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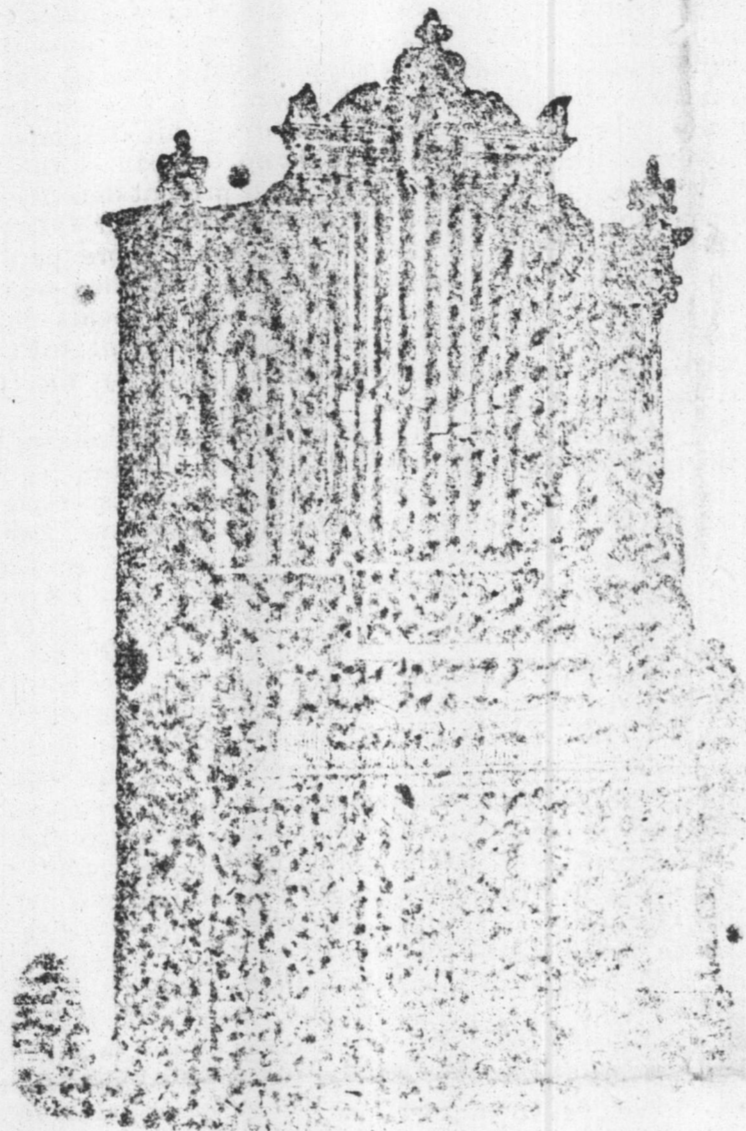
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- 2.—If a person orders his paper discontinued, he must pay up all arrearages and the publisher may continue to send it until payment is made, and collect the whole amount, whether the paper is taken from the office or not.
- 3.—The courts have decided that refusing to take newspapers and periodicals from the Post office, or removing and leaving them uncalled for, is prima facie evidence of intentional fraud.

THE STAR.

MONDAY, MARCH 21st, 1875.

DURING the past few years, the several branches of trade in this town, have undergone a considerable degree of depression. This unfortunate condition of affairs has not arisen altogether through the unsuccessful operations of the fisheries, but has its origin, at least to a large extent in the failure of the well known and extensive mercantile establishment of Messrs. Ridley & Sons. We have reason to fear, that the usual bustle and activity which were displayed throughout the Beach premises, at this season of the year, have glided into the history of the past; this is more to be regretted as we are not made aware of the probability that their place will be taken up by any other gentlemen of like enterprise.

