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## PROVINCIAL then one dollar should be collected from Mr. Tweedie's Miramichi. ELECTIONS NOMINATIONS: Saturday, February 11th

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A CROWN LAND SCANDAL.

Turning the present compaign se eral candidates have referred to a abortage in the government stumpage receipts. Mr. Humphrey of Westmorland, for one, has charged that the many large umber operators who cut dogs en brown lands do not pay anythis g near, the amount of stumpage that the law requires. This is a serious charge, for if a lumberman escapes by paying half stumpage ne is to that extent presented with govern ment timber land and allowed to use It as his own. In fact, he is much better off than he would be if half the land he uses were given to him outright. for the government accists him to protect the property and he holds At spee of taxatte

The matter is of graat importance because and the the redenal subsidies the crown lands are the principal source of revenue to the province. The receipts from stumpage alone in 1897 were \$120,000, of which \$103,000 was pain on spruce and pine loss. This patdastumpage on 103,000,000 feet. The expert of spruce and pine lumber from. New Brunswick to ports outside of Canada was about four times that much, and a large quantity is used in the dominion. Those who know anything about New Brunswick lumber operations would find it hard to be-Heve that three fourths of the lumber samm in New Brunswick was made from logs out on private lands, even If no evidence was furnished to the

then one dollar should be collected artist in the use of melodious words form Mr. Tweedie's friends on the mid phrases and had the poet's sensitiveness to all kindly influences. His songs are the voice of as sweet a soul as ever dwelt in human flesh, for what he was in his poems he was in his friendship and his daily round of continuance of a local admin-tistration that they believed to be op-Keowm and other defenders of the two pare a young poet, of less than naprice bridge systam seem to have set themselves to work to muddle up the a great and deathless name, it might duestion by various incoherent and be said that in his contemplative lovaontradictory explanations. Most of of nature, in his perception of the the explanations are not to the point, spiritual side of common things, and many of them contain false statements generally in the temper and genius of or blunders, and all together they do his poetry. Mr. Lampman was the not in the least weaken the charge Wordsworth of the Canadian singing that the government has been paying brotherhood. The following poem. double the current rate for steel not before published so far as we ridges. What is the good of Dr. know, was sent at Christmastide by Puesley bringing a two price bridge Mr. Lampman to some of his friends: constructor. Mr. Ruccock, to testify \* YARROW.

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Mr. Lampman was born. in Kent ntario, in 1861. He was a graduate Trinity, University, Toronto, and intered the nivil service in 1888 as derk in the post office department A few years later his poems began to ppear in Harper's, the Century, Scribner's and other magazines of the first class; and in 1888 he brought out his first volume, "Among the Millet." In 1896 "Lyrics on Earth" appeared, and a volume of sonnets now going through the press. married in 1897 a daughter of Playter of Ottawa. H Dr

(From Tuesday's Daily Sun.) ATTEMPTED BRIBERY AND INTIMIDATION BY WHOLESALE

The minister of railways has com to St. John and taken the constituency by the throat. No more audaclous attempt to coerce, no more base ppeal to the assumed cowardice or assumed cupidity of the citizens has ever been made in this town, than that presented last night by the minister of railways. The people of St. John are virtually told that if they

artist in the use of melodious words John harbor works unless the people posed to the public interest.

> Perhaps the most contemptible fea ture of this ill-advised attempt to coerce is the fact that the threat cannot and will not be carried out. Mr. Blair and his government, and the parliament are so committed to the Intercolonial policy that they cannot change it. If the minister of railways should go back to his colleagues and tell them that his whole railway policy was to be changed because the

St. John people had not turned their backs on their local representatives, the other ministers would wonder whether he had gone crazy. They do not all think any too much of him now. But if he came to them fresh from the elections with one scheme to buy the Canada Eastern railway and another to stop the terminal works at St. John, they might begin to look about for another minister of railways. Yet the fact that Mr. Blair does not intend to carry out his threat. makes it none the less a shameful

use of power. He does intend to frighten the people from voting for the men of their choice. We take the liberty of suggesting to Mr. Blair that when he came to St. John with threats, he struck the wrong town for that sort of an appeal. If he knows a county where the policy of public and general intimidation may be practiced he should betake himself thither, because the citizens of St. John are not thus to be thrown into a panic and stampeded into the government camp.

