

THE DAILY EXAMINER.

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True Description.

The Patriot of last evening contains a leading article, entitled "Not Argument, but Insult." This caption exactly describes the article which follows, and it might be applied, with equal truth, to every article which the Patriot has published since the Queen's County election trial.

The Civil Election.

On the second Wednesday in February, A. D. 1892, the present Mayor and all the present councillors of the said city shall go out of office, and on the same day in every second year thereafter the Mayor and all the councillors shall go out of office. These words from the statute passed last session involve an important change in the civic government of Charlottetown.

The forthcoming civic election is, consequently, one of the most important that has been held by the corporation. We ought to begin to think (1) about the policy to be pursued in the future; and (2) about the men to put in the field. As to the first, we need better streets and sidewalks; and the improvements to be made ought to combine economy and permanence.

Eye Elections.

THIRTY-EIGHT seats in the Canadian House of Commons are now vacant. Of these, sixteen were held by supporters of the Government and twenty-two by supporters of the Opposition. If Mr. Mercier's plan of campaign had been at all successful there would now be a fair chance of ousting the present administration.

Of course, there will, as a result of it, be a great loss of time and money, and a great deal of worry and excitement. Messrs. Davies and Welsh have reason to be thankful that they have escaped by the payment of \$750 all that is involved in the contestation of an election such, for instance, as that which in the case of Halifax, has been forced upon Messrs. Kenny and Stairs. But the result in North Lanark indicates, we believe, the general result all over the country. It is certain that men of all classes in Ontario are more than ever impressed with the danger in which our confederation would be if Mercier were a controlling spirit of the party in power.

It is well that this strong objection to a Liberal Administration co-exists with the objection that is based upon grounds of public policy. One is, as it were, ancillary to the other; and both must tend towards the victory of the Government candidates in the approaching bye-elections. It would, indeed, be superlatively foolish in the people of Canada to authorize fiscal changes in the face of an expanding commerce, an increasing prosperity and a fair prospect that the Presidential and other elections of this year will reverse or greatly modify the hostile policy of the United States.

Referring to the question of "better terms," the Toronto Globe says: "All the signs point to a fresh raid upon the Dominion Treasury, but if we know anything about the state of public opinion in this Province, Mr. Abbott will find it difficult to convince the Ontario people that it is their duty to submit to be robbed. Ontario is getting tired of the whole business of better terms, a fraud which has no end, and will resist any new scheme of the kind even at the risk of compelling the members of confederation to revise the financial conditions of the pact so that the extravagant shall no longer swallow the thrifty, or the cost of the state church in Quebec be thrown upon the country at large."

Notes and Comments.

It is suggested that there be a regatta on Charlottetown harbor in the near future.

The Superintendent of Education is instituting improvements in respect to the inspection of our city schools.

The Sheffield Telegraph says that the McKinley tariff has put a stop to successful trading in Sheffield goods in the United States. About the time the tariff went into force Mr. Gladstone, among others, made a speech to show that it would be a benefit in disguise to the commerce of England, and would in the end more firmly establish free trade principles.

Commander A. R. Gordon writes to the London Gazette that: "Comparing the approaches of our Canadian Atlantic ports, Halifax is an easier and safer port to make than either Portland, Boston or New York. It will be within the recollection of the editor of the Gazette that the City of Paris ran ashore entering New York harbor, but that accident did not deter other owners from building large and fast ships for the New York route."

The Pall Mall Gazette says that seventeen British warships are furnished with a certain class of boilers which are unable to generate steam sufficient for the vessels to attain the speed with which they are credited. To make the changes necessary, the Gazette says, will involve an outlay of £100,000. The Vulcan, the new protected torpedo depot ship, is now being repaired at a cost of £30,000, and, according to the Gazette, the Thunderer and the Devastation will be the next vessels to have their boilers changed.

The EXAMINER has at last forced from the Guardian an indirect admission that its first report as to "costs" in the election trial was wrong, and that its statement respecting the Finance Committee was premature.

A Physician Buried Alive.

Intelligence reached at St. Petersburg on the 4th instant of a fearful accident that occurred at Zeschonauk, a village in Russian Poland. It appears that a physician who had been practicing at that place recently became ill and to all appearances died. The body was prepared for burial and conveyed to the village cemetery, where it was interred. A few hours after the mourners had departed from the cemetery some men who were engaged about the grounds were startled by hearing a succession of the most unearthly shrieks which to all appearance came from the newly filled grave. At first the men fled in consternation, but in a short time their courage returned and they decided to investigate the matter. The earth was hastily removed from the grave and the coffin lifted out. Upon opening the grave it was found that the doctor had been alive when he was buried, but that he had subsequently died from suffocation.

The body gave evidence of the terrible agony endured by the physician when he regained consciousness and found himself in his coffin. He had made almost superhuman efforts to burst off the coffin lid, but the weight of the earth prevented this, and then, frantic with the horror of his situation, the imprisoned man had bitten his fingers to the bone. He had turned on his side and in the agonies of suffocation had beaten his forehead against the coffin until his head was terribly bruised. The affair has caused great horror.

Personal.

Mr. Rosamond's majority in North Lanark was 431.

Mr. J. Heber Haslam, of Springfield, is registered at the Hotel Davies.

John McLean, M. P., Souris, John Yeo, M. P., Port Hill, and S. F. Perry, M. P., Tignish, are at the Hotel Davies.

Mr. John T. Hardy and Mr. D. W. Montgomery and wife leave for their new home at Cones, Wash., on Monday morning next.

The Bishop of Lichfield, Right Rev. Augustus Legge, D. D., is dying. He was consecrated in 1891 in succession to the Right Rev. William Dalrymple MacLagan, D. D.

The report is going about London that the Princess Victoria of Teck, who is soon to become the bride of Prince Albert Victor, has been in the habit of spending only \$250 per year for dress. There is nothing wonderful about this. Many an American princess has clothed herself daintily and becomingly on half that sum.

Prince Bismarck recently expressed his feelings in the following way to a deputation from a Low German club: "I am an old and dried up, as the foresters say, and I feel that I have far less strength to devote to public affairs. I have become the slave to my domestic habits—a single night in the train, a feat for me, whereas I used to be able to stand two or three of them—and I sleep badly in other people's houses. In short my bodily vigor is on the wane."

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