

PROCEEDINGS IN THE ASSEMBLY YESTERDAY THE ROADS BILL

A Busy Day and Evening Devoted to the New Highway Bill.

Thursday, April 11.

The Speaker took the chair at 3.15 o'clock. MR. DEWAR presented a petition from Mr. John A. Webster and others praying for incorporation as Black Foxes, Limited, with a bill for that purpose.

HON. MR. McNEILL presented a petition and bill to incorporate the Riverside Farming Company, Limited.

HON. MR. McKINNON introduced a bill for the Encouragement of Horse Breeding in Prince Edward Island.

HON. MR. McNEILL, in reply to Mr. DeWear, said the Government is aware of the bad condition of the bridge at Montague. The matter had been reported on by the Government Engineer. A new bridge is needed, to cost about \$10,000.

The Premier moved the House into committee of the whole to consider resolutions to repeal the present system of levying and collection taxes on land and make other provisions instead. Mr. Dobie in the chair.

THE PREMIER said the matter is in close connection with the Road Act. In the past much money had been thrown away to work out political results. In the last election not one cent of public money had been wasted in that way and he hoped to continue in this line to the end. They had considered carefully what area a road officer could attend to after a storm and the school district had been fixed upon as such area. It is also hoped that the same man shall collect all the Government taxes. He would be paid a salary, not large, but such as should promote efficiency. The resolution was agreed to, reported and a bill presented entitled the Public Road Act, 1912.

HON. MR. McKINNON moved as follows: Resolved, That the Commissioner of Agriculture with the authority of the Lieutenant Governor in Council be empowered to enter into an agreement with the Minister of Agriculture for Canada setting forth the terms upon which the subsidy to be granted for the encouragement of Agriculture in this Province should be accepted and prescribing the conditions under which, and the purposes for which it shall be printed, carried, and referred to committee of the whole tomorrow.

THE PREMIER moved the House into committee. Mr. Dobie in the chair, on the Roads bill. He spoke of the encroachments which had narrowed the roads to a serious extent. We must have good roads in fall, winter and spring, and the full length width to be restored. If the roads were put in condition in the fall, they would not be in such bad condition in the spring as they are. He fixed upon the roads in April. It was hoped the public spirit of the people would assert our right to better roads. The full width must be restored. There are not enough men to be hired to put the roads in order. It is proposed to give the people the right to either work or pay, with the hope that they would take a personal interest in improving the roads. Every dollar the people pay will be honestly expended. That had not been the case in the past. The people had grown tired of seeing their money wasted in road jobs in election years. He hoped that under the new system the people would

take an interest in getting the best results from the expenditure of their own money and work to place the roads in the best condition possible. MR. RICHARDS approved of much that the Premier had stated. But he did not think it would follow that the roads if put in order in the fall would be all right in the spring. Wire fences would prevent proposals much better than the old. Repairs had not been made early enough in the spring. The road machines had done good work, and the roads in his district had never been better. He had heard before the story of money wasted at election times. So far as he knew there had been little if any of this. Some old charges had been refunded. The last election was held when nothing could be done on the roads. He thought the old act a good one.

THE PREMIER denied that charges made by him had been refunded. The public money had been spent to buy votes. He had stated that hundreds of dollars had been spent without authority, and contrary to law. The charge had been proved up to the hilt and never refuted. Mr. Richards' statements were disproved by the public records. The discussion was continued by Mr. Richards, Mr. J. A. Dewar, Hon. Mr. McLean, the latter arguing that the supervisors had too large districts, and he hoped great improvement would result from the changes now proposed. He pointed out that the worst parts of the roads, mainly in swampy places where the road machines could not be used. He asked the assistance of the Opposition to make the bill as perfect as possible. Hon. Mr. Arsenault, and others continued the discussion. THE PREMIER explained that the Supervisors had cost about \$2,000 in salaries and as much more in commissions. It is proposed to give the road masters an allowance of \$9

MRS. D.A. MCKINNON HAS PASSED AWAY

Charlottetown was inexpressibly shocked yesterday morning to learn of the unexpected death of Mrs. D.A. McKinnon. She had been in some what delicate health for sometime past and within the last three weeks, her condition became such as to cause the gravest anxiety to the family, and her intimate friends. Notwithstanding skilled medical attendance, the untiring care of two trained nurses and the tender and loving attention of Mr. McKinnon and family, no decided improvement could be effected. At three o'clock a. m. she slipped into unconsciousness, and shortly before eight o'clock she passed away.

