

The Weekly Observer.

HILLSBORO, N. B., Feb. 23, 1889.

Observations.

The Result.

As generally expected the election last Saturday resulted in the return of H. B. Emerson, Esq., of Dorchester, with a majority of 426 votes. The Opposition's roster will not therefore have a chance to show this time, but we will endeavor to have it in good trim for a "big hurrah" in the near future. In the meantime we will endeavor to accept the situation as cheerfully as possible under the circumstances, and continue to follow our motto, "Canada for the Country," and "Albert County for the Albertians."

It shall of course closely watch our newly-elected representative a parliament, and endeavor to see that we may find nothing to censure, but we must not give in our future course, which we hope may prove some day.

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Parliamentary Proceedings.

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Albert County's highly respected representative at Ottawa.

Mr. Emerson has given notice of a bill to amend the provisions of the extradition act. The object of the bill is to extend the scope of extradition offences and to make provision which will admit of the extradition of criminals to Canada. The bill is now in the hands of the committee on extradition. It is expected that it will be reported on in the near future.

On Saturday a disastrous accident occurred on the Maine Central railway.

The train was en route from Bangor to St. John's, when it derailed on a down grade, at a point about 20 miles from Bangor. The train was carrying a large quantity of lumber, and the accident resulted in the loss of many lives and property. The cause of the accident is believed to be the failure of the brakes.

A Suggestion.

The temperance organizations of Albert County have long sought to get our municipal council to appoint a Scott Act Inspector for the County. A majority of the councillors have refused to grant the request on the ground that it would increase our taxes. We are urged to petition the council to appoint an Inspector for a grant of \$200 per year. We would therefore suggest that the various temperance societies in the county set on foot a plan to raise the amount required to secure the services of a competent, reliable Inspector. Let the temperance men of each town assume the responsibility of all costs in the matter. The county council cannot consistently refuse to make the appointment. If the temperance sentiment of the county is not sufficiently strong to ensure the raising of the funds necessary to secure the services of an Inspector at a salary of \$200 we would not give much for the opinion of some of our readers concerning this suggestion.

Declaration Day.

At 12 o'clock noon on Tuesday, Feb. 26, Sheriff Wells opened his court at the Court House, Hopewell Cape, to declare elected the candidate having the majority of votes. The following is the official count:

Table with 3 columns: Candidate Name, Votes, and Margin. Includes names like Emerson, Duffin, Hopewell, etc.

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