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April 13th, A. D. 1897.
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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

TUESDAY, April 13.

House met at 4.45. Mr. Shaw introduced a bill incorporating the Rosebath Hall Company, which was referred to the Private Bills Committee.

Mr. Shaw asked the Provincial Secretary to table a copy of all papers and correspondence between the Government of this Province and the Government at Ottawa since January 1st, 1895, to the 10th April, 1897, respecting the claims of Prince Edward Island against the Dominion Government.

Hon. Mr. McMillan intimated that such correspondence as the Government deemed it in the interests of the country to place before the House would be submitted. There may be some or there may not.

The House then went into committee on the second reading of the bill to authorize the building of a new Prince of Wales College and Normal School, with Mr. Wise in the chair.

In committee the bill was discussed by Messrs. Gordon, Campbell, Rogers (Alberton), McKinnon and Shaw. The discussion continued until recess was taken at six o'clock.

After recess the bill was reported agreed to and set down for third reading tomorrow.

On motion, Mr. Rogers (Charlottetown) took the chair in committee to consider the Act respecting the encouragement of cold storage for this province. The bill is a short one, and the following is the all-important clause:—

"It shall be lawful for the government of Prince Edward Island to assist any company who erect a suitable cold storage warehouse at Charlottetown, either by granting an annual bonus to such company or by guaranteeing a profit of some fixed sum, or in such other manner as may be deemed advisable, provided that the amount to be paid in any one year shall not exceed the sum of \$800, and no such assistance to be given or agreed to be given for more than three years."

After the proposed measure was discussed by Messrs. Gordon, Sinclair, A. J. Macdonald, Campbell, Warburton, Shaw, Bell and Farquharson, it was reported agreed to and made the order of the day for third reading tomorrow.

House adjourned until 10 a. m. on Wednesday.

WEDNESDAY, April 14.

House met at 11 a. m.

Mr. McWilliams presented a bill incorporating the Trustees of Glenwood Public Hall. Referred to the Private Bills Committee.

Mr. Blanchard asked the Leader of the Government if a petition had been received from inhabitants of Duvar Road and vicinity praying for the opening of Duvar Road from railway crossing to line of Lot 7, and if so, what action does the Government intend to take in the matter; also, if it is the intention of the Government to build a wharf at or near Michael McLellan's shore, Mill River, Lot 5, during the coming summer as prayed for by petition forwarded to the Government some time ago.

Hon. Mr. Peters said the petition regarding Duvar Road had been received and the matter was receiving the serious consideration of the Government. With regard to the building of the wharf referred to in the second question the Government would take steps to ascertain if the work was necessary.

Mr. Wise moved the following resolution:—

Resolved, that whereas the prices of the agricultural and other products of this Province and of the Dominion of Canada have in recent years declined and are still declining, it is the opinion of this Legislature that the present rate of interest fixed by law at six per cent. should be reduced to four per cent.

Mr. Wise supported the resolution in a brief speech.

Hon. Mr. Peters pointed out that the resolution was one that could not be passed by this House. The fixing of a legal rate of interest was entirely within the province of the Dominion Government.

Mr. Bell said there was a strong feeling that the legal rate of interest was too high. Mr. Wise's resolution was all right so far as it went, but it could have no effect on legislation. It would, however, strengthen the hands of Hon. Mr. Mulock and others who were trying to have the rate reduced.

Mr. Rogers (Alberton) said that in the matter of recovering debts outstanding for years Mr. Wise's resolution, if adopted, would prove a grave injustice.

Mr. Campbell put in a plea for a reduction in the rate of interest, and regretted that this House had not the right to regulate the rate.

Hon. Mr. Sinclair said this House had clearly no right to legislate in the way proposed by the resolution. He believed that even if the resolution passed the same amount of injury would be done the poorer classes as at present existed.

Mr. Shaw believed that the lowering of the rate of interest would be in the interests of the people generally. But he recognized the fact that this Legislature had not the power to fix the rate. He believed that the rate of interest should be reduced in proportion as the value of the labor of the husbandman had depreciated. He thought however, that the House would not be going out of its way in supporting the resolution, as it would be placing on record the feelings of hon. members on this matter.

Hon. Mr. McLaughlin pointed out that the passage of such a resolution, even if it were regular, would not have the effect of bettering the condition of those who borrow money or pay interest on outstanding debts.

Mr. Blanchard had very much pleasure in supporting the resolution tabled by the hon. member from Milton. He was sorry,

however to observe that he (Mr. Wise) was the only member on the other side of the House who would stand up for the farmers. The Government had a right to protect the farmers as the mounted men were protected.

Mr. H. C. McDonald referred to the importance of the resolution. But if it were a resolution that could not be passed by the House it was only wasting time to discuss it. He asked the Speaker for a ruling.

Mr. Campbell claimed that the resolution was perfectly in order, and could be passed by this House. There were precedents in this House and in the Dominion House for its passage. The ruling of the Premier was only a dodge to shield himself and his docile followers.

Hon. Mr. Gordon said that if he could see any way of assisting the farmers by the resolution he would be only too happy to support it. He saw no good that would come of delaying the matter, as this House had no power to regulate the rate of interest. So far as he was concerned, he never received a cent of interest on any man's running account.

Hon. Mr. Farquharson pointed out that the rate of interest was simply a matter between the borrower and the lender.

Mr. Shaw said the House was merely asked to express its opinion on the subject. There was nothing in the resolution referring to the introduction of a bill. The Leader of the Government was afraid to have his opinion placed on record. That is why he wished the resolution ruled out of order.

Mr. McKinnon thought it would be useless for the house to pass the resolution, as fixing the rate of interest was clearly within the province of the Dominion Government. He thought there had been altogether too much talk about this matter.

