

# Maritime Farmer.

FREDERICTON, N. B., February 24, 1886.

## The Legislative Opening.

The last session of the present Legislature, will open on the usual ceremonies, at 3 P. M., to-morrow. The Guard of Honor to Sir Leonard Tilley, will be furnished by the Infantry Corps, and the Artillery will fire a salute. The presence of a new Governor will add interest to the occasion, but it will be sad enough for some of the poor fellows, who never expect to get back again.

Three members, Mr. Wilson of York, Mr. Pugsley of Kings, and Mr. Murray, of Restigouche, will take their seats for the first time, but all of them being lawyers, it is presumed they will experience no difficulty in their new surroundings. Mr. Wilson it is said, will move the address; at least it is known, that he has been rehearsing recently for something of that sort.

We are sorry that want of space compels us to abandon our intention of publishing the Governor's Speech, to-day.

## The Liberal Convention.

The meeting of our Liberal friends at St. John, last week, to form a Provincial Convention, was not a very enthusiastic one. Less than one half the counties of the Province were represented, Restigouche, Gloucester, Kent, Madawaska, Carleton, Sunbury, Queens and Charlotte, not having a single delegate present. Only four of the York contingent were present. The principal speaker appears to have been a Mr. Gregory from Fredericton, but an honest old farmer from Westmorland, carried off the honors, and was elected President of the affair. Taken altogether, the Convention did no harm. It gave the York Grits and the Westmorland Grits, an opportunity to console with the St. John Grits, and the St. John Grits with their country brethren, on the loss of York, Westmorland and St. John to that party. The platform of the party is yet to be promulgated by Brothers McConnell, McCreedy and Ellis, and will possibly consist of *Transcript, Telegraph and Globe* editorials, spiced with Grit speeches. Before separating, the Convention passed a resolution to hang Sir John A. McDonald—politically, there being scarcely a dissenting voice.

## Lord Churchill in Ireland.

Parnell and the Home Rulers are not to have it entirely their own way in Ireland. We have already noted the firm attitude of over 300,000 Presbyterians against Home Rule, and now the despatches bring intelligence of the intense excitement of the Orangemen in the north of Ireland. At Belfast, Monday, Lord Randolph Churchill, secretary for India in the late Government, spoke on the Irish question, and received a great ovation. Large bodies of Orangemen, wearing regalia, displaying banners and headed by bands of music, met him at the depot. He was escorted by a huge procession to Ulster Hall, where addresses were presented to him. Replying to the addresses, he said he wished those contemplating dissolution of the union were only present they would then perceive that Belfast would never submit to disunion. The town was excited and extensive police precautions had to be taken to prevent rioting. The scene of enthusiasm witnessed during the day, has not been equalled there in many years. In the numerous processions which paraded through the streets were many women who all displayed orange colors. So dense were the crowds that they filled the principle thoroughfares, more particularly along the route taken by Lord Randolph Churchill, that traffic was blocked for several hours. No sooner had Lord Randolph seated himself in a carriage that was awaiting him, than a crowd made a rush for the carriage, unharmed the horses and proceeded to drag the vehicle from the station to the hotel. At a meeting that night, Lord Randolph said it would lay with Ulster to say whether Ireland should remain part of the empire. He denied that the Parnellites were the true representatives of the will of the Irish people. As for Parnell himself, he has only a title to be continued, as the leader in the party lay in the actions of which no one could be justly proud. By playing upon the terrors of the peasantry, and by means of brutal outrages upon human beings and animals, he had secured five-sixths of the Irish members of parliament.