In passing, however, we cannot but speak with disapproval of the exaction, and overbearing selfishness which characterized the conduct of their creditors. At that point of misfortune when every imaginative effort was strained to its utmost by the respective members of that firm to discharge their liabilities in a just and honorable manner, the creditors' screw was put in operation, and it was found all efforts were unavailing—the crash came—and with this memorable casualty, poverty and want were spread around the homes of many. These matters have passed and resuscitation is gradually taking place, and the trade is now assuming a more pleasing aspect; advancing in the groove of sure and steady progress. Like many of our neighbors, we have been sufferers in a pecuniary way also, and have met with adversities too. We are, however, determined upon using our utmost endeavours to make the *STAR* as interesting as possible; and we trust that as the trade advances, the *STAR* will be found to advance also, throwing its cheering beams around this town and neighborhood.

Parties requiring good work in the photograph line would do well to read the following complimentary notice to Mr. Wood, St. John's:

"I can confidently recommend any persons wishing to get old pictures of any kind enlarged and coloured in ink, oil, or water, to Mr. Page Wood, Photographer, St. John's, who can execute them in a style and finish not to be surpassed. He has done some work for me, and I can therefore bear witness to the excellent manner in which it was performed."

G. MACKINSON.

(FOR THE STAR.)
The Festival of St. Patrick, was celebrated as usual by the Members of the Benevolent Irish Society, walking in processional order through the principal streets of the town, accompanied by the fine brass band of the T. A. & B. Society, playing appropriate National Airs. The Society passed in front of the Episcopal residence on the march to Carbonar, where, on their arriving at the beach they were met by a large and respectable procession of their brother members, residents of that town and vicinity, with a band and carrying a beautiful banner of St. Patrick. The whole Society now numbering nearly three hundred formed into line, the flag of the Society being carried in front beside the banner of St. Patrick, and in the middle a rich white flag with a red cross in centre, and near the rear of the procession the arms of their beloved Bishop and Patron. The Society was accompanied by an immense concourse of persons assembled to give them welcome. His Lordship, the Most Rev. Dr. Carfagna, in company with the Very Rev. D. Falconio, and Rev. J. V. Donnelly, having arrived the procession moved across the beach to St. Patrick's Church, the entrance to the grounds of which was spanned by a handsome triumphal arch, decorated with flags and mottoes, appropriate to the occasion. In the Church seats were provided through the kindness of the Rev. W. Veitch. Shortly after solemn Pontifical Mass was commenced by His Lordship the Bishop, the Rev. D. Falconio and J. V. Donnelly as Deacon and sub-Deacon. After the Gospel the Rev. W. Veitch preached an eloquent and impressive sermon on the life and labors of St. Patrick, which was listened to by a very large and attentive congregation. Mass being ended and Benediction of the Most Adorable Sacrament given by His Lordship, the Society reformed and marched to the front of the Convent—where the band halted to play a few appropriate National Airs—thence by the residence of Rev. W. Veitch, down Water Street and counter-marched across the beach, where the Society halted and was addressed in a few appropriate words by their respected President (P. Doreux, Esq.). Three cheers were given for the Carbonar members and returned for their Harbor Grace friends, cheers were likewise given for their beloved Bishop and Patron, and for Her Majesty the Queen. After bidding farewell our efficient Grand Marshal gave the word to move on. The Society marched home in the same good order as they left in the morning, arriving at their place of meeting (T. A. & B.S.'s Hall) Cheers were again given for our beloved Bishop, his Clergy and Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen. The Society then dispersed after thus celebrating the festival of their Patron Saint in a truly CATHOLIC and NATIONAL manner. Harbor Grace, March 19.

TO THE EDITOR MORNING CHRONICLE.

SIR,—I have read with no small amount of surprise the remarkable speech of the Hon. Mr. Harvey which appeared in the columns of the *Newfoundlander* in the 23^d. February as delivered by him in the Legislative Council. I use the term surprise because I could not have believed that such a speech and such sentiments could have emanated from him. I had given the hon. gentleman credit for the exercise of a clearer perception, a better knowledge of the subject on which he was speaking, and a better judgment.

He commences by stating that the Telegraph Monopoly was "second only in importance to the projected Railway through this Colony for the conveyance of the mails, merchandise and passengers between Europe and America with the view to save time!!! I shall not now discuss the Railway project, since as regards its practicability in the saving of time, as to the inducements it offers to capitalists as a paying job—nature or as to the capabilities of this Colony with its population of only 150,000, principally fishermen subsiding to any material extent such an undertaking but content myself with identifying that gentleman with so impracticable a project. Indeed men of common sense who reason upon the subject will solve the question for themselves.

