<page-header><page-header><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text> THE WEEKLY MAIL TORONTO, FRIDAY, APRIL 4, 1879. BOMINION PARLIAMEN The Weekly Mail. (Continued from Second Page.) TÓRONTO, FRIDAY, APRIL 4, 1879. HOUSE OF COMMONS. THE LOCAL ELECTIONS Mr. MACK ENZIE asked the Minister blic Works if the Pacific Railway o acts laid on the table of the House w The Issues to be Decided by the People at the Polls in June. Dr. TOFFAM said he directed that a tenders should be prepared and he to that the list presented contained th I. There were, however, some tend hich were considered informal wh ere not included. THE FINANCIAL POSITION. Mr. MACKENZIS asked if any tende od been received for the entire line. Dr. TUPPER said he would have gre lessure in placing in the hands of the ho centleman the only tender received, and rould st once see that it was of such tharacter that it weuld not do to delay the THE following table of the receipts and expenditure from 1868 to 1878 shows an enormous increase in the expenditure and an increase, too, out of all propor tion to the increase in revenue : giving out of the other contracts. Mr. CARTWRIGHT-Was that fer Receipts. Expenditure .\$2,260,200 \$1,182,400 1,444,600 1,580,700 1,816,900 Dr. TUPPER-Yes ; from Thunder B OVERCHARGES IN THE POST 3,060,800 2,220,700 2,940,800 2,912,300 FICE DEPARTMENT 1873. 3,871,500 3,604,500 3,140,600 3,117,400 Mr. DREW moved that the Postm 3,446,300 1875. 589,200 2,452,000 3,117,400 2,254,400 2,902,400 so was the fact that during 1876 and sor previous years there appeared in that r port certain sums charged against vario post offices for rent and fuel, the po masters of which stated that no su sums had been spent. For instan one postmaster with whom he had be in communication had told him that \$1 had been charged for fuel in the repo where only \$30 had been spent, and \$1 charged for rent where only \$30 should the sum. He proposed that the matt should be sent to the Public Accounts Co mittee for enquiry. It will be seen that since 1874 the ex-enditure has largely exceeded the evenue, the excess being as follows : 1874......\$425,200 1875..... 445,000 The sums spent on what is known a capital account, i.e. on public works, special fund outlay, etc., and on purely charge against the Department when und his administration. It would have be better if the hon. gentleman, instead taking the trouble to bring the matter in the House, had enquired at the Depart have expenditure, Capital A ccount, 3 138,900 428,600 428,600 Controllabl \$1,043,500 ment for information. Mr. LANGEVIN said he did not kny 1,016,000 1,092,600 1,223,100 1869. 1870 anything about the circumstances. I saw no objections to the reference of t matter to the Public Accounts Committs where it could be investigated. Mr. HUNTINGTON thought a mat 593,800 1871. 738,100 1,482,600 1,765,400 1873. 1,786,600 1,827,400 1874 2,084,900 1,777,100 1875 1,245,400 1,114,400 1 895 20 the House. The motion was carried. 2,003,000 1877 844,000 2,058,400 SALE OF INTERCOLONIAL BUIL SALE OF INTERCOLONIAL BUIL INGS. Dr. ROBITAILLE moved for pape &c., in reference to the sale of cert buildings and out-buildings on the bank the Metapedia River on the Intercolon railway line. He explained that the bui ings he referred to were two in numb They were very good houses and one them cest about \$1,600 to build, while t other which had an acre of ground attach to it, was worth \$3,000. A short time a Mr. Brydges sold the first named house \$300 and the second for \$600, to a cert Montreal gentleman. He had thought would be well to ask the Government cancel the sales, but on looking at This table makes it plain that, capital account expenditure aside, the controllable expenditure has risen under Reform rule from \$1,223,100 to \$2,-058,400-an increase of \$835,300, or nearly 70 per cent ! Certain Reformers-not the better class, but the gentlemen who take their cue from the Globe-are in the habit of maintaining that notwithstanding the increased expenditure and the large ex-cess of expenditure over revenue that ms occurred of late years, the surplus is would be well to ask the Government cancel the sales, but on looking at a papers he found that the late Governme on the 7th October, on the eve of its signation, passed an order in Council rati ing the sale. In view of all this he felt his duty to bring the case before the Ho and to let it and the country know t larger to-day than it was in SANDFIELD'S time. It is quite clear, however, that a man cannot spend more than his income year after year, and at the same time add to his surplus funds. The snrplus on the 31st December last was, accord-ing to the Treasurer's financial statement, as follows : ASSETS.

