

PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE.

Among many voluminous papers laid before the House on Thursday last, by Hon. Mr. Partelow, Provincial Secretary, was the following important Despatch:—

Downing Street, 27th Nov., 1851.

SIR,—I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch, No. 33, enclosing a copy of the speech with which you opened the extra Session of the Legislature of Nova Scotia on the 4th inst., and I consider it necessary to point out to you, without loss of time, an error into which you have fallen, and which I much regret, in stating that Her Majesty's Government are prepared to recommend to Parliament that provision should be made for raising, with the guarantee of the British Treasury, the funds required for the construction of both the lines of Railway adverted to in your speech to the Provincial Legislature. Upon reference to the correspondence transmitted in my despatch, No. 260, of the 14th of March last, you will find that it is distinctly stated, that the only Railway for which Her Majesty's Government would think it right to call upon Parliament for assistance would be one calculated to promote the interests of the whole British Empire, by establishing a line of communication between the three Provinces in North America. It was added, that there would be no objection to the plan which might be decided upon including "a provision for establishing a communication between the projected Railway and the Railways of the United States;" but it is obvious, from the whole tenor of the communication made to Mr. Howe, and the despatches which I addressed to yourself, and to the Governor-General, that while Her Majesty's Government entertain no objection to the establishment of a Railway communication with the United States, it was not contemplated that the assistance of Parliament should be applied for, for this or for any other object than the formation of the Main Line connecting the British Provinces.

Looking to the large amount of the expenditure which would have to be incurred for this object, I do not anticipate that it would be in the power of Her Majesty's Government to extend to other lines the assistance which it is proposed to grant to the main one in question, though until some definite proposal is made on the part of the three Provincial Legislatures, no final decision can be adopted.

I have, &c., GREV.

Lieut. Governor Sir JOHN HARVEY.

On Saturday the House was engaged in discussing the subject of reporting the Debates, and the Committee appointed last Session for the purpose of providing means for effectually reporting the Debates, were sustained by a large majority, and Mr. Simpson's contract approved of.

Mr. BORSFORD would ask the Provincial Secretary if the Government had prepared any measure to remove the difficulties relative to mining leases, the right of entry, &c.

We understood the Secretary to say that he believed no such measure was yet prepared.

Mr. WILLISTON asked if the Government were prepared to lay information before the House relative to the reduction of the expense attending the office of the Auditor-General. The question had been discussed last Session, and if the Government were not prepared to lay some information before the House, he (Mr. W.) would move in the matter at an early day.

The Hon. PROVINCIAL SECRETARY said the Government were not prepared to furnish any information on this subject at present. The Hon. Member had better wait until the accounts came.

Friday, Jan. 16.—In the House, several petitions have been presented.

Papers connected with the settlement of the question of Boundary between Canada and this Province were laid on the table.

Bills to amend the Act incorporating the Richibucto Telegraph Company, and to abolish the inspection of Flour in St. Andrews, passed in Committee.

The petitions for the repeal of the Export Duty on Hackmatac Knees, were referred to the lumber committee to report upon.

The House has been some time totally unoccupied, and nothing more is likely to be done to-day.

FREDERICTON, Jan. 17th, 2 o'clock.

A new Committee has been struck after some difficulty and debate in the scrutiny between Messrs. Boyd and Fitzgerald. The debate was as to the legality of the proceeding. Messrs. Needham, Partelow, Johnson, Hanington, and others, took part in it. The Committee are Messrs. Gordon, Gilbert, Lewis, Botsford and English. Nominee for Mr. Boyd, Mr. Taylor; for Mr. Fitzgerald, Mr. Barbare. Mr. Boyd objected to Messrs. McPhelim, Read, and Styles; and Mr. Fitzgerald, to Messrs. Hayward, Goddard, and Williston.

FREDERICTON, Jan. 19.

More petitions are still being presented in the House.

The Bill to empower the Common Council to make an assessment for the support of the Fire Department passed in Committee.

In reply to Mr. Harding the Attorney General stated that Government were preparing a Bill to amend the Charter of the European and North American Railway Company, and that it would be introduced in course of the week.

More Despatches from the Colonial Office read. The abolition of the Judges Fees is not assented to.

The reduction of the Governor's salary is not approved.

Full Despatches, it is stated, ought not to be laid before the House.

