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FISH HATCHERIES.

A few days ago The Planet directed attention to the fact that Mr. H. S. Clements, M. P., advocated in the House at Ottawa, the establishment of a fish hatchery at Rond Eau. This is an important matter and should receive some consideration from the Government. It is important, not alone to this section, but also to the country at large that the fish industry here should be encouraged and protected, for it has been shown that the finest fish secured in Canada come largely from Lake Erie.

Mr. Clements' speech on this subject is interesting to all. Hansard reports him as follows:

"I want to ask the Minister if favorable consideration has been given to the large number of petitions which have been sent from the district of Rond Eau on Lake Erie asking for the establishment of a fish hatchery at that place. I am not prepared to say whether there should be one there or not because I do not know enough about fish hatcheries to be able to express an opinion upon the subject. But I do know that in that section of the country we get more fish than are taken from the great lakes in any other part of the Province of Ontario. A great many petitions have been sent in asking for the establishment of a fish hatchery at Rond Eau which, as far as I am able to judge, is a very suitable place. Our fishermen there claim that it is an absolute necessity that a fish hatchery should be established there to keep up the supply of fish. I asked a question in this House some few weeks ago as to the amount of money that was spent in the different provinces of the Dominion for the propagation of fish. I find that in British Columbia \$48,000 is spent yearly while in the province of Ontario some \$13,000 or \$14,000 is spent. I do not know whether this is due to the fact that we have more members from the province of British Columbia supporting the Government, but I want to say in all fairness that the fisheries of the Great Lakes deserve more encouragement than they get from the paltry sum that is spent in the province of Ontario. The fish that are caught in the Great Lakes will bring from \$40 to \$45 a ton more in the New York market than is obtained for British Columbia fish, so that Ontario produces the best fish for the market in so far as the price is concerned. For that reason an equal share of the money expended upon our fisheries should be spent in the province of Ontario, and particularly in the section of the country from which I come in order to encourage the propagation of the class of fish to which I refer. I am not finding any fault with the department at all, but I would like the Minister to tell me if any encouragement has been given or is under consideration in so far as the fish hatchery which I speak of is concerned."

Upon being informed that the Government was not considering the immediate establishment of a hatchery at Rond Eau, but were depending upon the deliberations of the fish commission, Mr. Clements continued:

"I presume that the fish commission is for the purpose of taking up such matters as the Rond Eau Fish Hatchery. I have no fault to find with what British Columbia got for her hatcheries for propagating fish, but I say that Ontario has not got what she ought to get and that the fishing interests of this province are being neglected. British Columbia has got more than her proportion, but she has not got more than she deserves. The fish interest of this province is an asset that should be taken care of. I have had great experience with the fishermen in the district from which I come, who should know the subject thoroughly, and that is why I claim that a fish hatchery at Rond Eau would be a great help in encouraging the industry and could be kept up with very little expense."

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LITERARY

"The Protection of Life on Railroads," the want of which has been brought before the public on this continent, on many occasions during the past winter, is dealt with in the April number of Review of Railways, by three men of different callings. "Can the Railroad Death Rate be Reduced?" is written by a railroad signal engineer of 24 years' practical experience; "Railway Accidents and Railway Personnel," by Wyatt W. Randall, contrasts the European and American methods; and "Psychology of the Railroad Accident," is written by Chas. R. Keyes.

In the April number of What To Eat, we have "April Entertainments" by Margaret Rayburn, which gives appropriate decorations and menu for an April lunch, and suggestions for a Kindergarten Party for little children.

Some choice tested recipes are given by Nellie D. Gans. Food Facts deal with many articles used in adulteration of foods and the effect on the human system. Published by the Pierce Publishing Co., Chicago, at \$1.00 per annum.

