

purposes. If it were not so, it is obvious that, with her present revenue, in the fifteen years Britain could have paid off fifteen hundred millions of her debt without straining her resources, and thus stand on a par with the United States, whose real defence is the cheap Atlantic ocean. As the N. Y. Commercial Advertiser said the other day, England may be crumbling to decay, but it is a very substantial sort of crumb.

In a recent 'elopement' case in Montreal the young lady in the case, who was only sixteen years of age, fulfilled the position of chief strategist in the affair. Having tried various methods of enjoying the company of her beloved, and having failed in each, she began to hint to her mother that as they were not well off, and she was wed to be occupied so that her mind might not constantly dwell upon harassing considerations, she would like to find some respectable kind of employment. Her mother was not very favorably impressed by this suggestion, but eventually gave in to her daughter. The young girl, who was closely watched by her friends lest she might attempt some new runs to get away with her beloved, caused the following advertisement to be inserted in an evening paper: 'Wanted by a lady; about to go to the country, a young lady as companion. A suitable person will be treated as one of the family and receive a liberal salary. Apply to—, ladies' parlors,—Hotel.' She had previously arranged that her 'chum' should appear at the hotel in disguise, as 'the lady about to go to the country,' and should engage her on most favorable terms. The plan worked admirably. The daughter was duly engaged to leave town by the North Shore Railway but the mother, unlucky for the guilty pair, went to the depot to say a last farewell, and not finding the lady or her companion, repaired in a state of alarm to the Central Police Station, where she informed Detective Lason of the affair. On the following day, after an active search, he found her living in a small house just beyond the city limits. Opposition to the foolish girl's union was finally broken down, and now they are man and wife.

The following despatch has been supplied by the Associated Press:— London, Sept. 8.—Sir John A. Macdonald and other Canadian Government commissioners have been successful in a financial arrangement for the construction of a Canadian Pacific Railway, which was concluded this afternoon. The contract is taken jointly by a banking firm in London, a French financial association and a firm of financiers in New York. The contracting parties will receive from the Canadian Government a certain number of millions sterling in cash or its equivalent to be provided by issue of Canadian Government bonds, not backed however by an Imperial guarantee, and a certain number of millions of acres of land. In consideration of these grants, the contracting parties undertake to form a company to be called the Pacific Railway Company, which shall construct and work the line in perpetuity. The Government furthermore gives to the contracting parties, in addition to the surveys already made, the whole of the line thus far built. The cost of these items is put at between five and six millions sterling.

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The following gentlemen have kindly consented to act as our agents all intending subscribers will therefore confer a favor by sending in their names and subscriptions that they may be forwarded to this office.

- Brigus—Mr. P. J. Power, School Teacher
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- Bell's Cove } Mr. Richard Walsh, Post
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- Tinglingale—Mr. W. T. Roberts.
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- Catalina—Mr. A. Gardiner.
- Bay de's de—Mr. James Evans
- Collier—Mr. Hearn
- Conception Harbor—Mr. Kennedy
- HARBOR MAIN—Mr. E. Murray.
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THE CARBONEAR HERALD

Honest Labor—our noblest heritage.
CARBONEAR, SEPT. 23RD.

Fully appreciative as we are of the inestimable advantages, which as a free people we enjoy in the possession of legislative institutions and the privileges of self government, still in view of the evil consequences to society and the manifold injury to the public

interests, which from time to time have resulted from the coercive application of varied influences to the exercise of the franchise in this colony. We cannot but feel thoroughly convinced of the urgent necessity for reform in the exercise of this most important privilege. Viewing this matter fairly and impartially from a standpoint elevated above the consideration of governmental or party bias, it must be frankly and candidly acknowledged, that until a reform such as that referred to, be applied to our elective franchise, the privileges of self-government cannot be said to be freely or fairly exercised by the people of this colony. The reform to which we refer, the Ballot, one which has stood the test of upwards of a century in the neighbouring republic and has subsequently been introduced into the mother country and the various provinces of the New Dominion, has been found to work well in connection with the political institutions of the countries referred to, where it has been the means of allaying the bitterness and rancor of party strife and of restoring peace and harmony to communities hitherto torn and distracted by fiscal political conflict. Such being the beneficial effects resulting from the exercise of the privilege of the franchise through the medium of the Ballot, by our republican neighbours and fellow subjects on both sides of the Atlantic, we fail to see any reason why a similar change cannot be wrought in the political affairs of this colony, for the adoption by its people, of a course so highly satisfactory to the interests of society and so pre-eminently conducive to the general welfare of the country and its people. We are by no means unmindful of the obstacles which present themselves to the successful accomplishment of this much needed reform, from the determined opposition of the influence above referred to. These obstacles however, difficult and unsurmountable—these influences irresistible and potent as they may appear must inevitably yield before the persistent and determined action of a united people who "know their privileges as freemen and know how to dare maintain them." With these few remarks we place this important subject before our readers, reserving for a future issue, the consideration of its applicability to the political interests of this colony and the means to be employed for the attainment of the object in view.

