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OUR NEW STORY!

In the first issue of the FARMER in October, will be commenced one of the best stories ever published in this city. It is admirably written by a popular author, and abounds in the description of incidents, that will hold the attention of the reader from the beginning to the close.

To further extend the already large circulation of the FARMER, we will send the paper to new subscribers from Oct. 1st, 1884, to Dec. 31st, 1885, a period of FIFTEEN MONTHS, for our regular subscription price of ONE DOLLAR.

The Educational Question.

It is a significant fact, that no journal of any standing has attempted to defend the Local Government in its tinkerings with the School Law. True, a vast amount of abuse and billingsgate has been poured out on the heads of those who have given publicity to the complaints of the teachers, by the personal organ of Mr. Blair and his apologist, the Chief Superintendent, but that does not avail. Holding the teachers up to ridicule, or publishing contemptible attacks upon journals that espouse their cause, will not weigh against solid facts such as the teachers have to back them. The Government will be bound to recognize the teachers' grievances, or take the inevitable consequences.

A correspondent in another column states concisely, some of the leading causes of discontent, and he is a gentleman who has never been identified with political parties. He writes as a teacher, or who knows the evil that will result from the changes in the School Law, and his statements will be borne out by his fellow teachers.

As the Chief Superintendent and his organ, attempt to show, the teachers have no just cause of complaint, why is it that not one of their number, either through the press or on the platform, has spoken in defence of the amendments to the School Law. There must be, and is, but one opinion among the teachers, and that is, condemnatory of the Government in this matter, and if the Chief Superintendent is desirous of increasing his unpopularity, he had better continue his apologies for the blundering Government whom he serves.

But the teachers are not alone in opposition to the School Regulations. The tax payers have no sympathy with the Government, but range themselves with the teachers. Some of the changes in the regulations will be felt more directly by the people generally, than by the teachers, but the discussion of these points must be reserved for another time.

The Collegiate School.

The St. John's College comes to the rescue of the Local Government and Chief Superintendent of Education, in the matter of the Collegiate School, which is not to escape the cheese paring policy of these transient authorities, he had better continue his apologies for the blundering Government whom he serves.

The Globe then denies that its editor in the Legislature, and Mr. Stockton attacked the University. How absurd. There are scores of people in Fredericton who were present in the galleries of the Assembly who heard Mr. Ellis' distorted statements regarding the work of the University, and Mr. Stockton's studied efforts to belittle the Legislature against that institution, and there are hundreds of people in the country who read the very full report of Mr. Ellis' speech as published in his own paper, the Globe, and are capable of forming a judgment of its intended effect.

We were not surprised at Mr. Stockton's hostility to the University, for he is so thoroughly a Methodist that he can see very little good outside his own institution at Sackville. Neither can we express astonishment at Mr. Ellis' attitude. There are few institutions in this country that owe their success to any effort of Mr. Ellis or the Globe, and it is unfortunate for Mr. Blair that his tenure of power depends on the support of these gentlemen, who have not hesitated to attack in the Legislature the leading Educational Institution of the Province.

With regard to the Collegiate School, the Globe makes a statement that is not warranted by facts. It says that the St. John's Grammar School does quite as much, if not more, than the Fredericton Collegiate School in sending students to the University. The records prove the contrary. During the past ten years, the Collegiate School has prepared at least twice as many students for the University as the St. John's Grammar School did. The Collegiate School students too, have almost invariably led the classes in the University, and this is good evidence of the excellent work done in the Collegiate School. The Fredericton Collegiate School's usefulness moreover has not been confined to this locality. Every session there are students from almost every portion of the Province profiting from its instruction. While the St. John's Grammar School has been, and is, local in its character, the Collegiate School constantly numbers among its students young men from various parts of New Brunswick who are preparing for a course at the University.

The blow which the Government propose striking at the Collegiate School, will not alone injure Fredericton, but the whole Province, and we protest therefore, not alone on behalf of Fredericton, but on behalf of the whole Province.

EDITORIAL COMMENT.

Valentine Baker is to join Lord Wolsey's staff in Egypt.

The advent of autumn has given an impetus to the matrimonial business.

Lord Dufferin has been appointed viceroy of India, the highest office in the gift of the Crown.

Mr. Blair's latest attack on his own constituency, is his attempt to reduce the usefulness of the Fredericton Collegiate School.

Hon. John O'Connor, at one time Postmaster General of Canada, has been appointed to the Court of Queen's Bench for Ontario.

The majority against the repeal of the Scott Act in Halton, Ontario, was 185.

The majority on the adoption of the Act, was only 51.

What about the removal of the Stock Farm to York? The Government organs are silent on the subject. Has the scheme collapsed?

The Telegraph does not attempt to defend Mr. Blair's tinkerings with the School Law.

Neither does the Globe, and both are supposed to be friends of the Local Government.

Mr. A. W. Duff, the winner of the Gilchrist Scholarship, is to be banished to the University this evening, and with Mr. J. W. Bridges will leave to-morrow for Edinburgh to pursue his studies.

Six years ago to-day, on the 17th of September, 1878, the McKean's Government was routed—foot, horse and artillery—in the general elections of that day. It was a glorious victory.

