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FREDERICTON AND VICINITY.

Protest Filed Against Baird—The Scott Act.

Fredericton Trade Returns--A Serious Runaway.

Driving Accident--Recent Fires--Lecture--Other Items.

Songs in the Night.

This is the subject of Dr. Talmage's ninth sermon to the Women of America, which will appear in Tuesday's GLEANER. Everyone should read it.

Export of Bark.

The export from Fredericton during February comprised 101 carloads of hemlock bark, 1,212 cords, value $4,848. The bark was shipped by Mr. D. F. George.

The Foresters.

A special meeting of Court St. Mary's, Independent Order of Foresters, was held in the hall at St. Mary's last night, when six new members were initiated into the order.

The Skating Rink.

Skating is certainly the popular sport in this vicinity. The crowd at the rink last night was larger than any previous night. The rink is far too small for the crowd that patronize it.

Weather Changes.

TORONTO, Mar. 3rd—Probabilities for the Maritime Provinces—Moderate to fresh winds cloudy weather, with snow turning to sleet or rain in the southern portion; higher temprature.

The Sheffield Explosion.

The investigation into the recent explosion in the Temperance hall, at Sheffield, was resumed at that place to-day, and will probably continue for a day or two. A number of witnesses have yet to be examined.

The Free Masons.

The district deputy grand master, accompanied by a district grand lodge composed of members of Alexandria Lodge, F. and A. M., St. Mary's, officially visited Hiram Lodge, Thursday evening. The working of the first degree was exemplified on one candidate.

Came from Illinois.

A thoroughbred Scotch Terrier pup, about six weeks old, arrived here by express yesterday afternoon, from Western Illinois. The importation was made by Mr. John D. Reid, president of the York agricultural society, and a Queen street merchant becomes the owner.

A Well Matched Team.

Among the handsome turnouts to be seen on the streets Thursday afternoon, Mr. Jas. Gibson's well matched team of Almonts, Conductor and Norrismont, which he has recently purchased, attracted more than ordinary attention. They make a pretty team, are fine roadsters, and present a very hand some appearance.

The Coming Carnival.

The people of Marysville are again talking carnival, and already many of them are busily engaged making preparations for the next, which promises to be the event of the season. The number of costumers from Marysville will be larger than ever. Fredericton will also send a large representation. Several new features will be added.

Obituary.

Miss Jennie A. Perks, daughter of Mr. John E. Perks, died at the residence of her father on Carleton street Thursday afternoon. Deceased had been confined to the house for a long time past through the illness which resulted in her death. She was in the twenty-sixth year of her age. The funeral will take place to-morrow afternoon.

Riviere du Loup Railway.

The contractor for the construction of the Riviere du Loup, John J. McDonald, will resume work on that line as early in the spring as possible. The company propose to build the railway from Edmundston to St. Francis, a distance of about 36 miles. The sub-contractors have a number of teams at Edmundston which will be used in the work.

A Successful Social.

The apron and pocketbook social, given by Lansdowne Division, S. of T., in Fisher's building, Thursday night, was a most successful and enjoyable affair. The attendance was large. An excellent programme was carried out, including some well rendered vocal and instrumental music. The band of the 71st Battalion discoursed some fine selections.

The Lumber Cut.

The cut on the upper St. John this winter is estimated at one hundred and thirty-five millions, about the same as last season. The heaviest operator there is Robert Connors, who is getting out lumber in the vicinity of Lake Temiscouta, on a new tract of country along the line of the Temiscouta railway. Mr. Connors proposes to place a tug on the lakes to tow the rafts.

A Relict of the Past.

In the drawing room of a fashionable house in the city of St. John, newly covered with the finest material, stands a couch or sofa which once filled a nook in the parlor of Benedict Arnold. The wood work is very light and graceful, the form and appearance of the legs being especially neat. The ancient couch is respected more for its age and historic connection than for anything else.

Driving Accident.

While Mr. Dougal McCatherine and Mrs. McCatherine were driving across the Northern & Western railway track at Gibson on Thursday afternoon, one of the runners of the sleigh, caught in the rails, upsetting the sleigh, and throwing the occupants to the ground. Mrs. McCatherine sustained slight injuries. The horse become frightened and leaped about fiercely, and would have been off had it not been for the good management of Mr. McCatherine.

