

THE DAILY EXAMINER.

AUGUST 25, 1894.

NOTES AND COMMENTS

—Prof. J. W. Spencer, one of the leading American geologists, says that in New York it is no making leases for 999 years. "The probability is that by that time all the lowlands will be under water."

—The London Economist estimates that wheat crop of all the countries of Europe, except Austria and Russia, is better than last year, that in Europe and North America combined there will be no falling off from the production of 1893; and that considering the "remnant of the great accumulation of the last three years still to be cleared off, there is nothing at present to indicate any substantial improvement in the price of wheat."

—The Canal Committee of the Constitutional Convention of the State of New York have reported favorably on a proposition giving the Legislature power to impose tolls on persons or property coming from Canada, which was probably intended to strike back at the Dominion Government for imposing a tax on American merchandise over the Welland canal. It is probable, however, that this will be found to be contrary to the provisions of the United States constitution.

—Montreal Gazette: This war between China and Japan is becoming as much of a bore and a nuisance to newspaper readers as the recent Brazilian insurrection. No one can make out what they are being killed for, or why they are being killed the most, or whether anybody is being killed at all. It is a relief to have one thing clear at last—that Corea is rebelling against China and has asked Japan to help her. It is true that Japan came to help her before she was asked, but that is a detail. To go to war first and find a justification afterwards is a course of procedure not unknown in the history of civilized nations.

—Cholera has prevailed in Russia and to a lesser degree in Austria for some time; and is now gaining a foothold in several other European countries. In Vienna alone on Wednesday and Thursday of last week there were 233 new cases and in Galicia there were 161 deaths. The disease is spreading rapidly in Rotterdam, and it has broken out in Rotterdam, and even in Paris numerous cases of cholera are reported. Roumania and Germany, while as yet comparatively free, are taking measures to prevent an epidemic. Governments in the United States have not relaxed their precautions, but there seems to be little danger that the plague will visit this continent this year. Cold discourages this particular bacillus, and he will soon get to sleep in the post-houses of the old world, and so pass the time until his reappearance in the spring. By then the world will have moved on a little further, and it will be still harder for the plague to find a resting place in America.

—At Brantford, Mr. Laurier is reported to have said: "So long as we are in the condition that we are in to-day, it is impossible to talk of free trade—or think of it—as it is practiced in Great Britain. It is impossible to have freedom of trade as they have it. We must continue to raise our revenue by a customs tariff."

Commenting on this statement the Empire says: That being the Opposition platform the tariff issue really resolves itself into a question of the best means of raising a revenue. Mr. Laurier admits that he and his friends cannot have free trade, and are only aiming at striking out the protective features of the tariff. This would involve returning to the old Cartwright tariff of 1874 to 1878, which our people have experienced and do not want again. Once confessed, as the Opposition leader does, that free trade is not in the race, and it naturally follows that a revenue tariff ought rationally to be framed, as ours is, so as to protect the native industries of the country.

—The Montreal Witness, in the course of an article commenting on the action of Rev. Father Burke in destroying liquor which was intended to be illegally sold at the Alberton fair, says: "The question whether his (Father Burke's) action was legal or illegal or not is to be brought before the courts. Instead of gratitude to him for doing their work, the local authorities fined the priest eight dollars. Legal action in some places moves a little more slowly when it goes hand in hand with wickedness, so the defender of morals was fined at the instance of the law-breaking corruptor of morals, who went about free. We hope we have not heard the end of this case. Whether it goes before a public or not, we are convinced that the fine of the good man will go further for the promotion of temperance on the Island of Prince Edward than would that of the vagabond liquor seller. It is to be hoped that the good men will never suffer for the sins of others, but their sufferings, great or small, are in no case lost."

PERSONAL

J. A. Nichols, Montreal, is at the Hotel Davy. Miss Laird, of North Bedoune, is at the Queen Hotel. The Rector of St. Dunstan's College is expected here this evening after a trip through New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. Dr. H. D. Johnson, Charlottetown, Dr. Ross, Vernon River, Bridge, Dr. McIntosh, Murray River, Dr. Sutherland, Bedoune, returned last evening from the Medical Convention at St. John.

Registered at the Europa Hotel: Miss McKinnon, Gloucester, Mass; Mrs. E. Hubert, Arichat, C. B. A. J. Brown, Owen Sound, Ont; J. G. Fallan, New Richmond; J. McDonald, Vernon River; S. McDonald, Boston.

Mr. William Cherie, the popular station master at Mount Stewart, who has been in town for several days past, left this morning for a holiday trip to the principal Eastern cities of the neighboring Republic.

