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**NOTICES.**

**JAMES HOWARD COLLIS,**  
Dealer and Importer of  
**ENGLISH & AMERICAN**  
**HARDWARE,**  
Picture Moulding, Glass  
Looking Glass, Pictures  
Glassware, &c., &c.  
**TROUTING GEAR,**  
In great variety and best quality, WHOLE-  
SALE and RETAIL.  
**221 WATER STREET,**  
St. John's,  
Newfoundland.  
One door East of P. HUGHES, Esq.  
**N.B.—FRAMES,** any size  
material, made to order.  
St. John's, May 10.

**FOR SALE.**

**RESERVES & GROCERIES!**

Just Received and For Sale by  
the Subscriber—  
**1 ve l Cove OYSTERS**  
Spiced do.  
**APPLES**  
**PEACEHS**  
Strawberries—preserved in  
Syrup  
Brambleberries do.  
—ALWAYS ON HAND—  
**A Choice Selection of**  
**GROCERIES.**  
T. M. CAIRNS.  
Opposite the Premises of Messrs. C.  
W. Ross & Co.  
Sept. 17.

**HARBOR GRACE**

**BOOK & STATIONERY DEPOT**  
**E. W. LYON, Proprietor.**  
Importer of British and American  
**NEWSPAPERS**  
—AND—  
**PERIODICALS.**

Constantly on hand, a varied selection of  
School and Account Books  
Prayer and Hymn Books for different de-  
nominations  
Music, Charts, Log Books, Playing Cards  
French Writing Paper, Violins  
Concertinas, French Musical Boxes  
Albums, Initial Note Paper & Envelopes  
Tissue and Drawing Paper  
A large selection of Dime & Half Dime  
**MUSIC, &c., &c.,**  
Lately appointed Agent for the OTTAWA  
PRINTING & LITHOGRAPH COMPANY  
Also, Agent for J. LINDBERG, Manufac-  
turing Jeweler.  
large selection of  
**CLOCKS, WATCHES**  
**MEERCHAUM PIPES,**  
**PLATED WARE,** and  
**JEWELRY** of every description & style  
May 14. tft

**W. H. THOMPSON,**  
AGENT FOR  
**Fellows' Compound Syrup**  
OF  
**HYPOPHOSPHITES**

**NOTICE.**  
**PAINLESS! PAINLESS!**  
**TEETH**  
Positively Extracted without  
Pain  
BY THE USE OF  
**NITROUS OXIDE GAS.**  
A NEW AND PERFECTLY SAFE  
METHOD.

**Dr. LOVEJOY & SON,**  
**OLD PRACTITIONERS OF DENTIS-**  
**TRY,** would respectfully offer their  
services to the Citizens of St. John's, and  
the outports.  
They can be found from 9 a.m. to 5  
p.m., at the old residence of Dr. George  
W. Lovejoy, No. 9, Cathedral Hill, where  
they are prepared to perform all Dental  
Operations in the most

Scientific and Approved Meth-  
od.

Dr. L. & Son would state that they  
were among the first to introduce the  
Anaesthetic (Nitrous Oxide Gas), and  
have extracted many thousand Teeth by  
its use

**Without producing pain,**  
with perfect satisfaction. They are still  
prepared to repeat the same process,  
which is perfectly safe even to Children.  
They are also prepared to insert the best  
Artificial Teeth from one to a whole Set  
in the latest and most approved style,  
using none but the best, such a  
received the highest Prem-  
iums at the world's Fair  
in London and Paris.  
Teeth filled with great care and in the  
most lasting manner. Especial attention  
given to regulating children's Teeth.  
St. John's, July 9.

**GEORGE BOWDEN,**

Repairer of Umbrellas and  
Parasols,  
No. 1, LION SQUARE,  
ST. JOHN'S, N.F.

**THE SUBSCRIBER,** in tendering  
thanks to his friends for the liberal  
patronage hitherto extended to him, begs  
to state that he may still be found at  
his residence, No. 1, Lion Square,  
where he is prepared to execute all  
work in the above line at the shortest  
notice, and at moderate rates.

All work positively finished by the  
time promised.  
Outport orders punctually at-  
tended to.  
St. John's, Jan. 4.

