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The Evening Star.

J. E. COLLINS, Editor.

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Suppose some of those people who have been reading the Star for nearly two years without paying for it were to bring us a load of wood!

There is nothing so important in a public man, especially if he be the leader of a party, as backbone.

HOW ST. JOHN WILL "COME OUT."

VERY shortly after the meeting of the House Mr. Elder, one of the St. John members, will move a resolution something like the following:

"Whereas the city of St. John is the seat of intelligence, enterprise, wealth and population of this Province; [the N. P. and the Telegraph to the contrary notwithstanding]; and

Whereas the largest portion of public business transacted by any other city or town in the province, is transacted in St. John;

And Whereas the growing spirit of the age and country now recognize all or nearly all the Darwinian theories, among others the survival of the fittest, the greatest good of the greatest number;

And Whereas, the people of St. John do zealously favor these principles;

Be it therefore Resolved that after this session the seat of government be established and do remain in St. John."

And immediately on handing the resolution to the Clerk, Mr. Elder, like that "fallen angel," will make a speech, pleasing to the ear, if revolting to the understanding, sustaining the resolution. Mr. Frazier, who, on this occasion, will appear sorrowful, will follow Mr. Elder and show cause why the resolution should not carry. He will move an amendment to it. Mr. Willis will follow Mr. Elder, and Mr. Blair will likely follow Mr. Willis. Mr. Blair's speech, we have no doubt, will be an able one; and it will be a fitting occasion for him to exonerate himself from the charge of complicity with Mr. Killam in originating the ridiculous howl. There is no one that would feel more satisfied than we to know that the rumor was the basest kind of a falsehood. A general discussion will likely follow between the opposite sides, during which time the political principles—if any—upon which the Government grows fat and the Opposition withers will be lost sight of. When the debate is ended Mr. Speaker will take the amendment, while Hon. members from St. John, fearful for the fate of their air castle will look anxious. On the amendment, which will negative Mr. Elder's resolution, being put, the result will stand pretty nearly as follows:—

YEAS. NAYS.

Blair, Sayre.

Thompson, Killam.

Colter, Morton, [perhaps]

Covert, Elder.

Butler, Ritchie.

Woods, McEldan.

Beveridge, Willis.

Theriault, Lewis, [maybe]

Ryan, Total 8.

McManus, Gillespie.

Kenny, } The lion and the lamb

Barbarie, } will here lie down.

Davidson, Hutchinsonson.

Johnson, Black.

White, Light on.

Vail, Lynott.

Hill, Turner.

Cottrell, }—Total 24.

Not a bad lot at all!

We have not counted in the eight members of the Government; Fraser, Wedderburn, Adams, Landry, Hannington, Perley, Marshall, Crawford or Mr. Speaker; our reasons for doing so must be, we think, very obvious.

There are several ways this question, quick grown and unstable as the mushroom, might be settled.

The way we have outlined above may be counted as the best because by it the St. John breeze-brewhis will get such a take down as will we hope do them good. There is no reason why the question should disturb the harmony of the Government or the

harmony of the party. If Mr. Wedderburn, for example, notwithstanding his attachment to the Fredericton side of the question, should feel himself obliged to vote for St. John, why let him do so.

If Mr. Marshall might anticipate political annihilation at the next election by voting Fredericton, no one, no matter how well he loves his province, could blame him for voting on the side where his bread and butter is. If Mr. Crawford prefer St. John, either for the sake of its fog or its convenience to his home, no one can blame him for his vote; for who wouldn't, if he could, have Parliament Buildings right in sight of his house?

There is another way of getting over the difficulty, and that is by Mr. Elder forsaking the position he has taken and accepting a compromise. On his agreeing to withdraw his resolution the Government might consent to a Bill which would give the option to the Equity Judge of holding his sitting where most convenient to the clamorous fraternity, whether in St. John or in Fredericton. Then Government and Opposition alike could calmly discuss the question as affecting the finances of the province; whether or not a neat brick structure similar to the Normal School would not do as well as the massive stone building proposed.

