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Special Bargains in Remnants.

F. B. EDGECOMBE, Fredericton, Feb. 2, 1882

Communications.

To the Editor of the Maritime Farmer: Sir, - In a late issue you urge the importance of supplementing the work of the Geological Survey and making its results practical use to the Province.

The U. S. Department of Agriculture, now to be made a part of the Executive Government, is to have a Bureau of Land for the purpose of investigating the resources and capabilities of public or other lands for farming, stock raising, timber manufacturing, mining, or other industrial uses.

The Geological Survey has done much for us; it remains for our Legislature to finish the work and make known the value of the best lands should be made, and their mineral resources noted; the character of the lands should be known, and their most profitable uses indicated; and, above all, it should be ascertained as soon as possible what lands are now producing their best crop in the form of timber, that they may be reserved for that purpose.

Yours etc., A. H. P. I St. Stephen, March 4, 1882

Maritime Farmer.

FREDERICTON, N. B., March 9, 1882.

The Provincial Budget Speech.

The Provincial Secretary made his budget speech on Tuesday afternoon. It was throughout, hopeful in tone, and showed the thorough financial soundness of the Province.

It vindicated the policy of the government, which while it has moved in the direction of retrenchment, has yet favored a generous liberal expenditure in maintaining all the services, and in constructing permanent public works.

He compared the expenditure of 1881 with the estimate, and showed that the total expenditure had been \$508,845-\$507 in excess of estimates, which was \$880,773.

He showed under what heads the excess in expenditure over estimate had taken place - Administration of Justice, Agriculture, Contingencies, Public Health, Eye Road Appropriations, and explained that it was not possible always to estimate correctly the expenditure under such heads as Contingencies, Public Health, Roads, Bridges, and Eye Roads, as the government could not foresee what calls might be made on them.

The Provincial Secretary alluded in the strongest manner any intention of throwing discredit on the policy of his predecessor, or of reflecting on him for his management of affairs.

But he claimed credit for the government, from the time he had filled his present position, for a better and more economical management of the public departments, Board of Works, and Surveyors General, etc., and showed that while the services had been fully maintained greater economy had been practiced.

No part of the speech was more telling than that devoted to "Agriculture" and to the defence of the Stock Farm. The policy of the government in promoting the interests of agriculture, one of the most important matters which could engage their attention, owing to the strong competition between the Provinces, east and west, had received general endorsement.

The subject of importation of stock and contracted the importations of 1875-8, and 9, when losses had been made of 25, 15, 32 per cent, with the importation of 1881. The grant made last year for the importation, was \$10,000, and the total expenditure \$15,208, \$5,208 had been realised on Stock sold, while the value of the balance of the Stock on the Farm was \$9,114, not many dollars under the appropriation.

He denied that the importation of stock had been or could be made so profitably by private individuals as by the government, and he showed that the establishment of the Stock Farm was the necessary corollary of the importation in order to utilize the stock for distribution throughout the Province.

His arguments that the action of the Board of Agriculture and the Government in establishing the farm, had received the approval of the people and farmers of the Province, and had been ratified by the Legislature were strong and convincing.

The Provincial Farmers' Association, an influential body, but not fully representing the farming interests, had memorialized the Government in favor of the establishment of an Agricultural College and Model Farm, a proposition which the Government in the present state of the finances of the country could not entertain, but the Association had not opposed the establishment of the Stock Farm.

No stronger proof, he argued, that the action of the Board of Agriculture had met with universal approval could be given than the facts that the present representation at the Board, by districts, instead of by counties, as had been moved, had received the support of the Farmers' Association, and that when the members of the Board were asked for re-election last year, they had been unanimously returned.

