

THE ACADIAN.

WOLFVILLE, N. S., FEB. 26, 1897.

Editorial Chat.

Dominion Parliament will not meet for business till March 25th—having been postponed for two weeks from the date previously published.

A number of incorporated towns have asked to be exempt from the operation of a general peddler's license act, preferring the liberty of managing their business for themselves.

The Curfew bell was rung for the first time in Charlottetown at eight o'clock on Tuesday evening of last week. It will be rung at the same hour every evening during the winter, warning all boys and girls under 15 years of age to be off the streets. A similar law is much needed in some other towns.

A rumor was current in Halifax the first of the week to the effect that the local elections are to be held in the early spring, probably in April. We presume that when the elections do take place Mr Wickwire will again be one of the candidates in this county. It is said that Mr B. H. Dodge will be appointed to the vacant office of registrar of deeds.

The prohibition bill was introduced in the legislature on Saturday last by Firmian McEwen, M. P. R., of Colchester. The bill was prepared under the advice of B. H. Eaton, with the assistance of the legislative committee of the Grand Division of the Sons of Temperance. It provides for the prohibition of the sale and consumption of intoxicants throughout the province in so far as it is in the power of the legislature to do so.

We beg to suggest to the powers that be the advisability of securing a new and improved snow-plow for use on our side, walks before another winter. The one now in use appears to be altogether too narrow and in consequence the work done is not at all satisfactory. The track made should certainly be wide enough to allow three persons to walk abreast. At present two persons can barely pass in many places. The cost of doing the work well would be probably no more than is required to do it in the present unsatisfactory manner.

We had hoped to see a good wholesome and effective road bill introduced by the government at the beginning of the session, but so far nothing has been seen or heard of it. This is unfortunate, for the session is half over, and it is well known that measures introduced during the latter half of the session do not receive the same attention and careful consideration that they do when introduced earlier. Such a bill should have been prepared during recess, and at once put before the country immediately the legislature was called together. We hope the session will not be allowed to pass without some vigorous and well thought out legislation on this very important matter.

Mr A. G. Gilbert, head of the poultry department at the Experimental Farm, Ottawa, delivered an address in Evangeline Hall, Lower Horton, last Saturday evening. A large number of farmers and others interested in poultry raising were present. Mr Gilbert told the audience in a practical and interesting manner how poultry keeping could be made to pay. At the close of the address questions were asked and satisfactorily answered. Mr Gilbert spoke again on Monday afternoon, in Union Hall, Church Street, and in Temperance Hall, Lower Canada, on Monday evening. In both instances large audiences were present. A meeting was to have been held at Kentville on Tuesday, but owing to the storm, it was decided to postpone it until the early summer. Mr Gilbert left on Wednesday morning for New Brunswick, where he will address a number of meetings.

The Carnival.

The carnival held in Aberdeen Rink last Wednesday evening, was well attended, skaters being present from Kentville, Canning, and Port Williams, in addition to those from Wolfville. Quite a number of spectators were also present. The Kentville Brass Band furnished the music. A number of pretty costumes were worn, particularly noticeable being that of Mr Robt. Knowles, as a "Twentieth Century Bride." The costume consisted of a pair of full, wide bloomers, instead of the conventional prim skirt, worn by the now-a-days bride. In other points it differed very little from the ordinary bridal costume. Miss Jennie Robinson looked charming as "A Flower Girl." A huge "Bull-frog" hopped about the ice, occasioning considerable amusement. We must not omit to mention a staid old skater who perambulated about with a huge placard on his back setting forth the virtues of a preparation known as "Gardener's Hair Restorer." Mr Frank Starr represented "Uncle Sam," and was allowed to sport the colors of the festive republic without molestation. Altogether it was a most enjoyable and successful carnival.

The Famine in India.

Our readers will be interested in hearing that the Famine Fund at the office of the Montreal Star has passed \$35,000. Thirty-five thousand dollars, being for twenty days an average of seventeen hundred dollars a day, far and away the greatest fund of the kind in Canada's history. The churches and schools are doing excellent work in evelling the Star Fund, many hundreds of them having forwarded subscriptions, while others are now doing their share.

Longfellow.