Lumber by Rail.

A large quantity of lumber from Millville and other points along the Gibson branch of the N. B. railway, has been brought by rail to Gibson this winter for Estey's mill, Westmorland. The hauling of the lumber over the road has given steady employment for the winter to a number of teams. Not more than one-half of the lumber to be brought down the line has arrived yet. Mr. Estey expects in all upwards of half a million feet to be brought by rail to Gibson this winter for his mills.

The "Dot" Again.

Those who gave the wrecked "Dot" on King street about a week to stand before being fired again, were not far astray, for the fire department were called out about eleven o'clock last evening to subdue the smouldering flames that had very mysteriously sprung up amid the ruins of this ancient castle. The flames, however, made very slow headway and the firemen carried a few buckets of water from a neighboring well and extinguished the flames, and then went home and went to bed.

Customs Returns for February.

The customs revenue of the port of Fredericton for the month of February show an increase of $628.24 as compared with the corresponding month of last year. Goods to the amount of $9,135 were imported in Fredericton during the month just closed of which amount $7,632 were dutiable goods and the balance free goods. For the month of February last year, the total value of goods imported was $15,976, of which $10,697 was classed under free goods. The duty collected during the month just closed was $2,214.60 and for the corresponding month last year $1,586.36, giving an increase in duty of $628.24.

BITS OF NEWS

Gathered and Condensed for the Readers of "The Gleaner."

This morning's market was a good one.

Mr. Haggerty of McAdam Junction has lost his little pet deer.

The March session of the city council will be held on Tuesday evening.

Most of the St. John M. P. P.'s went down to-day, and will return Monday.

An electric lamp of the Ball system has been hung in front of the Barker house.

The fourth span of the railway bridge has been completed, and work on the fifth commenced.

The St. John express struck a cow at Three Tree Creek, Thursday night, and killed it.

The fourth of the series of the Star social club dances will be held in the club rooms on Tuesday evening next.

The University students are preparing for honor examinations, which commence next Thursday and continue until Saturday.

A cow of Mr. Dayton's was struck by an engine, while moving slowly on the Gibson road at St. Mary's Thursday afternoon and escaped without the slightest injury.

Baptism.

The ordinance of baptism will be administred to several candidates in the Free Baptist church to-morrow evening, at the close of the service by Rev. D. Crawley and Rev. Dr. McLeod.

St. Patrick's Society.

At the annual meeting of St. Patrick's Society, held last evening, the following were elected officers for the ensuing year: President, M. McDade; 1st vice-president, Hugh O'Neill, jr; 2nd vice-president, D. A. Hennebery; recording secretary, Ed. L. O'Brien; financial secretary, John Toomey; treasurer, John McCarty.

Thompson & Co's Store on Fire.

When Arthur Thompson, clerk in Thompson & Co's piano and organ store on Queen street, returned from dinner yesterday afternoon, he found the place full of smoke and a portion of the floor under the stove on fire. He at once called the attention of some passers-by and with several pailfuls of water, succeeded in extinguishing the flames, not, however, before a large hole was burned in the floor.

Protest Filed Against Baird.

A petition was filed this afternoon against the return of Geo. F. Baird, of Queens, by Daniel Palmer, a voter, seeking to void the election and to disqualify Mr. Baird, but not claiming the seat for Mr. King. The grounds in addition to the usual grounds of bribery and corruption, embrace the charges of false ballots and manipulating of ballots, and all the other charges with which Mr. Baird and his agents have been accused. Mr. Geo. F. Gregory is attorney for the petitioner.

Kicked by a Horse.

Mr. Micheal McLuskey of this city, aged nearly sixty years, met with a serious accident at Lincolin Thursday night. He had driven down to Mr. Wm. Sewell's with Mr. John Moore's horse, and put it up in the barn alongside of some young colts. During the evening the horses got kicking one another, and McLuskey in endeavoring to separate them, was kicked on the head and stunned. Dr. Coburn was called and attended to the unfortunate man's injuries, which are quite severe. His recovery is considered doubtful.

