THE DAILY EXAMINER.

JANUARY 13, 1887.

Our Winter Mail Service.

WITH what the *Patriot* says about the nonsensical despatch sent to the Toronto *Mail*, we find no fault. But its statement that "though we have two boats this winter, we are not so well off as we were when the Northern Light was in good repair," lacks sadly the essential element. The fact vouched for by those who know—is that the Northern Light was never in better repair than she is this winter; and every one knows that we are better off with two steamers than with one. If we had the Northern Light only, we should now be receiving a mail every other day; with both the Northern Light and Neptune we receive a mail on every day that it is possible to cross the Strait.

The *Patriot* adds:—"Our mails are now old when we receive them." What are the facts? A steamer leaves Georgetown and Pictou alike every morning. It is necessary that they should leave in the morning, because the ice, particularly in Pictou harbor, impedes their progress—sometimes it takes an hour or more to get out of harbor; and when ice has to be fought, and when the weather is severe and very changeable, it is but right and prudent that each steamer should have the day before her. It is thus impossible to take the mail from Pictou at the moment it arrives there, and it has necessarily to remain in Pictou all night. This unavoidable delay excepted, the mail comes right on just as it does in summer and (be it remembered) arrives here in ample time each day to return answers to the letters received by it by the outgoing mail of the same evening! What better arrangement would it be possible to have—without the subway or tunnel?

That we are no better served than we ought to be may be admitted; that we are far better off than we have been is the fact.

Winter Communication - The Subway.

THE Summerside *Journal* in the course of one of its independent articles says:—

"Thirteen years we have been in Confederation, ten of which we had a single winter steamer, assisted this season, for the first time, by a second boat. The government made no further efforts to break our isolation, but perhaps the people of the province were themselves, in their sectional war over the different routes they proposed for the winter steamer, much to blame. Now, however, they are generally united on one route, and on the solution of the question—that of the Subway—proposed by Senator Howlan, and which he is so energetically bringing to the attention of the Government. Pronounced feasible, practicable, and reasonable in cost by the best engineers of the day, it becomes the solemn duty of the Dominion Government to construct it, and thus keep faith with the Province that has more than fulfilled her part of the contract of Union. The man, then, who votes for any candidate, Liberal or Conservative, not pledged to the forwarding of this work, is false to his native province, and gives the Government a plea for shirking its construction. The fact that we do not benefit so largely from the National Policy as do the people of the other provinces, and that we contribute to the federal revenue an amount enormously in excess of that expended here in return, instead of being a drag upon the Dominion, should be an additional incentive to the government to fulfil their contract, and to us to pledge our candidates, as above suggested."

It's all very well to talk about pledging candidates. But if the candidates' Party leaders are unfavorable to the Subway Scheme, pledges from the candidates for the representation of this Province will not be of much value. The question that the electors of this Province have to consider is "Which party is most likely to take up the great work of the Subway and (if it be feasible) provide for its construction? The Party led by Mr. Blake or the Party led by Sir John A. Macdonald—which?"

Editorial Notes.

—How our mines are being ruined on account of the National Policy! In 1879 the Spring Hill, N. S., collieries had a total output of 90,107 tons of coal; in 1886 there was a total output of 412,000 tons.

—Hon. Mr. Costigan received a few days ago, an enthusiastic reception from his constituents of Victoria and Madawaska, whom he has represented during the past twenty-five years. At the next election Mr. Costigan will be elected to the House of Commons for the sixth time.

—It is stated that Hon. Peter Mitchell will be the "Independent" candidate for Northumberland,—though the paper Mr. Mitchell owns and controls is the most rabid Opposition organ in Canada. As an "Independent," Mr. Mitchell would be a worthy colleague of Mr. William Welsh, nominee of the Queen's County Grit Convention! But it is not likely that either will be elected.