Correspondence.

To the Editor of the Carbonear Herald,
HARBOR MAIN, Sept. 21.

Dear Sir,— A Pic-Nic or Temperance Treat for the members of the Harbor Main Juvenile T. A. Society, took place on Monday last the 13th inst., on the beautiful grounds owned by the Ladies of the Presentation Convent. The weather proved most favourable the day being exceedingly fine, clear and free from showers which prevailed for some few days previous. At 3.30 p.m. the members assembled at the boys school where they were met by the Rev. J. V. Donnelly, the spiritual director of the Society whose deep interest in the cause of temperance is untiring. Having been formed in processional order under the careful superintendence of Charles Furey, Esq., President. The Society headed by a handsome silk flag marched to the grounds which were beautifully decorated with flags, and where every preparation for their reception has been made by Capt. Sullivan, Messrs. Jas. Woodford sr., Jas. Woodford jr., P. Bricks & Jas. Kennedy later on came some of the principal persons of the Harbor together with some few persons from the adjoining localities who had been invited as guests, when all were assembled a day of most heartfelt pleasure and enjoyment commenced, the juveniles well arrayed in their new and brilliant uniforms and their bright and happy faces showed foretaste of the coming mirth, games peculiar of such occasions formed the prominent feature of amusement, during the day and which I need not say, was carried out to the entire satisfaction of all. It is unnecessary for me to dwell on the comfort and satisfaction the juveniles manifested while partaking of the many good things prepared for them or the sumptuous manner in which the many guests were entertained. As a fitting conclusion to the days happiness all collected to the Convent school house where the young folks might merrily trip it on the light fantastic. A very amusing performance by Professor Ryan

in *propria persona* added not a letter to the youthful mirth.

At one p.m. the juveniles after giving three hearty cheers for the Rev. Spiritual director, and expressing their heartfelt thanks to the Ladies of the Convent for their kindness in giving them the grounds marched back to the boys school, where they doffed their regalia and dispersed with hearts full of glee and satisfaction. Thus wound up a day long to be remembered by the young and old of Harbor Main.

Yours, &c.,

SPECTATOR.

To the Editor of the Carbonear Herald
BAY-DE-VERD, Sept. 20.

