

IMPORTANT READING MATTER SELECTED FROM THIS WEEK'S NEWS FOR THE GUARDIAN'S SATURDAY SUBSCRIBERS

MONDAY. Saturday, March 25. The House opened to the public at 11.15.

MR. IRVING presented a petition from A. D. McRae and others praying for the widening of the road between F. Forbes and A. D. McRae, leading from the Georgetown Road to Pownall Wharf.

Inquiries were made by Mr. Kennedy, (Kensington), Mr. Mathieson, Mr. Kennedy, (Bradalbane) and Hon. Mr. Cummiskey submitted a number of returns before promised. Hon. Mr. Richards also submitted some returns, and the Premier said information asked for by a number of members would be prepared.

The House resumed committee on the city ballot bill, Mr. McPhee in the chair.

MR. MATHIESON brought up the question of abolishing the rental qualification for Councilors as proposed by Hon. Mr. Hughes. He pointed out that though the motion to amend had been agreed to the amendment had not been adopted. He said that the City Council had agreed to the amendment, but the Premier had not.

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Hon. Mr. Richards. THE PREMIER presented a message from the Lieutenant Governor transmitting the report of the Minister of Justice on certain bills passed by this Legislature.

The bill to incorporate the Arena Rink Company was read a second time and committed. Mr. Crosby in the chair. The incorporators are H. Stanhope McLeod, W. B. Prowse, H. H. Brshaw, J. A. Webster and L. B. McMillan. The capital stock provided for is \$20,000. The bill was agreed to without amendments.

MR. McLEAN moved the House into committee on the bill to amend the Statute in relation to the incorporation of the Soudis incorporation act, Mr. Kennedy (Kensington) in the chair.

The bill provides for a deposit of \$25 each by candidates for Councilor, for enabling the Council to borrow money for town purposes up to \$1,000 from any private individual, bank, or incorporation, and increases the power of the Chief of Police and town constables in making arrests where resistance is offered. After some time in committee progress was reported.

The bill to incorporate the Farning Brook Hall Company was read a second time and committed. Mr. McPhee in the chair. The incorporators are David Birt, S. D. Gay, Cameron McLaughlin, Ernest Rosegen, John M. Birt, and J. Wilber Birt. The capital stock is \$500 in \$1 shares and may be increased to \$1,000.

The bill was reported agreed to without amendment.

The bill to incorporate the Soudis Citizens' Band was read a second time and committed. Mr. McKinnon in the chair. It was agreed to and reported without amendments.

THE PREMIER brought up the question of correspondence between the federal and provincial Governments with regard to conserving the oyster fisheries. He submitted the correspondence and invited the members on both sides to consider the matter impartially so as to be able to advise the best course to pursue.

MR. MATHIESON said Mr. Brodeur, Minister of Marine, had stated in the Commons that an agreement with the local Governments had been arrived at. It appeared now that this agreement was not correct. He and his colleagues were prepared to discuss the whole matter from the standpoint of the public interest.

The House adjourned till tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock.

THURSDAY, March 23. DR. WARBURTON presented the petition of J. E. Morrison and others asking for amendments to the Game Act, also a bill to give effect to the same.

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MR. McLEAN presented the petition of Rev. P. P. Secretary of the Church Convention, praying for an amendment to the Act 42 Victoria, Cap. 19, and also a bill to like effect.

HON. MR. CUMMISKEY tabled returns asked for by Mr. Kennedy, (Bradalbane) and Mr. Delaney.

MR. KENNEDY (Bradalbane) complained that the return to his inquiry regarding cold storage was incomplete.

HON. MR. RICHARDS thought the information given was all that was in the public interest. It was not desirable to disclose the business of private parties.

MR. MATHIESON said the Storage Company held a public charter, its securities were guaranteed by the Government, and the Com. of Agriculture was a director. He held the House was entitled to the information asked for.

THE PREMIER strongly objected to this contention. He was quite sure that individuals having business with the Storage Company would object, and the Company cannot be forced to furnish the information asked for.

The discussion was continued by Mr. McLean, Hon. Mr. Richards, Mr. Mathieson. The latter stated that at the Hunter River meeting the statement had been made that the old lambs had been stored. Mr. McPhee explained that he had been misunderstood, his statement being quite different. The Speaker ruled the discussion out of order.

Further inquiries were made by Mr. Prowse, Mr. Kennedy, Kensington and further information given by Hon. Mr. Cummiskey. A long discussion followed in regard to alleged incomplete returns, the absence of certain vouchers, etc. The Opposition insisted upon the production of certified bills and receipts.

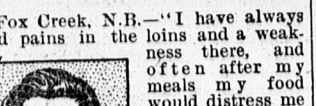
THE PREMIER in reply to Mr. Dobie said an application had been received from the Grand River Telephone Company, but the matter had not yet been decided by the Government.

MR. MATHIESON brought up the question of the negotiation with the Dominion Government with regard to the fisheries. He wished to know how far the discussion on the draft agreement had gone.

THE PREMIER said no progress had been made with regard to the acceptance of the agreement as proposed. It was concluded that the proposals could not be accepted and a

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counter proposal had been made, which Hon. Mr. Brodeur thought could not be accepted by the Dominion. Nothing definite had been agreed upon.

An argument followed between the Premier and Mr. Mathieson as to the proposed agreement in regard to the oyster fisheries. The proposition is that the Dominion shall receive the license fees, and after deducting the cost of protection the proceeds shall be divided and one half be paid to the Province.

MR. MATHIESON contended that the cost would be deducted from the half of the proceeds allotted to the Province. The Premier said it would not bear this construction and no such agreement would be made.

MR. MATHIESON argued that the oyster fishery belongs to the Province and the Province should receive the whole of the proceeds.

THE PREMIER said the question of ownership was in dispute between the Dominion and the Province, and the proposed agreement is only for a modus vivendi till the question of ownership is settled by the Privy Council.

MR. MATHIESON said the question of ownership had been decided by the Privy Council in favor of the Province. The Dominion had no more ownership in the oysters than the lobsters which they do not claim. They had no more right to the oysters than to the products of our fields. The Province should maintain to the last its right of ownership and not take the Dominion as a partner.

It was finally agreed that the House should at an early date further consider the matter in committee of the whole.

THE PREMIER in reply to Mr. Mathieson said the committee were engaged in preparing a memorial asking for the early appointment of a Judge. The memorial had not yet been forwarded.

DR. WARBURTON moved the House into committee to amend a clause in the bill incorporating the Arena Rink Company so as to provide for a capital of \$35,000 instead of \$20,000.

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