The late Mrs. McKinnon was the eldest daughter of Charles Owen, Georgetown. She has been called suddenly away in the very bloom of her womanhood and her demise will make a profound impression of sorrow throughout the whole community. Her lady-like graces of character, virtues of womanhood and charm of manner, gained for her a leading position in the social life of our city, while winning the affection of all with whom she came into contact. During the period that Mr. McKinnon was Lieutenant-Governor of this province, Mrs. McKinnon, as the chief lady in the land evidenced exceptional ability, splendid entertaining powers and a kindly hospitality that commended her to all, irrespective of class and creed. Indeed it is not too much to say that a more capable and charming hostess never occupied the position as wife of the Governor of Prince Edward Island. She was a consistent member of St. Peter's Church, taking a deep interest in all that pertained to Church work and for the advancement of Christianity.

There are left to mourn a sorrowing husband and family, namely: Benjamin, Ian and Arthur, besides her parents, Charles and Mrs. Owen, of Georgetown, and brothers and sisters as follows:—Casal in Roanoke, Va., Mrs. Alder Brehaut, in Battledore, Sask., Percy at Lacombe, Alta.; Roy in South Africa, and Miss Dinnie at home. Mr. Owen and his daughter arrived in Charlottetown last evening. As Mrs. Owen is an invalid she will probably be unable to make the journey. To the bereaved The Guardian extends most respectful sympathy.

GRAFT ON S.S. ARCTIC IS CHARGED

(Canadian Press.) OTTAWA, April 11.—The Government has appointed Trakers Lewis, K. C., of this city, to investigate the charges of graft in connection with the Northern cruises of the government steamer Arctic. The allegations set forth that furs were purchased in exchange for ship stores and several politicians received handsome gifts of furs.

INVESTIGATE INCREASED COST OF LIVING

(Special to The Guardian.) OTTAWA, April 11.—The Department of Labor is in communication with the United States Government with regard to the possibility of co-operation in general conditions underlying the increase cost of living. The United States idea appears to be for a world wide enquiry.

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NEW CARS FOR I.C.R. ORDERED

(Canadian Press.) OTTAWA, April 11.—Rolling stock to the value of \$11,350,000 to be obtained by the Government for the I. C. R. includes nine freight locomotives, five hundred and six passenger sleepers, two diners and six first class cars. Four new \$150,000 trains will be placed on the Ocean Limited service starting on June 2.

COLON STIRRED BY RUMOR OF SALE TO U. S.

(Canadian Press.) COLON, Apr. 11.—The report that Colon is to be sold to the United States at an early date for \$40,000,000 created great excitement among Panamanians.

A mass meeting to protest was called for tonight but has since been cancelled in consequence of President Arosemena having authorized an official denial.

SPINNERS AID CARDERS STRIKE AT LAWRENCE.

LAWRENCE, April 9.—Two hundred spinners employed at the Washington Mill and 150 carders from the same mill went on strike today as a result of alleged failures on the part of the mill men to meet the conditions under which the great textile strike in Lawrence ended. The spinners went in a body to the foreman of the department and claimed that they were promised \$10, but only received eight for certain pieces of work, while the time and a quarter agreed upon for overtime is not paid.

The foreman was unable to meet their demands in any way and after an altercation the spinners walked out. The Washington is one of the American Woolen Company's mills and employs about 5,000 hands. Should the strike of the spinners be continued the whole mill would be tied up in a short time.

EX-SENATOR NEILL DEAD

PALL RIVER, April 9.—Ex-Senator Joseph O. Neill is dead of heart disease. He was a native of Calais, Me., and was a native of Calais, Me., and seventy four years of age. He was more for keeping the roads in order in winter, and for collecting the taxes \$10 more, making \$20 in all. It would not cost any more than the old system and would pay the men who are actually responsible and attend to their duty. Some of the supervisors attended to their duty and others did not.

COMMUNICATION THROUGH PROVINCE AND WITH MAINLAND

The Minto left Charlottetown for Pictou yesterday at 7.00 a. m. with 43 passengers, 40 sacks mail, express and 114 tons freight and docked at 11.00 a. m. She leaves on return to Charlottetown today at 7.00 a. m., with passengers, mail, express and freight. The Earl Grey left Pictou yesterday at 7.00 a. m. for Charlottetown with 50 passengers, 90 sacks mail, express and 10.40 a. m. She leaves on return to Pictou at 7.00 a. m. with passengers, express, mail and freight. Yesterday the Eastern express arrived in Charlottetown at 9.15 a. m., ten minutes late; the Eastern freight at 6.00 p. m., forty minutes late; the Southern accommodation at 10.15 a. m., forty minutes late; the Tignish accommodation at 12.20 a. m., forty minutes late; the Summerside accommodation at 3.50 p. m., fifty minutes late; and the Tignish express at 9.50 p. m., on time.

