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LETTER FROM HON. WILLIAM CAMPBELL.

Sir,—The enclosed communication was forwarded to the editor of the Guardian, some time ago, in reply to a letter which appeared in his columns over the signature of Nelson Howatt, and which he has thought proper not to publish. As I am at present the only member of the Sullivan Government in local politics, I consider, in justice to myself I had a right to reply and expose the incorrect statements it contained. Always having been a subscriber to the Guardian, and believing in his profession of fair play and independence, I thought he would allow me to reply to those incorrect statements through the same medium by which they were given to the public; but I find that I have been deceived and see his professions of fair-play and independence and his practice, where party interests are concerned, to be as wide asunder as the poles.
Please give it a place in your next issue and oblige,
Yours,
W. CAMPBELL.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE GUARDIAN.

DEAR SIR,—In your issue of the 17th inst., I notice a letter from one Nelson Howatt, in which he claims to be independent in politics. But anyone on reading his letter must be fully convinced that if he is not a strong partisan, he is at least very one-sided and unjust in his use of figures and in some instances he must have forgotten to read the Public Accounts. He states in the beginning that the present Government are going to save \$5000 or \$6000 this season in the East and West River Ferries. Let us examine the public records and we will find Mr. Howatt's figures, very wide of the mark. We find in the year 1896 that the Ferries of Southport and the East and West River Ferries cost \$15,809.51. Of this amount the summer contingent on the East and West River Ferries cost \$4,812.29.

The amount of fares received from East and West River Ferries was \$1,150. They now pay Mr. Strang \$1,000.
How does this account stand? It is as follows:—
Cost of East and West River Ferries for 1896.....\$4,812.29
Fares received for East River.....675.93
Fares received for West River.....473.63
Strang subsidy.....1,000.00
2,150.56
Total saving.....2,661.73

By what process of figures Mr. Howatt found his saving of \$5000 or \$6000 in these two ferries I must leave him to explain. Mr. Howatt's next attempt at figures is to show up the deficits of the Sullivan-McLeod Governments as compared with the deficits of the present Government. Does he do that part of his task fairly and justly? Does he take the Public Accounts as his guide? I say no. He takes the Public Accounts to give us the deficits of the Peters Government. But when he comes to give us the deficits of the Sullivan-McLeod Administration, does he take the records of the Public Accounts? No. But sets down for the years of 1884 and 1885, deficits that do not exist any place but in the mind of Mr. Howatt.

He says that the deficits of the Sullivan Government in the years 1884 and 1885, less pier money received, were \$12,000 in round numbers. Why not leave out the whole subsidy received from the Dominion Government and make the deficit \$200,000? This would be just as reasonable as to strike out a part of the receipt of any one year in order to roll up a one-sided deficit. The facts are that the Sullivan Government made certain claims against the Dominion Government and received certain sums of money, which were placed to the credit of the Province, and the people were relieved from taxation to the amount of the money so received.

What is the account of the deficits of the two Governments as taken from the public accounts, which I claim to be the only true guide we have to go by?
The deficits of the Sullivan-McLeod Government as given in the public accounts are as follows:
1882.....\$23,763.12
1883.....42,308.65
1884.....725.88
1885.....18,055.31
1886.....70,489.01
1887.....46,062.91
1888.....25,730.77
1889.....28,965.66
1890.....80,911.70
Total deficit for 9 years.....\$337,059.01
Yearly deficit.....\$37,451.01

We find, then, on examining the Public Accounts that the average yearly deficit of the Sullivan Government was only \$27,451.01 instead of \$46,923, as unfairly stated by Mr. Howatt. That is \$9,469 less than Mr. Howatt's figures show. How can he recede to the public the exaggeration of those figures with his claims of independence? Mr. Editor, I cannot tell, I must leave him to his conscience to reconcile such a contradiction. The public were not satisfied with those annual deficits of the Sullivan Government. The Liberal party said that the Sullivan Government were running the country into debt and that they should no longer be entrusted with the administration of public affairs. They said, "Give us the reins of government and the age of deficits will cease. We will economize the revenues of the country and make revenue and expenditure meet." The people took them at their word and placed Mr. Peters in power with a very large majority at his back, a majority sufficiently strong to carry out any reforms that he might wish, in the interests of the people, to adopt. What has been their record? They have increased the expenditures from an average of \$265,166 (the average yearly

expenditure of the Sullivan-McLeod Government during the nine years mentioned by Mr. Howatt) to \$304,232, which is their average yearly expenditure of the six years during which they were in power.
Their actual deficits are as follows:
1891.....\$30,493.20
1892.....37,651.29
1893.....119,942.33
1894.....20,164.21
1895.....32,561.80
1896.....14,135.35

