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Mr. Ryan will not oppose the Government. Apart from what he attaches to his promise as a man of honor, he feels that his constituents, who are largely French, are in favor of the Government in which their nationality is so well represented in the person of Mr. Landry. We, therefore, cast to the winds the rumor that Mr. Ryan would play false. His honor and his peculiar position forbids us to entertain it. He will vote against Blair's bubble.

A Desperate Resolve.
 How could some people believe that other than boys or boobies could set such rumors floating as have filled the public ear for the past four or five days? Rumors to wit that a new Government is to be formed—of course the old one to be thrown out—and a general election imposed upon the country. While not giving more credence to this absurd trash than to the cawing of skunk crows, we shall lay before our readers the scheme in its fullest. There are, as our readers are aware, a number of men—called very properly Independent in the House—who came here pledged to no party, but resolved to test the Government of whatever cloth or of whatever stripe, on its merits. This these men have done so far; showing intelligence and deliberation in their speeches as in their votes. And since the session has commenced they have carefully weighed and watched the Government's every act, and as the result of such observation have, when ever the occasion arose, had to indorse the action of the Government.

But in the House is another party whose doctrine, principle and practice is opposition. This band, few in number, and, as a rule, devoid of brains as of principle, is led on by Mr. Blair, who has shown himself to possess much brains but a gigantic capacity for blundering. This man is desperate for office; he opposes the Government, he says, because he wants to turn them out; because it is now time to give the spoils to his party. To this end he has moved resolution after resolution, each founded on the gassing of corner loafers, and when the Government through its very able secretary, knocked the bottom out of each one in succession, he then appeals to the House as a last desperate resort in a sensational strain, on the treachery of Messrs. Adams, Hamington and Landry. But this too had lost its vitality and could no longer do duty, so the next move of Mr. Blair's is to appeal to the independent men of the House: to taunt them for being afraid to oppose the Government,—knowing this to be a base falsehood while he uttered it. When bullying failed to produce the effect desired, he tried soft sawdor, and to cap the climax promises not less than 15 members seats.

Now changing may be all very well when a change is necessary. But let Mr. Blair speak out and tell the House what men he would have to rule this country's destinies. Is it Covert, is it Willis, is it Sayre? Does not the House and the county know now but too well what they could expect from the two former? Will they follow Sayre, whose course has been so sinuous and deceitful as even to merit the mistrust of those to whom he has gone over? A man who moved the address that he might get his Railroad contract signed, and when the articles are performed, turn back on his party! This may seem wily of Mr. Sayre, but it is the kind of intelligence that belongs to that animal that was "squat at the ear of eve." Can even the Opposition place reliance in such a man's worth or on his word? We give him to the Opposition, a gift with all our hearts. Then would Mr. Blair have the House follow himself? He whose political career for five months has been an accomplished comedy of errors—

and who else could he bring to lead them? Some may say Davidson.

We say here now we do not believe Mr. Davidson would ally himself with such a clique. Someone else says Mr. Elder. He is surely as far from going over as Mr. Davidson is; Mr. Elder has neither sympathy nor respect for the Opposition; in this resolution, for he defended the act in the *Telegraph* that he is now asked to censure. And who says Lynott, Hill, Turner, Kenny, Black, Colter, McManus, Ryan, Johnson, Morton, Dr. Lewis or McLellan, all Independent men, will go with Blair? We add these to the members who are known adherents of the Government, and their number is twenty-four. These include the cream of the House, and among them there is not a vane or a slyster to bring discredit on the party. A larger number than these is too cumbersome for a Government; less than sixteen would be no opposition at all.

And now for the why. How can Mr. Blair dare to stand up in the house, and while boasting of guarding the people's interests try to bring a general election on the province, costing it thousands of dollars? Why should he with his sensational bursts delay the house at this late season of the year, when hon. members want to be home attending to their other duties? Why is he deceptive enough to hold his Sabbath evening meetings, deceiving honest men and promising them favors and positions for the sake of getting hold of them? How does he and his two tuncoat slysters dare to promise to independent members in the garrets and the alleyways what he and they opposes on the floors of the house? How dare he at any rate try to run, to control, to gull a lot of men just as intelligent as himself? We are come to a nice hour of the day if the Government is to be turned out, thousands of dollars saddled on the province, and the whole time of members taken up in Fredericton just to put Mr. Blair in office—form a new government that cannot be better than the present, just to give Blair a fat job! Good enough!