**172 WATER STREET, 172**

**JAMES FALLON,**  
**TIN, COPPER & SHEET-**  
**IRON WORKER,**

**BEGS** respectfully to inform  
the inhabitants of Harbor Grace  
and outports that he has com-  
menced business in the Shop No.  
172 Water Street, Harbor Grace,  
opposite the premises of Messrs. Puntin  
& Munn, and is prepared to fill all orders  
in the above lines, with neatness and  
despatch, hoping by strict attention to  
business to merit a share of public pa-  
trage.

**JOBGING**

Done at the Cheapest possible  
Terms.  
Dec. 13. tft

**BLANK FORMS**

Executed with NEATNESS  
and DESPATCH at the Office  
of this paper.

[FOR THE H. G. STAR.]  
PARODY.

**The Fishermen.**

Of all the pursuits that man's invented,  
The fisher's is the most contented;  
His calling good, his profits high,  
And on his labor all rely.  
The mechanics all by him are fed,  
By him the merchants seek their bread;  
His hand gives meat to everything,  
Up from the beggar to the king.  
The milk and honey, corn and meat,  
Are by his earnings bought complete;  
We then by vote may justly state,  
The fisher's rank among the great;  
More independent than them all  
That dwell upon this earthly ball.  
All hail! ye fishers, young and old,  
Pull on your lines with courage bold;  
Your wealth is gathered from the cod,  
Your independence from your God.  
If then the fish supports the nation,  
The men of every rank and station—  
Let kings to fisher's make a bow,  
And every man procure a "scow."

**House of Assembly.**

OFFICIAL REPORTS.

MONDAY, April 7.

The house met shortly after 4 o'clock.  
Mr. Parsons presented a petition from  
James Wheeler and others, of St. John's  
East, praying for an amendment of the  
Act for the preservation of game.  
Mr. Parsons in moving that the peti-  
tion lie on the table, supported its prayer.  
Ordered that the petition lie on the  
table.

On motion of the hon Receiver Gen-  
eral, the house re-elected itself into com-  
mittee of the Whole on Supply.

Mr. Parsons in the chair.  
Several votes were proposed and adopt-  
ed. Upon the grant to the Agriculture  
Society being proposed, a discussion en-  
sued as to the control to be exercised  
over the appropriation of the grant by  
the government, when

Mr. Warren said there appeared to be  
a desire to dispense with the services of  
the Agricultural Society in the encourage-  
ment of agriculture and the improve-  
ment of stock. The members for Twilling-  
gate and Fogo, especially, he (Mr. W.)  
understood, were altogether dissatisfied  
with the Society's operations. One of  
these hon members had imported seeds  
to the amount of nearly £30, which he  
distributed amongst his constituents,  
and then sent the account for these seeds  
to the Secretary of the Society, request-  
ing payment, which was refused, and he  
(Mr. W.) was one of the members of the  
Society's Committee who concurred in  
the refusal.

Hon Premier said the Government were  
desirous of establishing some principle  
upon which there should be a fair dis-  
tribution of seeds among the several dis-  
tricts. He (hon P.) now held a petition  
from the inhabitants of Western Bay,  
Conception Bay, the signatures to which  
occupied four columns, setting forth that  
the inhabitants of Western Bay, had not  
received any share whatever of the seeds  
they were in common with others entitled  
to, and praying for a grant for the estab-  
lishment of a local Agricultural Society  
throughout their district. It was the in-  
tention of the Legislature, so far as prac-  
ticable, that very district and every poor  
man in it should receive their protec-  
tion.

After a lengthy discussion by hon mem-  
bers, the vote was passed.  
Some other votes were also passed with-  
out debate.

On the vote of \$12,000 for Harbor  
Lights being moved,  
Mr. Rogerson asked where it was in-  
tended that those lights should be  
placed?

Hon Chairman Board Works said that  
he could speak positively as to the in-  
tention of the government to place lights  
at Boar Island and Rose Blanche, in the  
district of Burgeo and La Poile; at Fort  
Point, at the entrance of Trinity Harbor;  
and at Can Island, Seldom-come-by, in  
the district of Twillingate and Fogo.  
The vote was then passed.

The several votes in the estimate hav-  
ing been all gone through, except that  
of the special grant for each dist. ic.

