

the claims to be satisfied are by no means of an urgent character. *What, it may again be enquired, is the Government going to do with the money?*

TIME-KEEPING GALORE.

It has long been notorious that the Quebec Court House contract has been a job by means of which the Government have been enabled to put money into the hands of friends who were disposed to give them financial assistance at election and other pressing times. There are contractors under the present *régime* who, as it were, own their Minister or Ministers, and can exact from them almost whatever they wish. Proofs of the correctness of this statement are manifest on every hand. The necessity of punctuality in connection with public or any other business need not be enlarged upon; but it could hardly be expected that necessity could ever have required the putting up and setting in operation *of thirty-six clocks in the Quebec Court House.* **WHAT THESE CLOCKS WILL COST, THE PUBLIC WILL BEFORE LONG DISCOVER. EXPENSE IS NO OBJECT, THE COUNTRY PAYS IT—SO SAY THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT.**