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THE WAR OF 1812.

THE QUESTION OF CONFEDERATION

Now that the two wealthy and populous Provinces of British North America have united, and now that the leading sectional difficulties were removed, the minds of Canadian statesmen were free to consider the broader question of a union of all the Provinces. The question of Confederation is the all-important one in considering the history of the Dominion. We naturally ask, Who was the father of this great movement? In dealing with this question we have really to consider but two names, the Hon. George Brown and Sir John Macdonald, and that for the day the strongest united people is the first of all, to the foresight and enthusiasm of the Hon. George Brown, who, from the moment Confederation flashed on him, followed it with ar-

Three seats in the Cabinet were allotted to the Reform wing of the Government. George Brown became President of the Council, William Macdougall, Provincial Secretary, and Oliver Mowat, Minister of the Interior. As Mr. McMillen says, "a strong coalition Government was formed to carry out the newly-accepted policy of Confederation, and although extreme parties here and there grumbled at these arrangements, the great body of the people of all shades of opinion, thankful that a dangerous crisis had been safely passed, and that the country was again, and calmly and confidently awaited the progress of events. Never before had a coalition been more opportune. It rendered the Government of the country again respectable, elevated it above the accidents of faction, and enabled it to wield the administrative

Never was there a more opportune time for dealing with a radical change in the country's life. The difficulties that we had envisioned the deadlier struggle had created for a remedy. The people, too, were alarmed by troubles that together external. The civil war in the United States was raging with bitter consequences. The complications had arisen from our contiguity with the neighboring Republic that made us fear that we would become free to take up arms against a foreign foe, or, in the absence of war, would undertake a struggle to be by union that we could hope to make a successful resistance. The civil war likewise aided our statesmen in another way. The weaknesses in the American government were exposed by the war, and with their mistakes before them our statesmen were able to construct, if not a perfect federation, at least one that would avoid the rock on which the American government had come to grief. With earnest enthusiasm, convinced men to plead for it, with

be considered before we can leave this subject. Manitoba, Rupert's Land, and the Northwest Territories became a part of the Dominion of the British Columbia in 1871, and little Prince Edward Island, on whose shores the matter was first fully discussed, came into the fold in 1873, and the Dominion, as we have it to-day, stretching from ocean to ocean, fronted the world.

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DIVISIONAL COURTS.

The sittings of the Divisional Courts will be as follows:

Monday, September 20, Exchequer—
Meredith, C. J.; MacMahon, J.; Clute, J.
Monday, September 27, Common Pleas—
—Mulock, C. J.; Riddell, J.; —, J.
Monday, October 4, King's Bench—Falconbridge, C. J.; Britton, J.; Teetzel, J.
Monday, October 11, Chancery—The Chancellor; Magee, J.; Latchford, J.
Monday, October 18, Exchequer—Mulock, C. J.; Clute, J.; —, J.
Monday, October 25, Common Pleas—Meredith, C. J.; MacMahon, J.; Teetzel, J.
Monday, November 1, King's Bench—Falconbridge, C. J.; Britton, J.; Riddell, J.
Monday, November 8, Chancery—The Chancellor; Magee, J.; Latchford, J.
Monday, November 15, Exchequer—Mulock, C. J.; Clute, J.; —, J.
Monday, November 22, Common Pleas—Meredith, C. J.; MacMahon, J.; Teetzel, J.

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internal evils calling for it as a remedy, with external dangers demanding its speedy completion, Confederation was assured. The discussion of the details continued until October 28, when the conference adjourned to Montreal, where, on this day, the members agreed on the report to be made to their respective Governments.

The Canadian Legislature met in February, '65, and there was no lukewarm man in the Cabinet. Each member determined to have his name go down to posterity as one of the builders up of this great united country. They may have caught something of George Brown's spirit on the subject, for, consciously or unconsciously, they all felt as he did. In writing to me at this time, he said, "I can't strain from a piece of egotism that can be readily forgiven. 'Would you not like,' re-

of Government disbursements over receipts for the fiscal year to date is \$93,173,000. This sum is likely to be reduced by to-morrow's transactions to approximately \$92,500,000. The customs receipts for the year will fall but little short of \$300,000,000, and the internal revenue receipts will be about \$245,000,000. The gain in customs receipts over last year will be about \$15,000,000, with a loss of about \$3,000,000 in internal revenue.

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Monday, November 29, King's Bench—
Falconbridge, C. J.; Britton, J.; Riddell,
J.
Monday, December 6, Chancery—
Chancellor; Magee, J.; Latchford, J.
Monday, December 13, Exchequer—
Mulock, C. J.; Clute, J.; ———, J.
Monday, December 20, Common Pleas—
—Meredith, C. J.; MacMahon, J.; Teet-
zel, J.

WINTER ASSIZES.

The Winter Assizes are to be held as
follows: Toronto—January 10, Magee
J.; January 17, Riddell, J.; January 24,
Latchford, J.; January 31, MacMahon,
J.; February 7, Falconbridge, C. J.; Feb-
ruary 14, Magee, J.; Hamilton—January
10, Clute, J.; London—January 10, Mer-
edith, C. J.; Ottawa—January 10, Britton,
J.; Cornwall—January 10, Mulock, C. J.;
The Toronto Civil, Criminal, and

tion at the Rockville Rifle Range from August 23 to 28 were announced today by Capt. Birdwhistle. A new time limit for shooting is provided. The time limit in which each competitor must fire a shot has been placed at 40 seconds instead of one minute as heretofore in order to provide more rapid firing. In some of the matches new targets, colored so as to represent natural surroundings, such as grass and trees, will be used.

There will be a match for school cadets for teams and for individuals. Teams of cadets must be 16 years of age or under, and the age limit for individual cadets is 18 years.

Former President Eliot, of Harvard, has been appointed president-emeritus. He will receive a salary and a present of half a million dollars.

The Field Near Wiaraton is to be Developed.

Wiaraton, June 29.—A number of miners who will start development work on the zinc mine located on the Mar road, some four miles north of this town, arrived last night, and will at once begin operations on the property. The people in the district have not a great deal of faith in the prospect of finding zinc in paying quantities, but ample money for prospecting has been obtained. If there is zinc in Bruce, and an eminent expert, Dr. Wolverton, who has reported on the property, says the prospect is one of the most promising he has seen in an experience extending over a long series of years, local capitalists will get the reward of their courage in exploiting the field.