Lecture in the Kirk.

Prof. Dyde gave the first of a series of lectures on Shakespeare in the old Kirk on Thursday evening under the auspices of the Ladies' Working Band to a large and representative audience. After an introduction, dealing with the principal traits in the poetry of Wordsworth, Shelley and Byron, he gave a very skilful and interesting analysis of Love's Labor's Lost, dealing at the same time with the growth of the mind of the great dramatist. The lecture was appreciated, and will undoubtedly do much to awaken an interest in the study of Myriad-minded Shakespeare." Prof. Bristowe, opened the proceedings with a beautiful and and well rendered selection on the piano. At the close of the lecture Prof. Stockley sang with fine effect a solo, while Prof. Bristowe rendered the accompaniment, and responded to a loud and prolonged encore.

A Serious Runaway.

While George Rutter, who manages the GLEANER sales at Marysville, was returning from that place on Thursday night with Mr. Jas. H. Crocket's horse, the animal became frightened by the puffing of an engine at Gibson, and dashed down the river hill at a lively rate. Before reaching this side George had him reined down pretty well, when a sudden jerk detached the shafts from the sleigh. With this the horse started off again, the shafts striking his legs at every stride. The young lad still held on to the reigns and was pulled a considerable distance to St. John street corner at the top of the hill when he had to let go. The animal then took the Queen street sidewalk and fiercely galloped up as far as Cropley's corner, where it struck the building and broke its neck. Several people were on the icy sidewalk and narrowly escaped with their lives. The end of one of the shafts struck the sash of the window just a half an inch from the plate glass front.

A Fine Rod.

The Dalzell rod which is becoming the favorite among Fredericton sportsmen is very highly spoken of wherever the rod is used. "Oxford Down," a pleasing writer and evidently an enthusiastic angler, in an interesting sketch which he furnishes The Field of a fishing trip on the Gaspereaux lakes, Nova Scotia, has a good word to say of the Dagzell combination, in which he says it was voted a great success for the admirable work which it performed. In a foot note which the editor of The Field has appended to the sketch, he says:—"A case of Dalzell rods was shown at the Colonial Exhibition last year, and, had medals been then given, they must have taken them. There were several combination specimens in the collection and the salmon and trout rods were perfection. Mr. Dalzell's specialty is a rod built of six alternate sections of lancewood and greenhart, with a fine layer of elastic silk between each section along the entire length. The experience of the author of this article quite corroborates the testimony of other anglers who have used the Dalzell for both salmon and trout."

Every Comfort Thought Of.

Customer (at railroad restaurant)—Here, boss, this coffee is cold.

Proprietor—Yes, sir; you see the train stops only a few minutes, an' if the coffee was hot you wouldn't have time to drink it. —Epoch.

Natural Cause.

A man fell dead while cleaning the snow off his sidewalk. It is supposed he suddenly discovered that he had got over the line and removed the snow from nearly six inches of his neighbor's side.—Norristown Herald.

An Omission.

A Pittsburg paper tells of a man 79 years old who has slept in one bed, in one corner, in one room for thirty-one years. It does not mention how long he has been off the force, however.—Yonkers Statesman.

The Train Leaving Kansas City.

Passenger—How far is it to the next station?

Conductor—Fifty miles.

"Fifty miles! What station is it?"

"Oh, just a suburban depot."—Nebraska State Journal.

Brains Still Trumps.

First Burglar—What's that?

Second Burglar—A sample case. I spend the daytime goin' around selling oil to keep doors from squeaking. Great scheme, ain't it?—Omaha World.

Lucky for Some Men's Wives.

All men are not homeless, but some men are home less than others.—The Colonel.

GRAND LAKE COAL MINES.

More About the Early History of the Mines.

Canning Tells How and When the Coal was Discovered.

Original Grants, Quality of the Coal, More Enterprise Needed.