There is yet another way the question might be disposed of and that is by repairing the ruins. We should prefer seeing the new building go on; yet if a majority of the House think the province too impoverished to do otherwise, we should most cheerfully defer to their wishes. But if there is any choice, if such ground be taken, how low must be the hopes of the St. John agitators who ask for a change that will entail an immediate cost of half a million at the least—a cost that would swamp the province for the lifetime of the members who would vote for such an iniquitous proposal.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

A correspondent writes:—

"Why on earth don't you give those creatures on the Reporter another lash?"

To which our reply is, We have not time; other and more weighty matters are engrossing our attention. Now let us ask our correspondent, if he would turn aside from a deer hunt to put his foot on a miserable worm? a poor antelope that does no harm, that must live that has a right to its little ill-feeling, to its jealously, and its regrets just the same as ourselves, and that may be crushed at any moment? When the contest through which the Star, as Fredericton's only newspaper, will have come triumphantly, is ended, then we may put our foot on any of those creeping things that would try to be harmful.

An attack on the editor of the Fredericton Reporter is the very worst case of cruelty to animals. It is like cudgelling a dumb brute, that can't open his mouth to say that you "hurt his feelings." We have already whenever the public good demanded it, been sufficiently cruel to poor Fred. When he came out for Mayor, in the quietest possible way we planted our foot on him—and crushed him. Every time he comes out, if we happen to be in Fredericton, we shall put our foot on him, and crush him just in the same way. Ah, no, we have no malice against poor Fred. We shall not "lash" him—he is too small game just now. Poor Fred!

Fred is jealous of the Star's success. Its progress and its influence are hate, full to his little bosom. Less than two years ago it sprang up a feeble thing, that might be expected to perish any moment. Then Fred laughed at it. Now it is firmly seated as Fred's own hatred of it: its brilliancy reveals Fred's dullness and stupidity.

Fred hates it! Yes. For who would toil from morn till night with a scythe made in the mediæval ages, and not envy his neighbor with a mowing machine? Who wears wooden shoes and does not envy him who puts on prunella? Where is the monkey that is not jealous of the Caucasian white skin? Where is the monkey that envies not the man? Where is the inferior being that would not envy his betters for those qualities which the small minded and the ignorant hate, but which the large hearted and the intellectual admire! Fred edits, or, with the help of his brother, a respectable old lady, and five or six others, helps to edit a weekly newspaper. This publication, which in the days of Caxton, would be called a newspaper, is 35 years old: it is a weekly yet. It is just as progressive, and hardly that, in 1880 as it was in 1845. As a relic of what newspapers used to be before the time of Railways, Steam or Chubbucks we respect it—that's all.

If Fred had not his rents—and it is the Shylocks and the little-hearted people that have money stowed away in every old rookery—his Reporter would be "colder than a door nail" in one month. If it depended on Fred's practice at the bar it wouldn't live a week. The Star—if it is not disrespectful to our revered paper to mention it in the connexion—has fought on its own ground, and won where it stood. We leave others to judge of its patronage and its influence to-day. It is natural for small minds to hate anything superior to themselves; and we may add if the Star was not hated and maligned it would not be worth living. Worthless concerns are never envied. Who has ever seen an ape, and envied its expressionless mug, or its silly leer? We envy not the "Reporter."

There is cause, we repeat, for Fred hating us. First we have magnified

his smallness, and we have placed our foot upon him. Secondly,

"Base envy withers at another's joy. And hates that excellence it cannot reach."

Poor Fred!

HOW THE PROVINCIAL PRESS LOOK AT THE REMOVAL.

Those papers of the Provincial Press that favor St. John, either have a personal interest in it, or contend that in the event of the change "St. John should come down handsomely." But you cannot get wool in a goat's house, no more than you can get St. John in its bankrupt state now "to come down handsomely."

