

PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE.

The Budget Speech.

(Continued.)

I wonder that it never occurs to some gentlemen who reside in Charlottetown, who are members of the press, and who have some knowledge of civic affairs, to make a comparison between the finances of the Province and those of the city. I should like to see some of those gentlemen in this House, who are members of the press and make a great noise about the finances of the Province. I would like to draw the attention of these gentlemen and of hon. members opposite to the financial condition of the City of Charlottetown. What is the debt of the city to-day? No less than \$266,183.66. That is the amount, and it is increasing. That debt amounts to upwards of \$22 per head for every man, woman and child in the city. Yet we do not hear a single protest in the press against an increase of the burden, while the cry is raised that the Province is in a most deplorable state. For the greater part of this debt no sinking fund is provided, and no funds are collected to pay it off. The city cannot draw on capital, as it has none. Now, Mr. Speaker, I may be asked the question: "If the Government have saved to the country so much money, where is it?" I will tell you where it is. It is where it can be drawn upon. It is in the Dominion Savings Bank of Charlottetown. I will show you what amount is there at the present time. On the 30th June, 1878, when our opponents were in power, the amount on opponents were in power, the amount on the sum on deposit was \$2,160,430.05, or an increase of \$1,789,355.70. When we came into power the average deposit represented about \$3 per head, while it now represents about \$22 per head. Where did that money come from? That is the money which the present Government have saved to the people. Had our opponents been in power it would have been all squandered foolishly, as some of the public money was at that time. If the people desire to make use of that money for the purchase of the necessaries and luxuries of life, they can do so at any time. As it is, the Government have enabled them to save it by relieving them of the payment of all taxation. I wish now to point out to you the position in which this Province now stands. We do not owe a single dollar, and have at Ottawa a balance to our credit of over one and a half million dollars. The estimates of expenditure are before you, and it now becomes my duty to show you how we intend to meet them. We have reduced them to the smallest possible amount consistent with the requirements of the public service, namely \$255,432.22—a sum estimated at Confederation to be more than sufficient to meet the ordinary expenditure of the Province. The estimated receipts for the year are:—

Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Includes Provincial Land, Provincial Secretary's Office, Prothonotary's Office, Register of Deeds, County Courts, Hospital for Insane, P. W. College, Private Bills, Pedlar's Licenses, Fines and Penalties, Vendor's Licenses, Ferris, Miscellaneous, Subsidy from Dominion Government, and Total.

properly have borrowed some of the money for that purpose, as it would be just and right that posterity should bear a portion of the burden. There is no reason why permanent works of that kind should be constructed at the expense of the present generation. All corporations borrow money for such purposes, provide a sinking fund to pay it off within a certain period, and the present generation is required to pay the interest thereon. That is a proper course to adopt in such cases. Our opponents when in power, however, thought fit to pay a portion of the cost of the Hospital for the Insane from ordinary revenue, and we had to follow their example in that case with respect to the remaining portion. It is now right and proper that that money should be reimbursed to us from Ottawa. The same remark will apply to expenditures for a large number of other permanent public works, and for necessary permanent works to be constructed hereafter. It was, under these circumstances, better for us to withdraw from Ottawa a portion of those expenditures, than to borrow the money. What are the permanent public works which have been constructed from ordinary revenue? Well, in the first place, there are the Supreme Court Houses at

Table with 2 columns: Location and Amount. Includes Charlottetown, Summerside, Georgetown, and other large items like Hospital for Insane and Stock Farm Buildings.

