The Belfast and Murray Harbor Railway.

Sir,—The people of this Province have an object lesson in the conduct of Mr. D. A. McKinnon, M. L. A., and some other Liberals of the Murray Harbor district in regard to our railway. It is plain, that party, comes first with them and railway afterwards. Some two years ago, who seemed more zealous than Mr. McKinnon, and some like him, pressing for the building of our railway? There was nothing then to be left undone. Petitions were circulated and resolutions passed in the Local Legislature. They posed as the men who were really anxious for the building of the railway. They attended meetings during the last campaign in June and said the Liberals were the true friends of the railway, and that the Conservative party was not sincere—in fact that there was a far better chance of getting railway accomodation from the Liberals than from the Tory party. That was very good, at the time, and a great many people thought that the Liberals were sincere in their declarations—and actually believed them. But what do we see today? Is it not—as in the case of the Murray River meeting—that these very Liberals assume a hypocritical air of injured innocence if any reference is made to those promises in reference to the railway uttered by Hon. Mr. Davies and others of the party in June last. They have the cheek to-day to tell the people of Belfast and Murray Harbor that any reference to those railway pledges given by Mr. Davies and others during the elections are "offensive." Verily Mr. D. A. McKinnon and men of his ilk who think to deceive the electors by such rubbish are very shallow. Think of Hon. Mr. Davies travelling through Belfast and Murray Harbor last June and telling the people he was for the railway, and had been committed to it for at least five years; and now that it is the doctrine of the Liberal party that all reference to those promises must be hushed, because it might be offensive to Hon. Mr. Davies. If the electors of Murray Harbor pay the least heed to such stuff and nonsense they deserve to be made the slaves which Mr. McKinnon wants them to be. It is enough to show the desperation of these men when they would have to resort to it before any intelligent and reasonable beings. But this is not all. At the Murray River meeting Mr. D. A. McKinnon propounded a still more singular principle or tenet of Liberal political economy. When Mr. McKinnon at the Murray River meeting exhausted all his eloquence and smaller fry of arguments to prevent the passing of any railway resolutions, he evidently left what he considered his best till the last and astonished his hearers by declaring that "the less the Conservatives said in favor of the Railway the the better their chance of getting it." Verily this is strange political ethics. Will the Liberals of Prince Edward Island and the whole Dominion accept this corrupt and perverse principle as a part of their political faith? In what dark conclave of the Liberal party was it adopted? "If the Conservatives want anything they must disguise their wishes, and appear not to want it, or they will not get it"—that is the simple meaning of Mr. D. A. McKinnon's declaration at Murray River. This is surely advanced Liberalism, and Mr. D. A. McKinnon is its exponent. It may be illustrated this way: If the Conservatives want a railway built, they must do like the Irish peasant when driving his pigs to Kinsale. Perversity is a well known characteristic of this unclean animal of the Mosaic dispensation. Well, all the peasant had to do was to give his herd to understand he wanted them to go to Cork, when they would be sure to head off for Kinsale. So if the Conservatives want a Railway, they must pretend they want Free Trade as it is in England or something else. I suppose the Conservative Party ought to be very thankful to Mr. McKinnon for this newest plank in the Liberal policy. There is no doubt that it is very new, because Mr. McKinnon did nor know it in 1895. People will recollect that then when the Conservatives were in power, Mr. McKinnon assumed unwonted energy for the railway. Had this doctrine of his political faith been then known to him he would certainly be silent. Therefore the doctrine must be very new, unless, indeed, Mr. McKinnon then took the course he did in order to deprive Murray Harbor of its railway. This is the strange position in which Mr. McKinnon's reasoning places him, which is an additional reason why his course should be watched now.

MURRAY HARBOR.
March 9th 1897.

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LOCAL AND OTHER ITEMS.

THE Stanley crossed from Georgetown to Pictou on Monday last and returned yesterday.

OTTAWA advices say a new three cent postage stamp is to be issued in honor of her majesty's jubilee celebration.

THE Dominion Government is advised that the Queen has selected June 22nd as the date of the official celebration of her diamond jubilee.

OTTAWA advices say the Government will drop the Statutary Salaries Increase to the civil service from the estimates of the coming year.

THE Government of New Brunswick has passed a bill organizing a Department of Agriculture, thus creating a new salaried office, at twelve hundred dollars a year.

AT a meeting of the Executive Council of this Province recently held it was decided to summon the Legislature to meet for the despatch of business on the 30th. of March, inst.

