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and another. This matter has been proved before the public accounts committee of the house of commons. One of the instances was that a little canal up to Hon. Mr. Hargreaves cost £125,000, and he returned the receipt up to committee to £45,000. (Laughter.) No more faithful supporters of the government that passed that bill than Col. Prior could be found. Charles Ryker made a few honest dollars, amounting to £100,000, out of a timber lease, and Charley and the Colonel were particular friends. There was a dock affair, the hard piers, the Oyster Dock, and a number of little matters that were put through by the government of which Col. Prior is a faithful follower. Then there was the dock at Newcastle, and Northumberland, who so notoriously and shamelessly peddled about government positions, charging all the way from £50 to £200 for them, and when it was put up to the committee, he said that the money was among the foremost who were most anxious to whitewash Mr. Cochrane.

A voice.—What about Col. Prior? is he or is he not a cabinet minister?

Mr. Seymour.—I am not sure that is already. As long as he holds the position of controller he cannot be a cabinet minister. (Applause.)

Sir Charles Tupper, the high commissioner of the great stretcher (laughter)—we were in the position of the promise of the building of the Salisbury railway as one of his pledges. This great undertaking was to shorten the Intercolonial railway 27½ miles, and was to cost the British sum of three millions of dollars. When the bill was introduced a delightful piece of jobbery was brought before the house it was challenged, but

A black and white portrait of a man with a mustache, wearing a suit and tie. The portrait is positioned in the upper right corner of the page. Below the portrait, the text "WM. L. EGAN" is printed in a bold, serif font.

passed by a large majority; and among the years will be found the name of Col. Prior. Fortunately, though, the senate killed the iniquitous measure, and there was saved to the country a sufficient sum to maintain the senate for twenty years. (Applause.) The (other) bill, a very madman's act, two more outrageous measures, were supported by Col. Prior and the Senator's reference to these notorious statutes were loudly applauded. Col. Prior and his genial colleague had been very fond of impressing the public with the fact that the one of the best for Victoria. (Laughter.) Well, judging by results, that best had been very little. (Renewed laughter.) There was still the San Pedro gracing the rocks outside, and the only excuse the Hon. A. C. had for not firing a cannon on the last day was because the old-fashioned wrecked steamer was in the way. (Great laughter.) That might perhaps be looked upon as a stretch of imagination, but the Senator had it from the mouths of the highest officers of the B. C.

The former—Name—
The Senator—If the gentleman will come to me afterwards, and will undertake to act in confidence, I will give him any two or three others the name. Never say anything (Applause.) They are making money by it, both of them are making powder, and you must have arms to outfit to fight these bye-elections. (Cheers.) The San Pedro lies there a monument to the negligence and incapacity of our members. Then, again, all gallant Colonel has been at the head of the body of men as there are in Canada, they have a life more worthy of the name at which we practice. Once in a while they are taken down to Clover Point, to the detriment of pedestrians and people driving. I would like anyone out boating; the consequence being that they are unable, from want of proper practice, to place themselves in that state in which they will be capable of facing an enemy if the time should unfortunately come when they will be called upon to do so. I would say that of all this body of men that I have seen, I think that they are the only ones of whom scarcely know how to load a rifle. (Laughter.) They should have trained instructors and a proper rifle range. He also felt safe in saying that he would take 35,000 militia in Canada to-day, and that he would take 100,000 men from them who are trained to shoot, place them against the rest on equal ground, that the two or three hundred would exterminate the larger number. It is absolutely necessary that our militia be given every facility to perfect themselves. (Cheers.)

Through the instrumentality and kindness of Lord and Lady Aberdeen (apause) when here, the post office employees had been reinstated (renewed). It was not through the efforts of our representatives who were ignored by the little autocrat Sir Sirphole Caron. The Senator brought his question up at the last session and the government why the clerks would not be paid their salaries and sufficient salary, instead of leaving them at the mercy of that petty tyrant, Sir Sirphole Caron (groans). Did Colonel Macfarlane or Mr. Earle open their lips when they were before the house of commons last session? Nay, that I am asked? The Senator challenged any one to show when they spoke in behalf

When Wallace resigned (he did what I should).
We've just had a wire to say so.
They filled up his place with a minion called Wood;
We've just had a wire to say so.
Their scheme of coercion he could not support,
He knew it was failure, so not to go caught,
He acted as every true patriot ought;
We've just had a wire to say so.

