

GLADSTONE AND BLAKE.

Now that Mr. Gladstone has secured a majority and has relegated Lord Salisbury to the shades of opposition, the cry is heard that the grand old man is getting very feeble and has not that grasp of public affairs that the premier of Britain should have. This statement appears rather weak, especially with respect to a man who has just won such a magnificent victory, magnificent when it is taken into consideration the odds against which he had to fight.

He will form a government and then a long prostration will follow, during which time he will be able to mature his home rule scheme. He has said that he would like to see the bill drafted that a few minutes would be all the time required to put in shape for presentation to the house, but it must be remembered that it was formed before the election took place, when Mr. Gladstone and his friends expected a far larger majority. It is conceded on all sides that the Irish representatives hold the balance of power and they will have much to say as to what form the home rule bill will take. They will pledge themselves to nothing till this question is settled to their satisfaction. Mr. Blake is steadily gaining ground in the affections of his constituents and fellow members, and it is believed that he will hold all difference in the Irish ranks. Should this be so it will not only give Blake greater influence but will make Gladstone's standing more certain.

It appears to be the sole hope of the Tory leaders that Gladstone's health will fail during the recess so that he will not be able to take his seat at the opening of the house. Since Blake has joined him and has done so much to cement the various factions of the Irish party this hope has grown all the more intense. Gladstone, though old, is still in good health, and bids fair to live for several years at least; but should he be unable to finish his work Mr. Blake has all the ability and eloquence necessary to carry out the wishes of his chief.

PRESIDENTIAL CONTEST.

The two great parties in the United States are waiting the return of their leaders from shore and before the presidential battle opens. It is plain that the fight will be on the lines of protection and anti-protection. Cleveland will receive a large vote from those who show sympathy for the Home-Steer and other strikers, while Harrison will likely receive a large vote from capitalists than he would have received had not these strikes taken place. It would appear that Cleveland has the fight all his own way for the working-men, the great majority of voters, are not in favor of protection. Were they to hold together, to be true to themselves, protection and the republicans would go down together, but they have never been known to do so. Religious cries will tend to break their ranks, and money will be a great factor in helping Harrison to a victory.

The tungumps, by their bolt from the republican ranks, made the first break in the long line of republican presidents and elected Cleveland. They are once more strongly in his favor and will turn the vote of New York for the democrats. As New York goes so does the contest, and at present the odds seem clearly in favor of Cleveland.

WHAT IS IT?

The welcome home given to Mr. Blair by the citizens of his native city and county was all that the most ardent of his friends desired. It was a hearty response by the people to show their appreciation of his dealings towards them. The Sun correspondent, Mr. McCreedy, gave a correct statement of the reception, but a correspondent, who signs himself M. Walker, gives a different version of the affair. The Sun would be wise to scan closely the character of the occasional correspondents from this city. The letter published in Friday's issue of the Sun from M. Walker would not find space even in the most disreputable of provincial papers. Had the Sun known its correspondent as thoroughly as he is known here the communication would not have appeared, even as it is it was written with an editorial that cannot be very pleasing to the writer. As a good example of superabundant glib, coupled with gross ignorance and a tendency to softness of the brain, we would recommend M. Walker to the consideration of the world's fair commission. Had he been known to exist when the late circus was in town the United States would have been enriched by a curiosity that would have attracted the "what is it?"

MINISTER HAGART has been making a flying trip over the government railways for the purposes of inspection, it is claimed. The rate of speed at which he travelled and the seclusion he observed at stations, gave him very small opportunities of seeing the roads or hearing the grievances of the people. It may not have been intended as a farce but it appears very much like it. The P.E. Island Patriot says, "He seemed to wish to avoid everybody." He visited St. John but very little is said about his doings there. If he had interviews with any of the citizens the subjects discussed have been kept strictly private. Whether his visit will prove of any benefit to the patrons of the road will be learned later perhaps, as at present there appears to be very little method in his madness.

TO-DAY the prohibition commission began its labors in this city to be continued on Monday. They received a large amount of evidence at St. John but nothing more than has long been known to all. The question of whether prohibition can be carried out so as to totally prevent the importation and sale of intoxicants is, from the information gathered by the commission, as far from a solution as ever. Testimonies are very conflicting and it is not very plain how the principles of prohibition will be benefited by the present inquest.

THE ST. JOHN SUN, in an editorial aimed at the reception to premier Blair and his dealings with the Maritime bank case, strikes the nail on the head when it says: "As the legal guardian of the interests of the province, it was his duty to present the case of New Brunswick in the strongest possible light." His winning the case shows that he did so.

MONCTON MURDER.

Assassin of Officer Steadman sent to Dorchester.

The preliminary examination of Robt. Olsen, better known as "Buck," on a charge of murdering Joseph E. Steadman, was concluded before 5:30 p.m. yesterday morning. The prisoner pleaded "not guilty," and the stipendiary committed him for trial at Dorchester, where he was taken Saturday afternoon by Marshal Foster.

Before his departure from the police station, "Buck" joked with those around, saying he might not see them again.