The movement to have the City Hall enlarged, ought to be pushed to a practical end. The expense will be light, and would soon be made up by the increased number of the Council who will visit the city.

Let the Council proceed as once with the proposed change.

The constitutional amendment carried in a majority of over 44,000 in the election on the 8th inst., makes the liquor prohibitory law a failure. Hitherto it was merely a local enactment, and might have been repealed by the Maine Legislature.

Belva A. Lockwood, the woman's candidate for the Presidency of the United States, is a strong mind and lawyer practicing in Maryland, who has met with some success in her profession. She may be a clever woman, but she would be better employed at home attending to the duties of her household, if she has one.

Lord Lorne in his new book, "Canadian Pictures with pen and pencil" which has just been issued in England, speaks glowingly of all things Canadian. He says that if the Irishmen were as familiar with colonial life as with their home life, there would be fewer people in the old land with no occupation save grumbling at their fate.

The Halifax Mail remarks that "New Brunswick has a third time taken the Gilchrist scholarship from us." Our contemporary is astray. We have taken it four times, with Goodwin, and Fiddell, and Tweedie, and Duff, and we have the material coming up that can do it again.

In looking over an old scrap book, the other day, we came upon the remark made by Mr. Fred. Thompson, in a harangue he delivered just before the late Dominion election in this constituency, to the effect that "the tree had not grown from which could be made a chair to seat a Conservative member in the Commons of Great Britain."

How true it is! We have taken it four times, with Goodwin, and Fiddell, and Tweedie, and Duff, and we have the material coming up that can do it again.

Our advertisers continue to make an unprecedented demand for space in the FARMER, which is one of the very best evidences of our prosperity. Although the past summer has been a hard one for the FARMER, it has enjoyed an excellent patronage, and never before was its future so brightly assured. No special effort has been made to secure the substantial position the FARMER now occupies in public favor, further than an honest endeavor to produce a reliable and readable newspaper. We have had no success in this, yet the circulation of the FARMER steadily increases, as its influence constantly extends. The FARMER has now entered upon its sixth year, and as a firmly established newspaper, financially and otherwise, stands second to none in New Brunswick.

We congratulate Dr. Jack and the Faculty of the University, on the large class of students who will to-morrow appear for admission to that institution. The names of sixteen applicants have already been received, and one or two others are expected. The class will be composed of W. H. Hand and H. E. L. Smith of Carleton County, J. C. Grimmer, W. A. Holmes and E. L. Clarke of Charlotte, W. A. Kerr of Northumberland, O. W. Nivers of Queens, Mr. F. J. Harrison, W. K. H. F. Collier, J. D. Harrison, W. K. H. F. Collier, A. W. K. Allevy, and J. W. Westmore of York. The Globe will place others, that we will not mention, and in 1885, 1886, and 1887, the number of students will be more than half the whole class, the St. John's Grammar School sends out solitary students.

FREE BAPTISTS IN SESSION.

Third District Meeting at Peniac.

(Religious Intelligence.)

The annual session of the Third District meeting was held on Wednesday, 3rd inst., at Peniac, York County. It was a beautiful day. The York Conference at 10 A. M., was presided over by the pastor of the church, Rev. J. H. Trafton.

A considerable number testified to the goodness of the Lord in their experience, and the meeting was manifestly a happy one. At 2 P. M., the Business Meeting was held, Rev. A. H. Trafton, Chairman.

Rev. Trafton made appropriate remarks, and the meeting was adjourned to 8 P. M., when the singing of hymns was resumed.

Following the Reports, the meeting was held by the Chairman, Rev. Trafton, who made a most interesting and profitable address.

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THE PLAGUE AT NAPLES.

Over Two Thousand Deaths.

The Disease still spreading.

The exodus from Naples Italy during the past week has been so great that lodgings in the neighboring villages were obtained only at fabulous prices. The better sections of the town are deserted. All the shops in Toledo are closed at four in the afternoon.

The theatres are all shut. Many of the poor streets are silent as death. Even the cafes are closed, and the only sign of life is from the neighboring rough collars together. The best of the streets, absolutely every body is either dead or sick. In one street, Via Duca, 50 cases occurred in the past week.

Of burned sulphur is everywhere and the wretched people of the poorer classes are either stupefied or frantic. Meanwhile the devotion and daring of the Italian people have had the effect of dissipating some of the superstition about poison and contagion.

A woman was selling fruit on the corner of Piazza Delimita fell over a barrel of cholera. A crowd made a bonfire of her, stuff and fruit and then left her to die. The body would carry her to an hospital. The body of the woman was buried in a little garden of her home, and when the police arrested her husband the mob threatened to rescue him.

There has been an enormous revival of religious sentiment in Naples. The street shrines which Garibaldi waded up in 1860 have all been opened, and white-robed priests hold the holy pictures. Crowds, wild with joy, watch the work and hail with shouts each restoration. The processions are continued in the poorer streets, and the women. The churches are thronged and street altars have been erected. The hospitals and ambulances systems are all crowded by the awful increase in deaths, and for a day or two it has been necessary to carry corpses waiting so long that they became putrid. This is adding to the contagion. The heroism of King Humbert makes the most welcome welcome picture Europe has looked on for years.

