

THE QUEBEC LEGISLATURE

Sixth Parliament—Fourth Session

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Mr. Hall's B. A. Bill Passes in Spite of Considerable Opposition.

QUEBEC, January 29.—The Speaker took the chair at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Nantel moved for a list of all literary, scientific and other works bought by the Government since January, 1887.

Mr. Gagnon denied the charge of partiality to friends, and pointed to his past record as a proof of honesty.

Mr. Faucher de St. Maurice objected to the word "merchandise" being applied to books.

Mr. Maclellan mentioned a number of books bought, and said that no one but the member for Terrebonne would be mean enough to object to their purchase.

It being six o'clock, the Speaker left the chair.

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The decision was received with cheers. The House then went into committee and reported the bill with one amendment, the effect of which was to recognize the Laval degrees of B. L. and B. S.

Mr. Polletier then moved that the second clause be amended by adding a provision to the effect that universities must conform to any rules that might be passed by the General Council of the Bar, the Chamber of Notaries, or the College of Physicians and Surgeons, or the Province of Quebec.

This was defeated by a vote of 23, to 28. Mr. Bisson having changed sides and Mr. Beauchamp, who was not present at the first division, voting with the minority on the second. The bill was read a second time and the third reading was fixed for to-morrow.

The supplementary estimates were then laid on the table, and after adopting one item the House adjourned at 12.30.

ONTARIO LEGISLATURE.

Ontario's Law-Making Body Opens Under Very Tame Auspices.

TORONTO, January 30.—The opening of the Legislature to-day was a very tame affair. There were very few prominent people present and it was generally observed that the former grand formality is fast dying out in connection with the event.

The Lieutenant-Governor, as he entered the House and as he departed. The speech from the throne was read by the Lieutenant-Governor, as follows:—

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly.

It is with much pleasure that I again meet you, assembled for the discharge of the important duties which devolve upon you as the people's representatives in the Provincial Legislature.

I have special satisfaction in congratulating you on the passage of an act by the Imperial Parliament, since your last session, confirming and giving effect to the decision of Her Majesty's Privy Council, in August, 1884, respecting the westerly boundary of the province, and finally settling the northern boundary, as well as the westerly, in substantial accordance with the award of the arbitrator in 1878.

The people of Ontario cannot but experience a feeling of relief that we have at last reached the final stage of the long protracted dispute between the province and the Dominion, and that the territorial limits claimed by the province have been definitively secured for all time.

I regret that owing to the action of the Dominion with respect to the question of interest, there now exists little probability of a settlement of accounts between the two governments being arrived at through negotiation, and proposals have accordingly been made on the part of the province to refer to arbitration the points in dispute. The correspondence on the subject will be laid before you.

It is also a matter of disappointment that the Quebec Government has declined to enter into any arrangement for settling our claims as to the land improvement fund, and except in one instance has not taken to have them settled through the courts.

I regret that the agricultural industry, the most important in the province, is still in a depressed condition. Unfavorable climatic conditions in extensive sections of the province blighted the hopes that were entertained in the early portion of the year of an abundant harvest.

This year the autumn has been unusually cold and the harvest, though not so good as in previous years, has been less than in previous years, and the Dominion trade is showing that the yearly value of these exports, which are chiefly from Ontario, is far in excess of the amount of all the manufactures exported by the Dominion.

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philanthropy in the larger centres of population

has provided institutions for the care of such persons in these localities, and provincial aid to many of these institutions has been extended under our Charity Aid Act.

With a view of encouraging the erection of country houses of refuge in connection with industrial farms, and of thereby relieving the jails of this unfortunate class of their inmates, a measure will be submitted for your consideration, providing for a grant from the provincial funds of a sum not exceeding four thousand dollars toward the cost, in any county or union of the counties availing itself of the act, the grant to be subject to such conditions as you may deem fitting.

The bill will also provide for the case of counties which have already established a house of refuge.

MUNICIPAL TAXATION.