To the hon. gentleman's statements in regard to the Telegraph Monopoly which he asserts was a "great extent" the reason that "led to his disassociation" from the late Anti Confederate Government, I shall direct my present observations; but before doing so I think it proper, as one of the Anti-Confederate party to say that that party would be glad to know what other reasons the Hon. gentlemen has or had for deserting those who placed him in the honorable position he now holds in the Legislature of the Colony, and for joining a Government, (professing as he did himself to be a strong opponent of Confederation) and aiding and assisting them to gain power every member of which is a strong Confederate and its leading men those who composed the delegation to Canada to fix and ratify the terms upon which the great charter of the liberties of this country were to be sacrificed to the aggrandizement of the Dominion.

I admit, as does nearly every body in the country, that the question of the Telegraph Monopoly is a serious and most important one, and viewing it in this light is the reason why I have joined the public in the strenuous efforts that have been made for its abolition; but the hon. Mr. Harvey's reasons for considering the question serious and important are quite the reverse of mine. He is for the continuance of the monopoly, and the reasons he offers are so confused that I doubt whether he has any clear conception of them himself, beyond that one idea that the Anglo American Company should be permitted to enjoy their Monopoly for thirty years longer. He objects to the words "speedy attention" in the address in reply to His Excellency the Governor's speech, and demands that the word "speedy" and also "vexed" be "expunged" and that the following amendment be substituted, "we observe that the subject of the Telegraph Monopoly continues to engage the attention of Your Excellency's Government and we trust that in the solution no terms will be accepted but such as are clearly and unmistakably for the advantage of this Colony." He then goes on to show that according to his views the requirements in his amendment are impracticable in their accomplishment inasmuch as "the enormous aggregate amount," (the millions of Mr. Cyrus Field,) which according to his idea this country would have to pay the company, would be beyond its capacity to pay, and if not paid would lead to interminable law suits which would be equally ruinous, and therefore the better plan would be to allow matters to rest as they are. He further tells the Government not to heed public opinion—that they are too fiercely hounded on by outside "pressure" and "outside agitators," that he has "maturely considered" the subject, and therefore, without giving any other valid or sensible reasons, he urges them to be governed by his better opinion. The Council seems to have placed no confidence either in his advice or his judgment.

Then he suggests that the Anglo American Company should be employed to reduce the tariff! The reply to which naturally is that the exercise of pre-emption would compel this reduction to one shilling, or at most one shilling and sixpence the word, without subjecting ourselves to such humiliations. The tariff now is three shillings per word between this country and England, and it was six shillings per word before the movement in favor of pre-emption took place.

We have contributed largely in both money and land to the Company and therefore are entitled to be recompensed in some way or the other, independent of our geographical position for the outlay. If it is intended on the part of the Government to purchase the cable between this country and Nova Scotia they intend in my judgment to do a very silly and unnecessary thing; for by the same rule they might purchase the cable between here and Europe, neither of which are required to purchase by the contract. The object of the public is to throw the lot open to all comers and to create the greatest possible competition. It would be worse than folly, it would be madness on the part of the Government to have anything themselves to do with the line, beyond properly conserving the interests of this Colony and giving fair play to all who may invest their capital in the enterprise. The only cables that could be contemplated to be paid for by this country, are those which might have been considered necessary, on entering into contract to be laid in this island, for crossing our estuaries and rivers.

The hon. gentleman speaks most unbecomingly and disrespectfully of the motives which have influenced Mr. Labouchere in his efforts to establish cheap telegraphy—a gentleman who has by his energy, superior intelligence and personal influence organized the Company which has laid an ocean cable nearly to Newfoundland, and would have completed it in spite of all difficulties only for the unprejudiced stern and severe weather experienced since the beginning of October last. This Mr. Labouchere is a London banker and capitalist of the highest respectability, and a gentleman who has made a crusade upon those fraudulent and bogus companies of the Stock Exchange, (to which the hon. gentleman refers) such as will never be forgotten, and which is now working a very salutary effect both on the Stock Exchange and the Money Market, and this same Mr. Labouchere is the person he (hon. Mr. H.) refers to as having offered to reduce the telegraph tariff to one shilling and sixpence per word, and who has done more to break up this monopoly than has been done by any other individual, not excepting the gentleman who in this Colony have rendered him such able assistance.

