

COMMUNICATIONS.

To the Editor of the Standard.
My dear Sir.—The sudden and mysterious disappearance of "A Director" has occasioned considerable speculation, and some little uneasiness; and the question has been asked again and again, What has become of him? Some suppose he is dead, but the general opinion seems to be that "Carson's anti-State Church File" has operated so powerfully upon his nervous system, that he has not been able to hold a pen for the last two weeks. As such a worthy representative of a by-gone dispensation would be difficult to replace, I would kindly recommend a bottle of Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup, as experienced nurses say it is excellent for children and weak-headed adults.

In your last issue, "A Churchman" rushes into print, attempts the grandiloquent, and collapses. After the talk about the earthquake, the burning lava, and sundry other horrors, I did look for something, but lo! it ended in smoke, reminding me of the mountain in labour, bringing forth a mouse. I would like to ask, what kind of a churchman is your correspondent? Is he a Roman Catholic or an Anglo-Catholic churchman; a High, a Low, or a Broad churchman; a Tractarian or a Ritualistic churchman; a Presbyterian, a Baptist, or a Methodist churchman; for certainly these all represent different theological schools and four of them claim to belong to bona fide churches. Supposing him to be an Episcopalian, he surely does not wish to convey the idea that "All Saints" is the only Church in town—that the other four are "conventicles," that their ministers are unordained—and that their congregations are simply "Religious Associations." Only that I am unwilling to add another to the sick list, I would have recourse to Carson, who would make short work of the shallow pretensions and egotistical exclusiveness of a self-styled "Churchman."

The questions proposed by your correspondent are not at all to the point. No one says that Episcopalianism is incompetent to fill the office of Director; but simply that others are as competent as they are. No one considers them as pre-occupied; but they are a monstrous puzzle. "No one dares that they pay taxes, but others do the same," he says he likes "fair play," which is all that is demanded. No doubt he is a very wise man in his own eyes, and a "silly fellow," his are worthy utterances and fine "vapourings." I would like to print, but he appears reluctant because "the temper in a report" is assuming such proportions as to call for a "counter movement." "Thanks for the admission the craft is in danger," and the sectarian legislation of fifty years is being pronounced unfair. Oh, what a sacred, what wicked things "silly fellows" will do, what "tempests" they do raise.

Whether, on Rev. Mr. Smith's retirement, for which universal regret is expressed, the Directors will appoint a graduate of the N. B. University who possesses the necessary qualifications remains to be seen, but is not the whole thing already arranged; has not a young Oxonian been written for, and is not a former conclusion that the Grammar School teacher must contribute to Episcopalian ascendancy; or pause for a reply from "A Churchman" or "A Director?"

Mr. Editor, as the subject is now fairly before the public, and as it is too late to do anything this Session, I do not deem it necessary to pursue the matter any further at present, unless provoked, promising, if spared, to return to the subject at a future time, and with "some enterprising parties" have the matter brought before the Legislature.

With kind regards, yours,
PUBLIC OPINION.

To the Editor of the Standard.
Dear Sir.—It was not my intention to have reappeared on your space again in connection with the Grammar School question, as I think the subject has been sufficiently discussed for the present, and a general opinion expressed that the old law must be so amended, as to make the school what it is not, cuscaterian in its management.

I learn from one who professes to know, that the respected Teacher of the School, has intimated his intention to resign, or has already done so; and that a letter has been written to England for a person who is expected to fill the two-fold office of Master of the Grammar School, and Organist of All Saints' Church. I have no desire to misrepresent, and disclaim any personal or sectarian feeling in the matter. If the report is incorrect, let it be contradicted.

I am also informed that there are several applications for the office, among them two graduates of our University, and that one of our latter is a native of St. Andrews, whose talents, attainments, ability and character, are a credit to himself and to his native town. Why send out of the Province for a Teacher? The Directors, who are public servants, cannot pass over the claims of Provincial talent; should they attempt to do so, they will raise a storm of indignation which they will regret to be known to them, that the public mind is aroused, and will not submit to such an arbitrary and unwarranted assumption as to import a man from a local office, the salary of which is paid from the Provincial chest, and by the inhabitants, the duties of which can be fully well filled by one of themselves. What inducement Sir, is there for parents in this Province to give their sons a Collegiate education, if a few men dressed up in a little black authority, can bestow offices of emolument and honor, on persons whom they import for the purpose? Away with such old fogyism—the day has passed by when such conduct will be tolerated. Will the Directors deny that the Church is anxious to educate a native ministry—and the Province, native officials from the Lieut. Governor down to the

humblest messenger. Has not the Dominion Government instituted a Board of Examiners for the Civil Service for the avowed purpose of encouraging the young men of our country to qualify themselves for office?

