

intimated that there was but small prospect of the bill passing both branches. Dr. Tupper compared the attitude of the Government to that of the Japanese approaching the Queen—cringing and prostrate.

Hon. Mr. Howe thought the practise of the Japanese of one challenging another to rip themselves up would be somewhat inconvenient in this country.

The bill was passed by 23 to 21. Dr. Tupper asked the leader of the Government to lay on the table the Memorials of the 24,000 electors, who had declared their want of confidence in the present Government.

THURSDAY, April 11.

Hon. Mr. Johnston moved a resolution concerning the payment of \$5,000 to Mr. D. Cameron for alleged railway claims. Hon. Mr. Howe moved an amendment which was carried.

FRIDAY, April 12.

The House in Committee took up the bill relating to the disability of office-holders retaining their seats in the Legislature without re-election. Several amendments were proposed. Instead of all offices of emolument under Government rendering persons ineligible to seats, the bill repeals clauses 2 to 6 of chapter 2 Revised Statutes.

SATURDAY, March 13.

Mr. Longley presented the Report of the Committee to Investigate concerning Intemperance. Several members spoke in approval of the labors of the Committee. Hon. Mr. Johnston moved that a number of copies be printed.

In the afternoon Hon. Mr. Howe moved the following: Resolved, That this House has heard, with deep sorrow and regret, of the outbreak of civil war among their friends and neighbors in the United States.

Hon. Pro. Secretary referred to the motion of Dr. Tupper yesterday, and moved that a committee of seven be appointed to enquire whether Mr. McKenzie had accepted the office, and if so whether his doing so vacated the seat.

MONDAY, April 15.

The majority of the Committee, Messrs. Brown, Heffernan, Morrison, and A. Campbell appointed to investigate the case of Mr. G. McKenzie having accepted an office of emolument, reported that his seat was not vacated.

At 4 o'clock the House was summoned by His Excellency to attend in the Council Chamber, when the Legislature was prorogued by Earl Mulgrave reading the following

SPEECH.

Mr. President and Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council: Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly: The business of the Session having been matured, it affords me much pleasure to relieve you from further attendance on your Legislative duties.

General Intelligence.

DOMESTIC.

PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE. Halifax, 10th April, 1861. APPOINTMENTS.

Hants Co.—The Rev. James Hill, the Rev. John McLeod, the Rev. James (Jeremiah?) Bancroft, John Manning, and William Glen, to be School Commissioners for West Hants.

Colchester Co. John Peppard, of Londonderry, to be a Commissioner of Sewers for Londonderry and Onslow.

Kings Co.—Albert D. Munro to be a School Commissioner. William B. Ward, Adolphus Bishop, Banks Winsby, Leonard Fitch, and John Miner, to be Justices of the Peace.

Lunenburg Co.—John E. Stewart to be Collector of Colonial Duties for the Port of Chester, in the place of Charles J. Lordly, resigned.

SMALL POX.—The report for last week is.—Admitted 13.—Died 1.—Discharged 5. Total cases in Hospital 37.

We learn that the beautiful property near the North West Arm, owned by Messrs. Wm. Pryor & Sons, has been purchased by the Archbishop Connolly for the sum of £1100.—Sun.

We understand that Dr. Tupper has accepted an invitation to lecture before the Acadia Athenæum, at Wolfville, on Friday, the 19th inst, on the subject of "Colonial Union."—Colonist.

A Washington Correspondent of the Eastern Mail, Maine, reports that N. B. Snell, Esq., of Fairfield, Maine has been appointed United States Consul at Halifax.

The large drum cast at Chebucto Foundry, for the Dartmouth Canal, is a formidable looking affair. It was cast in two parts, one of which was sent to Dartmouth a few days ago, the other is ready to go.

HUNGRY CATTLE!—There is a pinching scarcity of hay in the out-settlements. Never did ice-bound mariners in the polar seas more ardently long for the return of warm weather, than do the farmers just now.

THE PREVAILING QUESTION.—Who will succeed Doctor Webster in South Kings?—Ib.

SINGULAR COINCIDENCE.—The Ship D'Israeli and the Brig Bedouin, both owned by George McKenzie, Esq., M. P. P., left New York about four weeks ago for England.

MR. WM. DONOVAN, of Chester, was drowned at Moren's wharf on Thursday night. The body was found next morning in a standing position.

MORE GOLD DISCOVERIES.—Some very beautiful and rich specimens of Gold-bearing quartz have recently been brought to town from the neighbourhood of Pope's Harbour and Tanguier.

MRS. GORE'S WILL.—The will of Mrs. Gore, the novelist, has been proved by her son, Mr. Augustus Frederick Wentworth Gore. The personality was sworn under £14,000.

Latest from the United States.

HOSTILITIES COMMENCED.

TROOPS CALLED TO WASHINGTON.

[By telegraph to the Merchants' Exchange.]

CHARLESTON, April 12.

The batteries on Sullivan's Island, Morris Island, and other points, opened on Sumter at four o'clock this morning. Fort Sumter has returned the fire. Bombarding on both sides continued all day.

HARRISBURG, Pa., April 12.

The war bill passed both houses to-night without amendment and signed by the Governor. The bill appropriates a million to arm and equip the Militia, and authorizes a temporary loan.

LATER.

An explosion has occurred in Fort Sumpter. It is thought the officers' quarters are on fire. Anderson ceased firing one hour. Shot and shell continue to be fired into Sumpter.

STILL LATER.

BOSTON, April 15.

Sumpter surrendered on Saturday—Anderson and command was to leave at 11 o'clock last night for New York. Steamer Isabella had four men mortally wounded. Confederates report no loss.

WASHINGTON, April 14.—War Department busy—Troops arriving by special trains—Governor of New York calls for 25,000 men—Pennsylvania 100,000—Ohio 50,000, and large appropriations in money support.

MONTGOMERY, April 14.—Lieutenant Warden, Federal Navy, taken prisoner—despatches seized. News creates wild rejoicings. Calls for additional troops.

RICHMOND, April 14.—Virginia Convention adjourned without replying to Governor Pickens' request to know course. Conflicting feeling regarding news—some rejoicing—others regretting.

NEW YORK, April 14.—Great activity in shipping and naval departments. Number of Regiments tendered their services. Half million appropriation passed yesterday. Herald office protected by police—rumored attack on it by mob.

BALTIMORE, April 14.

Union sentiment in ascendant and men with cockades and secession emblems chased by crowds and protected by Police.

A telegram from New York on the 11th states that:

The Steamer "Coatzacoalcos" has arrived from Texas, with 400 troops. Remaining there, are 1000 troops of the Federal Government, which the Steamers "Empire City" and "Star of the West" will bring away.

President Lincoln has positive knowledge of a contemplated attack on the City of Washington. He has communicated with the several Governors of the Northern and Western States to call out the Militia, and have them in readiness to march, at a moment's warning.

The Governor of Pennsylvania will call out the Volunteer Militia, on the first sign of danger.

TIMELY WARNING.—Every mother should be prepared to act in the capacity of both nurse and physician to her children: she can, if she will, discharge these duties much better than any one she can employ. If she does not, she ought to know that there is a medicine prepared by an old nurse and female physician, which has stood the test of many, many years, and is the most perfect thing on earth for children teething; it also cures Wind Colic, Dysentery, Diarrhoea, and is sure to regulate the bowels.

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