

Ottawa, May 6.
Mr. Costigan moved an Address to the Crown on the subject of the New Brunswick School Law, the effect of the resolution being to urge upon the Imperial Government so to amend the British North America Act as to secure the alleged rights of the Catholic minority in New Brunswick.
Mr. Desjardins moved that the debate be adjourned till Monday next, in order to allow time for obtaining some important information he expected to receive in the interval.
This was agreed to, and the debate stood over.
Mr. Palmer then moved for information respecting the Fishery Commission to be appointed under the Treaty of Washington.
Mr. Mackenzie objected on the ground of pending negotiations, and the motion accordingly dropped.
Mr. Walker moved an Address praying for the revocation of the several orders granting precedence to the Governor-General's Foot Guards.
Mr. Mackenzie said, as the matter was one of discipline, it would be better not to press the motion.
Mr. Walker withdrew the motion.
Mr. Cameron (Huron) moved for the House to go into Committee on the Bill to restore the franchise to the South. Mr. Rymal's celebrated diagram illustrating the gross injustice in the Act of 1872 was designed to correct.
Mr. Kirkpatrick urged it should be introduced if at all by the Government, and not by a private member.
Mr. Dorion replied to Mr. Kirkpatrick, and in defending the measure showed the inconsistencies of the Act of 1872. Mr. Rymal had protested against this piece of iniquity when it was perpetrated. It was a piece of political engineering. Several counties were gerrymandered by the late Government, and so scandalous was their conduct in this respect that even their own friends recoiled from supporting them.
Dr. Tupper affected much indignation at what he alleged to be an infringement upon the principle of representation by population.
Mr. Currier having said a few words, Mr. Cameron (Huron) replied with much spirit and energy, justifying the action he was taking in exposing the monstrous provisions of the Act to which his Bill was an amendment.
Sir John A. Macdonald, with a good deal of warmth, attacked Mr. Cameron, and in the course of his remarks imputed to the latter that he was moving in the matter to secure himself a safe re-election if his seat was contested on the protest now pending.
Mr. Cameron having explained.
Dr. Orton, whose appearance was welcomed with a groan of impatience, replied to some allusions that had been made to the division of the Wellington Ridings.
Mr. Mackenzie answered Sir John A. Macdonald, and cited the case of similar Bills to the present one, which Sir John A. Macdonald had supported. He showed the fallacy of the latter's argument, and as for his principles they were got up for every particular occasion. He (Mr. Mackenzie) had voted with Mr. Cameron in 1872 to prevent this outrage, and how could he now vote against a motion to redress it?
Mr. Storton administered a rebuke to Dr. Orton, and gave his version of the treatment Wellington had received in 1872.
The House then went into Committee, and passed and reported the Bill.

Stagnation in the States.
The New York Herald's commercial article says:—
"Trade in the West, viewed from a financial point of view, does not appear to be more encouraging than it is at the East. The banks are reported as doing only a moderate business, and universal depression exists. From Chicago comes the information that purchasers in that market who in good times easily obtained credit now find it difficult to do so. General retrenchment is observable both in business and living. Great numbers of persons have been forced out of clerkships and driven to seek remunerative work elsewhere. The middle men are fewer and less well paid, while retailers in the city have, it is reported, not only lost a good deal of their custom but suffered an unusually large amount of paper to go to protest. These are unpleasant facts to record, but it is not difficult to decry the source of the evil. The panic produced its natural consequences, such as loss of confidence and contraction in trade; but Congress, by the stupidity and uncertainty of its legislation, has done a thousand times more evil in disturbing values, throwing business off its balance, and unsettling the judgment of the merchants, manufacturers and producers of the country. Thirty-five millions of people are to-day practising economy more rigidly than at any time since 1861, while the Government is a greater spendthrift than at any other period of peace in its history. The decline in our imports shows less extravagance on the part of the masses; and everywhere, from the household to the grandest bazaar, may be witnessed a curtailment of expenditure and adaptation to the peculiar circumstances of the nation."

REDUCTION IN ATLANTIC STEAMER RATES.
—For a good many years past all the great transatlantic steamship companies have had a compact not to carry steerage passengers below a certain figure. There has usually been a monthly conference to talk matters over and to fix the rates. This arrangement, however, has lately been broken up. When the last monthly conference, was held two or three of the agents of the older companies were absent, and letters from them announced that they would no longer hold themselves bound by such engagements. This has broken up the fixed rate system. Already the steamer fares on one line are reduced \$4 on the trip to Europe from New York, and \$2 from Liverpool to this side. It is anticipated that a still greater reduction will take place speedily. Though the fares were down to \$15, or even less, the companies would still make splendid profits. Hitherto these companies could do very much as they liked, for the demand for transport has been so great that all had more business than they could do. More have now gone into the trade, and there is besides a full immigration, so the high rates will have to come down.
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