

N. B. LEGISLATURE

FREDERICTON, May 7.—The house met at three o'clock. Hon. Mr. McKewen asked that the bill relative to the third time but stand for the present, Mr. Purdy, the promoter, being absent and there being a misunderstanding as to his attitude on the bill. Mr. Allen, from the committee on municipalities, reported against the bill relating to rates and taxes. Hon. Mr. Tweedie, from the committee on law practice and procedure, reported against the bill in further amendment of the law relating to pedlars. Hon. Mr. Pugsley introduced a bill to declare the meaning of sub-section 1 of section 4 of the married woman's property act. He said this act, which was passed in 1885, made certain very important changes in the law, and according to the interpretation of the act recently made by the judge in equity, it took away any right that the husband had as to his wife's property that had been acquired prior to the passing of the act. He believed that the act, as passed by this legislature, was different from the law in England or Ontario. It was represented that some cases great injustice had been done. Count deBury, who is the person in respect to whom the decision of the judge in equity was given, claims that great hardship was done to him because the act was made retroactive, and took away rights which he had enjoyed. This bill had been placed in his hands for the consideration of the legislature. It declared that it was not the intention of the legislature that any interest which any husband possessed at the time of the married woman's property act was passed should be in any wise prejudiced, lessened, or impaired. The matter was one of great importance and was deserving of careful consideration.

Hon. Mr. Dunn introduced a bill in further amendment of the general mining act. He explained that one section increased the sum to be expended on mining machinery from \$4,000 to \$8,000. The act was also amended by making the time of the notice six months instead of one year where a company was not operating their lease, and it also provided in such a case for the appointment of a trustee to work and operate the leased premises, such trustee to be appointed by the judge in equity. The object of the act was to prevent land being held up by companies for speculative purposes. On the ground of urgency the bill was read a second time.

Hon. Mr. Dunn introduced a bill respecting the protection of game. He said it provided that the changes in the law which were in the revised statutes, and which would not come into operation for six months, shall be in force immediately. One of these changes was to prevent camp helpers from taking license to shoot a moose, as they do at present. The present law a man going into the woods with a license might take a number of camp helpers with him, each of whom would have a license to shoot. This was to be changed so that camp helpers would have no license to shoot, but would have to take out a license, for which they would pay \$1 as camp helpers for the purpose of keeping a record of them. Another section prohibits non-resident guides from coming into the province. By another section the season for moose closes on the 30th of November, a month earlier than at present. By another section partridge shooting is prohibited all over the province for two years. Another section prohibits the trapping of mink, sable and other fur-bearing animals in traps set for small game. The close season for beaver is extended to 1907. On the ground of urgency the bill was read the second time.

The house went into committee on bills. Mr. Allen in the chair. The bill to consolidate certain school districts in Kings Co. was considered. Hon. Mr. Tweedie said this bill was in connection with the McDonald fund, and was to erect five school districts into one in Kingsville village for a period of 3 years for the maintenance of one graded school, with special training and household science. He had no doubt that it would be a great benefit. Prof. Robertson stated that this would be one of the finest schools in America. Mr. Hazen asked what amount Mr. McDonald would give towards maintaining the school. Hon. Mr. Tweedie said he will build and equip the school and the district has paid a sum equal to the average of what they are paying now, not more, and the county fund and the government allowance he will provide the balance for the maintenance of the school. The bill was agreed to.

The bill to vest in the crown certain public lands in the parish of Kingston was also agreed to. Hon. Mr. Tweedie explained that this bill was in connection with the same matter, the Kingston Consolidated School. The bill to provide for the registration of provincial debentures was also agreed to. Hon. Mr. Tweedie explained that it was not compulsory, and the object of it was to enable a sale to be made of provincial bonds to the Metropolitan Bank, which required that they should be registered.

The bill to enable a railway company to erect and maintain telegraph or telephone lines on its own road was also agreed to. The bill to amend the act relating to the foreclosure of mortgage of railways was agreed to. On the bill to amend the law of landlord and tenant, Mr. Hazen asked on whom will the notice to quit have to be served. Hon. Mr. Pugsley—it would be given to the original tenant. A clause was added to this bill providing that it shall not apply to any proceedings now pending in the court. The bill relating to the Aluminum Production Co. was agreed to. This was—Messrs. Hazen, Fleming, Smith, Grimmer, Clarke, Morrissey, Glasier, Loggie, Hart, Morrison—10. Hon. Mr. Dunn committed a bill amending the general mining act, which also passed.

Hon. Mr. Dunn committed a bill respecting the protection of game. The provisions of this bill were fully explained when it was introduced. It provides a close season for partridges for two years and prohibits the shooting of moose and caribou by camp help. Non-resident guides are prohibited, and there is a close season for the small fur-bearing animals, such as mink, otter and sable, for two years longer, until 1904, while the close sea-

son for beaver was extended until 1907, bill enables the government to sell or give to this company two square miles of land for a town site, and to exempt them from royalty on the coal they use in their works for a period of ten years, when they have spent \$1,000,000 on these works.

Mr. Hazen asked whether there should not be some limitation as to the price the company should charge for lots sold in their town.

Hon. Mr. Pugsley—it did not occur to the government that such a provision was necessary. The land would give them what was sold, little or no value, and whatever value it afterwards acquired would be due to the result of their operations. It would be difficult for the government to fix a price.

The house went into committee on bills. Mr. Grimmer in the chair. Mr. Tweedie committed a bill to incorporate the Maine and New Brunswick Electrical Power Co. The company is empowered to dam the Aroostook River for the purpose of generating electric power.

Hon. Mr. Pugsley asked what suggested the title of the bill.

Mr. Tweedie said the word Maine was used in the title because the river had its source in Maine.

