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To come into force MONDAY, DEC. 24, 1877

### TRAINS GOING WEST.

STATIONS.	No. 5. EXPRESS		No. 7. MIXED	
	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.
GEORGETOWN	Dep. 8.54			
Cardigan	" 9.02			
Mount Stewart Junction	Ar. 10.25			
Royalty Junction	Dep. 10.35			
	P.M.	P.M.		
CHARLOTTETOWN	Ar. 12.10	Dep. 2.40		
	A.M.			
Royalty Junction	Dep. 9.00			
North Wiltshire	" 9.25	" 3.05		
Hunter River	" 10.22	" 4.02		
Brakalbane	" 10.40	" 4.20		
County Line	" 11.18	" 5.00		
	P.M.	P.M.		
Kensington	Dep. 12.07	" 5.50		
SUMMERSIDE	Ar. 12.45			
	Dep. 2.00	" 6.20		
Wellington	" 2.45			
Port Hill	" 3.23			
O'Leary	" 4.43			
Alberton	" 5.45			
Tignish	" 6.35			

### TRAINS GOING EAST.

STATIONS.	No. 2. EXPRESS		No. 4. MIXED	
	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.
TIGNISH	Dep. 8.00			
ALBERTON	" 8.55			
O'Leary	" 9.52			
Port Hill	" 11.07			
Wellington	" 11.48			
	P.M.	A.M.		
SUMMERSIDE	Ar. 12.35	Dep. 8.35		
	Dep. 2.70	" 9.12		
Kensington	" 2.48	" 9.12		
County Line	" 3.30	" 9.50		
Brakalbane	" 3.40	" 10.10		
Hunter River	" 4.20	" 10.48		
North Wiltshire	" 4.35	" 10.50		
Royalty Junction	" 5.30	" 11.56		
CHARLOTTETOWN	Ar. 5.55			
	Dep. 2.05	" 12.20		
Royalty Junction	Ar. 2.30			
MT. STEWART Junc.	Ar. 3.40			
	Dep. 3.50			
Cardigan	" 5.12			
GEORGETOWN.	Ar. 5.40			

### SOURIS BRANCH.

Going West. Going East.

STATIONS.	No. 5. MIXED		No. 6. MIXED	
	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.
Souris	Dep. 7.30	Ar. 3.50		
Harmony	" 7.55	Lot 4	" 4.26	
St. Peter's	" 9.10	Morell	" 4.32	
Morell	" 9.42	St. Peter's	" 5.05	
Lot 4	" 9.48	Harmony	" 6.20	
Mt. St. W't. Junc.	Ar. 10.25	Souris	Ar. 6.45	

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Donations of money will be thankfully received by them through Dr. Dodd and Mr. J. Quirk.  
N. B.—Food for the sick carefully prepared by the Committee.  
Nov. 30, 1877.

### NOTICE TO TEACHERS

ALL TEACHERS should send their certificate to obtain salary to the Education Office by mail, not later than the 8th of April.  
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EDWARD MANNING,  
Supt. of Education.  
Ch'town, March 27—1w

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## NEWS BY TELEGRAPH.

### THE WAR.

Servian Troops to Occupy  
Bulgaria.

Servia to Co-operate With Russia.

### AUSTRIA WARNED.

OPINIONS OF AUSTRIAN PRESS

England Will Not Withdraw.

### THE MURDERERS OF LORD LEITRIM.

[From the Patriot.]

BELGRADE, April 4.  
The Cabinet Council has resolved that the Servian troops shall occupy Belgrade, Cinks and Bulgaria, as far as Plevna, in accordance with Russian commands; but that they will only withdraw after a definite settlement of the Eastern Question.

Prince Milan has declared that Servia would co-operate with Russia until such a time as Turkey was completely dismembered, Servia's policy being the formation of a kingdom comprising all her present as well as her former territory.

It is reported that the Premier of the Hungarian Ministry has informed the Emperor and Count Andrassy that he could not answer for the consequences in Hungary if Austria should come to a decision to act in a hostile manner to, or independent of, England.

VIENNA, April 3.

The new Free Press says if there is a renewal of bloodshed it will be the fault of England, for acting as the champion of International rights.

The Fremdenblatt says: "If Russia should mitigate the treaty stipulations in consequence of a Turkish alliance, she will thereby deprive the treaty of any binding force."

LONDON, April 2.

There is not the slightest intention of complying with the reported demand for the withdrawal of the fleet from the Sea of Marmora.

The iron-clad Rupert and the turret ship Devastation have been ordered to join the Mediterranean squadron to replace the Sultan which will return to England for repairs.

Two men named McEagot and Riel were arrested on board a steamer going from Rathmille to Londonderry, on suspicion of complicity in the murder of Lord Leitrim.

### PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE.

House of Assembly.

THURSDAY, April 4.

Afternoon Sitting.

SUPPLY.

House in Committee of Supply—Mr. Farquharson in the Chair—on the item of salaries of officials in the Registry Office.

Hon. Mr. SULLIVAN moved that the amount of Indexing Clerk's salary be struck out; and that official dispensed with.

