DOMINION PARLIAMENT.

Before the orders of the day were called in the House of Commons on Monday, 25th. ult., Sir Adolphe asked about General Gascoigne and was told that he had resigned his Canadian command, but retained his position till his successor was appointed. Hon. Mr. Tarte informed Mr. Ganong that the estimated cost of establishing telegraphic communication between Deer Island and the mainland was $3,500. Telephone communication would cost the same. Telephone communication between Head Harbor light and Welshpool would cost $880. Five private bills were advanced a stage, including the Klondyke bill in which Messrs. Skinner, Trueman and A. C. Blair of St. John are interested. The house then took up Quinn's motion relative to the dismissal of John F. Tennant, late collector of customs at Gretna, Manitoba. In the evening Mr. Casey's bill to secure the safety of railway employes was taken up. Hon. Mr. Blair expressed doubts whether parliament had power to legislate to the extent proposed. As Hon. Mr. Blair wanted time to look farther into the matter, Mr. Casey agreed that progress should be reported. The next order called was the second reading of Charlton's seduction bill amendment. Mr. Charlton had already spoken on the second reading and was not allowed another chance. As no one else wanted to speak, Mr. Charlton asked for a vote, calling for yeas and nays. The speaker declared the motion lost. Mr Charlton stood up to call for a recorded vote. It is necessary for five members to demand and only three stood up with Mr. Charlton. His bill is, therefore, struck from the order paper. Mr. McMullen moved the second reading of his bill to authorize the appointment of a board of civil service commissioners. He supported the bill with a speech setting forth the excessive cost of the inside service. Mr. McMullen begged that his bill to provide supervision for civil servants might find favor with his Reader, but the premier said he wanted time to consider it, and moved the adjournment of the debate. The same thing was done with Mr. Davin's bill about the mounted police pension. The house adjourned at 11 p. m.

In the house on the 26th the franchise bill was again taken up. Mr. McInerney, in Sir Charles Tupper's absence, proposed an amendment that an appeal to a county court judge in cases where the right of a person to be registered is called in question. Mr. Mills of Annapolis gave some further facts to show the unfairness of the local lists. Hon. Mr. Costigan said that he believed the New Brunswick sheriffs to be fair and just men. The opposition members said they were not attacking the character of the sheriffs, but they did not consider they ought to be the final authority in revising the lists. The chairman took occasion to remind the government that the liberal platform required the whole control of the franchise to be left with the Province. He protested against the acceptance of any amendments such as those of Sir Charles Tupper. Mr. Charlton said that any concession in the way proposed would be a departure from the party platform. In the evening Hon. Mr. Foster spoke for an hour in favor of federal control of federal franchise, and in support of non-partisan judicial revision. The premier replied, arguing in favor of local control, and maintained that if judicial revision were needed the provinces would have provided it. Mr. Mills of Annapolis, Clarke Wallace and others continued the discussion until a late hour. The house adjourned at 12.30, not the slightest progress being made on the bill that day.

In the commons, on the 27th Hon. Mr. Borden stated that the government had adopted the Oliver equipment. Hon. Mr. Mulock said Allan MacDonald had been removed from the postmastership of Peake's Station, P. E. I., for active partisanship. His successor was recommended by Mr. Robertson. Hon. Mr. Mulock told Mr. Gillies that he issued his three-cent imperial postage order last year by virtue of the post office act. Whether it was competent to issue such an order was a question of law, but the order had been rescinded on the request of the imperial government. The department had, however, instructed postmasters in city offices to put on stamps to cover the shortage on letters stamped in accordance with the proclamation. The loss of revenue by this mailing of short stamped letters was $99. Premier Laurier informed Hon. Mr. Foster that the government had taken no steps to bring on an election in Bagot. The franchise debate was then resumed by Mr. Davin, who was followed by Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper. During the afternoon and evening the discussion was on the proposed amendment to subsection A. clause 5, of the franchise bill, which amendment provides for an appeal from the revisors or sheriffs to a judge. Among those who spoke in favor of the amendment were . Sir Chas. Hubbert Tupper, Messrs. Foster, Mills, McDougall (Cape Breton), McNeil, Ingraham, Kaulbach, Montague, Haggart, McInerney. On the other side the solicitor general, Sir Louis Davies, Messrs McLennan (Inverness), and Belcourt. Late in the evening Messrs. Borden, Powell and Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper on one side, and Messrs. Fitzpatrick and Russell on the other side, discussed a point raised by Mr. Haggart, whether the federal parliament has the constitutional power to delegate to the local legislature the power to change from time to time the franchise laws of the dominion. Mr. Gillies was speaking at midnight on the necessity of revision by judicial authorities. At 12.35 subsection A of clause 5 was passed. The committee then rose and the house adjourned.

