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**The Morning Star.**  
J. E. COLLINS, EDITOR & PROPRIETOR.  
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**Mr Sayre's Bill.**  
We were not a little surprised to hear Mr. Sayre, a very intelligent member of the Government party give notice that he would introduce a bill to decrease representation in the Local Legislature of this Province. The Bill would necessarily employ a radical change in our provincial constitution. It would mean if it were to be anything else than an injurious farce, a change in the Executive Council, which should on an equitable basis extend from members without portfolios to those with them. Yet there is no provision it is likely in Mr. Sayre's bill for such a change which is a fair indication, no doubt, that it was never intended to be put through.

**The bill would operate disastrously to the interests of minority classes.** Every community is we know, as a rule composed of two or more classes, with interests in very many cases which are not common. Supposing that in a county where there are 4 representatives now there are two or three classes. The minority divisions must be few indeed if one or more of such classes will not get representation. But if you reduce the representation to 2 members say, the interests of the major class which not improbably represents 50 per cent. or more of the population, will be represented while the others are in the cold. It is a wise dispensation in mixed populations to have large representation, as every class in the community some time or another is represented.

**The bill would operate in favor of rich and influential individuals, to the exclusion of others.** The representation of a number of counties would be reduced to one representative. A candidate then of wealth which means power, can, if he wishes, control the interests of that county, and have legislation, mayhap, to suit himself. This would surely be a crushing principle, and one not for a moment to be tolerated.

There are two kinds of economy, false and true. It is surely a false economy, that in the name of true economy effects legislation repugnant to the very principles of freedom, for which our fathers have strove. We think, therefore, in bringing this bill, Mr. Sayre was only fulfilling some promise made in haste, perchance perforce. The bill can't increase his popularity; for though the word "economy" may sound high at first, when the question is examined, it will reveal something against which every freeholder must rise and protest. The bill, we recommend to eternal oblivion.

Since writing the above, a warm discussion has taken place on the Bill.

**Anticipated.**  
We know those old warriors in the earthly paradise of New Brunswick would not die without showing fight. They well remember how much mining and counter-mining they had to undergo; how many blank cartridges they had to fire, and how many scars they had to endure before they reached the abode of the happy. They even now regard themselves as the *spem greis* of our country. Nature would, they seem to imagine, be in throes of convulsion or on other deluge would be the result were they disturbed:  
"When, like a taper, all these suns expire,  
When time, like him of Gaza in his wrath:  
Punching the pillars that support the world:  
In nature's ample ruins lie entombed,  
And midnight, universal midnight, reigns."  
The "old war horse" is again on the scent—he smells powder. When we saw him in olden times forging, like Vulcan, his thunderbolts to dash against the enemies of his country, we believed him sincere. He fought nobly in what we regarded as a righteous cause. There was too much animosity in his balls, and they consequently exploded without effect. When we learned,

one fine day, that this old warrior had settled down in an arm chair in the ladies' cabin, all the blood in our body went to our toes. One can't help smiling when he hears such men talking of integrity, honesty and honor.

The Jew of Carleton is indignant too! Poor man, all he wants is his pound of flesh. The bond is what troubles his very nice conscience. If those latter day saints are anxious to acquire notoriety we have their history in a nutshell:  
"Thus one fool puts his tongue out at another,  
And shakes his empty noddle at his brother."  
Strange coincidence! Those gentlemen who attained the position which they now occupy by the most direct and honorable means, are prepared to submit to the inexorable logic of faith, whilst those who get there by (a wink is as good as a nod for a blind horse) indirect means, make the most noise. A guilty conscience is its own accuser.

It must be apparent to all honest and upright men, that the business of our province can be managed on much more economical means than it is at present. The general management of the country has been so curtailed since confederation, that a radical change is in order. The customs and the post-office departments have been transferred to Ottawa, leaving us simply a municipal body to transact our internal affairs as best we can. The independent men of the Legislature, seeing and not knowing this, are prepared to submit to the exegencies of the times.  
"What right, what true, what fit we justify call  
Let this be all my care—for this is all."

