

PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY—FREDERICTON,
Wednesday, February 18.

GRAMMAR SCHOOLS.

The motion of Mr. Morehouse, the house went into a Committee of the whole on the Bill in addition to the College and Grammar School Act.—Mr. Robinson in the Chair.

Mr. Morehouse stated, that the sole object of the Bill is to amend the provisions of the Act relating to Grammar Schools, to the new County of Carleton. Application had been made to his Excellency to appoint Trustees for that County, preparatory to establishing a Grammar School, but it was found that no such appointment could be made in a new County, where no Grammar School existed. He (Mr. M.) therefore hoped, there would be no objection to passing this Bill, to authorize the establishment of a Grammar School in the County of Carleton.

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OTHER EDUCATIONAL MATTERS.

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EXTRACTS FROM THE JOURNALS.

Monday, February 16.

Mr. L. A. Wilnot, by leave, presented a Petition from John Ward, Thomas Millidge, Ralph M. Jarvis, David Hatfield, George Harding, W. B. Kincaid, Robert Rankin, John Ward, Junior, Lauchlan Donaldson, Isaac L. Bodell and 177 others, Merchants, Citizens and Inhabitants of Saint John, praying that the Bank of New Brunswick be incorporated.

Mr. Woodward, by leave, presented a Petition from Henry Chubb, Donald A. Cameron, Lewis W. Dumas, and others, praying that an Act may be passed to incorporate a Company for manufacturing purposes.

Mr. Woodward moved for leave to bring in a Bill, for the Incorporation of the Loch Lomond Paper Company.—The said Bill being brought in, was read a first time.

Tuesday, February 17.

Mr. Brown, from the Finance Committee, made a report which he read, and is as follows:—
“That they had under investigating the Accounts and Papers which have come under their consideration, the state of the Province, with regard to its Financial concerns, to stand thus, on the 31st of December last:—
Bills of the Province, £12,700 0 0
Warrants issued and unpaid, and those in the hands of the Treasurer, £2,700 0 0
Drawbacks for which the requisite Certificates have not yet been issued, 1,781 3 6
Due the Savings Bank at Saint John, 2,367 4 1
Do do do, St. Andrews, 1,069 0 0
Due the N. B. Fire Insurance Company, 1,000 0 0

Amount of Bonds and Cash in hands of the Treasurer and Deputy Treasurers, £29,400 0 0
Less due to Light House, Seamen and Emigrant Funds, about, 4,000 0 0
Balance against the Province, £25,400 0 0

No part of the amount due the Fire Insurance Company and Savings Banks (say £13,472) is covered by the Revenue of 1844, available for the appropriations of the present year, £4,021 0 0
Probable Revenue of the current year, about half of which will be in Bonds at the year's end, 45,000 0 0
Expenses incurred by Boards of Health, about, 2,000 0 0
The annual charges against the Province amount to nearly £20,000, independent of the appropriations for Roads and Bridges.

The Committee would respectfully recommend, that the Annual Allowances usually granted out of the Ordinary Revenue of the Province to the Law Officers of the Crown should, after the present year, be discontinued; that in providing for the Ordinary Services, and in making all the other necessary appropriations, the nature and extent of the several services should be fully considered, and that in no case should more than a fair compensation be allowed.
The inconveniences and losses arising from the want of the means to enable the Treasurer to make ready payments, have long been severely felt throughout the Province. The Committee therefore respectfully recommend, that the Revenue may be so increased, or the expenditure so reduced, as to insure prompt payments at the Treasury.
The Committee consider the internal improvement of the Country as an object of the highest importance, and they are convinced that a strict and rigid economy in all the appropriations is absolutely necessary, in order to secure a proper share of the Revenue for opening and improving the Roads.

James Brown, Jr., J. W. Weldon, William Crane, J. R. Partelow, Hugh Johnston, Wm. McLeod.

THE OBSERVER.

ST. JOHN, TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 1835.

The English January mail arrived last week. London dates to the 8th of that month. The Parliamentary elections were engrossing the principal attention of the people throughout the United Kingdom.—We copy the following summary from the Halifax papers.
The January Packet (says the Nova Scotia) arrived on Friday, bringing London papers to the 8th, and Falmouth to the 10th. They are chiefly filled with speculations as to the results of the elections, which were in progress. The Tories confidently anticipate a majority—the Whigs and Radicals laugh at their presumption. But little can be gathered from the termination of those contests which had been already decided. Though we have not much leisure to speculate on these matters, we have every confidence in the intelligence and public spirit which in the four seas, and have little doubt that political power will not be suffered to remain long in the hands of any body of men who do not use it for the general good.