The change in the currency is declared to be a violation of the prerogative and is not assented to. No other Bills are read for Committee.

Messrs. Hinks, Young and Tache will be here o-morrow night. Hr. Howe declines coming.

Tuesday, Jan. 20th, 1 o'clock.

Little doing in the House this morning except receiving Petitions. Mr. Wilnot presented a petition from Carleton, respecting the Bills sent from the Common Council in reference to the City debt. The Attorney General introduced the Bill relating to Parish Schools. Mr. Wilnot introduced a Bill to create a separate Parish in St. John for Ecclesiastical purposes.

More Despatches have been brought down, but are not yet read.—*Telegraph to News Room.*

3½ o'clock.—The Despatches mentioned in the morning, referred to the Revenue bill and the Colonial Reciprocal Trade Act, both requiring amendment. The discussion on the initiation of Money Grants was fixed for Thursday week. The Attorney General said that Government would not be satisfied to act unless the bill passed. The only bill committed was that to annex the newly acquired territory to the County of Victoria; on this the Committee reported progress. Petitions innumerable still pouring in. House adjourned.

FREDERICTON, Jan 21.

The Canadian Delegates arrived last evening, and were introduced in the Assembly to-day. Nothing is yet known of their intentions.

The Bill for the erection of a new Registry Office in St. John passed in Committee.

HOUSE IN SUPPLY.—The ordinary Grants to the Clerks and Messengers of the Council and House, also those for Schools and Light-houses passed.

Many petitions with regard to Mining Leases were presented, and after some conversation a Committee was appointed to report upon the whole question.

The Governor, in reply to the address moved by Mr. Needham, said—he had no further information to communicate than was contained in the Despatches already before the house.

Mr. Harding moved for copies of the correspondence on the subject of Judges fees, and the remonstrance of the Judges (if any).

The Petition of the ministers of the Church of Scotland relative to the registration of births, deaths, and marriages, was referred to a Select Committee.

Thursday, 22nd January.

The Canadian Delegates are said to have expressed themselves strongly in favour of the Rail Road route by the Valley of the River St. John. The Government has prepared a project, which will be submitted to the Delegates.

Bills to regulate the printing of the Acts of Assembly, to add the territory obtained by this Province by the settlement of the Canadian Boundary question, to the Counties of Victoria and Restigouche, and to incorporate the St. Stephen's Boom Company passed in Committee.

The Attorney General introduced a Bill to amend the Law for the collection and protection of the Revenue.

The Bill relating to Public Wharves in Portland passed.

The Auditor General's accounts were laid on the table.

In reply to the Address moved by Mr. Harding relative to the correspondence on the subject of the Judge's fees, the Governor promised to give the information required.

The time for receiving Petitions is extended to Tuesday next.

House adjourned.

LOCAL BILLS.—A number of Bills relating to matters of local interest have been read before the Grand Juries, at the last Quarter Sessions, and at the Assizes now sitting, and have been brought into the House of Assembly. Some of these are of considerable importance, as will be seen by the following summary:—

Reed's Point Improvements.—This Bill provides for the raising a loan of £3,500 by the Corporation of the City, for the erection of public buildings, to be paid off by the rents and profits of the works, and by an assessment on the east side of the Harbour, for any deficiency. A Provincial grant, in aid, is also sought for.

Repairing Streets, Dog Tax, &c.—The present system of statute labour is altered by this Bill, and a money tax is imposed according to a scale agreed upon last year, in Common Council, viz., all males above sixteen years of age, 2s. 6d.; and in addition, 2s. 6d. for every £100 of his real or personal estate, or every £25 of income. The Bill also provides for imposing a Dog Tax, for extending the jurisdiction of the City Court to £10, and some other minor matters.

Fire Department.—A Bill to renew the Act under which the Fire Department is sustained with an annual assessment of £750; and another Bill to authorise the erection of alarm bells, the expense to be defrayed by assessment.

Fire District Buildings.—By this Bill the shanty buildings, so often complained of, are legalized,

and permission given to erect within the fire limits wooden buildings to the height of 27 feet.

Registry Office.—A Bill to authorize the erection of a County Registry Office, at a cost of about £1000, to be raised by an annual assessment on the City and County of £200.

