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THE BUDGET SPEECH.

Hon. Mr. Tweedie gives a Full and Frank Statement of Financial Affairs to the Legislature.

The House and galleries were well filled Wednesday afternoon when Hon. L. J. Tweedie, premier and provincial secretary, arose amid applause to deliver the budget speech.

Hon. Mr. Tweedie said, — Before making the usual motion for going into supply it is my duty to lay before the house a statement of the receipts and expenditures of the past year. I am glad to be able to congratulate the people of New Brunswick on its continued prosperity. The past year was a fairly prosperous one in all lines of industry in lumbering and mining and with regard to agriculture; it was also a successful year except on the North Shore where the dry weather, for it was the driest season for a quarter of a century, interfered with some of the crops. The farmers of New Brunswick are to be congratulated on the great strides they are making in their chosen business. The contrast between their present condition and that which existed a few years ago is indeed remarkable. No one could have contemplated that the market should become so extended that they would be sending hay to South Africa. We have seen agricultural development going on in every direction and I am sure the government have good reason to be proud of its agricultural policy, which has been so thoroughly successful. Whatever the opposition may say against the government they cannot attack its agricultural policy successfully, for we know and they know that the farmers of the province are in favor of it. Whenever we have gone to the people, in Kings county or elsewhere, we have never lost an election for the past two years. Indeed the only man who in years has come into the house to oppose us has been the amiable and genial gentleman from Carleton county whose absence from this House would be almost regretted by the Government, because although he criticises us occasionally he has never done us any harm. While we have been criticized for spending money in creating a department of agriculture I feel that this is one of the things for which the government is to be most highly commended. The results of its policy speak for themselves. With regard to lumber the policy of the government has been equally successful. The past year has been favorable to the lumbermen. Markets have been good and their condition is greatly changed from what it was a few years ago when some of them were having a hard time. Some people say that we have unduly favored the lumbermen, but the lumber industry was one that deserved good treatment because it gave the country a great deal of revenue. Last year I estimated that the territorial revenue of the Province would be \$185,000, but it went up to \$200,000. The government while giving the lumbermen every reasonable advantage had been most careful to guard the public interests. Some time ago we had a crown land sale at which the timber areas offered were sold for the upset price. This was the result of a combination such as the government were unable to prevent. Yet for this the government was bitterly attacked in the opposition papers. They undertook to criticize the surveyor general, the attorney general and myself for neglecting the public interests and letting the lands go at the upset price. They showed that a large sum had been lost by this sale, but while they were writing criticisms the government was acting. Within ten minutes after the sale had been held the surveyor general gave notice to the parties that it would be cancelled. The land was sold again at a later period and the government got \$12,000 or \$15,000 as a result of this sale. Yet the newspapers which had attacked the government never apologized for making those false statements and never gave the surveyor general any credit for his action.

The government is certainly to be congratulated on its policy in granting leases to lumbermen for 25 years. Under this system the lumberman is in a far better position than when he was merely a tenant from year to year. He can now get credit at the banks on the faith of his

lease for it is a valuable asset. But some of our opponents say we are locking up the land against the poor man. There is nothing in that contention. The man who has the most money whether the lease is for one year or for twenty-five will always get the property. One particular in which this policy of long leases has been of the greatest benefit is in regard to protection from fire. The leasees of timber lands are careful to protect them and last season, although the driest on record, were wholly exempt from fires in the timber areas of the province. There were fires near the line of railway but not one fire in the great forests. This was due wholly to the protection afforded by the vigilance of the leasees and of the officers of the government. While the policy of twenty five years leases has proved a success with respect to the lumbermen, claims are made that for the pulp mills the leases should be for a longer period. It is admitted that the spruce of New Brunswick is the best wood in the world for making pulp and English capitalists are willing to invest large sums here in pulp mills if they find the conditions to suit them. They complain that our leases are not long enough and that where a man or a company invests \$1,000,000 in a pulp mill he should have a better guarantee of the permanency of the supply of wood than is to be had in a twenty-five years' lease. The problem is one of some difficulty. I am now in correspondence with a London firm that desires to build a costly pulp mill on the North Shore. It is a question what should be done. My own view is that companies building pulp mills should have a certain guarantee of the permanency of their supply of wood. In Quebec the lumber lands are held in perpetuity and so long as the lessee pays the rent he is able to hold on to his land. Speaking of lumber lands I might say that there is no province of the Dominion that possesses more valuable assets than we have in our forests. In making up the balance sheet of the province in the auditor general's report no mention is made of our lumber lands as an asset. Yet they could be easily sold for from \$10,000,000 to \$12,000,000. With an asset like that it is absurd to say that the country is going to the dogs. Our fisheries are another asset, which are worth at least half a million dollars, and besides that we have one of the greatest game countries in the world. With respect to its financial conditions our province stands as well as any province in Canada and it pays out larger sums for its services in proportion to its population than almost any other province.

