THE HERALD

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9, 1890.

ALL matter for publication in the HERALD should be in this office by noon on Tuesday. Persons wishing their advertisements changed *must* advise us Saturday forenoon.

THE PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.

A copy of the Provincial Auditor' Report on the Public Accounts of this Province, for the year ended 31st December, 1889, has been handed us It bears evidence of the usual care and taste which characterize the work of the present Auditor, and the mechanical work is in Mr. Coombs' best style.

The report shows that the total receipts for the year were $434 635.18 These receipts were derived, principally, from the following sources: Subsidy from Dominion Government $148 923.42; advance from Dominion Government $200,000; from Public Lands $27,539.20; from Registrar of Deeds $5,413.77; from Ferries $4,672 10. The balance of receipts was made up from fees received from the Prothonotary, Provincial Secretary, County Courts, etc.

The total expenditure for the year was $263,614 84. Of this amount $108,280.85 were spent for education; $77 599.30 for public works; $17-781 97 for the Hospital for the Insane; $19 676.45 for the administration of justice, and $12,216 52 for legislation.

It will thus be seen that the public money has been spent for the benefit of the people, the greater part being expended for education and public works. It must be remembered also, that the expenditure for educational purposes, which has enormously increased within the last ten years, is wholly uncontrollable by the Government. Our space to-day will not permit us to review this report at any greater length; but we may return to it in a future issue.

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER.

THE solemn services of Holy Week were well carried out in St. Dunstan's Cathedral. On the afternoons of Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, *tenebræ* was sung by the clergy, the students of St. Dunstan's College, and some members of the Cathedral choir On Holy Thursday morning Solemn High Mass was celebrated at 8 o'clock. The officers of the Mass were: Celebrant, Rev. J. C. McDonald, Rector of St. Dunstan's College; Deacon, Rev. J. C. McLean; Sub-Deacon, Rev. P. A. McElmeel; Master of Ceremonies, Mr. McAulay, Ecclesiastic.

After Mass the Blessed Sacrament was borne in solemn procession to the Repository which had been prepared at the Altar of the Sacred Heart. The Canopy was borne by Chief Justice Sullivan, Hon. A. A McDonald, Thomas Handrahan and M. P. Hogan, Esqs.

In the evening at seven o'clock a sermon on the Blessed Sacrament was preached by Rev. J. J. McDonald. This was followed by devotion before the Blessed Sacrament.

The office on Good Friday morning commenced at eight o'clock The officiating clergy were: Rev. J C McLean, Celebrant; Rev. Fathers McElmeel and J. J. McDonald Deacon and Sub-Deacon, respectively The ceremonies on this day as well as on Saturday and Sunday were directed by Mr. McAulay After the adoration of the Cross, the Blessed Sacrament was borne back to the High Altar in the same solemn manner it had been carried thence on the previous day. Those who bore the canopy were the same as on Thursday, with the exception of Mr. Hogan, whose place was supplied by Judge Reddin.

The evening devotions on Friday consisted of a sermon on the Passion, preached by Rev. Father McElmeel, and the Way of the Cross, solemnly performed by the clergy, attended by the altar boys.

The office of Holy Saturday commenced with the lighting of the "new fire" at half-past seven o'clock. This was followed by the blessing of the pascal candle, and the reading of the prophecies. The blessing of the font then took place, followed by the Litany of the Saints. Solemn High Mass was then celebrated. The officiating priests being Father McElmeel Celebrant; Rev. J. J. McDonald, Deacon; and Rev. Father McLean, Sub-Deacon.

On Easter Sunday Solemn High Mass was celebrated at ten o'clock Rev. J. J. McDonald was Celebrant; Rev. Fathers McElmeel and McLean acting as deacon and sub-deacon The sermon of the day, on the Resurrection, was preached by Father McLean.

Vespers took place at seven o'clock in the evening, followed by Solemn Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, the clergy officiating being the same respectively as at Mass.

The High Altar was charmingly adorned with flowers and lights, and the musical portion of the services was excellently rendered by the choir.

PROFESSOR SAUNDERS left Ottawa on the 3rd inst., for Montreal, for the purpose of distributing five thousand bushels of two-rowed barley among the farmers of the Dominion, which had arrived from Halifax, this being the first shipment from London. Applications for this improved barley are still being received by the Department of Agriculture.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The Dominion finances for the nine months of the current fiscal year continue to be of a most healthy character. The revenue up to March 31st was $29,-118,000, and the expenditure $22,764,000, showing a surplus of $6,354,000. The revenue is $1,117,000 more than last year, whereas the expenditure is, in round numbers, a million less. The total net debt on March 31st was $234,-337,261, showing a decrease of $1,599 600 in the month. The expenditure for capital account was $4,286,149 for the nine months.

