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PALESTINE.

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I tread where the twelve in their wayfaring trod; I stand where they stood with the chosen of God-Where his blessings were heard and his lessons were taught,

Where the blind were restored and the healing was wrought.

O, here with his flock the sad wanderer came-These hills he toiled over in geief are the same-The founts which he drank by the wayside still flow, And the same airs are blowing which breathed on his brow.

And throned on her hills sits Jerusalem yet, But with dust on her forehead and chains on her feet; For the crown of her pride to the mocker hath gone, And the holy Shekinah-it's dark where it shone.

But wherefore this dream of the earthly abode, Of humanity clothed in the brightness of God ! Were my spirit but turned from the outward and dim, It would gaze even now on the presence of him!

Not in clouds and in terrors, but gentle as when In love and in meekness he moved among men; And the voice which breathed peace to the waves of the

In the hush of my spirit would whisper to me.

SIGNS OF GOOD HUSBAND-RY .- [Young ladies, here fits of the fund he himself has been assisting to House and Work House, Woodstock, was commit-Monteith drew the letter from his vest pocket and is some sound advice for you, from Punch's Pocket- raise. There is a great difference between this and ted for the third time, and agreed to. Book.]-" If a man wipes his feet on the door-mat the buoys and beacons, which are local, and may 'DEAR NERO,-I cannot break my promise to before coming into the room, you may be sure he properly be supported by the local charges; but Fayette, and must not disobey my father, though I will make a good domestic husband. If a man, in this is a general fund, for general appropriation, to was agreed to. snuffing the candles, snuffs them out, you may be sure he will make a stupid husband. If a man puts Hon. Mr. MITCHELL: What is the rate per ton love you much. What shall I do? " JULIA." 'She is wavering, and when a woman wavers she his handkerchief on his knees whilst taking his tea, paid in Moneton and Dorchester?

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is lost,' Mr. Monteith said to himself.' She must you may be sure he will be a prudent husband. In Hon. Mr. WARK: The question first to be deci- and sustaining a Police force in the Town of Chanot marry him, so I must watch her more closely the same way, always mistrust the man who will ded is, whether the sick and disabled seamen's dues tham, and making certain provisions in lieu there- and to collect this it cost one half. I am not prethan ever. He shall have this, however, and I will not take the last piece of toast or Sally Lunn, but are of the same character as the other port and har- of, was agreed to. prefers waiting for the next warm batch. It is not bor dues. Hitherto a distinction has been made, watch for the response.' He left the house quietly and placed the note unlikely he will make a greedy, selfish husband, and the fund now under consideration has been re-

with whom you will enjoy no "brown" at dinner, garded as a provincial and general fund, and if so, where he found it. Christmas morning came, cold and clear. as no crust at tea, no peace whatever at home. The then the provisions of the bill, as well as the

That night, after the children had retired, Mr.

read the following :--

Christmas mornings generally do. Up rose the sun, man, my dears, who wears goloshes, and is careful amendments, are not correct, for there is no reason throwing its rays on the white snow, and sending about wrapping himself up well before venturing why ships to Miramichi should pay more than in the frost sparkling, like myriads of pearls, through into the night air, not unfrequently makes a good other ports. If the fund is too low, then Governthe air, and making it flash and glitter on the trees invalid husband, that mostly stops at home, and is ment should take the matter up, and impose an adlike diamonds. And up rose Nero Hopkins from easily comforted with slops. The man who watches ditional due on all the ports-the power might be his couch, and after spending an hour before his the kettle and prevents it boiling over, will not fail, left discretionary with the Government. mirror, stole down to the spring, not far from Mon- my dears, in his married state, in exercising the Hon. Mr. BorsFORD : The general law makes a

teith's house to learn his fate. Mr. Monteith kept same care in always keeping the pot boiling. The distinction-in some ports the dues being double close watch of his movements, and when he deposit- man who doesn't take tea, ill-treats the cat, takes that of others. ed another letter in the place of the one he took, snuff, and stands with his back to the fire, is a brute Hon. Mr. MITCHELL: When the original law whom I would not advise you, my dears, to marry was passed, certain ports were charged double that Julia was not the first to receive it. 'Ha! ha! ha! what a fool the fellow is. Any upon any consideration, either for love or money, of others; this certainly, all other things being but most decidedly not for love. But the man who, equal, is wrong, and why such an act of gross inone to write such stuff as this' :--'Adoorable, sublime magnetic Julie Montetih. when the tea is over, is discovered to have had none, justice was perpetrated on those ports, I cannot

I am waved down to the carth, by the knowledge is sure to make the best husband. Patience like conceive. A subsequent law was passed, reducing of knowing that you feel the magnitude of your his deserves being rewarded with the best of wives, the charges in the port of Miramichi to 1d. Is the woe so great. Thou hast asked me what you shall and the best of mothers-in-law. My dears, when construction of the law to be, that a man who 20 expect, and, second, that it promoted and fostered bill, the applications come in in sealed envelopes,

do in this great hour of distressing need. Thus I you meet with such a man, do your utmost to marry years before may have made a trip to Boston and will answer. Fly to my arms, dearest, and rest thy him. In the severest winter he would not mind back, and has settled down as a farmer when he weary head, of jetty hue, on my trusting, manly going to bed first." bosom, Let your love-lit eyes, tear filled, gaze into

LUMBER FACILITY BILL. This Bill being again committed

CHATHAM STREETS.

