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The Daily Tribune. SATURDAY EVENING, MAY 16.

The Elections.—The canvass. The House of Assembly was dissolved yesterday, and writs have been issued, returnable June 5th, for a new election.

The Havana Gazette publishes a decree prohibiting 'white' or colored persons subject to military duty from changing their place of residence or receiving passports unless they deposit \$500 in gold in the Treasury.

In the House of Lords, Monday, May 11, the Earl of Granville, Secretary of State for the Colonial Department, said in accordance with the feelings of the country the Government has decided to discontinue the military expedition to Lagos and the Gold Coast in one province, under a governor, who will reside for the time being at Accra.

Court Gossip. A London letter contains some interesting odds and ends of Court and Tribunal gossip.

A Determined Suicide. One of the most determined suicides on record in these parts occurred last night or early this morning.

Guano Steamer. China, Sumatra, Calcutta, Rangoon, Madras, Batavia, Singapore, etc.

The Ontario papers are fortunate in having an agent here with a nose for news. This is what was sent them last Saturday.

The excitement is inevitable to the naked eye, unless the daily campaign be administered by the Government papers in a methodical and systematic manner.

For advertisements of Wanted, Lost, Found, For Sale, Removed, or To Let, see Auction column.

Academy of Music. do Sunday School, Entertainment Monday Evening, 7 o'clock.

Agents Wanted. do R. B. Padden, do New Goods—Likely, Cameron & Golding.

Flowers. do Hall & Hantington Administrator's Sale—John F. Godard.

Rev. I. E. Bill and family leave on Monday for a six months' tour in England and the continent.

Duke street Chapel.—Preaching by Elder Garrett, at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.

Rev. J. K. Smith, of Fort Massey Church, Halifax, will preach in Calvin Church at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.

Rev. J. K. Smith, of Halifax, will preach in the Reformed Presbyterian Church at 10 o'clock.

Rev. S. G. Dodd will preach at usual time in the Union street Church at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.

A public meeting will be held to-morrow evening in St. Malloch's Hall under the auspices of the Father Mathew Association.

A billiard match is to be played in Ross's Billiard Rooms on Wednesday next.

Mr. John Henderson, late Station Master at this place, has received an appointment in the Moncton Station building.

A false alarm of fire was sounded from Box 16 last night at 11 o'clock.

Mr. Philip Phillips sings in the Centenary this evening.

Prof. Anderson appears for the last time in the Institute this evening, and offers a \$75 prize in gold to the best prize of 800 was drawn by Mr. John Murphy, a laboring man who lives in Water street.

At an emergency meeting of St. John's Lodge, F. A. M., last evening, the Rev. George Cole was presented with an address. The address is engrossed on parchment and bound in a handsome dark morocco case with the name of the lodge and of the recipient printed in gilt.

The S. S. Caspian arrived at St. John's, N. F., yesterday from Liverpool, and will be due at Halifax Monday morning.

A large stock of new and fine pianos at E. Peiler & Bro.

Shomague oysters. Just received a very fine lot of the above oysters at the Victoria Dining Saloon, Germain street No. 8.

Mr. C. Spear now to intimate to Saint John epicure that he has engaged one of the best and most skillful cooks to be had from Boston, and he is now prepared to furnish breakfasts, dinners and suppers in the highest style of the culinary art.

Messrs. GUTHRIE & HENDERSON furnish hot tea biscuit every evening.

Flower Display. Messrs. Hall & Hantington advertise an auction sale for next Tuesday morning of very fine and choice flowers and plants, including rose carnations, geraniums, foliage plants, etc.

The "Canadian Anthem Book" is the newest and best of the kind. E. Peiler & Bro., N. S. agents.

Common Council. At the Common Council yesterday afternoon, the Mayor's Committee reported against leasing or building on the lot at the corner of Market and Charlotte sts.

The special accounts committee recommended a number of bills; the appeal committee declined to alter the taxes or Mr. Sherrard to be handed back to him; the street committee asked to be allowed to take up the rails in Prince Wm. street, to remove swaying posts, to lay an asphalt sidewalk on the north side of King street, and to call for tenders for building retaining walls; and the Fire Committee recommended the establishment of a Fire Police corps.

