

PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE.

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ence in the speech to that delegation that came from St John last night... The government might have had some legislative proposals to prevent the re-occurrence of practices that had prevailed in the recent election...

on, Mr Lafren, Mr Humphrey and Mr Hasen be appointed to whom shall be referred all matters connected with the contracting for, and construction of the superstructure of the following bridges, namely: Grand Falls bridge in the county of Charlotte...

WORK COUNTY'S OPHIR.

Crown Land Office Issues Rights to Search

In the Cross Creek District for the Precious Metal.

Two Thousand Acres Have Been Taken.

A short time since John Harris announced to his neighbors that he had found some excellent specimens of gold quartz, on a certain portion of his farm, on the Cross Creek, a tributary of the Nashwaak, in the county of York...

LOCAL NEWS

INSPECTOR O'BRIEN has received the fishing bounty cheques from Ottawa.

REMOVED—Colin McKelvey, I C R policeman at Truro, has been under suspension and has now resigned his position.

THE HOSPITAL—There were 824 patients in the general hospital during 1898. Of these 436 were residents of St. John city and county, 187 of other parts of New Brunswick and 201 resided outside the province.

AN AWFUL DEATH—Henry Esser, an old mulatto, who has been living alone in the woods at Delia's Cove, Annapolis County, N S, was found dead in his bed a few days ago. Part of his face was eaten away by his cat which could not get out for food.

POSTMASTER DEAD—The death of the postmaster of Westport, Mr. Thomas Oulton, occurred on Wednesday morning of the 23rd inst. He was 83 years of age and was a much respected resident. Mr. Oulton, Mrs. Fred A. Esley and C. P. Clarke are children of deceased.

NOVA SCOTIA PACKETS—The best indication of spring's arrival came yesterday in the form of a fleet of Nova Scotia schooners. Half a dozen of them were in the first time during the season. They brought little but a few fish. The Bear River packet, Mr. Westport packet, Richard and welcome visitors for the month.

WEDDING—On Monday at Brookfield, Kings county, Miss S. Janie M. eldest daughter of Mr. Walter A. Fate, and Mr. George M. Johnston, Golden Grove, were married. The wedding was at the residence of the bride's father, Rev. K. Beatoist officiating. Both bride and groom are popular young people.

OWNER WANTED—Mr. Thomas Leath of Manswongah road, found a stray horse and sleigh without a driver and being behind the house early next morning. Mr. Leatham brought them to the stables of Mr. George J. Moore, Fairville, and left them in his charge. The sleigh was broken in several places. The horse is a small bay.

SCHOONER CAPTAIN FINED—A fine of \$400 was yesterday collected from the schooner Fauna for not clearing goods imported from Porto Rico and not landed here. She came from Porto Rico last week with a cargo of molasses and was cleared for Lunenburg with her clearance papers failed to give an account of two casks of molasses and two bags of sugar, which she brought up but did not land; hence the fine. The case is evidently not an attempt to evade the law, but rather ignorance of it.

THE MARTINE KENNEL CLUB met Wednesday in their new room in the McLaughlin building, Germain street. The first meeting of the club was held on Saturday. Mr. Leatham brought them to the stables of Mr. George J. Moore, Fairville, and left them in his charge. The sleigh was broken in several places. The horse is a small bay.

FIRE AT HARVEY STATION—On Tuesday afternoon the house of Mr. E. H. Robinson, at Harvey Station, was discovered to be on fire. It was caused by a defective stovepipe fixing in the ceiling of the first story. It ran along between joists and burned part of the flooring and laths and was about to break out at the side of the building when discovered. The fire was soon extinguished. Some damage was done to the house by burning of plaster and flooring to get to the fire.

KILLED IN BOACON—Joseph Curran, elevator man in the Devonshire building, Washington street, Boacon, was killed on Saturday last. Curran was cleaning one of the iron cross-beams in the elevator well and leaned over too far, the other elevator coming down, caught his head between the beam and the bottom of the car, crushing his skull. Deceased was a former resident of St. John and was a son of the late Mr. John Curran. He was in his 22nd year. Freddie Curran, the celebrated youthful singer who has been favorably mentioned of late, is a younger brother.