Deficit for six years.....\$255,249.18
Yearly deficit.....\$42,541.53

This is the record of the Government that went into power pledged to the people to stop deficits and to make revenue and expenditure meet. But that is not all. The very same Government has borrowed in those 6 years under the provisions of the loan act, \$174,151, and by private loans \$3,132, a total of borrowed money in 6 years of \$177,283, or a yearly average of \$29,547. Now this, if added to their deficit, would make \$72,188. In this account I have not taken into consideration the debentures issued, although I should be perfectly justified in taking into account the amount of debentures issued in excess of the actual debt left by the late government when they went out of power.

Such then is the record of the two governments as taken from the Public Accounts. I give no opinion but leave an intelligent public to judge their respective promises and their actual performances.
There is another statement that I wish to make, and it is, that I do not believe that the deficit as published in the Public Accounts of 1896 is an honest balance. Why, did they refuse, or withhold from me the information which I ask for and which, if given, would have enabled me to prove whether it was an honest balance or not?

There is another important point noticeable in comparing the financial records of the two governments. It is this. The Sullivan government came into power in 1879 with an acknowledged balance against the Province of \$52,000. Going out of power after twelve years of government they left a balance against the Province of \$124,000.
When they came into power we had a subsidy from the Dominion of \$153,000 in round numbers. When they went out of power they left a subsidy of \$183,000. Therefore, notwithstanding the fact that they drew \$200,000 of the capital from Ottawa; they left an increased subsidy of \$30,000 for the benefit of the tax-payers of this Province.

There is still another fact which Mr. Howatt in his independent honesty (?) forgets to make known to the public and it is, that during the nine years of which he speaks, the people of this country were not asked to contribute one dollar to the revenues of this country in direct tax.
Mr. Peters came into power in 1891 with a balance against the Province of \$124,000 in round numbers. He came into power pledged to the people to conduct the financial affairs of the country in a more satisfactory manner than that of his predecessors.

How has he kept his promise? How do we find the debt of the province standing to-day? The following will show:—
Debentures account.....\$185,000
Borrowed under loan act.....174,151
Private loans.....3,132
Balance against Province Oct. 31st 1896.....5,413
Unfinished contracts carried forward.....29,000
Debentures for new Prince of Wales College.....20,000
Difference between estimated revenue and estimated expenditure.....33,000
Total indebtedness.....\$479,696
Balance against Province in 1890.....\$124,000
Increase in public debt in 6 years.....\$355,696

I have already shown that during the 9 years which Mr. Howatt takes of Sullivan government, the people did not pay one cent of taxes. How has it been with the present government? They have collected from the people in the last three years \$135,237, or a yearly average of \$45,079. Had the Sullivan government collected the same amount each year from the people it would have amounted to \$405,711.00.

I have endeavored to give your readers a just and fair account of the financial transactions of both governments and leave your readers to judge of independence of Mr. Howatt's letter. There is one point in the history of the present government upon which I wish the electors of this country to pass judgement. In the year 1893, the year of the last general election, Mr. Peters asked parliament to give him \$283,000 for the expenditure of that year. He expended \$337,000 or \$54,000 more than parliament voted him. How was this money spent? Was it in the interests of the general public? No; but as I believe in the interests of a few individuals whom Mr. Peters wished to return to parliament, he himself being one of the number.

I will give you a few figures to show how some of it was spent.
In the Peters' district on roads and rights of way.....\$7,415.93
In district C. P. W.....6,365.65
In D. Farquharson's district.....4,160.00
Total.....\$18,941.65

We find, then, that the total spent in the districts of three members of the Government was \$18,941.65. \$3,621 of this amount was spent by one supervisor in Mr. Peters' district alone. If those men were guilty of taking \$54,000 in 1893 to obtain their election, what guarantee have the public that the same thing will not happen again? What reason have they to believe that those same men will hesitate to follow the very same course at the present time? Is it any wonder

that we have in this country, at the present time, large numbers of electors calling loudly for reform and asking for more independent men than those that at present occupy seats in our legislature. Is it any wonder that we find men who have supported a leader and government that were responsible for an enormous and extravagant expenditure such as that of 1893?
There are a great many more points which might be brought up and treated likewise, but this letter is long enough. Trusting that you will kindly give it a space in your paper. I remain,
Yours etc.,
WILLIAM CAMPBELL.
Sea View, June 30th, '97.