Mining development has gone on steadily in the Province since the passage of the general mining act of 1891 but the province has never been properly prospected. Much of the work that has been done by the geologists has been theoretical rather than practical. It will be the policy of the government to get over this difficulty and without going to any very large expense to have a careful examination made of the various mineral resources of the Province, so that they be properly utilized. A great deal has been done recently in regard to oil developments, and I hold in my hand a letter from a gentleman connected with the work that is being done at Memramcook. He says, "the books of the company are open for inspection to the government at any time they wish to look at them, and since making our statement in October we have expended in the vicinity of \$6,000 more and have now underway wells that will cost \$5,000 additional. You might also state that as now the oil has become an assured fact, the company feel that they have got beyond the prospecting stage and are making arrangements to put in a great number of boring machines so as to enable them before the end of the present summer to produce oil to erect a large refining plant at some part of the province. I understand that the government are talking of purchasing a calixt drill, and it is my opinion they could not do better than buy this drill. It certainly the most economical prospect-

ing drill in the market to-day and the most satisfactory. I have seen it working both in Nova Scotia and New York, and the results are splendid. While it would be of no particular advantage for oil boring still it would be a great satisfaction to have a drill that would give us a large sectional core through the oil formation. Of course to do this we would want a drill that would go at least 1500 feet. We have minerals in the Province of New Brunswick without any question, and the government should keep in view the fact that a large source of the future revenues of the province lies in this direction. I often think it might be well if you would clip a few pages out of the Australian Government plan, where I believe the Government keep hundreds of these drills continually in operation proving up the mineral section of their country, which information is distributed broadcast, to their people, thereby giving an actual date on which to prospect and open up mines."

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When a horse picks up a nail in his foot what does the driver do? Does he whip the limping, lagging animal and force him along? Not unless he wants to ruin the horse. At the first sign of lameness he jumps down, examines the foot and carefully removes the cause of the lameness. What is called "weak stomach" is like the lameness of the horse, only to be cured by removing the cause of the trouble. If you stimulate the stomach with "whisky medicines" you keep it going, but every day the condition is growing worse. A few doses sometimes of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery will put the disordered stomach and its allied organs of digestion and nutrition in perfect condition. Ninety-eight times in every hundred "Golden Medical Discovery" will cure the worst ailments originating in diseases of the stomach. It always helps. It almost always cures. To cure constipation use Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets. They're sure.

An unfortunate affair occurred at Stratford, Ont. when Rev. Father Walsh, who has been in poor health for some time and whose mind is said to be affected, met a couple of young ladies in the street after night, ordered them home, and struck them with his cane.

ATHLETES, BICYCLISTS and others should always keep HAGYARD'S YELLOW OIL on hand. Nothing like it for stiffness and soreness of the muscles, sprains, bruises, cuts, etc.

Speaking at a Nationalist meeting at Glasgow, Monday night, Mr. John Dillon, M. P., called for cheers for Delarey, and the audience responded heartily. English Radicals fail to understand this attitude. They cannot see that what annoys England pleases Ireland.

To make money it is necessary to have a clear, bright brain, a cool head and strong nerves. Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills invigorate and brighten the brain, strengthen the nerves, and remove all heart, nerve and brain troubles.

The blizzard which raged in Manitoba from Friday afternoon to Sunday night is said to be the worst storm experienced in Winnipeg in fifteen years.

