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EDITORIAL NOTES.

The ACADIAN will not be issued next week but will appear a fortnight from to-day in an enlarged form.

Mr. A. M. Hoare retires from the editorial chair of the ACADIAN with this number.

Another building has been destroyed by fire here. But we have no fire department yet. We do hope the people of Wolfville will soon awake to their responsibility in this matter.

Hants County has had another mass meeting and discussed the Branch Railway question. Bravo! Hants. Stick to it and you are bound to gain your point. The proposed railway means a new era of prosperity for you if you get it and it is worth spending much time and energy in getting.

Meanwhile Kings or rather Horton and East Cornwallis, would be very much pleased if some slight improvement were made in the highways. For instance that piece of Dyke Road from Port Williams Station to the bridge. Disgraceful is no name for it. If Mr. P. Innes left any part of his railroad in anything approaching the state of that piece of road he would be railed at and abused to a frightful rate.

Our temperance friends are in luck. The prohibitional constitutional amendment was adopted at the recent election in Maine by considerable more than the requisite two thirds majority. And at the election in the County of Halton, Ontario, on Tuesday to repeal the Scott Act, that enactment was sustained by a large majority. A movement to have the Scott Act simultaneously adopted in some fifty counties in Ontario and Quebec, is now in progress. We are told that if this proves successful a demand will at once be made on the Dominion Parliament to pass a prohibitory liquor law.—Halifax Herald.

This looks like business and we think Nova Scotia will not be behind when

the question of Prohibition is put before the people.

By the way we should think Halifax would be heartily ashamed of itself. About every other shop in that city of churches sells liquor. Nine-tenths of its inhabitants drink to a greater or less extent. It wastes enough money in one year in liquor to buy a dozen Dry Docks and put a fence around the Grand Parade. We long for the day when the people of Halifax will come to their senses and put down this gigantic curse.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[We do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions of our correspondents.]

For the Acadian.

AN ENQUIRER ANSWERED.

A writer in the last ACADIAN, under the name of "A Burdened Taxpayer," asks a question or two, which were not editorially answered. The first of the questions was, whether the public is by law required to pay the expenses incurred, whenever and as often as a self-interested party chooses to call out the supervisors of roads, in the hope of personal and private advantage to himself. A reference to the Revised Statutes will show that the Burdened Taxpayer need not have been under any apprehensions, and that the Supervisors are not bound to saddle the public with such expense, but may at their option demand indemnification from the moving applicant. ANTI-TAX.

Sept. 11th 1884.

A NEW WAR-CRY.

To the Editor of the Acadian.

When it was announced a short time ago that it was in contemplation to admit Jamaica as a province into the Dominion, and that Sir Charles Tupper was in favor of the measure, it was foretold that the mis-named Liberal Party, would array themselves in opposition to it. With those great politicians and patriots all that is needed is for them to know, or to suspect, that Sir Charles, or Sir John, or Sir Leonard is favorable to a measure—then they raise the war cry and hasten to enlist all their slavish followers in blind and mad hostility. The prophecy is already fulfilled, and under such leadership as the Toronto Globe, the Halifax Chronicle with the other corporals and drum-majors of the party are leading on the ragged recruits to a senseless encounter and an ignominious defeat.

We greatly need the productions of Jamaica, and Jamaica as greatly needs those which we can supply; and what will add value to the exchange is that no hostile tariff will be interposed to cripple and obstruct the trade. But this is precisely what is distasteful to these false patriots and political jugglers. They hypocritically preach up Free Trade; but it is free trade with the United States that they desire—on one side, jug-handled free trade, which gives all and receives nothing in return. It is to play into the hands of their good liberal friends, the Yankee pro-

tectionists, who play into their hands from the Treasury so bountifully and with so comfortable an assurance of an abundant return in the way of Annexation Services—services which the experience of the last ten or fifteen years assures them can be relied on, as long as U. S. Secret Service money lasts, and is devoted to such a desirable object. It is not intimated that the rank and file of the Radical Army receive the money; it is their leaders that draw it AND USE IT. NOTA BENE.

Sept. 2d 1884.

With all due respect to our correspondent we think it hardly fair to attribute this style of action to the Liberals alone. As far as we can see it makes little difference whether a move is good or not if it is brought up by the leaders on either side their followers will uphold it and the others oppose it and that too by the lowest of all means, personal abuse. ED.

FUN AND PHILOSOPHY OR THE ASTRONOMERS AT FAULT

Early in the spring of the present year of grace it was announced that we might expect about the first of May the appearance of a new star in the firmament. The prophecy failed of its accomplishment and the promised star did not put in an appearance till some time in August. Then we were informed that the star would be again invisible for a fortnight, when it would appear with increased splendour and brilliancy, and continue to shine from that period without an interruption and without decay. But as before, when the fortnight had run its round, the promised star was not to be seen above the horizon, nor was it visible till two days after the time officially announced. We were then treated with a new prophecy and were assured that we might confidently rely upon its appearance in a week from that day. But when the week had elapsed, there was, as previously, no star in the heavens, nor was there for twenty-four hours afterwards. The celestial orrery had some how got out of order, or our astronomers were not sufficiently versed in their chosen science; and now, to prevent the risk of making another blunder and bringing the stars and the star-makers, and the star-regulators all alike into contempt, two or three additional days were taken to give sufficient elbow-room; and we are assured that we will not be misled again, but that on the ensuing Friday, the luminary will certainly be visible to all beholders as a morning or evening star; and will henceforth for a succession of ages shine with a bright, steady and ever increasing light. ANTI-STAR-GAZER.

Sep. 6th '84. ANTI-STAR-GAZER.

P. S. It has been suggested that it is the science of Astrology and not Astronomy that has here been at fault; and further that the blunders enumerated were due to the miscalculations, not of scientists but of politicians. Others again say that the star is no star at all, but a comet, and that its elements have not yet been calculated with sufficient accuracy to enable astronomers to pronounce certainly as to its constitution and movements. This is at least probable.

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Mr. Lewis, agent for Division, purposes to arrive at the Methodist Church on Tuesday evening and cordially invited. A "parable of the ships" young men. A silver code for the "Agency" Fur

CRICKET.—A match was played, at Halifax between the Wanderers and Kentville C. C., resulting in the former by an in-

A match, at Windsor, Kentville C. C. and the Saturday resulted in the Kentville team by 7 r

S. S. CONCERT.—A Sabbath School concert Monday evening last at New Minas. The program of a review of that beautiful performance was a grand success. The audience was wonderfully decorated, overflowing. A recitation by Miss Seaman, entitled "Fidelity" was admirably delivered. Mr. Hall and their success, and hope of pleasure of attending there.

NOTICE.—J. McLeod's Watch Repairs.

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