

ROAD MATTERS GIVEN HEARING BEFORE ASSEMBLY THURSDAY

Hon. Mr. Veniot Introduces New Bill Pertaining to Road Work Which Calls Forth Varied Discussion—Reports and Bills Four in—More Notices of Enquiry Filed—Bill to Enfranchise Women.

Fredericton, March 20.—The House met at 3 o'clock. Mr. Burchill presented the report of the committee on standing rules.

Mr. Dymally moved to present the address to the Lieutenant Governor submitted the following message from His Honor, which was read by the speaker:

"Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly: "I thank you for your address and beg to assure you that I entertain the fullest confidence that in all your deliberations you will be guided by a most earnest desire to promote the happiness and prosperity of the people of this province."

The following notices of enquiry were given: Mr. Smith (Albert) as to permanent roads constructed in Albert County, and the remuneration of those in charge.

Mr. Smith (Charles) as to whether John S. Leighton was employed by the Government last year and the nature of his services; also as to details of expenditure on miscellaneous and permanent roads; also as to the quantity of fencing stored in East Florenceville last year.

Mr. Campbell presented the petition of the municipality of St. John for the passage of an act to enlarge the fire district of the Parish of Lancaster.

Mr. Potts presented the petition of the municipality of St. John for the passage of an act in amendment of the act relating to government by elective commission.

Hon. Mr. Dugal introduced a bill to amend the consolidated statutes relating to the Parish of St. Basil.

Mr. Baxter presented the petition of the municipality of St. John for the passage of an act to amend an act relating to sewers in the parish of Lancaster.

Hon. Mr. Tweeddale introduced a bill to amend the act incorporating the primitive Baptist denomination of New Brunswick.

Mr. Grimmer presented the petition of the Citizens' Gas Company for the passage of an act incorporating said company.

Hon. Mr. Byrne introduced a bill to amend the act relating to rates and taxes in the parishes of Northfield, Suburban and Canning, Queens County. He explained that many foremen were employed in coal mines at those places and the authorities had difficulty in collecting taxes from them.

The bill provided that after the necessary legal formalities had been attended to, a demand could be made on the employers for the amount of the taxes.

Hon. Mr. Byrne introduced a bill to extend the electoral franchise to women, and in amendment of the New Brunswick Elections Act. In explanation he said that the franchise would be extended to women on the same terms as now enjoyed by men. There was a provision in the bill for the preparation of a voters' list for females for the current year on the same lines as present lists are made up.

Hon. Mr. Baxter laid on the table the report of the commission on the uniformity of laws.

Hon. Mr. Murray moved that the public accounts and comptroller's general report be referred to the committee on public accounts.

Hon. Mr. Murray moved the House on Tuesday next resolve itself into a committee to consider supply to be granted to His Majesty.

Hon. Mr. Veniot submitted the report of the Minister of Public Works in connection with the charges against Shippagan, Gloucester County.

Hon. Mr. Paster moved that the time for the introduction of private bills be extended to the 27th inst. inclusive.

Hon. Mr. Robinson introduced a bill to provide for better housing. He explained that the measure as drafted differed slightly from housing bills submitted to other legislatures. It

provided for the acceptance by the Government of the Dominion Government's proposal to loan \$1,000,000 to be extended throughout the Province in better housing. It also authorized the various municipalities to borrow the money from the Provincial Government, and to use the same in accordance with the stipulated terms. A housing plan was now being drafted, and would be available in the near future. The bill also provided that loans could be made, through the farm settlement board, for the purpose of providing better buildings. The limitations as to loans had been left fairly broad as it was not deemed advisable to have them too closely defined. A clause in the bill provided for expropriations by municipalities. Power would be given to municipalities to make loans, either to companies or individuals, for a period of thirty years. One advantage of the scheme was that it would enable money to be borrowed at a low rate of interest. Provision was made in the act for a town planning scheme as well as a housing scheme.

Hon. Mr. Tweeddale introduced a bill to authorize the municipality of Victoria to grant exemption from taxation to grist and flour mills. He explained that there has been some difficulty experienced in his county in having a grist mill established. Negotiations for the establishment of such a mill were now under way and, as an inducement, the council had decided to offer exemption from taxation.

Mr. Michaud gave notice that on Tuesday next he would move the suspension of Rule 77 to permit of the introduction of a bill to enable the town of Edmundston to issue debentures.