A bill relating to streets in a part of Chatham

Hon. Mr. Borsford said, that the merits of thi bill had been pretty well discussed; it was not necessary to occupy further time upon it. he there-that the real revenue should be derived from the months

Hon. Mr. PERLEY: I wish to make an explanation. Last year, when a bill of a similar nature sured that we are provided with a substitute equally was before this House, I voted against it. The hon, beneficial. I contend that the large operator who gentleman opposite me (Mr. Mitchell) expressed wants 100 miles is often at the mercy of the man

to say was approved of by the persons in my County of one. unless he consents to a compromise by alinterested in the matter.

Hon. Mr. MITCHELL : I have long considered that first, under the old system, the revenue from the cers, I lay down, as a principle, is not to place Crown domain was not such as we had a right to them in the way of any temptation. Well, by this monopoly, and therefore was not promotive of the and are to be opened in public; but then there is

benefit. He referred to legislation had 20 years ago against the two evils to-day referred to, favoritism and monopoly. The best way and only sure way of testing the value of the Crown domain is to put it into the market-it being impossible to sit down and determine the comparative value of land in the different sections of the Province. The last A Bill to repeal act providing for, establishing year of the old system there was nearly £9000 collected from all sources connected with Crown lands, pared to admit that the present system is a failure, so far as regards revenue ; those who so argue forget that we receive a large export duty, in addition to the mileage-the export duty has some years reached \$80,000. When the export duty was settled it was fore moved its further consideration be postponed 3 mileage. Before we break down a system which has proved beneficial, and is the result of long years of laborious legislation, we should be very well assurprise at my vote, it being different from that who has only ten pounds and wants one or two given on a former occasion in another place. I vo- miles ; because the latter can bid up every mile so ted independently, and it was one which I am happy as to make the former pay five pounds a mile instead lowing the poor man to have what land he wants. The best way to preserve the honesty of public offi-

And what if my feet may not tread where he stood, Nor my ears hear the dashing of Galilee's flood, Nor my eyes see the cross which he bowed him to bear, Nor my knees press Gethsemane's garden in prayer!

Yet, loved of the Father, thy Spirit is near To the meek and the lowly and penitent here; And the voice of thy love is the same even now, As at Bethany's tomb, or on Olivet's brow.

Oh! the outward hath gone !- but in glory and power The Spirit surviveth the things of an hour; Unchanged, undecaying, its pentecost flame On the heart's secret altar is burning the same.



THE FELON BRIDEGROOM

A FATHER'S STRATEGEM.

It was Christmas Eve in the little village of St. Marks. All had been hurry and confusion during oak at the spring. the day. Emma Monteith had run over to Mrs. Jones' to learn how to make fruit-cake; and, in her turn Mrs. Jones had run over to Emma's, to get some good eider for her mince pies. The eider had been brought and praised, and Mrs. Jones had returned home in high spirits. Then Emma had seen the nice, large-apples pared, the light, brown doughnuts, the mince pies, the tarts, the fruit-cake ro is not fit to wipe Fayette's shoes with. I'll send chickens prepared for roasting; the ham boiled, him and the presents prepared for the children : but Mr. Monteith could imitate Julia's writing per- bing temples ; the pitying eyes, from which the with a smile of satisfied pride at her work, went in- read something as follows : to the sitting-room, where her father and her sister DEAR NERO :

ed candles, and where her sister Julia had sat all which interested the others so much. Julia, who was the oldest of a family of five, at you penniless, knowing that you will love me just two years before, had been left mistress of her ta- so I will be waiting love waiting. her place.

Julia was very beautiful-at least Emma thought as she stood in the doorway, gazing on her as she 'Well. I declare exclamed Nero Hopkins, stro- TRUE NOBILITY .- The day-laborer, who earns sat in her chair sad and gloomy, with her large, black hair falling in shining masses on a neck alnineteen summers blooming on her cheeks. in comparison with their sister.

Julia did not reply; but a few moments later, I will get me a new suit, take Effie to the Squire's

mine ingratitude and love. I will be at the spring " No CARDS," an announcement we now frequentat seven. Now or never, decrest, you must be ly meet with at the end of marriage publications in | tical construction put on it.

once, and farewell till then. ' The birds will sing in splendour, The cowslips, and vilets bloom; But you will be gloomy and sad. 'Cause they grow on my tomb

"Your adoorable NERO."

sand, in her own right, ' Adoorable ' Nero would

omeward It was not long after he returned to the house be- felicity. fore Julia slipped out, and when she returned she

appeared quite perplexed. She went to her own

Soon after Mr. Monteith took it out, and read

make

" I will be waiting, love, waiting. When the twilight shadows fall.

