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PROSPECTUS OF THE EVENING GAZETTE.

It affords the management of THE SATURDAY GAZETTE great pleasure to inform the newspaper reading public of St. John and the province that on or about the 10th of July the Saturday GAZETTE will be published as a daily evening newspaper under the name of THE EVENING GAZETTE.

The proposed change from a weekly journal to a daily newspaper will involve many alterations in the style, contents and character of the paper. A few of the most important of these are worth mentioning.

In the future as in the past THE GAZETTE will be independent in all things, neutral in none.

Believing that protection to home industry is a necessity for a young country, THE GAZETTE will give a fair support to the present Federal government.

It will do more than this. It will endeavor to aid in every way possible the building up of new industries, the increased development of existing manufactures, the encouragement of agriculture and the improvement of the fisheries.

The columns of THE GAZETTE will be free and open at all times to any person who has a practical scheme, having this object in view, to present to the public.

THE GAZETTE believes that radical reform is necessary to the wise and economical administration of the affairs of the Province of New Brunswick. It believes that the present system of government is unnecessarily cumbersome and costly. Holding these views THE GAZETTE will stand out unflinchingly for greater economy in the expenses of government and correspondingly larger expenditure for the opening up of the province and the development of its great natural resources.

In the civic affairs of St. John THE GAZETTE will ever be found on the side of wise economy and will advocate such measures whenever the opportunity offers. In short THE GAZETTE may be depended on to watch both the bungalow and spigot of the city treasury to see that there are no dangerous leaks.

THE GAZETTE holds that this Canada of ours and more particularly our own Province of New Brunswick, is among the fairest spots on God's footstool. It believes that in time Canada is destined to become an important part of the night's empire the world has ever seen. It believes further that the constitutional form of the government of England and Canada are the best in the world and the Union Jack the flag that is most respected from the equator to the poles. Thus it concludes that the person or persons who would sell their birthright of blood-bought freedom to link the fate of this new born nation of Canada with a foreign power are traitors to the best interests of their country.

The platform of THE GAZETTE therefore is a belief in the greatness of Canada's future; a veneration for the flag of the fathers of the new born nation; support for governments that will help by their policy to develop the resources of the country and govern wisely; encouraging words for pioneers who risk their capital or give their labor to the upbuilding of

manufactures, commerce and agriculture; exposure for those who seek to benefit themselves at the expense of the public purse.

THE GAZETTE will besides endeavor to interest the fathers, mothers, sons and daughters of the land and inform them from day to day on what is passing in the world about them.

Above and over all THE GAZETTE will be a newspaper, clean, interesting, enterprising and reliable.

THE BAY SERVICE.

The report comes that the Nova Scotia Steamship Company are going to abandon the route between St. John and Digby and Annapolis. This is to be regretted. Accompanying this report is another, that the Yarmouth Steamship Company are willing to put steamers on this route. We have no objections to the Yarmouth Steamship Company, but the steamers they propose putting on the route, if report be true, are entirely unfit for the service.

We are informed from a most reliable source that with proper steamers there is money in this route. It would cost in the neighborhood of \$60,000 to purchase or build the steamers, and our informant states that with this expenditure of capital a dividend of at least ten per centum can be annually earned.

The merchants of St. John are interested in this question. The trade they now have with the western shore of Nova Scotia is important. St. John is the most convenient place for this trade to be done. With a line of steamers owned in St. John, the merchants of this city will be in a better position to hold the trade than if the steamers were owned in Yarmouth or any other place. It ought not to be a difficult thing for the merchants of St. John to form a company to own and operate a line of steamers between St. John and Digby, when such important interests are at stake. We ask the leading men of the city, the men of capital and enterprise, to enquire into this matter fully.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

A young lady in Halifax was recently robbed of her pocketbook while at prayer in church. Yet the fellow who stole it went there to pray, too.

Thus time it is the bones of Beethoven that have been dug up, carefully and cautiously examined and buried in a new place. It is hardly probable that the great master is troubled by this proceeding, but it is sufficiently offensive to the taste of his innumerable lovers.

AMERICAN idiots abroad have devised a new species of folly, more absurd than anything before recorded. They go to Westminster Abbey and leave their cards at the foot of Longfellow's bust in the Poet's Corner. It is to be hoped that they have the grace to take into account the question whether they were included in the poet's visiting list while he was alive. He is defenseless now, and it is mean to take advantage.