THE Government has decided to accept the judgment of the court in the case of the Queen vs. St. Louis, and a check for $72,400 in settlement of his claim has been forwarded to him.

THE Patriot states that Capt. James Bell, formerly of Stanley Bridge, New London, sailed in his schooner Surprise from Alaska about the first of October last with a cargo of salmon and has not since been heard of.

WE regret to learn of the death of Capt. James Brennan of Company No. 4, fourth regiment of Garrison Artillery, which took place, at his home at Souris, on Sunday last. His funeral took place from St. Mary's Church yesterday. He was buried with military honors.

MONTREAL advices of the 15th. say that it is generally believed there that Hon. Mr. Fielding's statement in that city, that, if the U. S. Government increased the duty on coal, the Dominion Government would put a duty on bituminous and anthracite coal, was prepared for the use of President Whitney, of the Dominion Coal Company at Washington.

THE worst snow storm for years raged along the Northern I. C. Railway, between Campbellton and St. Flavie, on Saturday night last, delaying all trains. The Quebec express was thirteen hours late reaching Moncton. A snow plough attached to a special was in fifteen feet of snow for nine hours at St. Octave. The storm extended all along the line from Levis to Moncton. It abated in the northern part about Sunday noon.

THE discovery was made on Sunday last of a most shocking murder at Avenport, about five miles from Wolfville, N. S. A neighbor, calling at the farm of Oliver Fuller, an aged and respected resident living alone on his farm, was horrified on entering the house to find him lying in a pool of blood, his head crushed to a jelly and his throat cut from ear to ear. A tramp suspected of the crime was arrested near Kentville on Monday.

JOHN E. SULLIVAN, of Moncton, recently tried and found guilty of the murder of Mrs. Dutcher and her son, at Meadow Brook, in September last, was hanged at the prison at Dorchester on Friday last. He was attended, during his last days on earth by Rev. Father's Cormier and Roy, who accompanied him to the gallows. Radcliff, the professional hangman, assisted at the execution. Sullivan made no public confession, and had nothing to say when he reached the gallows. He exhibited most extraordinary nerve and manifested the greatest coolness to the last.

WE regret to announce the death of Mrs. Angus A. McLean, Barrister, of this city, took place at Nashville, North Carolina, whither she had gone a short time ago in the hope of regaining her health. Mr. McLean accompanied her South, and after a few days returned, leaving her as he thought in a fair way for improvement. On receiving intelligence that she was sinking, he left for Ashville on Sunday night, the 6th, but before reaching his destination Mrs. McLean had succumbed to the fell destroyer. We tender our sympathy to Mr. McLean in his sad bereavement.

THE second of the Lenten conferences in St. Dunstan's Cathedral was given on Sunday evening last by Rev. Ignatius McDonald. His text was from the 26th verse of the second chapter of the Epistle of St. James: "As the body without the spirit is dead, so also faith without good works is dead." The Rev. preacher pointed out that although faith was absolutely necessary for salvation it was not sufficient. In proof of this he cited the words of St. Paul and several other texts of Holy Writ; and showed that this doctrine has always been taught and practiced by the Catholic church and inculcated by her doctors and teachers down through the ages. Divine faith enlivened by good works ensure eternal happiness hereafter.

IN the Imperial House of Commons on Monday, announcement was made by Mr. Curzon, Under Foreign Secretary, that no reply as yet had been sent by the powers to the Greek note in answer to the powers' ultimatum. The foreign admirals in Cretan waters, he added, were instructed by their representatives to distribute the insurgent Cretans throughout the Island, and proclaim to the inhabitants of Crete the fact that the powers would be responsible for the future of the Island. In the meantime, he said, preparations were being made for the establishment of an autonomous administration in the Island. Hon. T. W. Ligh asked if the Cretans would understand what autonomy meant. Mr. Curzon: "Considering the fact that the Cretans have been agitating for autonomy for a hundred years, it may be assumed that they know the meaning of autonomy, and now it may clearly be understood that the Island will not revert to the Sultan." (Cheers.)

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LOCAL AND OTHER ITEMS.

A GUN on a Russian warship exploded outside Suba Bay, Crete, on Monday, killing fifteen persons.

THE King's County election trial is still going on at Georgetown. About forty-four witnesses have been examined up to date.

TELEGRAPHIC advices say that Mgr. Mer Del Val, Papal Ablegate for Canada, has left Rome, and is booked to reach Quebec on the 21st inst.

MR. ROBERT COFFIN has, in his store, on Malpeque road, an egg laid by one of his Minorca hens, which measures 3¼ inches in length and girths 6¾.

