

Mercier's Dismissal.

NO OTHER COURSE OPEN.
(Montreal Star, Independent.)

The dismissal of the Mercier government took place last evening. In view of the finding of the royal commission, no other course was open to the lieutenant governor. The investigation was not held merely for the gratification of public curiosity, although, by the way, this has been the principal effect of royal commissions generally in Canada. The commission which has just completed its labors was eminently a judicial and not a political tribunal, and so much the more weight therefore attaches to its judgment. The high character of the members of the royal commission, the dignified and impartial manner in which the enquiry was conducted and the amount of labor the judges have bestowed upon their thankless task will also commend the report to the public.

PERFECTLY CONSTITUTIONAL.

(Dr. Bourinot, clerk of the commons.)

"The lieutenant governor, like the governor general, has full constitutional power to dismiss the body of men who act as his constitutional advisers in all affairs of state. It is for him alone, at the head of the executive, to consider whether the public reasons are sufficient to justify the extreme step open to him under the constitutional system of English and Canadian law of dismissing his advisers, but he must at the same time call to his counsel immediately a new set of advisers who will be prepared to accept full responsibility for his acts, and to justify them to the legislature and to the country."

CANNOT COMMEND IT.

(Montreal Witness, Grit.)

"Such an extreme act as that of dismissing a government which is possessed of the confidence of a large majority of the representatives of the people, is one which the most constitutional British sovereign that ever sat upon the throne has, during a long reign, had no recourse to, nor have any of her direct representatives, the governors or the governor generals of the colonies possessed of the responsible government being compelled to resort to it. . . . While we cannot commend Lieutenant Governor Angers' course any more than we could the similar one of Lieutenant Governor Letellier, and fear that, so far as the English speaking people are concerned, it is one which will arouse sympathy for a bad ministry, which ought to be condemned, we would urge the electors to support the candidate pledged to resist to the uttermost Mr. Mercier's attempt to regain power. Should he be returned triumphantly there will be nothing to look forward to but a rampantly and defiantly corrupt and unscrupulous administration of the affairs of this province.

TRAMPLED ON THE CONSTITUTION.

(Electeur, Mercier's own organ.)

"The federal officer called lieutenant governor has just finished his nauspicious word, trampling our constitution under his feet, obeying the orders of his Ottawa chiefs. Pursuing his old vengeance, he yesterday dismissed from power the advisers given him by a majority of twenty-five in our legislature. The electorate will soon be called upon to judge this unqualified act. The lieutenant governor dismissed his advisers, not because in their relations with him they had ignored the laws imposed upon them by the constitution, but only because in his opinion parliament should not have any more confidence in them. If they had forgotten to take the advice of the lieutenant governor on the essential questions and were there a clause in the constitution forcing them to take such advice, their dismissal could easily be explained. Then the lieutenant governor would only be acting right in protecting the dignity of the crown, but what has now happened is quite different. The confidence which the lieutenant governor withdraws from the government does not belong to him, but to the people. He has submitted himself for the people."

GOV. ANGERS WAS RIGHT.

(J. J. Curran, Q. C., M. P.)

"The lieutenant governor was no doubt justified in his action in refusing further confidence in his ministers. The sworn testimony before the railway committee of the senate left no other course open to his honor but to dismiss his ministers at the earliest moment or to adopt the more lenient course of issuing a royal commission to investigate the matter. If anything, the proof before the royal commission was more crushing than that before the senate. His honor could not act otherwise than he has done. I do not know what the result of a general election may be. If the evidence before the royal commission has reached the country constituencies the effect cannot be otherwise than disastrous to the late government and the friends who will adhere to their cause. The new government under the most favorable circumstances, will have a most difficult task to make ends meet after the recklessness of Mr. Mercier and his friends."

The County Accounts.

The accounts for the Municipality of York up to the 30th November have been duly audited, and are now in the hands of the printer. The accounts show a balance on hand at the end of the fiscal year of \$558,70. The total receipts of the year were \$21,785.19 the expenditure being \$21,226.49. The receipts were made up as follows:—

County rates,.....	\$15,353 50
Administration of Justice (City of Fredericton).....	942 07
Bye-roads,.....	257 70
Highways,.....	20 70
Juries,.....	239 30
Lunatics,.....	100 00
Miscellaneous,.....	256 94
Debentures,.....	3,800 00

The expenditures were for:

Bright,.....	\$295 46
Canterbury,.....	147 11
Douglas,.....	736 31
Dumfries,.....	104 12
Kingsclear,.....	660 09
Manners Sutton,.....	236 87
New Maryland,.....	158 67
North Lake,.....	62 27
Prince William,.....	116 98
Queensbury,.....	91 58
Southampton,.....	347 90
St. Mary's,.....	551 74
Stanley,.....	420 23
Coroners,.....	109 95
Constables,.....	30 00
County Buildings,.....	1350 85
Coupons,.....	690 00
Debentures,.....	3000 00
Highways,.....	34 97
Juries,.....	211 60
Lunatics,.....	355 00
Miscellaneous,.....	2023 09
Postage and printing,.....	425 76
Salaries,.....	1,109 00
Schools,.....	7,226 54
Sheriff,.....	120 00
Witnesses,.....	36 90
Revisors,.....	650 00

The total receipts in 1890 were \$21,807.05, about a hundred dollars more than those of the last fiscal year. The total payments in 1890 amounted to \$22,014.60, or \$788 11 more than last year.

Prohibition L. O. Temperance Lodge No. 8.

Prohibition Lodge elected its officers on Thursday evening last for the present term. They are as follows:—

James McConaghy, President.
Miss Lucy Anderson, Vice Pres.
Miss Henry, Chaplain.
F. J. Todd, Secretary.
F. Bradbury, Fin. Secy.
A. S. Thompson, Treas.
Jas. Fraser, Marshall.
Miss Phoebe Niles, Deputy Marshall.
Miss Julia Wheeler, Asst. Secy.
John Cochran, In. Sent.
J. Green, Outside Sent.
Mrs. Curtis, Organist.

The lodge is prospering, having invitations every lodge meeting. The intention is to understand to hold a number of temperance meetings during the winter months, to interest the public on the temperance question.

SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN.—Every week this most valuable periodical presents whatever is new in the world of science, art, and manufactures. Full of practical information, it discloses to the thoughtful not only what has been ascertained, but also suggests the possibilities still to be revealed. For forty-five years Munn & Co., have conducted this paper in connection with the procuring of patents for new inventions. The Scientific American is authority on all scientific and mechanical subjects, and should be in every household.

THEIR ANNUAL MEETING.—The Church of England Temperance Society at its annual meeting Monday evening last, elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Rev. G. G. Roberts, president; Sir Leonard Tilley, Rev. Mr. Alexander, Rev. Mr. Parkinson, Sir John C. Allen, Major Gordon, G. E. Fenety and Dr. Brown, vice-presidents; J. D. Perkins, secretary; A. A. Sterling, treasurer; E. Mullin, J. Bebbington, T. Wandless, A. Jowett, J. S. Beek, A. D. Thomas, E. L. Dunn, T. Rainsford and Wm. Tippet, committee of management.

The Brazilian Government has asked for an extension of time for the ratification of the treaty of arbitration recently concluded between Brazil and the United States.

For the first time in Canada oil has been found in white sand. The oil is found near Sherktown, Ont., which is in a well known petroleum oil district at the depth of 750 feet in Medina sand stone. It is dark green in color, 45 gravity and possesses all of the characteristic features of Pennsylvania oil. It is the first and only oil found in Canada which is free from the peculiar taint and malodors of oil produced from lime stone rocks. The oil will, after refining, be as good oil as can be produced anywhere in America.

AN APPOINTMENT.—It is reported that Mr. F. B. Coleman has been tendered the position of caterer for the House of Commons restaurant. He will go to Ottawa shortly to consider the matter of accepting.

The revolt in Sao Paulo, Brazil, has been suppressed by the Government troops.

There is scarcely a house in Baltimore without one or more cases of la grippe.

An exchange of views on the new commercial situation is said to be afoot between England and Germany.

The Czar has paid \$225,000 into the famine relief fund. This is the sum he usually expends on State balls.

PEOPLE ARE just beginning to realize the terrible drain on the human family by the so-called moderate use of alcoholic stimulants. This is what an eminent surgeon has to say on the subject.

"Few people outside the medical profession have any idea of the large number of deaths which occur every year, and are certified according to the organ or organs principally diseased, but which are in reality attributable to alcohol. The loss to the country of persons in the prime of life from this source is enormous. Fatty degeneration of the tissues of the body, or as it might otherwise be called, premature old age, is one of the most frequent physical results of taking alcohol, even when taken in what some might call moderation."