Mr. C. H. Lugin, formerly of Fredericton, N. B., and now editor of the Seattle Telegraph, has been found guilty of criminal libel and sentenced to three months in jail and a fine of \$500. He will appeal. The sentence is regarded as vindictive. The complainant was Bonita Rogers, chief of police. Lord Aberdeen tells the following story of himself: He left London at midnight in a sleeping car for the North. In the morning when he was awakened he saw a stranger opposite him. "Excuse me," said the stranger, "may I ask if you are rich?" "What surprised his lordship replied that he was tolerably well-to-do. "May I ask," continued the stranger, "how rich you are?" "Well, if it will do you any good to know," was the reply, "I suppose I have several hundred thousand pounds." "Well, went on the stranger, "I were as rich as you, and more so, if only as you, I should take a whole car so as not to interrupt the sleep of others."

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

THE McLEAN BRIDGE AFFAIR.

"Speak, dummy, then hast a tongue; Come, let's hear it music."

Mr. Editor.—Supervisor Dickson rushed into print in denial of his statement that the Leader of the Government had cancelled a contract entered into by McLean's bridge, but he has failed to bring his proof to the front. I am not at all particular which horn of the dilemma Supervisor Dickson grasps. He distinctly stated that the Attorney-General cancelled that contract, and more than one can prove he said so, and then he declares in your columns he never said so, and he could prove it.

As many of your readers have made enquiries as to the nature of this mean and contemptible transaction, although in Lot 45 the public disapproval of it, without regard to party lines, I will set forth the principal facts in relation to the letting of McLean's Bridge. Mr. Dickson on that day read a specification as to the mode of construction the arch to be of cedar, the railing and curbing on the north side of the bridge to be replaced, save the posts and such pieces as might be required on railing on the south side, with braces and stays from the outside to keep the railing in place, &c. No notice was given then, or at any time during the sale, that the letting of the contract would be subject to the approval of the Commissioner of Public Works. Mr. James McLean and Dickson's son-in-law bid respectively \$100 and \$95. At the latter bid it seemed to hang and would likely have been struck down, but the figure seemed to me to be so outrageous that I bid for the work; although before the sale I had no intention of doing so, being in long credit with the other bidders. This bid seemed to rouse competition, until finally it hung on my bid of \$60, the previous bid being \$63, and before knocking it down, Dickson, seeing it was going to fall to me, then announced that a bond or agreement, with two sureties, would be required from the contractor. It was finally knocked down to me, and Dickson requested me to come to his office and sign the agreement or else it would be sold over again. I did so, and by that agreement I contracted to do the work according to specifications and terms and conditions of sale, the sureties being bound to have the work satisfactorily performed. In the agreement signed, there was no mention of the letting of the contract being subject to the approval or disapproval of the C. P. W. The following day the material for curbing and railing was provided by me, and on the following Monday I went to Charlottetown to procure cedar, iron, &c. Before going to the lumber yards, I called on Commissioner McLean, and I may say was courteously treated by that gentleman, as I always have been when calling at his office. I stated the facts to Commissioner McLean, and asked him if he was satisfied I should go on with the work, and he replied, "yes, I am quite satisfied." I then met Dickson near the lumber yard and told him I saw Mr. McLean and he was quite satisfied, and asked him for copy of specification. At this he appeared unduly excited and made a B. E. Macdonald's shop, and he would be up to the office by and bye. As I could not see Dickson afterwards, I went to the lumber yard, where I learned that Supervisor Dickson had purchased the lumber for McLean's bridge, and it was sent to the Southport to be taken up the river, and as there would be no time to have the lumber for the bridge at the boat, I left for a few days and went home. I went to the bridge next day and began work on the railing, but in the evening I was surprised to see a letter sent to James McLean by the C. P. W., ordering him to stop work on rebuilding the bridge. It will not be forgotten that James McLean, once a candidate in the district for the protection of the rights of property, was at the sale, and if he had bid lower than I did, he could have the contract; but not so. From the first he and Dickson's son-in-law were partners, and when the bridge was jumbled together the two of them did the work, and a number of those who had not performed stator labor to assist them. But I would ask, was the amount of labor performed by the men deducted from the \$63 received by McLean and Dickson's son-in-law? As the work left the hands of McLean and Dickson's son-in-law it affords a good deal of material for the travelling. The railing is repaired with pieces of old boards, and a few fence poles, and so hurried were the contractors that some of the knots are left on the poles. As done, \$35.00 would give a contractor \$30.00 a day, besides material. Thus the people of the Province, by the payment of \$300.00 to McLean and Dickson, lost \$25.00 on a small contract and the bridge is little better than half done. But Mr. Dickson stated distinctly when asked by me why he had not given me a copy of the specification: "I will tell you exactly how it was replied: Engineer McMillan commenced or was about to commence to write you a copy, when Attorney-General Peter came in and cancelled your contract, and it was given to J. A. McLean. I now ask the Patriot to trot out his information respecting that previous unsatisfactory contract of mine. Perhaps when corrected errors and facts are produced, he will find the informant had better sit down and take a rest with Supervisor Dickson. ALEX. C. SHAW.

