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PROVINCIAL FINANCES.

If further proof were wanting of the wisdom displayed by the people of rulers on February 24th, it is furnished by information supplied to the Legislature yesterday by Hon. Mr. Robinson in the course of his budget speech. Hon. Mr. Robinson's exposition of provincial finances was undoubtedly the most masterly that the Legislature has listened to in a score of years. He is a man of keen business with provincial politics. He knows more of the intricacies of provincial finance than any other man who sits in the Legislature, and his words will carry great weight with the people of this province, more particularly with thoughtful business men. The state ments which he made in regard to the debt and liability based on an interim report of one of the most reliable firms of chartered accountants in Canada, show conclusively that the government kicked out of office on the 24th February was not only extravagant and incompetent, but that it studiously practiced gross deception upon the people.

It will be remembered that during the late election opponents of the then government frequently made the statement that the liabilities of the province were not less than \$17,000,000 The office holders and others who made it their duty to defend the administration, strongly denied that this was the case, and accused the opposition of attempting to deceive the people. Now we have the report of the independent auditors which places the capital and current debt of the province at \$17,102,960.86, and the total liabilities at the enormous sum of \$20,665,960.80.

In the light of this startling information the people might well ask themselves who it was that practiced deception upon them during the recent election. The total liability, it might be explained, does not include the cost be explained, does not include the cost of building the Valley Railway from Centreville to Andover, a contract for which has already been let. The philosopher begins to get things in their proper perspective when he quits looking for pearls in his oysters and is extremely gratified to get the

With the old government it seems to have been a case of dash away and spend the people's money. They had a revenue much larger than that even enjoyed by any previous administration, yet they starved the public ser vice and squandered the people's money in the most reckless fashion Rascally contractors and middlemen were permitted to plunder the public treasury and a subservient majority if Sir Robert Borden, regardless of the in the Legislature said amen to the

at Ottawa is a very serious one, and if DOG NUISANCE there is danger that the dial-plate of Published every afternoon (except the history of Canada may be turned back half a century.

Mr. Baxter has been chosen as financial critic by the opposition in the Legislature, and will reply to the budget speech of Hon. C. W. Robinson. Mr. Baxter is a shrewd and well in formed lawyer, but he has never been regarded as a weighty authority on provincial finances. It will tax his craftiness and ingenuity to the utmost to break the force of the damning indictment of the methods of the this province in voting for a change of old government made by Hon. Mr. Robinson in his budget speech.

The provincial elections in Alberta yesterday resulted in the triumphant return to power of the Liberal government so ably led by Hon. Arthur Sif ton. All members of the government were re-elected and the Liberals were able to elect their men in the Tory acumen who has long been identified stronghold of Calgary, represented in Parliament by Mr. R. B. Bennett. The verdict of Alberta shows that Liber alism and democracy still retain a firm hold in western Canada.

Through Our Sieve

The gentle rain-the (garden) plot thickens.

Garden hint—even the widows want to get rid of the weeds.

The fashionable costume at garden parties this year is a suit of overalls.

You will soon encounter the subma rine of the garden-the cutworm

When you capture a submarine, give no quarter, take no prisoners

It is the woman with the latest gown who is generally latest at church.

With more or less doubt the back yard gardener receives the news that there is a shortage of tin cans.

If a man wants to know how much he is appreciated, he should pose as defendant in a breach of promise suit

England is to give up starched lothes to conserve the starch for clothes to conserve the starch for foodstuffs. Do you like your collars soft boiled?

U-boats are the keystone to Ger-many's arch of military strength, that arch being upside down, like the en-tire institution of autocracy.

oysters.

When you see a little 8-by-10 shed going up in a neighbor's yard, don't decide too quickly that he's going in for greater production of chickens-he may only be going to get an aute.

POLITICAL PROBLEMS

consequences which might come from precipitate enforcement of conscripsiderations may compel the Liberal party seriously to consider Sir Wilfrid's offer. Tomorrow there will be a Liberal caucus, and doubtless the whole situ-

Committee on Agriculture to Hear Secretary Reek on the Matter Next Week.

