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MR. McKEOWN'S BILL.

Mr. McKeown has withdrawn his bill relating to votes and taxes. He appears to have discovered that there is no pressing demand for the enactment of such a law. If Mr. McKeown had made some enquiry he might have discovered before the house met that the people were willing to carry along a little longer without such a law. Considerable of the valuable time of the house and its committee, and of the St. John aldermen and members of the board of trade has been taken up by the bill, and in the end it is withdrawn. Mr. McKeown says he will introduce it again next session. The conditions will not have changed a year hence, unless Mr. McKeown intends in the meantime to carry on a campaign of education and has concealed about his person a stock of arguments more effective than those he has brought forth during the recent discussion. Of course there are always possibilities of change, and if Mr. McKeown and Mr. James Brennan take the stump together during the recess they may be able to convert everybody. They would at least be able to provide the citizens with a little diversion during the summer season.

CHAIN LIGHTNING LEGISLATION.

The legislature was prorogued at noon today. Late yesterday the attorney general introduced a bill making important changes in the liquor law. This measure was introduced and given two readings straightway. This morning it was read a third time and passed, the ministers dropping one section. Within two days of the end of the session the bill increasing the salary of one of the ministers was introduced and put through. The legislative machinery of first, second and third readings, with a committee stage intervening, is intended to give the house and the country some time for consideration. After a bill is introduced a sufficient time is supposed to pass before the last stage to enable the persons interested and the public generally to learn what is going on. Dr. Pugsley's liquor bill may be all right or all wrong. But it should not have been introduced at the last moment and rushed through the house before the people of the province could know what it meant.

THE TELEGRAPH'S SCOOPS.

The Telegraph is jubilant over its exclusive announcement that the majority of the St. John aldermen were in favor of a \$250,000 civic guarantee of cotton bonds. This is the greatest scoop for the Telegraph since its exclusive announcement of the exhumation and murder sensation at Sussex. It may be remarked, however, that the Telegraph's latest announcement on the Sussex poisoning case was no scoop. It was prepared by a lawyer who does not belong to the staff. He got the scoop.

AGUINALDO.

The haste with which the late leader of the Philippines has transferred his allegiance to the United States suggests either that Aguinaldo has been fooling his own people or that he is now trying to fool the American government. The fact that he has become a full fledged American citizen will probably not deter the United States authorities from keeping a very sharp eye on his movements. He has the reputation of being an artful man, and his latest action will not tend to increase confidence in his good faith. A man whose patriotism undergoes a change with such startling speed, would not be likely to hesitate to make another change, if it seemed to be to his advantage. There can be no question, however, that his capture and what he has done will have a strong influence upon the minds of the people here lately led. Prof. Schurmann, who is in the Philippines, and studied the conditions on the spot, is reported to have said that Aguinaldo should be made governor of Cavite. If that were done it would probably be necessary to provide him with a body guard, not so much to protect him as to keep an eye on his movements.

Had Mr. McKeown's plebiscite bill gone through the house, the people would have been called on to answer the question—
"Are you in favor of abolishing the necessity of payment of civic taxes as a prerequisite to voting at civic elections?"

The bill should have contained a clause offering prizes for correct answers to this question. The gentleman who framed it should be employed to prepare questions to be asked by the census enumerators.

Some members of the legislature have been pressing the claims of New

Brunswick who went to South Africa, but whose names were not on the official list and who therefore did not share in the distribution of the contingent fund. No reference was made to the St. John man who is in exactly the same position, though St. John people were very large contributors to the fund. Doubtless his case will not be overlooked by the committee.

PRESENTED WITH A JEWEL.

Members of Dominion L. O. L. No. 141, Honor John Kenny, Jr., for some thirty-eight years John Kenny, Sr., has been a member of Dominion L. O. L. No. 141, and several times filled the chair of master of the lodge. He has decided recently that he would signalize the appreciation of his seal for the good of the lodge and the Grand Order, and the plan was carried out last evening. A large number of ladies, including members of the Ladies' Orange Benevolent Association, and the ladies of the St. John lodge, were in the chair, with him on the platform were County Master Scott E. Morrell, Mrs. Hamilton, W. M. of one of the ladies' lodges; Past County Master John Kenny, Jr., and Past Deputy County Master E. Blair. During the evening a programme of speeches, songs and instrumental music was carried out. There were speeches by Mr. Morrell, Mr. Stanley, Mr. Blair, Mrs. Hamilton, John Kenny, Jr., Charles Parlee, Jordan, and Miss Shanks, G. Cauton, G. Crossley and James Kelly gave several instrumental solos, and Mr. Morrell and Mr. Crossley sang and harmonica duets, and with Mr. Tongue on the tambourine, two rousing trio solos were sung by Mrs. Logan, Miss Logan, Mrs. Parlee, Mr. Addison, Mr. Tongue and Mr. Saunders, and Miss Parlee presided at the organ.

