

The Annexation Talk.

Some little excitement has been caused in political circles by the formation of a club in Montreal, whose object is to discuss among other things annexation and independence. The N. Y. Herald, eager for some new sensation, took advantage of the movement, and gave currency to the opinions of several public men on the subject, including Mr. McMaster, the member for Glengarry. That gentleman seems to have given his mind pretty freely to the Herald's representative, and the conversation was duly reproduced in its columns. It created no small excitement when published, and Mr. McMaster, finding that he was getting himself into a tight place, has shown great anxiety to explain. He has written a letter in which he denies that he advocates independence or annexation, but wants the future to be considered. He complains of misrepresentation by the New York Herald. Mr. McMaster's position at this time is very much like that he filled several years ago, when a national party held meetings in the Mechanics' hall. He rapidly rose to the head of that concern, but the members would not be bulldozed, he having been called to time by the Gazette, and so the affair collapsed. He has got himself into a nice fix, and it will take him some time to get out of it.

As a set off to this talk about annexation, we may refer to some home truths recently uttered by the Buffalo Express about the growth of Imperialism in the States. It laughs at the attempt to manufacture an annexation sentiment in Canada, and declares there is a far deeper and more extended feeling in favour of Imperialism, or at all events of the abolition of manhood suffrage, among the "cultured" people—the upper ten and the financial circles of the large Eastern cities of the States—than ever existed in Canada in favour of independence or annexation. Even New York, whose newspapers are supposed mainly to guide the political sentiment of the Union, is largely imbued with a monarchical spirit, and anti-republican ideas are commonly expressed by "society" people at Washington, Baltimore, Philadelphia and other centres of politics and advanced thought.

Dufferin Nomination.

No less than thirteen candidates were nominated in Dufferin electoral division—four Reformers and nine Conservatives. There is considerable feeling exhibited among the candidates who were nominated for the County. The nominations in the Conservative interest was F. C. Stewart, Dr. Barr, J. McGhee, B. Henderson, W. J. J. P. Barker, D. L. Scott, and Jas. Allen, and they were unable to come to any arrangement, Mr. Stewart being the only one who resigned. The others all appear on the ballot. In the Reform interest, there was Thos. J. W. Parsons, Jos. Pattillo, C. Graham, and J. J. Middleton, but all left the field but Mr. Jull.

A drawback of one cent per pound on all malt imported into and used in manufacture in Canada is announced.

The total vote polled in the Provincial election was:—Royal, Conservative, 652; Molloy, Independent, 209; Hamilton, Independent, 121.

It seems that Mr. William Ellis, of Prescott, a practical engineer, and a staunch Tory, has been appointed Superintendent of the Welland Canal, in room of Mr. Bodwell, who gets an office on the Pacific Railway.

The canvass in North Lanark does not appear to be at all satisfactory to the Tories there, since so many of their number are coming every day to Ottawa and holding interviews with members of the Government.

The Journal of Commerce says "the teachings of 1879 are: light stocks, proportioned to capital; limited and careful extension of credit, and the smallest possible interest account of 1890." We hope the lesson will not be forgotten.

OTTAWA Free Press:—Of one thing there is absolute certainty, and that is that both the Rag Baby and Independence will be adopted gladly by the party in office, should they think that by doing so they might secure a prolonged tenure of power.

On Friday the firm of Messrs. E. Hooper & Sons, Napanee, suspended. The assets and liabilities are not yet known. The suspension was hurried on no doubt owing to the large deficit in the County Treasury, of which the head of the firm, Mr. Edmund Hooper, M.P., but recently resigned the office during the examination of the books and documents.

SEAFORTH Expositor: A contemporary very correctly remarks: It is rather a striking anomaly that bankrupt members of Parliament should be allowed to sit in the House of Commons and make laws on bankruptcy. Yet this anomaly actually exists in Canada. It may possibly be contended that a man who has taken advantage of the Insolvent Act and paid twenty or thirty cents on the dollar, is in a better position to judge of the merits and demerits of the Act than one who has had no such experience. But it is a question if the experience thus acquired is of the best kind, for there is experience that may be turned to bad account, as well as experience that may be turned to good.

It is now generally known that at the late Cabinet meeting in Montreal the appointment of Chauveau to the Bench of the Quebec Police Court was resolved upon. Mr. Lynch strongly objected to the nomination, but was informed that the member for Rimouski would hold the office for a few months only, and would be appointed Sheriff of Quebec, vice Hon. Charles Allen to be superannuated. The appointment of this individual will be one of the grossest outrages ever attempted upon public opinion in this community.