Your attention will be invited to the consideration of changes in the law relating to the assessment of property for the purpose of municipal taxation. Steps have been taken to procure a general expression of opinion from the various municipal councils and boards of trade throughout the province, and a measure on this subject will be submitted, which will, I trust, meet with your approval.

Among other measures there will also be submitted for your consideration a bill to facilitate the speedy termination of important constitutional questions, a bill for the further improvement of the liquor laws, and a bill relating to the license of cutlers and the measurement of saw logs.

THE PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.

The public accounts for the past year will be promptly laid before you. You will be pleased to learn that the expenditure has been kept within the amount granted, and that the revenue has exceeded the amount anticipated.

The estimates for the current year will, at an early date, be presented for your approval. They will be found to be framed with due regard to economy and to the necessities of the public service.

I feel assured that your deliberations will be hitherto, be characterized by wisdom and patriotism, and will conduce to the happiness and prosperity of the people.

CONCERT AT ALMONTE, ONT.

A Successful Entertainment in Aid of St. Mary's Church.

ALMONTE, Jan. 27th, 1890.—On Thursday evening, the 23rd instant, a concert in aid of St. Mary's Church was held in the Town Hall, Almonte, and proved an exceedingly enjoyable and successful affair.

The program was about to be begun on the previous Thursday evening, when a severe storm, and a blizzard, rendered the postponement of the entertainment an absolute necessity.

The attendance was large, the programs ably carried out, and the frequent manifestations of appreciation showed how thoroughly every one present was delighted. Mr. R. J. Dowdall was asked to preside as chairman, and discharged the duties of the position with his usual ability, delivering a few well-chosen and eloquent remarks as a preface to the musical program.

On the platform also were Rev. Peter Poulin, the new and already popular curate of St. Mary's, and the President of the St. Vincent de Paul Society, the Father Mathew Temperance Association, the Catholic Mutual Benefit Association, and the Emerald Musical Association, respectively.

The musical program was opened by an instrumental trio (Messrs. O'Heare, Cloutier and Fay) which was followed by a sweetly rendered duet by Miss Liza and Master G. G. Galt.

The piece was well chosen to suit the voices of the youthful singers, and a marked encore followed, to which the little ones cheerfully responded.

Miss Dowdall had a fine opportunity of displaying her skill on the piano, in her classical selection and did not fail to profit by it. The piece was played with finely shaded tones and poetic appreciation, and a warm encore was responded to with equal success.

Miss Callahan's song was rendered in a soft and sweet soprano voice, and was well received. The tableau, "Court of the Fairy Queen," was a decided success. Miss Lizzie R. R. assumed with grace and dignity the role of Her Majesty the Fairy Queen, and looked charmingly pretty as she sat upon the throne with crown and scepter, and her faithful court attendants occupying seats all around her.

The number was warmly applauded. Then followed a duet by Mr. and Mrs. P. C. McGee, which was rendered in pleasing style. They received a marked encore.

Mr. R. J. Dowdall came next with a humorous reading from Will Carleton, which received the plaudits of the audience, and was followed by Messrs. Cloutier and Fay in an instrumental duet (violin and guitar), which was well rendered, and had to be repeated.

Rev. Father McGovern, of Ottawa being unable to attend to deliver his promised lecture on "Liberty," the number was taken by Rev. Father Poulin, who delivered an exceedingly pleasant and happy speech of about 10 minutes duration, in the course of which he made the hit of the season.

The Rev. gentleman said that there was not his great love of music and the object (Charity) for which the concert was given up he would hardly have put in an appearance. As priest and curate, the concert hall was not so much the place for him as the seclusion of his study, and he felt somewhat out of place.

However, he could not help feeling deeply gratified at the large attendance, and the success which had up to that stage attended the entertainment. It reminded him of the old French proverb "Ce qui Commence mal finit bien," and he thanked in warm terms all present for assisting by their presence in making the concert such a pleasing success.

The Rev. gentleman reminded his hearers that he did not intend to touch upon the subject of "Liberty." He thought the best way to ensure perfect liberty was to practice it, and he would grant to all present the liberty of listening to the remaining numbers of the programme. The point was quickly caught up by the audience, and the clever orator resumed his seat amidst rounds of applause.