ings were not required, and offers to made by private parties, the sale was n with the consent of the Government. The motion was agreed to. LIBERAL ELECTION TACTICS. LIBERAL ELECTION TACTICS. Mr. KEELER moved for orders. Council relating to the last survey and p posed sale or free grant of lands on Press isle peninsula and High Bluff, in the E Riding of the County of Northumberlay Ont. He explained that, when previou in Parliament, be had made application behalf of the squatters for a grant of t land by the Dominion Government. T reply he received was that the Governme reply he received was that the Government. could only grant a lease. When he has peued to be a candidate at the late el-tions, these people were promised t grants, and, in order to make them belie that such would be done, a surveyor w sent down who examined the lands at cost of \$400 or \$500. He submitted motion in order to ascertain whether s acts could be done by the party in po in order to obtain votes. Mr. KEELER moved for copies of Mr. KEELER moved for copies of i structions to solicitors under which p ceedings in Chancery were instituted again Wm. Mason and others for trespass lands of the Crown on Presqu' Isle pen sula, in the East Riding of the County Northumberland, Ont. He said that number of settlers who squatted on Croy lands had supported him at previous ele-tions. Shortly before the late election they all received writs in Chancery from solicitor in Picton for trespass. Sub-quently his opponent (Mr. Biggar) went them and represented that if they won not oppose him he would have the wri-suspended or withdrawn. He was hands a letter by a voter which had been writte by the Deputy Minister of Marine to M by the Deputy Minister of Marine to M Biggar, stating that at his request a wr was temporarily withdrawn. He desire to ascertain whether such acts could committed in this country for politic purposes. Sir ALBERT SMITH said there had be difficulties in connection with the cutting timber on the peninsula. Certain perso timber on the peninsula. Certain perso had been proceeded against in order to pr vent the recurrence of these trespasses, they were brought a long time before the election. Mr. Biggar, the late member of Prince Edward, was anxious to have the suits prosecuted, but they were abandone the parties promising not to trespass aga and the trespasses being small, a surv of the lands was made and it would found in the department. The motion was carried. The motion was carried.

MONDAY, March, 31

PACIFIC RAILWAY CONTRACTS

all that had been received ? Dr. TUPPER said he directed that a

Mr. MACKENZIE asked if any tend

Mr. DKEW moved that the Postmaste General's report for the year ending Ju 30th, 1876, be referred to the Public A counts Committee. His reason for doin so was the fact that during 1876 and sor previous years there

mittee for enquiry. Mr. HUNTINGTON said this wa

of \$20 or so was very small to bring up

details of this transaction which he c sidered infamous. Dr. TUPPER said he had made ing ies and it was reported to him that is buildings were acquired by contract and afterwards acquired by the Gove ment. Mr. Brydges stated that the bui

Due from Mechanics' Institutes.
Balance due on Sale of Mimico
Lots Due from Credit Valley on Land
Sales
Sales

19,000

\$5,842,748

144,136 FIELD. The se

6,306 Under Sandfield.

LIABILITIES.

Railway Aid Fund......\$ Railway Subsidy Fund.....\$ Railway Grants..... Surplus Distribution.... Quebec's Share of Common School and other Land Funds. .\$ 400.169 134,227 298,548 151,110

9,013 Railway Grants. 298,548 Surplus Distribution 204,655 Land Improvement Fund. 124,685 Surplus. 24,431,362. On the 31st December, 1871, ten days after SANDFIELD'S resignation, the sur-plus account (vide Globe 23rd January, 1872) was as follows : 134,227 4)\$4.375,200 31,231,2818,600 \$1,933,800 \$1,831,230 Land Improvement Fund. 124,685 Surplus. 124,685 S

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GREAT BRITAIN.

