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THE BUDGET SPEECH.

Hon. Mr. Tweedie had just got nicely started with his budget speech in the legislature last night, when an adjournment was made, and he is concluding his remarks this afternoon.

So far as he got, the Premier made an excellent showing, brushing completely away the malicious misrepresentations of the opposition respecting temporary loans, and the Central railway.

The Premier finding it necessary to raise money to retire six per cent. debentures maturing, and the money market being unfavorable for selling new debentures, arranged a temporary loan with the Credit Foncier at four per cent, a very favorable bargain indeed, and one which the conditions fully justified. His course in this respect is commended by so eminent a banker as Mr. W. E. Stavert, whose opinion will carry much greater weight with the public than the irresponsible criticism of opposition politicians and newspapers.

With respect to the Central railway, Mr. Tweedie was able to show that the government was fully justified in taking hold of the project, and that it promises to become a valuable asset to the province. The improved train service is already developing the coal areas, the receipts of the enterprise are growing to satisfactory proportions, and the province eventually, will be amply repaid for its expenditure.

It would have been absolute, almost criminal folly for the government to have permitted this road, for the construction of which many thousands of dollars were paid in subsidies, to go into the ash heap, thereby paralyzing the chief mining industry of the province, and the Premier, with facts and figures, backed up by the commissioners' and engineers' reports, is able to show the wisdom of the policy. When the Transcontinental railway is built, and even during its construction, the Central railway is bound to become one of the best paying railway properties in Canada, and the expenditure now being made in its improvement, is justifiable and proper from every point of view.

CRITICISMS ANSWERED.

Some criticism has been made recently of the efficiency and general management of the I. C. R. shops at Moncton and perhaps it will not be out of place for a visitor to state what he saw there.

A few days ago the writer was shown through the shops, and he found things very different from what one would expect after reading newspaper interviews with Senator McMullin of Ontario.

First, as he approached the shops he remarked upon an unusually powerful looking locomotive that was standing in the yards. "Yes, and it is one of our home manufacture" replied a companion, a railway official. This was a surprise to the writer, and perhaps it is not generally known that for the past few years, first class locomotives have been constructed in the shops at Moncton. Moreover they are of a much superior quality to those which the I. C. R. has had built elsewhere. The latter before being ready for service generally have to undergo considerable over-hauling.

In view of these facts it seems too bad that the plant at Moncton is not a little larger so that all the rolling stock could be manufactured right on the spot. A reasonable amount of capital expenditure along this line would be a profitable investment.

Four large locomotives are now in course of construction at Moncton and fourteen were counted that were being overhauled and repaired.

The Ontario Senator, spoke of the discipline of the I.C.R. employees, so the writer will mention what he saw. There were no idle workmen standing around, no smoking, no conversing among the men and no evidence of lack of discipline. The shops were clean and each crew of men in charge of a foreman appeared to be doing its work quite as systematically as in the works of a private corporation.

The first annual meeting of the New Brunswick Press Association is to be held in Fredericton on Thursday, March 8th. The organization is in a very healthy condition, and promises to be a means of pleasure and profit to the newspaper men of the province.

The announcement of Mr. John E. Wilson of St. John, that he is done with politics, that under no conditions will he be a candidate in local or federal honors, is disappointing to Mr. Hazen and his friends. Mr. Wilson, who headed the opposition ticket in St. John city last local election, came within a few votes of being elected, and is regarded as very strong in the constituency, one of the rising hopes of the Tory party, but he throws down the opposition by declaring that he cannot again be counted upon to carry their banner. Whether Mr. Wilson takes this course because of disappointment with his party friends, or for business reasons is not apparent.

Society women of Chicago recently gave a Kirmess dance in which they indulged in a plentiful display of short skirts and low bedies. A Congregational minister, Dr. Strong, in a sermon referred to the women as "half-naked, painted, sensualized creatures; full sisters to the benighted fetish dancers of South Africa." Among those he singled out for attack were Mrs. J. Ogden Armour and Mrs. Stanley Field, two of the most prominent ladies of the city, and it is a wonder the preacher escaped with a whole skin.

The federal bye election in North Cape Breton, necessary because of the appointment of Mr. D. D. McKenzie, M. P., to the county court bench, is to take place March 14th. The constituency is a large and important one, including the old county of Victoria, and part of Cape Breton county. Mr. McKenzie had a majority of only 64 in the last election, so it will be seen that the constituency is fair fighting ground for both parties.