In the second part of the evening, Frank Doherty and J. D. Don rendered an instrumental trio, which called for an encore, after which Mr. P. C. McGee, our local favorite, and responded to an encore. Mr. McGee possesses a rare voice of rare excellence and power, and richly deserves the reputation of being a popular favorite in the musical world.

The vocal trio by Misses Nagle and McDonald and Mr. M. Fay, was rendered in pleasing style, and was warmly received, after which Miss O'Keefe, a popular soprano, sang a solo in her usually sweet and pleasing way, and was recalled. Miss Regina Reilly, a sweet little girl of about 11 years, next appeared in a violin solo, and received a perfect ovation.

She was repeatedly recalled before the footlights, and finally retired amidst a storm of applause. Miss Regina displays remarkable talent for one of such tender years. With an innate love of music and a cultivation wonderfully profound, she has already a warm spot in the hearts of all lovers of music, and is fast becoming a popular favorite at all musical entertainments.

Miss J. Nagle's solo was sung with pleasing precision, and elicited an encore. A recitation, "The Polish Boy," was remarkably well rendered by Miss Teresa Nagle, whose annunciation was so clear and pleasing as to entitle the piece to rank among the leading features of the programme.

Then followed a well rendered quartette by Misses Nagle and O'Keefe and Messrs. O'Heare and Fay, after which Mr. Alex. Rogers, sang a couple of character songs, which created great amusement. A dialogue, "Our Country Cousins," was next creditably carried out after which the programme was brought to a close by an instrumental duet by Miss Regina and Master Willie Reilly, and the singing of the National Anthem.

The entertainment was held under the auspices of the young ladies of the sodality of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and the proceeds will be used for the benefit of St. Mary's church.

MANITOBA'S LEGISLATURE.

Disappointment at Non-mention of Separate Schools or French in the Speech from the Throne.

WINNIPEG, January 30.—The Legislature of Manitoba was opened this afternoon. In the absence, through illness, of Lieutenant-Governor Schultz, Chief Justice Taylor was commissioned to open the Legislature. Great interest was taken in the opening owing to radical changes proposed by the Government with respect to separate schools and the use of French as an official language.

The speech, however, gave no indication of what lines the Legislature was to follow. The portions of the speech touching on the session's programme are as follows:

Your consideration will be invited to resolutions which will be submitted empowering the Government to reopen negotiations with the Federal Government upon the questions of increased compensation in lieu of the public lands, and the control of the school lands within the province.

You will be asked to give your consideration to the question of granting aid to the Hudson Bay Company.

You will also be asked to make provisions for the establishment of farmers' institutes, to afford the farmers of this province means of meeting for the discussion of the various modes and branches of agriculture.

You will be asked to consider an act respecting municipal institutions, a school act, an act concerning the amendment of an Agricultural and Immigration act and amendments to also, amending the establishment and maintenance of the "Manitoba Reformatory for Boys," and the "Home for Incurables," and various measures amending the existing statutes.

References were also made to the visit of the Governor General last autumn; to the progress in railway construction during the past year; to the crops of the past year, which, under unfavorable circumstances, were said to be good; to the large increase in immigration during the past year; and the expectation of a yet larger influx next season.

Immediately after the opening an adjournment to Monday was made, when the address of the Liberal members have been read, but the Government retains a majority that will vary from five to ten.

Senator Rodier's Funeral.

The funeral of the late Senator Rodier took place on Tuesday. There was a large number of persons present at Notre Dame church, amongst whom were several senators, members of Parliament and judges.

The funeral procession was preceded by twenty-five men from the police force, under the command of Sergeant Clarke, Lemay and Carquette. The pall-bearers were His Honor, Mayor Grenier, Hon. Mr. Chapleau, Judges Levesque and Mathieu, Hon. Mr. Levesque, Hon. Mr. Chabrier, M. A. Desjardins, M. P. A. R. L. Hon. Mr. Abbot and Mr. Narcisse Quintal.

