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The Daily Tribune.

J. L. STEWART,..... EDITOR.

MONDAY EVENING, JAN. 12, 1874.

It will be seen by the Premier's proclamation that he intends to have a stringent election law—after the election; a more extended suffrage—at the next election; a Pacific Railway—in the next century; an improvement in the "canalization" (what a word!)—of Ontario; a Court of Appeals—for the benefit of Reform aspirants to the bench; and an "improvement" of the militia system.

It will be observed that the suffrage qualification is to be adapted to the wants of different sections—that one thing will entitle a man to vote in one Province and another thing in another Province. This is a most obnoxious principle to introduce into our system—a principle that has worked much mischief in Great Britain. It means that the suffrage will be extended to the particular class of each Province that is looked upon by the Government as likely to sustain it in the next election. This suffrage peddling business is contemptible. A man is either a citizen, entitled to an equal voice in the making of the country's laws, or he is an alien or a pauper for whom others legislate.

The Pacific Railway policy, considered from Premier Mackenzie's Lake Superior Silver Mine point of view, could not be better, but, considered from a national, or a statesmanlike point of view, it is a bungling, half-hearted, money-wasting, ruinous and unsatisfactory scheme for affording "Reform" patriots a life work. The Pacific Railway should be built or it should not be built. The work will never pay in a national or pecuniary sense until it is completed. It will cost more to build it in thirty years than in ten years. The indefiniteness about the time of completion and the exact location will foster a villainous speculative spirit that will enrich Premier Mackenzie's Silver Mining and Land Co., demoralize the community, check settlement, and disgust foreign capitalists.

A new Insolvency Law is to be enacted and a bill for the establishment of a Court of Appeals introduced, rendering it absolutely necessary that New Brunswick should have an able lawyer or two among it representatives in the House of Commons. Of all the candidates now before the people of New Brunswick how many are lawyers in high standing?—how many are lawyers of any standing? Very few. St. John must send one of its leading barristers to look after the interests of New Brunswick in the Insolvency and Court of Appeals questions. Some may think these are easy questions to solve, and that the interests of NewBrunswick that are involved are of minor importance, but there never was a greater mistake. There is no question more difficult to solve satisfactorily than these, and none that more requires the watching of a great lawyer in the interests of the Maritime Provinces.

It is amusing to note that Mr. Mackenzie, speaking for the Government, says WE condemned this and that act of the late Government. Who is WE? Isaac Burpee, A. J. Smith, Coffin and Ross cannot be included in the WE, because they did not condemn the things that WE condemned. WE means the Ontario clique of able and unscrupulous men in whose hands are the reins of Government. They form the *Government:* Messrs. Burpee, Smith, Ross and Coffin are only members of the *Cabinet*—a very different body under the present system. We are surprised at so open an insult being put upon the members the of Government in the face of the constituents they have appealed to, and can account for it only on the supposition that the Maritime members have no weight in the councils of Canada—they are members of the *Cabinet* with no voice in the *Government*. The dissolution of the House was arranged without consulting with them, and now they are ignored by the Premier in his address. Well, it is not reasonable to suppose that Mr. Burpee, Mr. Coffin and Mr. Ross should exercise any influence in the present Cabinet, and Mr. Smith can do nothing with condjutors who are political nonentities. It is not fair to the present Maritime Ministers to expect them to have any weight in the Councils of the country, because they have not the requisite experience or natural ability. You cannot put sawdust and water in the pot and have a plum-pudding, nor can men ignorant of the a-b-c's of statesmanship enter the Cabinet and become influential Ministers.

Our readers will mark the glittering generality about "the canalization of the country," and note that it makes no mention of the Baie Verte. "Canalization," though a big word, does not necessarily include the Baie Verte—a canal to which the WE of the present Cabinet have not committed themselves.

An official of the Ontario Penitentiary was dismissed for voting agsinst Moss in Toronto, and he has published an affidavit stating the facts. The "Reform" journals pause in their disquisitions on purity, freedom of the franchise, etc., and say—"Served him right."