The House then went into committee with Mr. Leger (West) in the chair, and agreed to a bill to extend the time for the completion of the St. John and Quebec Railway. Hon. Mr. Foster, replying to Mr. Murray (Kings) said he had hoped that the road would be completed by June 1st, and handed over by the first of July. The delay last year had been on account of the difficulty in securing steel, and in the scarcity of labor. An agreement had been reached for the completion of the road under penalty, but the penalty had not been enforced. It was a matter for the legal officers of the Government to deal with.

The committee next took up consideration of an act to amend the Highway Act of 1913.

Hon. Mr. Veniot stated that at a conference, which he had held with the Minister of Railways and Communication roads to be classified as secondary roads, and there was not time to reclassify them before the time set for holding the ratepayers' meeting. The Government was asking to suspend the election of Commissioners until such time as the Federal aid scheme was worked out. The 1,534 miles of trunk roads in the province, and the reclassification would add 1,500 miles of road which would also be entitled to Federal aid. It was still undecided as to whether the Federal grant would be paid on a mileage basis, or on a basis of population.

The present law provided that the meetings should be held on the first Monday in April. It was proposed by the bill to have meetings held on the third Monday in April to decide on the question of statute labor, and in regard to winter road making. Power was given to the Governor-in-Council to remove the suspension on meetings for the election of commissioners if deemed advisable.

Mr. Baxter said he thought the Hon. member had confidence in his scheme for the election of commissioners, or he would not have resorted to such an expedient. He thought the Minister should go on and appoint the officials so that the Federal money would be spent by the appointees of the Department of Public Works. He saw in the proposal of the Minister the entering wedge of a scheme to be carried out by the election of officials. He believed the Minister now saw that the plan was unworkable, and never would be, and he was glad it was being thrown out.

Hon. Mr. Veniot said that the Hon. member was misjudging the case. He still believed that the plan was workable. The highway districts were not as small as school districts, and it had not been the policy of the Government that they should be. His only objection in amendment of the act was to meet the situation that had been created by the proposal to grant Federal aid.

Mr. Baxter said he hoped the Minister would act on the subject and appoint the commissioners through the Department of Public Works.

Mr. Pinder wanted to know if, under the act, any meetings had already been held for a decision on statute labor, and the appointment of commissioners.

Hon. Mr. Veniot said that the first meetings under the act were set down for the first Monday in April.

Mr. Pinder said that in his section there were people who performed no statute labor and paid no taxes.

Hon. Mr. Veniot said that in all parishes there were road taxes which remained unpaid.

He adopted a plan to bring about an improvement. When he took hold of the department, there was between \$50,000 and \$60,000 due on road taxes. He was now endeavoring to collect that money, and was meeting with success.

Mr. Sutton wanted to know if all collectors were supplied with copies of the highway act. Several had told him that they did not know where to send the money they had collected.

Hon. Mr. Veniot said that he was under the impression that copies had been sent to collectors through the secretary-treasurer of municipalities.

Mr. Smith, Albert, said he knew of some members in his county who had made no returns. He would like to know who would be qualified to vote at the rate payers' meetings.

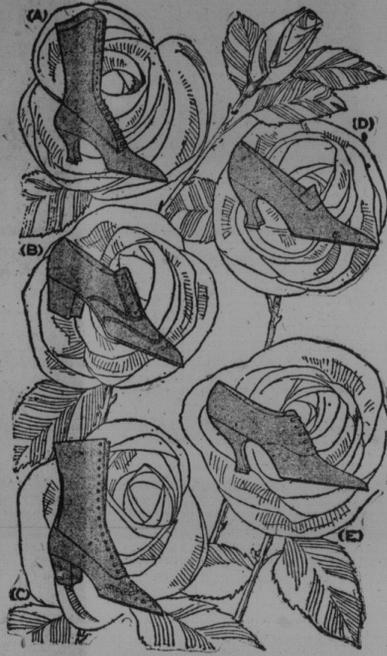
Hon. Mr. Veniot said that, under the act of 1913, it would not now be necessary that taxes should be paid to entitle a person to vote in question of statute labor. It was only applicable to the election of commissioners.

Mr. Young thought the third Monday in April was a little late for holding rate payers' meetings. At that time many men were absent on the drive.

