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Records Compared.

The Patriot has undertaken, during the hot weather, a most difficult and unenviable task. It has undertaken to cover the Provincial Government with a coat of slime that might possibly pass for whitewash in the eyes of the electors of the Cardigan district. It starts out with the statement that "The record of the Liberal Government, since their accession to power in 1891 is one to be proud of." Let us see what there is in this record to be proud of. They came into power with the promise that revenue and expenditure should meet; that the era of deficits would cease and that the day of taxation was far off. These were the solemn promises made to the electors; let us see how these promises were fulfilled. Instead of making revenue and expenditure meet, they increased the expenditure \$735,000 over the revenue; that is to say they added that amount to the Provincial debt. Is that a record "to be proud of?" Instead of relegating deficits to the dead past they have had them every year of their official existence, ranging all the way from \$12,000 to \$100,000 annually. Is that a record "to be proud of?" Instead of keeping the day of taxation far off, they have scarcely secured themselves in office when they started to tax the people and they have kept on taxing them ever since until they have extracted about a million dollars from the pockets of the electors in taxes of different kinds. Is that a record "to be proud of?"

The Patriot says "The electors have acquired the healthful habit of comparing records." Very well, let the electors take up these comparisons, as furnished by the statements in the Government blue books: When the Liberals came into power, in 1891, the Provincial debt was \$128,000; now it is, according to the Government's own figures; \$863,000, in round figures, an increase of \$735,000 during their years in office. Is that a comparison "to be proud of?" The interest charge on the Provincial debt, for the last year of the Conservative administration, prior to 1891, was \$2,697.44. The interest charge under the Liberal Government, for 1909 was \$34,155.63; \$31,458.19 more than that for the last year of Conservative rule. Is that a comparison "to be proud of?" During the twelve years the Conservatives were in office prior to 1891, they collected only about \$82,000 in taxes; but the Liberals, during their administration, have collected a million dollars in taxes. Is that a comparison "to be proud of?"

Grown bold, by reiterated misleading statements, the Patriot insults the intelligence of its readers by presenting the most preposterous statement of the Provincial debt that could well be imagined. As evidence of the straits to which it is reduced for something damaging against the Conservatives, it trots out that venerable chestnut, the \$200,000 borrowed from capital. It is about a quarter of a century since that transaction occurred and almost everyone in any way connected with it has disappeared from the public arena. It is now considered so much a matter of ancient political history that no one except those hard up for something that may be

misconstrued, refers to it at all. But the Patriot, at its wits ends for some specious argument, does not hesitate to employ it in the most scandalously misleading fashion. It is not necessary to enter into any explanation of the withdrawal of the \$200,000; the matter has been explained over and over again. But the Patriot certainly presumes on the ignorance of its readers when it undertakes to make a point against the Conservatives by adding the \$200,000 to the debt, of the Province and then compounding interest on this amount from that day to this. That is altogether too bare faced.

When the Liberals came into power in 1891, the debt of the Province was \$128,000; or as Chalmers and Davison put it the debt and liabilities were \$171,000. For the sake of argument let these figures be put in the worst light possible, still they are the most that can be made of the Provincial debt and liabilities. This was the condition of things that had to be met by the new Government. From this point the new financial departure had to be made, and was made by Mr. Frederick Peters, the Liberal Premier. In order that there may be no mistake as to the ability of Mr. Peters to grapple with the situation we will quote the Patriot's estimate of the new Premier. Here are its words: "In 1891 a strong Liberal Government led by Hon. Frederick Peters, who was an able financier, undertook the task of straightening out the finances of the Province."

How did this "able financier" go about his work; what declaration did he make regarding the Province's finances? He took the maximum amount reported by Chalmers and Davison, the Commissioners appointed by himself, as the whole debt and liabilities, viz. \$171,000. This "able financier" did not go beyond his commissioners; he did not have recourse to the contemptible subterfuge of the Patriot, and drag in \$200,000 that had no business there. He took the \$171,000, and added \$14,000 which he said were for repairs to the Provincial Building, making in all \$185,000. This much, he said, was to be met immediately, in order that a fresh start could be made. This attended to, there was to be no more debt; we were henceforth to have a clean sheet. This was the declaration of the "able financier" leading the Liberal Government. To effect his purpose he asked the Legislature for power to issue debentures to the amount of \$185,000. This was granted and the Provincial debt was funded. We had then the clean sheet asked for; all the debt against us was the debentures issued, amounting to \$185,000, now reduced by sinking funds to \$132,256.50 as shown in the Public Accounts. All that debt does not belong to the Conservatives, as we have shown; but even charging all this to them who is responsible for the remaining \$731,000 of the Provincial debt? Surely not to Conservatives; for they have not been in power since the line was drawn between the old and the new financial systems and the debentures were issued by the "able financier" of the Liberal administration.

