

THE DAILY EXAMINER.

MAY 4, 1889.

The Subway.

AMONG the many canards despatched to the Patriot, from Ottawa, within the past week or two was the following—under a flaming headline, "Subway Scheme Abandoned" :-

"When the vote for St. Clair tunnel was under discussion Mr. Davies called attention to the proposed tunnel between P. E. Island and the mainland, and urged that if the Government had millions to spend in various parts of the Dominion they should undertake that work. Sir John Macdonald said the Subway scheme had been abandoned as impracticable, and that there were differences of opinion as to whether a tunnel could be constructed."

Now, Sir John Macdonald's reply to Mr. Davies was—according to Hansard—couched in the following language :-

Sir John Macdonald.—I quite agree with the hon. gentleman that if that (the proposed tunnel) could be constructed at any reasonable cost it would be well worth building to settle the question of communication with the mainland. The survey was made, but there are a good many contradictory opinions with respect to its feasibility or of its being permanent when built. We have to consider the great depth of water there, and one of the schemes was to abandon the idea of building a tunnel there, and that it should be a tubular iron structure resting on stone piers.

Mr. Davies, (P. E. I.)—That has been abandoned.

Sir John Macdonald.—Those who know all about the circumstances say that the icebergs would certainly sweep it away the first season after it was built. The whole scheme is surrounded with so much difficulty that the Government have not come to any conclusion in the matter. It is obvious that if there was any serious risk of the tunnel when constructed being broken up in a year or two it would be a very unwise expenditure. However, the Government will bring down, next session, all the various reports we have on this subject for the information of the House.

Sir John Macdonald said not one word about the abandonment of the subway scheme. Mr. Davies, himself, said that the scheme of building a tubular iron structure resting on stone piers "has been abandoned." But everyone (except Mr. Davies) knows that that is not the subway scheme proposed by Senator Howland. There are no stone piers for the structure to rest upon in Senator Howland's scheme. Yet Mr. Davies, in his comment on Sir John's reply (quoted above), said :

"The scheme to build a tubular tunnel resting on piers, and which was known as the subway scheme, emanated from the Hon. Senator Howland and was very energetically agitated by him for two or three years. After having taken the opinion of a number of eminent engineers in different parts of the world and gone to a great deal of expense in the matter, I think the Senator came to the conclusion that that scheme was not a practical one, and he gave his adhesion to the other scheme, which has, I believe, the approval of several eminent engineers not only in this country, but in the old country as well."

This remark proves clearly that Mr. Davies was utterly ignorant of even the main features of Senator Howland's subway scheme—that he had never even taken the trouble to examine it. What an able advocate of the interests of Prince Edward Island! How competent to remove or overcome the difficulties with which (as Sir John A. Macdonald truly said) the whole scheme is surrounded!

Mr. Davies does not now, however, "want this matter to be lost sight of." He now says :-

"I hope it will receive consideration, and that the results of the surveys will be presented to Parliament, and that the conclusion at which the hon. gentleman and his colleagues may have arrived at with respect to the construction of the tunnel will also be communicated to the House."

He is thus exhibited in a changed attitude towards the scheme; and he will, perhaps, take the trouble to "look into the matter" after the surveys, etc., have been presented to Parliament. If so, he will then be in a better position to remove the misapprehensions of the representatives of Ontario and Quebec regarding it. But having done his best to convince them that the country is already overburdened with debt, and that the Government has been spending far too much money in the Maritime Provinces, we fear that his efforts as an advocate of the subway or tunnel may not be successful. If he can, however, persuade the Government to permit a company to grapple with the difficulties surrounding the whole matter; and pay a reasonable subsidy to a company after the difficulties have been overcome, he will do well.

Notes and Clippings.

—It has been very well and truly remarked that "a man without character is always making a fuss about having it vindicated."

—Private intelligence from Victoria is to the effect that the citizens of the thriving capital of British Columbia are greatly worked up at not securing the assent of Parliament to the imposition in the contract for the proposed new Japanese and Australasian services of a condition that all steamers engaged in these services shall call at Victoria to land and receive mails and passengers. It appears that the Imperial authorities control the matter.

—Halifax Herald: Mr. Laurier, in one of his Montreal speeches, referred to the veto power as a "relic of barbarism," and with one accord the grit organs commend this application of a well-worn phrase as most appropriate. Now the grit Toronto Globe is leading a crusade against the federal government because they have declined to use this last "relic of barbarism" to void an appropriation which a provincial legislature was clearly competent to make.

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Varia.

The ex-Metropolitan of Serbia, Archbishop Michael, is about to receive the reward of his faithful adherence to principle. His contemplated return to Belgrade, from whence he was driven by ex-King Milan for refusing to pronounce sentence of divorce upon Queen Natalie, will be made the occasion of great demonstrations, while the intruder Theodosius will retire, and make way for the restoration of the lawful Metropolitan. Thus the principals in that iniquitous measure have changed positions in an extraordinary fashion. Milan and his creatures are gone, and his Queen, and the Metropolitan Michael, who stood by her, are practically restored.

