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THE SUNBURY ELECTION.

Only one opinion prevails among the better class of people in Sunbury County in reference to the prosecution of the petition against Mr. Glasier, namely: that nothing but vindictiveness prompts it. The Perley party, and the Fredericton clique which sympathizes with them, felt their defeat at the hands of Mr. Glasier very sorely; and it was only because they knew it was useless to proceed against him, for even if unseated his re-election was certain, that they did not press the petition long ago. The recent disclosures in reference to Mr. W. E. Perley have goaded them to fury. They see that Mr. Perley's seat must become vacant at an early day, that the Legislature cannot tolerate his presence on its floors any longer, and in revenge they are determined to give Mr. Glasier all the trouble they can. It is just possible that they will find their way not so smooth as they think, and that Mr. Glasier's seat will not become vacant through their instrumentality, but that he will serve out the period for which he was elected. They will, however, have the satisfaction of putting him to some expense.

We have this suggestion to make to the Perley faction, and that is, that if they have any cash to spare they had better hand it over to the government to make good those defalcations in the expenditure of public money of which we had such unmistakeable evidence recently, and not waste it in unprofitable litigation.

WHAT IS PATRIOTISM?

A Clergyman of the Church of England preached a sermon the other day in an Ontario City, in which he took occasion to attack somewhat vigorously the idea of Canadian Independence; and the Toronto Mail calls the discourse "patriotic." We have no doubt that the good clergyman was sincere. Probably to his mind, no fate could be more terrible than the political separation of Canada from its great and glorious Mother Land; but for the Mail to call a sentimental plea against Independence "patriotic," is to say the least, rather inconsistent. Canada is indebted to our Toronto contemporary for the Shibboleth, "If it, (the N. P.), interferes with British connection, then so much the worse for British connection." Judged by its own standard this expression was rank disloyalty, and the Mail itself is a rebel and a traitor, so we may be excused if we refuse to accept its ideas of what is, and what is not patriotic.

But what is patriotism? John Hampden, when he resisted the demand for ship money, was a patriot. So was Cromwell; and so was Prince Rupert who fought so bravely, but ineffectually, against the leaders of the people.

George Washington was a patriot, so was Andre, so were the United Empire Loyalists.

Abraham Lincoln, Jefferson Davis, Generals Lee, Grant, Jackson and Hancock were patriots.

Howe, Wilmot, Fisher, Papineau, and their comrades in the struggle for self-government in British America were patriots, and so were some of the men who opposed them.

In some cases the patriotism was a mistaken one—unwise in its objects, blind to the lessons of the past, deaf to the demands of the present; but these men we have named were none the less patriots, because some of them represented lost and losing causes.

Patriotism is love of country, which finds expression in a determination to defend her rights, respect her laws and maintain her institutions in purity and integrity.

The fundamental principle of our institutions is this—that in the people rests the full and absolute right of self-government.

The Ontario clergyman would probably admit this, but he would say that we have all this self-government we want. It may be that we have all that he wants, and if

so, he is right in advocating the maintenance of our present relations with England; but he ought not to condemn from his pulpit those who believe that the people of Canada know enough about themselves, their wants and their interests to be able to govern themselves without the intervention of England.

The advocates of Independence desire to see the right of self-government fully established in Canada; they believe that the resources of the country are great enough to make a nation; they believe the people are manly enough to defend their rights and uphold their country's honor.

If this is not Patriotism, what is it?

CHURCH ESTABLISHMENTS.

"Have we an established church in New Brunswick?" asks a correspondent. It does not matter very much whether we have or not, except to the members of the church or churches which have that distinction, but the question is of some general interest. Mr. Bethune, Q. C., in his opinion is of the Mission Church of St. John the Baptist, implies without actually saying so that the Church of England is "established" in this province by law, and some of the clergymen of that communion claim the title of the Established Church. It may be that, in the sense that for the purposes of internal government the Anglican Church possesses the same powers and is governed by the same Canons and regulations as the establishment in England, it is established in New Brunswick; but this is all we think that can be properly claimed for it. The Methodists, the Presbyterians, the Baptists, the Free Baptists and some others have an equal right to claim to be established, and if we are not mistaken the Roman Catholic church in Canada can claim a more ancient state recognition than either of them. We should be disposed to answer the question, with which this article begins, by saying that we not only have one established church in New Brunswick, but several of them. There is this difference between the several establishments; that whereas the majority of them possess all the powers necessary for the control of their internal economy, the Anglican communion has not yet obtained from the Legislature such full and comprehensive authority. We note that steps are to be taken for the purpose of securing for the Synod and Diocesan Society extended powers for the government and dealing with the affairs and interests of this church in this province, and the passing of canons and regulations. The Legislature will no doubt grant any reasonable demand in this direction and place the Anglican communion upon the same footing as the other established churches.