## In His Constituency.

In Quebec County, the constituency and home of Sir Adolphe Caron, Minister of Militia, the Riot agitation has been worked for all that was in it, but the effect has been only to raise that gentleman in the esteem of the people. One day last week, Mr. Caron organized a meeting at the village of Silley, and took with him to address the electors, Hon. J. G. D. Thompson, Minister of Justice, and Hon. John Costigan, Minister of Inland Revenue. The Rielites proposed being present in force to create a disturbance and stifle discussion, but they lamentably failed. When attempts were made, and persistently repeated to prevent the Minister of Militia speaking, his friends shouldered the disturbers completely out of the hall. Revolvers were drawn by some of the expelled parties, but fortunately not used. Sir Adolphe Caron pluckily defended the Government's course in the Riel matter, and was enthusiastically applauded. Speeches were also made by Hon. John Costigan, Hon. Mr. Thompson, Minister of Justice, Mr. C. H. Mackintosh, M. P., of Ottawa, Mr. Tarte, Mr. T. Chase Casgrain, and others of Quebec.

Mr. Thompson's speech, being his first public utterance of importance outside his own country, was listened to with very great interest. The new minister, the reports say, created a most favorable impression, making an exceedingly able and effective address. After relating the services to the country of

# Conservative party.

"Will you continue to support these leaders, or those calling themselves the National Party, who are going through the country like a travelling circus, with their rag babies and effigy business, and instead of appealing to intelligence and patriotism, displaying the rawbones of Orangemen? What," he asked, "is their platform? Mr. Blake says he will not make a political platform out of the Regina scaffold, but the platform which he spurns is good enough for them, and it is that upon which a great criminal has been executed."

After Sir Adolphe Caron had spoken and warmly defended the action of the Government, "Hon. Mr. Costigan presented himself, says the *Ottawa Citizen's* report, and then the climax of the enthusiasm of those present was reached, and several minutes elapsed before he could be heard owing to the round after round of applause which his appearance evoked. He delivered a magnificent address on the questions of the day, and unmercifully scarified those who have recently been charging him with untruth to the interests which he represents in the Cabinet."

## Goodwin Smith and the Irish Question.

Prof. Goodwin Smith, the talented contributor to the *Week*, although an ardent Liberal in English politics, declines to follow Gladstone in his catering to the demands of the Irish Home Rule party. Speaking at Toronto the other night, Mr. Smith said Gladstone had made a bargain with disunion. He had sent a man to Ireland as chief Secretary, who was actuated by a spirit of hostility to the loyal population. He could not see that the Parnellites had any practical grievance. Instead of endeavoring to get his demands, Parnell had tried to wreck the British Parliament by obstruction. The laws of Ireland were the same as those of England, and were administered by English judges. It was his firm conviction that nothing could result in separating Ireland that would not end in request. He did not wish to see the greatness of England overthrown, because he believed that was a blessing to humanity. But if she should descend in the scale of nations, he would love her still. He could not desire to see her wreck her honor by deserting the loyalists in Ireland. He had hopes that England would soon throw off her doubts and realize her position. The crisis was a great one. He implored the loyalists of Canada to give their practical sympathy to the loyalists of Ireland, as the friends of the Home Rulers in Canada, are extending their support to the Parnellites. In the meantime, the crisis on Irish affairs has been placed further in the future by Gladstone, who names April 1st, as the date when the Government will announce its Irish policy. As an offset to this announcement, it is stated that the Irish Parliamentary party will meet in Dublin on St. Patrick's day, and from that meeting will be issued Parnell's ultimatum to Gladstone, which is taken as an indication that the former will attempt to force the Government's hand. The belief is strengthening on this side of the Atlantic, that even Gladstone will not be able to meet the demands of the Irish; that he will attempt legislation, and a compromise, which will eventually lead to his desertion by Parnell and his followers, a reinstatement of Salisbury, and a new election.

