

Parliament.

The Parliament of Canada was opened on Thursday. There was the usual display. The Governor General's speech was as follows:

Hon. Gentlemen of the Senate:—Gentlemen of the House of Commons:—

It affords me much gratification to meet you once more at the commencement of the parliamentary session, and to congratulate you upon the general prosperity of the country.

Although the labors of the husbandmen have not been rewarded in some portions of the dominion by an adequate return, the harvest of last year has on the whole been plentiful, while in Manitoba and the Northwest territories it was one of remarkable abundance.

The negotiations between her majesty's government and that of the United States for the adjustment of what is known as the Fishery Question, have, I am pleased to inform you, resulted in a treaty, which will, I venture to hope, be considered by you as honorable and satisfactory to both nations. The treaty, with the papers and correspondence relating thereto, will be laid before you and you will be invited to adopt a measure to give effect to its provisions.

The extension and development of our system of railways have not only rendered necessary additional safeguards for life and property, but have given greater frequency to questions in which the interests of rival companies were found to be in conflict as to require authoritative adjustment. As further legislation appears to be needed for these purposes, a measure will be submitted to you for the consolidation and improvement of the railway act.

Experience having shown that amendments are required to make the provisions of the act respecting the election of members to the house of commons more effective and more convenient in their operation, you will be asked to consider a measure for the amendment of that statute.

The act respecting controverted elections may likewise require attention.

With a view to the removal of certain questions of interpretation which have arisen and which should be set at rest, my government has availed itself of the opportunity afforded by the recess to consider the numerous suggestions which have been made for improving the details of the act respecting the electoral franchise and a measure will be submitted to you for the purpose of simplifying the law and greatly lessening the cost of its operation.

The growth of the Northwest Territories renders expedient an improvement in the system of government and legislation affecting those portions of the dominion, and a bill for that purpose will be laid before you.

A bill will be submitted to you to make a larger portion of the modern laws of England applicable to the province of Manitoba and to the Northwest Territories in regard to matters which are within the control of the parliament of Canada, but which have not yet been made the subject of Canadian legislation.

Among other measures, bills will be presented to you relating to the judiciary, to the civil service act and to the audit of the public accounts.

The accounts for the past year will be laid before you, as well as the estimates for the ensuing year. They have been prepared with a due regard to economy and the requirements of the public service.

I commend these important subjects and all matters affecting the public interests which may be brought before you to your best consideration, and I feel assured that you will address yourselves to them with earnestness and assiduity.

It is understood that the promised consolidation of the railway act is on the recommendation of the royal commission on railways, who, it is understood, advise the incorporation into the dominion statutes of several of the provisions of the interstate commerce bill of the United States.

The address in reply to the speech was moved by Dr. Montague and seconded by Mr. Jousas. After a few moderate speeches it was passed without diversion.

Guillet, M. P., has given notice that he will call the attention of the house to J. V. Ellis's recent annexationist statements and will ask how far this declaration was consistent with the oath of allegiance which Mr. Ellis took last year.

—Mrs. Hall, the wife of Prof. Asaph Hall of Naval Observatory at Washington, teaches her boys Greek and Latin, keeps pace with her husband's wanderings among the stars, is an expert housekeeper, a fine historical scholar, and is said to write delightful poetry.

News of the Week.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

Wednesday afternoon Dr. Twitchell, of the Maine Farmer, delivered an interesting and instructive address on poultry-raising in the city hall, under the auspices of the Prov. Board of Agriculture.

A letter to the Telegraph from Campobello, says: The men at the pool are coming and going, reporting fish caught and to be caught. The Messrs. Batson are making things lively here, having despatched for Boston 13,000 boxes of smoked herring, with 200 quintals of dried fish per schooner Etta E. Tanner, an Eastport schooner; and this week the Lookout has taken to Boston 250,000 frozen herring and 1,500 boxes of smoked herring.

The *Sentinel* has been interviewing Mr. L. G. Slipp of Lower Woodstock, and gathered from him the result of his last season's farming operations.

Acres tilled, 42; raised 900 bus. oats; 500 bus. buckwheat; 200 bus. corn and wheat; 600 bus. potatoes; 2,000 bus. turnips; a total of grain and roots of 4,200 bushels. He made 4,000 lbs. pork; 2,100 lbs. cheese; 1,000 lbs. butter; fatted and killed 10,200 lbs. beef. Hay cut, 130 tons. Up till harvesting, with the exception of eight days work, Mr. Slipp (67 years of age), and his two boys were all the labor employed; during three months of harvesting one man extra was engaged.

With the change in the New Brunswick railway time table April 2, the morning train from Fredericton will arrive here at 9 o'clock, and the evening train for the capital will depart at 4.45. There will be a late afternoon train from Fredericton, leaving there at 4 o'clock.

The Marine Department has notified Mr. Lovitt, owner of the ship "Vancouver," that an investigation into the "Vancouver" brutalities will be begun before Capt. Scott in St. John on Tuesday next, with a view to ascertaining the culpability of Capt. Porter and first mate Goudey.