No amount of sophistry on the part of the Patriot will remove the damaging evidence of wrong doing and extravagance on the part of the Liberal Government. No matter how much the Patriot may attempt to gloss over or conceal the operations of the Government; no matter how much it may try to pull the wool over the eyes of the electors or to divert public attention from the real issues before the public the Government stand condemned on

account of their debt, deficits and deception.

When they came into power, there were no taxes, the Provincial debt was only \$128,000, and the annual interest charge was only \$2,697. Now we have a debt, according to the Government's own showing, of \$863,206; an annual interest charge of \$34,155 and a million dollars have been collected in taxes. We have all this in the face of their solemn promises to the contrary. The Government have broken every promise and violated every pledge made to the people and have proved themselves absolutely unworthy of the peoples confidence. Let the electors of the Cardigan District bear these facts in mind on election day and roll up a big majority for Mr. Dewar.

The London (Ont.) Free Press remarks that the revelation of rottenness that break out forth periodically at Ottawa give a hint of what remains well covered up.

The majority of Premier Roblin in Manitoba's last election was 171. In this election almost the entire political fire of his opponents was directed at him and the result was that his majority has grown to 438, the largest majority obtained by any one in the province. Some times a man's enemies are more valuable to him than his most enthusiastic friends.—Ottawa Journal.

In the Spanish Cortes a Socialist deputy named Iglesias has openly threatened that if Maura, the ex-premier and Conservative leader, is returned to power he will be assassinated. The political tyrants of this age are the extreme Liberals. They have in their own minds such confidence in their policies that they will not allow people to differ from them.—Montreal Gazette.

In view of the immigration difficulties it is proposed to protect Canadian travellers by furnishing them with "certificates of identity." This is a first rate scheme. But why not call them passports and be done with it? A passport system such as prevails in Europe would prevent nine-tenths of the difficulties experienced both in Canada and the United States.—Ottawa Citizen.

The government leaders have no intention of bringing on a general election at an early date, according to Sir Wilfrid Laurier's latest statements. The Opposition chiefs will give this all the attention that it deserves by seeing that the decks of their party ship are not encumbered with what would prevent its being quickly made ready for action. Sir Wilfrid Laurier's mind like his policies, is subject to change.—Montreal Gazette.

Basing the objections on the considerable expense for dress entailed, and on the use in their preparation of time which should be given to regular school work, the School Boards of several dioceses have this year passed resolutions asking school authorities to eliminate elaborate and formal closing exercises. Simple programs made up of short addresses and exercises which do not require too much preparation are urged in their stead.—America.

Brazil, for whose navy what is believed to be the world's most powerful fighting ship was recently launched, has ordered a new super-Dreadnought, which is to have a displacement of 39,000 tons, and will carry a main armament of twelve 14-inch guns. A 12-inch

gun is the maximum with most countries. It is not known what country Brazil thinks it has to fear when it starts into the navy business at this rate. It looks, though, as if some one had better get ready for eventualities, or else make up its mind to be civil.—Exchange.

The Patriot admits the debt of the Province was \$863,206.45, at the end of the last fiscal year; but says \$829,908 should be charged to the Conservatives. Very well, the Provincial auditors reports on the public accounts for the years the Liberals have been in power show that the Liberals rolled up deficits amounting of \$747,788.76. These are the figures of the Government's sworn officials and certainly will not be denied by the Patriot. That being so we have this condition of things: The Liberals during the last nineteen years of office have added \$747,788.76 to the Provincial debt. But the Patriot says the Conservatives, although in opposition have increased the debt during those years to the extent of \$829,908.00. If that is so the debt of Province is now \$1,544,398.31. Perhaps it is. Either that or the Patriot is uttering a scandalous deliberate falsehood, intended to deceive the people. Which is it?

A Sensible Merchant.

Mrs. Fred. Laine, St. George, Ont. writes:—"My little girl would cough so at night that neither she nor I could get any rest. I gave her Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup and am thankful to say it cured her cough quickly."

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AT GEORGETOWN On Thursday, August 11th, 1910

Competition Prize List—Games Commence at 12 o'clock. Five or more Competitors to enter in each event.

	PRIZES.					PRIZES.			
	1st.	2nd.	3rd.	4th.		1st.	2nd.	3rd.	4th.
1. Putting Light Stone	\$6.00	\$4.00	\$2.00	\$1.00	12. Two Mile Amateur Bicycle Race (time limit) 1st Gold Medal, 2nd Silver Medal.	\$5.00	\$4.00	\$2.00	
2. Running High Jump	4.00	3.00	2.00		13. One Mile Race (open)	4.00	3.00	2.00	
3. Throwing Light Hammer (open)	7.00	5.00	3.00	1.00	14. Dancing Ghillie Callum (men)	4.00	3.00	2.00	
4. 220 Yards (Amateur, All-comers) 1st Gold Medal, 2nd Silver Medal.	4.00	3.00	2.00		15. " Highland Fling (men)	4.00	3.00	2.00	
5. Hop, Step and Jump	6.00	4.00	2.00	1.00	16. " Highland Fling (girls)	4.00	3.00	2.00	
6. Vaulting with Pole (open)	4.00	3.00	2.00		17. " Ghillie Callum (girls)	4.00	3.00	2.00	
7. 120 Yards Dash	3.00	2.00	1.00		18. Old Men's Race (open) 55 years and over	3.00	2.00	1.00	
8. Obstacle Race	5.00	3.00	2.00		19. Boys' Race, 16 years and under, 150 yards, 1st and 2nd Medals.	5.00	3.00	2.00	
9. Quarter Mile Run (Amateur) 1st Gold Medal, 2nd Silver Medal.	3.00	2.00	1.00		20. Bag Pipe Competition, open to all except Charlottetown Caledonian Club Pipers	5.00	3.00	2.00	
10. Running Long Jump (open)	5.00	3.00	2.00						
11. Sack Race	3.00	2.00	1.00						

