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House of Assembly.

—May 27, 1920.

The House met at 3 p.m. Messrs. Hayward, Brownrigg, Bennett, Cosker, Jones and Sir John Crosbie presented petitions favoring modification of the Prohibition Act. Messrs. Halfyard and (Capt.) Jones questioned the bona fides of the signatures. Space had been provided for witnesses, said Mr. Halfyard, but no witnesses had signed. Mr. Targett had received some petitions to be presented by him, but as they had not come to him direct from his constituents he refused to present them, and passed them over to Mr. Halfyard. Capt. Jones, also, was doubtful of the bona fides of the petitions presented by himself.

Petitions on various local matters were then presented for almost an hour.

The House then went into committee on resolutions relating to the Post and Telegraph Service, which was in charge of the Minister of Posts and Telegraphs. The first section limits the liability of the department for any loss, injury or damage arising or resulting from the non-transmission or non-delivery of telegrams or from delays or errors in the transmission or delivery thereof. Section 2 provides that the fee on registered letters within the colony shall be five cents, instead of three as heretofore. Section 3 provides that a charge of five cents shall be payable upon the delivery to the address of all parcels containing dutiable goods. The minister estimated that a revenue of \$5500.00 would be derived from the former and \$1500.00 from the latter. This would go toward the general revenue of the department.

Mr. J. R. Bennett (O.) thought that, with the new department and the new minister, some way could be found to protect the public against careless or negligent officials of the Telegraph Department who transmitted wrong messages or made gross errors in their transmission. Instead of this, the Minister looks for indemnity on that score. He was of the opinion that the whole thing was a retrograde step.

The Prime Minister said that, while the department was suffering a loss of \$41,000 a year, the public could not expect better service than given. In the Outputs the employees were mostly underpaid and consequently inefficient.

Mr. C. J. Fox (O.) considered that this state of affairs was a deplorable one. Mr. Fox referred, also, to the rapidly increasing proportion of "lost" registered letters. The act of registering letters only proclaimed the fact that there was money in them.

The Minister of Posts (Hon. W. F. Halfyard) considered that the Department was just as efficiently operated as the Anglo offices. The trouble was that politics played too big a part in

the Department. The appointed officials had been those who had most pull with the politicians. Changes were often made, also, because of political expediency. The reason that the Anglo did a larger business than the Postal Telegraphs was that the former had cable connections.

Mr. W. J. Higgins (O.) pointed out that the criticism which came from the Opposition showed their desire to have the department in first-class working order. Mr. Higgins, also, referred to Registration of letters. Beyond the mere tracing of letters he could see no value in registering them now.

Mr. J. R. MacDonnell (O.) advocated the extension of the money order system to mend the evil that had grown up in the registration department.

The resolutions were then passed without amendment.

Third readings were then given the "Model Farm" Bill and the "Certificates of Masters and Mates Bill," and the "Debiture Bond" Bill was put through the committee stage.

The House then went into Committee on the "Exportation of Salt Codfish" Bill.

Sir John Crosbie, referring to the statement in Government papers that the Fish Export Regulations had passed the House unanimously, said that he was not in the House on Friday night when they went through, and he wished to go on record now as being opposed to the regulations as now being considered. He would not dare, he said, knowing as much as he did about the fish markets, go before the country as in any way countenancing such a proposal. He believed in free trade as it related to fish markets and that every exporter should be allowed to sell his fish to the best advantage to himself without being dictated to by any person whatever. He was therefore against the regulations. But while discussing the regulations, he wished again to say a word about the salt situation. Ten days ago he had stated that the salt situation was very serious, and the Minister of Marine and Fisheries had then agreed with him. But what had been done, in those ten days, in the matter? Two days ago he had asked for information as to what the Government were doing in the matter, and the letters, telegrams, correspondence, etc., had been promised him. At last sitting he again brought the salt situation before the House and asked for the correspondence. To-day he had been handed by the Prime Minister what he presumed was all the correspondence in his possession, and what did it reveal? Well, after ten whole days nagging and warning of the serious situation, the Prime Minister, in desperation, handed him three cables, two of

which was to Bowring, of Liverpool, advising them to do all possible to get salt; another to the High Commissioner in London asking him to use his official position to push the former, were sent on Tuesday last, May 25th; the other was addressed to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, the contents of which were too serious to reveal to the country at present, was sent on the day, May 26th, the Prime Minister informed him that the matter had been taken up by the Imperial authorities. That is the whole of the Government's activities to relieve the salt situation. "Apparently they did not believe me when I said the salt situation was serious. Well, I shall wait for another few days to see whether I am right or not. I am perfectly satisfied as to what will happen should the strike continue in Cadiz. This correspondence reveals to me," said Sir John, "the greatest amount of incompetency ever shown in this House as it relates to the Government trying to deal with a serious situation." He stated that he went to a salt importer yesterday to buy 100 hhds., to send to his district. He was offered 50, which he refused, because there was no good to him. That importer has now not a ton left in his store. The situation is so serious that someone must bear the responsibility, and that responsibility he placed squarely on the shoulders of the Government. He could do nothing else after being handed these cables which took the Government ten days to make up its mind to send. The only thing that saves us from a panic now is the ice up north. Let the schooners start in coming along and then in six or eight days we shall see where we are. He asked again, and he hoped he would not have to wait another ten days, that the Government act and act promptly; send a man to Cadiz from London on your behalf; send to Liverpool to have salt brought out from there; although it is not much good it is better than none at all; send a steamer to Turk's Island. All he asked now was to stop this inactivity displayed during the past ten days and do something. Do anything, spend anything to get salt. Instead of three messages being sent it should have been twenty-five. The message that the Government did send to Sir Edgar Bowring, said nothing beyond telling him to use his official position. And why was not that done two weeks ago? Why wait until the 25th of May when the salt situation had been serious for a month? He never saw such incompetence exhibited in any body of men before in his remembrance.

