

DOMINION PARLIAMENT.

HOUSE OF COMMONS

OTTAWA, May 27.—Mr. Blair's railway commission bill was taken up in committee.

Mr. McLean asked if the minister intended placing express companies under the control of the commission.

Mr. Blair said that the bill was large enough already and he was desirous of having it passed this season. He recognized the importance of the question raised by Mr. MacLean, but it would be better to deal with it by a separate bill.

Mr. McCreary said that it was desirable that the bill should be passed this session, and therefore it ought not to be loaded up so that it was impossible to get it through.

Mr. Blair, in reply to Mr. Haggart, said that portion of the main line of the C. P. R. west of Callender would not be under the control of the commission. The local railways in the provinces would not be under the commission, but the mileage was small indeed of railways not brought under the jurisdiction of the Dominion parliament. No other railway company would have any exemption.

Mr. Haggart expressed the opinion that, if the government chose, it had the right to bring the Canadian Pacific within the control of the commission. No contract which the country had made with the company should be allowed to stand in the way of public interest.

Mr. McLean said that under the C. P. R. contract there was power to bring it and its rates under control. Clause 20 of that contract gave power to the government in council to reduce the rates at any time to a figure which would give the company not less than ten per cent. on the capital expenditure. One benefit of the commission would be that it would take up this matter.

Mr. Blair did not think that parliament would venture to interfere with the C. P. R.

Mr. McLean moved that the bill include express companies.

Mr. Campbell, West York, strongly supported the bill.

Mr. Barker favored the I. C. R. being included in the bill.

In a reply to a question from Mr. Kemp, Mr. Blair said that Canadian freight classification No. 12 has not yet been approved by the governor in council. No freight classification has been approved since November or October 1899.

The militia estimates were taken up. The old trouble about the Valleyfield strike and the calling out of the militia was rehearsed. The minister said the government

had to pay the men, and he understood that a suit was now pending to collect the amount from the municipality. In regard to his militia bill, the minister said that he would shortly make it possible to go on with it. If so he would give the reasons later.

Mr. Bernier has given notice of three bills, one to amend the militia act another to amend the election light inspection act, and the third to amend the weights and measures act.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier has given notice that the government will take Mondays for questions and private bills. All days of the week will then be for government business.

Mr. Logan says he received a letter from Wm. Wainwright of the Grand Trunk to-night, conveying the information that he would consent to an addition of a clause to the Grand Trunk Pacific bill providing for the extension of the line from Quebec to Moncton through the middle of New Brunswick. The news is received here with great satisfaction by the Maritime Province members.

Boy's Sudden Death

Under Suspicious Circumstances.

FREDERICTON, May 29.—A colored boy named Bruce Wheary, aged six, dead under suspicious circumstances at the home of his grandmother, Mrs. David Wheary, Westmorland street last night, Coroner George McNally has ordered an inquest to hear evidence to-night.

The boy who was apparently a perfectly healthy lad, was out playing with other children of the neighborhood yesterday after dinner Mrs. Wheary says he returned to the house about 2 o'clock complaining of being tired and sleepy that she gave him some medicine extract of wild strawberry, and that he soon afterwards went to sleep. About 4 o'clock a daughter of Mrs. Wheary's called her mother's attention to the boy's heavy breathing and unusual appearance. Dr. Haray McNally was summoned and pronounced the case one of opium poisoning. Every known effort was restored to revive the boy, but he never recovered consciousness and died shortly before midnight.

Mrs. Wheary when asked by the coroner for the bottle from which she gave the child medicine produced an empty, scented bottle, dirty with the stains of old medicine apparently. She is said to have given two contradictory accounts of how and where she got the medicine, one to the coroner and the other to a newspaper reporter. It is stated that the child's life was insured in the Metropolitan under the weekly pay system.

FOR MACDONALD MEMORIAL.

Scottish Societies in Toronto Unite.

TORONTO, May 20.—Delegates from all the Scottish societies in the city met last night and decided to unite in an effort to raise funds for a memorial to the late General Sir Hector MacDonald. It was resolved also to ask all other Scotch organizations in Canada and Scotchmen generally, to co-operate in the work. The form which the memorial may take will be decided later.

Strike Is Over

Montreal Street R. R. Co. Able to run all Cars.

MONTREAL, May 28.—The Montreal street railway inaugurated practically its old service this morning, and the strike is over. The company are employing all the old men who apply individually for work, but they are firm in their purpose not to recognize any union whether national or international. They will, however, be pleased to give their own employees every encouragement to form a benevolent association for their own benefit. The great bulk of the cars are manned by all crews. The company, however, are taking advantage of the opportunity of getting clear of some undesirable men, and will not re-engage any who have been guilty of unlawful acts during the strike.

TWO YEARS FOR MURDER

Light Sentence on German Ensign Who Killed Artilleryman.

