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The Contest in West Queen's.

This is nomination day in West Queen's, as well in various other constituencies throughout the Dominion where elections are to be held on the 15th. Several meetings have been held in the riding and Mr. McLean has been well received, wherever he has addressed the electorate.

and his friends find it very difficult to answer the pledge, breaking, the extravagance and corruption of the Provincial and Federal Liberal Governments. As a matter of fact Mr. Farquharson makes little or no attempt to defend his party, the Federal Government or the Provincial Government, from which he has just retired.

It is an insinuation that all principle of political morality should be set aside for the time being and that sordid motives and mercenary instincts should hold sway.

It is an attempt to silence the voters regarding the broken promises, the extravagance and corruption of the Federal Government, with promises of public works and expenditure of public money. If the present Federal Government have spent some public money and are carrying on some public works in this Province they are not spending any money that is not due to us, and they are not spending anything at all in proportion to their expenditures in other Provinces of the Dominion.

ing our Province with a debt of over \$600,000, who stands sponsor for the debenture policy, should be sent to Ottawa to assist Laurier and his colleagues in their work of extravagance and deceit? Do they think the father of the notorious road act, by which the people are heavily taxed, without receiving anything in return, and the author of that same of political hypocrisy, the prohibition act, is a fit and proper person to represent them in the Federal Parliament? If they do not, let them vote for Mr. McLean on the 15th inst.

Now would be a good time for Mr. Farquharson, to tell the people about the alleged irregularities, and defalcations in the Public Works Office, during his Premiership. Surely he cannot expect honorable electors to vote for him while a suspicion of doing beclouds his administration.

THE winter navigation of the Straits began on Friday last. On that day the Stanley made the round trip between Summerside and Cape Tormentine; but she did not bring over any mails, in consequence of the train on the N. B. & P. E. I. Railway not connecting at Sackville with the mail trains. On Saturday she again made the round trip bringing a partial mail, which was brought to this city, by the regular afternoon train from the west, detained at Summerside for that purpose. On Monday she crossed both ways and the mail brought over was conveyed to Charlottetown by a special train reaching here shortly after 11 o'clock at night.

It had all along been suspected, that the taxes taken from the people under the road act of last session, under the pretense of being for road purposes were to be used by the Government, to meet their general expenditure—that is whatever is left after paying the officials in carrying out the provisions of the act. Mr. Farquharson in the

paid, has acknowledged that that is really the purport of the act. So now the murder is out, the people are heavily taxed, to enable the government, to continue their extravagance and their hoodling operations; but the tax is given the sugarcoating that it is for road purposes. The people throughout the country know that little or no work has been done on the roads, although the road taxes have been rigorously enacted, and now we have the acknowledgment from the father of the act, that it was not particularly intended for road purposes. Another evidence of grit and hypocrisy. Surely the man capable of such political legerdemain is unworthy to represent the free and independent electors of West Queen's at Ottawa.

THE season just closed was a record breaker in the matter of summer navigation between this Province and the mainland. The steamers Northumberland and Princess of the Steam Navigation Company closed their season work on Saturday last, the 4th, inst. The Northumberland made the regular round trip between Summerside and Point du Chene, on Thursday, the 2nd. After delivering passengers and freight at Summerside, she came to Charlottetown the same night. On Friday she went to Pictou returning here Saturday forenoon. The Princess crossed from here to Pictou on Saturday morning and returned the same night. That concluded the season's work, a record breaker surely. The gallant Captain Cameron, of the Northumberland, was tendered a complimentary banquet by the citizens of Summerside, as a token of appreciation of his splendid services, and his courteous and gentlemanly conduct towards all who had any business relations with him during the season's work. This he courteously declined in consequence of the lateness of the season, the uncertainty of the weather and the possibility of not being able

to leave his ship. In his letter of declination he expressed his sense of the honor done him by the invitation, and intimated that the acknowledgment, implied in this invitation; that he had discharged his duty to the satisfaction of the owners and patrons of the steamer, was the greatest compliment a sailor could wish.

The Herald's Scoop-Net.

CONDUCTED BY TOM A. HAWKE. The King's coronation next June is going to be the crowning event of the season. To raise the dough the bakers have advanced the price of bread. Some of them knead it badly. The poet who wrote that "Man wants but little here below," should try again. Man wants all he can get. None of the officials or attendants of the Marine Hospital contracted smallpox during their stay there. Nevertheless, they had a long time.