AN old lady of 75 years, named Mrs. McGonnell, while on her way to St. Dunstan's Cathedral on Sunday evening, fell on Prince Street, and had a leg broken.

THE Lecture on the Tenant League, by Mr. John Ross, will be delivered in the Kindergarten Hall, to-morrow (Thursday) evening, instead of Friday evening, as first announced.

Hooking Canvas and Stamped Mats Now is the hooking time, and Weeks & Co. have the right kind of hooking canvas, all widths, at low prices.—3i.

W. A. Weeks & Co.

MATE BRAM, found guilty some time ago in Boston, of the murder of Capt. Nash and wife, and the second mate of the Herbert Fuller, was, on Tuesday of last week, sentenced to be hanged on June the 18th next.

THE Dominion Government has, it is said, accepted the Maryland Steel Company's tender for 4,000 tons of steel rails for the Intercolonial and P. E. Island railways. This is the first time since the road was built that a contract has gone to the United States.

WANTING the room for other goods we have decided to sell out completely our whole stock of gents hard hats at half price. Now is your chance to get your spring hat at a low figure. All shapes and qualities.—3i.

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SOME days ago, three men attached to Bird Rocks, C. B., went on the ice to capture some seals. The wind increased so that it was impossible for them to get back. Two of them perished, and the third reached Meat Cove, after a day and a night. He was badly frozen and was snowblind. Only one man was left on Bird Rocks.

CARTER'S Seed Catalogue for 1897 has just been published and it is a beauty. It comprises some fifty-eight pages, printed in colored inks, from the press of John Coombs. The mechanical part of the book is first class. The different kinds of seeds for sale at Carter's Seedstore, are here described and beautifully illustrated. It is published by George Carter & Co., Seedsmen. Send for a copy.

THE members of the Benevolent Irish Society and of the Ancient Order of Hibernians jointly celebrated the anniversary of Ireland's Patron Saint, in this city today. The two societies, headed by the League of the Cross Band, formed in procession at St. Patrick's Hall at 9.45, and proceeded to St. Dunstan's Cathedral, where a solemn High Mass, *coram Episcopo*, was celebrated. Rev. Peter Curran was celebrant of the Mass, with Rev. Dr. Thomas Curran, deacon, and Rev. P. C. Gauthier, sub-deacon. The sermon *de circonstance*, was preached by Rev. Dr. Morrison. After Mass the procession reformed and paraded the principal streets of the City. The day's celebration closes with a dramatic performance in the Opera House.

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

SEALED TENDERS, addressed to the undersigned, will be received up to Saturday, the 10th day of April, prox., for the completion of the interior of St. Joseph's Church, Kelly's Cross, according to plan and specification prepared by Mr. W. C. Harris, Ch'town. Plans and specification can be seen, and all particulars of contract given at the Parochial House, Kelly's Cross.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

MARK A. SMITH,
Secretary of Com.

Kelly's Cross, Lot 29, March 10, 1897.—5i.

Mortgage Sale.

TO be sold by Public Auction on THURSDAY the EIGHTEENTH day of MARCH, A. D. 1897, at the hour of twelve o'clock, noon, in front of the Law Courts Building in Charlottetown, under and by virtue of a power of sale contained in an Indenture of Mortgage bearing date the ninth day of October, A. D. 1893, and made between John Carroll of Scotchfort, Lot or Township Number Thirty-six, in Queen's County in Prince Edward Island, farmer, of the one part and Credit Foncier Franco-Canadien of the other part.

All that tract, piece or parcel of land situate lying and being on Lot or Township Number Thirty-six, aforesaid, bounded and described as follows, that is to say:—Commencing on the north bank of the Black Brook and at the southwest angle of land conveyed to Patrick Smith; thence north one hundred chains; thence west ten chains; thence south to the aforesaid brook; and thence easterly along the same to the place of commencement, being thus described in a deed from the Commissioner of Public Lands to the said Mortgagor, bearing date the twenty-third day of August, A. D. 1883 and containing one hundred acres of land, a little more or less, and is known and distinguished as farm Lots numbers one hundred and eight and one hundred and nine.

If the said property is not sold at the time and place aforesaid the same will thereafter be sold by private sale.

For further particulars apply at the office of Angus A. Macdonald, Solicitor, Charlottetown.

Dated this sixteenth day of February, A. D. 1897.

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Feb. 17.—4i.

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Dec. 30, 1896—6 mos.

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Charlottetown, March 17, 1897.