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would both greatly improve that part of the town and considerably enhance the value of property in that vicinity. He hoped that the sum of two hundred dollars at least would be allowed for that purpose.

Mr. McLoughlin had much pleasure in supporting the prayer of petition.

Hon. Mr. Shea presented a petition from Robert Thornburn, Charles Bowring and others interested in the Bank fishery, praying that the bounty may be continued for another year. The bounty given by the legislature in previous years had been the means of inducing many of our merchants to invest their capital in this industry and with results that would seem to justify the belief that with a little further encouragement from us it would be self-supporting. That was the opinion entertained by petitioners who merely desired that the support should not be so suddenly withdrawn. It was never the intention of the legislature to continue to support this industry to the detriment of those engaged in it. He trusted that the Receiver General would not continue to adhere to his former intentions. If we ought to specially support any industry it should certainly be the fisheries. Surely the reasons that impel us to encourage, by indirect bounties, tobacco manufactories and similar industries, apply with two-fold force to this matter. The fishery award fund, which was obtained on the grounds that the operations of the Americans, under the Washington Treaty, would prove prejudicial to our fishery interests, might be very properly devoted to this purpose. Under these circumstances there could be no better means of applying the interest of that money than for the benefit of the many fishermen who were injured by American competition. By reason of the sudden withdrawal of the bounty the men are not disposed to go to the banks and a general dampness has already been thrown upon this industry. Considering that the bank fishing operations of last year were a failure and that the enterprise is now being entered upon with gloomy hearts he thought the proposed withdrawal of the bounty very inopportune.

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The following gentlemen have kindly consented to act as our agents, all intending subscribers will therefore confer a favor by sending in their names and subscriptions that they may be forwarded to this office.

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Twillingate—Mr. W. T. Roberts.
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THE CARBONEAR HERALD

"Onest labor—our noblest heritage"

CARBONEAR, MAY 7.

RAILWAY REPORT.

Adopted and Continued Progress.

The debate on the report of the Joint Committee referred to in our last, was continued in the House of Assembly on Thursday and Friday last, resulting on Friday night, or rather Saturday morning, in the successful passage of the leading sections of the Bill intended to give practical effect to the provisions of the contract, at the division on the

conclusion of the debate the numbers standing, 18 against 8. During the progress of the discussion in the lower House attention and interest was placed quite on the qui vice by the strenuous and determined opposition to some of the provisions of the contract, on the part of those leading members already referred to, as also by the able, eloquent and effective arguments of the leading supporters of the project on both sides of the House. It is almost needless that we should add, that upon the declaration of the majority which announced its triumphant adoption, the result was hailed by the unusually large audience present with the most enthusiastic demonstrations of approval, such in fact has rarely, if ever before been witnessed within the precincts of the "People's House." On the afternoon of Saturday, the concluding sections were passed with little or no debate, all argument on the subject being previously exhausted the division taken on the latter occasion, resulting in a still greater victory for the friends of progress, of a majority of 20 to 5. The Bill having passed through its final stages in the Lower House, on the same afternoon, was ordered to be engrossed and sent to the Legislative Council for concurrence. The report of the Joint Committee accompanied by the various documents bearing on this important subject having been laid before the Council on Monday although engaging the earnest attention and deliberation of that august body have as yet made but slow progress, but the triumphant acceptance and passage of the measure by a large majority are looked forward to, with confident anticipation by the public whose interest and attention is still earnestly directed towards the final progress and completion of a measure universally believed and regarded, as pregnant, with such momentous and beneficent results to the future interests of the colony. Such being the present satisfactory position of the all-important question in the Legislature, we are at present unable to say further on the subject, than to express our most earnest wishes, that the day may be near at hand, which may witness the inception of those preliminary arrangements necessary to the inauguration and commencement of practical operations. With these few remarks we conclude for the present any further observations on the subject, by offering to the country our most healthful congratulations, on the realization in the near future of a project destined to exercise such a salutary influence upon its varied interests and with the history of which, the name of our much respected Premier, Sir William V. Whiteway, will be inseparably interwoven as one of her greatest benefactors, and the most enlightened and progressive of our Colonial statesmen.

We are requested to call the attention of the Road Board to the dilapidated state of Bennett's Hill.

LAW INTELLIGENCE

In Supreme Court on Circuit.

MR. JUSTICE PINEENT PRESIDING.

The Spring term of the Supreme Court, at Harbor Grace, opened on Monday last, the Hon. Mr. Justice Pineent, D. C. L. presiding. In the course of his charge to the Grand Jury the Judge expressed his regret at the state of the Criminal Calendar, which represented several charges, especially in the reference to the casting away of ships for fraudulent purposes, of a very serious character.