"Do dogs pay?" replied: "Not often. They usually borrow the paper from their neighbors, or beat the publisher out of his money in some other way." In glancing over the daily papers in almost every issue we see that "a pretty wedding took place" somewhere. Funny that all the weddings are pretty. Wish we could get hold of an interesting account of an ugly wedding.

President Roosevelt at his first public reception on New Year's Day shook hands with 800 persons. Taking into consideration the sad fate which befell his predecessor as the result of this foolish habit, the President should give it up. It isn't consistent with the Monroe Doctrine, which says, "America for the Americans." One of the meanest things ever printed in an Island paper found a place in the Patriot last Thursday. It was an account written in story form, with six chapters, copied from the Boston Post, of a young Island girl who perished a few paltry articles from a store in that city and got arrested. The Patriot professes to be a good advertising medium, but should draw the lynx somewhere.

London despatch says: "For the first time in many years no list of New Year honours are forthcoming. It is understood that hereafter the honor list will be issued on the King's birthday and the coronation day." This is too bad, indeed. Now we will have to wait until next June for our decorations. But it'll be all the better when it does come. The price of leather will be up by then and we may get some other kind of a medal.

William T. Sitard, the fanatical English pro-Boer here, has written an article in the January Cosmopolitan in which he will give his belief that the United States will

Empire. He draws his conclusion from what he has read about the Boer war. This man is in a bad way, and needs looking after badly, but we believe that with persistent effort a cure could be at least partially effected. It is too bad to have him running at large. A three months stay in our Keppock Hospital with a cold bath three times a day and a Government sanitarium diet would be a good way to begin on him. It's wonderful to notice all the people who get around this city with their mouths wide open in this cold weather, puffing out steam like locomotive engines. And yet many of them think it's terrible thing that they are afflicted with throats, lungs or teeth ailments. Always keep your mouth shut in warm or cold weather, and don't open it except when you have something to say worth saying. It's a good habit to get into, not only from the health standpoint, but for other reasons. The man who hasn't got sense enough to keep his mouth shut is a good comparison to the man who hasn't got sense enough to take shelter when it's raining.

An exchange remarks: The surgeons who attended President McKinley are now seeking from Congress remuneration for their services. In their joint letter to Congress they state: "We took a tremendous responsibility, because we took in our hands the life of the most prominent man in the world, and in taking such a responsibility we ran an immense risk." As this "most prominent man in the world" died, the surgeons in which he was suffering from the risk they took. "As an excuse for appealing to Congress for remuneration, the surgeons further say that if they rendered their bill to Mrs. McKinley it would be larger than she is able to pay and even then they would be imperiously remunerated for their great services. All of which indicates that they are after big money. "This," said the artist, "is a battle scene—time, say the year 2000 A. D. The defending force is on the extreme right of the canvas." "Certainly not they are strongly entrenched." "Can't see any entrenchments." "Of course you can't. The entrenchments are skillfully concealed from view." "I should think you'd show some big guns or something." "Nonsense! The guns are disappearing guns and they have disappeared." "Well, how about the attacking force?" "Over here on the left—all under cover. You can't expect them to expose themselves to the spectator any more than to the enemy." "Well, your picture is a mere landscape." "Yes; but I take it that's how a battle will look in 2000." Booker T. Washington tells a story of an old colored preacher who was endeavoring to explain to his congregation how it was that the Children of Israel passed over the Red Sea safely, while the Egyptians, who came after them, were drowned. The old man said: "My brethren, it was this way—When the Israelites passed over, it was early in the morning, while it was cold, and the ice was strong enough so that they went over all right; but when the Egyptians came along it was in the middle of the day and the sun had

showed the ice so that it gave away under them, and they were drowned." At this, a young man in the congregation, who had been away to school and came home, rose and said: "I don't see how that explanation can be right, parson. The geography I've been studying tells us that the ice never forms under the equator, and the Red Sea is nearly under the equator." "There, now," said the old preacher, "that's all right. It's been 'speckled' some of you smart Alects would be asking just some such fool question. The time I was speakin' about was before they had any geographies or 'quators either."

Address and Presentation.