Promising to take up the matter again at another time.

I am yours,
CANDOR.

TELEGRAPH NEWS.

LONDON, March 4.
The prisoners who were on trial at Warwick for Fenianism, Messrs. Burke, Casey, and Sheen, were brought up to Newgate today to guard against a possible rescue. The prisoners were escorted by a body of twenty policemen. There were, however, no attempts at release.

A large meeting of the friends of Disraeli was held at his official residence last night. Nearly all of the leading Tory members of Parliament were present. The proceedings have not been made public, but the meeting is regarded as a favorable indication of the strength of the new Premier.

The Lord Lieutenant of Ireland has released from confinement Wm. Johnson, Grand Secretary of the Orangemen, who was sentenced to fine and imprisonment for leading an illegal procession.

The forthcoming French Ministerial budget will press the payment of the principal and interest of Franco-Mexico bonds.

It is said that Russia has been strongly working for the independent union of the Danubian Principalities.

Late dispatches from China and Japan are received via India. The civil war in Japan raged with great violence; several combats had taken place between partisans—the Shogun and Daimios—which were attended with heavy losses of life and great excesses were committed on both sides.

In consequence of the insecure condition of the country the Ministers of foreign powers had all left Osaka.

Manchester markets firm. Breadstuffs, flour; Corn 4s 6d; Wheat 14s 3d for No. 2 Red Western.

FREDERICTON, March 7.
The Bill preventing officers of the County Court holding seats in the Assembly, and a Bill to prevent the sale of surplus to cheese factories, passed, and progress reported.

A Bill to amend the Laws of Justice in Equity, agreed to.

Mr. Fry introduced a Bill to revive and amend the Act incorporating Maguadville Railway Company.

A large wooden building, occupied by Broderick and others, was burned here this morning.

March 7th.
Hartley introduced a bill to authorize the Town of Woodstock to give further aid to the Branch Railway.

Progress was reported on a bill to disqualify Judges and Clerks of County Courts from holding seats in the House of Assembly.

The Legislative Council have agreed to a bill to repeal the Act relating to Gael Linns.

TORONTO, 9th.
A woman named Mannion was arrested yesterday on suspicion of poisoning her family, consisting of her husband and three children. One of the children is dead, and the others are not expected to recover.

New York, 9th.
Gold ranges to day from 140 to 140½. Money market steady, at 5 and 6 per cent. for call loans and 7 for prime paper; Breadstuffs market firm, with advance of 5 to 10 cents per bushel on flour.

DEPUTY SHERIFF SHOT IN QUEEN'S COUNTY.—On Saturday last at Walshestown, just as Deputy Sheriff David Lawson was leaving the house of one Mr. Connell, on whose property he had levied for debt, the latter was observed by Mr. James Starkey, in the act of leveling a gun on the Deputy, who was driving away in a sleigh. Mr. Starkey said "Lawson, he's going to shoot you;" whereupon Mr. Lawson turned round just in time to receive part of a charge of shot in the face. Mr. Lawson was conveyed to a house near, and doctors were soon in attendance, who succeeded in extracting several grains of shot, though one which entered near the eye they could not find. The wounds are not considered fatal, though one report is that no less than five grains of shot were extracted from the face alone. Mr. Connell had not been arrested when the informant left; but the truth is, all were up to that time, so much concerned about the wounded man, as almost to overlook the perpetrator of the vile deed. [Telegraph.]

DEATH OF ADMIRAL BELL.—Rear Admiral Henry H. Bell, commanding the U. S. Asiatic Squadron, together with a boat's crew of men, was drowned while crossing the bar at the mouth of the Osaka, Japan, on the 11th of January last. He was a native of North Carolina, and entered the navy in 1852. He commanded one of Farragut's ships during the famous attack of New Orleans, and was temporarily in command of the Gulf Blockading Squadron.—U. S. paper.

Increase of the Debt. Tax payers will learn with tribulation and sorrow that we ran behind last month \$20,000,000 and this much has been added to the last exhibit of the figures of the great debt. This increase is the rate of \$240,000,000 a year. We go on now over the weight of the debt, but it is to add to our burden monthly, as has been the case for four or five months out of the past ten, where is all this to end; and what is to become of commerce and trade.—U. S. paper.

The Halifax Express says:—The tariff on the telegraph lines between New Brunswick and Ontario will be considerably reduced on and after the first of March. We hope that a similar reduction will be made between this Province and Canada; we see no reason why it should not be so.

