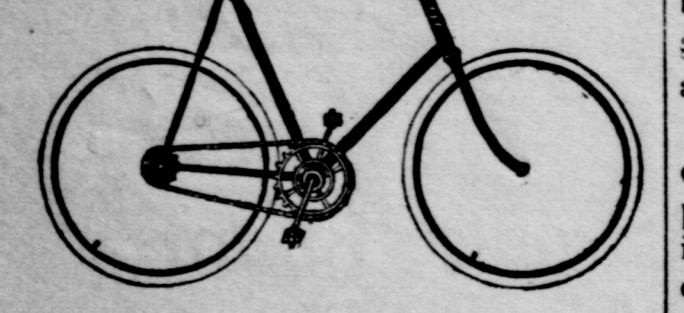


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Miramichi Advance.

Why an Election? The Advocate has shown no little editorial enterprise this week by selecting several uncomplimentary articles from other papers against those who are not in its good graces.

The members and friends of the local government are not aware of any reason why there should be a general election for the provincial Assembly before another session, as the opposition organs so persistently affirm there will be.

The Sun is moved to resentment by our criticism of last week of its attitude towards the honors it was proposed in St. John to premier Laurier, and it endeavors to deny that it tried to prevent the popular demonstration.

The Sun displays, also, no little ill temper over our remarks respecting its attitude towards and treatment of the local government and, amongst other things, says: "If this journal were concerned chiefly about these things, it would follow the example of the ADVANCE, which impartially supports all local and all federal governments, changing sides with every change of administration."

The ADVANCE steadily opposed the late provincial government and supported the opposition led against it by Hon. Mr. Blair, and when Mr. Blair and his followers defeated that government, the ADVANCE supported the new government which came in under Mr. Blair as premier, and it has continued, up to the present time to support the same government under Mr. Blair's successor.

As to this paper's attitude in Dominion politics, it has for many years not ranged itself with either party, simply because it has not been able to discover any real difference between the two, save that when one is in power it has

endeavored to so remain, while the other has directed its energies to the work of getting it out and taking its place. We have failed to agree with such lo-sided party organs as the Sun in the view that one party contains all the patriots and political purists of the country, and the other all the traitors and corruptionists, so, in the absence of any principle around which to rally, we have given what assistance and support we could to the men who we have believed best able to promote the interests of the province of New Brunswick.

The party whose maritime chiefs are such statesmen as Hon. A. G. Blair, Hon. William S. Fielding and Sir Louis Davies, invite our support on their merits. The Sun may prefer the gentlemen who were so notoriously childish as to quarrel with their colleagues, and leave the government long enough to make an exhibition of themselves and their premier in 1896, but the ADVANCE recognises better men in Messrs. Blair and Fielding and gives them its support, a position for which we are prepared to give as sound reasons as we did for declining to support Mr. Mitchell in 1891.

We will give readers of papers like the Advocate an idea of how much those papers know about provincial affairs, when the next regular meeting of the legislature takes place in due course without there having been any dissolution and new election "and the report of expenditures" is submitted, and it is demonstrated that the administration has been conducted with the efficiency and economy which has distinguished the government as at present constituted.

Our general liberal friends, who control their party's affairs in Chatham and elsewhere in Northumberland, and have been much offended over the ADVANCE's alleged "partizanship" against them, from 1891 up to the present moment, will be somewhat puzzled over the St. John Sun's well-developed and palpable antipathy against the ADVANCE as manifested in the paragraph quoted below, which refers to the editor of this paper in his capacity of Fisheries Commissioner of the Province, and also to the paper itself. Then, our town aldermen will also be inclined to scratch their heads and read the paragraph over again, for we understand that the ADVANCE and its editor are in "a decided minority," with the aldermen, of whom six, out of the eight are against us. Amongst the paragraphs in the Sun's reference to this paper and its editor is the following:—

"The minister of railways, while premier of New Brunswick, kindly overlooked the fact that his office was an offensive pastime and did not turn him over. It must be said, however, of the ADVANCE, that its partizanship is never intended to be offensive to any human being, who holds power in its neighborhood. Its arisal condemnation is reserved for those who are in opposition while the ADVANCE never is and never will be."

Our friends and neighbors know quite well that the ADVANCE does its share of opposition work. What makes the Sun angry—and its feeling has often been shared on the Miramichi—is that we can oppose without partizanship; and we think it is generally admitted that the ADVANCE is a good fighter, which ought to have saved us from the Sun's sweeping assertion, for a reputation for fighting qualities is ever associated with the idea that it is gained through "opposition."

We are sorry for the Sun, for it was a very good paper until it "went crazy" over its loss of patronage when our friend, Mr. Foster, was bowled out of his cabinet position.

