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## LOCAL LEGISLATURE.

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ard the teacher reports them to the school board if there is any further trouble. He thought it was a necessity as an assistance, to have the police officer on. The amendment was carried.

The next clause for the appointment of a 3rd inspector was taken up.

Mr. Campbell was opposed to the appointment, as we had three already. One good inspector was sufficient.

Mr. Farquharson thought it was necessary to have thorough inspection. He was in favor of even 4 inspectors. The inspectors cannot do the work properly. Let us see that the money is spent properly at least, and have two thorough inspections a year.

Mr. McLaughlin said that the inspectors have not time and a third inspector is a necessity.

Mr. Shaw claimed that our schools should be thoroughly inspected. Two inspectors are quite sufficient. Under the Conservative administration there was a good inspection. It appeared to him that the government had a supporter on their hands.

Mr. Richards was of the opinion the work is too great for two men in this province, and do it satisfactorily. He did not think one yearly inspection enough, twice a year was necessary. We are spending a large amount for education, and if we do not have a thorough inspection we cannot expect to have the money spent properly.

Mr. John A. McDonald thought if the inspectors were more active they could do the work all right, and he would like to know how many schools each inspector had in his jurisdiction.

Mr. Birch thought that the inspectors in 313 days should overtake all the work required of them.

Hon. Mr. Sinclair and Hon. Mr. McLaughlin drew attention to the fact that schools are in session only about 200 days in the year and that from this must be deducted stormy days when no men can travel. Mr. McLaughlin could not understand how the opposition could oppose the appointment of a third inspector when three inspectors were always kept in office during the late regime.

Mr. Shaw showed that not more than 150 schools are supposed to be examined by inspectors and the man who cannot inspect that number of schools in 225 days has no right to draw 800 per year out of the public treasury.

Hon. H. C. McDonald quoted from the reports of superintendents for the past twenty years, gentlemen who have had the system directly under their eye have invariably advocated three inspectors. He was inclined to think that the present system of inspection is carried on in a slipshod manner.

Mr. M. McKinnon pointed out that the government were spending \$130,000 and said he had taught school for a time himself and knew three or four hours visit from two inspectors twice a year was not sufficient. A third inspector was then appointed but the visits were no more frequent nor any longer in duration. There are 581 school departments in the province including those in Charlottetown. Those require no little inspection. A thorough inspection is needed, even if such costs \$10,000 or \$15,000. He thought there should be an inspector for every fifty schools. If this were the case the province would get double the value for the \$130,000 spent for education. A good inspector could be obtained for \$500 who would take fifty schools. Ten such inspectors would cost \$5,000, and they would give much better value for the money expended. He had seen a teacher of one year's experience appointed inspector over the heads of teachers of five or ten years experience. He thought that the appointment of one more inspector would be useless.

Hon. Mr. Gordon ridiculed the present system of inspection which consisted simply in the compilation of figures. The people had confidently hoped that

under the present leader there would be no waste of money, but we find that extravagance is greater than ever.

Premier Farquharson said the government had no object in this matter save to promote the interests of education. Let us have thorough inspection, and if the opposition have fruit to feed with any inspection work, let us hear it in a specific manner.

Mr. Ars-nault pointed out that the Inspector of Acadian Schools did 40 schools in one month, but Inspector McCormac, according to his report, required a whole year to inspect 190 schools. He saw no necessity for the appointment of a third inspector.

Mr. De-Roch's also argued against the appointment of a third inspector.

Mr. Campbell moved an amendment seconded by Mr. Shaw, that this clause be struck out of the bill. The amendment was defeated and the clause carried on a straight party vote, 14—11.

The clause relating to the constitution of second class schools as third-class, and the teachers therein to receive only third-class pay, was discussed by Premier Farquharson, Messrs M. McKinnon, Birch, Hon. H. C. McDonald, Mr. Peters, and Mr. Shaw. This clause was carried also on a straight party vote.

The other clauses of the bill were passed and the bill was reported agreed to with amendments, an amendment moved by Mr. Campbell that the report of committee be not agreed to, but be referred back to committee to strike out clause four, having been defeated on a straight party vote.

### EVENING SESSION

The Speakers read a message from His Honor the Lieutenant Governor regarding the consolidation of the statutes of P. E. I.

Hon. H. C. McDonald presented a Bill entitled an Act to revise the statutes of P. E. Island read a first time.

Hon. J. R. McLean laid on the table of the House petitions received during the year regarding the wharves.

The debate on the motion to go into supply was resumed.

H. C. McDonald accused the opposition of taking the general policy of the Government unjustly, and especially their Emigration policy. He said since the present government came in to power the rush was toward the northwest. He was happy to say that the Administration of Justice was such that it received no criticism and denied the charge that value was not received for the extra expenditure on education. He claimed that the extra expenditure was due to the increased number of 1st and 2nd class teachers over which the government had no control.

In dealing with the Asylum annex he said it was a matter that was greatly misrepresented, if there was any fault it was with the contractor, he was stubborn and would not come to terms. In dealing with the Public Works department he said the opposition failed to make my specific charges against the present administration and said he had a large list of contracts that was let without sale or tender under the Conservative party, and that at that time money was squandered. He dealt with the Dominion claims in full, and justified the course of the present government in dealing with our claims. The Conservative delegations cost more than the delegations of the present party. He referred to a charge made that an engineer on the ferry boat got paid 13 months in one year. The misunderstanding was due to a change in engineers. Mr. Lauchlin adjourned the debate. House meets at 10 tomorrow.

## Temperance Resolution.

At the regular meeting of Star of Hope Division, of Cape Wolfe, on Thursday, the 4th inst., the following resolutions were adopted:

Whereas, at the prohibition plebiscite, on the 29th day of Sept. 1898, a larger majority of constituencies than ever returned any political party to power voted for prohibition, aggregating a majority of 13,916 votes, notwithstanding the fact that many thousands favorable to prohibition were persuaded not to vote, being assured that the plebiscite was a piece of deliberate deceit, and that the Laurier government were morally incapable of honest temperance legislation.

And, Whereas certain assurances given by the Premier previous to voting day were interpreted, by ordinary minds, to indicate that the wish of the people as expressed by a majority of votes would be made law:

Therefore, Resolved: That, in our opinion that the plebiscite vote of 29th Sept. last, was larger in proportion to the total vote than any of the Maine votes on prohibition completely refutes the sophistry that the Dominion prohibition vote is too small to warrant legislation.

That the failure to enact a law endorsing the mandate of the majority, after encouraging electors to expect it, has weakened our faith in the integrity of the government.

That the custom in the House of Commons of disposing of the direct question of prohibition by means of an amendment is, in our opinion, an evasion unworthy of the support of candid statesmen.

And, that we endeavor to promote such unity of all temperance organizations that every vote controlled by prohibitionists shall be polled only for a candidate pledged to promote temperance legislation, irrespective of all party allowances.

### MARRIED

At Springfield, April 26th, 1899, by Rev. A. E. Chapman, Jabez McDougald to Maggie Ramsay.

### DIED

At Marshfield, on April 11th, Donald Stewart, aged 80 years.  
At Head of Hillsborough, on May 8th, Mrs. Mary McArthur, widow of the late John McArthur, aged 76 years.  
At New Perth, on Wednesday, May 10th, of pneumonia, Jessie, wife of Robert Dewar, in her 61st year.

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