MR VOORHEES, United States Senator, is authority for the statement that farm property in the United States has depreciated twenty-three per cent in value in the last twenty-five years The truth of this statement not being questioned, it suggests the inquiry, how is Canada to be benefited by closer connection, in trade or otherwise, with a country where such depreciation is a dismal fact. When the backbone of a nation—the farmers—have been brought to a condition so deplorable as this, what possible inducement can it hold out to this country to share its fortunes? The farmers enjoy the fullest reciprocity with all the states and, since this is their condition, how are Canadian farmers to improve their position by reciprocity? *Montreal Star.*

THE POISONING CASE.

THE EVIDENCE FINISHED—THE PTISONER SENT UP TO SUPREME COURT.

The taking of evilence was continued on Tuesday of last week, as follows:

WESLEY MYERS (sworn)—Examined by Mr. M. McLeod—I did not know that one of the girls at my place was the missing witness, Lizzie Stewart, until she was taken away by the officer. I took the girl to my house myself. I think I found her at McKenna's, on Queen Street, on either a Thursday or a Friday night. I took her from there. I never saw her before that night. I don't know who got me to take her. I came to town that morning. I did not come in for the girl. I had other business to attend to. I left, I think, with the girl, about nine o'clock. I suppose it was about an hour before this time that I was asked by a man to take the girls out. The man I refer to knew me, but I did not know him. He met me near the Market House; on the sidewalk. This was about dusk. He asked me if I would drive a couple of girls to the Capes. I said I would. I am not in the habit of driving girls to the Capes. This man did not say who the girls were. I at once consented to drive them. I was always kind to the women—and if I could do them a favor I would do it. I drove the girls to my house instead of the Capes. It would take about five hours to get to the Capes from town. I had the girls at my house nearly two weeks. They said they were in no hurry to go. My wife needed assistance in the house, and we kept them. We started for the capes on Saturday night—about 2 o'clock—so as to cross early next morning. It was raining, and we turned back after going some distance. The girls never told me that they wanted to be hidden—and I had no suspicion that they did. I never told Lizzie Stewart that I was to buy her a ticket. I supposed the girls had money enough to pay their own way. I am going to swear to and sign my name to what I have said. The people may believe it or not, as they think proper. There was no mention of pay made to me by the man who asked me to drive them to Cape Traverse. He did not ask me to keep them at my house a fortnight. I don't know who the man was. I think he wore an overcoat. I don't know whether he wore a hat or a cap. I was in conversation with him but a few minutes. I met him near Chappelle's. I was at the foundry and at Hugh Monaghan's that day. I may have met Mr. Morson at J. D. McLeod's corner one day but I can't remember what day. I think I was in Mr. Morson's office on the day that I drove the girls to my house. I did not see Mr. Chester McNeill that day. I dont think I would know him. I saw Mr. Jas. Sutherland that day. I met him near Beer & Goff's. It may have been in the afternoon. I hired a truckman to take home some castings I bought that day, as I found they were to heavy for me to take, and my sleigh was small. The man who asked me to take the girls to the Capes told me they were at McKenna's, and my horse was at the Osborne. Before I harnessed up I called at McKenna's and told the women I was going to take them up. I think I and another man had a drink before my going to McKenna's. I think it was at Callaghan's we had the drink. John McKenna was with me. I think I met McKenna shortly after I had seen the other man. I don't think I told him about meeting the other man. I then went to the Osborne and had tea. When I got to McKenna's I went in the front door. I saw a woman there. I don't know her. I said I wanted to see a couple of woman who were there. She showed me up stairs. I saw the girls there and told them I was going to drive them to the Capes. They said it was all right, or something to that effect. I drove them to my house—getting there between 12 and 1 o'clock. They were all asleep in the house when I arrived. I put the girls to bed without calling up my wife. I told my wife next morning that there was a couple of girls at the house who were on their way to the States, and who were to stay there a few days. I think it was on the afternoon of that day that the girls told me they were in no hurry about going I was going to Moncton on business, but hearing that I was wanted here I did not go. The girls were outside my house while they were at my place. They were not kept hidden. I did not know that one of the girls at my place was the missing witness, Lizzie Stewart. I take the papers—The Examiner, Patriot and Journal. I did not ask the girls their names, and I do not know what names they gave while at my house. I did not enquire where the girls came from. I never asked their names. I was at the Cape while they were at my house. Only the opposition boats were running. Sheppard Allen was the captain. I did not tell him that I had two woman to send over. It was a week after I took the girls home that I went to see Allen. It was about the middle of the week; I am not sure. I did not take the women with me then. I don't think I told them that I was going to the capes. I had heard that the bailiff was coming to my house. A man in Cape Traverse told me,—Mr. Strang. I did not tell Strang that I had them. He said the officers had found out they were at my house. I don't know whether the girls were hiding or not. I didn't talk to Mr. Strang about these women. He was talking to me about them. Strang said the officer had found out where they were, and that he would be after them that evening. I didn't admit to him that the girls were at my place. "Oh," said I, "if they are, I am innocent of it." I supposed that the girls had money, until I heard here to-day that they had not. I was not going to put money on them. I was not to pay their passage to Boston. I would not have bought a ticket for them. I never told Maggie Stewart that I had the money to buy their tickets. I thought they had lots of money. They weren't on service at our house at all. I know Brown, the horse jockey. He was at my place. He got up about 4 o'clock last Friday. That was after the girls left. I never heard that the women were at Brown's. We were talking about the women coming into town. My son brought Maggie Stewart into town. Brown told me I had better come into town about these women. Brown and I talked about produce and horses. He didn't talk to me anything about the women. I didn't expect Brown to come to see me. We came into town together that evening. I stayed at his place that night. We arrived in town between 11 and 12 o'clock on Friday evening. I spent Saturday in town. I didn't speak to anyone about the girls. I stay usually at the Osborne House. But I stayed at Brown's Saturday and part of Sunday. I went down on Sunday to the Osborne House. I saw Mr. Sutherland on the street. He asked me about the trot. He said nothing about the trial. It was near Sutherland's office door that I met the man. I was not offered pay or reward if I got the women over by way of the Capes. What I did was purely voluntary for the unknown person.

