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### The Budget.

On Thursday evening last Pre-

by the Leader of the Government

for the time being is usually re-

garded as a matter of considerabl

importance, as it is expected that

ostensibly in a serious manne with our Provincial finances and will outline with some show of sincerity the ways and means by which he expects to procure the revenue necessary to meet his estimated expenditure. In all these particulars the budget speech of Premier Peters was disappointing. was characterized by the greatest levity, scarcely at any stage manifesting a desire on the part of the speaker to seriously grapple with the important and intricate problem before him. His discourse was abundantly interlarded with flippant and slipshod phraseology Indeed he would seem to have had in view no higher object than to amuse the gallery and provoke the risibilities of the many friends of both sexes, who had been invited to constitute his auditory. It may have been that he found the task before him very distasteful in view of the extremely bad record of his Government and his party in the conduct of our Provincial affairs, and rather than face the real facts of the case he took this method of diverting the attention of his hearers. However this may be certainly his meaningless gropings in the mazes of ancient political history, his unsupported statements regarding his opponents, his unconscionable jugglery with the figures bearing upon our debt and expenditure, and his generally undignified treatment of the question in hand were not worthy of the occasion nor of a leader imbued

sibilities of his office.

at the opening of his remarks said public accounts that they have had taxes. In view of these facts it was not his intention to go back almost immediately launched out in denunciation of the Conservatives for what they had done and traordinary statements he made was that the deficit of last year amounted to only \$5,800. This in face of the figures in the public accounts showing the deficit was upwards of \$51,000 will serve to show how reckless were the Premier's statements dealing with our Provincial finances. With one breath he undertook to show how much he and his party saved in the different departments of Government, and in the next breath how much more they spent in the public service than the Conservatives; but in every case, according to him, the Conservatives were wrong. One not acquainted with the actual facts listening to the Premier would be at a loss to know how in the word the huge debt of this Province had come into existence. But despite all his manipulations and all his combinations of figures, the debt is not a myth, but a stern reality. The report of their own auditor shows on its face that the debt is upwards of \$642,000, and that our Liberal friends are responsible for over \$500,000 of it. The draft of \$200,000 from capital came under review once more. What would did not have this to talk about? This matter has so frequently been need to have the matter threshed

ditures for the year at \$319,792,

and his revenue at \$318,811.88.

edged deficit of a thousand dol- a very considerable number of last night. lars, and our readers know from those who had come to listen to the past record of the Liberals the debates still remained, and Ottawa last year will soon all be withdrawing the \$200,000 from gobbled up in interest on the Pro. Ottawa, which constituted the vincial debt. The Premier ac. text of that gentleman's speech. mier Peters delivered his budget knowledged that he had outlined In the Legislative Council on that scheme of taxation that would occasion the late Alexander Laird speech. This annual deliverance meet all his estimates of expendi- moved in amendment to the bill ture; but such influence was that \$183,000 be withdrawn from brought to bear on him in caucus capital, and Mr. Rogers voted for that he was obliged to abandon it. this amendment. When an amendthe speaker will deal at least iamentary Reporter, and that in not be embalmed in any perman-

