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Magnificent Government Rally!

York Theatre not Large Enough to Hold the Crowd. Hundreds Unable to gain even Standing Room, and had to go away disappointed.

At St. John, on Monday evening, some of them lifelong Liberals, who the York Theatre was the scene of a | are giving confidence and encourglorious meeting of the supporters agement to our opponents; but it is of the government, gathered to hear the Conservative party all the same. the political issues discussed by What do they say? They say that Messrs. Hon. H. A. McKeown, Geo. Mr. Tweedie is not a good enough Robertson, M. P. P., and Hon. Mr. Liberal for them. They say he was Blair, Minister of Railways. These a Conservative. I do not consider . it lemen, as was to have been ex- that because a man identifies himself pected, made capital speeches, but with a political party, and that polias was natural the greatest interest | tical party happens to be Conservacentered in the utterances of Mr. tive, anybody is to hold out no hope Blair. This gentleman was at his of redemption for him in the future. best and made a most convincing ad- (Laughter.) I do not think it is in dress, which was listened to with the interest of any government or closest attention, save at times when party to shut the door and deny to carried away by the force and eloquence of his remarks, the entire audience gave utterance to their the Liberal party have been if they pent up feelings in bursts of thunders applause. We would like to give doctrine? In dust and ashes, as

the address of Hon. Mr. Blair in its | they were for 17 years. entirety, but want of space compels

or that I am personally friendly to cheers.) ited the conditions which are con- judgment, or if you were to do so, their confidence in me. That is what mittee." trolling them largely to-day from where would you and I be? It is did it. (Cheer.) of the same opinion.

have seen or heard that the gentle- lows, who have been in. After the men who are now administering the newcomers have served a proper affairs of the province are, failing to probationery term and have shown give good government to New Bruns- themselves to be loyal, then we may wick. I do not suppose that anyone treat them as we would the others. imagines that any government which I venture to affirm this as a safe docexists is absolutely perfect, any more trine. than that humanity is perfect. Mis- 'Mr Tweedie is a good enough much when he speaks for the Con- party that time and again has shown takes will be made. The judgment Liberal for the distinguished chiefof human beings is liable at any time tain of the Liberal party. (Cheers.) withdrawal of public confidence, their ranks for him. in their places would not be likely to do so until after the last election. as I clipped it from the columns of the the county, and the gentlemen theredo one whit better.

would the administration of Domin- his conduct. (Cheers.) of their hands.

able to defend their acts and to take enough Liberal to merit my fullest be gone? care of themselves. I am here from confidence. (Cheers.) another point of view.

there cannot be a question in any- to be cheek by jowl with him.

(Hear, hear.) Minister from New Brunswick without weakening the Liberal party.the battle has taken that line.

'We have the evidence on every hand, and our own common sense Brunswick nothing occurs to weaken politics in this country. posed to the local government at the latest local party will under- the Conservatives. There may be tion to-night, and in doing so I am which the Liberal party will under- to be Liberals, simply discharging a plain duty. I stand from one end of this province of the Hon H A Connell.

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anybody a chance to return or come back to the true fold. Where would

'Was it not by the help of dissatisus to print only the following ex- fied Conservatives that the Liberal party gained their success in 1896? I I want to say a few words about the say that is a mistaken policy, which Provincial Government now on trial I have never believed in and do not before the people. I do not conceal believe in to-day. I believe in leavfrom you the fact that I am person- ing the door open so that the vilest ally friendly to that administration, sinner may return. (Laughter and

character may have been. I thought all who are outside and who may the province was well governed, have opposed us in the past to come and it appears that the people were into our ranks. We will not kill the fatted calf for them. (Laughter.)