**Mr. Marshall's Bill.**  
It is perhaps difficult to account for Mr. Marshall's motives in bringing forward again his so oft defeated bill. The bill which he brings in, has for its object the apportionment of the county school fund in reversed order. The amount paid into the county school fund, should be proportionate with the number of pupils attending school in the district. A very populous district should pay a larger sum, a district in which there might possibly be no school for a term or so, on his principle, should pay nothing. We cannot think Mr. Marshall would ask for class legislation—the passage of the bill for St. John merely. The basis of Mr. Marshall's bill is unsound. It aims to make individuals, and not property, wealth, support the schools; and this fact was very forcibly pointed out by gentlemen in the discussion on the bill, whom it was thought would grasp at any opportunity that might tend to destroy the foundation of the school system.

We refer now to the very brilliant debate of Mr. Ritchie and the very sound argument of Mr. McManus. What is good in the law, they and we endorse, and all the merit of the law seem to be concentrated about the principle of property supporting the schools. With that portion of the bill relating to the tyrannical oath, they and we very properly agree, and the amendment proposed, will prove in time a wise and salutary one.

**Ministerial Changes.**  
There is good reason to believe that some changes will be made before a very distant date in the personnel of the Dominion Cabinet. It is said now that owing to ill health, the Minister of Militia, Mr. Masson, will retire to private life. A change in the Public Works Department is also anticipated in the way of making a Railroad Bureau, the head of which it is said will be Hon. C. Tupper. This may never come to pass and it is just as likely that it will. In any case, the friends of Mr. John Costigan, which are legion, in this Province as in the Upper Provinces, will press his (Mr. Costigan's) claims to the representation of the Irish Catholic people on Sir John. And should it be argued that because of population in this Province, we are not entitled to such representation, it can be answered that after all the Dominion Cabinet represents the whole Dominion, and consequently every body of people. This being beyond question, where then is the Irish Catholic representation? We muster in this province, nearly sixty thousand. Adding the Irish Catholics of Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick, to those of Quebec and Ontario, the whole body is a large one indeed.

For a representative in part for this body, our eyes turn towards Mr. John Costigan, an able politician, and one who has given abundant evidence that nothing could induce him to swerve to the right or the left from the path of duty. His record is a brilliant and meritorious one, and we, with thousands of our fellow Irish Catholics recommend his claims to the cabinet of Sir John.

**The "Telegraph."**  
Since the opening of the House, we have not had one candid expression of opinion from the minister of the *Telegraph* department. But the day before the meeting of the House, when short-sighted politicians prophesied a downfall, with the shallow throng was found the ex-minister and his paper. But since the Government has established itself on a firm footing, his tune has changed, and the Government is no longer an object of censure. Can a course like this meet with better than the withering scorn, and unmeasured contempt of every man? Does the position of dignity which Mr. Elder imagines he brings from his former calling shield him from the contemptuous glances of all around him? Can an exterior of integrity and honor cover up the canker of a renegade and deceitful heart? We have no desire whatever to speak more harshly of Mr. Elder than of others, but his position and his disgusting course lay him open to our censure. We expect better of him because of the position he once held, while we admire the spirit which prompted him to seek lower spheres; we expect better of a man who claims to edit the banner paper. Let us hope that Mr. Elder's position will soon be on one side of the fence or on the other.

The Nova Scotia Legislature opened on Thursday last. No very important measures are promised if we except the clause in the speech from the throne referring to the abolition of the Legislative Council in this wise:—  
"You will be asked to consider whether, in the limited sphere of Legislative action which is now open to this Parliament and the urgent necessity for the reduction of the public burdens, the Legislature of the Province may not be carried on by a single Chamber."  
The feeling is abroad to hurl down the ruins of those fabrics which have lived beyond the period of their usefulness.

As the fathers of the country feel compelled to establish prohibitory laws against the introduction of *pleuro-pneumonia* in cattle, they ought, we think, to have some law against this mania, which is so rabid and extensive in the United States and may, by injection or contagion cross our borders at any time. Fools are always subjects to restraint, why not in this case?

The enterprise of the *Reporter*, a city paper, is truly astounding. It appeared a week after the opening of the House and in that issue the editor announced: "In our next we will have some comments on the Speech." The Session will likely be over before the country gets the benefits of the comments.

