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A PAGE OF NEWS ABOUT THE MARITIME

MOTORS AND PROVINCIAL ROADS ARE THEMES BEFORE LEGISLATURE ALL AFTERNOON

Hon. Mr. Veniot Has License Bill Before the Committee—
Claim That Non-Residents Use Too Heavy Motor
Trucks on Highways, Causing Much Damage.

Fredericton, N. B., March 23.—The Legislature met at three o'clock this afternoon when Mr. King presented the first report of the Contingencies Committee and Dr. Curran reported that the address in reply to the speech from the Throne had been presented to the Lieutenant-Governor, and he submitted the message from His Honor.

Hon. Mr. Michaud submitted the report of the Committee on Standing Rules.

Hon. Mr. Veniot introduced a bill to authorize the town of Bathurst to issue debentures.

Mr. Flewelling introduced two bills to authorize the town of St. Stephen, to issue debentures.

Hon. Mr. Hetherington introduced a bill to amend the provincial loans act.

Mr. Scoville introduced a bill to amend the St. Stephen Act of Incorporation, also a bill to confirm a deed of conveyance to the town of St. Stephen, the Mann Axe Company Limited and estate of C. W. Young.

Mr. Scully introduced a bill respecting paving operations on the public streets of St. John.

Mr. Hayes introduced a bill respecting harbor provision and the taking of a plebiscite thereon in the City of St. John.

Hon. Mr. Foster introduced a bill to provide for the prevention and suppression of fires, also a bill to provide for an investigation of all fires, and under its terms a fire prevention board would be created to consist of two representatives each from the government and the board of fire underwriters and the Union of Municipalities.

It provides for the appointment of a fire marshal and assistants and will become operative on the first day of June next. An assessment of one half of one per cent will be made on the premiums of insurance companies.

House in Committee.

The House then went into committee with Mr. King in the chair, and agreed to a bill authorizing the Soldiers' Comfort Association to transfer certain funds to the Mayor of St. John to be used for patriotic purposes.

The committee next took up consideration of a bill respecting motor vehicles and acts in amendment thereof. This bill makes a slight increase in the registration fees for motor vehicles and trucks for cars of not more than one ton and not exceeding one and one half tons. The fee will be \$22.50, with forty cents per hundred pounds weight additional.

For cars of one and one half tons and not exceeding two tons, \$30 and forty cents per hundred pounds additional.

For cars of two tons and not exceeding three, \$40 and forty cents per hundred pounds additional.

For motor trucks of over three tons and not exceeding four tons carrying capacity, \$60 and sixty cents per hundred pounds.

If over four tons and not exceeding five tons carrying capacity, \$70 and sixty cents per hundred pounds.

The registration fee for motor cycles remains at \$5.

Mr. Baxter on the section relating to motor trucks using the highway

roads, asked if the Minister would favor exemption of such trucks when the property of cities, towns and municipalities.

Cannot Stand Strain.

Hon. Mr. Veniot replied that such trucks were generally used for the transportation of gravel. When loaded they weighed about thirteen tons. The ordinary culverts and small wooden bridges would scarcely stand under the weight of a thirteen ton truck without danger being incurred. That was one of the reasons why he would ask authority to prevent five ton trucks from using the roads.

Hon. Mr. Veniot said that the owners could apply for a special license, as he said that it was the intention at a future date to lay a proposition before the House involving the question of responsibility for the use of the highways.

Against Big Trucks.

Hon. Mr. Veniot on the section relating to motor trucks owned by non-residents said that the province of Nova Scotia had purchased a gravel pit on the New Brunswick side of the line, and heavy motor trucks used in its transportation had caused considerable damage to the roads. An American concern had also used heavy trucks to transport pulpwood from a point near St. John. Under the present law he was unable to stop them from using the roads. Under the bill he would be given the right to impose a special license on those parties and with the consent of the Governor-in-Council, he intended to make it a fairly heavy one.

