

The Casket.

ANTIGONISH, MARCH 25, 1886.

In the House of Commons on Monday last, Hon. Mr. Thompson spoke for five hours and a half on the Riel question. The *Herald* contains a report of the speech, from which we take the following extract:—

Hon. J. S. D. Thompson, who on rising was received with great applause, said the charge that Landry's motion was framed by the government was not true. The executive would, if it framed such an indictment against itself, be unfaithful to the trust placed in its charge. The position the government took was the same as Blake would have to take if he was minister of justice. No parliament in the British realm arrogates to itself the right to decide upon matters relating to the administration of justice. In the nature of things parliament could not, and ought not to be, a court of appeal in such cases. Partisan feeling was always present and the commons could not come to the question with that calm deliberation necessary. Blake had complained of the previous question being moved to prevent the discussion of other subjects germane to the question at issue. But if parliament in England did not feel competent to deliberate on the administration of justice in cases standing alone, how much less likely would we be to possess an unclouded judgment, if with the question of the exercise of the prerogative there were mixed up other questions of great interest calculated to create divergent views and arouse partisan feelings. He quoted from several British parliamentarians, showing that the exercise of the prerogative of the crown was left invariably with the executive, untrammelled, and that the house of commons was not the place where cases may be tried over again. It was inconvenient, injurious and dangerous. The executive must, if weakly supported, always keep in mind that the exercise of the prerogative may be traversed by opposition and taken to the polls. This would degrade the administration of justice. As to papers he said the country had been given before the house met all the record which would have been laid before a court of appeal, yet the opposition called out for more papers. If more were brought down he ventured the statement that gentlemen opposite would find in them matters equally satisfactory as those brought down. The more papers brought down the less the opposition would like them. In the British parliament he (Thompson) had searched the records of 25 years back, and had been unable to find a single instance in which papers relating to the exercise of the prerogative were even asked to be brought down. He had found instances in which ministers had incidentally remarked that of course the papers would not be laid upon the table. Yet here we had the spectacle of Mr. Cameron, of Horon, in the midst of a violent attack on the government for not bringing down all sorts of papers, asking in a loud voice, "Why was not Riel's diary brought down?" and then in a low voice asking Laurier whether it had been brought down. That was what the house of commons was coming to under the violent action of some members of the opposition.

Mr. Thompson then turned to Blake's attack upon the government founded on a presumed difference between the law in the Northwest and the other provinces and showed that practically the laws were identical. He dealt fully and convincingly with Blake's insinuations against the tribunal and the judge before which Riel was tried. He (Thompson) thought such insinuations should not have come from Mr. Blake inasmuch as Blake was minister of justice when the law was placed on the statute book, providing for trial by the stipendiary magistrate and six jurors. The statute as originally passed in 1875, providing for trial by judges of the superior court of Manitoba and eight jurors, had been changed in 1877, handing over trial to stipendiary magistrate and reducing jurors to six. Thompson sat down at 6 o'clock amidst loud applause.

After recess Mr. Thompson resumed his speech and finished about 11 o'clock. In reply to the *Chronicle* letter touching the appreciation in which the Hon. Mr. Thompson's speech of last Monday is held at Ottawa, it will be sufficient to publish a telegram received here Tuesday and worded as follows:—"Ottawa, March 23, 1886. "I congratulate Antigonish on her representative here. His reply to Blake on the Riel question was magnificent and overwhelming. Our party is delighted and Nova Scotians proud and jubilant."

The above was signed by one of the most eloquent members of the Government.

Murphy's Mills were sold at auction on Thursday last by the assignee, Mr. Angus McGillivray (Blacksmith), Mr. John O'Brien, and Mr. John Bishop jointly, bought the property for \$4,700.

BAD DROWNING ACCIDENT.—While after a punch of water, about 11 a.m. yesterday (March 17), Michael Brown, truckman, of New Glasgow, fell through the ice and was drowned. The accident occurred near what was known as the Mills ship-yard just opposite the town. It is thought that the unfortunate man was backing his team to a large hole in the river, and backed too far. The sled went down and Brown was thrown into the water, which at that point could not have been more than six feet deep. After grappling for the body for an hour and a half it was recovered. Mr. Brown was a native of Antigonish County, was about forty years of age, and leaves a wife and three small children. [E. Chronicle.]

The oration delivered in the Catholic Church on St. Patrick's Day, by the Rev. Father McGillivray (of Arisaig) was in every respect a masterly effort. His Reverence reviewed the condition of the people of Ireland previous to the "Saint's" advent amongst them, and told in glowing language the trials and triumphs of St. Patrick in that unhappy country. A large and appreciative audience greeted the Rev. Father on his first appearance here. [Value Colliery Corr. of Standard.]