No hon. member of this House, or any person outside, can say that these are not public works of some permanence. I maintain, therefore, that we have pursued a proper course in withdrawing a sum sufficient to reimburse the Provincial Government for an expenditure made for the construction of works properly chargeable to capital. We have a right to withdraw from our funds at Ottawa which have been placed there by us in the past, or to anticipate future payments to this Province to be placed to our credit there. In that way our present requirements will be met, and future wants provided for. To meet the ordinary expenditure for the present year, now, that our accounts have been balanced, we shall, with proper economy, have sufficient funds. Should no misfortune happen, there is no reason why our accounts should not be kept pretty square hereafter. I now think I have stated the financial position of the Province so plainly that hon. members of this House and the people of this country will be able to understand it clearly and fully. The Province has no debt of any kind, and has to its credit in the Dominion Treasury over one and a half millions of dollars. Besides that, the people have over two millions of dollars to their credit in the Savings Banks—a sum representing upwards of \$20 per head for all our adult population. I think, under these circumstances, hon. members of this House and the people generally will be satisfied that the best that could be done in their interests has been done, and that the Government have made every endeavor to prevent recourse to direct taxation to meet the public requirements. The people have thus been enabled, to a large extent, to pay the amounts due by them at the Land Office and to purchase the freehold of their lands. The Opposition, it is true, complain that we have not taxed the people for the purpose of securing a larger revenue for public purposes, but we have not yielded to their wishes. It is the easiest thing in the world to pass a tax bill, and when the people desire it, probably no Government will refuse to oblige them in that respect. With respect to the public service, we have endeavored to make one man do what it took three or four men to do when our opponents were in power. We abolished the Assessment Act because we wished the people to be placed in a position to become freeholders. Now, Mr. Speaker, I leave these accounts in the hands of the House satisfied that the financial position of this Province is not surpassed by that of any other Province in Canada, or even in the British Empire, and that if our people have not peace, contentment and prosperity it is, certainly, not the fault of the present Government. (Loud and continued applause.)

Notes and Clippings.

In the telegram from Ottawa which appeared in the Patriot of yesterday appears the following piece of information:—"Owing to the protestations of Messrs. Welsh, Davies, Perry, Robertson and McIntyre against the manner in which the P. E. Island wharves have been neglected by the Dominion Government, Langevin has promised to have a sum placed in the supplementary estimates to provide for the repairs." It is now nearly six weeks since we published in THE EXAMINER a letter from the Department of Public Works to the Hon. Mr. Ferguson, promising that these votes would be made. The efforts of our "noble six" to take credit for the efforts of other men is childish in the extreme. Commodore Welsh's enquiry in the House regarding repairs to Hickey's pier three weeks after the repairs were ordered and the material purchased, shows the people of Fort Augustus how much he had to do with getting the money for the work. We are now pleased to learn that an engineer of the Public Works Department has instructions to have the necessary surveys made of the harbors of Wood Islands and Pinette. We predict that as soon as Messrs. Davies and Welsh find out that the engineer is at work telegrams from Ottawa will come to the Patriot informing the faithful that the surveys are due to the efforts of these gentlemen. Our six members are no earthly good to the Island, and do nothing but draw their sessional allowance and travelling expenses. It is no fault of theirs that they did not succeed in reducing the price of oats in this Province 6 or 7 cents a bushel. It is high time that meetings were called in all parts of the Province calling on our

representatives to resign the seats which they so unworthily hold.

Mr. Cyrus Shaw made several decided hits in the course of his lively speech of last evening—but none was more decided, or made the member for West River squirm more uneasily than that about the market found for our oats in the neighboring provinces, and the efforts of our noble six at Ottawa, to have it supplied with corn from the States.

Listening to the hon. member for Redegue when he proes in the House makes one think of Hamlet's remark:—"How weary, stale, flat and unprofitable," etc.

Personal.

Mr. Froude, the English historian and man of letters, is the latest convert to Home Rule in Ireland.

Robie Booth, of Green & Sons Company, Montreal; J. T. Sutton, representing W. J. Gage & Co., Toronto; C. Ed. Smith, in the interests of A. Banton & Co., Montreal, and A. W. Hayden, in behalf of the Canada Paper Company, Montreal, are in the city. These are a few of the many missionaries who arrived yesterday.

Toronto World: Sir John Thompson is no man's second in the House of Commons as a debater. How is it that three-fourths of the clever men in the House of Commons come from the Maritime Provinces?

"Kent," "Howard" and "Matchless" Flour selling cheap for cash at Beer & Goff's, ap1-3i

Table damasks and lace curtains at J. B. Macdonald's.

Trunks and valises, a large stock at low prices at J. B. Macdonald's.

Rubbers! Rubbers!—American and Canadian mens', womens' and childrens' at cheap prices at the Dominion Boot and Shoe Store.

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"CARROLL"

LEAVES BOSTON, SATURDAY, 6th April, and will leave Charlottetown on THURSDAY, 11th April (ice permitting). Fare until further notice, \$5.00. CARVELL BROS., Agents.