Opposition, in reply to the Leader

of the Covernment, said the bud-

talked himself hoarse about the

dry. These are the men, for sooth

who exclaim that the Codserva

tives should not have treated the

thieson called attention to the

fact that in 1884 a claim was

College, the new wing to the Asylum

ous other public matters, but unfor-

larger numbers than formerly, as Province a debt which shall never

shown by the census returns, and be paid. Regarding the boast of

not much wonder, when such a the Government that they have

Government is permitted to mis- secured \$30,000 from Ottawa in

nanage and squander our public consequence of the nonfulfillment

pinded him of similar boastful not one word to say about the language made by Premier Fred numerous offices he fills. Mr. Peters some years ago when he Mathieson showed from the report poasted we did not owe a dollar of the agricultural department to the banks, and that everything that Mr. Rogers, as Commissioner, was flourishing. "We will do," had done practically nothing for said the Premier of that day, the salary he was drawing. Dealwhat is necessary and pay for ing with the debt and deficits of what we do." Was there ever a the Liberal Government. Mr. greater fallacy? The boast has Mathieson held up to execration peen repeated on this occasion; their scandalous record. The but since that first boastful speech Grits never overestimated their was delivered the debt of this expenditure, and when Premier Province has mounted up to the Peters acknowledges at the start enormous sum of \$642,000. Still a deficit, we may depend it will be the Premier of this day would at least \$25,000. During the appear to regard such a debt as a time they have been in office their mere trifle. Our debentures, said average annual expenditure was the Leader of the Opposition, have \$36,000 greater than that of the een hawked about Nova Scotia Conservatives. They spent in and found hard to sell; but the this way some \$396,000 more than Leader of the Government boasts their predecessors. No matter we are well off and have wonder what combination of figures the ful assets. He denied most em. Leader of the Government might phatically that it was the policy make the fact remains that we of the Conservative Government are \$700,000 in debt. Then the to let matters drift, as insinuated bogus capital account of the Gov. by the Leader of the Government, ernment came in for a thorough The money spent on the roads dissection and exposure at the last year was improperly spent hands of Mr. Mathieson. So far with a proper sense of the responernment said expenditure had been increased on education. The not try to hide it by means of a cause of this was the erection and subterfuge. Then turning his at it was the policy of his party to conduct of several political schools. tention to the question of taxation, make revenue and expenditure Regarding the \$200,000 from cap. Mr. Mathieson showed that the meet. This must appear most ital at Ottawa he pointed out that Liberals had collected \$404, astounding to everyone familiar the Premier's friends, the Grits, 390 in taxes since they came into with the record of that party; to were in a majority in the Legiseveryone who knows from the lative Council when that bill was during their term, had collected passed. Why did they pass it if only \$83,000. In addition to this average annual deficits of about they did not think it was quite he pointed out the manner in \$46,000, and that they have added right to do so? Exhibitions were which they wasted the assets of over half a million dollars to the the great training schools for our the Province in the shape of enor-Provincial debt. While they have agriculturists. Why were we demous discounts in the Land Office. been engaged in this work of cre-It is not much wonder the assets ating deficits and rolling up the he asked, was not the seat for in that department have dwindled debt they have extracted annually West River filled? What is the to almost the vanishing point from the people over \$51,000 of Government's excuse for not calling an election im that district is perhaps not much wonder that It was not much wonder the Land Mr. Peters made the peculiar kind Office receipts had diminished to of budget speech that we have almost the vanishing point, when described. He intimated that it we consider the enormous diswe consider the enormous dis- dinary revenue; these are the methods in Ontario, Private persons counts that were allowed there by men who talk of extravagance by have at last found it necessary to conto ancient political history and the present Government to their thier opponents, when everybody thority, whose duty it is to bring the

made by the Conservatives in this Hon. Mr. Rogers, after speaking short time on Thursday evening moved the adjournment of the debate. The debate was not resumed till near 10 o'clock on Monday evening. In this connection it is time said \$5,000,000 was not too much to ask. Now, this same proper that the cowardly tactics Mr. Rogers was one of the delegaof the Government should be exposed. After spending a great tion who went to Ottawa and acportion of Monday evening in cepted in lieu of this claim one million dollars, or the interest caucus they came into the House thereon at 3 per cent. in full setafter 9 o'clock, when business was resumed. But instead of taking tlement, Instead of \$30,000 up the budget debate at once as year we should have received \$150, ooo a year. This is the way our might most naturally have been Liberal friends are looking after the expected almost an hour was spent interests of the Province. Mr. Mathiein committee on a tax bill. Mr. son exoriated the Government on Rogers then resumed the budget their duplicity and extravagance reand spoke at some length. All this was done with the evident intention of preventing Mr. Maththe Hillsborough Bridge and numerieson from speaking before a crowded House. Such cowardly tunately our space will not permit us tactics as these serve to indicate our Grit friends do at all if they the dread the Government have of this issue. His arraignment of the hearing their numerous shortcomings criticised before the pubexplained that our readers do not lic. No stronger evidence of their and withering sarcasm. political guilt could be imagined. out again. Our Grit friends them. Mr. Rogers spent most of his time selves know they have no case discoursing about the \$200,000. here; but being in a tight place and when he finished started for they try to ward off public criti- the Speaker's room to avoid the the Government ranks and from cism by references of this kind. scathing he knew was waiting for their own statements and the reports