Four whigs, Messrs. Weldon, Partelow, Crawford, and Grote, have been returned for city of London.
It is said that the Duke of Cumberland has written to the leaders of the Ultra Tory party, strenuously urging them to rally round Sir Robert Peel, and to forget, in the difficulties of the present crisis, any unpleasant feelings which the former conduct of that minister may have excited in their minds.
Sir Howard Douglas, who was one of the Candidates for Liverpool, lost his election by a majority of FIVE. This is much to be regretted, as very great advantage might be expected to have resulted to the Colonies from the return of a person so well acquainted with, and so warmly disposed to forward their interests, as Sir Howard.—Lord Sandon and Mr. Ewart were returned.—Halifax Journal.

The Dublin Dispatch says that Sir Robert Peel has given positive instructions that the military in Ireland are not upon any accounts to interfere, directly, in the collection of tithes.
Capt. Ross, (now Sir J. Ross) is to receive the third class of the Order of the Bath.
Donations amounting to £3,000 have been already voluntarily presented towards the Establishment of the Wesleyan Institution.
Legacies to the Wesleyan Missionary Society, to the amount of £6,000 have been announced within the last fortnight. One gentleman residing near Reading is said to have left £1,000.
The Mediterranean squadron now consists of twenty-seven vessels, carrying 1094 guns.
On Thursday last, the ship Hira sailed from Gravesend for Falmouth, Jamaica, having on board 103 agricultural labouring men, women, and children, who are to be attached to the estate of the Hon. Richard Barrett, the Speaker of the Assembly there.
Agents are now in this country arranging for the departure of a considerable number of labourers to the West Indies, under an arrangement which will, after a period of servitude, make them small proprietors.
Vice-Admiral Sir Robert Walter Otway, K. C. B., is appointed to succeed Vice-Admiral the Right Hon. Sir George Cockburn, G. C. B. (appointed First Sea Lord of the Admiralty) in the West India and North American command. It was in the West Indies that Sir Robert Otway commenced his distinguished career, in one of the most gallant and hard fought actions of the late war.—London paper.

In the Assembly, on Thursday, the Grand Manan Herring Fishery Bill was read to, by a vote of 12 to 10, after a stout resistance by Messrs. Brown, Weyer, and Clinch. It was supported by Messrs. Allen, Partelow, and J. M. Wilmot.
On Friday, in Committee of Ways and Means, Mr. Crane moved a resolution to impose an additional duty on all Wines imported into the Province, to which Mr. Johnston moved an amendment, to the effect that a discriminating duty should be imposed on all Wines, and that the duties on low wines should be lessened.—Mr. Johnston's amendment prevailed by a vote of 16 to 14. An extra duty of 2s. per gallon on Brandy imported into the Province, was also passed 16 to 11.—On motion of Mr. Weldon the Committee rose.
On Saturday, in Committee of Supply, £250 was voted to the Corporation of this City, for the improvement of the Mill Bridge leading to Portland.

“Of the above amount of £27,683 3 8 due the Bank for Notes discounted, the thirteen Directors and the Mercantile establishments with which they were connected in business, were collectively Promissors to the amount of £11,464 14 10
Endorsers, do do, 15,166 16 4
Total, £26,631 11 2
“They were at the same time owners of 331 Shares of the Capital Stock.
“Since the Bank went into operation, a period of upwards of fourteen years, only about forty pounds have been lost by bad debts. The amount now outstanding is all considered good, and no real estate is held as collateral security for any part of it; a circumstance all creditable to the Bank and the community.

By the following assets, viz:—
Real Estate, Bank & Furniture, £3,242 10 1
Money due the Bank for Notes discounted on personal security, 87,683 3 8
Gold and Silver Coins, £15,366 9 5
Specie deposited in United States Bank, 5,994 11 3
Amount in Agents' New-York, 5,994 11 3
Do do in Agents' New-York, 1,796 3 2
Do do in Boston, 394 11 6
Do do in London, 1,584 13 7
25,738 8 11
£116,066 8 8

By the following liabilities, viz:—
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