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FREE ENTERTAINMENT  
IN THE INTERESTS OF  
THE BLIND

An important Public Meeting in the interests of the blind will be held in the

**OPERA HOUSE.**  
CHARLOTTETOWN

Thursday Evening, April 19

The programme will consist of Music by the Band of the School for the Blind of Halifax, Selections by the School Choir; Pianoforte, Clarionette, Cornet and Vocal Solos; Address by Prominent Gentlemen and by C. F. FRASER, Superintendent of the School, on the claims of the Blind to a free education, what blind persons can do towards earning their livelihood, the work and needs of the school at Halifax, etc.  
A bright, interesting and entertaining evening may be expected.  
Admission free. Doors open at 7.30. Meeting to commence at 8.

## PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE.

### The Question Box In Full Swing.

INFORMATION WANTED, BUT NOT MUCH FORTHCOMING.—SEVERAL BILLS ADVANCED A STAGE.

MONDAY, April 18.

House met at 5.30.  
Mr. A. Peters presented a petition from Samuel E. Prowse, Henry R. Lordy, A. Ernest Ings, Benjamin Hearts and others, praying for an act to incorporate the Charlottetown Light and Power Company. The petition was read, and a bill in accordance therewith submitted and referred to the Private Bills Committee.

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 of Rosemeath, Georgetown Royalty, and Cardigan.

Hon. Mr. McLean said the matter would be investigated, and if found in the public interests the work would be proceeded with.

Mr. Shaw asked the Commissioner of Public Works to table copies of all plans and specifications and also copies of tenders for the construction of a new Prince of Wales College, the name of the tender accepted, and also all papers and correspondence between the persons tendering and the Government, the names of persons from whom plans and specifications were obtained, the amount paid or agreed to be paid for each plan and specification respectively, the name of the person appointed inspector, and a copy of the agreement entered into by the Government with the said inspector, and the amount agreed to be paid for services of the said inspector.

Hon. Mr. McLean said that the original specification would be laid on the table, as well as all correspondence and papers considered in the public interests.

Mr. John A. McDonald asked the Commissioner of Public Works if he had received a petition from certain inhabitants of Parole and Lot 18 praying for a grant of money for the purpose of widening and turning the County Lane Road leading from the Yankee Town Road towards the Irish town Road. If so, what action does the Commission of Public Works intend to take in the matter.

Hon. Mr. McLean said the petition had been received and if deemed in the public interest the work would be proceeded with.

Mr. Gordon asked the Leader of the Government to table copies of all papers and correspondence between this Government and the Federal Government relative to our claims against the Government at Ottawa.

Hon. Mr. Warburton said the papers asked for would be placed on the table some day this week, probably on Thursday or Friday.

Mr. Arthur Peters asked the Commissioner of Public Works if he had received a petition from the inhabitants of Lot 42 praying for the opening of a road from Ashton Road to Fortune Road, and if so, what action does the Government intend taking thereon; also if he has received a petition from the inhabitants of Lots 40 and 41 for the opening of a road from Cardigan Road to Midgell River so as to connect with the road from St. Peter's Bay to Charlottetown, and what action the Government intends taking thereon.

Hon. Mr. McLean said such petitions had been received, and if deemed in the interests of the public the roads would be opened up as requested.

Mr. Arsenault asked the Commissioner of Public Works if he had received a petition from certain inhabitants of Cape Kennedy and vicinity praying for the building of a breakwater for the protection of a ship at Fishing Cove, and if so, what action does the Commissioner intend to take in the matter.

Hon. Mr. McLean said he did not at this moment remember about the petition, but he promised to answer the question tomorrow.

Mr. Arsenault asked the Commissioner of Public Works if he had received a petition from certain inhabitants of the Line Road, McLean Road, and St. Gilbert's Road praying for the opening of a road from Line Road to Barnet Road, and if so what action does the Commissioner intend to take in the matter.

Hon. Mr. McLean said such petition had been received. The matter would be investigated during recess and if it was

deemed in the public interests the road would be opened up as requested.

Hon. Mr. Warburton submitted the Public Schools' report.

On motion of Mr. Lefurgy the House went into committee on the bill relating to the protection of partridges, Mr. Arsenault occupying the chair.

After the bill had been discussed at some length progress was reported.

Hon. Mr. Macdonald introduced a bill for amending the practice in the Supreme Court. Second reading to-morrow.

Hon. Mr. Macdonald also presented a bill respecting Queen's Counsel. Second reading to-morrow.

Mr. Shaw asked regarding the public accounts and said they had been promised for today.

Hon. Mr. Warburton said he expected to table them today, but they were not quite ready.

Recess was taken until 8 o'clock.

At the evening session Hon. Mr. Rogers moved the House into committee on the bill amending the Water-Works Act, Mr. D. A. McKinnon taking the chair.

The object of the bill, Mr. Rogers explained, was to issue debentures amounting to \$12,000 for a new boiler and pump at the pumping station. The bill was reported agreed to and set down for third reading to-morrow.

On motion of Hon. Mr. Warburton the House then went into committee on the bill relating to assignments for the benefit of creditors, Mr. D. A. McKinnon presiding. The measure is a voluminous one, and its main features were explained by the proposer. It provides for the placing of assignments in the hands of an official assignee in order that the estates of insolvents may be equitably disposed of, no preferential claims being allowed and each creditor sharing alike in proportion to the amount due. There is to be an official assignee for each County, who shall be appointed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council.

The bill was discussed in committee at some length, after which progress was reported and the House adjourned until 10 o'clock on Tuesday.

