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PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE.

The Tax Bills Receive Attention

THE LIQUOR REGULATION BILL AMENDED

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WEDNESDAY, May 17
House met at 10.40.

On motion of Hon. Mr. Richards the House went into committee on the act respecting tuberculosis in cattle, Mr. Birch taking the chair. The provisions of the bill were explained by Mr. Richards. The bill provides for the examination of cattle imported into this province, said examination to be made by an officer specially appointed for the purpose. The bill was reported agreed to and set down for third reading tomorrow.

On motion of Hon. Mr. Farquharson the bill regarding the construction of the Prince of Wales College was read a third time and passed.

Hon. H. C. Macdonald submitted a bill amending the Hillsborough bridge act, which was also read a second time, the rule of the House bearing upon second readings being suspended to admit of this being done.

Mr. Macdonald explained that the Minister of Railways, to whom the bill had been sent, objected to the clause providing that the amount to be paid by this province shall be fixed at the completion of the contract, and to meet this objection he (Mr. Macdonald) proposed to give the Provincial government authority to enter into an agreement upon this point at any time.

Mr. Shaw moved in amendment that such agreement be entered into provided work be commenced on said bridge during the year 1899 and be completed not later than 1901.

The House divided on Mr. Shaw's amendment which was declared lost, and the bill as submitted by Mr. Macdonald was carried. Third reading tomorrow.

On motion of Mr. Peters the bill regarding idiots and persons of unsound mind, was read a third time and passed.

On motion of Hon. H. C. Macdonald the House went into committee on the bill imposing a direct tax on certain classes of traders, Mr. D. A. McKinnon in the chair. Mr. Macdonald explained that the bill provided for adding \$5 to the tax on commercial travellers, excepting liquor travellers upon whom a tax of \$200 is to be imposed. Provision is also made for imposing a tax of \$200 on liquor sellers in the city, and for the imposition of fines and penalties for violations of the law.

Committee on the bill was resumed after recess.

Hon. Mr. Gordon said he was not in sympathy with the idea of adding \$5 to the \$15 already paid by commercial travellers. These men spend a good deal of money here, and the increased tax might have the effect of keeping many of them away. This will lessen the revenue. I will mean a loss of much more than it is expected to raise. He had always been opposed to the tax of \$15, as he considered it arbitrary. This tax was discarded in other sections of the Dominion, and had brought the province into disrepute.

Mr. Shaw was also opposed to the in-



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crease in the tax which he characterized as "small business." The commercial travellers spent a good deal of money here, and were in many ways a benefit to the province. They should therefore be encouraged. The tax might be held to apply to book agents, some of whom were engaged in the business in order to pay their way through college. The tax of \$200 on liquor agents he looked upon as a dead letter as the liquor men could establish agencies here.

Mr. Campbell thought the Leader was killing the goose that was laying the golden eggs. Under the existing tax of \$15 a snug revenue was received from the commercial travellers. But if the tax is increased it must have the effect of keeping many of the travellers away. This will mean the loss of a good deal of money here. He thought it was absurd to tax the liquor agents \$200, as these would not come near but would pay the fare of the liquor seller to Pictou and back. The Leader, who was now in an underhand way endeavoring to foist license on the community, had previously denounced liquor money as "blood money." He claimed that the act could not be enforced as it was a direct infringement of the British North America Act. The City of Charlottetown should be given a licensing board which would regulate the traffic and decide who would sell and who would not, and let them have the money. This would be much better than allowing any man who paid \$200 tax to sell in any kind of a place as was provided by the bill before the House.

Mr. DeRoche pointed out that in the case of a commercial traveller who sold both liquor and groceries there was no discrimination. He believed that such a traveller would have to take out two licenses and pay \$220. This, he thought, would be the means of keeping many commercial men from coming here, and would mean the loss of considerable money to the city and province. He thought the section was altogether too stringent.

The first section, which dealt with the tax on commercial travellers, was then adopted on a party vote.

