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SATURDAY, APRIL 7 1888.

Railway Subsidizing.

NEW MARYLAND, March 31st., 1888.— Your Correspondent is much pleased at the reference made in a recent issue of your paper in regard to reckless subsidizing of Railways in this Province, which we believe, will soon absorb so much of our revenue that we shall be obliged to keep our roads and bridges by direct taxation.

PRO BONO PUBLICO.

We have to thank our many friends who have given us words of encouragement and of congratulation upon the change in our papers, but the most gratifying to us are those containing renewals, and new subscriptions. Quite a number of new names were added last month, and we hope to have a still greater increase this month.

LABOR COMMISSION.—The Royal Labor Commission is in session in Halifax. No important disclosures are being made. Like St. John the relation between employer and employee are most friendly, and no grievances of a startling nature appear.

It has been announced for a fact that the Dominion Government has withdrawn the obnoxious monopoly clause in Manitoba and as a result there is a great boom in railway projects in that province. On Wednesday last Hon. Messrs Greenway and Martin arrived on their return from Ottawa at Emerson, and were entertained at a banquet, and accorded a grand reception.

NEW BUILDINGS.—The supplementary estimates contained an item of \$25,000 for building new public offices, which brought out considerable debate in the House. It has been conceded for years that a new building was necessary to take the place of the Crown Land Office which is in a delapidated condition. The new building will be begun at once, tenders having been called for the removal of several old buildings on Parliament Square.

DIED.—Jacob Sharp so well known in connection with the Broadway railway franchise of New York, and the "boodle" Aldermen cases has not lived to stand out a second trial. He died on Thursday evening. His lawyers were planning for a change of venue, that the trial might be held outside of New York city, and a jury selected who had not been prejudiced by the newspaper reports. The plan was not to be carried out however, and Jacob Sharp has gone to be tried before another tribunal.

The Newfoundland Government are in the throes of a struggle as to whether they shall send a delegation to Ottawa to talk over the question of confederation or not. The public are in favor of such a move, but some of the principal merchants still oppose the scheme. It is believed that the Government will favor the project however, and that a delegation will be sent. It is expected that the premier, Sir Wm. Whiteway, the Hon. Jas. Winter and P. J. Scott, Esq., will be members of the delegation from the island to Ottawa, to discuss the terms of union.

The Railway Subsidies.

Mr. Blair has succeeded in carrying through the House the Railway subsidy resolutions, and the St. John Valley railway is now an assured fact. With the Dominion Subsidy secured by Mr. Temple, and with the Local Government subsidy, there will be sufficient funds to build the road. It will be a great benefit to this city to have this additional road running into it, and it will undoubtedly be a great accommodation to the people along the River. While we are not in favor of recklessly subsidizing railways, we cannot but be pleased that our friends along the river have been thus assisted, and it is not too much to say that great credit is due Attorney General Blair for the interest he has taken in the road throughout.

Official Reporting.

It is almost too late to say very much upon the question of official reporting in the Assembly, to do any good this year, but there may be, in the light of the future something said that may have a good effect. That the present system is not satisfactory will be conceded we believe by every newspaper in the province, possibly excepting the St. John dailies, in whose interest it has been arranged. In saying this we do not wish to reflect at all upon the official reporter. He is probably doing all possible under the circumstances, but it is not within the scope of one man, even if he could compass all the clerical work in connection with the contract, to please everybody. So far as accuracy and rapidity in reporting is concerned, after quite an apprenticeship, we believe that the official reporter is one of the best in the province. The contract calls for too much, however, and the remuneration is altogether too low to have the work performed thoroughly without an actual loss to the official reporter. When newspapers have to pay for the composition, (type setting)—they will select, and use just such parts of the speeches as they may think best suited to their own constituency, and as for making no distinction as to the political complexion of the members so long as parties control the press just so long the reports will be so manipulated, and the official reporter is not to blame for it. Under the old system there were numerous complaints and it was not only expensive, but unsatisfactory, although there is no doubt that there were more of the proceedings of the assembly published than now appears in the press.

There is a way, however, by which we believe all parties, and the press generally would subscribe to as being infinitely better than at present and give all the papers a chance to publish what they wished. With some papers of course the lack of space is one reason why the reports are not published in full, but the main reason is the expense of type-setting, which for several columns each day would be considerable.

The plan we would suggest would be for the Government to supply each paper with the stereotyped plates of the debates each day in full and have the same plates used for printing the annual book.

A little thought will show the great benefits, and the great saving that could be made, not only to the government, but to the newspapers, and the public would have a full report of all the proceedings.

One setting and distribution of the type would be all that would be required. Proofs could be revised by the official reporter, and if greater satisfaction was desired, by members themselves, thus doing away with so many annoying mistakes. It would not reduce the staff of printers or any of the papers but would have a tendency to increase the work for the craft.

