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### LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

#### RESOLUTION REGARDING A BRIDGE ACROSS THE HILLSBOROUGH.

The Provincial Government to Assist the Dominion Government in the Matter.

TUESDAY, April 27.

House met at 3 p. m.  
Mr. Shaw asked the Commissioner of Public Works if it is the intention of the Government to repair the wharf on the north side of the Brudenell River to be fit for shipping purposes for the ensuing autumn, in answer to the prayer of a petition from certain inhabitants from Rosemeath, Georgetown, Royston and Cardigan.

Hon. Mr. McLean said the Government would investigate the matter during recess, and if deemed in the public interest the work would be proceeded with.

Hon. Mr. Peters moved the following resolution:—

Whereas the Dominion Government has proposed to survey the Hillsborough River with the object of building a bridge to connect the contemplated Belfast and Murray Harbor Railway direct with Charlottetown.

And Whereas, it is desirable, in order to save the cost of the ferries and to better accommodate the travelling public, that the bridge be constructed so as to be suitable for passenger and carriage traffic across the said River as well as for the Railway.

Therefore Resolved, that in the opinion of the Legislative Assembly the Government of Prince Edward Island should cooperate with the Dominion Government in arranging for the construction of a Bridge for the purposes aforesaid as early a time as possible upon such terms as may be agreeable to both Governments.

Hon. Mr. Peters spoke of the importance of the resolution, and pointed out that a good deal of money had been spent on the Southport ferry. He also referred to the lack of railway accommodation from which the people of the South side suffered. The people of Belfast claim that they have been taxed for the benefit of the people of other sections of the province, and there is no doubt some foundation for the statement. It is therefore the duty of this Government as well as of the Dominion Government to rectify this injustice. He would like to see the railway extended to the furthest end of the Murray Harbor District. If this road were provided much needed accommodation would be secured. Then there is the proposition for a bridge across the Hillsborough. There is to be a practical survey followed by estimates for the work. No matter how good a ferry is placed there it will at certain times in the spring and fall be unsatisfactory. Nothing but a bridge will obviate this and give a continuous service. If the Dominion Government build a railway bridge this Government propose to have it suitable for ordinary traffic. The object of the resolution is to show the Dominion Government that the Government is willing to come in and assist in the undertaking provided we will be allowed to take advantage of the bridge for ordinary traffic. This resolution does not bind us to the expenditure of any sum of money, it simply states that if the Dominion Government build the bridge we are willing to assist in the enterprise provided we are allowed to use it for ordinary traffic.

Hon. Mr. Forbes seconded the motion.  
Hon. Mr. Gordon was pleased to hear that the Dominion Government were about to undertake the construction of a bridge across the Hillsborough. He would favor the resolution to assist in the undertaking but thought that a sum should be named.  
Mr. Campbell said that he would support the resolution but he would reserve to himself the right to approve or disapprove of the expenditure if the work should be undertaken. He agreed as to the practicability of the undertaking, but pointed out that we have not the survey or branch railway to Belfast yet. However, if the accommodation referred to can be given the people of the south side of the Hillsborough at a reasonable rate he would support it.

Mr. McKinnon expressed his pleasure at seeing the steps that were being taken for providing accommodation across the ferry. He believed it was the intention of the Colonial Government to build a bridge there, as gathered from the speeches of members east and west. It was thought at confederation that a bridge would be built. There was almost one-fifth of the population on the other side of the Hillsborough and they have paid a large sum into the revenue. He was pleased that the government was propounding something practical. The two points aimed at were to provide good accommodation and make the bridge pay. He hoped the Government would get the bridge built and that the cost would not bear heavily upon the people. He thought that if the rates were reduced the deficit on the railway would be less than it is. He believed the branch line to Murray Harbor would pay.

Mr. A. J. Macdonald pointed out that this was not the first time the question of a bridge was discussed, and showed that the difficulties which existed when the matter was up before were still to the front. The expense, he feared, was larger than the people anticipated. They might be satisfied to spend three or four thousand dollars but would pause at half a million. Of course the Dominion Government would bear the greater part of the expense, but this province will have to bear its share.

Another question is, will the bridge have to be sufficiently high for vessels. But the day for sailing vessels is past, and will probably be all right. The taxpayers who do not use the ferries look upon them as a sink for their taxes, and any relief will be welcomed.

Mr. H. C. Macdonald was glad the resolution came up under such favorable circumstances. The people on the south side are undoubtedly entitled to better accommodation than they are now receiving, although the accommodation is much superior to that afforded under previous administrations. A resolution of this nature was introduced in this House when the late Government was in power and those hon. gentlemen voted it down. The disgraceful state of this ferry when the present Government came in necessitated a large outlay. This they met and built a new boat besides. He (Mr. Macdonald) believed there was no difficulty about building this bridge, and this resolution, which promises reasonable assistance, should be passed. The bridge can be built for carriages and pedestrians as well as for railway purposes, and it may also have a draw for vessels. He thought the Government were to be commended for the step they had taken. He thought it would be a mistake to put a sum of money in the estimates as suggested by the Leader of the Opposition. Even if the bridge did cost \$400,000 it would be a great accommodation to the people on the south side of the Hillsborough and would save a great deal on ferries and in other ways.

