

The Weekly Monitor.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 15, 1896.

The issue between the two great political parties in the United States is now clearly defined, and while there are several planks in their respective platforms, the one that is commanding the serious consideration of both parties is the financial plank. High protection versus tariff for revenue only—this a question well calculated to engage the attention of able statesmen—has been relegated to an inferior place and other questions are welling forgotten, while the problem of confining the country to a gold standard, as in the case in nearly every other civilized country in the world, or extending it so as to include gold and silver as it is at present in the States, is the one absorbing, engrossing and exciting question.

The Democratic convention was in session during the past week, and the world watched with eager eyes to observe the proceedings and note the result. As was expected, the party nominated a silver candidate, but few there were who were not a little surprised at the person chosen. The party nominated a third term, so no one expected Cleveland to be renominated and the chances seemed to be about equal for Blair and Teller, but a speech was made at the convention by W. H. Bryan, a young man thirty-six years of age, from Nebraska—a dark horse—who appears to possess the happy gift of eloquence to a high degree, and this speech, which was a very clear and lucid exposition of the position of the democrats on the silver question, won for him the day. On the fifth ballot he received the necessary three-fourths majority and is now the candidate of the Democratic party for president. Immediately on receiving the information he took a pen and paper and pledged himself, in case of his election, not to run for a second term.

The financial plank in Mr. Bryan's platform calls for the free coinage of silver in ratio of 16 to 1, that is, asking people to believe that sixteen ounces of silver are worth one ounce of gold. There was a time when this ratio was a correct one, the intrinsic value of gold being sixteen times greater than silver; but now, owing to the abundance of silver and the facility with which it is mined, it has become less dear, while gold retains its original value; hence, if one buys gold and silver in bullion he will find that instead of the old ratio of 16 to 1 he will be able to give about thirty ounces of silver for one of gold. In other words, the silver dollar which once was worth one hundred cents in gold is now worth only fifty-three cents, or, looking at it in another light, fifty-three cents worth of silver rights from the mine is taken to an American mint and made into the national coin and comes out worth one hundred cents. Why? Not because the labor bestowed on it has added to its value, but because the present law makes it so. The silver man says if you continue to coin silver at this rate the value of the metal will be increased the world over, for the American mint will be an unlimited market for its sale, and by these means it becomes worth one-sixteenth as much as gold every nation will be able to get one hundred cents for enough silver to make the dollar and will therefore take the coined dollar for its face.

That Joseph C. Dodge came to his death while attempting to board the west-bound Bluenose train, which was in motion; and further, we believe his death was purely accidental, and that no blame is attached to anyone.

The funeral of the unfortunate young man took place from the residence of his parents on Sunday morning last at ten o'clock, and was one of the largest ever seen in this town. The deceased was a member of the Bluenose Yacht Club, and his funeral was a most impressive affair. The pall-bearers were Messrs. F. A. Schaffer, F. A. McPherson, G. H. Reed and Walter B. C. Brown. The Rev. Joseph G. Goss (Methodist), who has the large funeral cortege formed in procession to the cemetery.

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County Court opened at Annapolis yesterday morning, Mr. Justice Savary presiding. The following is the docket: Sheehan v. Rice. E. L. Miller for plaintiff. Judgment for plaintiff. Morrison v. Foster and Pales. Parsons for plaintiff, and Wade and Paton for defendant. Judgment reserved.

Appeals. Rice v. Purdy. Owen for plaintiff; Gillis & Harris for defendant. Delegation. Sims v. Toole and Larimore. F. L. Miller for plaintiff, and O. S. Miller for defendant. Continued to November term. The business was all disposed of and court adjourned last night six o'clock.

Maid M. and Andrew to Race. A matched race between Maid M. and Andrew is to take place on the track of the Bridgetown Driving Park, on Saturday, the 25th day of July, 1896. An agreement has been entered into between John Hall, the driver of Maid M. and W. F. Gibbons, the driver of Andrew, with the consent of the owners of the respective horses, to trot a matched race on the track here on the 25th inst., race to mile heats, beat three in five to harness. The race is to be started at 2 o'clock sharp in the afternoon. Maid M. was the winner of the 2.35 race trotted here on July 1st, getting a mark of 2.29. Andrew taking second money in the same race. A very sharp contest may be expected between these two horses under the skillful handling of their respective drivers. Spectators will be hard to place the winner and a bona fide race it is sure to be.

