

THE HERALD

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 1885.

Mr. Davies Before the Young Liberals

The Patriot recently contained a report, extending over two columns and one half, of a speech which Mr. L. H. Davies had made at the Junior Liberals at the Athenaeum on the 2nd instant. We promised our readers last week that we would, in to-day's issue, review the said address and expose its crookedness; but it must not be presumed that, before doing this, we waited until Mr. Davies had left the island; our course upon more than one occasion has abundantly proved that we are not afraid to challenge his statements when he is on hand to defend himself. Mr. Davies' speech, as reported in the Patriot, is exceedingly weak, and, to our mind, does not do justice to that brilliancy of imagination—that faculty of conception—that clarity of political conscience of which he is notoriously the possessor. It is but a repetition of stale charges against the Liberal Conservative party, which have been disproved time and again, and a caricature of himself which, before the looking-glass is excusable in Mr. Davies, but when introduced upon a public platform is entirely out of place. While it is not amiss in Sir John Macdonald, hoary with the weight of years, decorated by his Sovereign, honored, trusted and beloved by the people, to recount, at the social board, the vicissitudes of forty years of political warfare, it would be more fitting for Mr. Davies, upon the brief pages of whose public life is written naught but failure, to take a backward glance at the days of his boyhood, when, in flattering characters, he topped the heights of "Self-praise is no recommendation."

But if we excuse the weakness of Mr. Davies' effort, what must it really have been when he found the Patriot, Mr. Davies' own organ, for two successive weeks, to publish the subsequent to the publication of the speech, apologizing for the vagueness of a report which, on the day it appeared in print, the Patriot appended as an editorial comment, a pertinent arraignment of the policy of the Tories. There is some mystery about the matter which we would much like explained. Are we to accept the report of Mr. Davies' speech, which appeared in the Patriot of 3rd inst., as a calm, clear and eloquent arraignment of the policy of the Tories, or are we to regard it as obscure and imperfect, as described by the Patriot of 4th and 5th February? We prefer to believe—indeed, we are convinced—that the report which appeared in print was a faithful one, especially as there is no reason to doubt that the publication of the speech was not only by the whole editorial staff, but by Mr. Davies himself.

We are told that the Chairman, Mr. A. B. Warburton, in introducing Mr. Davies, made "a few appropriate remarks," of which the Patriot says: "Short as Mr. Warburton's address was, it showed clearly that the young men of Charlottetown had nobly resolved to emulate their deeds on behalf of the people. This sounds very pretty, but how does it affect the young men who were the young Liberals and Lairds, not only marching in the ranks of Liberalism, but wearing on parade the tattered Tory mantles of their fathers? As for such young men attempting to emulate the deeds of their fathers in the ranks of Liberalism, it would, to say the least, be a very inconvenient proceeding for both parties.

But coming to Mr. Davies' address, we are told that "He first referred to the fact that it was to the young men of the Liberal cause; it is to them we owe the success that has so often reached upon our banners."

"So often," how often? If we remember rightly success has not perched for some time, nor the last time that she roared on top of the Grit banner, was she allowed to perch long. Mr. Davies has been lately the happy faculty of being jolly under adverse circumstances. As for looking to the young men for the advancement of the Liberal party, it is a forlorn hope for Mr. Davies. He cannot have read the remarks of the Montreal Witness, a Grit sheet of the rarest water, which, referring to the demonstration recently given by Sir John Macdonald in that city, plainly stated that the young men who took part in that great oration were, for the most part, sons of men associated with the Grit party.

Mr. Davies is reported to have said that "Had we not been pressed into Confederation by the passing of the way Bill, Prince Edward Island would be the freest spot in British North America."

We are not going to enquire what was the means employed to connect us with the Dominion, further than to say that it was the bungling, if not the bungling, of the Government led by Mr. Davies' friends, Messrs. Haythorne and Laird, and of which he was himself an official, who got directly to those gentlemen using for admission into the Union. Further on in his speech Mr. Davies said that "We had nothing but Confederation as a result of the Liberal Conservative Government and got a fair terms as far as the young men were concerned."

Why did not Mr. Davies tell us that it was owing to the exertions of the Conservative Government which succeeded the incapable Haythorne-Laird administration, that we got the pretty fair terms? Why did he not tell the whole truth and say that it was the Liberal Conservative party which secured for us twenty-eight thousand dollars a year better terms than Messrs. Haythorne and Laird could obtain? We would ask Mr. Davies if before Confederation, before the passing of the Railway Bill, this Island was, or gave any assistance to the Dominion, or was it the Liberal Conservative party which secured for us twenty-eight thousand dollars a year better terms than Messrs. Haythorne and Laird could obtain? We would ask Mr. Davies if before Confederation, before the passing of the Railway Bill, this Island was, or gave any assistance to the Dominion, or was it the Liberal Conservative party which secured for us twenty-eight thousand dollars a year better terms than Messrs. Haythorne and Laird could obtain?

EDITORIAL NOTES.

We are glad to welcome the editor of the Examiner back to his post of duty, after his serious illness.