BRIBERY AND INTIMIDATION BY RETAIL.

While the minister of railways makes a wholesale offer of bribes and attempts wholesale intimidation some of his supporters are carrying on a retail business of the same kind Elsewhere in this paper will be found statutory declaration of Council tor Dean, one of the opposition can didates for St. John county. This dediaration, with that of Mr. Thomas en, expose a transaction which may startle some of the credulous the are supporting the ministry Dean, as every one not nxious to be a candidate. Ar

the says himself, he is a poor man, and by reference to the public accounts do not choose for their provincial re- on Saturday he was ill and not able the canvass. . It seems to have been thought that under these circumstance an offer of \$1,000 would temptation. But Mr. Dean was neither so poor nor so ill as to be unable to repel an offer to purchase his honor and his manhood. . This attempt, to elect Mr. Dunn by buying off his opponent and to deprive the people of St. John county of the privilege of chocsing their representative is a fair sample of the campaign that the opposition has had to meet all over the province. We commend the affair dominion minister, the head of a great to the attention of ex-Mayor Robertson, who has been heard to bemoan the corrupting influences of politics. Mr. Robertson would have been a sharer in the party gain that would have resulted from the retirement of Mr. Dean, but we hope that he and by his colleagues will be men enough to denounce this criminal attempt to stifle the voice of the people. While Mr. Dean was besteged with offers of gold, his colleague at the other end of the county was exposed to personal threats and intimidation. Captain Carson was visited, as he himself, by a fellow townsman who is regarded as the prominent of his party in St. Martins; and is high up in the counsels of his party. This visitor told the opposi-tion candidate that if he did not with draw from the contest the govern would be asked to dismiss Mr oseph Carson from the position of tor of customs at St. Marting. This threat was expected to bring for petter results than it did, for the candidate's brother has had the collectorship nearly thirty years, and it is worth \$400. Provincial politics may rot have much to offer Councillor Carson, and he was not anxious to be candidate. But it was one thing to remain out of the fight, as Mr. Carson preferred to do, and another thing to e driven out by threats. The answer was a plain refusal to be intimidated. and so the attempt to buy off and frighten off the opposition to the surveyor general and his colleague has failed. It is the people who will decide this matter and not the bribers and bullies.

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EDERICTON, N. B., Feb. II. Eredenicton passed off very esrs. Black, Pinder, Howe and comminsted by J. S. Neill, G. E. H. Thomas, W. Vanwart, E. B. inety, C. H. Thomas, W. Vanw Inslow, G. J. Coltar and many Mesaw Wiltichard Complete

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of the electors was largely in opposition, and the prospects orable for a large majority for

CARLETON CO.

WOODSTOCK, Feb. 11.-Dibblee, Fleming sil Hay were nominated on the opposition side, and Messers. Smith, McCain and Dar-vell for the government. Geo, W. White (independent) Tailed to face the music.

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## HAMPSTEAD.

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But we have the evidence of the hipments from the Miramichi, which is the principal crown land district operated by lumbermen This return compared with the government statement of cash received, shows that a large part of the crown land timber out by the Northumberland lumbermen does not pay stumpage. The evidance goes still closer and takes up the stumpage paid and the lumber sales reported by individual operators. If the figures are right, and we give their source, it follows that one Mire. michi lumberman gets off by paying 36 cents stumpage and another by paying 39 cents, when the law requires them to pay a dollar. According to this statement one wealthy lumberman escapes the payment of more than \$25,000 a year. It is true that Senator Snowball is the largest operator on the North Shore, but he is only one of several who do a large business and hold crown land areas on the Miramichi.