—The *Patriot* says it is "mean" to insinuate that if the Liberals (so called) gain power they will not carry out the arrangement under which the Island receives a further credit of half a million of dollars. But this is the only inference which can be drawn from the utterances of the Liberal organs. Coupled with what we know about the attempt of the Party to shirk the bargain with British Columbia and to prevent the consummation of the arrangement by which this Province was relieved of the expense of maintaining its wharves and piers, the tone of the Grit press concerning the half million matter is highly significant that the arrangement will not be carried out if the Grits gain power.

"Sir Charles Tupper, in the political speech he had the effrontery to deliver on the Exhibition grounds, stated that our shipping was prosperous, and that its prosperity was due to the wise policy of the Dominion Government."—*Patriot.*

Why will the *Patriot* persist in saying the thing that is not? Sir Charles Tupper made no statement such as that contained in the above extract. On the contrary, he (inferentially) admitted that our shipping is (like that of Great Britain) not increasing: but he pointed out that the Government had placed shipping in an advantageous position by remitting duties on all articles entering into the construction of ships, and by relieving ships of light duties; the point of his argument being that if shipping were not prosperous, the fact was not due to Confederation.

—Mr. George Baird, M. P. P., is a leading supporter of the Provincial Government of New Brunswick, and he was chairman of a Liberal Conservative meeting recently held at Grand Falls. At the opening of the meeting Mr. Baird—

"referred to Hon. Mr. Costigan's ardent exertions in behalf of his constituents and to his public record as a cabinet minister, and urged the electors to once more shew their confidence in the administration of Sir John A. Macdonald by endorsing the Minister of Inland Revenue, who had been their steadfast choice since the formation of the Dominion. He gave some of the reasons that had induced him (Mr. Baird) for years to espouse the Liberal Conservative side. He had no faith in a leader like Mr. Blake, a man who took pleasure in traducing his own country and whose picture adorned Texas railway and land advertizing literature. Fight as bitterly as they might, the Americans did not run down their country and therein they differed from our obstructionists. Mr. Baird pointed out that the opposition were without a platform or policy, and depended for success on diverse cries in the different provinces—appeals to race and sectional prejudices. They talked about their ability to secure free trade with the United States, while everybody knew that it could not be obtained till the United States was ready to agree to it. He was heart and hand with the Government in its manly treatment of the Riel question. The opposition were now howling loudly because the rebel had been hanged, but they would have made as much clamor had the Government interposed to prevent the execution. The opposition cared nothing about Riel, only so far as his name and memory could be used for their political advantage. (Applause.) He was glad to see Hon. Mr. Costigan and the other ministers present. They were men who had risen by their own exertions from humble stations to their present responsible positions, and who commanded the confidence and respect of a large portion of the people of Canrdian."

After the Provincial elections last summer, Mr. Baird's election was characterized by the Grit press as a "blow to the Dominion Ministry."

Snow Shoe Club.

At a meeting held last week at St. Peter's Schoolroom, it was decided to form a Snow Shoe Club, to be called the "St. Peter's School Snow Shoe Club," but its members are not to be confined to the School. The following were appointed officers:—

Captain—Rev. James Simpson.
Secretary—George J. Forster.
Whipper-in—G. B. Rankin.
Buglers—W. J. Stairs and F. E. Smith.
Committee of Management—Rev. James Simpson, George J. Forster, G. B. Rankin, A. Irwin and E. A. Earle.

A supply of snow shoes have been ordered from the well-known house of Laliberte, of Quebec, and it is the intention of the Club to have tramps in the afternoons and occasionally moonlight tramps.

Five Years of Progress.