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IS STILL MISSING

It was reported that the body of Mr. Wm. Rankin, the young man from Dover who mysteriously disappeared some time ago, and who was last seen in Wallaceburg, had been found floating in the water near Mitchell's Bay. Mr. Frank Rankin, the father of the missing man, went to Mitchell's Bay but found that there was no truth in the story. No body had been found. Wm. Rankin's disappearance is a mystery to all of his friends and relatives. It is supposed that he fell off the Wallaceburg bridge, but this cannot be proven. He was last seen with some companions at the C. W. & L. E. Railway platform, and shortly afterwards at a hotel.

THE STAGE

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

(Supplied to The Planet by Press Agents.)

At the Briscoe Theatre—
Painting the Town—April 15.
Kerry Gow—April 19.
Salvation Army "Pictures"—April 20.
Thos. E. Shea, in "The Bills,"—April 22.
The Beauty Draw—April 23.
Twenty-fourth Minstrels—Apr. 25.
Moving Pictures—April 26-27.
Marks Bros.—Apr. 29 to May 4.

PAINTING THE TOWN TO-NIGHT.

If laughs were dollars, "Painting the Town" would rival the Bank of England in opulence. Such was the verdict of our theatre patrons who were fortunate enough to witness its performance several weeks ago, for a more delighted audience never left the theatre, and it's a pleasure indeed that a return engagement is now announced for to-night.

Taking all in all, it proved to be one of the best and most entertaining plays ever seen in this city, and there is no question as to the reception it will receive upon its return, other than the theatre's capacity. Everything known to comedy and opera, that is new, is introduced and the whole show is full of various effects, all of which are most entertaining. There is a plot—but what is the use of discussing plots in connection with this species of shows; it merely serves as a thread on which to hang the scenic and musical specialties. In these the show excels. It is beautifully staged, and everything goes with a jolly swing from start to finish. The chorus is large and well dressed. The same excellent cast headed by Halliday & Leonard remains intact and includes all the old favorites, among which may be mentioned, charming Mazie King, the Queen of dancers; Miss Edith Lowe, prima donna; Miss Louise Sanford, the Trans-Atlantic Four, "that big singing act," and a host of others.

Joseph Murphy's famous play, "Kerry Gow," coming to this city on Friday, April 19.

Years ago, Fred. Marsden, the author of "The Kerry Gow," was laid away, but his works still live, and with none of their virility lost, and showing as well by contrast with the modern Irish plays as they did with the famous ones then in vogue. Mr. Joseph Murphy after many years constantly before the public has reluctantly surrendered his plays that were so dear to him, and will in the future lead a less strenuous life, his young successor, Mr. Allen Doone, brings with him the reputation of having done wonders with Mr. Murphy's famous role. Though prejudice makes it hard to follow in the footsteps of so prominent a star, the young comedian has been most graciously accepted. Not only the possessor of an artistic temperament, capable in particular in this comedy and pathetic scenes alike, a pleasing stage presence, good looks, and a magnetic personality, he is gifted with a rare tenor voice that is fast promoting him to the front rank among the sweet singers of the stage.

Mr. Doone is a young Irish lad, admirably suited to the part of Dan O'Hara, which in many respects is a counterpart. He will sing his own original Irish ballads, lullabies, etc., that he has written expressly for the play with that rare charm and pleasing manner that only he possesses. The sweet, soothing rhythms will be lasting remembrances to all who hear him. Allen Doone comes as a stranger, he is none the less capable for that reason, nature destined him to be a great singer, and has he never graced the footlights he would have been just as capable of emitting the sweetest refrains, so let not prejudice stand in your way, go and hear Ireland's sweet singer, Allen Doone, with the original supporting company and the identical production of "Kerry Gow," there rests in store a rare treat for the patrons of Chatham.

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RELIEVE MINERAL LANDS.

Amendments to Manhood Suffrage Act—Mining Tax Measure.

Toronto, April 13.—The Legislature put in a diligent Friday. The work, while technical and comparatively uninteresting, occasioned considerable time and substantial progress was made towards clearing the order paper.

With the routine accomplished the House will next week take up the contentious matters still to be dealt with. It is anticipated that the session will close about Thursday, unless the debates prove to be longer than is at present anticipated.