The Tory party in the Imperial House of Commons is small in number, but they have a vigorous fighter in Mr. Chamberlain, who leads in the enforced absence of Mr. Balfour, who lost his seat in the recent elections, and is now courting a London constituency with indifferent chances of success. Mr. Chamberlain is strong against any suggestion of Home Rule as is hinted at in the King's speech, and assaults the government on its South African policy.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier has a busy week ahead of him in Toronto, and he will need to have a care as to his digestive organs. He is to be entertained at a round of receptions, luncheons and banquets, the most important of which is the splendid function to be given him at Massey Hall by the Liberals of Ontario, on Wednesday evening, at which over 500 gentlemen will be seated.

Toronto is quite interested in the publicly announced conversion of one of its most prominent lawyers, who promises to lead a new life.

CARPETS AND REMNANTS AT THE EDGEcombe SALE.

Monday the fourth day of the sale of the Fred B. Edgecombe Company stock by the Canadian Clearance Company showed no lessening of the crowds nor decrease in the interest of those present. The crowds are still there and are as eager to buy the many bargains offered as on the first day. Tomorrow, Wednesday will see the inauguration of a clean sweep in the carpet department. The large advertisement on another page will tell you all about the increased reductions. The carpet stock is a big one and in order to close it entirely out, new and still lower prices have been made on many lines. It will pay you to buy carpets now for years ahead, as no such chance will ever be offered to you again. A remnant sale is announced for Thursday, and this will be an event awaited and welcomed by all.

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NEW USE FOR DYNAMITE.

Mexican Miners Eat it Instead of Opium.

New York, Feb. 20.—The Journal publishes the following from Monterey, Mexico:—It is a fact that many of the Mexican miners of the peon class are dynamite-eaters. It is a vice that is rapidly spreading to all the mining camps in Mexico. Users of dynamite soon learn that it is a powerful stimulant, and that the effects of intoxication are pleasing, while they last, beyond the most excruciating fantasies of an opium dream.

The "dynamiteur" usually is very dainty and exact in his method of going about the introduction of a high explosive into his system. The preferred way to do this is to cut off a small piece of 55 per cent. "dynamite" about the size of a pea. This is dissolved in a small glass of mescal or tequila, and the draught is quaffed down with a gusto that comes from pleasant anticipations. The performer of this trick then rolls in his blanket and stretches himself at length in the cool shade. It is said that very soon his nerves begin to tingle, and stranger dreams come to him than the weird visions induced by hash-heesh. The amount of dynamite consumed at an ordinary camp by those addicted to taking it into their systems in the way above described is so large that it appreciably affects the quantity of that explosive required to carry on the regular work.

BITS OF NEWS.

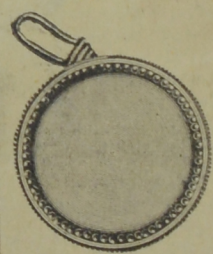
H. F. McLatchey is now a full fledged county court judge. Last evening he was sworn in by Chief Justice Tuck in the Supreme court chambers, St. John. Judge McLatchey, who was at the Royal last evening, accompanied by Mrs. McLatchey, was the recipient of hearty congratulations from many friends.

Mrs. Gertrude Stewart, of Toronto, had a dispute with her husband Monday evening and drank a teaspoonful of mixture of carbonic acid, rosewater and glycerine, burning her throat slightly. The husband had her removed to St. Michael's Hospital, when she soon recovered and asked her husband to have her taken home. "Are you sorry you took the medicine now?" one of the nurses asked. "Not much," she answered, and pointing to her husband, "I gave him a good scare, and that is all I did it for." The couple have only been married a few months.

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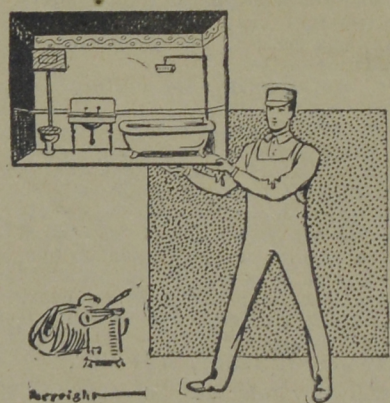
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