

THE CRISIS OVER.

Understood Satisfactory Settlement
Has Been Reached on School
Question.

MR. EMMERSON REPELS AN ATTACK ON
FREDERICTON CONTRACTOR.

[Tributes to the Late Mr. Clarke, M. P.

Ottawa, March 8.—There are evidences that the difficulty over the educational clause in the Autonomy Bill is about as good as settled.

A clause will be framed today which will be satisfactory to the supporters of the government east and west.

Being interviewed Hon. R. W. Scott, secretary of state, said that the people of the northwest were not excited over the autonomy bill. The education system of the new provinces, Mr. Scott said, would not in the least be interfered with. At present, he said, perfect freedom as to education was given and the government wished to continue it. The same books were used in all the schools and all teachers had to be certificated and a government inspector supervised them all.

There are four different kinds of schools existing in the northwest today. There were Protestant schools, mixed Protestant and Catholic, mixed Catholic and Protestant, and Catholic separate schools.

The outlook is that the matter will be finally settled today and the proposed government amendment given notice of, probably on Thursday.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier, R. L. Borden and Messrs. Monk, Osler and Dr. Sproule referred to the death of E. F. Clarke, Toronto. The premier said that deceased was a man who had the faculty of making strong points without offending his opponents. He had demonstrated that he was one of the ablest men in the house.

After spending some time on government bills, the house went into supply on railway estimates. On one item of \$357,400 for the Murray Harbor branch and Hillsboro bridge there was considerable discussion. The amount was a revote to complete the work which had been started by Mr. Blair.

Mr. Armstrong of Lambton, said that Willard Kitchen of Fredericton, who was contractor for the work, contributed to election funds.

Mr. Emmerson gave a flat denial to this statement. He was satisfied that Mr. Kitchen made no contribution to the last general election or to the previous one.

The discussion on this item was continued all the afternoon. Mr. Armstrong (Lambton), Mr. Lefurgy, Mr. Foster and others putting all kinds of questions. Archie Campbell (Liberal) protested against the endless repetition of questions which had been answered last year and that afternoon as well. At 10 o'clock the item was held over.

On the item of \$75,000 for the branch line from Cardigan to Montague bridge, Mr. Emmerson said that the estimate of the department for the work was \$195,128. The branch line was six miles.

There were a number of votes passed for government railways before the house adjourned.

Today being Ash Wednesday the house did not sit.

AMONG THE CURLERS.

Regular Monthly Meeting of the Club—Bye-Laws Changed—Beeswing Projected—Points Competition.

President Hawthorn occupied the chair at the regular monthly meeting of the Curling Club last night, and there was a large attendance of members.

A financial statement was submitted on behalf of Col. Loggie, treasurer, and was most satisfactory. The club's finances are in a very healthy condition.

On motion of Mr. Dibblee a bye-law was passed providing that any member serving as president of the club shall be ineligible for reelection until the expiry of one year after the completion of his term.

Mr. Dibblee also got a resolution passed providing for the revision and re-printing of the bye-laws of the club, and the following committee was appointed to attend to that duty: Col. Loggie, S. D. Simmons, R. F. Randolph, G. Y. Dibblee, W. Harrison, J. A. Reid and F. H. Peters.

The report of the building committee showed the new meeting and banquetting room nearing completion, and on motion of Dr. Hannay it was resolved that the opening of the room be celebrated at the close of the present season with a Beeswing, at which the prizes won by members this winter will be formally presented. The following were appointed a committee of arrangements:—R. S. Barker, J. S. Campbell, F. P. Hatt, C. J. B. Simmons and Dr. McMurray.

In the Grievous' medal competition at points which was commenced yesterday afternoon, continued in the evening and will be completed this evening, the highest scores were:—

L. C. Macnutt, 41, T. L. Fowler, 39, J. A. Hughes, 31, Dr. Ryan, 27, Dr. Bridges, 24.

THE HOUSE OPENING.

All Arrangements For the Ceremony About Completed.

All arrangements for the House opening tomorrow afternoon are about completed, and the function promises to be an unusually brilliant one. His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, who will wear his Windsor uniform, will be attended by a guard of honor from the 71st regiment, in command of Capt. Gray. The guard will parade at the barracks at two thirty p. m., and will march to Parliament Square by way of Queen street. His Honor will be received with a general salute, and the band will play the National Anthem. His Honor will be attended by a military staff, composed of Col. White, D. O. C., officers of the R.C. R. and 72nd regiment.

