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THE WEEKLY SUN.

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THE LOYALISTS.

In St. John the principles and character of the loyalists need no vindication. Yet, the powerful presentation of their claim to honor, and of the influence they have exercised and still exert in the national life of Canada, which was given by Dr. Bourinot last evening, must have been a revelation even to some who pride themselves in their loyalist ancestry. The learned lecturer did not permit the personal feelings of a descendant of the loyalists to affect the discriminating accuracy of his criticism, but was able to fortify his own statements, and conclusions by an appeal to American historical writers, who certainly are not likely to be charged with pro-British views or sentiments. Dr. Bourinot's discourse of last evening, when placed in permanent form, with such additions as he may make to it, will be a notable contribution, of lasting value, to the literature relating to the loyalists. It was impossible to listen to the eloquent words of the lecturer, as he pictured the past and the present, mingling Canadian history into that of the empire, without feeling a thrill of national pride, and a deeper respect for the men and women to whose example and influence Canada and the empire owe so much.

The very large audience which greeted Dr. Bourinot was a tribute to himself as well as an evidence of interest in his subject. That he charmed, as well as instructed his hearers was quite evident. It is seldom in St. John that a lecturer sees before him so thoroughly representative an assemblage. As a thorough-going loyalist himself, the speaker must have been pleased by the cordial response to those passages in his remarks which appealed to that sentiment in the hearts of the listeners.

PORK PACKING.

The Charlottetown papers do not appear to regard with much favor the proposal to establish a co-operative pork packing establishment in Summerside. The Examiner says it would be a supply for the farmers to wait till the fall for the farmers to pack for one packing house, and to leave whether the owners of the present establishment at Charlottetown can make money out of it. It argues that the co-operative profits would be small, the expense of building large, and there would be risk in the matter of management. It argues that the provincial government cannot be expected to aid the enterprise and thus interfere with an already established business. It thinks the farmers have been doing well selling their hogs this year, and that if they want to embark in a manufacturing industry there is a better field in the line of agricultural implements, for which it thinks they could fairly ask government or civic assistance, or both. The Guardian says:

A wrong impression seems to have been abroad in regard to the supply of hogs offered to the pork packing factory in this city. At the time of year when farmers usually get their slaughterings there was an abundant supply, but this has fallen off, and we are now relying on the number to be delivered by them another year. To meet the requirements of the best bacon markets a great improvement in the breed of hogs on the island appears to be essential.

Meanwhile the farmers of Prince county are holding meetings and the convention at Summerside on the 18th is expected to be largely attended.

TRADE AND TAXES.

The Canadian imports, exclusive of coin and bullion, during the last half of 1897 were worth \$38,969,000, which is a handsome gain of \$3,624 over the last half of 1896. No doubt a considerable part of the gain is due to mining enterprises, as it is said that the imports under the head of provisions is more than doubled.

lumber. The returns of the half year's imports under the new tariff, together with the statement of the duty collected, would but for one circumstance, enable a just estimate to be formed of the relative burden of the old and new duties. The disturbing circumstance is the fact that the liquor and tobacco importations were anticipated, and a large quantity of goods which would have paid high duties, and which went into consumption, do not appear in the returns. The effect of this is to lower the average rate of duty. Even with this mitigating influence the average rate of duty collected on all goods imported, except coin and bullion, was 17.08 per cent., as compared with 18.05 per cent. in the same period under the late tariff. We rather suspect that on the goods actually consumed during the six months there was no diminution of the burden of taxation. The part of the liberal programme which relates to the relief of tariff burdens is in the womb of the future, and Mr. Fielding is now holding out assurances of an undisturbed tariff for several years to come. When a change is made it will probably be in the direction of an increase made necessary by the number of schemes and extravagances with which the ministers are amusing themselves.

THE QUESTION OF FREIGHT RATES.

The claim of Halifax that goods should be carried from Montreal to St. John as cheaply as from Montreal to Halifax is made the basis of an attack by the Halifax Chronicle on the late government. The Tories are accused of side tracking Halifax by procuring the construction of the short line to this city. This great injustice the Chronicle assures us to be removed by the liberals, who have taken the first step in that direction by the acquisition of the Drummond railway, and will complete the work by giving Halifax the same rates that St. John has. The Chronicle states that this is the policy of the liberals, generally, and of the two Nova Scotia members of the government. The Halifax people make the point that their port is nearer to England than St. John is, and that with the two ports on a level as to land carriage, Halifax should do some business. It does not appear to occur to those who take this position that there is some unfairness in using public money to transfer trade from the Canadian port to which it naturally belongs to another Canadian port. If Halifax offers a shorter and cheaper sea voyage, then the trade can afford a corresponding increase in the land carriage, the increase being based on the mere extra cost of hauling. Mr. Blair himself furnished the bottom argument for the Halifax men, when he declared that he would carry export freight by the Intercolonial for the same fares that the direct line made for 800 miles less distance. A minister who can obliterate that distance without loss must expect to be asked to obliterate other distances.

