

SMALLPOX SCARE.

Excitement at Summerside.

THE SUMMERSIDE - CAPE TORMENTINE - ROUTE.

(Special Correspondence of THE EXAMINER.)

Excitement is at fever heat in Summerside over the telegrams received last evening from Sir Louis Davies intimating that the Stanley might be removed to the Georgetown-Pictou route on account of an epidemic of smallpox which is said to prevail at Cape Tormentine and Port Elgin.

From enquiries made here it is believed the smallpox scare is made the most of to cause the Minister to take the Stanley off the Summerside-Tormentine route.

As a matter of fact there is only one case of smallpox within three miles of the Cape. There are others at Port Elgin. But all are under control and quarantined.

The Board of Trade induced Mayor Campbell and ex-Mayor Hunt to cross to Tormentine this morning in the Stanley to fully investigate this and other difficulties that are said to be in the way of the Stanley continuing on the route.

These gentlemen may be depended upon to make a truthful report and to allow nothing to be done that will imperil the lives of the people of the town or province, if there should be danger.

Indignation does not express the public feeling evinced in regard to Sir Louis' telegram. The people here believe that Sir Louis was imposed upon by opponents of the Summerside route.

Rev. Mr. Withycombe, Mrs. Withycombe and their children leave for Cleveland, Ohio, by the noon train today.

Mr. J. A. Gourlie crossed by the Stanley en route to Montreal this morning.

Mr. Arthur Brennan was a passenger by the Stanley returning to college. There were, also, a number of commercial men.

NOTICE!

Notice is hereby given that in virtue of the Act of the Dominion Parliament, 63 and 64 Victoria, Chapter 103 and Chapter 104, the name of the Merchants' Bank of Halifax will be changed to

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SUMMERSIDE AND THE SCARE.

The people of Summerside are but reasonable in demanding a thorough investigation of the conditions as to smallpox subsisting in New Brunswick. Of course the rumors are unreliable—they always are,—and especially these of the sensational papers. THE EXAMINER's correspondent at Sackville—a reliable man—furnishes the facts as reported to him. But further and closer investigation is, of course, needed to allay the public fears.

We feel, with the people of Summerside, that the service which has, after so long a time, being successfully opened by the Stanley, ought not to be prematurely closed. The feasibility of the Summerside-Cape Tormentine route, in winter, ought now, if possible, to be fully tested. Yet it must be apparent that when smallpox is epidemic in the section of New Brunswick lying between Cape Tormentine and Sackville, not much trade can, or will, be done on that route this year; for people will not travel that way, nor will they send freight that way. More than that it would evidently be both wrong and foolish to permit this trade to be carried on at the hazard of introducing the dread disease into Summerside and other parts of the province. For the public safety neither mails nor passengers nor freight should be allowed to come or go by the way of Summerside-Cape Tormentine route until all danger of infection is past.

MR. ANDERSON'S LETTERS.

Mr. Anderson's letters, published in another column, will be read with interest. Many persons of all parties will sympathize with Mr. Anderson, for they know that what he says is true. Mr. Anderson has been a vigorous, consistent and honest champion of the temperance cause. The cause and he have fallen together. Not for a quarter of a century, at least, has temperance sentiment throughout this Province been at as low an ebb as it is at present, or the councils of its leaders so distracted. The proof of this is found in the quantities of liquor consumed, the drunkenness apparent, and the disorganization of temperance force resulting from the failure of temperance men to resent, as a body, the plebiscite insult of the Dominion Government and the license law treachery of the Local Government. These Governments, supported by temperance bodies and liquor bodies, are triumphant, while such men as Mr. Anderson, together with the cause for which they fought, are defeated.

NOTES AND COMMENTS

LE JOURNAL, of Montreal, has issued an elaborate Christmas edition highly creditable to the publishers.

We are indebted to the Copp, Clarke Co., (limited) of Toronto, for the Canadian Almanac 1901. This is the best publication of the kind. The Canadian Almanac is full of important information for Canadians—and the price is only 25 cents.

THE WINTER SERVICE.

It is pleasing to have the letter of "One Who Knows" in confirmation of that which THE EXAMINER has stated regarding our bad winter service. Everyone must, indeed, see that the Patriot's reply to THE EXAMINER does not meet the case. We have now two winter steamers; and yet, as a lady remarked but yesterday, "we have not for generations been in a worse position with respect to the mails and passengers at this season of the year than we are now." The plea that "there is now too much freight to handle" cannot be received in view of the fact that there are now two steamers to cross the straits, and that, as "One Who Knows" contends, men to do the work of loading and unloading in half the time now occupied can easily be obtained.