The house on the afternoon the 28th, resumed the discussion of the franchise bill. When Hon. Mr. Fitzpatrick proposed his amendment removing the provincial disqualification of the Dominion officials, it was found that the amendment required a good deal of amendment, but it was finally licked into some kind of shape. The committee of the whole made fair progress with the franchise bill. A large number of amendments were found necessary to make the act workable, and until the bill as repaired is printed, it will be hard to know how much the bill has been changed. The solicitor general has partly promised to provide for printing the list in the Ottawa bureau, notwithstanding the provincial control. The house adjourned at midnight.

In the Drummond Counties committee on the same date, Mr. Tarte flatly contradicted the statement that he made last year in the house. Last year he professed to tell the whole story of Greenshields' connection with the purchase of La Patrie newspaper, now the property of Tarte & Sons. Mr. Tarte's statement in the house was this: "I arranged that Greenshields, who was my lawyer in many other cases, should act as the purchaser of La Patrie, as the lawyer of the party. They speak of a cheque that Mr. Greenshields gave. There is no secrecy about it. Mr. Greenshields had a cheque in his hand, not of his own money, out of the money of the party, and he paid that cheque." Today Tarte swore that so far as he knew, Greenshields had at the time no party funds in his hands, and that Greenshields paid for the party with his own cheque lent over night to Mr. Tarte for the purpose. The cheque was covered in the morning, so Mr. Tarte swears by money which he raised in the meantime from his party friends in Montreal. Asked by Mr. Borden to explain how he came last year to say that Mr. Greenshields did not give his own cheque, but gave one against the party funds in his hands, Mr. Tarte said that he made his parliamentary statement at the end of the season. If he had told the whole truth the tory press would have lied about him. He did not feel disposed to explain the whole matter then, and therefore withheld the facts about the Greenshields cheque. It will be seen that Mr. Tarte not only withheld some facts, but invented other facts. The public accounts committee discussed again the points of difference between the ministers and the auditor general. Sir Louis Davies made a fierce onslaught on the auditor, who, he said, was usurping the powers of the whole cabinet, and in his most furious manner showed that Mr. McDougall is exceeding his powers. Mr. Corbin's band and the Grand Trunk people who have been camping on the ground with the intention of trying to restore the Kettle River bill to its place on the orders, are said to have given up the game. They found that they could not get votes enough.

The house in committee on Friday, 29th, finished consideration of the franchise bill and its amendments. The bill has been patched up and altered in so many ways that its author would not recognize it if he had not assisted in the changes. The bill will have to be reprinted before the third reading. Supply was then taken up after the franchise bill was reported, and the statutory increases was discussed at some length on the vote for civil government. The committee of supply made good progress in the evening. The opposition had some fun with the ministers over some of the contingencies, as when Mr. Pope asked Mr. Joly whether the three rat-traps charged to him were used to provide fresh meat for his friends Li Hung Chang, and when Mr. Fielding, who had a large charge for ribbons for typewriter, was asked by Mr. Mills to "tell us her name." On the item for high commissioners, Clarke Wallace said he thought the time had come for the reconsideration of the policy in regard to that establishment. He thought the office could be made to do better work in promoting trade and assisting the sale of Canadian products. Sir Richard Cartwright commended Lord Strathcona, but admitted that there was force in Mr. Wallace's view. It was intended, he said, to send a minister to England at the close of the session to look into the matter. Dalton McCarthy made his maiden speech of the session. He was agreed that Lord Strathcona was all right, but said that the London office required a little shaking up.