Last week a provisional contract was entered into between some American gentlemen and Mr. J. C. Andrews, Esq., owner of Minister's Island at St. Andrews, for the purchase of said property. Fifteen thousand dollars was the sum agreed on, Andrews to retain the right of homestead for 21 years. The Tupper farm so called, which contains commanding and eligible sites for summer cottages, is also sold provisionally.

Richard Gough, baker at the Dorchester penitentiary, was seized with an apoplectic stroke Tuesday morning and never rallied. He was a Nova Scotian, a bachelor about 50 years of age.

From the *Globe's* full list of the registered tonnage owned in New Brunswick, it appears that there are in all 1028 vessels of 255,021 tons, or 12 vessels and 13,653 tons less than last year. The number of vessels and their tonnage by ports, is as follows:—

	No. Vessels	Tonnage.
St. John,	616	204,256
Chatham,	174	14,702
St. Andrews	172	7,769
Dorchester,	27	18,754
Richibucto,	15	4,180
Sackville,	13	2,892
Moncton,	11	2,537

A girl, 13 years old, named Thompson, fell into a well on the 21st, at Beaver Harbor, and was drowned.

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NOVA SCOTIA.

The mayor of Halifax will not permit the St. Patrick's eve procession to take place.

D. C. Fraser, barrister, of New Glasgow, was sworn in as a member of the Nova Scotia government, Thursday. He will be the government leader in the council chamber.

The Gazette contains the application of the Yarmouth S. S. Co. for incorporation with a capital of \$30,000.

During the past year, 13,500 passengers from Europe landed at Halifax, an increase of 5,000 over 1886. The increase was nearly all immigrants.

Several Halifax hardware merchants have made quite a lot of money this winter, on account of the corner in tin and consequent rise in price.

The steamer *Azorian* cleared from Annapolis on Monday for London. Her cargo consisted of 7,200 barrels of apples and 50,000 feet of deals, valued at \$29,000.

An Amherst firm is making a lot of cherry and ash doors for a Newfoundland order, and a lot of mahogany doors for London.

James McGuire, of Whiteburn, brought to Annapolis on Tuesday last, 139 ounces of gold, which was forwarded to New York by the Annapolis agency of the Union Bank of Halifax. About 100 ounces were also brought in last week from the Hall-Owen mine, by Mr. Hopkins.—[Spectator.

Nova Scotia fruit growers have been discussing the English sparrow, which has become so numerous in the provinces since its introduction a few years ago. They were unable, however, to decide whether it was their enemy or friend, no one present being prepared to say that he had suffered any injury by reason of it.

Last year's crop of apples was a small one, being but about one-third of that of 1886. The whole export to Britain will not probably exceed 50,000 barrels. In 1886 the shipments aggregated 121,541 barrels. The prices realized this season were in the vicinity of \$5 per barrel for best and \$4 for good, and the large returns will in a great measure make up for the short crop.

The Yarmouth S. S. Co.'s annual statement shows the gross receipts for the past year, \$137,794.11. A dividend of 10 p. c. was payable 23rd Feb'y. The capital is \$190,000. There are 72 shareholders. The Yarmouth made during the season 57 round trips, carrying 10,186 passengers; City of St. John 37 round trips, carrying 3,869; Dominion 16 round trips, carrying 2,107; Alpha 51 round trips, carrying 1,503 passengers. The alterations in the Yarmouth will give 130 more berths for passengers, and it is expected they will all be required next season. 50,000 letters were carried from Yarmouth to Boston during the summer of 1887.

ALLEN'S LUNG BALSAM is the standard cure for Coughs and Colds in the States and Canada.

UNITED STATES.

The list of killed, fatally injured and seriously hurt by the cyclone at Mount Vernon, Ill., is officially reported as follows:—

Killed 37;
Fatally injured and dying, 8;
Seriously injured, but may recover, 46;

Wounded, but not in danger, 67;
About 360 houses were destroyed. Fully 2,000 people are homeless. The property loss is \$1,000,000.

A fire in Buffalo Sunday morning burned five big blocks; loss \$370,000.

PERFECTION AT LAST is found in that exquisite Perfume, "Lotus of the Nile."

BRITISH AND FOREIGN.

Heavy snow storms continue throughout Europe, causing a general stoppage of traffic. In many places the drifts are several feet high. Fears are entertained of a sudden thaw which may cause disastrous floods.

A despatch from Warsaw says a panic was caused in the Jewish synagogue yesterday by a false alarm of fire. In the struggle to escape four women were killed and sixteen others seriously injured.

Steamer San Pablo arrived from Hong Kong and Yokohama, on Saturday, bringing additional details of the second disaster on Yellow river, December 4, which resulted in the drowning of three mandarins and 4,000 Chinese laborers. The men were at work repairing damage caused by previous floods. About 2,000 bamboo rafts had been laden with stones to form a break water, but the rafts with all the people on them engulfed as soon as they reached the river. Great suffering is reported from the flooded districts.

A despatch from San Remo says the German physicians have discovered cancerous matter in the phlegm coughed up by the Crown Prince.