An M. P. Injured. What might have proved another fatal accident occurred at Middleton last Saturday, when William B. Law, M.P.P. for Yarmouth, attempted to board the Flying Bluenose train as it was hauling out from the station. Fortunately the victim was at the rear end of the train, and though the injuries received were not of a dangerous nature, they were sufficient to prove that the utmost care should be exercised by travelers in boarding or leaving trains. Mr. Law was hurried violently to the track and was picked up by his friends in an unconscious condition, in which he remained for several minutes. Besides a few minutes delay the injured gentleman was taken on board and proceeded homeward.

Special Berry Train. On Friday last the D. A. R. placed a special berry train on the line between Kenningville and Middleton, which will connect with the main trains for the east and west. By this arrangement the delay that has been noticeable of late will be overcome, and trains will reach destination on schedule time.

SHOCKING RAILWAY FATALITY.

Joseph C. Dodge, of Middleton, Instantly Behanded by the Bluenose Train.

On Friday afternoon last as the flying Bluenose train from Halifax was about hauling up at Middleton a most melancholy and fatal accident happened one of Middleton's most promising young men. While Mr. Joseph C. Dodge, aged 25, was attempting to board the train while slackening up at the station, for the purpose of soliciting patronage for his father's house, he missed his footing and fell under the moving train, the wheels of one of the cars instantly passing over his neck and completely severing his head from his body. The horrible sight was witnessed by quite a concourse of people standing on the platform, but the accident happened so suddenly that it was impossible to render any assistance.

This sudden and terrible accident to a young man born and brought up in Middleton, has cast a gloom over the whole community, and the ghastly spectacle, as unfortunately witnessed by the spectators present, will long linger in unpleasant memory of a sad, and some times of the deceased are naturally inconceivable, as he was their only son, and just entering into manhood, as he would have arrived at the age of twenty-one years next month.

As soon as possible after the fatal accident the remains were given in charge of Coroner S. F. Roper, who on Sunday morning following interred the body in the cemetery at St. John's. The funeral was a most impressive affair. The pall-bearers were Messrs. F. A. Schaffer, F. A. McPherson, G. H. Reed and Walter B. C. Brown. The Rev. Joseph G. Goss (Methodist), who has the large funeral cortege formed in procession to the cemetery.

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Local and Special News.

Seventy-five cents will buy the best sylvia in town from H. R. St. John.

The best quality of Mowing Machine Oil for sale by J. W. Beckwith & Son. 16 11

The St. John Sun says that hay is worth \$14 a ton at Indiantown.

F. G. Palfrey will be pleased to deliver any goods bought at his store. 16 11

The American flag now has 48 stars, Utah being admitted to the state on the 4th of July.

An extension of three days after the 15th instant is granted Robert Baberman to clean up his shipment.

A few American Clippers at 50 cts. each; balance of haying tools at cost for cash. T. G. Bishop.

It is stated that L. D. Sperry has been selected as the Liberal candidate for the Lunenburg county local election.

The Interior of the Baptist church at East Margareville has been beautified by a handsome coat of salmonine.

In order to fill a contract for two weeks I will pay 25 cts. for good No. 10 in exchange for goods. T. O. Bishop. 16 11

A house at Colbrook, owned by Mrs. Henry Marchant, and occupied by Mrs. Boehl, was burned last Tuesday. No insurance.

J. W. Davis, an esteemed citizen of Bridgewater, departed this life on the 6th inst., after a brief illness, at the ripe old age of 80 years.

Lost—On the Fitch road, on the 4th inst., a silk sunshade. The finder will please leave at St. N. Jackson's, and oblige Mrs. Parker.

One of the most important grass sales to take place in this vicinity is that now offered by the Westchester Driving Park. See advertisement.

Mr. Ernest Blom closed down his portable mill at Baboquiville last Saturday for three days, and all other things and men may harvest their hay crop.

Sixty pounds will be brought from Sable Island by the steamer Neigold and will arrive at Halifax, where they will be disposed of by auction sale during carnival week.

Sir Donald A. Smith, Canadian High Commissioner in London, will give a prize to be competed for by the Canadian riflemen who take part in the rifle matches at Bixley this season.

Having been commenced by many of our farmers, the crop is much better than was anticipated a few weeks ago, and on the marshes and cultivated uplands is up to the average.