In replying to the inaccurate statements which have recently been made by A. A. Stockton through the medium of the New York press, the St. John *Sun* presents some interesting industrial statistics which apply to the years 1881 and 1886 respectively. With respect to the manufacture of nails and tacks, the following improvement is noted:—

	Employes.	Annual wages.	Produce.
1881	98	$29,800	$232,000
1886	162	51,000	306,000

The rolling mills show the following increase:—

	Employes.	Wages.	Products.
1881	40	$16,000	$ 80,000
1886	155	74,500	315,000

The car and locomotive works show the following increase:—

	Employes.	Wages.
1881	166	$ 83,000
1886	611	249,000

The cotton mills of the province have made an unprecedented advance:—

	Employes.	Wages.	Products.
1881	344	$ 40,108	$ 276,178
1886	1,440	369,000	1,590,000

These facts evince that during the past five years the neighboring province of New Brunswick has made great industrial progress even in the face of difficulties which do not beset the manufacturers of Nova Scotia—a progress which would not have been possible under the fiscal policy of the Mackenzie-Cartwright administration.

The jury that recently tried two saloon keepers of Woodland, Cal., for grand larceny returned this verdict: "We, the jury, find the defendants not guilty, with the recommendation that they leave the town within forty-eight hours.

Scott Pickler, twelve years old, a few nights ago shot and killed Chester Dodd, ten years old, son of a prominent citizen of Jackson, Tennessee. The two had quarreled over some trivial matter, and the older boy got the worst of it. He went home, and, procuring a shotgun, shot his enemy.

Fifty Years of Wedded Life.

MR. AND MRS. MATTHEW LODGE CELEBRATE THE GOLDEN JUBILEE OF THEIR MARRIAGE — SKETCH OF A REMARKABLE MAN.

(*Halifax Herald.*)

Fifty years ago yesterday, Matthew Lodge and Letitia A. Sproule were married and settled down at Mapleton, in the Maccan Mountains, Cumberland, close to where Mr. Lodge was born. The Lodge family came into the country with the Yorkshire settlers over one hundred years ago. His grandfather had a large family, one of whom, Joseph Lodge, was the father of the subject of this notice. Both the father and grandfather were Methodists, which accounts for the strong predilection the family have always had for that denomination. Matthew Lodge was converted when about 25 years of age, and worked on his farm by day, devoting his nights to the study of the Bible and the preaching of the gospel. As one of the local itinerants of the early church he had not (and has not now) an equal in the Province, much less the county. His circuit at one time extended from Advocate Harbor to Economy, and from Nappan to River Phillip.

HE IS A NATURAL ORATOR,

and the announcement of his name as the speaker even now in his old age, invariably draws a crowded house. His discourses are characterized by great originality of thought and force of delivery. For funeral services he was preferred to any of the regularly ordained ministers, and on such occasions often produced religious effects that were really astonishing. A gentleman who heard his discourse at the funeral of the late Thompson Bond, described it as "unsurpassed natural eloquence from the first sentence to the last." His ministry has extended over a period of forty-five years, and in this time he has traversed most of Cumberland and Colchester. It would not be too much to say that Mr. Lodge has contributed as much to the moral development of his native country as any man who ever lived in it; and now, after half a century of active social and Christian life, he is respected, honored and beloved by all who have the privilege of intimately enjoying his acquaintance. His house on the Maccan Mountains has been for fifty years the home of the Methodist ministers and everybody who came along. Besides agricultural pursuits, and all moral and Christian work, Mr. Lodge has been a keen politician. He was an enthusiastic follower of Joe Howe and the old school of liberalism; later, an anti-confederate, and attached himself to the reform party led by Alexander Mackenzie and Edward Blake.

MRS. LODGE CAME FROM A SCOTCH-IRISH FAMILY,

and has probably contributed as much to the success of her husband as falls to the lot of most women. Their marriage was blessed with a family of nine children, of whom three—Sarah (Mrs. Megeney), Eliza, (Mrs. Huntley) and Agnes have died within the past twelve years; Mary Jane, the accomplished wife of Rev. Job Shenton, of Charlottetown, ex-president of the New Brunswick and P. E. I., conference of the Methodist church, is a well-known poetess; Rev. Wilson Wesley Lodge, is a Methodist minister stationed at Cornwall, P. E. I.; James married a daughter of Henry Harrison, and resides at Goose River, Cumberland; John Fletcher resides at Mapleton; Matthew, who attended the Mount Allison institutions, is an official of the Moncton sugar refinery; and Letitia, a lady of rare besiness ability, resides on the homestead with her parents. Both Mr. and Mrs. Lodge are still hale and hearty, and enjoy excellent health. Owing to the uncertainties of navigation between P. E. Island and the mainland, the children residing on P. E. I. were unable to be present, and the family re-union did not take place yesterday; but it will be held if all is well, during the last week in June, when the golden jubilee will be appropriately celebrated.