SIR MICHAEL'S REBUKE.

So many pleasant things have been said of and to Canada by imperial statesmen during the past year, that the recent uncomplimentary utterance of the chancellor of the exchequer is a somewhat unwelcome surprise. We have been thinking in this country that the best contribution we could make to the support and defence of the empire would be the consolidation of the different parts of British America. We have connected our two oceans with lines of railway that cost more than many battle ships and are worth more as a defence of the empire than a whole fleet in Canadian waters. Every part of Canada may now be reached without the use of foreign transportation routes. We have done something in the way of developing steamship traffic on main lines. In these ways the nation has been made stronger and more compact, while the material resources of the country were developed. Whether these enterprises were little or much, they have been worked out at great temporary sacrifice, and have largely increased the permanent obligations of the country.

Sir Michael Hicks-Beach is the first imperial minister who has in a public meeting of his countrymen reproached Canada for failing to do her part in the defence of the empire. He is reported to have said that the dominion does not occupy a creditable position in this respect. As the empire is not known to have asked for a Canadian contribution for the navy, it would seem that the chancellor of the exchequer is a little hasty in his reflections, or else that he has not been well reported. If he represents the cabinet, it does not appear that Sir Writch's bogus tariff preferences has had much effect on the British ministry.

Canada has largely increased its military expenditure. A new equipment of rifles has been procured, and additional expenditure has been made on the artillery. We might have bought a small cruiser with this money and offered her as contribution to the navy. But as we cannot do much in

the way of equipping a navy, it seems more reasonable to leave that in the hands of Great Britain until the land-defence department, with which we have acquired some experience, shall be in a more advanced condition. Yet, if it is the opinion of those responsible for the defence of the British empire that Canada should do something toward strengthening the navy, we have no doubt that this country stands ready to respond to any intimation of the kind. Only there are perhaps better ways to convey the first intimation than in the form of a reproach addressed to us through an audience in England.

CHEER ON THE PACK.

The Carleton Sentinel appears to have become impressed by the very small figure cut by the old time liberals in New Brunswick under Mr. Blair's regime. Alluding to the Bescon's plea for a liberal organization in Charlotte, the Sentinel says: This may be all right as regards Charlotte, but there are counties supposed to be liberal in which elections take place; removals from office appointments in the whole party, and in which there is a vital organization; no consultation had with the party, or with its more representative men, and the machine runs right along like a "great Indian." Of course some of them ask when will it run out? But what of that!

It will now be proper for the Fredericton Herald, Chatham Advance, St. John Telegraph and some others to ask the editor of the Sentinel who he means when he talks about greased Indians. The word "greased," when applied in a political sense, suggests something which the fine sense of honor of those great moulders of public opinion will not tolerate. The editor of the Sentinel has been guilty of a serious indiscretion. In his comparison he has not even considered the feelings of the Indians.

It is generally believed that either Mr. Perry or Mr. Yoe will be appointed to the senate for the seat lately occupied by Mr. Arsenau. Whichever appointment is made, a vacancy in the commons will be created. The appointment of Mr. Yoe would deprive the Acadian population of Prince Edward Island of their representation in the senate, but the outlook appears to be in that direction. Both of the Prince county constituencies are rather close, and the prospect is that Sir Louis Davies will have to exert himself to hold the constituency which he allows to be vacated. On the other hand, it may require some exertion on his part to hold the support of the two members if he declines to appoint either of them.

The trouble that has manifested itself in the grip camp in St. John has found a parallel in Ottawa. It is announced that the Edward Blake club is the name of a new organization which sprang into existence there on Tuesday night and which is composed of those Irish Catholic liberals who are dissatisfied with the way the government patronage has been distributed since the general elections. The object of the club is to put forth the claims of its members to a share of the patronage.

A convention has been called by the liberal conservatives of P. E. Island. The people there should now be in a position to take stock of the situation. They better than anybody else know what Sir Louis Davies promised when in opposition, and what he has performed. A review of his broken pledges would occupy considerable time, no doubt, but the record could be taken up in sections and distributed over the next six months.

Mr. Chamberlain never makes a public address on the future of the empire that he does not revert to his cherished dream of an imperial-royal trade policy of solvency. It is evident that the colonial secretary has not recovered from his disappointment over the rebuff which the preferential idea received last summer from the premier of Canada.

