

THE DAILY EXAMINER.

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EDUCATION OF THE BLIND.

MR. AND MRS. FRASER, of the School for the Blind at Halifax, are in Charlottetown, and purpose visiting a number of our leading citizens with a view to interesting them in the work in which they are engaged. The large increase in the number of pupils from all sections of the Maritime Provinces has made an extension of the accommodation of the school absolutely necessary; and in order that the doors of the institution shall be kept wide open to every blind child, Mr. Fraser is endeavoring to raise \$20,000 to meet the cost of the large new wing now in course of erection. Mr. Fraser considers himself very fortunate in having secured upwards of \$10,000 of the amount required; and he purposes while here to ask our benevolent citizens to aid in the work. The association for the education of the blind numbers among its members many of the leading men of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick; and as Prince Edward Island participates in the benefits of the work, it is hoped that many persons here will identify themselves with this benevolent organization by becoming life members of the association. The life membership fees, with all other subscriptions, will be applied to the building fund which is now being raised. Four Prince Edward Island pupils are now in attendance at the school, and the number will shortly be increased to six. We look for Mr. and Mrs. Fraser a cordial reception and a liberal response to the appeal which they are making. If it be considered a day to provide liberally for the instruction of children who enjoy the blessing of sight, how much more laudable is the duty to supply abundant means for the education of those who have been deprived of that inestimable gift.

PRINCE LOBANOFF.

The sudden death of the Czar's able Foreign Minister, Prince Lobanoff-Rostock, is justly regarded as a highly important, as well as a dramatic, event. Prince Lobanoff was certainly one of the most energetic and skilful statesmen in the world; and his masterful policy has caused disquietude in many of the courts of Europe. It is not probable that the Czar can obtain another minister so well able to play his part in the great game of foreign diplomacy.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

The Chicago Record says Sir Richard Cartwright is an associationist, belongs to two or three associationist societies, and contributes to funds for propagating their idea. Mr. Laurier, the paper adds, believes that nature and manifest destiny should take their course, which is the opinion of Canada and the United States. The Record is the paper which Mr. Laurier chose as the vehicle for communicating his canal, fisheries and reciprocity ideas to the world. It is now enunciating his political ideas as well.

GREAT SIBERIAN RAILWAY.

We are in the habit of looking upon the extension of the Russian railway across Siberia and southward in Central Asia as if it were a purely military work. But it will prove a factor also in civilization and in the diversion of the emigration from Russia to her own fertile possessions in Asia instead of to this country. Up to the first of July the new Siberian railway, though still incomplete, had transported 145,444 emigrants from Russia. There has been a regular blockade, and much hardship, if not real suffering, in consequence. In Telegrafnik, for example, before the end of May, 13,000 persons were congregated, and the number was daily increasing. Yet there was not even a shed to shelter this colony of emigrants. A commission was immediately formed in St. Petersburg to deal with the emigration question, and orders were sent by telegraph to check the flow. Points of assembly have been fixed in localities where the commissariat for the army and barracks can furnish succor to the colonies; rescue them from famine, and provide shelter from the weather. A report to the effect that emigration had been stopped altogether got into circulation in consequence of these measures. There is a certain percentage, not large, of emigrants who return to Russia or divers courses. Some dislike the cold, others are homesick. But the chief cause of discontent is the rye bread in Siberia, which is not to their taste. "Our worst like the bread so that you can hear (literally translated) its breath all over the village; but the Siberian bread has no odor, and does not tempt one to eat it." The humor of this complaint can only be appreciated by those who are familiar with the smell of the sour, black rye bread whose "breath" can be heard all over the village.

A DENIAL.

Sir.—The writer was present at the luncheon fire which took place yesterday and saw several lengths of hose that were not in use but were on hand if required. The fact that a number of lengths of hose were not used, and were on hand, is proof positive that the report that there was not sufficient hose in the Fire Department to go around a burning building is not true.

OSLOOKER.

We have only to remark that the report of the Examiner was published on the 24th authority. This is not a matter in respect to which the city can afford to be penny-wise.

THE CAR'S VISIT TO VIENNA.

The Car's visit to Vienna was a failure! It rained, and the people saw nothing of him.

THE STEWARTS OF BLACKHALL.

