

Stanley.

OLD PIONEER DEPARTED.—Mr. David Galbraith, of this place, departed from this life in January. He was a native of Argyllshire, Scotland, and came to this country a number of years ago.

J. McCully, of the 3rd con. of Stanley left on Wednesday last for Manitoba.—Mr. S. Reid, of the 4th con. of Stanley, sold a span of horses for the sum of \$400.

Kingsbridge.

To the Editor of THE SIGNAL.—Some sages have tried to disseminate the belief that the physical features of a country influence the character of the inhabitants; but this theory is all bosh, as the sequel will fully prove.

Cupid has been playing his pranks to no small extent in this quarter this winter. Mr. Dennis Hurley set the example in this splicing operation by his marriage with Miss Doolan.

Mr. Matthew O'Connor, but an outcome of young Canada's love of abbreviation, makes himself known as simply Mat Connor, was the first to follow Mr. Hurley's example.

The next that appeared on the scene was Mr. Thos. Gunn, "and he is a jolly good fellow." Mr. Thomas has been looking with wistful eyes for some time upon the line, but his vision could not penetrate beyond the residence of Mr. Jerry Sullivan.

The last, though not least, on my list of horses is Mr. Florence McCarty, who watched with philosophical eye all that was taking place in the neighborhood.

Filled with emotion for the future prosperity of the aforesaid, I resolved to drink them a toast that would cheer their hearts all through their matrimonial pilgrimage, but the worst of it was, I had nothing to drink, so I wrote.

"Twenty-four years' Experience." Says an eminent physician, convinces me that the only way to cure nervous exhaustion, and weakness of the sexual organs, is to repair the waste by giving brain and nerve foods, and of all the remedies compounded, Magnetic Medicine is the best.

Sympathy with Mr. Bradlaugh appears to be increasing, especially among the lower classes who, although not agreeing with him upon atheism, feel that his rights are being trampled on.

THE BUDGET SPEECH.

Sir Samuel L. Tilley Makes a Four Hour Address on the Budget.

On Friday the Budget was brought down in the House of Commons. THE SPEECH.—Sir Leonard Tilley began by stating that at no period in the history of Canada has the government met parliament with the financial condition of the country in the position it is to-day.

With that deplorable state the speaker contrasted the present prosperity. Through the stimulus given by the government to the industries of the country the people of Canada became wealthier, and it is on account of this altered condition of affairs that the people last year were enabled to pay into the treasury over four millions of surplus, without their suffering from it.

PER CAPITA TAXATION. If account were taken of the deficits of the Mackenzie government and those amounts added to what was collected under the same government and the total amount compared with what was collected from all sources by the present government, minus the surplus, it would be found that the per capita amount collected by the present government was twenty-three cents less than that collected by the last government.

THE EXPENDITURE. The average expenditure during the past three years was \$1,229,000 more than the average expenditure during the Mackenzie government but there were increased undertakings assumed by the present government which more than accounted for that difference.

THE FUTURE AND THE DEBT. The speaker proceeded to show that there was no alarm for the future of the country on account of the increasing public debt. On the contrary there was every reason for hope. In 1867 the public debt was \$19 per head. The construction of the Pacific railway added \$6 per head, which made the sum \$25.

PROPOSED CHANGES IN THE TARIFF. To be added to the free list: anatomical preparations, bees, brass in sheets, britannia metal in pigs and bars, celluloid in sheets, china clay, chloralum, coffee, green (except by act 42, Vic. cap. 15), fowls for improvement of stock, iron, sand or globules and dry putty for polishing granite, quinine, quackiver, spelter in blocks and lugs, tea (except as provided for in act 42, cap. 15), tin in blocks, pigs bars and sheets; wood—African teak, blackheart, ebony, lignum-vita, red cedars, satin wood.

DUTIES TO BE CHANGED. Book binders tools and implements including ruling machines and binders cloth from 15 per cent to 10. Glass—Common and colorless window glass now 20 per cent to 30. Scrap iron—now \$2 per ton to \$1. Lead manufactures from 25 cents to 20.

CHANGES IN EXCISE. The changes affecting excise will be the following: In regard to home-grown tobacco, it is proposed that all parties shall be as free to raise tobacco as to raise pe-

tates (hear, hear). It is proposed to leave the sum collected for twists the same as it is now. It is proposed to license parties in different parts of the country, without payment of a fee, to buy from producers of tobacco whatever surplus they may have to sell.

ABOLITION OF STAMPS. Stamps on notes and bills of exchange will be taken off and commercial men relieved thereby to the extent of \$200,000.

BOUNTY TO FISHERMEN. The government have decided to ask parliament for a supplementary estimate of \$150,000 to distribute in the shape of bounty to the fishermen of Canada in lieu of the Halifax fishery award.

THE ESTIMATED REVENUE, for the next year is: Customs \$19,500,000; excise \$5,500,000; post office \$1,500,000; railways and canals \$2,500,000; interest on investments \$700,000; miscellaneous \$900,000; total \$30,600,000. The estimated expenditure is \$27,670,000, leaving an estimated surplus for next year of over three millions.

THE N. P. AND PROVIDENCE. The speaker proceeded to show that the objections raised by the opposition in 1878 were groundless and had not been fulfilled. Before concluding he recounted the various industries of the country and pointed out how they had all been benefited by the national policy.

Staving off a Hun. In times of severe panic people have been known to refuse Bank of England notes and prefer local notes. In country districts of Scotland this old one-pound note were greatly preferred to coverings. It is said that when there was a run upon the Bank of England in 1765 the device was resorted to of paying the country people in shillings and sixpences.

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