

THE ACADIAN.

WOLFVILLE, N. S., MAY 13, 1887

When the Spring-time comes, Gentle Annie! Then ye citizen of Wolfville and adjacent parts ariseth up with all his might and goeth out unto the barn and openeth the barn-doors wide open, and sayeth unto the cows therein, Arise! Oh, ye cows, and go out onto the streets, and onto the sidewalks, and onto the railway track, that ye may become a great curse unto all mankind, and women folks likewise.

And ye male citizen in going home to the bosom of his family from ye club or other place of worship in ye deep dark hours of midnight faithfulness over ye sleeping cow, and he riseth up with a great rise and he sweareth wicked swear words with a great swear, and he sayeth, This shall be to me and a stop shall be put to it, and he goeth along home with great bitterness in his heart and much soreness about his shins. But in after years he looketh back and seeth these things have never been stopped, and he seeth that they always have been and he sayeth to himself, It is too bad, and there he leteeth it rest.

And when ye railroad men go out in the early morning to see that ye railroad is in proper condition for ye trains to run over, they find ye cattle there also and they are sore afraid for fear of the train coming and doing bodily damage to ye cows, and they drive them away carefully morning, noon and night, yea, many times during the day do they this for more than several times. Then they getteth very angry and they shout and throw sticks and stones and swear at ye cattle and their owners, and they pray that the carth may open up and swallow ye cows and their owners also. And ye train cometh along and ye driver seeth more than four cows on the track, and he bloweth his whistle with a great blow, and he jammeth down his air-brakes with a great jam, and he worketh his way through them very carefully for fear of hurting the poor beasts. This he doeth for a great many times, and then he also getteth his back up, and when he cometh in sight of a herd on the track, his eyes flash fire and he gritteth his teeth with a mighty grit, and he openeth the throttle of his engine wide open, and he russeth among them with a great rush and he killeth a cow and he killeth her dead, and when he seeth this he wipeth the sweat from his brow and smilith with a far-away smile and goeth along with his train.

And when ye owner of ye beast hears of this he is very wrathful and talketh long and loud against the carelessness of ye railway men, and he maketh out his little bill against the railway company for more than forty dollars and he handeth it to the manager and demandeth the payment thereof. The manager, he smilith a great-big smile and sayeth unto ye cow-owner, Now, verily, we should charge thee more than four hundred dollars for damage done to our railroad track and engine, but if thou wilt promise faithfully never to let it happen again, we will let it go. So ye cow-owner getteth away home sore at heart for the loss of his cow, and thinketh how much better it would have been if he had taken proper care of ye poor old cow. But when he buyeth another cow he forgetteth all about this, and useth her in the same manner he did the first one, and so on. And verily we say unto ye, not the female citizen, nor the male citizen, nor the railroad men getteth any satisfaction out of this matter like unto the engine-driver, and we now say unto ye cow-owners, the time is at hand when every one will provide himself and his family with engines to kill ye cows if ye cows are turned out to roam about onto the streets and onto the sidewalks and onto the railway track. Therefore take ye a warning from this and take care of ye poor beasts lest they be destroyed.

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Our Ottawa Letter.

OTTAWA, May 6.—The debate on the Queen's election case had just opened, when I mailed to you my last letter. Mr. Skinner (St. John), in the absence of Mr. Welden, moved that the returns of this election be so amended as to give the seat to Mr. King who had a majority of the votes. In the course of his remarks he said the returning officer had acted in defiance of law and justice, and that Mr. King had been elected honestly. Mr. Thompson, Minister of Justice, moved that the matter be referred to the Privy Council and Election Committee. I will not go into further particulars of this important case as ever since the election the newspapers of all shades of politics have discussed the matter; and no doubt the readers of the ACADIAN are now pretty well conversant of every detail concerning the same. On Mr. Thompson's amendment the House divided and it was carried by 109 to 77. Mr. Patterson, a pronounced Conservative, voting with the minority. This vote shows pretty well the strength of the parties in the present House; but a careful analysis of members who were absent at the time of the division gives Sir John a majority of 39. The Minister of Agriculture has presented the annual statement in regard to the emigrants arriving into Canada. The total number arriving last year was 122,581, of whom forty-three percent left to settle in the U. S. The actual number of settlers last year was 69,157, a decline of twelve per cent compared with 1885. From present indications this year will see a very much larger number coming to Canada than any previous year. The country is large enough to hold them all and all are welcome. The revenue from the sale of Dominion lands during the year 1886 was: For homesteads, pre-emption sales, etc., \$509,341, and for leases, \$136,618, and from 1st January to 1st April of this year for homesteads, pre-emption sales etc., \$93,873, and for leases, etc., \$26,179.

The Government labor commission, which since its formation has been comparatively idle, will commence work, it is expected, so soon as the new department of trade and commerce is got into working order. The commission will have power to enquire and report on the subject of labor, its relation to capital, the hours of labor, and the earnings of laboring men and women, the means of promoting their material prosperity and social and intellectual advantages, and of developing the productive industries of the Dominion, so as to advance and improve the trade and commerce of Canada; also to enquire and report on the practical operation of arbitration in the settlement of disputes between employers and employees. The commission will no doubt be the means of working much good with strikes on all sides.