The Police returns from Harbor Grace and Carbonear, however, showed that the state of these localities and neighborhood had been for the past six months of the usual peaceable and creditable character. His Lordship referred to the session of the Legislature, and particularly in reference to the Railway Bill, cautioning the working classes against abandoning their usual summer's employment in view of work on the line, as there was no probability that for some months an extensive employment of ordinary labor would take place. Judge Pineent then charged the Grand Jury (of which E. W. Quistin, Esq., was chosen Foreman) upon the Bills of Indictment to be preferred by the Crown—Those against W. Butler, and W. J. Butler, charged them with casting away the schooner Garibaldi at Aquaforte—their voluntary statement seemed to leave no doubt of their guilt, and the fact of their casting the blame of investigating them upon the owner was not to be considered at this time. Charges of a similar kind arose out of the loss of the Annie, in 1873, The Indictment against James Parsons; H. C. Watts and W. Glendon for conspiring to cast away that ship with intent to defraud underwriters, would be laid before them. Two Indictments for forgery of a fish receipt by altering it from six to sixteen qtls were preferred against Cole and Tuffin. His Lordship went fully into the cases as proposed to be proved by the Crown and explained the Law upon them, the Crown Officers had several other charges to prefer in which the Indictments were not yet ready, and which would be sent to the Jury on a future occasion.

Before the Court adjourned for the day the Grand Jury brought in True Bills in all the cases sent to them. On Wednesday the above mentioned against Cole was tried and resulted in an acquittal—and on the recommendation of the Judge the Crown withdrew the charge against Tuffin. The Butlers pleaded guilty to the Indictments against them. The Annie's case was to be tried by Special Jury on Thursday.

THE QUEEN V. S. WATTS AND OTHERS.

On Thursday and yesterday the Court was occupied with the trial of Henry Corbin Watts, James Parsons and William Glendon, who were charged with conspiring together to cast away a vessel, for the purpose of defrauding underwriters. The facts, as proved by the Crown witnesses, were briefly as follows: In the month of May, Watts, who is a brother-in-law to Parsons, proposed to William Butler, who was master of a schooner called the Annie, employed in the coasting and freighting business; an arrangement the effect of which was that Watts should pretend to get a supply of goods for a trading voyage at Labrador, Parsons' firm (J. & R. Parsons) that the vessel should sail for the pretended voyage, after insurance effected upon the cargo, and that the vessel should be lost and the insurance recovered. After consultation between Watts and Parsons, the arrangement was agreed to, and afterwards the whole plan was carried into effect as proposed. A small quantity of comparatively valueless goods were put on board the Annie for Parsons' premises, some of the packages containing only rubbish and some casks being filled with water. The Annie went to St. John's and there took on board at Messrs Ayre & Marshall's premises, provisions to the value of £30 and upwards, nearly the whole of which were then removed from the Annie, some put on board of a vessel of Mr. John Giles, and brought to Harbor Grace and delivered to Parsons, and some taken away by Butler, the master for his own use. Insurance to the amount of £600 was effected by Watts, under the policies, and by Parsons for one hundred pounds, upon Herring Nets falsely represented to be on board. The Insurances were effected from St. John's to Battle Harbor. The vessel sailed from St. John's and on the voyage, at Change Islands

Run, near Fogo, was wilfully scuttled, the accused Watts with the assistance of the master and some of the crew, making a hole in her bottom, with a chisel and the stock of a small anchor. The vessel soon sank, the master and crew and Watts went before a notary at Fogo, and made a protest, to the effect that the vessel had been lost by striking on a rock. A claim was then made upon the underwriters for the amount insured under the several policies, and full detailed accounts of the goods alleged to have been on board were attested upon oath by Watts and Glendon. Glendon was a Clerk in Parsons' employ, and superintended the shipping and packing of the goods, made out the statements of claim, and wrote letters on behalf of Parsons to the underwriters. Watts and Parsons received the full amount of Insurance, and afterwards Watts and Glendon settled with Butler, giving him one hundred and seventy pounds in all, for his share of the spoil; but in several payments, and after holding out against it for some time. These facts were deposed to by Butler and confirmed by all the crew and the Insurance Agents. Three witnesses were called for the defence, to prove the packing and shipping of the goods alleged to have been on board. After a full and careful investigation and deliberation the Jury found the prisoners all guilty, recommending Glendon to mercy.

Mr. Winter, Q.C., and Mr. Clift appeared for the Crown; Mr. Boune and Mr. Emerson for the accused.

To the Editor of the Carbonear Herald

Carbonear, May 5, 1881.