They're all in the trying pan, breadin'
the fire.
We've just had a wire to say so;
And the entrance call's upon Pto-
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We've just had a wire to say so.
They fell they were shaky here made.
So our junior member they here a P. U.
And the entrance call's upon Pto-
lemy.
We've just had a wire to say so.
They made him a minister, gave him
seat.
We've just had a wire to say so.
At the council board, hoping to parry d
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We've just had a wire to say so.
Prompt action was needed ere y't tw
The proffered appointment was but second
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But our gallant militiaman swallowed the
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We've just had a wire to say so.
Five thousand per annum in times, such a
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We've just had a wire to say so.
Prove ample to bring him right plump o
the fire.
We've just had a wire to say so.
Most elegant action 't most elegant pose
But what his position is nobody knows;
It's follow my leader and everything goes
down with him.
We've just had a wire to say so.

The Colonel's a dancer and sings a good song.
We've just had a wire to say so;
In the past these accomplishments helped him along.
We've just had a wire to say so;
But whether his party he's thought to be sick,
We fancy somehow that this time he won't trick.
We're not to be fooled by this cabin's trick.
We've just had a wire to say so.
Some few dozen telegrams now have been sent,
We've just had a wire to say so.
Another example of wireless mispent,
We've just had a wire to keep.
But whether the Colonel his billet will keep,
Remains to be seen, we are not all asleep.
And likely as not as he's sown, so he'll reap.
We've just had a wire to say so.
Coerce Manitoba! Yes, that is the cry,
We've just had a wire to say so;
We strongly advise them to pause ere they try.
We've just had a wire to say so.
Meanwhile they've arrived at the end of their wits,
And if at the poll we don't give them the sting,
We'll have ourselves merely the semblance of 'Grits'—

We've just had a wire to say so.
Mr. Templeman was given a reception
for its heartiness and genuine en-
thusiasm has seldom been surpassed
and gratitude given to a candidate for
public honor. Vice President
gratified to see the meeting and by
the presence of ladies. (Applause.)
is a departure from the old rule, and
hoped it would be continued at future
meetings, because he was convinced
if we have the ladies with us, and there-
fore is a great number of them in sympathy
with the Liberal cause, (cheers) the suc-
cess of the party was certain. (Ap-
plause.) Mr. Templeman for com-
missioned Mr. Spolek for Mr. Jamieson,
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count of the building not being over-
a quarter to eight o'clock and not over

tion till the matter had been called at-
tention to. It must have been an inad-
vertence, because Mr. Jamieson could
not possibly have made the mistake that
he had made, had he been engaged for the
other side. (Cheers.)

Another apology was due to his Liberal
friends for the Conservative party, if
the gentlemen who are at the head of
the party, who have the matter in their
thought it wise to place the matter in
those attending this meeting a document
of this kind, and Mr. Templeman held
up a "dodger" entitled "A Nice Record."
Which, he said, our Conservative
friends would not like to see the telegrams
on this cabinet minister's conduct ap-
pearing in the Times. Those telegrams
credited to the Times were headed
"fiction," while those in an opposite
column, which had appeared in the Col-
umbian, were headed "fact." But after
each Times dispatch was printed in
Templeman in the Times." Mr. Temple-
man, looking straight at the audience,
said: "I did not write those tele-
grams." (Cheers.) They were sent to
me and appeared in the Times newspaper."
(Renewed cheers.) "I said I did not
to create a false impression like this.
It is unfair to me; it is unfair to the
Liberals." (Cheers.) "It says the
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colours by the Templeman in the Times
unfairly. If I understand the matter
that term right, it is an individual who
in a large city waits for the unwary
countryman and steers him into some
place to be robbed. (Applause.) I am
glad to see that you are all so much
do not wish to say anything more.
Anyone, but I think the man who peu-
nated that, I don't care whether his name
is Perry or anything else, had no
right to do so. (Tremendous cheering.)
The point was that it was
carried the meeting by storm and it
evident the attempt to injure the Lib-
eral candidate had acted like a boomer-

