

Provincial Notes.

CHARLOTTETOWN.—The appointment of the Hon. A. A. Macdonald to the Senate, is meeting with much adverse comment in the organ of the Conservative party in Charlottetown, for, while Mr. Macdonald has always been a Tory, it is claimed that as Postmaster and afterwards as Lieut. Governor he has already been amply rewarded for his services to his party; while, on the contrary, Mr. Ferguson (upon whom the unanimous choice of the Conservatives had fallen,) has so far not received any recognition from "the powers that be" at Ottawa of his labors for their interests, and the well being of the province generally.

Had no one had stronger claims than the newly-appointed Senator, the choice would probably have met with unqualified approval, but there being another, and he more deserving at present of party honours, albeit, one whose public services—apart from party politics—cannot be discredited,—Mr. Macdonald, while he enjoys the benefits of his appointment, cannot but regret that it is not a wholly popular one.

The Hon. Daniel Davies, was married early this morning, (19th), to Miss Emily Stewart, daughter of the late R. Bruce Stewart, Esq., of Strathgartny. The wedding was very quiet, there being no invited guests. The bride, who wore her travelling dress, was given away by her brother—Mr. David Stewart. Mr. and Mrs. Davies departed immediately by steamer to Pictou, *en route* for Newfoundland *via* Halifax. We extend them our best wishes.

Miss Dorothy Pope returns to Summerside to-morrow.

Farmers and gardeners are alike busy, and rejoicing in the refreshing rains of the past week.

Socially, everything is dull, house-cleaning fully occupying the minds of the fairer sex, and rendering the "lords of creation" anything but pleasant companions, while each one suffers the martyrdom of his sanctum disturbed, and all its contents arranged in such perfect order as to do away with all comfort and convenience. Poor men! Happy women! !

MAY 26.—It seems scarcely worth while writing this week—there is so little to be said.

La grippe reigns supreme. The Rector of St. Paul's and some members of his family are among the latest victims. There was no evening service in St. Paul's on Sunday in consequence of Mr. Hamlyn's illness.

Upon Mr. A. B. Warburton's election or defeat, depends the continued existence of our young Government, or the annoyance of a new Election.

With opposing parties at such quarters and with such a small majority on one side and a correspondingly small minority on the other, matters political are not of much general interest at present.

Amateur gardeners are busy. The long promised fence is being placed around Queen Square by the Dominion Government, but, as everything in Charlottetown has to be done by halves, the fence is not to enclose the whole Square, but is to stop short at the great gates, there to laugh at the old fence around the other part of the enclosure. To complete this improvement would make the new Government (whether Liberal or Conservative) immensely popular in the Capital.

"Queens' Birthday" was duly observed by the firing of the usual salute, and by a general holiday-keeping.

A team of football players from Pictou, played against the local club in the Park, and sustained a defeat. The Park was thronged by spectators.

On Sunday the Volunteers paraded to a service in the new Baptist Church.

Even in the churches the day was observed by at least some of the organists, who struck the key-note of the Anniversary, by playing the National Anthem at the close of the services.

There is a noticeable dearth of bunting in Charlottetown. But few flags floated from the various buildings, public or private

throughout the city. What a contrast to an American city on the 4th of July! Yet will any one dare to call us disloyal?

ARCHAT.—Mrs. Stan. Binet gave a childrens' party on Friday last week.

Mr. R. Benoit has returned from a protracted visit to River Bourgeois.

W. R. Cutler, Esq., left on Monday in a small schooner to visit the wrecked schooner E. Walsh, at Whitehead. The E. Walsh was wrecked on Friday last. She was on a voyage from Boston to St. Pierre, laden with a general cargo. She will be a total wreck.

The Lockeport schooner "Aidella," Capt. Goodwin, was totally wrecked on Green Island on Saturday night—crew saved.

The lady who so secretly worked a mat "all by herself," in an attic room in an untenanted part of a neighbouring house, will be chagrined to know that the whole town was aware of what was going on all the time and it will be useless to try to pass it off as a "boughten" one.

House cleaning, with its attendant discomforts, is raging, and so is the pater familias when he gets home and finds a tub full of water where the hat rack ought to be and no preparations for dinner begun.

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