Mr. Shaw said that any scheme to furnish accommodation to the people on the south side of the Hillsborough should be taken hold of. The ferries are costing a great deal, and steps should be taken to decrease the outlay. We have nothing to do with the proposed branch railway. That matter is in the hands of the Dominion Government, and he hoped the road would be built. He spoke of the resolution introduced in 1890 relating to a bridge across the Hillsborough, to which reference had been made by Mr. Macdonald, and pointed out that while the Government of the day voted against it they voted for a survey which, of necessity, had to be made before the work could be proceeded with. The vote on that occasion was not against the bridge, but it provided for a survey. This survey was made and an estimate was submitted by Engineer Brown. If it were possible to effect a saving to the taxpayers he would be in favor of building a bridge. He thought, however, that if the survey was made and the Engineer's report submitted the Dominion Government should confer with this Legislature, and the whole matter should be laid before the House before action is taken.

Hon. Mr. Farquharson thought that any co-operation on the part of this Government with the Dominion Government regarding the proposed bridge would be in the right direction. The people need better accommodation than they now have, although it is much better than it used to be both at Southport and Rocky Point. The bridge scheme was a practical one, and he believed that in the near future a bridge would be built over the Hillsborough.

Hon. Mr. Sinclair said the scheme was a business-like one. The Dominion Government will raise money and build the bridge and our share will not be more than we are now spending in that direction at the present time.  
Mr. Bell said he was in sympathy with the resolution as he looked upon it as affirming a principle rather than involving a money grant. He thought, however, that a bridge could be built for very much less than \$400,000, for which large sum he would hesitate to vote. If the two governments co-operate it will be a simple matter to have a roadway running evenly with the rails and this would not cost one-tenth of \$400,000. He was speaking of course of the ordinary railway bridge. He thought the people were entitled to a bridge and it would be a more satisfactory way of reaching town. Mr. Davies, our representative in the Cabinet, is pledged in favor of the Southern Railway and he (Mr. Bell) thought it was our duty to support him in the carrying out of his pledge.

Mr. Macdonald pointed out that he did not say the cost of the proposed bridge would be \$400,000, but even if it did cost that much it would be a saving on the ferries. He believed, however, that the cost would not be more than \$100,000.  
Hon. Mr. Peters said in reply to Mr. Bell that the resolution was merely to affirm a principle and did not involve a money vote.  
Mr. A. Peters intimated that this resolution interested his district. He did not think the time of the House should be taken up discussing the cost of the proposed bridge. It was not a question of cost. The people are entitled to the bridge and they should have it. It was a step in the right direction and he hoped the bridge would be constructed.

Mr. Prowse was strongly in favor of the proposed bridge. He believed that what would benefit the people of the south side would also benefit the people of Charlottetown. The move towards the bridge would, he believed, be carried out.  
Hon. Mr. McLean was also pleased to support the resolution. He hoped that when the Dominion Government took the matter up this Government would succeed in making arrangements for co-operation in the work.  
The resolution was then put and carried.  
On motion of Hon. Mr. McLean the House went into committee on the bill incorporating the town of Souris, with Mr. H. C. Macdonald in the chair. After some time spent in committee the bill was referred to a sub-committee to report upon tomorrow.  
Hon. Mr. Farquharson presented a bill incorporating the Cornwall Hall Company. Referred to the private bills committee.  
On motion of Mr. Rogers (city) the House went into committee, with Mr. Robertson in the chair, on the bill amending the several Acts incorporating the City of Charlottetown. Reported agreed to and set down for third reading tomorrow.  
On motion of Hon. Mr. Farquharson the bills incorporating the Afton Hall Company and the Elliott Hall Company were read a third time and passed.  
On motion of Mr. Prowse the

bill amending the Act incorporating the Roman Catholic Bishop of Charlottetown was read a third time and passed.  
On motion of Mr. Gordon the bill amending the Summer Side Incorporation Act was read a third time and passed.  
House adjourned until Wednesday at 10 a. m.

### WEDNESDAY, April 28.

After this forenoon's session opened Mr. Shaw moved that the House go into committee of the whole for the consideration of his resolution regarding the finances of the Province, published in THE EXAMINER on Monday.

Hon. Mr. Peters objected to the resolution, claiming that it was out of order, and asked the Speaker for his ruling.

An animated discussion followed, after which the Speaker took time to consider, promising a decision at three in the afternoon.

### A BAD ROAD.

Sir,—Permit me, through the columns of your valuable paper, to bring to the notice of the C. P. W. the deplorable condition of the roads and bridges between Clear Springs and Souris. Never within the memory of the oldest inhabitant here have we had such roads. Nevertheless the Hon. the Leader of the Government in his speech on the budget had the daring effrontery to tell the people of this Province that the roads have been in a very efficient state since his Government introduced those grand money-saving mud machines. He says "the roads were in a disreputable condition when we assumed office, but now they are in first class." If roads cut diagonally and longitudinally with deep trenches, covered with mud and crossed here and there with small bridges of rotten planks and fence rails can be called first-class ones; we have lots of such in the First District of Kings. Now the people of this part do not want such roads as I have described. If the road Supervisor is not able, through ill health, to perform his duties let the C. P. W. have those roads repaired. Surely the people here are entitled to good roads, after having paid their share of taxes.