INTERESTING ENTERTAINMENT.—Last night, Mr. C. F. Fraser, accompanied by Mrs. Fraser, the matron and twenty-four pupils from the School for the Blind, Halifax, arrived in the Steamer Princess. Mr. and Mrs. Fraser are the guests of the Hon. Premier Warburton. All the remaining members of the party have been generously provided for by the citizens at their homes or in boarding houses. To-night Mr. Fraser's party will give a free entertainment in the Opera House when music will be furnished by the band of the school, by vocalists and pianists; exhibitions will be given of various kinds of work taught in the school, and the Superintendent will fully explain the life there, and the satisfactory results of the education of the blind. A matinee has been arranged for tomorrow afternoon for children and ladies who cannot attend the evening concert. Children under twelve years of age will not be admitted to night unless in charge of their parents and guardians. The object of the concert is to interest the public in the free education of those deprived of sight, and it is hoped that as a result of Mr. Fraser's visit the government of this Province will provide for the education of our blind as New Brunswick and Nova Scotia are already doing. The project deserves the warm support of the public. Mr. Fraser should be greeted by a full house to-night. No entrance fee will be charged, but a collection will be taken up towards defraying the expenses of the visit.

### DRESSING WELL

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There are too many women who are careless about their home gowns. They imagine they are thrifty and economical because they get on from day to day a faded or dingy dress or skirt. Such women are neither economical or wise; they are either misers or indifferent to the feelings of their family or friends when they act thus.

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By Mr. Fallerton will give the address at the service to be held in the First Methodist Church Wednesday evening. An interesting programme has been prepared. Everybody most cordially invited.

### LOCAL NOTICES.

The Delinquent and Class of Fashion for May now in at Carters' Bookstore.

Keen competition is very liable to bring down the standard of quality, we recognize no competition in hats, carpets or clothing; therefore the quality and style of goods shown by us are always on the improve. See our hats.—Prowse Bros. 91 St.

White fancy shirts from 25c up, we only show the best make and only buy from reliable makers. Ask to see our 75c and \$1 white shirts, no better value ever shown in the city.—Prowse Bros.

### Local and Other Items.

NOTICE REGARDING ADVERTISEMENTS.—All copy of changes of advertisements and all notices of meetings, lectures, etc. must be handed in to this office before 10 a. m. each day to be certain of being inserted.

FOR DRILL.—No. 1 Co., C. A., will meet for drill tonight at eight o'clock.

JUNIOR Endeavor concert, First Methodist Church Thursday 28th inst.

AUCTION.—The Russell House by auction tomorrow at 12 o'clock. See ad.

I. O. O. F.—Regular meeting of Alpha Rebekah Lodge, No 10, tonight. Everybody come.

C. M. B. A.—Branch No 216 C. M. B. A. will meet in A. O. H. Hall this evening at 8 o'clock.

PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE.—The bicycle bill has given the three months hoist this forenoon.

THE WEATHER.—Moderate to fresh north west and west winds, fine today. Wednesday strong easterly winds, increasing cloudiness followed by rain.

THE RUSSELL HOUSE.—Money investors and business men should attend the sale of the Russell House tomorrow at noon. This is the best business hotel stand in the city.

POLICE COURT.—Three drunks were disposed of this morning. They were fined \$5 or 30 days, \$4 or 20 days, and \$3 or 10 days respectively.

THE STR. NORTHUMBERLAND.—The Str Northumberland will commence regular trips on the Summerside and Pt du Chene route tomorrow.

PROPERTY SOLD.—The Callbeck property sold to day by R. Beairto, Auctioneer, realized \$850 and was purchased by Mr. Joseph Wise.

DOCTOR OF ALICANTARA.—There will be a practice at Miss McDonald's Hall, Opera House at 7.30 sharp this evening. A full attendance is requested. Regular practice in future, Tuesday and Saturday nights.

ONE of Miss Butcher's readings at the Oddfellows entertainment will be "In the Adlington Aqueduct." This selection is said to be one of this accomplished lady's most taking pieces.

THE MAILS.—The train to and from Charlottetown will connect with the Str. Northumberland at Summerside hereafter, beginning tomorrow the mails will go by this route.

GRAND DIVISION S. O. T.—The second quarterly session of the Grand Division will be held at Little York on Thursday the 28th inst., at 10 a. m. The usual half-fare arrangement on trains, Tuesday the 26th inst., going, and returning up to Monday the 2nd of May.

### PERSONAL.

Hon. John Yeo left yesterday on return to Ottawa.

Senator Ferguson left for Ottawa this morning.

It is pleasing to see His Honor Lieutenant-Governor Howland out again after his illness.

Mr. John T. Crockett was a passenger on the Princess last evening, returning from a business trip to Halifax. He brought over twenty-five fishermen with him.

Miss H. Macdonald assisted by her pupils and others will give an entertainment in the Opera House on the 29th April. The programme will comprise, music, singing, readings and dancing, and will be published in a few days.

The Field Commissioner Miss Eva Booth who has just completed an extended tour in the far west and B. C., is arranging to send six officers at once into the Brandon Region. They will be stationed as follows: 2 at Dawson City, 2 at Skagway and 2 at Oyea. The outfit and supplies for one year will cost at least \$2,500. All the corps in the Dominion will join in contributing a portion of the desired amount with the many friends and supporters of the work. The local corps here will make a special offering on Sunday next for this purpose. The junior corps hold a special meeting on Thursday the 21st at 8 o'clock p. m., for the expedition.

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