

THE LOCAL BUDGET!

Hon. Mr. Ferguson's Speech. An Able Review of Our Financial Position.

The Government Vigorously Defended.

False Charges Repelled & Erroneous Statements Refuted.

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They had become almost reprobate in politics, and appeared to have no desire to take a higher or better stand on public questions than that which they had hitherto taken.

NO SERIOUS CHARGE AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT.

No doubt this was quite true, and the reason was not far to seek. The record of the Government was so good that it was impossible for the hon. member, with the slightest regard for decency, to charge them with doing anything wrong.

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rather than enlighten this House and the country. Whatever influence these hon. members had outside this House they certainly had none here, and their calculations were plainly erroneous.

WERE VERY CAREFUL INDEED,

that he had been entirely wrong, and that the Government estimates were fully verified. In 1880 the hon. member predicted that the receipts from the Land Office would not for that year exceed \$30,000.

IN EVERY CASE EMBARRASSINGLY WRONG

in their own estimates to attempt to throw doubt upon those of the Government. Did they expect that the country would believe them? If they did the hope was an ungrounded one.

THE OPPOSITION GREW WEAKER EVERY DAY.

The present Government came into power in 1879 with, he believed, the largest majority ever obtained by any administration in a country possessing party government.

A NOT DISHONEST AND CONTEMPTIBLE

howl against the Government for endeavoring to collect amounts justly due the Land Office, demanding that re-valuation of the lands should be made, that the time for the payment of the instalments due on purchases of lands by the people should be extended seven years, and that all interest due should be remitted.

Tignish. That was the miserable cry raised by him about eight months ago. It was nothing less than an incendiary cry. Other supporters of the Opposition outside went to Murray Harbor with that cry, and told the people that their demands were very reasonable.

WERE TOO HONEST TO BE EXCITED

to pursue a wrong course, and stood by the Government. He would now challenge the Opposition to produce a single resolution passed at any meeting since the session of 1880, condemnatory of the general policy of the present Government, excepting the resolutions which had been passed at some meetings relating to land matters, to which he had already referred.

EXTRAORDINARY DEMANDS UPON THE GOVERNMENT

for large expenditures upon Public Works. Any demagogue that would go about the country urging the people to put in extravagant claims for roads, bridges and wharves, only did so as a last resource, hoping thereby to obtain the reins of power.

POLITICAL WHARVES, ROADS OR BRIDGES WAS

well known to be one of the greatest evils that ever existed in this country, as there was not only a waste of the public money in connection with their construction, but in keeping them in repair, while unnecessary and unused.

HE WENT OUT WITHOUT ANY INVITATION

from any quarter. During his remarks the hon. gentleman urged the people to demand from the Government that a bridge be built across the creek at that place, a work which he (Mr. Ferguson) thought very necessary, indeed; but which the hon. member, when in power, did nothing to carry out.

TO RAISE SECTIONAL CRIES

throughout the country for the construction of Public Works, encouraging such sections as gave them political support to make extravagant demands, while they strongly opposed the most necessary improvements in districts which were opposed to them!

THE STEAM FERRY AT CARDIGAN,

a work which was of much greater good to a greater number of people than the Rocky Point Ferry! The course of the hon. member was well known on that subject.

MEASURED OUT EVEN-HANDED JUSTICE

to all parts of the Province, dealing with their opponents as liberally as with their friends in the expenditure of the public money. Even the hon. member for West River would not deny this, for his district had received some important works from the present administration, which he could not obtain for it from the Government of which he was at one time a supporter and afterwards a member.

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would thus clearly appear that the present Government have been making

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during their term, as had been made in the average of previous years, for roads, bridges, wharves and ferries. The statement was, also sustained by the testimony of every intelligent man in the country that the roads, bridges and wharves, had never been better taken care of than during the past three years, and he believed that a larger number of new works had been undertaken and completed, than for many years previously.

BETTER AND MORE CAREFUL APPROPRIATION

of the moneys expended. It will be seen that the expenditures of the past three years will compare very favorably, in point of liberality, with former years. He would go back to the good old times so much talked of by the hon. member for West River, when this Province controlled the whole of its own revenue, when "blue ruin" had not overtaken us, when cash was abundant, everybody was wealthy, and no poverty whatever was to be seen in the land.

TO BE CONTINUED.

The Cattle and Grain Show Tomorrow.

The Annual Provincial Show of Grain and Fat Cattle, which takes place tomorrow, (Easter Market) at the Market House, will afford the members of the Legislature, and the general public, an opportunity for comparing the present with the past in regard to improvements in stock and cereals.

