

Abolition of the Legislative Council.

The Bill to abolish the Legislative Council passed its second reading in the House of Assembly to-day, on a division of 22 to 3. Property-holders themselves, and the representatives of property-holders of the whole Island, the gentlemen of the Lower Branch of the Legislature, are almost unanimous in the opinion that the rights of property are as secure without the Legislative Council as with it.

LOCAL LEGISLATURE.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

ABOLITION OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—SPEECHES OF THE LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION AND THE HON. JOHN LEFURGY.

MARCH 17.

House in Committee of the Whole. Mr. SPEAKER took the chair at 4 p. m. Hon. Mr. SULLIVAN moved that the Bill to amend the Common Law Procedure Act, 1873, be now read a third time. Motion carried.

The Bill was then read a third time and passed. Hon. Mr. SULLIVAN moved that the House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to further consider the Bill to abolish the Legislative Council.—Motion carried. House went into Committee, Mr. McKay in the Chair.

On the section requiring a residence of five years before non-property holders, coming to the Island from abroad, should have the right to vote.—Hon. Mr. YEO said for my own part, I am now of the same opinion respecting the Bill before the Committee that I was a year ago. I was then opposed to the abolition (pure and simple) of the Legislative Council, unless some protection were, in the place of it, afforded to property holders. At least, three-fourths of the property-holders that I represent, are opposed to the Bill; but they are quite willing that a Bill for the reduction of the Legislature should be passed, which does not infringe upon the existing rights of the people.

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the fact that this question has been prominently before the people for the last two years—that it has been talked about for fifteen years—we must come to the conclusion that it has had a fair test. I am somewhat surprised, sir, at what he says respecting the opinion held with regard to this question in the District he represents in this House. At the last Legislative Council election, Mr. Barclay lost his election simply because the party in favor of the abolition of the Council split their votes. If you put the two votes polled at that time in favor of the abolition of the Council together and compare the total vote with the total vote against the abolition, you will find that a large majority were in favor of the abolition. The hon. member from Tignish tested this question in the election in which he was returned, and he says that he is in favour of the Bill now before the House. Now, he represents the District that the member in the other end of the Building who is so much opposed to it, represents; and either one gentleman or the other must, certainly, be wrong, in regard to the opinion of the District on this question. It is evident that five or six of the Legislative Councillors, who tested the question at the last Council elections, were returned to vote for abolition, and also that a majority of the Legislative Council electors are in favor of it. But it is said that protection to property holders is wanted. What protection would the scheme proposed by the Opposition give? Six, or six and a half, or seven, representing property holders, are to come here to take one corner of the House, and the other members of the House are to be elected on a different qualification. I do not think that a Legislature so composed would work together very harmoniously. It is hard to get men of different views to see alike. But if the Hon. Leader of the Opposition will submit anything reasonable, I think the Government will be willing to meet him half-way. It has been said that some members of the Government are not in earnest about this question. It has been said that a member of the Government in the other House is not in favor of the Government's measure. But he voted in favor of the Bill last year, and I suppose he will support it this year also. For my own part I am perfectly satisfied that the property-holders will be sufficiently protected if the Bill is passed, and that the saving of \$6,000 a year will be a step in the right direction. But if the Leader of the Opposition can show that property holders will be endangered, and can introduce a remedy, he will, very probably, get plenty support in this House. In my opinion, the time is not far distant when the number of members will have to be lessened in this end of the building. We shall have to retrench in very many respects, or, without direct taxation, it will be impossible to bear the strain put upon the Province by reason of our Educational system. It has been said that in elections the votes of the non-property holders may swamp those of the property holders. But I do not think that in this country there is any fear of that. There is no fear of the Island ever being flooded with a floating population. And, in regard to farmer's sons, you will see, if you notice, that man's sons generally vote the way he does. The interests of both are, for the most part, identical; and the sons generally take up the father's political views. Therefore, I do not think property holders have anything really to fear. But if, as I said before, anything reasonable be submitted by those who think differently, I think—looking at the men who compose this House—that it will be favorably considered—at least I would not like to object to it.

THE ferocious utterances of the German press against Russia excite considerable attention in St. Petersburg, second only to nihilism.

Saskatchewan Wheat. IMPORTED direct last autumn by COL. MCGILL. 75 BAGS OF THIS CHOICE SEED WHEAT, Will be Sold BY AUCTION, Tuesday, March 23, AT 2 O'CLOCK, AT GRAIN SHOW, MARKET HALL. TERMS AT SALE. A. McNEILL, Auct'r. Mar. 18, 1880.—4i wli

QUEEN'S COUNTY Grain and Fat Cattle Show, WILL TAKE PLACE NEXT TUESDAY, MARCH 23rd, (Easter Market) at 11 o'clock, at the MARKET HALL and MARKET SQUARE. For further particulars get Prize List from Market Clerk, or at the Subscribers Office, No 11 Queen Street. Auction Sale of Prize Grain, same day in Market Hall, at 2 o'clock, p. m. A. McNEILL, Secretary. Ch'town, March 18, 1880. 4i wli

POWNAI WHARF. SEALED TENDERS will be received at the Mayor's Office until noon of MONDAY, the 29th Day of March, for leasing Pownal Wharf for a term not less than five years, nor exceeding ten years. Rent to be paid quarterly. Lessee will have privilege of removing at expiration of term, all buildings erected by him, or the City will purchase them at a valuation. The location and number of buildings subject to approval of Council. Further particulars can be ascertained from the City Clerk, where forms of Tenders will also be received until the same date from persons wishing to purchase the said wharf, stating terms and manner of payment. The names of two good and sufficient sureties to accompany each Tender. The Council do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any Tender. EDWARD DAVY, Chairman Wharf Committee. Charlottetown, 28th Feb. 1880. March 18, 1880.—tu th sat—ne pat 2i

