

News Summary.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

Fredericton, April 7.—On motion of Mr. Morton, the House went into Committee of the Whole on a bill to amend the school law, Dr. Vail in the chair. Mr. Morton explained the provisions of the bill. He had consulted the Attorney General, who agreed that amendment was necessary. The amendment would give the Secretary five per cent, on all payments within ten days after notice is given.

The bill was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Turner the House went into Committee of the Whole on a bill to incorporate the Harvey Bay View Cemetery Co.; Mr. Cottrell in the chair. Mr. Turner explained the object of the bill, and it was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Butler the House went into Committee of the Whole on a bill relating to justices' civil courts; Mr. Woods in the chair. Mr. Butler said some difficulty had arisen by the failure of jurymen to attend, and he had had the bill drawn up to meet the difficulty. The Committee on Law Procedure had reported against it, but he thought an amendment of this kind necessary.

Hon. Mr. Crawford said the law provided for such emergencies, and the bill was not necessary. It was a difficulty that would not arise often. The justices were not lawyers, and it was best not to complicate the Act.

Mr. Butler said the difficulty the bill was intended to remedy was this, a jurymen might, during the progress of a trial, become disqualified, or absent himself.

Mr. Ritchie said the committee had considered this, but thought no change in the law necessary, unless it were a change in the whole jury law. If such a change were to be made we should not begin at justices' courts. The bill might open the door to greater grievances than the one it was intended to remedy.

Mr. Butler proposed to meet an objection by striking out the words "absent himself."

Hon. Mr. Crawford explained the law, showing that it provides for all the difficulties likely to arise. The bill was unnecessary.

Hon. Mr. Hanington said the bill provided a remedy for a case of injustice which had frequently arisen in his experience. A new jury could not be obtained now without the consent of both parties. This would empower the justice to call in a new jury and begin the case de novo.

April 9.—On motion of Dr. Lewis the House went into committee of the whole on a bill to incorporate the Albert Milling and manufacturing Company.

Hon. Mr. Hanington asked that the bill be passed no further than the 9th section, as he had a committee to attend and wished to be present when the 9th section was discussed.

Mr. Willis said the 9th section was for the exemption of the owners from taxation. He was opposed to any exemption. Everybody should pay his share of taxes.

Dr. Lewis said the bill was simply an act of incorporation, and there could be no opposition to it except on the 9th section.

Mr. Turner moved to strike out the 9th section.

Hon. Mr. Hanington moved to amend it so that the Municipal Council might exempt the Company from taxation. He had letters from the promoters of the bill to the effect that they wished the section to stand with the amendment he proposed. He asked the members of the county to accept this amendment. It was very difficult to get people to put capital into manufacturing enterprises, and they should be encouraged. The gentlemen who asked for the bill had invested considerable money in the county and now they proposed to invest more in this establishment. He only asked that the Municipal Council should have power to exempt the property of the company from taxation for what period they pleased. He entirely dissented from the opinion expressed by his honorable and learned friend from St. John (Mr. Willis). It would be a good thing for St. John if it had more factories, though they were exempted from taxation. Moncton had pursued that policy and now two enormous factories were building there.

Dr. Lewis said the bill had been introduced early in the session. A large and influential petition had been presented against the 9th section. Even Mr. Tompkins, one of the principal promoters of the bill, has written him that he cared little about the exemption from taxation. He would not accept this amendment, but proposed that the bill go through.

Mr. Morton thought, when the hon. gentleman from Westmoreland advocated the bill so earnestly, there must be something at the bottom of it and the 9th section should be explained. It was an imposition on the people of Albert.

Mr. Willis said both members of the county were opposed to this section. They understood the wishes and wants of their constituents, and he was in favor of allowing them to manage their own affairs. The principle of bonuses was falling into disfavor, in Ontario, where it had been tried.

Hon. Mr. Crawford said Mr. Hanington's amendment was not in order. He had always supported the principle involved in the bill, but would not feel disposed to interfere with a purely local bill. He would support the members for Albert in reference to the bill.

Hon. Mr. Hanington read a letter from Mr. Tompkins, suggesting the amendment which he had proposed.

Mr. Killam quite agreed with the hon. member for Kings that local matters should be left to the local members so far as possible. He had heard a good deal from the people interested, and fully appreciated the position of the local members. He could not see how they could help taking the course they had. But the House should consider the benefit which a factory of this kind would be. It would be a safe mode to leave the matter with the municipal Council, but he did not want to press his views.

Hon. Mr. Wedderburn said it was quite in order, when local bills contained general principles, for members to discuss them. He was quite in accord with the views of the members for Albert, who must be supposed to know what was required by their constituents. They should be allowed to withdraw the section if they wished to do so.

Mr. Killam said the Act which exempted factories in Moncton for ten years had worked well.