Mr. Palmer's card to the electors of the City and County of St. John is in our advertising columns. He proposes to be elected as an independent representative, pledged only to support good and oppose bad measures.

More About the Sheriff of Kent County.

To the Editor of the Tribune.

It has been stated in many Provincial papers that the Sheriff of Kent County is responsible for the extra votes polled at the late election in the County, and some are disposed to condemn the Sheriff for inability to discharge the duties of his office faithfully and impartially. In reference to the election just held I will not refer further than to say in my humble opinion the Sheriff is not to blame for the malfeasance of his officers; and in this opinion there are no doubt many who differ from me. It has been said the Sheriff does not understand his business as one occupying such a position should. It has been said he has served writs, collected the monies and failed to give an account of his stewardship. It has been said he failed to serve warrants—bench warrants—on certain persons who were violators of a breach of the peace. It has been said he has given *no bonds to the Government as required by law!* And furthermore it has been said these facts have been represented to the Government and that body has failed to take any notice of the matter.

Now, Mr. Editor, I would ask of the Government the following questions, presuming their organ will deign to give a reply:

1. Is it true the Sheriff of Kent County has not given bonds for the faithful performance of his duty as required by law?
2. Is it true that representations have been made to the Government to the effect that the Sheriff of Kent County failed to serve warrants—bench warrants—one in question having been issued in Oct. '69—these warrants not having been served to this day?
3. Is it true that a leading firm in the United States, through their lawyer in Miramichi, have represented to the Government that the Sheriff of Kent County has served a writ for a sum exceeding one thousand dollars ($1000), collected the money and refused to return the writ or pay over the money?

☞ Mr. Editor, if your space would admit I could furnish you with a score of queries similar to the foregoing. I trust sufficient has been asked for the present.

Some months ago writs were sent to the Sheriff of Kent County to be served on persons doing business in the County. These writs were served, the monies were paid to the Sheriff; but did that official pay over promptly these monies received? It is some time since Hugh H. Wilson, Coroner, made a levy on a horse, harness and sundry other goods and chattels belonging to William Raymond, High Sheriff of Kent County—this levy being made to satisfy two executions, respectively those of Everitt & Butler, of St. John, and Hamilton & Smith of Shediac. On Tuesday last the "goods and chattels" referred to were to be finally disposed of, as stated in the written notice, to satisfy a "balance due," &c., and on that day the "balance due" it is said was paid. This, it appears, is the third if not the fourth time these "goods and chattels" were to be brought to the auctioneer's hammer.

I ask, Mr. Editor, is this the proper way for an officer who holds the highest position in the County to act? Is it fair for the Government to retain in office a man who is entirely unfit for Sheriff? Is it just to the business men (both in the County and out of it) who have occasion to hand legal papers to the Sheriff for collection to be fooled and humbugged as were the firms above cited?

I ask are not the Government *morally*, if not legally, responsible for the monies collected by their servant the High Sheriff, provided the latter has failed to pay over such monies as required by law, and this too, Mr. Editor, when the Sheriff has not furnished bonds? It is unnecessary to follow this correspondence any further.

If the Government intend to retain their present official in office it is better to have it known through the columns of their organ, of which Hon. Edw. Willis, M. E. C., M. P. P., is editor. I have carefully refrained from saying anything of the social habits of the High Sheriff—these speak for themselves.

Personally I am on the best of terms with Mr. Raymond, and have ever been treated by him as one gentleman would use another. Publicly I must say he has proved himself entirely incompetent to discharge the duties of his high and honorable position.

Mr. Editor, I trust you will publish the foregoing in the interest of the public, making your own comments thereto.

Yours truly, JUSTITIA.
Buctouche, N. B., 10th Janv., 1874.

LOCALS

For advertisements of WANTED, LOST, FOUND, FOR SALE, REMOVED, or TO LET see Auction column.

New Advertisements.

Advertisers must send in their favors before 12 o'clock, noon, in order to insure their appearance in this list.

Amusements—	Lee's Opera House
Election Card—	A L Palmer
Executors Notice—	Margaret Wilson
AUCTIONS.	
Clothing, &c—	E H Lester

On First Page: Men and Things at Ottawa.