WHITE SEED OATS. 100 BAGS, 80 lbs. each, grown by me from Scotch Seed imported per Prince Edward last spring. These Oats have been thoroughly cleaned, and weigh over 40 lbs to the measured bushel. Price \$1.80 per sack of 80 lbs. Orders left with Horns, Pierce & Co., J. D. McLeod, or Hazard Bros., will be attended to. DANIEL DAVIES. Ch'town, March 13, '80—5i

DAIRY SALT. AT the THIRD ANNUAL MEETING of the "Dairymen's Convention," held at London, Ontario, February, 1880, the Committee of Judges awarded the FIRST PRIZE

Coleman & Gouinlock's FINE DAIRY, over all other Canadian and English Salt exhibited. Wholesale Agent for P. E. Island, JOHN H. CATHRAE. Charlottetown, March 11, '80—1m

NOTICE. THE undersigned requests payment of all amounts due to him, without delay, as it is his intention to hand a list of names to an Attorney for collection, and he is anxious that the number shall be as small as possible. Therefore, please take notice. Messrs. TRU MAIN & METCALF are authorized to receive any payments on his account. JAMES DESBRISAY. March 16, '80—1w eod pd

Herring. Codfish. CHEAP FOR CASH.—50 bbls. Herring, 100 qtls Codfish, 200 bags Salt. D. SMALL, Head Queen's Wharf, opposite I. C. Hall's

To Fisheries and Factories. ONE TON AMERICAN MANILLA MARLIN (Tarred and White), Cotton Line, Twines, Leads, Hooks, Bait Mills, Fishing Anchors, Cotton Ducks (light and heavy), 100 coils Manila Rope, Hemp Rope, Wire Rope Paints, Oils, Tar, Oakum, Ships Chandlery Sail Making, Light Ducks for Boats' Sails. D. SMALL. Jan. 21, 1880—tf

Shop to Let. THE Store lately occupied by Dorsey & Jost, on South Side of Queen Square. Possession given first May next. Apply to HORACE HASZARD. Ch'town, March 3, '80—2w eod

BUY the DAILY EXAMINER for the latest news—local and telegraphic.

PERKINS & STERNS CONTINUE TO OFFER EXTRA GOOD VALUE IN ALL KINDS OF Staple and Fancy DRY GOODS.

Our Stock of the following Goods is complete, and marked at the very lowest prices: White Cottons, Grey Cottons, Printed Cottons, Fleecy Cottons, Cotton Battings.

NEW SPRING TWEEDS. We have just opened our New Spring Tweeds, and can say we have the Very Best Value in the City.

Immense Variety of Patterns to Choose from. ROOM PAPER, English and Canadian Manufacture, A large variety of Patterns, and very Cheap.

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Perkins & Sterns. March 2, 1880.

A Night with the Scots, ST. JAMES' HALL, ("AULD KIRK.") Scotch Songs, Scotch Readings, Scotch Instrumental Solos and Duets. Thursday, 18th March, 1880. Doors open at 7.30 p. m. Admission 10 cts. Sec Programme. Tickets to be had at the Drug Stores of Messrs. W. R. Watson, C. D. Rankin, and at door. March 16, 1880—3i

CHARLOTTETOWN MUTUAL Fire Insurance Company! THE Return Premiums due to Policy Holders will be paid at the Office of Company, on application, at any time after 12 o'clock, noon, on MONDAY, the 15th inst. By order of Directors, H. V. PALMER, Acting Sec'y. March 15, 1880—1w

GENTS' FELT HATS. JUST OPENED.—TWO CASES OF LONDON FELT HATS, GEO. E. FULL'S. Queen Street, March 2, 1880—5i eaw

SUPERIOR EXTRA! STRONG BAKERS' FLOUR. A Choice Lot Cheap for Cash, WHOLESALE AND RETAIL. B. BALBERSTON. Queen Street, March 3, '80—4w 2aw

JOSEPH GILLOTT'S STEEL PENS, BY ALL DEALERS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.

TEAS! VIA NEW YORK.—1,400 HALF-CHESTS NEW SEASON TEA, EX "BRAEMAR CASTLE." The above Choice

Congous and Oolongs, the pick of the cargo of S. S. Braemar Castle, are expected to arrive here in a few days, and will be sold low to the trade for Cash or approved paper. SAMPLES AT OUR OFFICE, 7 Upper Water Street, HALIFAX, N. S. J. E. MORSE & CO. March 4, '80—1m

Wants, Lost, Found, &c. TO LET—On or about the first April, the House now occupied by Mr. Benjamin Davies, junr, fronting on Water Street. For information apply to W. W. CLARKE. [m 18 tf

HORSES WANTED—Two horses suitable for express driving. Apply at this Office. [mar 18, 3i

TO LET—The Shop under Terpsichore Hall, Great George Street. This Shop has lately undergone a thorough repair, and is now in good condition, and well suited for the watchmaking business. Apply on the premises. [mar 16, 2aw tf

TO LET—A good HOUSE on Bayfield Street, containing 9 rooms; good stable and coach house. Rent moderate. Enquire at this office. [mar 15, 1w

TO LET—On or about the 1st of May, one-half of a two-storey house, 6 rooms, good stable and coach house (if required), on Fitzroy Street, opposite King Square. Healthy location. Apply to PATRICK SHERRY. [m 12, 6i

TO LET—To let, the first of May next, that new House now occupied by Mr. Bailey, nearly opposite the residence of E. J. Hodgson, Esq, Weymouth Street, near Hillsborough Square. Apply at the office of SULLIVAN & MORRISON. [m 11

TO LET—A HOUSE situated on Cumberland Street, containing 5 rooms. Rent very low. Enquire at this office. [m 10, 1f