## HASZARD'S GAZETTE, MARCH 31.

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subject. What I have understood by a will-o'-the-wisp, it is a light floating or dancing over bogs and pits, and bewildered travellers who follow and pits, and bewildered traveliers who follow it, in expectation of its being the light of a house where they might find a comfortable lodging to rest in, generally find themselves in a bog, and the indulgence of 1816, and Minis-ter's Despatches on the Land Question, were all will-o<sup>-</sup>-the-wisps to bewilder the people and lead them astray, and not only the labouring people, but their Representatives also. Bat when the Honourable Colonial Secretary,

But when the Honourable Colonial Secretary, speaks with so much contempt of the two or three loose-fish. I can only infer, that he means that the rest are in his not or have scallowed the bait, and taken the hook. But if it is so, it is a poor prospect for the defrauded Tenantry, to find their Representatives upon the hook, or in the net of the Colonial Secretary. But, if it should prove true, that their Representatives have other ends to serve than the interests of their constituents, the people will have to take their case into their own hands, and make a their case into their own hands, and make a better return next time. It is my desire, as much as my duty, to support Responsible Government, but it is not parties but principles that direct me, for instance, when it is intended to pay the expenses of one Branch of the Legislature without making them elective, they are no longer responsible to the people in any way, and when the Government dispense with one part of an Act, and execute another part, that is, to purchase the Land without an in-vestigation of the titles, as not liberal, the Go-vernment as they professed, but the reverse. vorament as they professed, but the reverse they are supporting defaulters and deceiver and punishing the deceived and defrauded and therefore I and punishing the deceived and defrauded, and therefore, I cannot support such measures meither shall bait, hook, or net drag me into supporting the like. The highest Law authorities eay, that it is a principle of justice, allowed by mankind in general, that wheever reclaims Land from its natural wild state, and brings it under cultivation at his own cost and labor, has the best right to the Land. But our Colo-nial Government, having left the forfeited Land in the hands of the defaulters, and the un-granted and reserved Lands, for any impostor to assume an ownership over it, without cost or labour, and if they can, by any means of deceit, make the labouring man attorn to them as their Landlord, our Government maintains, as their Landlord, our Government maintains, that any such attornment, however fraudulent-ly imposed, gives defaulters and impostors, the best tile to the Land, together with the Tenant's improvements. In the Earl of Durham's the Governor-General's Report, it is declared, that for the Crown to resume the fortified grants, is not only lawful and justifiable, but the only way to free the people from the evils such grants have inflicted. But our *liberal* Govern-out meintains that the only way to set to the as their Landlord, our Government maintains grants have inflicted. But our *liberal* Govern-ment maintains, that the only way to settle the people, is for the Government to purchase the Land, not from defaulters and impostors, at first hand for three shillings an acro, but at second hand, and at double prices from fore-stallers at 6s an acro, so that they may sell it again to the defrauded people, at twelve shill-ings and sixpence an acro. In the purchase Bill it is enacted, (and that Act has the Royal Accept that before the Government can pur-Assent) that before the Government can put chase any Land, the Commissioner shall caus the title of such Land to be investigated, and the title of such Land to be investigated, and report the results, of such investigation to the Government, but the Government have thought proper to dispense with that part of the act, and being a secret tribunal, they investigated the titles to suit purposes, they examined the transfers but all the Government knew that the the states to sait purposes, they examined the transfers but all the Government knew that the *titles* was forfeited, but they profered making the tenants pay 12s 6d an acro for their land to an investigation of the titles according to Law. If the Government were to purchase the rest of the Land at the same price it would incur a debt of £300,000, to be paid by labour-ing people who were defrauded to defaulters importers and forestallers for purposes of cor-ruption. But if the titles of the Lands were publically investigated it would in all proba-bility yield from £100,000 to £150,000 for the Golonial Treasury to be employed in puble improvements, and the Resolution which I am to move is to carry out the investigation of the titles more generally according to the intentions of the act. of the ant

Mr. Coorse, moved the following Resoluti which was seconded by Mr. Laird. "Whoreas Her Majesty has been graciously pleased to give her assent to an Act for the purchase of Lands

to give her assent to an Act for the purchase of Lands on behalf of the Government, and it is provided in the Fifth Section, that it shall be the duty of the Com-missioners to investigated, or cause to be investigated, the Titles of such Lands, and make a report of the the Titles of such Lands, and make a report of the Sale, &c., 2s 3d; for Cortificate not being regis-to have been made perfect by the performance of ear-to have been made perfect by the performance of ear-to have been made perfect by the performance of ear-to have been made perfect by the performance of ear-fairner, and also, to try the fract in practice, to make British subjects Tenaste upon furficited Lands, instead of aliens as intended by the grant. Transpurtues Dashness, instead of aliens as intended by the grant.

After much discussion (the Chairman having listened to 50 specches, and been in the Chair 7 hours) Mr. Whelan who was nearly the last speaker, moved the following Resolution in Saturday, March 31st, 1855. amendment.