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THE HOME RULE BILL INTRODUCED

In the House of Commons by Premier Asquith—Many in Commons

GOVERNMENT OF IRELAND BILL

(Canadian Press.) LONDON, April 11.—The Home Rule bill, the third effort made by the Liberal Government of the United Kingdom in a quarter century to settle the quarrel between Great Britain and Ireland, was introduced in the Commons this afternoon by Premier Asquith.

The official title of the bill is "The Government of Ireland bill." Britishers have become inured to political upheavals in recent years, so that the crowded chamber which Mr. Asquith faced today was a special tribute to the history and importance attached to the occasion. The galleries set apart for members of the diplomatic corps, for peers and for the public were filled to their utmost capacity, while every seat in the body of the House was occupied and an overflow of members stood in the gangways.

LONDON, April 11.—The cardinal principle of the present Home Rule Bill was said by the Premier to be the prime authority of the Imperial Government while at the same time a real autonomy was conferred upon Ireland in regard to home concerns. The bill provides for the establishment of an Irish parliament consisting of a senate and commons with power to enact laws for peace, order and good government in Ireland.

The bill excludes from the control of the Irish parliament crown, army and naval imperial affairs, Irish land purchase and old age pensions, national insurance acts, Irish constabulary, postoffice and public loans in addition to those excluded from the Home Rule Bill of 1892.

The Irish parliament also debarred from allowing, by the Home Rule bill, from power to appeal to the Privy Council and is excluded from establishing any religion or giving preference to any, and must maintain an equality in marriage services of the various denominations. The Senate is to consist of forty members and the House of Commons one hundred and sixty-four, of which twenty are to be nominated at first by an executive council end vacancies will be filled by an Irish electorate. The Irish representation at Westminster is to be forty-two members.

CONDENSED ADS TOO LATE FOR CLASSIFICATION (Half cent per word each insertion in this column. Cash must accompany order and five per cent discount allowed. Minimum charge twenty-five cents.) WANTED dressmaking by the day. Apply at this office. 4-12d1wpd WANTED, girl for general housework. Apply 200 Prince St. 4-12d1wpd STAND HOGS WANTED. For particulars apply to W. H. Batt. 4-12d1wpd

THE WEATHER TEMPERATURE SUN, MOON, ETC

(Special to The Guardian.) TORONTO, April 12.—Moderate to fresh westerly winds; fair and not much change in temperature. The temperature at three o'clock this morning by the "Reaxal Storm" Tested Thermometer with a northern exposure was twenty-three degrees above zero and with a southern exposure twenty-four degrees above zero. The lowest temperature recorded yesterday was thirty-two degrees above zero and the highest was thirty-nine above. The lowest recorded the previous night was twenty-five degrees above. At nine a. m. yesterday, it was thirty-two degrees above and at nine p. m. it was thirty-four above. The length of today will be thirteen hours and 24 minutes. The tide will be high this evening at 6.17 and tomorrow evening at 7.38; it will be high tomorrow morning at 8.11 and Sunday morning at 8.51. The sun sets this evening at 6.43 and tomorrow evening at 6.44; it will rise tomorrow morning at 5.16 and Sunday morning at 5.14. The moon sets this afternoon at 3.29.

VALUABLE REAL ESTATE FOR SALE. Five very desirable residences on Upper Prince Street consisting of one large dwelling, with extensive grounds and two double houses.—Property of estate late Honorable Donald Farquharson will be offered at public auction in May next—particulars later. 4-12d1wpd DR. STRICKLAND'S horses Cornish, Ledyard and Young Barriester were wintered by John O'Brien, Bonshaw. They are both in better condition than at any time in their history. The last week in April they may be found at Frank Hughes' stables, Grafton St., where they will make the season of 1912. 4-11d6l

AWFUL ERUPTION IS FALSELY REPORTED OF CHIRIQUI PEAK

PASSENGER TRAIN WAS WRECKED

(Canadian Press.) VANCOUVER, Apr. 11.—The C.P.R. passenger train No. 2, which left Vancouver last evening, was wrecked at 6 o'clock this morning by a rock slide three miles west of Saverus, which is a station a short distance this side of Kamloops. Engineer Walker and fireman Hoskinson, Kamloops, were so badly injured that they died within a short time. No passengers were injured.