HALIFAX TERMS.—So far, the sum of \$11,750 has been subscribed towards the rebuilding of the Graham Street Wesleyan Church, and this with the insurance of \$9,000 will erect a very handsome building.

General Doyle has obtained several months' leave of absence in England.

The Hon. A. J. Smith was in Halifax this week on route for Ottawa.

The Halifax Chronicle says:— "One emigrant vessel is now fitting out for New Zealand; another, to leave next summer, will be with passengers, pledged beyond recall, without heavy loss, to go in her; a notice to go to the same country is now on the stocks. Between the three they will carry over two hundred passengers."

The Tariff will again be brought before the Parliament at Ottawa this month, and from the assurances received from the hon. Minister of Customs, during the first session we feel confident that a new Tariff will be introduced which will be more acceptable to the Maritime Provinces. What we stated in December, we now repeat, that the hon. Mr. Tilley, had done all that any one minister could do to make the Tariff as low as possible; and we feel confident he did not accept the Canadian Tariff as a whole, but succeeded in reducing the duty on tea 3½ cents per lb, molasses 2½ cts. per gallon, and Flour 25 cents and made all ships materials, and raw materials in manufacturing, free. In a word he did all that any one man could do against the powerful influence of nine of his colleagues in the Cabinet.

Legislative proceedings during the past week were quite interesting. An animated and rather sharp discussion took place in the House of Assembly upon a motion to grant the Supplies; Mr. HINBARD moved a postponement until all the Audit Accounts of last year were before the House. He showed that the Public Accounts were in a bad state that large amounts could not be accounted for by the Auditor General, who complained that he did not receive the Treasurer's accounts until the 14th of January and the vouchers until the 17th of February! The Postmaster General's on the 28th February! That he believed some of the Deputy Treasurers had made improper changes, and that other accounts had been received long after the time which they should have been in (his) hand! Mr. HINBARD held the present Government answerable for the acts of their predecessors as they had in their Reports endorsed them. The latest telegrams received on Monday conveyed the intelligence that Supply was postponed until this day, Wednesday.

Some of our contemporaries bear down on Mr. HINBARD for his efforts "to keep things straight." As his remarks do not "pinch our ears," and as he is not even a patron, we can write disinterestedly with reference to his efforts to bring facts before the House. Mr. HINBARD has invariably opposed anything like abuses or extravagance, and has not been an office seeker. We are entitled to our opinion, and to express it too, as others have done—that he is not paying the way to office. He might have had one, but said "he could be of more use to his constituents and the Province generally, to remain without office at present." The only fault, if fault it can be termed, is that he is too economical and prudent. And we may add confidently, that his course during the present Session meets with the approval of his constituents.

A Government bill to facilitate the settlement of Crown Lands, was opposed by Mr. STEVENSON, on the ground that the grievance had not been removed—that the roads would be made through the lands of those who hold large tracts, which would make them more valuable, while the Crown lands would not be settled.

Mr. FRYE is not, as characterized by a St. John paper, a silent member, he has introduced several Bills as may be seen on reference to the Legislative telegrams.

A silver Tea service was presented to Miss Thompson on her marriage with our young friend Mr. Stevenson (of this place) by the St. Stephen Methodist Church. The "Courier" says that "she creditably filled the office of Organist in that Church for several years, gratuitously." We learn that in addition to the above, the Sons of Temperance presented Miss Thompson a handsome silver cake basket on the same occasion, for her musical services. This is the young lady, who played the organ so admirably at the dedication service of the new Methodist Church in this town, and whom we welcome as a future resident of St. Andrews.

On Wednesday Evening last, the Rev. R. Wilson, according to announcement delivered his lecture on the "Characteristics of an Irishman, with sketches of Ireland and the Irish," in the Town Hall, to a large and attentive audience; no doubt, the object as well as the lecturer's ability to treat upon any subject he might choose led to so large an attendance.

He pictured Pat as a warrior, an orator, a poet, and a wit; to all which characters, ample justice was given. Indeed one would suppose that Pat was the greatest warrior, orator, poet and wit in the world; still the learned lecturer did not travel out of the record to prove his positions; the anecdotes of Irish wit were most amusing and aroused the risible faculties of the audience.

He read some extracts from the speeches of eminent Irishmen—all of them eloquent. One in particular on the freedom of the Press, from Curran's speech in defence of Rowan, prosecuted for a scurrilous libel, was one of the grandest pieces of forensic eloquence ever uttered—how it must have electrified his audience.