On Fourth Page: Saturday's Second Edition.

Personal.

Edwin Frost, Esq., left by train this morning for New York. His mission is one of annexation.

Hon. A. J. Smith and Hon. I. Burpee are expected to arrive in St. John tomorrow evening.

The best and cheapest Pianos are at E Peiler & Bro's.

Moncton Reformed Episcopal Church.

This church was opened yesterday and was largely attended. The Rev. Mr. Feltwell, the new rector, officiated, and created a very favorable impression. The old Union Meeting House has been fitted up as a place to worship in.

Any Music or Music Book want d can be found at E. Peiler & Bro's.

Oyster Supper.

Messrs. Manchester, Robertson & Allison entertained their employes at an oyster supper, in the Victoria dining rooms, on Saturday evening. A very pleasant hour was spent. The only speech made was by one of the juniors, who, between his mouthfuls of oysters and crackers, managed to utter, "Man dear, ain't they good!"

PIANOFORTE TUNING.—Mr. Carson Flood has secured the services of Mr. C. E Bourne, of Boston, a practical pianoforte builder and tuner. Orders left at the Warerooms, No. 75 Prince Wm. street, will be attended to in the order received.

Brevities.

The Father Mathew Association hold a special meeting in St. Malachi's Hall this evening at half past seven.

Prof. Bailey lectures this evening in the Institute on "The Geology of the present day."

The annual meeting of the Hampton Auxiliary Bible Society will be held on the 29th inst. Addresses will be delivered by Mr. Russell, the agent, and other gentlemen.

The river St. John, between Indiantown and Gagetown, is clear of ice. A large quantity of drift ice was seen in the harbor yesterday—a most unusual sight for January.

The Rev. W. H. Simpson, of Hamilton, Ontario, preached in Calvin Church yesterday, both morning and afternoon, to large and appreciative audiences. Mr. Simpson is a powerful and popular practical preacher, combining earnestness with eloquence, such as is rarely heard in our city pulpits. At the close of the afternoon service the Rev. gentleman intimated his intention to occupy the same pulpit next Sunday.

"Russia," "Java," "Abyssinia," "Parthia" and "Cuba."

These splendid first-class steamers of the Cunard Line will all leave New York and Boston between the 21st of this month and the 18th of February next, for Liverpool via Queenstown, and offer good opportunity to our merchants for a safe and pleasant voyage. Passages and staterooms can be secured at Hall & Hanington's Ticket Agency, where cabin plans of such steamers can be seen.

Shipwright's Union.

The following persons are elected officers of this society for the ensuing year: John Douglas, President; Francis Crawford, Vice-President; John O'Brien, Rec. Sec.; John Frederickson, Fin. Sec.; Caleb Belyea, Cor. Sec.; John Carroll, Treasurer. Trustees—John Douglas, John O'Brien, John Carroll.

HENRY HALE, PIANOFORTE TUNER AND REPAIRER. Prompt attention and satisfaction guaranteed. Order book at Landry & McCarthy's Music Store, King st.

Shipping Notes.

Burned at Sea.—The bark Frank Younger, of and from Pictou, N. S., with coal for Havana, has been burned at sea. Her crew were rescued and landed at Nuevitas previous to the 8th inst.

The bark Hattie M., of Digby, N. S., Cunningham, master, at New York 8th inst., from Dunkirk, reports having experienced strong gales from lon. 28 to lon. 50, during which lost and split sails and carried away foretopgallantmast. On the 5th inst., in lat. 37.52, lon. 66.06, passed a vessel of about 150 tons, bottom up, evidently but a short time in that situation.

Shipping at the Port of North Sydney.—823 vessels, aggregating 223,008 tons, entered the port of Sydney, C. B., last year.

Halifax Lightship.—The lightship Halifax has gone on to the marine railway at Dartmouth to be examined.

Shipment of Coal from Cape Breton.—The total quantity of coal shipped from the Cape Breton collieries during the year 1873 was 517,376 tons, against 381,002½ tons for 1872. The total quantity shipped from Glace Bay colliery during the past year was 66,110 tons.