the young men out of the country.

The Premier estimates his expen- him from Mr. Mathieson.

THE HERALD He thus starts with an acknow- Mr. Mathieson began his speech reached before the House adjorned ceed with the enquiry.

The Government have increased that this means a deficit of at least they were well repaid for their the income tax from one per cent to closed information which he was sworn \$25,000. In his estimate of inter- pstience, for Mr. Mathieson's ar- one and a half per cent. The road to preserve secret. The Minister est he sets down a sum of no less raignment of the Government was tax one all mail persons from 21 to than \$26,500, and we may be sure he is under the mark. At this masterly, exhaustive and scathing. 70 is increased from 75 cts. to the residual to the heat prostituted his office to serve most under the mark. At this Merchani's bank of P. E. I where the tax is from \$100 to \$500.

Report, in connection with the ex-Iusane occurs this item: "D. Far qubarson, Trustee, 61 years to '97 \$325. What does this mear? was since the Liberals have taken office, and points with the finger of scorn to the Mr. Faiqubarson a trustee during enormous jumps the debt took under Conservative rule. The Finance Min-Certainly this budget speech is ment was moved to this that those years and was he entitled to unique in the political history of would destroy it, Mr. Rogers voted this Province and it is perhaps against the amendment to the this Province, and it is perhaps against the amendment to the was he a member of the Gov. well for the Premier that his amendment. But curiously ernment and consequently debarr Liberal friends abolished the Par- enough, when the amendment of ed from receiving the \$50 the Council was rejected by the year? In either case it seemps most consequence this deliverance shall House and the bill was sent back extroardinary that this philanthopist by the two parties have been: Mr. Rogers voted to withdraw should be paid this sum of \$325. as \$250,000 from capital. Surely soon as he ceases to be Premier of this showed sufficient fickleness this Province. The Government of Hon. Mr. Gordon, Leader of the for almost anything. It was a the day does some wonderful things curious fact that while Mr. Rogers to be sure!

# get speech on this occasion re- withdrawal from capital he had Ottawa Weekly Letter.

OTTAWA, April 12th, 1902. THE WEEK IN PARLIAMENT. The budget debate concluded early Tuesday morning. Hon. J. Irrael Tarte and Mr. John Charlton absented themelves in order to escape voting against the government. The Liberals present registered a solid vote against "Canada

for Canadians.

The last speeches of the debate brought out forceful criticisms of the "Fit Reform" methods of the government, from Messrs. Broder, Lennox, Northrup, Ward, Kendry, Clancy, Henderson and Pope.

Prave charges of perjury and maladministration were made in connection with the census.

tion with the census.

The list of scandals under Liberal

auspices was reviewed.

Hon. F. W. Borden, Minister of Militia, refused to recognize the claims of South African veterans for preceontingent. Mr. Blair's bill to establish a rail-

way commission, whose duties will be to supervise all roads in Canada with the exception of the Intercolonial, was

All the planks in the Liberal platform of 1893 might be run through that stamp-cancelling machine which Hon. William Mulock is importing from the

mons the census of 1881 cost \$456,904. last year was improperly spent hands of Mr. Mathieson. So far and that of 1891 cost \$57,115. That of the road right past this land. This sale because nothing was done on the as genuine capital expenditure is 1901 has cost \$986,296 to date, and is roads. She Leader of the Govconcerned the Conservatives spent

