

ANOTHER SHORT SESSION OF LEGISLATURE HELD

WHY WERE CARLETON COUNTY OFFICIALS DECAPITATED?

Mr. Sutton Wants to Know Why Stipendiary Magistrate Roy W. Cameron and Registrar John A. Lindsay Were Victims of Tammany Guillotine as Exercised by the Fosterian Reformers—Bills in Interest of Uniform Legislation and Relating to Sale of Fuel Considered.

(From Official Report.)
Fredericton, Mar. 14.—The House met at 3 o'clock.
The bill to enable cities, towns and municipalities to assess for aid granted to the city of Halifax was read a third time and passed.
Mr. Burchill presented the report of the committee on standing laws.
Hon. Mr. Robertson presented a report from the legislative library committee. It referred, among other things, to the work of re-cataloguing the books of the library, as carried on last year by Mr. Bidlake. It was pointed out that some of the books in the library are of great value and the committee recommended that insurance should be placed on them to the amount of \$25,000. The committee believes that some effort should be made to popularize the legislative library with the public and suggests that this could be done by keeping a supply of up-to-date literature.

Notice of Enquiry.

Notices of inquiry were given as follows: Mr. Murray (Kings) for Wednesday next, as to the number of men employed on the brown tail moth survey and the number of nests found by them; also as to the revenue received from the sale of motor vehicle licenses and the disposition made of same.

By Mr. Smith (Carleton) for Tuesday next: as to the number of persons under salary in the public works department, the amount of salaries paid by the department and the persons temporarily employed; also as to whether or not the minister of public works or any member of the government gave a letter to H. M. Blair, relating to his salary and expenses.

By Mr. Sutton, for Tuesday next, as to the dismissal of Roy W. Cameron, stipendiary magistrate of the parish of Brighton; also as to why John A. Lindsay, registrar of vital statistics for Carleton county, was removed from office.

By Mr. Tilley, for Wednesday next, as to the agreement with the N. B. Power Company for running rights over the new bridge to certain lands.

By Mr. Dickson, for Tuesday next, as to the rebuilding of the Perry Point bridge.

Bills and Petitions.

Hon. Mr. Robinson presented the petition of the Warden and Vestrymen of St. Paul's church, Moncton, for the passage of an act relating to certain lands.

Hon. Mr. Smith introduced a bill authorizing the cancellation of a certain land grant.

Mr. Tilley introduced a bill to confirm an agreement made by the city of St. John to David H. Saker.

Mr. Michaud introduced a bill to amend the act relating to Fraser Limited and the town of Edmundston.

Hon. Mr. Robinson introduced a bill to change the name of Fred Leroy Swarts and William Alban Swarts.

Mr. Potts introduced a bill to amend the law relating to top and side wharves in St. John.

Hon. Mr. Foster gave notice of motion for Monday next of a resolution to amend one of the rules of the House.

Uniformity of Legislation.

The House then went into committee with Mr. Leger (Westmorland) in the chair and took up the consideration of the bill for the appointment of a commission to secure uniformity of legislation in Canada.

Hon. Mr. Byrne explained that a bill had been before the Barristers Society and had met with the approval of that body.

Mr. Baxter approved of the bill, which he said was a practical step to secure uniformity of commercial laws throughout Canada.

Hon. Mr. Byrne explained that the commission to be appointed under the bill would consist of three members, of the bar, who would serve without remuneration.

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eration of the bill to amend an act respecting the education of deaf and deaf mute persons.

Hon. Mr. Byrne explained that the province had the right to send deaf mutes to the school at Halifax. The charge made by the institution was originally \$82.50 per pupil but in 1913 it had been increased to \$125. Now as the result of the high cost of living it was proposed to further increase it to \$150. The same rate would be charged the municipalities to which the pupils belonged. The bill was agreed to.

Court Reporting.

The committee next took into consideration the bill respecting short-hand reporting in county courts.