BERLIN, May 26.—Ensign Hussner, charged with killing an artilleryman with his sword, owing to the later's omission of a salute, was today sentenced to two years' imprisonment. Hussner's replies to the president's questions were straightforward. He said that while regretting that his sword strokes killed the artilleryman, he affirmed that he acted within the service instructions, and that he was obliged by honor to compel obedience.

The impression made by the prolonged examination of Hussner on the spectators was that his action was the result of the system of training on material which was dull and passionate, and which affected a mind filled with exaggerated ideas of honor.

The court read a letter, which Hussner wrote to his mother from prison, and in which he said: "God Almighty will not desert me, because I only acted as I had to. If I am punished I shall have the glad consciousness of having maintained my honor unimpaired. It is, after all, the highest gift that a man can possess. I trust in my Redeemer, Jesus Christ."

"My cell was opened this morn'g and my dinner was brought in. The food is quite good. My fellow-prisoners look with envy upon it."

The poet—But, sir, everybody who reads my verses say they contain a great deal of true poetic fire.

The Editor—Oh, I don't doubt that, but, you see, our establishment is stream heated.

Did the notes of a bird ever move you? asked the poetic girl. Yes, replied the young man. I used to call on a young lady, and every time the cuckoo announced the hour of 10 I went home.

Frightful Case of Protruding Piles

Doctor wanted to burn them with a red-hot iron—Cured by Dr. Chase's Ointment. MR. ALEX. MCLEAN, Tarbot Vale, N.S., writes:—"As section man on the railroad, I was exposed to all sorts of weather, my health failed, and I became a victim of protruding piles. Though a doctor treated me for piles, they only grew worse and I was forced to give up work and go home. My sufferings could scarcely be described. I could not walk or lie down, and while the rest of the family slept I would be groaning with excruciating pains. "The second doctor told me the piles would have to be burned with a red-hot iron, but I could not think of undergoing such an operation, so he gave me a box of ointment, for which he charged me two dollars, but did me no good. My experience with Dr. Chase's Ointment is that the first application did me more good than did the two doctors, and finally made me as well and free from piles as any man. Since being cured I worked during the winter in the lumber woods, and had no return of my old trouble. Dr. Chase's Ointment was worth one hundred dollars a box to me."

One of Canada's Jurists. This Lieutenant-Governor of Quebec, Sir Louis-Joseph Papineau, is one of the most prominent figures in the history of the province. He was born in 1786, and died in 1841. He was a member of the Legislative Council of the Province of Canada, and was also a member of the House of Commons. He was a strong advocate of the rights of the French-Canadian people, and was a leading figure in the movement for responsible government. He was also a member of the Executive Council of the Province of Canada, and was a member of the Privy Council of the United Kingdom. He was a man of great ability and courage, and his name is remembered with respect and admiration by the people of Quebec.

The Mosquito. But all over Ontario that vindictive and typhoid-propagating insect, the mosquito, is a pest. In rural and suburban districts, broken crockery, flower-pots and discarded vegetable and fruit cans in a back yard will often hold enough rainwater to attract an egg-laying mosquito. Of course, ponds furnish a larger problem, but not an insoluble one. With them drainage must be resorted to, and drainage calls for co-operation. For that matter, so do other methods of campaigning. Fighting mosquitoes is like shovelling snow. If Jones cleans his sidewalk, and Smith is negligent, the public house, the benefit of the former's diligence, and Jones is tempted to regret his own zeal. If one man cleans up his yard and denies the mosquito a breeding-place, and his neighbor does not, virtue is not adequately rewarded. Virtue is continually getting it in the cervical vertebrae, anyhow, but the man who is not ready to lament the fact can make no use of it. Effective bluff in the direction of convincing his fellow-citizens that he desires to look on life from high altitudes, while he hits up the high, clear ringing note that he should always have on tap.

Patience—Why, she gave the best representation of Ophelia I ever saw.

Patrice—Indeed! Yes. You know Ophelia is supposed to be mad?

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Cause it's dull, replied Farmer Hayrick; what did ye s'pose? H'm, always file things when they're dull, do y'u? Wall, no; that's that weekly sheet o' yours; I never file that.

Backlotz—You don't mean to say this is the first you've heard of it?

Subbubs—Yes. Backlotz—Why, it's the talk of the neighborhood.

Subbubs—Yes, but my wife is away on a visit.

Assessors' Notice.

The undersigned having been appointed and sworn as assessors of rates for the town of Newcastle in the county of Northumberland, hereby give notice to every person and body incorporated liable to be assessed within the said town, to furnish the assessors, within thirty days from this date hereof, with a written detailed statement of real and personal estate and income for which they are liable to be assessed within the said Town.

Blank forms for statements may be had from any of the assessors on application.

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