

CORRESPONDENCE.

HARBOR AU BOUTE, March 15, 1886.

To the Editor of the Casket. DEAR SIR.—In your issue of the 4th inst. John Corbett of this county comes out with a new edition of a slander against me that was circulated in several parts of this county before the election in October last. Mr. Corbett's latest is certainly an improvement on the one I first heard, and to which your issue of the 28th January contained my contradiction. —the slander, viz: that I said no person should vote for Dr. McIntosh because he is a Strathglass man. He now accuses me of saying that Dr. McIntosh was "only brought out by a d—Strathglass clique." This charge is as absolutely false as the first. It was on election day I heard for the first time that I was accused of insulting Strathglass men. After that I endeavored to trace the lie to its author, and when I accused Mr. Corbett of having spread this falsehood about me, he told me it was no falsehood at all, that I had said it in the presence of five or six men, and that he was ready to swear that he had heard me say it. Since then I have spoken to each of these men he referred to, and found that one of them has a distinct recollection of hearing me say that Dr. McIntosh was brought out by a clique, but none of them has any recollection of hearing me use the word "Strathglass" at all. Mr. Corbett endeavored to give colour to his story by professing his readiness to attest to it; but this offer is stripped of all its force when one cannot but suspect that Mr. Corbett is aware that the Law threatens with heavy penalty any Magistrate before whom he would take a voluntary oath of this nature. The truth of the matter is that this story was circulated to prejudice some electors here of Strathglass descent against the party I was supporting. Mr. Corbett's story bears on its very face the mark of fiction, and very clumsy fiction at that. He represents himself as saying that Dr. McIntosh was supported by some of the best men in the county, and that I denied this by asserting that he was brought out by a certain clique. Will any reasonable person read Mr. Corbett's statement and say that that would be the natural answer. Again it was never known that there was such a political combination in this county as a Strathglass clique. I very well knew that many leading Strathglass men so far from supporting Dr. McIntosh considered his candidature ill advised and had in many instances used their influence against him. What makes then could I have had in making a statement which I must have known was false? There was nothing to be gained here for the party I was supporting by insulting a respectable body of Scotch electors in this district; and moreover, this very body was and had always been my warmest personal friends, and I may add, they are nearly all still notwithstanding Mr. Corbett's malice. Now outside of the certainty I feel of the falseness of Mr. Corbett's statement, his charge rests on the assumption (1) that I said what I knew to be false; (2) that I said this knowing that it would injure the party I was supporting; and (3) that I was offering an insult to life-long friends. I once heard a wise man say that no one tells lies without reward. Mr. Corbett on the contrary seems to hold the maxim that some people, particularly when opposing his views in politics, will tell lies to injure themselves and their party. He slandered me in no shallow way. I owe it to my Strathglass friends to make this denial and these observations. I have no other available means to repel the charge, and if any of them doubt my veracity or my innocence, I can only regret that I have no other more effective means to convince them. Thanking you, Dr. Editor, for the space you have allowed me, I am, Sir, yours &c., A. McDONALD.

The Casket.

ANTIGONISH, MARCH 18, 1886.

In Bishop Cameron's circular, announcing the Jubilee of this year, a request is made asking the clergy to "induce all the members of their flocks to take the Total Abstinence pledge and to keep it during this year of grace." Acting on this suggestion, Rev. Father Gillis on Sunday last, in St. Ninian's cathedral, delivered a masterly discourse in which he dwelt on the evils of intemperance and on the propriety of abstaining from intoxicating drinks. At the conclusion of the sermon the whole congregation present took the total pledge as requested. His Lordship, who was present in the sanctuary, must have been pleased to see his earnest request carried out so faithfully by pastor and people.

We are glad to learn that Allan Cameron of the Lower South River in this county, has recently graduated with high honors from the medical department of the university of New York.

THE STATHER CASE.

The local Grit organ (Picton News) is in a frenzy about the Stather case. It describes the act of the Minister of Justice as "the most high handed act of tyranny and oppression that has ever been committed in Canada"—our young friend does not stick at trifles—and it classes Mr. Thompson with "King John, Czars, and Bismarcks." The violence of our contemporary is the best evidence that its case is weak.

Mr. Stather was an officer of the Inland Revenue Department at Halifax and was tried two years ago before then Judge Thompson for making fraudulent entries and returns. He was found guilty and was sentenced to four years imprisonment in the Dorchester Penitentiary.

We wish our readers to mark these facts. That Mr. Stather was found guilty by a jury of his peers. That Judge Thompson simply did his duty as a Judge of the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia when he passed judgment upon him. And that judgment has never been set aside on appeal. The conclusion therefore is irresistible, that Mr. Stather is a prisoner properly held in custody under the law of the land.

