

public money in travelling. He was acting professionally for Smith & Ripley, claimants against the Government, before taking office, and it is now publicly charged by Hon. Wm. Macdougall, that out of the amount paid by the Government, the "Chapleau's" (the Secretary of State and his brother) received \$8,300 for negotiating the settlement.

SIR ADOLPHE CARON—Brother-in-law of Sharples, of Quebec, promoter of the Prince Albert Colonization Company, of "blind share" notoriety, which was granted the famous St. Louis de Langevin half-breed settlement in the North-West. Sir Adolphe has enjoyed himself in travelling at the public expense to the tune of \$2,617.

Sir Adolphe is also a member of the "Construction Company," awarded the contract for the Quebec and Lake St. John Railway Company, which has been subsidized by the Government to the extent of \$176,000.

HON. JOHN COSTIGAN—Lately presented with a mansion and furniture complete by contractors and others, at Ottawa, and whose name figures for extensive timber limits in the disputed territory (see Return No. 118, 1883), and who has been rushing in his relatives to positions of emolument,

HON. THOMAS WHITE—Principal stockholder of the "Montreal Gazette," the journal that gave utterance to the following remarkable doctrine a few years ago, when cornered in deliberate perversion of the truth :

"Editors are sometimes compelled by political exigencies to write in disregard of those considerations by which, under other circumstances, they would be guided."

The Independence of Parliament Act would not allow Mr. White to do Government printing as proprietor of the *Gazette*, so a stock company was formed by the White family, in order to evade the letter of the law. And Mr. White secures the profits all the same. During the last three years the "Gazette" Company received no less a sum than sixty-four thousand dollars; at, as Mr. Somerville proved in the House of Commons, an excess of twenty per cent. over ordinary prices of such work.

The "Gazette" Company has also secured a contract from the Government for five years to furnish steam-power from their office in Montreal, to run an Electric Light machine in the Post Office, which is the adjoining building, at an annual charge of \$2,700,—more than double what it costs to furnish the entire electric light in many Ontario towns.

Mr. White has a son drawing \$800 a year, and a brother-in-law \$1,200, in the public service at Ottawa.