On the section regarding the taxing of liquor sellers, Mr. Shaw pointed out that a few evenings ago the Leader in the House denounced the sale of liquor in every way, and called upon the opposition to come over and help him. But to-day he comes in with a new bill providing that the liquor people may be allowed to sell upon payment of a tax of \$200—or in other words brings down a license law. The Leader had previously said that by reason of the sale of liquor in Charlottetown there were souls seeking in hell. Yet he is now supporting a bill providing for an innumerable number of liquor sellers in Charlottetown. If it is an evil to sell liquor why perpetuate it? If it is not an evil then let it be made as free as the sale of dry goods. By his actions the Leader has done more to injure the cause of temperance than the most abandoned saloon-keeper that ever degraded this province. Mr. Shaw reminded the Leader and other members on the Government side of the House of their pledges against license and charged them with going back on their promises upon this point. The very man who had a short time ago expressed himself as opposed to a license law were now supporting the bill before the House which was nothing less than a measure of license. He (Mr. Shaw) felt that they had no right to pass this bill. About a year hence the people of Charlottetown will be given a chance to vote on the Scott Act. But if this bill is passed it will place a great power in the hands of the liquor people and will strike a serious blow at the Scott Act.

Hon. Mr. McLugglin claimed that the act did not give the liquor sellers any liberty or license that they did not at present enjoy. He believed the measure before the House, if it became law, would have the effect of wiping out the traffic in reputable places.

Mr. Birch spoke of the measure before the House as one of the most important that had come up this session. The Government say they are going to put some restraint on the liquor business. But what will the restraint amount to? There is no doubt that the fullest measure of license is granted the liquor sellers. The present measure does not take from them any of these privileges. They will easily be able to get the \$200 required for the tax. He believed the defeat of the Scott Act last season was due to the vote being taken the day after the general election. The present leader had swallowed all his previous utterances against license and was now favoring a measure which recognizes the liquor seller. He felt sure that some of those who were supporting the present bill would be held to account for their actions by their constituents.

Mr. A. Peters denied that the Leader of the Government was untrue to his principles, although he had perhaps, changed his opinion somewhat. The temperance people last session brought in a bill saying that a man might sell all the rum he wished if he paid \$200 into the treasury. But the bill did not become law. He was proud of the action taken by the Leader of the Government. The present bill would do much to wipe out the sale of liquor in Charlottetown. The step was one that should have been taken long ago. It was absurd to hold people responsible for an opinion expressed three or four years ago. Men had a right to change their opinion on this or any other matter. He was proud of the Leader of the Government for taking this matter out of the hands of such an incompetent body as the temperance alliance.

Mr. Campbell said that the Leader was deceiving the people. He told the House in his budget speech that he was to get \$14,000 for revenue purposes from taxing certain classes of traders. Yet in the bill before the House it is stated that the money is to go towards the payment of an inspector.

Hon. H. C. Macdonald said that much nonsense was talked on this matter of temperance. He pointed out that the Scott (Continued on page 8.)

Local and Other Items.

CITY OF GHEENT.—This steamer is due here at 7 o'clock this evening.

TOMORROW NIGHT.—Don't fail to be at the Opera House to-morrow night.

THE PROBS.—Fair to-day, showers on Friday, not much change in temperature.

DRILL.—No. 1 company of artillery will meet for drill to-night at 8 o'clock, to arrange for the Guard of Honor.

FOOTBALL PRACTICE.—The Abegweit Crescents are requested to meet to-night for practice on the C. A. A. C. ground.

QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY.—There will be an excursion to Pictou by the steamer Princess, leaving here at 7 a. m. on the Queen's birthday; return fare one dollar.

WOMEN'S COUNCIL.—There will be a meeting of the Executive of the L. C. W. on Saturday the 20th inst at half-past three o'clock in Prince of Wales College.

THE FIRST OF THE SEASON.—Mr. DeLoe may be located in Pictou, but if there is any Island cheese available he is after it. We understand he purchased all made to date at the Hazbrook factory yesterday, paying a long price for it.

POLICE COURT.—Elgar McCarron, for drunkenness, was fined \$10 or 60 days with hard labor at the Police Court today.

This morning, at eleven o'clock, Peter McCabe was arrested on a warrant, for assaulting John Bowden with a board, on the 17th inst. He will be tried to-morrow.