We do not now discuss the question whether the rate of stumpage on crown lands should be \$1.25 or \$1.00 or 50 cents or 36 cents. But no one will deny that all ought to be treated alike, and that all should pay what the law requires. It is the business of the legislature to determine what the rate of stumpage should be, and it is the business of the surveyor general to collect it. No doubt it would be convenient for a surveyor general or for another minister who assumes the functions of the surve or general in certain localities, to be able to make one man a present of \$25,000, another \$8,000, and still others from \$1,000 to \$6,000 a year out of the crown land revenues. It may be equalized at a to be able to go to other Jumbermen and grind out from them the last cent that the law allows. But the statutes of the land, as well as justice, monor and decency require that the same rule should be applied everywehere. If Mr. Snowball is to have a 36 cent rate let it be 36 cents all round. If the lumbermen in the south and west of

Secondly, the price of the Susse add Salisbury bridges was the price as erected, floored and painted. with the transportation charges included, while Mr. Emmenson pays his highe price for the bridge in pieces at the shop where it is made. Thirdly, the market price of bridger ell about one cent per pound between the building of the Salisbury, and this

that a bridge cannot be built to Mr.

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Mr. Emmerson claimed that, 61-2 cents

Was the right price Mr. Humphrey

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Mr. Blair. Then we have had within

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THE BRIDGE DEFENCE.

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proved by the misleading comparisons between the price of a completed bridge and that of a frame at the workshops. If Mr. Emmerson wanted to make a fair statement, he would have compared his own delivery price of 6 1-2 cents per pound with the net price paid for the Salisbury and Sus-Lockhart sex bridges before erection. This was

3 1-2 cents per pound, though the market price for bridge steel was half a cent more than in 1897. The essential fact is that Mr. Em. merson is paying 6 1-2 cents per pound

at the shops for bridges, while for less than three cents per pound any one of half a dozen reputable bridge concerns in Canada is prepared to deliver at the same spot the exact counterpart of these bridges in the me form, subject to the same test and the same inspection. They do not even desire the advantage which the Record company possesses, of having the bridge inspected and accepted by one of their own shareholders,

## ARCHIBALD LAMPMAN.

The early death of Archibald Lamp man, announced by despatch from Ottawa, is an unimportant message to many, but to a few at least it conveys the idea that Canadian literature has lost one of its purest and most precious ornaments. Mr. Howells ranks Mr. Lampman among the strongest of American singers, and the London Academy spoke of his poems as "rich in color and delicate. in harmony." To call him a strong writer would to many minds suggest that he dealt in stirring themes in a visorous way, after the manner of Rudyard Kipling. He was of a serene, more contemplative type, who writer would to many minds suggest lived with nature in her calmer aspects, and whose eye and ear were quick to discern the every day har-

monies of color and sound in the the province pay a dollar a thousand, world about him. He was withal an and ask them to continue the St.

presentatives the four men whom Mr Blair selects, they need not expect him to carry out at this place the Inercolonial railway policy which he has begun. Education of a gate out on

Day after day Mr. Blair has told us, and Mr. Emmerson has repeated after him, that there is no connection between dominion and local politics. They have been asking for conservative support on the ples, that there is no-dominion issue involved. Now spending department, calls together the people of St. John to tell them that if they want dominion expenditure here they must refuse to be represented at Fredericton Stockton. Alward. Shaw and

Worse than that, he threatens in effect that if the citizens decline to vote against the representatives whom they have thought worthy of their trust in the past, the government at Ottawa will refuse to carry out its own policy, and will cancel its plan for the railway terminus. The money has been voted. . The plans have been made. The property has been expropriated. Contracts wharf construction have been made. All this has been done, so Mr. Blair has said in parliament, in the interest of the whole country. But in spite of the interests of the country, in spite of vote and of contract, all will be undone and abandoned if the people of St. John do not turn their back on their tried and trusted representatives, and fall down before the brazen images that Mr. Blair has set up. And this is not in a federal election, but in a provincial election, with which Mr. Blair says the dominion government has nothing to do. -No matter how corrupt or incapable

the people of St. John may believe this dominion minister this naid ser vant of the people of Canada-is that he cannot go back to his colleagues



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G. J. ter and others. ter and others. The Opera House was hnor neori. Mr. Black, the first spe-given a spiendid reception. He the convupiness of the Binners t

T. Howe, who created a good im dealt with the various questions day, and scored point after point age severnment. Mr. Gibson was reat the whole matter as a hu ovation from the

he received in the one of the best efforts of Mr. Pittis made one of the best efforts of his life, and carried the audience with him. The next speaker was Mr. Thompson, who wandered all over the farm and was fre-quently interrupted. Mr. Pinder, who re-ceived the greatest reception of the day, broke down the government's defense and his interrun-the greatest recommen-down the governmen-up facts against Enn-agues. Mr. Whitehead, to the latences of southe latences. Mr. Whitehead, he hour, day the lateness of the hour, day lengthy address. from all over the country from all over the oppositio indi.

cate a great victory for Bill . An anter good & the month & marked VICTORIA CO.