Sir John Stewart, natural son of Robert III., King of Scotland, received from his father charters of the lands on Blackhall and Auchingross, all in Renfrewshire, in 1390, 1396 and 1404. Sir Archibald Stewart, of Blackhall, fifth in descent from Sir John, became possessor of the family estates in 1613. He married twice. By his first wife, a daughter of Blair of Blair, he had five sons and two daughters. By his second wife, Margaret, daughter of Sir George Home, of Wedderburn, he had one son, David, who died in 1658 and was succeeded by his eldest son, John. Sir John married a daughter of Stirling of Keir, by whom he had Archibald, his successor. Sir Archibald was created a baronet in 1667. He married Anne, daughter of Sir John Crawford, of Kilmarnock.

According to one account, Sir Archibald Stewart, of Blackhall, the first baronet of the family, had four sons, Archibald, John, Patrick and Walter. Archibald received the family estates from his father in 1693. John received them from his father and his brother Archibald in 1696. John represented Renfrewshire in parliament in 1706. He married Rebecca, daughter of Michael Wallace, a physician in Glasgow, and had by her Archibald, Michael and other children. Archibald succeeded his father, and was the second baronet. Michael succeeded Archibald and was the third baronet. Patrick, third son of Sir Archibald, the first baronet, was the fourth baronet. Edward, youngest son of Sir Archibald, was Solicitor-general for Scotland. It is said that Walter changed the spelling of his name to Stuart.

"The Scottish Nation," vol. iii, p. 315, Sir Archibald Stewart, of Blackhall, the first baronet, had three sons and a daughter. John, the eldest son, succeeded his father in the family estates, and was the second baronet. Walter, the youngest son, was Solicitor-general for Scotland. Michael, son of Sir John, was the third baronet.

Sir Michael Stewart, of Blackhall, third baronet, married Helen, daughter of Sir John Houston, of Houston, and had three sons, John, his successor, Houston and Archibald. Sir John, the fourth baronet, inherited the estate of Greenock through his mother. He died without issue in 1812, and was succeeded by his nephew, Michael, son of Houston. Sir Michael, the fifth baronet, had six sons. He died in 1823. His eldest son, Sir Michael Shaw Stewart, succeeded him. His third son, Sir Houston Stewart, was an admiral in the British navy.

Of Patrick, or Peter, Stewart, Chief Justice of P. E. Island, I know nothing, except a few facts which I find in the report on the Canadian emigration and the Recording Secretary both referred to the fact that hundreds of societies have never either sent in the returns or the collections as was requested by the post-cards sent out.

The reports were all good and gave a very satisfactory account of the work done. The address of Rev. Mr. Geggie on the Washington Convention was humorous, and full of very excellent thoughts. It was very well received. The Superintendent report after which an open parliament was held on "What I know about Local and County Unions," and a large number of members took part.

Dr. Beckley arrived and received a Chautauqua salute, to which he responded in a manner which augurs well for the address to be delivered in a future session. George McDonald of New Glasgow read a paper on the value of an organization, which was excellent. After announcement, session adjourned.

The beautiful suburban residence known as "The Cedars" was yesterday saved from total destruction by fire through the bravery and presence of mind of a lady. The lady, the modest as brave we therefore withhold the name.

Germany refuses to give up the refugee usurper of Zaazibar and will object to Great Britain's conversion of the protectorate of Zaazibar into a crown colony. The King's County elevated railway, in Brooklyn, New York, has gone into liquidation on account of the successful competition of trolley cars.

Emile Zola's novel "Boule" has been passed on the Index Expurgator by the authorities of the Roman Catholic Church. Probably Zola himself will be less worried about this than over anything that could have happened. He is philosopher enough to appreciate an advertisement, even when it comes in the unpleasant shape of a condemnation.

Official telegrams from Captain-General Blanco, governor of the Philippine Islands, announce that 1,000 rebels took the field against the Spanish forces for the purpose of bringing about a revolution. The insurgents were badly armed and easily defeated. Troops are now in pursuit of the fugitives. Governor Blanco, however, estimates that the separatists number at least 4,000. He has asked the government to send reinforcements. The Spanish ministry has decided to send 2,000 troops to the Philippine Islands without delay.