F. T. CARTER (re-called)—To Mr. McLeod.—There was something said about poisoning when I talked with Mrs. Weeks on the train. Mrs. Weeks said that Mrs. Sutherland had been taking poison since the first of October. I don't know whether it was a fact or not. She said that she was axious to find out whether Mr. Sutherland had turned on her and that if he had turned on her it wouldn't be good for him. She said something about a revolver. If, she said, Mr. Sutherland turned on her, she wanted me to do her a favor, which was to give her a revolver, and that she would shoot him or something to that effect. She said that she would be satisfied then, or that she would die happy, or something to that effect.

To Mr. Peters.—I stated all that I was asked the other day. I answered all the questions. I swear that Mrs. Weeks said that Mrs. Sutherland had been taking poison since October. I can't remember that she said anything about Dr. Johnson. I will not swear that Mrs. Weeks did not say that she heard that Mrs. Sutherland had been taking poison sine October. The papers were full of it. I won't swear that Dr. Johnson's name was not mentioned. I kept back the story of the revolver when I was here before. I was not asked about it and I didn't tell. I believe that the information about it came from the police officers. The Marshall heard some of the conversation between us. I didn't tell anyone else what Mrs. Weeks said respecting the revolver except, perhaps my own wife.

Mr Myers (recalled).—To Mr. Malcolm McLeod—

Question—Did you tell these women in McKenna's house that you had the money to buy their tickets for them?

Answer—I did not.

Question—Did you say, when you went into McKenna's that you called for the two Miss Stewarts?

Answer—I did not ask for Miss Stewarts Lizzie Stewart (re-called)—To Mr. Malcolm McLeod—Myers took me away from McKenna's. He said to us, while in McKenna's, that he had the money to take us away. I have no doubt about that.

To the Magistrate—He said, when he came upstairs, that he was to take two Miss Stewart's from there. He said that he had the money then in his pocket to take us. He knew my name when we were in his house.

To Mr. Peters.—Mr. McLeod asked me, since I was on the stand before, if Mr. Myers knew who we were, and I said that he did.

MAGGIE STEWART (sworn)—Examined by Mr. Malcolm McLeod—I am a sister of Lizzie Stewart. I have not lived in town for a long time. I lived at Mr Frank Hazzard's for about a year and a half, and I lived at Mr. Hol Hazzard's about three months. It is about six years since I left to go to Boston. I do not remember much about the town. I was at Mr. Myers'. Myers found us at McKenna's. We spent the night before at Brown's. I didn't know Brown then. I saw him in the court this morning. I walked to Brown's with Richard Curran from Doyle's. I don't know who showed me Brown's house. Curran stepped off and then another man came up and showed us into Brown's. We were quite handy to the house when Curran left us. The other man showed me into the house. When I met the strange man I did'nt know that I was going into Brown's. He did'nt go in with us. Mrs. Brown met us at the door and showed us upstairs. I don't remember having seen Brown that night,—or any other man—after we entered the house. That night when we went to Brown's we had no idea of going to Cape Traverse. I hadn't my mind made up. I had no money. When we left Doyle's I thought we should stay all night at Curran's. We went next day to McKenna's. Some gentleman showed us to McKenna's. He didn't say where he was going to take us to. I don't know his name. We got to McKenna's between 10 and 11 o'clock. We were shown up stairs. I hadn't the slightest idea what they were going to do with us. I knew that I was going away with my sister. I think it was at Curran's that we made up our minds to go away. I think that Myers said he was going to take us to the country. We consented to go with him. We left McKenna's about nine o'clock. We tried to go the Capes on Sunday morning Mr. Myers and his son were with us, I think that Richard Curran said that my way was to be paid, but I can't positively swear who said so. I don't remember that the man who called at McKenna's said anything about finding the money for us. One of the McKenna's told me that the man who was to take me away was McKay. He never asked me my name. I didn't hide my name from him. I don't remember of his calling me anything. I think that they called me Maggie, and my sister Lizzie. I didn't ask to be kept at Myers' house. We were waiting for a chance to cross. We knew that the constables were after us. I don't know whether the Myers' did or not. I don't know whether or not my sister went against her will. I don't know who was to get my ticket. Lizzie was taken away from Myer's by Bradley When Lizzie went away, I didn't know what I would do. I supposed that Mr. Myers was to get my ticket for me. I didn't make any arrangement with Myers. I didn't know that I was to get any money for staying away from Court. I expected that my way would be paid, and Lizzie's way too. I came to town on Friday. I walked right up to Doyle's. I was at Brown's at dinner to-day. Mrs. Brown and some young fellow were at dinner with me. We didn't talk about what evidence I was to give.