Mr. Elder could not agree with the doctrine that because such a bill had worked so well in Moncton it should be forced on Albert. He was surprised and alarmed at such a doctrine.

Dr. Lewis said his letter from Mr. Tompkins was later than Mr. Hanington's. The people thought there should be no exemptions.

Mr. Barberie said if the bill suited the people of Albert he did not see why the members for Westmoreland should interfere.

Mr. Turner said there was only one company in Albert that was exempt from taxation, and it was composed of the same people who asked for this exemption. He thought himself and his colleague quite able to do the business of their county without the aid of the member for Westmoreland. They did not occupy the time of the House in spinning long yarns for newspaper reporters to take down, but attended to the business of their county.

Hon. Mr. Hanington said this sickly and miserable by-play was contemptible. He did not allude to the hon. members for Albert, but to those who had taken advantage of the occasion to find fault with him, because everybody would laugh. What did the hon. member for Kings mean by saying there was shiners at the bottom of his advocacy of the bill? He had never accepted a retainer for the promotion of a bill in the Legislature. The bill was before the House. He was content with the bill, as the members for Albert wanted it, if the House was content. He would allow any municipality to exempt manufactures from taxation.

Dr. Lewis said so far as he was personally concerned he would leave this matter to the municipality, but the feelings of his constituents were so strong on this point that he must advocate the striking out of the exemption clause and refuse to accept the amendment proposed by Mr. Hanington.

Mr. Ritchie said the Legislature should determine whether there was to be an exemption or not, and not leave it to the municipality.

Hon. Mr. Fraser said he was in favor of the principle of allowing municipalities to determine whether manufactures should be exempted or not, but he would allow the members for Albert to say what they wanted. He was not in favor of exemption on principle, but believed in bonuses.

Mr. Hutchison said the power to exempt should not be given to municipalities, as large corporations might exert a preponderating influence over them. The company asking for this exemption was composed of the people who formed a company that has been already exempted from taxation for ten years.

The section was struck out, and the bill agreed to.

A sewing machine repairer created a sensation about Shediac last week. He is alleged to have declared himself the missing link in the McCarthy-Osborne case, the "midnight visitor." He says that McCarthy was killed near the pump in the Waverley House yard, by a blow over the eye from a deal end. He does not say who struck the blow, but intimates that Annie Parker was present. In personal appearance the man is said to somewhat resemble the description given by Parker of the midnight visitor, but of course all the probabilities are against the man's claims.

A Richibucto despatch of the 7th to the *Globe* says: "Sheriff Girouard arrested a man here last night supposed to be Henry J. Gunn, who murdered his father at Bridgeport, Mass., in September, 1879. The man arrested gave his name as Wilson and claims to belong near Houlton, Me. He is now in jail."

The goods stolen from the store of C. F. Clinch & Sons, at Musquash, last month, were on the 6th inst., found in the possession of Eliza Ward and her daughter Annie, at the dwelling of W. Wright, Lepreau. Wm. Brown was arrested for the burglary and committed for trial before the Circuit Court.

A man named Guitier, living near Belledune, met with a singular accident while walking in the woods on the last day of March. He jumped off his sled, intending to tramp a passing place for his horse, when he came in contact with a sharp "stub," which entered his abdomen low down and passing up came out under one of his arms. He was living on the 4th inst., but it was feared he would not survive, as inflammation had set in.

A company is being formed to commence the manufacture of starch at Stanley, York County.

Mr. Zebulon Gaunce, of Carletonville, Kings Co., sends a contradiction of the statement made by two Carletonville correspondents of the *Telegraph* that he abused his boy in a shocking manner a short time ago.

The express train going south on the N. B. Railway, on Saturday—consisting of passenger and smoking cars—left the track about six miles below Hartland, the engine only escaping. Both cars capsized and were dragged along on their sides, for a few yards. The passenger car is nearly destroyed, the side on which it fell being entirely torn away. The smoking car is in a condition not much better. W. B. Mills is severely injured. He is here at Riverside Hotel, with Dr. Myers in attendance, who has hopes of his recovery. A. R. Hallett, of Grand Falls, and John A. Miller, of Carleton, Me., are slightly bruised. There were a number of other passengers on the train including several ladies, all of whom escaped uninjured. The cause of the train leaving the track is not certainly known. —Hartland despatch to the Sun.

The Legislative Council have thrown out the bill to extend the time for completing the

Grand Southern Railroad by a vote of eleven to five. The Council has been wrestling with this matter for several days, not always in the most dignified or judicious way. The discussion took a wide range, and was conducted in a style fitted more to amuse than instruct the listeners.