We have not made a calculation on the cost of supplying type high, metal plates to the extent required to each of the newspapers in the province, but we imagine that we could with our present facilities for stereotyping do the work at very little advance if any over the present unsatisfactory way.

House of Assembly.

FREDERICTON, April 3.—Hon. Mr. Ritchie committed the bill relating to the Supreme Court of Canada and the Exchequer Court of Canada, or the Supreme Court of Canada alone, according to the provisions of the act of the parliament of Canada known as 'The supreme and exchequer court act, shall have jurisdiction in the following cases: (1) Of controversies between the dominion of Canada and this province. (2) Of controversies between any other province of the dominion which have passed or may hereafter pass an act similar to this chapter and this province. (3) Of suits, actions or proceedings in which the parties thereto, by their pleadings have raised the question of the validity of an act of the parliament of Canada or an act of the legislature of this province, when in the opinion of the supreme court of New Brunswick, such question is material, and in such case the supreme court of New Brunswick shall, at the request of the parties, and may without such request, order the case to be removed to the supreme court in order to the decision of such questions. Agreed to.

The bills incorporating the Eel River Valley Railway Company, for the establishment of District Courts, and to confirm the mortgage given by the Central Railway Company to the Central Trust Co., New York, were discussed in committee and progress reported on them.

The bills authorizing Charlotte municipality to sell part of the Eastern commons to the St. Andrews Land Co., to incorporate the Albert & Westmorland Telephone Co., to incorporate the National Mining Association of New Brunswick, and to provide for the erection of an almshouse and workhouse in Albert county were agreed to.

Hon. Mr. Ritchie introduced a bill in amendment and addition to section 95, chap. 65, of consolidated statutes of New Brunswick of Schools, empowering the board of school trustees of St. John to lease their property.

The House refused to agree to the amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Miramichi Bay Railway Co. incorporation act, and passed a resolution requesting that the Council will not insist on such amendments, and that they do communicate to the Assembly the conclusions at which they may arrive in respect thereto.

Ball at Government House.

(From the Telegraph)

The early termination of the Lenten season on this year afforded his honor the lieutenant-governor and Lady Tilley one more opportunity (it is to be hoped not the last) to welcome this evening the legislators of the province, together with the fashionable society of the capital, to the time-honored and festal halls of government house. Much as has been said in praise of social events here in the past it was confidently expected that this event would equal, if not excel, its predecessors. Nor was there any disappointment in the matter since people who were most hopeful about it are more than gratified with the result. The invitations had gone forth in ample time for the fair ones to surpass all previous efforts, and what is always a matter of peculiar interest at such times, quite an

UNUSUAL NUMBER OF DEBUTANTER were known to have snowy toilettes preparing for the occasion. These circumstances were not without their visible effect when the steady outpour of the coaches commenced at 8 o'clock to people the historic mansion with the beauty and chivalry that cluster around the heart of the capital. Sir Leonard and Lady Tilley, the former wearing the badges of his knightly dignity, stood within the main entry to the ball room to receive the guests. As will be seen by the appended list his honor welcomed among the number many of his old time friends and, though he is somewhat bowed under the snows of three score winters, they found his greeting as cordial and cheerful as in his palmiest days.

THE BALL ROOM,

better known as the blue room, was soon an animated scene and the taste displayed in its appointments—which have during Lady Tilley's term been the subject of especially favorable comment—lent a grand effect to the spectacle. Within there was literally a bewilderment of handsome toilettes in which it would be difficult to particularize and your correspondent did not address himself to the task, believing that even wearers who were entitled to prominent mention would be displeased to be singled out where they had so much to admire in the costumes of others.

THE FIRST SET.

When the signal was given for the quadrille d'honneur to form, the following was the composition of the set: Hon Judge Fraser and Lady Tilley; Hon A G Blair and Mrs Fraser; Hon D McLellan and Mrs Mitchell; Hon Jas Mitchell and Mrs McLellan; Hon F G Ryan and Mrs Pugsley; Hon R J Ritchie and Mrs Ryan; Hon G F Hill and Mrs Holly; Hon F P Thompson; and Mrs Hanington; Hon Mr Speaker and Mrs Maunsell; Hon D L Hanington and Mrs Street; Lt-Col Maunsell and Mrs Harding; the mayor of Fredericton and Mrs Sterling; the mayor of St. Stephen and Mrs T C Allen; the sheriff of York and Mrs Bailey; Collector Street and Mrs Phinney; Mr Phinney, M P P, and Miss Temple; Mr Glasier, M P P, and Miss White; Hon B R Stevenson and Mrs Harrison.