JOHN MCMURROUGH (sworn)—Examined by Mr. M. McLeod—I was employed to take a parcel from Dr. Johnson's to Mr. Best, in St. John, New Brunswick. Dr. Johnson handed the parcel to me and I delivered it to Mr. Best in his own office. I know P. S. Brown. I was at Brown's the night the girls disappeared; also on the night before—Wednesday night, when I saw David McKay there and Mr. Sutherland. I think it would be about 11 o'clock at night. That was the night before the witness, Lizzie Stewart, came to town. I went into Browns about 10 o'clock and left there at about 11 o'clock. Mr. Sutherland asked me what witnesses they were looking for, and I told him I heard it was for Miss Tierney, of Lot 65. She is now Mrs. Clerkin.

CHARLES CAMERON (City Marshal) sworn—Examined by Mr. M. McLeod—I got a warrant against Mrs. Weeks and proceeded to St. John with it. I found Mrs. Weeks in the Dufferin Hotel and arrested her there. She was not registered at the hotel. I got the warrant endorsed at St. John; and I brought Mrs. Weeks to the Island and returned the warrant into Court.

To Mr. Peters.—Coming down on the train Mr. Carter sat on the seat next Mrs. Weeks. I did not hear the conversation they had. I did not give any information as to what Mrs. Weeks said to Mr. Carter. If I had heard it I would have given it—no doubt about that. I had no difficulty in finding Mrs. Weeks. She was known at the hotel as Mrs. Weeks. That was the name she was going under.

To Mr. McLeod—I had an idea that Mr. Carter and Mrs. Weeks were talking about the case, but did not hear what they said.

Court adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, April 2.

MORLEY MYERS (sworn)—Examined by Mr. M. McLeod.—I am a son of Wesley Myers. I remember that two girls, Maggie and Lizzie, were at our house. I didn't know the girls names were Stewart. I swear to that. My father brought the girls home on Friday. The first I saw of them was on Sunday. They were in the sitting room on Saturday. I heard they were in the house, but I didn't go in to see them. My father told me on Saturday that he brought them on Friday. I heard them calling themselves Lizzie and Maggie. I knew they came from Charlottetown and that they were on their way to the Capes. They were at our place about a fortnight. I suppose they stayed there because there was no chance for a crossing. The boats were crossing, but there was no chance to take them to the Capes. The weather was against it. They were not particular about going. I don't know why they were not particular about going. I suspected that Lizzie was the girl that was inquired for. I thought by what I saw in the papers that she was Lizzie Stewart. I had some idea that it was Maggie Stewart. They were at the house about a week before I knew they were the Stewart girls. I knew they were hiding. I didn't give information to the officers. I don't know how many days in the fortnight the weather was so bad that they could not go. They didn't leave our house sooner for fear that they would be taken. My father went once or twice to the Capes, and he reported when he came back that he didn't think it would be safe.

thought they would be taken. He got me to drive them over on Sunday morning. The weather wasn't fine. We left between one and two o'clock in the morning. We turned back because it rained. I wasn't smuggling her at all. My father ordered me to go. He said that he was going to Moncton. I knew that the constable was coming. My father told me so two hours before the constable came. Lizzie was taken on Wednesday evening. The other girl stayed till Friday. I brought Maggie into town and left her on the street. I then went to the Osborne House. I afterwards saw Kennedy, the sailmaker, and David Small. I was also into the lawyers—McLean & McDonald's. My father came into town the same Friday with Brown. I don't know who was to pay the girls passage. The girls were working round the house and made themselves useful. I don't know why they came to our house. My father never escorted girls to our house before. I didn't see their hair clipped. They were in the house four or five days before their hair was clipped. I came to town yesterday morning. I would hardly know Brown if I saw him. I saw him and spoke to him, but not about the girls. Brown didn't know me before. My mother was subpœnaed, but is not here. She is sick. She has a bad cold. She is up. Nothing more serious than a bad cold.