The chief mourners were the three sons of the deceased, Dr. J. Rodier, Mr. Edmund Rodier, Mr. Leopold Rodier, his son-in-law, Dr. O'Leary, and Mr. Alp. Demeritiguy. The interior of Notre Dame church was heavily draped with mourning.

The officiating priest was Rev. Abbe Marre, assisted by Rev. Abbe Edmond and Broseur. Bishop Cloutier officiated at the Libera. A powerful choir rendered Mr. Perreault's Requiem Mass. The remains were taken to Cote des Neiges cemetery for interment.

The late Senator Rodier, who was the wealthiest French Canadian in this country, leaves an immense fortune, which, it is believed, will aggregate \$2,000,000. He came to Montreal a poor lad, the first engagement he had being at the rate of \$1 a week.

He was a life-long abstainer and it is said that a drop of liquor never crossed his lips. He carved his way up by hard work. The Senator made his money largely in lumbering operations, though he always speculated greatly in real estate and for many years was a manufacturer of agricultural implements.

It is said that at the time of his death he was the owner of no less than fifty farms in the district of Montreal. He made his will only on Thursday week, and in it he leaves all to his wife and children, with Dr. Rodier as chief administrator. There are no charitable bequests of any kind, the deceased having given all he had to give for charitable purposes during his life time.

The amounts given by him to various ways during his lifetime are said to have reached \$200,000, among the institutions benefited being the Grey Nuns' Orphanage, the Cathedral, Notre Dame Church, the Jovite Father's, the Precious Blood, the Notre Dame Hospital and others. Many times he gave unasked to any one, as it was a custom of his to say that half the benefit of a gift was removed when it was revealed. The will will not be deposited at the Tattersall office for about a month.

The Senator's eldest son, who is a banker in Valparaiso, Chili, visited his father in December last.

Young Irishmen's Entertainment.

The Young Irishmen's Literary and Benefit Association has acquired the reputation for giving good entertainments, and, therefore, it was in the natural course of events that their hall in Dupre lane was filled Thursday evening to witness a magnificent entertainment—"Rambles in Ireland"—announced to be given by Mr. E. Halley. The president of the association (Mr. Lennan), in introducing Mr. Halley, mentioned that the membership of the association was now about 300, and he referred to the fact that to suit the different tastes of those who joined the association there were gymnastic appliances, a dramatic club, and a reading room.

At the same moment as Mr. Halley stepped on the platform to proceed with his entertainment an accident occurred to the apparatus which it was impossible to rectify at once. An impromptu concert was therefore got up, those contributing songs being Messrs. A. McGinty, J. J. Rowan, E. Fanning, A. Higgins, O'Connell, C. J. Hamelin and Packenham; recitations were given by Messrs. A. Collier and E. Halley, and a banjo solo by Mr. Henry Malley. Notwithstanding that the prescribed entertainment could not be given, those present were thoroughly satisfied with the musical programme which was supplied. Mr. Halley will give "Rambles in Ireland" next Thursday evening.

The Gesu Choir.

A banquet was given by the Jesuit students to the choir of the Church of the Gesu Thursday night, when there were present Messrs. Monseil, D. Brodeur, Mr. Clerk, the leader of the choir, Mr. Ducharme and others. About 8 o'clock the guests, to the number of about fifty persons, sat down to a sumptuous spread in the dining hall of the college. Rev. Father Turgeon, rector of St. Mary's college, presided. After doing justice to the menu the time was pleasantly passed by speech, song and jest, and all departed well pleased with the hospitality of the Rev. Fathers.

The Late Father McCarthy.

