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PREPARE!

We call upon all men who wish this country to be law-abiding and compact-keeping, progressive and prosperous to organize and prepare for the great election contest which is now imminent. Unfor-

The Manitoba Question was, contrary to the law, created for political purposes; its settlement by the friendly offices of the Dominion Government and the Dominion Government's Commissioners, has been prevented for political purposes; the passage of the Remedial Bill by Parliament has been systematically obstructed for political purposes; and the question has been forced upon the people of Canada, not because they are particularly concerned in the schools of Manitoba, but because it is hoped that the political purposes of Laurier and Martin, McCarty and Tarte may be attained, and the present Government ousted by playing upon the religious and racial prejudices of the people.

The Manitoba Question is essentially a question of law. Shall the law, as interpreted by the highest courts, be obeyed, or shall the law be disobeyed and flouted? Whether separate schools are better than secular schools, whether the Protestants are right and the Roman Catholics wrong in this regard, are questions beside the point. The point is, shall a "Parliamentary compact" be broken, and the grievance thereby created remain undressed, in the law's despite? If a law and a compact may be broken in respect to Manitoba, a law and a compact may be broken in respect to Quebec, Ontario, P. E. Island or any other province, and the Reign of Law in this Dominion will cease. According to the law, the freedom of Manitoba as to educational legislation is limited by certain conditions and the limit has been overstepped. By the law, the Dominion Government is authorized and empowered to supply a remedy. As a last resort, after repeated offers of settlement, a Remedial Bill was brought down by the Government. But its passage has been prevented by a system of unparalleled obstruction on the part of Mr. Laurier and those who acted vote with him upon this question. The people, then, will be called upon to declare by their vote in the coming election whether they approve of the course, in accordance with the law, that has been pursued by the Government Party, or whether they approve the course, that has been pursued by the Opposition Party.

The other question is the old one of the tariff. The Opposition say that they will "eliminate protection" and admit wool, corn, pork, beef and other articles from the United States into our markets free of duty. The Government say that so long as the United States maintain a high duty against our products they will maintain a moderate protective duty which is now in force on our markets free of duty. The Government say that as long as the United States maintain a high duty against our products they will maintain a moderate protective duty which is now in force on our markets free of duty.

In this Province a third question is being forced to the front by Premier Peters. The Province is, under his management, and notwithstanding the opposition of heavy taxes, going steadily deeper and deeper into debt. But, he says, "the hour of deliverance is at hand, but the honorable men of the opposition into office and we shall have a large addition to the subsidy." On the other hand, it will be urged that an addition to the subsidy, even if it can be obtained, (and that is not possible if the crisis get in), is more likely to afford respite or consider extravagance than to relieve the people from debt and taxation. A few years ago Messrs. Sullivan and Ferguson obtained from Ottawa an addition to the subsidy of \$200,000 a year, equal to the sum of \$500,000; but the advantage of this addition to the subsidy has been completely wiped out and obliterated by the additions which have since been made to the Provincial debt. In view of this fact, it will be argued that the undoubted claim of this Province against the Government of Canada will be better met by the construction of public works, such as the proposed Southern Railway and other trunk railways, than by an additional incentive to Provincial extravagance in the shape of an addition to the annual subsidy from Ottawa. Upon this point a local issue will, probably, be raised.

We hope and trust that there will be that preparation and organization on the part of law-abiding and progressive Canadians in this Province and throughout the entire country, as shall ensure the triumph of the right in regard to both the great questions on which the parties are at issue, and also that the question of our claim upon the Dominion will be settled in the way most conducive to the interests of the Province.

COURTESY AND FAIRPLAY.

The Legislature has done—well, almost nothing in three weeks and three days, and the Budget now blocks the way. It is, therefore, expedient that the Budget debate should be pressed forward. There was but a short session yesterday forenoon; and an evening session was anticipated. But Mr. Shaw got the floor just before the hour for recess—and the House then adjourned until ten o'clock this morning! A few evenings ago Mr. Peters addressed his Budget speech to a crowded gallery; but for fear that Mr. Shaw should have a like privilege in reply, the Legislature was adjourned and a session was lost. Mr. Peters has paid to Mr. Shaw the tribute of his fear. He evidently fears the indignant criticism of an honest farmer, when addressed directly to the citizens of Charlottetown.

There is another point in respect to which the Premier has shown neither courtesy nor fairplay. When he delivered his Budget speech, he made a short-handled orator, paid out of the public exchequer, to report his special pleadings to the country. But no reporter has been provided to report the reply of the Opposition. Comment is, perhaps, needless. But we cannot refrain from saying that British fairplay, as well as justice to the public, to say nothing of ordinary courtesy, would give the Government and Opposition equal privileges in this regard.

he sells the farm and invests the money at 6 per cent. That yields \$360 of an income. Of that income we exempt \$350 and of the remaining \$10 we exact one per cent, and the net result is that the farmer with one cent of tax instead of \$12 as in the year before. Is this exemption right? and is it right to tax the land at the rate of one-fifth of one per cent. of its value and only tax income at the rate of one cent on the amount of interest derived from the investment? There are other reasons why the income taxpayer escapes.