The News says that the sentence passed upon Stather was generally considered to be illegal. We might join issue on the statement, but it is sufficient for our purpose just now to point out that that sentence has never been set aside on appeal.

Stather was taken to Dorchester, and his counsel some time after applied to the Supreme Court of New Brunswick for the prisoner's discharge. Let it be noted here that the application was founded upon alleged defects in the warrant of commitment. The court of New Brunswick did not pretend to go into the merits of the case. They were only asked to say whether the warrant which was handed to the Warden of the Penitentiary when Stather was placed in his custody, did or did not comply with the Statute, chapter 37 of the Dominion laws.

A majority of the court hold that the warrant was not sufficient. Justice King then whom there is no nobler judge on the Bench, held that the warrant is perfectly good. But at any rate there was no question about the legality of Stather's sentence, and it would, therefore, be a miscarriage of justice, gravely to be lamented, if the prisoner should escape the hand of justice by a defect in a merely formal paper like the warrant of commitment.

The Minister of Justice directed the removal of Stather to the Kingston Penitentiary, thus conveying him beyond the jurisdiction of the New Brunswick Court; and in the meantime, we believe, a correct and valid warrant was forwarded from the Supreme Court of this province. Our readers will wonder where the "tyranny" and "oppression" comes in—and well may they. [Extract from Standard.]

THE DOMINION PARLIAMENT.

Ottawa, March 11.—Landry (Montigny) moved his resolution about Riel. He spoke in French. He denied that he was set up by the government to make the motion, as objected to the execution (1st) because the jury recommended Riel to mercy; (2d) because medical officers had not had time to form a sound judgment as to sanity; (3rd) that General Middleton considered Riel a belligerent; and (4) that the day for capital punishment for political offences had passed away.

Sir Hector Langevin referred to the difficulty of his position during the past four months as a representative of French Canadians in the ministry. He believed his best plan was to remain silent until he could meet his opponents in the commons and there discuss the question. He referred to his twenty-nine years of public life, during which he had never been accused of being a traitor. He was no traitor now, but was true to his queen and country and to his oath of office. The sober second thought of his nationality had asserted itself and now he proposed to present the case of himself and his colleagues. He then stated what the government had done: how it had seen Riel defying the authority of the queen in the far off regions of North west, and how it called on the militia, who responded nobly; how it gave counsel for Riel every opportunity, paying for witnesses, etc.; how every court had been appealed to by Riel and had sustained the conviction; how the government set to advise the queen's representative, had sent three medical men to enquire as to Riel's mental state after his conviction, and how all three affirmed his responsibility before God and man. The government would have been recumbent to its duty to the people of Canada if they had intervened to save Riel from the scaffold on any ground. He deserved hanging if any man ever did. He was hanged and the government desired to meet the resolution squarely. In order to do this he would move the previous question. This in the commons of Canada, precludes the introduction of any other amendments. Mem-

bers must vote either that the question be not put or that it be not now put. If the vote is in the affirmative then no amendment possible to the main resolution. After Langevin, Amyot followed, declaring that the government had not brought down all the papers necessary and were shirking responsibility. After recess, Amyot resumed his speech and continued until 11 o'clock, when the house adjourned. [Herald.]

The debate on the Riel question is still going on. On Monday last, Mr. Blake having asserted that the reports of the medical men examining Riel's mental condition were cooked, Hon. Mr. Thompson replied and said he desired to give the most direct contradiction to the statements of the leader of the opposition. The telegrams were not suppressed. The documents laid upon the table were the same as those sent by the medical men. They were not cooked up in any one particular. On his word, as a minister of justice, responsible for his utterances, he declared Blake's serious charges of maladministration, of suppression and actual substitution of other documents, to be entirely void of truth. He expressed his surprise that a man in Mr. Blake's position should dare without evidence, against the clearest evidence, to make such wild and untruthful charges.

HOLLOWAY'S OINTMENT AND PILLS

combine both sensitive and sensitive powers in a high degree; by the former term is understood their ability to preserve health, and by the latter their capability to restore health. With these remedies at hand, no invalid need be at fault to guide himself or herself safely through the many trials to which every one is subjected during our long and often eventful winters. Coughs, colds, ulcerated throats, quinsy, whooping cough, can be successfully treated by well rubbing this Ointment upon the chest, and by taking the Pills. Daring damp, foggy weather asthmatical sufferers will experience the utmost possible relief in the inhalation of the Ointment, and a tender-chested person will save endless misery by adopting this treatment.

I KEEP A LIVERY STABLE AND OWN a great many horses, out at all hours and all kinds of weather. For the many troubles that arise and injuries to which stock are liable, I unhesitatingly pronounce Giles' Liniment Iodine Ammonia the most valuable remedy ever used in a stable. I have tried them all and am competent to judge. THOMPSON'S GOLD, Mount Vernon, N.Y. Sold by Wendell Maclean, Antigonish.