In presenting to the chairman, C. M. Scott E. Morrell read the address to Mr. Kenny, Sr., and made the presentation of a handsome gold mounted past master's jewel, declared by one of the members to be the finest jewel in the lodge. The jewel, which should also be the most valuable, is a most fitting that the members of the lodge with which you have been for so many years identified, and for the upholding and prosperity of which you have done so much. It is a most fitting that the members of the lodge with which you have been for so many years identified, and for the upholding and prosperity of which you have done so much. It is a most fitting that the members of the lodge with which you have been for so many years identified, and for the upholding and prosperity of which you have done so much.

TO MANUFACTURE COAL.

To a combination of the state of Maine and the city of Lowell was due the financial success of the brief but brilliant career of the Rev. Mr. Jerriegan and his gold-from-salt-water company. From a similar combination we are now promised an achievement which is to do more than win the salt water, but is to inaugurate an industrial revolution. According to recent press despatches from Augusta, Maine, a gentleman from Lowell is in that city organizing a company to manufacture coal. It is to be made from "mineral products" which are said to be abundantly distributed, and is to be turned out at a cost much less than that of coal in the states where it is mined. Whether the new company will utilize the next water which Jerriegan's works left is not stated. The first plant is to be a modest one, making only 10 tons of coal an hour, but who can doubt that this will soon be multiplied by 1,000 at least? In view of the fact that the food of the poor is the discussion of miners' wages and strikes some idle. When every man can buy from the new company license under its patents to make his own coal, there will be no use for miners, who stand in the way of the United States Steel will be nowhere beside the new corporation. It is just possible, however, that the purpose of the company will be fulfilled when its promoter goes to enjoy life-like Jerriegan—in Paris or some other foreign city.

WAGES INCREASED.

OSWEGO, N. Y., April 2.—The strike of the painters and paper hangers ended tonight, the master painters agreeing to the union schedule for 23 1/2 cents an hour and nine hours to constitute a day.

YORK, Pa., April 2.—Notice of an increase of 25 per cent. in puddlers' wages has been posted in the York rolling mill. Wages in other departments will be increased proportionately. The increase will go into effect April 15.

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BOSTON LETTER.

Portland Perturbed Over Agitation as to Preferential.

The Spring Exodus—The Case of Best the Sackville Murderer.

BOSTON, April 1.—L. Shannon Davis of this city, acting for W. and J. A. McDonald of Halifax, is endeavoring to get the "Ardmale," the estate of Sir Charles Tupper at the Arm, near the Nova Scotia capital, to Americans. The property includes a 13 room house and a 16 acre lawn, and is well recommended to Americans desiring a summer residence. Portland people are still excited on account of the attempt to have British goods imported through Canadian seaports. Portland charges St. John with launching a war on her steamship trade, and the newspapers in the former city appear to think that the Canadian house of commons enacts the necessary legislation, Portland and the Grand Trunk railroad will receive a staggering sum of \$1,000,000 through that port every year. The Maine city is seeking to find consolation in the belief that if the scheme works Boston will be out some \$10,000,000 yearly. The Portland Advertiser says the whole thing is a "direct blow at Portland, prompted by jealousy," and looks to the Canadian government to save the city. Incidentally the movement is worrying the Grand Trunk officials, as it is said there is some likelihood of shuffling in progress at Montreal and Ottawa to avert the threatened disaster. The Portland papers place much of the blame on the St. John board of trade, which was backed up by an expression of opinion by the New Brunswick legislature. The Boston and Maine railroad, which handles a large amount of Canadian freight in and out of Boston, is watching developments in Canada closely, especially since that road has an agent in Europe endeavoring to induce steamship companies to send more boats to this port. The annual spring exodus from the maritime provinces is beginning to become apparent. This is the season when many men employ and men with a trade, after spending the winter at home, flock to the city and besiege the employment for work. In the manufacturing industries, three or four men are held largely responsible for the shut down of some of the mills on account of over-production of goods. The conviction of John C. Best of Sackville, for murder in the first degree, at Salem, is held largely responsible by nearly every one who has been watching the case closely. The penalty for the crime is electrocution. W. H. Stiles, brother-in-law of Best, a resident of Lynn, but formerly of New Brunswick, is held largely responsible for Best's conviction, and whether justly or unjustly, he is accused of betraying the confidence reposed in him by Best. The school children of Lynn made it so uncomfortable for Stiles' young son in school that the principal was obliged to interfere. The boy of course had nothing to do with the Best case, but the incident went to show what the Lynn public thought of his father's action. Some of the lawyers hold that Stiles could not very well have helped himself from giving the evidence which blasted whatever chances his brother-in-law had. Regarding the guilt of Best there never has been much doubt, but for a time evidence to support the charges brought against him was lacking. The last important murder trial in Salem also concerned a provincialist, Albert Williams, a youth hardly more than 20 years old, who was formerly a jockey in Summerside, P. E. I. He murdered an Italian for his money at Lynfield, and then buried the body in the house of the foreigner.