The Anglican synod at Montreal on Wednesday negatived a resolution allowing women to vote at vestry meetings. The clerical vote was 5, the laymen gave a majority of nineteen against the ladies.

Commenting on Premier Emeryson's whist bonusing policy, the Montreal Gazette pertinently observes: "The protectionist idea is strong in Canada even where liberals are concerned."

THE PRINCE EDWARD ALL RIGHT.

Retiring to the publication in the Sun a few days ago of an article copied from a Boston paper as to the alleged dissatisfaction existing in the Dominion of the Dominion Atlantic railway on account of the Prince Edward not coming up to the requirements, permit me to contradict the statement in the most emphatic manner as a less fabrication writes evidently with the set purpose of discrediting the ship. There is no dissatisfaction with the Prince Edward as she is up to our expectations in every respect, and her guaranteed speed of 20 knots and over can be maintained whenever required. Her popularity with the travelling public is so strongly established that any attempt to undertake the qualifications of this beautiful ship must be viewed as every one as the act of interested and evil disposed parties.

QUEEN'S COUNSEL.

Are There Any in the Bar of New Brunswick?

This Question Will be Raised at Supreme Court in Fredericton Today.

Docket of Cases Entered for Argument—After Cariboo for the Government.

FREDERICTON, N. B., Jan. 24.—Are there any Queen's counsel of the New Brunswick bar? This question will probably be raised in a new form before the supreme court tomorrow morning. Since the last term of the court, the decision of the privy council in the Ontario case, that the provincial government had the right to appoint the Queen's counsel, has left it an open question whether or not any New Brunswick barristers are entitled to seats in the inner bar of our supreme court. With but one or two exceptions, all the commissions of the legal gentlemen, giving them the right to wear the silk, have been granted by the dominion authorities, and now by the latest utterance of the highest judicial authority these commissions have no effect in any but the supreme court of Canada. This view was adopted by the clerk of the court today for the first time. In making up the docket for argument he declined to place the customary Q. C. after the names of several gentlemen who have been wearing the silk for some time. The leading lawyer of this city, when spoken to on the subject this evening, stated that he intended to take his barrister's gown with him to court tomorrow, and would take a seat at the outer bar until called within by the court.

MOTION PAPER.

Edward O. Bodin, McDonald—Mr. Phinney to support order of review entered by order of Judge Vawter.
 The Hon. Mr. Justice—Wendall P. Jones to move to enter non-suit by order of Judge Vawter.
 The Hon. Mr. Justice—District No. 8, Canterbury—Mr. Rainsford to move for set aside writ of mandamus.
 Ex parte Jones—O. J. Coster to show cause.
 Ex parte Abel—Mr. Curry, the like.
 Ex parte St. John Railway Company—O. N. Skinner, the like.
 Ex parte McLeod—A. A. Stockton, the like.
 Ex parte Williams—Mr. Phinney, the like.
 Ex parte Troop Sailing Ship Co., Ltd.—J. A. Bailey, the like.
 Ex parte Thompson—The attorney general, the like.
 Ex parte Herbert—The like.
 Ex parte Lada—Mr. Blair, the like.
 Ex parte Delong—The like.
 Ex parte Baker—The like.

SPECIAL PAPER.

Stinchell v. Clair—A. W. Macrae to move pursuant to leave to enter judgment for plaintiff on the writ of habeas corpus.
 Lobb v. Bourke—The like.
 McDonald v. King—The like.
 McDonald v. Campbell Water Co.—Mr. Molt, the like.
 Nichols v. Lawton—Mr. Dixon to move for new trial.
 Thompson v. City of St. John—McLeod to move to amend writ of habeas corpus to leave, or for new trial.
 Crawford v. City of St. John—Skinner, the like.
 Troop v. Everett—C. A. Palmer to show cause.
 Leblanc v. The Covenant Mutual Benefit Association of Halifax—Mr. Chandler, the like.
 Woolcock Woolen Mills Co. v. Moore—G. P. Gregory to move to enter verdict for plaintiff.
 Maxwell v. Malcolm—G. F. Gregory, the like.
 Skelton v. Stairs—Mr. Ellis, the like.

PROBATE APPEALS.

In re estate Wm. F. Welch—M. G. Teed to support appeal from Gloucester county court.
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COUNTY COURT APPEALS.

Hubbard v. Young et al.—M. G. Teed to support appeal from Gloucester county court.
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RECEIVED.

Mr. R. A. Crockett—Mr. Ellis to support appeal from York county court.
 Phillips v. Watson—J. E. Gregory to support appeal from Victoria county court.
 Hubbard v. Young et al.—M. G. Teed to support appeal from York county court.