Shortly after the advent of the U. E. Loyalists, Joseph Garrison, grandfather of the celebrated William Lloyd Garrison, discovered bituminous coal outcropping on the bank of a beautiful stream which loses its tide in the immense volume of the Grand Lake waters. The edge of this stream in bold relief was discovered about seven miles above the estuary of the stream. From this circumstance the river was named Newcastle. On the Graham property the bank is nearly perpendicular and the soft shale crumbles into the stream below, and the visitor may yet see a vein of coal presenting its square edge about six feet above the water, overlooking as it were rich alluvial flats. Capt. Sypher, of this city, owns the ground where that old inhabitant, Garrison, first explored. The Syphers, more than three quarters of a century ago, obtained some 500 acres or more of this valuable tract on the upper Newcastle. Magnificent pines and elms covered the flats and an extensive valuable timber crowned the upland. Giant oaks flourished on the lowland near the mouth of the stream.

This section was originally granted to the Syphers and Yeomans. The Yeomans were enterprising ship builders and mill owners but within the memory of the writer they raised coals of excellent quality beneath 5 feet of surface and within less than 2 miles of deep water navigation. This coal as known for nearly a century, and as recently stated by Edward Jack, to contain a large proportionate quantity of tar or Bitumen became very valuable to shipbuilders in St. John. It was easier obtained than Sydney coal and produced more heat than Liverpool or Scotch coal. Still the market has of late years been somewhat depressed partly from the rivalry of the Victoria mines and from the carelessness of the diggers who should only take up 20 inches of the seam whereas all that is black is sometimes 30 inches deep, even in those surface seams. Some in Fredericton who can get good clean Grand Lake coal, object to its running together or forming what some call clinkers, yet this is a proof of its strength and heat compared with some other kinds of coal. The old time ship blacksmiths who did the heaviest work, complained of nothing but the sulphur or pyrites which often annoyed them. And officials and leading men in Fredericton, formerly paid liberal prices for Grand Lake house coal. Thus being disposed to patronize and encourage local enterprise—and we expect that the Short Line railroad will give a new impetus to that industry—Mr. Samuel Green has lately erected steam works of considerable power, and employs about 20 men.

CANNING.

CURLERS FROM THE NORTH.

Newcastle vs. Fredericton—Another Victory for the Celestial Curlers.

The Newcastle curlers, three rinks, arrived in the city, on Thursday evening, and played against the Fredericton men yesterday. The visitors played a plucky but a losing game from the start. Skip Ferguson was pitted against skip Babbitt in the morning, resulting in a lead of 7 points for the Fredericton rink. The greatest interest centred in the afternoon playing and a good number of spectators witnessed the game throughout. Skip Lawlor was arrayed against skip Hilyard, and skip Morrissey against skip Hawthorne. The visitors were very unfortunate in the first half-dozen ends, the home team making a score of fifteen points before the Newcastle men had made a point. A reverse came, however, when a six-end was captured by Lawlor's rink. The playing from that to the finish was about even, the visitors putting in some fine work. Had they not lost so heavily in the start the match would have been a very interesting contest at the close. Bad luck seemed to follow skip Morrissey from the start. Notwithstanding the excellent work which he did and for which he was more than once cheered, his rink came out of the struggle the most badly worsted one of the lot. He had a strong rink to contend against however, and it was seldom that more than a one-end was made on either side. The home team won in each rink, the score standing as follows:—

Newcastle.		Fredericton.	
H. Willison,		J. D. Hazen,	
S. Craig,		A. F. Street,	
R. H. Armstrong,		H. C. Rutter,	
J. Ferguson, skip,	14.	D. L. Babbitt, skip,	21.
J. Call,		G. W. Hodge,	
E. Hutchison,		J. S. Neill,	
C. S. Ramsay,		E. H. Allen,	
J. Morrissey, skip,	9.	J H Hawthorne, skip	18
J. A. Russel,		G. W. Hoegg,	
P. McKvoy,		Gilmor Brown,	
T. W. Crocker,		W. K. Allen,	
R. A. Lawlor, skip,	15	F. S. Hilyard, skip,	17
Totals	38		56

Majority for Fredericton 18 points.

