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THE BUDGET SPEECH.

Hon. Mr. Mitchell's budget speech published in our columns to-day will repay careful perusal. Its tone is buoyant and hopeful, and in marked contrast to the blue rain utterances of such pessimists as Mr. Powell and Dr. Stockton, who are willing to see the province go to the dogs, possibly because they and their associates do not occupy the treasury benches. It is true there was a small deficit in the last year's operations, but it is smaller than that of the previous year, and is due entirely to the demand of the people for greater assistance on their roads and bridges. The government are constructing a large number of iron bridges with solid masonry foundations—permanent structures that will last for generations, and Mr. Mitchell claims that the cost of these erections might very properly be charged to capital account rather than to current account. They have been built, however, from the ordinary revenue from year to year, and explain the difficulty the government have in keeping the expenditure down to reasonable limits. Mr. Mitchell is able to show care and economy in every branch of the public service, and the Opposition have not been able to point to one item of expenditure which cannot be fully justified. It is true the gentlemen who are so ambitious to assume control of the treasury, have criticised the ten items in the auditor general's report; they have pointed out the wasteful extravagance of the government in permitting their employes to use steel pens and type writing machines instead of goose quills; they have grown eloquent over the stationery and postage stamp expenditure, and have agitated for the demand for the dismissal of an old gentleman who receives \$40 a year for making fires and cleaning spittoons, but in the larger arena—in discussing the great public expenditures they have not made a single point against the government.

If Dr. Stockton and his colleagues were sincere and truthful, they would give the government credit for conducting the business of the country upon economical methods. The administration challenges the closest scrutiny, and is fully justified in claiming that at no time in the history of New Brunswick has her public business been more prudently and honestly conducted than by the present government. Mr. Mitchell was able to remark with pride and satisfaction on the stimulus the local government policy has given to the cheese and butter industry, as shown in the agricultural report for 1884. There are at present not less than twenty-seven cheese factories in the province, where in 1881 there were only eight. In 1881 there was but one creamery; now there are seven combined butter and cheese factories, and four which make butter only, or in all forty-five butter and cheese factories, as against eight in 1881. Surely this is progress and development for which the local government may claim a fair share of the credit. Does anybody suppose that these factories would be in operation today, but for the bonuses extended to them by the local government? Yes, there is one person who pretends to speak for the farmers of this county who, whenever the dairy business is mentioned, extends his neck and sneering declares it a "fad." Well, it is better to be called a "fad" than a "fool."

But what have been the results from the cheese and butter factories? In three years the number of patrons has increased from two hundred to two hundred, and the value of the product from \$18,000 to \$100,000. In 1881 the province imported a great deal of cheese and some butter, and exported neither butter nor cheese. The exports last year were \$2,000 worth of cheese and \$8,000 worth of butter. Ten cheese factories and five creameries were established last year in eight counties. Even the tax, which is a bitter opposition organ, is compelled to admit that the growth of the co-operative cheese and butter industry is a matter which is a subject of congratulation to all who have had anything worth while to do with it, and that the provincial bonuses have given the business the stimulus it required.

Who will say, then, that Mr. Mitchell and the government are not entitled to a full measure of credit from the farmers of New Brunswick for their efforts to develop the cheese and butter industry. There are a great many other points in the provincial secretary's very excellent address which we might elaborate and emphasize, but space will not permit to do so. We may add, however, that it was a clear and concise exposition of provincial finances, an honest presentation of the facts, and an expression of confidence in the future prosperity of this province.

ONLY A DOZEN.

It is rather a striking coincidence that in both the New Brunswick and Nova Scotia Assemblies the opposition numbers twelve, but our House is larger than theirs. We have 41 members to their 38, so that proportionately Premier Blair's majority is larger than Premier Fielding's, and the latter's, in all respects, is large enough. Without counting the speaker of either House, the parties stand: New Brunswick, government, 28; Opposition, 12. Nova Scotia government, 25; Opposition, 12.