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The "Reverend Ranter" in Trouble.

Our readers will remember that in our issue of October 16th, 1895, we had occasion to bring to book a certain Rev. Mr. Thomson, from Bathurst, N. B., in consequence of outrageous and scandalous statements made by him at a public meeting in this city a few days previously. It will be remembered that, from the official report of the investigation, instituted by the Government of New Brunswick, we proved this Mr Thomson to be a double-lyed prevaricator, so far as his reference to the Bathurst School trouble was concerned. That any one capable of such dishonorable tactics, and of participating in such an unhallowed crusade, is false in every respect; that he is nothing but a whited sepulchre, is a safe inference to draw. A little time has proved this to be true in the case of Mr. Thomson. The Miramichi Advance, published at Chatham, N. B., in its issue of April 14, has the following:

The Bathurst Courier says: It is said an investigation is to be held into the affairs of the Presbyterian church at Bathurst Village, and that Rev. A. F. Thomson, will be put on his defence. It adds there is excitement over the matter but it does not indicate the nature of the trouble. The Advance's advices on the subject are that the hearing was on Tuesday, 12th. It appears that the charges against Mr. Thomson were made by Dr. and Mrs. Duncan, Mrs. John Ferguson, (Senator's wife), Mr. and Mrs. Robert Armstrong, James Armstrong, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Henderson, Mrs. Abram Grant, Mrs. A. N. DesBrisay and Mrs. James Ferguson. The petition of charges were signed by about 15 persons. We are not informed of what all the charges were, but untruthfulness, inattention to and refusal to perform his duties, &c., were in the category. Dr. M. G. Duncan, an elder, appeared for the accusers and read all charges, letters, etc. Mrs. John Ferguson's chief charge was "continued untruthfulness on account of which she had lost all confidence in him as a minister." Mrs. Robert Armstrong's charge was that of undue interference with Women's Foreign Missionary Society. Mr. A. J. H. Stewart was present and made quite a speech, charging Mr. Thomson with refusal to perform the burial services of his sister (this was while they were unfriendly on account of the school question) also for stating falsehoods about him on many occasions, both publicly and privately, and for lying and misrepresentation during the school troubles. There were a great number present at the hearing on Tuesday, but we are informed that only five expressed confidence in Mr. Thomson. The chairman was Rev. W. Aitken. He had to call "Fagan" to order several times and told him he must understand that he (Mr. A.) was conducting the proceedings, and not to interfere. Those who signed (15) were asked if the matter could not be amicably arranged and they answered negatively, Mr. Joseph Henderson (who I believe is an elder) stating that if Mr. Thomson remained he would sever his connection with the church. Mr. Thomson spoke, asking for sympathy. He said he had worked all the best of his life in the ministry and was not now able to go at anything else, &c., &c. The chairman asked him if, under existing circumstances, he was prepared to remain in charge. He said he was not prepared to answer. Mr. Aitken said he must give the answer to-night (This was Tuesday, but we are not informed what answer he gave.) Mr. Thomson said he was taken too suddenly to give an answer. The chairman said Mr. Thomson knew of this thing sufficiently long to have his answer prepared. Certain love-making and engagement breaking transactions of the reverend gentleman were involved in the proceedings and lent a special spice to them, although they reflected little credit on the accused minister. The clergymen present were Rev. Messrs. Aitken, of Newcastle; Carr of Campbellton, Fisher, of Dalhousie, McLeod, of New Mills, and Nicholson, of Charlo. There was considerable recrimination between Mr. Thomson and members of his congregation, and quite a change seems to have taken place in their relationships since the time when he succeeded in stirring up no little strife and bad feeling between different classes in the neighborhood. Many now realize how mistaken they were in him, and the general feeling is that he is not entitled to much sympathy owing to his "firebrand" characteristics.