ANDOVER, Feb. 11.-The fol ANDOVER, Feb. 11.-The following didates were nominated today: Co Tweedale, Lawson, Porter and Bever The speech making showed that the go ment candidates had no great love for other, the issues discussed being for most part personal and local rather provincial. Mr. Carter made a fine dress, in which he arraigned the go ment's miserable record, and unlike opponents, did not descend to personal Perter and Beveridge are pedding theil dividual cances, but Tweedale and La are running in double harness. Can unning in double of election are splendid. are run

#### RESTIGOUCHE CO.

CAMPBELISTON, N. B., Feb. 12.-At Dal-CAMPBILLETON, N. B., Feb. 12.—At Dai-housie on Saturday, Mesers. Labellois, Mctt, Barberte and Culligan were nominated. The nomination papers of the opposition candidates were objected to because the af-fidavits were sworn before a justice and not the sheriff. A further objection to Culli-gan's paper was that the consent was not signed by himself, but by his agent on his behalf. Culligan was to sign the consent at Dalhousie on Saturday, but a storm having destained the train service, he did not ar-rive. The papers of Labillois and Mott were objected to on the grounds that the witness to the signatures had not signed them as witness. The sheriff accepted all four noall four

#### WESTMORLAND CO.

MONCTON, N. B., Feb. 12 .- Non The Court House ech-making to speaker, confident , the first speaker, confident self to an attack upon Dr. Stockton e action of the Moneton convention, wh said, was the last resort to get the mment out. He said bridges built in rowince would last 150 years. Mr. Summer, arraigned the government its general policy, and showed the dif the opposition had in getting at the the opposition had in getting at the population of the public accounts. In the gov the tru that this was paying two, He defended the convention to run lines by showing ntion lines by showing tion had resulted in on, and that it was by the government to er. As illustrating the for bridges in New Br ed figures to show that the finest steel, and of machinery made tives

priced bridges forms the main topic of conversation here now, and Hampstead will speak with no uncertain against the Blair F nent, its double priced bridge ind its obnoxious road law; on the Wilford Vanwart is getting out ordwood.

phen Hamm is laid up with is rippe.-Miss Mabel Mabee of Hampwas at the Woodville house th ton ther day. Stanley Golding, who has been away

two years, is home now, laid up th a spraimed wrist. with MARINE MATTERS. MATTERS

The Battle line steamer Manfines, Capt.

barkensine Robert Ewing is loading at Deep Water, Halltax, for New

Brazil, Capt. McNamara, Mar for New York, with from Sa York, with s ashore two miles west of Moriches S er. Stiemes Bruce arrived at Louis

her. Steamer Bruce arrived at Louisburg on the 8th from Placentia and reports was 45 hour ying to get into North Sydiney on avcaunt ice. Passengers and malis were forwarded to Sydicey by train. The Bruce sailed direct for Newfoundland. A Provincetown despatch of the 10th says: From the present outlook tug Juno. with wrecked sch. Canaria, from Vineyard Haven a ston, will be detained here for some time, as the gale shows no signs of abaling. A wood, will be detained here for some time, as the gale shows no signs of abaling. A wood the state there are badly loed up, the weight bearing them down till their bow-sprits are nearly on the sea. Bark Andorinna, at New York, which was daraged b fire some months ago, is report-ed to have been sold to Liverpool parties for \$45,600. It is stated that temporary repairs be made, after which she will proceed to enjet and for permanent repairs. Sch. Adella Corson, from Hillsboro, N B, for Boston, with plaster, in attempting to enter Stonington Harbor, Me., on the fits struck on McCarthy Ledge, and, the tide go (so et a), broke apant and is a total wreed free escaped in the boals. The Corson wr owned in part by her captain. A. W. Whe noes reported very

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