The visitors were entertained by the home club to a dinner at the Barker House last evening. An excellent spread was prepared by mine host Coleman, and a party of about thirty-five sat down to the repast at ten o'clock. A round of toasts and speeches followed the dinner. The Lieut. Governor was ably defended by Mr. Hetherington of Queens. The Newcastle curling club called out good speeches from Messrs Morrissey, Ramsey and Russel; the local legislature was responded to by representatives Tweedie Hutchison, Burchill and Hetherington; the city council of Fredericton, called to their feet Mayor Hazen and Alderman Parker. A number of other toasts and songs followed, the company breaking up shortly after midnight by the singing of "Auld Lang Syne" Most of the visitors left for home via the Northern & Western this morning.

YESTERDAY AFTERNOON'S FIRE.

The Damage to Mr. Wm. Wilson's Property on Waterloo Row.

Shortly before two o'clock yesterday afternoon fire broke out on the roof of the three story wooden dwelling house on Waterloo Row, owned by Wm. Wilson, M. P. P., and occupied by Mr Thos. G. Leggie. An alarm was soon sounded from the water works engine house. The members of No 5 company, who live in the vicinity, were promptly on hand and had a stream of water turned on the building a quarter of an hour before any of the other companies arrived. Quite a wind was blowing and, had it not been for the effective work of No. 5 company, the fire would have been almost beyond control by the time the other companies made their appearance. The flames were all confined to the upper story of the building, and dense volumes of smoke issued from the roof, causing some of the neighbors much alarm. The fire was however, soon subdued by an abundence of water, after burning through a considerable portion of the roof. The damage by water was far greater than that caused by the fire, completely drenching the building from top to bottom. A number of the young men of the neighborhood assisted in carrying out the furniture, the most of which was damaged by the water. The fire is supposed to have organized from sparks lighting upon the roof. The building was insured in the Glasgow and London Insurance Company for $2,000 The furniture was covered by $1,300 with Black & Hazen and Mr. Richards.

For the Babies.

It is not necessary to buy corn cures. Men and women should remember that Putnam's Painless Corn Extractor is the only safe, sure, and painless corn remover extant. It does its work quickly and with certainty. See that the signature N. C. Polson & Co. appears on each bottle. Beware of poisonous imitations.

UNFORTUNATE DANIEL HUSTLER

Correspondence Received by Dr. Moore from the Deceased's Family.

Dr. Moore, who held the inquest on the body of Daniel Hustler, killed on the Northern & Western railway a few weeks ago, has received the following letters from Minimingash, P. E. I., in reply to a telegram sent to that place a few days after the accident:

MINIMINGASH, Feb. 20, 1888.

DR. MOORE,

DEAR SIR:—I was well acquainted with Samuel Hustler. He lived next neighbor to me on the Island, and his wife requests me to ask you to let her know what amount of money or property or papers he had on him when killed, and if you knew he had any other property.

We know he had money in the Savings Bank (Dominion), and also we know he had property in Newcastle, N. B., and she wants to know if you can send money or other personal property without her going after it. He carried a bank book on his person nearly always. Would like to know if he had it when killed.

She has a son 22 years of age, and it would be difficult for him to go over now as communication with the mainland is not convenient. Could go more easily in spring, but as you are the best judge, will leave it all to you. He could go now if necessary.

Yours truly,
WILLIAM CALLOHAN,
Col. of Customs.

The following is evidently from the wife and sons of the deceased:

MINIMINGASH, Feb. 20th.

DR. MOORE, ESQ.,

DEAR SIR:—We received your telegram yesterday only. Being some distance from the station, did not get it in time.

In reply I would just state that we the undersigned are the relatives of the late Samuel Hustler. Please write us fully the particulars of his death and burial, also concerning the property.