LOCAL AND OTHER ITEMS

The Liberal Conservatives have engaged the Lyceum as their Campaign Rooms, from this date till after the Election. This Hall will be open every day and evening. All friends of the party are expected to attend, and will be made welcome.

PICNIC.—A special train will leave at 10.30 (local) for Suffolk.
MEETING IN MARKET HALL to-morrow night. Arrange to attend.

To-morrow.—St. Paul's S. S. picnic to-morrow at Suffolk.

ENGINEERS will meet for drill to-night in uniform. A full attendance of officers and non-commissioned officers is particularly requested.

PAROLE CASE.—This forenoon Henry Welsh and A. P. Allen were fined \$5 or 40 days and \$4 or 20 days respectively for drunkenness. The Scott Act case against Charles Watling was adjourned pending the defendant's arrest.

BAPTIST CHURCH.—Rev. Dr. Trotter, President of Acadia University, will speak at the Baptist Church tonight at 8 o'clock. A hearty welcome is extended to all who will come to hear the new President on the work of the institution.

HOTEL ACADIA.—The manager of Hotel Acadia is very fortunate in securing Miss Burris as musician for this season. Everyone in Charlottetown knows Miss Burris as a perfect accompanist and no doubt she will attract large numbers of her friends who are desirous of a good dance to the hotel.

L. O. L.—The members of St. George's Orange Lodge will attend divine service in St. Paul's Church on Sabbath, July 11th, in the forenoon. They extend a cordial invitation to all brother Orangemen to join with them. Members will meet at Easton Street Hall at 10 o'clock sharp. Full dress. d&w

BANNER LODGE.—It gives us pleasure to congratulate Charlottetown Lodge, No. 68, I. O. G. T., on attaining the proud distinction of Banner Lodge of the Island. This energetic and popular body will doubtless do all in their power to hold the laurels for many years.

MEDICAL SOCIETY'S OFFICERS.—At yesterday's meeting of the Medical Society the following officers were elected: President, Dr. Taylor; Vice President, King's, Dr. McLare; Vice President, Queen's, Dr. Kelly; Vice President, Prince, Dr. Alex. McNeill; Secretary, Dr. S. R. Jenkins; Treasurer, Dr. Geo. Dewar; Executive Committee, Dr. Conroy, Dr. Beer and Dr. H. D. Johnson.

COMING TO CANADA.—An account was given a few days ago by the Smith's Falls Record of twenty-two French Canadian families, who had sold their possessions in Michigan and passed through that town on the railway on their way as immigrants to the Lake St. John district in the Province of Quebec. They numbered 180 persons, and had with them about \$120,000 worth of settlers' effects, which filled five cars. Many had dogs in a special baggage car, to be used in hunting, also bear traps and other devices for trapping animals.

SCOTT ACT.—The following resolution was carried at the P. E. Island Baptist Association at Bedeque on Monday, without a dissenting voice:—
Moved that we as the P. E. I. Baptist Association express our confidence in the efficiency of the C. T. A., and tender our sympathy with the temperance friends of Charlottetown in their efforts to sustain the Act on July 22.

We furthermore put ourselves on record as being deadily opposed to the license system and will positively refuse to support any political party or candidate that will advocate license as a legislative measure by which to deal with the liquor problem.

SCOTT ACT CAMPAIGN.—A very encouraging meeting of Scott Act workers was held last night. Cheering reports were received from the different committees. The president read a telegram from Mr. F. S. Spence, of Toronto, who has accepted the invitation of the Charlottetown Alliance to take part in the campaign. Rev. Dr. McLeod, of Fredericton, N. B., will open the battle on Tuesday next. The meeting adjourned to meet again on Tuesday evening, when a rally of the temperance forces will be held to appoint canvassers and hear further reports of committees. A permanent secretary has been employed who will be found every day at the campaign headquarters in the Y. M. C. A. building.

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