We do not pretend to give more than a passing notice of the Rev. gentleman's eloquent lectures. At the close a vote of thanks was unanimously passed to the Lecturer. The receipts we learn were quite respectable.

On Saturday evening the Rev. Peter Keay, A. M., delivered a lecture on Temperance, in Paul's Hall, under the auspices of St. Andrews Division No. 1. We learn that the Hall was literally packed with a most attentive audience, and that the Rev. gentleman treated the subject in a masterly manner. It affords us much pleasure to state that our people have not lacked opportunities of hearing very good lectures this season, and that it is probable they will be treated to two or three more before the winter closes.

The Reports of the Chief Superintendent of School for 1867 and the Surveyor General's Report for the same year have been received and will be noticed. Our thanks are due to Messrs. Hibbard and Stevenson, M. P.'s for their attention.

We regret to learn that Patrick Clinch, Esq., J. C. P. formerly a member of the Legislature from this County, and more recently editor and proprietor of the "Provincer," died at his residence, St. George, on the 8th inst., at the ripe age of 80 years.

The weather since Sunday last has been very mild, and a thaw has taken place melting the floating ice from the Bay and some distance up the River, but in the inland creeks and harbors, the ice is still hard and fast.

Demorest's Magazine for April reached us this morning and will be noticed in our next number.

Four thousand people, inhabitants of Victoria, and Carleton petitioned against the adoption of a nothern route for the Intercolonial.

A barn belonging to E. W. Miller, Esq., and one adjoining, owned by Hon. Mr. Minchin, were destroyed by fire in Fredericton, on Sunday morning.

A ROYAL TROWEL.—The Duke of Edinburgh has been in Australia lately. While at Melbourne, he was called on to lay the foundation stone of a new Town Hall; and to perform this symbolic work, was provided with a solid gold trowel, on the handle of which the rose, thistle and shamrock were elegantly wrought in relief, and surrounding which were rows of diamonds, turquoises and pearls.

At Newcastle, on Tuesday morning, the 3rd inst., at the residence of the bride's father, by the Rev. E. Evans, Mr. Edwin G. Beck, of Dorchester, Westmorland Co., to Elizabeth Sarah, second daughter of the Hon. Judge Willison.

Ship News.

PORT OF ST. ANDREWS.

ARRIVED.

March 2, Schr. Esther, Maloney, Boston, general cargo, S. Maloney.

19, Redial, Mount, St. John, Flour, &c.

Capt. Mowatt reports that all the outside harbours were frozen and the Bay covered with large floes of ice; that the passage by Head Harbor Light was frozen so that it was impossible to get through on Friday last, and he was compelled to return and anchor at the mouth of Bliss' harbor.

CLEARED.

March 2, Helen G. King, Marshall, Cardenas, Lumber, Eaton & King.

6 Ester, Maloney, Boston, 25,000 Sleepers, R. Ross.

Elizabeth Bowley, Galtcomb, Portland, 1535 Sleepers, R. Ross, 700 boxes herrings, 50 tons punice, E. Hamilton.

Special Notice.

THE Subscriber is closing up his business at this place, and hereby calls upon all parties who are indebted to him by Note or Book Account, to have the same settled without delay.

All unsatisfied claims will shortly be placed in the hands of an Attorney for collection.

CHAS. F. CLINCH.

St. Andrews, March 9, 1868.

Valuable Water Lots for sale.

PARTS of LOTS Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5, in Block "Letter E." Morris' Division in the Town of St. Andrews, being the shore or Water portion of said Lots, comprising 282 feet front, and extending down to low water mark.

For further particulars, apply to St. Andrews, Feb. 28. A. W. STREET.

New "Cienfuegos" Molasses.

JUST received—20 Hhds. & Tierces.

Feb. 27. J. W. STREET.

Department of Inland Revenue.

OTTAWA, 10th February, 1868.

HIS EXCELLENCY the Governor General has been pleased by an Order in Council, dated on the 31st ultimo, to authorize that the 65th Section of the Act 31 Viet., Chap. 8, be so far modified as to place Malt in the same position as Malt Liqueur formerly occupied, and as Spirit and Tobacco now occupy, viz: of having the privilege of being sold and transferred in bond removed from one bonded warehouse to another bonded warehouse, or from place to place where Officers of the Inland Revenue are stationed, and of being exported free of duty, under the regulations provided and approved by an Order in Council of the 17th May, 1865, for the "exportation and exportation of Spirit, Malt Liqueur and Tobacco."

By Command, THOS. WORTHINGTON, Commissioner of Inland Revenue.

NOTICE.