At the oak by the spring side, To answer to thy call.

'Poor, foolish girl,' he muttered ' She must be be- dow of clover in bloom. witched, or she would think differently. Why Ne-

etc., placed in the cup-board; the turkey and him off, and Fayette shall never know she loved sorrowing! The soft cheek laid mutely against

Amy were, arraying the Christmas tree with color- I have concluded to go with you : but as my father seal your lips to groans of pent-up anguish. Leanday, sad and silent, taking no interest in that will be doing a great wrong to Fayette Lawson, I the repose of sorrow be more heavenly? have deeded all my property to him, and come to

the death of her mother, which had happened some as well as though I was the richest lady in the land cut his nose, took one of his gummed spool label ther's house, but having a great distaste for house- 'There,' said Mr. Monteith, after he had placed every one laughed at him. Looking in the glass, h hold duties, her sprightly sister Emma had taken the false letter in the oak ; ' if he comes after this, read on the label that his nose was " warranted 350

he may have her; if not-well, I'll teach her a les- yards long !" son, that's all.

Emma and Amy were quite pretty, but nothing than nothing, though she isn't half as pretty as wealth from serving others.

Julia. As I have promised to marry both to-night Why, Julia, how little interest you take in our I'll send Julia a note, telling her that I cannot becomes infirm, has a just claim on the funds?

Hon. Mr. Borsford : Certainly not. Hon. Mr. MITCHELL: That seems to be the prac-

mine. Methinks I hear the zephrs, love laden with the newspapers, may be interpreted as follows :-- The hon. gentleman read a letter from the Provperfume, whisper you will come. Answer me at "Owing to the hard times and the high prices of incial Treasurer suggesting an amendment in the stationery, the happy couple herein named have law, similar to that provided in the amendment. In concluded to dispense with the custom of sending order to meet the balance due by the port of Miracards to their numerous friends. They trust that michi, we ask the increase of dues proposed in this the virtue of economy will be duly appreciated, bill, but we do not want that such increase shall when coal is \$9 a ton, and the other expenses of go to benefit other ports than those in which levied. housekeeping are in proportion, and all going up. I have not said any analogy, in principle, between

'If Julia was not an heiress of a round ten thou- The happy couple hope that this explanation will the buoy and beacon fund and this existed. I only prove satisfactory; but, should it cause the loss of contend that the accounts should be kept in a simnot be so gallant. However, I will leave this anybody's friendship, they will try to survive the lar way, and an account be opened with each parwhere I found it. and see what reply Julia will affliction." Something to this effect was the origi- ticular port. The practical working of the prenal idea of that inventive and intrepid young couple sent system is, that seamen are hired by the trip,

Thus spoke Mr. Monteith, as he turned his face who dared to break over a venerable conventionalism and therefore the act providing for a certain sum and put " No Cards" at the end of their advertised being kept back from the wages, is a nullity, so that the dues comes out of the tonnage, not out of

the seamen's wages, as urged by some hon. gentlemen. I believe the ports of Westmorland and Al-

CHEERFULNESS AND SONG .--- If you would keep bert do not pay as much in as they draw, and I room, where she remained some time, then she spring in your hearts, learn to sing. There is more went out of the house, and left another note in the merit in melody than most people are aware of. protest against the other ports being taxed to meet their deficiencies, or the commercial marine being cobbler who smooths his wax-ends with a song will taxed to sustain the paupers of those counties. do as much work in a day as one given to ill naam prepared to meet the question of the propriety ture and iretting would effect in a week. Songs of allowing private members bringing in acts of thi are like sunshine ; they run to cheerfulness-to fill class at the proper time, and urge now upon the the bosom with such buoyancy that for the time consideration of this house the justice of the amendbeing you feel filled with June air, or like a meaments I have proposed. The hon. gentleman produced certain certificates from the Audit Office,

upon which relief had been paid out of the sick and How holy is the sympathy of childhood for the thing to prevent a mere coaster or fisherman deriyour own; the timorous velvet hand on the throbving benefit from that fund, and that it was not, now she laid aside her apron, and after glancing fectly, and he left a note in the place of hers, that most quivering soul that ever trouble laid bare can fide seamen who had been engaged in foreign sea never shrink away. No deceit there! no danger voyages. All that seems necessary is local certifiof misplaced trust, should those wooing eyes uncates; and the local authorities are interested in says that you love me only for my money, and I ing on the bosom of " The Beloved " alone, could] placing the support of as many of their paupers as possible on the fund, and relieving the parish of

them. I was asked why Chatham was put down as only paying in \$14. The ports of Chatham and A manufacturer of thread having accidentally Newcastle have but one hospital, and the \$14 remitted by the Deputy Treasurer, was balance in JULIA. to close the cut. On going home he wondered why the S. & D. S.'s fund.