Mr. Hazen thought it was rather an extraordinary thing for the legislature, in view of its attitude on the Winding Ledges dam, to grant power to dam the Aroostook River. It also struck him as a violation of treaty rights.

Hon. Mr. Pugsley said this was a different case, there being quite a number of dams on the Aroostook River already, besides this one. The dam, he said, was not a dam. The McDunnack has its source in Maine, and the legislature had granted authority to construct a dam across that stream. The bill provided that the company must file plans of the work with the registrar of deeds and the provincial secretary and give four weeks' notice in the Royal Gazette that the plans have been so filed, giving those interested an opportunity of presenting their objections. The bill was agreed to.

A bill to incorporate the Moncton Exhibition Association Co. was also agreed to.

The bill relating to the Imperial Dry Dock Co. of St. John was explained by Hon. Mr. Pugsley. The object is to extend the time during which the work of construction may be commenced, also completed, and to ratify a resolution passed by the City Council of St. John on February 21st, 1902, empowering the granting by the city of a free site and other privileges. The bill was agreed to.

Mr. Burgess committed a bill relating to the jurisdiction of the police magistrate of the town of Grand Falls. It gives the magistrate jurisdiction over causes arising in the parish of Grand Falls and Drummond for any sum less than twenty dollars, or for a sum above that amount. Heretofore jurisdiction did not extend to cases in which the sum involved was less than twenty dollars. The bill was agreed to.

The committee also agreed to a bill relating to the Central Fire Insurance Co. of New Brunswick, and to a bill amending the act incorporating the presbytery of Miramichi with reference to the McLaggan trusts.

Mr. Copp introduced a bill amending the towns incorporation act of 1896. Hon. Mr. Hill introduced a bill to amend chapter seventy-three of the consolidated statutes of Dover. The object of the bill is to remove doubts as to the jurisdiction of the police magistrate of the province. He moved that the bill be read a second time, which was not done because of Mr. Clarke's objection. Mr. Clarke said the object of the bill was to deprive women of the rights they have in wild lands, their dower being confined to fuel and to lumber for fencing. He wanted to consider the bill.

Mr. Copp introduced a bill to amend chapter 39 of the consolidated statutes. It gives the municipalities power to pass a by-law looking towards the checking of the spread of black knot on fruit and other trees.

The house took recess until 7:30 p. m. EVENING SESSION.

FREDERICTON, May 7.—The house resumed at 7:30 p. m.

Mr. Allen introduced a bill to further amend the supreme court act. He explained that the object of the bill was to introduce a section into the act that after issue joined a party might call upon the opposite party to admit certain facts not in dispute and if he refused to do so the costs of proving these facts at the trial shall be paid by the party refusing. This provision is in the equity act and also in the English act. On the ground of urgency the bill was read a second time.

Hon. Mr. Lablache moved the house into committee on the bill to make further provision for permanent bridges, and other work of a permanent character.

Mr. Hazen said he proposed to divide the house on this bill, which was a measure of very great importance. It provides that the lieutenant governor in council shall be authorized to issue debentures to the extent of \$200,000, the money to be spent for the construction of bridges of the following classes: Solid earth or stone embankment with culverts of masonry, or solid earth or stone embankment approaches, or masonry substructure with covered wooden superstructures, or covered wooden superstructures with steel superstructures, or covered wooden superstructures with wood superstructures. No portion of the proceeds of the said debentures were to be used to pay for the construction of any bridge or bridges, except to take the place of bridges which have heretofore existed, except by special authority of the lieutenant governor in council. He was entirely opposed to giving the government power to borrow money for any such purpose as the construction of ordinary wooden bridges. Entertaining the feeling that this was a most dangerous course he desired to place himself on record and divide the house.

Hon. Mr. Lablache said that while it is true that in the bill the government made provision for the building of certain bridges with wooden superstructures, the majority of the bridges were not of that class.

The motion to go into committee on this bill was carried on the following division:

Yeas—Hon. Messrs. Tweedie, Pugsley, Dunn, Lablache, Farris, McKewen and Hill, and Messrs. Allen, Whitehead, Scoville, Osman, Jones, Carpenter, McLatchy, Burden, Goggin, Barnes, Ryan, Ruddock, Tweeddale, Robertson, Burns, Johnston, Lantaulum, Burgess, Legar, Gagnon—27.

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At Brooklyn: Brooklyn 007110100-12 12 2
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At St. Louis—Chicago, 10; St. Louis, 1. At Pittsburgh—Cincinnati, 11; Pittsburgh, 2 (10 innings).

At Philadelphia: Philadelphia 000000011-1 1 1
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Batteries—Hawley and Abbot; Miller and Mullin and McAllister. Time, 1:50. Umpire, O'Loughlin. Attendance, 2,672.

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Batteries—White and Sullivan; Stever, Sudhoff and Sugden. Time, 1:30. Umpire, Sheridan. Attendance, 1,855.

At Cambridge—Harvard, 5; Brown, 0. At Haverhill—Haverhill, 3; Lowell, 7. At Nashua—Nashua, 2; Lawrence, 0 (two innings, rain).

At Fall River—Fall River, 6; Manchester, 6 (13 innings, darkness). At Springfield—Holyoke-Springfield postponed, rain.

At New Haven—Meriden, 5; New Haven, 7. At New London—Norwich, 2; New London, 0.

At Hartford—Bridgeport, 3; Hartford, 7. At Toronto—Baltimore, 4; Toronto, 1. At Hartford—Trinity College, 10; Syracuse University, 4 (six innings, darkness).

At Buffalo—Buffalo, 1; Rochester, 1. THE TURF. National Trotting Association Board of Review.

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