The latest concerning "Jim" whereabouts is that he was seen at the lower end of Albert county and has hired as a sailor on a ship lying at Grandstone Island. It is possible the officers will go down and investigate the report. People in the vicinity of Moncton are on the alert for a suspect. A man named Dobson, who works in the Moncton sugar refinery walked to the Scotch Settlement Saturday evening. On the road out he was taken for "Jim" and held up at the point of two shot guns in the hands of a farmer and his son. After satisfactory explanations Dobson was allowed to go.

A report was received here that Jim and a "pal" had been seen on the Salisbury-Fredericton road and that it was thought he was going to Fredericton, where he might get across to Maine. On Saturday the police were on the alert and two suspicious characters were seen on York street by members of the force. The suspects got out of sight and the police failed to trace them. One of the men seen here, resembled very much the man who assaulted the police at Victoria Mills last year. A very careful search is being kept and it will be almost impossible for "Jim" to come here and remain a free man. Officers Roberts and Phillips, having got notification that there were suspicious characters lurking in the vicinity of Victoria Mills on Wednesday afternoon, took that district a search, but failed to find any one who resembled "Jim" in any respect. It is now believed that the man who is wanted has got on board a sailing ship and escaped.

It would appear, however, that the suspect was still in the vicinity of Moncton. A man named Budd, living a mile and a half this side of Coal Branch, West county, tells of a suspicious character said to have passed his house on Monday morning. The description given by Budd coincided minutely with that of "Jim," the escaped accessory to the murder of Jos. E. Steadman.

Mr. Budd stated that the man passed his house and after he got a glimpse of him he was satisfied that the stranger was the man for whom a reward was offered. Budd immediately started for Coal Branch in the track of the stranger and after going some distance overtook him. The stranger sat down on the railway track and upon Budd's approach asked him for a chew of tobacco. They then fell into conversation on the murder case, whereupon the stranger stated that "Jim" would never be taken alive, as he carried two revolvers in case of an emergency. Upon parting the stranger took to the woods. The description given by Budd fully coincides with that of "Jim."

A despatch this morning says "Jim" has been captured at Bass River and lodged in jail at Moncton.

BOIESTOWN.

August 12.—The weather of late has been very uncertain much to the annoyance of the farmers who have not finished haying.

The Oneida Medicine Company which have been here since the 6th are still drawing a full house. They are to remain over Sunday. A great deal of their medicine has been sold along the Miramichi.

Harold, aged ten, son of Dr. Fry of the Indian Medicine Company, had his arm broken while playing in Richard's mill on Tuesday. He was very narrowly escaped for him, but the limb follows him it very bravely. He was removed to Fredericton to be attended by Dr. Coburn.

Thomas Dickenson, an employee in Richard's mill, had his fingers badly cut, coming in too close contact with the shingle saw.

Issac Brown of Nashwaak is the boss carpenter employed building the new store here.

Daniel McLeod was in town yesterday with a fine team of oxen. They are very well broken and will handle the mowers and other farm machinery as well as horses. Daniel is very proud of them, and says that either can work the horse rake to satisfaction.

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CAMPBELL SETTLEMENT.

August 4.—The weather has been fine, the farmers are busy haying; the grain gives promise of a big harvest.

Ross Woodman's carding mill on Trout creek has been doing fine work this summer.

Jas. Morecraft is building a fine new barn.

Langley Stairs is putting some repairs on his house.

B. B. Brooks is rejoicing over the bright eyes of a little grandson. The potato being in keeping the little folks busy and some of the big ones, too.

Mr. Grass bought a horse a few days ago.

P. Cliff has gone back to Boston.

The Rev. E. Neales has service in Campbell Settlement last Sunday evening. As there are two houses in what they call Campbell Settlement, though it is really two settlements, we think the ministers would do well to mention Campbell Settlement, senior or junior, as the people gathered at both places last Sunday evening to hear parson Neales. As he could only be in one place the other had to be disappointed for want of a name of its own. The young folks intend to go blueberrying before long.

CLOVERDALE.

August 6.—Haying is going on nicely, the weather has been all the more to be wished for. Blueberries are getting ripe, but they are not so plenty as last year. Some make quite a business picking; others do better going around picking them up after they are in palls. There have been some lost that way and some boys seen taking them. If they keep on their names may appear in print.

John Golding the sewing machine agent, paid this place a visit this week.

Mrs. Frederick Jones, of Keswick, is visiting her sons, Albert and Charles Jones.

Miss Lillie and Stella Wallace have returned from a very pleasant visit to Caverhill.

Mrs. George Mocker, of Grand Falls, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Adair. Her many friends were pleased to see her among them again.

MAUGERVILLE.

August 9.—We are having fine weather here now. The farmers are all getting on fast and two weeks more of fine weather will see their hay housed.

Mr. and Mrs. John Harding are receiving congratulations on an interesting family event.

Mrs. Walter Seamore of Oldtown, Maine, is here at present visiting her father C. J. Harding.

Miss Jennie and James Edmonds of Fredericton are spending a few weeks with friends in this place.

McCrath of Sheffield, and Mrs. Lindsay of Burton spent Sunday here.

Master Chester Vauvart of Fredericton spent several weeks at his cousins, A. McL. Sterling.