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The price of oats in the Charlottetown market yesterday, was 35 cents a bushel. Potatoes were quoted on the street at 40 cents a bushel. There was scarcely any change in the price of pork, and not very much was offering. The price was about 6 cents a pound.

TEETHING TIME

Is hard on the babies. They're apt to have Diarrhœa, and mothers know how dangerous that is. Mrs. Chas. Bott, Harlow, Ont., says:—"I can highly recommend Dr. Fowler's Extract of Wild Strawberry. It cured my baby of Diarrhœa after all other means failed."

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—IN THE—

Lyceum, Charlottetown,

—ON THE—

9th & 10th of May

The Ladies of the different Sodalities connected with Notre Dame Convent, intend holding a "MAY FESTIVAL" for the benefit of that Institution on the above mentioned date in the Lyceum.

Beside refreshment tables, there will be others, where a variety of ornamental and useful articles will be disposed of.

Nothing will be left undone, to make the Festival a grand success. Admission 10c.

April 20, 3i

Farm for Sale.

76½ Acres at Bangor, Lot 40

The undersigned offer for sale that Farm of 76½ Acres situate at Bangor, Lot 40, formerly in possession of Albert A. Jardine, on the east side of Bangor Road.

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Possession given at once. Terms easy.

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April 27—2i Trustees.

LOCAL AND OTHER ITEMS.

The Steamer Stanley returned to this port on Friday last, after breaking the ice at Gaspe, P. Q., so as to liberate ice bound craft anxious to depart.

The steamer Polino arrived here from Montreal, on Friday last, with a general cargo. The steamer Campania from the same place, reached here the same day.

It is reported that ice off the western coast of the Province somewhat seriously interferes with the lobster fishing. Fears are entertained that the herring, which have struck in in great numbers, will have gone before they can be netted for bait.

The steamer Halifax will leave here on her first trip to Boston, on Tuesday next, the 10th inst., and will continue thereafter until further notice to leave every Tuesday at 1 P. M. She leaves Boston for this port on Saturday next.

Our readers should not forget the May Festival in aid of the Convent de Notre Dame to be held in the Lyceum, on the 9th and 10th inst. The worthy object and the attractions of the proposed entertainment should be sufficient to ensure a large attendance.

The Summerside Journal says that two young men belonging to the west end of the Island left Thursday, via Charlottetown, for Boston, to enlist in the navy. They are naturalized American citizens, and have been notified by the United States authorities to return to Boston.

LOCAL AND OTHER ITEMS.

During the trip to Gaspe last week Chief-Engineer McMillan of the Stanley, lost a portion of the second finger of his left hand by having it caught in the eccentric while pulling out an oil cup. Second officer Walker, of Georgetown, also had his left hand badly injured. In his case the hand was jammed between the rail of the steamer and the post of the wharf at Gaspe.

A circular has been issued by the railway authorities here to the effect that on and after May 2nd Mileage Books issued on and after same date on P. E. I. Railway will not be received by Conductors from Regular Booking Stations, and must be exchanged by Station Master for Mileage Passage Tickets. When presented at Flag Stations they will be accepted by Conductors as formerly. Mileage Books purchased before end of April will be received for passage under old conditions until used up.

The large six story brick building on Trinity place, Boston, opposite the Art Museum, occupied by the Architectural and Engineering Departments of the institute of Technology, and known among the students as the architectural building, was badly damaged by fire on Thursday afternoon last. The blaze is said to have been caused by the explosion of a kettle used by plumbers. There were about 100 students in the building at the time the fire started, and all worked hard saving property. Besides the furniture, the fire ruined a number of valuable plaster casts and books.

Old Postage Stamps Wanted.—Parties having old stamps used before 1873 can get high prices for them by communicating with J. Lindsay, Box 3, Paris, Ontario. The rarer kinds being worth from $1 to $100 each. They are worth most when left on the original envelopes. Collections in albums also bought. Write him for particulars. [Ap. 27—5i

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