THE Hamilton Times says:—"We learn with the most sincere regret that a reduction of wages in the moulding shops in the city has been determined upon. It is understood that it is partially necessitated by the state of trade, and partly by the friction of the tariff, which is calling to every manufacturer in iron in Canada. The tax of \$2 per ton on pig iron, the tax on coal of 50 cents per ton, with duties on every other article which enters into castings, or the goods which they help to make up, form a dreadful drag on the manufacturer, who is compelled to produce cheaply if he is to live in face of the competition by which he is met. The tariff is the source of no end of trouble. It is assisting only a chosen few who are monopolists. The remainder are fast in its jaws, and are worried beyond endurance. At a time like this a federation of wages is a calamity, but it seems, it is submitted to, as there is no help for it as matters are at present situated through the manipulation of the Ottawa Government."

A Young Lady Shoots her

ROCHESTER, Jan. 3.—A terrible tragedy at Lyons, N. Y., was committed by Miss Frankie Hovey between one and two o'clock this afternoon. After mailing letters to friends in Lyons and Rochester, Frankie went to her father's, last store on Canal-street. She carried him where he sat in his chair, and waited till the clerks had all gone to dinner; then, putting a pistol to her father's right temple, she fired, the ball lodging in the brain, and killing him in a few seconds. When the dead father was found by one of the wife's brothers, he muffled in the chair indicated that she had done the deed, and ascending the stairs they found her lying on the floor with a hand-mirror in her left hand and a pistol in the other. She had reloaded the single barrel of the weapon to take her own life after her father's death, and held the mirror so that she might shoot herself in exactly the same fatal spot as she had shot her father. The bullet entered her brain, and she cannot live till morning. Ever since her lover and fiancé committed suicide in Louisiana recently, she has been regarded as a monomaniac.

The Georgetown Herald advocates the establishment of a Mechanics' Institute in that place, and invites discussion on the subject.

The Maine Republicans regard the answers to the Supreme Court of Governor Garcelon's questions as a positive triumph to their cause.

The German Admiralty is considering the advisability of blowing up the sunken ironclad Grosser Kurfurst, all attempts to raise her having failed.

The man who will toss a three-cent piece into a contribution plate, and endeavor to make it jingle like a dime, is the man to watch in a horse trade.

Dr. Turner, of Baltimore, near Cobourg, has eloped with a farmer's wife. The Doctor was Treasurer of the School Board and left with \$500 of the School funds.

The Hamilton Tool Company, of Hamilton, has been attached by Messrs. Burrows, Stewart & Milne of that city. The amount of the liabilities is not yet known.

One of the tenant farmers who visited Canada has written Mr. Fettes to enquire on what terms he would take a party of emigrants from Quebec to Manitoba in the spring.

Mr. Thomas Greenway, M. P. P., in Montreal, taking the necessary steps towards taking out in the spring a colony of settlers from the western section of Ontario to locate in the Rock Lake district.

Five of the passengers and six of the crew of the lost steamer *Donau* were brought to Baltimore by an Italian harpoon on Saturday morning, having been picked up in an open boat, 250 miles off the Azores.

Mr. Wrenshall of Kingston purposes starting a piano-manufacturing in Galt, providing sufficient encouragement is given. He proposes renting a building rather than building at present, and to put \$5,000 into the business.

A young lady in Chicago, when asked by the officiating minister, "Will you love, honor and obey this man as your husband and be to him a true wife?" said plainly, "Yes, if he does what he promised me financially."

Messrs. Sullivan and Gilbert have produced another opera in New York, "The Pirates of Penzance," and it scored a success that promises to make it even exceed "Pinafore" in point of popularity.

On Monday morning a surveying party left Hamilton under the superintendence of Mr. John Armstrong, for the purpose of locating a line of railway to connect with the Canada Pacific on Lake Superior. The headquarters will be Mackinac.

The Journal of Commerce says that the negotiations in D. McInnes & Co.'s affairs were brought to satisfactory conclusion about a week ago, and all concerns which cheques accordingly. The new premises in Hamilton are expected to be soon ready for occupancy.

"I can't trust you," said a rum-seller to an impoverished customer. "You should let liquor alone; if you hadn't drank so much of it you might now be riding in your carriage." "And if you hadn't sold it," retorted the victim, you'd have been my driver."

The increase in traffic upon the 806 miles of track of the Great Western railway since the first of August is noteworthy. The growth of traffic is from \$1,728,388 in the last five months of 1878 to \$1,978,701 in the like period of the present year, an increase of \$250,313, or 12.9 per cent.

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In a Tight Place.

When Sir Leonard Tilley was in Fredericton, a short time since, he made a speech in reply to an address, and among other things advanced by him, with a view of excusing himself for his share of the high tariff, he urged that protection was necessary in order to punish the Americans and bring them to a sense of their reciprocal duties. In fact, Sir Leonard pictured the effect of our tariff upon the Yankees as something calculated to bring them to a state of misery sufficient to satisfy the strongest anti-annexation prejudice. Farmer Chase, who heard all the old friend, Sir Leonard, had to say, met him next day, and after a hearty greeting, observed that "he had heard that speech of his last night," and said he—

"By gosh, Sir Leonard, you've got them infernal Yankees in a mighty tight place, ain't you?"