A Remarkable Passage.—The brigantine Malaga, Carlow, master, which arrived at Portland yesterday from Pernambuco, made the run in 26 days, the quickest passage on record. The M. sailed from Philadelphia with a full cargo for Pernambuco on the 12th Oct., she has therefore made the round trip in three months, including stopping days.

Woods' Piano-Organs are the perfection of an Organ. E. Peiler & Bro. have an assortment.

Point Lepreaux Weather and Marine Report.

The following is the telegraphic report from Point Lepreaux to the Board of Trade room, this morning:

9 A. M.—Wind N. W., clear, with strong breeze; one schooner inward.

Lt. Governor Tilley in St. John and Portland.

The Governor's time will be pretty well occupied during his stay in the city with receptions, &c. This evening at seven o'clock in the Calvin Church school room an address is to be presented by the Cadets of Temperance. To-morrow night the citizens generally entertain him and his lady at a banquet at the Victoria Hotel. Wednesday evening the temperance people entertain him at another dinner in the same place. On Thursday evening the people of Portland are to welcome him at a tea meeting which is to be held in Temperance Hall. After tea speeches and music are to be in order. The Choir Union of Portland are to supply music, and a good time is expected. On Friday he leaves for home.

ENGLISH and American Chromos at NOTMAN'S.

THE DAILY TRIBUNE and all the most popular Canadian, English and American newspapers and magazines can always be obtained at the bookstore of Mr. W. K. Crawford, King street. au 8

Pianos and Organs.

The best place in this city to buy a good Piano or Organ is at Landry & McCarthy's, 44 King street. The Estey Organs, for which they are the sole agents, are undoubtedly the finest and best Organs in the world. The fact that more of these Organs have been imported and sold in New Brunswick during the last twelve months than all others combined, certainly speaks volumes in their favor. They vary in price from $60 to $900.

Pure Confections.

Purchasers of candies, either for retail or for their own use, should always call for those manufactured at the Victoria Steam Confectionery Works. Messrs. Woodburn & Co. are determined to sustain their reputation for making a pure article. See advt. on this page. tf

AYER'S CHERRY PECTORAL—the world's great remedy for Coughs, Colds, Consumption, and all affections of the Lungs and Throat.

The Cunard Line of Steamers.

Two of the first class boats of this line sail each week from *New York* and *Boston* for Liverpool. Passages and state rooms secured for any steamer at our office. Tickets for *California* and the *West*, and for all points on Intercolonial Railway and the United States and Canada, are also sold at Hall & Hanington's Ticket Agency, 51 Prince William street.

INDIAN INK Mezzotintos at NOTMAN'S

A Portland Wife leaves her Husband.

The Town of Portland has another excitement—a supposed elopement case. The particulars were known Saturday afternoon, and since then there has been much inquiry and no little speculation. It seems that Mr. Isaac Cowan, on returning to his house on Friday night, instead of being met by his smiling wife found the house empty and in disorder. The lamp was burning in the front room, but the partner of his joys and sorrows was missing. A note was on the table from his wife, informing him that she had left him for good and enclosing $20. It seems that there was $40 in the house, and she had made a fair division of the cash. Mrs. Cowan is not exactly a handsome woman, but is good looking. Her hair is a dark brown, and is generally curled, eyes black and piercing, a well-developed form and graceful carriage. Her manners are extremely pleasing, and in conversational powers she so excelled that her house was a favorite resort for a large circle of friends, who will miss her almost as much as her husband. The deserted husband takes the matter very philosophically, and has made no effort to follow, or find in which direction the fugitive has gone. He is a lumber surveyor in the employ of Mr. Coleman, Portland, and has, it is said, always lived on good terms with his wife, being an excellent provider of everything wanted in the household. There are no children. Whether anyone has gone with Mrs. Cowan, or whether she is to meet some one, is not yet known. Mrs. Cowan was a regular attendant of one of the churches, and was always active in promoting its interests. Her friends could not for a long time believe she had taken such a step, and now assert that there must be some other reason than a passion for some young man.