FULL OF years and honors, Admiral Bayfield passed peacefully to his rest yesterday afternoon. He was born on 22nd January, 1798, and in 1806 entered the navy. After some years of active service, during which he himself did not escape unscathed, he was appointed in 1817, Admiralty Surveyor, in which capacity his labors extended over the long period of forty years. He leaves a widow and four children surviving.

SOME time ago it was argued, in our Stipendiary Magistrate's Court, that the License Act, repealed, the objection was not well taken. We observe that last week the Supreme Court of New Brunswick took up a number of convictions that had been made before the magistrates, holding that the same objection was valid. The Judges Wetmore, Palmer, King and Fraser, were unanimous.

THAT brilliant and original sheet, the Examiner, charges us with taking column after column of its news without a word of acknowledgment, and carefully avoids mentioning that news was taken from the Examiner. The charge comes with exceeding good grace from a paper which, in the same issue wherein it accused us, published, under the heading of "Letters to the Editor," a long and elaborate article, signed by "A. B. C.," and one half of correspondence addressed by Archbishop O'Brien and Prof. Schurman to the Halifax Herald. The only news which we borrowed from the Examiner last week, was the news that a horse, and which we duly credited.

The Cape Disaster. We are glad to state that all the sufferers by the recent disaster at the Capes are rapidly improving, and that although the loss of limbs and attendant disadvantages will be serious, they will not be nearly so bad as at first was feared. Mr. Morrison was so far recovered as to be removed to Summerside on Saturday. Mr. Fraser is still in bed, but tomorrow. Three of the crew, Messrs. Blucher Robinson, John E. Allen and Daniel McLaughlin, returned to Cape Traverse on Monday night.

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MR. MILLET'S STATEMENT.

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THE CHURCH IN COUNCIL.

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THE ETERNAL YEARS.

BY FREDERICK HARRIS.

How shall I bear the cross that now
So dead a weight appears?
How quickly to God, and think
On the eternal years.

THE BULLY OF THE VILLAGE.

TOM TEMPLE'S CAREER.

BY HORATIO ALGER, JR.

AUTHOR OF "ONLY AN IRISH BOY," ETC.

CHAPTER XXXI.

HEER SCHMIDT.

It was twilight of the second day.

They had exchanged the stage-coach

for a rude wagon, which jolted un-

comfortably over the rough roads.

They had travelled for the greater

part of two days, yet were less than

eighty miles from San Francisco. It

was a wearisome mode of travelling,

and they were all tired. The party

consisted of four, Gates, Morton,

Tom, and a stout Dutchman, who be-

lieved his miseries most of all.

"I don't call this travelling for

pleasure," said Gates, as he was jolted

off his seat.

"Nor I," said Morton. "I wish I had

never left San Francisco."

"Oh, well," said Tom, who, being

younger, was more hopeful than the

rest. "It won't last forever."

"What is that you say?" broke in the

German. "Forever! I hope not. I

think I shall never see mein frau and

die kinder ever more at all."

"Oh, yes, you will, mein herr,"

said Tom. "You will go back with a

big lump of gold, and joy happy

ever after."

"If I do not get killed first," said the

German, dubiously. "Where am I

going?"

"As he spoke, in consequence of a

sudden jolt the unhappy German

tumbled over backwards upon the floor

of the wagon, there being no back to

the seat, and lay on his back incapable

of sitting up.

"Ich bin tot!" he groaned. "Ich

denke dat my bones are broke in two."

"Oh, no, mein herr," said Tom.

"They are too well covered for that.

Don't you be alarmed, I'll help you up,

and he sprang to the side of his pros-

trated fellow-traveller, and tried to

help him to his feet. But Herr Johann

Schmidt weighed two hundred and

sixty pounds, and though Tom suc-

ceeded in raising his head about six

inches from the floor of the wagon, he

could do no more. In fact as bad luck

would have it, it fell back with a

whack, and caused the poor Dutchman

to redouble his groans.

"You have killed me once more," he

said dolefully.

"Excuse me, mein herr," said Tom.

"I didn't know you were so heavy.

Mr. Gates, won't you help me?"

But before Gates could come to help

there was another fearful jolt, causing

the prostrate body to give an upward

bound and fall back with several ad-

ditional bruises.

"Stop the horse," roared the recum-

best Tenton. "Stop him all at once

or I shall be murdered!"

The horse was stopped, and by the

untied help of the other three, Herr

Johann Schmidt was replaced on his

seat.

"I wish I had not come out here," he

beholed himself. "Why could I not

stay at home in my lager beer saloon,

where I was made much money. I

shall not never go back once more,

and what will mein frau do?"

"Oh, don't mind about her," said

Gates, mischievously. "She'll marry

another man, and he'll take care of

the children."

"Was?" roared the Tenton, his

small eyes lighted up with anger.

"Mein frau marry another man.

Das I will not die at all."

"That's where your head's level,"

said Tom, who had picked up the

phrase in San Francisco. "I wouldn't

put out my head for you."

