

**DOMINION PARLIAMENT.**  
Ottawa, April 22.

In reply to a question put by Col. Higinbotham, Mr. Mackenzie stated that the Government could not, whilst providing all the facilities in their power, undertake so expensive an arrangement as the free passage of immigrants from Quebec to the North-west. In the case of the Menonites, a special contract had been made.

In answer to the same hon. member, The Minister of Militia stated that the question of Brigade Camps was now engaging the attention of the Government.

Mr. Ryan (Montreal) on a motion for papers, brought up the question of the dismissal of the late Harbour Commissioners of Montreal. He supplemented his motion by a long speech in defence of the action of the late Commissioners.

Mr. Mackenzie rebuked Mr. Ryan for what he declared to be a gross and scandalous attack on the Hon. John Young, calculated only to excite unutterable disgust. The papers when brought down would speak for themselves. It appeared that certain parties, favored by the late Commissioners, proposed to do work under contract for \$60,000, while an English firm offered to do the work for \$35,000. The first named firm, being afterwards allowed by the Commissioners to revise their tender, offered to take the work for \$37,500, and in the face of this the Commissioners awarded it to the same persons, a Chicago firm, for \$40,000. The result was the dismissal of the Commissioners, which Mr. Mackenzie held was an act rendered imperatively necessary by the circumstances.

The motion was then agreed to. Dr. Brouse then moved for a Committee to consider the propriety of establishing a Bureau of Sanitary Statistics.

Mr. Mackenzie would advise Dr. Brouse to withdraw his motion, and if the Government found they could constitutionally do so, they would themselves bring down a measure to the effect the object desired.

The motion was then withdrawn. The House went into Committee on the estimate.

On the vote for Militia being taken up, Mr. Mackenzie gave a general outline of the scheme of the Government for the re-organization of the force. He desired that in future the Militia should, if less numerous on paper, be better paid and organized, so as to secure a more efficient available arm of defence. It was he said clear from experience, that the Militia, in active service, had been saved from disaster by the spirit and devotion of the officers and men rather than by military capacity. The first essential was confidence in their chief, and it was proposed in future to place the whole force under the control of a Major-General of the British army, as a first step in the direction indicated. Then it was intended to establish a military college on the West Point plan, if not so extensive as that establishment, for the thorough training of officers. These young men would receive an education fitting them for other branches of the public service, so as to utilize them in times of peace. There were land and buildings now in possession of the Government at Kingston, Montreal, or Quebec amply sufficient for this institution.

After a conversation, in which Sir John A. Macdonald, Mr. Hillyard Cameron, Major Walker, and Mr. F. Mackenzie of Montreal, took part in a sense generally favourable to the proposed scheme, the vote was carried.

The Committee rose and the House adjourned.

**ATTACKS ON THE TAXES.**—The Ottawa Times says:—In the days of Cæsar Augustus, we are told, every one, in response to his decree, went to his own city to be taxed. Times are changed, for in the days of Queen Victoria, every one comes to Ottawa to escape taxation. We have deputations here at present, objecting,

- 1st, To the sugar tax.
- 2nd, To the tea tax.
- 3rd, To the tax on shipping material.
- 4th, To the tax on velvets, &c.
- 5th, To the cheap wine.
- 6th, To the tobacco tax.

The day that any Finance Minister imposes a tax that will not be pleaded against by those concerned, we shall expect it to grow dark with sunrise, and that water will run up hill. But taxation is like other evils, one that people must submit to, and one to which they sooner or later get accustomed. Yet, some of the people now protesting against these duties, have been abusing the Government for not rushing into an undertaking that would have cost a hundred and fifty to two hundred millions.

**THE ENGLISH-RUSSIAN BARGAIN.**—By the treaty between the Queen and the Emperor of Russia for the marriage of the Duke of Edinburgh with the Grand Duchess Marie-Alexandrovna of Russia, it is stipulated that Her Imperial Highness shall not be in any way hindered in the full, free and unrestrained exercise of the religious worship of the Orthodox Church in which she has been brought up. Nevertheless, "of her own free will" she shall accompany her august Consort to the churches established by law in England and Scotland. The children are to be brought up as Protestants. The Emperor of Russia assigned to his daughter two marriage portions of one million rubles, each to bear interest at five per cent. If the Duchess becomes a widow the English Parliament has provided that she shall be paid £6,000 per annum.

**THE SOURCE OF THE NILE.**—A Cairo correspondent says that Sir Samuel W. Baker really accomplished so nearly nothing by his expedition up the Nile that the Khedive refused at first to pay him for the service he claimed to have rendered. Colonel Gordon, an Englishman formerly of the Chinese Army, is in command of the new expedition, and Colonel C. C. Long, a Marylander, late of the Union Army, is his first officer. The expedition expect to be absent three years, and to achieve what Baker failed to. Their purpose is to explore the sources of the Nile, to suppress the slave trade, and make accessions to the territory of the Viceroys.

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**WRECKERS.**—During last October a large quantity of flour was washed ashore along the beach of Lake Huron. The "wreckers" in those quarters appropriated about two thousand barrels, contrary to the new Act which requires a report at the nearest Custom House from parties receiving property from wrecked vessels. A penalty of \$200 is inflicted for contravention of this law.



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