Mr. Fisher's department is right in
able rates. There is no more desirable

> conducted at present, is the most expensive luxury Canada indulges in.
> Since 1897, Mr. Blair has expended on in operating the road \$901.424, so that power, while the Conservatives, years. The average annual excess of outlay over revenue had been above \$2,000,000. Under Conservative rule hand of death, Mamie, the eldest daughon the Intercolonial during a similar period from 1992 to 1896 was a little over \$2,000,000. Mr. Blair's claim, that his is a progressive policy is self-evident—from an exponse stand-

A LESSON FOR MACHINE MEN. In the Court of King's Bench, Judge The Liberals had milked the cow Gagne, to two years in St. Vincent de Paul penitentiary, for impersonating voters and perjury during the munici-pal elections at Montreal. The long term of imprisonment meted out to Gagne sholud serve as an object lesson to those who have engaged in machine receipts from public lands as ordinary revenue: these are the supporters. When the Liberals knows they came into power with guilty to justice, fail to do their duty.

Hon. J. Israel Tarte refused to vote against the amendment offered by the needs support; he threatened to take Sir Richard Cartwright to task in the matter and the amount was placed the necessity of voting against the government. Had he remained in Ottawa, Mr. Tarte would have undoubtedly Commissioner of Agriculture, who was in the Legislature at that John Charlton also absented himself from the House, and thus withdrew his support from the "Fit Reform" govof sentiments opposed to the govern-ment, voted blindly against their pro-fessions of faith.

ment are deep and dark. In the Auditor General's report appears an account for round timber supplied by a Quebec gentleman whose knowledge of timber is confined to his government contracts. He was a Coniervative, and a man to on the east by the premises of Mr. be feared; he was squared with a con-H. McLeod. The lots are high and dry tract for round timber, and thus put out of the way. The Public Works Departgarding the New Prince of Wales chased his stock for 6 and 12 cents per foot. The timber was delivered by the lumbermen who cut it, and the con-tractor did not even buy an axe. All he did was to send in his bill, which ne did was to send in his bill, which was duly paid. Thus an opponent of the government was converted, and the country was called upon to pay in one case 100 per cent. extra, and in the other case 50 per cent. above the actual cost of the goods. to go into these at any great length in Government was complete, and they

winced under his exhaustive analysis REMARKABLE CENSUS SCANDALS. In order to prove that the census returns of 1891 were distorted, Hon. Mr. Fisher, Sir Richard Cartwright and Hon. Wm. Paterson have accused thousands of Canadians of perjury. They say that the men who discharged the duties of census enumerators in 1891 The debate was continued on Tuesday evening when Mr. McKinnon poured some very hot shot into the Government ranks and from the dates of census enthres to affect by conspiring to manipulate the returns for the their own officials showed up their recklessness extravagance and Although it was 10.45 when the committee stage was designed in the dates of census enthrest ranks and from the dates of census enthrest ranks and fr

Another matter for investigation is a

charge of perjury against Thomas Cote, the census commissioner for Quebec. That gentleman, in order to prove that the census of 1891 was worthless, disis not through with the incident yet, as correspondence of a most damaging character has been laid on the table of

THE GROWING DEBT. Hon. W. S. Fielding prides himself amounts paid by the Liberals for similar services, the credit is all on the side of

\$134,800,000 From 1878 to 1896 the gross debt of Cotton, Editor of the Examiner in Canada increased \$150,760,268, while from 1896 to 1901 it has increased \$29,-014,846. Add to this the estimated in-crease of \$6,000,000 for 1902 and the total will reach \$35,014,846. Deducting the extraordinary expenditures above mentioned we find that for ordinary purposes during 18 years of Conservative rule the debt was increased \$18, 960,268; and under 6 years of Liberal rule the increase for ordinary purposes was \$12,214,846.

increase in the debt for ordinary pur poses under Conservative rule was \$1,053,237; while under Mr. Fielding's direction the annual average growth has been \$2,035,607. And the average is going up year after year.

