

# CONSERVATIVE MIS-RULE

## The Way the Liberals Fought to Save the Province From the Beauport Scandal, The Paris Loan and Others.

The following amendments taken from the Journals of the Legislative Assembly at Quebec will show how strong and determined an effort was made by the Liberal Party to save the Province from the reckless waste of money which the Government was determined to give to its friends Landry et al., They will also show, beyond dispute how the Government and its slaves, would listen to nothing, and neither the arguments of the Sisters of Charity nor the appeals of the Representatives of the people mattered one jot. Messrs. Landry et al., were to have their reward and they got it at the expense of the overburdened taxpayers who for the next Sixty years will bear the burden of the iniquitous Beauport Asylum Scandal; whilst the proprietors will meantime draw their \$18,600 per annum come what may.

On Feb. 15th. 1893, Mr. Tessier (Portneuf) moved, seconded by Mr. Bernatchez, that "the contract passed in 1883 between the Government of the Province of Quebec and the proprietors of the Beauport Asylum for the care and maintenance of lunatics will expire on the 30th April, 1893; that the Government has paid more than \$1,000,000.00 in execution of the said contract;

"That the Government has paid annually during the last ten years the sum of \$132 per head for the care and maintenance of each patient confined in the Beauport Asylum;

"That the Government only pays now and only paid in 1883, at the time of the passing of the said contract, \$100 per head per annum to the Nuns for each patient confined in the Asylum of St. Jean de Dieu, and \$80 per annum to the Nuns for each patient confined in the Asylum at St. Ferdinand d'Halifax.

"That it appears by the documents laid before this House during the present Session, that the Sisters of Charity of the city of Quebec, have for a length of time, been negotiating with the Government and with the proprietors of the Beauport Asylum respecting the care, maintenance and treatment of lunatics on the expiration of the contract now in force;

"That the Sisters of Charity have offered the Government, to undertake the care and maintenance of all the lunatics now confined at Beauport, for a sum of \$100 for each patient, per annum which would represent an annual saving of \$35,000.00 to the Province, of which one half would be to the benefit of the municipal corporations and of the relatives interested;

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