

PARLIAMENT OF CANADA.

Special to the Tribune.

Exposure of a Conspiracy to Blackmail Mr. Dodge into the Opposition Ranks—Great Excitement.

Ottawa, March 18. Mr. Miller presented a petition in favor of amending the Pilot Laws of the harbor of St. John.

At the meeting of the House yesterday afternoon petitions were presented against three Opposition members. The Premier announced that a Court of Appeals was still under consideration.

Mr. Dodge rose to a personal explanation, and read articles in the Toronto Globe charging him with having forged letters for use in his canvass of North York. The charges he pronounced utterly base, false and malicious. He had written authority for the use of Dr. Clarke's name. Canon Ramsay had written congratulating him on his election, and the letter had been followed by a cool request for \$2,500 for services in the canvass. This he refused to pay.

A suit was instituted and withdrawn, and then Ramsay had given the Toronto Globe certain letters the publication of which would ruin him, and intimated that the use to be made of those documents would depend entirely on the vote he (Dodge) should give in Parliament. There was great cheering and intense excitement, amid which Mr. Edgar, the blackmailing agent of George Brown alluded to, denied that he had threatened Mr. Dodge with the publication of the letters in case he (Mr. Dodge) would not support the Government. He had merely informed him that Brown had the damaging letters. Mr. Dodge repeated his charge, saying that Mr. Edgar had left the impression on his mind that the charge of forgery would be made by the Globe in case he (Mr. Dodge) voted with the Opposition, and the charge had been made immediately after his first vote for the Government. There was wild cheering from the Government ranks when this charge of political blackmailing was so forcibly brought home. Mr. Holton said Mr. Dodge should not have been permitted to notice newspaper charges. The speaker said the member had a right to deny grave public charges, and ruled that there could be no discussion. Mr. Angus then taught the speaker his duty in the matter, and was put down with cries of "order." There was much confusion and great excitement, and the House adjourned. The letters published by the Globe are one from Rev. S. P. Ramsay, and a letter from Rev. S. A. Clark, D. D., of Elizabeth, New Jersey, to Dean Ramsay, endorsing Mr. Dodge as a gentleman of broad Christian liberality, whose name was in all the churches of his native country, who was the founder of charitable institutions, who was the patron of every good work, no matter what denomination it was connected with. This letter, and the letter from Dean Ramsay in forward to Mr. Dodge, are pronounced by the Globe to be deliberate forgeries, written and signed by Mr. Dodge, and published for the purpose of aiding his election.

In the Senate yesterday Mr. Miller asked if any new instructions had been received in reference to the titles of Provincial Law Governors. Mr. Campbell said none had been received since the Duke of Buckingham's dispatch of June, 1885, which explicitly stated that Lieutenant Governors should only be entitled to His Honor, and he was surprised that any gentleman should allow himself to be called by any other title than the Queen had conferred.

In reply to Mr. Reed, Mr. Campbell said the Government did not intend establishing a Dominion Postal Delivery. The outlay would be too great. Neither was it the intention of the Government to erect official residences for Ministers in Ottawa, though such might be desirable.

PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE.

Special Telegram to the Tribune.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

FREDERICTON, March 18. Dr. Alexander introduced a bill relating to the Police districts of St. John; a bill relating to suits and proceedings in which the City Corporation of St. John is interested; a bill to invest the appointment of the Recorder of St. John in the Common Council, and a bill to legalize the assessment for school purposes in and for the City of St. John for 1872; Mr. Maher, a bill relating to part of the line of Street Railway in St. John; Mr. Ryan, a bill exempting the Albert Mining Company from local taxation for a certain period; from the Attorney General, a bill legalizing the assessment of the parishes of Wickham and Peterborough, Queen's County, for 1872, and a bill respecting the appointment of Queen's Counsel, and regulating the precedence of members of the Bar; the Provincial Secretary, a bill relating to public works. He also laid before the House a statement of the expenses of the "Better Terms" delegation and the export duty delegation, and a detailed account of the expenditure of \$4,000 for purchasing a Diamond Borer.

The consideration of the law procedure bill was resumed and a debate arose on the section allowing the Sheriff fees on writs whether served by him or not. Mr. Hanington moved to strike out the section. The amendment was lost. Hanington, Landry, Adams, Blanchard and Maher voting for it. Progress was reported.

Hon. Mr. Willis's liquor bill was committed. It provides that liquor saloons shall be closed from 9 p.m. to 7 a.m. Mr. Hibbard, Coran, and Lindsay favored the bill, and Gough, Alward and Adams opposed it. Progress was reported.

Today's Proceedings.

The following bills were introduced: By Crawford, a bill relating to the recovery of Dower; by Alward, a bill enlarging the jurisdiction of the City Court of St. John, a bill to provide for a special assessment in St. John on the Eastern side of the harbor, and a bill authorizing the further issue of Debentures to pay for certain improvements made by the City of St. John; Palmer, a bill relating to the Great Marsh, Hopewell, Albert County; Maher, a bill relating to Peters Wharf, St. John, and a bill to issue preferred stock, and a petition from the Company furnishing the same.