Hon Receiver General begged to ask  
whether it was the intention of the gov-  
ernment to appoint a Stipendiary Magis-  
trate for Grenspond. The want of a  
Magistrate at this place was very much  
felt, and ought in justice be supplied.  
There was no Stipendiary Magistrate at  
any place in the long distance from Bona-  
vista to Twillingate. The adjoining dis-  
trict of Trinity had two Magistrates, and  
as he (hon S.G.) believed, was about to  
have a third, and that district could bet-  
ter do with only one than Bonavista, for  
the out-ship of Trinity Bay was not far  
from Conception Bay. It was not fair  
to the district of Bonavista that its

wants were not not attended to in this  
respect, like those of other districts.

Hon Receiver General said there had  
been no refusal to supply the wants of  
the district of Bonavista, but the mat-  
ter had not been brought under the no-  
tice of the government by any applica-  
tion or otherwise.

Hon Mr. Carter agreed with the hon  
Surveyor General, as to the great neces-  
sity for another magistrate in the dis-  
trict of Bonavista. It was an important  
and populous district, and was also very  
extensive and difficult to travel. Greens-  
pond was a place of great resort for ves-  
sels passing to and from the Northward,  
and especially upon the occurrence of  
losses at Labrador, it was a sort of half  
way house to go for assistance. There  
could be no second opinion as to the ne-  
cessity for a Magistrate at some other  
place in the district besides Bonavista.  
Other districts were better provided for.  
Twillingate had one, and he (Mr. C.) un-  
derstood it was intended to appoint a  
nother at Fogo, only twenty miles distant.  
The district of Burin had two Magistrates  
and very properly so. It was impossible  
that every civil or criminal business  
could be transacted in the district, with  
only one Stipendiary Magistrate at Bona-  
vista. A party who had a debt to recover  
under £5, would now have to come to  
Bonavista for a summons, and after get-  
ting judgment, if he could possibly do so,  
would have to get a constable from Bona-  
vista to enforce payment of the judg-  
ment. There would be the same difficulty  
and enormous expense in criminal cases  
for witnesses would have to be brought  
to Bonavista from the most distant parts  
of the district, and officers must be sent  
from there to arrest the parties charged.  
He (hon Mr. C.) hoped that this want  
would be supplied.

Upon the vote of \$2000 to each dis-  
trict for special purposes, being moved,

Hon Mr. Carter said he only objected  
to this vote because it was not a special  
vote; because a whole amount was set  
down without anything to point out how  
or for what purposes it was to be expen-  
ded. It was practically left to the gov-  
ernment to expend it as they pleased, and  
as they found it necessary for their own  
purposes. It was also a violation of the  
old established rule, that all appropria-  
tions for public purposes to the several  
districts should be on the basis of popu-  
lation. It was manifestly unjust that one  
district should receive as much for these  
special purposes as another district, with  
twice the population. And as to the  
appropriation, it was obvious that it was  
only an instrument in the hands of the  
of the government, to be used for their  
own purposes. If the members for any  
particular district were supporters of the  
Government they would, of course, be  
consulted, and their wishes carried out  
as to the expenditure; but if they were  
opposed to the Government, the grant  
would be expended without reference to  
the members representing the district  
and in such modes and upon such objects  
as would best promote the interests and  
effect the objects the Government might  
have in view. It was, of course, useless  
to make any opposition on that account.  
The government had the power, and they  
would use it, but a day of reckoning would  
come. There were others outside whose  
voice in these matters would yet be  
heard, and that voice would proclaim, in  
terms that could not be mistaken, that  
the members for the district of Placentia  
and St. Mary's should not have the con-  
trol of the public monies, not only for  
their own district, but for every other  
district in the country.

Hon Chairman Board of Works said he  
could not agree with the hon member for  
Burin that the special grants for public  
improvements should be upon the basis  
of population. The wants of some dis-  
tricts were much greater than those of  
others, though the population might be  
less. As an example, there was the dis-  
trict of Placentia and St. Mary's in which  
it was necessary to expend large sums  
upon particular purposes, such as the  
deepening of the Gut at Little Placentia  
to save the beach from being washed  
away. Such matters as these required a  
much larger outlay than this grant could  
supply, and therefore he (hon C. B. W.)  
wished that the grant were double what  
it is.

On the vote of \$1200 for two additional  
clerks in the Custom House being pro-  
posed for adoption,  
Hon. Mr. Carter said, it was certainly a  
most extraordinary thing that this vote  
was not placed in the Revenue Bill. He  
considered that there was a sufficient  
staff of officers for the collection of the  
revenue, and when application was made  
by the old and efficient officers, for in-  
crease of salary, it was hard upon them  
not to get it; and in lieu thereof an ad-  
ditional staff should be placed there for a  
political end. There was no application  
in the years 1871, and '72, when the re-  
venue was larger, for additional clerks.  
The Government made those appoint-  
ments, without consulting the House—a  
most unusual and unconstitutional course.