His hon. referred to the Reports to show the

Westmorland, shewing that a much larger amount king his black beard, ' if that poor girl hasn't deed- with borny hand and the sweat of his brow, coarse ad been drawn out than paid in, contending that dark eyes bent on the sparkling fire, her rich ed all her property over to that Lawson, and now food for a wife and children whom he loves, is raised a bad state of things existed. The defficiencies declares her intention of coming to me penniless. by this generous motive, to true dignity; and generally arose in the Counties of Albert and Westmost marble like in its whiteness, and the roses of But I can't take a poor wife. I'm too poor myself. though wanting the refinement of life, is a nobler Effie White has two thousand, and that is better being than those who think themselves absolved by its own deficiencies.

preparations,' Emma said, a shadow flitting over come to-night, but to be in readiness to-morrow without being vain. Second, to talk of others paid, and the reason is, that vessels which came lands now under license, or under license, or under license the pre-Two Hard Things .- First, to talk of yourself

best interests of the country. If these propositions no reason why some political influence cannot be are correct then it becomes us to adopt this bill, if it is only one step in the right direction. From the applicant, by a previous understanding, to show manner in which the present system has operated, favoritism. I believe the system proposed is impracthose who have been the practical operators in lum- ticable, and cannot be carried out with any degree bering have grown up in the business from youth of satisfaction. It is a system encouraging monopto age, and in the end have nothing left as a return oly, while we abandon for it a system which gives for their labor, and, again, if the bill before us does fair opportunity for all.

to some extent tend to remedy this evil, and make it more remunerative, then we should pass it. sions been stated. It has been said the bill does sales last year, the reason was that it was useless not go far enough, and should be of a comprehen- for the small operator to come and compete. I am sive character, to ensure a reform in the whole system, but because that may be so I hope such objec- it will prove beneficial. tions will not throw out the bill but take what good |

it does offer pending further improvement. [Here the hon. gentleman proceeded to recapituate arguments made a few days before, on the comwere not in on the former occasion.]

There is, he said, a practical advantage in the charter of vessels of at least five shillings sterling per thousand in favor of the Bay of Fundy Ports, his is a very handsome profit; indeed, this year, himself of those interested in the matter-the very hippers would be perfectly satisfied with 15d.-The market for the St. Croix is universal in its absorption of all kinds of lumber. To gain the Uni- benefit of such, but the very reverse. He agreed ted States market from the North we have so great with the hon. gentleman (Mr. Todd) that in respect a distance to sail as that the price of charters to charters the north was on the same footing as amount to from \$2 to \$2.50 per thousand, on small Charlotte.

lumber, more than from the ports of the Bay of isabled seamen's fund, to shew that there was no- Fundy. 1 understood the hon. gentleman from Charlotte advised the acceptance of the proposition read by him the other day. Hamilton-11.

Hon. Mr. TODD : No ! I only recommended such Non-contents : Messrs. Minchin, Harrison, Earle, change in the system as would lead to an increase Mitchell, Rice, Robinson, Ryan, Kinnear, Sceleyin the revenues, approximating to this new value 9. So it was postponed.

placed on the Timber lands by those individuals. Hon. Mr. MITCHELL: I did not so understand him, and am glad of his explanation. That would

PILOTAGE. be a tremendous monopoly, entirely inconsistent A Bill to provide for such amendments in the with the duties of Government or the interests of law relating to Pilotage of Charlotte County, as to the Province. Nor could I agree with the impo- take the control of the pilots out of the hands of the sition of a tax, he recommends, of one dollar a Sessions and authorise the appointment of Commishis hand, but was not from the Commissioners of thousand, which would thus create a great Govern- sioners for the purpose, was committed.

ment monopoly, although the latter would not be When we entered the Hon. Capt. Robinson was so bad, as Government would be open to the effect expressing his opinion as favorable to the provisions small amounts paid by Sackville and other ports in of public opinion, but it would ruin the business of of the bill

the country and depopulate it-this would be the The 34th rule of the House had not been compractical result. Under the present law the small plied with, and Hon. Mr. Borsrond, agreeing with operator is controlled by the wealthy merchant the provisions of the bill, suggested that progress through whom alone he is able to obtain his land be reported, and the rule be suspended.

