

REDISTRIBUTION AND THE OPPOSITION

There were several very significant features in the criticism of the Redistribution Bill by the Opposition. In the first place, the feebleness of the opposition to it showed that the opponents of the Government recognized that it was inherently strong.

In the second place, there was no cohesion among the members of the Opposition on the general policy to be pursued in regard to it. Hence, they became at "sixes and sevens."

Not less significant is the fact, and the country will have noted it, that the Opposition lost the best opportunity of scoring that has presented itself this session, or, indeed, during the whole term of Parliament now expiring.

They moved a vote of want of confidence last year because the Government did not bring down a redistribution bill. The country rang with their protestations of indignation.

They will say in reply, "It was, it is true, a measure of redistribution, but it was not what we wanted, it was not what the country wanted, and we opposed it."

Mr. Beaven, with his peculiar tactics, has taken the ground that the measure is so bad, so devoid of principle, so radically wrong, that he could not support it, in fact that it was impossible to amend it.

It was the most significant feature of the whole debate that Mr. Beaven contented himself with this bold assertion, and then sat down. He is usually so microscopic in his examination of bills before the House that to treat a measure of such vital consequence so cavalierly, on his part will admit of but one of two conclusions.

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Mr. Brown, was not deserv- ing the country. The revenue ought to advance—the country was all right. The hon. gentleman had taken six or seven years, and, contrasting the last with the first, triumphantly exclaimed that the revenue had doubled.

The Montreal Star is in favor of tariff reform, but it has not abandoned protection. It believes that the principle of protection is a sound one, but it should be, it contends, judiciously applied.

The Government has a plain road before its face. Reasonable Protection—"Scientific Protection"—is still the policy of the people. No one has any desire to wreck our cities or tumble our industries to the ground.

How far this is in accordance with the Government's scheme of tariff reform time alone can tell. The Government is necessarily very reticent as to the particulars of its proposed reform.

We are wholly at a loss to imagine what the Times expects to gain by eagerly and persistently deprecating the credit of the Province. We do not believe that either it or its party will be benefited in the least, if it should happen to succeed in convincing the world that British Columbia has gone even beyond the verge of bankruptcy.

Everyone admits that a steadily expanding revenue is one of the best signs of both progress and prosperity. Mr. Grant showed that the revenue of this Province has been for many years continually expanding, and the Times immediately characterizes his arguments as childish.

It was not the honesty to say that it was not intended to keep the expenditure within the revenue—that the Government had borrowed money with the consent of the Legislature and the people to spend on works of development.

It was not very difficult to show that our contemporary's "omitted column" did not help its case in the least. A very simple calculation made it clear that the Government had expended on public improvements that were required for the development of the Province, much more than the money that had been borrowed, and that its own statements of revenue and expenditure showed beyond question that, making allowance for the public works on which borrowed money had been expended, the current expenditures had been well within the revenue.

The following extract from the New Westminster Columbian's report of Mr. Brown's speech in the Budget debate shows very clearly whence the Times derived its inspiration on the question of the expansion of the revenue:

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It is just possible that the Sun's vindictive fury is assumed, and that it does not mean one word it says. There is reason to suspect that it every now and then tears Great Britain to tatters and gives the Britishers fits for mere business purposes.

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PERTURBED PROVIS Fear That One Hundred Can- ners Will Attempt to Re- turn to Hawaii's Queen.

The Government Consider- ing Imminent and Are Wa- iting the New Arrivals.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 10. Steamer Australia from Honolulu... 20 important movements have been observed among the American... Willis invited the Government... by closing the public offices for... noon. A celebration was arranged... by the American le... later were fired by the Ph... Nainai, and Champion. T... President was held in the... at 3 p.m., Dr. McGrew... the American minister at Wash... Dole. Prayers were offered by S... chaplain of the day. C. L. Car... G. Smith and M. T. Scott discour... eminence of Washington as a war... Davies' speech. At the close... Willis was marked in his out-sp... speakers, especially by his out-sp... Smith. His cordial manner to... sional ministers was also mark... Willis has shown much cordial... the ministers. The other day... President's Dole, he stroled with... President's Dole, he stroled with... Most serious alarm has been tak... Government at the fact of the v... number of arrivals of steamer p... from Victoria and San Francisco... January and February, more t... hundred excess of what might... expected. About twenty Cana... Canadians and Englishmen, corre... to the class reported to have be... at Vancouver by Sansome. More... of these men have been marked... military badges of honor; sixty... were marked as lodging together... lodging houses. The business m... employment and evidently... with means of subsistence. The... these are not concealed as with... with whom they are known to be... eating.

From various sources of informa- tion police authorities are satisfied... men are the persons enlisted by... and that a decisive move to get... the executive building with the... fully planned by the royals, to be... within a few days. The danger is... to be imminent, and on account of... least trained military character... and citizen soldiers, has become en... taxed and a surprise has become a... with this new reinforcement to the... lats. For a week past the marshal... in active conference with the leader... citizens' guards, and fresh activity... revived. The police, especially the... ed men, have been harassed, and a... watch kept on all movements of... persons.

The general public are only just... aware of the facts. There is as yet... vailing disposition to make light... alarm. Froment men said on the... they thought there was nothing in... adian scare; that this was only a... overflow of unemployed men from... the Coast.