Ship *Shannon*, Goffe master, which arrived at Queenstown on the 6th inst., landed ten of the crew of the barque *Queen of Hearts*. Capt. Matier, from Mobile, February 29th for Belfast, which was abandoned waterlogged. She lost her fore and mainmast and two of her crew were lost overboard. The *Queen of Hearts* was built at Miramichi in 1868, was 857 tons register, and was owned by H. A. Muirhead, of Chatham.

The Gibson Leather Company have more orders on hand than they can execute, and although running with a full complement of hands, propose increasing their number at an early date. One of the most successful branches of their business is tanning large hides for carriage tops, etc., to the order of dealers in Montreal, Toronto, etc. For this use the company imports hides from Chicago and the West, the native hide not being large enough.

Schooner *J. B. Knowles*, Piquham, at Musquash, 5th inst., reports lost Alonzo Mitchell, aged 18 years, seaman; overboard. The deceased belonged to Harrington, Me.

The body of William Brown of St. Martins, who was drowned by falling from the deck of his own vessel "*Bessie Brown*," as she was leaving the Vaughan Creek for St. John, on the morning of the 17th inst., rose on the 9th day, and was found at the McLean Cove. It was very gratifying to his mourning widow and his friends generally to have the mournful pleasure of committing the remains to their final resting place in the Mosher's burying ground. A sermon appropriate to the melancholy occasion was preached on Sunday the 20th ult., by the Rev. E. E. Bill in the Methodist Church to a large congregation. The sudden death of one so favorably known in the community excited general sympathy for the bereaved. Com.

NOVA SCOTIA.

A whale, measuring over ninety feet in length was killed by being jammed in the ice on shore at Torbay near the cable station, on Tuesday night, 5th inst. It was secured by Messrs. Gammon and Gerrier, who are now engaged in stripping it.

Judge Marshall died in Halifax at an early hour Thursday morning, having reached the great age of 94 years. The deceased who was Chief Justice of the Courts of Common Pleas of Cape Breton, from 1833 to 1841, when the office was abolished, has since that time been in receipt of a Government pension.

By the upsetting of a boat near Tanook, on Wednesday, three men named John Wilson, Geo. Mason and David Langille were drowned.

The statements made in petitions to the House of Assembly, the speeches of members thereon, and private letters from reliable persons show that there is an alarming amount of distress among the fishing population along the coast of Nova Scotia proper and Cape Breton. The appeals have come from settlements widely separated, and there is too much reason to believe that on a long line of coast there is extreme destitution which will require generous aid from public and private sources.

The parties boring for oil at Ainslie, Cape Breton, as reported in the papers some time ago, have succeeded in striking a well that flows from 100 to 300 barrels per day.

A daughter of Mr. Levi Schrader, about seven years of age, was burned to death, at Liverpool, during the absence of the mother from the house for a short time.

UPPER PROVINCES.

DOMINION PARLIAMENT.

Ottawa, April 5.—Petitions against the deceased wife's sister, bill were presented.

Mr. Ritchie introduced a bill to prevent and punish wrongs to children.

Mr. Trow denied the statement of the *Montreal Gazette* that he had netted \$1,500 on account of his pamphlets. He had not received one cent.

THE SPRING HERRING FISHERY.

Sir Albert J. Smith inquired whether it is the intention of the Government to require parties engaged in the spring herring fishery in the Maritime Provinces to take out a license? Mr. Pope replied it was not.

THE ESTABLISHED CHURCH OF CANADA.

Mr. Skinner inquired what church is referred to as "the Established Church" in section No. 388 of regulations and orders for the militia of Canada, recently published by authority of the Hon. the Minister of Militia and Defence.

Mr. Masson replied that the regulations were an exact transcript of the Queen's regulations, but as there were no state church in Canada the phrase would be corrected. (Cheers.)

A Toronto despatch of the 31st ult., says:—To-day, at noon, as the Grand Trunk train was proceeding past Afton, a few miles from the city, a girl about fourteen years of age, got up in her sleep, and walking to the end car, stepped off the platform. The alarm was at once given, and the train stopped, and when a number of gentlemen walked back along the track they found the girl uninjured, and she was taken on board the train, to the great joy of her parents.

BRITISH AND FOREIGN.

Lord Hampton is dead, aged 82.

The *Daily News* puts the Liberal majority at 80, independent of Home Rules.

The Times says a very few days will see the formal close of Beaconsfield's administration. A British gunboat will assist in distributing

the "Constellation's" cargo of relief along the Irish coast.

The success of the Gladstone party has produced a panic in court circles in Constantinople and corresponding rejoicing among the Greek, Armenian, Bulgarian and Christian population.

A terrible famine prevails in Mosul, Turkish Koodistan. Some 4,000 inhabitants have fled to Bagdad, hundreds dying on the road.

The reported death of King Theebaw, of Burmah, lacks confirmation.

Destructive prairie fires rage north of the Sioux Falls, Dakota.

