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MERCHANTS' BANK OF HALIFAX.

The net profits of this bank for 1896 amounted to \$207,768 31 and there were carried over from the previous year \$28,820.46—a total of \$236,588.77. Out of this amount there were paid dividends, \$105,000; appropriated for officers' pension fund \$5,000 and added to reserve fund \$100,000, leaving to be carried forward into the present year \$26,588.77. The progress of this bank in the past ten years is shown by the following figures:—

Table with 2 columns: Year, Capital Paid up, Reserve Fund, Circulation, Deposits, Loans and Discounts, Total Liabilities to the Public, Total Assets.

To these figures we have only to add the fact that the Merchants' Bank of Halifax was incorporated in 1869, and that its profit of last year is the largest in its history. The progress of this bank is certainly remarkable.

AFTER THE SPOILS.

When the Liberal (7) were appealing to the people they were all for the country. But now they are all for themselves. At the expense of the country "Commissioners" are now going up and down throughout Canada looking for occasion to cost experienced and capable servants of the country from office, in order that these Liberals may obtain a livelihood out of the Government. So greedy for office are some of these Liberals that they cannot await the investigation of the commissioners or abide by the result. So the Government is constrained to make vacancies for them to fill whenever it is possible to do so. A case in point is afforded by the summary dismissal of Captain McDonald, of the steam dredge Prince Edward. The Government received a great deal of credit last fall for the good work done by the dredge at Crapaud; and what was done there resulted from energy and ability put forth by Captain McDonald. Captain McDonald has, if we mistake not, been engaged in the work of dredging for many years, and he thoroughly understands it. The interest of the country, therefore, suggests that his services be retained. But the interest of some Government healer, who knows nothing about the work, requires that Captain McDonald be dismissed at a moment's notice; and the fact goes forth! Similar cases are reported by our correspondents at Malpeque and Cape Traverse. It is evident that the present administration is to be carried on for the benefit of those who have worked and voted for the Government and not for the benefit of the country.

SUMMERSIDE BREAKWATER.

Mr. HERAS, the Government engineer, was at Summerside yesterday with his assistant, Mr. Geo. A. Day, C. E., of St. John, making another survey for the Summerside breakwater. For this work several surveys and reports were made in former years. The people have been petitioning and advocating the construction of this breakwater for the last twenty years. In the last session of 1896 the Conservative Government placed a sum in the estimates for this purpose. But the obstructive tactics of the Opposition prevented this and other important appropriations from passing. The Laurier Government, finding that the Conservative party were at last committed to the improvement, had to take it up, and appropriated \$9,000 for the purpose, a sum altogether inadequate for the purpose of the work. The balance required will probably be appropriated this year. There is a small amount of dissatisfaction observable amongst the faithful from the fact that a prominent, well-to-do Liberal, with his sons, are employed on the survey, while lots of poor men, with hungry families, can get no employment. The local club fixes the patronage.

THE BENIN EXPEDITION.

The king and people of Benin, in Africa, will probably have cause, ere long, to regret their recent ruthless massacre of the peaceful and unarmed adventurers under Gen. J. R. Phillips. It is stated that an expedition consisting of the House police force of the neighboring colony of Lagos, strengthened by a landing party from the British warship in the neighborhood, will ere long enter the Benin territory and administer condign punishment to the savages. The expeditionary force will be provided with a number of machine guns, and a large stock of the war rockets, which have proved so effective in the past, when the problem to

