

THE ARCLIGHT.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 12, 1889.

INCORPORATION.

The Act of Incorporation, which was recently passed by the Provincial House of Assembly, provides for the taking of a vote of the ratepayers of all towns which may desire incorporation, and a majority vote shall decide either in the affirmative or the negative. The new assessment law, by means of which property in Acadia Mines is this year, whether justly or unjustly shown to be of greater value than heretofore, places the district in the position of contributing much more to the general benefit of the county than is received by it in return. The expenditures on roads, bridges, for poor and other public services are declared to be necessarily because of the small allowance made by the Municipal Council. In the matter of schools, also, great reform is needed. Increased accommodation is required, better buildings, and more extensive apparatus. The lighting of streets, provisions for protection against fire, better police service, and the control of licenses for all branches of legitimate business, are all much better served by the means of a board of Councillors, independent of other sections. Power is entrusted to issue debentures and to borrow money for the advancement and increase of public accommodation.

There are a few objections to the idea of incorporation, but the evils are perhaps unnecessarily diluted. Objections can be got rid of by legislative enactment, and the whole machinery no doubt, made to work smoothly and beneficially. A spirit of ambition and rivalry asserts itself as soon as the individuality of a section is assumed; and in like proportion is the section enhanced in value and public estimation. The agitation for the incorporation of Acadia Mines is timely. Let the ball be kept rolling.

There are the brightest prospects for great expansion of the iron business of Canada during the present year. Acadia Iron works will undoubtedly provide the greater part of the increase, as the superiority of the material supplied is well understood by all consumers of iron and steel.

Truro News Notes.

The Civic Election promises to be lively.

Dr. Bent and Dr. D. H. Muir, both ex-Mayors, are candidates for the chief office. S. G. Chambers is candidate for Councillor for Ward I; F. H. Eaton, and D. J. Thomas, candidates for Ward II; A. E. McKay and Alex. Miller, candidates for Ward III.

Sherborne Rath, the 20 year old son of alter Rath, was killed by the giving way of a hay press, which was being unloaded into the barn, of T. B. Chisholm. Lower Onslow, last Tuesday morning. His life was crushed out by the heavy press falling upon him.

The *Guardian* has apparently renounced Liberal politics, and goes in for Independence. It is not an annexation sheet. The New Years number was a creditable one. The Truro Foundry and Machine Company have completed a large iron bridge over the North River. So great was the press of work in their establishment that the work of completion was somewhat retarded. Difficulty is experienced all over Nova Scotia and New Brunswick in securing any kind of iron work of large dimensions, on account of the numerous orders all round.

There will shortly be a change in the personnel of the firm of Wm. Cummings, Sons & Co. It is rumored that Mr. G. B. Layton will retire.

The proposition will be made by Dr. Muir, if elected, to pave the road bet of Prince Street with granite, and lay asphalt sidewalks, composed largely of slag from the furnaces at the Mines.

The Municipal Council is in session, Jas. W. Graham was elected Warden. He has already given evidence of creditable efficiency.

The repeal of the Scott Act agitation is in a state of abeyance just now pending the decision of the Department at Ottawa, which has the petition asking for an election now before it. Some discussion in outlying districts has revealed the fact that in the Town of Truro, it will require the petition of two-thirds of the rate-payers of the town, not of an individual ward, to warrant the granting of a license. Such a number can scarcely be obtained, so that licenses are improbable.

PRESENTATION.

Mr. John H. Simmonds was the recipient of an address and hand present on New Year's Eve, from his Sabbath School class. The address is as follows:

DEAR TEACHER:—We, the scholars of your Sabbath school class, appreciating deeply your services of love toward us, and instructing us for our spiritual welfare, thank you for the suffering efforts you have shown toward us during the past year, and we hope to accept this little present as a token of love we have for you as Sabbath school scholars. As we are about to enter upon a new year our earnest prayer is that it will be the brightest of all the years that are passed and that teacher and scholars will be more than ever united in love. May you continue to live under the smile of God and may we have cause to say "Come ye blessed of my Father," God bless you, in the wish of your loving scholars.

MABEL HURST,
CLARA BERT,
ANNIE MCCOY,
ALICE GIBBS,
DOLLY BELL,
MAGGIE STEEL,
MRS. LIZZIE McLEAN,
LETTIE COX,
JESSIE MEYER,
SOPHIE MEYER.

To My Dear Scholars:—

Your words of kind expression for me as your teacher in the Sabbath school, accompanied by your valuable gift is most unexpected but will be none the less prized on that account.

Please accept my warmest thanks for this most kind gift.

Your appreciation of my humble efforts in the performance of a very pleasant duty is a source of great encouragement to me, and will I trust, prove a stimulus to greater effort in the future. As a teacher, my work has been greatly lightened by your own diligence in preparing the lessons and by your faithful attendance from Sabbath to Sabbath.

It has been my constant endeavor to point you to the "Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world," and if I have been of the least service to you I have my reward.

I most heartily unite my prayers with yours that the "New Year," upon which we have just entered, may be the brightest in our experience, and that "Teacher and Scholars may be more than ever united in love."