moreland, and I am not disposed that the other and his supplies. So the large operator takes ad- Hon. Mr. STEEVES thought Commissioners judiports should suffer from these deficiencies, but vantage of the prospecting of the practical man who clously selected, would be possessed of local knowleave it to every port to increase its dues to meet has searched out and applied for a particular piece ledge and intelligence upon this subject, not posof ground ; this bill enables the man so prospecting sessed by the board of magistrates. Ilis honor, in-Hon. Mr. CHANDLER: Small as the amounts paid to get his ground at the upset price, without hav- cidentally stated that the last year there was shipin certain ports referred to, it is all that should be ing to contest with the other. So far as relates to ped from the Petticodiac 15,000 tons of coal, 20,-

to the ports in Westmoreland, are small coasters vious year, this bill does not affect them. Some Hon. Mr. HAZEN had heard no good reason wh who pay once a year, while many large ships owned hon. gentlemen have expressed fears of fraud in con- the rule should be suspended-he entertained the in Westmoreland, finished, manned there, never nection with the working of the machinery. The idea that there was no necessity for Pilots in such came farther than St. John, but they should not applications are in scaled envelopes, and to be open- out of the way Ports. therefore loose the privileges of this act, as they ed at a specific time, so that I do not see how there Hon. Mr. WARK suggested the transfer of the paid the dues in St. John. There never will be can be any collusion or fraud. A monopoly under powers from the Sessions to the Port Wardens-it any collections at the ports mentioned, because the this bill can be prevented by a sufficient increase of was better not to multiply officers. Progress was deals and lumber are brought to St. John and there mileage. Do not throw away a real benefit because reported. shipped. If there are frauds in the applications of an imaginary evil! I believe when the people On motion of hon. Mr. Mitchell the 34th rule of and certificates, it is the peculiar duty of the Gov- and their representatives have time after time sent the House was suspended so far as relates to a bill ernment to guard the returns. All the vessels up a measure, it should, before being thrown out, relating to roads and bridges in Newcastle. The be carefully considered and, if not so, made perfect. same gentleman moved a like suspension in the case Hon. Mr. Topp: I will just present a few facts. of a bill to authorize Justices of the Peace in Charcludes all the upper ports of the Bay of Fundy, First, I say the bill is entirely uncalled for, the on- lotte to erect an Alms House at St. James-this on Sackville, and the ships owned in those ports pay ly feature, which the bill last year had of real ad- division was lost. vantage, providing to give a privilege to parties A reconsideration was then moved. had no right to assume fraud in the accounts of the who had cleared and improved streams, has been Hon. Mr. Topp said he was quite willing that overseers of the poor, or the certificates of the justi- stricken out of this bill. I find 270 pieces of land the suspension of the rule should be witheld in this ces of the peace. The course acted upon by the au- for timber berths sold last year, 210 without com- case, provided that it should be regarded as a prethorities of Westmorland, is that none but those petition, only 60 with competition; we received as cedent for future action; he thought it desirable who have gone on distant voyages are entitled to the result of this competition \$1230, thus proving that the rule should be strictly adhered to. relief. Why should not coasters paying to the fund that this competition is not such a bug-bear after Hon. Mr. MITCHELL hoped this bill would be alall, for it is so slight as not to affect any one. The lowed to come in and then subsequent action be Hon. Mr. STEEVES : It is quite clear from the simple tobacco or molasses used in the camps cost had, and a rigid adherence in future be enforced. spirit and letter of the act, that the intention was more than the stumpage on the timber they cut; Hon. Mr. ODELL knew of no reason why this to provide a general fund, from the wages of sea- and such facts certainly make us a laughing stock bill should be allowed to come in and future bills men, for their benefit, in case they should require to our neighbors. If there is to be a monopoly, as excluded. This bill provided for taxation. and, it. Is it to be said that a seaman having paid for there certainly now is, let it be one from which we therefore, being of such importance, should be peseveral trips in the port of St. John, happening to may derive some benefit equivalent to the monopoly culiarly subject to the rule. He thought it better be taken sick in some other port where there was granted. Twenty persons now monopolise half the that action should be had on the matter at the no balance on hand should be deprived of the bene- lands of the Province, and pay us \$7,000 per an- commencement of the session. fit of his own fund, therefore the amendments pro- num. While there is a difference in freight in Hon. Mr. BorsFORD was willing to suspend the posed do not apply with justice to all. The for- favor of the St. Croix, in the North the lumber is rule in this case because such would only be an act mula through which all claims for dues from the much more abundant, and the expenses of getting of justice in view of the constant practise of the funds are drawn are such as that it is very difficult it to mill are much less, and the advantages of the House heretofore. If after the bill comes up for to detraud in the matter. former have been much overrated. In the lumber discussion it is shown that sufficient publicity had Eon. Capt. ROBINSON did not like to hear the business, as in other branches, we must have expe- not been given then we could throw it out. term pauper applied to sick and disabled seamen, rience, and as our experience increases so we learn Hon. Mr. HAZEN: The 34th rule of the House is who had paid their contributions out of their wages that there are better systems to be pursued in man- simple and easily understood, and the only reason to the fund for their own relief. I am inclined to agement of such business. I should be sorry to it is not complied with is a paltry parsimonious dethink the hon. mover of the amendment is right; treat with any disrespect the claims of the poor, sire to avoid the expense of publishing the bill. certainly the system he proposes is one pursued in but I do contend that it is not doing the farmers The object of the rule is to give publicity to the England. I cannot understand this reference to and poor men of the Province justice, in offering particular measure, and surely we should not lightly rural seamen, who go to sea and then settle again them facilities and inducing them to engage in this legislate on matters conflicting with private and inin rural employment, drawing from the fund, acuncertain pursuit. On the St. John River I find dividual interests, without it is shown that the rule cording to this doctrine, we would have no claimparties are scrambling and anxious to obtain chan- of the House has been complied with. The rule is ants upon the poor funds but women and children. just and has operated beneficially. This constant ignoring of our own rules very properly lays us Hon. Mr. MITCHELL joined issue with the state-Hon. Mr. WARK moved to report progress. open to opprobrious appellations, and we should ments of Hon. Mr. Botsford, that the port of St. Hon. Mr. RICE seconded the motion. John included ports in Westmorland; Richibucto Hon. Mr. MITCHELL protested against referring either repeal the rule or enforce it. was just as much a port of St. John, except for this bill again. Hon. Mr. Borsford was glad to hear his hon. certain purposes, as the port of Moncton. The sevfriend express a determination to stand by the rules The motion was withdrawn. eral ports have distinct bounds. Hon. Mr. CHANDLER repeated the views expressed of the House, and had no doubt he would be amply Hon. Mr. SEELEY : It appears to me quite clear

