

THE LEGISLATURE

Promise of Investigation in Oil, Gas and Shale Land matters, So Resolution is Withdrawn—Trade Questions.

Fredericton, N.B., April 7.—The motion of J. L. Peck, calling upon the legislature to give to land owners in Albert and Westmorland counties the right to oil and natural gas and shale which is now claimed by the crown, brought out a prolonged discussion in the legislature this afternoon. The motion, however, was withdrawn when Hon. W. E. Foster assured the house that an investigation into the matter would be made and the report placed before the house at the next session.

Several speakers expressed their personal views on the question, but there was the general feeling that sufficient information was not at present available by which the particulars of the question involved could be judged.

Hon. F. Magee presented a resolution by which Canadian ports were favored for trade under a preferential trade agreement with the British West Indies. The resolution was supported by the leader of the opposition and the leader of the Farmers' group and passed unanimously.

In committee on supply all items in the estimates were passed. These expenditures will come up for consideration on Monday evening.

The amount of \$20,000 was voted for temporary repairs to wharves. Hon. Mr. Veniot explained that arrangements had been made to convey the wharves on tidal waters to the federal department of public works, but there had been delays and the federal authorities had not yet assumed the ownership of the wharves. It was expected, however, that the matter would be arranged soon. In the meantime it was necessary to make repairs and the amount mentioned was needed for the work.

When the amount for surveys was under discussion the matter of the grants to the New Brunswick Railway Company was brought up. There was an intimation that this company had secured possession of more land than it was entitled to. It was left with the minister of lands and mines to take what steps he thought necessary to clear this matter up.

Mr. Robichaud presented the report of the committee on corporations.

Mr. Wetmore presented the report of the committee on agriculture.

Hon. Mr. Byrne introduced a bill to enable the Roman Catholic bishop of Chatham to sell certain lands in the county of Gloucester.

Mr. Melanson, speaking of the item of \$40,000 for school books, asked if the increase was for the purpose of making allowance for increased prices?

Hon. Mr. Foster said that it was. The exact expenditure would depend on the attention of the house to the fact that receipts for school books totalled only \$20,000. That meant that the province was contributing about \$20,000 out of the provincial revenue towards the cost of school books.

Mr. Fawcett said the hon. premier had referred to widow's pension. He could quite realize that the government was not able to do what it wished in the matter. The province was heavily burdened with debt. In his opinion widows were more deserving of pensions than some

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others who were receiving them. Earlier in the session a bill had been put through to provide a pension for a retired school inspector. He had no objection but it should be remembered that school inspectors, school teachers and civil servants in general, were better paid than people in many other walks of life. He considered the widows of laborers and of farmers in back districts particularly deserving. There was another matter which came under the department of lands and mines, to which he would refer. He had a letter from a gentleman belonging to Adamsville—the name, he believed, was Telephone Arsenault—that he had received a letter signed by P. P. Melanson requesting him to tender his resignation as Labor Act Commissioner. Mr. Arsenault had written him with regard to the matter, stating that he had held the office for some time and had given satisfactory service. The only reason for his removal had been his election as president of a farmers' organization which had not been regarded with favor by some of the hon. members for Kent.

A Rumor. Mr. Smith, (Carleton) said that rumors were current that the New Brunswick Railway Company had \$24,000 acres more than it was entitled to. Had that matter been investigated? It could easily be done, as the land was laid off in tracts and the area of each tract could be ascertained.

Mr. Robinson said that some representation had been made to the government that errors had been made in connection with the grant of land to the New Brunswick Railway Company. In fact, it had been stated that one surveyor had used a six-rod chain instead of the required four-rod chain, and the six-rod chain had actually been produced.

Mr. Baxter: "Was the medium produced before the government?"

Hon. Mr. Robinson said that it had been represented that a certain gentleman had gone to Boston and there had consulted a medium on this matter, and had been told about the six-rod chain and where it was. The gentleman had gone and got the chain. About the same time a lumber operator in Victoria county had lost two chains. A report on the

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(Canadian Press Despatch.)
Sydney, N.S., April 7.—After the bitter verbal battle in the history of Sydney city council, George R. Rideout of Moncton, former chief inspector of the Dominion Police in the maritime province at St. John, was appointed Nova Scotia Temperance Act inspector at a salary of \$225 a month. The appointment was made as a result of a demand by the Social Service Council for a clean-up of the liquor situation here.

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WANT RULE OF ROAD CHANGED

Fredericton, April 7.—The government was in session tonight to hear delegations from all over the province who desire the rule of the road changed, namely a law compelling teams and motor cars to keep to the right. Among those who spoke in favor of a change were T. P. Regan, who headed the delegation; R. T. Hayes, M. P. P., W. E. Scully, M. P. P., and J. E. Tilton, of St. John; R. T. Phillips, of Fredericton, and Hon. J. E. Michaud.

A delegation from the New Brunswick Guides' Association requested that the game season be not shortened this year as proposed by having it open on Oct. 1 instead of Sept. 15. The guides desire that no change be made this year.

DEFENDANT TELLS OF RESTITUTION

The cross-examination of Mrs. Grace Akery was finished yesterday afternoon in the circuit court rooms before Mr. Justice McKinnon. She told of borrowing \$500 from Frank L. Potts and \$250 from her son-in-law, K. D. Ross, to make up the money she had burned. Some of this she paid back to Mr. Potts. The defendant denied the evidence of some women previously given as to her statements concerning the banking of moneys from the exhibition.

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NEW AND LARGER ORPHANAGE UNDER CONSIDERATION

That the Protestant orphan children of New Brunswick may be domiciled in a splendid new home modernly equipped and fire-proofed, with accommodations for all who may rightfully seek admittance was the bright outlook that animated the quarterly meeting of the St. John Protestant Orphans' Home, held in the rooms of the Bible Society, Clermont street, yesterday afternoon. The president, D. C. Clark, occupied the chair and Miss Mabel Sidney-Smith filled the secretarial position lately made vacant by the death of Mrs. John S. MacLaren.

The order of business was routine until the general discussion of a big new home was introduced. It was shown that there are now about 110 little ones in the parent building, Britain street, and its auxiliary institution, West St. John. In fact both houses are about filled to capacity. In the across-harbor building there are thirteen babies on the roster. If much further demand is made upon the institution for admissions the present crowded conditions may cause disappointments.

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