ELIZABETH STEWART, (sworn)—Examined by Mr. Malcolm McLeod—I am mother of Lizzie and Maggie Stewart. I came in on a subpœna, on Wednesday. My daughter, maggie, came with me. Bradley brought Lizzie into town on Thursday. We were to appear next day. When we promised you to appear, we intended to appear in court next day. I came to court myself; Lizzie did not. There was an offer of money made to me on Thursday night if Lizzie would keep away. Three hundred dollars were offered. The man told me he would give Lizzie three hundred dollars if she would keep away. This offer was made in Mr. Curran's kitchen, where I was warming my feet. It was after dark,—a little after dark. The man told me that his name was Brown. I never saw him before. I told him I would have nothing to do with him. No one was in the kitchen but myself and Brown when the offer was made. He came in at the back door, and asked me if my name was Mrs. Stewart. The girls were, I think, in another part of the same house. The man went right out of the house, and I did not see him after. I saw the girls afterwards and Mrs. Curran, and Mrs. Curran's sister. The man was gone then. Up to that time I believed she would come to court. The girls left for Doyle's about an hour afterwards. I did not tell either of the girls about the offer that had been made. When we left Curran's, Curran walked with us. I don't think that Curran was in the house when the offer was made. He was a good spell in the house before we started to go to Doyle's. I didn't know when we left Curran's that the girl had any notion of running away. I didn't ask who would furnish the $300. Before Lizzie left home she thought of going to Boston with Maggie. I know that Maggie had no money. But she could easily get it from Michael Doyle. When we left Curran's I didn't think the girls were going to Boston. I don't know what the girls thought.

JOHN MCKENNA (sworn)—Examined by by Mr. Morson.—I live at Victoria, Crapaud. I know Wesley Myers; but did not know that he had the girls. I left town about one o'clock on Saturday. I saw Myers that evening. No; I really forget whether I saw him on Saturday or Sunday. He said nothing to me about taking the girls home when we were taking the drink at Callaghan's. I knew the officer was looking for the girls; but I did not know that they were at Myers'. I never knew they were at Myers' till after I saw it in the Patriot. Myers did not confide in me. He is English and I am Irish. Perhaps that is why he did not tell me that the girls were at his house. He kept it a secret. We had no conversation about the girls after the girl was taken.

MARY JANE STEWART (sworn)—Examined by Mr. Morson.—I was at Mrs. Weeks' for ten or eleven months. There was poison in a bottle in Mrs. Weeks' house—a little round bottle. It was behind the pantry. The bottle was three or four inches long. I heard it said in the house that it was poison. I heard her brother say it was poison. It was white. It was not the same poison that I saw in the paper—I don't think it was The poison was there when I left. The bottle was not moved, to my knowledge. I could not reach it off the floor, but I could reach it if I got on a chair. I left Mrs. Weeks' in the fall, about a month before Hallow E'en, the year before last. I don't know why the poison was kept in the house. It was used to poison the dog; but the dog would not take any sort of poison.

To Mr. Peters—I was not asked anything about the poison in the bottle when I was here before, that I knew of. The first time I saw the poison was about the time the cats were poisoned. I don't know where the poison came from. The dog was tried two or three times. She poisoned the cats with poison which was kept in a paper. I won't swear that the same poison was not put into the bottle. I don't know whether it was or was not. I remember about the time she got it. She put it away so that the children would not get it. So far as I know, she got poison only once. I never heard her say that she got poison twice. I don't know whether it was the same poison or not. It was shortly after I saw the poison in the paper that I saw it in the bottle.

JOHN MCKENNA (re-called)—Examined by Mr. Morson—Did you take those girls from Brown's to McKenna's?

Answer—Well, I did not take the girls. (A laugh). I had nothing whatever to do with them. (Laughter).

WESLEY MYERS (recalled)—Examined by Mr. M. McLeod—Brown drove me to town on Friday. He went to our place on that day. He was telling me there was a party at Picton wanted some oats and potatoes, and as he knew that I was dealing in that kind of stuff he came to see me about it. I hadn't potatoes and oats on hand. He wanted them to be delivered in the spring. I had no conversation with Brown before this winter. I told him I couldn't figure potatoes this time of year and that we wouldn't supply him with oats at less than 38 cents. He wanted a mixed cargo of oats and potatoes. He didn't say the price the man offered to give him. He said he wanted them, at the opening of navigation. I think Brown said that he supposed I would be taken, and that I had better come to town. I intended to come anyway. I saw David McKay when I was at Brown's and Mr. Sutherland also, and several other parties. McKay and Sutherland were there on Saturday night playing cards. I wasn't playing. I don't play cards. They were there between nine and ten o'clock. Brown was with them and Fred Robins. I think that that was the only time I saw Sutherland at Brown's while I was there. I stayed at Browns most of the day on Saturday. I was out on Saturday, both forenoon and afternoon. In the forenoon I didn't go further than the yard. I was out in the afternoon. I took a walk on the street as far as Dawson's corner. I didn't meet any one I know. Then after a bit I went back to Brown's. I don't think I was out on the street that evening. I was talking to Fred Robins on Saturday. I was at Brown's on Sunday. I didn't go to church. I was out on the street but didn't speak to anyone. I was in no hurry to go to the Osborne. I paid Mrs Brown my board—I think about $2. It was, I think, mentioned to Sutherland, David McKay and Robins that the girl was found at my house. I had no business in town about this scrape. I didn't know the girls names My son might; but I didn't. Those young fellows are more inquisitive than we are. I don't think I know Ann McKenna. I don't think I mentioned the name Stewart to her. I asked her if there were a couple of girls there. She said there was. I didn't know the girls were the Stewart's.

