

enous a scene as ever took place with- in the Legislative Halls of the Colony. An eye-witness has furnished us with the following graphic sketch thereof: THURSDAY, Feb. 12th.

At 20 minutes to four p.m., Mr. Lawrence Barron was admitted to the House, and received instructions from Ambo as to what time the latter would be going home.

Ten minutes after the doors were opened for the public—The Speaker being in the Chair. All the government members in attendance—the Opposition seats vacant. Mr. Carter showing uneasiness at the absence of "the other side."

4 o'clock.—The Premier still uneasy, and nervously says—"I'll wait five minutes longer." Shea in trouble—his back turned to the people (as it always has been) and his head down. The Speaker moved Burton into the chair. Chair taken—Burton looking very wise. Mr. Bowring rose and said—"Mr. Speaker, I move that the—that is, I don't mean Mr. Speaker—I beg your pardon Mr. Speaker. Mr. President, I move that the address—gentlemen, I should have said Mr. Chairman, and must acknowledge ah—that I, ah—am unaccustomed ah—to the observances, ah—of the House ah. But I move ah—that the address ah—be read ah—and passed ah—by sections ah—leaving the last section ah—to come last, ah—that is, I mean ah—for a future time, ah." Mr. Bowring's proposition, ah, found no seconder, ah. All quiet—members uneasy.

4.50—Whiteway, roaming about, asks Mr. Casey and Mr. P. Barron (privately) to step over and take two of the vacant seats of the opposition to enable the House to proceed. Whiteway's face, after getting off this joke, looks like a whitewashed skull. Everything is at a dead lock. Bye and bye. McNeilly rises and says, "The Opposition are treating this side of the house with contempt. I move that the house proceed with the Address." Solemn silence prevails for ten or fifteen minutes. Shea and Carter consulting. In about twenty minutes the Speaker calls upon the Premier to have address proceeded with. No reply from Carter or Shea. Ten minutes elapses. Mr. Winter said it was too bad the way Government members were treated. He was of opinion that the Address should be proceeded with. Some people, he said, came here to have fun, and others to hear the business of the country attended to; but it was his (Mr. W.'s) opinion that the government members were the laughing-stock of the country—sitting here, looking at each other, and doing nothing. The Opposition were treating the Government members very badly. Mr. Winter then sat down, and there was silence for some minutes longer.

"Question," cries McNeilly. "Question," cries the Speaker. Silence again for some time. Then Mr. Carter rose and said it was really too bad, but he thought hon members were engaged in looking over some election matters. Mr. Carter sat down looking daggers at the vacant seats opposite. Silence again for nearly ten minutes. Mr. Shea then rose and said, no matter what hon members were about, he would show up to the country what the opposition were doing the last four years. The day would come when he would expose them.

5.35—Carter and Shea consulting—latter looks at Speaker—Speaker took his seat and adjourned the House. The crowd left, whistling and shouting.

Such 'dignified' proceedings as the foregoing are somewhat new to the Colony. New writs for the vacant districts should at once be issued, or there should be a dissolution of the Legislature.

In its Review of the year 1873 the Boston "Traveller" has the following paragraph:

The Canadian Dominion has been the scene of lively events. Prince Edward Island has joined the Dominion, and thus the new Union has been all but completed. Something not unlike to our credit Mobilier business occurred in the dominion, and gave animation to its politics. It was a Pacific Railway corruption affair, and deeply implicated the Macdonald Ministry, and led ultimately to its fall, and to the formation of the Mackenzie Ministry, which recently began to rule. Lord Dufferin, the able and popular Viceroy, has borne himself with characteristic credit throughout the whole of this painful business, yet, as it was not possible that he should please every body, some of his decisions were sharply criticised, but his integrity is as unimpeachable as are his talents. The Dominion is a growing and a gaining country and can become a nation whenever it may be inclined to assume such a rank in the world but we see no evidence that it desires to separate itself from the British Empire. As regards its annexation to this Republic, that must be looked upon as a dream of the nights of other days,

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Latest Despatches.

LONDON, 9. So far 509 members have been elected—267 Conservatives and 242 Liberals.