Rev. Father Dowd, of St. Patrick's church, celebrated a solemn requiem mass on Thursday last in St. Gabriel's church for the late Rev. Father McCarthy, between whom there existed a warm friendship throughout life. Rev. Father Salmon assisted him as deacon and Rev. Father Donnelly as sub-deacon. The following gentlemen occupied seats in the sanctuary:—Very Rev. Canon Leblanc, Rev. Father Bourassa (of the cathedral), Messrs. J. McCallen, M. Callaghan and J. Callaghan (of St. Patrick's), Rev. Father Morrill (of St. Anthony's), Rev. Fathers Gerard and Flynn, (of St. Ann's), Rev. Father O'Donnell (of St. Mary's), Rev. Father Save, Payette, Brunetto Desrosiers and Robillard. A union choir St. Gabriel's, St. Anthony's and St. Charles' rendered the solemn chant of the church. Father McCarthy was highly esteemed by his parishioners, and every seat in the church was filled during the service.

Mr. Parnell on His Dignity.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Jan. 30.—The Press cabled its London correspondent to ask Mr. Parnell if he had anything to say concerning the reported desertion of his mother. In a cablegram received last night the correspondent says he has been unable to find Mr. Parnell, but Geo. Lewis, Mr. Parnell's solicitor, replied to enquiry as follows: "Mr. Parnell does not care to discuss the story often printed in America about his mother's poverty. It is constantly cropping up. He is an affectionate son and that is enough for the American people to know."

"La Grippe" or Lightning Catarrh.

Mr. Editor.—"La Grippe" or Russian influenza, as it is termed, is really an epidemic catarrh, and is called by some physicians "lightning catarrh," from the rapidity with which it sweeps over the country. Allow us to draw the attention of your readers to the fact that Nasal Balm, as well as being a thorough cure for all cases of the ordinary cold in head and catarrh, will give prompt relief in even the most severe cases of "la Grippe" or Russian influenza, as it will instantly clear the nasal passages, allay irritation and relieve the oppressive headache accompanying the disease. No family should be without a bottle of Nasal Balm in the house, as cold in the head and catarrh are peculiarly liable to attack people at this season of the year, and Nasal Balm is a thoroughly prompt and speedy cure for these troubles, as well as for the public. It is easy to use, and if you cannot get it, you can have it sent post free on receipt of price (50 cents and \$1 per bottle) by addressing: F. H. B. & Co., Beckville, Ont.

A Sad, Sudden Death.

MONTREAL, Que., Jan. 26.—An old man named Valerius M. was employed in a shoe shop near St. Mary's church, and was quite well when he was taken ill on Thursday. After making a slight recovery he was told that he had a few days to live, and he returned to the shop as usual, but on Saturday he was taken ill, and died on Sunday at the age of 74 years. He was a member of St. Jean Baptiste Society of Hill, where he resided for a number of years. He was a devoted Catholic and a respected resident of this place for the last five years.

The Grand Old Hepherd.

LONDON, January 30.—Sir Michael Hicks Beach, speaking at Chester yesterday, replied to Mr. Gladstone's speech on the 22nd instant. He ridiculed Mr. Gladstone's declaration that the Liberal party stood upon conviction and not upon influence, and said the party simply followed Gladstone like a flock of sheep. He was disappointed at Gladstone's cynicism as to any declaration of the future policy of the party, but thought it was probably due to his fear of widening the gulf between himself and the Radicals. He recognized Gladstone's generosity in his reference to the dispute with Portugal and his statement of the proper attitude of an opposition party on such an occasion. The Government he said, had no option but to act as it did in that case. He otherwise defended the Government generally against Gladstone's criticisms.

A Devoted Religieuse.

New York, Jan. 30.—Among the passengers on the steamer Bothnia, which arrived to-day from Liverpool, was Sister Rosa Gorzade (Amy Fowler), a Dominican nun, a native of England, aged 35 years, who is on her way to Muskala, in the South Pacific, to devote her life to the care of the lepers in the leper settlement on that island. She became interested in the lepers through the work of Father Damien, who sacrificed his life in ministering to those most unfortunate people.

FATHER KOENIG'S NERVE TONIC

Epileptic Fits, Falling Sickness, Hysterics, St. Vitus Dance, Nervousness, Nymphomania, Melancholia, Insomnia, Sleeplessness, Dizziness, Brain and Spinal Weakness.

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Province of Quebec, Drummondville, Que.

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