MARGARET BROWN, (sworn)—Examined by Mr. M. McLeod—The two girls came to my house one evening. It was about ten o'clock. I didn't expect them. I don't know who brought them to the house. They were in the room down stairs when I first saw them. They asked if they could stay for the night, and I said "yes." They stayed in the room until I had the bedroom ready for them My husband was in the house. I won't swear whether or not he saw them. He didn't see them in my presence. I gave them their breakfast in their room because it was less trouble for me. It is usual to give breakfast in the bedroom. They were only just up when I took their breakfast to them. I did not see them when they left. They did not come back to dinner. I did not inquire who they were or where they went to. It would be very impudent in me to inquire. Mr. Myers was at my house Saturday morning when I got up. Mr. McKay comes in very often. I won't swear whether he was there while Mr. Myers was there or not. Mr. Sutherland has been in the habit of coming to the house all summer. I don't remember whether or not he was there on Saturday while Mr. Myers was there. I saw Maggie Stewart yesterday. I guess she was the same person who stayed at my house.

ANN LEBROCK (sworn).—Examined by Mr. M McLeod—I remember the girls coming to my house between 12 and 1 o'clock on a market day (Friday.) They were sitting in the back room down stairs, when I came home from the market. I never saw them before; and did not expect them. My sister Catherine was in the house when the girls came. I spoke to them when I came in from the market. My sister told me she did not know who the girls were. My dumb sister's name is Mary. I asked the girls who they were and where they came from. One of them told me they came from near Georgetown. My sister was cooking the dinner when they came in. The three of us and the girls had dinner together that day. After dinner, as some others came in, we took the girls upstairs, where a fire was lighted for them in the room. One of the girls said that she was tired, as she had not slept any the previous night. I got a pillow for her, and she laid down and had a sleep. After this sleep, one of the girls told me that the other girl was the one who was against Mrs. Weeks I then went out of the room, saying that I wanted no talk with her. She said she did not want to talk to me either. They had tea with us that evening. When I found out who the girls were, I did not want to take them down-stairs. When Mr. Myers came he asked for the two girls that were in the house. I looked at him sharply, but did not know him. I told him to sit down, and I would see about the girls directly, as I did not know for certain that they were in the house,—not having seen them for some time I went upstairs to see the girls. The man, meanwhile, went out. The girls told me when the man came again they would be ready, as they did not care for staying there. Later in the evening the man returned. The first time he came I was not sure that he was the the right man, the second time I was more positive. The second time the man came I told him that the girls were there. I showed him upstairs to where the girls were. The man afterwards went for his horse. While he was away for the horse the girls were getting ready. I saw them leave They got into the sleigh in the lane about nine o'clock at night My brother Frank was home part of time that day My sister Catherine is not able to come to court. The taller girl of the two told me her name was Stewart, and that the other girl was her sister—the girl who was against Mrs. Weeks I don't know how the girls got to our house.

FRANK MCKENNA (sworn)—Examined by Mr. M. McLeod—I heard of the girls being in my house. I do not know Wesley Myers. I heard about Lizzie Stewart being missing. My sister Ann told me the girls were at my place the day after they left. I don't know who brought them there. I wish I did. I would be apt to give him a trip out the door. I did not know that Myers had called for the girls. I did not know the girls were at my house until after they left. I was not in the house that evening when the men came.

To the Magistrate—I did not know that the girls were at my house until after they had left. I was not asked to take them in. I have not spoken to any person about taking them there either before or since.

P. S. BROWN (sworn)—Examined by Mr. M McLeod—I believe the girl, Lizzie Stewart, was at my house on Thursday night—the night she disappeared. I was home that night. I know that the one spare room in the house was occupied that night by two girls. I found out who these girls were when I came to court yesterday. On the Saturday after the girls were there, however, I had a suspicion that it was the Stewart girls who slept at my house on that night. I may possibly have thought so on Friday. I was positive of it on Saturday. I never inquired who brought them there. I saw Curran at Robins' stables that Thursday night. I did not speak to him about the girls. He was too drunk to speak about anything. I did not know the girls were at McKenna's. I did not know they were at Myers' until I saw it in the papers. Brent Longworth, Fred. Robins, Robert Waite, Richard Curran, and John McMurrough were at my house on that Thursday night. I think that the previous evening (Wednesday) Brent Longworth, Mr. Sutherland, Mr. McKay, myself, Robert Waite and John McMurrough were there. I left Robins' stables on Thursday night after 12, I think. I don't remember particularly who I saw that night. I don't know when the girls left my house. I found out that the girls had breakfast in the house on the morning of Friday. My wife, who took it up to their room to them, told me I was home at the time. I drove out to Wesley Myers' last Friday. I had Robins' horse. Myers came to town with me. I chaffed him about the fix he had gotten into about the girls. Before I went to Wesley Myers' I had not seen in the papers that the girl had been found at his place I had heard of it, however, before that. I don't remember suggesting to Myers that he had better come to town. I wanted to see Myers about sending some oats and potatoes to Picton. Myers went to my house after he came to town. Mr. Sutherland and Dave McKay called there during Myers' stay. He saw them there. I was present while Mr. Sutherland and Mr. McKay were there, and heard whatever conversation took place. I don't know how the girls got to my place, who took them there, or how they got to McKenna's. I have seen Mrs. Stewart—Lizzie's mother. I don't remember when I saw her first. I did not see her on the Wednesday or Thursday previous to the night that the girls stayed at my house.

