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PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE.

BY TELEGRAPH TO THE NEWS ROOM.

Fredericton, March 21.

Mr. Watrous introduced Bill to amend Act to Incorporate St. John Suspension Bridge Company. Petitions were presented by Dr. Earey for and against removal of Shire Town of King's County.

The discussion on Railway Bill was resumed five minutes after eleven, Mr. MacNaughton in chair. He never spoke at some considerable length.

He was indifferent as to the passing of the Bill. He commented at some length upon the course pursued by the Government, who after confirming his arrangement with the Barings, afterwards obtained the money to carry on the works under contract.

The Speaker in a short speech approved of the Bill, urged the propriety of Railways being constructed, by capitalists, and condemned the system that gave the Government the control of these jobs. Likely to lead to public bankruptcy and responsibility.

Mr. Gillmor moved an amendment to Bill, providing that neither of the Commissioners shall be eligible to a seat in the Assembly or Legislative Council.

Amendment seconded by Mr. Scott.

The amendment carried to a full discussion.

The Speaker first announced himself favorable if it affected the Government he should vote against it, as he believed a change of Government at the present time would be a great calamity to the Province.

Mr. Watrous, Sutton, Johnson, Smith and others, replied to the Speaker, charging him with passing an extraordinary course.

Debate lasted until five o'clock, opposition supporting the Amendment, and Government and supporters opposing it. The debate was lost, to 100, those for the motion of the opposition absent and Mr. MacNaughton in the Chair. Also, absent, Messrs. Earey and Lawrence.

Third Section amended on motion of Mr. Smith and Bill passed.

Mr. Scott moved for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act to authorize the construction of Railways in this Province. Bill same as Mr. Gillmor's Amendment. Mr. Smith moved Bill be read a second time. Mr. Wilcox moved in amendment that the House adjourn. Amendment lost and motion carried.

FREDERICTON, March 23.

Immediately after the reading of the Journal, a motion was made by Mr. Smith, that for its object the adoption of the Railway Commissioners bill the Legislature be adopted as rider to the Government Bill.

A lengthy discussion followed, in which much warmth of feeling was exhibited. The members of the Government charged the Opposition with failing to support the bill, the principles of which they acknowledged to be correct.

Several members advocated an immediate appeal to the people as the only remedy for the present changes.

The bill was finally rejected by a vote of 17 to 15; three being absent of the Opposition and two of the Government supporters, and the Speaker in the chair.

The House then resolved itself into committee of the whole and passed Mr. Smith's Bill without a division.

The House then went into consideration of the bill to the address moved by Mr. Perley, respecting the appointments to the Legislative Council, and voted to accept it.

Resolved.—That in the opinion of this Committee, the information given by the Government in reply to the Address relative to the appointments to the Legislative Council is not satisfactory to this House.

A long discussion followed. Progress reported.

FREDERICTON, March 24.

The Amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Bill relating to the office of Registrar of Deeds & Wills were not agreed to by Lower House. Bill consequently referred to Mr. Pitt. Pitt introduced a Bill to continue the Parish School act, stating at the same time that in case a dissolution should occur, it was necessary to make provision whereby School Teachers could receive their pay.

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On motion of Mr. Smith, Resolved, that an humble Address be presented to His Excellency praying for a detailed statement of the cost of Public Printing since the 1st January, 1854.

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W. E. Perley asked the following questions of the Chief Commissioner.—Do you think the Commissioner intend to make a report upon the exploration of the road through Dougall Valley. Have the Government determined upon a route for the Oxford Canal? Do you think the Government will alter the present site of the Bridge?

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Further progress was reported on a Bill relating to Highways.

Solicitor General brought in a Bill to amend the law relating to imprisonment for debt.

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Immediately after the reading of Journals, 110, Mr. Gray informed the House that the Executive Council had unanimously agreed in a recommendation to the Governor to prorogue the House with the view of dissolution. Mr. Smith arose, and after speaking at some length in reference to the conduct of the Government, moved the following resolution:

"Whereas the members of the Executive Council, ranks dismissed himself, a man who had obtained a seat for the first time in his life in the Legislature, and who had occupied a commanding position in the affairs of the nation during the last century. He referred to Sir Robert Peel, and said the title of Progressive, Conservative, and Liberal, belonged to the party he represented, and that he was the only man who had occupied a commanding position in the affairs of the nation during the last century. He referred to Sir Robert Peel, and said the title of Progressive, Conservative, and Liberal, belonged to the party he represented, and that he was the only man who had occupied a commanding position in the affairs of the nation during the last century. He referred to Sir Robert Peel, and said the title of Progressive, Conservative, and Liberal, belonged to the party he represented, and that he