Hon. Mr. Veniot said he had given the matter much consideration. He had been expending in Gloucester County

Spring Offerings of Dainty Footwear For Ladies and Younger Set

As Spring unfolds, newer and more charming footwear models for the younger set appear. In this display the climax of correct fashion and graceful beauty is attained. High Boots, Oxfords and Pumps of exclusive design vie with each other for favor, and nowhere will you find such a wonderful assortment for street, semi-dress and dance at such comparatively small outlay of money—and the assurance of Wizezel quality and workmanship make them specially preferable.



A Chic Quintette for the Younger Set

- (A)—This is a very smart boot, in Black Kid and Havana Brown Kid, Louis Heel.
- (B)—A handsome Military Oxford, in Black Kid, Mahogany, Russian Calf, Dull Calf and Brown Kid; imitation wing tip, Military Heel.
- (C)—A very attractive Military Boot, in all Brown Kid and Dark Mahogany Calf; imitation wing tip, Military Heel.
- (D)—The newest vogue of fashion is handsome Pumps, in fine kid, long slender vamp, full Louis Heels, turn sole.
- (E)—A particularly smart fashion in Oxfords; in Patent Leather, Dull Calf, Mahogany, Russia Calf, Brown and Black Kid, Louis Heel, turn sole.

THE SMARTEST STYLES IN HOSIERY
We specialize in Hosiery. Our Spring display anticipates and provides for every demand. There are exclusive novelties and the best in staple lines.

WIEZEL'S CASH STORE

SUPERIOR FOOTWEAR

St. John 243-247 Union Street. Halifax 517 Barrington Street

"His Master's Voice" RECORDS

Think of the delight of sitting comfortably by your own fireside, with your best friends, listening to the finest instrumental, orchestral and vocal music by the World's Best Artists.

They make records exclusively for "His Master's Voice"

- A Few New Ones**
90 cents for 10-inch, double-sided (Same Price as before the War)
- The Admiral's Broom—Up from Somerset H. Ruthven McDonald 216053
 - In the Land of Beginning Again—1 Found the End of the Rainbow Charles Harrison 18523
 - 1111 We Meet Again—Waltz—Nicholas Orlando's Orch.—and—Beautiful Ohio—Waltz Waldor's Astoria Dance Orchestra 18526
 - Out, Out, Marie—Medley One-Step—Patsy—Sweet 'n' Pretty—Fox Trot All Star Trio 18520
 - Rockin' the Boat—Fox Trot—The Girl Behind the Gun—Medley One-Step Jos. C. Smith's Orchestra 18521
 - Requiem Waltz—Geraldine—Hesitation Waltz Miro's Band 216047
 - Smiles—Rose Room—Fox Trot Smith's Orch. 18473

- Red Seal Records**
- Pieta, Signore! (Tenor) Enrico Caruso 88599
 - Faust—Salut, demeure (Tenor) Giovanni Martinelli 74573
 - My Irish Song of Songs (Tenor) John McCormack 64796
 - God Bless You, My Dear (Baritone) de Luca 64775
 - Kiss Me Again (Soprano) Mabel Garrison 64795

Victrolas from \$34 up to \$57 (sold on easy payments, if desired). Ask for free copy of our 620-page Musical Encyclopedia listing over 9000 "His Master's Voice" Records.

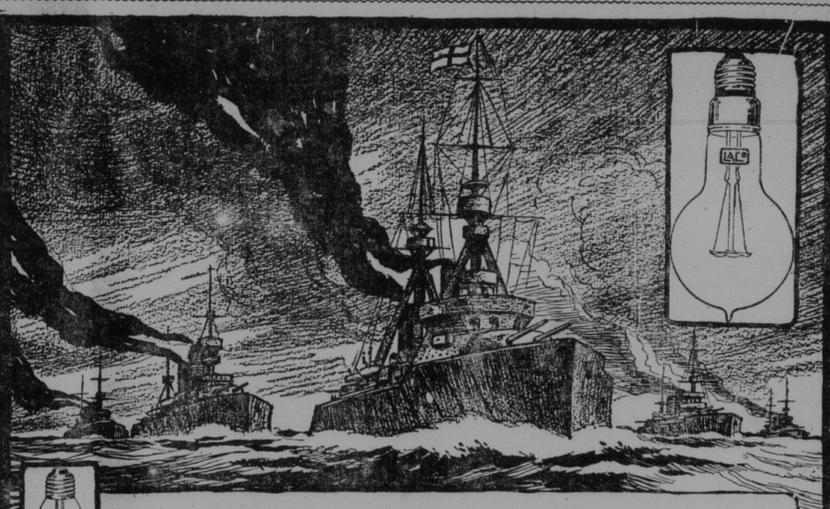
Hear them at any "His Master's Voice" dealer's
Manufactured by Berliner Gram-o-phon Co., Limited Montreal

J. & A. McMILLAN,

Wholesale Distributors for the Maritime Provinces and Gaspé Coast, P. Q.