There is another point in which the opposition in the two provinces strongly resemble each other. Both are poorly led. In the last election Mr. Cahon, who was the Nova Scotia leader, was defeated at the polls, and his successor is Dr. McKay of Cape Breton, who occupied a similar position from 1866 to 1870, without impressing anybody with his ability or tact in leading a party. We should like to give a better certificate to Dr. Stockton, who in many respects is a very able young man, but who as a politician is a great failure. We have no doubt Mr. Blair's hopes are that as long as he remains premier he may have Dr. Stockton leading the opposing party, and there are rumors that the doctor would be quite willing to return to the government ranks, even to feed on the husks, as the prodigal of old. In that case the duty of leading the Opposition would no doubt devolve on Mr. Pinder, who, in the event of his party's success, would go into a new government as provincial secretary and watch-dog of the treasury.

FREDERICTON'S BENEFACTOR.

Mr. Wilnot has placed Fredericton under another debt of obligation for the handsome donation of \$10,000 for the sustenance of the park which he has presented to the city. The cost of the grounds in the first instance was in the vicinity of \$7,000, the improvements already made must have run up to pretty nearly \$3,000, and which work was to be done, and the large total outlay will reach nearly \$75,000. This is indeed princely, and will stand Mr. Wilnot's name down to posterity as that of a gentleman of large public spirit and generosity. No city in this part of Canada at least, has enjoyed such a benefaction, and THE HERALD expresses the feeling of this community when it says that every man, woman and child in it, will remember and honor the memory of the man who, out of his own private means, has contributed so magnificently to the public good.

PREMIER BOWELL.

PREMIER BOWELL has been at Montreal this week and met some of the big manufacturers and monopolists who flourish under the N. P. No doubt he passed around the hat for election contributions, and met a ready response. There are the people who have kept the government in power for the last ten years, and they will attempt to continue it.

A TORY CONVENTION.

Our Conservative friends announce that they will hold a convention in this city on Tuesday next to nominate a candidate for parliament in place of Mr. Temple, who will not again be in the field. The announcement suggests a lot of interesting things. Has Uncle Thomas really bagged the senatorship? and if so, how much has it cost him. He has run three very expensive elections, but if he secures life seats in the upper chamber for himself, besides the appointment of his sons-in-law to good positions in the civil service, not to speak of the railway bridge subsidy, this country will owe Mr. Temple nothing.

We scarcely think, however, that our Conservative friends need bother coming to the convention. If THE HERALD is correctly informed, the nomination has already been arranged. That important matter was attended to some weeks ago when the Conservative delegation went down to St. John and proffered the life seat in the upper chamber for himself, besides the appointment of his sons-in-law to good positions in the civil service, not to speak of the railway bridge subsidy, this country will owe Mr. Temple nothing.

We have before pointed out that Mr. Foster deserves Kings county because he cannot secure re-election there, and it is a poor compliment to York that the electors of this old metropolitan constituency should be invited to accept the castoff representative of a rural constituency. The story about Kings being too large a county for Mr. Foster is his poor health to canvas, is altogether too fresh for acceptance. As a matter of fact, Mr. Foster has been travelling through Ontario and Quebec for the past ten days, campaigning, a wonderful feat for a sick man to attempt. Mr. Foster is really suffering from political sickness, and he thinks the atmosphere of York will restore his vitality, but in this he may be very much mistaken. The peculiar form of Mr. Foster's political illness, is Dominionism, which nearly fixed him in 1881, and fearing a recurrence of the attack if he remained in Kings, he is preparing to leave that constituency.

It is certainly a most lamentable confession of weakness and unpopularity on his part. Fancy a minister of the crown in the man standing second in the cabinet—with all the patronage and authority of government at his disposal, admitting his inability to carry his native county, which he has represented for twelve years. In the upper provinces, Ministers have sought election in other counties than their own, but it was to redeem, if possible, a constituency from the enemy. But Mr. Foster is not built that way; he is even afraid to run in a county already held by his party, and he seeks what he considers a safe Tory seat. With his well known selfishness, he is looking out for himself, and we shall see whether the electors of York are willing to support him in his designs. We shall see whether carpet baggers and tramp politicians may find a safe retreat, solace and comfort and support in an independent and intelligent constituency like York.

MR. FOSTER AND TEMPERANCE.