Mr. White who has taken an independent stand and given an independent and intelligent vote during the session, will to-day vote against Blair's bubble.

Trouble Ahead.
 Politics in Canada are in a troubled and turbulent state. The conservatives of Parliament pressed the dismissal of Lieut. Governor Letellier, on the Cabinet, and Sir John has been obliged to give way. The dismissal of the Governor General was therefore duly signed by Sir John and his ministry, and presented for ratification to the Governor General. This ratification the Governor General has thought well to withhold, submitting the order for the consideration of the Queen. This has well nigh driven the French Conservatives to madness. Their utterances are wild and bordering nigh on rebellion. *La Minerve*, a paper impulsive and outspoken says:—

"We have now two outrages instead of one, that of the young man who represents the Queen at Ottawa is no better than the pirate (Forban) who represents the Queen at Quebec, and yet England asks our affection."

Other conservative papers are no less wild in their tone.

Several speakers in the Commons Thursday night, held that the Governor General had not power to withhold his assent from a measure affecting local interests. It seems to us that the present power in Canada recognize Lieut. Governors and Governor Generals as mere tools to suit their caprice. At least this seems to be the view of the French conservatives. First Letellier acting within, though certainly to the bound of his prerogative is dismissed by order of Council, next the Governor General for withholding his assent from such an unconstitutional dismissal is held to be going outside his prerogative. We shall soon expect to hear of these same people arguing their right to dismiss the Governor General. From the terms of the British North America Act, the Governor General may withhold his assent from any Bill, and this order of Council would come under the same heading. We quote from the Act, section LV.

"Where a Bill passed by the House of Parliament is presented to the Governor General for the Queen's assent, he shall declare, according to his discretion, either that he assents thereto

in the Queen's name, or that he withholds the Queen's assent, or that he reserves the Bill for the signature of the Queen's pleasure."

Acting entirely within the terms of this section of the act, the Governor General has withheld the order for the Queen's assent.

While approving of the principle of the present Government's policy we cannot support it in such an act as the dismissal of Letellier. To establish this practise would be to debase the most exalted feature of our constitution, which is that in our commonwealth public officers are not known by any political complexion.

Let us once establish this system, and we open the doors of a disastrous practice. Officers of the lowest grade up to the highest will be treated as partisans of the Government under which they got their appointments. Like in the United States, this accursed system will reach to the judges on the bench, impartiality, and fair play will in a measure be destroyed, and the majorities rule as they did in the days of the Goths and the Vandals. But what if the Queen withholds her assent from the bill? The Blues will believe Sir John has been playing them false, for he has never favored this iniquitous dismissal. In such case they will go over to the other side and leave him without a follower in parliament; should they believe him sincere, then their loyalty may change into rebellion, and it is difficult to say what will happen. One man therefore will have to be sacrificed to save the people. Letellier must be offered as the victim of the French conservative's wrath. The Queen, therefore, if wisely advised, will, to save the probable overthrow of the ministry, or it may be worse, sign the dismissal.

Though Mayor Gregory has declared that in the new formation, Blair must be Attorney General, the Opposition have the deceit and the craft to offer it as a bait to Mr. Davidson.

Education.
 We call the particular attention of trustees, teachers and parents to an article on our third page from the *Fredericton Star* entitled "Education." It is in accordance with our sentiments as uttered in this column from time to time. We believe that a Minister of Education with five supervisors is about all the machinery required to work our system well. Away then with what is unnecessarily cumbersome, and fearfully expensive; Inspectors Council of Public Instruction, and the Truro Normal School.—*Digby Courier*