An extensive assortment of the celebrated Diamond Dyes all colors at McCurdy, McMillan & Co's.

A large stock of School Books and stationery at McCurdy, McMillan & Co's.

DIED

At Georgetown, March 10th, John Gillis (John's son), in the 64th year of his age. R. I. P.

At New Westminster City, British Columbia, on the 3rd inst., in the 41st year of his age, after three days' illness and furnished by the last rites of the Church, John A. McGillivray, son of the late Alexander McGillivray (nephew of S. L. Spring in this Co.) May his soul rest in peace.

TENDERS

Will be received up to Saturday 27th inst. by the subscriber for Extension of Presbyterian Church. Plans and specifications can be seen at the office of J. B. GASS, Antigonish, March 17, 1886.

CUSTOM TAILORING.

The subscriber begs to intimate to the public, that he is continuing the Tailoring business at the stand formerly occupied by the late firm of McGillivray & Wilcox, where he will be pleased to wait upon his old customers and such others as favor him with their patronage. Having studied one of the best systems of cutting under the tuition of his late partner (Mr. McGillivray) and had two years' experience, he is prepared to guarantee satisfaction at most reasonable rates. A Stock of Cloths kept constantly on hand in all the ordinary lines. M. WILKOT, Antigonish, March 16, 1886.

The Electoral Franchise Act.

If it be found desirable in order to suit the convenience of applicants, the Revising Officer for this County will exercise the power which the law gives him of adjourning his Court from day to day, and will take up the several polling districts in the following order:—

- No. 1 and 2..... Tuesday March 30, 3 and 5..... Wednesday March 31, 6 and 7..... Thursday April 1, 8 and 9..... Friday " 2, 10 and 11..... Monday " 5, 4..... Tuesday " 6, 12..... Wednesday " 7, 13..... Thursday " 8.

JOHN O'BRIEN, Clerk. Antigonish, March 11, 1886.

HAY

To be sold at Auction, at the Stage Stables, Marshy Hope, on Monday 22nd inst., a large quantity of first class Hay. Terms, 8 months credit on approved notes. I. C. ARCHIBALD & CO. Antigonish, March 16, 1886.

SWINE.

The undersigned will have for disposal this Spring about 350 Young Pigs, Crossed from the following Thoroughbred stock:—BERKSHIRE, CHESTER-WHITE, ESSEX and POLSKA CHINA. Some of these pigs will be 4 weeks old 7th April. Price, \$3.00 each. —ALSO— Pure Breeds from above Stock.— Prices on application. Every Pig castrated and shipped in good condition. P. M. WARD, Bedford, N. S., Feb. 25, 1886.

Persons indebted to the subscriber, either by Book account or note of hand, are requested to pay up; all remaining unpaid after the 15th of March next will be placed in the hands of an Attorney for collection. No further notice will be given. BENJAMIN F. POWER.

FINAL NOTICE.

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RARE CHANCE.

TENDERS will be received up to the 1st of April next, for the purchase of the STORE owned by the subscriber. This is one of the best built Stores in Town, and located in the business center. The frontage of the premises is forty-eight feet, having two accessions, and good stabling in rear thereon. The greater part of the consideration money may remain on mortgage. BENJAMIN F. POWER, Antigonish, 8th Feb., 1886.

In the County Court, 1886. Between—Hugh R. McAdam Plaintiff, and John McDonald, Defendant.

To be sold at Public Auction by the Sheriff of the County of Antigonish or his deputy, at the Court House in Antigonish in said county, on Tuesday the nineteenth day of April next at eleven o'clock in the forenoon.

All the estate, right, title, interest, property, claim and demand which the above named defendant had at the time of the recording of the judgment in the above cause or at any time since, of, in, to, upon or out of, all and singular that certain lot, piece or parcel of land, situate, lying and being at the Back Settlement of Arisaig in the County of Antigonish, and described as follows, that is to say: Bounded on the North by the general Division line between Arisaig lands and lands lying in the Back Settlement of A. S. 12; on the East by lands formerly owned by Alexander McDonald; on the South by lands of the Vigness Grant (so-called); and on the West by lands formerly owned by Peter Gillis, containing two hundred acres more or less, such lands having been levied upon by the said Sheriff under a writ of execution issued by leave of a Judge of the County Court upon a judgment in the above cause, duly recorded more than one year.

Terms—Twenty per cent. deposit at sale; remainder on delivery of Deed. HENRY P. HULL, Sheriff of Antigonish County.

CHRISTOPHER P. CHISHOLM, Plaintiff's Solicitor, Sheriff's Office, Antigonish, March 15th, 1886.