A lengthy report was received from the Harbor Committee, enclosing a copy of the memorial forwarded by them to the Dominion Government in opposition to the proposed bridging of the harbor at Saint John, recommending several amendments to be paid; declining to acknowledge the claim of the captain of ship British Lion; and advising the Board to proceed against Wm. Robertson for arrears of rent of a portion of the wharf. The report was adopted after several members had objected to the Harbor Committee taking upon themselves to forward a petition without consulting the Board.

A number of petitions for retaining walls were referred to the Street Committee.

A communication from Joseph Westwood, an account of damages for injuries sustained by his wife, on account of a defective sidewalk, was referred to the Eastern Lands Committee.

The International Steamship Company applied, on account of the expenses they had incurred in building boats, for an extension of their lease from five years to ten. Referred to Harbor Committee.

H. A. Glasgow and Henry Leonard were appointed Directors in the Carleton Branch Railway, to represent the city's stock.

Swinging signs, the Harbor Master's fees, numbering houses, codification of by-laws, and two or three other questions, were discussed.

Mr. Morrison, who was for so long a time in the employ of M. N. Powers, Esq., has commenced the business of undertaker, etc., on his own account.

Shipping Notes. The St. John's Steamship Company.—The Montreal and Acadia Steamship Company has been formed to furnish steam communication between Montreal, Shick, N. B., Charlottetown, P. E. I., and Pictou, N. S.

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There was no regular look-out at the time. A portion of the crew were working on deck. Saw the Astracana on the morning of the collision. She was then about 3 miles astern of my starboard quarter and steering apparently about 100 degrees, when she collided with my ship.

When I saw her first we were going about 8 knots per hour, increasing to 5 at the time of collision. The Astracana overhauled us, sheered to my port quarter, remained there some time, applied in trying to get in his former position by sheering across my stern again, becoming my vessel, and then struck us. The direction of my vessel at the time was W. S. W. The other vessel struck me on the starboard side, and starting deck planking, unshaping wheel, breaking stanchion, cutting the (new wire) main light, port side, bending it 6 or 8 inches, cutting head of mainmast and top-mast, after which she drifted clear to starboard, leaving a portion of her rib-iron and head gear aboard. My ship was under all plain sail, as was the other, except upper mainmast top-sail.

CARPENT AND CORD GROUPS OF THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH and DUCHESS MARIÉ, at Notman's.

Academy of Music. The "New Magdalen" was again put on last evening to an excellent house. This evening "Ed. Astray" is on the bill and all who have not seen the play should embrace this opportunity. On Monday evening Robertson's great comedy, "Our's," is to be played. The band of the 22nd is engaged for the occasion, and a detachment of the same regiment will add zest to the performance.

"Our's" had a run of 350 nights at Princess Theatre, London; 150 nights at Wallack's Theatre, New York, and 40 nights at Selwyn's Theatre, Boston. Miss Carrie Jameson will make her first appearance in this piece.

Base Ball. A match was played yesterday afternoon on the Barrack Square between the Invincibles and Mutual Clubs. It was not the same team of the latter club that won so many matches last year, but consisted of members who had never played together before. It took several innings, therefore, before they settled down to the game, and for a while it looked as though the champion club of last year would have to resign their position in favor of the Invincibles. The players, however, were apparently not the least alarmed. The last innings decided the game in favor of the Mutuals, they scoring eighteen runs, the Invincibles only succeeding in making one run when they went to the bat for the last time. The game was an excellent one, and was witnessed by a large number of spectators. Good hits, strikes and catches were vociferously cheered. The playing team of the Mutuals enjoyed an oyster supper in the evening.

New Designs of Walnut Frames Notman's.

Dramatic Lyceum Theatre. Mr. Lanagan will open the Lyceum on Monday evening with Yankee Locke's sensational drama, "Trumps." He has a good company, and promises a succession of stars of the first magnitude.

