

GOVERNMENT NAMES MARCH 18 AS OPENING DAY OF LEGISLATURE

Decides on Date at Meeting Held in This City Yesterday

Clarke of Charlotte Will be New Speaker of House

Fenian Raid Veterans Fail to Get Lands, but May Get Other Reward

The opening date of the New Brunswick legislature is Thursday 18th March.

The members of the government spent a busy day, transacting a large amount of business.

At the evening session a deputation was received from the Fenian Raid Veterans' Association.

An order was passed authorizing the organization of a Greenway Agricultural Society No. 81.

A communication was received from the Provincial Secretary of the Board of Health dealing with the smallpox situation.

In recognition of their work at the Provincial Hospital the government voted \$100 for the St. John Firemen's Relief Association.

The claim of Mr. Schofield of the Fairview fire department for injuries sustained at the fire was referred to a committee for a report.

Dr. Geo. U. Hay, of St. John, and Alvey Johnston, of St. Stephen, were appointed members of the New Brunswick Pharmaceutical Society.

A communication was received from Dr. Fraser, Superintendent of the School for the Deaf at Halifax.

The Provincial Secretary announced that he had arranged with the Bank of Montreal for the provincial loan on treasury bonds at 3 1/2 per cent.

Dr. Anglin, superintendent of the Provincial Hospital, had a long conference with the government.

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March was fixed as the opening day of the house. It is unofficially stated that George F. Clarke will be the speaker.

The deputation of veterans, consisting of Andrew Emory, James Hurst, and H. McAfee, asked that land grants be given them in return for the services they had rendered the country.

The members of the deputation presented that they had taken part in the Fenian Raids of 1869.

The Premier in reply pointed out the difficulties in the way of making land grants, the lands of the province being under license.

An order was passed incorporating the Maritime Steamship Company, Limited, which proposes to operate a service between St. John, Black's Harbor, St. Andrews and other intermediate points.

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MRS. CAROLINE SKINNER. Word has been received of the death in Boston on Tuesday, of Mrs. Caroline Skinner, wife of Dr. Edward M. Skinner.

JUST THE THING. At a brilliant "At Home" given by a society woman a pianist of world-wide reputation was asked to perform.

AFTERNOON AND EVENING. During a visit made to McNeill's stables, Marsh road, where the Kentucky thoroughbreds purchased by Peter Clinch were examined.

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WAR CLOUDS IN THE BALKANS—CATTARO'S SWORD OF DAMOCLES. Despite the apparently peaceful solution of the difficulties between Austria and Turkey, the situation in the Near East is still one that calls for much attention.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE S. P. C. A.

Secretary Wetmore, Outside Branches, and Ladies' Auxiliary Report That Much Good Work Has Been Accomplished.

The 29th annual meeting of the society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals was held in the Board of Trade rooms, yesterday morning.

Officers who have always been so willing to assist him in his work, also in many cases where they have acted for him in his absence and reported later.

Mrs. Thomas Walker for the Ladies' Humane Auxiliary, made a brief report of the good work being done by that organization.

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DECREASE IN TOTAL TRADE Declined \$84,906,907 in 10 Months EXPORTS FALL OFF

A Big Decrease in Export of Agricultural Products

OTTAWA, Feb. 18.—During January the imports of the Dominion were practically the same as for January of last year.

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—There is no cessation to the agitation on the proposition to purify the stage.

STAGE IS AS GOOD AS SOCIETY, SAYS BISHOP Play Will Improve as Culture of People Increases, Asserts Dr. Greer

MUCH OF EVIL NOW "That there is much evil in connection with the theatre, much that is low, coarse, base and disgusting, no good man will question; but the purpose of every good citizen should be not to try to abolish the theatre, which is impossible, inasmuch as it is an integral factor in our civilization."

McNEILL STRUCK BY EXPRESS IN BLINDING SNOW STORM AND HIS HEAD IS SEVERED FROM HIS BODY

A frightful accident, causing the death of one man and serious injury to another, occurred at Burpee's siding near McAdam Junction, during a blinding snow storm on Monday evening at 9:30 o'clock.

Walter Murphy, the injured man, is now under the care of Dr. Butler of McAdam.

Joseph McNeill, the deceased man, was between 35 and 40 years of age and is believed to have come from Cape Breton.

McNeill's head was severed from his body and the remains presented a ghastly appearance when discovered by Engineer Treacart, running on the transfer train between Vancoboro and McAdam.

Walter Murphy, a companion of the injured man, was also seriously injured, but may recover.

It is not exactly known whether the C. P. R. train for Montreal or the Boston express was the one that struck, although advices from McAdam state that it was probably the former.

McNeill with Murphy and a third man, whose name could not be ascertained, had gone out from McAdam early Monday evening.

Advertisement for 'All Early' Vegetables, featuring 'None' and 'Annual for 1909'.

Advertisement for 'NO HOUSE OPEN TODAY' with text 'From the Throne shadows Many Changes'.

Advertisement for 'NORMALIZED' and 'Y TERRIBLE STORM' with text 'Cut Off—Railways Tied Up Towns in Darkness'.

Advertisement for 'ST PER MILE' with text 'Feb. 15.—Hon. Mr. Ames in tonight's statement that the Railway from Moncton was on an average per mile'.

Advertisement for 'PS'S' with text 'Drink and a sustaining grant, nutritious and the system in robust enables it to resist extreme cold'.

Advertisement for 'COA' with text 'Officers and Storekeepers 16 and 3-lb Tins'.

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Advertisement for 'KIDNEY DISEASE COMES ON QUIETLY'.

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