There are some busy bodies that will poke their noses into everything. Some of the newspapers now are much exercised over Archbishop Parcell's difficulties. Few, if any of them know what they are talking about, and while they make a noise about it the matter will be settled satisfactorily to all.

The *Telegraph* is as mild as a sucking dove. Why so? Is there no pap in the present future? Let the Government teach one and all that the days of "bleeding" are past and gone never to return. Some may sigh and sing: "Old times, old times." We know a few of them.

The Speaker has very properly requested members to shorten the titles of their bills. It is absurd to go over a whole rigmarole, inasmuch as the discussion is not afterwards confined to the terms of the Bill. A simple indication of the nature of bills should be sufficient.  
\* Cannot some respectable place—say some place where one would not hesitate to put his dog—be fixed for the reporters? The old gallery has about the same sheltering capacity as a basket, which, of course clears out the reporters after their fingers become stiff.

We have again to request the officer in charge, if there be such, to keep the ladies' gallery clear of those uncouth males. A number of ladies tried to gain admission Thursday evening, but the chairs were filled and the gallants (?) retained them. What says Mr. Speaker!

The *News* is as dumb as Balaam's ass to-day. When will it speak? Will it bless those whom it came to curse? *Quod erit demonstrandum.*  
We are not a little surprised to hear some Hon. gentleman entertain Mr. Sayre's Bill for a moment.

**New Advertisement.**  
**TO THE WEST!**  
**TO THE WEST!**  
SPECIAL Reduced Tickets now offered to the Kingdoms for Manitoba, via the International Railway, also by Lake Shore, Erie, Canada Southern, and all the Great Leading Railways going West. A full line of through coupon tickets to all principal places in the United States and Canada. For sale at JOHN RICHARDS, Fredericton, March 3, 1879.

**JOHN C. FERGUSON,**  
**GENERAL COMMISSION MERCHANT,**  
NO. 30 SOUTH MARKET WHARF,  
**St. John, N. B.**  
Wholesale Grocer and Dealer in  
Flour, Dry and Pickled Fish,  
Provisions, Kerosene Oils,  
and Ship's Stores.  
Agent for the sale of Western Canadian, P. E. Island, Nova Scotia, and New Brunswick Produce. Consignments of every description respectfully solicited and prompt returns guaranteed. P. O. Box 753. Fredericton, Feb. 25—17.

**ASH WANTED!**  
WANTED to purchase 4,000 feet 3 inch Ash Plank, 4,000 feet of 2 inch, and 3,500 feet of 1 inch.  
Apply before Saturday to  
E. E. MILDON,  
Contractor Sharkey's Block, Fredericton,  
March 4—21.

**TO LET OR FOR SALE.**  
THAT two story house, known as the Shepard house, situate on George Street. The dwelling is finished in good style, is in good repair, and contains eight rooms, kitchen, pantry, and closets. Good well of water, out buildings and barn on the premises. Possession given immediately if required. Enquire at subscribers office York Street, 10 a. m. to 4 p. m.  
GUY BEVAU & Co.,  
Fredericton, March 4, 1879—17.

**DWELLING TO LET.**  
TO LET from the first day of May next, half of the sub-erbers' dwelling house, fronting on Regent Street, and back on York Street. The dwelling is finished in good style, is in good repair, and contains eight rooms, kitchen, pantry, and three closets, also a ROOF FRONT CHIMNEY. Good well of water, and out buildings attached.  
JAMES PEPPERS,  
Fredericton, Feb. 25th, 79.

**TO RENT.**  
THE subscriber will let to the first of May next his house corner of Church and George Streets, furnished or unfurnished. Possession given immediately if required. Enquire of the subscriber from 11 A. M. to 4 P. M., or to J. H. Logan,  
J. L. BEVERLY,  
Fredericton, Dec. 12.

**TO RENTED.**  
THREE STORES now being finished in the sub-erbers' Building. Possession given on or before the first day of May next.  
OWEN SHARKEY,  
Fredericton, Feb. 4—17.

**TO LET.**  
Possession given first of May.  
THE Dwelling House situate on King Street, opposite Barker House Alley, containing sixteen rooms, with Barn, &c., and Garden attached. Rent moderate. Apply to  
J. W. COSSIDINE,  
Feb. 1, 1879.

