

TELEGRAPHIC.

QUEBEC.

LOCAL LEGISLATURE.
 QUEBEC, March 17.—Several Conservative members of the Legislature, including Mr. Tarte, demanded that the Government do at once convene the House for the despatch of business. At least so Mr. Tarte says.

CARRIED AWAY.
 The ice yesterday carried away Mr. Plante's wharf at Island No. 1.

ANNIVERSARY.
 Saturday night being the anniversary of Archbishop Taschereau's consecration, a grand religious service will take place at the Basilica.

INFANTICIDE.
 The body of an undressed male infant was found dead yesterday afternoon on Brown's wharf.

RESIGNING.
 Several of the City Police Constables are reported to be resigning on account of insufficient pay.

OTTAWA.

THE TRIAL.

OTTAWA, March 17.—Mr. J. T. Hawke, Globe correspondent, left this morning for England on leave of absence. Mr. McCord, President of the House of Commons, will be as correspondent at the Capital.

CURLING.
 The Ottawa Curling Club team beat the Free-Press rink by a score of 10 to 18.

CONTRACT AWARDED.
 The contract for the supply of wood for the Parliament Buildings has been awarded to Messrs. McCallum, at the rate of \$5.50 per cord, his tender being the lowest.

THE GEOLOGICAL MUSEUM.
 A deposition taken upon Sir John Richardson's report by the Geological Museum to Ottawa. Assurances were given that duplicate specimens should be kept in Montreal.

Hon. Mr. Caron has invited a number of members to accompany him on an excursion trip to Kingston on Saturday next for the purpose of visiting the Military College.

HALIFAX.

WAR SHIPS TO ARRIVE.

HALIFAX, March 17.—H. M. ships "Dreadnaught" and "Forester" will arrive from Bermuda in about a week's time.

THE ELEVATOR WARS.

The timber for the Elevator wharf at Richmond has begun to arrive. The wharf will be six hundred feet long, eighty wide, and will accommodate three thousand tons. The cost is estimated at thirty-five thousand dollars.

GRANTS OF DEMONSTRATION COLLEGES.
 In the House of Assembly, today, the Provincial Secretary introduced a Bill providing for an annual grant of \$1,400 to each of the Demonstration Colleges throughout the Province, and the abolition of the University of New Brunswick.

When the latter institution was founded five years ago by an Act of the Legislature, it was provided that all the students of the Demonstration Colleges at the end of five years, but the pressure from denominational bodies now prevents the Government from carrying out the intention. The question is likely to create much discussion in this Province. Five of the Demonstration institutions under the control of religious bodies, some of them apparently no longer purpose than to create religious prejudice, and some of them are actually carrying on from the public treasury, is much distasteful to a large portion of the taxpayers.

EDUCATION OF COLOURED CHILDREN.
 An effort will be made in the Local Legislature, also this session, to give coloured children in this city the right to attend any public school. They have had schools of their own up to the present time. Should the Government refuse to make it, it is probable that a storm will be raised that will cripple, if not wholly destroy the common schools now in existence at Halifax.

ST. JOHN.

ATTEMPTED TRAIN-WRECKING.

ST. JOHN, N.B., March 17.—A lunatic named George Coy, yesterday, attempted to wreck a passenger train on this morning, by placing a rail across the track near Brookville, four miles from St. John. Luckily the train was not there, and the train was not wrecked. Coy was captured before he could attempt to do so.

ABANDONED AT SEA.

The brigantine "Flying Cloud," of this port, has been abandoned at sea, near the coast of Newfoundland. The vessel was carrying a cargo of coal, and was bound for St. John's. The crew were rescued by a passing ship.

DAMAGED BY ICE.

The schooner "Lizzie G." with a load of potatoes, from Port Williams, N.S., for New York, arrived in port this morning, having been damaged by ice while coming out of the former harbour. She will repair here.

FREDERICTON, N.B.

LEGISLATIVE REPORT.

FREDERICTON, March 17.—Hon. Mr. Webbster, Provincial Secretary, has introduced a Bill to abolish the Legislative Council, and providing for the continuance of the present House of Assembly until the close of the next session.

CONSERVATION.

The consecration of the Cathedral Bishop will take place at the Cathedral on Sunday, the 10th day of July next.

WEATHER REPORT.

MONTREAL, March 17.—
 Temperature in the shade by Standard Thermometer, observed by Harris, 44°; at 5 a.m., 34°; at 10 a.m., 44°; at 1 p.m., 44°; at 4 p.m., 44°; at 7 p.m., 44°; at 10 p.m., 44°.

CRIMES AND ACCIDENTS.

LONDON, Out, March 17.—Mr. Robert Mowbray, inventor, who had fifteen valuable dogs pointed, has since lost a dozen his dogs, and three more have been lost since the discovery of the dog's escape after the discovery of one of the former dogs. No clue as yet as to the dog's escape.

STAYING OUT.

STAYING OUT, March 17.—A man named James Cox, blacksmith at the foundry in this village, while suffering from delirium, committed suicide about 10 o'clock, by cutting his throat with a razor. He was a resident of Montreal, where his body was taken today.

ST. CATHERINE.

ST. CATHERINE, March 17.—On Tuesday last Mr. Vincent, Bayne, a young man living a few miles from this city, while out on a walk, was shot by a man named Charles and blew one of his hands off.

FIRES.

HALIFAX, March 17.—The house of Wm. Cheever, at Fairview, Hants County, was burned to the ground by fire from all directions. His youngest child, an infant, flames. Mr. Cheever, who was in the house at the time, escaped with his life.

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Nihilism in London.

Attempt to Blow up the Mansion House.

London, March 17.—A man named John, who was a member of the Nihilist Society, was arrested today on suspicion of having attempted to blow up the Mansion House. He was charged with conspiracy to commit a crime.

MR. FORSTER ON IRELAND.

Prospects of Peace in South Africa.

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Ireland.

Reply to Archbishop McGeach.

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