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THE ORANGE BILL PASSES THE COMMITTEE STAGE.

Debate on Mr. Curran's Amendment—Mr. Lister's Motion—Committee on Supply—An Unusually Individual Elected from the Gallery.

Special from Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, Ont., Feb. 28. The Speaker took the chair at 3 p.m.

The House went into Committee of Supply, taking into consideration the appropriation for militia pensions. Nearly all the afternoon was spent in opposition criticism of the pension paid to the family of Sergt. Valiquette, killed in the Northwest in 1885, and of that granted to Sergt. Hurrell, late of the 90th. The latter claims more than the law allows, and has written and circulated a pamphlet violently abusing Sir Adolph Caron for not securing him more money. Not content with this Hurrell three times interjected remarks from his place in the public gallery as Mr. Somerville was reading the pamphlet to the House. The attention of the Sergeant-at-Arms was called and Hurrell was ejected from the gallery.

On the appropriation for superannuation, Sir Richard Cartwright and Mr. McMillen complained of the large proportions to which superannuation has grown.

ORANGE INCORPORATION. After recess, Mr. Clarke Wallace moved the House into Committee on his Bill for incorporation of the Grand Orange Lodge of British America.

The Bill was agreed to in committee and reported.

Mr. Curran then moved that the Bill be recommitted to the committee, with the instructions that a clause be inserted prohibiting the Association from holding procession in provinces where party processions are or may hereafter be enacted. He recited the circumstances under which this same body had on two previous occasions applied for and been refused incorporation, and said that though it seemed that their grievance, real or imaginary, was now to be removed by the passage of this Bill, he desired this safeguard to be inserted. He desired to preserve the peace and to prevent a recurrence of such disorder as had been caused in Montreal in 1877 by the acts of the Orange Order, and the condemnation by John White and other leaders of the Orange movement of the perpetration in Montreal of acts calculated to give offence to the Catholic citizens. The Party Processions Act, passed in the Quebec Legislature, gave protection against such disorders in future, and he held that this Parliament should not pass legislation which would virtually nullify the effect of this Provincial Act. He thought Parliament should rather confirm that Act. He had received a letter from a leading clergyman of the Province of Quebec, stating that were Orange processions to take place there bloodshed would certainly result, and asking him to use his best efforts to prevent permission for such processions being granted. The Orange Association boasted of its loyalty, but this it could best show by obedience to the laws, and he trusted the promoter of the Bill would show his respect for the law by consenting to the insertion of this clause.

Mr. Clarke Wallace said Mr. Curran's resolution made him almost wonder whether we were not living in the sixteenth century. Such a humiliating proposition as this could not be entertained at all. The Parliament of Canada had incorporated religious associations of all kinds without question, and he did not see why equal rights should not be allowed the Orange Association, than whom none were more tolerant with respect to religious beliefs. He wondered at the reference to the Hackett murder, in Montreal, where the rights of Canadian subjects were denied in a Canadian city.

Mr. Kenny thought Mr. Curran was only discharging his duty in calling attention to those deplorable events in Montreal. As for Mr. Kenny's own Province—Nova Scotia—the Orangemen were incorporated there in 1875, and he must acknowledge that there had been no trouble in consequence. For his own part he was not in favor of the Bill, though if we were sure that the Orange Order would always be led by a gentleman of the moderation and tolerance of Mr. Clarke Wallace we might, perhaps, safely pass it as it stood. Of this there could, however, be no guarantee, and

he felt he ought to support Mr. Curran's resolution.

Mr. Davies said Mr. Curran's resolution was not only unnecessary, but fallacious. The House had assented to the principle of the Bill, and no exception had been taken to details. This Bill did not give Orangemen the right to walk in Montreal or anywhere else. That would be regulated by Provincial laws, and all we were asked to do was to incorporate the Association in the usual way.

Mr. Lister said it seemed to him there must be collusion between the Government and promoters of this Bill to have it passed as a compensation for refusal of legislation. The Orange Association were being trifled with because they might long ago have secured incorporation as a benevolent society. He held that there was a widespread feeling amongst Orangemen against accepting incorporation from this Parliament, and he asserted that he had been requested by members of the Order to vote against the Bill. As for Mr. Curran's amendment, it was absurd, because, if the Orangemen were to get incorporation they would have a right to walk where they pleased, so long as they did not break the peace. This was introduced merely as a sop to Mr. Curran's co-religionists in Montreal to make them believe that he was really opposing this legislation. The Government had used their influence to make their followers agree to this incorporation. He believed that Orangemen should have every right granted to any other body, and thought it amazing that Mr. Curran should have introduced his resolution.

Mr. Laurier—"Time is up!" Such was the fact. Mr. Lister had been talking against time, and the hour for private bills having now expired, the House went into Committee of Supply, resuming consideration of estimates.

SUPPLY. In Committee of Supply the militia estimates were considered and an interesting discussion took place, participated in by the military members. Col. O'Brien made a very practical address, urging better equipment and annual drill for the rural corps. Col. Denison, Col. Tyrwhitt, Col. Kirkpatrick and others spoke in the same strain, and all praised the Canadian clothing being used.