Backache, swelling of feet and ankles, puffing under eyes, frequent thirst, scanty, cloudy, highly colored urine and all urinary troubles lead to Bright's disease, dropsy, diabetes, etc., Doan's Kidney Pills are a sure cure.

Two brothers, Donald and John Smith of Port Morien, were drowned Tuesday while duck shooting at Sand Lake, a few miles from Port Morien, C. B. It is supposed that one of them went out on the ice and broke through and that the other went to his assistance.

If the tea you use does not please you, try UNION BLEND. It is a blend of pure India and Ceylon teas and is used in the families of more than 200,000 Canadians.

Nobby Clothing.

Lucy & Co. ordered last fall from the leading manufacturers of Canada a large and well selected stock of clothing comprising suits, spring over coats, pants, vests, &c. Those goods have just arrived and take them all in all are one of the best lots of ready made clothing ever received in Fredericton. Nothing but the best material was used and the workmanship is of the very best description. These goods now open for inspection and persons requiring either a business or dress suit would do well to examine them. The stock comprises men's, boys' and children's.—A.

MALT BREAKFAST FOOD

Comforts and Soothes the Weak Stomach.

Malt Breakfast Food is always tolerated and retained by the weakest stomach. Invalids and convalescents live on it after rejecting all other forms of foods. The weak and delicate stomach easily assimilates it, as by the action of the Malt it is partially predigested, and ready to be taken up by the natural process of the absorption.

Invalids and weak people are pleased to note that after a few meals of Malt Breakfast Food every function of the system is energized and invigorated. This great health food is unequalled today as a builder and strengthener for the weak and rundown. Medical men are daily prescribing Malt Breakfast Food for invalids and convalescents. Buy a package from your Grocer and try it.

A large black bear weighing over 300 pounds was killed in St. Francois Xavier de Brompton, Quebec on Wednesday evening. Mr. Urban Roy, a farmer, who, hearing his dog barking excitedly in the woods near where he was working, picked up a cordwood stick and hurried to the scene, where he found the dog engaged in battle with a huge black bear. Roy immediately sailed in with his club, and after an interesting fight, in which another farm dog also joined, he killed the bear by stiff blows of the cordwood.

Toothache Cured in One Minute.

Not only toothache, but any nerve pain is cured instantly by Polson's Nerviline. Thousands have testified that its powerful penetrating, pain-subduing properties make it an absolute cure for neuralgia, rheumatism toothache, cramps, colic and all other pains and aches that beset mankind. The world is challenged to equal Nerviline as a household liniment. Large bottle 25 cents.

John Reynolds, foundryman, Kingston Ont., was melting scrap iron gathered about town, in a cupola, when a lively episode occurred. He had bought a cannon ball, which everyone considered to be solid. It went into the melting pot and soon after there was a terrific explosion and the cupola was blown to pieces, while the building it was in was badly wrecked. Windows in the neighborhood were also broken. Several men and some children near to the cupola were shocked, but fortunately were not seriously injured.

Deaf as a Door Nail.

Not an uncommon expression, but quite true of many people whose hearing can be perfectly restored by inhaling Catarrhazone. It quickly relieves and cures all kinds of Catarrh, Catarrhal Deafness, and diseases of the respiratory organs. Don't give up hope till you have tested Catarrhazone. It has restored lost hearing of thousands, and can do the same for you. Catarrhazone is a vegetable antiseptic, pleasant and convenient to use, absolutely certain to quickly benefit and ultimately cure. Two months' treatment \$1. Small size 25c. at druggists or by mail from N. C. Polson & Co., Kingston, Ont.

A company with a capital of \$10,000,000 is being formed at New York to promote the Marconi system of wireless telegraphy.

A Guaranteed Corn Cure For 25 Cents. Putnam's Painless Corn Extractor is guaranteed to remove hard, soft or bleeding Corns in twenty four hours without pain. Take only Putnam's, it's the best.

Lord Strathcona has sent the school of Strathcona, N. W. T., a check for \$1,500 to be used for school purposes.