we solved has been the clearing away of hostile natives from the bush. The rocket batteries and machine guns will lead the advance, and by preparatory firing into the underwood along the line of march to be followed, will clear the way for the troops, who will then push forward by stages as the machine guns and rockets clear the way. The only route to Benin City is the one followed by Captain Gallwey in 1892, when, as Vice-Consul of that district, he went to the capital and made a treaty with Adola, the professor of King Oluha. Captain Gallwey, who is one of the few white men who have visited Benin City, says that the place is situated about three days' travel from the entrance of the Benue river. He travelled as far as Gwato, 25 miles from Benin, by river, and from that point marched through the dense forest. About two miles from the city the country became more open, and on a nearer approach to the capital some horrible sights were witnessed, dead bodies and skulls lying around in all directions. The houses in which Captain Gallwey was lodged was built of red clay, and had a high walled court all around. The building consisted of two large rooms, and seals, human and animal, were hung around the walls, upon which he also noticed the impressions of a human in blood and lime, apparently a reminder that the king's hand was always ready to punish. Benin is likely to prove a very valuable acquisition for the British, as it is believed to be the storage place for an immense amount of ivory, as for generations back the natives have been compelled to contribute a certain amount of their ivory to the Royal treasury, and the amount accumulated is reported to be beyond comprehension.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

"The Laurierite memory" is the latest name given to an allusion common among politicians who forget the promises and statements they have made.

Fuller details of the French quinquennial census, taken March, 1896, show the total population of France to have been 35,218,075—an increase of 175,027 as compared with the year 1891, and of 299,972 as compared with 1886. While allowing for an increase of emigration to French colonies, particularly Algeria, and an increase in colonial garrisons, the report acknowledges that the population is almost stationary. The French people in France are, like our United States neighbors, satisfied with small families.

NEWS NOTES.

Peter Mahar will challenge the winner of the Corbett-Fitzsimmons fight for a purse of \$5,000.

A Rome despatch to the Daily Mail says that the Pope is considering the compromise clause of the Manitoba school question.

Hammond, who is shortly to be tried for murder at Brandon, Ont., has been getting bad in prison. He has doubtless been studying the recent statistics of commutations of death sentences by the Dominion Government.

Newfoundland's debt is likely to reach twenty million dollars this year, an enormous figure for a couple of hundred thousand people scattered over a firm and undeveloped island. Quebec's provincial debt is supposed to be the ghastly object-lesson of the Dominion, and yet it is only about \$30,000,000 for nine times the population of Newfoundland, and an even greater proportion of developed lands.

BEFORE THE TARIFF COMMISSION.

Manufacturers' agents representing United States and German houses speak out very plainly as "importers" about the imperfections of the Canadian tariff, and we are bound to say they are heard with patience and sympathy by Mr. F. A. B. Palmer, and his fellow-inquirers. These representatives of foreign houses are attending strictly to business when they put in their plea for German or United States industry against Canadian, but it is not fair to represent them as Canadian importers with their capital vested in stocks of foreign goods. What they say should have no more weight than what their principals in New York or Hamburg might say in giving evidence before the commission.

A correspondent of the London St. James Gazette, writing of the present condition of affairs in Afghanistan, says that for some time an anti-British sentiment has been observable in that country, and that the political situation is one likely to lead to future trouble. Nominally the Amerer has a standing army of 60,000 men. It has always been his ambition to supplement his force by establishing a system of conscription throughout the country. Thinking the time ripe, he expressed his will to his chiefs a short while ago. They manifested unexpected opposition. A number of them, heads of villages and tribes remote from Cabul, firmly declined to accede to the arrangement without a remission of certain taxes. The Amerer was trumped, and there would be a large increase in the strength of the Afghan army, the position would be serious. If, on the other hand, the chiefs should be victorious England might be forced to interfere. Any weakening of the Amerer's power would probably involve the loss of his life, and nobody could foretell what might happen then.

THE AXE AGAIN.—Hugh Manley, railway section foreman at Hunter River, has received notice of dismissal. Mr. Manley was one of the most efficient section men in the railway employ. His dismissal is to be regretted. But it will make room for a grizzled partisan, and that, of course, is the object.

THE STANLEY was to have left Pictou for Georgetown at the usual time this morning, but up to half-past two this afternoon there was no sign of her at the latter port.

OVER THE WHARF.—William Carpenter's horse took fright yesterday, and after jumping over Connelly's wharf ran up East River.

THERMOMETER READINGS.—Coldest during the night, 8 below zero; at nine this morning, 5 below.