They say Mr. Foster expects to receive the temperance vote in York. But why should he? Mr. Foster used to be a strong temperance and prohibition advocate. When he was a professor up on the hill, he talked temperance and prohibition from the city hall platform by the hour. What has he done in parliament to advance the cause? It has been open to him for the last twelve years to have introduced a prohibitory bill, but he has not moved in that direction. On the other hand, he has done everything possible to shelve the question—to put it out of sight, that it might embarrass the government. Mr. Foster was an enthusiastic temperance man when he was receiving \$10 per night for temperance lectures, but when he grabbed the \$80,000 salary of a cabinet minister he pocketed his temperance principles, and smiled at the credulous people in giving him credit for sincerity in the first instance. Now that he is coming to a strong temperance constituency for election, his friends find it convenient to trot out Mr. Foster's temperance record. They make a great mistake. If the Minister of Finance is to be judged on that which will fail to secure the support he is seeking. Surely the temperance men of York are shrewd enough to see through Mr. Foster's record on the question. It is a fact that he has deserted about every principle for which he contended before entering public life, and now he caps the climax by deserting his constituency. THE HERALD does not believe that the county of York desires the services of a gentleman of that character, even though he happens for the time to occupy a cabinet position.

MR. McLEOD WAS FUNNY.

At a Conservative organization meeting in St. John Wednesday evening, Mr. McLeod, M. P., remarked that the Liberal Conservatives in that constituency are a united party, and there would be no difficulty about the nomination of the candidates. The men that were chosen would receive the support of all the Conservatives. How Mr. Chesley, M. P., must have smiled at the observation of his colleague. Why, it is only two years since the "party" put up George Robertson as a candidate, and Mr. Chesley, who failed to secure a nomination from the "machine," came out and moved Mr. Robertson under. No doubt Mr. Chesley is prepared to repeat the operation if the convention fails to nominate him, but he will have to count the Liberal candidates in his calculation. The trouble with the Tory party in St. John is the same as in many other constituencies—there is open rebellion against the "machine," and when they meet to choose their candidates they will have a lively time.

PARISH POLITICS.

The great minds of the local opposition have been engaged this week in criticizing government expenditure, and their giant intellects have scarcely reached beyond grasping the complicated details of stationery and sealing wax bills. They grew eloquent on the steel pen question, and are understood to be preparing elaborate addresses on the alarmingly increase in the postage stamp account. The attack on the government has been led by Dr. Stockton, ably seconded by Mr. Phinney, and there was intense excitement in the party when the latter discovered that an old gentleman who has been in the government service for half a century, is receiving \$40 a year for looking after the fire, etc., in the departmental buildings. The excitement reached a climax, however, when the doctor, in his correspondence, mentioned the fact that the government had bought a law book in New York for the extravagant sum of \$10.

It is not improbable that the opposition before the close of the session, may move for a royal commission to investigate this whole stationery, sealing wax, elastic band and postage stamp business, which is piling up the public debt to the extent of tens of dollars every year. The enquiry will probably embrace, among other things (1), whether the Attorney General cannot use one cent stamps on his correspondence, leaving one end of his letters open for the inspection of the P. O. authorities; (2), whether it is possible, in view of the alarming condition of the public treasury, for the Provincial Secretary to use paste or molasses in sealing his letters instead of expensive red sealing wax; (3), whether it would be expedient and in the interest of sound economy for the Chief Commissioner to issue goose quills instead of steel pens to the clerks in his department, and to buy a grey mare to haul him when he travels to inspect the roads and bridges. Dr. Stockton advocates this means of locomotion, and cites the case of Hon. Mr. Lindsay, who, when Surveyor General at one time for about twenty-seven minutes, nearly half a century ago, cost the province nothing for travelling expenses; (4), whether it might not be advisable for the Surveyor General to attend to the crown land department fires and spittoons himself, rather than contribute a proportion of the \$40 paid in part for that service.

THE BANK OF NOVA SCOTIA.

