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FERGUSON BROS.
THE YOUNG MEN'S CLOTHIERS.

POISONING CASE CREATES INTEREST

Charles Edmund Ellis Charged
With Attempted Murder
of his two Cousins.

STRYCHNINE IN FOOD

Mr. R. A. Lawlor was called to Bathurst, Tuesday night, to defend a Gloucester County man who is accused of attempting to murder two of his cousins by placing strychnine in their food. The accused is Charles Edmund Ellis, sometimes called Jesse James by his neighbors. He has had for years a line of traps through the woods, and, like all hunters and trappers, has come to look upon the territory in which he operates as his own. So when his cousins—Robert and Leslie Ellis—planted another line of traps within a mile or so of his outfit, he resented their conduct as an intrusion into the woods that he had preempted and possessed. When they returned to camp the other day they noticed snowshoe tracks near their shanty, and naturally wondered who had been there. And when they sat down to their next meal they detected a bitter taste in the beans and the tea, and, growing suspicious, ate and drank very sparingly, and took their food to town for examination by a chemist. The analysis revealed strychnine enough in the sugar bowl to kill ten men, and it is supposed that the men escaped death only because the crystals of the poison had not time to be dissolved before they detected the bitter taste. As Charles Edmund Ellis was the only man, so far as they know, within snowshoe reach of the camp, and as he was the only one whom they suspected of hostility towards them, they had him arrested on a charge of attempting to murder them. Mr. O'Brien is conducting the preliminary inquiry.

HON. C. H. LaBILLOIS

The Nestor of the House Vigorously Arraigns the Pledge-Breaking Government

Hon. C. H. LaBillois, the veteran member for Restigouche, Mr. J. P. Byrne of Gloucester, Mr. Currie of Restigouche contributed important speeches to the budget debate in the Legislature on Friday evening. Hon. Mr. LaBillois who is the senior member of the House, has lost none of his old time vigor. He scored the administration for its broken pledges and sharply criticized its wasteful Crown land policy. He promised that the Opposition leader would submit to the electorate a policy that would heartily commend itself to the great majority of the electorate.

Messrs. Byrne and Currie delivered vigorous addresses, and handled the administration without gloves.

DRASTIC LEGISLATION

At the last meeting of the New castle town council, Ald. H. H. Stuart's motion that a new valuation be made of the real and personal estate owned in the town area, the same to be made by experts not residents or ratepayers of the town, failed to find a seconder, and a further resolution moved by the same gentleman in favor of legislation to change the system of taxation, was voted down. Mayor Pedolin announced his retirement from civic politics, and Ald. Butler will be a candidate for the mayoralty, with Ex-Mayor Stanley Miller as a possible opponent.

DEBATE ON THE BUDGET THIS WEEK

Members Express Dissatisfaction over Increase in Expenditures.

WEEK'S SUMMARY

(Special to Graphic)

Fredericton, N. B.,
March 23, 1912.

The business of the county proceeded slowly this week in the House of Assembly. There was only one evening session and that was yesterday. This is accounted for by the numerous delegations and the very large gathering of farmers who assembled at the Farmers and Dairymen's Institute. That was a most successful meeting, the sessions being well attended and the subjects discussed being of keen interest, not only to those who heard them from a practical point of view but also to the city people whose interest in the work on the farm grows with every year.

The demands of the farmers for more practical interest in their work on the part of the government, will no doubt be somewhat embarrassing but that cannot be helped. There is no doubt about the fooling that exists among the tillers of the soil. They feel that there is too much show and too little actual assistance from the department of agriculture. There are a lot of officials and among them all there is no doubt some good material if it were under the right direction. But without a plan, without a practical head or deputy in the department, with slipshod methods and no real knowledge of what will be of the most assistance to the toilers, how can very much be expected? It has been a matter of genuine regret to those in the government ranks who have a real interest in the advancement and progress of the agricultural class, that a different selection was not made among their ranks to fill this most important portfolio. The people, however, have it in their hands to change all that if the government will not do so. The farmers have too long allowed the politicians to play fast and easy with them and the indications today are that this will speedily come to an end, that the men who are largely, yes, very largely, in the majority in New Brunswick, will see to it that their views are respected, that their work is assisted, that their markets are extended, that everything which tends to make country life more attractive, which tends to make their property more valuable, which helps to keep their young men and their daughters contented and prosperous in the province, will be done.

It is no wonder that there is so much dissatisfaction with the present state of affairs. One has only to look at the extravagance that prevails in the matter of officials, to note their salaries, to count up their yearly expenses, and then he sees that something over \$20,000 is spent in this fashion he no longer wonders why there is so little money to give the practical assistance he and his associates have asked for so often. For example, the commissioner for agriculture, Hon. Dr. Landry, is charged with \$1700 under the head of Agricultural. He gets \$500 more or rather \$600 more, including incidentals, as a member. He gets a lot of travelling expenses and when all are added up, it will be found that the province pays for his services and expenses nearly \$3000 per year. Mr. Hubbard comes next with \$1800. For the deputy head of a department, this man Hubbard travels a good deal, and naturally he does not travel Continued on page eight

NEARLY A CASE FOR SLANDER

Malicious Talk Causes ill Feeling in Family of Donald Irvine.