had on the Surveyor General by some influential

Hop. Mr. EARLE thought that the present system had tended to drive the small operator out of the have not taken any part in the discussion on this market entirely, and place the whole business in bill previously, nor shall I occupy much time now, the hands of the monied man. Referring to the as my views upon the subject have on former occa- small number of persons who competed at timber willing to try the operations of this bill and hope

Hon. Mr. MITCHELL contended that the case was perfectly clear that the system at present worked to favor the rich and maintain monopoly, while the opposite would result from the operations of the bill parative character of the St. Croix and northern now introduced. He considered it an utter imposlands, as several gentlemen were to-day present who sibility that favoritism or fraud could be practised under this bill.

> Hon.Mr. HAMILTON was disposed to favor as far as possible the poor man, but determined from his own experience, and from the concurrent testimony to men for whose especial benefit this bill was introduced-that the measure would not promote the

On motion to postpone three months-Contents : Messrs. President, Chandler, Hazen, Davidson,

Steeves, Todd, Perley, Botsford, Odell, Wark,

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when her sister ran over to Mrs. Jones' on some er- and get hitched, pocket her two thousand and leave rand, she said to her father.

me to tell you that you have made me unhappy.-You have driven from my presence the one I love. You have kept a vigilant watch on my every movement, for some time, and have allowed me no privi- get them. leges such as belong to a girl of my age.

made you unhappy, it is because I cannot bear to see you the wile of a villian.'

' Father, I will not listen if you speak thus?' she interrupted, her dark eyes flashing with anger.

know Effie White-that silly, romantic girl, that and was pressed to his bosom. spends the most of her time in reading novels .---Well, this Nero Hopkins has been in the habit of visiting her, ever since he came to the village, and to-day I learned from her brother, that they are to be married to morrow night.

'I don't believe a word of it,' Julia said pettishly. 'I could swear that he never spoke of love to her; yes, and to more-if we are parted here-I know that he will remain true to me while I live.' · Poor. misguided girl! I hope soon to show you differently.

He said no more, but taking his hat left the house, for the while, leaving Julia to her own reflections. And as she sat there gazing into the sparkling fire, her thoughts wandered back to the time, when-a little blithesome child, she wanderand hunting for flowers. She had seen him, year been deceived. 'You are not Nero! Who are sailors, who may have themselves contributed largeafter year, nearing manhood; and, with a feeling you? of girlish pride, had watched his manly form, disappearing among the trees in front of her father's house, and on the day when she had promised to be his wife, when another summer's sun threw sunturned her head, with his silly compliments. Julia was very romantic, and had Fayette Lawson writ- Morton, and the sheriff. Mr. Grew, came hurriedly ten her love verses, and paid her compliments, as Nero Hopkins did her heart would never have wandered from him. But he was a quiet, matter-offact man, but little given to gossiping, and though he loved Julia with his whole heart, he never in words expressed his great admiration of her; but any one who looked into the depths of his clear, blue eves could have read there the deep love he bore here. The reason that Julia was so gloomy was this: She was contemplating the taking of a wrong step. Her mind was wavering between right and wrong. Heart was the monitor on one side duty on the other and she knew not which to obey. That day Nero Hopkins had hid a letter in the hollow oak by the spring-the lovers' trysting placein which he had proposed an elopement on the following night. The note was full of silly absurd compliments, and had Julia not thought she loved

on the midnight train. Poor Julia will wait in 'You asked why I am so gloomy. Do you wish vain, but it can't be helped, so here it goes. And snatching a pen, he dashed off a few lines that were not destined to reach Julia for her father consigned them to the flames ere she had time to