THE number of deaths in St. John and Portland during 1886, was 632, a falling off of 44, as compared with the previous year. Of this number 325 were males and 307 females. Among the diseases which proved most fatal, consumption leads with 106; debility comes next with 67; diphtheria, 50; diarrhœa, 44.

THE Moncton *Times* says, 'While a little daughter of Mr. Andrew Leaman, sexton of the Baptist church, was playing with the fire one day last week, her dress caught fire, and before it could be extinguished the poor child was terribly burned on one side of her body and face. She is still living, but doubts are entertained of her ultimate recovery.

DURING the past year 963 P. E. Island horses were baited in Mr. J. W. Smith's stable at St. John, en route to the United States. Forty-eight shippers, principally from Maine, were engaged in the business. Messrs. Keegan & Farrar, forwarded 98; McKie & Emery, 110; S. B. Titcomb, 161; P. R. Parker, 58; Judson Briggs, 36; S. J. Sturges, 20; Simpson & Co., 25; W. H. Irish, 30; C. F. Trask, 110; John P. Nelson, 21. These gentlemen were the most extensive shippers. The number of horses cared for by Mr. Smith, in 1885, on their way to the States was 878.—*St. John Paper.*

THE publication of the evidence in the Lord Colin Campbell case has called forth a discussion as to the duty of the press to the public when such a matter is before the courts. On this point the London *Times* seems to take the reasonable view. The *Times* points out that there are three courses open to the newspapers. They can give the evidence in all its offensiveness. They can suppress the evidence altogether, or they can publish the bearing of the testimony divested of all that is nauseous in it. The course pursued by the *Times* has been that mentioned last. The general newspaper, it is clear, cannot conceal the fact that such a case is being tried, but it can, if it is a respectable journal, give the merits of the case without publishing that which is filthy and sensational.

MR. HUTCHINGS, inspector of lights, interviewed regarding the alleged plunder of the wreck of the Minnie, says the lighthouse keeper accompanied by residents went off to the wreck, which had been abandoned, and at once communicated with the agent at Halifax for instructions, both by telegram and letter; and he was instructed to take care of the property and communicate with the authorities at Ottawa and await instructions from them. Subsequently the captain of the vessel made a statement to Mr. Johnson, agent at Halifax, and a copy has been sent to the light keeper and the matter will be investigated. All light keepers have instructions to render all assistance possible for saving life and property in case of wrecks in the vicinity of the station, and are provided with boats for that purpose.—*Halifax Herald.*

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

Honor to Whom Honor is Due.

SIR,—Now that Mr. James H. Cummiskey and the Grits have "boomed" Mr. Welsh for loading his vessel at Hickey's Wharf for all it is worth, it may not be amiss to give honor to whom honor is due. For the information of the good people of Fort Augustus I may say that the credit of loading the vessel in question is not wholly due to either Mr. Welsh or Mr. Cummiskey, but to Messrs. Alexander Horne and G. C. Hooper, two staunch Liberal-Conservatives of this city. They provided the funds for the purchase of the cargo, the great point to be considered. Mr. Welsh takes his freight, and Mr. Cummiskey pockets the price of his oats! It is, therefore, amusing to see these worthies trying to gain votes by the transaction.

Yours, &c.,
ONE WHO KNOWS.

January 13, 1887.

BIRTH.

On the 1st inst., the wife of P. W. Morrison, Agent Merchants' Bank of Halifax, Summerside, of a son.