Dear Sir,— Wonderful exertion on the part of the magistrate and police to capture the great Permissive Bull now running at large in Bay-de-Verd. It appears that a short time ago, some woman at Bay-de-Verd had some reason to complain to the magistrate that they had been greatly annoyed through this bull coming about their houses at night, especially on Sunday nights, making such confused noise and disturbing their rest and upsetting their household besides doing considerable other damages to their property. The worthy gentleman replied that he had long had his suspicions about Baysde-Verd and intended sending the police to see about it, but other matters prevented him. However he would do so now as soon as possible. So accordingly when he did get time, giving the bull time too, he mustered his forces and sent them off to the scene of action. And on Friday evening, the 3rd inst., the little village of Bay-de-Verd was thrown quite into confusion on seeing a whole force of police including one marching down the hill and across the street until he arrived at the house where the monster was said to be then asleep. On arriving at the door he was met by the man of the house. Ah! sir, you keep a bull. A bull! not I my friend, who said I kept a bull. Well, somebody said you kept a bull and I have come to search for him, and of course I must do my duty. Oh! all right sir, come inside. Going into the kitchen he looks under the stove and behind the door. No bull there. In the parlor, under the table behind the couch. No bull there. Up stairs, in all the bedrooms. Ah! e'en under the beds. Nothing there. Well! nothing but what every body knows is necessary in such places. He comes down again and goes out in the porch. Ah! this door locked, where is the key. In my pocket. Key in your pocket! I can't get the key out of a woman's pocket, so of course, I can't see what is in this room. No use looking for the bull here, must try somewhere else, but whisper! Mrs. Somebody has informed on you, and you will be fined for keeping a bull which is contrary to the Permissive Act, although I can't see it. He goes along a little further. You keep a bull sir. Not at all, keep nothing but a cow, sir, a great cow though, gives splendid milk, would you like a drink, sir. Well don't mind if I do, I've travelled some distance and feel thirsty. Well, sit down sir, you don't get such milk in Perlouan I assure you, renovates the whole system and will do you good for a week. And sure enough it had a great effect completely shutting one of the poor fellow's eyes, and as the bull happened to be on the blind side, of course he could not see it. One more chance, on a little further. You, keep a bull mam. Lord, no sir! I don't keep a bull, nor a cow, not so much as a calf, can't give you as much as a drink of milk, I keep nothing but water, excellent water though, it is not much like you get at Backside. Well, don't mind if I do try a drink, just not a drink of milk, made me a kind of dizzy a little water may set me all right. And oh, the effect was wonderful, completely shut the other eye. Talk of seeing a bull, why, he would not see an elephant if it was there. After an hour's fruitless search had to return without the bull, and advise the women to catch it themselves. Only think of seeding women bull-catching. I wonder if the Government have many more such brave officers. If not they had better appoint a few women to do their work. I don't fancy it would take very smart women to catch both the bull and the bobby.

ALFA.

To the Editor of the Carbonear Herald,
St. John's, Sept. 21.

Dear Sir,— In looking over the last week's issue of your paper, I observed in a letter from a Mobile correspondent, an unwarrantable effort, of his, to reflect discredit on Mr. Michael Carthy, one of the intended candidates for

the approaching election in the district of Ferryland, which, according to announcement in the 'Royal Gazette' will take place some time in November next, by designating that gentleman an 'uneducated' and 'unfit' person to represent, in the House of Assembly, the people of the district above mentioned. Now Mr. Editor, with your kind permission I would take this opportunity of putting a few simple questions to the worthy of Mobile, whom, judging from the tenor of his late production, is certainly a Newfoundland Native, and one of those, too, who does not appear to know how to appreciate the sterling qualities which characterize almost every true 'Hibernian'; viz.: wit, humour, ability, and that indomitable pluck and perseverance which have placed them in the high positions they, at present, fill in this as well as every other portion of the British possessions; but as it is not my intention to sound my own trumpet, I shall now to the questions, which, be it understood, have emanated from a review of the 'Mobile' letter.

1st.—In what manner were the electors of Ferryland district compelled to vote for a man, not the one of their choice?

2nd.—What duty towards his constituents, did Mr. Conroy neglect during his legislative career?

3rd.—What selfish actions was he guilty of?

4th.—What power, undue influence and out of place interference had been brought to bear in his favor to insure his return?

5th.—What power was instrumental in securing £2000 a year for him?

6th.—What power had been exercised against the Natives of this country causing them to be treated as Zulus? What inference is to be drawn from the allusion to 'knocking down of bridges'?

7th.—Why was reference made to the 'Advocate' in the matter? What is meant by the "grand fever of the great power" having been broken?

Finally.—In what respect is Mr. G. G. Emerson jr. more suitable than Mr. Michael Carthy, to represent the district of Ferryland. These Mr. Editor, are the questions which I wish to have placed before your readers and which, I trust, will be fully replied to by your Mobile friend at his earliest convenience in order that the general public may be enabled to decide on the merits of the case.

Before concluding this very imperfectly written letter, for be it understood it is quite out of my line of business, I would wish, Mr. Editor, by way of advice, to acquaint the Mobile, that the 'Grand Lever', to which he referred is not broken; that it is an Irish one; and that its power remains invulnerable and is certain not to swerve from the performance of its duty in the approaching contest; and that the electors of Mobile and other parts of the district of Ferryland, as well, will again see and feel, if necessary, its influence and pressure in favor of Carthy, in defiance of fisherman or merchant, let them be Native or not.

Your's obediently,
AN IRISHMAM.

P.S.—The writer being a real Irishman, I presume, Mr. Editor, you will feel delicate in giving this letter a place in your Native Journal.