SOME ONE MUST PAY.

Sir,—This is evidence, there is no use blinking the fact, that if the ordinary Hazard blundered in the Thorne case and sent a British subject to prison without any evidence whatever against him, somebody will have to pay damages. Taxpayers will have to pay the cost of their trial. In this fact we have additional strong reasons for concluding that stipendiary magistrates are not infallible.

CITIZENS.

Home and Abroad.

It is the duty of everyone, whether at home or travelling for pleasure or business, to equip himself with remedies which will keep up strength and prevent illness, and such such ills are liable to come upon all in everyday life. For instance, Hood's Sarsaparilla is a general tonic, and to keep the blood pure and less liable to absorb the germs of disease, will be well nigh indispensable. Change of drinking water often causes serious trouble, especially if one has been used to spring water in the country. From a few drops to a teaspoonful of Hood's Sarsaparilla in a tumbler of water will prevent the water having an injurious effect.

LOCAL NOTICES

Advertisements under this heading charged for at the rate of ten cents per line.

20c Boys' tweed hats tonight—Harris & Stewart.

Boys, fathers and grandfathers, will get special discount on clothing, hats and caps this evening at James Paton & Co's.

Shooting gallery—Cash prizes given every Saturday evening for the highest scores—51 Water Street, aug 25.

Not what we say, but what our customers say, "that our boys school suits are not equalled elsewhere in the city."—James Paton & Co.

If you had only 10 cents you could buy from 50 cents to \$1.00 worth of goods at the Bazar Store tonight. See their windows, 10 cent and 25 cent. aug 25.

Keep off the rain, by buying your umbrella, or your rain coat from James Paton & Co.

Clothing Sale—Children's clothing must go. Now is the time to prepare your children for school. In a few days school will again open. We have just the kind of clothing that the children require—strong, good and cheap. If parents will only take our advice, it won't want to rig the children out, so that they will appear in good style at school. Also hats, ties, collars, stockings and a full line of school—Prowse Bros.

If you could save 10 per cent. on your pair of shoes or hats and clothing, would you do it? If you would you will buy from Prowse Bros. Their stock is new and stylish, and best of all, cheap. aug 25.

Campbell's Quinine wine at Peake Bros. Bottles only 50c. Straw hats selling regardless of cost. A new line of rubber coats very cheap. Special bargains tonight in underclothing and every sort of clothing—McKay Wood & Co. aug 25.

New oatmeal from white oats at S. B. Eaman & Co's.

It has been decided by the best judges that Prowse Bros. can and do sell Children's Clothing cheaper than any firm on P. E. Island. See their windows if you want a Suit for your boy. Why throw away a dollar, and then so scarce?

Remember the sale at 12 o'clock, noon, tomorrow, in front of the Law Courts' building, of land and lots in the Water Streets, in Charlottetown. No letter site for private residences. Will be offered in lots to suit purchasers.

That's Right.—The school boys are taking advantage of Jas. Paton & Co's special discounts on school suits.

Goff Brothers solid leather boots for the fall.

Cheap boots for fall at Goff Bros.

Boys Clothing—Buy your Boys' Clothing at J. B. Macdonald & Co's. Special discounts for next two weeks. a21 6i

Read Geo. Carter & Co's advt of school books. aug 22 4WY

Hire's Root Beer Extract at Watson's.

FROM MONTREAL.—The Miramichi arrived from about one o'clock yesterday afternoon, and sailed again about four. There were about fifty passengers on board, mostly excursionists making the round trip.

BORN.

At Lunenburg, N. S., on Aug. 11th, to the wife of E. W. Silver, a son.

DIED.

At Lot 48 on Saturday, August 25, 1894, Florence McPhee, beloved wife of George Farquharson, aged 42 years. The deceased leaves a sorrowing husband and five children, to mourn the loss of a loving wife and mother.

[Funeral on Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock to East River, Lot 48, cemetery.]

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Track Record Broken.

POSSIBKEEPS, N. Y., Aug. 25.

Masot yesterday broke the track record, making the mile in 2.64.