The municipal amendment act was put through its committee stage and got its third reading. Hon. Mr. MacKay pointed out that while the vote for elections was deemed final, the courts had held that the vote on by-laws was not final. He suggested both lists be put under the same system.

Hon. Mr. Whitney pointed out that in the case of the lists for by-laws they were compiled by the township clerk without supervision.

Taxation of Mineral Rights.

It was also decided, in view of the protest of Hon. Mr. Maheson and Hon. Mr. Graham, against general taxation of mineral rights, that the clause providing for the taxation of mineral rights entered to meet the case of the Canada Company read for "petroleum rights."

Hon. Mr. Reame's bill to amend and consolidate the law respecting the Temiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway was also put through committee.

In committee Hon. Mr. Foy's bill to amend and consolidate the Manhood Suffrage Registration Act was productive of a short discussion on clause providing that students, not registered as such, not entitled to register elsewhere, may register in the city in which they are attending college or university and be entitled to vote. Mr. Graham and Mr. MacKay contended that this might easily result in a number of students losing their votes. They might be registered at their homes, but might not, on election day, be home. The Prime Minister pointed out that the test of qualification, besides British citizenship and age, was domicile and a man could not be domiciled in two places. The clause was allowed to stand.

Mr. Cochrane's Bill.

Under the care of the Prime Minister Hon. Mr. Cochrane's mining taxation bill went through committee and got its third reading. It now only awaits the signature of the Lieutenant-Governor to become law.

The following bills were put through committee:

To amend the municipal act—Mr. Ferguson (Grenville).

To amend the Land Titles Act—Mr. Ferguson (Grenville).

To amend the Ditches and Watercourses Act—Mr. Ferguson (Grenville).

To amend the Municipal Waterworks Act—Mr. Torrance.

To amend the act respecting Joint Stock Companies for supplying cities, towns and villages with gas and water—Mr. Cameron.

To amend the act respecting investments by trustees—Mr. McNaught.

Respecting the mortgage and real estate—Mr. Elber.

CENSURED THE GOVERNMENT.

Sharp Passage of Arms Over the Montebelli Case.

Ottawa, April 13.—The House spent substantially all yesterday in debating an amendment to the motion to go into supply proposed by Lake (Con., Sask.), censuring the Government for its action in the matter of the notorious Montebelli case, where a valuable township at Blairmore was turned over to a favorite of the Government.

One Lyon, who considered himself aggrieved, procured a fiat from the then Minister of Justice of Canada, Hon. David Mills, and proceeded to set aside the patent. In these proceedings the evidence was taken and a report made by Justice Webster, who decided that the application and affidavit of Montebelli, upon which the Government had granted the patent, was fraudulent, and that if the crown desired to do so, it could cancel the patent and the land would revert to the crown. Justice Burbridge of the Exchequer Court confirmed this finding, but ordered that further evidence should be obtained from Dominion Crown Land Commissioner Turritt.

The action which had been commenced to set aside the patent was dismissed at the instance of the crown. Although the action was dismissed without costs, the crown as recently as Nov. 12, 1906, paid the relator, Lyon's, costs of the action, amounting to \$2,585.01, although prior to the commencement of the action Lyon was obliged to furnish a bond for payment of costs.

The Minister of the Interior (Mr. Oliver), in reply, denied that the Government had caused the case in the Exchequer Court to be dismissed. He said that Judge Burbridge had not found that Mackenzie obtained land by fraud, or that Montebelli had been guilty of fraud. He denounced the Opposition as dealing in slander, and said that they were prostituting the privileges of Parliament.

Mr. Borden pointed out that Lyon was the first settler. The whole Montebelli claim was a fake and a fraud. The finding made by Mr. Turritt when land commissioner in his favor was based upon a report from the sub-agent, Nixon, which report was false and fraudulent.

Shipwrecked on Ice.

St. John, N. B., April 13.—Through ice holding after having shattered the steamer Olive, a calamity was narrowly escaped.

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