Here, where the sunbeams steep the meadows wide, Of quiet Grand Pre, this autumn day I stand, Watching the ancient dikes that keep the tide From creeping stealthily upon the land; Watching the willows, all so gnarled and old, Watching the shimmering light that loves to play On Massé Basin, and the mists that fold About old Blomidon, so gaunt and gray. Acadia, you owe a debt to him Who sings of you in notes so sweet and strong That hearts must thrill and eyes grow warm and dim The while rings through the world that wanders long! What though upon his grave the grass is green! He cannot die who wrote "Evangeline." —Jean Blewett.

[The above little gem clipped from the Chicago Tribune, was sent to us by an old friend, Mr Temple Fiers. Mr Fiers adds: "It occurs to me the clipping is quite in line with the proposed scheme of erecting a monument to Longfellow at Grand Pre."—Ed.]

Rev. Mr Gandier's Lecture.

Seldom has a Wolfville audience had the pleasure of listening to so rare an intellectual treat as the lecture delivered by Rev. Mr Gandier, of Halifax, in the Presbyterian church last Monday evening. The subject was "The Land of William Tell." The early struggles of the brave Swiss, their dauntless patriotism and courage were spoken of by the lecturer as he recounted the steps that led up to their emancipation from both political and religious tyrants and the final confederation of the different cantons into the now sturdy little republic of Switzerland. His vivid and eloquent descriptions of the wild Alpine scenery charmed his hearers and held their attention as by a magic influence. Mr Gandier's magnificent, rich voice in addition to his eloquence and fine word painting made him a most delightful speaker to listen to. There was a good attendance, the church being filled. George Thomson, Esq., presided. At the close of the lecture a vote of thanks was moved by Prof. E. E. Faville and seconded by Rev. Mr Sinclair, of Canada. Dr Keirstead and Capt. Gilmore also spoke words of appreciation. This lecture is the first of a series to be given in the Presbyterian church. It is expected that the next lecturer will be the Rev. J. S. Black, D. D., of St. Andrew's church, Halifax.

Company 9's Assault-at-Arms.

The military exhibition given by Capt. Naylor's famous company last Friday evening, in the College gymnasium, did not have as large an audience as they expected and deserved, but about one hundred were present, among whom were quite a heavy of charming young maidens from Acadia Seminary. The tournament was unintentionally under the distinguished patronage of an ex-bandman—a little slip of a fellow said to be at the present time a "student," but from whose countenance there shone forth no gleams of aught akin to intelligence. The programme was carried out in a manner that indicated careful, patient drill. The sword vs. sword, sword vs. bayonet and quarter staff contests were quite exciting and a skillful thrust or parry with sword or bayonet, or a dexterous sweep of the quarter-staff was greeted with applause by the spectators. The physical drill to music and the dumb bell drill were very gracefully executed, and applauded accordingly. The whole affair was a credit to both Capt. Naylor and his company.

Darwin's Theory.

Darwin's theory of the "Survival of the fittest" is that the weakly die and the strong and robust live. The vegetable and floral kingdoms have illustrated this grand theory to every person planting vegetables and flower seeds. It is not necessary to be familiar with the writings of Darwin, Huxley, Haeckel or LeCompte to prove how essential it is to plant seeds which mature, assisted by science, has evolved into the highest state of perfection. The great seedsmen, D. M. Feant & Co., Windsor, Ontario, have done more in the practical evolution of seeds than any other seed house in the world. They produce and send out seeds that not only grow but attain a high type of perfection; for nearly forty years they have devoted their best skill and energy in this direction. We are just in receipt of their beautiful Seed Annual for 1897, which is full of practical information for not only the skilled gardener but the amateur. We note, with pleasure, the entire absence in this book of exaggerated and impossible products listed by seedsmen as novelties. They offer to send this expensive work free to all who apply for it. Ferry & Co's seeds are sold by all first-class dealers—if your merchant does not keep them, send direct to them.

S. S. Organization.

Mr John Grierson, the field Secretary of the Provincial S. S. Association, will hold meetings in the interest of District organization in Kings County next month as follows:—

- Avonport, Monday, March 1.
Port Williams, Tuesday, " 2.
Canning, Wednesday, " 3.
Scott's Bay, Thursday, " 4.
Hall's Harbor, Friday, " 5.
Steam Mill Village, Sat., " 6.
Somerset, Monday, " 8.
Windsor, Tuesday, " 9.
Aylesford, Wednesday, " 10.
No. Kingston, Thursday, " 11.