**TO LET.**  
A HOUSE owned by the subscriber situate on St. John Street, suitable for a small family. There is a good well of water on the premises; also a garden attached. Possession given on the 1st of May next. The house and premises can be seen at any time.  
MRS. JOHN McCLOSKEY,  
Feb. 11, 1879—17.

**TO LET.**  
THAT handsome and commodious new house on the corner King and York Streets, now occupied by Mrs. Dickard. Suitable for a boarding house. Possession given on the 1st of May.  
Apply to  
J. EDMONDSON & SONS,  
11th Feb. 1879—17.

**TO BE RENTED.**  
THE store at present occupied by EDWIN SPORY. Possession given on the first of May next. Apply to  
P. McPEAKE,  
Feb. 11th 1879.

**TO LET.**  
THAT beautiful and new house on King Street, now occupied by P. K. Coleman. Possession given 1st of May.  
For particulars apply to J. Edgcombe & Sons,  
Fredericton, Feb. 6th, 1879.

**PUT THEM DOWN!**  
"Down, Down they go" in every Department.

**WE CANNOT PARTICULARIZE**  
"Slaughter Prices" prevail.

**\$70,000 Worth Carpets,**  
Cloths,  
Silks,  
Woollens,  
Velvets,  
Cottons, &c.

Must be cleared out  
**AT ONCE.**  
**P. McPEAKE.**  
CLOTHING STORE Edgecombe's Building. DRY GOODS

Ready-Made CLOTHING  
AT  
**HALF PRICE.**  
3 mos.

**WANTED 3,000 CUSTOMERS TO BUY FOR \$5.00 EACH,**  
**CHEAP DRY GOODS**  
—AND—  
**CLOTHING.**

THE subscriber wishing to reduce his stock before moving into his New Building, will sell the goods now on hand, comprising in part  
Staple and Fancy Dry Goods  
Cloths, Tweeds, Men's and Boys', Overcoats, Reefers, Hats, Caps, Ladies' Hats, Drawers, Ladies' and Gents' Kid Mitts and Gloves. Also, Hemp Carpets, Floor Oil Cloths, Trunks, Valises, and almost every description of goods generally found in a Dry Goods or Clothing Store, all or any portion of which will be sold at prices to suit the times.  
OWEN SHARKEY,  
Jan. 28, 1879.—3 mos.

**LADIES' FELT HATS!**  
Latest New York Styles, Colors  
**ERIE, FLASK, BROWN and BLUE**  
P. McPEAKE,  
ct. 21—Rep. Ag.—17.

**TRUSTEES NOTICE.**  
NOTICE is hereby given that GEORGE N. T. SCULLY and CHARLES E. COLLINS, of Fredericton, lately carrying on business as Merchant Tailors, under the name, style and firm of SCULLY & COLLINS, have this day made an assignment in trust to me, for the benefit of their creditors.  
The Trust Deed now lies at the office of the Solicitors, Messrs. RAINSFORD & BLACK, for signature, where creditors are requested to call and sign the same without delay.  
All persons indebted to the firm of SCULLY & COLLINS, will please make immediate payment to me at the store lately occupied by them.  
Dated this 8th day of February, 1879.  
RAINFORD & BLACK,  
Solicitors,  
A. A. MILLER,  
Trustee.  
Feb. 18, 1879.—17.

**FRENCH KID GLOVES.**  
**REAL FRENCH KID GLOVES,**  
—IN—  
Black, Dark, Medium and Evening Shades,  
Best value ever offered in the City.  
EVERY PAIR WARRANTED.  
**SIMON NEALIS.**

**FOR MEN AND BOYS. 100 BARRELS** White Potatoes; 300 lbs. No. 1 Apples; 10 Hhd. Choice Cabbages; 3 " No. 1 Sugar; 10 Barrels Ex. C. Sugar; 10 " Granulated Sugar; 10 " No. 1 American Balwine.  
For sale at  
JOHN OWENS,  
Fredericton, Nov. 25—3 mos.