## A Rising Man.

Mr. John Morley, the new Chief Secretary for Ireland, says a recent writer, is one of the best known Englishmen, next to Mr. Gladstone, living. As an essayist, biographer, historian, editor, economist, and statesman, he has been a great success. His advancement in parliamentary life has been phenomenally rapid. He first entered the House of Commons as a member of Parliament for Newcastle-on-Tyne in 1883, having previously unsuccessfully contested Blackburn, his native town, and in 1880 the Londonborough of Westminster. There are few, if any, instances on record of a man of three years' parliamentary experience gaining admittance to the British Cabinet. Mr. Morley is a thorough and uncompromising Liberal, favours "Home Rule, plus the Ten Commandments"—that is, he insists on compensation for Irish landlords; he would disestablish the Churches of England and Scotland, abolish the House of Lords, and expropriate British as well as Irish landlords. He was educated at Lincoln College, Oxford, and was not regarded as a brilliant student. After he took his degrees he sought literary work and fame in London. He contributed to several minor publications for a while, and eventually his copy was accepted by the editor of the *Saturday Review*. He read law then, and soon after his admission to the bar, accepted the editorship of the *Fortnightly Review*. He made the *Fortnightly* a power in the land, as the great advance in radicalism in recent years demonstrates. In 1880, when the *Pall Mall Gazette* became the property of Mr. Yates Thompson, Mr. Morley became the editor of that paper, completely reversing its policy and making it a Radical high-class paper, much to the disappointment of its former Tory editor, Mr. Frederick Greenwood, who with other Tory members of the staff, went off and established the *St. James' Gazette* in opposition.

Mr. Morley is a man who has no personal enemies, but he can make political ones. He is self-willed, tenacious of purpose, and once he undertakes to do anything he does not give up until he succeeds. He drove Forster out of the Irish Secretaryship and the English Cabinet, although he was often implored by Mr. Gladstone to save that gentleman. He is on terms of personal friendship with several members of the Irish party, notably John Dillon and T. P. O'Connor. Mr. Stead, who served as assistant under Mr. Morley on the *Pall Mall Gazette*, describes him as an "editor of the old-fashioned school—stern, uncompromising, and acting in a firm hand which was always respected." He is the author of several works, including *lives of Voltaire, Diderot and Rousseau*, a couple of volumes of essays, etc. His principal work is "The Life of Cobden," which is a household book in England. Mr. Morley is an ardent freemason. He is now in his 45th year.

# CURRENT NOTES.

The Dominion Parliament opens to-morrow.

The Manitoba Legislature will open the 4th of March.

There is to be a state dinner at Rideau Hall to-morrow evening.

The Salvation Army have erected a \$50,000 temple for worship at Toronto.

Mrs. Crawford, the respondent in the Crawford-Dilke case, has gone into seclusion in Italy.

Captain Neal, of the Mounted Police, has been placed under arrest, for alleged insubordination, and the matter has been referred to Ottawa.

An Indian agent at Battledore, recently sent up from Winnipeg, has been placed under arrest on a charge of embezzling \$8000 of Government funds.

Mr. Irvine, M. P., for Carleton County will retire from politics at the end of the present Parliamentary term. Mr. Irvine is quite right. Nature never intended him for a politician. He is a very successful farmer.

A convention of Sunbury County electors, opposed to the candidature of Messrs. Gladstone and Harrison is called to meet at the Court House, Burton, at 2.30 P. M., Wednesday, March 3rd, to nominate candidates for the Assembly.

A distinguished service pension of \$100 has been granted by the British Government, to Lieutenant-General G. A. Lauder, lately commanding the Canadian Militia. It is well he is appreciated in England, for he made few few friends in Canada.

Mr. G. J. Romane, M. A. F. R. S., a native of Kingston, Ontario, has been appointed lecturer on the philosophy of natural history in Edinburgh University. An English paper says it is universally admitted, that he is practically the only man in England fitted for the appointment.

Miss Cleveland, sister of the President, is becoming quite famous for her bon mots. Her last and best was enjoyed by a number of callers at the White House the other day. A gentleman from the west remarked to her, "You hail from Buffalo, I believe, Miss Cleveland." "Yes," was the reply, "we hail from Buffalo and we reign here."

It is the *Sherbrooke Examiner* that says:—"Young women, if you want to know if a young man has any go in him, ask him if he has got his name on the Dominion voters' list. A young man without sufficient public spirit to qualify as a voter is not likely to have energy enough to get up in the morning and build the fire."

Dressy Man, sentenced to penal servitude in Regina jail for life, weeps almost continually over his sad fate. He denies that Policeman Cowan was alive when he cut his heart out as a trophy for Big Bear. Dressy Man is a sorry specimen of an ex-convict. He is about 70 years of age, stooped, palsied and completely broken up. Humane speaking, he cannot live more than two years.