ENGINEERS.—Class of instruction tonight at 8 o'clock.

LETTER FROM COUNCILLOR NICHOLSON.

Sir,—You will much oblige by publishing the enclosed which the Censor Committee of the Guardian refused to publish. D. NICHOLSON.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE GUARDIAN.—SIR,

I notice in this morning's Guardian a local which intimates to the public that the Temperance Committee have retained Mr. Matthews for the purpose of prosecuting the C. T. A., and further call on all parties to give him information of violations of the Scotch Act. I am satisfied that the great majority of the citizens will see, in this course, the spirit of faction. In my judgment the Mayor and Council's action at the recent special meeting is fully justified in resisting the dictation of those persons.

Surely the taxpayers will not favor those who will not co-operate with the duly appointed officers of the law, instead of the nominee of a disappointed civic clique who are chastised because they themselves were not endorsed by the electors last February. And I may add, that notwithstanding the unwillingness of the City Council to recognize the intermeddling of outsiders in dealing with civic matters, the citizens of Charlottetown may rest assured that the enforcement of all city ordinances will, at all times, be rigidly carried out.

And further I do say, any information or complaint lodged with legally constituted authorities will always receive the serious attention of the Mayor and Council, and should any officer be found negligent in the discharge of his duties in that respect from this date, I for one will vote for his dismissal. In the past, I feel that I am as much to blame (if any) for the laxity of enforcement of the Scotch Act as the prosecutors. Consequently I could not vote for dismissal when waited upon by delegations. Thanks for past courtesy. Yours, D. NICHOLSON.

NOTES AT MALPEQUE.

I thought you would like to know how we are getting along here since the Liberals came into power on the 23rd June last.

We were promised big prices for what we had to sell and cheaper for what we had to buy. These promises have not been realized so far—not in oats or potatoes or pork. We don't thank the Liberals for improvement in our dairy interests.

Mr. Morrison, the light-house keeper at Darnley, who was a faithful officer and depended upon for the salary that he received as light keeper to support a widowed mother and small family, has been ruthlessly dismissed to make a place for Mr. George Wiggins, a brother-in-law of Premier Davies.

FATAL AND DISASTROUS FIRES.

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TELEGRAPHIC.

THE DUTCHER TRAGEDY.

John E. Sullivan Found Guilty To-day.

He Will be Sentenced This Afternoon at Four O'clock.

DORCHESTER, Jan. 27. Solicitor-General White finished his address to the jury yesterday. This morning Judge Hannington delivered his charge. The jury retired about noon. On the opening of the court at 2.30 the jury returned to court and rendered a verdict of "guilty." The Judge remanded the prisoner till 4 o'clock, when sentence will be passed.

NOTES FROM THE CAPITAL.

Protection Works at Rustico.

Cause of Intercolonial Deficit.

OTTAWA, Jan. 27. The date of the meeting of Parliament will be fixed on Saturday next.

The Department of Marine has decided to repair the protection works at Rustico, damaged by the storm.

Hon. Donald Ferguson is in the city, having been called as for as Montreal by the illness of his son.

It is explained that the deficit of the Intercolonial Railway during the past year was caused by the extraordinary expenditure on wharves at Halifax to replace those burned some time ago, and also by the large expenditure for new ties.

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Table listing various goods and their prices, including Brussels, quilts, and dress goods.

LACE CURTAINS.

500 PAIRS. Pretty designs in 5 yd Lace Curtains, 55c kind for 40c.

Pretty designs in 5 1/2 yd Curtains 90c kind for 65c.

Pretty designs in 6 yds long, \$1 kind for 75c.