The Secretary compared the receipts of 1881, \$807,445, with the estimates, \$667,100, and showed that the excess of receipts over the estimates was \$140,345. In speaking of expenditures he eloquently defended the policy of maintaining the services of the country in full efficiency even in times of depression, of constructing important public works, against the policy of abstaining from that course in order that the Government might be able to boast of a surplus. He showed that the government had expended in permanent public works since 1876, \$200,000, and \$100,000 in exceptional expenditures called for in the interest of the Province, and claimed credit for the fact. Throughout it all the government had maintained the credit and honor of the Province, unblemished, undiminished and untarnished.

At no time, before or since confederation, had the credit of the Province stood so high, as it did at the present time. The government could obtain easily from the Banks any money they wanted; the Province debentures at 6 per cent, running for a long term of years, were readily sold in the market, and in fact no debentures stood so high as those of the Province. What he asked, meant the meetings which had taken place lately in various parts of the Province, if they did not mean that the people were convinced that the financial state and credit of the Province were sound? The Secretary gave the estimated receipts for 1882, at \$600,020, with a balance 31st of October, of \$25,688. The estimated expenditures are, \$507,200, under

Damage by Floods.

The heavy rains and stormy weather of last week did much damage in the valley of the Hudson, and Mohawk along the Delaware, in the Mississippi Valley; and in Montreal, and some of the adjoining villages. The accounts of the number of deaths by drowning and exposure, and of the pitiable state of distress and destitution to which thousands have been reduced are very sad.

The Mohawk and Hudson rivers had risen on the 2nd inst., to a very unusual height. The Central Railway track was submerged in some places two feet; at Albany, N. Y., the piers and wharves were put under water, and business along the river front was transacted in boats. Great damage was done at Plattsburgh by the high water; in Troy, the docks and piers and river streets were submerged, and on the 20th inst., the tide was still rising. Floods and landslides did much damage to many parts of the railways and obstructed travel.

The accounts that come of the destruction by floods in the Mississippi valley, show that never at any previous inundations, has so much damage been done. A vast area of country from a point fifty miles south of Cairo to Vicksburg, has been submerged. Thousands were driven from their homes, or caught and surrounded by the floods were cut off from communication with the outer world, and perished in their houses and barns, and compelled to live on parched corn. Scores of persons were drowned or died from exposure. Thousands of head of cattle were lost. The levee system which is sustained by a tax of \$135,000 a year, has been made a total wreck. An account from New Orleans, 2nd inst., state that -

"When the levee broke at Carson's landing, the noise of the roaring flood awoke the sleeping citizens, and the utmost consternation ensued. People saw the river rapidly encroaching on the country, and fled without taking time to clothe themselves for their lives. Ben. Haines, keeper of the landing, and two negro children, began their fight, but they were rushed so furiously that they were unable to escape, and all were drowned. Their cries for help were heart-rending, but no succor could be extended. The levee from the Bolivar county front is general wash. The water is now inundating the whole of Bolivar and all of Washington counties. Practically the whole country is under water. Everybody is endeavoring to save the most valuable portion of the stock, while cattle and hogs are generally abandoned. Rosedale is about seven feet under water. The steamer City of New Orleans is going up with refugees picked up at different points.

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Dispatches stating the distressing attempt on the Sovereign's life, were immediately transmitted to all the Courts of Europe, and to this continent. In our local assembly, the Speaker announced the fact, and the happy escape of her Majesty, evoked loud and long cheers. A congratulatory address was at once, proposed by the Attorney General, and seconded by Mr. Blair, and carried with enthusiasm, and was forwarded by cable despatch to the Colonial Secretary. It read -

"The House of Assembly of New Brunswick in session convened, having just learned that an attempt was made on the life of her Majesty the Queen near the Windsor railway station, desire, through you, to convey to Her Most Gracious Majesty their profound thankfulness for her providential escape."