Times advises Gladstone to resign before the assembling of Parliament. Cardwell will be raised to the Peerage.

NEW YORK, 9. Gold 111½. Capt. General of Cuba proclaims the whole Island in a state of seige, and orders that a draft be made for soldiers, the slaves to work on the fortifications.

OTTAWA, 9. All the Ministers are expected here this week. Bishop Guiges died last night.

LONDON, 11. 283 Conservatives and 253 Liberals and Home Rulers have been returned so far, 55 of whom are from Ireland—namely, 31 Home Rulers, 16 Conservatives and Liberals.

Extensive rioting at Chesterfield and Barnesby yesterday; many police were injured.

British Columbia advices of 8th inst state that the local minister attempted to force alteration of terms of union through House last night. The people demanded to be heard in the matter, and this being refused by Government, the people, 1000 strong, proceeded to the Hall, and broke up the Session. Intense excitement; wires interrupted; no further particulars.

NEW YORK, 11. Gold 112½. The Army Appropriation Bill passed the Lower House; and has been cut down 4½ per cent from original estimate.

Dominion Parliament is expected to meet on the middle of March.

LONDON, 12. Further Election returns show 310 Conservatives, 268 Liberals and Home Rulers. Former gained 85 seats, latter 81.

Dikes on the coast of Schleswig-Holstein, have broken down. Country flooded. Immense damage done to property, and some loss of life.

Sir Garnet Wolseley, with his white troops, will leave Africa for England March 1.

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Shortly after the Boston fire, the employees of a large firm in that city, of their own motion, proposed a reduction of salaries. Their generous offer was accepted. Since then the business of the firm has prospered, and last week the partners presented each of their clerks for a check for the full amount of the pay surrendered, and announced that all the salaries had been put back to the old figures.

Late accounts from Texas report that a party of the Comanche Indians has attacked the white settlers residing near San Diego, and murdered more than thirty persons, besides stealing or destroying a great amount of property. Lieut. Hudson, with about 40 of the U. S. Cavalry, went in pursuit of the savages, whom they overtook and drove off, capturing a good deal of the stolen property. Nine Indians were found dead on the field.

The Halifax "Citizen" says: Mr. Calvell has issued a circular to all the railway employees, asking them to sign a pledge to abstain from intoxicating beverages after the first of the year, and to form themselves into a temperance society. This idea has been well received on other lines, and a large proportion of the men on our Provincial road declare their readiness to sign and keep the pledge.

The officers of the British navy have subscribed a large sum to be expended on a wedding present to the wife of their brother officer, the Duke of Edinburgh.

Wolseley, with his white troops will leave Africa for England March 1st.

DIED. On Friday last, the 13th Inst., at Carbonear, after a lingering illness, which he bore with christian resignation, Mr. William Brown, son of the late Mr. James Brown, and brother of the Rev. James Brown, P. P. of Twillingate and Fogo, aged 32 years.—R. I. P.

At Bay Roberts, on Sunday last, Mr. Michael Cullerton, aged 84 years.

At St. John's on Saturday, 8th inst., after a lingering illness, much respected by a large circle of friends and acquaintances, Mr. William Holden, aged 61 years—a native of Dublin and for many years a resident of that city.

At St. John's on the 10th Feb., after a long and painful illness, Mr. Lawrence Cowran, aged 60 years,—a native of the County Carlow, Ireland.

SHIP NEWS. PORT OF HARBOR GRACE. ENTERED. Feb. 17—Isabella Ridley, Pike, Liverpool coal—J. Munn & Co.

CLEARED. Feb. 13—Netherlands, Conch, Pernambuco. fish—J. Munn & Co.

NOTICES. A CARD. SPANISH VICE-CONSULATE, Harbor Grace, Jan. 26, 1874.

DURING my absence, Mr. ROBERT BADCOCK, Jr., will attend to the duties of this Vice-Consulate. The Vice-Consul of Spain, T. HARRISON RIDLEY. Feb 1, 1874.