6 yds long, \$1.25 kind for 95c

6 yds long, 1.25 kind for 98c

5 yds long, 1.48 kind for 1.15

7 yds long, 2.40 kind for 1.50

7 yds long, 2.25 kind for 1.75

7 yds long, 2.50 kind for 1.90

7 yds long, 2.75 kind for 2.15

7 yds long, 3.00 kind for 2.25

7 yds long, 3.25 kind for 2.50

7 yds long, 3.50 kind for 2.75

7 yds long, 4.00 kind for 3.25

7 yds long, 4.50 kind for 3.75

All odd lots such as \$3, \$3.50, \$4, \$4.50, \$5, and \$5.50. Only 1, 2 and 3 pairs to a design, will be cleared out at about 1/3 off.

Bed Quilts.

White Grecian Honeycomb

55 assorted makers' samples. 2, 3, and 4 of each make and quality.

SAMPLE PRICE—

The 75c kind for 50c

97c " " 75c

\$1.15 " " 95c

1.75 " " \$1.25

2.25 " " 1.50

2.25 " " 1.75

About 200 in all.

WHITE MARSELLE'S.

ONE LOT SOLD.

75c and \$1.00 for 50c & 75c

\$1.25 and 1.50 for \$1.00 & \$1.25

1.75 and 2.00 for 1.48

2.25 and 2.45 for 1.85

Col'd Dress Goods

All lots of last summer's Dress Goods in light colors, prices from 20c to 85c.

Now offering at 20 per cent. off for cash.

900 yards 42 inch Tweeds in 25 different colors (all good). New goods selling regularly at 20c to 30c. Now only 16c.

Extra Value in Melon Cloths, staple colors, navy, brown, green and black, about 560 yards at 25 per cent off.

Six Dress Lengths—54 inch, all wool goods, sold at 90c (noted goods) all good shades. Have got to be sold. Now only 50c.

SCOTCH CLAN TARTANS—20 per cent. historical correct, 25 per cent. off.

JAS. PATON & CO.

Black Dress Goods

See our 50c Cashmere, worth 75c.

Heavy black and line all wool Cash Serge, sold always here and elsewhere at 70c and 80c. Sale price 50c.

Black Canvas Cloth, all wool, about 150 yards, worth 65c, for 35c.

Black Cashmeres, best dyes,—35c, 40c, 50c, 55c, 65c, 75c, 85c, \$1 and \$1.25. 20 per cent for cash.

Black Henriettes—85c, 90c, \$1.25; now 55c, 75c, 81c.

BLACK CASHMERES—Only one dress of each pattern. All wool goods.

Boncies, Crepons, Chevies, Black Grant Cloths, Black Ravens, Black Tatts, Crepons in check and stripes at 20 per cent. off.

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There are Others... Yes, there are sales, sales, and bankrupt sales, but read these prices and be convinced that ours is THE SALE.—J. M. McLEOD & CO.

LADIES' DEPT

Just a few of the numerous attractions we are offering in this dept. SIZE 2 1/2

Wo's Dongola laced, \$4.00, now \$1.75

Wo's Dongola Laced Boots, 2.00, now 1.35

Wo's Dongola Laced Boots, 2.25, now 1.75

Wo's Dongola Laced Boots, 2.00, now 1.35

Wo's Dongola Oxford, 3.00, now 2.25

Wo's Dongola Oxfords, 1.85, now 1.25

Wo's Dongola Buttoned Boots, 3.75, now 1.50

Wo's Dongola Oxfords, 1.50, now 1.15

Wo's Dongola Laced Boots, 2.50, now 2.00

Wo's Slippers, colored, 4.00, now 2.00

Wo's Kid Buttoned Boots, 1.50, now 1.00

Wo's Kid Buttoned, turned, 2.75, now 1.75

Wo's Kid Buttoned, 2.50, now 1.75

Wo's Kid Tie Shoe, 1.50, now 1.00

Wo's Laced Kid Boots, 1.75, now 1.35

Wo's Laced Kid Boots, 2.50, now 2.00

5, 5 1/2, 6, 6 1/2, 7

A few pairs of each at the same rate of discount.

HOCKEY HILLSBOROUGH SKATING RINK

Friday, Evg, Jan. 29, 1897

Stars of Summerside.

Crescents of Charlottetown

RACES BETWEEN HALF TIME.