Gen. Middleton states that the government has definitely decided upon sending a flying column early this spring into the Blackfoot country, and that only members of permanent corps and infantry schools will be employed. The squadron will consist of 100 men each from infantry schools at Toronto, St. John's, Que., Fredericton, Winnipeg, Montreal, and Halifax. A battery of cavalry and a battery of (200) Kingstons. These troops will be stationed in central points.

A writer in the *Boston Globe* thus explains the term "Bluenose" applied to the people of the Maritime Provinces:—"New Brunswick was governed before the formation of the Dominion, by governors sent out from England. One of these, after returning home was speaking to another who was just coming out, and told him (as a joke) that the inhabitants, on account of the extreme cold and long winters, all had 'blue noses,' and the name had always stuck to the people of New Brunswick. The first place I ever heard of Nova Scotia called a blue nose was in the *People's Column of the Globe*. It would be just as proper to call all United States people 'Yankees' as to call Nova Scotia blue noses."

It is stated that there is a *bus relief* in the Church of St. Marie de la Beauce measuring 5 x 3 ft. and representing a landscape in Judea with the Virgin and Child which was among the spoils brought back from the crusades by King Louis IX, of France, otherwise called St. Louis. This historical relic, it seems, brought to this country some quantity of other valuable paintings by a Mr. Clouet, then a wealthy Quebec merchant, who presented it to Rev. Mr. Villade, his godfather, who was then curé of St. Marie. It is added that another historical relic in private hands at St. Marie in the shape of a statue of St. Louis bearing the date 1415, which was found in a well preserved condition embedded in the sands of the Chaudiere river about forty years ago.

The Halifax *Herald* publishes a special London letter giving the full text of Col. Stanley's final reply to Sir Ambrose Shea regarding the ownership of Newfoundland. Sir Ambrose fully released the Colonial Secretary from all personal obligation to himself. The sentence of the dispatch reads:—"Col. Stanley continues to feel the fullest confidence that if personal and local considerations had not rendered your appointment undesirable at the present time, you would have administered the government of Newfoundland with great faithfulness and ability, and he is glad to place on record that he would have been prepared, if he had been in a position to do so, to consider whether you could be invited to accept some other appointment of similar standing and importance."

The gentlemen connected with the Congregational Church in Wollaston, Mass., wishing to raise a few hundred dollars, to clear the society from debt, after due cogitation, and without consulting their wives, daughters or sweethearts, decided on the novel experiment of getting up a church fair, to be managed and conducted exclusively by men, even to the cooking and washing of dishes. On Wednesday and Thursday evenings of the past week the fair, managed entirely by men, was witnessed in the church. Cakes, pies, and meats of various kinds, with excellent coffee, all prepared by the men, were dispensed without feminine aid. Even the inevitable "grabber" was managed, and the usual assortment of fancy articles sold by whiskered attendants. The novelty of the affair drew crowds of visitors and scored a financial success. The ladies of Wollaston are, however, undismayed, and talk of taking revenge some time.

John B. Gough, the famous temperance lecturer and writer, died at Fredericton last Thursday. Mr. Gough was born at Safford, Kent, England, August 27, 1817. In 1820 he emigrated to New York, learned the trade of a bookseller, and fell into the habits of intemperance. In October, 1842, he was induced to attend a temperance meeting, where he took the pledge of total abstinence, and soon began to publicly advocate the principle. His reputation as an orator spread through the United States and Canada, and reached England, which he visited in 1850 on the invitation of the London Temperance League. The visit, intended to last only six weeks, was protracted to two years, during which he advocated the cause of temperance throughout the world. He then resumed his labors in America, returning to England in 1857, where he lectured with greater success than ever until 1860, when he returned to America. In 1840 he published a volume of "Oration" in 1854; a collection of "Sunlight and Shadow, or Glances from My Life Work," in 1880. His home was at Boylston, Mass.

## North-West Demands.

DELEGATES INTERVIEW HON. MR. WHITE AND STATE THEIR GRIEVANCES.