Stephen Pugh of Nashvaukas died suddenly this morning. He attempted to go from one room to another and fell upon the floor and expired in a few minutes. He was seventy-seven years old and had never married.

R. W. Brecken of Charlottetown, a University student, is in Victoria hospital suffering from an attack of appendicitis.

Rev. Father Casey united in wedding early this morning John O'Brien of Waterville, Me., and Maizie Lawrence of Waasita.

Wm. T. Chestnut, Wm. Walker and Ab Moore leave tomorrow afternoon and will be joined at Cross Creek by Henry Breckinridge.

The party is bound for the wilderness of central New Brunswick, known as "Breathin' Vail's farm," and they purpose to capture alive and bring out two caribou for the government. If successful these animals will form part of the New Brunswick exhibit at the Sportsmen's fair in Boston the last of February. Antonio Apache, who was here last week, arranged with the government to send specimens of the province to the exhibition.

CLAYTON BENNETT.

A messenger from Montreal states that Clayton Bennett died there at the hospital yesterday after two operations for Bright's disease. Mr. Bennett was an Englishman, who went to South Africa twenty years ago, and has lived a pioneer life during a great part of the time.

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 Steamers and Other Vessels Caught in St. Johns, Nfld.
 ST. JOHN'S, N. F., Jan. 23.—A succession of northerly gales is driving the Arctic ice floe in upon the whole northern coast of the island and closing navigation for the winter. Several steamers and other vessels lying in this harbor and loading cargo are likely to be caught by the barrier and kept here until the wind changes. Numbers of people in the northern bays are in a destitute condition, but it will be difficult to get relief to them now.

JOHN SIVEWRIGHT DEAD.

Gloucester's Well Known Representative Passes Away After Two Weeks' Illness.
 BATHURST, N. B., Jan. 23.—John Sivewright, M. P., died at his residence here at 7.30 p. m., after an illness of about two weeks. The deceased was fifty-six years of age, was the son of Wm. Sivewright, school teacher, and was born at Chatham, N. B., but came to Bathurst with his parents when only a child. The deceased had many friends both in this county and in all parts of the province, who will regret his death with sincere regret.

FLYER FOR YARMOUTH S. S. CO.

The Yarmouth Steamship company has purchased the fast passenger paddle steamer Express for the south shore route. The Mechanical World, London, England, July 29th, 1897, says:

"The new passenger paddle steamer Express was built at Chatham, N. B., by Messrs. Kirkcaldy and Kinghorn, for the Yarmouth Steamship company, limited, for the route between Yarmouth, N. B., and Blackpool, the Isle of Man and North Wales. Messrs. Kirkcaldy & Co. have designed a vessel of high reputation as builders of the best will, we doubt not, worthy to sustain that reputation."

The Express, which is the sixth addition to the passenger steamship line of the company, is 200 feet long between perpendiculars, 24 feet beam, 19 1/2 feet deep, and 428 tons measurement. She is built of steel, and has a straight stem and elliptic stern, with a fine hull, and a fine deck over the engine room. The hull is finished in black, and the upper deck has been provided in the centre of the vessel with a large, open, and is 15 feet long, 12 feet wide, and is all around and also in the centre.

The Express was successfully launched with steam up on the 12th of May last, and has proved herself a splendid boat, having had some rough weather on the passage round. On her first four runs between Blackpool and Llandudno she covered the distance in three hours average time, sometimes being three minutes under the three hours. The distance between Blackpool and Llandudno is forty-four miles, and the Express draws 7 1/2 feet and is intended for the Halifax, north shore and St. John route. Capt. E. O. Smith, who is now in England, speaks in the highest terms of the new steamer, and as being most suitable for the route.

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THE BRAM MURDER CASE.

BOSTON, Jan. 24.—Charles Brown, the principal witness in the Bram murder case, was brought from the Charles street Jail today to the office of United States District Attorney Jones, where he was examined by Mr. Jones and Assistant District Attorney Casey regarding what he knows of the circumstances attending the death of Captain Nash, his wife and the second mate of the bark Herbert Butler. Several of the witnesses have told their stories in the district attorney's office, and others will in the near future tell what they know. This reversal of the case is made in order that Mr. Jones may become familiar with it.

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THE SCARE OVER.
 LONDON, Jan. 24.—The Cairo correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says: "Gen. Sir Herbert Kitchener, commander of the Anglo-Egyptian expedition in the Sudan, has telegraphed the officers here that it is needless that they should ascend the Nile, as the Derwishes are quiet. The scare is over and no movement is expected before the next high Nile."

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NOTICE.

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