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L. STUART, Editor.
TUESDAY EVENING, MAY 12.

Another "Reform" Measure.
The promises of economy that were made by Alex. Mackenzie and his allies at the last election are being kept with a vengeance. After having received the appointment of every department of the public service by adding to the number of clerks, messengers and private secretaries, increasing the appropriations for "contingencies," "miscellaneous expenses," "probable promotional and appointments," etc., the economical Government has carried through the House a bill for officially reporting the interests of every nobody who falls to get reported in the newspapers.

Mackenzie and Blake both spoke in favor of the motion to adopt the report of the committee. It is a money-wasting scheme, and those who oppose it, then saw that opposition was useless. The fact that these vaunted champions of economy in the use of the public funds have the power of the House to report the interests of every nobody who falls to get reported in the newspapers.

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An old woman, who is said to have predicted the Drummond Colliery explosion, but whose predictions are a matter of course, were given up until after the disaster, predicted that the Sydney mines would be flooded, and that the workmen left the mines, and the water did not come—and now the men are abusing that woman—*Light Chronicle*.

A very valuable signal bell for railroads has been invented. It is adapted for switches or drawbridges, and can be used where signals intended for the eye are not possible. It consists of a large spring or bell which extends over the track, to which is attached a large rope or belt. When the switch or draw is open a wire rope connects with the signal through a trigger, which is attached to the bell. The trigger connects with a spring or other arrangement, according to the bell which rings the bell, thereby giving the alarm to the engineer.

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The safety of the reservoir have been felt since it was built five years ago, though less the last year or two than in its earlier history. The gate keeper has several times expressed fear to his employers that the break occurred, but the examiners always reported everything safe.

Mr. Boardman, however, confesses he never felt quite satisfied with the reservoir during the three years of its history when he was well acquainted, and so part owner of it. Since then he has maintained the interest in manufacturing well informed of the reservoir's condition, and he says he has been constant in his attention, until he had been asked the day before the disaster whether he considered it safe. He has never been asked since.

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St. John Elections.
Nomination day for the City, and City and County, May 20th; Polling Day for the City and County, June 4th; and for the City, June 25th; Declaration Day, June 25th.

The "Canadian Anthem Book" is the newest and best of the kind. E. Peiler & Bro., W. S. agents.
New Deacons of Walnut Frames at Notman's.
Rifle Competition.
The N. B. Engineers Rifle Club held their first competition of the season yesterday afternoon. Thirty-one competitors were at the range and a large number of the officers and members of the club were on the ground as spectators. The prizes amounted to \$70, and were won as follows:

Mr. C. Seabrook begs to intimate to Saint John engineers that he has engaged one of the best and most skillful cooks in the city, and he is now prepared to furnish breakfasts, dinners and suppers in the most stylish manner. The public are respectfully invited to call and try his skill, at the Victoria Dining Saloon, No. 3, Germain street, (opposite Country Market).

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The Court opened this morning for hearing the case of the Queen vs. Brown for assault, in which the jury disagreed at the former trial. Considerably testimony was received previous to adjournment at 1 o'clock.

Messrs. Purves & Moore, grocers, King Square, not content with extending their warehouse nearly through to Union st., have now turned their front shop nearly up in a new front, new ceiling and otherwise modernizing it. Pending these alterations the customers will please go through the Park Hotel entrance to get admission to the store.

Inspector O'Brien seems to be keeping a sharp lookout after the interests of the harbor, preventing rubbish, ballast, &c., being thrown into it. This morning the schooner Freedom, at the Police Court to answer a charge of discharging coal from his schooner without a tarpaulin to prevent it falling into the harbor. The captain admitted the charge but professed ignorance of the law and said he had not been informed. It turned out that he had not reported his vessel at all to the Harbor master, but had gone to a berth himself and made no effort to find out what the arrangements were. A penalty of \$30 was imposed on him, which made him very angry. "This is worse than a Spanish port," he chafedly said to the Magistrate. "Another remark like that and I'll put you in the Spanish port outside" (the station), said the Magistrate, who proceeded to read him a lesson on good manners, and made him sit down and not talk in that manner until the fine was paid.

The Inspector also had James Houghton arrested for not having his tarpaulin properly arranged, but allowing ballast to drop into the harbor. The captain used a large sail, but when the tide was off the sail bagged and the ballast rolled out. From the statement of the captain it appeared that he had done what he supposed would secure all falling ballast, and, on promising to see that it was properly arranged he was allowed to depart. Complaints were also made of the captain of two wood-boats discharging their cargo into the harbor. They were sent for to answer the charge. It will be seen that Mr. O'Brien is proving the office of Harbor Inspector to be a sinecure, and merchants having ship captains of the harbor must ship their captains of the harbor.

Change of Day.
The City of St. John will, hereafter, go to the Boston ports on Thursdays and Saturdays, and return Mondays and Fridays.
Point Lepreau Weather and Marine Report.
May 19th, 9 A. M.—Wind E., strong breeze, thick fog.
A choice selection of new sheet music and music books can always be found at Messrs. Lindsay & McCarty's, King st. No exorbitant prices charged.

Merchants' Exchange.
New York, May 19.
Freights—Little doing, rates steady.
Markets—Woolen goods demand at full prices; sugar quiet, steady.
Exchange—Gold opened 117 1/2.
Weather—Wind S. W., light, clear. Ther. 66°.
Boston, May 19.
Weather—Wind West, light, clear. Ther. 66°.
Portland, May 19.
Weather—Wind calm, clear. Ther. 66°.

Financial—Consols 92 1/2 for money; 93 1/2 for account.
Commercial—Liverpool—Cotton dull, easier—Uplands 8 1/8; Orleans 8 1/8; others unchanged.
Academy of Music Theatre.
Last night the Academy of Music had the best house of the season, with the exception of the opening night, to wit: a fine representation of "Ours." It was a very fine performance in every respect. The scenery, costumes, etc., were correct and showy, the actors well up in their roles, and the grand band and orchestra gave the required military tone. The play abounds with witty hits and humorous sallies, and ends with the reconciliation of an estranged couple and a happy close to a despatching courtesan. Miss Kellogg, in the entirely new role in which she appeared, showed that emotional drama is not the limit of her powers. Her Mary Nellcy provoked much hearty laughter. Mrs. Martoch was much admired in the role of Blanche Hayes, singing a love song with much tenderness of tone and sweetness of expression. Miss Jamieson made a good impression. "Ours" will be repeated tonight.

Blessed Eucharist.
Messrs. Small & Hatheway advertise two excursions to be taken advantage of by those wishing to celebrate the Queen's birthday. The May Queen will leave for Grand Lake and Salmon River on Saturday, and return on Monday. The David Weston, on Saturday at noon, will leave for Indiantown for Fredericton and return on Monday. On both these excursions rates will be charged.