based upon conviction of its incapacity for the conduct of public affairs, or that its policy, as enunciated in the conduct of public affairs, is erroneous, or prejudicial to the best interests of the country. Opposition based upon legitimate grounds must, however, not only be prepared to prove incapacity of the existing government, or that its policy is erroneous, it must also be prepared to effer really competent men for the government of the country, to enunciate a policy which will be approved and preferred by a majority of the people.

Granting the correctness of these political theories, what is there to justify or sanction hard and fast party lines save hard and fast political principles? There are well defined issues both in Provincial and Dominion politics that constitute, or might legitimately constitute, party lines, as for instance in Provincial politics: The legislative union of the Maritime Provinces Secession of our province from the Dominion. Abrogation of the Legislative Council. The policy of horrowing money to be expended for the heacit of the present generation only, and especially on such public works as the improvement of roads, which will again require like expenditure in the course of a very few years. Opposed to which policy would be that of making those who are to receive the beacht to be derived from public works pay for such work. How? By direct taxation of course

The policy of subsidizing enterprises on the ground that they are conducive to the public welfare or convenience. Education offers a wide field for the exercise of the best wisdom of politicians, though politicians might best evince wisdom by leaving this field to those who have made didactics. a special study. The equitable adjustment of taxation for municipal pur-

poses.

Upon the banners of the political parties of the Dominion are inscribed certain words which more or less definitely designate the political faith or infidelity of each. But it is no part of my present purpose to write about the issues that divide political parties, either to describe, defend or assail, the issues that divide political parties, either to describe, defend or assail, but merely for the purpose of showing that these issues are so various—what is really most conducive to the greatest good of all is so problematical—that the man who is always ready to "hurrah for our side" or approve whatever may be proposed or done by "our party," contrasts very unfavorably with the man who gives honor to whom honor is due, credit and approval to men or measures irrespective of party lines, and who has the welfare of his country at heart rather than the welfare of a political party.

When I was about closing my last letter I fully intended to write a very different kind of a letter next time. In fact I promised something lighter

different kind of a letter next time. In fact I promised something lighter. That I have not fulfilled my intention is more your fault than mine.

My space time for letter-writing is exhausted, and I have not so much as touched upon several very interesting and important subjects contained in your last. Nor have I made any allusion to passing events in which you are interested.

There have also been very interesting, and I am sorry to say unfortunate, developments in our romance in real life, illustrating the mutability of human affairs, and especially "affairs of the heart," which I must leave for another letter. Don't be discouraged because the grass on your meadows is short and thin. A few characteristic July days will make a wonderful You can, however, afford to top dress your meadows liberally, which will insure good crops of grass.

Wishing you and yours continued health and happiness, I remain as ever, your friend, S. C.

INDUSTRIAL NOTES.

Mr. Elijah Sponcer, manufacturer and builder, is carrying on quite an extensive business in a quiet way. He employs about 25 men, and manufactures doors, sishes, mouldings, flooring, sheathing, laths, clapboards, shingles, etc. He has just completed a fine store for Smith & Fullerton. Its dimensions are 45x22 feet, one story with basement, and it is said to be, in design and workmanship, the finest store in the township. Mr. Spencer has also recently finished a handsome eight room cottage at Parrsboro for Captain Gabriel Miller, and is building another at the same place for Capt. Edward Durant. He has also just finished two ship's cabins at Port Greville-one for H. Elderkin and the other for Capt. J. E. Pettis, and is repairing the Ottawa House at Partridge Island for a summer residence for Mr. John R. Cowans, general manager of the Cumberland Ry. and Coal Co. Besides this, Mr. Spencer has this season supplied the finishings for a church at Diligent River, a church at Cheverie, two dwelling houses at Hantsport and four buildings at Wolfville.—Springhill News.

A company called the Canada Fiberine Cloth Co. has been started at Aurora, Ont., for the manufacture of paper clothing.

STONE SHIPMENTS.—The stone shipments from Sackville this summer are expected to be very heavy. About 25,000 tons will be shipped by the New York Freestone Co.—Chignecto Post.

Capt. Jas. W. Cousins has been at St. John, seeking information to enable the Digby Canning Company to engage in a new line of canned goods. This industry is now employing about 20 hands in lobster canning, and, if any encouragement is offered, will increase the business, including haddies, fruits, etc .- Digby Courier.

A soap factory is to be started at Amherst by Fred Neal, who is now employed in Robb's Foundry. It will be located on the new street leading from Victoria Street, near T. J. Copp's, towards the marsh. Mr. N. has his steam engine ready, and in a few weeks will have his building fitted the condition of family seen. up and the factory at work turning out a superior quality of family soap. We bespeak for his enterprise a generous patronage.—Amherst Record.

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