Messrs. J. H. Ross, W. D. Parley and Dr. Wilson, the deputation from the North-West, arrived in an interview with Mr. White, Minister of the Interior, at Ottawa, the other day. The delegates were favorably impressed with the conference, the honorable minister saying, as Mr. Ross said, to have a man of such a high standing, and who had been in the West matters. The deputation except to mention in obtaining an improvement in the method of preemption sales of land. One of the most important requirements of the deputation is an extension of the executive powers of the North-West Council, such as the privilege of incorporating companies for the benefit of the territory, and the deputation will seek a remedy in this respect by asking the assistance of the Federal authorities in carrying a scheme that will satisfactorily curb and govern the liquor traffic, and at the same time appear to disaffectation that may exist. It is most likely, that a commission will be appointed.

# The Mounted Police Mutiny.

Details of the Trouble at Edmonton and Fort Saskatchewan.

On Thursday evening, Feb. 4th, six junior privates of G Division, North-West Mounted Police, Edmonton, were recommended for promotion to sergeant and corporal respectively. Several of them were personally obnoxious to the men, and besides the latter claimed that promotion should have been given to the men who were more deserving. Before having been read out in orders one of the proposed corporals was placed in charge of the guard, and the sergeant in charge of him. The guard was changed and refused again. The corporal was then charged and the guard mounted in the morning. The highest and staid duty was performed in a very insubordinate manner. The messenger was also sent to Fort Saskatchewan to get the detachment there to take part in the strike. The men who were to be promoted, returned to duty, and made representations to Supt. Griesbach in command, which led him to cancel the obnoxious recommendations, the men promising to return to duty. Towards their officers, however, the bulk of the Fort Saskatchewan detachment, some ten or twelve men, arrived, having taken Government teams to come up to the Edmonton detachment. Their arrival complicated matters, as they had committed a very serious offence in seizing Government teams, and the Edmonton detachment was ordered to come up in honor bound to stand by them, which they did. The Fort Saskatchewan men had a grievance against one of the sergeants, an ex-convict, which Supt. Griesbach promised to hear on Monday. On Saturday a detachment was sent from Edmonton to replace the men who were to be promoted, which Supt. Griesbach arrived there they found two of the men, who had remained, drunk and beyond the control of the inspector. The two were arrested, but the men certainly were insubordinate, and made their officers' lives very uncomfortable, though nothing very serious occurred. On Tuesday, Superintendent Griesbach, after having found that the detachment of 25 men who he could not get, he ordered the arrested five of the other bad characters who remained, secured their arms and arming his loyal men, awaited the return of the riding party from Fort Saskatchewan, which Supt. Griesbach and the detachment of 25 men, with a line of a month's pay in each case.

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# PROGRESSIVE EUCHRE.

A Game that is becoming Popular in Fredericton.

This winter the interesting game of progressive euchre is becoming very popular. Its fascination is independent of that which to some persons, belongs to ordinary euchre, and consists in the brilliancy and range of the competition, as well as in the merrier and physical activity which it invariably provokes. In order to give a just idea of the game, let us describe a particular instance in which it was played with success, not because this instance is in any respect remarkable, but because being a first one, it will represent many others. The host or hostess, then, standing in the drawing-room in the presence of, say, twelve, sixteen or twenty ladies and gentlemen, who have been invited for the evening, holds in one hand a number of pieces of pasteboard to be drawn successfully by the ladies, and in the other hand a table, on which are drawn respectively the parallelism and the octagon. The table nearest the front door is said to be at the head of the row, and the corresponding table on the other side of the room, to be at the foot. The players being thus seated four at a table, one of those at the head table strikes a bell, and the game begins. Everybody plays on the same side, and the excitement is great until the sound of the bell announces that a couple at the head table have finished their game. Immediately all the other tables stop playing, and the winners at each table change places and take the table next above them, the ultimate objective being to get at the head table. The losing party at each table, on which the game has ended, and at every table the partners change, so that your partner in the previous round becomes your enemy in the round now beginning.

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# POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

News Notes and Notions of Everything.

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