"Fretty tight, Chase," replied Sir Leonard, with his knowing smile, and in a tone of modest self-congratulation.

"Yes, Sir Leonard," continued Chase, "and you've got us in a darned tight tighter place, ain't you?"

Sir Leonard was flustered, and though he said nothing, he was, no doubt, convinced that the N. P. had not entirely paralyzed "old man Chase."—Chatham, N. B. Advance.

CANADIAN DAIRY PRODUCE.

The success of Canadian exhibitors at the recent International Dairy Fair in New York, is something to be proud of, and should stimulate our dairymen to renewed effort. Professor Willard, in an address at the gathering of the American Agricultural Association, said "The turn in the fall trade will undoubtedly stimulate the extension of business in new districts, especially in Canada, which has become a formidable competitor for English trade. The real property of the American dairy is not promoted by high prices. Low prices mean a reduction of milk in England, and an outlet for increased exportation from America. American cheese makers have many mistakes in devoting all their energies to one style of product, and in looking forward too exclusively to a foreign market. The home market is the best in the world, if properly supplied with a variety of goods."

A FASHION NOTE.—The Detroit Free Press says: Smugglers display a great deal of ingenuity in the various devices which they invent to successfully convey contraband goods from one country to another, and one of the most ingenious of these schemes was discovered by the "lady investigator" at the Windsor Custom House. Noticing a comely young woman landing from the Victoria ferry boat Wednesday evening, and suspecting something, she politely invited the damsel into her room and proceeded to make an examination. Tied around the waist of the young woman was an article that at first puzzled the inspector. It was made of coarse, thick, sea-proof material, and was divided into six small bags, and the whole very much resembling a modern life preserver. Further investigation showed the small compartments to be filled with tea, which was concealed by the customs authorities. The chief beauty of this article consisted in its being not only a useful receptacle for the packing of goods, but also of service as an ornamental part of the ordinary female wearing apparel. Arranged as it is, and filled with tea, so as to distribute the weight, and give an evenness of appearance, the article is a very handy and useful contrivance. The inventor of this article was employed by the fair violator of Her Majesty's revenue laws.

TELEGRAPHING GLADSTONE'S SPEECHES.

On the closing days of the week ending the 6th inst., the members of the telegraph department in Scotland were unusually busy with the transmission of press messages, describing Mr. Gladstone's speech, and reporting his very lengthy addresses. His arrival in Glasgow, and the reception accorded him by the students and the citizens generally on Thursday evening, formed the subject of press messages, extending in all to 16,202 words. Taking into account the combined messages sent by the reporters of the Press Association and Central News to journals throughout the country not specially represented in Glasgow, there were in all 63,919 words delivered throughout England, Scotland and Ireland. On Friday the single messages ran to 81,499 words, implying a total delivery, again taking combinations into account, of 429,008 words. We thus get for the two days a total of 517,701 words, or equal to about 40 newspaper columns, and 482,927 words delivered.

THE CRAZE FOR LIQUORS.—Speaking of the propensity among fashionable ladies to drinking intoxicating liquors, the London World observes: "There is an ingenious novelty in the means of satisfying the craving for drink which I can vouch for. It is—in this all confidence—it is in the form of an open glass, with the central cylinder enlarged and hollowed for the reception of choice old cognac. To this is attached a nozzle, which can be unscrewed, and a suction pipe inserted, so that the jellied occupant of a box or evidence can imbibe the liquors for hours unobserved, while affecting attentively to watch the final pirouette of La Sylphide the stage. This alcoholic lorgnette is as neat in its way as the device of Judge Boyd, of the Irish King's Bench. Daniel O'Connell used to tell that this legal lumina was so kind of handy that he kept a supply of one constantly in court upon the desk before him in an instance of peculiar mark. His lordship used to lean his arm upon the desk, he down his head, and steal a hurried sip from time to time through a quill that lay among the pens, which manoeuvre, he flattered himself, escaped observation."

Mr. S. S. Ward, whose death at Hartford, Conn., occurred on Thursday last in the 89th year of his age, was well known to all old Montreals, having come to the city in 1820, and resided there until 1846. Mr. Ward was a director, and assisted in building about the year 1839, the first railway over projected in Canada, namely, that from Laprairie to St. Johns. The firm also put up and ran the first locomotive which they imported from England.

"No," exclaimed Mr. Penhooker. "No, Madam, I object most decidedly. Once and for all I say it—the girls shall not be taught foreign languages." "And why not pray," said Mrs. P., with a withering sarcasm, "because Mrs. P., one tongue is enough for any woman!" Mrs. Penhooker responded not.

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