Reliable Fire Insurance. "QUEEN" Insurance Company of Liverpool, G. B. CAPITAL, TWO MILLION POUNDS STG (\$10,000,000.) Risks taken on Buildings of all kinds; Stock, Merchandise, Hay, Grain, etc., etc. Risks on Live stock taken which will include killed by lightning. The rates are Equitable and as low as any reliable Company. Insured Dwellings, Furniture and Barns in one policy one per cent for 3 years. The "Queen" is noted for prompt and satisfactory payment of losses.

W. P. KING, Agent at Antigonish, N. S.

FOR BOSTON —VIA THE— PALACE STEAMERS OF THE International S.S. Co. Steamers leave ST. JOHN for BOSTON via EASTPORT & PORTLAND every TUESDAY and THURSDAY at 8.00 a.m. For tickets and all further information apply to your nearest Ticket Agent, or to D. MCINTOSH, Agent, Antigonish.

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J. B. GASS & CO.

BEGS to announce the arrival of part of their Stock for Spring Trade, viz: St. Croix Ginghams and Shirtings, 11ain and Twilled Bleached Cotton Shirtings, Pillow Cases—40, 42, 44 inch, Irish Linen Sheet and Pillow Linen. White and Grey Cottons very low. LADIES, UNDERCLOTHING—Chemise from 55 cts. and up. Drawers " 55 cts. " " Night Gowns \$5 cts. " " Swiss Embroideries direct from makers. Antigonish, March 10th, 1886.

TAILORING.

Our Cutter, Mr. Fred Lindsey, is now in New York, taking a thorough course in one of the best Garment Cutting Schools in America.

Referring to above, we beg to advise the public that we have engaged the services of the favorably known Cutter, Mr. Angus McGillivray, during Mr. Lindsey's absence. On his (Mr. L.'s) return about 10th April, Mr. McGillivray will also continue in our employ as cutter, and will be pleased to have a call from all his old friends.

We expect our NEW STOCK OF CLOTHS this week, when we will be prepared to show over 300 different patterns. Leave your orders early before the spring rush commences.

HATS.

Our Spring Stock of Hats is now about complete. Call and see the new styles.

L. C. ARCHIBALD & CO.

MARCH 10th, 1886.

BARGAINS!

Bargains!

The subscribers offers his entire stock at Cost, —CONSISTING OF—

READY-MADE CLOTHING, in Storm Coats, Over do, Reefing Jackets, &c.

Cashmeres in all colours, Coburgs, Lustres, Crapes and Dress Materials, Velvetens and Satins in all shades; English and American Prints; Grey and White Cottons; Gloves, Corsets, Hoses, Collars and Cuffs, Lace Ties, White and colored Handkerchiefs, Ribbons, Dress Buttons, etc., etc.

Gents' Furnishings, White Shirts, Under do., Ties, Collars, etc.

HATS—Hard and Felt—at half price.

Boots & Shoes—the largest lot in Town.

Knives, Forks, Table and Tea Spoons, Wade & Butcher Razors, Jack and Pen Knives, Padlocks, Hinges, Cigars, Shoe and Stove Brushes.

Glass, Pain, Putty, Whiting, R. Tar, R. p. Herring and Mackerel Nets, Suet, Salmon Twines and general stock of fishermen's outfit.

School Books, Room Paper, Stationery, &c.

Flavouring Essences, Sage, Thyme, Savory, Salt of Celery, Tapioca, Macer, Cloves, Ginger Root, Cinnamon, Mixed Spices, Maudsley, Macaroni, White and Black Pepper, Coffee, Broma, Sardines, Baked Beans, Oysters, Salmon, French Capers, Currie Powders, Worcestershire Sauce, Chocolate, Dried Apples, Currants, etc., etc.

Crockeryware, Glassware and Tinware of all kinds.

Confectionery—a great assortment.

The subscriber is closing his business, and respectfully requests all intending purchasers to give him a call, as they will find it to their advantage to buy from him. B. F. POWER.

Antigonish Dispensary.

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BEGS to announce to the people of Antigonish and vicinity, that he has commenced business in the shop owned by Mr. J. R. Graham, two doors east of the "Halifax Banking Company," where he will keep constantly on hand a full and well assorted stock of British and Foreign DRUGS, PATENT MEDICINES, TOILET ARTICLES and PERFUMERY; as well as everything usually found in a first class Drug Store comprising in part—

- Tobacco, Cigarettes, Pipes, Cigarettes, Tobacco Pouches, Cigar Cases, Spectacles, Fancy Soaps, Tooth Pastes, Tooth Brushes, Hair do., Combs, Razors, Eye Glasses, Perfumery, and everything required in preserving and beautifying the complexion, and preparing the toilet of even the most fastidious, etc., etc., etc.

Prescriptions carefully dispensed, in the purest drugs, at any hour day or night.