and women to leave the farm and the Province—these are questions which remain to be considered.

It will be admitted that the classics and higher mathematics are beyond the sphere comprehended by the idea of "a common school education;" for only the few, comparatively, can, after all, study them.

It is, therefore, wrong that tuition in these should be a charge upon the public at large. Clearly, those particular persons—those highly favored individuals—who can afford to expend years in acquiring the higher branches of learning should, themselves, or their parents, for them—pay the cash that is required on account of their instruction in those higher branches.

If, after this be done, it be found necessary to still further lighten the burden which the Government is bearing in respect to education, each district might well be asked to make up a reasonable amount, to be paid either directly to the teacher or indirectly to the Government which pays the teacher.

They are now able to pay a part of the cost of the education of their children; and they would, we believe, be quite willing to do so rather than submit again to direct taxation after the manner of the Davies regime.

The question is, certainly, a large, difficult and important one, a question not to be disposed of in the course of one editorial article. It ought, in the highest interests of the Province, to be fairly and carefully discussed, and wisely decided.

Notes and Comments.

The London Telegraph criticizes with some force the scheme of the Rev. W. A. Crawford-Frost for a "reconciliation in the Christian Church."

The Week denounces the Quebec lottery and says: "No argument can, we think, be needed to convince any one who has reflected seriously upon the matter that the lottery is distinctly immoral in principle as well as demoralizing in practice."

Commenting upon the Behring Sea matter, the Week says: "In the present state of the dispute, Lord Salisbury has clearly the advantage, since all he has to do is to insist that British vessels shall not be molested in the open sea by those of any other nation—a position in which he must be sustained not only by the law of nations but by the views and sympathies of all disinterested powers."

The maintenance of this position gives, of course, the Canadian fishermen all they desire. If there is really anything in the natural facts of the case, such as the habitat and habits of the seal, which gives the American contention any basis in equity, surely impartial arbitrators could be trusted to do justice in the premises.

The British and Canadian case can afford to wait.

Singapore.

Singapore or Sindhapura, the city of lions, is a British dependency, the most important in the Straits Settlement, having a separate colonial government of its own. It consists of an island 27 miles long, and 14 broad, lying off the south end of the Malay peninsula, and includes about 70 islets.

Singapore is separated from the mainland by a strait, at some points not more than half a mile in width, which is the channel of navigation to the Chinese Seas. The island is undulating and diversified by hills ranging from 70 to 500 feet in height, and the shores are fringed with coral reefs.

The whole island was cleared off to make room for nutmeg plantations, and it is now clothed with luxuriant and perpetual verdure, in which palm trees, ferns and orchids are conspicuous forms. Near the shore by the mouths of creeks are grouped quaint dwellings of fishermen, built of wood or palm-leaf, standing on piles over the water.

The population of the island is estimated to be about 150,000, 3/4 of whom are Europeans. The preponderating races are the Chinese and Malays. The city of Singapore is a bright, picturesque and progressive place. The municipality has under its control a yearly revenue of more than \$300,000.

W. B. Robertson's House and Lot at auction to-morrow. A desirable residence. A nice little home at auction, at 12 o'clock to-morrow. Terms easy. E. H. Norton & Co. will sell at auction to-morrow, at noon, W. B. Robertson's house and lot on Grafton Street.

NEWFOUNDLAND.

A Trip to Ye Ancient Colony.

Sketches By a Correspondent of "The Examiner."

I have no doubt some of your readers will be curious to know the place which the press holds in such a community. I fear the Newfoundland newspapers are not as well known outside the Island as they should be. If they were more largely read abroad the result would, I think, be improving for the papers. I do not care to say too much about the readers. There are three daily papers in St. John's, and I think five which appear less frequently.

Several others are published in the outports. The style of the St. John's papers is peculiar and almost indescribable. I cannot do better than refer to an article which appeared in the columns of one of them during my stay. Referring to the editor of the opposition sheet, the writer playfully says: "The fellow is, therefore, proving himself to be, what he really is, an utterly contemptible sneak, a mean and cowardly slanderer, and a white-livered cur, who has not the courage to do more than snarl and snap at one's heels."

This is merely a fair sample of the whole leading article. At a dinner in St. John's the editor of one of the leading dailies replying to the toast of "The Press" admitted that the Newfoundland papers were somewhat personal, but defended them on the ground that taking into consideration the way in which the terms used were understood in Newfoundland, they were not more severe than the language employed by the press of the Dominion.

He further urged that their sphere was necessarily contracted and that a daily victim was needful in order to give point and pungency to the daily issue. From this it may be gathered that terms as applied by the Newfoundland press in a "Pickwickian" sense, and are so understood by the people. To call a man "a thrice convicted liar" is held to be a somewhat mild way of stating that he cannot be relied on for strict verbal accuracy.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR. A Disgraceful Action. Sir, A disgraceful action has been done in the thriving settlement of Alberry Plains. A promising young man, the property of Mr. James Hoynes of this place, was mysteriously killed to death on Sabbath morning last.

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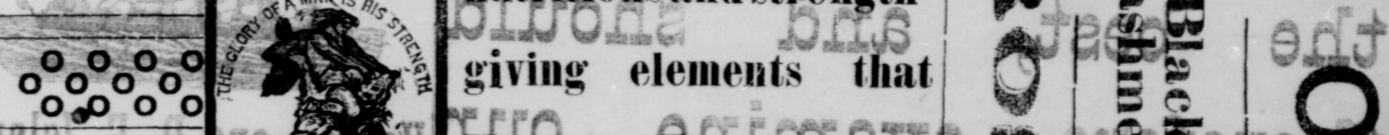
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THE next Term will open on THURSDAY, Sept. 4th. Matriculation examinations at the University begin September 5th, at 9 o'clock. For full information address J. R. T. H. LL. D. President of the University, Rev. F. C. Hodges, M. A., Principal of the Ladies' College, C. W. Harrison, M. A., Principal of the Academy. aug11—wky 3v