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CANADA MEANS THE DOMINION

And Not Four Old Provinces Says Fitzpatrick

And Many More Think So at Ottawa - Barr Party and Their Troubles - Grave Diggers Going on Strike.

AGAINST THE N. B. CASE.

OTTAWA, April 22.-(Special)-In the re-distribution case Minister Fitz-Patrick continued his argument.



HON. CHARLES FITZ-PATRICK, Minister of Justice for Canada.

There is only one opinion here that the judgment of the Court will be in favor of the view taken by the Justice Department that the word Canada is the B. N. A. Act means the Dominion and not the four old Provinces.

GRAVE DIGGERS ON STRIKE.

MONTREAL, April 22.-(Special)-The grave diggers here have struck for an increase of wages the demand being based on the increased cost of living.

THE BARR PARTY RESTIVE.

SASKATOON, April 22.-(Special)-Some of the Barr Colonists are becoming restive. Three have left for England but the general movement forward begins today.

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THE BUDGET SPEECH OF 1903 WAS DELIVERED LAST NIGHT

An Able Presentation of the Financial Situation by Premier Peters Listened to by a Large Audience in the Legislative Assembly Hall.

The Legislative Assembly was well filled last night when the Speaker took the chair at 8.30 o'clock. The event of the evening was the delivery of the Budget Speech by Premier Peters. Among the audience were a number of ladies, some of whom occupied seats on the floor of the House. Hon. Mr. Peters was in good form and in his speech of an hour and thirty minutes held the closest attention of the House.

Premier Peters in moving the House into Committee of Supply, stated it devolved upon him to make a statement of the financial affairs of the Province. Almost every session we meet, some seat is vacant, either by the absence of some of the members or by the hand of death. With great regret we mourn the loss of Capt. Malcolm McDonald in whose death the Province lost a capable representative. He could not say his place was not well filled but still the loss has been a great one. He was a man of unimpeachable integrity and great business ability. During the recess the vacancy caused has been filled by the Hon. Mr. Simpson. He felt confident that the right man had been selected, though the choice was a difficult one. The appointment was made with the concurrence of the honorable gentleman's colleague and he thanked both members for the assistance they had given him.

He wanted to point out to the House that everywhere under Liberal Government prosperity seemed to follow. We have a wave of prosperity from one end of Canada to the other; and every Province seems to be advancing. The West is filling up with immigrants and the wave has extended to P. E. Island. Last year he had to tell the House there would be a small deficit, but most extraordinary, he was absolutely wrong—he prophesied a deficit and came out with a small surplus of \$463. And this has been done on the ordinary revenue by good officials, saving where we can save and spending where we have to spend. He was proud to say the Island stood with a surplus. Some might say the surplus was fictitious but he challenged any man to prove it from the accounts. Every single charge of the \$12,000 in the capital account was really a permanent expenditure and must be properly charged to capital account. No member on the other side of the House should be bold enough to challenge that statement.

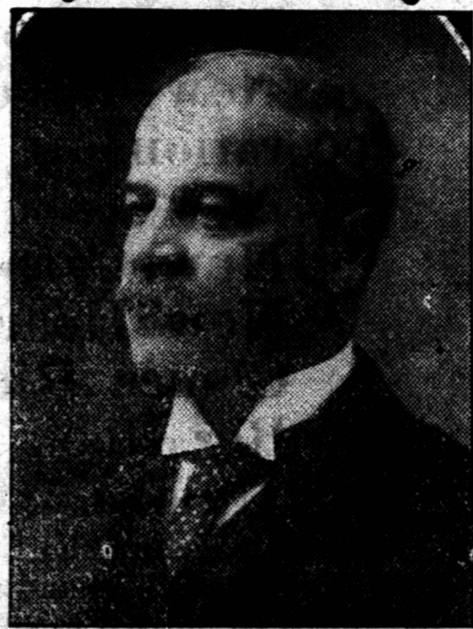
Never has there been a year where the revenue increase in every single department, with the exception of one or two, has been so large. In the land tax a great effort was made to collect arrears and a large amount was collected. Some may say that this is nothing to boast of but to those he would say it is not fair to let one man go and another pay. Acting on this, the present head of the department has collected more than ever before. The same statement was applicable to the income tax where the same energy in collection was shown.

A comparison of the figures showed the saving between 1879 to 1891 under Conservative rule and from 1891 to 1900 under Liberal rule. In those twelve years the Liberals had saved the sum of \$55,000 above the Conservatives. This should be a credit to the Liberal Party and something to be proud of. The estimates have few alterations from last years. Some small increases have been made in salaries, etc. on the advice of the Government.