THE parishioners of St. Peter's intend having a tea party in the vicinty of the church at Head St. Peter's Bay on Dominion Day, Tuesday, July 1st. Don't forget the date and make no other engagement for that day.

In the Senate on Monday Senator Ferguson brought up the statement of Premier Peters that he expected to receive a million dollars from the Fishery Award. The Secretary of State said he was no less brought down. It will go over until surprised than Senator Ferguson when he next session. given respecting the Fishery Award.

In this issue will be found the advertisenent of the sale of building lots in the vicinity of North River Road and Highland avenue, to tako place on Saturday 26th, April inst. These are high, dry and beautifully located lots, and those front-According to statements made for ing on North River Road are in touch with the water work's a pipe passing along vicinity than this very place.

At the last regular meeting of Branch No. 338, C. M. B. A. Hope River the following resolution was moved by Bro. Steele and adopted unanimously: Whereas it has pleased Almighty

in His infinite wisdom to remove by the tne total capital expenditure and deficits ter of our esteemed Bro. and Chancellor, W. C. Hogan: be it Resolved that we the members of Branch

No. 338 do convey to her grief strickor parents, brothers and sisters an expression of our deep and sincere sorrow and sym pathy with them in their sad bereavement F. P. CULLEN

BRITISH BUDGET.

LONDON, April 15 -Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, Chancellor of the Ex

chequer, delivered the budget yester day. The expenditure of the coming year is estimated at £174,690,000. of which £45,450,000 is for war were in opposition they constantly harped on the "exodus" from the Province; but the people are leaving the Province now in much larger numbers than formerly, as Knows they came into power with public were into power with the cry of economy in the public service, and from the very start have drifted from bad to worse ing the Province now in much larger numbers than formerly, as Knows they came into power with public duty. During the coming campaign in Ontario the charges. The income tax is increased will be met by equally severe measures. The day of the political that prison doors have been thrown open for his reception. of three pence per hundred on grain the end came on the night of April 8th

MONTREAL, April 15.—The Do minion Steel Co and Dominion Coal Oo perfected their amalgamation here yesterday. The Coal Company manage and squander our public consequence of the nonfulfillment finances. The policy of the Government is well calculated to drive the remaining of the terms of union as to enumer tis well calculated to drive the remaining of the terms of union as to enumer tis well calculated to drive the remaining of the terms of union as to enumer the terms of its bonds in preferred stock, to do although the day was very wet, it was one which five million dollars of new of the largest ever seen in that section. common stock will be issued at 1.20.

Saturday, April 26th, inst.

Thirteen Choice Building Lots sisters the sincere sympathy of the com-Fronting North River Road and High- their great loss be lessened by the assurland is bounded on the south by the earth has won for her a glorious reward premises of Mr. Charles R. Smallwood, and are beautifully located. There is ment agreed to pay him 12 and 18 cents per foot for round timber. The gentleman went about the country and purchased his stock for 6 and 18 cents. North River Road are in touch with the country and purchased his stock for 6 and 18 cents. the Charlottetown water supply and an advance of two cents over last week, consequently are doubly valuable. This sale offers a rare opportunity to all desirous of purchasing at moderate terms. For diagram of lots see posters.

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In South Africa.

fighting at the end of last week in the Transvaal in which about two hundred Boers were killed, wounded or captured and the British had a hundred casualties. Among the Boers dandruff, killed was commandant Potgeiters.

DIED

In this city, on April 9th, Minnie Gormly, aged 24 years. R. I. P. At Albany on April 10th, James Camer on, aged 72 years leaving three sons and two daughters to mourn.

At the residence of her sons, No. 433 Broadway, Chelsea Mass., Mrs Mary Sherry formerly of Charlottetown. R.I.P. In this city, at her late residence, on Kent Steet, on the 15th of April, Marjorie McBeth, widow of the late John Scott

At Elmira Lot 47, on March 22nd John H. Campbell, aged 80 years, leaving a widow, one daughter and two sisters to mourn. Mrs. P. Cullen, Charlottetown is a sister of deceased. May his soul rest in

At Lot 14, on the 12th inst. Daniel Maclnnis, aged 48 years, leaving a widow and a large circle of relatives and friends. R I.