The hon. gentleman harps upon the millstone that is to be hung upon the neck of Newfoundland if the Government exercise their right of pre-emption. If he would take the trouble to read the fourteenth and fifteenth sections of the Act which constitutes the contract he will find—that the only concession made by this Colony to the Company was the "sole and exclusive right to build, make occupy, take or work the said line or any line of telegraphs between St. John's and Cape Race," and a prohibition to all other persons to land cables within the jurisdiction of this Colony, "subject to the right of pre-emption" "at any time after twenty years after the passing of this act;" and secondly, that on exercising the right of pre-emption arbitrators are to be appointed to value the plant created by the company in the out lay of their capital "in this country," namely, in the building of the telegraph lines, wires, cables, apparatus, vessels, and all other property connected therewith; and the only reservations made in the transfer of their property

are the lands granted to the company and the proceeds connected therewith.

The late Government made known by written communication to the Company their willingness not to exercise the right of pre-emption provided they would give up their monopoly. What could be more just towards that Company and what wrong could they impute to the Government for exercising that right which had been contracted for in the existing agreement? But, supposing the Company were even to push matters to extremities and compel the Government to exercise the right of pre-emption, (a very unlikely thing inasmuch as it would render the whole of their large investment in ocean cables wholly valueless, and for a considerable time at least suspend the receipts of upwards of £60,000 sterling a month for the messages that are now passing over the line,) the "Direct Company" would be only too glad to possess these lines and very likely to pay a handsome consideration for the preference, inasmuch as they would then be the only parties that would for a time be able to conduct the telegraph business. Hence it will be perceived that there would be no financial embarrassment to the Colony but a profit accruing to it out of the transaction.

When the Hon. Mr. Harvey speaks of the derangement of our West coast Telegraph, he speaks like a child without experience. At present we are very imperfectly supplied with Coastal Telegraphy to the Westward and what we have is at a very high cost. But the moment we have competing companies, the probability is, that our present defective system will be improved that our Coastal Telegraphy will be made more perfect and at a much less cost, then we now pay for it; in fact arrangements might be made by the Government with one of the Companies to supply this requirement.

The Hon. Gentleman also says that the "tolls will soon be reduced," as "the Direct Cable Company will succeed in completing the laying of their Cable next summer" and "at once reduce the tariff" to fourteen or fifteen pence a word between here and London. This is another sentiment equally contradictory to many of his other statements, for how is it possible that the Direct Company can land their Cables next summer if the Government do not exercise the right of pre-emption. Canada might pass a veto upon the monopoly and authorize the landing of the Cable in the Dominion, but the monopolists have the power and will no doubt exercise to exclude the Direct Company from the privilege of landing their Cable in Newfoundland.

Each of the mercantile houses (as hon. Mr. H. states) pays the sum of four thousand dollars annually for Telegraphy it is surely one of the strongest arguments that can be adduced in the interests of this country why the monopoly should be put an end to as soon as possible.

Again the hon. gentleman says that the majority of the legal profession in England are of opinion that we should have to "buy the Cable from Newfoundland to Cape Breton" as well as the land lines and other property. I am aware that such is the case with regard to the land lines &c., but I know not on what authority he asserts that we shall have to buy the Ocean Cable between this country and Cape Breton. I believe that his statement is carelessly made being without any foundation in fact, for there is nothing of the kind stipulated for in the contract nor any reference thereto in any of the published opinions or reports that I have read.

With regard to the one per cent as a tariff on the gross receipts being an inadequate consideration, we are not limited to that one per cent since it will be in the power of the Government to make their own terms with those who are reaping such large pecuniary advantages and the Government would not impose a tariff that would be unreasonable and thereby defeat the object that is sought by themselves and the public generally, nor would it be their interest to do so. To lower the tariff the greater will be the amount of business, as has been experienced in the Post Office, and it is impossible for any one with the greatest foresight to give a correct judgment as to what the increased proceeds of telegraphic communication across the Atlantic may be under such reduction.