An official bulletin from San Remo today says the Crown Prince slept well. His cough and expectoration are less. Examination of his chest disclosed no traces of affection of the lungs. Other telegrams say Dr. Kossman considers the patient's condition critical, and that all German doctors believe the prince has cancer of the throat.

INCREASE OF LUNACY.—There has, it appears, been an alarming increase of insanity in France within the last half century. From one account it is learned that in fifty years the rate has gone up from 3.4 to 12.65 for every 10,000 of the population. The suicidal mania is also widening its area and multiplying its victims.

In the years from 1826 to 1830 the number was only 1,739, but it has risen now to 6,259 for a corresponding period. A writer in the *Paris Figaro* calls attention to these figures and attributes the cause in both cases to the increased consumption of intoxicants. He advocates an immediate reduction in

the number of taverns, and warns his readers that "If this evil continues to grow, it will be vain to multiply hospitals, friendly societies, savings banks, or other beneficent institutions, for all the efforts of public and all the miracles of private charity, the wisest forethought of economists and statesmen, all will inevitably succumb before this fatal scourge of alcohol."

Discontinued.

After you get angry and stop your paper just poke your finger in water, pull it out and look for the hole. Then you will know how much you are missed. A man who thinks a paper cannot survive without his support ought to go off and stay awhile. When he comes back half his friends will not know that he was gone, and the other half will not care a cent, while the world at large kept no account of his movement. You will find things you cannot endorse in every paper. Even the Bible is rather plain and hits some hard licks. If you were to get mad and burn your Bible the hundreds of presses would still go on printing it; and when you stop your paper and call the editor names, the paper will still be published, and what is more—you'll read it on the sly.—*Exchange.*

MEN ARE BIGGER.—I have measured a great many Roman coffins, and my average shows that the Roman could not have greatly exceeded 5 feet 5 inches. In taking measurement of ancient armor, I find that the English aristocracy have decidedly increased in average height within 500 years.

I measured twenty-five mummies in the British Museum as nearly as I could through the cases, making estimate for wrapping, and I found the average height of males 61 inches; females, 55 inches.

The mummy of the celebrated Cleopatra measures about 54 inches, about the height of the present European girl of 13. The most ancient mummy of an Egyptian king yet discovered measured 52 inches.—*Nature.*

THE DIFFICULTY EXPERIENCED in taking Cod Liver Oil is entirely overcome in Scott's Emulsion of Cod Liver Oil and Hypophosphites. It is as palatable as Milk, and the most valuable remedy that has ever been produced for the cure of Consumption, Scrophula and Wasting Diseases. Do not fail to try it. Put up in 50c. and \$1 size.

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WEARY WASHERWOMEN have been made glad by the introduction of James Pyle's Pearline a peerless compound for the laundry. It cleanses the most delicate fabrics without injury. Sold by grocers.

The Best Pills.—Mr. Wm. Vandervoort, Sydney Crossing, Ont., writes: "We have been using Parmelee's Pills, and find them by far the best Pills we ever used." For Delicate and Debilitated Constitutions these Pills act like a charm. Taken in small doses, the effect is both a tonic and a stimulant, mildly exciting the secretions of the body, giving tone and vigor.

Mr. Thos. Bell, of Messrs. Scott, Bell & Co., proprietors of the Wingham Furniture Factory, writes: "For over one year I was not free one day from headache. I tried every medicine I thought would give me relief, but did not derive any benefit. I then procured a bottle of Northrop & Lyman's Vegetable Discovery, and began taking it according to directions, when I soon found the headache leaving me, and I am now completely cured."

Orin Catlin, 49 Pearl Street Buffalo, N. Y., says: I tried various remedies for the piles but found no relief until I used Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil, which entirely cured me after a few applications.

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MARKET REPORTS.

ST. JOHN.	
Deputy Clerk.	
Beef, country, per lb.	\$0.04 to \$0.06
" butchers, "	" 04 " 07
Lamb, "	" 06 " 07
Mutton, per lb.	" 05 " 06
Pork, "	" 07 " 08
Butter, "	" 18 " 20
" Roll, "	" 22 " 00
Lard, "	" 00 " 13
Turkeys, "	" 15 " 16
Chickens, per pair,	" 50 " 60
Geese, each,	" 80 " 100
Potatoes, early rose, per bbl.	1 50 " 00
" Kidneys, "	2 25 " 50
Carrots, p.	" 90 " 100
Beets, "	" 90 " 100
Turnips, "	" 70 " 80
Parsnips, "	1 00 " 00
Cabbages, per dozen,	" 60 " 00
" red, per dozen,	" 00 " 120
Celery,	" 00 " 05

MARCH 1ST.

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GREY SHEETINGS, FEATHER TICKINGS.

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IT is hardened to such a degree that a file will not make any impression on it, and permitting a sleigh shod with this shoe to run on bear ground, over stones or rail road tracks, with slight adherence or resistance, and will outlast several sets of ordinary shoes. It is hardened sufficiently to cut glass, but will not break.
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