THE firm of J. Lochary & Son being dissolved by mutual consent, notice is hereby given that J. Lochary, Senior, has assumed the settlement of all demands against the firm, and that all parties owing to it are requested to arrange with him as soon as possible.

J. LOCHARY, Junr. St. Andrews, Feb. 18, 1868. 3w

LOW PRICES!

AS I wish to make some changes in my business, I am now offering at reduced prices, to wit: effect a clearance.

MY WHOLE STOCK of Bonnets, Ribbons, Laces, Millinery and Fancy articles, together with goods purchased lately AT VERY LOW RATES, consisting of Fancy and Black Bonnets, Tucked Pilot cloths, Men's heavy & light Coats, Reefing Jackets, Pants, Vests, threads, yarns, Hosiery, together with sundry's household articles.

Persons wanting goods, will find it to their interest to call, as bargains will be given.

E. M. LOCHARY, St. Andrews, Feb. 12, 1868. 6w

PRIVATE BILLS.

ON the re-assembling of the Parliament of Canada, in March, PETITIONS FOR PRIVATE BILLS will be received, in the House of Commons, until Thursday, the 2nd of April following.

W. E. LINDSAY, Clerk House of Commons. Feb. 12 '68.

Government House, Ottawa.

Tuesday, the 24th day of December, 1867.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR GENERAL IN COUNCIL.

ON the recommendation of the Honorable the Minister of Customs, and under and in virtue of the authority given and conferred by the Act passed during the present session of the Legislature, intitled: "An Act respecting the Customs," His Excellency in Council has been pleased to make the following Regulations:

"In addition to the Warehouses, Ports mentioned in the Act passed during the present session of the Parliament of Canada, and intitled: "An Act respecting the Customs," the Ports mentioned in the annexed list and being in the Provinces of Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, and which are now Warehouses in those Provinces respectively, shall be and they are hereby continued as such Warehousing Ports, and are hereby declared to be so accordingly.

WM. H. I.E.P. Clerk Privy Council.

ONTARIO.

Amherstburgh, Bytown, Brantford, Chatham, Chippawa, Cornwall, Gt. Falls, Clifton, Darlington, Dover, Dunnville, Dundas, Guelph, Oakville, Oshawa, Paris, Stratford, Queenstown, Sarnia, Sault Ste. Marie, St. John's, Trenton, Whitby, Windsor, Woodstock.

QUEBEC.

Amherst, Magdalen Islands, Castleguard, Gt. Falls, New Carlisle.

NOVA SCOTIA.

Halifax, Amherst, Annapolis, Antigonish, Arichat, Baddeck, Barrington Passage, Bay River, Bridgewater, Canning (on Cansuville), Digby, Kelly Cove, (Great Bras d'Or), Guysboro Harbour, Bridgewater in La Haine, Liverpool, Lunenburg, Mahone Bay, Margareville, North Sydney, Pictou, Port Gilbert, Port Hawkesbury, Port Hood, Port Medway, Peggewash, Ragged Islands, Saint Anne's, Saint Peter's, Sydney, Tatamagouche, Wallace, Weymouth, Windsor, Yarmouth.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

Bathurst, Buctouche, Campbellton, Well'spool, Carleton Place, Chatham, Dalhousie, Edmundston, Fredericton, Grand Falls, Moncton, New Castle, Richibucto, Sackville, Shediac, St. Andrews, St. George, St. John's, St. Stephens, Andover, West Isles, Woodstock.

—Lord Brougham, according to an English paper, has not had better health in every respect during the last eighteen months than he is enjoying now.

NOTICE.

AN application will be made to the Court of this Province, for the passage of an Act to amend the Sections for Charlotte County to the office of Fire and Insurance. Also an Act authorizing Firemen a certain sum, in lieu of exemptions, similar to the Act passed 18 Stephen.

CUSTOMS DEP.

OTTAWA, 10th February, 1868. VOICES until further notice. R. S. M. Comm.

DEPARTMENTAL ORDER.

CUSTOMS DEPT. Ottawa, 31

NOTICE is hereby given, under the authority of the Governor General, that the horses, mares and other animals, persons specially imported for stock in Canada, whether for private individuals, ordered, be imported with payment of Customs duty accordingly.

By command, R. S. M. BOT Commis.

WANT.

For the Parish School. A FIRST CLASS M. The income of the tuition fees, Provincial Lands, the latter equal per annum. School M. R. G. L. J. LOCH.

St. Andrews, Jan. 26.

FISH.

THE Subscribers have 20,000 Q.TLS. of Pickled, Smoked, and Fresh Fish constantly on hand.

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