QUEENS COUNTY LIQUOR MATTERS—The announcement has been made of the passage of a resolution by the Queens county council appointing O. W. Weyman of Kings county inspector under the liquor law and giving him as salary all the fines and a bonus of \$15 on each conviction. Mr. Weyman has been hard at work and one of those against whom he secured a conviction was John Gale of Waterborough, whose attorney, Mr. John R. Dean, consented to a conviction. Yesterday, on behalf of Mr. Gale, an order nisi for certiorari was received from the chief justice by Mr. L. A. Carrey, to remove into the supreme court the resolution under which Mr. Weyman was appointed, with a view to quashing the same and at the same time staying all proceedings under the resolution. A second order nisi secured by Mr. Carrey for Gale was so granted and that Gale's agent could not get a writ of habeas corpus. The order nisi was granted on the ground that the resolution was not passed in accordance with the provisions of the act. It is a matter of some interest.

ST. STEPHEN.

St. Stephen, March 20—J. D. Chipman, ex-M. P., arrived home from Clifton Springs, New York, on Saturday. It is understood Mr. Chipman will give away the bride at the wedding tomorrow of Mr. J. T. Whitlock and Miss Sison.

Mrs. Ellen, widow of the late S. G. Pike, of Calais, died last night at the residence of her son, Mr. Henry Pike of that city. Mrs. Pike was 88 years of age and had been ailing for some time. She was buried in the cemetery of St. Stephen, on Saturday.

Rev. Mr. Todd arrived home today from a business trip in the lower end of the county including some of the islands.

Mr. T. E. Acheson has the contract of putting in a number of stained glass windows in the upper part of the church of the Holy Roper.

Rev. Dr. McKenzie exchanged pulpits with Rev. Mr. Goucher yesterday (Sunday).

The services of the Forty Hours Devotion opened at the Church of the Immaculate Conception on Sunday. Rev. Father Doyle and McAuley, of Milltown, Dollard, of St. Stephen, and others, are assisting the pastor, Rev. Father Walsh.

This, the first day of spring, shows very little sign so far as the weather is concerned. No doubt when the sun gets to work it will reduce the snow banks.

FREDERICTON.

FREDERICTON, March 21—A marriage in which much interest is taken, was celebrated at the residence of Mr. W. H. Lawrence, Burit's Corner, son of the bride, when Mrs. Rachel Lawrence was united in matrimony to Mr. George Howard of the Springs in Queens county. The marriage ceremony was performed by Rev. Mr. Howard in the presence of a few intimate friends. The happy couple are going to visit the groom's daughter, Mrs. Miller, at Caversham, for the bride. The happy groom lacks only a few years of being a four-score and a blushing bride has just passed her 73rd birthday.

OPPOSITION PLATFORM.

1. Such amendment in the election act as will secure a secret ballot so that electors may vote according to their own consciences and judgment without fear of intimidation or coercion.

2. That no contract for the construction of any public work be entered into unless tendered for by the same first publicly advertised in the Royal Gazette and in such other ways as the provincial legislature may think fit to enable persons so desiring to tender for the same to do so, so far as possible the work to be performed by tender and contract.

3. That a change in the system of auditing the public accounts and an appointment of a public auditor be invested with powers similar to those of the auditor general of the province, and shall not be removed in office unless by a vote of no confidence of the members of the house of assembly, and that the immediate abolition of the office of solicitor general be effected by the reduction of salaries of members of the executive council.

4. The reduction of the number of members of the house of assembly.

5. The passing and enforcement of such legislation as is necessary to preserve and conserve the forest and water resources of the province.

6. The legislation as well as to ensure to the different counties and localities of the province the expenditure of the construction of roads and bridges.

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