The House adjourned at 12.35.

PARLIAMENTARY NOTES.

The promoters of the Orange Bill are indignant at the action of Mr. Lister in talking out the hour for private bills, and thus avoiding a decision on Mr. Curran's amendment. They claim that he and his Liberal friends intend to talk the Bill itself out if they can, so that it cannot be said that incorporation was granted.

The Manitoba Legislature.

Winnipeg, Man., Feb. 28.—The Legislature spent the whole of this afternoon in Committee of the Whole on the Municipal Bill, a large number of clauses being got through with. A lively discussion took place as to granting municipalities the right to borrow money, the Attorney-General moving that they be not allowed to borrow money as heretofore. Finally the Attorney-General's motion was carried (15 to 12), but this vote is likely to be reversed in the House when all the country members are present. Another proposition of the Attorney-General was that municipalities be not allowed to borrow money by debentures for longer periods than ten years. Mr. Martin (Morris) moved that the period be extended to twenty years, and his motion was adopted, the position of municipalities in that respect therefore remaining unchanged. It was announced that the Government would bring up its Separate School Bill next Tuesday evening. The House will sit tomorrow afternoon and evening, an effort being made to get through with the work of the session. To-night the House is still in Committee on the Municipality Bill.

An Ex-Congressman Shot by a Journalist.

Washington, Feb. 28, 1.45 p.m.—In the corridor of the House just now, ex-Congressman Taulbee was shot through the head by Charles Kincaid, correspondent of the Louisville Times. Both men are Kentuckians, and the trouble was caused by the ex-Congressman pulling the correspondent's nose for publishing certain statements in regard to him. Kincaid is a slight built, inoffensive looking man, of about 35 years of age. He was formerly a judge in one of the Louisville courts, and his family is one of the best known in Kentucky. Mr. Taulbee has been taken to the hospital. His wound is a very dangerous one. Kincaid was arrested.

Tutti Frutti for the voice.

EAST MIDDLESEX TEACHERS.

Proceedings of the Semi-Annual Meeting—Election of Officers, etc.

Business was resumed at 9.30 yesterday morning. Mr. Watt, in the chair. The roll was called and 70 teachers responded. Mr. Liddicott gave an eloquent analysis of the Matthew Arnold "Song of the Merman," one of the literature lessons for the entrance examination, and offered valuable suggestions for the teaching of it to develop the sympathy and imagination of the pupils of our schools. Miss Gieson similarly dealt with Hood's "Song of a Shirl," another of the literature lessons. Moved by Mr. Reynolds, seconded by Mr. Liddicott, and carried, that a hearty vote of thanks be given to Miss Drury for the excellent paper prepared by her.

A recess of a few minutes for the purpose of ventilating the room.

Mr. Wm. Fraser, of Arva, showed how he would teach the lesson, "Sweet Affection," to an entrance class.

The roll was then called, and 98 teachers responded.

Business was resumed at 1.30 p.m., the Vice-President, Mr. Hatt, in the chair.

The roll was called, and 96 were found to be present.

The election of officers resulted as follows:—President, Mr. S. P. Reynolds, Kilworth; 1st Vice, Mr. F. W. Hughes, yron; 2nd Vice, Miss McGowan, Granton; Secretary, Miss Langford, Odell; Treasurer, Mr. McQueen, London South; Librarian, Mr. Dearness, I. P. S.; Management Committee, the officers and Misses Gieson, McColl, and Mr. Liddicott; Auditors, Messrs. Tumoth and Liddicott.

Messrs. Hutton, Bradley and Walden acted as scrutineers.

The Committee on Literature for the entrance examination reported, recommending that the number of lessons assigned to be prepared should not exceed twelve, and that the selections for memorizing should be fewer in number and more suitable in character.

After considerable discussion the report was adopted, and on motion the Secretary was directed to send a copy of the report to the Oxford Teachers' Institute and to the Education Department.

The Committee on Promotion Examinations reported, recommending that in the third class the drawing books of the pupils be taken into consideration for promotion to the fourth, as in the High School entrance examination, and the schedule of the limit of work for the First, Second, and Third classes be made more definite, so as to be a greater aid to the teachers in making promotions.

The recommendations were adopted, and in the discussions general satisfaction was expressed with the style of questions set for the promotion examinations, and some suggestions given to make them still more acceptable.

The committee to whom Miss McColl's paper had been referred reported that the books "Aims and Objects of the Toronto Humane Society"—distributed by the Association among the schools of the county have been very generally used, chiefly in the way of furnishing material for Friday afternoon exercises, reproductions and compositions. Though few Bands of Mercy have been formed still the general principles of the Society have been generally inculcated in our schools.

The committee recommended that we express our sympathy with the objects sought to be obtained by the Bill of Mr. Brown, of Hamilton, now before Parliament, and that the President and Secretary be authorized to sign the petition in its favor in the name of the Association, and that a copy of the resolution be sent to the members for East and South Middlesex, and they be requested to use their influence in securing the passing of the Bill.

The report was unanimously and heartily adopted, and the Secretary was instructed to have the recommendations carried into effect.

On motion a grant of ten dollars was made to the Secretary for her efficient services during the past year.