Hon. Mr. Byrne explained that an act to provide for shorthand reporting in the county courts had been passed in 1913 but had not worked out satisfactorily and it was now proposed to amend it. Under the amended act it is proposed that the party entering a suit shall pay \$2.50 to the clerk of the court and when testimony is to be taken the other party to the suit shall pay in a similar amount, payments to continue daily during the progress of the trial. It is provided that the stenographer shall be paid \$5 per day for attendance when there is no testimony and when employed in taking evidence the allowance shall be \$10 per day. Necessary traveling expenses are to be paid the stenographer of the presiding judge. It was felt that under the proposed arrangement the work of county courts would be greatly facilitated and the saving to the municipalities would more than offset the expense incurred.

Mr. Baxter said he understood from the bill that litigants were to contribute \$5 per day and the difference would be made up by the municipalities. He said that it was important to procure competent stenographers and he did not think the standard for county courts should be any lower than that of the supreme courts. It was useless to have a stenographer who was insufficiently expert to render the service for which he or she was being paid.

Hon. Mr. Byrne said that the work in the two courts being similar it was important that the standard should be the same.

Mr. Baxter thought it should be set forth in the bill that the qualification required should be the same as for supreme courts.

Hon. Mr. Byrne said he would act on the suggestion and ask that progress be reported.

Mr. McGraith thought the section that empowered the presiding judge to enter up a verdict against the party of the suit who failed to pay the short-hand fee was little too drastic.

Hon. Mr. Byrne replying said that there was a similar provision in other acts relating to courts especially in regard to the jury funds. It might be considered a little harsh by laymen but no injustice was done.

Mr. Baxter said that since the committee had agreed to the bill amending the towns incorporation act he had given the matter some further consideration and would suggest that progress be reported. It was important that the act should not conflict with federal statutes.

Hon. Mr. Murray moved the reconsideration of the bill and the committee reported progress.

Mr. Baxter said that he notified by an Ottawa despatch that Sir George Foster intended to promote legislation this session fixing the standard of a cord of wood at 125 feet.

Hon. Mr. Robinson presented a petition for the passage of an act for the incorporation of the Women's Patriotic League of the city of Moncton.

Hon. Mr. Veniot rose to a question of privilege.

He said he noticed that one of the newspapers which published a report of his remarks on the highway act had stated in the headline that he had pledged himself to have the patrol system in working order in four months. It was impossible for such a thing to be done. What he had said was that profiting by the experience of the State of Maine he hoped to have the patrol system in working order in two years.

The House adjourned at 5:10 p. m.

STEPHENSON ILL

Marquette, Wis., Mar. 11.—Former United States Senator Isaac Stephenson of Wisconsin, a native of York county, N. B., is ill at his home here and his relations have been summoned.

AN AUCTION IN LEGISLATURE

Grandfather Clock Will Be Sold Thursday Night by Auctioneer Frank L. Potts—Mrs. Randolph's Generosity.

Special to The Standard.

Fredericton, Mar. 14.—For the first time in the history of New Brunswick the floors of the legislature will be the scene of an auction and the auctioneer for the occasion will be none other than Mr. F. L. Potts, M. L. A. for St. John. Recently the Sir Howard Douglas chapter of the Daughters of the Empire held a drawing for a magnificent grandfather clock which had been manufactured by a Fredericton soldier. The clock was won by Mrs. R. F. Randolph after a good sum had been realized for patriotic purposes by the sale of tickets.

Gave It Back.

The generous winner at once gave the clock back to the Chapter to be disposed of over again and this afternoon it was arranged that it would be sold by auction in the legislative chamber by Mr. Potts who offered his services for the occasion.

The clock, which is splendidly wrought, was carried into the assembly chamber after the adjournment of the house this afternoon and new tickets promptly from a position to the right of the speaker's chair. Next Thursday evening it will be sold to the highest bidder and for once in history, if never again, the historic halls of the legislative building will echo to the strident announcement of "going, going, gone."

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The stipendiary continued the matter until March 21, and allowed bail of \$5,000.

ROYAL GETS CROWN

Montreal, Mar. 14.—Arrangements have been completed for the purchase of the Northern Crown Bank by the

Royal Bank of Canada. The purchase price will be approximately \$200 a share and will be paid in Royal Bank of Canada stock and part in cash. It is announced that the minister of finance has officially given his consent to the sale.



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