That night after darkness had cast her mantle on Julia,' he said, seriously, ' If I have as you say the earth, Julia robed herself becomingly, went seamen's fund. quietly from the house, and soon was at the place appointed .-- she had not long to wait, for soon a tall form issued from among the trees and approached her. A large cap partly concealed his features ; 'Julia, you shall hear me though,' he said with but could she mistake that form-that glossy beard? shall be kept by the Treasurer, in the same manseverity. 'I say what I know to be true. You O, no, and with a cry of joy she sprang forward ner, with the respective ports, as are the accounts

with me,' he whispered.

diately, for father may miss me at any moment.

ie is in readiness.

Julia clung tightly to his arm and in a few moments they were at the door of the Squire's house. came here from the Government, but this comes as The curtain at one of the windows was up, and Ju- a local measure ; agreeing with the remarks of the ha glanced in to see who was within, and saw a hon. gentleman, I should prefer that the Governlady and gentleman standing before the Squire who ment had brought in this bill-particularly the were repeating the marriage ceremony.

'Wby, there's Effie White,' she said, 'and a gentlemen, who looks so much like you, that were change contemplated, that monies shall be expenyou not here, I should swear it was you. No won- ded in ports where the dues are collected; in some der father was mistaken. Who is he? Stand ports there would be a large surplus, while in ed with Fayette Lawson-the smartest lad in the where the light may fall on you, Nero,' she cried, others, where there might be much sickness, there village-through the meadows, chasing butterflies, the thought darting across, her mind, that she had would not be sufficient to meet the wants of sick

> Very quickly came off the slouch cap, the cloak and the black whiskers and not Nero stood before the world, and should be a general fund for expenher, but her father.

. Father, father, what does this mean she cried, beams in at her window. Yes, and she had loved the color fading from her face, leaving her cold and amending bills, imposing or regulating taxes of a white as marble.

> up to where they were standing, and glanced in at would be injudicious to attempt to amend this bill, the window.

but we are too late. They are married.'

do our duty. They were about to enter, when Julia caught bill. Although the tax is directly upon the ton-Mr. Grew by the sleeve, and asked hoarsely, ' For nage of the ship, still it affects the wages. Sailors what do you arrest him.

the clothes he has on, he replied, and pushing rude- employment, and becoming disabled, on retiring to iy past her, he entered the house A few moments their homes, would be entirely excluded from assislater there was a loud scream and a fall and Julia tance from this fund, to which they had, during glided into the house, and raising poor Effie Hop- many years been contributing, as a general hospikins-the felon's wife-from the floor helped to tal fund for their relief, and will be forced to bebear her from the room, while they dragged away come a charge upon the parish or his friends, unless her husband.

the writer, she would have cast it from her in disfather's neck, that night, and tears of joy rained Some hon. gentlemen here explained that in orin the ports of Westmoreland. It seemed strange ged that we should be influenced by that public Hon, Mr. MITCHELL gave notice of motion for gust. She sat for some time thinking matters over from her beautiful eyes, as she thanked him for der to have a claim upon this fund, the parties then hastily tracing a few lines on some paper, she to him that it should be sought to increase the dues opinion which had caused the bill to pass the Low-in one port, while there was a balance of \$14 60 er House for two or three times, if so we should be *Resolved*, as the opinion of this committee, That having saved her from being a felon's wife. And must have contributed directly or indirectly. Coassped quickly to the trysting place and hid it in the when the summer came and robed in satin, and ters are not included in its provisions. orange flowers she stood beside Fayette Lawson, at Hon. Mr. STEEVES: The contributions by which influenced, surely. much more so, should the Gov- the Legislative Council should consent to the produe the general fund. Hon. Mr. RICE : The bill is local ; how came it Her father, who was a good-natured old gentleernment, which is responsible to the people, follow position-That its President should be clected by the altar there was but one there beside herself, this fund is created, are general, without referman, and loved his child with a love that amounted to be committed without compliance with the rule. out the well understood wishes of the people, and its members, and that he should hold office for five who knew of her foolish infatuation and her elope- ence to the ports, and are for the purpose of assist-On the question on the amendment there being a be influenced by it. If the Government is not to years, and from the expiration of that period (if almost to idolatry, had expected something like ment with her father. ing sick and disabled seamen, in any port in which this, and had watched and followed her to the tie vote, it was lost, and thereupon it was moved be influenced in such matters there will be no go- the Legislature are not then in session) to the end they may chance to be. By this law, if an accispring. When she was gone he went up to the and carried, the postponement of the further coning out or coming in on measures. of the ensuing session. dent happens to a seaman in the port of St. Andrews and there is no money on hand there, although sideration of the bill for three months. tree, drew the letter from its hiding place and then 'Thank God, madam I have contracted no bad Hon. Mr. WARK thought if some of the younger Hon. Mr. ODELL : Does the hon. gentleman inreturned quickly home, where he found Julia sit- habits.' . No, sir, you have expanded them.' ALMS HOUSE,-WOODSTOCK. members of the Legislature would study more care- troduce this as a member of Government? he has for ten trips been paying in at the port of ting in exactly the same place where he had left A bill relating to the Commissioners of Alms fully the past acts of that body it would be for there I Hon. Mr. MITCHELL said he did. St. John, he is precluded from enjoying the bene-Never waste anything-not even advice. her.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL. Fredericton, March 25. SICK AND DISABLED SEAMEN.