Mr. J. R. Bennett wished to have it known that he was not in favor of the Fish Export Regulations, and the statement that they had passed unanimously, was incorrect. The Opposition was against them. They saw that the Government was determined to put the thing through, and it was futile to oppose it at length, and the conclusion arrived at was that the best thing to do was to offer some amendments which would make the bill less objectionable. In this they had succeeded, as three important amendments had been accepted from the Opposition. This was as much as they could do. There were still sections in the bill which were positively obnoxious to the trade of the country.

Mr. W. J. Walsh backed Sir John Crosbie in the salt matter. No importation of salt had been made for the last month, yet it had advanced in price from \$3.70 to \$4.00. This was profiteering.

Mr. Fox and Mr. Higgins then pressed for further amendments to make the bill better and make it less objectionable to the trade. After some debate the Minister of Marine and Fisheries agreed to accept the following amendment to Section 3: "Immediate notice of any new rule of the amendment of any existing rule shall be given by the Minister of Marine and Fisheries to all licensed exporters of codfish;

"In recommending any rule respecting the fixing of prices, the Board shall not have power to interfere with any contract lawfully made under rules and regulations existing at the time of the fixing of such contract."

Second readings were then given the following Bills, after which the

House adjourned until this afternoon at 3 o'clock:

"The Business Profits Tax Act, 1917"; "An Act Respecting the Montreal Trust Co."; "An Act with respect to existing Tenancies and Ejectment therefrom"; "An Act respecting licenses to cut Hardwood."

B. I. S. Billiard Dinner.

The annual dinner provided by the losers in the B. I. S. billiard tournament, was held at the club rooms last night and proved one of the most enjoyable affairs of the kind in the history of the Society. About 100 players and guests were present. The catering was in the hands of Mr. F. B. Wood and the menu delighted all. Mr. W. J. Higgins, President of the Society, occupied the chair in his usual affable manner. Following the repast, the following toast list was given through:

TOAST LIST.
Prop. "The King" Resp. The Chairman. "God Save the King."
"The Archbishop and Clergy"
Mr. J. C. Pippy. "The Pope's March"
"The Christian Brothers and Education"
Mr. C. J. Fox. "Mr. J. R. MacDonnell. "Newfoundland"
Mr. C. E. Hunt. Mr. P. F. LeGrow.
"OUR GUESTS"
Mr. J. Long. Mr. W. J. Higgins.
"Vice-Patron, Hon. J. D. Ryan"

The Chairman.
The speeches were most entertaining and well interspersed with humor and were received with much applause. During the evening songs were given by Messrs. C. J. Fox, M.H.A., J. R. MacDonnell, M.H.A., A. L. Summers, and H. Goldspink and recitations by Messrs. J. G. Higgins and P. Halfyard, which added greatly to the pleasure of the affair. The committee in charge, Messrs. N. J. Vinnicombe, M.H.A., M. J. Savage, E. J. Ring, A. B. Knight, W. A. Grace and W. B. Skinner are to be complimented on the success of the affair.

Every Precaution Necessary.

Dear Sir.—I was forcibly reminded a couple of days ago of the necessity of Motor Drivers using every precaution for the safety of the Public, by slower driving and full attention to Brakes to see that they are ever in good order.

The instance I wish to quote was as follows:—A delivery car going over LeMerchant Road turned down Patrick St. at head of Springdale St. The car was running, I should judge, about ten or twelve miles per hour, the driver seeing one of his friends wished to stop to take him aboard, and applied the brakes for that purpose. The wheels stopped turning but continued to skid along the ground quite a distance. I could see the marks quite plainly and walking along, it covered a distance of eleven of my steps or roughly 18 feet, then the brakes being released for about ten feet they were again applied, and the distance marked by the wheels skidding covered 27 of my steps or say 44 feet, making the whole distance covered from the time brakes were first applied (it would mean 18x10x4ft.) altogether 72 feet, and this at only a fair rate of speed. One can readily imagine what the result would be if it was found necessary to stop the car quickly to avoid running over any person or persons.

Thanking you for space.
Yours truly,
EYE-WITNESS.
St. John's, May 26th, 1920.

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Shipping Notes.

Schr. Winifred Lee has returned to Grand Bank from the Banks with 1,000 qts. of codfish.

Schr. Gordon M. Hollett has arrived at Burnt after a run of 21 days from Oporto, with salt to W. & T. Hollett.

S.S. Kyle left Port aux Basques at 1.15 a.m. yesterday, for North Sydney, taking 127 outward passengers, mostly second class.

SLIP THE GLAD HAND TO SUMMER!



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JANET AYRE,
Hon. Sec. B. H. Collection.

City's Health.

During the week 6 cases of diphtheria, 1 of scarlet fever and 4 of smallpox were reported in the city and 2 of smallpox outside the city limits. Six residences were disinfected and released from quarantine. At present in hospital are 52 diphtheria, 2 scarlet fever and 6 smallpox patients, while 2 with diphtheria and 3 with smallpox are being treated at home.

New American Sailors.

Bishop's are receiving to-day by express another small shipment of Ladies' Newest American Sailor Hats, more beautiful than previous shipments which were so popular in St. John's. Will the ladies who have been waiting on their arrival please take notice.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

Mr. D. J. Furlong wishes to announce to his customers and the public generally that he has installed a new Renovating and Scouring Machine which removes all stains and dirt from clothes and makes them look new without hurt or harm to the slightest fabric. So he is now ready to handle one hundred renovated suits every week without disappointing one.

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