The trustees of St. Bonaventure Church, Tracadie, visited the parochial residence on New Year's eve, and presented the pastor Rev. P. D. McInnis, with the following address and purse containing \$50. ADDRESS. Reverend and Dear Father.—We the undersigned, on behalf of the parishioners of St. Bonaventure parish, cannot allow this festive season to pass without expressing our deep appreciation of your exalted services during the short time you have been our worthy and zealous pastor. In your dear father we have ever

found a true and sympathetic friend one ever attentive to the best interests of those committed to your guidance. Your kindness and the untiring zeal with which you have devoted your energies to the advancement of our spiritual and temporal welfare we beg to assure you that you are very highly appreciated. We sincerely trust that the good instructions received at your hands from time to time may sink deep into our hearts and produce fruit conducive to our final salvation. As an expression of the high esteem in which you are held by your parishioners we desire to present you with the accompanying purse. And dear father we earnestly hope that you will be spared for many long years to exercise for us the Sacred Offices of the priesthood to which you have been so worthily consecrated. Signed, Henry Hughes, A. C. McAntley, R. McDonald, J. J. Trainor.

The Reverend gentleman, who was altogether taken by surprise, made a brief reply in which he thanked his parishioners for their kindness and thoughtfulness in presenting him with an address and valuable purse.

The Prices.

THERE was a small inside market yesterday. Outside a large amount of loose hay was on sale, for which 58c per cwt. was demanded. Pressed hay by the ton is worth \$11.50, and straw \$8.00. Cattle are worth 45c. Poultry 30c. Turnips 12c. A fair amount of pork was on sale, bringing 7c. per lb. and in some cases we were informed as high as 8c. were paid. Eggs for ship

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LOCAL AND OTHER ITEMS.

THERE were twelve failures in P. E. Island during the past year, with liabilities of \$104,000 and nominal assets of \$38,000. SIR Wm. MacDonald, of Montreal, whose gifts to education and particularly to McGill university, are well known has given \$125,000 to the Ontario government to be used in the erection of buildings at the Guelph agricultural college for the purpose of giving instruction to school teachers in the elements of nature study and domestic science.

MONDAY last, being the Feast of the Epiphany, Solemn High Mass, coram Episcopo, was celebrated in St. Dunstan's Cathedral. Rev. Dr. Morrison was celebrant, Rev. Dr. Monaghan deacon and Rev. Father Johnston, sub deacon. The Bishop was assisted at his throne by Rev. Dr. Curran. The sermon was preached by Rev. Father Johnston. In the evening Solemn Pontifical Vespers followed by Solemn Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament took place, his Lordship, the Bishop officiating, assisted by Rev. Dr. Morrison, as arch priest, Rev. Fathers Johnston and Campbell as deacon and sub deacon and Rev. Dr. Monaghan as master of ceremonies.

A GOOD SEASON. The fishing season, which has just closed, has been very successful. The Gloucester fleet, and of the entire catch the past year 160,000,000 pounds of fish was caught and landed by vessels from that port. Of this amount 125,201,541 pounds, valued at \$3,100,000, was landed at Gloucester. The rest went to Boston, New York, Newport and other points along the Atlantic coast. The Gloucester fishing fleet now comprises 275 vessels of 30,779 gross tonnage, 28 new vessels having been added during the year. It is falling off every year.

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DIED

At Morell, Jan 4th, Ina Murray, aged 52 years. In this city, on Sunday, 5th inst., Patrick Morgan, in the 55th year of his age. May his soul rest in peace. On the 4th inst., at St. Peter's Harbor, Robert Davison, eldest son of the late Henry Davison, of this city, aged 57 years. At Charlottetown, on the 4th inst., Elizabeth C., widow of the late Henry Davison, in the 86th year of her age. Suddenly, of paralysis, at Cherry Valley, on December 18th, Mary, beloved wife of Ronald McDonald, in the 67th year of her age. She had been ailing somewhat for about two years, in consequence of an attack of bronchitis, but was able to attend to her household duties as usual until within twelve hours of her death, when she was suddenly stricken by paralysis, from which she did not recover. Deceased was the daughter of the late Angus and Ann McDonald, of Piquette, and was a sister of Rev. James Eneas McDonald, Hope River. She was a devout Catholic, and a most hospitable, charitable woman, whose death is deeply mourned, not only by her own family, but also by the entire community in which she lived. She leaves to mourn a disconsolate husband, three sons, one in Boston, one in British Columbia and one at home, and two daughters, one the wife of Joseph McDonald, Blooming Point, the other the wife of Henry Curran, Bosch Grove. Her funeral to Vernon River took place on Saturday, Dec. 29th, and was largely attended. A Requiem Mass was sung and the funeral services were performed by the pastor, Rev. Dr. Doyle, who was assisted in the ceremonies by Rev. I. R. A. McDonald, of Piquette. May the soul rest in peace. (Examiner please copy.)

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