

mail now due, he (Hon. A. G.) expected the report, plans, and specifications, and every accessible information would be given the hon. member upon their arrival.

Hon. Receiver General gave notice that he would, on to-morrow, ask leave to bring in a Bill for the encouragement of the Bank fishery.

Mr. Mackay (Chairman of the Select Committee on printing and reporting) presented the report of that committee and moved its adoption.

Mr. Parsons said that he had on a former occasion expressed his opinion in favor of putting out the Government printing to tender. It would appear that in 1878 the printing of the Journals cost the House \$1500 and the binding \$400, or at the rate of £6 10s. per volume. This was at least 50 per cent. more than they should have cost. If the work was put up to tender it would be found that a saving of at least 50 per cent. could be effected. The fact of the matter was the Government were afraid of the printers, and dared not offend them. He (Mr. P.) protested against the report being received.

Mr. Scott—The most substantial reason why the report should not be received lay in the fact that no arrangement appeared to have been made with the printers. By receiving the report now we would be adopting the action of the committee and would be almost bound to permit the action to pass unchallenged hereafter. He did not think the Committee were acting fairly to the House in submitting a report that contained absolutely no information. We were not told what the public Ledger was to receive for publishing the Debates, whether more or less than formerly.

Mr. Mackay—The Committee had nothing to conceal, and he would therefore give hon. members all the information in his power. The Committee proposed reducing the amount for printing the Debates from \$1000 to \$600. The larger amount had been paid the proprietor of the Ledger for getting out a daily paper containing reports of the debates. The Committee found that it was not possible to carry out this system, not from any default upon the part of the publisher but because under our system we could not supply him with the necessary amount of matter. It was considered then that we ought not to go on paying for work that was not done. The Committee had further determined upon reducing the amount paid for copying the debates from \$300 to \$180. The hon. member Mr. Parsons had conveyed the impression that the amount paid for printing the Journals was excessive and more than the usual amount. He (Mr. M.) believed that if we wanted the work done at a cheaper rate we would have to go abroad. If the work was to be done in Newfoundland it could not be done at a less rate. By comparing the cost of the Journals of 1870 to 1873 it would be found that the cost in 1870 was \$2652 and that \$700 of a saving had been effected. He (Mr. M.) did not find fault with the Committee of that time, they had doubtless done everything possible to get the work done at the lowest rate, but unless it was sent out of the country it could not be done cheaper.

Mr. Scott said the hon. gentleman's explanation was, as far as it went, satisfactory but he thought the printing should be put up to tender. There were numbers of daily papers, whose proprietors would be glad to tender at the cheapest rate.

Mr. Little thought the fullest information should be given to the House, before it endorsed the action of the Committee. The Chairman had given a very satisfactory explanation, and the utmost reliance was to be placed in everything he said. This was a matter that had been frequently discussed with very poor results. His (Mr. L.'s) opinions were known to be in favor of having the printing of the House open to tender. Upon reference to the report it would be seen that the printing of the Journals was divided between two newspapers. This had the semblance of public jobbery. He would draw the attention of the Committee to the fact that a great deal of useless matter was printed in the Journals thus increasing their cost.

Hon. Mr. Winter had been a member of the Printing Committee since he had the honour of a seat in the House. The observations of the hon. member Mr. Parsons were to the effect, that there had been extravagances in the expenditure of the public moneys upon the printing of the Journals. If the cost of the printing and binding the Journal of 1879 or 1878 were compared with similar work of ten or fifteen years ago, it would be found that the expense was appreciable less, while business had increased. Hon. members of the opposition, as well as those of the Government who were upon the Committee, and used every exertion to reduce the cost of printing. The hon. member Mr. Little had said that a great deal of useless matter was published in the Journals, but he (Mr. W.) did not think there was a single page of matter published that could judiciously be left out. A great deal of discrimination had been used as to what should be published in the Journals, and having regard to the great increase in public business, if the system of a few years ago had been followed, the cost of the Journals would have been very much greater. But a very considerable saving had been effected by striking out what was regarded as useless matter. The rates paid now were similar to those paid for during a number of years past, and were as a matter of fact based upon a tender of the late Mr. Seton, a tender not accepted by the

last Government, who chose to pay a higher price. Hon. gentlemen talk of putting the work up to tender, but it is very questionable whether if they were in power, they would do so. However this was not a new idea, but had been a stock suggestion and matter of debate, with every Opposition for many years, whose views unaccountably changed when they obtained power. The late Government made it a rule to patronize their own friends, a rule which the present Government had relaxed.