DO NOT be discouraged because there are difficulties in connection with the prosecution of your temperance work. There always has been and there always will be this. It has been wisely written that "a smooth sea never made a skillful mariner, neither do uninterrupted prosperity and success qualify anyone for usefulness and happiness. The storms of adversity, like the storms of the ocean, arouse the faculties and excite the invention, prudence, skill, and fortitude of the voyager."

FREDERICTON MARKET PRICES

CORRECTED WEEKLY FOR THE REPORTER,
BY MR. JOHN E. PERKS, MARKET CLERK.

Beef, ".....	03	"	05
Mutton, ".....	04	"	05
Ham, ".....	10	"	11
Fork, per lb.....	\$0 5	to	\$0 5 1/2
Lamb, ".....	07	"	08
Veal, ".....	00	"	0
Sausages, ".....	09	"	10
Turkeys, ".....	12	"	13
Chickens, per pair.....	35	"	50
Dricks, ".....	00	"	60
Ducks, ".....	60	"	75
Geese each ".....	50	"	75
Eggs, per doz.....	20	"	22
Cheese, ".....	10	"	10 1/2
Lard, ".....	12	"	13
Butter, ".....	15	"	17
Potatoes, per bbl.....	00	"	1 00
Carrots, ".....	00	"	80
Turnips, ".....	50	"	00
Buckwheat, Rough, per cwt.....	1 50	"	1 75
Oats, per bush.....	38	"	40
Hay, per ton.....	7 00	"	10 00
Straw, ".....	4 00	"	5 00
Socks and Mitts per pair.....	"	"	00

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Something that will please the little folks and be useful to everybody.

A. LOTTIMER

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From Monday, December 14th until Christmas.

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NORMAN, Ont., January 15, 1890.
W. H. COMSTOCK, Brockville, Ont.
DEAR SIR,—Your "Dr. Morse's Indian Root Pills" are the best regulator for the system that humanity can use. Life is as the time piece: frail and delicate are many of its works. A tiny particle of foreign substance adheres to the smallest wheel in the works, and what is the result?—at first, only a slight difference is perceptible in its time-keeping, but wait you; as the obstruction grows, the irregularity becomes greater, until at last, what could have been rectified with little trouble, in the beginning, will now require much care in thoroughly cleansing the entire works. So it is in human life—a slight derangement is neglected, it grows and increases, imperceptibly at first, then rapidly, until what could, in the beginning, have been cured with little trouble, becomes almost fatal. To prevent this, I advise all to purify the system frequently, by the use of Morse's Pills, and so preserve vigor and vitality.

Yours faithfully,
H. F. ATWELL.

The Travellers' Safe-Guard.

AMAGAUDUS POND, N.S., Jan. 27, '90.
W. H. COMSTOCK, Brockville, Ont.
DEAR SIR,—For many years, I have been a firm believer in your "Dr. Morse's Indian Root Pills." Not with a blind faith, but a confidence wrought by an actual personal experience of their value and merit. My business is such that I spend much of my time away from home, and I would not consider my travelling outfit complete without a box of Morse's Pills.

Yours, &c.,
M. R. MCINNIS.

A valuable Article sells well.

BORACHOIS HARBOR, N.S., Jan. 13, '90.
W. H. COMSTOCK, Brockville, Ont.
DEAR SIR,—This is to certify that I deal in Patent Medicines, including various kinds of Pills. I sell more of the Dr. Morse's Indian Root Pills than of all the others combined. Their sales I find are still increasing.

Yours, &c.,
N. L. NICHOLSON.

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FOR SALE BY ALL DEALERS

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Our Flannel Department is now complete. All Wool Grey Flannel, Union Grey Flannel, White Flannel, Red Flannel, Blue Flannel, Striped Flannel, Plaid Flannel, Swansdown Flannel in bleached, unbleached and colored.

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Grey Blankets,
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GOOD BOARD AND COMFORTABLE
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On application to

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150 BUNDLES Sled Shoe Steel.
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READY-MADE CLOTHING.

Men, Youths and Boys Suits, Overcoats, Rubber Coats, Reefers, Pants, Vests, etc.

CLOTHS.

English, Scotch and Canadian Tweeds, Melton, Beaver, Pilot and Nap Overcoatings, Oxford Homespins, etc.

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Shirts, Drawers, Woolen Outside Shirts, White and Colored Cotton Shirts, Cardigan Jackets, etc., etc.

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Fur Caps, Hats, Caps, Scarfs, Mufflers, Gloves, Neckties, Braces, Socks, Mitts, Trunks, Valises, Larrigans, Heavy Boots, etc., etc.

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