At the annual meeting of the Dominion Temperance Alliance recently held here the committee on legislative action recommended that a bill be introduced in the Commons, amending the Scott Act so as to cover the amendments included in the bill introduced last year and such other amendments as might be advisable. Also that a bill for the total prohibition of the manufacture, importation and sale of intoxicating beverages be introduced during the present session. So ye see the friends of temperance are not idle up here, but are working hard to accomplish a much needed reform. What are the liquor-party doing? The question need hardly be asked, for they are always at work and will leave no stone unturned to defeat any measure that may be introduced which will interfere with their nefarious calling. Mr. Dalton McCarthy has given notice that he will introduce a bill to amend the Scott Act. This is considered a somewhat significant notice, and will attract general attention from all lovers of the temperance cause. It is thought that the amendment is to allow wine and beer to be sold in Scott Act counties.

We have had so much talk about home rule and coercion in Ireland for the past week, that anything in connection with it which has a tendency to make one feel funny, and to have a laugh is appreciated. The following is how Mr. Baker, of Victoria, B. C., managed with his somnolency in regard to the matter, and is copied from the Ottawa correspondent to the Toronto World: "The latest story on the question of Home Rule is coupled with the name of Mr. Baker, of Victoria, B. C. The story runs that during the election Mr. Baker was asked what stand he had taken in Parliament on the question of Home Rule. For the life of him he could not remember at the moment how he had voted, but with ready wit, pointing to Mrs. Baker, who occupied a seat on the platform, he asked if the audience did not think he had enough Home Rule right on the platform to be able to form a just and righteous conclusion. Mr. Baker weighs 126 pounds, his wife 210, and thereafter his campaign was not troubled with the question of Ireland's wrongs."

made in this industry. Our imports of iron and steel, etc. are larger than of any other kinds of goods. It is thought notwithstanding the lateness of the season, that the Government will readjust the tariff with a view to protecting this industry. It will be the making of Nova Scotia if this industry is pushed, and as she has the coal near at hand, smelting may thus be carried on at a far cheaper rate than if otherwise was the case.

As I have previously intimated, a good deal of grumbling has been occasioned by the way the successful members were gazetted, and to obviate this unpleasantness in the future Mr. Amyot has introduced a bill which provides that the thirty days during which a return may be protested shall commence—in the case of an election by acclamation, from the date of nomination, and in the case of a contest, from polling day.

Several bills have been subject to motions in regard to, and providing for the re-organization of the Dominion Cabinet. They provide for a sort of redistribution of portfolios without any addition to the number of Cabinet Ministers, but the creation of two new subordinate Cabinet positions similar to the English under-secretaryships. These changes are brought about and are rendered necessary by the unequal pressure of work in the departments involved. Three departments will be affected by these changes—the departments of Justice, Inland Revenue, and Customs. In the department of Justice, a Solicitor-General will be appointed to take charge of the outside or court business of the Government. He will be a subordinate Member of the Cabinet, a Member of the Government, but not of the Privy Council. His salary will be \$6,000, or \$1,000 less per year than the Minister of Justice. In the department of Inland Revenue, and Customs, the changes will be as follows: The titles of the Ministers will be changed to "Comptroller of Inland Revenue" and "Comptroller of Customs." The latter will be Minister in the same sense as the Minister of Customs is now, but the Comptroller of Inland Revenue will be the Solicitor-General—a subordinate Member of the Government with a salary of \$6,000.

These changes would make the number of actual ministers one less than at present, but the establishment of a portfolio of Trade and Commerce will restore the old number of members of the Privy Council, while there will be the two additional Members of the Government—the Solicitor-General and Comptroller of Inland Revenue.

A bill was introduced on Monday last by Mr. Edger to amend the Dominion Franchise Act. Its chief provisions are to provide greater secrecy in the voting by ballot, the ballot paper at present being so thin that the mark of the vote showed through the paper. Another provision is to confirm the right to vote of deputy returning officers and poll clerks, and another to limit the practice by returning officers of giving improper persons certificates to vote as agents of candidates, which by the present act, the officers have a right to do to an unlimited extent. The proposed bill also contains some other details, but the above are the most important.

With regard to the Franchise Act, Sir John A. Macdonald informed the House that it was not the Government's intention to repeal it. For local purposes, the Government have given an additional subsidy of \$20,000 a year to Prince Edward Island. This, on the part of the Government, dealing so liberally with the "tight little island," created considerable talk, and much interest has been manifested by the act of liberality, as it was not generally expected that the Island would get anything in view of the fact of its having returned Liberal members to Parliament for the whole six seats on the Island. So ye see, Messrs. Editors, that this Government are bound to do what is right to every constituency irrespective of whether they returned Government supporters or not. May King's Co. be remembered in the estimates, is, I know, the wish of every elector down your way irrespective of party.

The Banff Natural Park in the Northwest has been getting pretty well vented in the House the past day or two. Some of the Opposition smell "boodle" in it. Who knows? Yesterday (Thursday) another division of the House took place. This time on the abolition of the office of Deputy Speaker. The vote stood for abolishing the office, 66; against 109; giving the government a majority of 43. Sir John intimated that a Deputy Speaker would be appointed to-day.

The second reading of a bill in regard to insolvents and their estates took place yesterday. The main feature of this measure is that when an insolvent has equally distributed among his creditors two-thirds of their claim, if a majority of such creditors, representing a majority in the value of such claims, consent to a discharge, and if the creditor has handed over all his property, he may be discharged. When the estate pays between one-third and two-thirds, the discharge requires two-thirds of his creditors and value of claims; when less than one-third it requires three-fourths of the creditors to consent to a discharge. These are the principal clauses of this act, but no doubt before the House is through with it, it will be somewhat changed.

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