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## THE LOCAL LEGISLATURE PROROGUED ON FRIDAY

Bills to Tax Theatres, To Establish Vocational Schools and Provide Health Dept. Passed---Woodsmen and Stream Drivers Excluded From Workmen's Compensation

new institution only opened dur-ing the last two years, which was provided by the munificence of Mr. Ernest Hutchinson, of Douglastown B F Smith of the Opposition It was, he understood, one of the finest equipped hospitals in the prothe help it gave was much appreciat-

Mr Crocket of York, said he wish remarks with regard to the Miramichi hospital It was one of the best managed institutions of its kind in

or improperly witheld or retained"
He explained that it was prompted by d'selecures made in regard to the St John Valley Railway Mr Byrne said that the leader of the Opposition wished to include the Central Railway in the score of the Bill, but the report of the Central Rajyway Commission, which alleged the diversion of \$130,000 from its proper channels, had been brought down in 1908 under the Hazen administration and no action had been tak

Protection of Game Hon Mr Smith explained that a mendments to the Game Act prohibited the shooting of Caribou before October 10, 1921, and Partridge before Sept 15, 1921 It also provided for a bounty of \$2 on wild cats and fifty cents for porcupincs He said that  $h_{\rm e}$  had received many complaints from different parts of the country regarding the destruction wrought by porcupines It was said that they had destroyed much valuable timber

Prohibition Inspectors will act as Game Wardens One section forbids the selling of

moose or deer meat If this is found to work a hardship it will be amend-Workmen's Compensation Fredericton, April 23-The House

went into committee to consider the Workmen's Compensation Act.

Mr McGrath raised an objection to the section and sub-section of the bill, which has to do with medical and surgical treatment for injured workmen He contended that it was unfair to hospitals, as well as to the medical profession, that provision was only made by the Act for first ald treatment. He said it was difficult for a man to pay medical and hospital charges when in receipt of his full income; and it would be much more difficult when that income had been reduced to 55 cent of what the man usually e St John had a large hospital, which was supported by the province and city and, therefore, would not be af-fected by the section to which he fected by the section to which had called attention If such were not the case, he felt sure there are large delegation from not the case, he felt sure there would be a large delegation from St John on hand to oppose that feature of the bill He read to the committee a resolution adopted by the Mêramichi Medical Bociety, in opposition to the sections of the bill to which he called attention He thought that an accident, instead of being reported to the board, should be reported to somebody empetent to judge the nature of the injury, and the man should be kept under medical supervision to prevent

medical supervision to prevent something more serious from dev-eloping He held that doctors who practiced their profession among the working classes, gave about one third of their time without remuner third of their time without remuneration, and they were fortunate if they got paid for the other two-thirds it looked to him as if the bill would compel medical men and hospital authorities to treet cases of accidents and industrial diseases free of charge. The Employers' Liability Act gave them come provides bility Act gave them some protection, but the Act now before the

Mr. Tilley of the Opposition pointed out that the section to which the honorable member had objected, had been taken from the Nova Scotta Act, and it worked well in that

Foster promised additional assist-ance to the Miramichi Hospital portation of lumber, pulpwood, fireat Newcastle. This, he said, was a wood and railway ties" be excepted from the Act.

This amendment posed by Messrs. Tilley, Sutton and

from a lumbering country, he felt that he was competent to express an opinion upon this matter Condied to corroborate most heartily the tions in Northumborland were simiwoods operations were concerned the province and it deserved an ad- small sub-contractors doing most of the work He had no hestitation Hon Mr Byrne introduced "an act of assist and enable His Majesty of the woods would not object to being to assist and enable His Majesty the King to recover money illegally 1 ft out of the scope of the Compen sation Act

The amendment was adopted
The amount payable on account of the deeth of an employee caused by the negligence of a fellow employee was limited to \$3,500 Mr McGrath moved an ame to section 89 to the affect that the board might provide for the payment for hospital care for an injur ed workman

The bill was agreed to with a ments and reported

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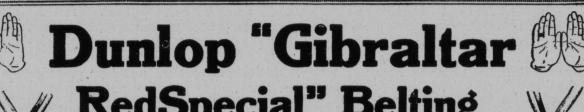


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