It appears from the financial returns of the department of Public Works and Mines, that the amount of royalty collected in Nova Scotia on coal for the year 1884 was \$86,277, while in 1885 it increased to \$101,411. The royalties from gold in 1884 were \$11,388, while in 1885 they amounted to \$15,196.

Mr. Blake made a five hours speech in the house of commons on Friday, and announced that he would vote for Mr. Landry's motion on the Riel question.

St. John's, N.B., March 19.—Seals have struck by the fleet of Bascolet. The steamer Vanguard has hauled five thousand, the Arctic five thousand, and the Ranger thirty thousand. There are also large numbers of seals at Green Bay. [Halifax Chronicle.]

On March 14, the *Conard Steamer Oregon*, when nearing New York harbor, collided with an unknown three-masted schooner, a large hole being broken in her side. She soon after sank. There were on board at the time about 900 passengers, all were, however, safely transferred to vessels which happened to be in the immediate neighborhood.

Rome, March 15.—Already elaborate preparations are under way to celebrate in this city at the end of the year the fiftieth anniversary of the call to the priesthood of his Holiness Pope Leo XIII. It is proposed to hold, as one of the principal features of the jubilee, a grand exhibition at the Vatican of the presents received by the Pope during his Pontificate from his spiritual subjects in all parts of the world. It is also the intention of the Pope to distribute a large number of gifts to needy churches throughout the Catholic world. During the last half century the Catholic bishops in Asia have increased in number from twelve to twenty-six, besides which fifty vicars apostolic have been added to the Asiatic hierarchy, while the number of priests has risen from 600 to 1,400.

London, March 21.—Sir R. G. Hamilton, under secretary for Ireland, has been summoned to London by Gladstone for consultation in regard to home rule. The *Observer* says: "Lord Dalhousie and Henry Fowler will, it is considered certain, be appointed to fill the forthcoming vacancies in the cabinet. All approaches to Chamberlain have been without effect, he is determined to quit the ministry if Gladstone perseveres with the Irish scheme as imparted to his colleagues."

It is now said that Gladstone's scheme for Ireland proposes the appointment of a commission of experts to fix the value of various land properties in Ireland, which at these valuations are to be handed over to the govt. in exchange for consols.

HOLLOWAY'S PILLS can be confidently recommended as a domestic remedy for the ailments of all classes and conditions of people. Young and old of both sexes may take this medicine with the certainty of deriving benefit from its use, when disorder or disease is making them miserable. Holloway's Pills are unrivalled for their purifying, aperient, and strengthening properties. They remove indigestion, palpitation, and headache, and are especially serviceable in complaints peculiar to females. Each box is wrapped with printed instructions for the guidance of invalids who will readily understand, from careful studying them, the best way of recovering health. Holloway's Pills will work a thorough change in the constitution of the weak and nervous.

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ADVICE TO MOTHERS.—Are you disturbed at night and broken of your rest by a sick child suffering and crying with pain of Cutting Teeth? If so send at once and get a bottle of "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup" for Children Teething. Its value is incalculable. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately. Depend upon it, mothers; there is no mistake about it. It cures Dysentery and Diarrhoea, regulates the Stomach and Bowels, cures Wind Colic, softens the Gums, reduces Inflammations, and gives tone and energy to the whole system. "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup" for children teething is pleasant to the taste and is the prescription of one of the oldest and best female physicians and nurses in the United States, and is for sale by all druggists throughout the world. Price twenty-five cents a bottle. Be sure and ask for "MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP," and take no other kind.

A VALUABLE COLT BIT BY AN ADDER caused swelling of the leg. All remedies failed to reduce it; applied Gile's Linctum Iodide Ammonia, in three days swelling all disappeared; also used the Doctor's Powders for worms, with same result. Am now using the Linctum on a Gold-Dust colt with every prospect of success. W. K. DAVIS, Culloden, Gs. Sold by Wendell Maclean, Antigonish.

An extensive assortment of the celebrated Diamond Dyes all colors at McCurdy, McMillan & Co.'s.

A large stock of School Books and Stationery at McCurdy, McMillan & Co.'s.

MARRIED. At Mal. Brook, on the 2nd inst., by the Rev. R. McGillivray P. P., Mr. Allan Boyd, carpenter, of Lakeville, to Miss Mary, daughter of John MacGillivray, Esq., Lower Malallow Grant.

DIED. At Harbour au Bouche, on the 4th inst., fortified by the last rites of the Catholic Church, Thomas C. F. MacLaughlin, aged 40 years, son of the late Matthew MacLaughlin and Ann McInnis. R. I. P.

At Guysboro, on 14th inst., aged 56 years, Anastasia, beloved wife of Thomas Condon, Esq. Mrs. Condon was a fervent Catholic, and a truly christian mother. She leaves an affectionate husband and eight grown children, all showing unmistakable proofs of perpetuating those noble virtues which are imbibed only from a mother in whose heart was the law of God. (Halifax papers please copy.)