"During my career of eleven years in this city," said Mr. Templeman, "I can go to either the Liberal or Conservative party for a certificate of character, and need not fear for the sort of one I shall get." (Great cheering.) I regret very much that this campaign should be one of slander of any kind. (Hear, hear.) I shall not retort in kind, but I want, and I will have, fair, honorable treatment, and that is all I ask. (Cheers.)

Mr. Bodwell at this juncture appeared on the stage and was given a royal reception.

Continuing, Mr. Templeman remarked that this was a Party fight for party principles. He cared not whether the majority was a full-fledged cabinet minister or only a half-fledged cabinet minister, he should be opposed by the people of this city on account of the general policy of the party that he represents. (Applause.) That the people have not been in the interests of the people of this province and it is not approved of by the majority of the people of this city to give. (Applause.) This election gives people an opportunity to say whether or not they approve of that policy. The opposition party maintains that a tariff for the people is the true policy for this country. The Conservatives on the other hand maintain that a protective tariff, protection in the interests of the eastern manufacturers, with a view of building up

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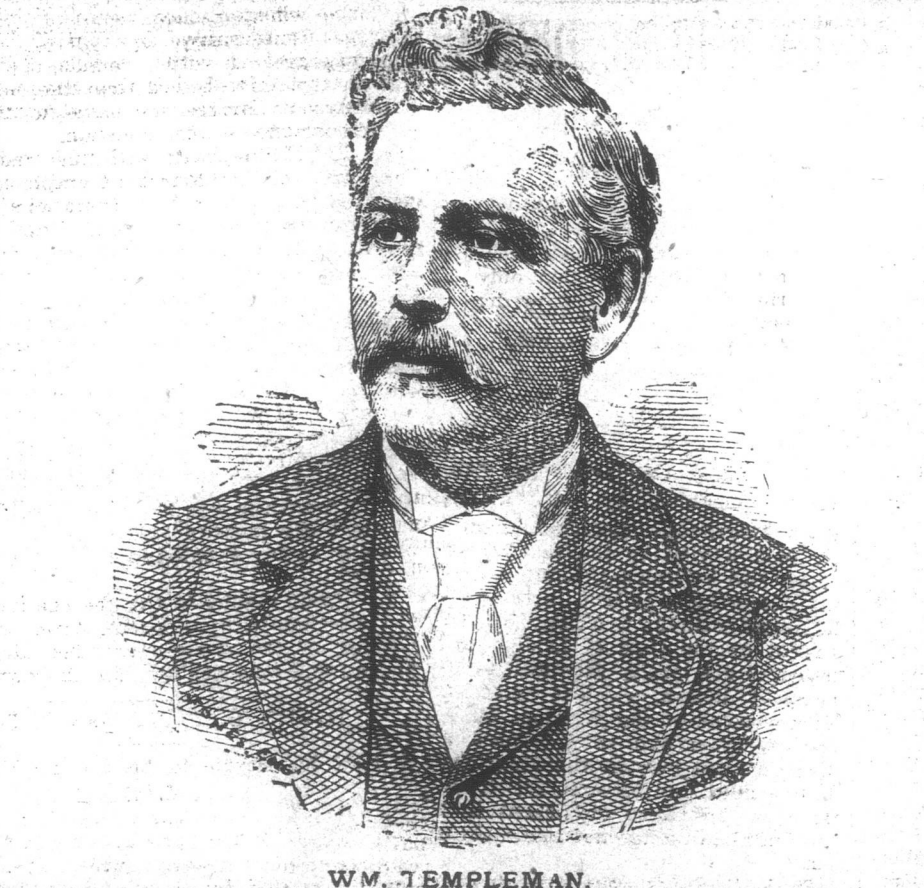
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