Portland Public Wharves.—A Bill to place the wharves in Portland used as public landings under the control of the Commissioners of Highways.

YORK SESSIONS, Friday, 16th Jan., 1852.

—On the first day of the term, the subject of Petitioning the Legislature, now in Session, praying the enactment of a Law against the Liquor Traffic—was formerly introduced by Resolution—which by an order of the Court, at a suggestion of a member in the opposition—was ordered to stand for 12 o'clock, this day, all the Justices were ordered to be called to their places.

At the hour named, the ordinary business was suspended, and the Resolution taken up and supported by an address from the mover, who was followed by Mr. Justice Gaynor, and some others. The motion was opposed by His Worship the Mayor of Fredericton, and others. The following is the result of the vote.

For the motion.—Justices Pickard, Gaynor, Miles, Hart, T. R. Robertson, Gill, Shelton, Bedell, Kilburn, Coy, Yerxa, Israel Smith, Grieve, Dow, and Joslin.—15.

Against the motion.—Col. Allan, Col. Mac-lachlan, Col. John Robinson, Col. Hayne, Justices A. D. Allen, Jones, Hansard, Clements, Ramsford, Simonds, Ingraham, Davidson, S. Barker, Dr. Gem, J. C. Allen, Mayor of Fredericton; and Goodspeed.—16.

The Chairman, the Hon. Mr. Saunders, declined voting, but was understood to express himself in favour of the motion.

There are now about Fifty Magistrates in this County, thirty-one of whom it will be seen were present and voted—six belonging to the Legislature, and were either not present or did not vote.

ASA COY.

PROVINCIAL REVENUE.—The total Revenue of this Province, from the 1st January to the 30th November, 1851, amounted to £117,363, and there was collected at St. John in December, £4,428—showing an increase over the Revenue of 1850, of £17,711.

MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY.—We beg to call the attention of our readers to an advertisement this day appearing in our columns, announcing a dividend of no less than *sixty per cent.*, for the year 1850, payable to the members of the Mutual Insurance Company, of this City. This flourishing Company dates its establishment from the year 1847, and for that year paid 50 per cent. The success of this Company results from the equitable and judicious system on which its arrangements are based; and its President and Directors deserve the highest praise for the able and economical manner in which their duties are discharged. We strongly recommend our citizens and neighbours to avail themselves of the advantages held out to those insuring in this Company.

ROBBERY.—On Saturday last, between 1 and 2 o'clock, the store of Messrs. Kirk & Worrall was entered by some adroit robber, and notes and acceptances to a large amount, and a small sum in money, were taken away. A reward of \$100 is offered for the recovery of the papers.—*N.Br.*

SHIPS AND STEAMERS BUILDING.—There are now building in the various shipyards at this port, 33 vessels, including 8 steamboats. This number is much smaller than that given last year at the same period. Three steamers are being built at Point Levi, one at the yard of M. Chabot, one at Mr. G. Day's and the third at Mr. Tibbett's. The machinery of these steamboats is being manufactured at the foundry of Mr. Tibbett's, Point Levi. Two other steamers are constructing at Mr. J. J. Beaulieu's, the machinery of which will be furnished from Mr. Bissett's foundry in this city.—*Quebec Chronicle.*

Upwards of forty persons left here within the last fortnight, for California, and many more are preparing to go in the next boat.—*Calais Ad.*

The "California fever" is again strongly prevalent in various parts of New England States, and Canada.

MONTREAL, Jan. 10.—We observe within the past few days, the puffing of the locomotive of the Champlain and St. Lawrence Railroad, opposite our city, and were pleased to learn from many friends, who had driven over to see the terminus, at Moffat's Island, that the line will be finished this day. It is cheering to see the blowing off of the steam, and hear the whistle of the engines—and the novelty of a train starting almost from our wharves, for Boston and New York in mid-winter, leads us to consider what may be yet in store for Montreal. We understand that the buildings erected on the opposite shore, are of a superior description and will repay the trouble of a visit. The company have opened a good winter road, directly across, and propose in a very few days to run all their trains to St. Lambert.

—We are requested by Bro. Wallace to correct a mistake which occurred in our last, in connexion with the Report of the receipts for the College. The 5s. credited to Mrs. Amos Cory should have been 10s.

NOTICE.