Parliament, having passed the necessary supplies, was liberated for the Easter recess; but not before Mr. Goschen had had an opportunity of bringing in his Budget. The difficulties he had to contend with were the large sum of money to be handed over to the County Councils, and the cost of the new ships of war upon which the Government have determined. Instead, therefore, of being able to reduce taxation, he was obliged to cast about for means by which to meet the deficit which must come. His surplus this year was larger than had been anticipated, because for the first time in the history of the income tax, a penny tax produced over two millions of money. The estimated deficit Mr. Goschen proposes to meet by taking one million from the gain to be made by the reduction of the Consols, and by imposing only two new taxes. The first is a duty of one per cent. on the death duties of all estates over £10,000 in value, and the second is a slight increase on the duty on beer—the one-fourteenth of a penny per gallon. Curiously enough the opposition to the Budget proposals came chiefly from the Government side of the House. But members do not seem to sufficiently appreciate the results which Mr. Goschen has been able to accomplish during the time that he has been Chancellor of the Exchequer. He has reduced the income tax by about four millions, and given two millions and a half to local taxation. He has converted 530 millions of Consols, securing an immediate saving in interest of one million and a half, and of nearly three millions in the future. And he has paid off more from the national debt than has ever before been paid off in the same time. The Tories are lucky to have such a financier at the Exchequer.

I have been asked from what custom are derived the forms of uncovering the head and hands. These, so far as I have been able to find out, like other modern forms of salutation and civility, are derived from chivalry, or at least from war, and they all betoken some deference as from a conquered person to the conqueror, just as in private life we still continue to sign ourselves the "humble servant" of our correspondent.

The uncovered head was simply the head unarmed; the helmet being taken off the party was at mercy. So the hand ungloved was the hand unguarded, and to this day it is an incivility to shake hands with gloves on. Shaking hands was but a token of truce in which the parties took hold of each other's weaponed hand to make sure against treachery. So also a gentleman's bow is an offer of the neck to the blow of an adversary. So the lady's curtsy is but the form of going on her knees. This general principle is marked, as it ought naturally to be, still more strongly in the case of military salutes. Why is a discharge of guns a salute? Because it leaves the guns empty and at the mercy of the opponent. And this is so true that the saluting with blank cartridges is a modern invention. Formerly, salutes were fired by discharging the cannon-balls, and there have been instances in which the compliment has been nearly fatal to the visitor whom it meant to honor. When the officer salutes he points his drawn sword to the ground, and the salute of the troops is even to this day called "presenting arms," that is, presenting them to be taken.

There is an American writer whose works I should like to meet more frequently in our libraries, and to see oftener in the hands of our young people. I mean Nathaniel Hawthorne. His tales are entirely free from the sensational element which is so popular now-a-days; in fact, there is little if any plot in them, but in wonderful delineation of character he stands unrivalled. I shall never forget the impression made upon me by "The Scarlet Letter," a book which is ever new, ever fresh, and from which one rises after each reading (at least I do) impressed with new wonder and delight. I seem to have known the Rev. Mr. Dymdale, and his broken-hearted silence and sorrow become more apparent each time I read that wonderful book. Here is an extract in which Hawthorne speaks of the death of one of his heroines :-

"She is dead. No longer shrinking from the winter wind, or lifting her calm pure forehead to the summer kiss; no longer gazing with her blue and glorious eye into a far-off sky; no longer yearning with a holy heart for heaven; no longer toiling painfully along the path upward and upward to the everlasting rock on which are based the walls of the city of the Most High; no longer here; she is there; gazing, seeing, knowing, loving, as the blessed only see, and know and love. Earth has one angel less and Heaven one more since yesterday. Already kneeling at the throne she has received her welcome and is resting on the bosom of her Saviour. If human love have power to penetrate the veil (and hath it not?) then there are yet living here a few who have the blessedness of knowing that an angel loves them."

It may be that to some of your readers these words will be very real as they think of some "dead lamb" and look upon a "vacant chair."

The following from Longfellow is worth reproducing :

"The little I have seen of the world, and know of the history of mankind teaches me to look upon the errors of others in sorrow not in anger. When I take the history of one poor breast that has sorrowed and suffered, and represent to myself the struggles and temptations it has passed—the brief pulsations of joy—the feverish inquietude of hope and fear—the tears of regret—the feebleness of purpose—the pressure of want, the desertion of friends—the desolation of the soul's sanctuary and threatening voices from within health gone—happiness gone—even hope, that stays longest with us, gone—I have little heart for aught else than thankfulness that it is not so with me, and would fain leave the

erring soul of my fellow-man with Him from whose hands it came."

Many persons might help themselves by remembering throughout the year on what day the first of January fell, and by permanently remembering the first day of each month which agrees with the first day of the year. Thus, the present year began on Tuesday, and the 6th of August is therefore Tuesday, as are the 13th, 20th, 27th. By the following lines the key to the months may be kept in mind :

The first of October you'll find if you try, The second of April as well as July, The third of September which rhymes with December, The fifth of the leap-month; of March and November, The sixth day of August and seventh of May, Show the first of the year in the name of the day;

But in leap year when leap month has duly been reckoned, These month dates will show not the first but the second

I shall attend to "Law Student" next week.

Masonic.

At the last regular convocation of Alexandra Royal Arch Chapter, held at Masonic Hall, the following companions were duly installed into office for the ensuing year, viz. :-

H. P.—Henry J. Worth. E. K.—Silas F. Hodgson. E. S.—David R. Macleannan. Treas.—Adam Murray. Secy.—John G. J. Weldon. C. O. H.—John Ross. R. A. C.—John A. Messervy. P. S.—Geo. W. Wakeford. G. M. 3rd V.—A. N. Large. G. M. 2nd V.—Simon W. Crabbe. G. M. 1st V.—John T. Collings. Tyler.—John Hobbs.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Charlottetown Gas Light Company will take place at the Gas Works on TUESDAY, the 14th day of May, 1889, at the hour of Eleven o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of electing Directors and the general transacting of business.

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ap 25—tl mtg Manager.

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Dated 23rd day of April, A. D. 1889.

JAMES WADELL, Superintendent.

ap 21—dy tl 8th

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