

Against—Messrs. Locke, Pryor, Bill, Lawrence, Colin Campbell, Donkin, Hill, Longley, Jas. Fraser, McFarlane, E. L. Brown, Killam, Heffernan, Jno. Campbell, Allison, Hatfield, McKay, D. Fraser, Whitman, Kaulback, Tobin, Parker, Hamilton, Jost, McLellan, Prov. Sec., Annand, Ross, King, Cowie, McKinnon, Moore, Blackwood, C. J. Campbell, Shannon, Archibald, Fin, Sec., Atty. Gen.

Mr. Blanchard did not vote. The House immediately went into committee.

Mr. Blanchard spoke at some length on the Council of Public Instruction, and offered strong objection to its being composed of the members of the Executive. He thought it should be composed of men independent of the Government, as the Board of Agriculture and other departments were.

After an adjournment of about an hour and a half, the House met in the evening, and resumed the debate.

Mr. Ross thought that it would be better to lay on an addition to the Import duties—say of 2 per cent—for educational purposes, so as to require no Assessment. An indirect Tax was far less objectionable than direct Assessment, and by that means provide from the Treasury the whole payment for Teachers.

Mr. S. Campbell thought the Council of Public Instruction highly objectionable. The comparison made between the government of this province and the Cabinet of the Imperial government, he considered unfair, and questioned the statement that a government must necessarily possess the confidence of the people. He questioned if the present government did so, judging by the Annapolis election. He passed a high eulogium on the Rev. Dr. Forrester, and considered the dismissing him from office, a very unjustifiable act of the government.

Mr. Tobin would like to have seen some provision for separate schools, but was not disposed to interfere with the bill for such purpose, and was persuaded that the intelligent people of the province would see the importance of Assessment for the support of Schools.

Mr. Levesconte was strongly in favor of the government being the Council of Public Instruction, although he opposed the assessment and other clauses.

Hon. Prov. Sec. addressed the House in reply to the several speakers in opposition, shewing that Dr. Forrester had not been dismissed from his office by the government, but the Legislature had enacted the Act of last session which separated the two offices he formerly held, and he had been appointed to the office of Principal of the Normal School, with a salary equal to his former one, to which he had been appointed by a former government.

FRIDAY, March 30th.

At 3 o'clock, the members of the Assembly were summoned to the Council Chamber, where His Excellency assented to the revenue bills and twenty-three others.

Mr. Levesconte presented the report from the committee on trade and manufactures. The committee are in favor of granting facilities to aid in establishing a sugar refinery in or near this city; and granting drawbacks on sugar imported for refining purposes.

Hon. Mr. Shannon introduced a bill relative to the new jail in the county of Halifax.

Hon. Attorney General brought in a bill in relation to Victoria Bridge, now being erected over Bear River. Its object was to legalize the work already constructed, and protect and hold harmless all persons engaged in building the same.

The house in committee on the school bill, took up again the clause providing that the Executive Government shall constitute the Council of Public Instruction.

Mr. Archibald moved an amendment that the Governor in Council shall appoint not more than nine, nor less than seven persons, of whom the Superintendent of Education shall be one, to constitute the Council of Public Instruction. Upon division the amendment was lost by a vote of 11 against 35. The clause then passed.

The clause providing for the division of the province into seven school sections, with an inspector to each, produced considerable debate, in which a number of members took part.

On Saturday the House of Assembly met and shortly after, as there was not a quorum present, the house was "counted out."

On Monday the House was engaged in considering the amounts to be offered for the encouragement of steam communication east and west. It was agreed to offer \$6000 for a steamer to ply between Liverpool, Halifax, Guysboro and Arichat, &c.

Charges were made by petition against C. J. Campbell of misappropriating road monies. Considerable time was occupied on this subject and a committee of investigation was appointed—Messrs. Blanchard Levesconte and Donkin.

The resolutions on Union of the colonies were made the order of the day for to-morrow, Thursday.

In the evening session, the House in Committee on the School Bill passed several clauses.

American and Foreign News.

LATEST FROM THE STATES.

[From Telegrams to Associated Press.]

TUESDAY, March 28.—One hundred and ten officers arrived in Washington yesterday, captured in the fight near Petersburg, Saturday. Information has been received of the defeat of the French by the Mexicans at Yernance, where those of the force not killed in battle were shot by the Liberals in retaliation for previous outrages.

WEDNESDAY, March 29.—President Lincoln has been to the front, and witnessed a grand review in the Army of the Potomac. The troops are in splendid condition.

Sherman's head quarters, when last heard from, were at Goldsboro, where it was thought he would wait for supplies. A large number of his troops were without sufficient shoes and clothing.

At the affair at Bentonville, which the Confederate papers claimed as a victory, Johnston, (Confederate), lost seven thousand prisoners, and left his dead and wounded on the field.