Lavinia Messenger, an aged woman who has been maintained by our charitable institutions for a number of years, died of paralysis of the brain, at her residence, Mrs. and Major Dukeshire, on Friday last.

CARTRIDGE ACCIDENT—As Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Wainman, of Round Hill, were driving home from Annapolis Monday last, a cartridge got off the road, owing to the intense darkness, and upset, injuring Mrs. Wainman very severely.

Probably the largest apple shipment made from this county last year was from Round Hill Station. For nearly a week four or five barrels were shipped per day, 11,200 barrels, grown within a radius of only about 400 miles.

For the next thirty days, to introduce the new "Charm" Baking Powder, I will give with each lb. purchased a good Baking Powder is equally as good as the Royal and has half the cost. J. E. Schaffer, Lawrencetown.

The different agencies accepted by Mr. J. R. Elliott, of Lawrencetown, during his recent visit to England, Canada and the States. Consequently he will require a staff of sub-agents in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.

Mr. Owen N. Chipman, son of A. F. Chipman, Berwick, and grandson of the Rev. W. Chipman, was ordained by the Rev. J. R. Elliott, of Lawrencetown, on Friday last. Mr. Chipman is not known in the upper part of this county, but he studied at Acadia and Rochester.

On Thursday last the town of Castine in Maine celebrated its centennial. It is not known that Dalhousie college, Halifax, was represented. Yet Castine is the mother of the Dalhousie. The original settlement of the college was the proceeds of customs collected at Castine which the British held the place during the war of 1812.

The Halifax Chronicle says: "It is likely that three unfriendly encampments of the American Order of Oddfellows will be held in Halifax in September. They will be Honker Hill, Winter Hill and Boston encampments. They will be about 200 members and have a brass band of 50. The party will come via Yarmouth, and probably spend several days there."

Now that the smoke of political battle is passing away, it would be well for our manufacturers, farmers, stockmen and others to make preparations for the St. John exhibition, which opens on the morning of the 24th inst. Entry papers have been well distributed throughout the Maritime provinces. Application for copies may be made to C. A. Everett, St. John, N. S.

FOUNDED BY HALIFAX.—The American brig *Janet Adams*, Capt. Sanborn, 373 tons, bound for St. John, was wrecked on Tuesday last, a few moments after crew had left her. The crew were rescued by the barque *Janet Adams*, which was within a hundred yards of the *Janet Adams* when she sank. The *Janet Adams* was bound from Sydney to Boston with coal.

A shipment of six hundred live lobsters and eight barrels of live oysters were sent from Halifax to Vancouver last week by the Dominion Fisheries department to be transported in the Pacific waters during the season. A large number of lobster eggs and some black bass for transplanting in Fraser river were also among the lot. The shipment arrived in good order.

On the 29th Sept., 1842, there was not a single Son of Temperance in the world. A two-year-old child living in the family of Mr. Hiram Wilson, in the town of this town, came near losing its life on Friday last by gaining access to a can containing a quantity of arsenic. The child was found in the extermination of the insect pest on the vegetable growth about the premises. The discovery was made by a member of the family after the child had swallowed some two or three spoonfuls of the deadly poison and when in the act of still further helping itself to the contents of the can. As soon as possible the services of Dr. Gray were called, who on arrival found the youthful victim water in a critical state of health. By the use of a stomach pump and other restoratives immediate relief was given, and at latest accounts the innocent was rapidly regaining its usual health.

Baptist Churches in Conference. The Annapolis County Conference of Baptist churches met in session at Litchfield on Monday 12th and continued throughout yesterday. The sermon on Monday evening was preached by the Rev. S. Langille, of Chathamville. Tuesday morning was devoted to prayer and conference for and other business; a paper—The Successful Pastor—by S. N. Jackson, of Chathamville, the Pastoral Work of the People, by Rev. E. Locke. Afternoon: What should be expected of church members: (1) in character, Rev. J. A. King; (2) in service, Rev. F. M. Young; (3) in devotion, Rev. W. Brown. Evening: Consideration, Rev. R. B. Kinley; discussion, opened by Rev. J. E. Estey; consideration service.