Mr. Kent had been a member of the Reporting and Printing Committee for the past few years. It had been the object of the Committee during that time to keep down the expense as far as possible. There had been a suggestion made to the Committee which has not however been carried into execution. It was suggested that when de-patches and miscellaneous papers are laid upon the table of the House, a great deal of expense might be saved by having them printed only once. At present they are printed when laid on the table and then printed in the Journals. Similar papers are laid on the table of the other branch of the legislature and printed in the same manner for the House and in the Journal. This entails the printing of these papers four times. This might be avoided by having them in a separate volume. This is the course adopted in the other Colonies, and it was suggested when the matter arose to Committee. The miscellaneous printing and the journals last year cost far too large a sum, and we should consider immediately how much an unnecessary expenditure should be reduced.

Hon. Mr. Winter gave notice of a Bill relating to the sale of deceased meats and other obnoxious articles.

Mr. Scott gave notice that he would, on to-morrow, ask the Chairman of the Board of Works whether it is intended to remove the old hospital at River Head now used as a fever hospital; also that on to-morrow he will ask the Acting Financial Secretary for a detailed statement of the expenditure of \$1,459.33 charged in the statement as Clerk's contingencies of office; also that he will move that the printing of the Journals of this House and publishing of debates be done by tender.

Mr. Parsons presented a petition from Michael Roche and others, of Middle Cove, for the repairs of roads.

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THE CARBONEAR HERALD

"Honest Labor—our noblest heritage."

CARBONEAR, MARCH 18TH.

To the Readers of the Herald

Since our last issue a change has taken place in the proprietary of this journal, health and other important considerations rendering our departure for the metropolis a matter of imperative necessity upon our part. In leaving Carbonear, the scene of our early labors in connection with the establishment of the HERALD, we would assure our readers, that we do so with feelings of more than ordinary regret, mindful and appreciative as we are of the many firm and valued friendships we have formed and of the innumerable instances of large hearted and generous hospitality, of which, during our brief sojourn in this community, we have been the recipient at the hands especially of our kind

friends of Carbonear and Harbor Grace. The regret however above referred to, is considerably relieved by the reflection, that the ties which have hitherto united us to the people of Carbonear, as a resident of their community, and which we had hoped would in the future have been permanent, are necessarily severed; the connection which we still hold with this journal as Editor, affords the gratification of devoting our energies and abilities, as heretofore, to the advocacy, promotion and satisfaction of their especial interests. In the general discharge of the duties devolving upon us, in our Editorial capacity, we shall continue to be actuated, solely by a desire to promote and advance the best interests of our country and the welfare and happiness of all sections and classes of her people. The proprietary of the HERALD will henceforth be vested in Mr. Edward J. Brennan, the previous foreman of the HERALD establishment to whose zeal, integrity, general ability and satisfactory performance of the duties incidental to his position, since his connection with the Herald, we are happy to bear testimony and have much pleasure to recommend him to the friends and patrons of the Herald as in every way worthy of their confidence, patronage and esteem. In conclusion, whilst returning our warmest thanks to friends, patrons and subscribers for their past kind favors and patronage of the Herald we would most earnestly solicit a continuance of the same towards its new Proprietor.

Nomination of His Lordship Dr. Carfagnini to the See of Galipoli.