That you all may be "bright Stars in the New Year's crown," when he cometh to make up his jewels; and that Heaven's choicest blessings may be abundantly bestowed upon you is the sincere prayer of your Sabbath School teacher.

JOHN H. SIMMONDS.

Acadia Mines, Jan. 2nd, 1889.

OUTRAGED THE EAGLE.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Dec. 27.—The brigantine *Josefa* which has arrived at this port from Montego Bay, Jamaica, brings news of an outrage suffered by that vessel at the hands of the Spanish government. While discharging cargo on her outward trip from New York to Arroyo, Porto Rico, Spanish custom officials discovered that twenty packages of corn starch, which were marked on the vessel's manifest were missing. After an ex-acted search the goods could not be found and the vessel was seized by the Spanish authorities, who held her until a fine of \$4,000 was paid although the value of the goods in question did not exceed \$20. The master and the crew were forced to suffer many indignities at the hands of the governor of the island, and officials acting under his authority offered to settle the matter if the captain of the vessel could satisfactorily explain the whereabouts of the missing packages. After the fine had been paid it was ascertained that the missing goods were delivered by mistake on board the ship *Josefa*, which lay next to the *Josefa* in New York, but were placed on the *Josefa*'s manifest. An explanation was made to the Spanish authorities and the return of the fine was requested but was refused, and the vessel left Porto Rico to load a cargo elsewhere for this city. The owner of the *Josefa* filed a complaint against the Spanish government with Secretary Bayard and asked that his immediate attention shall be given to the matter.

EARTHQUAKE AT SEA.

Upon first thought it may seem strange that the slight movements of an earthquake should be felt upon the water; but experience shows that the shock is felt on board a ship as well as in a house. This results from the elasticity of water. Just as fish some feet below the surface, may be killed by a blow from a paddle upon the water

directly above him, so a ship is affected by the force of an earthquake communicated through the water. Favorable opportunities for observing the phenomena attending an earthquake under the sea are not frequent. A traveler in South America some years ago learned from a ship-master how his vessel was affected by one while lying at anchor in the roadside at Valparaiso.

The shock occurred about midnight. It aroused the captain from his sleep, and it seemed to him he said to be such a shock as might have been caused by the ship striking against the rocks. This appeared to be followed by rude surges and thumpings, as if she were driving over a bed of rough ground. The captain thought, therefore at first, that he was aground, or that after dragging her anchors his ship had struck against some rocks or some other vessel in the port.

Upon finding that the ship was riding steadily in the midst of the feet he supposed that an earthquake had happened.

In the morning visitors from the shore brought word that there had been an earthquake in the night, and that the earth had twice been violently agitated for one or two minutes.

A NOVEL SCHEME FOR HARBOR DEFENSE.

'According to a recent report in some of the Philadelphia newspapers a large company, backed by millions of dollars has proposed to the Secretary of Navy a striking and possibly effective scheme for the defense of that harbor and the harbors of other cities from the attacks of an enemy's fleet by shooting ignited petroleum at the water level from the bottom of the river and burning them up. The Rear-Admiral has been directed to study closely the harbor of Philadelphia and its approaches. The petroleum defense scheme, the originator of which have induced the government to make this preliminary examination of the Philadelphia harbor is a brilliant one in more respects than one. A company has been organized at Washington to develop the plan and to show its practicability. It is proposed to sink perforated iron pipes in the river bed and the approaches to the harbor, through which petroleum can be forced to the surface of the river by machinery and at a high pressure. In this way a fierce stream of blazing oil can be sent down on the enemy's fleet to destroy it or drive it away. It is claimed by the projectors that a flame can be produced in this way as high as a ship's mast, and sent with terrific force on the attacking vessels many miles from the point where the oil is supplied to the system of submerged pipes. Iron vessels could not pass through this lake of fire because it could be made to extend many miles along the river. An experiment in connection with the scheme will be made at Fort Mifflin in a few weeks. The necessary apparatus is almost ready at the present moment, and great things are expected from this test.—Scientific American.

SHE ANSWERED THEM.

A certain young man decided to make to a young lady a formal offer of his hand and heart—all he was worth—hoping for a cordial reception. But he was a cautious man, and felt his way by putting a few questions to her. Did she love him well enough to live in a cottage with him? Was she a good cook? Did she think it a wife's duty to make home happy? Would she consult his tastes and wishes concerning her associates and parasites in life? Was she economical? Could she make her own clothes? Etc. The young lady said that before she answered his questions she would assure him of some negative virtues she possessed.

She never drank, smoked nor cowered; she never owed a bill to her landlady or tailor; never stayed out all night playing billiards; never lounged on the street corners and ogled giddy girls; never "stood in" with the boys for cigars and wine suppers. "Now," said she, rising indignantly, "I am satisfied, by those who know, that you do all these things, and it is rather absurd for you to expect all virtues in me while you do not possess any yourself. I can never be your wife," and she bowed him out, and left him on the cold doorstep.

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