

THE DAILY EXAMINER.

FEBRUARY 22, 1893.

The Finance Minister.

EVERY intelligent reader who desires to understand the financial position and prospects of Canada, should read carefully the summary which our Ottawa correspondent has made of Hon. Mr. Foster's Budget speech. Mr. Foster has justified his right to speak with authority upon financial topics. We have had no finance minister whose statements and estimates have better stood the test of criticism and of time. Mr. Foster has added to great ability great industry. He is now, after five years' experience as Finance Minister, master of the financial and fiscal situation. Generally, his management has been almost as good as possible, under the circumstances. He made an excusable mistake when he reduced the interest at the Government Savings Banks, and imposed needless restrictions upon our depositors. But this mistake has been partially rectified, and Canadians are again increasing their contributions to the public exchequer. It is a notable fact that Canadian credit, in his keeping, has reached its highest point, and is now the highest of all the colonies. The capitalists of Great Britain have evidently come to the conclusion that the present Finance Minister of Canada is not a "mixer and muddler of figures," and that they can rely upon his statements.

Canada's Leading Products.

In the course of his Budget Speech the Finance Minister gave some interesting figures showing the wonderful increase there has been in the export of Canadian cheese, cattle and apples. It appears that in 1868 we exported \$630,543 worth of cheese; in 1878, \$3,997,521 worth, and in 1892, \$11,652,412 worth. As regards cattle, in 1868 we exported \$1,009,940 worth, and in 1892, \$7,748,949. Apples increased from \$97,333 in 1868 to \$1,444,883 in 1892.

Again, of the produce of the mine we exported in 1868, \$1,446,837; in 1878, \$2,816,347, and in 1892, \$5,906,471. In regard to fisheries we exported in 1868 \$3,357,510, in 1878 \$6,863,975, and in 1892 \$9,675,398. Forest products in 1868 were valued at \$18,263,170, in 1878 at \$19,511,575, and in 1892 at \$22,281,744. When we come to animals and their products we find that in 1868 the export was valued at \$6,893,167, in 1878 at \$14,019,867, and in 1892 at \$28,694,850. Agricultural products exported in 1868 were valued at \$12,871,058, in 1878 at \$18,008,754, and in 1892 at \$22,113,284. Lastly, with regard to the export of manufactured goods, these amounted to one and a half millions in 1868, \$4,127,755 in 1878, and \$7,040,968 in 1892.

It really is a fact that we are getting on, notwithstanding the N. P. With care and economy the people may, perhaps, be able to worry along after all! Bearing in mind that the internal and international trade of the country has been enormously enhanced, the official figures here given are, well—rather reassuring.

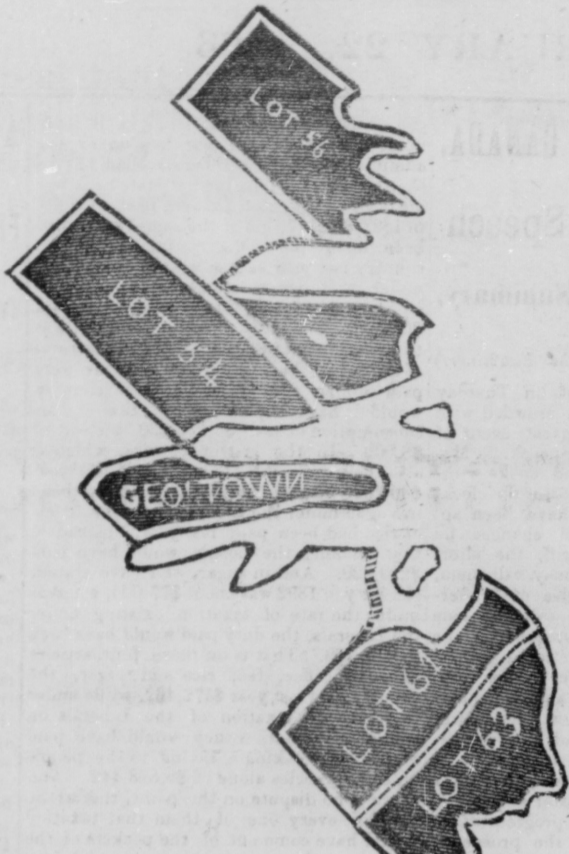
A Challenge.

THE Patriot assumes too much. It is not maintained by THE EXAMINER that a Lieutenant-Governor is not, as a rule, bound to act according to the advice of his ministers, who are responsible to the people. But we can point to dozens or hundreds of cases in which Governors and Lieutenant-Governors have made exceptions to the rule, and have been borne out in their action by both the people and the sovereign. The latest case to note is that of Lieutenant-Governor Angers, who, on his own responsibility, acting in his own discretion, without the advice of any minister willing to become responsible for his act, dismissed the administration of Premier Peters' political friend, Mr. Mercier. Lieutenant-Governor Angers did this because, in his opinion, the administration of Mr. Mercier was prompted by "corrupt partition and unworthy motives, and not by regard to the honor of the Crown or the welfare and advancement of the community at large." On identical grounds, Lieutenant-Governor Carvell reserved the Government Franchise Deprivation Mortgage Vote Bill of the Peters Combination; and his action will be vindicated as the action of Lieutenant-Governor Angers was vindicated.