'I cannot discover from anything I 'We will reserve that for the fel-

to be at fault; but these, if they are 'He is good enough for me, and not serious and I have nothing in why? Because he has had the man- the Tory party be justified in taking nearly every particular as every per my mind when I making these refer- liness to say, and say it unequivocalences-should neither make nor un- ly, that he was not satisfied with the make a government. These things conduct of the Conservative party, in the leading Conservative news- writer of the article included, and are too trifling to justify an actual that he felt there was no place in paper of Canada. He seeks out this moreover none of the gentlemen

that the men whom you would put these people may say that he did not communication. This is the report management of the Liberal Party in Now, what did he do in the last Gazette: 'You would not wish to put in a election in the county of Northumnew set of administrators simply be- berland? I know that what he did cause it would be agreeable to them. was the result of a conference with contest, Mr. Thorne replied as fol- Woodstock; this also was well You would rather have in view your me on the subject. He did exactly lows: 'There has been a strong re- known to the writer and any of the own interests. You would view the as we had agreed he should do in volt among the Liberals against the gentlemen mentioned as the "Old administration of local affairs as you | that contest, and I am satisfied with

you would say that unless these peo- because I do not want to hurt anyple, by the results of their adminis- body's feelings. There were condi- into line? tration, have shown themselves to tions and circumstances which had 'I hope there are not many. I have the merits of the local government, counties along the North Shore. Thorne, however, continues: or of the attacks which have been Therefore, I say, that for me the pre- "For if the Tweedie government made upon them. They are well mier of New Brunswick is a good be defeated Mr. Blair's right arm will

am here because I believe it is glad he is not here because it enables when engaged in a fight. It is rein the interests of the Canadian peo- me to speak more plainly. I was his cognized that the present local govple, as it is in the interests of the colleague. He was a little bit cranky ernment are friendly to the dominpeople of St. John and this Province, at times. (Laughter.) I am speak- ion government. Knock them out, that they should not at this juncture, ing my mind to you. But he was a and of course Mr. Blair's right arm at the height of our glorious prosper- manly man. (Cheers.) He could not will be gone, because whatever inity and with promising results in do a dishonorable thing. He is not fluence they possess as a governview, strike a blow or do an injury large in stature, but he is as big a ment would be taken away. to the Government which obtains at man as many who are twice his size. I put it seriously and gravely to

body's mind that, should such a ca- 'Why should not you support the arm of the minister of railways or to sent out over Canada that the people a Liberal. I cannot see why anybody no.) who had given a majority of 1,000 to professing to be a Liberal and desir- 'If there is, then in all confidence the Minister of Railways a little over ing to see the consolidation of the go and do what you believe to be future. two years ago had found cause to Liberal party would wish to throw a your duty. Do it manfully and in change their minds and had with- firebrand into the ranks or to try and the light of day. Do it by going sumed power in 1896, they did all in drawn in a measure their confidence | weaken the party at Ottawa. If you outside of our ranks and leaving us their power to rectify the wrong from him and from the Liberal party. are to carry on the government of to fight the battle by ourselves. Do done Mr. Irvine by appointing him this dominion successfully by the it like men. (Cheers.) There are a Collecter of Customs at Centreville, 'You could not strike down the Liberal party you must recognize the gentleman some who are doing it in which office he accepted and held as principle that dominion politics must this way, and I respect them for it. dominate the politics of the pro- We know how to meet the attacks

stituency will approve my actions in no reason has yet been given why

party can stand weakly by and allow constituencies, should withdraw this fight to go by default, while the even in the slightest degree the conenemy are levelling their shafts and fidence which they have heretofore organizing their forces in order to reposed in the Liberal party. destroy the government at Ottawa? (Cheers.) Why, sir, just imagine that you 'I ask you whether or not you you have forces ready to do battle give countenance to the breaking up

say as to this not being a fight upon ence? If that confidence is not country? They will say that Tory- years and three months ago. (Treism has triumphed in New Brunswick, mendous cheering.) and you could not blame them for doing so. Mr. Hazen does not control either the press or the mouths of his supporters, and every Tory newspaper in the dominion would declare that the minister of railways had been defeated in his own constituhad attempted to live up to such a