At Summerside, on the 8th inst., the wife of Sinclair Wells, of a son.

At Summerside, on the 9th inst., the wife of P. L. Croken, of a daughter.

MARRIED.

At the residence of the bride's brother, Bedeque, on the 1st inst., by Rev. E. C. Turner, Roda McKay, to Miss Selina Inman, both of Bedeque.

Jan. 4th, at the residence of the bride's father, by the Rev. John Goodwill, Mr. Roderick John McKinnon, of DeSable, to Annie Bell McKay, third daughter of Hector McKay, of the same place.

DIED.

At Brackley Point Road, on the 2nd inst., Isabelle Thompson, widow of the late James J. Rattray, aged 79 years, deeply regretted by friends and relatives.

At Brookfield, Princeton Road, on January 7th, George Newbery, in the 96th year of his age.

At Covehead, on the 27th of November, in the 80th year of her age, Elizabeth Lawson, the beloved wife of Mr. Wm. Carr. Deseased belonged to a respectable family, spent her whole life in this community, and throughout was highly respected. She was also a consistent member of the Presbyterian Church.

At Summerside, on the 10th inst., of croup, Gertrude, daughter of Margaret and George Muttart, aged 4 years.

At Summerside, on the 6th inst., Estella, daughter of Albert A. and Annabella Howatt, aged 2 months.

At Malpeque, on the 27th ult., James McGongan, in the 62nd year of his age, leaving a widow, foursons and three daughters to mourn the loss of an affectionate husband and kind father.

Auction--Fish, Oil, Sleighs, &c

TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, at 2 o'clock, on Market Square,—

10 barrels choice Labrador Herring.
30 Half do do do
30 casks Kerosene Oil, best quality.
1 good Family Sleigh.
1 do Box do.
1 do Driving do.
1 choice Milch Cow, part Jersey, just calved.

WHEATLEY & SONS.
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Jan. 13, 1887.

To the Public.

WE beg to inform you that we have a large and well-assorted Stock of Family Groceries, fully equal in quality to any we have ever sold, and much lower in price than we have offered in any previous year.

Our aim in the past has been to keep such a stock of Goods that our customers in town and country could at all times procure from us everything in our line, as good in quality and as low in price as at any other store. This shall still be our aim.

We invite housekeepers to give us their orders; to send to us regularly for all the requirements in our line, and we assure them that in doing so they will get as much for their money as any other grocer will or can give them, and at all times receive our very best attention.

During the coming three months we shall offer some special bargains, of which due notice will be given from time to time in the columns of this paper.

We want to reduce our Stock of Groceries as much as possible, in order to make room for our Seed Business.

It will pay to watch our advertisements.

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Ch'town, Jan. 13—1aw & wky

THE NEW

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Sermon at 10.30 by Rev. J. Goodwill.
" " 2.30 by Rev. J. Shenton.
" " 6.00 by Rev. J. Carruthers.

Rev. Mr. Goodwill will not officiate at Birch Hill on that day.

Should the 16th prove unfavorable, the church will be opened on the following Sabbath.

DANIEL McLEAN.
Secy.

Jan. 11th, 1887—d&w 1i

TENDERS

WILL be received by me, until TUESDAY, the first day of February next, from persons willing to contract to make certain alterations in my store on Queen Street, as per plan and specifications to be seen at my store.

J. B. MACDONALD.
Ch'town, Jan. 13, 1887—eod tl feb 1

$30 REWARD.

THE above reward will be paid to any person or persons who will give such information as will lead to the arrest and conviction of the person who entered my house on the morning of the 31st Dec., 1886, and took therefrom the sum of $115, and has since left, or caused to be left, several notes at my door.

JAMES BALLEM.
Ch'town, Jan. 11, 1887—6i wky 1i

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Ch'town, Jan. 12, 1887.

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LARGE DISCOUNTS FOR CASH.

A. L. BROWN.

Ch'town, Dec. 14—wky