At McDonald's Station, Penna., on the 5th inst., fortified by the rites of the Church, Ellen, aged 44 years, wife of John McDougall formerly of Cape George, and daughter of Mrs. Sullivan, Antigonish. May her soul rest in peace.

HERRING. 40 Bbls Choice No. 1 Fat Labrador HERRING, to arrive by Friday's freight; also, a large lot of Choice Table Codfish, which will be sold low. THOMAS BROTHERS, Antigonish, March 23, 1886.

HERRING. The subscriber has on hand and for sale, a large quantity of good Herring. R. L. McLEAN, Antigonish, March 23, 1886.

FOR SALE. HOUSE & LOT on Pleasant Street, Antigonish. Terms easy. Apply at the office of the subscriber, opposite the Halifax Banking Co.'s office, Main Street. Property bought and sold at low rates of commission. Advances made on consignments. J. H. EDWARDS, Real Estate & Agricultural Implement Agent.

TENDERS. Will be received up to Saturday 27th inst., by the subscriber for Extension of Presbyterian Church. Plans and specifications can be seen at the office of J. B. Gass & Co. Antigonish, March 17, 1886.

MONEY. SAVED by buying your FARM IMPLEMENTS at the Warehouse of the undersigned, on Main Street, Antigonish, where will be found the most complete stock ever offered to the farmers of Eastern Nova Scotia, of all the latest improved patterns in Mowers, Rakes, Plows, Harrows, Cultivators, Horse Hoes and all other Implements generally used on the farm.—all of which will be sold cheap and on the most reasonable terms. Also, a large stock of Repairs when required. REMEMBER MY MOTTO, "The Best in the World or no sale."

Having had thirty years experience in the business, I can warrant that every machine leaving my Store is complete; and should any accident occur am prepared with tools to put to rights free of charge. Call at the sign of the Plow if you don't purchase we will have the pleasure of your genial smile, and you will have the pleasure of again meeting the unchangeable J. H. EDWARDS.

RARE CHANCE.

TENDERS will be received up to the 1st of April next, for the purchase of the STORE owned by the subscriber. This is one of the best built Stores in Town, and located in the business center. The frontage of the premises is forty-eight feet, having two accessions, and good stabling in rear thereon. The greater part of the consideration money may remain on mortgage. BENJAMIN F. POWER, Antigonish, 8th Feb., 1886.

A Valuable Farm for sale. The subscriber, who is too advanced in years for farm labor, offers for sale his farm, situated at the North Grant within four and half miles of the town of Antigonish. It contains 200 acres, cuts about 35 tons of hay, is well wooded and watered. There are excellent and commodious buildings on it. In one word it is one of the most desirable farms ever offered for sale in this county. HENRY GABLER, North Grant, March 15, 1886.

DOG LOST. Strayed from the subscriber, about Christmas last, a medium sized Black and tan Collie Dog, long hair and bushy tail. Anyone giving information that will lead to his discovery will be suitably rewarded. I. C. ARCHIBALD & CO., Antigonish, March 16, 1886.

SWINE. The undersigned will have for disposal this Spring about 350 Young Pigs, bred from the following Thoroughbred stock:—BERKSHIRE, CHESTER-WHITE, ESSEX and POLINA CHINA. Some of these pigs will be 4 weeks old 7th April. Price, \$3.00 each.

Pure Breeds from above Stock.—Prices on application. Every Pig castrated and shipped in good condition. P. M. WARD, Bedford, N. S., Feb. 25, 1886.

CUSTOM TAILORING. The subscriber begs to intimate to the public, that he is continuing the Tailoring business at the stand formerly occupied by the late firm of McGillivray & Wilmot, where he will be pleased to wait upon his old customers and such others as favor him with their patronage. Having studied one of the best systems of cutting under the tuition of his late partner (Mr. McGillivray) and had two years' experience, he is prepared to guarantee satisfaction at most reasonable rates. A Stock of Cloths kept constantly on hand in all the ordinary lines. M. WILMOT, Antigonish, March 16, 1886.

The Electoral Franchise Act. If it be found desirable in order to the convenience of applicants, the Returning Officer for this County will exercise the power which the law gives him of adjourning his Court from day to day, and will take up the several polling districts in the following order:— No. 1 and 2..... Tuesday March 30, 3 and 5..... Wednesday March 31, 6 and 7..... Thursday April 1, 8 and 9..... Friday " 2, 10 and 11..... Monday " 5, 4..... Tuesday " 6, 12..... Wednesday " 7, 13..... Thursday " 8. JOHN O'BRIEN, Clerk. Antigonish, March 11, 1886.

Reliable Fire Insurance. "QUEEN" Insurance Company of Liverpool, G. B. CAPITAL, TWO MILLION POUNDS STERLING (\$10,000,000).