GOLD-VEINED Ebony and Walnut rames at NOTMAN'S.

Merchants' Exchange.

New York, Jan. 11th.—Gold opened at 111⅛.

Sketches of Eminent Missionaries.

The friends of Missions will have an opportunity of hearing a lecture on the above subject by the Rev. W. B. Boggs, Secretary of the F. Mission Board, in the Pitt street Baptist Church this Monday evening, 12th inst., at 8 o'clock. Admission 12 cents.

In anticipation of the arrival of Dr. Pomroy, Messrs. Hanington Bros. have imported large quantities of fresh barks, roots, herbs, &c., in order that his numerous patients can rely on having their prescriptions accurately compounded without delay. 1w

HAY AND CORDWOOD for sale wholesale and retail by J. M. Smith, opposite Railway Station, St. John. tf

Portland Police Court.

Robert Burns was arrested in Chapel street, for drunkenness, and fined $4.

Ann Bustard was lying drunk in Main street. She was fined $4.

Dennis Griffin was arrested for the same offence, on Sunday, so the full penalty of the law, $8, was imposed.

The police report Morris Frazee for selling liquor in his licensed tavern after 11 o'clock on Saturday night. The trial will come off to-morrow.

St. John Stock Exchange.

BOARD ROOM, Jan. 12th, 1874.

	Shares each.	Last ½ yly. Dividend.	Asked.	Bid.
Bank of New Brunswick,	$100	5 p.c.	167	165
" " B. N. America,	250	4		
" " Montreal,	200	8		
Maritime Bank,	100	4	90	
People's Bank,				
St. Stephen Bank,	100	4		
Spring Hill C. M. Co.,	50		125	
Joggins C. M. Co.,	3	5	100	
People's Street Rly. Co.,	20		23	
St. George Red Granite,	100		50	
Victoria Hotel Co.,	100		33	
Suspension Bridge Co.,	20		90	
St. John Gas Co.,	110		106	100
Victoria Skating Rink,	100	4	105	
Confederate Life Ins. Co.,	100		99	
Royal Canadian Fire Ins.	100		99	
N. B. Patent Tanning Co.	5		80	
Sussex Boot & Shoe M. Co.	50	1¾		
Ottawa City Bonds,			99	
Academy of Music,	20		45	
Parrsboro R. and Coal M	100		70	
St. Stephen Ry. 1st M. B.,			97	
Colebrook Rolling Mills,	100	6	100	
Moosepath Driving Park,	100		50	
City School Debentures,		3	95	
Corporation Bonds,		3	99	
South Bay Boom Co.,	40		85	99
Carleton Branch Ry.,				

Exchange Bank Sterling, 60 days, 9¼;
Do do., sight, 10¼;
Drafts on U. S. currency, 9 p.c. disct.

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JUST RECEIVED:
25 BBLS. SALT, in 5, 10 and 20 pound bags.
dec 5 JOSHUA S. TURNER.

By Telegraph.

Canadian, British and Foreign.

[*To the Associated Press.*]

LONDON, Jan. 10.
Consols 92¼; breadstuffs quiet.

MADRID, Jan. 10.
A column of the Republican force besieging Cartagena made an attack on Fort San Julian yesterday but was repulsed with considerable loss, and returned to camp. Heavy fire is now kept up on both sides.

BALTIMORE, Jan. 10.
The British steamer Ravensworth Castle is reported totally wrecked by cable despatch last night. She cleared hence December 13th with 80,000 bushels of wheat. Her cargo was consigned to an Antwerp house and valued at about $120,000. She was fully insured in English companies except $30,000 in the Atlantic Mutual of New York.

MIDDLETOWN, N. Y., Jan. 10.
An Eastward bound freight train ran into a freight train near Checunk Outlet on the Erie railroad this morning. Ten cars with contents were burned. The engineer and fireman of the latter train were seriously injured.

NEW YORK, Jan. 10.
Gold 111⅜ a 112. Exchange 83½ a 87.