Blizzard on the Chilkoot Pass. SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 21.—A letter from Crater Lake, Alaska, dated September 2, says: "A thousand men toiled all of yesterday in a blinding storm of snow and sleet on the summit of Chilkoot Pass. The blizzard lasted from daylight until dark. An Indian chief at Dyea told me a few days ago that Chilkoot Pass was probably blocked by snow about the 25th. He said that miners fortunate enough to have their supplies across the summit before that time can reach Dawson. The river, he claimed, will keep open until late in November, although the lakes will probably be frozen in six weeks."

against a cargo of manganese ore from Chili, which recently arrived in a British ship at Philadelphia. Both these questions the Attorney General answered in the negative.

Our Ottawa correspondent writes:—The question as to whether or not Canada shall impose an export duty on logs and pulp wood shipped to the United States has received a great deal of attention lately. While the principle of an export duty does not appeal to most people as a good one, yet the consensus of opinion, in this section of Canada at least, appears to be that in view of the unfriendly attitude of the United States government some step similar to this must be taken by Canadians in order to protect our own interests and to bring our neighbors to a realization of the fact that we will not submit to being imposed upon for the benefit of American monopolists.

Our remarks of last week under the heading of "Town Matters" appear to have disturbed the complacency of Alderman Nicol, whose column letter in Saturday's World in reply thereto indicates that he thinks the peculiar methods and administration of himself and colleagues of the Town Council are above criticism.

His defence of his own and other Aldermen's position in the matter of the new public building is very characteristic. The ADVANCE enquired "by what authority of law he and others of the Board" had sanctioned a contract for a public building which is to cost thousands of dollars more than the Council has at its disposal for the purpose."

He says "it was the opinion of every body in town that a new engine house was 'urgently needed.'" Yes, and he might have further said that ninety out of every hundred persons in town were of an opinion that two engine houses in keeping with the requirements of the Town are needed, and that they ought to have been provided, with a proper regard for what the ratepayers were willing to pay for them.

The Exhibition. The St. John Exhibition is attracting a large attendance and visitors from the North Shore who have returned from it say it is quite up to previous shows in many departments, particularly in cattle and farm products.

Miss Bessie A. Dickson is amongst the diploma winners, having been awarded one for fancy work.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 21.—Attorney General McKenna to-day announced his opinion in the matter of section 22 of the new tariff law.

tened for that purpose. This is another evasion of one of our questions, for there is no provision in the contract for the purpose stated. The device for carrying the smoke from the stacks of the engines to the chimney and the providing of the means by which the device shall enter the chimney are omitted from the contract, just as a score of other things which men of any experience in such matters would know were necessary are omitted.

There is not a foot of sewer or drain pipe provided for in the contract within the building, not a closet or soil pipe, no provision whatever for water, none for lighting, none for heating, none for plumbing. The contract called for a vault but even that was well under way before they apparently discovered that a door for it could not be made of bricks.

Alderman Nicol will not realize the responsibility that he and the other members of the Council undertook in behalf of the town with such indecent haste, and think their flippancy when referring to the thousands of dollars of unauthorised expenditure involved will have the effect of closing the ratepayers' eyes to their extraordinary mismanagement of this public building matter, with its never ending legacy of costly extras; but he will take a different view should the Mayor be chosen next month come to the office with a determination to put the undertaking on a businesslike basis.

The death occurred on the 15th inst of ex-Alderman Stephen G. Blizard, aged 77 years.

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Visitors in the city during the exhibition have been surprised at the beauty of many private lawns in grass plots which instead of being covered with moss, daisies and dandelions, exhibited a velvety carpet of dark green grass and clover.

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RAFFLE FOR THREE GIRLS. A FINLAND FARMER IN WISCONSIN SELLS HIS DAUGHTERS' WEDDING SET OUT OF DEBT.

Richieuvo Review: Last week Postmaster Vautour received a letter from Mr. Michael O'Keefe, of Annapolis, Ont., inquiring for the heirs of John O'Keefe, who resided in Richieuvo for forty years ago.

St. John Letter. Necessity seems to be the mother of discovery as well as of invention. Petroleum was discovered and utilized at the very time when the world was in sore straits for more light, and when still more light was needed it was found that electricity might be manufactured for the purpose of supplying it.

There are now in port un-learned three steamers, three ships, two barques, one brigantine and 40 schooners.

Two young ladies who lingered on the Prince Rupert last Thursday bidding their friends goodbye until she had left her wharf, were set on shore by the courteous captain.

The office of T. Rankine & Son, biscuit makers, was entered last Wednesday night, and the safe, which was unlocked, was robbed of a considerable sum of money and some negotiable papers.

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male scheme of money-making that the father might devise. At last the old dog thought it might be a good scheme to have a raffle, and so informed the three dutiful women.

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The Grim Reaper Foiled. The Marvellous Virtues of Paine's Celery Compound Conquer and Banish a Lady's Troubles. Five Doctors Were Unable to Help the Sufferer.