It must never be forgotten that, according to the British Constitution, a cabinet of ministers is not (we quote Todd) "an oligarchy exercising uncontrolled power in the administration of affairs." We challenge the Patriot to produce another instance of a Premier holding on to office after his advice had been deliberately rejected by the representative of the Crown, and at the same time standing by the position he had taken. Lieutenant-Governor Carvell virtually said to Mr. Peters, "You must either accept the responsibility of my refusal to assent to your measure, or go about your (private) business." Yet Mr. Peters clings to his public office, while his friends in Parliament and his organs here are inspired to criticize and misrepresent the Lieutenant-Governor's action. The case is unique. Though his resignation would necessitate an immediate appeal to the people, and a final decision upon the matter in dispute between the Lieutenant-Governor and himself, Mr. Peters continues in office in order that he may be able to "fix King's County" and "make Charlottetown all right for the Grits" and take away the political influence of farmers residing in all parts of the country,—before the people have had an opportunity to express their opinion upon the radical constitutional changes which he proposes by voting at the polls.

The King's County Gerrymander.

We challenge the Patriot to produce anything in the way of "gerrymandering"—whether designed by Sir John Macdonald, Sir John Thompson, Sir Oliver Mowatt, Mr. Mercer, or any other Canadian politician, however clever or however unscrupulous, to compare with the gerrymandering of King's County by Premier Peters and his followers, of which the following is but a feeble, though generally accurate, illustration.



Let the Patriot produce another gerrymander if it can, in which townships are divided and cut and carved, and great gaps are made as they are in the case of King's County—under the Reserved Bill—the re-enactment of which is threatened. The Patriot declares that "dozens of cases more indefensible" can be found. We challenge it to find one.

But suppose that the Patriot can find

Notes and Comments.

It is announced that a complete plant for the manufacture of binder twine is shortly to be introduced into the Kingston penitentiary. In this matter the Dominion government is following the example of the Ontario government.

Mr. J. Herbert Mason struck the keynote of loyal Canadianism when he wrote to Erastus Wiman the other day protesting against the dangerous advocacy of himself, Farrer and others, and concluding with the striking words: "For G. G. does not let us alone." That is the idea in a nutshell.

The New York Press remarks that "two negro boys have been lynched in Mississippi for having robbed a store. This kind of justice is one of the attractions Mississippi holds out to settlers and immigrants." This, too, is one of the inducements offered Canada to join the Great Republic.

A congressional committee is at work investigating the United States end of the Panama scandal. From 1883 until the canal was abandoned, \$23,000,000 were spent in the United States ostensibly for "supplies," but it is more than suspected a good deal of these "supplies" were something else than meat and drink and working implements. Efforts are being made to get at the bottom of what was known as the "neutrality" fund, which is said to smell rather rank.

According to a London despatch the Parnellites express a hesitant approval of the Irish home rule bill, though they are dissatisfied with the proposal to retain the land under English jurisdiction for three years. Gladstone's frankness in anticipating hostile criticism is regarded as excellent strategy, and it is looked upon in many quarters as tantamount to spiking the enemy's guns. It is generally admitted that the bill will be allowed to pass a second reading with little or no opposition, and the real fight is reserved for the final stages.

In dealing with the free trade question in England it is often forgotten that conditions to-day are entirely different from those of a few generations ago. In the first place, the staple of trade throughout the world is no longer wool, but cotton. The Corn Laws might be repealed "without any injury to the landed class." The state of the British farmer at the present moment is sufficient comment upon this statement. In the second place he believed that his policy "would not throw an acre of land out of cultivation." Only a couple of millions have gone out since that time. Then he thought that it would secure "permanent peace among the nations." Europe is a reply to this hope.

Mr. Bartlett's Lecture on "Paris."

Mr. Bartlett carried his audience, in imagination, to the Gay Capital and enabled them, in the light of Mr. L. H. Hazard's lantern, to look upon the splendid monuments, churches, palaces and public buildings, the beautiful streets and public squares and parks and gardens with which succeeding ages of Frenchmen have delighted to embellish her. At the same time he read a sketch of Parisian history from the time of Julius Caesar. The lecture was so interesting and altogether delightful that little heed was taken of the coldness of the room. Mr. Bartlett has by his discourse upon Paris distinctly enhanced his excellent reputation as a lecturer. There was a large audience. The Rev. Mr. Fullerton occupied the chair and conveyed to the lecturer the enthusiastic vote of thanks which was moved by Mr. T. O. James and seconded by Mr. Artemus Lord.

SEED WHEAT.—Those two cars of seed wheat referred to in a late Montserrat paper as passing through for P. E. Island from Regina have arrived. One car is Red Fife, weighing 64 lbs. to the measured bushel, and the other is White Fife, weighing 65 lbs. This wheat was selected especially for George Carter & Co., and is now for sale at their new place of business, 136 Queen St.

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PART II. 9. Piano Duet—"Valse Brillante".....J. Schoelhof Miss L. Caven and Miss McMillan. 10. Vocal Solo—"Open Thy Lattice".....Nolan Miss Smith. 11. Violin Solo (a Barcarole, b Hungarian Dance).....Behr Miss McDonald. 12. Vocal Solo—"Only Thine".....Mrs. Blake. 13. Vocal Solo (by request)—"Four Out the Rhine Wine".....Prof. Caven. 14. Vocal Solo—"Happy Mulletter".....Tully Mr. Hermans. 15. Quartette.....Students St. Dunstan's College. 16. Vocal Solo—"Anchored".....Watson Mr. Charles Bell. 17. Chorus—"Inflammatus".....Rossini St. Dunstan's Choir. "GOD SAVE THE QUEEN."

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WALLACE McLEAN, Formerly Editor "News," Souris, February 22, 1893.

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