—We design to commence a PROTRACTED MEETING, at Harvey, in the New-Horton Meeting House, on the first Saturday in February, at two o'clock, P. M.

We shall rejoice to see as many of our Ministers and other Brethren as are disposed to favour us with their assistance.

E. F. FOSHAY.

Harvey, Jan. 17th, 1852.

A PROTRACTED MEETING will be held with the 1st Baptist Church, Grand Lake, commencing on the First Saturday in February, at 2 o'clock.—Ministers and other friends are invited to attend.

ELIAS KIERSTEAD.

January 12, 1852.

MARRIED.

On Wednesday evening, by the Reverend the Rector, John W. Cudlipp, Esq., to Emily, eldest daughter of Edward Allison, Esq., all this City.

On Thursday evening, by the Rev. Samuel Robinson, Mr. John Howe Allen, to Miss Martha, fourth daughter of Mr. William Dunham, all of this City.

On Thursday evening last, by W. W. Eaton, Mr. Chas. H. Hevey, to Miss Anna, only daughter of Capt. William L. Freeman, all of this City.

On Thursday, the 8th inst., at Trinity Church, Kingston, by the Rev. W. E. Scovill, A. M., Mr. Daniel D. Northrup, to Miss Hannah S., daughter of Mr. William Whiting, both of the Parish of Kingston, K. C.

At Hillsborough, on the 1st January, by the Rev. Wm. Sears, Mr. Joseph Wilbur, of Harvey, to Miss Jane, youngest daughter of Henry Joney, of Hillsborough.

By the same, on the 14th inst., Captain Christopher Rogers, to Miss Elizabeth, daughter of Mr. Charles Bishop, all of Hopewell.

DIED.

On the 12th inst., Sarah Elizabeth, daughter of Mr. Joshua and Jane Brooks, aged 9 months.

On Tuesday morning last, Mrs. Fann Boswell, aged 70 years.

On Friday morning last, after a tedious illness of four months, Mr. Alexander Campbell, aged 43 years, a native of Greenock, Scotland, much and deservedly regretted by a large circle of friends and acquaintances.

On Sunday the 18th inst., Adolphus, infant son of John Herrington, aged 7 months and 12 days.

On the 18th inst., Charles Hoagha, mate of the Bark Albion, a native of Palaeckie, County of Kildare, Scotland.

At Norton, King's County, on the 9th inst., George H. Hayes, aged 26 years, fourth son of Mr. John Hayes.

On the 8th inst., aged 58, Sophia, the beloved wife of Mr. Simon Baxter, of Norton, leaving a large family to lament her loss.

NOTICE.—JAMES T. HALL, of the City of Saint John, Clothier, having made an assignment of all his Goods and Chattels for the benefit of all such Creditors as shall execute the Trust Deed within thirty days from this date. All parties are hereby required to execute the said Trust Deed within the required time, in order that they may participate in its benefits. Dated the Thirtieth Day of December, A. D., 1851.

JULIUS L. INCHES,

JOHN W. BEARD,

Dec. 31, 1851.

Trustees.

LONDON HOUSE.

MARKET SQUARE.

December 20th, 1851.

Just received per Steamer 'Asia,' via Halifax:

RICH Plaid BONNET RIBBONS; SATINS; GROS DE NAPS; PERSIANS; FANCY TRIMMINGS, &c. &c.

T. W. DANIEL.

NOTICE.

ALL Persons having any demands against the Estate of the late THOMAS PRINCE, of Moncton, in the County of Westmorland, are requested to render the same within Three Months from the date hereof; and all persons indebted to the said Estate, are requested to make immediate payment to either of the subscribers.

SARAH PRINCE, Executrix.

JAMES STEADMAN, Executor.

Moncton, Jan. 8, 1852.

Buffalo Robes!

FUR CAPS, &c.

THE Subscribers have just received from New York, a Lot of No. 1 BUFFALO ROBES, which they will dispose of at a very small advance on cost, for Cash only.

—ALSO—

Part of our supply of Fur, Sealette, Glengary and Plush CAPS, in various fashionable styles, good and cheap. Constantly making up—Satin and Fur HATS of every description; Fur, Plush, Cloth and Glazed CAPS—articles which we can warrant and sell much lower than can possibly be imported.

C. D. EVERETT & SON,

East side Market Square & North side King Street, 61st October.