At Easter Show, farmers meet and talk over the different kinds of seed grains best adapted for soils of different qualities, and other subjects of interest to them in the practical working of their farms.

The Show of Fat Cattle goes to prove the beneficial results which follow the improved system of raising and feeding stock. Better have one animal well bred and properly fed than half a dozen scrubs which, owing to their bad breeding, are incapable of being made to pay the expenses consequent upon good feeding.

We see by the Prize List that prizes are offered for the best carcasses of pork. The encouragement given to every branch of agricultural industry by the Local Government during the past two or three years is highly commendable, and has tended very materially to awaken increasing interest in the growth of improved stock, as well as in the cultivation of the products of the soil.

Winnipeg.

(Special to the St. John Sun.)

WINNIPEG, March 30.—A meeting was held last night to organize a joint stock company to manufacture paper in Rapid City. A number of Toronto capitalists were present.

The emigration to this city is unprecedented and averages daily at least 600 persons. The authorities are perplexed as to accommodation and are moving actively. Brandon is almost as bad as Winnipeg. No provision has yet been made by the Government.

The President of the Board of Trade has given the following statistics as to the probable production of building material during the coming season. It was estimated that sixty or seventy million feet would be manufactured at Winnipeg, and on Lake of the Woods there are 6,000,000 feet at present in store, and no estimate was made of the amount that was likely to be imported.

Brickmakers estimate that from 50 millions to 60 millions of brick would be manufactured. Knox Church has extended a call to Rev. D. M. Gordon, of Ottawa, and offered a salary of \$4,000 a year, with free manse.

The scrutiny of votes cast in the Canada Temperance Act election in St. John, on the 23rd of February last, was to have taken place on the 28th of March, before County Court Judge Watters, but when the judge opened his court he was served with an order from Judge Weldon, of the Supreme Court, ordering a stay of proceedings until an argument shall be heard on an application on a writ of prohibition to prevent Judge Watters holding the scrutiny.

A TELEGRAM received from the Magdalen Islands, dated March 30th, states that 20 young seals have been taken on the shore ice. The sealing vessels were still in the harbor ice bound. The inhabitants of Amherst Island were suffering for want of provisions, the vessel with their supplies having been lost last fall. The winter has been very severe.

SOLE LEATHER!

JUST RECEIVED per "Northern Light," 100 sides LOGAN'S PRIME NO. 1, 50 " " " " No. 2. FENTON T. NEWBERRY. April 3, 1882—41 pat s/j

CHRISTY'S HATS

- Christy's Paris Silk Hats, Christy's Hard Fur " Christy's Soft " Christy's Hard Felt " Christy's Soft " Christy's Hats for Men, Christy's " " Boys, Christy's " " Ladies,

Large Stock of Canadian and American Felt Hats! CHEAP FOR CASH!

G. DAVIES & CO., Charlottetown, April 3, 1882. LONDON HOUSE.

Charlottetown Boot and Shoe Factory.

DORSEY, GOFF & CO., Wholesale Manufacturers, Importers and Retailers of Boots, Shoes and Slippers.

Our Factory Boots are made of SOLID LEATHER, and warranted superior. Our Custom made Boots and Shoes are made on the BEST STYLES of AMERICAN LASTS, and good fits guaranteed.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

WE beg to announce to the public that we have purchased the good will and interest of OWEN CONNOLLY, Esq., in the Dry Goods business heretofore carried on by him at Charlottetown.

We invite an inspection of our large and varied Stock, especially in the following Departments:

- Dress Goods, Silks, Velvets, Shawls, Millinery, Hosiery, Gloves, Muslins, Shirtings, Sheetings, Linens, Lace Curtains, Prints, Tickings, Grey and White Cottons, &c. Cloths, Worsted, Scotch and Canadian Tweeds, Ready-made Clothing, Hats, Caps, &c.

JOHN McPHEE & CO. Charlottetown, March, 1882—wkly

In reference to the above, I do hereby return my sincere thanks to the public for the generous patronage extended to my Dry Goods business at Charlottetown, and take this opportunity of soliciting the same patronage for the above firm in the future OWEN CONNOLLY.

NOTICE. HARDWARE STORE

TENDERS will be received up to WEDNESDAY, 5th April next, at 12 o'clock noon for the Stock-in-trade, Office fittings and Furniture, and goodwill of the business in Charlottetown, known as the CITY HARDWARE STORE.

FOR CHARTER.