> strength it was not because of any- paper viz:thing in myself. It was not because "All articles of a political nature

nature of the present struggle.'

out of the mouth of Mr. W. H. back per onal friends, in order to secret, would you not by reason of cepting to do their dirty work. the prominence which he has heldin The article referred to is false i his statement seriously? Let me son at all acquainted with the polibecause you may be absolutely sure 'He has left them; but some of makes it the avenue of his important to 1896, has anything to do with the

likely take a hand in the provincial fifty other Liberals in the Town of Tweedie ministry, and as most of Liberal Guard," who may have sevthem are friends of the minister of ered their connection with the Libion affairs, and as common sense men | 'I am not going into particulars, railways the latter will no doubt do eral Party, with the exception of the all in his power to bring the kickers late Fred Moore, did so prior to that

be dishonest and inefficient you to be regarded, and he took the not heard of their number. I do not would not take the government out course which I would have taken in think a census has been taken of the same riding. He helped the them, or that they would care to political conviction, having chang-'I am not going to say a word as to Liberal party materially in the have their names paraded. Mr. ed his views on the tariff question.

'What does this mean? A man's 'I will tell you what he is, and I am | right arm is a most valuable adjunct

they are making. One thing, at all be more willing than himself to state 'It is my business to see that in New events, we will do, because politics is that the course which he took was

posed to the local government are calling your attention to that situa- a party. We must make a stand as new Libuals, and this is also true

believe the true Liberals of this con- to the other. What we say is that the people of this constituency, my Does anybody think the Liberal own riding, or the people of other

were defending a citadel. Imagine think it would be to your interest to with the assaulting party, and that of our party at this juncture; or within your own ranks there were whether you will not be content to men who were making an effort to wait until the minister in whom you create dissensions and disloyalty. have placed your trust shall by the Would you say they were faithful clearest testimony be shown to have soldiers? I ao not think you would. failed in the discharge of his duties 'I do not care what Mr. Hazen may before you withdraw your confiddominion lines. He need not if he shaken, then I ask the Liberals of St. wins boast of it as a Liberal defeat John to stand together as one man: and a Conservative triumph. But and if you do, we will win practicalwhat will be the course taken by the ly as great a triumph as the one

THE SCURRILOUS PRESS.

serves the reputation which it had for many years when it was known genency and in his own province. (Hear, erally as "The Lying Press", and for meanness its article headed "Old 'Much of the strength which I have Liberalism vs New Liberalism" happily been able to exercise in be- eclipses all previous records. We half of my constituency and pro- are glad to see that the present vince has been the result of a feel- editor disclaims any responsibility ing that the people of New Brun- for this as well as all other stateswick had confidence in me and ments of a political nature appearing were bound to stand at my back. therein, as will be seen by the follow-(Great cheering.) If I have had any ing taken from the last issue of the

the individuals who compose it .- 'I believe in mercy rather than I was A. G. Blair, but because the appearing in this paper are furnished They are my successors; they inher- vengeance. If I were to cry out for people of this province had declared by The Opposition Campaign Com-

Judging from the phraseology, and my administration, whatever its mercy we want. We may safely ask it was because I had this great the ease with which he refers to constituency behind me in the dates of elections held in this county triumph of two and a half years ago, during the past 30 years the article which enabled me to exercise the in- was evidently contributed by a cerfluence which I have been able to use | tain individual in the Town of Wood for St John and the province of New stock, who is a frequent contributor Brunswick. This fact must be close- to the columns of "The Press," ly borne in mind in judging of the person whom the SENTINEL has had to call down on several occasion 'As to the end which our oppon- and a being too low to be called a ents have in view I will make clear man, seeing that he will stab in the Thorne. Is Mr. Thorne assuming too show his love for the Tory party, servative party? If he lets out the that they have no use for him, ex

give you his statement as published tics of the county must know, the paper, the Montreal Gazette, and named as the New "Liberals", prior in named are not and do not now "When asked if Mr. Blair would claim to be leaders any more than

Mr. F. H. Hale left the Liberal party in 1892, and according to his public Surplus on issue 55 and 60 Vic\$ 502.93 Although privately he many times gave as the reason the manner in which he had been used by several of the gentleman called "The old Liberal Guard," the private reason is probably the true one, and no doubt accounts for his attitude in 1900, when he was so anxious to become the standard bearer of the Liberal party in this county and also for his many promises to members of the Local Government during the past year to support their candidates at this election.