Samuel Hustler was a man about 65 years of age, blind of one eye, also hard of hearing. He mostly followed trading in old junk. He made his home in Newcastle, N. B., at McFallaby's. As we did not hear from him since the first of January last, we did not know what had become of him. The last we heard from him was a registered letter with $15 about the 10th January. He leaves a wife and children to mourn the loss of an affectionate husband and kind father. The poor old man, cut off as suddenly as he was from this world without a moment's warning. His loss is deeply felt by us. Dear sir, it is sad news to us to lose a husband and a father so suddenly and away from us at the time, but we trust you would give him a good burial. We will be ever thankful to you for your kindness in finding us out and sending us word. Also we trust you will send us all the particulars concerning his death. Any more questions will be answered by us promptly at our earliest chance Being ever thankful to you for your trouble and hoping to hear from you soon we remain,

Yours truly,
MARY HUSTLER,
MARVIN HUSTLER,
JOHN HUSTLER.

COURT OF DIVORCE.

The Close of the Gibson Divorce Case.

A Long Array of Contradictory Evidence.

Proceedings Outlined--Court Reserves Judgment.

The celebrated Gibson divorce case of Woodstock which has been occupying the attention of the court of divorce all week, has been remarkable for the contradictory evidences that have been given. So contradictory have been the evidences taken and read in court that His Honor was lead to remark at the close of the court proceedings yesterday that "the only facts in the whole case that seemed to be undisputed were that the parties to the suit were married, that they lived together for several years in Woodstock, and that they do not live together now." With the exception of the evidence given by the clerk of the hotel, of which the plaintiff was proprietor, the most important depositions were those taken under commission in Boston and Philadelphia, and which were read in court. After the hotel clerk had made his affidavit in June last concerning Mrs. Gibson's intimate relationship with some of the guests of the hotel and residents of the town, an effort was made to obtain the evidences of all who were in any way implicated in the charges preferred. Some of the parties, the most of them out of town at the time, the most important witnesses being in Boston and Philadelphia. Consequently the counsels in the case, Mr. Connell for the plaintiff and Mr. VanWart for the defendant proceeded to the above cities a month or two ago, where they succeeded in finding witnesses and getting their statements under oath. The defendant had also in the meantime gone to Boston to live, and during the search for witnesses in that city the proctors accidentally stumbled against several parties who gave evidence concerning the strange conduct of the defendant in Boston with the same individuals who had been implicated by the testimonies given in Woodstock, as well as with other men. These evidences, however, like those taken in Woodstock, each and everyone of them were flatly denied by the contrary evidences of the men who were concerned. The lawyers consequently returned home, with a stack of contradictory evidences, which has taken the best part of a week to wade through in court. The parties most implicated both in Boston and Woodstock were Albert Lynch, formerly clerk of Garden's drug store in Woodstock and a commercial traveller named Fairbairn, and their depositions which were read in court by the counsel for defence, were each several yards less than a mile in length. Besides the evidences read, one witness and one only was called by the defense. This was John McKenzie, who lives in Woodstock. He was called to contradict the statements made by the hotel clerk so far as related to him. He succeeded very well in his contradictory statements in the hands of the counsel for defense, but one admission which he volunteered proved rather unfortunate for him beneath the searching questions and skilful cross-examination of the attorney general. Before the attorney general was done with him, his contradictions proved in the end to be no contradictions in substance, however innocent he and the defendant may have been of any improper conduct. As before stated, but one witness gave evidence in court for the plaintiff, all the other evidences being read. Another witness, viz., Howard B. White, of Centreville, C. C., was called but did not put in an appearance.

Mr. Jas. A. VanWart, counsel for defence addressed the court this morning, speaking nearly two hours. He did not deal particularly with the evidences given, excepting to point out the contradictory nature of them, but dealt in a general way with the facts in hand, the cause of the rupture between the parties to the suit, making a forcible arraignment in behalf of the defendant. The attorney general began his address shortly before 12 o'clock He spoke until one o'clock when the court took recess for an hour when he resumed, closing his remarks shortly after three o'clock this afternoon. He took up the evidences in detail of the principal witnesses in the case, calling the court's attention to some striking features of the evidences taken in Woodstock and Boston by which he contended the unfaithfulness of the defendant was clearly established. By eloquence and strong argument combined, the attorney general made a strong case.

The court reserves judgment.

New Advertisements.

Canned Goods,—W. H. VanWart.

Flour,—A. F. Randolph & Sons.

New Serials,—W. E. Earle, St. John.