The Confessions of a "Fool."—It is generally received axiom, "that experience teaches fools," but, like many other of the old saw's fidelity, it is not without the exception to the rule. There is another, and, we believe, a more infallible maxim, and that is seldom found to misapply, which is, that "murder will out," and under the weight of this saying lies that unfortunate young man, James A. Harding fallen. That this person never possessed talents to entitle him to rank among the Representatives of the people is admitted on all hands, yet he was, as he announced in one of his rambling and not very lucid election speeches, "born and brought up in our midst," this student, trifling as it was, had its weight, again he was a connection of the late loyal and worthy Lieutenant of Duke's Ward, and this was, with the people generally, the most potent argument he could offer, than then he had claims, such as they were, but all apart from, and other than that of intrinsic worth. He was known to be a "free trader," and would rather pay two prices for a Yankee trap than employ the workman, who like himself, was born and brought up in our midst." He was also known to be influenced with a Republican's sympathies. Yet by the true Liberals it was hoped that age and experience would correct those blunders in his character, and this forbearance, coupled with his unqualified promises at the last election to support the present Government, put him on the Conservative ticket and secured him his return. But no short-sighted Hierarchy and deceit thus far, with all its wiles, it cannot hide the cloven foot, for since has the first show of this successful electors died away, when this Harding, this second Anaxos, in a hotel in this city, whom flushed with victory and wine, boasted that he was the key stone of the Legislature, and whence "he turned that party must rule." Sober men who heard the story of the man, shrank from his shoulder, and left his company in disgust at his treachery. In the course of his vaporing, he did not hesitate to intimate pretty plainly that he should take care of himself. It is much to be wondered at that he should take an office under the present Government that realized for him £250 in a hundred and twenty days, and for a like sum add the promise of the old shoes of J. K. Partlow and his crutches of office, sell himself and bones to the Faction Mongers of the "dark north." We said, "experience teaches fools," as a general thing it does so, yet there are some fools so incorrigibly obnoxious, as not to be caught even by that rigid receptacle. The fate of traitors, from Montecito to Cardinal Wolsey, and from that down to the arch-Arnold, has been fraught with fearful retribution, and such will erginately be the fate of the man who has disgraced himself and betrayed his too confiding constituents. J. A. Harding can never again regain the confidence of this constituency.

Off to the sun, wander wretchedly in other lands to lie.

And where his fathers' ashes be his own may never be.

PROCLAMATION.—The Government Defied.—On the eighth previous to the Division Lord Palmerston invited the Liberal members of the House of Commons to meet him at the Treasury Office, Downing street. About 100 members attended. The Globe states that the Premier addressed the meeting at considerable length. In the most frank statements, he detailed the series of the Chancery and authorities that led to the forcible interference of the British Admiral. Lord Palmerston was warmly applauded at the conclusion of his speech. The Morning Post says, "Lord Palmerston declared he was disposed to end the present war with a moderate rate of speed, to gain the possession of the Suez Canal, and to secure the safety of the English fleet in the Mediterranean." The Times, however, says, "Lord Palmerston has not decided on questions of vital moment, least of all the present occasion, the support of the House would not fail him, and that he felt assured of the confidence of the country."

During the debate on Tuesday night, Lord Palmerston addressed the house at considerable length in defense of the position of the English Government.

Dissent and Content followed in reply, when the house divided, and the numbers stood:

For the motion, 233.

Against, 217.

Majority against the Government, 16.

ARRIVAL OF THE "AFRICA."

New York, March 26.
The steamer "Africa" from Liverpool, on the morning of 7th, arrived this forenoon.

It is reported that Sir John Bowring has been recalled from Canton.

Notice has been given in both branches of the Parliament of a dissolution in May. In the mean time all necessary measures, requiring immediate action, will be attended to.

Lord Palmerston has been invited to become a member of the City of London.

The proposition to partially reduce the Income tax has been carried by 62 majority.

The Treaty between Persia and England is officially announced.

A Treaty of Commerce between Persia and the United States has been ratified by the Shah.

The Conference on the Nootka difficulty between Prussia and Switzerland has commenced at Paris.

Nothing later from China.

Markets generally remain dull, showing a continued decline in Bradfords.

HIS EXCELLENCY'S SPEECH ON PROVOKING THE LEGISLATURE.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly.

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The election returns from Nova Scotia show that the new Conservative Government will be sustained by large majorities. So they will be.

We have readily given my assent to the Bills which you have passed. On the full consideration of the present state of public affairs, I have come to the determination of provoking this Assembly with a view to its immediate dissolution. I entertain the hope that the progress of public business will be greatly facilitated by the authority of a new Assembly.

LATEST PARTICULARS OF THE RAILWAY DISASTER NEAR HAMILTON, CANADA WEST.

A national calamity may fairly be said to have befallen us. Men who have ever stood in the foremost ranks—capitalists the most shrewd, speculators the most keen, merchants the most farsighted, clergymen the most earnest—have at one fell swoop been taken from among us. The train wanders, and the pen refuses to do its accustomed duty, when attempting to describe the heart-rending scenes we have witnessed.

The train from Toronto, due in that city at a quarter past six, P. M., yesterday evening, had come from Galt, having made a moderate speed, and was proceeding at a moderate rate of speed, to pass the suspension bridge across the Grand Trunk Canal. Those residing at a distance may not know that a cutting had been made to afford a outlet to this canal through the Burlington Heights, and that the railroad crosses it by a swinging bridge, 60 feet above the level of the water. At the time, of course, the track below was covered with ice, about two feet thick.

