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Proxies must be left with the Cashier at least one day previous to the meeting.

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Dividend Notice

MERCHANTS BANK OF P. E. ISLAND,
Charlottetown, Nov. 30, 1899.

Notice is hereby given that a half-yearly Dividend at the rate of 8 per cent per annum, on the Capital Stock of this Bank, has been declared, payable at its Banking House, on and after January 2nd, 1900.

The Transfer Books will be closed from the 15th December, 1899, to the 2nd January, 1900, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board,
J. M. DAVISON,
Cashier.

THE DAILY EXAMINER

DECEMBER 6, 1899.

NAILED.

"A lie which is all a lie may be met and fought with outright."

TENNYSON.

If anything were needed to discredit Sir Louis Davies, Mr. D. A. McKinnon and their organ in the eyes of the people of Belfast and Murray Harbor it is their persistent disregard for truth regarding Mr. Foster's statements in Toronto in his reply to Sir Richard Cartwright. Without a semblance of decency, or foundation in fact, they have declared on the platform and in the press that Mr. Foster had stated at Toronto that the late Government did not bring down, nor intend to bring down, to Parliament, in 1896, a vote for the Prince Edward Island railway branches. Notwithstanding the clear explanation contained in Senator Ferguson's interview with THE EXAMINER, Sir Louis Davies and Mr. D. A. McKinnon continued to distort and misquote the somewhat meagre reports of Mr. Foster's speech which had appeared in the daily papers. None of those reports gave the slightest warrant to the statements of these veracious gentlemen. But they nevertheless persisted in them.

Happily we have now a complete and accurate report of what Mr. Foster said at Toronto. It appeared in the Montreal Star of the 25th November. Here is what the ex-Minister of Finance said regarding the policy and intentions of the late Government in the matter of railways in Prince Edward Island.

"But Sir Richard forces his figures still more violently and declares that I asked for \$53,490,000 in 1896-97. Now it is well known that the estimates submitted to Parliament and passed in the supply bill include no sums provided for by special legislation. Let us see then what Sir Richard includes among the estimates which he declares I brought down to the House for 1896-97. The following table will show:

SIR RICHARD'S STATEMENT OF ESTIMATES FOR 1897.

1. Estimates on Con. Fund Account.....	\$38,357,548
2. Supplementary estimates.....	4,660,000
3. Estimates on capital account.....	2,819,000
4. Railway subsidies.....	2,772,000
5. For Prince Edward Island railways.....	2,500,000
6. For Crow's Nest Pass railway.....	1,650,000
7. For fast Atlantic service.....	750,000
	\$53,508,548

Nos. 1 and 3 are the only estimates brought down to the House by me. No. 2 was never submitted to the House and was never intended to be. No. 4 was given notice of on the order paper but never discussed in the House and was not passed even to the Committee stage. No. 5 as to amount, is a pure invention of Sir Richard's. A resolution was given notice of taking power to build certain branch lines in P. E. I., but it never reached the committee stage. No. 6 was placed as a notice on the order paper and no further action was taken. No. 7 was simply an act of Parliament authorizing a subsidy to the fast Atlantic service when tenders had been asked and the service could be secured on the conditions named.

Nos. 4 and 6 would have been put through had the exigencies of the session permitted, and so, although not estimates, they are propositions for which the Liberal Conservatives are responsible. As to No. 5 the same remark is applicable except as to the cost, which was simply guessed at by Sir Richard. The policy would have undoubtedly been carried out had the Liberal Conservative remained in power, but the cost would not have been nearly so great and would have been gradually incurred. Estimating this cost at \$2,000,000 my actual voted estimates, and unvoted propositions would have been as follows:

Estimates (actual).....	\$41,177,000
Special enactments (proposed).....	7,672,000
Total.....	\$48,849,000

Which is not \$53,500,000 as stated by Sir Richard.

