

port and flour voluntary, to make inspection of fish compulsory.

Mr. Forbes moved an amendment that the inspection of fish be voluntary. He said marine interests were being unfairly taxed, and they were having good reasons to believe that they had not gained by the action of the Ministry.

Mr. Kilham supported compulsory inspection.

The amendment was defeated, yeas 28, nays 46.

After further discussion, the penalty for violating compulsory clause was fixed at not less than one dollar, and not more than five.

The Premier moved third reading of Pacific Railway Bill.

Mr. Kirkpatrick moved that sanction of Parliament be required for any contract for construction of Nipissing section.

British Columbia members moved several amendments requiring construction of road to be commenced within the year, which were lost.

Mr. Banister condemned Mr. Mitchell for voting against these amendments.

Mr. Mitchell contended he was acting consistently with the position he had from the first taken towards this ministry.

He could not, it was true, yield that hearty support to the bill that other members had done, although he approved of some portions of its details, and he had stated on former occasions what he now repeats.

That with a Government powerful in the number of votes they controlled, no action that he could take could possibly force them to alter their policy, while any embarrassment that was offered them by the arrangement of details would probably be made an excuse for any failure to carry out the plan.

In addition to that he felt that it was only just to the Government that in dealing with the most important question that had ever been submitted to a Canadian Parliament, we should not by fore going them to commence operations before the surveys were completed, which the amendment did, embarrass the future action.

After further discussion the bill passed. In reply to a question the Premier said he could not name a prorogation day.

House adjourned at 3 o'clock.

OTTAWA, May 21.

In the House to-day, Hon. Mr. Ross rose to a question of privilege. He denied ever having written a letter to Dennis Egan referred to the other night.

It was never placed in his hands, and he did not know its contents till he saw it in the papers. (Ministerial cheers.)

Mr. Macdonald (C.B.) wanted to know why Mr. Ross did not make it known that the charge was made. If he knew the charge was false he must have known then. Why did he wait days to consult and consider how he could meet the charge.

(Cheers.)

Mr. Macdonald proceeded amid loud Ministerial noises. He had received the letter two days before the election. He knew Mr. Ross and his handwriting well, and was sure the letter was written by him.

Hon. Mr. Holt—Produce the letter, Sir John. You produced it to me.

Mr. Macdonald—I promised to show it to you, and have it on the table with me. It was returned to me. I gave it to Sir John, and have not got it back.

Sir John—The gentleman gave me the letter. I know the Minister's handwriting, and an expert would be able to identify it. (Cheers.)

On leaving the House I gave the letter to Dr. Tupper to return to Mr. Macdonald. Dr. Tupper was unexpectedly called away, but I have telegraphed him to send the letter, which I expect will be here tomorrow.

Hon. Mr. Mackenzie—Who gave it to the newspapers?

Sir John—It was not a stolen letter. After our discussion the matter dropped.

The House in Committee passed a resolution authorizing the Governor in Council to advance sums of money to the Province for local improvements.

Sir John had no objection to the bill if properly guarded. The measure, if Parliament would be asked to sanction those loans.

Hon. Mr. Mackenzie said that they would be exclusively under the control of the Government.

The following bills passed: The bill authorizing the Minister of Finance to pay the Chairman of the Board of Railway Commissioners for his services provided for.

The bill authorizing the Western Canada Railway Company, of Nova Scotia, the railway from Windsor to the trunk line Halifax to Truro.

The bill enacting more stringent regulations for the sale and manufacture of firearms in the North-West Territory.

The bill extending the provisions of the Militia Law to Prince Edward Island. Mr. Mitchell approved of this measure as it looked towards reducing expenses by having an enrolment once in four years instead of every year. The bill to sell the Militia expenditure reduced to half a million dollars.

After recess the public bills were taken up.

The Permanent Building Societies bill was further amended so that such societies having laid up capital of between forty thousand and one hundred thousand dollars were allowed to receive deposits to the amount of their paid up capital.

The bill authorizing the purchase of a pier at Cow Bay, passed; also a bill authorizing the payment of sums towards the construction of a graving dock at Esquimaux. Resolutions respecting Government lands on Northern Railway, passed. The paper was cleared of private bills except one, among those proposed to being one by Deneb incorporating the Lambton Exchange of St. John.

