

The result of the Prince Edward Island elections is probably four Reformers and two Government supporters. The contest was on the merits of the local Government more than of the Dominion; but it is believed that the Local Government had a leaning towards the Dominion Government, and that the Opposition are in sympathy with the Reformers. The members elected are as follows:—Queen's county, David Laird and Peter Sinclair, Opposition; Prince County, James C. Pope, Government, and James Yeo, Opposition; King's county, Austin C. McDonald, Government, and Daniel Davis, Opposition.

Hon John Young has been elected by the Montreal Board of Commissioners as the most suitable man to hold the office of Flour Inspector. Their report has gone to Ottawa. It now seems a little doubtful what course will be pursued by Mr. Young in case Sir John insists on his resigning his seat in the House or giving up the Inspectorship. Before the latter was made public it was generally thought that he would prefer returning the office rather than his seat in the House, as the Flour Inspectorship is very valuable. Now, however, his constituents talk of raising a sum sufficient to recompense him for the loss of office if he will still consent to remain their representative in the House.

The most recent political rumours, according to the Montreal Herald, are to the effect that Mr. Masson has declined to enter the Ministry; and that Mr. Bellerose, though willing, has not been asked to do so. That honourable gentleman, however, being determined to have something, is, it is reported, to be placed in the Senate, which is the great object of his ambition, falling the seat in the Executive Council. This will vacate the seat in the House of Commons for Laval, and we suppose also the seat in the Provincial Legislature for the same country, also held by Mr. Bellerose. Mr. Couriel is, we hear, talked of as a candidate for the Commons on the Ministerial side, but, at present, the great object of his ambition has not transpired; so that we are unable to judge whether he will be prevailed upon to sacrifice himself.

The Royal Commission. NINTH DAY.

OTTAWA, Sept. 15. Mr. Egerton R. Burpee, of St. John, New Brunswick, a director of the Canadian Pacific Company. He did not throw any light on the subject of investigation. He expressed an opinion that the charter was not worth much. That a good deal of election money had been expended, but was not aware from what source it came.

Hon. Mr. Campbell, Minister of the Interior, testified to the discouragement of the idea of employing American capital by the Ministry, except Sir F. Hincks, who afterwards yielded to the opinion of his colleagues in the matter; and went on to describe his embassy to Senator Mcpherson with a view to bringing about an amalgamation between the rival companies, and his failure to overcome the stubborn incredulity of the Senator, who believed in no railway as long as Sir Hugh Allan was the head of it. Coming to the alleged payments of money for elections, Mr. Campbell said he had never seen the Cartier money order of August 24, asking Allan for \$20,000 and \$10,000 more for Sir John Macdonald. On being asked whether he knew of \$20,000 being ever applied, he explained that he was in Kingston immediately after Sir John Macdonald's election, and understood from him—that a certain sum of money had been contributed towards the elections in Ontario by Sir Hugh Allan. So far as Mr. Campbell was concerned he knew of no bargain, corrupt or incorrupt, between the Government and Sir Hugh Allan about the Pacific Railway charter. With regard to the letter referred to in the request for money quoted above, and dated July 30th, '87, stated to contain the terms on which Sir Hugh Allan advanced that money, witness said he never saw it, but understood some time ago it was in Sir Hugh Allan's hands. Cross-examined by the Premier:—Mr. Campbell said no agreement made by one of the Cabinet was available to bind the rest without their formal concurrence, except it was made by the Premier, and in that case those opposed to him would have to retire. Therefore any agreement made by Sir G. E. Cartier with Sir Hugh Allan is not binding on the Government unless the former's colleagues consented to it. If they profited by its provisions in any way, however, perhaps this is consent enough. Mr. Campbell went on to show cause why the Government used its influence to have Sir Hugh made President of the favored company, dwelling on his connection with the commerce of the country and his great wealth. In conclusion Mr. Campbell referred to a certain bill or note made by Mr. J. H. Cameron, which Sir J. Macdonald said was caused for the letter. His, Mr. Campbell's influence. Mr. Campbell denied that he was an "inferior member" of the Cabinet was examined, but he did not know anything—not even that Sir Hugh had subscribed anything to assist in the elections until he saw it in the newspapers.

TENTH DAY. On Tuesday the only thing done was the correction and amendment of evidence already taken, and the corroboration of McMullen's statement that Mr. John H. Cameron did receive \$5,000 from Sir Hugh on the recommendation of Sir John. Mr. Campbell, declared that he knew nothing of the renewal of Mr. Cameron's note. That Mr. J. H. Cameron did get the \$5,000 is, however, now an acknowledged fact.

ELEVENTH AND TWELFTH DAYS. In signing his depositions on Wednesday, Hon. Mr. Campbell added that Sir John had told him at Kingston that the amount to be given by Sir Hugh to the Ontario election fund was \$25,000, and afterwards that other sums had been subscribed, making a total of \$45,000. At half past two on Wednesday Sir John A. Macdonald was called and sworn. He proceeded at the request of the Commissioners to give a consecutive narrative of the Pacific Railway negotiations, commencing at the admission of British Columbia into the Dominion in 1871. His testimony was not concluded when the court rose, and he resumed and finished it on Thursday. We shall present a synopsis of Sir John's evidence in our next issue, together with that of Mr. Campbell, which will be published on Thursday.

The London Times on the Scandal.

THE GOVERNMENT CONDEMNED.

(By Special Cable Despatch to the Globe.) London, Sept. 19.

The Times of to-day says the Pacific scandal became more than ever a grave political question when Lord Dufferin, by the advice of the incriminated Ministers, suddenly prorogued Parliament; and now Sir John Macdonald's admissions most painfully affect the Ministry. The prorogation irritated the Opposition to the last degree, a feeling natural, and to some extent justifiable; and when the prorogation requires advance, as it certainly does, there is something that goes dangerously near to unconstitutionality. Sir John Macdonald's proper course undoubtedly was to consult the Commons, and obtain their consent to the discharge of the Committee and the appointment of a Royal Commission to investigate the appearance of a high-handed proceeding would have been avoided.

The Times regrets the stir cast on the Dominion; and referring to McMullen's letters, says the admissions of Sir John Macdonald confirm substantially his allegations. Macdonald perfectly well knew receiving \$45,000 from Sir Hugh Allan to control the elections after promising Allan the Presidency. So far there is complete confirmation of Allan's letters and Mullen's revelations. Sir John Macdonald, however, denies the corrupt agreement. This is a matter in which some latitude of opinion must be allowed. Agreement is a strong word, and therefore let us admit that there was no agreement. But why did Sir Hugh Allan advance \$100,000 for electioneering, and where did the money come from? Can it be doubted that those who took the money for political purposes, perfectly well knew it was given in the expectation and on the understanding that the scheme would receive the support of the Ministry? Sir John Macdonald in using these funds did, therefore, necessarily pledge himself to a proposed scheme which should be so favorable to those who advanced the money as to compensate them for the sacrifice. It is useless to pretend that any Minister could afterwards treat the affair with unbiased judgment. Indeed, it may be said that after such a transaction an impartial decision would be treason to his associates. Is it to be supposed that the disbursements were made without a virtual understanding between those who paid and those who received? Thus, although Ministers may be free from personal corruption, there can be no doubt that in addition to offences against purity of election very unbecoming to the Government, they placed themselves in a position in which it was morally impossible for them to maintain a fitting zeal for the rights of the community, and to make the best possible bargain for it. The consequence is that what has been done is tainted with suspicion, even though it is not proved that the interests of the country have really been sacrificed.

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