A Santa Fe despatch reports that Gen. Hatch, after six hours fighting, routed 300 Indians at San Andres mountains. He is pursuing them towards Mescalero Apache agency.

There is great excitement at Durham, N. H., over the finding of the body of an unknown young man in the woods, decapitated and one arm cut off. Torn clothes, an oak club and other evidences of a desperate struggle were discovered near by.

The New York *Herald's* cable special from St. Petersburg says Gortschakoff is dying. The bulletin that his doctor has just sent the Emperor concludes by saying that the symptoms are alarming.

The *Herald's* London cable says:—A few days ago Gladstone was interviewed by a correspondent of the *Vienna Allgemeine Zeitung* and said, in substance, regarding the Austrian incident that he had been misrepresented. He understood perfectly well the difference between the old and present regimes in Austria, but he hated Metternich, and added, "I hate all that recalls in the slightest his system of interference in the affairs of people who are working out their own freedom. The freed Slavie race should be permitted to build their future without molestation. Whoever among the Austrians knows the significance of the English expression 'hands off,' knows my policy."

A Baden letter describes the Queen as exasperated against Beaconsfield, alleging he deceived her respecting the real feeling of the country, and alienated the most loyal part of her Dominion.

The elections will be substantially terminated on Monday. Demonstrations in favor of Gladstone as Premier are daily increasing. The country insists on its right and he shall relinquish his personal reluctance and resume the leadership. Every leading paper, Liberal and Tory, concurs in the necessity of the Premiership being offered to Gladstone, leaving with him the responsibility of refusal.

Beaconsfield has returned to London.

The steamer "Ponyer Quertier," laying the English connecting cable of the new French cable company, arrived at Penzance on Sunday. She left Brest on Saturday, laid the cable to a point some distance off Mount Bay, and buoyed it. She will land the shore end as early as possible.

A St. Petersburg despatch dated Sunday, 11 o'clock p. m., says Gortschakoff passed a very bad Saturday night, and is delirious and very weak this evening. The Czar visited him on Sunday.

A summons has been issued for a Cabinet council on Wednesday. Gladstone has finally declined a public reception in London.

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do. Copper	28 30
Furnish, per bush	75 80
Beets, per bush	90 1 00
Carrots	30 1 00
Onions (bbl.)	6 50 6 50
Cranberries	5 00 4 00
Cabbages, per doz.	1 1 2
Squash, per lb.	1 2
Buckwheat Meal, per cwt.	2 00 2 25
Grey do.	2 00 2 25
Oats, per bush	42 44
Beans, white, per bush	1 30 2 00
Pork, fresh, per lb.	5 6 6 1/2
Lamb	4 4
Beef, prime	5 5 5 1/2
do. light	4 4 5
Hides per lb.	7 7 1/2
Calf Skins lb.	12 13
Sheepskins each	1 50 1 50
Chickens, per pair	46 50
Ducks	50 70
Partridges	25 30
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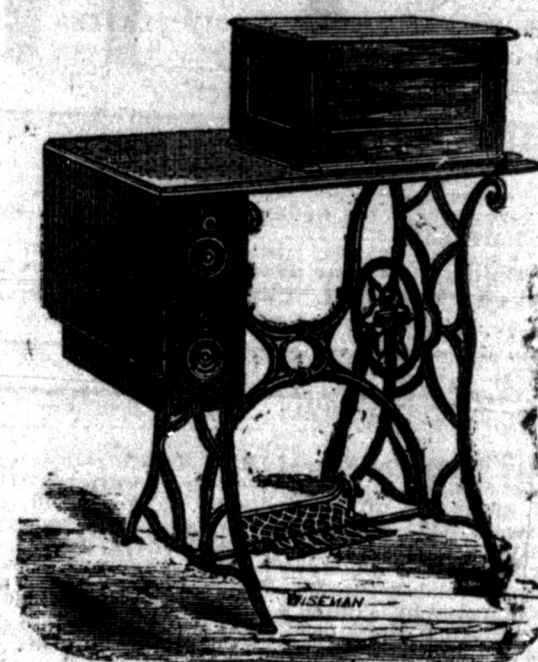
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	7.30 a.m.	8.10 a.m.
Accommodation for Point du Chene and intermediate stations,	1.45 a.m.	2.15 a.m.
Express for Quebec, connecting at Moncton with accommodation for Montreal with through Express for Halifax,	3.05 p.m.	5.10 p.m.

A special Freight will continue to leave St. John for the accommodation of passengers. 6.2 p.m. 6.45 a.m.

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Express from Quebec, and from Halifax, by connection at Moncton with 8.15 p.m. express.	9.05 p.m.	9.30 a.m.
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Express for Halifax & points South of Campbellton,	5.30 p.m.	5.05 a.m.

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