On the motion for a third reading of the permanent societies bill, Hon. Mr. Holt complained of the treatment he had received from the Government in the amendment passed last night. The Finance Minister agreed with him in opposing the amendment, but when the measure came up in the House the Government allowed it to pass. He had fought their battles, both in the House and the Committee, and he felt bound to say in this matter that they had treated him unfairly and disrespectfully.

After further discussion it was decided the bill should not pass. Mr. Holt was not allowed to say how much the House adjourned at ten. The House meets to-morrow at one and will prorogue on Tuesday.

Mit hell Repudiates False Charges—Shipping Surveyors for St. John and Pictou.

YESTERDAY, in Public Accounts Committee, Mr. Mitchell brought up a statement telegraphed to the St. John Telegraph re- futing charges to be brought by Mr. McLeod, with respect to the sale of property in Newcastle and Chatham for Custom House, and which alleged that exhorbitant prices had been paid. Mr. Mitchell emphatically denied the insinuations contained in the statement, and showed that the best would be the strictest investigation. With reference to the property of his own sold to the Government it was taken without his consent and valued by proper officers. The property was worth far more than he received for it. These are the same charges brought by Hutchinson two years ago, and which Mitchell effectively demolished in the Senate. His explanations were so satisfactory to the committee that McLeod did not go on with the matter.

The Gazette to-day contains the appointment of James Barber shipping surveyor at St. John, and George Patte shipping surveyor at Pictou.

OTTAWA, May 22.

The House met at 10 o'clock to-day, and most of the business remaining on the notice was disposed of.

The Insolvency Law was postponed, and the present one with some amendments passed by the Senate, remains in force. Two of the Hon. Mr. Smith's amendments extending the operation of "Seamen's Act" to inland waters of Canada, the other providing for improvement of harbors by means of locks, were also dropped.

Among measures which passed after recess to-day were the one authorizing the transfer of the Windsor Branch of Nova Scotia Railway to Western Counties Railway Company.

At 5 o'clock the House adjourned till 9:30 o'clock to-morrow.

The investigation into Section 10 matters resulted in every contractor and contractor of the late Government falling through. Every engineer, from Sandford Fleming down to Fitzgibbon, agreed in stating that the same principles which controlled the intercolonial were applied to Section 10. The evidence is fairly damning to Fitzgibbon's testimony.

It is said that a good baseball player can make \$2000 a year. And yet there are hundreds of young men in this city who are idle, and doing nothing for their own good, or the good of the country.

Just think of it. A Maine clergyman says that if the bones of all the victims of intemperance could be gathered together and made into a medicine ball, it would be found large enough for his base to rest upon, and the planets would have to be swept aside to make room for it.

A sentimental young man, in speaking to his father's coachman of a neighboring family, remarked that "they were never so drunk as the coachman who left their traces there." The coachman looked puzzled, but he responded, "Yes, this is the case."

The Mayor of New Orleans writes that the number of religious persons in some way to \$1,000,000 more than in Louisiana must perish by famine. Even that sum will not be sufficient to save the millions who are starving.

A professional lawyer has been using postal cards to announce himself as a divorcee. He offers to his services, he asks to have his card passed along to some less happy husband.

In New York city a large number of persons on the rolls of the Board of Education drawing salaries aggregating \$100,000 per annum, were discovered by a committee, and they are to be discharged or put to work in the schools where there are less than the regular number of inspectors.

We didn't suppose for a moment that anybody was fool enough to institute a suit against the *Herold*. It is said that the journal in question has endorsed the rumor, we accept it in good faith. The *Herold* is a respectable journal, and its name is familiar to many.

Mr. McKay, M. P. for Cape Breton, has shortly received a judgment. It is said that he behaved so discourteously to the Chairman of the Committee on the Shortest Route to Europe, Wednesday, that on the assembling next morning of the full Committee, the Chairman brought his conduct under their notice, and he was compelled by an expression of opinion from every member of the Committee to apologize for his conduct, which he did.

OTTAWA, May 23.

The Banking and Commerce Committee recommended that hereafter the fee for private bills be \$200 instead of \$100. The bill amending the Militia Law, and extending the same to P. E. Island was read a third time and passed. The bill to construct a graving dock at Quebec was discharged.

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Weekly Tribune

WITH SUPPLEMENT.

ST. JOHN, N. B., MAY 22, 1874.

To Our Friends.

The success of the WEEKLY TRIBUNE, since its first issue, has exceeded our most sanguine expectations, and we feel compelled to make some acknowledgments to our many friends, the kind interest they have taken in extending its circulation.