BOARD OF TRADE.

Resolution and Telegram Re Smallpox.

A meeting of the Council of the Charlottetown Board of Trade was held at their rooms this forenoon.

The meeting was called for the discussing of the smallpox epidemic now in New Brunswick and the danger to P. E. Island while the steamship Stanley is running between Cape Tormentine and Summerside.

The following resolution was passed unanimously:

RESOLVED, that, in the opinion of this Board, the attention of the Premier, as chairman of the Provincial Board of Health, be called to the necessity for immediate action being taken to prevent the introduction of smallpox into this province, and that every precaution be taken to quarantine the passengers arriving by the S. S. Stanley by the Cape Tormentine-Summerside route.

It was moved by Mr. Rattenbury, seconded by Mr. Auld, that a committee composed of President Hughes, Vice President Longworth and H. Haszard wait upon the Premier and present the above resolution.

The following telegram was sent:

"TO SIR L. H. DAVIES, Ottawa. "Council of Charlottetown Board of Trade met today and strongly protest against mails or passengers being carried by S. S. Stanley from Cape Tormentine during smallpox epidemic."

(Signed) GEO. E. HUGHES, President.

INCOME TAX.

SIR,—We are strongly of opinion that a blue book should be published giving the names of all parties paying income tax and the amount they pay. It is manifestly unjust to tax a part and to allow a part to go free. The man who conceals his money is in competition with the honest man who reports all his property. The dishonest money lender has an advantage of 4 per cent. over all others. This is a bribe of 4 per cent. per annum upon the capital for all honest money-lenders to become dishonest or to sell out their business to the dishonest. Premier Farquharson appears to be more adept at grinding taxes out of poor people who have really no income over the bare necessities of living, than he is at looking after men who have invested capital. Men who hire tugs to the Federal Government at \$25 per day should pay handsome income tax; and in our humble opinion the new representatives of the people should take this matter up and have included in our public accounts the names and amount of all income taxes collected in this Province—as it is, it is only favouring fraud and against the poor.

INCOME TAXPAYER.

WINTER SERVICE.

One Who Knows and Tells the Truth About It.

SIR,—The Patriot is finding much fault with THE EXAMINER for complaining about this year's winter communication—and asking THE EXAMINER to refer back to 1878. Now we will leave from 1878 or 1876 to 1883 out of the business, and commence from arrival of Stanley in 1888. She kept up daily communication with a full cargo both ways, and coaling daily, until mails went by the Capes—arriving at Pictou from 10.30 to 11.30 a. m., and leaving between 1.30 to 2.30 p. m. Very little difference in the carrying capacity of the two boats; if any the Stanley carries the most cargo as her tonnage shows. The Patriot says it takes so many hours to load and unload this great Minto that it is impossible to return same day, and the crew must have dinner, etc. When unloading and loading the Stanley at Pictou the officers, crew and laborers and even the agents, Noonan & Davis, who are well-known in shipping, had no dinner until the boat was away from Pictou at 1.30 to 2.30 p. m. But now what do we find? Sir Louis Davies was no longer than a fortnight Minister of Marine when he discharged these agents, Noonan & Davis. Of course he must have been told strange stories about these gentlemen. And what took place?—appointed a Mr. Oliver agent, a thorough gentleman, but a tailor by trade, who keeps a shop, and lots of grit ship owners in Pictou who understand this sort of business, such as Ives, Dewar & Co. Suppose John T. McKennie & Co., of Charlottetown, were appointed to look after such business, what would the people of P. E. Island expect? Now is it any wonder that the Minto takes so long a time to unload and load at Pictou? It is all childish talk to say the Minto cannot be unloaded and loaded in 2 or 3 hours. Lots of P. E. Islanders can do it. Let the work be pushed, and men with coat off and a little sweat on their brow, and the Minto can easily make her return trips to Charlottetown, except when ice gets extra heavy. The days of making hurricanes out of strong breezes are, or ought to be, a thing of the past now. About the winter boat's not being ready, why not investigate and find out where the fault lays? Davies cannot be blamed for this. He has his advisers to go by. But still the public holds him responsible although to a certain extent he is not at fault. Elections are over and of course they can do what they like. Under the Tupper management the Stanley was manned and coaled 1st Nov. ready for any emergency, and took her mails 1st Dec. Who broke this good rule? The grits did.

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