

fight ensuing they were severely beaten by the latter.

The alarm commenced about 6 o'clock in the evening and soon the shutters of all the stores in Hollis and Granville Street were up.

The principal of the rioters have been sent to a prison on Melville and George's Islands and the rest of the two offending regiments have since been confined to barracks.

Some cases, prosecuted in the Supreme Court, having escaped with very slight or no punishment for grave offences, we fear is having the effect of encouraging rather than deterring the idle and vicious from such outrages as these.

A large number of special constables were sworn in on Friday, and whilst every precaution is being taken both by the civic and military authorities, we do not think any further danger need be apprehended.

THE CELEBRATION IN HALIFAX.—We explained, last week, to those of our readers who receive our first edition, why we could give them no account of the Prince of Wales' marriage celebration in Halifax.

The Volunteer Artillery, who are always ready for public duty, fired a royal salute on the Parade at 8 o'clock a. m., and again at 6 p. m.

The lovers of fun were somewhat disappointed on the parade in the afternoon. In consequence of the mass of human beings being so dense, they found it almost impossible to proceed with the proposed sports—racing, jumping, throwing weights, &c., &c., for prizes.

The illuminations of the various public buildings attracted much attention. The streets were filled with people till a late hour.

We understand that a banquet was given at the Halifax Hotel and a Ball at the Masonic Hall.

The devices in gas in several places did not look as well as was expected, in consequence of the wind blowing off portions of the jets, and some failed entirely from the same cause.

The City Court-house and Market opposite were very handsomely decorated with colored lamps. The Engine house on the parade and the Union Protection and Axe Company's room had some fine transparencies.

The Procession of the Fire Companies by torchlight, in the evening, was the most splendid turn out of that description ever seen in Halifax.

An hour afterwards all was quiet in the streets, and the celebration of the Prince of Wales' marriage became a thing of the past, leaving pleasant remembrances on many minds.

A part of the celebration, of some importance to those immediately concerned, was the liberating of prisoners from the Provincial Penitentiary.

THE CELEBRATION WAS OBSERVED IN SEVERAL OTHER PLACES BESIDES HALIFAX ON TUESDAY THE 14TH.

At Liverpool, and illuminations at Windsor and Wolfville. Acadia College and also King's were illuminated to commemorate the auspicious event.

Newfoundland. A telegram to the Boston papers states that the first sealer arrived at St John's, N. F., on Tuesday last, with 3500 head.

New Brunswick. PROHIBITORY LIQUOR LAW.—"Dr. Dow introduced a Bill the other day into the House of Assembly to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors to Indians, to which a penalty is annexed, subjecting the violators of the law to a fine of \$8.

Why not therefore enlarge the provisions of the measure, and throw the protection of law not only over the poor Indian, but over fathers and mothers, brothers and sisters, husbands and wives, parents and children, high and low, rich and poor, wise and ignorant?

ROMAN CATHOLIC TEMPERANCE LECTURE.—The Editor of the Visitor says:—"In passing the old Catholic Chapel on Sidney Street last Sabbath evening on our return from Church, we observed the Chapel lighted and numbers entering.

From the report given the Lecture appears to have been a very good one. Our contemporary adds, "Probably nine out of every ten of the rum-sellers of Saint John are Roman Catholics.

THE INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY.—The world has decided in favor of railroads; all nations, kindreds, tongues, and peoples, are getting them as fast as possible.

A GYMNASIUM is to be established in St. John, on a permanent footing. At a public meeting held for the purpose of considering the subject, it was resolved to form a company, with a capital of £1000, in shares of £5 each.

The St. John papers contain the cards of no less than six candidates for the Mayoralty of that city. The election takes place on the fifth of May.

Canada. Two military schools are to be established in Lower Canada.

A letter from Quebec to the Montreal Herald in relating to Canadian finances, says the deficiency this year will be nearly \$3,000,000.

Work on the Parliamentary and Departmental buildings of Canada at Ottawa City, it appears, are to be resumed forthwith.

Provincial Parliament. HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY. MONDAY, April 13th.

The debate on Dr. Tupper's motion, which amounted to a vote of censure on the government for the delay in appealing against Judge Haliburton's claim, occupied the early part of the afternoon.

Mr. Bourinot's bill to extend the jurisdiction of Magistrates was then taken up.