THE ELFIN.—The ferry steamer Elfin was inspected by Mr. Waring, Government Inspector of boilers, yesterday. Last year the Elfin's boiler carried 35 pounds of steam. The gauge has been set by Mr. Waring at 34 pounds for this year—a difference of one pound. On other particulars the steamer passed a good examination.

BLUE HERON.—A very fine specimen of the blue heron has been added to the collection of stuffed water birds now being exhibited in Watson's Drugstore by Mr. Anster Calder. Although the collection by no means comprises all our waterfowl, many people are surprised at the variety shown.

FOOTBALL.—A newly organized football team, the West End "Pollywogs," are anxious to play a game with any other team of the same dimensions. They have been practising lately in the evenings on the upper grounds in Victoria Park. They are anxious to arrange a match for the 24th of May.

GUARD OF HONOR.—The Guard of Honor to attend at the closing of the Legislature tomorrow afternoon will be under command of Major H. M. Davison, and will be composed of detachments from the artillery, engineers, and the 82nd Battalion. The Guard will be headed by the band of the artillery. The salute at Victoria Park will be fired by a squad of men from No. 2 Company, C. A., under command of Capt. Moore.

IMPROVEMENTS.—As showing the pleasing results obtained by removing fences around residences, we instance the improvement recently made by the United States Constable, Dr. S. R. Junkie, H. M. Davison, E. G., and others. Many pretty homes in Charlottetown which are now hidden by fences that are not pretty, might be similarly improved, especially as cows do not wander about the streets as they used to do.

ENTERTAINMENT LAST NIGHT.—The musical entertainment in aid of St. Joseph's Convent was held in the Lyceum hall last evening and was very enjoyable. The programme was carried out as advertised with the exception of Mr. Brown's correct solo and Miss Kelly's recitation. The discourse on a visit to the Sandwich Islands given by Rev. Father Clarke was most interesting. He described the manners and customs of the inhabitants and also gave some valuable information about the Islands themselves. The mandolin selection, by the ladies of St. Cecilia's Club were played in the true musical spirit and were very highly appreciated. The rest of the programme was well carried out, most of the performers being old favorites of Charlottetown and hence.

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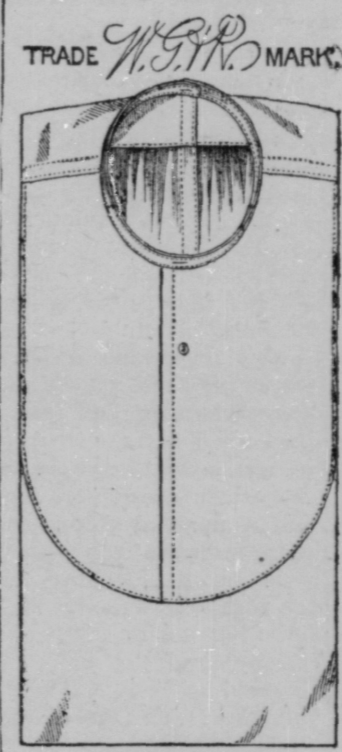
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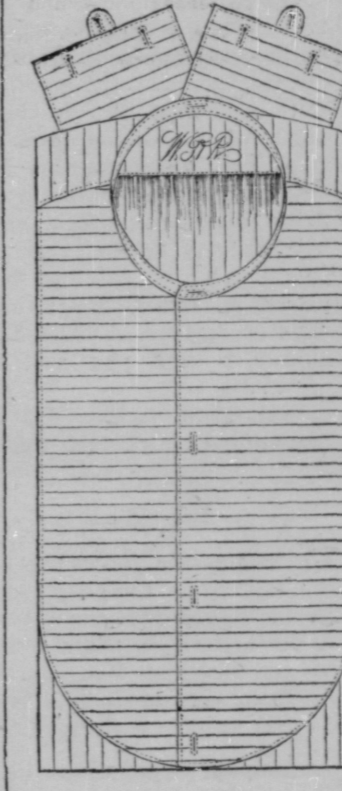
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