Motion lost.

On the item of allowance to County Court Judges for registering voters—\$750—

Mr. WELSH said he hoped that every time the Courts were opened, electors might register their votes.

Mr. CAMPBELL complained that the Courts did not afford sufficient accommodation to the people.

Other hon. members thought the item should be struck out.

Committee reported progress. House to recess at six o'clock.

AFTER RECESS.—ORANGE INCORPORATION BILL.

Hon. Mr. STEWART moved the third reading of the Bill to incorporate the Orange Grand Lodge.

Mr. CONROY moved in amendment that it be read this day three months.

House divided. Amendment lost; vote 18 to 9.

Hon. Mr. STEWART moved that the Bill do now pass.

Mr. CONROY moved in amendment that it pass this day three months.

Mr. SPEAKER asked if the hon. gentleman desired another division.

Mr. CONROY: I do; the hon. gentlemen may have changed their minds.

House divided. Amendment lost; same division.

Hon. Mr. STEWART moved that the Bill do now become law.

Mr. CONROY moved in amendment that it become law this day three months.

House divided. Amendment lost—16 to 8.

THE LICENSE LAW.

Hon. Mr. DAVIES presented the petition of the Bishop of Charlottetown, Rev. Archdeacon Read and 2,500 others, for an amendment to the License Law, so that it shall be incumbent on dealers to obtain a certificate, signed by the people of the district in which the tavern is, that it is their desire that the license shall be renewed; and if such desire shall not be signified, the license shall not be renewed.

### POOR ASYLUM.

Hon. Mr. DEBLOIS presented the Report of the Poor House Commissioners.

### ARREARS OF RENT.

Mr. KELLY gave notice of a question as to whether petitions relative to remission of arrears of rent of land held by the Government are going to receive attention from the Government.

### ASSESSMENT AMENDMENT ACT.

Hon. Mr. DAVIES moved the second reading of the Assessment Amendment Bill. He stated the amendments as follows:—

1. To enable a just valuation to be arrived at—After revising the list of last year, the Assessors shall hold a Court for the purpose of publicly announcing the names of those assessed, the place of their residence, and the value set upon their property. Objections may be made on oath. The Bill provides that if, after this, there shall be an objection, the person objecting may appeal to the County Court. It is provided that there shall be no costs in making such appeal.

2. The main amendment is that the valuations made this year shall last for four years. To obviate unfairness, the Bill provides that the Collectors shall, in the meantime, make additions, if additional persons move into the District, etc.

3. It is provided that County Court Judges may alter the valuations.

4. The proposed Bill provides that the Provincial Secretary shall furnish to each Collector the lists as made up by the Appraisers, and the Collectors shall be obliged to receive the taxes at their offices up to the last day of November. Those who do not pay, by that time, must then be notified and compelled to pay.

4. The Government propose that up to \$750 the Collector shall receive 2 per cent., over \$750, 2½ per cent.

5. The Bill will provide that the occupier, as well as the owner, shall be liable to pay the tax levied. Those who lease land, must, in future, make provision that the tenant shall pay the tax or be liable themselves.

6. Persons over sixty may, if they choose, exempt themselves by making an affidavit before Collectors or Appraisers, but if they do they shall lose their votes.

7. Any person assessed may pay his tax at the Provincial Treasury, and no commission shall be charged.

8. The valutors shall be allowed 5 per cent.

Hon. Mr. DAVIES thought the machinery of the Act would work much more smoothly than last year.

House in Committee of the Whole.—Dr. Robertson in the Chair.

Hon. Mr. SULLIVAN complimented the leader of the Government on the fact that his eyes are at length open to the fact that there is dissatisfaction throughout the country. He said he is opposed to the Bill in its entirety, because he believes there is no necessity for it. The Government have now actually \$70,000 in hand—having recently received a refund on account of the Railway. Besides the amendments were unsatisfactory; and he would vote against every clause of the Act. The Court of Appeal means only more expense; and the storm of last year will be as nothing to the storm which will be raised next year.

Mr. CAMPBELL considers that what the country wants is less machinery; and as this Bill provides more machinery he is opposed to it. He believes that more taxes are unavoidable; but he thinks all (not merely the poor farmer) but all should contribute. There is, he thinks, no necessity whatever for valutors. The Collectors might do the whole business and save expense.

Hon. Mr. STEWART censured the Leader of the Opposition for not helping the Government to perfect the Act, and contended that additional taxes are necessary. He said the necessity of the Bill is the "Waterloo of debate"; he maintained that a cheaper system than that submitted last year could not be introduced. He could not see why old people should be exempted from taxes; but in deference to the voice of the people they may be exempted under this Bill. He gave utterance to a glowing and highly poetical effusion on "public opinion."

Hon. Mr. SULLIVAN said the estimates had been reduced \$7,000, so that—according to their own admission—the total amount required by the Government is \$317,000, while the revenue without the assessment will be \$334,000. But he believed that in order to justify the tax the Government would launch out into every kind of extravagance. Last year he suggested an appeal from the award of the Assessors; but the Government would not listen to it. This year he would only suggest the repeal of the whole Bill.