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DAILY EXPECTED:

1500 Bushels Seed Wheat,

WHITE RUSSIAN, WHITE FIFE, and RED FIFE, All Clean, Plump, Hard Wheat.

We have sold thousands of bushels of Seed Wheat in years past, but feel satisfied that our present stock is the best yet offered by us.

Samples and prices on application.

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Charlottetown, April 5, 1889—d w

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THIS CELEBRATED STALLION will make the Season of 1889 on P. E. Island, and will be in Charlottetown on the 25th of April. NEWTON LEE. mch28—dy 1w

AUCTION SALE

Valuable Building Lots.

I AM INSTRUCTED BY BRENTON F. LONGWORTH, ESQ., to sell by Auction, on the Premises, on THURSDAY, 16th May, at 11 o'clock, a. m.:

The "ESKER PROPERTY," situated between East Fitzroy and Euston Streets. This property has been divided into 15 Building Lots, some of which are very desirable. The close proximity of this property to the new Driving Park makes it still more valuable. Terms at sale. The plan of these lots may be seen at the office of GEO. M. HARRIS, Auctioneer.

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36 CASES Opening To-day, ex "Stanley."

A Very Nice Assortment, Cheap.

R. K. JOST, North Side of Queen Square.

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Can Makers' Tools.

FOR SALE.—A complete set of Can Makers' Tools, all in good order. HORACE HASZARD. Ch'town, April 2, 1889—2w eod

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A COMPETENT FOREMAN, to take charge of a Lobster Factory on the South side. Apply to HORACE HASZARD. Ch'town, April 2, 1889—2w eod

Millner's Tin Shop.

WE are now prepared to fit Water Pipes in Houses at reasonable rates. Galvanized Lead and Iron Pipe and Fittings always on hand. 1m eod—ap2

Horses Wanted.

MR. JAMES KEEGAN will be at the Hotel Davies for ten days, and wants from 35 to 45 Horses, all sizes, good workers and drivers. tf—ap1

Herring Nets.

ONE DOZEN MOUNTED HEMP NETS. For sale by HORACE HASZARD. ap1—3i eod pd

DWELLING HOUSE, BY AUCTION.

I AM INSTRUCTED BY MESSRS. NELSON BROS., to sell by Auction, on the Premises, on FRIDAY, 5th April next, at 2 o'clock, p. m.:

That Dwelling House situated on Richmond Street, nearly opposite the residence of Thos. Campbell, Esq.

For terms and further particulars apply to G. M. HARRIS, Auctioneer. mch25—tl sle

TENDERS.

TENDERS will be received until 12 o'clock, noon, on WEDNESDAY, the 10th of April, from persons willing to contract for the Construction of a Terrace of Three Dwelling Houses

on the Connolly Estate, Water Street, Charlotte town, according to plan and specification to be seen at the Estate Office. The contractor will be required to supply all materials, and to have the whole completed by the 30th of October next. Trustees do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any tender. A. A. MACDONALD, W. W. SULLIVAN, FRED. FITZBAS, Trustees of Connolly Estate. mch20—dy tl 10th her

BALLAD CONCERT.

Benefit to Mr. L. J. Williams.

THE LYCEUM.

A COMPLIMENTARY BENEFIT has been tendered to the popular Vocalist, MR. L. J. WILLIAMS, to take place in THE LYCEUM, on Monday Evening, April 22.

The best Ballads in the English language will be sung by a number of our first singers. MR. WILLIAMS himself will sing, by request, "THE DEATH OF NELSON." Admission, 25 and 35 cents. Doors open at 7.30 o'clock. pat—mch20

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A DWELLING HOUSE on the corner of Kent and Pownall Streets. Also—COTTAGE with Three Acres of Land attached, about one mile from the city. Possession given first of May. Apply to THOMAS W. DODD. mch15—m w f tf

ONE CASE LADIES' JERSEYS,

OPENING TO-DAY,

STANLEY BROS.

BROWNS BLOCK. Ch'town, March 23—eod&wkly.

WATCHES!

E. W. TAYLOR,

CAMERON BLOCK. Ch'town, March 29, 1889—2aw wky

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Every class, age, size, shape and fancy reflected in our vast stock. In fact, no purchaser can fail to suit herself or himself, except through sheer bewilderment.

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