Hon. Mr. Veniot on the section which provides for the licensing of garages explained that small private garages where one or more cars might be accommodated and repaired would not come within the scope of the bill.

Garage Taxes.

Mr. Baxter said he did not understand from the minister that the provided tax on garages was for the purpose of revenue. He was not going to oppose any plan which the government had for raising necessary revenue, but in the matter of garages the total amount to be collected would be only a bagatelle.

Hon. Mr. Veniot said that the change was not being made for purposes of revenue, and he had no objection to the section standing for further consideration. With regard to tractors and tractor engines, he said the rate at first proposed was forty cents per hundred, and he had decided to reduce it to thirty cents.

Mr. Estabrooks said that the Nova Scotia government had purchased a gravel pit in the County of Westmorland and was transporting the same by means of motor trucks. As it provided a market for gravel, he would not like to see the rate on non-resident tractors made so high as to cause the Nova Scotia government to abandon the undertaking.

Destroys the Roads.

Hon. Mr. Veniot said he hoped the government of Nova Scotia would pay for the roads which its motor trucks had destroyed in this province last year. He thought it difficult referred to by the member for Westmorland could easily be overcome by having the Nova Scotia government enter into a bond to make good any damage caused to New Brunswick roads.

A bill to provide an annuity of \$800 to Wm. McLean, former school inspector, was agreed to.

Hon. Mr. Hetherington submitted the annual report of the superintendent of the Provincial Hospital, annual report of the superintendent of Boys' Industrial Home, St. John, and the report of the comptroller-general on public accounts.

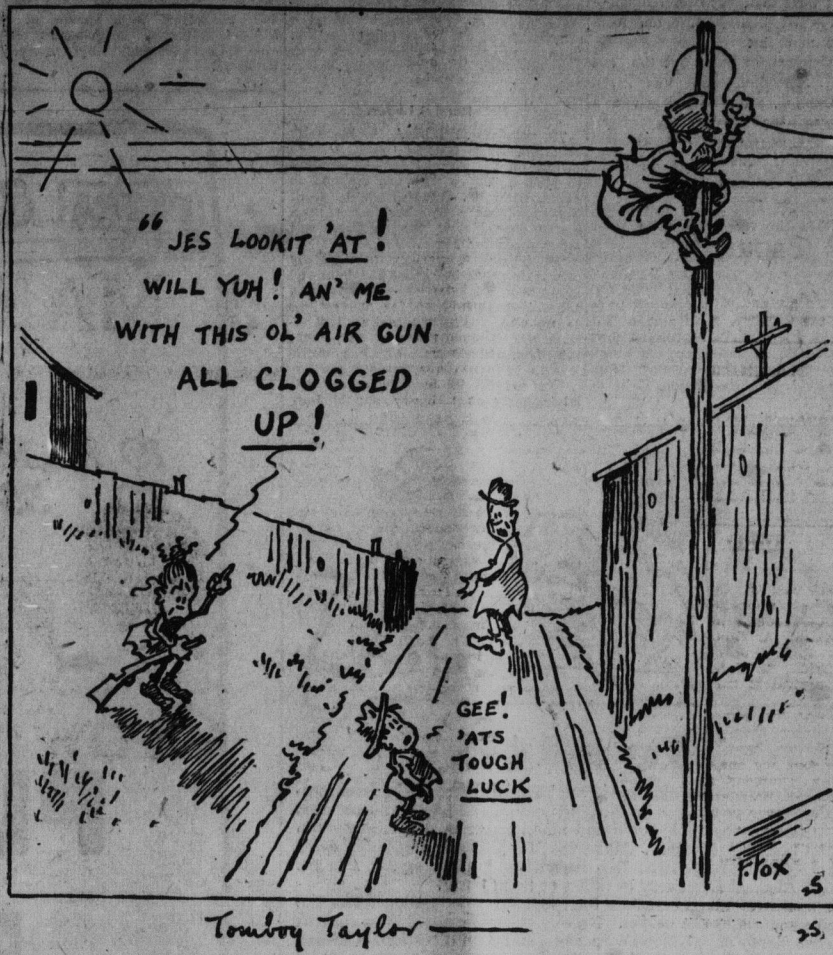
Time-Saving Method.