Hon. Mr. Sinclair intimated that if such a law were passed the poor man who owed money would have to pay his debts within two months or sign a written agreement with his creditor to pay from 8 to 10 per cent. interest.

Mr. Rogers (Alberton) moved an amendment that the hon. member from Milton have leave to withdraw his motion.

Hon. Mr. Peters claimed that if the former resolution was out of order the amendment was clearly out of order. He pressed for a ruling.

The Speaker ruled the resolution moved by Mr. Wise out of order.

Mr. McKinnon complained that THE EXAMINER misrepresented his remarks in the debate on the resolution regarding enfranchising the Dominion officials. THE EXAMINER said he "condemned" the Dominion Government for giving us the plebiscite and closing the House of Commons bar. He did nothing of the kind. But on the contrary he gave the Government the fullest credit for both.

Hon. Mr. Gordon pointed out that the mistake was clearly a typographical one, that the word "condemned" was inserted instead of "commended."

The House then adjourned until three o'clock.

NOTE.

In the report of Mr. McKinnon's speech on the resolution respecting the repealing of the act regarding the election of members of the Legislature, published yesterday, it was stated that he "condemned" the Government for giving us the plebiscite and abolishing the House of Commons bar. The word "condemned" was inadvertently printed for "commended." Mr. McKinnon commended the action of the Government in both cases.

THE WARD SYSTEM.

Sir,—Councillor Hughes is entitled to the fullest credit for taking the initiative towards abolishing our present unpopular ward system. While approving the action however, I cannot fully endorse either the mode of procedure or the full text of the resolution. A proposition of this kind in order to be successful must be in accord with the views and wishes of a considerable majority of our people. Regulations of a cas-iron nature are sure to weaken the effort and militate against success. It would be a popular move on the part of the City Council to take leading citizens interested in good city government into their confidence, to call a meeting in the council chamber, where the matter could be discussed and a plan adopted which would be satisfactory to the general public. That the present system is a drawback to civic progress is source open for argument. While almost any change will be of advantage, it would be as well now that the matter is in hand to have the best arrangement possible. This can be secured by submitting it to the people, I would suggest, say three or four different plans be formulated from which a selection be made by a plebiscite vote of the citizens, the arrangement approved by the largest number of votes to become law. These proposals might be put in the following order:—

1. Nine (or eleven) Councillors to be elected by the whole city.
2. Ward 3 to be extended up to Kent Street, Ward 4 to extend from Kent to Euston Street, and Ward 5 to include the Common, with two Councillors for each Ward (total ten Councillors).
3. Ward 5 to be subdivided into two Wards, with two Councillors for each ward (total nine Councillors).
4. Subdivide Ward 5 into four Wards and Ward 4 into three wards, making ten Wards in the city, with one Councillor in each ward.

These or similar propositions could be arranged for at a meeting of citizens, and the best measure made law with the stamp of public approval. I would also suggest, while the Act is before the Legislature, that proper provision be made against bribery and corrupt practices at city elections. Respectfully,
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PUBLIC MEETINGS.

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- Bloomfield Hall—Monday, 19th inst., at 6.30 p. m.
- Alberton—Tuesday (Nomination Day), at 2 o'clock, p. m.
- Coleman Hall—Wednesday, 21st inst., at 2 o'clock, p. m.
- Tyne Valley—Thursday, 22nd inst., at 4 o'clock, p. m.
- Grand River, Victoria Hall—Friday, 23rd inst., at 2 o'clock, p. m.
- Wellington Station—Friday, 23rd inst., at 7 o'clock, p. m.
- Tignish, St. Mary's Hall—Monday, 26th inst., at 2 o'clock, p. m.

JOHN T. WEEKS,
Pres. Lib. Con. Ass'n.

A LIBERAL'S PROTEST.

Sir,—Your correspondent from time to time reports interesting, concise events of our progressive seaport and adjacent vicinity.

I would crave a small space in the columns of your popular journal for an item of public interest that lately aroused our semi-dormant inhabitants to active life, which I consider deserves public and local notice.

A select few of the official force were notified to appear before Mr. Palmer, at the residence of Mr. McCormack, to investigate certain alleged political charges for the express purpose of discharging those incumbents in office.

The charges against the Postmaster were unfounded, according to reports of the evidence given by those subpoenaed, with the exception only of the evidence of James McCormack.

This aspirant to office, to make himself notorious and ridiculously prominent, and to appear as a lucid star of our party, resorts to measures that no gentleman, nay, even a macaroon, would endorse or give approval to.

There are other persons having a prior right more deserving, capable, honorable and trustworthy, to fit the position so much sought for, surrounded with purer atmosphere and unshaded dawn.

The public pulse throbs against the appointment. The tranquil political waters in this section will be ruffled by the silent bubbles arising and on its surface.

If Dr. McIntyre, aided and counseled by his syndicate clique, is desirous of placing his relatives in downy nests to chirp unmelodious notes at pleasure before retiring to political oblivion, leaving true and true friends to be eclipsed by the undeserved, supposed or assumed recent luminous elite, it is time to turn over the political page and hereafter sever party connections.

Mr. Editor, I am not seeking office. But I consider justly, as a party member, that those knowingly seeking official position would benefit the party by retiring. More anon.

LIBERAL.

Souris, April 13, 1897.

Mr. K. J. Martin, barrister-at-law, Summerside, is in the city. He is registered at the Hotel Davies.

Mr. B. C. Prowse of the firm of Prowse Bros returned to-day from a business trip to Montreal and other Canadian cities.

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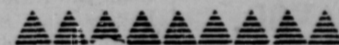
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