PARLIAMENT.

OTTAWA, April 2.—In the house today Premier Laurier's bill to restrict the importation and employment of alien labor was taken up and discussed for a considerable length, and the debate was adjourned till some future day. Northwest matters were discussed for a time, and the house went into supply. The Supreme Grand Lodge of the Sons of England petition that May 24 be made a perpetual holiday. Mr. Provand, of Glasgow, will address members and senators tomorrow regarding the Chignecto ship railway question.

NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY.

The Natural History Society held their regular monthly meeting last evening. A. Gordon Leavitt in the chair. The following interesting relics were presented to the museum by D. Ferguson of Chatham: Two jawbones and one shoe buckle from the site of the Forti-french battery north side of the Redoubt, six miles above Campbellton, and two knife or spear blades from old camping ground near Indian town, S. W. Miramichi. Mr. McIntosh read a paper on the insect life of the People Valley, which was discussed by Dr. Matthew, A. Gordon Leavitt and C. F. B. Rowe. A hearty vote of thanks was tendered those who contributed papers.

MARINE MATTERS.

Sch. Sainte Marie loads general cargo here for Bermuda. Sch. Clavola is undergoing extensive repairs at Indian town. The Allan liner Sicilian, from Portland, arrived at Liverpool yesterday. The Misses Thomson and Blair were passengers by this ship.

PATHEPIC CASE.

"Dahney staid away from Miss Jipp's wedding from grief, didn't he? You know she fitted him." "He let the impression get out that it was grief, but he told me it was because he couldn't borrow a dress suit."—Chicago Record.

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THE PRESBYTERY.

At the afternoon session the following commissioners for the general assembly were appointed: Revs. D. J. Fraser, A. S. Morton, T. F. Fotheringham, J. A. Morrison, W. McDonald, G. Pringle, J. Burgess, W. W. Rennie and Jan. Ross. Substitutes were appointed as follows: Revs. Wm. Ross, F. W. Murray, A. H. Foster and J. C. Emberton. The following were elected elders: Judge Stevens, John Willet, S. R. Jack, D. McLean, Judge Forbes, W. G. Whitaker, J. A. Grey, Dr. J. W. Walker and Rev. F. W. Murray. Substitutes: L. W. Johnston, J. H. Parks, John Thomson, A. Henderson, J. A. Moore, A. W. Colburn, Geo. Younger, S. Hemphill and D. J. McFarlane. The statistical report was read by Rev. A. H. Foster, showing a somewhat discouraging condition in finances, attendance, etc., in the presbytery. Rev. F. W. Murray of Milltown read the Sunday school report, showing a decline of interest in the schools, especially in the city. He did not approve of the use of Canadian literature in the schools. A recommendation was passed that the schools contribute to home and foreign missions, and another that literature procured from Canadian sources be used in the churches and schools. Rev. A. S. Morton said that thirty-five young people's societies of various kinds and seven C. E. societies had disbanded during the past year. He spoke of the 20th Century Fund, and said the presbytery was not doing much in the matter. L. W. Johnston expressed his sorrow as the condition of affairs in the presbytery. He thought a general conference should be held to establish remedial measures. Rev. Mr. Fotheringham regretted the absence of a devotional element from the presbytery meetings. One excuse in instances like the present was that the visiting ministers had to hurry through the business to catch their trains, because the St. John members were not hospitable enough to ask them to remain over night. Rev. F. W. Murray spoke at length on the 20th Century Fund. He considered that the presbytery should raise \$10,000. Rev. L. G. Macneil said that he personally had done all in his power to advance the interests of the fund. Messrs. Johnston, Fraser and McDonald also spoke briefly on the question. A committee to arrange the fire insurance on the churches was appointed, consisting of S. R. Jack, W. C. Whitaker and D. McLean.

LOCAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN.

At a meeting of the Local Council of Women, held yesterday afternoon, the following delegates were appointed to the National Council to be held in London, Ont., May 16 next: Mrs. D. McLean, Mrs. J. H. Thomson, Mrs. R. C. Skinner, Mrs. S. D. Scott, Mrs. A. Calhoun, Mrs. W. H. Fook, and Mrs. J. Bullock were appointed substitutes. The following list of nominations for National Council officers was endorsed: President, Lady Taylor of Toronto; vice-presidents, Lady Laurier and Lady Thompson; treasurer, Mrs. Hoodless; recording secretary, Mrs. Willoughby Cummings; corresponding secretary, Miss T. S. Wilson. A vote of thanks was passed to Miss Peters for her paper on play grounds, and the sympathy of the council was extended to her in her bereavement. The resolutions to come before the annual meeting were then considered, and the delegates instructed how to vote. The council was notified that a motion will be brought in by the King's Daughters asking aid from the council in an early closing movement. The committee for the National Council were all re-appointed except the nomination of Miss Murray in the place of the late Miss Murray and of Mrs. T. Bullock in place of Miss Skinner. Mrs. Retalick and Mrs. Brittain were appointed a local immigration committee. Mrs. Walker reported that Miss Ellen Murray's Memorial poem had been printed and that copies were being sent to those who wished to have them. She hoped they might give an incentive toward the establishment of a permanent memorial. It was reported that the \$75 which had been loaned to the Doukhobors had been refunded.

LOCAL LEGISLATURE.

FREDERICTON, April 2.—The bill authorizing the St. John council to grant aid to Wm. Parks & Sons, to exempt the company from taxation was agreed to. The election bill providing that a voter must be domiciled in the electoral district in which he votes was agreed to. The bill makes the exception in the case of St. John, where city people having property in the county and allowed to vote there. The amendment moved by Mr. Shaw and supported by Mr. Hagen that the paragraph referring to St. John be struck out was voted down. Mr. Dunn opposed it. The bill reviving the subsidy for several short lines of railway in the province was agreed to. A bill to enable any town, city or municipality to aid the Victorian Order of Nurses was agreed to, also a bill to amend the General Mining Act. It was resolved that the seasonal indemnity be paid to John McLeod, M. P., who is ill, and to George Robertson, M. P., who is in England. The report of the public accounts committee was submitted. A bill relating to district courts was agreed to with amendment. Hon. Mr. McKeown withdrew a question of persons voting whose taxes are not paid. Hon. Mr. Pugsley introduced a bill in amendment to the regular license act. Section one provides that license commissioners shall hold office for a definite term, the term of office expiring in regular rotation. Section two provides that going away with special beer license. The license fee paid by bottlers is to be increased.

BOARD OF TRADE.

The Board of Trade met yesterday afternoon and passed a resolution opposing the McKeown plebiscite bill, which was last night withdrawn in the legislature. President Merritt reported for the Ottawa delegation that the dredging at the mouth of the harbor will probably begin this summer. W. M. Jarvis, discussing the question of fire underwriters' rates, gave an account of what was done at the meeting of the underwriters, when it was decided to increase the rate on wood-enclosed buildings in the north end until proper building restrictions should be established. A number of communications were read and after some further discussion the board adjourned.

HE DESERVED A MEDAL.

Towns—Did you ever hear Bonem tellin' a story? Isn't he tire some? Brownie—Yes, but he has one good point that is really remarkable. Towns—What's that? Brownie—He's the only poor story teller I ever knew who, in telling an Irish story, would admit that he couldn't imitate the brogue.—Philadelphia Press.