The following summary affords the gist of the remarks we find in our exchanges:

ST. CROIX COURIER.

That St. John is a good location; but that if selected, it should come down handsomely.

MONCTON TIMES.

That it would be injudicious to move the seat of government. That the expense would be too great; and that the departmental buildings here should be remodelled, and made to suit all purposes.

BAY PILOT.

This paper is on the fence: it would no doubt favor Fredericton but that it is afraid of the St. John papers to do so. It expresses no opinion.

LE MONITEUR ACADIE.

Favors Fredericton strongly in French, and this assertion we can maintain in the face of the St. John press, whether it is true or not. It says *exempti gratia*:

Mais nous est avis qu'à l'heure actuelle nos finances ne permettent pas au gouvernement d'entreprendre le déménagement des Chambres et des Bureaux Publics, et Frédéricton a toutes les chances de rester ce qu'elle est, depuis bientôt un siècle, la capitale du Nouveau-Brunswick.

Let the Sun "chew" over this statement, and tell us what he can make out of it.

ST. ANDREWS STANDARD.

Does not favor St. John, on the grounds of economy. It says that the "expense of removal and the extra cost for the erection of public buildings such as Government House, Departmental Offices and new Legislative Buildings, would involve an expenditure of \$200,000."

Let the Standard double these figures, they add \$100,000 to the sum and it will be nearer the mark.

SACKVILLE TRANSCRIPT.

This is a very illiterate newspaper, is published in an out of the way village, and could not be expected to know anything of the merits of the question. It favors St. John in a kind of incoherent way, though the other day it howled about "provincial expenses."

CHICAGO POST.

Warmly advocates Fredericton, and says:

We can't help thinking St. John is trying to take the advantage of the misfortune of Fredericton to press for a removal of the seat of government, and St. John thus to benefit by her injury.

It certainly would be a calamity of the Legislature now to change the seat of government to St. John, expend hundreds of thousands of dollars in the purchasing suitable sites for and erecting all the various establishments required by the government, then for a union of the Maritime Provinces to come, and the expenditure thrown away.

ADVANCE AND ADVOCATE.

Both of these weekly papers from the drift of what they have written seem to favor St. John.

FARMER AND REPORTER.

These are weekly papers published in Fredericton, and they write their very best in favor of Fredericton.

SENTINEL.

This paper strongly favors Fredericton, as any paper should that has not its eyes shut to the interests of the Province, or open only to its own interests.

Leaving out the St. John and Fredericton papers which are directly interested we have the following summary:

FOR ST. JOHN.

Sackville Transcript, Advance and Advocate, [cat and dog] FOR FREDERICTON.

FOR FREDERICTON.

Moncton Times, Le Moniteur Acadie, St. Andrews Standard, Sentinel, St. John Globe.

NEUTRAL.

St. Croix Courier, Bay Pilot, Freemason.

We may say that these papers marked neutral really favor Fredericton, but believing that the affair will end like a squall of wind they do not trouble their heads about it.

It is noteworthy that the Globe, a St. John paper, opposes the project with all its might; and that the Freeman, another St. John paper, is neutral on the question. It is also worthy of note that neither the Globe nor the Freeman ever is carried away by the sensations that keep the Sun, News and Telegraph eternally in hot water. St. John has a poor case; her own most reliable papers are arrayed against her; and the great majority of the provincial press favors Fredericton.

A DELUSION AND A SNARE.

THE official record of the expenditures on Government House for the last six fiscal years shows that the average expenditure was above \$5,000 a year.—Telegraph.