"Whereas by various despatches from suc-cessive Secretaries of state for the Colonies, it has been shown to be the fixed and unalterable has been shown to be the fixed and unalterable determination of Her Majesty's Government to abstain from any investigation into the additions of the original Grants of Township Lands in this Island, Her Majesty's Government, having stated that such conditions were fulfilled as far as practicable—and whereas to agitate the ques-tion of Escheat which is almost universally deemed to be a necessary forerunner to the com-mencement of the investigation referred to, would lead to unsettle the minds of the tenantry mencement of the investigation referred to, would lead to unsettle the minds of the tenantry of this Colony, without producing the least bene-ficial result, owing to the positive refusal of Her Majesty's Government to sanction the extra establishment of any such Court of Escheat-and whereas this Committee have every reason to believe that the great majority of the popu-lation of this Island are satisfied with the Law passed in 1853 for the purpose of purchasing the interest of Proprietors in the Township lands in this Island, as the easiest and most ef-fectual mode of settling the long vexed question between landlord and tenant, and that no such extreme measure as an Eschat is now expected by the majority of the population. *Resolved*, *Therefore*, that it is inexpedient and unnecessary to appeal again to the Imperial authorities for its sanction on behalf of a measure so long agi-tated and so firmly rejected by Her Majesty's Government. lovernment.

The Resolution was carried, on the following division

Ayes-Messrs. Whelan, Mooney, Coles, War-burton, Lord, Muirhead, Perry, Clark, Wight man, Dingwell, Munroe, Speaker. Nays-Cooper, Laird, McIntosh, Longworth

Montgomery. Mr. Coles moved a Resolution, signifying his

intention to bring in a Bill to compel proprietors to put their titles on record, carried.

## FRIDAY, March 30.

The Bill taxing Rent Rolls was again reconsi ered and the tax on absentee proprietors was duced to 5 per cent. Mr. Collis moved a resolution to collect the

actional parts on Rent Rolls. Committee reported the Bill agreed to with

nondments. Bill from Council relating to Surrogate was ments.

ad a second time. Mr. COLES said, it had been found that unnece

winceses, by some disappointed persons whe wished to cause trouble to Executors, \$rc., and

wished to cause trouble to Excentors, &c., and after decision had been given, the Judge of Pro-bate could not order the loosing party to pay costs, he wished to have the power, to prevent litiga-tion and unnecessary expences. Mr. HAVILAND thrught such a Bill was very necessary; a disappointed legatee might have a greater number of Witnesses summoned than was required, and for no other purpose than to cause the Executors &c., trouble, and after the case had been clearly proved, the executors, &c., were obliged to pay costs, he thought it very hard and wished to see the Judge have the power as in all other courts, to award costs.

wished to see the Judge have the power as in all other courts, to award costs. Mr. PALMER thought that the wording of the Bill was not clearly expressed. Without at all altering the intentions of the Bill he moved, certain words be added to make it more explicit. Bill as amended was ordered to be engressed.

Bill as amended was ordered to be engrossed. Mr. PALMER as Chairman of the Committee to whom was referred the Petition of the Royal Agricultural Society, reported a Bill initialed An Act for protecting sheep from vicious dogs, by imposing an additional Tax. Received and read a first time.

Mr. PALMER presented the Temperance Peti-tions, referred to a Committee of the whole

House on Monday next. Mr. WIGHTMAN Chairman of the committee on public accounts presented their Report which was received and read.

The House went into Committee on the open-ing of new lines of road and agree to several resolutiona.

resolutions. House in committee on the Bill for regulating the office of Controller of Customs. The first clause vests the appointment of an assistant in the Governor and Council. The Controller for Charlottetown to get £100 in addition to present salary of £200. Assist-ant to get £100 per year. The Collector in Charlottetown to be the head of the department and other collectors to report to him every ouarter. &c.

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We are oblged to defer the Editorial leader to-day, in order to put our subscribers in the country in possession of the Road Votes. As they are of no use to our town subscrers we will not issue them in town, but any subscriber who wishes can procure them.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY .--- We have given a Sum-mary of the business done in the House, up to

MECHANICS' INSTITUE.—On Tuesday ovening last, the Hon. Daniel Brenan, Vice Patron, read last, the Hon. Daniel Brenan, vice Patron, read a very interesting Lecture on Ancient Com-merce. He took a very comprehensive and expansive view of his subject, and displayed much research in biblical lore in its details. He exhibited a section of an ancient vessel propelled by tiers of cars, made for the purpose by Mr. Watson Duchemin, and then presented the model to the Institute.

A vote of thanks was unanimously passed to Mr. Brenan for his lecture. Mr. James R. Watt will Lecture next Tues-

day evening on " Pneumatics."

HIGHLAND SOCIETY —At the Annual General Meeting of the Highland Society, held on the 26th inst., at the Globe Hotel, the following gentlemen were elected Office-bearers and Direcors for the ensuing year :--

Dr. Stratton, R. N., President,

Mr. Neil Rankin, 1st Vice President, " John W. Morrison, 2d Vice President Donald McIsaac, Esq., Treasurer. Mr. James Romans, Cor. Secretary. " John A. McDonald, Rec. Secretary.