Gowan Brae, April 25, 1897.

### ELECTOR.

### JAMES BARRETT.

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### A SUGGESTION.

Sir,—Is it not about time the management of the Opera House made some endeavor to control the mob that takes complete charge of that house at every entertainment, or are the people to be annoyed out of their seats by this posse of paper-collared black-guards. Such conduct as the pounding of canes and umbrellas, hooting, whistling, cat-calling, etc., would not be tolerated in any decent house of amusement in the world—perhaps the like of it might be found in a dive on the Bowery or some place of that sort.

Now, it is not an uncommon thing to see a policeman loitering about a theatre during a performance, and I think it would be in the interests of the Masonic Temple Co. to have one of the force on hand at the next entertainment to take such bloods as those in hand, and if necessary, remove them to some place where they could enjoy themselves without annoying others.

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### A By-law for allowing a Rate of Discount on the Assessments on Real Estate and Personal Property in the City of Charlottetown for general civic purposes for the current year ending the thirty-first day of December A. D. 1897.

Be it enacted by the City Council of the City of Charlottetown as follows:—

1st. A discount at the rate of Two and One-half Per Cent shall be allowed to all taxpayers who shall, on or before the Fifteenth day of July next, A. D. 1897, pay to the City Clerk, at his office, the taxes severally due by them for the current year on Real Estate and Personal Property for civic purposes.

(Sgd.) W. E. DAWSON,  
Mayor of the City of Charlottetown.

H. M. DAVISON,  
City Clerk.

April 15th—4y2w

### A By-law for levying and specifying the rate of assessment on Real Estate and Personal Property in the City of Charlottetown for general Civic purposes under Statute 51 Victoria, Chapter 12.

Be it enacted by the City Council of the City of Charlottetown as follows:—

1st. The rate of assessment on Real Estate for general Civic purposes under said Statute, for the year commencing the first day of January, A. D. 1897, and ending the thirty-first day of December, A. D. 1897, is hereby specified and fixed at the rate of one per cent on every dollar of the value of Real Estate, as assessed by the Assessors of the said City of Charlottetown in the General Assessment Book and Valuation Roll of all Real Estate and Personal Property liable to taxation in said City, and of all persons liable to pay Poll Tax therein, made and duly returned by them on the fourth day of March, A. D. 1897.

2nd. The rate of assessment on Personal Property for such general Civic purposes, for the year commencing the first day of January, A. D. 1897, and ending the thirty-first day of December, A. D. 1897, is hereby specified and fixed at the rate of one per cent on every dollar of the value of Personal Property as assessed by the Assessors of the said City in the said General Assessment Book and Valuation Roll, made and duly returned by them as aforesaid.

(Sgd.) W. E. DAWSON,  
Mayor of the City of Charlottetown.

H. M. DAVISON,  
City Clerk.

April 15th—4y2w

### A By-Law for Levying and Specifying the Rate of Assessment on Real Estate and Personal Property and Poll in the City of Charlottetown for a Waterworks Fund, under Statute 50th Victoria, Chapter 8.

Be it enacted by the City Council of the City of Charlottetown as follows:—

1st. The rate of Assessment on Real Estate for a Waterworks Fund under said Statute for the year commencing the first day of January, A. D. 1897, and ending the thirty-first day of December, A. D. 1897, is hereby specified and fixed at the rate of one-eighth of one per cent on every dollar of the value of Real Estate as assessed by the Assessors of the said City of Charlottetown in the general Assessment Book and Valuation Roll of all Real Estate and Personal Property liable to taxation in said City, and all persons liable to pay Poll Tax therein made and duly returned by them on the fourth day of March, A. D. 1897.

2nd. The rate of Assessment on Personal Property for such Water Works Fund for the year commencing the first day of January, A. D. 1897, and ending the thirty-first day of December, A. D. 1897, is hereby specified and fixed at the rate of one-eighth of one per cent on every dollar of the value of Personal Property as assessed by the Assessors of the said City in the said General Assessment Book and Valuation Roll, made and duly returned by them as aforesaid.

3rd. The amount of Poll Tax to be paid by every person returned by the said Assessors in said General Assessment Book and Valuation Roll as liable thereto for such Water Works Fund under said Statute, for the year commencing the first day of January, A. D. 1897, and ending the 31st day of December, A. D. 1897, is hereby specified and fixed at the sum of Ten Cents (10c) on the poll of every person so assessed and returned as aforesaid.

(Sgd.) W. E. DAWSON,  
Mayor of the City of Charlottetown.

H. M. DAVISON,  
City Clerk.

City Clerk's Office,  
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