Risks taken on Buildings of all kinds; Stock, Merchandise, Hay, Grain, etc., etc. Risks on Live stock taken which will include killed by lightning. The rates are Equitable and as low as any reliable Company. Isolated Dwellings, Furniture and Barns in one policy one per cent for 3 years. The "Queen" is noted for prompt and satisfactory payment of losses. W. P. KING, Agent at Antigonish, N. S.

FOR BOSTON. VIA THE PALACE STEAMERS OF THE International S.S. Co. Steamers leave ST. JOHN for BOSTON via EASTPORT & PORTLAND every TUESDAY and THURSDAY at 8.00 a.m. For tickets and all further information apply to your nearest Ticket Agent, or to D. McINTOSH, Agent.

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J. B. GASS & CO.

BEG to announce the arrival of part of their Stock for Spring Trade, viz: St. Croix Ginghams and Shirtings, Plain and Twilled Bleached Cotton Sheetings, Pillow Cottons—40, 42, 44 inch, Irish Linen Sheetings and Pillow Linen, White and Grey Cottons very low. LADIES, UNDERCLOTHING—Chemise from 55 cts. and up, Drawers " 55 cts. " " Night Gowns 45 cts. " " Swiss Embroideries direct from makers. Antigonish, March 10th, 1886.

TAILORING.

Our Cutter, Mr. Fred Lindsey, is now in New York, taking a thorough course in one of the best Garment Cutting Schools in America.

Referring to above, we beg to advise the public that we have engaged the services of the favorably known Cutter, Mr. Angus McGillivray, during Mr. Lindsey's absence. On his (Mr. L.'s) return about 10th April, Mr. McGillivray will also continue in our employ as cutter, and will be pleased to have a call from all his old friends.

We expect our NEW STOCK OF CLOTHES this week, when we will be prepared to show over 300 different patterns. Leave your orders early before the spring rush commences.

HATS.

Our Spring Stock of Hats is now about complete. Call and see the new styles.

L. C. ARCHIBALD & CO.

MARCH 10th, 1886.

BARGAINS! Bargains!

The subscribers offer his entire stock at Cost, CONSISTING OF— READY-MADE CLOTHING, in Storm Coats, Over do, Reefing Jackets, &c.

Cashmeres in all colours, Coburgs, Lustras, Uraps and Dress Materials, Velveteens and Satins in all shades; English and American Prints; Grey and White Cottons; Gloves, Corsets, Hoses, Collars and Cuff, Lace Ties, White and colored Handkerchiefs, Ribbons, Dress Buttons, etc., etc.

Gents' Furnishings, White Shirts, Under do, Ties, Collars, etc. HATS—Hard and Felt—at half price. Boots & Shoes—the largest lot in Town.

Knives, Forks, Table and Tea Spoons, Wade & Butcher Razors, Jack and Pen Knives, Padlocks, Hinges, scissors, Shoe and Stove Brushes, Glass, Pain, Fully, Whiting, R. Tar, Rope, Herring and Mackerel Nets, Scauds, Salmon Twines and general stock of fishermen's outfit.

School Books, Room Paper, Stationery, &c. Flavoring Essences, Sage, Sage, Thyme, Savory, Salt of Celery, Tapioca, Mace, Cloves, Ginger Root, Cinnamon, Mixed Spices, Mandioca, Maccheronis, White and Black Pepper, Coffee, Brims, Sardines, Baked Beans, Oyster, Salmon, French Capers, Curry Powders, Worcestershire Sauce, Chocolate, Dried Apples, Currants, etc., etc.

Crockeryware, Glassware and Tinware of all kinds. Confectionery—a great assortment.

The subscriber is closing his business, and respectfully requests all intending purchasers to give him a call, as they will find it to their advantage to buy from him. B. F. POWER.

Antigonish Dispensary.

WENDELL MACLEAN,

Druggist & Apothecary,

MEMBER OF THE— Nova Scotia Pharmaceutical Society.

BEGS to announce to the people of Antigonish and vicinity, that he has commenced business in the shop owned by Mr. J. R. Graham, two doors east of the "Halifax Banking Company," where he will keep constantly on hand a full and well assorted stock of British and Foreign DRUGS, PATENT MEDICINES, TOILET ARTICLES and PERFUMERY; as well as everything usually found in a first class Drug Store comprising in part—

Tobacco, Cigars, Pipes, Cigarettes, Tobacco Pouches, Cigar Cases, Spectacles, Fancy Soaps, Tooth Pastes, Tooth Brushes, Hair do, Combs, Razors, Eye Glasses, Perfumery, and everything required, in preserving and beautifying the complexion, and preparing the toilet of even the most fastidious, etc., etc. Prescriptions carefully dispensed, from the purest drugs, at any hour of day or night.