themselves in the course of human events. The old saying is that history repeats itself. Well, history is repeating itself to-day.

May I venture another comparison? Lucius Seth Huntington drove the Tories from power in 1873. There was another man in this Parliament who drove the Tories from power in 1896, because he held incriminating and damning documents against the Conservative Government, its ministers and its officers. Can any gentleman on the other side tell me who he was? He was not one of ours. He was one of your leaders in the province of Quebec.

The most prominent, the most able, the most efficient, and the most acute leader of the Liberal party held documents incriminating the Conservative Government from 1881 to 1886; he called them his little papers, but he produced enough papers to send ministers in disgrace out of public life and to send members of Parliament and contractors of the Government to the penitentiary; with the result that the people rose in arms in 1896 and drove that Government from power, just as they had done twenty-three years before, in 1873. This is all in regard to railroad legislation. Do you know your own history? If you do, you ought to be ashamed of it.

Hon. Mr. CROSBY: The honourable gentleman ought to tell us about the election of 1878 before he gets to 1896.

Hon. Mr. CLORAN: Poor Mackenzie did not have a cent to spend on the election.

Hon. Mr. CROSBY: Laurier must have had plenty in 1896, then.

Hon. Mr. CLORAN: We never had; we did not have a contractor or a manufacturer behind us, and we only came to power on the honest, unpurchased vote of the people of Canada.

Hon. Mr. CROSBY: That is the only time they were not purchased.

Hon. Mr. CLORAN: Where did we have money in 1896 after being in opposition eighteen years? Where did we have money in 1878, when Mackenzie stood like a watchdog over the treasury and would not let a cent be spent, as the Tory Government has been doing, allowing everything to be stolen from the treasury for their own use and benefit and elections?

Hon. Mr. DENNIS: He had to have a shotgun.

Hon. Mr. CLORAN: Well, you would not be able to fight.

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Hon. Mr. CROSBY: Tell us what Mackenzie said about that.

Hon. Mr. CLORAN: I am telling you what he said—that he stood as a watchdog.

Hon. Mr. CROSBY: Watching the Liberals.

Hon. Mr. CLORAN: And there are mighty few watchdogs in the Tory camp.

Hon. Mr. CROSBY: We never go near the treasury.

Hon. Mr. PLANTA: We don't need a watchdog.

Hon. Mr. CLORAN: You don't? That is how so many of your people are millionaires.

Hon. Mr. CROSBY: All the millionaires are over on the other side.

Hon. Mr. TANNER: Will you tell us how much of a fund you got out of the Grand Trunk Pacific in 1904?

Hon. Mr. CLORAN: We got so little that they were not able to finish what they had built, and they could not give anything. Does that satisfy you? That is railway legislation, which has always been a source of anxiety to Parliament, and the cause of a good deal of expenditure and loss of money to the people. I quoted to you two celebrated occasions; now I will give a third. By 1885 the Canadian Pacific railway had received some 600 miles of constructed road from the Mackenzie Government, had been granted 25,000,000 of the finest grain lands on the earth, some of them to-day from $10 to $1,000 an acre in town lots, and had received bonuses from municipalities, provinces, and so on; but that enterprise did not have the support of the Liberal party of that time, through its leader, Mr. Edward Blake, who said the country was undertaking a scheme to build a railroad into a sea of mountains. The company had to face all those conditions and obstacles common to such enterprises, and the result was that one fine day George Stephen, then president of the company, now Lord Mountstephen, came up to Ottawa, and I think my right honourable friend, Sir Mackenzie Bowell, Senator from Hastings, was a member of the Cabinet at the time and ought to remember it.

Hon. Sir MACKENZIE BOWELL: You give more titles than I have a right to.

Hon. Mr. CLORAN: Well, you cannot have too many as far as I am concerned,