Evening.—It is reported that the detention of President Lincoln at City Point, was for the reception and consideration of propositions from Gen. Lee.

THURSDAY, March 30.—A force of ten thousand Federal cavalry has been concentrated on the borders of Alabama for the purpose of cutting off the retreat of the rebels from Mobile. Another large cavalry force under Stoneman is advancing into Virginia from Tennessee.

The rebel Generals Terry and Cook were wounded at the battle of Fort Steadman.

Evening.—Gen. Sheridan's cavalry have started on another expedition to destroy the enemy's communications if possible.

There are more rumours of another peace conference—this time between Grant and Lee, but there is probably no foundation for them.

FRIDAY, March 31.—The total amount of cotton at Savannah, 38,500 bales, a portion of which will be put into the market in a few days.

Refugees and deserters state that negro troops are put into the entrenchments at Richmond, but only in battalions among regiments of white troops; as they cannot be trusted.

Evening.—Georgia papers announce a new Confederate cruiser, called the "Ranger," cruising on the coast.

Despatches from Grant's Army state that Sheridan left on another expedition to destroy the Danville and Richmond Railroad on the 29th.

SATURDAY, April 1.—Refugees assert that Lee's army is provisioned for only ten days.

The Georgia Legislature has refused to call a Convention to ascertain if the people of that state desire to return to the Union.

Evening.—Despatches from President Lincoln.

City Point, Va. March 31. 8.30 P. M. H. N. Edwin M. Stanton, Secretary of War, at 12.30 p. m., to-day Gen. Grant telegraphed me as follows: There has been much hard fighting this morning. The enemy drove our left from near Dabney's House back, well towards the Boyd Town plank roads. We are now about to take the offensive at that point and hope we will more than recover the lost ground.

Later.—Our troops after being driven back to the Boyd Town plank road turned and drove the enemy in return and took the white oak road, which we now have. This gives us the ground occupied by the enemy this morning. I will send you a rebel flag captured by our troops. In driving the enemy back, there have been four flags captured to-day. Judging by the two points from which Gen. Grant telegraphs, I infer that he moved his headquarters about one mile since he sent the first of the two despatches.

(Signed) A. LINCOLN

Gold 151.

Several Telegrams received on Sunday in Washington from the President at City Point, giving the progress of a great battle at different hours of the day, were sent on from New York on Monday. The following is the latest, dated CITY POINT, Sunday half-past eight p. m.

At 4.30 p. m. to-day, General Grant telegraphs as follows:—We are now up and have a continuous line of troops and in a few hours will be entrenched from the Appomattox below Petersburg to the river above. The whole captures since the army started out, will not amount to less than 12,000 men, and probably 50 pieces of artillery: I do not know the number of men and guns accurately, however. A portion of Foster's division, 24th corps, made a most gallant charge this, 5 p. m., and captured a very important fort from the enemy with its entire garrison. All seems well with us—everything is quiet just now.

MONDAY, April 3.—There has been more or less severe fighting for three days, culminating in a great battle fought on Saturday and Sunday last.

The valor of the troops on both sides has never been surpassed. The Federals now hold possession of the South Side Railroad and nearly the whole line of the Confederate entrenchments.

Boston, April 3.—We have the following important despatch this morning, dated City Point, half-past eight, from General Grant:—

"Petersburg has been evacuated by the Confederates; and I am confident Richmond also. I am pushing forward to cut off if possible Lee's retreating army."

LATEST.—Richmond was taken possession of by the Federal troops this morning at half-past eight o'clock.

Evening.—Very little business has been done in any Northern city to-day, it being devoted exclusively to a general jubilee over the downfall of Richmond.

Another official despatch, dated 11 a. m. City Point, 3rd says Gen. Wertzell, who entered Richmond this morning, in a second despatch announces that he has captured many guns. The city is on fire in one place, which will soon be extinguished.

Grant started early this morning to cut off Lee's retreat. Gold 143.

The Colorado, in which Professor Agassiz goes to Brazil, has fifteen hundred berths, and can at a pinch, carry three thousand passengers and twenty-five hundred tons of freight. She is intended for the Pacific line—between Panama and San Francisco.

SALT AND FISH BOUNTIES.—The collectors at American ports now require a certificate that foreign salt used in curing fish has paid the duty in full to the United States Government before they will pay the bounty.

American fishermen accustomed to purchase salt at Halifax for use in curing their fish will be in danger not only of losing the bounty but of having their vessel seized for so doing.

The Indians are very troublesome at present in various portions of the Western territories of the Federal States.

RECKONING THE CHICKENS, &c.—A New York paper says: With large crops here, which we have now every reason to anticipate, and a partial failure in Europe, which is almost of biennial occurrence, we shall be able to bring the nations from the other side of the Atlantic, gold in hand, to our granaries, and without the aid of cotton, to turn the balance of trade in our favor.