A. I. M.

[If we are to believe our correspondent to be a real Irishman we can have no hesitation, whatever, in giving his communication room in our columns. I doubt, however, the genuineness of my friend, as real and true ones i. e. (par excellence) are rather a scarce commodity in, at least, this part of the country.]—Pro. Herald.

To the Editor of the Carbonear Herald,
CARBONEAR, Sept. 23.

Dear Sir,— I noticed in your last issue an answer to my communication 'Don't Starve the Poor,' I must admit that I did go into a little scurrility, and perhaps rather too much, of course I should remember the gentleman to whom I referred held a position, which in itself, entitled him to respect and honor, but to maintain that respect and honor he should act accordingly. Now, Mr. Editor, when he saw your reference to my communication why did he not reflect and say to himself that he was encroaching on the poor man's smite and order his horses to be stopped and give the work over to some poor men, whose lawful right it is. But no, sir, in defiance of your independent journal and the public of Carbonear, the horses were sent to work on Monday as usual. Did this gentleman think that an independent journal was to be treated with such contempt, and that you

would, the second time, refuse me a place in your journal to maintain the poor man's rights, but he will learn in the course of time, how a journal, such as yours should be respected. Mr. Editor, this should be the motto of all independent journals—If I warn you and you treat me with contempt I will not spare you. Why did not this gentleman publish tenders in your paper and have the work done properly or as is generally done, write it out on a piece of paper or get them printed in St. John's and send a policeman or drapery boy to stick them up. It is almost time to do away with this mean practice. If it was put up to tender the public would know what it cost and who was paid for it, and whether they were paid in cash or truck; but truck should be out of the question for government work. It is not the days of '67 and '68 now, there is plenty of hard cash in the iron chest and the poor man wants his share of it though small it is. I would here take the advantage of reminding the gentleman above referred to that it is high time he would take more interest in the public affairs of this town, viz.: the road affairs, the postal arrangements, the street maps which you have strongly advocated and recommended time and again, and most important of all, to see that we get our share of public money and to have it fairly divided and justly spent. I regret to say that it has not been fairly divided for a number of years, and I say and maintain that this shows a great lack of independence on the part of the gentleman above referred to. According to previous numbers of your journal I am led to believe that we are at last to have the long looked for Fire Engine. Well, Mr. Editor, who need we thank for that, the gentleman above referred to or the Herald? I say the Herald, and any one who can contradict it, will oblige me by doing so in the columns of your paper, and I will then prove by good arguments, at present best known to myself. I also ask this gentleman to publish, when the engine is safely locked up in the new engine house, a statement of the amount expended on it as it will then stand, house stone and all. It is time the public of Carbonear should know more about the expenditure of their money. No more of this doing things in the dark business. If it is not published it will show the electors of this town what they got to trust to, and will also be a mark of contempt which will be responded to accordingly. Yes, Mr. Editor, you will hear from me in words of thunder.

Your's &c.

ALPHA.

Local and other Items.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.—QUERIES.—Your communication to hand, of course, Mr. Mackinson is justified in taking the steamer of the route; but the Government is not justified in allowing him to do so. Your remarks with regard to the steamer not calling here yesterday, is very true, and we fail to see why so many people should be inconvenienced for the purpose of allowing Mr. M. to make a few dollars when ever the opportunity offers. It is not a very pleasing thing for many of our leading men or their representative to have to wait at the post office for hours. This trick of making a few dollars at the inconvenience of the people of Carbonear as well as other parts of the Bay, must stop short. We will probably refer to this matter at length next issue.

The letter of 'Sign Board,' received too late for publication in present issue, but will have our attention next week.

'An indignant native'—Your language is entirely too strong; subdue your indignation and write a little more calmly, and we shall have pleasure in giving room to your correspondence. While agreeing with you in some points, especially where reference is made to Natives of the metropolis, we nevertheless; do not care to alarm the Natives of Conception Bay as well as those of St. John's.

Purchaser.—If you want to get good bargains or the worth of your money, purchase from those who advertise in this paper; we cannot recommend any other places of business, nor is it to our interest to do so.

A NEW IDEA.—Our friend Reynard says we must and will have the railway and the reason why *Au Revoir* is so much opposed to it, is simply because of his apprehension that potatoes and turnips would take the place of a large proportion of his hard bread, should the poor farmers get that chance of encouragement.

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