This is the First Recording by This Famous Canadian Singer.

His records are sure to prove very popular and he, following the lead of so many famous singers, will be an exclusive "His Master's Voice" artist.
216053 The Admiral's Broom H. Ruthven McDonald
10 in. 90c Up from Somerset H. Ruthven McDonald
Kerrett's, 222 Union Street. Phone 1933-31.
Open Nights. Pictures Framed.



A Supremacy That Didn't Come "Over Night"

THE majesty of the British Navy—its might—its wonderful supremacy—did not arise in a single night. Hundreds of years of development—generations of tradition and practical seamanship—all were needed to consummate the triumph of QUALITY. Equally so, quality in ALL things results only from studied effort and steady development toward an ideal.

The "Best-by-Test" Lamp on the Canadian Market—



Guaranteed for 1500 Hours' Useful Life (500 hours better than the next-best lamp) and to produce the candle-power U.S. Standard specifications provide

We are supplying Hydro Lamps to the Toronto Hydro Electric System—made under Hydro specifications—the best in the world

in the roads, and only \$1,741 had been paid by the municipality. It looked less than other counties. He noticed that in York the government had expended \$11,033 while the municipality had contributed in taxes \$10,031. Hon. Mr. Veniot explained that when he took charge of the department he found that in the County of York there was some \$5,000 in back taxes to the credit of the road fund. That money had been expended last year along with the amount collected.



March 21st SPRING begins
Spring This Way!
NEW SUITS
NEW TIES
NEW SHIRTS!
Everything to wear in accord with Spring style and Spring feelings; colors, patterns, fabrics in touch with Spring.
Suits; attractive greys, decorated with interwoven threads of red and blue; sprightly gray mixtures.
\$30 to \$50

Gilmour's, 68 King St.
Soldiers' first cives at 10 per cent discount

CHILD GETS SICK CROSS, FEVERISH IF CONSTIPATED

Look at tongue! Then give fruit laxative for stomach, liver, bowels.
"California Syrup of Figs" can't harm children and they love it.



Mother! Your child isn't naturally cross and peevish. See if tongue is coated; this is a sure sign the little stomach, liver and bowels need a cleansing at once.

When listless, pale, feverish, full of cold, breath bad, throat sore, doesn't sleep or act natural, has stomach-ache, diarrhoea remember, a gentle liver and bowel cleansing should always be the first treatment given. Nothing equals "California Syrup of Figs" for children's ills; give a teaspoonful, and in a few hours all the foul waste, sour bile and fermenting food which is clogged in the bowels passes out of the system, and you have well and playful child again. All children love this harmless, delicious "fruit laxative," and it never fails to affect a good "inside" cleansing. Directions for babies, children of all ages and grown-ups are plainly on the bottle.
Keep it handy in your home. A little given today saves a sick child tomorrow, but get the genuine. Ask your druggist for a bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," then see that it is made by the "California Fig Syrup Company."

OPEN NOSTRILS! END A COLD OR CATARRH

How To Get Relief When Head and Nose are Stuffed Up.
Count fifty! Your cold in head or stuffy disappears as our clogged nostrils will open, the air passages of your head will clear and you can breathe freely. No more snuffling, sneezing, mucous discharge, dryness, headache; no struggling for breath at night.
Get a small bottle of Ely's Cream from your druggist and apply little of this fragrant antiseptic ointment in your nostrils. It penetrates through every air passage of the head, softens and heals the swollen or inflamed mucous membranes, giving you instant relief. Head colds and stuffy, yield like magic. Don't stay fretted-up and miserable. Relief is here.

SATISFYING RELIEF FROM LUMBAGO

Sloan's Liniment has the punch that relieves rheumatic twinges
This warmth-giving, congestion-cattering, circulation-stimulating remedy penetrates without rubbing right to the aching spot and brings quick relief, surely, cleanly. A wonderful elixir for external pains, sprains, strains, stiffness, headache, lumbago, bruises.
Get your bottle today—costs little, means much. Ask your druggist for it by name. Keep it handy for the whole family. Made in Canada. The big bottle is economy.

Sloan's Liniment Kills Pain
50c, 60c, \$1.25