Competitors in Dancing must appear in Dancing Boots and Highland Bonnets. INSTRUCTIONS TO COMPETITORS.—A room will be provided for the use of all taking part in the games, in which clothing, etc. can be left. Competitors must appear in the ring in suitable costumes, and must retire at the close of each event. Events will be called as on the above list. The Secretary requests competitors to send him their names and the events in which they intend to take part on or before August 8th.

TRAIN ARRANGEMENTS.

STATION	Train Depts.	Train Depts.	Fare	STATION	Train Depts.	Train Depts.	Fare
Summerside	6.20 a. m.		\$1.15	Burdensell	10.05 a. m.		80
Kensington	6.45 "		1.00	Georgetown	arrive 10.35 "		90
Freetown	7.00 "		1.00	Vernon	7.00 "		90
Emerald	7.10 "		1.00	Millview	7.05 "		90
Bradabane	7.15 "		1.00	Lake Verde	7.12 "		90
Fredericton	7.27 "		90	Mount Albion	7.25 "		90
Hunter River	7.40 "		90	Hazelbrook	7.30 "		90
North Wiltshire	7.50 "		90	Mount Herbert	7.35 "		90
Milton	8.10 "		90	Burdensell	7.40 "		90
Charlottetown		8.30 a. m.	90	Southport	7.47 "		90
Royalty Junction	8.27 "	8.45 "	80	Souris	7.30 "		90
York	8.37 "	8.55 "	80	Bear River	7.57 "		90
Bedford	8.50 "	9.08 "	70	St. Charles	8.03 "		90
Tracadie	8.58 "	9.16 "	60	Selkirk	8.10 "		90
Mount Stewart	9.05 "	9.23 "	50	St. Peter's	8.30 "		80
Peake's	9.25 "	9.43 "	45	Midgell	8.39 "		80
St. Teresa	9.30 "	9.48 "	45	Morell	8.52 "		70
Perth	9.42 "	10.00 "	30	Lot 40	8.55 "		70
Cardigan	9.55 "	10.13 "	20	St. Andrew's	9.14 "		60
Georgetown	arrive 10.10 "	10.30 "	20	Mount Stewart	9.20 "		
Montague	9.57 "		35	Georgetown	arrive 10.45 "		

Returning, train will leave for Summerside at 5.45; Souris at 6.00 p. m., and Charlottetown and Vernon at 6.30 p. m.

MUSIC BY BAND AND PIPES.

PRESIDENT'S PRIZE.—\$10.00 Suit of Clothes presented by the President to the best all-round athlete, judged by points, five points for first prize, etc.

GAMES COMMITTEE.—President, S. A. McDonald; Vice President, A. N. McKay; Treasurer, James Paton; Recording Secretary, D. B. McLennan; Financial Secretary, D. F. Bethune; Alexander McDonald, John McPhee.

JUDGES OF GAMES.—Chief, W. A. Scott, Charles Webster, Col. D. Stewart, Howard McDonald, L. B. McMillan, S. A. McLeod, John McLeod, Charlottetown; Lauchlin McDonald, East Point; Michael McCormack, Souris; A. C. McDonald, Alex. McLeod, Montague; James A. McNeill, Summerside; R. J. McKenzie, Dundas; Daniel McDonald, Vernon River, and the Games Committee.

MASTERS OF THE RING.—Daniel Stewart, Kinloch; Maxwell Henry, John J. McLeod, Riverdale; Murdoch McLeod, Duncan Matheson, James McIsaac, J. B. McDonald, D. B. McDonald, Wallace Walker.

Only officers of the day, judges and competitors will be competing, allowed inside the ring. The decision of the Judges shall be final.

No spirituous liquors allowed on the grounds, nor will any person under the influence of liquor be permitted to enter the field. Members of the Club and visiting clansmen will assemble at the Club Rooms, Charlottetown, at 8.00 a. m. in Highland Costume, or Plaid and Bonnet, and march thence to the Railway Station, headed by Pipes and Band.

Admission 25 cents. Children under 12 years of age 15 cents. No passes issued. Admission Tickets to Grounds at Entrance Gates.

S. A. McDONALD, **D. F. BETHUNE,**

July 20, 1910—3i President Sec'y Games Committee.