Question—Did you see Elizabeth Stewart's mother on the night the girls slept at your house?

Answer—I decline to answer that question on the ground that my answer may tend to criminate myself.

To Mr. McLeod—I think Richard Curran lives on Pownal Street.

To Mr. Peters—I keep a boarding house There is nothing unusual in people staying at my house of an night.

Question by Mr. McLeod—Were you at Curran's house on the night that the girls slept at your place?

Answer—I refuse to answer that question on the same grounds as the other one.

Question—Did you see Elizabeth Stewart, mother of the girl Lizzie Stewart, that night?

Answer—I refuse to answer on the same ground.

Question—Did you tell Mrs. Stewart that if Lizzie went away she would get $300?

Answer—I refuse to answer that question on the same grounds.

Witness continued—I was not authorized to make any offer of money to Mrs. Elizabeth Stewart.

Question—Did you make any offer of money to her?

Answer—I refuse to answer that question on the same ground.

Witness continued—I had no personal interest in getting the girl away. Whether she went or stayed was no gain to me.

Question—Will you swear you are not the man Brown, who Mrs Stewart said, in her evidence, made her an offer of $300 if Lizzie left the Island?

Answer—I refuse to answer that question on the same ground that I did the others.

Witness continued—On the night the girls were at my place my moustache was the same as it is now. I did not see Wesley Myers in town on the day after the night that the girls slept at my place. I did not have $300 of my own to give any person on the night the offer is alleged to have been made. I might have had a dollar or so in my pocket at the time. I could not have commanded any more that night.

ELIZABETH STEWART (re-called)—To Mr. Peters.—I was interviewed in jail by Mr. McLeod and Mr. Morson; also by Father James Æneas Macdonald. No threats were used towards me by any person I was not told by any person that anything would be done to me if I did not give my evidence right. My sister Maggie was not with me when Mr. McLeod spoke to me.

MARTHA SUTHERLAND (sworn)—Examined by Mr. M McLeod—I know Mrs. Weeks She was a neighbor of my brother's. I was in the country when she moved to where she lives now. The families were friendly at that time Mrs Weeks and Mrs Sutherland were good friends then. I have been in the country for two years in October. I havn't spoken to Mrs Weeks for some time before I left town I didn't recognize her on the street in October 1888, and for a few months previously. I have been in town visiting at my brother's since and I have met Mrs. Weeks and did not recognize her. Mrs. Sutherland and Mrs. Weeks were not on speaking terms when I left for the country. I heard that Mrs. Weeks had said something about my for one thing and that she said something about my brother's children for another thing These were my reasons for not recognizing her. I didn't partake of the soup sent by Mrs Weeks to Mrs. Sutherland. I was in the country at the time I never heard that Mrs Weeks was anxious whether certain refreshments she had sent over had poisoned us. She told me that she had strychnine in the house, and that she kept it in the pantry.

To Mr. Peters—I remember going to Mrs Holland's with Mrs. Weeks I had been staying at my mother's and met Mrs. Weeks at County Line Station. A few weeks before that I had been in town. Mrs. Holland is an aunt of Mrs. Weeks. We were there just a week. I returned to my mother's and Mrs. Weeks went with me She stayed with me about a week or ten days She then left my mother's and I think I came to town with her. I could not say who the servant at Mr. Sutherland's was at that time. I remember being told that Lizzie Stewart was staying in the house. Whether I saw her or not, I can't remember. I can't remember the year we went to visit Mrs. Holland I think it was 1888 I think it was that summer. I think they were at harvest at the time. I remember going to Summerside with Mrs. Weeks when she was on her way back to Bedeque after leaving my mother's house. After that she and I took a trip together—in the fall. We were away about ten days. It was late in the fall when we went to Moncton We had to come back by way of Pictou It must have been the year 1887. When I went to Moncton with Mrs. Weeks she was living in Judge Alley's house.

To Mr. M. McLeod—I hadn't spoken to Mrs. Weeks for some time before the autumn of 1888. It must have been in 1887 that we went to Moncton together. I am almost sure that she lived at that time in Judge Alley's house At that time I understood from Mrs. Weeks that she had strychnine in the house. She said that she kept it in the pantry. She didn't say whether it was in a bottle, or a box, or a paper.