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GENERAL NEWS.

The Scott Act is shortly to be submitted to the electors of Toronto.

The Prince of Wales has expressed a desire to make a tour of Ireland.

Typoid fever has broken out in one of the British regiments at Cairo.

Allen's Lung Balsam is warranted to cure the most distressing Cough. See adv.

Civil service examinations will be held in St. John on the 11th and 12th of November.

Arguments on the liquor license act will be heard before the Supreme Court of Canada on the 23rd inst.

The Victory of India receives a salary of \$125,000 a year, exclusive of allowances estimated at \$25,000.

The Times a new paper at Montreal, was issued on Saturday, by James Stewart late of the Montreal Herald.

A Jacksonville, Fla., apple measured eleven and a half inches in circumference and weighed seventeen ounces.

A woman is employed at Saratoga to advertise soap by sitting in a bath and exposing her clean, white skin.

Governor Robie's majority in Maine, is 10,700. The great majority for the Republicans, Robie's majority two years ago was only 8,600.

Work on the Richmond and St. Louis Railway, Kentucky, is to be commenced this week by the contractor Mr. John C. Brown.

The London Standard says there is no doubt that Russia will supersede America as a source of petroleum supply for European markets.

It is understood at Washington, that the Secretary of War will make a thorough investigation of the horrors of the Greasy Expedition.

A Toronto lawyer named MacDonald, his wife and children, have been taken to a hospital to be treated for poisoning, having eaten pickles impregnated with copper.

At the wedding of S. D. Stoner and Mrs. M. J. Stoner, a perfect archbishop, one perfect apostolic, two bishops, two judges of the Supreme Court, forty-three clergymen, and a host of laymen, were present.

No LADY WHO DELIGHTS IN FLOWERS, and ladies to see them do well and bloom abundantly, should be without Hemming's Geraniums. Ordinary geraniums 30c. —sufficient for 20 plants for one year.

German physicians are claimed by many to be the most skillful in the world. They study thirteen years, in an ordinary college for five years, and in a medical school six years and up with two years in a hospital.

Cholera is ruining the Parisians and making the fortune of the London hotel and boarding-house keepers. Altogether there were 14,000 more visitors in the city in July last than in the same month this year.

Bird's French Ointment is an excellent article for any kind of Humor, such as Salt Rheum, Pimples, Pustules, Rash, and a sore throat for the throat. It quickly heals obstinate Sores and Ulcers, &c. Sold by dealers.

Mr. J. B. Snowball of Chatham, has been awarded the contract for the construction of the Intercolonial Branch of the Intercolonial Railway, and Mr. Robert McCreary of Quebec, for the contract for the Metropoli branch.

Um Cathedral, after remaining unfinished for nearly 400 years, will soon be completed. It was begun in 1372 and finished in 1494, except the towers, which are now being erected, according to the ancient design.

The cathedral is one of the largest in Germany.

In many parts of England an extraordinary drought exists, on account of the long, dry summer. In Kent, poor people are obliged to pay for a pail of water, and are forced to make the water they use for cooking, in order to make it serve in future occasions.

Immigration returns for August show the total number of arrivals in the Dominion at 14,890, and for the eight months since last January, 112,512. The number of settlers in Canada during the month was 5,941, and since last January, 47,100.

Information had reached Canton of a frightful inundation in the Province of Kiangsee, China. The floods lasted four days and the entire country was submerged. The loss of life and property was estimated at 70,000 persons perished.

MANY OF THE PATENT Medicines of the age are advertised to cure everything, but "Scientific" is prepared only for the cure of cholera, cholera, and cholera, and cures by neutralizing the cholera poison in the blood. For sale by all Druggists and General Dealers.

Ten and 15-year old girls, who are great sales of soap, are now being sent to the work of seventeen hours a day in the factories of Italy; by a frugal system of cooperation they expend only one-half their wages on food, and so manage to lay up money in the savings banks against a rainy day.

Vegetarianism seems to be spreading in London. A place has been opened in Holborn, where vegetarians can get their meals for six pence one can get three courses, with table food. City clerks, waiters, shopmen, and artists crowd the place daily, and say that vegetarians give them all their best recipes.

Short-hand writing has become a profitable employment to many women in the United States. Mrs. Sarah Grady, who travels through the country with a shorthand book, earns \$5,000 a year; Mrs. J. R. Palmer, of Ohio, \$8,000 a year; and Miss B. Ballantine, of Rochester, \$5,000 a year.

The collapse of the National Bank, New Brunswick, New Jersey, has already led to the suicide of the President, the cashier, and the treasurer, and has caused the loss of millions of dollars. The decline in the price of gold has been a decided factor in the explanation of the catastrophe.

The very smallest of all kinds of sheep is the tiny Breton sheep. It is too small to be very profitable to raise, for of course it cannot be much more than a pet. It is certainly a hungry man could almost eat a whole one at a meal. It is so small when full grown that it is almost invisible in a good sized flock. It takes its name from the fact of France where it is most raised.

John Clarence Webster of