Well, suppose it was, is it any argument in favor of St. John? Can a Government House be sustained at less

expense in St. John than in Fredericton? Can it be sustained there at twice the expense? CAN IT BE SUSTAINED THERE AT THREE TIMES THE EXPENSE? Does the Telegraph in making its statement and putting it forward as an item, in the argument favoring removal, make any allowance for the sanity of its readers? The Government House is a very fine building; indeed we have been told it is second to none in the provinces. But no building on this side of the grave will stand the rack of the elements, and the wear by the inmates. Does the Telegraph's own building ever need repairs? [We know they do.] Or do they ever get them? At any rate, if the expenditure of \$5000 a year on the Government House was such an extravagance, why did we not hear something of it through the Telegraph before this hour of the day? The Editor of the Telegraph is a prominent member of the Legislature, and should have exposed the extravagance which he says began in 1873, several years ago. The Telegraph's sudden conversion to economy is too transparent. The House will see through it, and the country will "take the measure" of it.

THE "STAR" AND ITS EMPLOYEES "PRAYED FOR" BY MR. CHUBBUCK!!!

Four or five nights ago at a "converts" meeting Mr. Chubbuck, the Evangelist, requested the prayers of the brethren for the editor of the Star. Last evening he read from a slip of paper a request for the prayers of ministers and congregation "for the employees of a city newspaper that is an enemy to religion." Brother McLeod prayed; but so far as we can see the prayers have had no effect. Our "devil" is just as quarrelsome as ever, and there is no more brotherly love or religion among the "hands" than ever there was.

As for ourselves, we think things have come to a deplorable pass that we cannot, in a public journal, set our face against vulgar ranting without being publicly prayed for in return. Abuse would be a merciful kind of a rebuff, but to be prayed for and to run the risk some day of being "converted" into a Reporter editor, is something that, ridiculous as it may seem to most people, is quite alarming to us. There is unfortunately no law to prevent these people from praying for a person if they feel malicious enough to do so: if there was we should take care to protect ourselves from Mr. Chubbuck and Brother McLeod.

WHAT THE HOUSE HAS TO CONSIDER.

The House has to choose between expending \$500,000 to please St. John alone; OR

To expending \$50,000 and doing justice to Fredericton and the Province.

It has to choose between plunging the Province irretrievably in debt; AND

Curtailling the expenses which overburden our people with taxation.

The House must remember that it is the men who will not receive a farthing benefit by the change proposed that pay the taxes of the province; AND THAT

They are here to represent these people and not to move like automata at the beck or howl of St. John.

They have to choose between expending \$500,000 and 50,000.

They have to choose between having the annual expenses remain as they are AND

having them increased by \$50,000 per annum.

A PITIFUL CASE.

A few days ago an unfortunate girl named Catherine McDonald, from Carleton St. John, took a dose of oil of cedar, fell almost immediately into convulsions and died within a few minutes. A young man named Wallace Edgett had been keeping company with the unfortunate girl, and suspicion attaching to him, he was arrested. Testimony on the trial by the Coroner's Court exonerated Edgett and he was set free. The post mortem revealed that the unfortunate girl was encephalic.

It pained us to see that the Telegraph and the News published an account of the post mortem to an indelicate, indeed we might say to an indecent length. We hope few read the reports, and we most sincerely hope that the responsible eye in both the offices referred to did not see the copy before it went into the printer's hands. We are glad the Sun seemed to remember what was due to its readers.

RIDICULOUS.

When the troops were withdrawn from Fredericton, many in that city predicted that the grass would grow in her streets and that the city was practically ruined. But these dismal forebodings were never realized. The removal was a blessing and not a curse, for Fredericton has been greatly improved by the change.

This is, of course, from the Sun. It is so exactly the reverse of the truth, that it is ridiculous. When the soldiers were here there was annually spent in Fredericton in good British gold and silver a sum equal to \$150,000. And to say that the taking away of such an annual expenditure from our city "was a blessing" is to argue just as the selfish ope-eyed St. John press has argued on this matter from the first. The statement is too absurd to waste further words upon it.

"TELL US, FOR DOUBTLESS THOU CANST."

