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On Behalf of the People's Government,
 CHARLOTTETOWN:
 GEO. WASTIE DeBLOIS, Esq.,
 Hon. NEIL McLEOD,
 Provincial Secretary and Treasurer.

THE DAILY EXAMINER.
 APRIL 9, 1879.

The Last Grand Rally.
A Crowded House
SPLENDID SPEECHES.

Great Unanimity and Enthusiasm.

Liberal-Conservatives Determined to do their Duty and to Win the Victory.

Summary Report.

"THE ATHENEUM" was, last evening, overcrowded with an enthusiastic audience. Mr. W. J. Fraser occupied the chair.

HON. MR. DeBLOIS' SPEECH.

Hon. GEO. W. DeBLOIS was the first speaker. He was received with cheers. He said he felt that the Liberal-Conservative Party was again on the eve of a great victory. (Applause.) He was certain that the men who had promised their support would be true; and if so, there was no doubt that McLeod and DeBlois would be elected by a majority of hundreds. (Cheers.) It was, however, certain that they would not get a single Grit vote; and there was, therefore, so much the more reason why every Liberal-Conservative should come forward to the poll and vote the square ticket. To-morrow will tell the tale. We now have a Liberal-Conservative Government; and the Grit members of the late Government, by their undue influence in Dominion elections, are to be thanked. We now have a Government in which all classes are represented; and all classes are asked to unite in supporting it. He felt certain that every Liberal-Conservative would rally early at the polls and for the candidates of the Party. Mr. DeBlois, at the conclusion of his appeal, was greeted with responsive cheers which had the good old ring in them.

E. J. HODGSON, ESQ.,

was loudly called for; and on coming forward in response to the call was warmly cheered. He said few could accuse him of putting things too mildly; but the very strongest language he could possibly use was none too strong in which to characterize the bad acts of the late Government. He was in one of the public offices the other day; and on looking over some of the public accounts, he saw that they had done one of the most scandalous things he ever heard tell of. In the first place the account shows an ADMITTED DEFICIT OF TWENTY-THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS. Besides that \$20,000 were due the teachers last December. They actually carried the amount over into this year's accounts to make it appear that their expenditure last year was that much smaller than it really was. (Sensation.) But that is not all. \$3,000 were due the contractors. Interest was paid upon this amount until after the first of this year; and it did not appear—as it ought to appear—in last year's accounts either. (Sensation.) It was the act of a set of desperadoes. But that is not all. \$9,000 more which were due in December last were, in like manner, taken off the expenditure of last year and placed upon this year, to be shouldered by their successors in office. By adding these amounts together, and taking into consideration the ADMITTED DEFICIT of \$23,000, it would be found that the real deficit of last year was about \$60,000. The late Leader of the Government professed great concern lest his opponents should get control last summer and make "ducks and drakes" of the Public Accounts. So he remained in office and retained that immaculate lamb William Dunbar Stewart to keep the accounts correct. (Cheers and laughter.) Mr. Hodgson then eloquently defended the action of Mr. DeBlois and his friends in leaving the Government; and denounced the baseless attacks made upon his private character by the *Patriot* newspaper; and closed his stirring address with an appeal to every man to do his duty—to vote early and to get his neighbor to vote also—in the interests of the Liberal-Conservative Party.

HON. NEIL McLEOD

was enthusiastically cheered as he responded to the call of the meeting. He said:—The political campaign is about over, and, by to-morrow evening, the result will be known whether the extravagance of the late Government is to be continued for the next four years, or whether the present Government will be returned to carry out their policy of retrenchment. The charges preferred by our party against the late Government for fraud, extravagance, and dishonesty are

FULLY SUSTAINED.

When the late Government were charged with dishonesty and fraud in procuring from Mr. Dodd, a member of the Legislature, marble mantle pieces, and register grates, and other merchandize, the Davies-Stewart clique, at public meetings denoun-

ced the charges as falsehoods. We held a public meeting to prove the truth of the charge, and did prove them under the certificate of the Provincial Auditor, who is no supporter of our party. Subsequently the book-keeper of Messrs. Dodd & Rogers admits, in a letter published in our public newspapers, that goods to the amount of hundreds of dollars were supplied by that firm to the late Government while Mr. Dodd was not only a member of the Legislature, but also a member of the Government. The clerk assumes all the blame, and admits that he wrongly dated the accounts for these supplied to deceive and to relieve Mr. Dodd from guilt. No one believes this version of the transaction, and Messrs. Dodd & Rogers could not have supplied the Government with goods in value amounting to \$5,000 without Mr. Dodd's knowledge. The charge of

LEAVING AN EMPTY TREASURY

is also sustained by our showing that the \$25,000 cash, will be more than absorbed by the debts contracted by the late Government and accrued, due at the time the present party assumed power, and that, notwithstanding the heavy taxation imposed by the late Government, the public accounts of the year, 1878, show a deficit of about \$23,000. We charge the late Government with