General News.

—The Imperial authorities have consented to allow Lieutenant General Sir Fred Middleton, to serve an additional two years as commandant of the Canadian militia, when his present term expires. Sir Fred will probably become a permanent resident in Ottawa, when he comes to retire from service.

—The steamer Alcides, at Halifax, March 27, from Glasgow, brought one of the finest collections of horses ever seen in that city, including 17 Clydesdale stallions, 6 mares and 36 Shetland ponies. Four horses died on the passage. Ten of the horses are for Galbraith Bros., Illinois and six for McBan, London, Ont.

—A horrible affair occurred on the 26th at Warminster, a village seven miles from Orillia, Ont. Joseph Hall, the postmaster and his wife, went to a Methodist church social, leaving their hired man and five children in the house. About half-past eleven fire was discovered in the house. The three youngest children, aged five, three and one, perished in the flames. The entire contents of the store were consumed.

Parnell during the Easter recess will go to the south of England for his health.

—The Standard says a more complicated budget than Goschen's has never been laid before the House of Commons.

—The Indian appropriation bill appropriates \$5,192,253, which is \$96,644 less than the appropriation for the current year.

A young man named Dan H McNeil, working in a cut at Iona, Grand Narrows on the C B railway, was recently crushed by a large fall of earth.

A little four-year-old girl of Mr. Carl Sonier, of Port Elgin, N. B., while playing with matches set fire to her clothes and was badly burned about the hands and face.

—Statutes have been published in St. Petersburg sanctioning the formation within four months of a company to construct and work naphtha conduits from Baku to Batoum and Poti.

—A man named John Reid has taken an action for \$15,000 damages against the city of Charlottetown for injuries received by falling into an old cellar which was not properly fenced in.

—The banks of the Elbe are flooded for a distance of many miles. Hundreds of villages are submerged. An enormous amount of damage has been done, and many lives lost.

—The Times says Goschen's speech will take a place in the history of the country beside the famous statements of Peel and Gladstone. He exhibited perfect mastery of the details of very difficult questions.

—The London stock exchange received Goschen's budget favorably. The consensus of opinion is that the proposals to levy a tax of a shilling per cent. on non registered securities and sixpence stamp on contract notes will not disturb business. The shilling levy falls chiefly on railroads, and the contract stamp tax will tend to diminish the number of bucket shops dealing in small amounts.

Eighty miles above Bismarck, Dak. March 24th, the ice in the river leaped its banks, and a flood, one of the greatest in the history of the country, was the result. The water was turned loose by the breaking of the solid ice as it came down. It is believed a gorge will form near Washburn, forty miles north, which will delay the flood at this point for at least a day. There still exists an immense gorge at Poplar River, and this is holding back a vast amount of water which must come within the next week. The river here has risen three feet.

—The debate on Balfour's bill to expedite business in the Irish land courts by appointing assessors to assist judges, was resumed in the commons on the 27th. Lord Randolph Churchill urged the government to substitute for Balfour's bill a larger measure, bringing the machinery of land litigation in Ireland under one body. Balfour contended the bill would enable the land courts to deal more rapidly with pending arrears and would give greater elasticity to the work of the courts. The proposals were designed to meet the views of the opposition and if they did not meet their approval he would withdraw them.

Gladstone approved of the introduction of the bill without pledging ultimate approval of the measure. The bill was read a first time and the house adjourned until April.

St. Nicholas for April, 1888.

The April St. Nicholas has a seasonable frontispiece by Fenn, two toddlers under an umbrella, on an April Day. This introduces the opening article, What Makes it Rain? by George P Merrill. There is also a charming rhyme for a Rainy Day by Julia M. Colton, artistically framed by Katherine Pyle.

Louisa M Alcott, in Trudel's Siege relates the efforts of a brave little Dutchwoman to tide her parents over a time of trial and shows how she succeeded through patience, courage, and trust in God. There are excellent illustrations by Edwards. There is a translation from Daudet, by Maria Ellery MacKaye, The Red Partridge Tells His Story, wherein is given the bird's eye view of partridge-shooting. It is illustrated by Wiles.

Holloway's Pills.—No Mystery.—Whenever the blood is impure or the general health is impaired the human body is predisposed to attacks of any prevailing epidemic. The first indications of faulty action, the first sensations of deranged or diminished power, should be rectified by these purifying Pills, which will cleanse all corrupt and reduce all erring functions to order. These Pills counteract the subtle poisons in decaying animal or vegetable matter, and remove all tendency to bowel complaints, biliousness, and a host of annoying symptoms arising from foul stomachs. The fruit season is especially prone to produce irritation of the bowels and disorders of the digestive organs; both of which dangerous conditions can be completely removed by Holloway's corrective medicines.