We just wish to impress it on honorable gentlemen of the House that we have arrived at the time when the people, with one voice, cry out for a financial reform in our School Department. The time has come in this era of Responsible Government when the people recognize the right in no man to disburse and control enormous sums of money without a responsibility. The time has come when the people are pressed down with heavy taxes which they are unable to pay,—while they may look in vain for a living from a knowledge of flower and plant culture, and rote singing, and Anthon's Virgil, &c. &c. They want the Educational Department directly responsible to the Government, and come what may come, we shall support any measure for the appointing of a commissioner. We care not who brings it in we are with him; we care not what party entertain it, we shall indorse it. Now for the expenses. Some people hold this change would entail more expense. It would not. There is now about \$160,000 per annum expended on Education, while the cost of a department would not exceed \$6,000 a year. A Commissioner of Education with economy, and without impairing the system, could bring the expenditure within \$150,000. Somebody says to us: a Commissioner of Education could not understand several matters in connexion with directing the working of the system. As we have already pointed out, Mr. Crockett deals entirely with the teaching, and by increasing his responsibilities Dr. Rand could be dispensed with. If it were thought necessary the Doctor could be retained as chief clerk, but we do not think he would be needed. We do not, cannot, see how any member could object to this order of things. The Educational department is now beyond the touch of ordinary mortals; the Legislature nor the country has any control over it. The people support it, but they dare not direct it. No, forsooth they must get a man who was ignominiously dismissed from Nova Scotia to do

that. We now submit this matter for the earnest consideration of the House.

The Opposition have promised the Provincial Secretaryship to Sayre—as a reward for his treachery perhaps—and this same opposition has promised the same office to Mr. Elder. Which gets it?

It is impossible to say just what the result of a resolution to abolish the Legislative Council will be. It seems, however, that as old cancers are the most difficult to get out, so will it require keen effort and unceasing application to abolish the Legislative Council. It is in view of the abolition not taking place instanter we write to-day. In such case a large number of Acadians will still remain unrepresented. All are agreed that the position belongs to a Catholic; but some hold, notably the *Freeman* newspaper that the appointment should be made regardless of nationality. Mr. Anglin should, however, know that there is nothing a people more highly prize than their nationality; that national lines as between French and Irish people are little fainter to-day than they were when Wolf terminated the power of the Acadian. It is therefore considered a boon by the descendants of the French people to have a representative of their nationality in the House, and as the French people have been in the past neglected, the seat now belongs to an Acadian. We should therefore recommend the filling of the seat for Madawaska with a member pledged to the abolition of the Council at what ever time brought up, and for that position in Mr. LeVite Therault we see a fit and proper person. As Mr. Johnson will likely remain some years yet in local politics, he would probably care little for the position.

An Opposition Caucus—Playing a Double Game.
 On Sunday night the Oppositionists held a caucus meeting at which final (?) plans were made. Patrick Ryan is to be promised the surveyor Generalship till the object (which is the overthrow of the Government) of the opposition men is attained. The arrangements after the end is reached, is "to give Ritchie a seat without office, and the same to Ryan," that if this does not satisfy the latter, he may "do as he pleases." We have here quoted the words used, verbatim, and are prepared to say where the caucus was held, the members attending it, and the sly manner in which the plan was carried.

But the Opposition can rest easy. Mr. Patrick Ryan is a man who has shown his balance in the past. Though the bait be tempting he can see the hook. He will never allow himself to be made the tool of Blair or of Sayre. He is prepared to support the Government on its merits, and has given his assurances to do so.

Ungrateful.
 "Mans inhumanity to man,
 Makes countless thousands mourn."

We do not agree with the political views of either Mr. Covert or of Mr. Willis; but we have always held that Covert is "a plain blunt man," in whose composition there is no guile. Willis has with trenchant pen fought the Opposition battles; and, to our mind, both have pressing claims on their party. Yet at a caucus at which were Sayre, Ritchie, Blair, Butler, &c., the names of Willis and Covert came up. "If," said a member who is promised the Financial Secretaryship "either of these men have a seat in the Council, I must decline to join you." The amen went round and Covert and Willis were ignominiously ignored. This is now even street corner talk.

Is it ever possible that Mr. Elder, as it is said, is going to vote against the Government on the Chatham Branch question after defending that act last spring? How can he reconcile this dual role, opposite as the north and south poles of the heaven; and is it possible that Mr. Ritchie is base enough to oppose the Government on this vote after giving his word, on his "sacred honor," to support it "this winter?" Let us turn from this, it cannot surely be true.

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