David Irvine was not pushed aside Ottawa at the present time. (Cheers). He is a noble, straightforward and you who are now within the sound of by any of the gentlemen named, but I frankly acknowledge that I am plucky little fellow; he loves a fight my voice, and I ask you if any cause on the contrary, was appointed Sherspeaking to you chiefly from that and is going to win. (Cheers.) I has been assigned why you should iff of the County and would have point of view. And why? Because must say, moreover, that I am going be conspirators in conjunction with remained so until this day, had it not Mr. Thorne to knock off the right been for the unfortunate fact that for a number of years one of the Relamity occur as the defeat of the lo- local government under such circum- deal a blow which might involve the presentatives elected by the Liberal cal government, the cry would be stances? Every man among them is death of the Liberal party? ("No, party of this county, was a prominthey are not liable to follow in the

As soon as the Liberal party aslong as he chose to do so.

As to W. S. Saunders, no one will not prompted by any action on the tells us, that the people who are op- the Liberal party. (Cheers.) I am 'We have got to stand together as part of any of the gentlemen named

OUR PROVINCIAL DEBT.

From the Official Records, showing the Items that make up our indebtedness.

OBJECT, AMOUNT, DATE OF EACH ITEM

Of late years it has become fashionable for the Opposition to the Local Government, for the purpose of alarming the people about election time, to refer to the public debt and to state that the Government, meaning the administration lead by the Hon. Mr. Blair, and succeeding administrations to date, are responsible for the greater part of it.

Such a statement is untrue and made for the purpose of misleading the electors. The majority of the electors have not at hand the official statements from year to year in which the items, comprising the public debt, are set forth in detail, and have to depend entirely on the statements made by the press, and from the platform, for information upon this important subject. In order that the public may be fully and correctly informed on Conservative press throughout the with which you honored me two the matter, we present a statement from the official records, by which will appear, at a glance, the date and chapter of the act of Assembly by which the several items that make up the indebtedness are authorized, the object and amount of each item, and the administration under which any particu-

This statement is brought down to the 31st of October, 1901, the latest date available to the public. At the late session of the Legislature further The Press in its last issue well de- additions to the public debt were authorized to meet smallpox bills, repairing damage done bridges by the freshets, importation of horses, etc.,

-	the particulars of which will be made public when the Auditor Greport for 1902 appears. The statement of the boaded debt is as follows:	eneral's llows:
1	Hon. A. R. Wetmore, Premier, Sept. 21, 1867-June 9, 1870	
-		15,000
1	1870, April 7, Chap. 40, Carleton Branch Railway \$	
1	Hon. G. E. King, Premier, June 9, 1870-4th May, 1878.	
	1873, April 14, Chap. 36, Chatham Branch Ry	
	" Kent Northern Rv 135,200	
	1875, April 10, Chap. 8, St. John Suspension Bridge 65,000	
8	Woodstock Bridge (old) 25,000	970,820
	W I I Engage Provide 4th May 1878-93rd May 1886	
	Hon. J. J. Fraser, Premier, 4th May, 1878-23rd May, 1882	
ı	1882, April 6, Chap. 34, N. B. & P. E. I. Ry	
)	" Caraquet Ry 180,000	
,	" Northern & Western Ry 321,000	
1	" St Louis, Richb'to & Buctouche Ry 21,000	
е	" " Elgin, Petitcodiac & Havelock Ry 37,000	
•	" Moneton & Buctouche Ry 95,000	
	" " Albert Southern Ry 48,500	
r	" . " Central Ry 147,000	
	Temiscould Ity	
a		
ds	Funded May 3 1883 Chap, 12, being part of floating debt	
a	of \$321,374.49, due banks Dec. 31, 1882, and expended	
e	previous to that date	1,299,500
0		2,285,300
a	Redeemed previous to 3rd March, 1883	69,600
-	Total legislated previous to Mr. Blair taking office and now outstanding	\$2,215,700
n	HON. A. G. DEATH, I MEMILE, ord	896.
i-	1887, April 5, Chap. II, Imported horses\$ 30,000	