A detachment of fifteen men from the Newcastle Field Battery, under Capt. Lawlor, with two twelve pounders, arrived this afternoon and will fire the customary salute at the opening of the Legislature. The guns will be mounted in a platform on the river bank below Farraline place. The men of the detachment are being quartered at Long's Hotel.

The interior of the Legislature has been put in shape for the opening. Seats on the floor of the Assembly Chamber have been reserved for ladies, and the number in attendance promises to be large.

Mr. Harry D. White has finished installing the division bells, and has made a splendid job of it. Six electric bells have been installed in the committee rooms, and can be distinctly heard in any part of the building. The duty of pressing the button will fall to the sergeant-at-arms. An additional bell has been placed in the messenger's room for the convenience of Clerk Assistant Dibblee.

The students of the Normal School and University will have a half holiday tomorrow to allow them to attend the House opening.

THE PETERS CASE.

Still Going on Before Judge Barker at the Equity Court.

The trial of the suit of Peters vs. Agricultural Society No. 34 is still going on before Judge Barker at the Equity Court. The witnesses who testified Tuesday afternoon were F. S. Hilyard, W. S. Hooper, Miss Margaret Sharkey and Miss Kelsie Ross. This morning Mr. Peters and Mr. F. S. White, traveller for the firm, gave evidence, closing the case for the plaintiff.

Mr. G. W. Allen, K. C., counsel for the defendant, asked to have the bill dismissed, on the ground that a case had not been made out, but His Honor said it was not his usual custom to follow that course.

The witnesses examined on behalf of the defence this morning were A. D. Thomas, a member of the executive, and Secretary Hooper. The defence will endeavor to show that in promising a medal to the winner of the competition, Mr. Hilyard acted without authority from the executive.

The case will be finished this afternoon, and His Honor will reserve judgment.

The taking of evidence was concluded this afternoon, and his honor announced that he would deliver judgment at ten o'clock tomorrow.

The chief point in the case is whether or not Mr. Hilyard, as manager of the exhibition, had sufficient authority to institute the tea competition.

MARYSVILLE NEWS.

(Special Correspondence to Herald.)

Mar 7—Two interesting and exciting curling matches were played at our rink last Monday night when Skip Clowes White defeated Fred W. Smith 10 to 7, and skip "Dan" Pickard won from the old war horse George Inch, to the tune of 15 to 8. The first match was for the oysters, the losers of which are compelled to drive the winners to Fredericton, where the supper is to be served. Needless to say our genial friend Clowes is very proud of his victory, and proud of the men who so ably supported him in the time of need. The other match was for the cigars for the crowd, and although not quite so expensive a defeat, will cost the losers a snug little sum. This is the first match (not either Dan or Clowes ever skipped, and of course both are delighted over the results. The rinks were made up as follows:

H. Dunbar,	G. Dunphy,
W. Manzer,	D. Robinson,
F. Merritt,	A. Barker,
C. White, skip, 10	F. Smith, skip, 7
W. Walker,	C. Downing,
J. Downing,	J. Lawrie,
Dr. Fisher,	G. Ward,
D. Pickard, skip, 15	J. Inch, skip, 8

When the defeated rinks have treated their friends a return match will likely be played.

There is some excitement here over the guard of honor which is to turn out next Thursday at the opening of the local house, and several new men will likely be seen in the ranks.

SPECIAL MEETING.

The Daughters of the Empire will hold a special meeting tomorrow afternoon at the residence of Mrs. G. C. Vanwart, York street. All members are invited to attend.

NOT YET CLEAR.

Branch Railways Tied Up—1,000 Immigrants to Arrive.

(Special to Daily Herald.)

St. John, March 8.—Branch railroads of this province are still held up, but some expect to get open this afternoon.

It is not expected that the Shore line will be clear for some days.

The steamer Lake Erie, due this afternoon, has on board 1,000 Salvation Army settlers for the West.

Officially Denied.

(Special to the Daily Herald.)

Ottawa, March 8.—The statement that Hon. W. S. Fielding and Sir William Mulock have resigned is officially denied this afternoon.

ILL WITH FEVER.

Miss Helen Ferguson, dress-maker, of this city, went down to Sheffield, for a few days among friends and took typhoid fever, and is now at her father's home at Lakeville Corner, under the treatment of Dr. Camp and a professional nurse from Fredericton.

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Tenders will not be considered unless made on the printed form supplied, and signed with the actual signatures of tenderers. An accepted cheque on a chartered bank, payable to the order of the Honourable the Minister of Public Works, for two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00), must accompany each tender. The cheque will be forfeited if the party tendering declines the contract or fail to complete the work contracted for, and will be returned in case of non-acceptance of tender. The Department does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

By order,

FRED. GELINAS,
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