Messrs. Humphrey, Ryan, Harrison, Phillips, and Macpherson were appointed a Committee to whom was referred the petition of Alexander Fraser & Co.; and Messrs. Crawford, Robinson, and Attorney General, a Committee to consider the bill relating to Parish Church, &c., Sussex.

The Committee appointed to consider the bill relating to the Back Creek Driving Company reported favorably. The Committee to whom was referred the bill relating to municipalities, also reported favorably.

Hon. Mr. Crawford's bill relating to seven County Courts, on receiving further consideration of the Committee of the Whole House, was agreed to.

On the report of the committee to whom was referred the German town Lake matter, namely, that the Commissioners had performed their duty and should be remunerated.

The House, in committee on Mr. Butler's bill incorporating the Back Creek Driving Company, reported progress.

The bill incorporating the Foster and McAdam Stone River Driving Company was referred to a Special Committee—Messrs. Donald, Tibbets, and Cale.

The House then went into consideration of a bill incorporating the Hopewell Free Stone Mining Company. It was agreed to without discussion.

The committee on Cover's bill relating to the municipality of Sundry County agreed to with certain amendments.

The House went into Committee on Girouard's Bill increasing the representation of Kent; and Hon. Mr. Crawford was speaking when the House rose.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

The bill to legalize the Fredericton assessment was agreed to, Messrs. Hanington and McInerney speaking and voting against it.

Court of Sessions. The Sessions for the City and County met at 11 o'clock this morning. W. H. A. Keans, Esq., owing to illness of the Recorder, presided. About fifty justices were present at the opening and the number increased before the close. The Grand Jury were called; a majority not being present, Mr. Calvin Powers was sent out to look for one of the lost jurors.

The number being completed they retired and elected James Reynolds as foreman. W. H. A. Keans, Esq., gave the charge to the jury, and presented the accounts which had been printed for their examination and report.

Justice Marshall moved that copies of a Justice's assessment which he submitted be sent before the Grand Jury. Mr. Keans could not put the motion but told him to send it along.

Justice Taylor handed in a requisition for an assessment for repairs to the Alms House which was laid over until next meeting.

The names of the parish officers for St. Martin's were read, and the names of the said electors, accusing them of being guilty of fraud, forgery, and several other crimes. This created some discussion, in which Justices Stewart, Gilbert, Moran, Moore and others took part. The elections were confirmed by motion. This was the only parish that reported, and committees were appointed to file the other parishes, after a lively and useless discussion which wasted a good deal of time.

The old surveyors of lumber who have taken out their warrants were reappointed, and several new ones were added.

Samuel Hayward was appointed Harbormaster for Moushagh, and John McNulty, pilot for the same port.

The quarterly salaries of the various officers connected with the Sessions were passed.

The County Treasurer's report was read, showing a balance of over \$80 against the County, which, with a number of bills, were referred to a committee. The Sessions then adjourned until Tuesday the 25th inst., at 11 o'clock.

The Daily Tribune not acceded to a city advertising matter.

St. John Magistrates. A very large number of Justices were present at the meeting this morning. It was generally remarked what a fine, able looking body of men they were. The wish was expressed that a photographic view of the body should be obtained. What enterprising photographer will take the matter in hand? The Justices would all of course interest themselves and keep it to show.

Summary. The New Brunswick left Portland this morning at 20 minutes after 7, and is due here about 7 to-morrow morning.

FIRST PRIZE.

THE CELEBRATED GARDNER LOCK STITCH Sewing Machine

RECEIVED the first prize at the most perfect model of a Sewing Machine, at the late Exhibition in Hamilton, Ontario.

A large assortment at the Gene & Agency, W. H. PATTERSON, 25 KING STREET.

By Telegraph.

Canadian, British and Foreign.

[To the Associated Press.]

New York, March 17, p. m. Gold 110 1/4; slight exchange 8 3/4; pressure in money market continues unabated.

The small pleasure steamer Grace Irving, founder in Boston Bay yesterday; five persons were drowned, including Hon. James Ritchie, ex-Mayor of Roxbury.

St. Patrick's day was observed in all the principal cities with the customary demonstrations.

The President has nominated Judge Richardson, of Massachusetts, to succeed Mr. Boutwell, as Secretary of the Treasury.

A fire at Ogdenburg, New York, yesterday, burned buildings extending from Ford to Water streets, and from Catherine River, loss, \$250,000; insurance, \$100,000.

LONDON, March 17. Gladstone has returned to London. The Echo says Gladstone will not withdraw his resignation. It believes the formation of a Ministry is still on the hands of the Conservatively.

