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Naples grows worse and worse. New instruments of torture are invented, the prisons crammed, and the King appears to have lost all vestiges of reason and humanity.

Some accounts state that the Emperor of China has left Yeh to manage as he can, forbidding the extension of the quarrel to the other ports; but contrary accounts state just the reverse, and that a war of extermination to the barbarians has been proclaimed.

THE VICTORIA CROSS, FOR VALOUR.—The new Order, open alike to officers and privates, will be first inaugurated by Her Majesty, who, in person (after the important event already alluded to shall have taken place), will distribute to the successful claimants their honourable reward.

MURRAIN IN CATTLE.—Some alarm has been felt at the appearance of disease in cattle from the Baltic and surrounding districts.

Provincial Parliament.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THURSDAY, April 9.

Hon. Mr. McCully asked the members of government for certain returns from the Railway Board, which had been recently submitted at the request of the government.

MONDAY, April 13.

The bill for repairing Cornwallis Bridge was read a third time, and passed.

TUESDAY, April 14.

Several bills were read and forwarded.

WEDNESDAY, April 15.

The bill for the destruction of weeds injurious to agriculture was read a second time.

THURSDAY, April 16.

Hon. Mr. Redolf presented a petition from his Lordship the Bishop of Nova Scotia, and another from the Venerable Archdeacon praying the house not to assent to the said bill.

FRIDAY, April 17.

Several bills were read a second time.

MONDAY, April 20.

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Hon. Mr. Comeau asked leave to introduce a bill relating the width of certain roads in the County of Digby.

THURSDAY, April 16.

The bill declaratory of and in amendment of chap. 59, R. S. of the Church of England, was read a second time.

Hon. Mr. Bell.—I still think that the people of the Church of England should have something to say in the management of their secular affairs, and should not, in this respect, be under the control of the clergy, however respectable and worthy of respect, the latter may be.

Hon. Mr. Archibald—I stated here the other day that the practice of the Free Church was to have a minister presiding over their meetings. The bill containing this provision was altered so as to give the right to the meeting to appoint any one to be chairman.

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Mr. Morrison could not see the necessity of the last resolution, as it was the duty of the departmental officers to examine the public accounts.

Hon. Provincial Secretary mentioned some instances of abuses which existed in the Crown Land department, and spoke of the necessity of examination into the system pursued in that office.

Mr. Tobin called attention to the facility with which bank notes could now be counterfeited, and the necessity of having some mode of testing the genuineness of notes in circulation.

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Mr. Young was afraid it would be a dangerous precedent to agree to his amendment.

Mr. Howe thought the Council had done right in reminding the House that their concurrence was necessary. As to the remark made by some person that he (Mr. Howe) wished to go upon the delegation, he would relieve his mind by saying that he would not go even if the government offered it to him.

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