Commercial Traveller Suicides.

MONTREAL, Aug. 25.

William Snell, a commercial traveller, committed suicide yesterday.

Sir Charles Tupper's Health.

LONDON, August 25.

Sir Charles Tupper's health is much improved.

SCHOOL BOOKS.

10 Gross Gage's Readers, 3 " Arithmetics, 1 " Fausquelle's French, 1 " Chambers' Geometry, 1 " Brief History of England, 1 " French and English Primers, 10 " Gage's Copy Books.

Scott's Marmion (Selections) and other Classics for College and School, Campbell's and Calkin's Geographies, Tanner's Agriculture, Wentworth's Algebra, Currie's and Meiklejohn's Grammars, Greek and Latin Text Books, etc.

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\$10 REWARD!

A reward of Ten Dollars will be paid by the P. E. Island Electric Company for the name and conviction of any person or persons found interfering in any way with the Electric Lamps and Poles.

J. WADDELL, Superintendent.

Black Diamond Line.

The S.S. COHAN, due here from Montreal on Monday morning, August 27th, will sail for St. John's, Nfld., via Sydney, carrying horses, cattle and sheep on deck, and produce on deck at all possible rates.

For further particulars apply to PEAKE BROS. & CO., Agents.

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Written for THE EXAMINER.

THE PRINCESS AND THE PEASANT.

It was in merrie England

When English roses blow

Along the hedgerows in the lane,

Where lovers come and go.

It was a gentle lady,

With sweet and pensive face,

Who lightly trod the soft green sward

With step of quiet grace,

For sadness of a sorrow

Upon her memory hung;

For music of a glad young voice

Around her heartstrings clang.

What sight delays her footsteps?

'Twas but a trifling thing

To turn from off her stately path,

The daughter of a king.

Why should the ear of Plenty

Open wide to tale or need?

Why should the hungry human heart

Of human mercy feed?

A peasant, passing toward,

A carrier of the road;

O'er-burdened for his weight of years,

Had sunk beneath the load.

Deem not that love but links its fate

With those of lowly name;

'Neath silken vest and rustic gown

The lead heart beats the same.

The lady paused; her tender words

Breathed pity's softest strain;

She plied the kindest words of art

To comfort, yet in vain.

Then queried, "Are you left alone?"

"To help you is there none?"

"Ah! quickly through the stifling soot

Came, "Oh! my son, my son!

"My Jack! my strong and willing boy;

He was my hope, my all;

God help me! for my heart lies dead,

'Twas buried 'neath his pall.

"Oh, ma'am! the likes of you ne'er knew

The depth of lonely woe;"

The lady closer drew her veil

To hide the heart's overflow.

And hastened on her homeward way;

But in that chilling hour

She felt, through tones of kindred woe,

The lofty use of power.

And now, along that Norfolk lane,

Where fragrant roses blow,

The peasant drives her loaded cart,

Nor may she e'er know

That the gift which eased her burden

Came from that royal hand

Which had smoothed his dying pillow,—

The heir of all the land.

MRS. MACLEOD.

TO CLEANSE THE SYSTEM

Effectually yet gently, when costive or bilious, or when the blood is impure or sluggish, to permanently cure habitual constipation, to awaken the kidneys and liver to a healthy activity, without irritating or weakening them, to dispel headaches, colds or fevers, use Syrup of Figs.

A hundred men may make an encampment, but it takes a woman to make a home.—Chinese proverb.

Ground has been broken at the New York end for the construction of a bridge to Blackwell's island. The total length of the bridge will be 2,835.

The London Chronicle's correspondent at Vienna asserts that the abdication of King Alexander of Serbia in favor of his father, ex-King of Milan, is imminent. The Serbian ministers strongly oppose the step.

Pimples, boils and other humors of the blood are liable to break out in the warm weather. Prevent it by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla.

COAL. COAL.

To arrive here next week, per barkentine "Ereema," 500 Tons RESERVE MINES SLACK COAL, best Coal for Furnace and House use.

To arrive in a few days, per schooner "Mary P." from New York, 150 Tons ANTHRACITE COAL, for Base Burnings, and will be sold low whilst landing.

PEAKE BROS. & CO., Charlottetown, Aug. 25, 1894.

NOTICE.

LAND SURVEYING, &c.

The subscriber is now prepared to make surveys of Land, Boundary and Division Lines, furnish Plans, etc.; also, Mechanical and Arithmetical Drawings, Plans, Specifications and Estimates.

J. P. NICHOLSON, Land Surveyor, Pownall Street, Charlottetown, Aug. 25, 1894—lv & wy

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