Redeemed previous to 3rd March, 1883	03,00	
Total legislated previous to Mr. Blair taking office and now outstanding	\$2,215,70	0
HON. A. G. BLAIR, PREMIER, 3rd MARCH, 1883-17th JULY,	1896.	
887, April 5, Chap. II, Imported horses		
70 000		
892 " 7, " 20 Tobique Valley Ry 70,000		
892, March " 4 Permanent Bridges 674,280		
1896 " 20, " 3)		
1891, April 16, " 3 Woodstock Bridge 150,000		
1894 " 9 " 41		
1893 " 15, " 6 Grain elevator&wharves, St John 17,000	\$1,034,78	0
HON JAS MITCHELL, PREMIER, 17th JULY, 1896-29th Oct.,		
1897, March 13, Chap. 21, Lunatic Asylum \$10,000	10,00	0
HON H R EMMERSON, PREMIER, 29th Oct., '97-31st Aug., 19	900.	
1898, March 18, Chap. 31, Dufferin & Eaton wharves \$ 8,000 1900, April 12, " 33, York & Carleton Ry 14,500		
1900, April 12, 00, 1012 & carreer 25,	\$ 22,50	0
Item imported horses, paid by sinking fund	\$3,282,98 30,00	
	\$3,252,980.0	00

Debentures called in but outstanding	2,000.00
Total bonded debt, 31st October, 1904	\$3,291,846.66
Total bonded debt brought downOther liabilities as per page I. Auditor-Gen. Report	\$3,291,846.66 184,655.54
Gross debt	\$3,476,502.20 700,237.96
Net debt 31st October, 1901	\$2,776,264.24
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The above statement of the details of our public debt makes the matter so plain that "he who runs may read." When our financial arrangements were made at Confederation, it was not intended that the Provinces should run in debt for subsidizing railways and other public works of that nature, and they never should have done so, yet the people have not only demanded such subventions, but have approved them. A most notable instance is that of 1882. In April, the Fraser government subsidized railways in all parts of the province to the extent of over one million dollars, with which action as a battle cry the newly reconstructed Hauington-McLeod government went to the country in June and was sustained by a good majority,

The Tory Opposition of to-day, when they inveigh so severely against railway subsidies, ought to realize that they are putting the dagger to the hilt in their old party friends of twenty years ago .- Exchange.

County permanently in 1895.

in this issue of the SENTINEL. eral party in this county.

It is a pity that the writer had not the decency to leave the dead alone and confine himself to those able to in Canada are exported to Europe. speak for and defend themselves.

ent Conservative, a course which undivided support until he left the opinion with the Hon. Mr. Blair, regarding questions of patronage in G W Vanwart speaks for himself the county, but we certainly feel that the insult offered to the late W. T. We do not think that J. S. Leigh- Drysdale and Matthew Hutchinson. ton, Sr., although not now in a posi- is certainly uncalled for, as Mr Drystion to take an active part in politics, dale received one of the best offices will be at all flattered to have it sent | in the gift of the party in the county broadcast over the county that he is and Mr. Hutchinson remained an not in entire sympathy with the Lib- honored and trusty leader of the party until the day of his death.

Nine-tenths of the lobsters packed

It is unfortunately true that the The SENTINEL gives its readers the late Fred. Moore, a short time before | best possible country correspondence