In answer to a question, the Inspector stated that temperance would be a bonus subject at the next entrance examination, and that there would not likely be a paper in agriculture, as the text was not yet issued.

In answer to another question, various methods of mitigating or curing stammering were given.

On motion the Management Committee were empowered to pay all accounts in connection with this meeting.

The Association then adjourned by singing the national anthem.

ACCIDENTALLY DROWNED.

Verdict of the Coroner's Jury in the Death of B. E. Sifton.

The inquest on the death of Mr. Bamlet E. Sifton, of St. John's, was resumed before Dr. Flock, coroner, yesterday. The evidence of the numerous witnesses examined tended to show that the deceased had very little money in his possession; that no one saw him after Messrs. Dignan and Pascoe left him at the hotel shed, and that while he was under the influence of liquor he was still able to walk straight. The witnesses were Mrs. Fraleigh, Edwin Peters, James Nelson, Daniel Shea, Edwin Brooks, Lewis Hearn, Sarah Hardy, Dr. Waugh, Mark Bice, W. H. Brock, W. J. McComb, James Jones, B. B. Allen and Thos. Flock.

The verdict of the jury was that the deceased was accidentally drowned in the Midway River on the night of February 17, while under the influence of intoxicating liquor.

The verdict was reached at about 6 p.m.

It is reported that Mr. Phil. Powers, of this city, has been engaged to manage the Galesburg, Ill., base ball club.

THE PRINCETON MURDER.

Suspicion Points to the Two Men Seen Driving Round the District on the Night of the Tragedy.

Toronto, Feb. 28.—Provincial Detective Murray, who is working up the Princeton murder case, says there is no truth in the report that the body had been identified as that of Oscar Scarff, of British Columbia. Both Mr. Turnbull and his son, with whom the young man Scarff made a short stay, declared unhesitatingly after seeing the body that it was not that of the young British Columbian. These and a great many other rumors and reports that have been circulated, especially the one about his having been an iron moulder, are altogether misleading.

It is quite true that suspicion points to two men who were seen driving round the district in a buggy on the night the corpse is supposed to have been left in the wood. I leave this afternoon to further pursue that clue. The place where the body was found is what they call the 6th con. of the township of Blewett, lot 22. It was a piece of swampy ground in a wood, about a mile in length. A little beyond this was a small lake, and thither, no doubt, the murderers intended to convey the body, but they were probably unable to penetrate the thick scrub or undergrowth with their burden. That is, no doubt, the reason they left the remains on the pile of brushwood.

OTTAWA NOTES.

Presentation to the Premier—A New Senator—Snow in the North-west—The Evangelists at Janelville.

Ottawa, Feb. 28.—W. R. Brock, President of the Empire Printing Co., will be gazetted Senator, to succeed the late Senator Macdonald. This will take effect after the session.

Major Jell of Bell Farm, Indian Head, N.W.T., is here. He says the great depth of snow in the North-west this year will favor the chances of a good crop next season.

The Winnipeg train, due here day before yesterday, arrived this morning, having been delayed by heavy snow-storms.

Sir John Macdonald was yesterday presented by his friends of the Senate and House of Commons with a splendid portrait of himself, accompanied by a fitting address.

The Winnipeg curlers had an easy win to-day at Rideau Curling in the final against the Walkerton Curling Club for the Governor-General's prize. Score, 44 to 22. Miss Bertha Wright, the heroine of the Hull riots, has started a mission in the village of Janelville.

A New Competitor in the West.

Duluth, Minn., February 28.—Herbert Sheridan, agent of the Flint and Pere Marquette Railroad, is in Duluth in the interest of his road, which proposes to compete for eastern business from this city on a new route, to be composed of the Omaha Road, Duluth to Montreal, thence by the Green Bay, Winona & St. Peter to New London; from there to Manitowish by the Milwaukee, Lake Shore & Western, across Lake Michigan by boat to Ludington, thence to Port Huron over to F. & P. M. to Buffalo on the Grand Trunk, and from there to New York on the Lackawanna. The line is claimed to be almost an air line, and one that will command a differential. The distance by it to New York from Duluth is 1,265 miles.

Floods in the South.

Cincinnati, Ohio, Feb. 28.—Incoming trains on the Cincinnati Southern report unprecedented floods along the line of the Kentucky, Cumberland, Tennessee and Emory Rivers. Immense damage has been done, the loss near Somerset alone being over \$100,000. Several lives have been lost. Many houses in Somerset are flooded, and dozens of houses and several mills along Emory River have been washed away.

The Revolver Didn't go Off.

Columbus, Ohio, Feb. 8.—About 11 o'clock last night a desperate attempt was made to assassinate Dr. Alex. Neil, one of the leading physicians of this city by an unknown man who called at the doctor's residence. The revolver failed to go off, and the doctor grabbed the man and secured the revolver, whereupon the assailant ran out.

Frank Nicolls, Rubber Stamp Works, Room 3, Carling's Block, London.

Rev. Humphrey Pickard, D. D., died at Sackville, N. B., last night, aged 77 years. He was first President of Mount Allison Institute, and has been connected with it over thirty years.

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