(*Special to the Tribune*)

The Mouse that has been brought forth by the Ministerial Mountain—The Pacific and Silver Mine Railway—Standing in Macdonald's Old Shoes.

(Received too late for Saturday's issue.)

OTTAWA, Jan. 10.
Laird is transferred to the office of Secretary of State, Scott taking Laird's place.

Premier Mackenzie's electoral address is at last published. It was ready for publication a week ago, and has been kept back so that it would get before as few of the electors as possible previous to the elections, and leave no time for damaging explanations. The only new thing in it—the only point, except the fearfully and wonderfully wrought Pacific and Lake Superior Mine Railway policy—is the proposal to abolish the slight real estate qualification required of members of the Commons. Here are the principal paragraphs:

We shall endeavor to frame laws for such a liberal adjustment of the franchise as may best suit the varying circumstances of the different sections of the Dominion, for the taking of votes by ballot, for the abolition of the real estate qualification for members, thus giving the people greater freedom in the choice of their representatives in Parliament, and for increasing the efficiency of the existing agencies for the prevention of improper practices at elections. I trust that the supporters of the Government will, in this election, set the example of scrupulous observance of law in their own cases and oppose its violation by others.

We must meet the difficulty imposed on Canada by the reckless arrangements of the late Government with reference to the Pacific Railway, under which they pledged the honor and resources of this country to commence that gigantic work in July, 1873, and to secure its completion by July, 1881. That contract has already been broken. More than a million of dollars have now been spent in surveys, but no part of the line has been located, and the bargain is, as we always said it would prove, incapable of literal fulfilment. We must endeavor to arrange with British Columbia for such relaxation of the terms as may give time for the completion of the survey, and the acquisition of the information necessary to an intelligent apprehension of the work, and for the subsequent prosecution of it with such speed and under such arrangements as the resources of the country will permit, without too largely increasing the burden of taxation. Meantime, with a view to obtain a speedy means of communication across the continent, and to facilitate the construction of the railway itself, it will be our policy to utilize the enormous stretch of water communication which lies between a point not far from the Rocky Mountains, Fort Garry, Lake Superior, French River and Georgian Bay; thus avoiding for the present the construction of about thirteen hundred miles of railway estimated to cost from sixty to eighty millions of dollars, and rendering the resources of the country available for the prosecution of those links of the Pacific Railway which are necessary in order to form a complete line of rail and steamboat communication from East and West. This will involve the construction of a short line of railway from the mouth of French River and Georgian Bay to south-east shore of Lake Nipissing, and instead of granting aid of extension to that point of existing and projected lines in Quebec and Ontario, we propose to facilitate construction of the branch line from Fort Garry to Pembina, already provided for by Parliament, although we cannot hope that the time limited by the late Government for its completion will be sufficient.

We shall endeavor by these means to promote immigration on an extensive scale, and to secure the settlement and development of these fertile territories, on which our hope for the future of Canada are largely fixed.

The proper mode of dealing with the question of Insolvency has long been a problem in other countries besides our own. Our preceent Insolvent law gives great dissatisfaction. It will be the object of the Government to frame a measure which, while preserving to creditors the advantage of obtaining a summary and fair distribution of the assets of their insolvent debtors, shall be calculated to discourage reckless dealing, to render more difficult the commision and more easy the punishment of fraud, and to simplify the machinery, and lessen the expense of winding up estates. The time seems to have arrived when the Union of the various provinces may be promoted by creating a general Court of Appeal for the Dominion, and to this subject the attention of Government will be directed. The work of improving the canalization of the country will be vigorously prosecuted, and every effort made to attract to Canadian channels the traffic of the west, and to foster by a judicious expenditure in public improvements, the vast maritime interests of the Dominion. The militia system demands revision, and will receive the immediate and earnest attention of the Government with a view to increasing its efficiency.

Under this policy the American lines must be used during the winter in any case, and it is considered by practical men that they will be used for passage and light paying freights in the summer in preference to the water route proposed. This policy causes intense disappointment among those who have denied the Northern Pacific interpretation put upon the Premier's Sarnia speech. The land-