Mr. WELSH said it would be utter ruin to use up the capital of the Province. He thinks it is wise to tax and pay as we go.

Hon. Mr. GORDON was sorry, for one, that ever we were compelled to pass the Assessment Act at all; but that it is necessary there can be no doubt. He eulogised the Leader of the late Government (Hon. Mr. Owen). He also eulogised the Leader of the present Government (Hon. Mr. Davies). He said that some of the members of the late Government had driven Mr. Owen from public life in disgust.

Hon. Mr. SULLIVAN repudiated the assertion that Mr. Owen was driven from public life by any of his colleagues in the Government. He reminded the Hon. Mr. Gordon that he had forgotten to show by figures that the Assessment Act was necessary.

Mr. HACKETT said that nothing is calculated to cause greater discontent than the very Bill under discussion. He showed by

the following figures how the Assessment could be dispensed with during the present year:—

INCOME, 1878.	
Dominion Subsidy	\$163,000 00
Public Lands	60,000 00
Balance due on Land Assessment and Poll Tax, 1877	8,000 00
Provincial Treasurer's Office	33,239 00
Poll Tax, 1878	21,000 00
Refunded from Land Office for the Purchase of Small Estates	8,793 00
Balance on hand 31st Dec., 1877	35,246 00
	\$329,278 00
Expenditure according to Government Estimates	317,000 00
Surplus at end of year	\$ 12,278 00
The old Land Tax would realize	18,000 00
Balance on hand 31st Dec., 1878	\$30,278 00

He denied that the Province was in debt. All we have to do is to provide for the current expenditure of the year.

Mr. L. McDONALD contended that the amendments would not prove satisfactory to the people.

Mr. CONROY said the Opposition had been held responsible because they had not opposed the Act past last year with sufficient vigor; and he went on to show that the Bill now before the House should not pass, because it was opposed to the popular voice. It would not give satisfaction, and the matter should be tested by a general election. He dissented from the opinion that the majority possesses the confidence of the people; and he believes that so long as they retained the obnoxious Assessment, they could not have the confidence of the people.

Hon. L. H. DAVIES diverted the House by expounding the resolution submitted last year by the Leader of the Opposition to tax towns as well as the country. He contended that if the resolution had been adopted, the City would have received last year some \$76,000.

Hon. Mr. SULLIVAN said that all that was meant by his resolution was a fair and reasonable quid pro quo.

Hon. Mr. DEBLOIS said there was not a member of the Government who would not oppose increased taxation if it was not necessary. He submitted the following statement:—

1873.	
Actual receipts at Treasury	\$629,841 56
Actual expenditure of year	495,544 80
Balance in favor of the year	\$134,296 76
1874.	
Actual expenditure of year	\$432,707 08
Actual receipts	435,256 81
Balance against the year	\$ 29,450 27
1875.	
Actual expenditure	\$395,192 10
Actual receipts	301,160 19
Balance against the year	\$ 94,031 91
1876.	
Actual expenditure	\$353,600 14
Actual receipts	254,144 24
Balance against the year	\$ 99,455 90

Leaving a total balance against the three last years of . . . . . \$222,938 08

The way there happened to be a balance in favor of the Province at the end of 1876 was this:—

At the end of 1872 there was a balance in favor of the Province of \$133,822 88

At the end of 1873 the balance was . . . . . 134,296 76

Add these together . . . . . \$268,119 64

Subtract the balance against the Province, as shown above. . . . . 222,938 08

And the balance is . . . . . \$ 45,181 56

And by adding the amount of warrants unpaid—\$23,344 37—we have a nominal balance to the credit of the Province at the end of 1876 of . . . . . \$ 68,525 93

Mr. DEBLOIS went on to show that, beside the amount they formerly had to expend, there was the Statute Labor—now abolished. He estimated the value of this labor for the four years mentioned at \$1,797,044, or about \$449,000 per annum. He contended that it was utterly impossible to get on without taxation. He looked upon this Government Party as the Liberal-Conservative Party of the Province. The Government have held, and intend to hold, together. But if bona fide petitions came in, asking for the resignation of the Government, he for one would resign.

Hon. Mr. SULLIVAN said that the Hon. Colonial Secretary had forgotten to enumerate the public buildings—the court houses, etc.—which the late Government had erected. The cost of these should be put to the credit side of his account.

Committee reported progress. House adjourned at half-past eleven.

A little girl of six or seven summers, stopping with her parents at one of the fashionable hotels at Saratoga Springs, was invited at dinner to take some wine as it was passed around. She declined, "Why do you not take wine with your dinner, Minnie?" "Tause I don't like it." "But take a little, then, my child, for your stomach's sake," he urged. "I ain't dot no tommik's ache," indignantly replied the little miss in most emphatic manner.

Servant looks into the breakfast room and says: "Please, ma'am there's a beggar woman in the kitchen wants something to eat." "Give her the water in which the eggs were boiled this morning, Bridget; it's quite nutritious."