Mr. H. further says that if pre-emption be exercised and a tariff of taxation be imposed, that "a still larger proportion of the messages" would pass through St. Pierre. Now if there be that difference of time in transmission of signals between the two lines as that admitted to exist, namely one third in favor of Newfoundland, how is it possible for the St. Pierre line to take business from the Newfoundland speedier and consequently cheaper line.

As regards the line to the Labrador, assuming that they intend to take the nearest point to Europe, the hon. gentleman seems to have forgotten that that point is within the jurisdiction of Newfoundland, and he does not appear to be sensible, first as to the extra distance, and secondly, to the physical difficulties that would have to be encountered, in the risks to which the cables would be exposed from the numerous icebergs that would be continually passing over them and damaging them.

C. F. BENNETT.
St. John's, March 8, 1875.

Manning of Westminster, Lodochowski of Posen and McClosky of New York have been created cardinals. Philadelphia Boston and Milwaukee raised to Metropolitan Sees.

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LONDON, March 11.
French ministerial scheme, as reported yesterday, has fallen through, owing to Buffet refusing to enter cabinet. Times' special says Bonapartist influence caused MacMahon to oppose Duc Daudiffret Basquie, and bishop of Orleans, on behalf of clergy opposed Wallon. Rumours of counter plotted coup d'etat' caused uneasiness.

BOSTON, 10.
Election at New Hampshire resulted in a victory for Republicans. New York 10—Gold 115.

PARIS, 11.
French Cabinet again officially announced.— Buffet, Interior; Dufaure, Justice; Leon, say Finance; Wallon, Instruction; Vicomte de Maux, of Right Agriculture; Decazes, Foreign; Decisy War; Admiral DeMontaignac Marine; Callaux, Public works. Dufaure has drawn up the following programme for the Assembly after Easter to vote budget: Senatorial elections in September next; dissolution of Assembly in October. Government to demand maintenance of present electoral system and raise state of seige of all departments except Seine Rhone and Bouches du Rhone.

Times' Berlin correspondent telegraphs—Ghermany has asked Italy whether she will continue to exempt the Pope from obligations of law, and complain is now abusing the liberty given him, in fomenting rebellion in Germany.

NEW YORK, 11.
Gold 115 1/2.
Judge of Divorce Court has granted rule nisi' in Mordaunt case.

LONDON, 12.
Lords adjourned for Easter from 9th March to April 6th. Government will present Budget April 15th. Mitchell' again elected; 1000 majority.

Germany irritated at action of Spain in 'Gustave' affair, and clerical aspect of Alfonso's ministry.

Brest resumed position of Austrian Ambassador here.

Court of enquiry in 'Caspatrik' affair, are of opinion that fire was caused by parties plundering cargo in the fore hold.

Eugene is said to have contracted another loan.
New York, 12—Gold 115 1/2.

LONDON, 13.
In French Assembly Buffet declared policy of new ministry conservative and devoid of either provocation or weakness. He made the statement to reassure the industrious and orderly populations. The declaration was received with icy coldness by the Assembly.

The Pope will make McClosky of New York a cardinal not only on account of personal merit, but also in honor of American Catholics and to mark the progress of the faith in America.

HALIFAX, 16.
The new house is pretty evenly balanced, the only vote yet taken which was for election of officers gave government 2 majority. Uneasiness prevails in government circles.

LONDON, 16.
Carlist General Cabrera recognizes Alfonso, points to country's need of peace, and discontinue the hopeless struggle. Carlists proclamation denounces Cabrera as a traitor.

NEW YORK 16.
Rienzi, Missouri, nearly destroyed by a rain and hail storm; 4 persons killed; several wounded.
Gold 115.

LOCALS.

Report goes to say that the Hon. A. Shea has become the agent of the Direct U. S. Cable Company.

The steamer 'Heracles' left here yesterday morning for St. John's, but was compelled to return in consequence of ice.