As previously reported, Davies' p... denials of complicity with Sansome... heavily accepted by his many friend... who have been accustomed to confi... proflity. The most serious doubts... revived. The information received... authorities convinces some of the... Davies is implicated. There is no... able doubt that Sansome enlisted... and that they are now here in force... report that he was employed by... dignated at Vancouver, where Dav... maintained for a time on his way to... Sansome's work must have required... large amount of money to get a... hundred men to Honolulu. Davies... only person who is known to have fur... Has Davies sufficient probable mot... making such an outburst of money?... motive is attributed to him by the... authorities as follows: Davies has... belonged to the lower middle class... men. He has made a large fortune in... and returned to England to reside... himself expelled from the... circle of society, being a tradesman... become his evident hope and ambi... enter the charmed circle of the ar... by means of his connection with... the case Kalulani, as her guardian. If... secure the restoration of the monar... Hawaii, Davies will at once be acc... as Hawaiian emperor.

Such is the opinion expressed by... dent authorities. Davies is booked... for England by the Mariposa on the... It should be added that the report... messenger of Sansome brought a l... Davies a month ago has been confir... It is positively known that he deliv... letter to Davies.

The movement of the government... reported for a constitutional conven... actively proceeding. As already re... the union party of the Hawaiian is... been organized for active campaign... support of the government. A stro... organization under the union party... ried into effect on the 27th. In the... five districts of Honolulu, at a meet... tended by a large gathering of lead... dents. Similar meetings are to fo... other districts.

The regular session of the council... transacted business of import... Constitutional Convention of the proposed act to constitutionalize the proposed act was postponed on account of the pressure of other business. It was also desired to confer further... ing its provisions with the judges... was also a willingness to defer actio... further word from Washington... deal with or depart or imprison st... of suspicious character without... ment, as well as to prevent such... from landing here. This was adopte... method to cover the cases of San... A ballot was taken in the... to the vacancy created by the elec... F. M. Hatch to the Executive C... Wilhelm and Robinson asserted their... to be withdrawn, and D. E. Smith... the only person nominated. He was... supported by Damon, in order to ple... American league, who had sent his... the candidate, and as warmly oppo... Young. The ending objection ma... that he had taken an oath of a secret... to carry out in council the orders...

HEALTH MORE THAN SUCCESS. No One Has a Greater Share of Both Than Beautiful Marie Tempest. PAINE'S CELERY COMPOUND GIVES THE HEALTH THAT INSURES SUCCESS.



That stage fright is a malady which afflicts the most experienced and capable actors as well as beginners, is the unanimous verdict of the profession. Miss Marie Tempest, whose many successes upon the English and American stage have placed her in the front rank of operatic stars, admitted frankly upon a recent occasion that she is frequently attacked by stage fright. Miss Tempest combines a voice of extraordinary pitch and sweetness with the dramatic fervor of an emotional actress to a greater degree than any other prima donna now upon the modern stage, and the statement will be a surprise to thousands of her admirers whom she has impressed as the personification of supreme confidence and self-control. It is interesting to note that the great prima donna strongly advocates the use of Paine's Celery Compound for nervous excitability, which always results from too close application to any pursuit. Regarding the subject of "stage fright," she says: "The sensation is one of utter collapse; it is truly a awful feeling and is nearer to sickness than anything else I know of. Players with a highly nervous organization are sure to be attacked by it when part, or when appearing for the first time in a new play. Those playing emotional roles are more susceptible to stage fright than others, because the individual capable of portraying those parts successfully is necessarily possessed of a highly nervous and impressionable temperament. "In one respect a highly developed nervous organization is indispensable to success, as without it a proper conception and feeling of the part to be acted are impossible. You know an actress must not only understand her part, but be so absorbed in it that she forgets her own personality, and for the time being lives in her assumed character. "Then great nervous excitability is a decided advantage to an actress." "In the way I have described, yes; as a general proposition, no. The mental strain, the intense application necessary to a proper realization of the part, the apprehension that the audience may be criticizing you adversely, and the constant study of new roles, undermine the health and often cut short the career of the conscientious and ambitious actress. At the close of last season I was completely prostrated by nervous excitement and overwork. My nerves were so unstrung that the slightest sound startled me, and I became sleepless, melancholy, and irritable. Sick and disheartened, I sought the home of an old and dear friend, who immediately advised me to use a brain and nerve food of which I had heard much but knew comparatively little. I would have taken anything she chose to give me, but I liked the taste of the preparation and continued its use. I had not consumed one bottle when I found that my nervous system had resumed its normal tone. I no longer jumped at shadows, my appetite came back, each night brought sound and refreshing sleep, and I am now in perfect health and vigor, through a systematic use of Paine's Celery Compound. The present season has been the most successful of my career, but the invincible remedy which restored my health has also preserved it. I have recommended it to numbers of my friends, and in every case with most fortunate results. "The beautiful prima donna looked the picture of health as she spoke. Her large blue eyes sparkled with animation and her countenance lit up with an expressive smile that enhanced the charming vivacity of her manner as she remarked: "I have found that devotion to a chosen health is not incompatible with good health. If all the men and women, the clergymen, teachers, merchants and lawyers in this busy country, whose overtaxed brains cry out in protest against the heavy burdens laid upon them, were to use Paine's Celery Compound, I am sure there would be a marked decrease in that terrible disease, nervous prostration, which seems fast becoming a national one with Canadians and Americans. Success is, indeed, a glorious thing, but believe me, health is better."