"And my Katrine be another man's

frau!" continued the German in a tone

of disgust.

"You couldn't blame her you know,"

said Gates in a mischievous spirit. "Of

course she couldn't manage the children

alone. I'm not married, and I might

be willing to take her myself, that is

if anything happened to you."

"You marry my Katrine!" exclam-

ed Herr Schmidt, almost apoplectic

with indignation.

"I suppose you would prefer that I

should take her myself, wouldn't you,

Herr Schmidt?"

"Das I will not do! I will not die

without my Katrine! You shall not

take her!"

"Then turning to the former speaker,

who appeared to be the chief of the

robbers, he said:

"Will you let us go if we surrender

our money?"

"Not to-day. You must follow us."

"Where?"

"Where we shall lead you."

"What is that for?"

"It is unnecessary to ask."

"That is adding insult to injury. I

don't like that."

"Perhaps," suggested Tom, "these

gentlemen mean to give us some supper,

and a night's lodging. If so, I go for

accepting the invitation. There isn't

any hotel about here that I know of. I

take their invitation as very kind."

"They mean to make us pay dearly

for their accommodation."

"We may as well get something for

our money," said Tom.

"That's so. Well, gentlemen, for

reasons which it is unnecessary to par-

ticularize, we accept your invitation."

"Very good," said the chief. "Put

up your revolver, then, first of all, or

rather give it to me."

"I would like to keep it."

"Impossible! Give it up."

Gates handed over the weapon un-

willingly.

"Now give me yours," said the chief

to Morton.

The latter with trembling hand re-

sponded to it. He was silent in cour-

age, and had sat dejected, pale with ter-

ror, while the conference had gone on.

"Now, my young bantam," said the

robber, turning to Tom "have you

any?"

"Yes, but I should like to keep it."

"Hand it over."

"We'll take care of it for the owner."

"Here it is. Be careful how you

handle it, for it's loaded. It might hit

my fat friend there."

The Dutchman began to kick at this

suggestion.

"Take care, Mr. Robber!" he ex-

claimed. "It might go off all at once,

and that would be an end of Johann

Schmidt!"

"Oh, never mind, Mein Herr," said

Tom. "There is plenty of John

Schmidt in the world. One more or

less wouldn't make much difference."

"It would make much difference to

me," said Johann, sensibly, "and mine

Katrine, and die kinder."

"Well, what next?" asked Gates.

"Can we go on?"

"No, you must go with us. First

get down from the wagon."

"What is that for?"

"Ask no questions, but obey," said

the highwayman, sternly.

"Very good. I suppose, under the

circumstances, we must obey orders."

"Get down, Herr Schmidt," said Tom

to the Tenton.

"What for? What will he do?" asked

the terrified Dutchman.

"I don't know," said Tom, gravely.

"But I'll tell you what they do some-

times."

"Was?"

"They stand travellers up in a line

and shoot them."

"Will they be so wicked?" groaned

the poor Dutchman, turning as pale as

his florid complexion would admit.

"They would not dare."

"They dare anything, but the only

thing we can do is to follow directions."

Tom assisted the poor man from the

wagon. Gates and Morton were

already out.

"Now," said the chief of the high-

waymen, turning to the driver, "you

can go. But take heed," he added

sternly, "that you say nothing of this

adventure. If you do, you are a mark-

ed man, and your life will not be worth

an hour's purchase."

"I understand," said the man.

Gates turned towards the man with a

sudden suspicion.

"I believe you are in league with

these men," he said, sternly. "You

have led us into a trap."

"That is not so," said the driver.

"I swear it."

"The man speaks the truth," said the

captain. "We have never had any-

thing to do with him."

"Then why don't you keep him as

you do us?"

"We don't fly at such games. He is

a poor laboring man. We don't prey

on such."

"I am a poor laboring man," said

Herr Schmidt, eagerly. "Let me go,

good Mr. Robber. I am not rich

like these gentlemen."

The chief laughed.

"We can talk better by and bye," he

said. "Now gentlemen, I must trouble

you to follow us."

Escorted by the eight highwaymen,

our four travellers walked into the

depth of the forest.

CHAPTER XXXIII.

MORTON'S SECRET.

They walked for about a mile,

threading the intricacies of the forest.

Tom did not particularly mind the

walk. In fact, though the idea of being

a captive in the hands of robbers was

not particularly agreeable, there was a

spice of adventure and romance about

it which he liked. Gates, too, was a

man who took things philosophically,

and did not allow himself to be dis-

turbed overmuch by any contrivance

like the present. But the other two,

namely, Morton and our Tenton friend,

took it more to heart. Morton had a

great deal to lose, and he was in terror

lest the papers and certificates of

stock should be found upon his person.

For them he had staked reputation

and liberty. For them he was an exile

and a fugitive, and he felt that if they

were lost he should have little left to

live for.

As for Herr Schmidt, he was troubled

in more than one way. First, with his

portly figure and superfluous load of

fat, he found locomotion, especially

in the forest, quite difficult. Then

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