A Great Increasing Army.

composed of men and women that spend heart and soul in the vain effort to overcome a lack of vigor in the body. To replace inertia by vigor, to make good, red blood that will build up the system to have strong nerves, you must eat more, digest more, assimilate more. How can it be done? By using Ferrozone. It invigorates, strengthens, possesses magical health giving powers. Get Ferrozone today and make yourself strong and well. Price 50c. Sold by C. A. Burchill.

The Department of the Interior is advised of the sailing of the first specially-conducted party arranged by Mr. Smart while in the old country. This party is in charge of John Webster, who has been one of the representatives of the depart-

ment in Ireland for over four years, and who had formerly resided in Manitoba for about fifteen years. This party left Liverpool on Thursday by the Allan Line steamship Parisian, and numbered 700 persons. This is considered a very good start in the way of specially-conducted parties. The department is also advised that already some 800 more are booked for the Elder-Dempster, steamer, which will leave this week.

ALCOHOLISM CAN BE CURED.

Rev. Father Quinlivan's Opinion of the New Antidote.

The good points of this new discovery for the cure of the liquor habit, in my opinion, are the following: First—If taken according to directions it completely removes all craving for liquor in the short space of three days; its use for a longer time is intended only to build up the system. Second—It leaves no bad after effects, but on the contrary, aids in every way the health of the patient, whilst freeing him from the desire for drink. Third—The patient may use it without interfering with his business or leaving his home. All other liquor cures I have yet heard of are very costly, operate slowly, are doubtful as to effects, and often impair the health and constitution of the patient. I therefore look upon this remedy as a real boon, recommend it heartily to all concerned, and bespeak for it here in Montreal and elsewhere every success.—J. Quinlivan, S. S., Pastor of St. Patrick's Montreal.

Full particulars of this new medicine mailed free to all applicants. Address Mr. Dixon, 81 Willcocks Street, Toronto, Canada.

Le Journal, of Montreal, is endeavoring to prove that Sir Wilfrid Laurier is a red-hot Imperialist, and it gives quotations from his Jubilee speeches in support of this contention. This is for Quebec consumption. For Ontario consumption we have the charge that he is not an Imperialist at all. Out of these opposing contentions you may extract the truth—that Sir Wilfrid is taking the moderate and statesmanlike course, and satisfying the general sentiment of the community, not of any one section.

PAINE'S CELERY COMPOUND

Has [The Approval of The Best Physicians.

AS A SPRING MEDICINE IT HAS NO EQUAL.

IT CURES THE MOST DESPERATE CASES AFTER FAILURES WITH OTHER REMEDIES.

The indorsation of Paine's Celery Compound by men high in the medical profession is not a hasty conclusion. Medical approval was only announced after severe tests and proofs of remarkable cures. Paine's Celery Compound has always succeeded in the work of life saving after other medicines and prescriptions failed; it has cured diseases and troubles of long standing, and faithfully carried out all that it claimed to do. Medical evidence freely given by unbiased and honest physicians in sufficient to place Paine's Celery Compound far ahead of all other medicines as an unfailing cure for nervousness, prostration, mental exhaustion, sleeplessness, rheumatism, neuralgia, headache, dyspepsia and all troubles arising from a sluggish and impure condition of the blood.

As a spring medicine, Paine's Celery Compound has no worthy competitor. The old "cures," one by one have dropped by the way, while Paine's Celery Compound has continued to gain in popularity, so that its present sales exceed all combined sales of other remedies.

If you are despondent, fretful, without appetite, bothered with kidney or liver troubles, we honestly urge the use of Paine's Celery Compound which is fully indorsed by America's best physicians.

How to Imitate a Singing Bird.

According to La Nature, with any glass tube whatever it is possible to easily reproduce the song of a bird. It suffices to rub the tube lengthwise with a piece of wet cork. In order to imitate the song of a bird the cork must be moved with a varying rapidity, now slowly, now rapidly, and abrupt stoppages must intervene. The experiment can be made more simple by rubbing an ordinary bottle with a piece of cork.

When washing greasy dishes or pots and pans, Lever's Dry Soap (a powder) will remove the grease with the greatest ease. ss