1. There is no definition as to the scope of what constitutes income. 2. There are large estates in the hands of trustees that escape taxation altogether. 3. The law makes no provision to compel a man to pay who chooses to make a lease declaration.

The result is that the capital of the country does not contribute half as much as it should to the revenue. Then as to savings. We should take one from the estate of a man and one from the Registry Office and thus save \$1,000. We ought to sell Government House property, save the annual outlay for repairs, invest the proceeds in a safe and let the interest go to the same. The same with regard to the stock farm. In view of the fact that we are to have a road machine for each supervisor, the road grant could be cut by \$100 from each supervisor's road grant, and save the province \$3,500. But the chief leakage is in the ferries. The Government laborer had to justify the expense, but the Government is justified. This business will have to be grappled with or it will sink the Government. In 1894 the net loss to the Province on the operation of the Southport, Rocky Point, East and West River ferries was \$23,705. In 1895 it was \$23,775. So it appears that a sum nearly equivalent to the whole of the land tax of this Province is annually sunk in the Hillsborough. This is not satisfactory to the minority, and, although it has been stated over and over again that it was satisfactory, still Mr. Laurier, or one of his followers, would get up a few minutes later and repeat the old story over again. When the bill was introduced in the House, Archbishop Levesque expressed his satisfaction with it, and now he has again done so by addressing the following telegram to Sir Charles Tupper:—

that revenue and expenditure should be made to meet. In fact they made the night hideous with their cries along this line. That was their declaration, and they called their colors to the mast and went to the country on that policy. The hon. member for West River, the hon. member for Beauce, and other hon. members now either in the government or supporters thereof are on record in the Parliamentary Reporter as strongly advocating the policy of making ends meet. Yet how are they acting? What have they to say for themselves? They are going back on their promises most shamefully. Instead of making ends meet they are piling up a debt at the banks and issuing debentures. In the season of 1889, the following resolution was passed:—

Resolved, That in the opinion of this House the present financial state of the Province demands an immediate and judicious policy of retrenchment in the expenses of legislation and other departments of the public service, in order that the annual expenditure be kept within the limits of the ordinary revenue.

Mr. Shaw had just concluded the reading of this resolution when six o'clock arrived, and the House adjourned until 10 o'clock on Friday.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

—Last year the Patriot was determined that not another dollar should be added to the public debt. This year it accepts the public accounts and bolts the budget.

—The first rail, or rather the first short-cut electric service, in order that the annual expenditure be kept within the limits of the ordinary revenue.

—One of the strongest points made by Mr. Laurier and his Quebec followers against the Remedial Bill has been that it was not satisfactory to the minority, and, although it has been stated over and over again that it was satisfactory, still Mr. Laurier, or one of his followers, would get up a few minutes later and repeat the old story over again. When the bill was introduced in the House, Archbishop Levesque expressed his satisfaction with it, and now he has again done so by addressing the following telegram to Sir Charles Tupper:—

MONTREAL, April 13, 1896.

In the name of the Catholic minority of Manitoba I represent officially, I ask the Hon. the Minister to pass the whole Remedial Bill as it now amended. It will be satisfactory to the said Catholic minority that will accept it as a substantial, workable and fair settlement of the whole question according to the constitution.

A. D. LANGRISH, Archbishop of St. Boniface.

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SPECIAL DESPATCHES TO THE EXAMINER.

PARLIAMENT OF CANADA.

Prorogation on Thursday Next.

Election on or About 18th June

Conservative Leaders United, Cordial and Confident.

Opposition Still Obstructing Public Business.

OTTAWA, April 17.

A good deal of interest attaches to the political situation, and there are many rumors as to what may happen during the next few days.

Parliament will be prorogued next Thursday, and it is expected that the formal dissolution will take place the following day.

It is quite within the competency of the Government to allow Parliament to die by the efflux of time, but it is not thought this will be done.

The proclamation of dissolution would naturally call for the fixing of the date of the elections, and the general impression is that nominations will take place about the 11th of June, and that polling will be a week later.

As regards ministerial reconstruction, nothing of a definite character can be said.

Sir Mackenzie Bowell may go to England as Premier, or he may not. There is, however, a most cordial feeling between Sir Charles Tupper and himself, and they will certainly do that which is best for the country and the Conservative party.

The Government's programme is to have the morning sittings for the remainder of the session.

During next week the House will meet at 10.30 a.m., and sit until 6, resuming at 7.30.

The Government business is to have precedence, with one hour after dinner on Monday and Wednesday for private bills.

The Opposition yesterday presented the Government making the slightest progress with the supplementary estimates.

Mr. Davies raised a discussion on Goodwin's contracts on the Soulages Canal. There will be leakage in the season, but a decision on Goodwin's claim of \$258,000 for extras, with a view to securing plunder for the coming elections.

Sir C. H. Tupper made a spirited reply. The debate was adjourned, and the House adjourned at 12.15.

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Total Paid Policy-holders in 1895.....\$23,126,728.45

Insurance and Annuities in force.....\$89,074,453.78

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