We regret to learn that His Lordship, the Most Rev. Dr. Carfagnini will shortly leave this colony for the purpose of taking up his residence permanently in Italy. It seems, that His Lordship, some time since, having expressed to His Holiness, a desire to return to his own country, has been appointed to the important See of Galipoli, situate on the Gulf of Tarentum. Whilst we cordially congratulate His Lordship upon his recent promotion from a diocese in a remote missionary country like Newfoundland, to one in a land like Italy, of acknowledged status in literary, scientific and artistic culture, we at the same time, but give utterance to the universal sentiment of the people of Harbor Grace and Carbonear, when we express our unfeigned, sincere and heartfelt regret at the departure from our shores of a distinguished prelate, who during his residence in this colony, within the past twenty-five years, from his many rare and prominent virtues, both public and private, has justly endeared himself to all classes of her people. His Lordship's first spiritual connection with Newfoundland occurred during the Episcopate of the late venerated and much revered Bishop of St. John's, the late Right Rev. Dr. Mullock, a distinguished member of the same order of St. Francis, by whom he was specially chosen, whilst Professor at the Franciscan College of St. Isidore, Rome, to fill the important and highly and responsible position of first President of St. Bouaventures College at St. John's. Under the distinguished guidance and able management of Dr. Carfagnini, the infant college of St. Bonaventure attained marked success, several of the Alumni of that institution, owing to his exertions the positions which they now occupy in the Church of Newfoundland. During his residence at St. John's, Dr. Carfagnini, from his characteristic suavity, urbanity and gentleness of demeanor won the sincere respect, esteem and veneration of many warm and true hearted friends amongst all classes and sections of the people, to whom, as to his spiritual subjects of the diocese of Harbor Grace, his departure from Newfoundland will be a source of deep

heartfelt regret. During the episcopate of the late much revered and lamented Dr. Dalton, first Bishop of Harbor Grace, Dr. Carfagnini became connected with that diocese, his zealous and untiring missionary labors along the extensive coast of Labrador being well remembered and duly appreciated by his people not a few of whom were witnesses of the many perils and hardships to which His Lordship was exposed during the period of his spiritual ministrations upon that bleak and inhospitable coast. Being appointed by the Holy See to fill the vacancy created by the decease of the lamented Dr. Dalton, His Lordship was consecrated at Rome and shortly after proceeded to take charge of his extensive diocese. There, notwithstanding the many difficulties against which he has had to contend the marked progress which has taken place in the advancement of religious and educational interests throughout all parts of the diocese during His Lordship's episcopate, are so many standing evidences of his apostolic zeal and fidelity in the discharge of the onerous and responsible duties of his sacred office. Notable amongst the many evidences referred to, may be mentioned, the ceaseless and untiring efforts of His Lordship to supply the spiritual and educational wants of his people, by the building of chapels and the location of priests wherever practicable. The splendid Cathedral near completion and the magnificent College recently erected both having been designed and erected under the personal supervision of His Lordship as so the T. A. Hall, all standing memorials of his ardent desire for the promotion and advancement of the religious educational and social interests of his people. We must sincerely wish His Lordship, many years of unalloyed happiness in the scene of his future Episcopal labors.

Correspondence.

We will not hold ourselves accountable for the sentiments or opinions of correspondents.

To Correspondents.—J. P. St. John's.—Your communication received. You must be aware that we have already given notice "that we do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions of correspondents."

To the Editor of the Carbonear Herald, St. John's, March 12th.

Dear Sir— Since I last had the pleasure of sending you a few lines, nothing of any startling nature has occurred to break the monotony or to threaten the continuing existence of our peaceful and unique life. The great river courses that flow through and shape the lives of men, have been the toy of no great vicissitude; and those other currents that sweep with so much force through the human frame, such as ambition and avarice, in a great many cases remain unrequited, and still point with unremitting force to the same great need. Day after day, night after night, we are impressed with the solemn broad sameness of our lot—a lot which never well hardly ever—varies in the cardinal headings of its records. It is still plenty to eat, nothing to do, hunger and labor, Total Abstinence and drunkenness, good liquor and bad liquor, love and murder, and then "Death." The old door-keeper of the House is still standing in the old spot, and in his usual kind and accustomed manner, he speaks to the boys as the juice drops from the masticated tobacco, and crawls slowly down to its old refuge, where many had gone before—the bosom, ah! what bosom of old John. The Sergeant at Arms, whose sword is red with the blood it drank, within the precincts of the House, to-day as in days gone by, slumbers as peacefully and calmly as an angel of love, instead of an armed man, in his cushioned chair, knowing full well the sly dog, that whether he is asleep or awake it's all the same. And here on the left are Honorable Patrik Scott and R. J. Parsons, jur, pouring forth their eloquence for the benefit of the gods of the gallery, as just twelve months ago. Need I picture further—need I tell you that My Lord Corcoran with his bandy legs still bars the entrance to the House of Lords and allows no one having the breath of intoxicating spirits to enter, and poison the fastidious cent of his old chum inside, who by the bye never took a swig in his life, or lead you down stairs and initiate