The Star and other newspapers outside of Fredericton have put the cost of changing the seat of government at half a million of dollars. The Telegraph says the figures are extravagant. Now we should like to ask the Telegraph in all the honesty it can command, and with all the courage it can muster, to tell us what it thinks the cost of removal would be.

ASSESSORS' NOTICE.

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that I, HARRIS S. ESTEY, have been duly sworn into office as Principal Assessor of Rates and Taxes in the City of Fredericton, this day. Any person liable to be Assessed in the said City, may, within Thirty Days after the publication of this Notice, give to me, the said Principal Assessor, a statement in writing, under oath before the Mayor, City Clerk, or the undersigned, of his or her property and income, according to the form provided in "An Act to consolidate and amend the Law relating to the levying, assessing, and collecting of Rates and Taxes in the City of Fredericton." Forms can be had from the Mayor, City Clerk, or the undersigned.

Any person neglecting to make a statement to the Mayor, City Clerk, or the Assessors, according to the above advertisement, previous to the Assessment Roll being made out, if dissatisfied with their Assessment, will be required to appeal to the Assessors by petition, in strict accordance to the instructions on the back of their Tax Notices.

All communications with reference to the above Notice, may be left at the City Treasurer's office, addressed to the undersigned.

Dated this 5th day of February, 1880.

HARRIS S. ESTEY, Principal Assessor.

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WITHOUT exception the best treatment in use for all diseases of the Throat and Head. Best testimonials given if required. Price \$2.00 a package. Sold only by LEMONT & SONS' General Agents for Canada.

Feb. 3, 1880.

Potatoes WANTED.

1000 OR MORE BARRELS OF GOOD Rose, Susies and Prolifics, CASD AND HIGHEST MARKET PRICES ALWAYS PAID.

ROBERT S. BAILLEY, Railway Crossing, ST. MARY'S.

Jan 9 1880.—Ginos.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY.

TENDERS for a second 100 miles section West of RED RIVER will be received by the undersigned until noon MONDAY, the 25th of March next.

The section will extend from the end of the 48th Contract—near the western boundary of Manitoba—to a point on the west side of the valley of Bird-tail Creek.

Tenders must be on the printed form, which, with all other information, may be had at the Pacific Railway Engineer's Offices, in Ottawa and Winnipeg, on and after the first day of March next.

By order, F. BRAUN, Secretary.

Dept. of Railways & Canals, 1 Feb 21 1a Ottawa, 11th February, 1880, wt m30

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EVERYTHING NEW AND FIRST CLASS.

Constantly Coming In!

The Highest Price paid for Country Produce.

BURNS' Canadian Baked Beans.

The Best Article in the Market always on hand at

J. G. CONNOLLY'S, REGENT STREET.

Fredericton, Nov. 27, 1879.—Ginos.

CLOSING BUSINESS!

The subscriber intends closing his Business in this City on the

First Day of May next,

Goods will be sold at prices that will insure a

COMPLETE CLEARANCE

of the whole stock by that date. Gentlemen who may require

CUSTOM CLOTHING

Made in the best manner have an opportunity

TO PROCURE THE SAME AT LOW PRICES.

All who are owing the subscriber are requested to call and pay, and all who hold accounts against me will please present the same for payment.

P. McPEAKE.

P. S.—Shop Furniture including Plate Glass Mirrors, Reflecting Mirrors and a very large Fire Proof Safe, will be sold at a Bargain.

Fredericton, February 17, 1879.

JANUARY 15, 1880.

FOR THE NEXT 30 DAYS

A. A. MILLER & CO.,

Will Offer their whole Stock of

DRY GOODS AT BANKRUPT PRICES,

—FOR CASH ONLY.—

Great Bargains may be Expected.

Fredericton, January 15, 1880.

JANUARY 20th, 1880.

F. B. EDGECOMBE

Will commence his Annual clearance Sale of

WINTER DRY GOODS, FROM DATE.