THE HIDDEN HAND.

Our alleged agricultural contemporary lays claim to the parentage of Dr. Harrison's criticisms on the Educational system. This is an old trick of the Farmer. When the rate payers of Fredericton showed what they thought of the administrative capacity of the Mayor and Council of 1883 by enabling the most of them to enjoy a total relief from civic affairs, the Farmer took the credit of the change, conveniently forgetting that it had been the apologist of all the extravagance, which the ratepayers had marked with their displeasure. And in like manner it has for years said amen to every act of the old government, but now a new administration having come in and inaugurated a new departure in Educational matters, which meets the approval of one of the University professors, the Farmer steps forward and says "Behold in me the cause. I am the Hidden Hand of Destiny." Well, if our contemporary can justify this claim we have only to say that its influence and operations are so well concealed that the public has not the least conception of their existence. True art, we are told, conceals art; and in like manner it may be presumed that real power is hidden power. If this is true on matters political, the Farmer must be a veritable Keely Motor. No one ever seen its power exercised or believes in its existence. We have searched history for something with which to compare the discovery that the Farmer is the great source of educational reform; but except we liken it to Sir Isaac Newton's discovery of the principal of gravitation we can find no parallel.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

We publish elsewhere a letter from the Attorney General in reference to the By Road expenditure in Fredericton. It seems impossible to avoid the conclusion that the report therein referred to was not prepared with a desire to do even justice to all concerned.

COMMUNICATION.

The City By-Road Expenditure.

To the Editor of the GLEANER:

Will you kindly allow me space to refer to the report of the Road Committee, submitted to the City Council at its recent meeting.

I am led to depart from my usual custom of not noticing through the press attacks made upon the Government, in consequence of the special circumstances of this case. Alderman Calder, as chairman of the road committee composed of himself and Messrs. Black and Farrell, reports to the City Council that the Government have withdrawn the control of the usual grant of \$300 on the City by-roads from the Council, and finds fault with this alleged action of the Government. I am at a loss to comprehend how Alderman Calder could have presented, or how his colleagues on the committee could have approved such an inaccurate and misleading statement. When this Committee waited upon me I took special pains to explain to them that the distribution of the by-road grants was the act not of the Government but of the four members of the Council. I explained that last year, one of my colleagues when we met to divide this fund had urged quite strenuously the advantage of our supporting the usual City grant among the various roads, and selecting the Special Commissioners who should see to the expenditure of the money. I was unable then to concur in the proposal as a whole, as I felt that Mr. Casey, the Road Master, had in anticipation of his having the grant as usual already entered into engagements for a portion of the amount. We did, however, apportion the money over the various roads ourselves, but left Mr. Casey to expend it. It was then unanimously agreed that we would this year reserve to ourselves the entire control of the grant, and that Mr. Casey should be so notified, and when the same question came up at the usual meeting of the four members, this course was determined upon. I did not fail to make it very plain to the Committee, that while willing to assume my full share of responsibility for the decision arrived at, as I still am, and while prepared to justify my action, the other members for the Council were each equally responsible with myself.

From the above statement, it will be seen that the Committee of the City Council have not had the excuse of want of information on this subject in their apparent anxiety, to find fault with the Government.

A. G. BLAIR.

July 5th, 1884.

GLEANINGS.

A Good Budget of News from all Parts of the Province.

The salmon run has taken another start.

Heavy forest fires, have been raging in Victoria County during the week.

The excise duties for St. John Island Revenue division for June were \$11,218.13.

Hon. G. W. Ross, Minister of Education for Ontario will visit the Maritime Provinces during the present month.

Bond & Milden signed the contract Wednesday, for the completion of the new wing of the St. John Marine Hospital.

Last Tuesday's demonstration at a meeting, passed off successfully and was very creditable affair.

Westmorland County Teachers' Institute will hold its annual meeting in the Grammar school building, Shediac, on Thursday and Friday, July 10th and 11th, inst.

Robert Ross of Spoon Island Queens Co. was very severely injured last week by having a derick, with which he was hoisting stones, fall on him. His head was badly cut, one of his legs broken and several injuries were received about the back and shoulders.

A Dalhousie despatch of the 2nd inst. says:—A young man named Dawson, engaged in rafting at southwest bow, fell from the logs on which he was working, on the 1st, and was drowned. The body was recovered in a very short time, but was not examined.

At the meeting of the Northumberland County Council, held on Wednesday last, Councillor Williston, introduced a resolution which was adopted, directing the attention of the Minister of Marine and Fisheries to the injury done to the river fisheries by mill owners and others allowing sawdust and rubbish to be deposited in the river.

