

Has it forgotten

The Queen's County (N.B.) Case?

When Baird (Con.) sat through a whole session by the act of a returning officer, who returned the minority candidate as elected on the pretext that the deposit of the Liberal candidate had been made, not by himself but by his agent. The matter was before Parliament several times, but the Conservative Government of the day systematically voted against every attempt to rectify the glaring injustice and once again the will of the people was thwarted.

Has it forgotten

The Rykert Timber Limit Scandal?

Which a sub-committee of the House was forced by the evidence to declare as "discreditable, corrupt and scandalous." Mr. Rykert, Conservative P. M. for Lincoln, purchased from the Conservative Government certain valuable timber limits for a trifle of \$2,500. An agent who examined the limits was bribed with \$10,000 to give a false report, upon which the limits were sold for \$200,000, which the beneficiary pathetically described as "a fund for his old age." In the correspondence there occurred the following messages: "I have Bowell working for me. John A.'s son, from Winnipeg, is here and I intend employing him to go to his father. . . . I think if you had young Tupper here and paid him pretty well, it would help us materially. . . . I have brought Macdonald and Tupper from Winnipeg and hope they will be able to induce their fathers to act promptly. . . . They have been working hard for me." After the limits had been secured, Rykert wrote to Adams: "If you can get \$200,000 in cash I would be inclined to let it go, *and then go in for something still better!*" "We deserve something for the trouble we have gone to and the amount of flesh we have lost in thinking over it." The House concurred in the report of the sub-committee as above quoted, but nothing more was done that session. Rykert was the candidate at the elections of 1896 and actually polled 2,523 Conservative votes as against 2,945 for Gibson (Lib.), 47 per cent. of those who voted therefor approved of Rykert's "disreputable, corrupt and scandalous" bargain, and were not abashed by it!

Has it forgotten

The McGreevy-Langevin Scandal?

Only the figures need to be given; they are eloquent enough:

Cost to contractors of work built.....	\$2,184,259
Cost to the country	3,138,234
Contractor's profits, a great part of which went into the Tory campaign fund	953,975
Loss to country, after deducting fair profits ..	700,000