LETTERS PRODUCED

There has been a good deal of talk lately around Matapedia regarding the family affairs of Mr. Donald Irvine. To our representative it was stated that all the talk was nothing but malicious slander regarding the mental capability of Mr. Donald Irvine. Mr. Irvine has been in the asylum for some time, and a number of people have been talking, stating the fact that he is mentally sound, and is being detained in the asylum illegally. The following letters from the physicians may clear up this matter.

Dec. 21st 1911.

To Whom it may concern:

I hereby certify and declare that I filled out this day two medical forms, which was necessary before Mr. Donald Irvine could be removed to the Insane Hospital at Beaufort P. Q. (Sgd.) J. Howard Gillis, M. D.

Jan. 16th 1912.

In answer to your letter, I will inform you that the general health of your dear father is very good. He appears not to be lonesome nor does he suffer any, but I regret to say that his mental state is not making any progress, and labors under the same delusions as when he arrived here.

(Sgd.) Dr. D. Brocher, Beaufort P. Q.

COURT APPOINTMENT

Mr. Louis Corbett has been appointed a Commissioner of the parish of Beresford civil court, Gloucester County in place of Henry Hutchison who has removed from the County.

OPENING OF FINE NEW HOTEL BUILDING

The New Waverly Hotel to be Ready for Business April First.

Work is being rushed ahead on the new Waverly Hotel to have it in working order for the Spring Season. Mr. Dambois expects to open for business at the beginning of April, and is doing all in his power for the convenience and comfort of guests. Situated in the heart of the financial district and close to the Post Office, the house should meet with the requirements of commercial men, while patrons will find in the hotel the best of service and comfort. The house consisting of 40 rooms is well equipped with private baths, etc., and the bed-rooms are furnished in first class style, all the beds being fitted with patent spring mattresses. On the ground floor, the office is situated at the side of a large entrance hall. Two staircases lead from the hall to the bedrooms above. Passing through the hall the dining room opens on the left, having seating accommodation for fifty guests, while on the right of the corridor there are numerous private writing rooms, etc. The dining room is finished in solid oak, and lit by four light electroliters, hanging by brass chains.

The commercial community will find that their wants will be well looked after, sample rooms and livery stables being attached to the hotel.

NEW MOTOR

Mr. E. A. LeGallais is showing a fine new Overland 5 passenger car in his ware rooms. Ned thinks the snow is taking to long to disappear, he is so anxious to try her out.

LONG SESSION AT TOWN COUNCIL

Special Meeting to Frame Bill for Presentation to the Legislature.

STATEMENT ASKED FOR

A special meeting of the council was held on Tuesday evening His Worship Mayor McDonald presiding, there were also present Councillors Alexander, Moores, White, Lunan, Miller and Pinault.

Minutes of the previous regular meeting read and confirmed.

The Council then took up the special business of the evening, and W. A. Trueman the Town Solicitor read the draft of the bill. After discussion and amending of the measure it was adopted by the Council.

The Bill provides for (1) the taxation of property to mean real estate owned or leased, (2) a vote of property owners to be taken before the clause is adopted, (3) separation from the county in respect to assessments for which the town has separate jurisdiction as the Board of Health, and Pauper Lunatics, (4) Fees for arbitrators and time for filing their award etc.

The bill will be sent to Fredericton this week and will be taken charge of by the members for the county.

The clause in the bill relating to the two year term for Councillors, was thrown out by the Council.

Communication read from G. E. Asker regarding transportation charges of Mrs. London to St. John. Referred to Public Charities Committee with power to act.

Communication read from W. A. Trueman, regarding the lease from the Crown of private lands for sewerage purposes. This was referred to Water and Sewerage Committee.

Communication from the Building Inspector regarding the reconstruction of the temporary building lately burned on Water Street, occupied by J. R. Sharp. This letter occasioned quite a discussion on the by-law governing shacks in Fire District No. 1, and after the Town Solicitor had given his opinion it was moved and carried that the building inspector see the proprietor once more, and if he refused to abide by the by-laws to take proceedings against him.

Communication from T. Wran regarding return of overpaid taxes, was referred to Assessment Committee.

Councillor Miller submitted report of Finance Committee recommending that the town apportion the sum of \$50.00 for advertising space in the Merchants and Manufacturers proposed catalogue.

The Chairman of the following committees submitted reports recommending payments of their respective Accounts as follows:

Water and Sewerage department \$84.93, Public Property and Streets department, \$298.66, Public Charities department \$35.00

Councillor Lunan submitted report of the Police and Licence Committee recommending the granting of a license to conduct a restaurant by Messrs. Jardine & Campbell on payment of \$10. Report received and adopted.

A further report from Councillor Moores with regard to rents on Matheson's Flats was laid on the table, and a full return ordered of all moneys paid for rent on houses in Matheson's Flats since 1st July 1911.

Adjourned.

THE FIRST ROBIN

School children reported Tuesday that the first robin had arrived. He must have alighted at the wrong station as it is still winter here.

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