Consols closed 93 5/8 a 93 3/4; markets generally steady.

(Special to the Tribune.) Death of Mr. Greg—St. Patrick's Day—Robbery—Accident.

Ottawa, March 18. Mr. Greg, chief of the Toronto Mail's reportorial staff at Ottawa, died this morning of congestion of the lungs, after many years of newspaper life. He was considered the best Parliamentary reporter in Canada. He was a young man, and leaves a wife and three children. His remains will be taken to Toronto to-night.

The proceedings of St. Patrick's day closed with a grand concert at the rink, which was largely attended.

Paco's jewelry store was robbed last night of \$500 worth of goods.

A man named Seivryng was shot in Hull last night, accidentally.

New York, March 18. BOUTWELL'S POLICY. Ex-Secretary Boutwell was yesterday qualified as United States Senator from Massachusetts. Senator Sumner presented him. In a letter to the retiring Secretary, the President graciously indorses his financial policy, and expresses the hope that his successor will make no departure from it, "except such as experience and change of circumstances may make necessary."

THE MINISTERIAL CHIEFS. Cable advices this morning report that the British Premier, as it appears that Disraeli is unwilling to form a new Government, and is detained only by the completion of the present Parliament. The sitting yesterday was adjourned.

Thursday next. Merchants' Exchange. The following dispatches were received at the Exchange to-day: Montreal, March 17th.—Liverpool breadstuffs, market quiet.

Flour 28s. Red wheat 1s. 2d. Corn 28s. 6d. 27s. Cotton 9s. 1/2. Flour market quiet, lower 1s. 1/2. No. 2 Spring wheat \$1.60 a \$1.65. Western midland 95c. a 96c. Market firm.

Grain freights 6 1/2 to 7d. Prime redwheat 8 1/2; good do. 8 1/4. Prime do. 8 1/4. Cuba, Clearinghouse molasses 3 1/2; Porto Rico molasses 40c. a.

Receipts of flour 7,000 bush; sales 5,000. Receipts of wheat 13,000 bush; sales 15,000.

Receipts of corn 16,000 bush; sales 115,000. Montreal—Flour market quiet, quotations unchanged.

Ordinary Canada and Welland Canal \$5.50 a \$6; Fancy \$6.40 a \$6.50. Extra \$7.00 a \$7.25.

Receipts of flour 3,000 barrels; sales 800. Oats 31c. a 32c.; barley 45c. a 60c. Chicago—No. 2 Spring wheat \$1.20. Market dull, heavier.

New York, March 18th. Gold opened at 115 1/2. The Action of the Board of Trade. At a meeting of the Council of the Board of Trade, held yesterday, it was decided that the Council are unanimously of opinion that the bill now before Parliament, proposing to restrict the amount of dockloads carried by vessels sailing for the West Indies in the winter months, will, if enacted, be injurious to the trade of the port, and

Further Resolved that the Minister of Marine be requested to defer action upon said bill until the memorial from this Board can reach Parliament.

Messrs. J. W. Scammell, R. S. DeVeber, and W. C. Watson were appointed a committee to prepare a memorial on the subject.

The Secretary had the resolution immediately telegraphed and the memorial will be sent this week.

City Police Court. Timothy White, William Atkins, Edward Corbett and George Brocklebank were each fined \$4 this morning for being drunk in different parts of the city.

Thomas Connors and a companion came up from Sheffield street, and on Main street commenced fighting. The police came up and were able to secure Connors, who will pay \$10, or spend the next two months in the penitentiary.

FREE Sample Bottles of Adamson's Botanic Balsam, at all Druggists. Pleasant and unailing Remedy for Asthma, Coughs, Colds, Lung Complaints, &c. Large Bottles, 25 cents. H. L. SPENCER, Agent, 20 Nelson Street, St. John. 412.

Digby Lighthouse Destroyed. Advice received in the city yesterday, report the total destruction of the lighthouse, at the entrance to Digby Gut, by fire. This is a serious loss and one likely to be much felt by vessels entering the side, unless a substitute be speedily erected.

NEW GOODS.

NARCH 11th, 1873.

Bleached SHIRTINGS

AND IRISH LINENS!

Good makes and good value.

MANCHESTER, ROBERTSON & ALISON

ORGANS. CABINET ORGANS.

Smith American Organ Company. A FULL ASSORTMENT OF EXHIBITION

No. 75 Prince William Street. PHOTOGRAPHER.

Cor. King and German Streets.

REPAIR and Refurnish his GALLERY WITHIN ANOTHER WEEK.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE. PORT OF SAINT JOHN.

ARRIVED. Monday, March 17th.—Ship Tiger, 1180, C. Day, Boston, Wm. Thomas & Co. bal.

Ship Enterprise, 1000, Boston, Boston, Sumner & Co. bal.

Ship York, 1000, Boston, Boston, Sumner & Co. bal.

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