Directors.—Mr. James Purdie, W. R. Wat-son, Esq. John McGill, Esq., Mr. J. C. McDon-ald, Mr. H. W. Lobban, Mr. James Carmicheal. Donald McFadyen, Messenger and Piper.

His Excellency the Lientenant Governor in Council as been pleased to make the following appointments

Mr. Daniel Joseph Gillis, of Miscouche, a Justice

(For Haszard's Gazette.) Dear Mr. Haszard ;

As you inserted on Wednesday last, an article on Testotalism purporting to be from the pen of some English Archdeacon (name unknown). --Will you be kind enough to insert the ac-companying extracts from Dr. Cumming's Lectures on the Miracles as a reply, and you will oblica some faithful serverant. will oblige your faithful servant. L.

### DR. CUMMING ON TEETOTALISM.

DR. CUMMING ON TEETOTALISM. DR. CUMMING ON TEETOTALISM. A Christian man will not become intoxicated if he drink from a cask, a drunkard will be-come intoxicated if he drink from a bottle, it is not in the quantity before you that the element of Temperance is, but in the grace of God that has been implanted in your hearts. I would not say one word against the Teetotal Society because they have done good, and I pray that they may do more. But while they claim the liberty of holding their sentiments, I must not shrink from the duty of expounding what is plainly God's word. If i could, I would make every man sober, but ay prescription if you will allow it, is not a mechanical change but a moral revolution in the unregenerate and un-sanctified heart. But there is danger in reading the bible in the light of Teetotalism, instead of reading Teetotalism in the Bible. For, we may depend upon it, whenever a man-begins to adopt another mode of life than that which the Saviour gave, he soon begins to adopt another rule of Faith than that which the Bible affords. Our Lord came not to destroy society, but o descend into its depths, and sweeten, and cement, wild remes, a huge convent for all Christians to withdraw from the world and dwell in, but he did botter, he came to uphold it, to sanctify, and sweeten human life. Christianity does not call upon A Christian man will not become intoxicated e came to uphold it, to sanctify, and sweeten numan life. Christianity does not call upon he came to uphold it, to sanctify, and sweeten human life. Christianity does not call upon you to detach yourselves from society in order to avoid its evils, but to go into the midst of society, and meet its hostility, master its evils

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and make it reflect the glory, the beneficence, and the goodness of God-hence the first act of the Ministry of Jesus was not isolation from society but going right into the heart of society, beginning at its reot and centre, in order to bless, to beautify, and make it good.

# Charlottetown Gas Light Company's Office-March 19, 1855,

MY DEAR SIR ;

March 19, 1855, My DEAR SIR; I HAVE to apologize for not having replied yours of the 13th instant sconer, but the delay was unavoidable, in consequence of two of the Directors being absent at Georgetown. I have this day laid before the Directors the Resolution contained in your letter, as follows, viz — "Resolved, That it is the opinion of this meeting that the Gas Company, in engaging to sapply Gas at 20. per 1000 feet, thereby inducing Consumers to provide themselves with expensive fittings, and during the first year advancing the price to 25s. without any reason for so doing, have, in the opinion of this meeting, been guilty of a breach of faith; and that a Committee of Consumers be appointed to wait on the Directors, to remonstrate against the said advance, and report the result to an adjourned meeting, to take place in this Hall, on Wedneeday, the 21st instant, at 8 p.m. "Which passed unanimously." And have received instructions from them to inform you, that it is their opinion, that yon, and the Committee on whose behalf you act, envired at the conclusion contained in the above Resolution from false premises. In the first place, the Directors are pat aware of any comparement here the your of the your of the your of any comparement here they they have

<sup>viz:-</sup> Mr. Daniel Joseph Gillis, of Miscouche, a Justico of the Peace for Prince County.
<sup>viz:-</sup> William Jamieson and Nicholas J. Brown Esquires, to be Visiting Magistrates to the Jail of Prince County, in the places of Archibald Campbell and Evan Thomas, Esquires.
<sup>viz:-</sup> Mr. William Wilson to be Postmaster at Bedeque, in place of Colin McLennas, Esquire, resigned.
<sup>viz:-</sup> Mr. John Walsh to be a Brauch Filot for the Port of Chark-tietown.
<sup>viz:-</sup> His Excellency the Licensenant Governor has been pleased to appoint the Honorables George Coles, James Warbarton and Edward Whelan, and William Ewen Clark, Esquire, Governors and Trustees of the Starest Consumers of Gas, had their fittings purchased and pat up ready for use, while many, if not most of the Inrest relating thereto.
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<sup>viz:-</sup> John Clark, 6s; James Orr, 7s 6d; Elias Roberts, 7s 6d; William Crasswell, 7s (christopher Bulman, 7s 6d; Robert Bunting, 7s 6d; Stamest Winneok, 5s; Thomas Winnacott, 5s; James Duncan, 3s; Philip Gaudet, 5s; James Duncan, 3s; Philip Gaudet, 5s; John Fairclough 5s; Edward Tombs, 5; Thomas Winnacott, 5s; James Duncan, 9d; Elizabeth Paok, Works and high rate of freight, corea wate least in the stating advance in first cost, freight, truckage and labour at least than double

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