"COOKING" THE PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

in charging the expenditure of 1878 the amounts for teachers' salaries due in that year, in order to make the deficit as small as possible. But, in spite of this "cooking" of the accounts, the late Government had to

ADMIT OF A DEFICIT

of \$23,000. If to this amount we add all the debts chargeable to that year, the deficit of the year would be nearly \$63,000. We must also remember that the late Government were recouped by the Dominion for land damages paid under the Owen Administration, to the extent of \$33,000. This was a happy windfall increasing the receipts of last year. Had this amount not been received the last year, the deficit would amount to the enormous sum of over \$90,000. In the face of this waste and extravagance, Mr. Davies appeals for a further tenure of office. The Commissioner of Public Works (Mr. Stewart) was an

ABSOLUTE MONARCH

in his department. He entered into heavy and illegal contracts without, it seems, the knowledge of the Government, and paid large sums of money without reference to the Provincial Auditor or any other power. No wonder the deficit is large; and four years more of this magnate's Government would render this Province bankrupt. (Cheers.)

HON. MR. FERGUSON'S SPEECH.

Mr. Ferguson, on coming forward, was greeted with cheers. He said:—The great old Liberal-Conservative Party to-night is like a noble ship returning to port from a successful voyage. With canvas set and propelled by a splendid breeze she will bear her precious cargo and full crew into port to-morrow night. My friend Mr. McLeod has very properly said that the abuse of the *Patriot* newspaper is the highest honor any public could receive in this Island. I have for many years been honored in this way; and I always find that the abuse of this paper is an evidence that I am doing good, and feel then like thanking God and taking courage. (Laughter.)

THE GREAT QUESTION

before the country is the financial question. It overshadows all others. Mr. Davies accuses us of violating our oaths of office in giving the people information in this point. No person knows better than Mr. Davies that this is mere bunkum. The oath of an Executive Councillor only extends to matters which transpire in Council; and there is no rule in official life which forbids public reference to accounts against the Government. They took the seal off our lips by charging us in the beginning of the campaign with improperly paying the expenses of the late session. We met them by a careful statement, showing that they had expended since the 1st of January, 1879, over \$75,000 without a vote of Parliament!! Their answer is, that by publishing this statement we violate our oath of office. In the House of Assembly the late Government contended for an opportunity to place the public accounts before the House; but it now appears that their object was to present only partial statements of the expenditure of the year 1878, and to conceal from the people a full knowledge of their jobbery and extravagance towards the close of that year. In the House of Assembly during the short session, Mr. W. D. Stewart said:—

"When the bills and orders were presented in time, and were correct, I will defy the hon. member to point out an instance where the money was not paid before the close of the year. That the Government had ever kept back monies which were due, or had in anyway cooked the public accounts, I emphatically deny. Never were the affairs of this Department so well administered as during the past year. If permitted to table our Reports, the Government can silence their opponents forever respecting them. This is a matter upon which I alone, from my public position, can inform the House."

I cannot characterize these statements in any other way than they are untrue and calculated most grossly to deceive the country. I have weeks since declared, publicly, that the finances of this country were in a most deplorable condition when the present Government assumed power. The process of making "ducks and drakes" of the public accounts has been deliberately resorted to since Mr. DeBlois and his friends left Government. In 1877, when Mr. DeBlois was in the Government, every expenditure for the year 1877 was paid for in that year. But no less than \$36,891.77, every dollar of which belonged to the expenditure of 1878, has been paid since the 1st of January. In proof of this I will submit the following

statement, prepared by Mr. F. W. Hyndman, the Provincial Auditor:—

STATEMENTS OF PAYMENTS DUE IN 1878, BUT MADE IN 1879.

<i>Adm. of Justice</i> —Hon. J. Longworth, counsel fees.....	\$ 185 00	
H. Seales, attendance on Supreme Court....	24 60	209 60
<i>Govt. Estates</i> —Paid a Commission for valuing estates of Margaret Stewart, W. C. Macdonald, Messrs. DesBrisay, Theo. etc. Surveys Yeo estate....	870 00 150 00	1020 00
<i>Expenses Land Purchase Act</i> —Palmer & McLeod.....	91 00	
Palmer & McLeod....	48 07	
Longworth & Haszard..	511 61	730 68
J. S. D. Thompson....	80 00	
<i>Executive Council</i> —Mileage—		
Hon. J. Lefurgey.....	77 00	
" J. Yeo.....	140 58	
" A. Laird.....	99 00	
" S. Prowse.....	74 20	461 62
" D. Gordon.....	70 84	
<i>Education</i> (Trustees certificates not received January)—		
Teachers to 31st December, 1878.....	19,344 76	
Professor Anderson, allowed for lights.....	26 31	
Chief Supt., disbursements.....	5 39	19,376 46
<i>Coroners Inquests</i> —		
City Marshal and Police Force, attendance on Kelly inquest.....	28 00	28 00
<i>Elections</i> —		
Sheriff King's County, Legislative Council Elections.....	347 75	
Sheriff Queen's County, Legislative do. do..	529 71	
Sheriff Queen's County, partial Election in 4th District.....	160 27	
G. L. Dogherty, ballot boxes.....	15 75	1023 48
<i>Miscellaneous</i> —		
F. Brecken, counsellors (Weatherbie vs. the Government).....	82 50	
John Ball, plans for Lieut. Governor....	41 00	123 50
<i>Public Works</i> —		
The appropriation (\$40,000) for the "Falconwood Asylum" was reached as early as September—and the Government ordered that the payments for October, November, and December, be carried over to 1879, amounting to.....	8,258 61	
<i>Public Works</i> —		
A suspense account was opened at the Bank in order to facilitate the preparation of the accounts for an early session of the Legislature—and under this account payments were made, and carried into 1879 accounts, amounting to..	2,814 21	11,072 82
Total payments carried over.....	\$34,076 16	
In addition to the above, "Printing and Stationery Accounts" for 1878, but not presented for payment within the year, have been paid since 1st January, amounting to.....	\$ 2,815 61	
		\$36,891 77