WIKER is H. Rider Haggard, that he does not take advantage of the fact that there grows in Mexico, Mexico, a plant which the natives call "The Herb of Prophecy." It is said that whoever partakes of the herb, in a few moments sinks into a sort of sleep, or rather hypnotic state, in which, while apparently quite sensible, he has a kind of prophetic gift or double sight, answers questions that are put to him, and becomes so under the will of another that he obeys any command, even to taking his own life. When the effects of the herb wear off, he remembers nothing of what he has done.

THERE are some disagreeable growlers who, because they are constitutionally incapable of remaining in bed after six in the morning, insist that everybody else should be up at that hour. They even frown on the tired working-man and business-man, the wearied shop girl and seamstress who take an hour or two more of sleep on the first day of the week. Mortals who lead easy lives, who do nothing to over-fatigue them, who get plenty of sleep, rest and pleasure every twenty-four hours, can afford to rise with the sun on Sunday if they will; but in the name of common sense and compassion let them have a little thought for the overworked to whom the additional sleep of the Sabbath is as sweet a foretaste of Heaven as the mere physical nature can know on earth. These Sunday sleepers and dozes, sometimes made beautiful by dreams, are at once a tonic and a rest. They are a Sabbath within a Sabbath, like a gem within a gem. Let the growlers remember that.

A short time since the GAZETTE copied from the Chicago Times a somewhat misleading paragraph relative to the authorship of Annie Laurie. The lines were written by a Mr. Douglas of England, and Annie, one of the four daughters of Sir Robert Laurie, first baronet of Maxwellton by his second wife, who was a daughter of Riddell of Minto. As Sir Robert was created a baronet in the year 1685, it was probable that the verses were composed about the end of the seventeenth or the beginning of the

eighteenth century. It is painful to record, that, notwithstanding the ardent and chivalrous affection displayed by Mr. Douglas in his poem he did not obtain the heroine for a wife. She was married to Mr. Ferguson of Craigdarroch.

The following is believed to be a correct copy of the lines as originally written:

Maxwellton banks are bonnie
Where early fa' the dew,
Where me and Annie Laurie
Made up the promise true:
Made up the promise true,
And never forget will I,
And for bonnie Annie Laurie,
I'll lay me down and die.

Small as St. John is compared with London or New York, hundreds of its inhabitants are shut out from week to week and month to month, from the fresh air and green fields of the country, an acquaintance with which seems to be one of the strongest desires of all God's creatures. Operatives in factories, laboring men and women, the children of the poor, sometimes have an opportunity to spend an hour in King's or Queen's Square, or in the old burial ground, but that is not spending an hour in the country, beyond the reach of the dust, and the fog, and the rattle of traffic. There is something in the clover fields, the songs of the birds, the chatter of the brooks and the odor of the woods that is all their own, and which is better for the digestion than any drug. It is a pity that so many among us are without Saturday half holidays, and that those to whom they are granted, are often so exhausted that the exertion to get away seems beyond endurance. At best, our summers are short, and the GAZETTE advises that no one neglect any available opportunity to spend a few days in the country while it lasts.

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Max O'Neill's Visit to St. John.

Max O'Neill who has an excellent reputation as a lecturer is to visit St. John next week, and lecture on his journey from Europe to Asia through Canada. His first lecture will be delivered in the Centenary church lecture room on Tuesday evening, July 17th. This is Mr. O'Neill's first visit to the Maritime Provinces, but his lecture has met with the highest praise from the press of Montreal and various cities in Western Canada where the lecture has been delivered. It is hardly possible to give an idea of the extent of ground travelled by Mr. O'Neill. He will start with his audience from Liverpool, give them an idea of the voyage across the Atlantic to Halifax. Many of the principal points of interest in the adjoining province will be illustrated. The journey lies through St. John and then up the Intercolonial to Quebec. The North Shore of New Brunswick, the lower St. Lawrence, Quebec, Montreal and Ottawa will be brought to the attention of the audience, and numerous views of the scenery along the line of railway and the principal attractions of the city will be exhibited to the audience.

Leaving Ottawa by the Canadian Pacific railway the lecturer will conduct his audience across the vast plains of the West, show them views of the Rocky Mountain Park and then tell them all about British Columbia. The views of this magnificent portion of Canada are described as the finest ever exhibited. The Pacific Ocean will then be crossed and numerous characteristic views of China and Japan presented.

There is no question that Mr. O'Neill's lectures will be the most interesting delivered in St. John for many years. They should be liberally patronized as they deal almost entirely with our own country and its scenery. Mr. O'Neill will be accompanied by Mr. Meredith Howard, a musician of note who will enliven the lectures with some choice selections. Mr. O'Neill will lecture in St. John's church school room on Thursday 19th, and St. James school room on Friday evening.

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