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THE WEEK IN PARLIAMENT.
Parliament this week devoted several sittings to the consideration of Hon. A. G. Blair's railway commission bill. Important amendments were offered by the Opposition in the interests of country districts.
The Militia estimates were advanced. Sir Frederick Borden dropped his proposed bill to amend the Militia Act.
Hon. Sydney Fisher opposed amendments to the Fruit Marks Act, which were intended to benefit fruit growers.
The Customs estimates were taken up and it was again shown that German firms have made a general practice of shipping goods to Canada under the British preference, and a large revenue has been lost to the country in this way.
The Treadgold concessions were given another string, and the government declined to allow the Opposition to discuss the terms under which a commission to investigate the deal will be appointed. It was openly charged that persons in high places were paid handsomely for putting through the job.
A number of government bills were passed.
The Marine and Fisheries estimates were considered. In this department, as in all others, supplies are bought without tender from the few favored friends of the government. The most exclusive luxuries are provided for government steamers. The employees on these boats are fed with foreign delicacies which the man who pays the taxes could not afford for a moment. Thousands of dollars are wasted in this way and the every day workman has to pay the price.

CONSERVATIVES LOOK AFTER FARMERS.

The consideration of Hon. A. G. Blair's railway commission bill forced the Conservative party opportunities for putting in a few good words for the farmer, and they have taken advantage of their privileges with good results. Mr Blair proposed to make Ottawa the headquarters of the commission, but the injustice of compelling a large delegation of farmers to travel to Ottawa to obtain redress of grievances, instead of allowing three commissioners to go to the farmers, was urged upon the minister by the opposition, and he consented to an amendment under which the convenience and purse of the agriculturist will be consulted. Another important change was made in the Railway Act at the instigation of the Conservative party, so as to allow actions for damages to be tried before County Court Judges. Heretofore only Superior Court judges could act in such cases, and farmers were compelled to pay excessive costs and travel to centres where such courts were held. The amendment will not only save rural residents large sums of money, but will prevent waste of time and facilitate their efforts to secure redress.

St. Dunstan's College.

The commencement exercises of St. Dunstan's College took place yesterday afternoon, beginning at 2 o'clock. Following is the programme:
Chorus—"The Legend of the Bell."
Pianetta's Opera—"Chimes of Normandy."
Glee Club.
Vocal Solo—"Ave Maria."
Maschagn-Master Eddie O'Fool.
Alumni Prize Essay—"The Home-steads of Prince Edward Island."
Mr. Jos. C. Macznie.
Chorus—"The Turpedo and the Whale," from Andran's Opera Olivette-Glee Club.
Distribution of Medals—Special Prizes and Diplomas.
Valedictory—Matthias Smith.
Address to Graduates—Professor Caven.
Chorus—"Good-Bye."—Smith—Glee Club.
God Save the King.
Music directed by Prof. Tanton.

St. Dunstan's Alumni Association.

The second annual reunion and banquet of the St. Dunstan's College Alumni Association were held in the College hall last evening. The hall was appropriately decorated for the occasion, and about forty guests sat down to the banquet, which was prepared and served by the well-known caterer, James Lougan. The President of the Association, Dr. Conroy, occupied the chair, having on his right, his Lordship the Bishop, and on his left, Prof. Caven. The Vice chair was occupied by Rev. T. A. Campbell, Vice President, supported on the right by Rev. Dr. Simpson, Secretary, and on the left by Rev. P. P. Arsenault. After the substantial portion of the feast had been attended to, the intellectual banquet was inaugurated by appropriate greetings from the President, who closed his remarks by proposing the health of his Holiness the Pope. This toast being duly honored, the toast of "his Majesty the King" was proposed by the President and honored by the singing of the National Anthem. Other toasts, proposed by the Vice-President were: Our Graduates, First Students of the Institution, Past Rectors, Former Professors, The Press, and The Alumni. The toasts were responded to by J. A. McLellan and Arthur Poirier, Revs. Jas. E. McDonald and S. Pondreault, His Lordship, the Bishop, Rev. A. P. McLellan, Rev. Dr. Morrison and Rev. Dr. Gauthier, Professor Caven, Rev. J. J. McDonald and Prof. J. A. McDonald; James McIsaac and R. McDonald, J. J. Hughes, M. P., and Rev. P. P. Arsenault in the order named. Want of time and space prevents us from referring to the speeches, which throughout were couched in eloquent and happy language. God Save the King brought the exercises to a close. At the business meeting afterwards held the old officers were for the most part re-elected.

At Orwell, on the 9th inst., Mrs. Charles James McDonald, mother of Rev. James A. McDonald and of Rev. John J. McDonald, now of Dakota. R. I. P.

LOCAL AND OTHER ITEMS

Four Bulgarians convicted of participation in the dynamite outrages at Salonia have been condemned to death.

We sympathize with Ambrose and Mrs. Somers in the death of their little boy, whose demise is elsewhere recorded.

The Sydney Board of Trade on Wednesday last passed a resolution asking for better telegraphic communication with P. E. Island.

As near as can be ascertained Montrealers lost about seventy-five million dollars in consequence of the great break in the prices of stocks last week.

On account of the report of a big copper find at Cheticamp, which caused great excitement at Halifax, the Deputy Commissioner of Mines will make a special trip to investigate.

A gigantic combine representing various interests is projected in South Africa with the object of controlling all the mining, industrial and commercial interests of the country.