you into the privacies of those "rogues" known as the reporters. To do this I think would be unprofitable and in many ways too much. Perhaps too, when one visits the House he should not level too many jests for although a contrary opinion is entertained, there are within it men not wholly immoral who have other aims besides their own aggrandisement and who are stimulated by some other feeling than that of parliamentary rapacity. Men who are not totally devoid of honor—who do not want to be guided as robbers, when they vacate their seats, and who love their Council Chamber because, in it, by the exercise of their practical minds, they can do something which will tend beneficially towards the land of their adoption or birth, and cause their names to be recorded in white letters in the future history of this colony. What men of this nature do exist, and are at present holding positions on the Government Benches I have not the shadow of a doubt and I have no hesitation in saying that before their four years of office have passed away, they will prove to the satisfaction of their supporters and to the downfall of their enemies and defamers that they have not violated the trust the country placed in them and that they always held steadily in view the great political and mighty object "Progress." Our Government will show that in their silence they acted, and that their main object, the well being of the country, was not placed beyond their sight by the childish impulsiveness, crude passions and self indulgent tooleries of the opposition. The Premier the Hon. W. V. White way who it appears to me is the prime mover in all great works has again started the Railway and in accordance with his motion made last week a joint-committee of the Legislative Council and Lower House will meet this week and consider the practicability and advisability of laying a railway upon our own responsibility through the Peninsula of Avalon. I cannot at the present time enter into the spirit of this immense undertaking, but I think it will be quite patent every right thinking man, that if it be carried out it cannot fail to be conducive to the best interest of the colony and be a boon to every individual member of society. It is a long time since I had the pleasure of visiting your ancient and pretty harbor. My health having been impaired with my declining age—but I trust that if the iron horse be put in force (and I have no doubt that it will) that I shall again be afforded the pleasure of gazing upon it once more. By the bye Mr. Editor is the same attraction in Carbonear now as their was in the days of my youth. Are the ladies as beautiful as ever or have the likenesses of the "fair ones" become imperceptible? Is that type of beauty which instils love and once sent a direct message to my soul still extant? If so a visit to Carbonear would have charms for me, which a feel caused by a remembrance of my happy days debars me from here endeavoring to express. I am sure you must have been glad to notice by your exchanges the movement that has been made towards the completion of the Church of England Cathedral and to find that all denominations are co-operating in the work with heart and soul. This is a matter of much congratulation as it will be means of making stronger the good feeling which has always existed between the different creeds in Newfoundland and of facilitating the completion of a work which will be an ornament and credit to our capital.

Trusting that I have not trespassed too much upon the patience of your readers. I remain your's, very truly,

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To the Editor of the Carbonear Herald, CARBONEAR, March 8.

Dear Sir— Trusting you will aid me by the use of your columns to lay before the public a few facts worth mentioning. Speaking of the way passengers are treated on some of our steamers. Chancing to be at the metropolis a few days ago awaiting a passage for Carbonear and hearing that the *Hercules* was to start that night for the Bay, I went on board of her and being informed by Captain Green that she was to go to Carbonear, I engaged a passage by her. We left that night at 10 o'clock, calling at Western Bay, Capt. Cross succeeded in getting a number of passengers there. He decided to take us no further. So landing us at Adam's Cove. He started for St. John's again leaving a few of us passengers to go to Carbonear as best we may. And I believe that this is not the first time that we have had cause to complain of the way people have been treated in connection with the Hercules. Why Sir, may we not in reason ask how long this state of affairs is to exist.

A CITIZEN.

Local and other Items.

The extensive circulation of the "Herald" throughout Conception Bay and the various outport districts of the colony render it a most desirable medium for advertising purposes. We would direct the particular attention of business men generally to the above mentioned most significant fact.

It is with much pleasure we call the attention of our numerous readers to the Prospectus of our old friend Mr. J. P. Rahai, former foreman of the