Kings County Court opened on Wednesday last, Judge Wedderburn presiding. His Honor complimented the Municipality of the county on the fine appearance of the Court House and a resolution was moved by the Solicitor General, seconded by Mr. Skinner, Q. C., that the members of His Honor's bar and the jury at the great improvements in the appearance and convenience of the Court House.

The Woodstock Iron Works were sold on Monday. Mr. Tillingham bid in the property for Smith & Weston, who are well-known American capitalists.

Carrie B. Moore, otherwise known as Minnie West, Marion McDowell, and Marion Warren, lately the President of the Ladies' Bureau for Stock Investments, has been sentenced to two years in the U. S. penitentiary for swindling.

The total number of vessels entered and cleared at the port of St. John during the month of June: Entered—British and foreign ports, 192; domestic ports, 273; total, 465. Cleared British and foreign ports, 202; domestic ports, 268; total, 470.

While making up a special freight train on Monday morning the shunting engine struck the conductor's van with such force as to break the lamps and chimneys and the draw box, besides doing injury to the locomotive.

On last Wednesday, the heavy rains prevented the troops at Camp Shediac from drilling. The time was utilized by the Commandant inspecting the camp and equipments.

Thomas Watson, aged 28 years, a St. John man, but now resident of Somerville, Mass., and employed as a brakeman on the Boston and Lowell R. R., was knocked from the top of a car Tuesday afternoon by the West Village bridge. His right arm was fractured and he received internal injuries. He was taken to the Massachusetts general hospital.

Mr. D. L. Chubbuck the well known American Evangelist, is expected to commence a series of meetings at Newcastle shortly.

Mr. Wm. Drummond, of Newcastle, lost a valuable horse on Thursday morning last. It was taken with severe pains during the night, and everything was done for it to ease the pain, and save the life, without avail. It had been fed some of the green grass cut off the squire and it is thought some poisonous substance must have been amongst it, as its tongue turned black and its body was very much swollen.

The customs receipts for the port of St. Stephen for the year ended 30th June 1884 were \$71,275.74 as against \$85,374.96, last year.

Says the Winnipeg Sun—The contractors in the Rocky Mountains are employing all the men who come along. Wages run from \$1.80 to \$2.25; board \$5 per week. Contractors' agent visit the end of the track every day to hire new arrivals, but the class of immigrants coming this year embraces comparatively few laborers. They are mostly men with a little money who prefer going upon land.

Victoria County is the banner temperance county in New Brunswick. It even refuses to take good Porter.

The New Brunswick Railway Company is building a new depot at St. Andrews.

The Woodstock and St. John cricket eleven will play a match game at the latter place, sometime about the middle of the month.

Joshua Limerick, contractor for the new Woodstock Baptist Church, has now a strong crew of men at work at the frame and truss work for the roof.

A barn belonging to Archibald McAllister & Brothers, near Dingle's mill, Queens County, was struck by lightning on Wednesday morning, and burned to the ground. A calf, a quantity of oats, sleds, harness etc. were destroyed.

Charles S. Smith, of Halifax, N. S., a young man, 25 years of age, was drowned while bathing in the Stillwater branch of the Penobscot, at Orono, Monday. Smith had been employed at A. B. Sutton's mill at Stillwater for some time past, working by night. Monday morning he went to Orono, where he spent a portion of the day. Tuesday his clothes were found at a place known as Wyman Brook, on the Stillwater branch of the Penobscot and about one-half mile from Orono post office. It is probable that while bathing he was seized with cramps, and drowned before he could reach the shore. Smith was well known in Orono and bore an excellent reputation. A large force was engaged to-day in dragging for the body, which had not been recovered at last accounts.

In the Miniature Park

GRAND BAZAAR, FANCY SALE, AND TEA.

THE ladies of the Methodist Church take pleasure in announcing that arrangements have been completed for the sale of useful and fancy articles, which will take place on the following days:—

Wednesday & Thursday, 9th & 10th inst.

An attractive display of fancy goods will be made in the central tent, and will embrace many new and beautiful designs. Here also will be offered for sale aprons of ancient and modern pattern, and the following articles, etc.

The ever-attractive MAGIC LAKE will be under the same management as last year, and will contain many new features.

Flower arbors, ice cream tents, strawberry booths, and an abundant supply of ice-cold lemonade will be available at all hours.

A good old-fashioned tea can be had each evening in the lecture room of the church for 30 cents, and refreshment will be for sale on the grounds. Music will be furnished by the Fredericton Brass Band.

At night the lawn will be brilliantly illuminated. Admission each day at 2 o'clock, p. m. Admission only 10 cents.

CHAS. A. SAMSON, (Gen. Secretary.

Fredericton, July 5, 1884.

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Fredericton, June 21st—30th.

FREDERICTON, Monday, July 14.

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