The Committee on Agriculture met" at the Parliament buildings this morning. Mr. Mersereau, the chairman, in-troduced Mr. R. P. Steeves of Sussex, director of elementary agricultural training in the schools of the province. Mr. Steeves addressed the committee at some length, describing what was being done in the public schools in this important branch. Mr. J. A. Murray of Kings also snoke along the same of Kings, also spoke along the same

The chairman addressed the committee, pointing out a number of subjects which could well be touched upon. The dog nuisance and its relation to the in-dustry of sheep raising was one of these. The province was in great need of a law which would remedy this evil and at the next meeting of the committee Secretary Reek would speak on this subject.

this subject. The committee will meet next week at the call of the chair. Public Accounts. The Public Accounts committee met this mornin g for a short time and passed the agricultural accounts.

W. M. S. CLOSED ANNUAL SESSION

The annual session of the Women's Missionary Society of the Methodist church of New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island closed last evening. The election of officess was completed. Mrs. W. H. Barker of St. John, was elected delegate, Mrs. J. B. Gough of Jacksonville, first alternate, Mrs. C. L. Peters of Fredericton, second alter nate

Memorials were then submitted and with one exception were passed. Resolutions were also passed, one expressing thanks for the courtesy extended by the people of Fredericton and one expressing regret on account of the departure of Miss Stewart of Sackville, from the N. B. & P. E. I. district to Saskatchewan.

After short prayers the meeting closed with the National Anthem.

Injured on Drive. Mr. Howard Dunbar, of Marysville, who has been engaged in driving oper-ations, returned home yesterday, suffering from a painful injury. Medical attendance was summoned and his condition is quite favorable.

OF SOCIAL INTEREST.

Mrs. A. P. Crocket of St. John, is visiting Mrs. A. M. Gibson, Waterloo

Mrs. J. J. Taylor is here, the guest of her daughter, Mrs. C. P. Holden. Mrs. Oswald Crocket is entertaining oday at a luncheon for the members wives

Mrs. W. J. Osborne is spending the

week-end at Sand Point. Prof. W. T. Osborne of Manitoba University, Winnipeg, is tourning the Maritime Provinces. He is being en-tertained in Fredericton. Miss Radcliffe of New York, is vis-iting her aunt, Mrs. John Black. Mrs. John P. Burchill is visiting her brother. Rev. W. J. Wilkinson at

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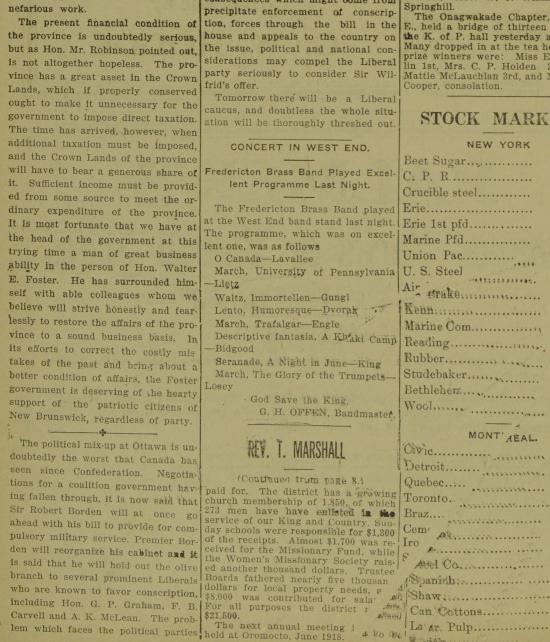
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PEABODY'S OVERALLS FOR WOMEN





CONCERT IN WEST END lent Programme Last Night.

The Fredericton Brass Band played at the West End band stand last night. Erie 1st pfd..... The programme, which was on excel- Marine Pfd..... lent one, was as follows

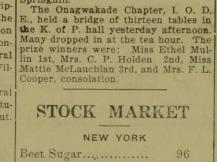
Waltz, Immortellen-Gungl Lento, Humoresque-Dvorak March, Trafalgar-Engle Descriptive fantasia, A Kbaki Camp Reading

Seranade, A Night in June-King March, The Glory of the Trumpels-

> God Save the King. G. H. OFFEN, Bandmaster.

REV. T. MARSHALL

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