Mr. Baxter suggested that to save time, and all members were desirous of making the session a short one, the government consider the advisability of letting the committee on public accounts sit during sessions of the House. Its members could easily be reached if wanted to take part in the proceedings of the House. The report of the comptroller-general was submitted to the House early in the session.

Hon. Mr. Hetherington moved that on Wednesday, the 30th inst., the House resolve itself into committee to consider the supply to be granted to His Majesty.

No Franking Favours.

Hon. Mr. Foster said that with regard to the suggestion of the leader of the opposition, relative to the committee on public accounts being permitted to sit while the House might be in session, he would be pleased to confer with the chairman of that committee. He also wished to draw the attention of hon. members of the House to the fact that printed matter sent out by some of them without postage had been returned by the post office. Evidently some members were not aware that the franking



Tomboy Taylor

McDonald Released But Arrested Again

Second Charge is That He
Gave Liquor at Other Than
Private Dwelling.

Fredericton, N. B., March 23.—Edmund W. McDonald, of Vanceboro, Me., was released this morning under \$2,000 bail to appear at the May session of the York County court to face the charge of having 243 bottles of gin stolen from the C.P.R. while in transit in his possession. No sooner had McDonald been released under bail than he was at once re-arrested by Inspector Fraser Saunders on a charge laid by C.P.R. detectives under the Prohibition Act. This charge was that of giving liquor to another person at other than his private dwelling and by means of a deposit of \$210 McDonald once more obtained his release, this case being due for a hearing next Tuesday.

privilege which had been withdrawn by the House had been withdrawn.

Mr. Baxter said that he daily was in receipt of at least half dozen printed or multigraphed communications sent out from Ottawa without postage, which dealt with matters of no interest to him and which he had not asked for. He would suggest that the post office department might consider putting a stop to the sending out of such matter without postage and restore the franking privilege to provincial legislatures.

Rheumatic Sufferers
May Obtain Relief by Enriching
the Blood Supply.

In the days of our fathers and grandfathers, rheumatism was thought to be the unavoidable penalty of middle life and old age. Almost every elderly person had rheumatism as well as many young people. It was thought that rheumatism was the mere effect of exposure to cold and damp, and it was treated with liniments and hot applications, which sometimes gave temporary relief, but did not remove the trouble. In these days there were many cripples. Now, medical science understands that rheumatism is a disease of the blood, and that with good, rich red blood any man or woman of any age can defy rheumatism. There are many elderly people who have never felt a twinge of rheumatism, and many who have conquered it by simply keeping their blood rich and pure. The blood enriching quality of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills is becoming every year more widely known and the more general use of these pills has robbed rheumatism of its terrors. At the first sign of poor blood, which is shown by loss of appetite, dull skin and dim eyes, protect yourself against further ravages of disease by taking Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. They have helped thousands of people—if you give them a fair trial they will not disappoint you.

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Nova Scotia Farmers Against Schools

Truro, N. S., March 23.—Resolutions expressing dissatisfaction with the rural schools of Nova Scotia, and disapproval of legislation now being the provincial legislature, at Halifax, which would permit veterinary surgeons to prescribe liquor for sick animals, were passed at the morning session of the convention of the United Farmers of N. S., here. The resolutions regarding rural schools set forth that teachers were underpaid, irregular assessments were made in school districts and that not sufficient attention was paid in the classes of instruction in the art of living in the country.

Election of officers resulted in the return of H. L. Taggart, M. P. P. of Lower Onslow, for president; D. I. Nicholson of Cox Heath, C. B. Dr. H. Kendall of Windsor for first and second vice-presidents.

HELP ORPHANAGE.

Upham, N. B., March 25.—A public meeting was held in Upham Hall in the interest of the Protestant Orphanage, St. John. Mr. Frank W. Sherwood, acting as chairman, called the meeting to order and introduced the speaker, Mr. David Hipwell, who took for his subject, "Child Life."