A bill, raising the price of dues from 1d. to 3 ets per ton, in port of Miramichi, for sick and disabled

Hon. Mr. MITCHELL proposes amendments which owned in Westmorland are entered in St. John. would have the effect, he said, of so altering the Hon. Mr. Botsford: The ports of St. John inprovisions of the present law, as to provide that the in St. John. The hon. gentleman (Mr. Mitchell,) of the buoys and beacons fund; also that the Julia, dear Julia, you have consented to go monies paid in the several ports shall be only expended in the ports where raised, these, in addition 'Yes, love. But come let us be married imme- to the provisions of the bill before the house. These amendments, Mr. Mitchell argued, were such as ' It is but a step to the squire's he replied, ' and | were demanded by the circumstances of the fund in | once a year have privileges of the same. question.

Hon. Mr. HAMILTON : The buoy and beacon fund amendments which changes the general law. Hon. Mr. CHANDLER: This is an important

ly in other ports. These dues are paid in the respective ports by ships and sailors belonging all over diture wherever required. I doubt the propriety

local character, so as to change the general law. I think the privilege very questionable. Hon. Mr. Botsford : I am of the opinion that it

in the way proposed; it would be going further in 'Yes, Nero Hopkins is here,' Mr. Morton said, the way of infringing on the privileges of the other house, than I have ever known this house to go. ' It can't be helped, was the reply and we will This bill is directly for the purpose of imposing a tax. I don't, either, agree with the principle of the

are to a large extent taken from the rural districts, . For passing counterfeit money, in payment for and by this bill, after spending many years in their

surprise at the small return of dues paid by vessels 3 months. The hon. gentleman (Mr. Mitchell) ur- contents 5; non-contents 10.

by him before, that this was a matter which should sustained. that this fund should be a general fund, and if the be regarded as the peculiar care of the Govern- Hon, Mr. STEEVES thought every suspension should fund is not now sufficient, and an increase in the ment. He expressed surprise that while the hon. depend upon its own merits. The claims of one same is needed, it should be a general increase gentleman (Mr. Mitchell) entertained such strong bill for suspension might be much stronger than alike in every port; and I cannot see why the inviews on this subject, in opposition to the views of those of another. troducer of this bill provided for a special in-

the Government, that hon. gentleman did not take Hon. Mr. SEELEY was of the same opinion he had crease in the port of Miramichi, unless as stated, stronger grounds in the Government, and follow always expressed. The rule should be respected; that it was for the purpose of paying its deficien- out the constitutional course when such differences the disregard paid by the House to its violation had

 $\begin{bmatrix} come a charge upon the parish or his friends, unless cy-in this case the money should be raised from the views he entertained induced its violation by the people. \\ cy-in this case the money should be raised from exist of resigning. From the views he entertained induced its violation by the people. \\ cy-in this case the money should be raised from exist of resigning. From the views he entertained induced its violation by the people. \\ cy-in this case the money should be raised from exist of resigning. From the views he entertained induced its violation by the people. \\ cy-in this case the money should be raised from exist of resigning. From the views he entertained induced its violation by the people. \\ cy-in this case the money should be raised from exist of resigning. From the views he entertained induced its violation by the people. \\ cy-in this case the money should be raised from exist of resigning. From the views he entertained induced its violation by the people. \\ cy-in this case the money should be raised from exist of resigning. From the views he entertained induced its violation by the people. \\ cy-in this case the money should be raised from exist of resigning. From the views he entertained induced its violation by the people. \\ cy-in this case the money should be raised from exist of resigning. From the views he entertained induced its violation by the people. \\ cy-in this case the money should be raised from exist of resigning. From the views he entertained induced its violation by the people. \\ cy-in this case the money should be raised from exist of resigning. From the views he entertained induced its violation by the people. \\ cy-in this case the money should be raised from the views he entertained induced its violation by the people. \\ cy-in this case the money should be raised from the views he entertained induced its violation by the people. \\ cy-in the views he entertained induced its violation by the people. \\ cy-in the views he entertained its violation by the people. \\ cy-in the view$ Very softly did Julia wind her arms around her taken sick.