During the recess the Premier was a representative to the Coronation where he had the honor of seeing what may never be seen again, collected in that great metropolis representatives from every section of the globe on which the sun shines. This he saw and he was proud that P. E. I. was represented there. He had not the honor of being presented to His Majesty because of the postponement which was thought to be for one or two months. He was not the only one to come home; many of the Canadian representatives returned at the same time. Representatives from all the different colonies of the British Empire reluctantly left for home when the King's illness was announced. He had the pleasure of signing his name in the book of His Majesty in Buckingham Palace as Premier of P. E. I. underneath the name of the Premier of Ontario. This was an honor never before conferred on

the Province. He was presented to the Prince and Princess of Wales in St. James' palace. The magnificence of the occasion was simply indiscribable. He thanked the Province for putting him in the position he occupied on that occasion. During the past year the work of every department has been satisfactorily carried on. Providence gave us good roads but what was necessary was done and he had yet to hear any complaints. He knew of the trouble about winter roads which he hoped would be obviated by the bill which had been passed. Unless our revenue increases we must put up with some inconvenience in winter, but much of the trouble lies with the men living

Harbor Railway. We want strong representation at Ottawa, as has been clearly shown by the events of last winter. Last winter the Board of Trade and the Government had to step into the breach when the steamers were imprisoned. The Government had backed him up in the stand he had then taken. Had they not acted promptly the boats would probably be now lying on the shore. We had men at Ottawa whom he knew would have the money refunded; and that we must have such, is a strong argument for strong representation at the Capital. If the B. N. A. Act is construed against our contention some day we may have no member; for the West and the pivotal



HON. ARTHUR PETERS, Who Delivered the Budget Speech at the Legislature Last Night.

along the roads.

The next question was the finances for next year. He was still going to say there might be a deficit, though he was mistaken last year. He predicted a deficit of \$10,000, but he was still in hopes that before the year is over, we will have such a readjustment that he will again next year have to say he was wrong in predicting a deficit.

The re-adjustment question is a vital one. We must increase our taxes, out down our expenditure, or get more money from Canada. The question was so important that all the Canadian Premiers agreed to press their claims—an acute stage had been reached—and the Dominion Government had almost bowed to the request. At Ottawa the whole of Canada was represented and in all probability the time of deficits for us will soon be past. All Canada has agreed that each Province will receive what the resolutions have set down; and in one item alone we will get instead of \$30,000—\$100,000.

The Dominion has treated us liberally in the past. In the matter of winter communication we got \$30,000 a year for all time to come, thus showing even when we pressed the claim ourselves alone we got what we asked. We have a just and righteous claim. Expenditure in all branches of the Government has increased; and the Dominion revenue has also gone forward with leaps and bounds and has a great surplus. Much of this has come from this little Province, and thus we have a claim which is unanswerable; a claim which will soon be paid.

Then we have the claim to the Fishery Award, which some might say was ancient history. For a long time this claim was laughed at; but now a case is being stated for the Supreme Court as to whether the Provinces shall get the award. In this case he had no doubt but we would get a favorably decision. This would mean at least \$1,500,000 and then it would be a question of too much surplus.

Another vital matter was the representation at Ottawa. The more he thought the matter over, the more he believed the stronger our representation is the better. The question was that when we went into confederation we had six members. We have since lost one and are now in danger of losing another; while our population has not decreased. At one time we had a representative in the Federal Cabinet, Sir Louis Davies, to who is due the \$1,500,000, the Hillsboro Bridge and the Murray

Province, Quebec are rapidly increasing their population. The case is to be pressed on May 12th next when he will go to Ottawa with the ablest counsel in Canada, Christopher Robinson. He felt it would not be right on such an occasion to lose any opportunity to best present our case.

As said before the estimates are much the same as last year but an increase must be made in the items for bridges and roads. Several bridges must be rebuilt. The Morell bridge, one of the most important bridges in the country, would have to be rebuilt, as well as others. He was now arranging for a survey on this bridge. The river is narrow but very difficult to bridge, the mud being 60 feet deep. There will also be a big expenditure on roads damaged by the freshets.

