

THE ST. JOHN EVENING TIMES

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The St. John Evening Times is published at 49 and 21 Canterbury street every evening...

TAXATION.

Referring to the fact that Ald. Macrae will speak on Civic Taxation, before the Fabian League next Thursday evening...

I hope the alderman will study the Ontario assessment law, which exempts all incomes below \$1,000...

The point raised by the Times correspondent is worthy of attention. He shows clearly one of the weaknesses of the present assessment law...

TRADE OF MONTREAL.

The Montreal Gazette states that the shipping trade of the port for the past season was not as satisfactory as usual...

Passenger traffic has been brisk, especially so with the Allan line, which company reports the best business in its history...

The Allan Company carried 45,582, the Dominion 20,529, and the Canadian Pacific 17,222 a grand total...

An indication of how poor the freight trade of which all the companies complain is found in the total collections at the Customs House...

Decreases are shown in every month, and when all are added together the whole amounts to \$924,901.51...

A feature of the business of the port has been a large increase in the quantity of coal brought into Montreal from the Nova Scotia mines...

Several companies were engaged in the trade, and the total quantity brought in to the end of the season was 1,401,611 tons...

The harbor master's report this year shows a decrease in total tonnage over last year, which has not been the case for several years...

The province of Ontario has no doubt felt the drain of the westward movement, since very many farmers have gone during the past few years from that province to Manitoba and the territories...

The number attracted from Ontario has been much larger than the number from the maritime provinces, but the remarks made by the speaker above quoted are worthy of attention in these provinces as well as in Ontario...

There is no doubt about the growth and the splendid promise of the west, but the farmer who is in comfortable circumstances in New Brunswick or either of the other eastern provinces has no cause to envy the farmer of the prairies...

He has many advantages such as are not enjoyed by the man in the west. To the man in the mid country, who has no large opportunities, the west appeals with great force, and it has, no doubt, a degree of fascination for us all...

During the past year a number of New Brunswick farmers have sold their property and moved to the territories. It is by no means certain that they have done the best thing...

Those who have children have perhaps taken them away from good schools to a district where for some years at least, the school system will not be as well organized as in this province...

There are many other advantages and sources of pleasure which the emigrant must forego. It is well that those who go away from the old home should remain under the flag, and that the drift should be toward western Canada...

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So distinctly. In the new testament there are three classes of texts in which the word eternal is used. Of these three are metaphorical, four speak of punishment as having no end...

Some say, however, that the Greek word does not necessarily mean eternal but only age long. This adjective occurs in the new testament seventy-one times...

What we call eternal punishment is only the necessary consequence of sin in a being to whom God has given a free will. The sinner has been striving all his life to live apart from God...

There are three principal modern substitutes for the doctrine of everlasting punishment. First universalism or the theory of the final restoration of all things...

Secondly, the theory of probation after death. For those who have had little opportunity for salvation in this life, a further period of probation is after death...

Thirdly, the theory of annihilation of souls, is hardly worth mentioning. It treats the soul as only conditionally immortal and is wholly unsupported by revelation...

In conclusion, let us remember that the awful doctrine of everlasting punishment comes from the lips of our Lord Jesus Christ Himself...

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NOTES FROM KINGS CO. N. S. Death Of Judah L. Bishop Will Stay in Spokane. Kentville, Dec. 9.—The death of Mr. Judah L. Bishop, occurred at his home, University Ave., Wolfville on Thursday, Dec. 8. Mr. Bishop had been ill for some weeks with tuberculosis, and his death was not unexpected.

HANS THE HORSE. Made the Subject of Study by German Scientists. Berlin, Dec. 10.—Dr. Carl Stumpf, professor of Psychology at the University of Berlin, and a member of the Royal Academy of science, and two colleagues, Dr. C. Von Horstel and Dr. Pfungst, have spent months of experiments with Von Osten's horse Hans. They find that the secret of the animal's replies is in his powers of observation...

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