A SCHOONER of 130 tons Register, now lying at Queen Street Wharf, will accept a charter for Newfoundland, to load on the opening of the navigation.

JOSEPH GILLOTT'S STEEL PENS. BY ALL DEALERS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.

BEER & GOFF. CHOICE FAMILY FLOUR. Hiawatha, Pride of the Island, &c.

Grain and Cattle Show.

Tuesday, 4th of April, (EASTER MARKET), AT 11 O'CLOCK, AT THE Market Hall and Square, CHARLOTTETOWN.

For Prize List apply at the office of the Secretary of Prince County Exhibition, Summerside; at the office of the Secretary of King's County Exhibition, Cardigan; and at the office of A. McNEILL, Secretary, Provincial Exhibitions, Charlottetown, March 23 '82—wkly till show

IMPORTANT SALE

Trotting Stallions, Geldings, Mares, and Fat Cattle.

I AM instructed by Louis L. Jenkins, Esq., of Upton Stock Farm, to sell by Auction, at Market Square, on the 4th April, (Easter Tuesday), at 11 o'clock, a.m. the well-known Trotting Stallions Old Hambletonian, Mambrino Star and Young Hambletonian; the Mares Abdallah Queen and Birdie, the Geldings Grit by Reform (he by Jay Gould, 2.184) out of Old Queen, and Comet by Mambrino Star, out of Birdie. Also, Mount Mellick Boy, rising 3 years old, by Royal Harry, dam by Smith's "Farmer's Glory." This Colt took first prize at the Provincial Exhibition last fall.

Tea and Fancy Sale. THE Ladies of St. Paul's Church intend holding a Tea and Fancy Sale, on FRIDAY, 14th inst., in St. Paul's School-room.

OLD BANK PAPER

- 1 Red Horse, very strong, good worker, 1 Roan Horse, good, able, true, 1 Milch Cow, 1 Grade Short Horn Cow (Hon. J. C. Pope's herd) cost at sale \$94, 1 Grade Heifer (Shorthorn), 2 Heifers (good milking strain), 4 sets Iron Harrows, 1 set Wooden Harrows, 1 Scuffer, 1 Cooley Creamery, 1 Barouche (best on the Island), 1 Double American Buggy, 1 Single Buggy, 1 Vis-a-vis Carriage, 1 Single Wagon (shifting seat), 2 Express Wagons, 1 Sloop, 1 Steam Engine and Boiler, 8 horse power, and good Scotch Engine, 1 Steam Engine, 18 horse power, 1 Boiler 30 horse power, 1 very strong Pedlar's Wagon, 3 sets Harrows, 1 Cart, a good one, 1 set Cart Harness, 6 sleighs, from \$6 to \$80, fine—very poor to very fine. Apply at once to H. COOMBS.

OLD BANK.

PARTIES having large sums of Old Bank Paper can dispose of the same to advantage. Apply to H. COOMBS, Agent.

EXPRESS WAGON!

FOR SALE. A FIRST-CLASS WAGON, for which 1st Prize was awarded at Queen's County Exhibition. Nearly new and in good order. Will be sold at a bargain. Apply at once to J. M. AULD.

TO LET.

THE Store and Dwelling, No. 62 Queen Street, next door to W. A. Weeks & Co., and lately occupied by the subscriber, to whom application is to be made. JOHN GAHAN. Charlottetown, March 31, '82—2w eod

Good Tea & Coffee,

Tobacco, Kerosene Oil, Figs, etc. I WILL SELL VERY CHEAP, to close consignments—300 chests, half-chests and Boxes Good Congo Tea, 300 tins Finest French Coffee (in 5, 7 and 10lb. tins), 6 boxes Twist and Flat Tobacco, 10 casks Kerosene Oil, 100 dozen Brooms, 100 boxes Scented Soaps, 10 barrels Onions, 5 boxes Turkey Figs. The above goods will be sold cheap, as they must be closed out. WILLIAM DODD, Auctioneer.

FOR SALE.

A BEAUTIFUL LOT on Corner of Main and Barden Streets, Victoria, Lot 29, formerly owned by the late Henry Hardy. A good deed can be given. For further particulars apply to Messrs. Hodgson & McLeod, Charlottetown, or to the owner. MRS. RACHEL HARDY, Little York. Opposite the Railway. FOR SALE the premises now occupied by me, being a Dwelling, Stable and large Warehouse. This property fronts 170 feet on Water Street and 100 on Weymouth, directly opposite the Railway Station. D. O'M. REDDIN. March 27, 1882—1m, 2w