LONDON, March 27 .- The Tipton com LONDON, March 27.—The Tipton com-mittee of the South Staffordshire mines have determined to stop woaking the pumping engiases, the income from the mines being insuficient to meet the expen-diture. Unless the wealthy ironmasters assist or take independent action numerous collieries and iron works must close, and there will be a serious displacement of labour, which will increase as the area of the subterranean flood extends.

UNITED STATES. CINCINNATI, O., March 30.-The miners

of the Ryan mines at Worthland, Ky., are on a strike for increase from 25 cents to 30 cents per car of 111 bushels. READING, Pa., March 31.—Two-thirds of the employés in a cotton mill struck this morning against a 10 per cent. reduction. The mill has stopped. Its hands number

Consumption.-Many say that this disease cannot be cured, but the proprietors of Allen's Lung Balsam will satisfy any one that it has been cured in very many cases of the worst description. They have hundreds of testimonials from thankful in-dividuals who willingly admit it has saved their line. their lives.

A despatch from St. Petersburg states, that the announcement that the Russian advance upon Merv has been suspended, causes gratification in Government circles, and this changed action of the Russian Government is attributed to the influence which Lord Dufferin has exerted at St. Petersburg. The expedition consisted of 20,-

which Lord Dufferin has exerted at St. Petersburg. The expedition consisted of 20,-000 men who were being conveyed across the Caspian Sea in order to operate against the Turkomans in the Attrek region, and te open up a road to Merv. It appears that ever since the occupation of Khiva the Russian Government has kept steadily in view the importance of the occupation of Merv—a step which the English Government has repeatedly informed Russia it would consider as thoroughly hostils to English interests, and to be re-sisted at all costs. The opinion in Gov-ernment circles is that Russia will now either abandon her intention of occupying Merv, or, as a compromise, propose that England shall occupy and fortify Herat.

ALWAYS RELIABLE .- How many are ALWAYS RELIABLE.—How many we a slowly and surely dying, or rather being kil-led by excessive doctoring, or the daily use of some drug or stuff called medicine; who can easily be cured and saved by the timely use of DE. HARRISON'S PERISTALTIC LOZEN-des, which are so pure, simple and harmless that the most frail woman, weakes invalid or smallest child can trust in them. They purify the blood, cleanse the stomach and cure Costiveness the most prolific cause of IU-Health. We advise all sufferers to give them a fair trial. See advertisement in another column.

DISMISSALS BY THE LATE GO

ERNMENT. Mr. HESSON moved for corresponden relating to the dismissal of one Samu Lougheed, postmaster of Molesworth, the late Government. He learned fre enquiry that Mr. Lougheed had not be dismissed for any offence, and that thd was a petition signed by about two hu dred persons asking that he be retaine No notice had been taken of this and would like to see the mapers. would like to see the papers. The motion was carried.

PRINCE ARTHUR'S LANDING. Mr, PLUMB moved for papers and or respondence relative to a proposed will connection between Prince Arthra's La ing and the line of the Pacifice railw at or near the Town Plot of Fort Willin Carried.

THE KAMINISTIQUIA. Mr. PLUMB moved for oppies of rep and papers ralative to the dred ging of Kaministiquia river, and the racticabi of forming a harbour access able to larger classes of lake shipping at the p selected as the Pacific raily may termina that river.

inder changes of lake shipping at the p side das the Pacific rail, say termina that river. Mr. DAWSON explained the differ of rivers, and stated the at the obstruction the mouth of the Ks ministiquia below to the former class. Under the system adopted it was impossible deepen the channel of the river. Dred deepen the channel of the river. Dred had been oon inned during five some without producing any ben been a foot deeper. During two y unsually aigh level, but it had now for

