

THE DAILY EXAMINER

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THE FRANCHISE ACT.

The Franchise Bill as introduced by the Government was remarkable for its inapplicability to Prince Edward Island. The position of this Island is peculiar, as under Provincial laws we have neither a ballot nor registration of votes. Under the existing Federal laws we have both. The Government bill is for the purpose of applying the local laws regarding the making of lists and establishing the qualifications of voters to Dominion elections. Hence, under it, we shall have non-registration, associated with a ballot. In the Government Bill there was no provision for striking off bad votes. On the contrary, if a voter took the oath he had to receive a ballot and that was an end of it. Under such a system the honest voice of the people could be swamped by tramps and repeaters. In Provincial elections this could not happen, for the vote is open and the question as to the validity of any vote could be raised in the polling booth,—and an objection marked which afterwards could be made the subject of a legal decision. The Senate has proved its usefulness in this case as well as in many others. On the motion of Senator Ferguson, provisions have been placed in the Bill by which an objection may be taken when the voter receives his ballot. Corresponding numbers are placed on the ballot and the poll book, and the validity of the vote will be decided by the County Court at a recount of votes. The remedy is simple and effective. It does not say much for the Island's representative in the Cabinet that so faulty a measure should be attempted to pass into law.

This recalls what took place in 1874 when the McKenzie Government endeavored to disfranchise all the young men and poor men of P. E. Island. It was the Senate then, as now, that preserved the rights of the people. But it must be remembered that the late Senator Haythorne, although a strong Liberal, voted against his party on this question in 1874. It is a pity that there are not amongst the Liberals of today men actuated by the same manly independence. It is possible that the majority in the House of Commons will reject the Senate's amendments in respect to Prince Edward Island, and it is possible that the Franchise Bill may yet be lost by reason of the conflict that has arisen between the two Houses over the question of an appeal from the revising officers in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Manitoba to the Judges in those Provinces. But these results are not probable; and so we may, in advance, thank Senator Ferguson and his Conservative colleagues in the Senate for making the new Franchise Act workable in so far as Prince Edward Island is concerned.

DECEIVING THE PUBLIC.

The Patriot, taking advantage of the inadvertent omission of a word, tries to fasten upon THE EXAMINER a charge of "deceiving the public." It is, of course, absolutely true that the total expenditure of the Dominion Government estimated for next year is, as stated by THE EXAMINER, \$47,970,947, and that supplementary estimates have yet to be added to this great sum. The Patriot is forced to admit the fact, it is true, also, that the amount to be charged to capital and added to the public debt of the country is no less than \$6,917,173.

Significant, isn't it, that to find a parallel for this, the Patriot is obliged to go back to the time when extraordinary payments were being made on account of the Canadian Pacific Railway? Wouldn't it have been fairer to take the average of the capital expenditures of the last ten years of Conservative Administration? This average was \$3,912,018, which added to the average expenditures out of the Consolidation Fund in the same period makes a total average expenditure of \$40,699,747—against all but \$48,000,000 already set down by the Liberals as the expenditure of next year. In view of the protests of Liberals against "Tory extravagance" and all their fine promises of "economical administration" when they should reach power, this result shows who deceived the public?

If the Conservatives made large expenditures they obtained great and lasting improvements. But what are we to have in return for the \$7,000,000 that will be spent upon capital account next year? Nothing for the Southern Railway, nothing for harbor improvement at Summerside, nothing that can in any way be compared with the Canadian Pacific Railway or the Canal system constructed and enlarged under the administration of the Conservatives.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

—It is hoped that Parliament will rise at the end of this week. The sooner the better!

—It is not expected that the price of cheese will be high this year; because the British cheese buyers made heavy losses last year.

—"By all means" says the Toronto Star, "Let Uncle Sam hold the Philippines. There are fourteen hundred islands in the group, and each will need a governor. Fourteen hundred vacant offices! Hooroo! 'To the victors belong the spoils.' What a pity our Liberal Government fit up the Philippines."

—The Weekly Union, a family newspaper of the United States says: "There is hope ahead; this call for 75,000 more men means the appointment of three more Major Generals, twentyfour more Brigadier Generals, and a big batch of staff officers, many of whom are likely to be drawn from politicians' families."

—The Toronto Globe makes a point of the fact that the populations of Montreal and Toronto were in

	Montreal.	Toronto.
1871.....	107,225	56,092
1881.....	140,747	86,415
1891.....	314,650	181,220

Montreal and Toronto have not, apparently, been ruined by the N. P.

—Count de Rascon, the Spanish Ambassador in London, who has been interviewed on the subject, admitted that war means ruin for Spain; and he said:—The sentiment is growing in favour of seeking an honourable peace, which America, considering her unpreparedness for a war of invasion, would probably also welcome in preference to a protracted struggle involving heavy sacrifices of men and money. This being so, I hope a basis of understanding may be found leading to peace."