DESERTER.—According to the report of the Federal Secretary of War, just issued at Washington, 39,392 deserters from the army were arrested between Oct. 1 1863 and Oct. 1 1864.

Marriages.

At the Baptist Meeting House, in New Germany, Feb. 19th, by Rev. Wm. E. Hall, Mr. Demas Spidle, to Miss Drucilla Lohans, both of New Germany. By the same, on the 22nd inst., Mr. Benjamin P. Corkum, to Miss Eunice A., second daughter of Mr. Samuel Brown, both of New Ross.

At Mill Village, Dec. 8th, 1864, by Rev. John E. Goucher, Mr. James T. Connee, Boston, Mass., to Fannie, eldest daughter of Enoch Steadman, Esq.

By the same, Jan. 29th, 1865, Capt. James C. Hemen of Liverpool, to Mary, eldest daughter of Deacon Charles Atkins, of Port Medway.

By the same, on the 12th inst., Capt. Charles Ralph, of Liverpool, to Mrs. Desire, relict of the late Capt. Whitfield Foster, of Port Medway.

At Sackville, N. S., by the Rev. Robert F. Philp, William Trider, to Sarah Jane Riches, eldest daughter of Mr. James Riches, of this city.

Deaths.

On Sunday last, Miss Agnes McLaughlin, in the 24th year of her age.

On Monday, 3rd April, John P. Kilroy, aged 22 years.

On the 26th March, Johanna, beloved daughter of John and Ann Johnson, in the 20th year of her age.

On Monday 27th, William Jones, (colored), in his 65th year.

On the 25th inst., Mrs. Bridget Flemming, in the 72nd year of her age.

At St. George's, Bermuda, of yellow fever, George, youngest son of the late Arthur Carman, Esq., in the 18th year of his age. The deceased left here some six months since in the steamship Little Hattie.

At Marie Joseph, March 16th, after a severe illness, Sophia, wife of Samuel Hawbolt, aged 64 years.

Drowned, at Shelburne River, 15th inst., William D., aged 22 years, eldest son of Mr. Daniel George, of this city.

On Thursday, Mrs. Mary Hartned, widow of the late Timothy Hartned, aged 84 years.

On the 28th inst., Moses, youngest son of the late Charles and Nancy Smithers, aged 14 years.

At Terence Bay, on the 12th inst., Stephen Innis, aged 85 years.

At Waverly, on Friday, in the 28th year of her age, Elizabeth, wife of Mr. Albert Herishfield.

At Pleasant River, Queens Co., March 14th, Mrs. Catherine Frank, wife of Peter Frank, in the 35th year of her age. A husband and four children mourn their great loss. Mrs. Frank was an esteemed member of the Baptist Church.

At Springfield, Annapolis Co., on the 15th March, of consumption, Annie, second daughter of John C. and Henrietta Prince, aged 17 years.—[Christian Visitor please copy.]

At Middle River, on the 25th inst., Mr. John Bezanon, in the 62nd year of his age.

At East Chester, on the 27th, Mrs. Margaret Kellahorn, in the 97th year of her age.

Everybody Interested.

The glory of woman is a fine head of Hair, one in which the natural softness, color and glossiness are preserved, free from any tendency to falling out and disposition to greyness. Mrs. S. A. ALLEN'S World's Hair Restorer and Zylolalsamum; or, Hair Dressing, are the best articles for attaining that end, and no lady's toilet is complete without them. This is the testimony of those who use them, both in the United States and Europe. Millions of bottles sold every year. Every Druggist sells them.

Brown's Bronchial Troches. From the Medical Director of the General Hospital, Boston Barracks, near St. Louis, March 8, 1862. "Messrs. John L. Brown & Son, Boston, Mass.:—Use of your far-famed and most serviceable 'Troches' is being made in the hospital of which I have charge, and with very beneficial and decided results in allaying bronchial irritation.

Shipping List.

PORT OF HALIFAX.

Arrived.

Tuesday, March 28th.—Bark Cynthia, Palmer, Cardiff.

Wednesday, 29th.—R. M. steamer Asia, Moodle, Liverpool, G. B. 10 days; Steamers Druid, Nassau; Chicago, do; schrs. Vision, Tremaine; St. Peter's, C. B.; W. Kaulback, Hooper, Cape Breton; Triumph, Burns; St. Mary's; P. L. G.; Cruikshanks, Sydney; Day Star, Rathburn, Cornwallis; Victory, Proctor, Arichat.

Thursday, 30th.—Brigs Maud, Campbell, St. John's, Nfld.; Reeper, LeVache, Arichat; schr. Robert Noble, Ormston, Sydney; Maria Murdoch, Shelburne; De fiance, Balam, Canso; Levi Hart, Sheet Harbor; Rover, O'Bryan, New York.