I notice that the *Patriot* of this evening, speaking avowedly on the authority of Mr. Louis H. Davies, has the following:—

"The statement that of the \$37,000 paid since the 1st of January—every dollar belonged to last year's expenditure—is FALSE," and goes on to say that "\$20,000 of this sum is for teachers' salaries which were not due or payable by the Government until the Trustees' certificates were produced." This is a dishonest attempt to evade the charge made in the EXAMINER of yesterday, that the late Government went so far in cooking the Public Accounts as only to pay teachers' salaries for three quarters in 1878. This charge is, nevertheless, strictly correct; and, as I find that Mr. Davies and the *Patriot* have the unblushing hardihood to deny everything which militates against their party, no matter how confident it may be of its truth, I submit the following statement from W. C. DesBrisay, Esq., Clerk of the Executive Council, which will speak for itself:—

MR. DESBRISAY'S STATEMENT.

"Previous to the Davies Government, the practice was to pay all salaries (except teachers) and accounts maturing on 31st December, after the 1st January of the succeeding year. But on 31st December, 1876, Mr. Davies' Government paid the officers salaries and several other large claims which matured at that date, and charged them in the expenditure of 1876, amounting to over \$12,000; thus there were five quarters of salaries paid in that year.

"On 1st July, 1877, the New Education Act came into force, and thereafter teachers' salaries were paid only at the four quarters of the year, viz: 1st January, 1st April, 1st July, 1st October; and, on the 31st December, 1877, the sum of \$18,000 was placed to credit of Education Account in the Bank to meet the salaries then coming due; but no part of this sum was paid or chequed for until after 1st January, 1878. This practice was not followed in 31st Dec., 1878; and thus only three quarters of teachers' salaries were paid in the expenditure of 1878. The salaries for quarter ending 31st Dec., 1878, amounted to

\$19,344 76, and have been charged in the expenditure of 1879.

"The Teachers' salaries were paid as usual in 1878.

"WILLIAM C. DESBRISAY,
 "Clerk Ex. Council."

Every dollar of the expenditure in Mr. Hyndman's statement belonged to the year 1878, and should have been paid in that year. Such was the course pursued in 1877, when Mr. DeBlois was in the Government. The withholding of these payments until after the 1st of January was for the double purpose of concealing from the public a full knowledge of the enormous deficit for the year 1878, and to throw, if possible, the blame on their successors. Every man in this audience must now see, from these statements by Messrs. Hyndman and DesBrisay, that the EXAMINER was strictly correct in saying that the ACTUAL DEFICIT FOR 1878 WAS SIXTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$60,000).

Of this amount, \$23,000 is shown by their own accounts, and the balance is made up of the \$36,891.77 improperly carried into the accounts for 1879. Mr. L. H. Davies boasted, at one of his meetings, that he left \$25,000 in the Treasury when he went out of office. This is one of the misleading statements for which this gentleman is now famous. We have already drawn from the Dominion a very considerable part of our revenue for 1879, and only \$37,000 of this amount have been used in paying expenditures incurred in 1878. The public have a right to something more than frantic and bald denials of these charges from Mr. Davies and his friends. When I charged a member of his Government with receiving thousands of dollars from the public chest, in violation of the independence of Parliament, through their clenched teeth they declared that the statement was false. When I submitted the proof, they were forced to admit that every word I said was true. They imagine now that they will be believed when they deny my charge of "cooking" the public accounts and only paying three quarters teachers' salaries in 1878. But the people will not believe them, and the verdict of to-morrow will show it.

OTHER SPEECHES.

Messrs. W. Murphy, M. Blake, J. Doyle, A. McKinnon and S. Lawson followed with short, ringing speeches; and the meeting broke up shortly before eleven o'clock, amid the greatest enthusiasm.



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 April 7, 1879—cod 1 week 6i

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