The rule heretofore had been, that where  
officers were to be appointed to a partic-  
ular department of the public service, it  
was submitted to the Legislature to vote  
their salaries, thus signifying their ap-  
proval. In this case it had not been  
done. The appointments had been made  
without any apparent ground; and when  
made they came before the house, not  
openly in their Revenue Bill, but in  
Supply, where it should not be. It is an un-  
just proceeding towards the old officers  
of the Customs. The Government party  
have their caucus meetings, and they  
make what appointments they please,  
totally ignoring the rights of the Assem-  
bly. It is their duty to bring such mat-  
ters before the Assembly, so that every  
member may have an opportunity of  
offering an opinion. You are setting a  
wholesome example certainly, and when  
you have your successors (and you are  
sure to have them) they will snub you as  
you yourselves have done to them.

Mr. Warren—That was a matter to which  
attention was drawn when the Revenue  
Bill was before the house. It was hard-  
hearted and illiberal on the part of the  
Government when an application was  
made by old and faithful servants of the  
Customs' staff, for compensation for extra  
services that they were denied it. In-  
stead, the Government appoint two extra  
officials to do the work. That certainly  
was not the reward due for the services of  
the old servants. He fully agreed with  
the hon and learned leader of the oppo-  
sition in everything he had said upon  
that matter.

Hon Receiver General—These two ap-  
pointments were absolutely necessary.  
The officers at the St. John's Custom  
House, many of them, were getting old,  
and it were well that others should be  
able to take their place. They would be  
initiated into the business of the Custom  
House, and there would be no difficulty,  
should the old officers be unable to per-  
form their duties, to get persons com-  
petent to take their place. He fully agreed  
with the hon members as to the efficiency  
of the present staff of officers. If an in-  
crease of salary were mooted, he certainly  
would not oppose it.

The sum for the several ferries were  
next voted.

Mr. Emerson wished to make an ob-  
servation or two on the special vote, before  
the House rose. He never had the slight-  
est desire to interfere in any way about  
the public monies, for it was exceedingly  
dangerous to allow members to touch one  
single penny of it. It was nothing but  
right though, that the representations and  
ideas of a member should be carried out  
by the Government, as far as reasonably  
in his district, now that the Government  
had undertaken to do. But while they  
kept the word of promise to the ear, they  
broke it to the hope. It would appear,  
however, as if the course pursued by the  
administration was something after the  
following plan. In any district in which  
it is likely that we can extend and work  
our influence as a counter check upon the  
opposition member, we will do so, while  
in districts in which there is no shadow of  
a chance for us in our attempts to create  
a diversion in favor of our policy, it is best  
to let the representative have his own  
way, so that he may not be able to utter  
a single complaint against us. And thus  
it was that in some places, such for in-  
stance, as the district represented by the  
hon member, Mr. Rogerson, there was no  
Government interference in the expendi-  
ture of the local votes. But the contrary  
was the case with him, Mr. Emerson. The  
power of influencing or directing the ex-  
penditure of the special grant was taken  
from him by the Government, and he was  
thus sought to be rendered unpopular  
among his constituents.

Hon Receiver General—The assertion  
of the hon member is without foundation  
as he himself (hon R. G.) had granted  
him privileges and favors, at his own  
request.

Hon Chairman Board Works had also  
conceded favours to the hon member.

Hon Premier would defy the hon mem-  
ber to say that the special vote had not  
been justly distributed and applied use-  
fully among the various settlements of  
the district. Who apportioned the road  
grant last year in the district represented  
by the hon member? The hon member  
brought his scale of distribution and it  
was agreed to, and does the hon mem-  
ber mean to say that if he made an improp-  
er appropriation of the road grant to favor  
his supporters to the prejudice of those  
opposed to him, that the committee  
would allow him to have his own way?  
He (hon P.) would not hesitate to tell him  
that they would not, and he himself would  
take care that he should not. The rec-  
ommendations of members, although  
they may be opposed themselves to the  
government, would always receive just  
consideration, as had been the case with  
the appropriations by the hon mem-  
ber in the past. The electioneering speeches  
of the hon member would not avail him,  
the people of his district would judge  
themselves in such matters.