"Trumps" is founded on Toombs' novel. "The Bushrangers," and was dramatized by Fred Marsden for Yankee Locke, who takes the leading part. Marsden is the author of "Alms," the play with which Miss Linnie Edridge created so great a sensation in this city two years ago. He is also the writer of "Zep," Maggie Mitchell's latest piece, and "Clouds," which has very lately been put on the stage.

"Trumps" was written specially for Mr. Locke, who has made a most decided hit in different theatres in the United States with it. He will remain here for one week, appearing in "Ten Nights in a Bar-room" and other pieces. Mr. Locke, during the past season in Boston, played "Ten Nights in a Bar-room" for three weeks to crowded houses.

The company that is engaged to open Mr. Lanagan's subsequent season is one of the largest ever introduced to a St. John audience, consisting of twelve ladies and about sixteen gentlemen. Among them is Mr. Davies—the genial comedian—who visits this city for the second time.

The Windsor Route. The Messrs. Lunt have succeeded in making arrangements for steam service between St. John and Windsor, and will dispatch the steamer City of St. John for the latter port, touching at Parrsboro' on Tuesday night. She connects with the train from Halifax.

Postal Regulations. Postal Regulations. Postal Regulations. Postal Regulations.

Merchants' Exchange. New York, May 16. Frigates—Little doing, rates enter for sale, for other steady.

Markets.—Molasses good demand at full price; sugar nominal, prices weak. Exchange—Gold opened 112. Weather—Wind N. E., thick, rainy. Ther 89°.

Boston, May 16. Weather—Wind E. S. E., raining. Ther. 49°.

Portland, May 16. Weather—Wind East, light, raining. Ther. 52°.

Halifax, May 16. Exchange fair—on U. S. short sight 112. Ther. 51°.

The Circuit Court. Day et al. vs. Murray et al. was continued for another day, and several witnesses were examined for the defence. No court was held to-day, as Chief Justice Ritchie had to attend the Election Court in Fredericton.

The two prisoners convicted yesterday of common assault have not yet been sentenced. It is said that the jury in this case stood in for a verdict on both counts—the judge—most distinctly charged—and three for common assault. Rather than disagree and have another trial the nine consented to agree to the verdict of the three. It was after dinner time when the jury retired.

The Court will meet as usual on Monday, and the Grand Jury are expected to be present at 11 o'clock, when the last case, the Queen vs. Neptune and Dixon, will be sent before them.

City Police Court. John Campbell and Allan Seaberry were arrested yesterday afternoon for fighting in an alley off Main street. The latter was charged with drunkenness and it was not thought necessary to make any inquiry yesterday afternoon. On investigation this morning it turned out that Seaberry attacked Campbell with a knife and attempted to stab him. As a matter of course Campbell resisted, defending himself, got the knife from his opponent, and was proceeding to give him what he termed a good pounding, when he was arrested by the police. Both were committed to the station for a night. The other departed after having spent a night in the Station for nothing but defending himself.

Daniel Dodd, charged with drunkenness in one of the company preserves—King square—was fined 96.

Wm. Lockhart and John Fitzgerald were charged with fighting in Mill street. It was clear that the former was fighting in self-defence, and he was discharged, while a fine of \$10 or two months in goal was imposed on the latter.

John McLaughlin confessed to drunkenness in Sheffield street and was fined 96.

Portland Police Court. A clean slate—all charges as this Court are first entered on a slate—was seen by Judge Tapley when he took his place in Court this morning.

Portland Rapp. Portland, though not much behind the city, has always felt one want, especially the female portion of the community, and that was a good dry goods store. Though it can boast of numerous liquor stores, grocery stores second to none in the city, shoe stores, drug stores, and, in fact most kinds, its first dry goods store is just opened with a stock imported direct from England. It is bound to rival the city stores, and not to be beaten in price or quality. It occupies one of the shops in the brick block in Main street, opposite High street, and is a very neat and tasty store. The proprietors are Messrs. McMurtry & Black, a young man well known in the trade, who will, no doubt, soon work up an excellent business.

Moospath Park. The Directors of this park announce a number of races to come off on the 25th inst. This is the Spring Meeting, under the auspices of the Drivers, and the exhibition will be followed by several others during the coming season. The track is now in excellent condition.