LIZZIE STEWART, (re-called)—Examined by Mr. Sutherland—No one threatened me in jail. Father James Æneas Macdonald came to see me by myself. I am not in his parish. He never visited me before. He said that, as he was passing by, he came in to see me. He told me to tell the truth. I told him some of the evidence that I would be able to give. He used no threat in any way. I told him the poisoning story, and I think I told him about Mrs Weeks going into Mr Sutherland's house, and about my being at Myers'

To Mr. McLeod—Father James told me that he had two brothers living near my fathers. I just know them.

Court adjourned.

THURSDAY, April 3.

PATRICK MCKENNA (sworn)—Examined by Mr. Morson—I live in Desable. I remember being in town on Friday, 14th March. I came, not with Wesley Myers, but with another party. I saw Mr. Myers just at the edge of the town. I saw Mr Sutherland and was talking to him. It was not my intention to go home that night. I came in with John McKenna. My idea was that if he went home I was going home with him. I did not tell Mr. Sutherland that I was going home that night Mr. Sutherland did not tell me not to go home that night, or that it would not cost me anything to stay over till next day, or that he wanted me to stay. I met him on the street twice. No one was present that I know of. I know John McMurrough. He was not present when I talked to Sutherland. I don't believe he was. I didn't see him. I didn't see Wesley Myers that day after seeing him at the edge of the town. I heard in a certain house that day that the witness, Lizzie Stewart, was missing. I know Frank McKenna, who lives on Main Street. He is no relation of mine, that I know of. I was not at his house that day. I was not inside his building, nor was I in the yard. I know P. S. Brown, but was not at his place that day. I did not see him in town that day, nor on Saturday either.

MARGARET STEWART (re-called)—To Mr. Peters—When I was talking to Mr. McLeod about this case, Mr. McLeod said that I was lying and that if I didn't be careful I would get penitentiary. John Wood, my brother-in-law, was present at the time. I don't think that he seemed to be cross

To Mr. McLeod—You asked me if Wesley Myers drove me up to the Capes and I said that I didn't know. I said that I didn't know if Wesley Myers or any one else was to provide me with a ticket. You asked me if when I left Doyle's I intended to go to Curran's, and I said I did. You asked me if when Curran left me I intended to go to Curran's, and I said that I didn't know where I was going. I said on my oath that Wesley Myers drove me up to the Capes. I know now that it was Wesley Myers who drove me up. I thought while I was in Myers' house that it was Myers who drove me up. Before I left the man's house I knew the name was Myers. I knew the old man's name was Wesley Myers and that his son's name was Morley Myers. Before I left the house I thought it was Wesley Myers who drove me up. I heard that the man who drove me up was McCabe. I wasn't on my oath when I told you that. I was told that the man's name was McCabe. The former evidence I gave was true to the best of my knowledge. I didn't swear false on account of what you said to me.

CATHERINE MCKENNA (sworn)—I live with my brother. I remember when the two girls came to the house. It was the forenoon of Friday. They came in the back door. I do not know the man who was with them. He was a dark complexioned man not more than usually tall. He said he would leave these two ladies for a couple of days at our place. I let them come in. I said nothing at all—not a word. The man came into the house with them. He said nothing at all. He just turned right about and went out. I thought it very queer that the girls were brought in I never saw the man before. I don't think I would know him again I couldn't say whether he had a hat or a cap on. After the man went out, I asked the girls where they belonged. They said that they belonged to Georgetown I did not see them again till dinner-time. I never spoke another word to them. I told my brother and sister, after they came in, that there were two girls sitting in the room. Frank said nothing. He did not go in to see them. They were in the lower room, where they had dinner. They were kept in the back room until dinner-time. Frank was in a while before I told him. It was before dinner. I knew that the girls were taken away. I didn't know that day that these were the missing witnesses. I didn't ask the girls their names. I didn't ask the name of the man who brought them.

DAVID MCKAY (re-called)—I know Wesley Myers. I saw him at Brown's since the case came on. It was in the afternoon. I am not positive whether it was on Friday or Saturday. He was in the house when I saw him. Mr. Sutherland, Fred Robins and I went in together. Myers was there when we went in It would be about five o'clock. I don't think that any of us spoke to him. I didn't see him on Saturday night. I was not at Brown's house at all on Saturday night. I was there in the evening about 5 o'clock, and stayed about half an hour. I was not there on Sunday. I have seen Myers on the street since last Saturday. I saw him this morning. The first I heard of the missing girls was by the papers I was not at Brown's on Thursday night, but might have been there on Wednesday. I don't know when I heard that they were at Brown's. I think that the first I heard of it was in Kensington. I don't know who took them from Brown's to McKenna's—never heard.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

MARY JANE STEWART (re-called)—To Mr. Peters—I remember seeing the poison in the bottle which Mrs Weeks had (