The great business built up by A. T. Stewart, of New York, has gone down. It is said Judge Henry Tilton lost \$5,000,000 in an endeavor to get it afloat, but nothing availed. Its credit sank so low that its paper became unobtainable, and at the end it goes under from pressure of creditors to whom it owed amounts ranging from \$200 to \$5,000 for whom ready money could not be provided. What an ending for an enterprise which was once so magnificent! The shadow has been over the house for years, and little surprise was felt when the end came at last. It was the ending of an institution which was once among the most distinctive of the American metropolis.

TELEGRAPHIC.

SPECIAL DESPATCHES TO THE EXAMINER.

PARLIAMENT OF CANADA.

DEBATE BEFORE LORD CHIEF JUSTICE RUSSELL. Civil Servants in a Quandary.

The debate in the House of Commons yesterday was, by arrangement, for the edification of Lord Chief Justice Russell and his party. Otherwise the leaders on both sides of the House would not, probably, have taken part in such rapid order. There was a ring of battle all through the discussion that delighted the galleries. But the civil servants are wondering what Mr. Laurier's oracular utterances mean and how far they can go in exercising the franchise. They have no difficulty in understanding what Sir Richard Cartwright thinks.

The Liberals held their first caucus yesterday. Mr. Cameron, of Haron, declined to attend, and all Mr. James Sutherland's persuasive power failed to move him out of the chamber. Mr. Scrier was called to the chair. The party whips were elected and speeches were made by the leader and some of his associates.

THE DOMINION RIFLE ASSOCIATION. Shooting at Ottawa.

YESTERDAY, in the Dominion Rifle Association matches, seven rounds of 200, 500 and 600 yards, Capt. Davison made 86 points and won \$5. Sgt. Davison made 86 points and won \$5. Corp. Smith, 82nd Battalion, made 85 points and won \$4. Lieut. Stewart, M. A., made 84 points and won \$4.

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THE IRISH CONVENTION. Two Thousand Delegates Present. Some of the Resolutions Passed.

The Irish Convention opened here yesterday. Two thousand delegates were present. The Right Rev. Patrick O'Donnell, Roman Catholic Bishop of Raphoe, was elected permanent chairman of the convention.

The Healyites and Parnellites took no part in the convention, holding themselves entirely aloof from the gathering. The Resolutions were passed favoring the constitution of a united Irish party, bound together in Home Rule ranks and discipline, under the rule of the majority.

A telegram was read from the Pope in which His Holiness prayed for a cessation of the differences existing among the Irish parties.

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JOHN T. MCKENZIE. College and School Books. ALL SCHOOL SUPPLIES Complete Assortment.

Musical Studio. Encouraged by the extensive patronage of the music loving public of this province during many years, Mr. S. N. Earle will resume his instructions in Organ, Piano, Vocal Music, Voice Culture and the Theory of Music, in his Studio on Monday Sept. 14th, inst. Intending pupils will oblige by leaving their names at Messrs. Miller Bros. Music Store, or at the Studio, where terms and full particulars may be had.

Nowhere in the City. Prince Edward Island RAILWAY. LABOR DAY. EXCURSION RETURN TICKETS at one first class fare for the double journey will be issued to and from all stations on this Railway on the 5th and 7th Sept. next, good for return up to and on the 9th Sept., 1896. Tickets are not good for going journey after 7th Sept., and are good only for continuous journey in either direction.

There Are Others. Selling boots and shoes in this city, but we want to convince you that there is only one store where you can get a genuine bargain. This week big discounts are going to bring our stock down. Some lines ladies boots at less than half price. Just try us for a bargain. A. E. McEACHEN, THE SHOE MAN.

MARITIME PROVINCES Amateur Athletic Association. The ninth annual championship games of the Maritime Provinces Amateur Athletic Association will be held on the grounds of the Moncton, A. A., in Moncton, N. B., on the afternoon of Saturday, Sept. 12th.

AMATEUR DEFINITION.—An Amateur is one who has never competed for a money prize, or stake bet, or with a view to any professional gain of any kind, or who has never been, or assumed to be, a professional. This means of obtaining a livelihood, or competing in any other manner than his own, for a special prize, &c. Sept 2-356

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