Dr. W. F. BURNS, DENTIST, Is now in town, and has taken Rooms at the residence of Mr. JOHN O'DY, (opposite the premises of the Hon. W. J. S. DONNELLY) where he may be consulted for Two Weeks. All operations performed. Satisfaction guaranteed or no charge. N.B.—Dr. B. will visit Brigus on the 18th, and remain One Week. Feb. 4.

COMMERCIAL BANK OF NEW-FOUNDLAND. DIVIDEND on the capital Stock of this Company, at the rate of ten per cent per annum, for the half-year, ending 31st December 1873, will be payable at the Banking-House, in Duckworth Street, on and after TUESDAY the 6th inst., during the usual hours of business. By order of the Board, R. BROWN, Manager.

ST. JOHN'S January 3,

NOTICE.

Jillard Brothers' New Provision, Grocery and Hardware

STORE,

is now in full operation. Anything you require you will get there.

Provisions of the Best Quality.

Liver, Pork, Beef, Molasses, Butter split and Round, Pease, Oatmeal Rice, Cheese, Beans.

Choice and well-selected

GROCERIES,

Tea—Black and Hyson Sugar—Loaf Crushed and Brown Raisins—Bloom Layer and Valencia Broad Figs Currants Spices of every description MaceCinnamon Cassia Cloves Pimento Mixed Spice, PepperC. Seed Nutmegs Gray, Dunn & Co.'s Fancy Biscuits of all kinds

Confectionery

Essence of Coffee, Homeopathic and Common Cocoa

Chocolate

Bacon and Hams, Lard, Pearl Barley Groats and Patent Barley, Mustard Pickles—Mixed, Chow Chow, Picadilly, Red Cabbage, Onions, Walnuts Olive Oil, Crystal and Pure Malt Vinegar in bottles and casks Raspberry Vinegar, Essence Lemon Root Ginger, Ground Ginger, Honey Table Salt—by the pound and in crocks and bottles

Glue, Candles, Baking Powders Carbonate of Soda, Sago, Tapioca Vermaceola, Liquorice Saltpetre, Logwood, Brimstone, Sulphur Snuff, Starch, Blue, Hard Soap Castile Soap, Fancy and Scented Soap Bees Wax, Nixey's Black Lead, Wax Electric and Comb Matches Best Japan Blacking, Paste Blacking Brunswick Black, Furniture Polish Washing Soda, Snuff Beans Condensed Milk Bottled Fruits—Plums, Cherries, Damsons Green Gages, &c. Corn Flour, Sardines, Smoked Herrings Jellies, Jams, and Marmalade The celebrated Victoria and other Sauces Citron, Lemon and Orange Candied Peel Gelatine, Cream of Tartar Shelled Almond Nuts, Kay's Coaguline Hunt's, Cockle's and Holloway's Pills Castor Oil, Senna, Salts, Hartshorn Medicamentum, Opodeldoo Oysters in Tins, Salid Oil Capilaire Syrup Bear's Grease and Pomatum Infant's Feranaceous Food.

We keep constantly on hand

HARDWARE

Of every description. Carpenters' Tools, Coopers' Tools Shoemakers' Tools, Masons' Tools Brushes, Combs, Earthenware, Glassware Locks, Hinges, Bolts, Latches Musical Instruments, Medicines, Drugs Perfumery, Nautical Instruments & Charts Locks, Screws, Brads Parlor and Kitchen Utensils Paints, Oil, Turpentine, Varnish Saddlers' Ware, Toys, Brooms, Buckets Saddles, Bath Brick Hatchets, Saws, Hammers, Planes Tomahawks, Shingling Hatchets Spokeshaves, Wrought Nails Rules and Squares Compasses and Spirit Levels, Chisels Toggles, Gimblets, Augurs, Chalk Lines Braes and Bits, Sand and Glass Paper Hand, Pit and Crosscut Files, Saw Sets Gunpoys, Diamonds, Axes, Adzes Jointer and Plane Irons, Drawing Knives Centre Bits, Awls, Britles, Hemp, Flax Copperas, Pinchers, Rasps, Whips Leather, Kerosene Oil, Soap

Honey Dew Tobacco.

Electro, Albata, British Plate, Nickel and German Silverware Gold, Silver, Gilt, Plated and Glass

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St. John's January 3,

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