Store and Dwelling to let,—Miss Hogg.

Breadmakers' Yeast,—T. Milburn & Co., Toronto.

Mouldings, floorings, sheathing, and furniture.—J. C. Risteen & Co.

DOMINION PARLIAMENT.

The Proceedings of the Last Two Days.

The Prince Edward Island Mail Difficulties Discussed.

The Estimates for the Coming Fiscal Year Brought Down.

OTTAWA, March 1. In the house of commons to-day, a long dispute took place in reference to the conduct of the speaker in writing to the three French translators. Mr. Laurier denied that the speaker had any right to interfere with the employees of the house without instructions. The reports of the debate committee referring this matter to the speaker, had never been adopted by the house and was therefore a dead letter.

Sir John Macdonald understood that the report had been adopted.

Several members—"No no."

Mr. Mills supported Mr. Laurier's views and urged that the papers upon which the speaker had taken action should be printed. If these translators were to be punished for their opposition to the government why should not the same policy be pursued towards those translators who took the stump against the opposition candidates?

Mr Mitchell urged that all papers be read so that they might be printed in the votes and proceedings.

The clerk of the house then proceeded to read the documents, which included letters from Mr Ives, M P, and Mr Chapleau, stating that the translators were speaking in their counties, and that their presence and conduct were distasteful.

After some reading, Mr. Kirkpatrick said the proceeding was useless.

Sir Hector Langevin agreed the papers should be taken as read, and printed in the votes and proceedings. This was agreed to amid opposition cheers.

Mr Guillet attempted to put his question as to what action the government proposed to take in regard to Mr Ellis' annexation speech, but the speaker ruled that the question was out of order, and could not be put.

Mr Lister asked if the government intended to take any action in regard to the action of Mr Guillet in drawing double indemnity for one session. (Laughter.)

Mr Davis moved for the correspondence relative to the mail service on Prince Edward Island. He complained that the natural disadvantages under which the island labored had been intensified by the perverse action of the post-office and marine departments. Officials of these departments on the island were not permitted to exercise ordinary discretion. He urged that the post office inspector on the island should be left to direct the means by which mails should be conveyed after they were landed. The present postmaster general had cancelled the special trains formerly used for the conveyance of the mails, and the result was that matters were in as backward a state as they were forty years ago. The excuses given were by the postmaster general for his course absurd and were in defence of the policy of his predecessor in office. He quoted the Tory papers which characterized Mr. McLelan's conduct as inexplicably stupidity, and he (Davies) endorsed the statement (Laughter.) He also quoted correspondence between the Charlottetown board of trade, and the government, exhibiting deplorable incapacity on the part of the postmaster general.

McLelan was proceeding to reply when Sir John Macdonald asked him to postpone his speech.

Sir Charles Tupper presented the estimates and in reply to Sir R. Cartwright said that though he was not able to say when the budget speech would be delivered, but it was the intention of the government to follow the English practice and to proceed with the estimates without waiting for the financial statement.

Sir. R. Cartwright said this was a new departure, but he was not disposed to object to it.

The house adjourned at 6 o'clock.

THE ESTIMATES.

Sir Charles announced that he had brought down the estimates in advance of his financial statement, which would, according to the English custom, be made at a later day. The estimates are as follows:—

Service.

Public debt (including sinking fund)	$11,875,381
Charges of management	185,018
Civil government	1,304 524
Administration of Justice	686 524
Police	16,500
Penitentiaries	357,331
Legislation	709,080
Arts, agriculture and statistics	147,950
Immigration	116,389
Quarantine	78,864
Pensions and superannuations	336 391
Militia	1,326 500
Railways and canals (income)	273,750
Public Works do.	1,755 350
Ocean and river service	207,000
Lighthouse and coast service	586,300
Scientific institutions	61,250
Marine hospitals, etc	62,000
Steamboat inspection	25,000
Fisheries	375,500
Superintendence of insurance	8,500
Subsidies to provinces	4,188,454
Geological survey	60,000
Indians	1,005,702
Northwest mounted police	748,426
Miscellaneous	475,189

Collection of Revenues

Customs	854,430
Excise	351 627
Culling timber	54,000
Weights and measures and gas	87,970
Inspection of staples	2 500
Adulteration of food	25,000
Minor revenues	4,000
Railways and canals	3,729,516
Public works	190,025
Postoffice	2,967,620
Dominion lands	181,268
Total consolidated fund	$35,421,440
Redemption of debt	$ 3,094,386
Railway and canals (capital)	5,249,700
Public works (do)	310 700
Dominion lands	110,000
Total capital	$ 8,764,876
Grand total	$44,186,316

Public Works Chargeable to Income.