This surely is clear enough. It fully corroborates what the Ex-Minister of Railways, Mr. Haggart, stated in the House of Commons on the 2nd of August last, that the late Government had come to the conclusion that the people of Prince Edward Island were entitled, under the Confederation agreement, to \$60,000 or \$70,000 a year, which would represent a capital sum of from \$2,000,000 to \$2,250,000, and Mr. Foster puts the amount down at \$2,000,000. Both of these estimates are close approximations of Senator Ferguson's figures, as contained in his Senate speech of 1894, which were \$2,174,318. This shows that our representative in the late Cabinet had completely impressed his colleagues with the justice of our case.

The \$2,000,000 or \$2,250,000—which Messrs. Foster and Haggart said the late Government were committed to—would have built all the branches proposed by the late Government, and the bridge in addition. This shows what an incapable representative we have in the present Government, who rushed in, to mortgage our limited provincial revenues, to build a railway bridge every dollar of the cost of which should have been borne by the Federal Government.

We understand that numbers of copies of Mr. Foster's "Two Knights Reviewed" will be sent to electors of Belfast and Murray Harbor, who will thus be able to judge for themselves, as to the veracity of Liberal speakers and writers.

THE GOVERNMENT AND OUR FARMERS.

All over the country a decided change has taken place in the feelings of our farmers towards the Government. This change was remarked upon by Col. Tyrwhitt, M. P. in the course of an address which he delivered at Barrie, Ont., a few days ago. It is due, Col. Tyrwhitt said, to the increased expenditure, the extravagance, and the broken pledges, the increase in the cost of Government, the creation of unnecessary offices, and the adding to the number of officials. "They have broken faith with you farmers," continued the Colonel. "For years they went up and down the country saying how they were going to assist the farmer. But you know that under their rule the price of what you had to sell has not risen, while what you have had to buy you have had to pay much more for." All sorts of combinations have arisen to the prejudice of the farmers, who are in a distinctly worse position than when the Conservatives were in office. Fortunately they have had good crops, and the dairy industry, established under the auspices of the Conservatives, has been successful. But for these benefits, (for which the Government is entitled to no credit) our farmers would be in a bad way in Ontario as well as here.

THAT AGREEMENT.

An agreement concerning the bridge over the Hillsborough is in existence. That fact is declared by Sir Louis Davies, Premier Farquharson, Mr. D. A. McKinnon and others. Then why not publish it? Why not let the people know all about its provisions? We ask the government, again, to publish the agreement. It is suspicious—very suspicious—this holding back of the agreement.

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NOTES AND COMMENTS.

—According to the latest statistics, Canada now stands seventh among the maritime nations of the world.

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—The Postmaster General recently nominated Mr. Beauvois, a member of the House of Commons, to the office of Postmaster of Montreal. The Postmaster General is the same Mr. Malock who, three or four years ago, denounced such appointments as a scandalous misuse of patronage and an outrageous violation of the independence of Parliament. Liberal consistency, thou art a jewel.

—The Guardian cannot say that Dr. Lucas is not a strong prohibitionist. So it says "we do not believe that he represents the attitude of the Methodist Church" in regard to the 100,000 promises matter. The point is, does Dr. Lucas represent that which is right and true and reasonable, when he condemns this scheme, and advises prohibitionists, first of all, to punish those who have failed to make good their plebiscite promises by "voting them down." It may be remarked that the prohibitionists had a pretty good idea of the ability and earnestness of Dr. Lucas when they chose him as their champion to discuss Prohibition with Dr. Grant.

—The Summerside Journal refers to the broken promises of the Liberals in regard to Summerside harbor as "one of the unmistakable instances of the manner in which the Laurier Government keeps faith with the electors." Summerside harbor is not—so the Liberals say—fit to admit of the Stanley, though means of winter communication were promised, and the Government has had dredges and "twenty-five dollars a day" steamers at command. Yes! The electors of Belfast and Murray Harbor will do well to remember the lapses of the Government in respect to Summerside Harbor, and vote for the Opposition candidates.

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