Dear Sir,—

The members of the Carbonear Volunteer Fire Brigade made their first appearance on Monday evening last, for the purpose of testing the hydrodynamic power of the engine as well as their own extraordinary power of endurance in working an apparatus by main strength to which if steam were applied would require a "donkey" of not less than twenty horse power. It was a pity they were not furnished with their new uniform, as was expected, which would be not only ornamental to their persons, but the Company would be exhibited to more advantage. Frank Kurnae, the bell-ringer from Filton, having produced a series of intonations from that musical gong which hangs in the tower of that beautiful specimen of modern architecture, the engine house, to which the members assembled and drew forth the great fire extinguisher with its various appendances and attachments before the astonished gaze of the assembled populace. The Company took their different positions led by the foreman of each division; Orders were given to proceed which were cheerfully responded to and headed by a body of the rising youth who behaved in a praiseworthy manner which speaks well of the prospects of the fire-eater of this town. After making a most enthusiastic display through Water Street they halted at the noted watering place situated near the Mercantile premises of the late Goss, Pack, & Friar, for the purpose of getting their muscular frames in working order, with the intention of cleansing shop windows and hall doors which they executed in a most dexterous manner. They then retraced their steps through the town for the purpose of losing this formidable apparatus. After syringing different portions of Water Street, they repaired to a favorite watering place in the vicinity of Glory Lane where with renewed energy they made a glorious display by testing the power of the apparatus to such an extent that one would imagine the prodigious strength used by the strapping stalwart fellows at the levers would press the concentrated fluid over the pyramids of Egypt. When it was considered they had sufficiently displayed the efficacy of this wonderful invention of the Nineteenth Century, they returned to the Engine House where they lodged the apparatus. They then repaired to a neighboring tavern where they stimulated their overtaxed muscles with a few galopques of the alcoholic extracts of the West India Sugar cane, which those jocular sons of Bacchus greedily quaffed. Decorum was strictly observed with the exception of a few cases, who showed signs of intoxication by inadvertently or otherwise swallowing double doses. Thus ended the days exercise on which many acquired a knowledge of hydrodynamics and hydrostatics who would otherwise have remained ignorant of those important branches of natural science.

ANTEROS AND ORPHEUS.

To the Editor of the Carbonear Herald

Dear Sir,—As so many opinions and observations have appeared in the columns of your valuable paper, in prose, relative to Railway construction, perhaps a few lines from a neutral pen, in poetry (however imperfect) may prove a literary treat to your readers. If you think so please give space in the Herald for the following dialogue said to have taken place between C. F. B. and W. V. W.

DIALOGUE.

Good morning old friend said Sir W. I really do hope you are well, But I heard you're opposed to the Railway way, The reason to me now pray tell. This country needs some new project, Its fisheries serve but a few So what let me hear is your object To oppose this great work as you do.

I do not object said C. F. B. Nay, Railways in general I think Have brought wealth and civilization To those or insolvency's brink, But where can you find all the dollars, A subsidy year by year Without pledging fish mineral and forests 'Tis toady and toady what I say

Old friend have you now lost all reason The Railway projector did say, Consider each past fishing season And say are we richer to day, Our fishermen idle and hungry Our forests unknown but to few Why not welcome a stranger to-morrow Who'd give our men something to do

The old man then said pray consider Many men were employed once before Left our shores, by inducements of others Some of these will return no more They now work in lands, far far distant Where some found repose in the grave Whilst others have returned determined From Canadian this country to save.

Talk not of the past said Sir W. Proceedings we cannot delay The Merchants may now use influence But Railway construction shun't stay Believe me we really mean action Obstructions we'll mount as they come We have given the subject reflection And believe this great work must go on

You reflected said 'bout the Union And thought such should there be the case; Now you see we are living in freedom And can yet set our lands if we please The next move will be Annexation, So weigh the great work now in hand, Or it may prove a wild speculation And be found not to serve Newfoundland land.

Respect you've commanded said W. And experience teaches 'tis said; But away with such obsolete notions Our people are crying for bread, Too long they've submitted with patience To mercantile order and sway; Too long have our fishermen slumbered They now mean improvement and pay.

Fair argument we have permitted, Now my old friend be at rest; To the people our plans are submitted We'll arrange as we think for the best Petitions are daily arriving From districts both distant and near Whilst extension of road is demanded By that stirring town—Carbonear

No longer we mean to be talking The time had arrived for to act Commercial opinions can't stop us We must have a Railway in fact Employment we'll find for the people Whom oft has been asked for before Soon the train will be leaving for Topsail At present I cannot say more.

SPREAD EAGLE PEAK, April 25, 1881.

Local and other Items.

The telegram of May 3rd, says:—"A Catholic Conference has been proposed for October next. It will be attended by Catholic notables from all parts of the world."

The Rev. John Walsh, P. P., Petty Harbor, arrived here on Tuesday last, on his way to Harbor Grace. The Rev. gentleman visited this place again in the evening, and we understand stayed over night.

A contemporary informs us that seals were sold at St. John's for 30s last week.

The case of Maddock vs. J. Strapp, for dockage, which was heard yesterday evening, was decided in favor of the plaintiff

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