At the examination before the Mayor and Magistrates of Windsor, on Saturday, Sir Hayes made a statement of the facts, and a letter, found on the prisoner, Roderick McLean, was read -

"It is said that the prisoner would not have done the crime had 10 shillings been given to him instead of the insulting small sum of six shillings. He was compelled to commit the crime against the 'hated aristocracy.' It headed by 'that old lady Mrs. Vic.' Witness further said that this morning the prisoner wished to make a written statement, saying 'I have to complete a letter to the 'chiefs.' He then wrote a letter. It was a demagogue as well as an infidel, and a political writer to boot, there is no comparing him with Bradlaugh. He was the central figure in a grave contest between the principles of autocracy and liberty."

King George III, who was determined to be good of fact, and personally directed government took a violent dislike to Wilkes, who addressed him very freely (for those days) in the famous number "45" of his paper, the North Briton, on his duties as monarch, and brought all his influence to bear on his officers, ministers, and his majority in the House of Commons to cause them to expel Wilkes, who was a member from Brentford, and to prevent that constituency from re-electing him. Wilkes was backed by the city of London and the populace, and eventually triumphed. In Bradlaugh's case the enemy against him, centred by the majority in Parliament is personal; he has made himself obnoxious, and they are determined that he shall not be allowed to take oath, or make affirmation - and he is now willing to do either - and take his seat. On Wednesday 21st, for disobeying the speaker and passing the bar and taking his seat, he was expelled. A new writ for Northampton was ordered. Last Thursday, Bradlaugh was elected by 3798 votes, his opponent, Corbett, receiving 3,607. It is quite possible that the unseemly scenes which took place last year, when he attempted to force himself into the House, will occur again. He has the sympathy of a very numerous class, and probably enjoys as much as Wilkes did his notoriety. The House will very likely sooner grow ashamed of the scandal of this affair, than will Bradlaugh weary of his persistency, and the upshot may be that he will gain his point in the end.

Insects Injurious and Beneficial.

We have received a copy of a pamphlet on "Insects injurious and beneficial," which is a reprint of Chap V., of the Ontario Agricultural Report, and which is published by permission by Johnston & Co., manufacturers and dealers in machinery, for gratuitous distribution among the farmers of New Brunswick. Five thousand copies will be so circulated. The names of all the insects that ravage the farmers' wheat, potato, hop and pea fields, and cabbage gardens, destroy his apple and plum trees, attack his squashes and melons, and, of those which are destructive to forest trees are given with illustrated figures on a natural and enlarged scale, with a ready comprehension of the written descriptions. The modes of working of these injurious insects, the changes which they undergo, the best means of destroying them are described and given. By vigilance and proper precautions, the advance of the Colorado beetle, the army worm and many other enemies to the grains, plants, grasses fruits and trees have been stayed. But unless the farmers were aided by the tiny parasites, ichneumonids, soldier bugs, lady birds, and a numerous host of beneficial insects, their efforts would be vain. It is therefore imperative on them to distinguish their friends from their foes. In working on the subject of the common use and of necessity of the insect, they may do themselves more harm than good. The principal of these beneficial insects are described in the pamphlet. A study of entomology will be every farmer's best friend. It is a branch of natural history, which is very little studied by any class. In the pamphlet published by Johnston & Co., the farmers will find a valuable aid in this to them, indispensable study. We recommend a careful perusal of it by all into whose hands it will come.

The report of Lieut.-Col. Gibson, who was in command of last year's Wimbledon team, was read at the late meeting of the Dominion Rifle Association. In referring to the success of the Canadians winning the Kolapore Cup, he said -

I venture to predict that the Kolapore Cup will come to Canada more frequently in the future than it has in the past. Rifle practice in Canada is performed for the most part with the Snider rifle, while in Great Britain the Martini-Henry rifle, and other military breech-loaders of similar make, are rapidly becoming of very common use and of necessity superseding the Snider. But while the result of this is to improve our chances in a competition with the latter rifle, it must be borne in mind that the best marksmen in Canada are now using the Snider (tested by the Martini-Henry rifle, and I cannot urge too strongly the advisability of introducing into our rifle associations - the D. R. A. leading a master - a supply of Martini-Henry rifles of the latest and best make, so that our riflemen may become familiar with their use. 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