The Mail Steamer "Newfoundland," arrived at St. John's, from Halifax, on Thursday morning.

The Brig 'Trusty', Hennessy, master, belonging to Messrs John Munn & Co. succeeded in reaching St. John's.

The Entertainment in connection with the Presbyterian Sabbath School came off on Thursday evening last, and was a decided success.

Mr. Thomas McCulloch Cairns sold by Auction on Thursday last, five splendid Oxen, belonging to Mr. Mackinson.

The Quadrille Committee intend having a 'big night' on the 6th April. Great credit is due to the worthy M. C. (Mr. Selby Gundry Allan) for the efficient manner in which the Entertainments are conducted.

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St. Patrick "Starrigan" themselves to purpose of pr

Wednesday, being St. Patrick's Day the descendants of the 'sod' celebrated the event in the usual way. We here a few complaints of the ground having assaulted one or two parties.

The game laws affecting the destruction of Rabbits, came into operation on the first of the present month. We warn all interested parties to govern themselves accordingly.

We are glad to see that our hints about the pearls were taken up with spirit by one of our ex-bigglers. Our reporter happened to be on Mr. Youdall's wharf, witnessing the departure of the sealing fleet, observed an individual hard at work shelling muscles. He intimated to the reporter that he had purchased a quantity of muscles and was determined to extract pearls at any cost. Your fish were taken from the wrong bank, Willie.

Several of our sealers were enjoying themselves in an off-handed way on the Streets, a few days ago, having been imbibing rather freely of the "oh! be joyful"; they were accordingly treated to a triumphant processional visit to the public repository, under the superintendance of Head Constable Fallon. Having gone through the necessary catechetical formula, they proceeded on board their respective vessels, which were lying off Bears Cove.

We have been making repeated enquiries lately about our new member, Mr. Godden. We have, however, up to the present time been unable to satisfy ourselves as to his whereabouts; some say he is in St. John's attending to his Parliamentary duties; we are not inclined to give credence to this report—as in perusing the debates of the House—no mention of his name is anywhere to be found. We are inclined to believe the opinions of our reporter—although he was told by Harry Andrews that Mr. G. did say "hear, hear!" on one occasion about a month back—who has been led to understand that Mr. Godden is undergoing a term of healthful recuperation. Doubtless he will turn up in due time.

The following significant dialogue is reported to have taken place in a public house at Carbonear a short time since, between a lady, well known for her devotion to religion, respect for its ministers, and a genuine love for the Land of the Shamrock, and a worthy son of the same green Isle, not remarkable for any of the above characteristics, but who, nevertheless, would be considered by some as of the "true stock".

Is it true what I've been told, that you joined the 'mad dogs' in Harbor Grace the other day?

Begor it is mam!

How much did you pay for joining them?

Devil a cent at all!

And what did you join them for?

Begor they told me if every one would join them we'd soon banish these clergymen up there out of the place!

Now said the lady, well knowing the man to whom she was speaking, answer me truly and tell me how much dues you paid your clergy for the past twenty years?

Arrah mam, I didn't pay any, because I hadn't anything to pay!

Well now said the lady, go and tell every one that if they all act as you've done they'll soon banish every clergyman in the country out of it.

The Weathercock has not been able to give his usual 'Weatherish' observations during last week, in consequence of meeting with a sad loss. Our reporter on hearing of his unfortunate difficulty rushed with unusual impetuosity toward the scene of the (catastrophe). On interrogating the first personage with whom he came in contact (which happened to be the celebrated Babe Barnes) the cause of the fracas, was told that the Weathercock had lost his far famed weather Cat. Our reporter enquired of the owner of this wonderful feline and obtained full information of his size, colour, weight and leaping capacity, which greatly enabled them to form a pretty correct idea of the distance he must have travelled, provided he had fled in a straight line. We understand the detectives are on his track; and it is to be hoped that he will shortly be returned to his grief-stricken owner. Perhaps he may be absent viewing the weather from some neighbouring eminence, for Saturday's report, or having taken a short leave of absence for the purpose of a love tour. Our reporter says a very handsome reward will be given to any person or persons who will bring him bound to his legal owner.

