

which they forced open. Another man was arrested for setting fire to his premises, which were insured for \$2,000, and of the value of \$150; and patrolman McElroy was beat almost to death.

PAPER HANGINGS.

A large subscription of newest patterns just arrived by first steamer, including a variety of decorative papers, oak & marble.

The subscriber respectfully invites an inspection, as low as any house in the city.
H. MATTHEWMAN,
Postmaster of the Post Office, Ottawa
Ottawa, March 28, 1871. 1625

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

Notice—P. Mitchell.

Mills—D. McDonell.

Ottawa Times.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1872.

We understand that the Hon. Isaac Buchanan will probably be in Ottawa this week.

THE MEETING OF PARLIAMENT.

We understand that the Government have seen fit to postpone the meeting of Parliament until the 11th of April.

In reply to several inquiries we believe we are correct in stating that the Indian Viceroyalty held by the late Lord Mayo is worth about £50,000 sterling. The salary is \$125,000 per annum, but this is at least doubled by extra allowances and grants.

The Union Forwarding Company are building several fine vessels, to be afloat on the Upper Ottawa by the opening of navigation. One of them will ply for upwards of seventy miles above the present head of navigation, and thus give access to a comparatively new field for immigration.

Lord Francis Napier, Governor of Madras, who takes temporary control of the Empire of India until a new Governor General is appointed, will, we understand very possibly be himself selected permanently to fill the Viceregal office. Lord Napier is a man of considerable ability, and is well versed in Indian affairs.

A deputation of gentlemen from Montreal arrived here yesterday to confer with the Minister of Public Works in reference to the Grenville Canal improvements. Their visit, however, was unnecessary, Mr. Page and Mr. Sipple, acting under instructions received from the Minister, having already left town for the purpose of examining into the present condition of the works in question.

The following are the names of the persons composing the Geneva Tribunal of arbitration. Arbitrator on the part of Great Britain, the Hon. Sir Alexander Cockburn, Bart., Lord Chief Justice of England. On the part of the United States, Charles Francis Adams; of Italy, His Excellency Senator Count Odescalchi; of Switzerland, Mr. Jacob Stämpfli; of Brazil, Baron d'Utauba. Agent on the part of the United States, J. C. Bancroft Davis; of Great Britain, Right Hon. Lord Rutherford. Counsel for Great Britain, Sir Rounthwaite Palmer; for the United States, Mr. Caleb Cushing, William M. Evarts, M. N. Waite.

THE GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY.

It is gratifying to find, in spite of the persistent efforts made by the Toronto Globe to damage this line, and the exertions of the American railway companies to lower its credit and to drive traffic from it, the receipts continue to increase, and the future prospects of the shareholders look more promising. Who is there that can fail to rejoice that such is the case, unless indeed he is actuated either by personal motives of the most selfish and contemptible description, or is an agent of the American companies?

From Herk's Journal we obtain the following comparison of the rates quoted on the London Stock Exchange in December 1870 and 1871:

Dec. 25, '71. Dec. 25, '72.

Ordinary stock... 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 22

Equipment bonds...

6 per cent.... 90 to 92 99 to 101

First pref. bonds.... 57 to 58 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 72

Second pref. bonds.... 39 to 41 59 to 60 $\frac{1}{2}$

Third pref. stock.... 30 to 32 43 to 45

Fourth pref. stock.... 16 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 17 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 28 $\frac{1}{2}$

These figures speak more strongly and conclusively than any words of ours can do, as to the opinion which English capitalists entertain with regard to the future prospects of the Grand Trunk Railway, under the able management of Mr. Brydges.

MR. MACKENZIE AND THE NOVA SCOTIA ANTIS.

In the Lower Provinces Mr. Mackenzie is highly respected. The Halifax Chronicle says: "Hon. Mr. Mackenzie has received, we observe, the unanimous nomination of the Lower Middlesex for the next House of Commons, and will serve any constituency which has the honor of electing him in its unparished fidelity and ability." — *London Advertiser.*

In another portion of the same number of the Halifax Chronicle we find a long article intended to prove that Confederation has been a curse to Nova Scotia, and containing the following sentence:

"We challenge any, or all, of the confederate scribblers, to disprove the case we have made out."

In another column of the same number we find the following:

Confederation gave a cover, but, doubtless, now all the previously recognized principles of the separate government which had hitherto prevailed in the British North American Provinces."

It may be accepted as an indication of an exceedingly grateful spirit on the part of the U.S. organ, when we find it rejoicing in the praise and approbation of the Halifax Chronicle. Mr. McKenzie only the other day boasted that the Local Government was now a unit upon the subject of Confederation, and was alluding to the blessings of our Colonial Union. Yet here we find the anti Union organ in Nova Scotia puffing Mr. McKenzie, and at the same time denouncing Confederation with its old malignity and determination. How is it that Mr. McKenzie and his friends are so continually being "putted" and praised by the Anti-Union organs in Nova Scotia, while the Union journals are all opposed to them? It cannot be Mr. McKenzie's Union loving sentiments which have earned for him the respect and support of the anti unionists. Is it not, to say the least of it, somewhat suspicious, to find Union

men all opposed to Mr. Mackenzie and his Grit friends, while the anti Confederates are never tired of praising them? The reason of all this, is, however, not difficult to understand. The extremists Nova Scotia know perfectly well that the friends and supporters of the Dominion Government and their progressive Union preserving policy, were not likely to consent to such a "wicked and unnatural" condition as one between the anti union extremists of Nova Scotia and themselves would be. They knew also, that Mr. Mackenzie and other Opposition leaders in the Dominion Parliament, are so desirous of obtaining the spoils of office, that in spite of all their talk about "the immorality of coalitions" they would join hand with anyone who would oppose the present Administration. We do not envy Mr. Mackenzie the "respect" of those whom the Halifax Chronicle represents. We do not imagine that he will be very grateful to the Grit organ who republishes the "encomiums which this dialoyal and patriotic journal has lavished upon him. What is more likely to command a man to the confidence and esteem of the people of Ontario, is the knowledge that he possesses the respect of other classes of Nova Scotians. The organs of the old Union party, as well as of that class of persons in Nova Scotia who once opposed Confederation but now accept it in good faith, express respect and esteem for the present Dominion Government, and no confidence whatever in Mr. Mackenzie. They draw attention to the wisdom and prudence which have been displayed in the administration of Dominion affairs, and they contend that men who have thus proved their claim upon the confidence of the people, ought to receive a loyal support from those whom they have served. It is only the Anti-Union organ which has a word to say in favor of Mr. Mackenzie, and of this some of his supporters are foolish enough to boast!

THE AMERICAN CLAIMS.

As we have already said, in our consideration of the American claims under the treaty of Washington we have not permitted ourselves to be led astray by prejudice, but have endeavored, after a calm perusal of the treaty and the protocol, and a deliberate consideration of all the circumstances connected with the matter, to form an honest opinion in connection therewith.

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