**A SPLENDID LOT OF CANADIAN TWEEDS,**  
ALL WOOL,  
Selling at 56 cents per yard.  
**GOOD VALUE FOR 15 CENTS.**  
CASH and BE SURED.  
SIMON NEALIS,  
Fredericton, N. B.  
Feb. 6, 1879.—17.

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BUTTERICK'S reliable patterns of G. Garments for Ladies, Misses, Girls, Boys and Children of every age and size. Always give satisfaction—no misfits. Directions for cutting, making up and trimming go with each Pattern. Try them. Buttericks Patterns and Publications sent to any address post-paid, on receipt of published price. Sent in your orders to  
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Fredericton, N. B.  
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**COY'S BLOCK, NO. 1.**  
**GEO. H. DAVIS,**  
**DRUGGIST,**  
Cor. Queen & Regent Streets,  
Has in Stock the best assortment of  
**DRUGS, MEDICINES,**  
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PER LATE STEAMERS,  
**NEW FALL & WINTER GOODS**  
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Blankets, Flannels,  
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Ladies' Dress Materials,  
Ladies' Cloths, in all the newest makes,  
Ladies' Socks, latest styles;  
Ladies' Ulsters;  
Lions Black Silks;  
Lions Black Silk Velvets,  
Velvetees;  
Table Damasks and Napkins;  
and a full assortment of seasonable goods  
I import my goods direct and cannot be undersold by any House in the trade.  
JOHN McDONALD,  
**CARD.**  
THE subscriber is now prepared to attend to all his old customers, and has plenty for new ones in his new and well stocked store, Queen Street.  
His stock consists of Groceries, Provisions, Fruits, Meats, Flour, Meat, Apples, &c.  
Also always on hand Geese, Turkeys, Chickens, etc., dried, plucked and every variety of Wild Fowl in Feathers, Geese, Ducks, Partridges, Snipe, &c.  
M. MORAN,  
Queen Street, Opp. Stone Barracks,  
Fredericton, Nov. 18, 1878.—17.

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Commission Merchants,  
DEALERS IN  
GROCERIES,  
PROVISIONS,  
STATIONARY  
and Novelties of all kinds,  
The highest price paid for Country Produce.  
UNDER BRATLEY HOUSE,  
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Foreign and Domestic Fruits always on hand.

**T. E. FOSTER,**  
MASON, BRICKLAYER,  
AND PLASTERER,  
Mastic and Stucco Worker,  
All kinds of color washing executed in the best manner and on reasonable terms. Jobbing punctually attended to. Fancy, Plain and Ornamental Plastering.  
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100 BARRELS White Potatoes; 300 lbs. No. 1 Apples; 10 Hhd. Choice Cabbages; 3 " No. 1 Sugar; 10 Barrels Ex. C. Sugar; 10 " Granulated Sugar; 10 " No. 1 American Balwine.  
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All business in his profession promptly attended to.  
J. F. McMANUS,  
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**NOT GONE YET!**  
WE have concluded to remain, and are making preparations to manufacture Soap for the million. "Give us peace and clean linen."  
Have a few boxes of SOAP on hand at our Soap Works, West End, Queen Street, (opposite Simmons Tavern).  
NIXON & SON.  
Dec 3 17.

**COAL VASES, COAL HODS**  
JUST RECEIVED.  
**6 COAL Vases, (Fancy.)**  
2 doz. Galvanized Coal Hods,  
2 " Cast Iron " "  
6 " Cast Iron Coal Shovels,  
4 " Wrought " "  
2 doz. Galvanized " "  
10 sets. Fire Irons, do. do.  
12 Bed-room Stoves, do. do.  
1 doz. Fire Iron Stands,  
1 " Blower Holders,  
" or sale low by  
JAMES S. NEILL,  
Fredericton, Nov. 12—2 mos. 1879.

**RECEIVED**  
PER LATE STEAMERS,  
**NEW FALL & WINTER GOODS**  
in  
Blankets, Flannels,  
Wool Shawls, Wineys,  
Ladies' Dress Materials,  
Ladies' Cloths, in all the newest makes,  
Ladies' Socks, latest styles;  
Ladies' Ulsters;  
Lions Black Silks;  
Lions Black Silk Velvets,  
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