Our subscription list shows a steady increase, and from all parts of the Province we are continually receiving complimentary letters in regard to the policy and management of the paper.

This is very encouraging, and as we have already succeeded in placing the paper on a good paying basis, we are determined to make it still more valuable to its readers. We are now giving our subscribers more reading matter than any other weekly published in the Province.

The supplement is inconvenient, but as our new press, which is now being made to order in London, comes to hand, we shall obviate that difficulty and introduce many improvements. We hope our friends will continue to be in the habit of sending us their names, and that subscribers will promptly re-new, as their subscriptions expire. We must and will adhere to the prepayment system, and will promptly stop all papers when sent on credit.

Postmasters and others who will act as agents for the WEEKLY TRIBUNE, should send copies will be sent free on application.

Parliament is to be prorogued to-day.

The Queen's fifty-fifth birthday was celebrated, yesterday, by the suspension of business, the firing of salutes, and the display of bunting.

Disastrous Fire—Terrible Death of a Fireman.

An alarm of fire was sounded from Box 5 about 8 p. m. Sunday. There have been so many false alarms of late, that it has not been generally believed.

The fire broke out in Mr. Eugene Savage's house in Pond street. It was first discovered by Mrs. Savage, who, while sitting in the room, felt the floor warm and noticed the carpet being lifted up as if by the wind.

In a few minutes she discovered the lower part of her house to be in flames. The house was built on piles, and the space underneath was used as a barn. It was here the fire caught, but how is not known. The engines were quickly on the spot, and water was turned on. It being a low part of the city, and in a very narrow street, it was very difficult to get the fire out.

The firemen could not, in a few minutes, have so effectively filled the place with water, and the flames were extinguished. The fire broke out in the cellar, and the firemen were obliged to play upon the roof of a house when the fire is in the cellar, and the firemen were obliged to play upon the roof of a house when the fire is in the cellar.

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Hasty Consumption Cured by Feltov's Hypophosphites.

CANBONKAR, N. F., Jan. 31, 1871.

Dear Sir,—I came to this country in May, 1869. I found a countryman of mine laboring under some affection of the lungs. I recommended your Syrup, tried at the Druggist's in Harbor Grace, but they thought I was inventing the name at their expense. However, in April, 1870, Mr. Edgar Joyce rapidly wasted away with every symptom of quick consumption, so that he was unable to walk across the room, having no appetite, pains in the left side, nervous system unstrung, dry hacking cough, &c.

Finally I learned that your Syrup could be obtained at Mr. Deakin's in St. John's, and immediately procured some. (Showed one to W. H. Thompson, who ordered a supply from you at once.) This was Tuesday afternoon; at night he took the prescribed dose, and in the morning he described the very results notified on the wrapper. His appetite soon began to return, and a voracious one it was, too; the dry, hacking cough changed into loose violent attacks, finally disappearing altogether; pains left his side, his hand resumed its usual stiffness, and before he was restored, and to-day not a more healthy person is to be found on our streets; and it is the opinion of all, had he not been fortunate in getting your valuable syrup of Hypophosphites, he would now be in his grave.

He happened to be in W. H. Thompson's day your first shipment arrived, and took at once four bottles to the Lebrador, which he was very anxious to see. He had no occasion to use himself. No other medicine will he ever prescribe, recommend or give to any one.

I also recommended it to another consumptive, but have not heard from him since, as he lives in a distant part of the Island. Hoping this will give you some encouragement.

I remain, yours, &c.

D. H. BURNHILL.

St. John people who have seen Miss Nelson, the famous English actress who has been for a long time a New York favorite as Juliet, say that Miss Kellough is infinitely superior to hers, but that Miss Nelson has more beauty than Miss Kellough and displays a good deal more of it.

Departure of American Pilgrims to the Shrines of the Saints.

New York, May 17.

The departure of the American Pilgrims for the shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes, and Rome, yesterday, was observed by the most elaborate and fitting ceremony. The few who had not reached the city yesterday morning arrived during the day, and finally every Roman Catholic province in the United States was represented, the Diocese of Fort Wayne, Ind., having by far the largest delegation. On his return he found the cathedral was handsomely decorated with banners and flowers, and the scene of the departure was grand.

The central pews were occupied by the Pilgrims, and the rest of the cathedral was filled by the members of the various parishes. The choir sang a beautiful Mass, and the organ played a beautiful piece.

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