Miss Mary Ward of Oromocto is visiting her sister Mrs. John Laidla.

HAMMONDVILLE.

August 11.—The storm of Wednesday night was especially heavy in Kingsclear, smashing three of the telegraph poles near E. S. Hammond's. No buildings were injured.

The team of D. P. Goodine, Myhrall settlement, ran away when hooked to a mowing machine, Tuesday. The machine struck a knoll when the pole dropped. The cutter bar flew up on the back of one of the horses cutting several holes. Young Goodine, who was driving, was thrown off and hurt pretty badly. Although one of the horses was cut in twenty places, yet no serious injury was done.

Joseph Kitchen is ill; it is thought to be consumption.

Capt. Hammond is convalescent.

W. D. Mansell, son of lieutenant. Mansell, has gone up on the Queensbury side of the river, on estate of Wm. Long, to cut the hay in company with G. Ira Hammond.

The village blacksmith purposes moving to the property purchased from Mr. Goodine in a short time.

Elmwood has had quite a number of visitors during the past fortnight.

Passengers are finding better accommodation at McNally's ferry, perhaps owing to the slight criticism of THE HERALD correspondent.

Dr. Geo. McNally, son of colonel. McNally, has returned from McGill and paid the inhabitants of Kingsclear a visit a few evenings since.

The Misses Tompkins are expected from Florenceville to pay a few weeks visit to Mr. and Mrs. McEwins.

Joseph Myhrall has a fine pair of fat cattle which he expects to put on the market at an early date.

It is rumored that King Isaac is lying in ambush with a seven shooter waiting for stage driver Phillips.

The potato crop bids fair to be small, while the oat crop will be a heavy yield.

Rev. Mr. Lepage preached his first sermon here on Sunday last to a large and appreciative congregation.

Geo. A. Hammond and Gilbert Burgoine, the merchants of this village, are doing a rushing business.

The lava party to have taken place at the Miss Moffatt's on Wednesday last, was postponed on account of the ill health of one of the members of the family, who is now recovering under the skillful treatment of Dr. J. C. Mott.

Large quantities of blueberries are daily finding their way from the back districts to the village where they find quick and profitable sale.

AROUND THE WORLD.

The Week's Events in Brief—The Cream of our Exchange.

The Homestead trouble has subsided and the men have returned to work.

Judge J. C. Norrie of the United States criminal court, committed suicide Tuesday morning, by taking poison.

Dairy Commissioner Robertson has received a most satisfactory report from the New Brunswick dairy station.

The death is announced of Sir Daniel Wilson, President of Toronto university at the age of seventy-six years.

On Thursday morning the St. John Gazette office, with plant, was destroyed by fire. Covered by insurance.

The summer residence of the late T. W. Daniel, known as Rockwood and situated about two miles out of St. John, was burned to the ground Tuesday night.

Mr. Robert McLaughlin, who was for nearly forty years a letter carrier in St. John, and until quite recently was superintendent of city letter carriers, died on Sunday.

At a special meeting of the Joggins Coal Mining Association it was decided, by a large majority of stockholders, to sell the entire property for \$100,000 to New York.

J. M. McLean, M. P. for East York, Ontario, and proprietor of the Toronto World has been arrested and taken to Godrich on a charge of criminal conspiracy.

U. S. Consul, Byder, under arrest at Copenhagen, charged with misappropriating two hundred thousand Kroners, has confessed himself guilty of embezzlement and forgery.

Miss Belle McKensie, 22, stenographer, fell from a story over an elevator well in the Exchange building, on St. John street, Boston Wednesday morning, and was instantly killed.

Charles M. Howe, real estate dealer of Buffalo, has taken up his abode in Canada, leaving many unpaid. Judgments against him are mortgages filed against his property for \$50,000.

Sir Richard Cartwright made a narrow escape from drowning at Kingston on Saturday. A squall capsize his skiff. Major Drury and Capt. Gaudet of A battery suffered the rescue.

Mr. C. Fairley died suddenly at Moncton on Sunday, at the residence of her son-in-law, Mr. Joseph A. Killam. Mr. Fairley was a former resident of Newcastle, where she had a large circle of friends.

The American schooner Belle Bartlett, was seized at Port Hawkesbury, C. B., Monday, charged with violation of the customs law in 1890 at Shippegan while under the command of another master.

While working in a mill at Ottawa Wednesday evening Abbott was attacked with a slight vertigo and weakness. Late in the evening Dr. Powell reported his patient as feeling much better in every way.

At the conclusion of the debate on Thursday night in the British parliament the Union Jack was hoisted by the Government as carried by a vote of 350 to 310.

A despatch from Kotonay states that the French forces began hostilities against the Dahomeyans Wednesday and bombardment began on the coast of Abomey. The French are burning villages seven miles in the interior.

The Stars and Stripes, which alongside the Union Jack was unfurled by campers from Youngstown, Ohio, at Port Stanley, Ont., was hauled down during the silent hour of the night by some ill-considered and other farm machinery as well as horses. Daniel is very proud of them, and says that either can work the horse rake to satisfaction.

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