The 63rd annual statement of the Bank of Nova Scotia shows that old and reliable institution to be in a very healthy condition. The profits last year were \$171,151.76, after providing for doubtful debts and losses, and besides this the bank recovered \$47,000 of an old loan. After paying the stockholders a dividend of 8 per cent, the directors carried \$100,000 to the reserve fund, which now reaches the enormous proportions of \$1,300,000, or within \$200,000 of the bank's capital. The stock of the bank is now quoted at 180, and is eagerly sought by investors desiring a profitable and safe investment. No doubt each of the remarkable success of the Bank of Nova Scotia is attributable to the wise, sagacious and prudent management of Cashier Fyffe, whose reputation as a successful banker stands second to none in Canada. The agents in this city are in charge of Mr. Chalners, a gentleman who enjoys the confidence and esteem of the bank's patrons, and is a favorite generally in social and business circles.

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Continued from first page. did so much for P. E. Island, as compared with New Brunswick, was that the former sent a solid delegation to Ottawa opposed to them, while the New Brunswick delegation stood solidly by their support. Dr. Stockton—Do you say the Dominion government has been unfair to us? Hon. Mr. Mitchell—No; but I say they have done much more for the Island people, and he is glad to know that they are carrying on so good a work there. Continuing, Mr. Mitchell said the amount expended upon education during the period of ten months was \$1,000,000, and the average per cent in 1883. This was owing to more schools being in operation and a better class of teachers. The daily average attendance had advanced from 50 to 86 per cent in 1883. The French department at the Normal School, he regretted to say, had not as many students as it should have. The number was lamentably small. He was glad, however, to say that a larger number of them were taking the full Normal School course than formerly. The contingencies of the executive, government, legislature and public printing had cost the province about as much as in preceding years. The expenditure upon lunatic asylum for the year 1884, taking in the entire twelve months, would be slightly less than for the year 1883. There was a steady increase in the number of patients, the total being in 1884, 596, and at the end of the year 482, while the daily average was 481. In 1882 the total number of patients was 475, at the end of the year 457, and the daily average 345. The average cost per capita was then \$110.83, as against \$108.88 for the 12 months of last year.

Dr. Stockton—But that is upon a different basis. The Hon. Mr. Mitchell said the per capita cost varied little from year to year. One fact was patent, that the cost of the lunatic asylum of this province was less than that of any other province or state in the union. The expenditure for mining had been somewhat less than the estimate. The grant to the Natural History Society was fixed. On public health there had been expended \$14,494, which would be about the same outlay for twelve months. The estimated outlay for the public health was \$2,100, but fortunately no contagious diseases of importance had arisen which had entailed expense during the past year. The members of the provincial board were before honorable members and it would be seen that the health of the people generally had been very good. The expenditure for public works was \$12,000,000, and the collection cost about the sum estimated. The cost of surveys and railway inspection had exceeded the expectation of the government by \$1,376,022. The chief draughtsman in the plans and upon which the government had satisfied himself that there was some great error in the plans as to the forest lands of Restigouche, that there must be quite an extent of territory not shown by the plans and upon which the government should be receiving mileage. The Surveyor General accordingly directed a survey to be made, and it was found that about 150 square miles of land were there beyond the limits of the province. There was double tier of blocks, instead of a single tier. This land was in the tract which the Muskoka Land Company supposed they had bought. It was found that their mileage was in error of the hundred and thirty square miles. The result was the company immediately made application for the 150 square miles, and the price upon these lands would more than recoup the department for the expenses of the surveys.

There has been spent for game protection \$172,444. This expenditure was certainly a large one in view of the small amount of moose and deer slain throughout the province last year by reason of the deep snows and crust. The unforeseen expense amounted to \$2,272.38. After the eloquent remarks made by the Hon. Mr. Mitchell, members on both sides of the house this session, his only fear was that the government would be condemned because the expenditure was not larger. Mr. Mitchell referred to the pleasure felt by all in meeting their Excellencies and to the active, intelligent interest taken by Lord Aberdeen in the proceedings of the farmers' convention. Turning to the estimates for the current year Mr. Mitchell said the amount expected from Dominion subsidy was \$483,590.25. Territorial revenue was placed at \$145,000. Dr. Stockton—Upon what do you base that? Mr. Mitchell said the amount expected from Dominion subsidy was \$483,590.25. Territorial revenue was placed at \$145,000. Dr. Stockton—Upon what do you base that? Mr. Mitchell said the amount expected from Dominion subsidy was \$483,590.25. Territorial revenue was placed at \$145,000.

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