Just before the train reached the bridge, the engine ran off the track, owing it is supposed, to some defect in the axle. This, however, is a most extraordinary accident, as the engine was proceeding on the road a good distance on the other side of the spot where the accident occurred. The immense weight of the engine, cutting through the timber of the bridge, produced the effect naturally to be expected. The whole structure gave way, and the engine, with the train, fell into the cutting, a moderate rise of ground, 20 feet above the level of the water. The engine and two first class passenger cars broke through the severed frame work and plunged headlong into the yawning abyss below. The engine and tender crushed at once through the ice. The baggage car, striking the corner of the tender in the act of falling, was thrown to one side and fell some yards from the engine. 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A SONG.
By H. W. CONGRELL.
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Evening damps begin to fall,
Evening shadows are displayed.
Round me, o'er me, everywhere,
All the sky is grand and wide,
And 'twixt the evening air,
Wheel the swallows home in crowds.
Shade of sunshine from the West,
Paint the dusky windows red;
Drapes the shadowed dinner room,
Endowed and overend.

Darker, darker, and more wan,
In my breast the shadows fall;
Upward stills the life of man,
As the sunshine from the wall.

From the wall into the sky,
From the roof along the eaves—
Ah, the souls of saints that die
Are but sunbeams lifted higher.

OH, NEVER LET AN UNKIND WORD.

Oh, never let an unkind word
Fall from those lips of thine,
For hardness serves but to divide
Love's golden chain divine;
And as the rose when once 'tis pluck'd
We never can restore;

So the fond heart thus sadly crushed
Will cling to me no more.

We often kill earth's fairest flowers
By some kindly neglect;

Then waste our time in useless tears
For what we might expect.

Our sweetest joys are given upon
The face of the dead.

Then on those dark, and sombre souls,
From whom all love has fled.

VARIETY.

THE TAIL END OF THE LAW!—An amusing affair occurred yesterday afternoon. The Justice's Court was in session, Judge Cushing on the bench. A plaintiff appeared to recover a grindstone, and being called to the witness stand disposed as follows:—"I called upon the defendant for the stone, but he refused me, telling me that before I could get it I must try the tail end of the law, and I once brought the matter before your Honor."

The Court looked stern and threatening, spectators snickered, embryo lawyers laughed behind delicate handkerchiefs, grim officers smiled, and the witness sat down astonished.—*Herald, 25th.*

SIGNS OF PROSPERITY.—The following lines are from the Chinese:—
Where goals are empty, and idle words grow dull;
Where church pails are with frequent feet out worn;
Law courts weary, silent, and forlorn;
Where doctors foot it, and where farmers ride;
Where ego abounds, and youth is multiplied;
Where these signs are, they clearly indicate
A happy people and well governed State.

A "MIRACLE PLAY" is Astoria.—The Methodist Society at Warrington, Va., is raising funds by the performance in the church of the scriptural drama of Joseph and his brethren.

A new invention has been introduced in England on some of the principal railways. Two lights, one red and the other white, are fixed to an arm, at a certain distance from each other, and so arranged, and are connected with the axis of one of the wheels of the last carriage of each night train, and caused to revolve, indicating to the passengers that the train is about to stop.

The Kansas correspondent of the Saint Louis Republican confirms the report of the death of General Richardson, of Kansas, from eating too heartily of oysters.

Since the inauguration of Jefferson in 1801, there have been fourteen Presidents of the United States, and only two Chief Justices have administered the oaths of office to the whole nation. In 1809, Chief Justice Marshall administered the oath to Jefferson, and afterwards to all the Presidents until 1837, when Chief Justice Taney administered the oath to Van Buren, and performed the ceremony at every inauguration since that time.

The Editor of the Scalpel, in the February number, in an article on the "Education of American School Girls," has discovered that a bright practical knowledge among young ladies, of eating chow, soup, puddings, and drinking vinegar, is not gained flesh.

Certain coach proprietors have adopted the name of Cesar; Jam forte in omnibus.

Mr. Albert Barnes has sued the New York Daily Times for an alleged libel in endeavoring to黑色在 the man in the mirror of Dr. Burdell. The suit includes the name of Origen Vandenberg, the writer of the article, with Weales, Raymond, and Jones. Damages are laid at the sum of \$25,000.

The publication of births in the newspapers is advocated on the ground that they are more interesting than deaths, for when a man is dead it is done with, but when he is born it is only just begun with.

New Counterfeiter.—An altered bill on the Toronto issue of Quebec Bank was stopped at the counter of the Bank of Upper Canada yesterday. It was discovered to be a one changed to a ten, the figure 1 in the upper corner being extricated, and the letter X substituted, and the five shillings in the lower left corner were also altered. The alteration was very skilfully done but the forgery is to be detected by the fact that the genuine tens are marked with the figure 10 in the corners.—*Toronto Globe.*

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