St. Patrick's Day being a holiday the "Starrigan" worthies agreed amongst themselves to hold a meeting for the purpose of protesting against the re-

ports which appeared in the STAR. Our reporter procured admission through the influence of Skipper 'Nat'. After the 'persecuted family' had gathered in the "wing," 'Lord Joe' was called to the chair, he was supported on the right by Skipper 'Has' the Farrier, and Stephen. On the left of the chairman the pleasant countenance of Breaker was to be seen along with Skipper 'Nat, and one or two others. The chairman having assumed his wonted attitude proceeded to remark in the following terms: 'Gentlemen, I seen the STAR,' he had not proceeded further when Breaker sprang to his feet and would have smashed our reporter, but for the timely assistance and protection of the worthy manager of the building, who we may say was prevailed upon to lend the building for the purpose of the meeting. This gentleman remarked that if any attempt was made to interfere with the STAR he would clear the whole gang out. This created a great confusion. After order was restored, 'Lord Joe' said "If any other gentleman wishes to address the meeting now was the time?" Stephen rose and muttered a few words about a 'Cat,' when up jumped the Farrier and commenced grinning, he concluded this exposition by resuming his seat. The next gentleman to address the meeting was Skipper 'Has; he said "Gents, I makes so bold on yes, at dis time but, but I has plenty of room at the West End;" a cry got up 'the West End!! the West End!!' The chairman was knocked down; the gang rushed out, a tall gent (a prominent member of the clique) was seen flying ahead, the farrier on his track, bellowing, followed by Skipper 'Nat 'blowing'; and next was seen poor Stephen 'sighing.' Our reporter being a T. T., had no desire in following further than the foot of LeMerchant Street, therefore, popped into the STAR Office with the above, ready for publication.

OYSTER CULTURE IN Nfld.—It is to be regretted that this important subject is so little thought of and practised by the people of this Island. Seeing that its inhabitants are to such an extent dependant on the productions of its surrounding waters, one would naturally think, that they, as a community would only be too glad to foster and nourish any thing that would ultimately enhance or increase the future value of its fisheries. The above particular branch although not belonging to what might be termed the staple fishery of the country, is nevertheless not void of a certain degree of worth, which in some future day may be realized with satisfaction and delight. It is sad to think that amongst all our enterprising men, (and we must say we are gifted with a great many) only one gentleman has been found to have pluck enough to enter into it practically. We refer to a gentleman residing in the growing village of Hearts Content, who is possessed, we are proud to say, of a very marked degree of foresight and energy. He has already in one of the arms of its beautiful harbor, distributed broadcast seven or eight barrels (minus what was eaten and given away) of fine fresh oysters, which we understand are breeding to an alarming extent. The only obstacle in the way of this gentleman making his fortune is, we believe, the entire want of a good market. This need not harass his mind long as we can easily show him how he may get rid of this hindrance, and how he may with a little trouble and off-handedness, make a handsome thing of it. We are quite aware, if this gentleman is not, that he can procure any amount of good customers, who will stick to him like a brick, in Harbor Grace. These adherents would only be too glad to take a barrel now and then from him, at about one hundred per cent less than what they cost; that is provided he sends them across the barrens, and lands them at their respective doors, all shelled and ready for use. In case these precious fish may get stale on the journey it would be necessary to get them across as quick as possible. This could also be easily got rid of by having two conveyances, one to leave Hearts Content with a load, and the other could leave Harbor Grace with the empty packages, to be refilled at this gentleman's earliest convenience. You will see that by this arrangement time would be saved, and the customers would always receive their oysters fresh. At any rate he could try this plan for about a month, and by that time would be better able to judge how this scheme would pay him. Of this fact at least we can assure this enthusiast that while he lives, him and his oyster traps will always have a warm and hearty reception in Harbor Grace. After we receive our first brl., we shall be better able to give our opinion as to the quality and probability of this scheme maturing to perfection, and when the demand for them will be very much greater than the supply. We will anxiously wait to hear the noise of the wheels of the first caravan rushing down Court House Hill. We wish them (the oysters) every success.

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