The new appropriations are:—

McNair's cove, pier repairs	$ 4,500
Bay St. Lawrence	12,000
Bayfield wharf repairs	3,500
Blue rock	3,000
Broad cove	2,300
Eatonville pier	3,000
Lismore	1,000
Mabou	3,000
Sheet Harbor	2,000
Spencer's island pier	5,000
Yarmouth—removal of rock	1,000
Total	$38,300

New Brunswick.

River St. John	$5,000
Rocher bay	750
Baie Verte ballast pier	3,000

OTTAWA, March 2.—In the house of commons, to-day, Hon. Mr. McLellan resumed the debate on the motion of Mr. Davies, in regard to the Prince Edward Island mail service. He defended his attempts to save money, and said that if Mr. Davies had made his speech a week ago it was doubtful if the special train would have been granted.

Mr. Davies—You don't consider the justice of a matter then, but are guided by prejudice?

Mr. McLellan said that the statements of Mr. Davies would have prejudiced the minds of the ministers.

Messrs. Robertson, Welsh, Perry, and McIntyre supported Mr. Davies' statements and complained that Prince Edward Island was being injustly treated.

Mr. Davies, in closing the debate, said that all special trains were to be granted. The postmaster general seemed to have been over ruled by his colleagues and yielded very reluctantly. He denied Mr. McLellan's statement that Prince Edward Island paid less revenue per head of population than the other provinces and charged Mr. McLellan with seeking to libel the island and mislead the house.

In answer to Mr. Weldon, Hon. Mr Pope said the total amount spent on the Intercolonial railway during the past four years and charged to capital was $3,924,000.

Mr. Weldon obtained orders of the house for returns showing the number of casualties on the I. C. R. during last year, as well as for accounts of rolling stock purchased.

Mr. Flynn presented a petition from the people of l'Ardoise praying for extension of the lobster fishing season.

Before the house adjourned Sir Hector Langevin paid a tribute to the memory of the late Mr. Robertson, M. P. for West Hastings. Hon. Mr. Laurier also referred in warm terms to the good qualities of the deceased gentleman.

COUNTY SCOTT ACT CASES.

A Few of the Inspector's Cases Disposed of.

Quite a stir was created at the police court room this morning, when a number of Inspector Howe's Scott Act violation cases were tried. The police magistrate has some fifteen cases on hand, but only a few of these were got through with this morning. Mr. VanWart appeared as counsel for prosecution.

The first case was against James Hayes, of St. Mary's. Mr. J. H. Barry appeared for the defendant, acknowledging the offence. He was fined $50 with costs, and in default of payment 40 days jail.

The second case was also against Jas. Hayes, which was likewise acknowledged. Fined $50 more or 50 days jail.

The next case was against Benj. Brewer. No one appeared for defence. The case was allowed to stand until the other cases were disposed of.

The fourth case was against Wm. Segee, of Springhill. Mr. H. B. Rainsford appeared for the defendant and pleaded "Not Guilty" admitting nothing The witnesses' names were called three times, but met with no response.

Two other charges were preferred against Wm. Segee, with the same witnesses and the same results. By request of the counsel for defence the cases were adjourned over until Friday next. In the second charge against Mr. Segee, two other witnesses were called but proved nothing.

Three cases were also taken up against Austin Harris, but adjourned for want of witnesses until Friday.

The court adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

This afternoon the two charges against Benj. Brewer were taken up but again adjourned over, the witnesses not putting in an appearance.

Five other complaints were lodged this afternoon by Inspector Howe, making 20 cases in all.

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