In education too the expenditure will be large, but we must keep up the intelligence of the Province. The present Superintendent was a most capable man who fully grasped the situation. Schools were being consolidated and in this matter Dr. Anderson has been indefatigable. Sir William McDonald has come to our assistance and to him we must be grateful. He hoped soon to have a large number of the districts consolidated. The opposition had slept when in power and did nothing; the Liberals are progressing. We have our system of agriculture too, and notwithstanding all complaints, a more hard working man than the present Commissioner he had not seen. With the assistance of the Dominion great good will be accomplished. Stock to the extent of \$4,203 was imported and distributed. No complaint has been made against the stock purchased, which was the best obtainable.

Last year a large amount was expended for the Insane Hospital on capital account. The institution is now something we may be proud of, and he would like every member to visit it; what it was in the past years we know. It is now a credit and he defied anyone to go out and find a flaw in the management. Last year a system of telephoning was put in; this is not only a convenience but a saving of labor and a protection against fire. Quite a large sum is on the estimates again for this year. Now the whole building is lighted by kerosene. He hoped next year to establish an electric plant at a small cost; it is not only a duty but an absolute necessity for now a patient might easily burn down the building. An examination had been made and he was assured the present boiler would run a dynamo. He had not put a sum on the estimates, but if he

found such necessary he might put in the plant ere next he came before the House.

He did not wish to go into ancient history—to belittle his opponents or magnify himself or his supporters. But of this he was assured, that all the departments were working satisfactorily. At the head of the Public Works Department he had a man who had filled the position better than before, and to the satisfaction of the Liberals and the Conservatives. He is always at his office and ready at any time to listen to any complaint.

He had nothing more to say—the public accounts and the estimates were before the House. He was sorry to say that in some of the Departments there would be a decrease—in all about \$8,000. In fines and penalties much held over from the year before had come in because of the decisions in the prohibitory cases. He hoped that the estimates would be discussed carefully and that the House might not be detained longer than necessary, as the members wished to get home.

After thanking the House for its attention Hon. Mr. Peters resumed his seat amid applause.

The Premier was followed by the Leader of the Opposition, Hon. Mr. Gordon, and Hon. Mr. Simpson who was speaking till eleven o'clock when he moved the adjournment.

Full synopses of these speeches will appear to-morrow.

GAMEY RETURNS TO THE TRIAL

And the Defence Are Breathing out Threatenings

The Mystery of Governor Clark's Appointment—Another I. C. R. Brakeman Meets an Awful Accident. I

GAMEY ON HIS RETURN JOURNEY.

BUFFALO, April 22.-(Special)-Gamey left here today on the one o'clock train for Toronto.

THE DEFENCE VERY SAVAGE.

TORONTO, April 22.-(Special)-The defence declares that if Gamey returns he will surely be charged with larceny, forgery and falsification of evidence.

ONTARIO'S NEW GOVERNOR.

Clark's appointment to the Governorship of Ontario excites a great deal of comment as, besides being little known, he was a Dalton McCarthy equal righter.

I. C. R. BRAKEMAN KILLED.

HALIFAX, April 22.—John O'Malley, aged twenty years, Intercolonial Railway brakeman, fell between two cars at deep water terminus, shortly before midnight and was instantly killed.

DIED.

At Orwell, on April 24th, after a lingering illness, Richard F. Clark, aged 24 years.

CAPT. DREYFUS DEMANDS INQUIRY

About Charges Made by the German Emperor

Shamrock Not Damaged Below Water—Leinster Regiment Men Sentenced to Death at Pretoria.

CAPT. DREYFUS AGAIN.

PARIS, April 22.-(Special)-Dreyfus has sent a letter to War Minister Andre demanding an inquiry in regard to docu-



CAPTAIN DREYFUS, Who is now Demanding an Enquiry.

ments in which it is alleged Emperor William in a marginal note declared Dreyfus had supplied information to Germany.

NOT DAMAGED BELOW WATER.

SOUTHAMPTON, April 22.-(Special)-Shamrock III was surveyed in dry dock when it was found the cup challenger has sustained no damage below the water line.

SOLDIERS SENTENCED TO DEATH.

PRETORIA, Transvaal, April 22.-(Special)-Five private soldiers belonging to the second battalion of the Leinster Regiment were sentenced to death in the Supreme Court here yesterday.

The conviction of the men followed their trial in connection with a riot which took place at the barracks on March 28th

CAUSE OF CONVICTION. When the militia police attempted to arrest a number of drunken soldiers the latter were reinforced by some of their comrades and secured rifles and ammunition and opened fire on the military and one of the latter members of Leinster Regiment was killed and sixteen men were injured.

Today's Probabilities.

TORONTO, April 22.-(Special)-No much change in temperature.

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