In this city, on the 15th inst., Harry Burns, son John Burns, in the 29th year of his age. R. I. P.

At South Bend, MIndiana, of append citis on the 11th, inst., Richard Orchard Cotton, aged 47 years. Deceased was a native of this Province and left here \$33,000 about twenty years ago and visited his native home but once since then. He leaves to mourn a widow and one son in South Bend and his mother and two \$22,800,000 brothers in this Province. Mr. W. L. brother of the deceased.

### Obituary.

We deeply regret to record the death of

Catherine Ann McDonald, beloved wife of John McDonald, jr., Head of Hillsfew days illness, on Monday the 7th inst. Deceased was an exemplary Christian woman, an affectionate wife and devoted bor and will be much missed in the neighorhood in which she lived. The esteer in which she was held was evidenced by the large concourse of people who attended her funeral to the parish church at St. Andrews on Wednesday the 9th, upwards of one hundred carriages being in the cortege. A Solemn Pontifical Mass of Requem was celebrated by his Lordship the Dougald McDonald as high priest, Rev. R. Gillis deacon, Rev. P. D. McGuigan sub deacon and Rev. A. McAulay master of ceremonies. Rev. A. J. McDonald as sisted in the choir, and Rev. A. P McLellan pastor of St. Andrew's and Rev. I. R. A. McDonald of St. Teresa's occupied places in the sanctuary. She leaves o mourn, a disconsolate husband and two daughters. To these we extend our sympathy in their sore bereavement May her soul rest in peace

For some weeks past the Angel of Death

as been hovering about the home of Mr.

and Mrs. W. H. Hogan, Hope River on

Tuesday April 8th, the stern messenger

eldest child Mamie L. in the 27th year of her age. Death at any time and under row but its sad decrees are very hard to pear particularly when a beloved one is called at an early age and in the bloom of youth. Knowing this we can easily unerstand how the family of Mr, and Mrs. Hogan are prostrated with grief at this the first break in their family circle. The eceased was possessed of a bright and miable disposition, which made her general favorite not only in the hom sircle, but among all who had the privilege and honor of her acquaintance. She also was possessed of all those gentle and lesirable traits of character which distinguish true womanhood and to know her was to love her. During her early youth she spent several terms at Rustico Convent where she won the love and steem of both Sisters and fellow students. She afterwards attended Stapley High School passed the Matriculation Examination of the Prince of Wales College successfully and graduated from that insti. ution with a second class license. For several years she was one of our most successful teachers, teaching at Clermont, Hope River and Mill Vale. About nonth ago she was attacked by pleurisy and pneumonia and during her illness all possible was done for her by her phy sicians Drs Fleming and Honeywell, despite their best efforts and the kind attention of friends she gradually sank and During her illness no word of ot complain ever escaped her lips and although at first she would like to live, yet when she heard that the end was near calm resign ation stamped itself on her once bright contenance. Being daily visited by pastor and strengthened by the last con solations of God's Holy Church her gentl trusting in a Merciful God. The funeral took place on Thursday April 10th, and The pall-bearers were Messrs Thomos Mc Guigan, Bruce Power, Thomas Pendergast, John Bolan, Alexander Steele and Thomas Bolger and the funeral services were conducted by the pastor Rev. J. & McDonald while Mrs John McGuigan at the organ rendered music suitable to the solemn occasion. The funeral cortege moved slowly to the cemetry where the last sad ites were performed amid the tears of relatives and the sympathy of friends To the sorrowing parents brothers and munity is tendered. May their sorrow in ance that her short and virtuous life on in Heaven .- Com.

# The Prices.

The only changes to note are in potatoes and oats 43c., an advance of one cent. Other prices remain unchanged. Butter, (fresh).....

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