Literary Matters.

McClure's Magazine for March will contain the first installment of a fine tale of adventure by Robert Louis Stevenson, left unpublished at his death. It is a love story, having for its hero a French soldier held a prisoner of war at Edinburgh Castle; and for its heroine an aristocratic Scotch maiden whom he meets there.

Hymn Tinkers.

These are tinkers of wood, and tinkers of tin, There are tinkers of grace, and tinkers of sin, There are tinkers of prose, and tinkers of verse, Who work on the line from the good to the worse.

The grandest of lyrics of poets admired, The sweetest of hymns by the Spirit inspired; The songs of a Watts and of a Wesley, too, Are changed and disfigured by this tinkering crew.

And this is the manner it often is done, When the tinkers are left, unbridled to run;— A chorister once an old fiddle did use, His Maker to praise and the boys to amuse.

He brought to his pastor this modest request, That hymns for his fiddle be better expressed;— "Next Sabbath please read for the choir to sing, A change in that hymn about David the king."

"Now this is the hymn, 'tis long metre, you see; A change in a couplet will suit it for me;— That sweeter will be its musical range, And people delighted, will cherish the change."

"O may my heart in tune be found, Like David's harp of solemn sound;— These lines are now behind the time, Just listen to this sweeter chime."

"O may my heart be tuned within Like David's sacred violin;— 'That's good,' his pastor did reply; 'A better change, please, let me try.'"

And so this change the pastor made, The choir sang, the fiddler played;— "O, may my heart be tuned within, Like sainted David's sacred fiddle."

D. O. PARKER.

Correction.—In my paper of last week "How the Preacher Got Fure Air," first verse, instead of the two last words, "with all" please read "withal," as an adverb, meaning "at the same time." D. O. P.

Greenwich Items.

Thinking, Mr Editor, that a few items from this quiet little place might not be amiss I have collected a few for your valuable paper.

Mrs V. E. Griffin is home from Boston and reports her son, Bruce, to be very low, with but slight prospects of recovery. Mrs A. K. Forsyth, who has been visiting friends in Halifax, has returned and is at present unable to be out of doors. Miss Carrie Forsyth spent last week visiting friends in Grafton and Coldbrook, Cambridge and other neighboring places.

Mrs Enoch Bishop arrived home last Saturday from Boston, where she has been spending a few weeks. Miss Emma Griffin is home at present, on account of the absence of her mother, Mrs E. J. Griffin.

Miss Phillips, of Boston, is the guest of her aunt, Mrs Edward Allison. Mrs Chas. Lawrence left last Wednesday to visit friends in New York. Mrs W. A. Harrie, of Berwick, is visiting friends here.

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O. F. Best, M. D., formerly of Woodstock, N. B., who has been taking a six month's course at the New York Post Graduate school and hospital, arrived on Saturday in Digby on the 23rd, to take charge of the practice of Dr. Kinman who was called suddenly to Nassau on account of the serious illness of his wife. Dr. Best is well known in Wolfville.

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The Division continues to flourish. They had last Thursday evening a visit from members of the Division at Sheffield's Mills. The enjoyments of the evening were mutual. Such gatherings promote good feeling and help to strengthen the order.

Several of the good folk of Centreville had a drive a few evenings since with a four horse team to Waterville. As the evening was pleasant, and the sleighing good and the company agreeable, they had a pleasant time.

We are having some sickness this winter but are thankful to learn that the afflicted are convalescent.

Mr Alfred Lamont is visiting friends at Isaac's Harbor, and Mr Stephen Steadman is spending the winter in Boston.

Miss Flora Freeman and Miss Killam, of Centreville, spent last Sunday here. Mr Utley, of Woodville, has sold his farm to Mr Rand, and expects to go to the States early in the spring.

Hantsport.

Mr McDonald, of Truro, was the guest of Mr James Wall last week. Mr Terry Folker, of Berwick, is visiting friends here.

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