International Steamship Line. As will be seen by our advertising column today the International S. S. Co. between St. John and Boston are making a bid for travel from Nova Scotia. Having added the new steamer, *St. Croix*, to their line, they are enabled to make daily trips from St. John leaving there at 8 p. m., thus avoiding having to remain in St. John overnight.

Mr. A. Carder, well and favorably known as the man who ran the restaurant in the Annapolis station and a former agent of the S. S. Co. and Bay Line at Annapolis, is the representative of this daily line from Nova Scotia to Boston.

More Items for Newfoundland. The two topmast schr. *Francis Rice*, Capt. Marshall, which has been discharging a cargo of coal during the past week for Messrs. Neily & Kinney, was being discharged by the manager of the International Brick and Tile Company, Ltd., to carry a cargo of their highly colored bricks to St. John's, N.B. From there they will proceed to Sydney, C. B., to again load coal for the same parties.

Personal.

Miss Gates, of Digby, is the guest of Mrs. H. J. Crowe.

Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Curry left yesterday for Wolfville, to remain a couple of weeks.

Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Morrison, of Halifax, were guests of Mrs. Robert S. Bates last week.

Samuel McGrath, Esq., of Lower Granville, has been gazetted a Justice of the Peace.

Miss Reed, of Berwick, is the guest of her friend, Miss Lillian Fowler, at her pleasant "Fairfield" home.

Dr. G. Foster and wife, of Bridgewater, arrived here yesterday. They are the guests of Miss George Rankins, of the residence of Miss Edith Quirk.

Miss Edith Quirk returned from a pleasant visit among Weymouth relatives and Digby friends on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Theo. Rice, of Weymouth Bridge, were registered at the Revere House for a couple of days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bramhall, of St. John, arrived in town on Monday, and are visiting their daughter, Mrs. Frank Sanford.

Vernor McLellan, of St. John, is spending his vacation among his relatives and friends in town and elsewhere in the county.

Miss Marion Murray, after some two weeks pleasant stay visiting friends in Trenton and Middleton, returned home on Saturday.

Robert E. Hildesburgh, Esq., left on Tuesday last to visit the home of his daughter, Mrs. Newcomb, at Port Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. Rankin, of the well-known firm of Rankin & Sons, biscuit manufacturer, from Boston on Saturday last, and at present in town, spent Sunday with friends in town.

Mr. Charles Eason left on Monday for St. John, N.S., after a pleasant stay of some ten days at the home of Capt. M. and Mrs. Murray.

Mrs. James Clarke and Miss Letitia Robinson, who have been the guests of Mrs. Corcoran of Chathamville, returned here on Tuesday last to the home of his daughter, Mrs. Newcomb, at Port Williams.

Miss Carrie Underkin, of Winter Hill, is enjoying a few weeks rest at the home of her sister, Mrs. W. Jefferson, Chathamville.

Rev. E. A. Wightman, wife and children, left Lawrencetown on Monday for Margate, N. S., to spend a few weeks with her parents and to attend to her business.

All Fellis, the veteran and genial commercial traveler, accompanied by his wife and son, were in town on Monday, and proceeded on Tuesday last to their home in St. John.

Mrs. Marshall, wife of our late respected citizen, Mr. John Marshall, arrived here from Boston on Saturday last, and is at present at the home of her sister, Mrs. E. C. Young.

Rev. J. W. Messenger, of New York, a brother of the late Mr. James Messenger, accompanied by his mother, is visiting at the home of his sister, Mrs. G. Messenger, at Centreville.

Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Goss, of New York, accompanied by his sister, Mrs. John Dakin, and son, of Providence, R. I., after an absence of some two months, returned from Boston last week.

Miss Fie Williams left yesterday for Middleton, to take charge of the telephone exchange at that place, which she has been respected and obliging operator of that office.

Mr. H. A. Tate, will enjoy a well-earned and much needed vacation in the position which will be filled in the meantime by Miss L. M. Kirk.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Knoll, of St. John, arrived in town on Saturday, and were guests of their relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Hoyt, till Monday, when they left for home.

Miss Lily Hoyt, of St. John, daughter of our former resident, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Hoyt, and Master George Hoyt, are also guests at the same hospitable home.

Mr. Charles de Witt, wife and family of three children, of New York, arrived here on Monday last, and are visiting at the home of Mr. de Witt, a brother of our townman, Mr. James de Witt, but for many years past has been a resident of the great metropolis across the border, where he is engaged in a lucrative mercantile business.

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