Those in search of bargains in carpets, oilcloths and general house furnishings, clothing and general dry goods, should call at Paton & Co's store. Read their advertisement in this issue.

Owing to the great pressure on our advertising space we are obliged to curtail our reading matter this week. Our readers will kindly bear with us for a few weeks.

Two stables of Quinn & Co., ice and coal dealers, Montreal, were burned on Friday. Nineteen horses were burned to death and ten others had to be killed.

Over a hundred people were drowned Sunday at Marseilles, as the result of a collision between two passenger steamers, the *Isabelle* and the *Liban*, both belonging to the *France* Steamship Company, Marseilles. The *Liban* sank soon after the accident.

An excursion train on the Atlantic Coast line was wrecked near Sumter, South Carolina the other day, the engine, baggage car and three coaches plunging headlong into a deep washout. Conductor Clements and six negro passengers were killed, and it is believed the fatalities will number thirty.

The Supreme court of Canada has given judgment in the P. E. Island Representation case argued before it by the Attorney-General of this Province and other counsel. The court decides against the Attorney-General's contention and leaves the representation of our Province subject to variation upon each decennial redistribution.

Two tenders for the *fast Atlantic Line* have been presented to the Dominion Parliament. The *Allans* offer to run a twenty-one knot service to Halifax all the year round for three hundred thousand pounds subsidy. The *Dominion Line* will do it for two hundred thousand.

In reply to Mr. LeTurgie in the Commons the other day, Hon. Mr. Prefontaine said that the Government was not aware that the Stanley was in such a condition as to render her unfit to perform the winter service between Prince Edward Island and the mainland. It was the intention to send the Stanley to a shipyard in Great Britain for repairs.

Last Thursday night Ewan McAulay aged 81, residing alone on the Malpeque Road was found dead in his bed by one of Peter McCallum's hired men who called to see him. The coroner, Dr. E. MacNeill who was summoned decided that an inquest was unnecessary as death was due to cancer of the tongue and throat. The deceased who was an invalid for some time was unmarried and had formerly two sisters living with him, but they died several years ago.

Three masked men boarded a suburban car at St. Louis, Mo., the other day, robbed J. Bowen, the motorman, and killed the conductor, John N. Keith, who went to the motorman's rescue. There were only a few passengers in the car. The robbers signalled the car to stop, and boarded the front platform. Keith, in going to the assistance of the motorman, was shot down and killed by the robbers, who then jumped from the car and escaped.

On Thursday last, Angus W. McLean, twelve years of age, son of Kenneth McLean, Grand View, was kicked by a young horse he was leading to the field. The horse kicked him about an inch above the eye. About two inches of the bone in the corner of the forehead was pressed in upon the brain, and the brain was oozing out from the wound. He walked home a quarter of a mile although he could scarcely see, and was quite unconscious when he arrived. Medical aid was summoned and the wound was stitched and otherwise attended to. Results are awaited with anxiety and it is hoped he may recover. Later—He has since died.

Another case of "didn't know it was loaded," resulted in a serious if not a fatal shooting accident on Sunday afternoon. The accident occurred at Crown Point, between Tea Hill and Pownal, in the house of John E. Jardine. The unfortunate victim is John A. Inman employed as sealer in Jardine's lobster factory. It appears that Inman and Edward Dann, Jardine's hired man and young Jardine were upstairs and Inman was lying on a bed. Dann took a revolver from a bureau and began handling and snapping it not thinking it was loaded. Inman turned on his face in the bed at the same moment of time the only loaded chamber in the revolver and a 22 calibre bullet was lodged in the fleshy part of his right thigh. He went down stairs and told what happened and Mr. Jardine started to drive him to the city. So great was the pain of the wound, however, that they were obliged to stop on the way and the unfortunate man was left in a farmhouse, while Jardine hurried to bring Dr. Dewar from Southport. Dr. Dewar and Dr. McLaughlin, who was there at the time, went to the aid of the wounded man. After temporary relief he was brought to the hospital here. Monday morning the wound was examined and the patient operated on. It was found the bullet perforated the bladder and bowels, and was not extracted in consequence. The condition of the patient is very grave and his recovery is extremely doubtful. He is 21 years of age, and an only son.

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We confidently offer you our **New Spring Dress Goods**. Never before have we offered you such a fine collection of reliable, fashionable stuffs. They are absolutely correct in every particular, and the prices are low, consistent with the quality offered. We cordially invite all to come and see the goods for themselves.

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Special Value \$1.00 MEN'S HATS.

See our window for latest styles.

Weeks Hats & Caps.



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A few days ago Messrs. Carter & Co., Limited, Seedsmen, of Charlottetown, sent a sample of their "Export" brand of Mammoth Late Red Clover Seed, of which they received one car load (35,000 lbs.), to the Director of Central Experimental Farm, Ottawa, to be analyzed. They have just received a report from J. Fletcher, Esq., Botanist, of the Department of Agriculture, as follows:

OTTAWA, May 6th, 1903.

Messrs. Carter & Co., Ltd., Charlottetown, P. E. I.

GENTLEMEN,—In reply to your favor of the 30th ult., addressed to the Director, I beg to inform you that I have looked up the sample of Clover Seed mentioned by you, and find that it is an excellent sample, and practically free of weed seeds. As a matter of fact there were a few seeds of unimportant weeds such as pigeon grass, and these formed the proportion of about one in every 2,000 seeds of good clover.

Yours very truly,
(Signed) J. FLETCHER,
Botanist.

CARTER & CO., Ltd., Seedsmen, Charlottetown.