LABOR CONDITIONS DESCRIBED AS BRUTAL SLAVERY

(Canadian Press.) WASHINGTON, Apr. 11.—Labor conditions in the plants of the United States Steel Co's were denounced as "a brutal system of industrial slavery" in the state labor committees report on the proposed eight hour law. The report says that the men are cast off in the prime of life to become public burdens.

PERRY'S PEERLESS PLAYERS PLEASING PERFORMANCE

Perry's Peerless Players at the Opera House, Charlottetown last night presented "Wife in Name Only" in a most finished manner. The Company have evidently gained all credit for excellence which is drawing houses for last night the attendance was large despite counter attractions. The play, a pretty drama unfolding a beautiful and intensely interesting story, was most exquisitely staged and the management states enthusiastically with artists who knew their work and displayed intelligence and tact in the characters. Miss Corinus was delightfully witty and winsome and her appearance brightened the stage, as an actress she is a decided success. Dan Malloy interpreted the character of a love smitten judge with natural ease and was at times intensely funny. The other parts were taken with equal ease by the two leaders most efficient support and both the ladies and gentlemen acquitted themselves with all credit. Tonight they present "The Little Colonel" and the management state emphatically that it is the strongest bill on their repertoire and this is certainly an assurance of a treat for theatre goers.

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SUMMERSIDE PUPILS ENTERTAIN

(Special by Phone.) SUMMERSIDE, April 12.—The Summerside High School Dramatic Club gave an excellent performance in the Market Hall, Summerside, last night. The hall was filled to the doors and the audience was delighted. The drama was entitled "The Time of His Life" and was a succession of numerous situations and complications from the beginning to the end. The performers were the Misses Edith MacFarlane, Bessie McLean, Harvey Duncan, George Bots, Harry Bots, Albert Simpson, Roland Rieley and they took their parts in a manner that was highly creditable to themselves and to the school. A chorus of "The Dream is O'er" by the senior girls of the High School was beautifully rendered. Prof Whitney played the accompaniment.—J.

PROVINCIAL TEMPERANCE ALLIANCE MEETING

The annual meeting of the Provincial Temperance Alliance was held yesterday in the Y. M. C. A. parlors, Charlottetown, there being a large and enthusiastic attendance of members. R. C. Goff, the president, was in the chair. The President submitted his report on the progress of the temperance cause last year, and the Treasurer gave a statement of the finances. Rev. G. A. Sutherland, Kensington, moved a resolution which was unanimously carried that it be decided to call for the organization of a temperance committee in every community of the Province to see that temperance meetings are held and literature distributed, and to keep an oversight over the administration of the law. A committee was appointed to look into the matter of needed amendments to the law, to report before next session of the Legislature. Another committee, of 15 members was appointed to wait upon the Premier and ask the co-operation of the

Whole Indian Villages Reported Destroyed—Later Reports

(Canadian Press.) MOBILE, April 11.—Thousands of persons were killed and the whole Indian villages destroyed by an eruption at Chiriqui Peak, near Docas del Torro Panama, according to the story of Captain Olsvick of the United Fruit Co's steamer Fort Morgan, which arrived here today. Captain Olsvick says the eruption occurred April 5th early in the morning while the freighter Morgan was berthed near Docas del Torro. He says he witnessed the flames shooting up from the peak and reports of the large casualty list were brought from the immediate scene to Docas del Torro by the refugees, who escaped on the rushing lava. He says he watched the eruption of April 5th until he put to sea, and even far out on the Gulf Captain Olsvick says he saw evidence of the disturbed elements. The sea was affected in many places and the air was filled with smoke and dust far out of the Gulf. Captain Olsvick says the inhabitants of Docas del Torro are panic stricken, believing the place might be overrun with the lava belching forth from the peak.

INDIANAPOLIS STRIKERS ACCEPT WAGE CONTRACT

(Canadian Press.) INDIANAPOLIS, Apr. 11.—"Ninety percent of the soft coal miners have approved of the proposed two year United Mine Workers after receipt wage contract," said Edw Oerry of telegrams announcing the result of yesterday's voting.

PHILADELPHIA, April 11.—A sub-committee of miners and operators appointed at yesterday's conference to take up the work of trying to reach an agreement on the new working arrangements for the anthracite miners held a three hour session here today and at its conclusion stated that progress has been made.

No statement can be made until the report was ready to be presented to the full committee of operators and miners.

CHINA FAMINE FUND

Previously reported \$1741.23 Presby. Church Alberton add. 7.00 Anonymous 1.00 \$1749.23

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