A large crowd gathered and listened with interest to Mr. Hipwell's address, after which a collection was taken up amounting to \$13, which was donated to the orphanage.

PENITENTIARY SENTENCES FOR JAIL BREAKERS

Four Who Attempted to
Escape at Hampton Get
Jail Terms.

SEVEN ARE FOUND
GUILTY OF CRIMES

Three Others Are Released on
Suspended Sentence by
Judge Jonah.

Hampton, March 23.—Kenneth Sabean, three years with hard labor; Fred Schaffner, two years with hard labor; Frank Williams, two years with hard labor, all at Dorchester penitentiary; Percy Wilkins, three months in Hampton jail; Arthur Davis, Theodore Sabean and Wilfred Warren, two years each but allowed to go on suspended sentence. These were the penalties imposed on the seven young men who broke into Corbett's store and several summer cottages a few weeks ago and have since been in Hampton jail, by His Honor Judge Jonah today.

G. Hazen Adair, clerk of the county court for Kings, prosecuted and M. H. Parlee was assigned by the court to act for the defence.

Plead Partly Guilty.

The three who made no attempt to escape from jail were brought into court first, Arthur Davis, Wilfred Warren and Theodore Sabean. They pleaded guilty to entering and stealing from the cottages of Charles A. McDonald, Frank A. McDonald and A. Vernon Armstrong but denied entering the store of W. E. Corbett. Davis was placed on the stand by the Crown and told the story of the trip from the city to Westfield and back again to the city. It was practically the same as told at the time of the arrest of the seven men. His evidence was corroborated by Warren and Sabean. Court then adjourned for lunch.

On court resuming after lunch Schaffner, Kenneth Sabean, Williams and Wilkins were brought in. Schaffner and Wilkins pleaded guilty to entering the cottages but not guilty to entering the store. Williams and Kenneth Sabean pleaded guilty to entering Corbett's store. No evidence was taken on this sitting the defence consenting to admit the evidence given at the morning session.

Mr. Adair as crown prosecutor asked that mercy be extended to Davis,

Station And Village Will Remain Apart

Hampton Village Residents
Refuse Proposals to Unite
for More Efficient Progress.

Special to The Standard.

Hampton, March 23.—At a meeting of ratepayers of Hampton Village and Hampton Station held here tonight with Mr. Arthur Thompson acting as chairman, the proposition to incorporate the Village with the Station was rejected by the Village people. The matter originated in connection with questions of water, sewers, fire protection, hydro distribution, sidewalks and public health. It was thought by the Station that these could be handled more efficiently if the two places were united but the Village residents rejected the plan summarily tonight. A letter was read from C. O. Poes of St. John saying that an electric light line might be extended to the place within the next year.

Two Farmers At
Government Caucus

Fredericton, N. B., March 23.—The address in reply to the speech from the throne, which was passed in the provincial legislature yesterday, was formally presented to the Lieutenant-Governor Pugsley this afternoon by the special committee named by Hon. A. A. Dyrart, the speaker.

The committee consisted of Hon. C. W. Robinson and Dr. Curran, of St. John County, and Mr. Bording of Kent, who met the governor at his office at three o'clock and received His Honor's reply.

Two Farmers Attend.

While all four of the members for Northumberland who were elected as independents at the last general elections were invited to attend the government party's first caucus last night only two of them appear to have been there. Mr. Vanderbeck and Mr. Martin are the two who attended, while Mr. Morrissey and Mr. Fowle are the two who did not, thus making a fifty-fifty split.

as he had materially assisted the crown in preparing its case.

The judge then passed sentence as above. In doing so he referred to the break from jail and said it had its influence on the term imposed on K. Sabean and Williams.

Of the three allowed out on suspended sentence, Davis is to leave the province at once for Vancouver, where his home is and Warren is to report once a week to the local Salvation Army headquarters.

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