Mr. Brown stated that in seven counties, Annapolis, Yarmouth, Kings, Colchester, Cumberland, Inverness and Victoria, there were 5,225 suits tried by Magistrates.

Mr. Blanchard defended the bill.

Hon. Prov. Secretary read the draft of a congratulatory address to Her Majesty. Also another to H. R. H. the Prince of Wales.

THURSDAY, April 16th. The House in committee took up Mr. Bourinot's bill, and several local bills.

In the afternoon the debate on the Representation Bill was resumed. Messrs Harrington, Fryor, Kilham Shannon, Henry, and Tobin,

sult from those exhibited by the member for Horton.

Mr. James McDonald spoke against the bill. The returns submitted he contended were unfair. A large number of cases tried in the Supreme Court on which large expenses were incurred were not debt cases.

Hon. Prov. Secretary remarked that the returns read by the member for Horton showed that in seven counties there were 5,225 magistrates suits; this proportion would give for the whole province a number perfectly frightful.

Mr. Ross spoke in favor of the Bill.

Mr. Morton introduced a bill in reference to the construction of a road in Queen's County.

WEDNESDAY, April 8th. The Representation Bill was taken up.

Hon. Prov. Sec. described the particular features of the Bill, and said it would not how have been required had the bill introduced by the member for Annapolis, previous to the last election, been prepared with fairness to all parties.

Hon. Mr. Johnston characterized the bill as infamous and disgraceful,—its introduction, he said, was sufficient to destroy the reputation of any public man who would take charge of it or give it his support.

Hon. Mr. Johnston moved that the House adopt the Amendment.

Members of the Government objected, and it was agreed that its consideration should be resumed on Tuesday morning.

Mr. Shannon moved that the House go into Committee on the Bankrupt Law.

Dr. Tupper moved in amendment that the Railway debate should be resumed. On division the House was equally divided.

Mr. R. P. Grant spoke against Mr. Tobin's resolution as he did not believe it could be carried out.

Dr. Tupper spoke on the proposed division of the cost of the road between the three provinces, and considered it unfair to Nova Scotia.

BAZAAR. THE ladies of the Baptist Church and Congregation of Windsor, intend holding a Bazaar in the early part of next September, to raise funds for paying off the debt on the Parsonage.

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spoke against the bill, and Messrs. Annand, and Morrison, in its favor.

Whilst Mr. Tobin was speaking the soldiers' riot attracted the members to the streets and the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, April 17. Hon. Prov. Sec. laid on the table a memorial from Mr. A. Downs, concerning his Ornithological establishment, at the head of N. W. Arm, and the benefits which would result from its extension, and asking for a small grant.

Several members on both sides expressed themselves favorable to Mr. Downs' request.

Mr. Tobin moved a resolution to the effect that the representation of this house be according to population.

Hon. Mr. Johnston would move to except the city of Halifax from such resolution, and contended that the amendment proposed was not judicious.

Mr. Blanchard reported from the committee on the Luenburg Land Case, that the claimants were not entitled to the award, for certain reasons stated.

The morning sitting was occupied with the Magistrates' bill.

In the afternoon the Railway question was introduced by Hon. Provincial Secretary. The hon. gentleman went over, carefully and in detail, the steps hitherto taken by the province by its delegations, Acts, &c., and concluded by moving the following resolution.

Resolved—That the Government be empowered to accept the terms offered by the Imperial Government; and that the construction of that part of the road leading from Truro to Hall's Mills be at once proceeded with.

That, as Canada has refused to enter into the offer of the British Government, in reference to the Intercolonial line, the Government be empowered to proceed at once with the construction of the line to Pictou.

The honorable gentleman expressed himself in favor of the Pictou road, whether the Intercolonial Railroad went on or not, and believed it would soon pay its working expenses and yield a handsome return besides.

Hon. Provincial Secretary believed that before the 10 1/2 miles of the road, which would be common to both the Pictou and the Intercolonial lines, provided for by his resolution, were constructed, either Canada would accept the proposal of the Imperial Government or Britain would give up her demand for a sinking fund, and the road would thus be available for both.

MONDAY, April 20th. The House was occupied with a number of local bills and the law to regulate statute labor.

Hon. Mr. Johnston moved that it be deferred for three months. On a division there appeared 27 to 23, to the latter number Mr. Tobin's name was afterwards added.

By message the Legislative Council informed the House that they had agreed to the Franchise Bill with several amendments, the principal of which was that its operation be suspended till June 1864.

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