Friday, 31st.—R. M. steamer Africa, Anderson, Boston; schrs Julia, LeBlanc, Arichat; Leander, Emmett, Barrington.

Saturday, April 1st.—Schrs. Lady Mulgrave, Carlin, Sydney; Sarah, Townsend, Co.; Wm. Taylor, Martin, Sheet Harbor, Express, Cook, do.

Sunday, 2nd.—Bark Eureka, Smith, Cete, France; brig Mirella, Curtis, St. Jago; schrs. Mischief, Wilson, Demerara; Leader, Collins, Port Medway; D'Entremont, Pubn.co; Herald, Kelly, Cienfuegos; Ellen, (Am.) Freelock, Portland, U. S.

Monday, 3rd.—Bark T. R. Pafflo, Barbados; brig W. Atkins, Pratt, Baltimore; Planet, Lamb, Cienfuegos; America, French, Boston; schrs. Kate, McConnell, Pabnico; Lillian, Spinney, Yarmouth.

Cleared.

Tuesday, March 28th.—Schrs. Reindeer, Blagdon, Foreign W. Indies; Adelaide, Swain, Barrington.

Wednesday, 29th.—R. M. Steamship Asia, Moodle, Boston; brig Chebucto, McPherson, Bermuda; Cassie Gray, Cunningham, B. W. India; schr. L. G. Vogler, Smith, New York; Kate, McDougall, Cow Bay; British Pearl, Hadley, Gaysborough; Zebra, Adams, Bridgewater.

Thursday, 30th.—R. M. steamships Alpha, Hunter, Bermuda and St. Thomas; Africa, Liverpool; brig Henry Gilbert, Hill, Glace Bay; schrs. Jane McDougal, McDonald, Sydney; Pussac, McDonald, do; Cruiser, Walker, Arichat; Ida Mary, Brick, Glace Bay; Emeine, Boudrot, Arichat.

Saturday, April 1st.—Brigs Ocean Star, Jenkins, Matamoros; schrs. Sarah, Townsend, Boston; Maggie McLennan, Roberts, St. John, N. B.; Day Star, Rathburn, New York; Sarah, Glace Bay; Sea Slipper, Ambrose, Liverpool, N. S.; Wave, McPherson, Cape Breton; Jenny Lind, Lorman, Tangier; Maria, Murdoch, do; G. E. C. Baker, Sydney; Ago, Smith, Barrington; Victor, Bourinot, Lingan.

Monday, 3rd.—Brigs Boston, Benson, B. W. Indies; Ariemede, Crowe, Glace Bay; Victory, Fraser, Pictou; schrs. Armanda, Richards; Mary Ann, Hopkins, Barrington; Bravo, O'Bryan, Margatee; Lone Star, Farrell, Boston; Lang, Boston; Robert Noble, Arichat, Boston.

Memoranda.

Boston, March 21st.—Arr. schrs. Mary Jane, Halifax; Glencoe, Inagua; 23rd.—Mayflower, Liverpool, N. S. 28th.—bark Oder, Halifax; brig Autumn, Cape Haytien; schrs. Lydia, Yarmouth; Neva, Chevele; cid. Rosalie, Shelburne; bark Alexandrina, Cienfuegos.

New York, March 22nd.—Arr. schr. G. Prescott, Bermuda; R. McLintyre, St. Jago; 23rd.—brigs Neva, Sagua; Annie Collins, Cienfuegos; Echo, Cardenas; 24th.—Stella, Havana; Eolus, Cienfuegos; Brisk, do; America, Matanzas; Maria, Porto Rico; schrs. Blanche, do. 25th.—George, Matamoros. 26th.—brig Martha, Pictou; bark Union Glace Bay; cid. Enterprise, Cornwallis. 28th.—arr Orion, Halifax. April 1st.—Schr. Daring, Halifax

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ALEXANDER KEBINSON, BLACKSMITH, Upper Water Street, Halifax, N. S. April 5. 3 mths.

DISSOLUTION OF CO-PARTNERSHIP.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the partnership lately subsisting between JAMES S. McDONALD and COLIN PITBLADDO, of Wolfville, under the firm of McDONALD & PITBLADDO, was dissolved on the 23rd inst., by mutual consent.

James S. McDonald is authorized to settle all debts due to and by the firm.

JAMES S. McDONALD, COLIN PITBLADDO, Wolfville, King's Co., March 27th, 1865.

THE SUBSCRIBER referring to the above, now tenders his sincere thanks to the patrons of the late firm, and gives notice that he will continue the business in his own name, and will endeavour to give every attention in his power to any who may favour him with their custom.

JAMES S. McDONALD, Wolfville, March 27th, 1865. April 5. 2 ins.

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