—A special cable despatch to the New York World from London says: The Marquis of Dufferin and Ava, whose unique position and experiences as a diplomat make him the highest authority in such matters, said, touching an Anglo-American alliance: "I am sure there is no Englishman who does not earnestly desire that the best possible understanding and close amity should exist between the United States and Great Britain; but the question of an alliance, using the term in its diplomatic and technical sense, is one which involves various issues which for the moment, it seems to me, it would be premature to discuss."

—Commenting on the governments estimates for 1898-99 the Montreal Gazette says: "There has been no such expenditure in Canada in the past. Never have the ordinary expenditures on the administrative services reached forty millions in one year. Under Sir Wilfrid Laurier they are calculated to reach close upon forty-one millions. And Sir Richard Cartwright used to declare that it was hardly less than a crime when they reached \$38,000,000 year. Being put where they have the doing of the spending, and where their friends may be fit by the process, the Liberal ministers see things in another light. In the third year of their power they propose to spend four millions more than the Conservative Government did in 1895; the last year of its existence. The capital, or borrowed money, expenditure provided for is also much beyond the ordinary. It comes to nearly seven millions. Only once in the last two years of the Conservative Government did the capital expenditure go above six millions, and that was in 1890, when the cost of the St. Lawrence channel deepening to the extent of \$2,725,000 was assumed, the work having been done out of the moneys of the Montreal Harbor Commission. Both for ordinary and special services, therefore, the Liberal Government is exceeding the record of its predecessor. There is to be no economy under Laurier."

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THE DRUMMOND

DEAL IN BRIEF.

The Drummond Railway is estimated by Mr. Schreiber, the Government engineer, to have cost, if built fully up to the plans and specifications of the subsidy agreement, \$1,535,000.

Of this sum, \$650,356 was contributed in subsidies, municipal, provincial and Federal.

The cash investment of private funds would thus be \$884,644.

The company, however, puts the cost thus:

Stock.....	\$ 400,000
Subsidies.....	650,356
Borrowed money.....	690,000

Total.....\$1,740,356

Deduct the subsidies and the net cost to the proprietors was \$1,090,000.

Last session the Government proposed to give \$64,000 a year, for 99 years, for the railway.

According to Mr. Fitzgerald, the Government accountant, this annuity capitalized is equivalent, at 2 1/2 per cent, to \$2,049,192.

Under this proposition then there would have been a profit of \$1,004,000 by selling to the Government, but using Mr. Schreiber's estimate, the profit would be \$1,209,548.

The revised terms allow the Government to buy on this annuity basis, or to pay \$1,600,000 cash—less \$65,000, yet to be expended in betterments, or \$1,535,000.

If the company's figures are right, the profit under the alternative or cash scheme is \$445,000, but taking Mr. Schreiber's estimate the profit is \$651,000.—Mail and Empire.

A TORONTO CONDUCTOR.

Saved From the Agonies of Diabetes, by Dodd's Kidney Pills.

TORONTO, June 6.—The Toronto Street Railway provides another case this week to strengthen the mighty chain of proof that Dodd's Kidney Pills are the only cure on earth for Diabetes.

Mr. H. Hogg, 81 Fuller street, conductor No 207, has been completely cured of an aggravated and long-standing case of Diabetes, by Dodd's Kidney Pills after other so-called "cures" had utterly failed. Mr. Hogg suffered for three years with Diabetes and impure blood. He had to quit work, on account of dizziness, loss of flesh and increasing weakness. All other remedies that he used having failed, he agreed, to please a friend, to try Dodd's Kidney Pills. Improvement began at once, and six boxes effected a thorough cure.

Loaded with wealth, but deserted and starving, John Rochel, once a well-known manufacturer in Sioux City, perished 1st April on the trail between Dawson City and Dyea, Alaska.

Recent rains have greatly benefited crops throughout the North-West and Manitoba and vegetation is fully a week further advanced than it was at this time last spring.

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SHIP NEWS.

Port of Charlottetown.

ENTERED

June 4.—ss Tiber, Delisle, Montreal, Cato, Weatherbie, Sydney, P L G, Cormier, Sydney, Levert, Langill Pictou.

CLEARED

June 4.—J A G C, Scott, Pictou, ss Tiber, Delisle, St. John's Nfld, P L G Cormier, Wallace, Leveret, Langill, Sourie, Nellie Reid, Reid, Wallace.

Port of Summerside.

ENTERED.

June 3.—ss City of Ghent, McNevin, Halifax, Mdse.

June 4.—Samuel Drake, Olsen, New Castle, laths.

CLEARED.

June 3.—ss City of Ghent McNevin, Halifax, 455 cases Lobsters, \$4500 00, 133 bales Hides \$556 00 Total \$5056 00.

The lobsters were shipped for the British market by Messrs Holman and D. Rogers. The hides were shipped by Thos. L. Hinson and were for the Boston market.

June 4.—Spring Bird, Teluam, Paspebiac, bal.

TENDERS.

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