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**The Morning Star.**  
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**Newfoundland.**  
 The last N. F. mail brought us among our exchanges the budget of the Receiver General for 1879. The amount required for this year will be \$912,953. For the year just past, the floating debt of the colony increased from \$68,000 to over \$150,000, the result of a falling off in the revenue and unestimated expenditures. Still with this falling off the same Government retains power. Newfoundland, with a population but little over four sevenths of this province in one year falls back \$150,000 and the people and their representatives put it down to the depression in trade; but New Brunswick with 7 souls to 4 in N. F., falls back \$10,000 or \$12,000 in the same time, and a howl compared to which the music of pandemonium is feeble, is raised about the ears of the Government.  
 Owing to the handsome share of the award allotted to the colony, the floating debt has been paid off. £80,000 Stg. has been invested in British guaranteed Canadian stock, 4 per cent., and the remainder held for whatever purposes the Government may deem advisable.  
 It appears to us that financially Newfoundland is in an excellent condition. We subjoin some of her tariff rates as given in Mr. Rogerson's speech:—

Flour, the barrel	\$ 0.25
Fruit dried (except apples) lb.	0.20
Indian meal and peas, the barrel	0.25
Leather, the 100 yds.	1.00
Lumber, the M. feet, one inch thick	1.00
Molasses, the gallon	0.05
Onion, the barrel	0.25
Oil, Kerosine, the gallon	0.05
Pork, the barrel of 100 lbs.	1.00
Salt, the ton	0.20
Shingles, the M.	0.40

It will be seen that under the present tariff Newfoundlanders will likely prefer being out of confederation. The articles used by the working classes are placed at a very low figure. Printing material, paper, certain clothing, &c., come in free. And he remembered there is not such a thing as direct taxation in the Island. There are no city corporations, useless encumbrances, no direct taxation for school purposes—the \$88,000 per annum, meeting all requirements in this direction.  
 But the Islanders have their drawbacks too. There are sections of the Island, thickly inhabited to which there is not a road—and more than once we have seen man and beast revel in a bog on the foot paths leading from cove to cove. Then there are other portions where there are no schools, and generations grow up, and die without knowing how to read. We could now name not less than 50 families scattered along Cape Shore, who have never had a school, and who might be accommodated by appointing teachers for the summer months, say one for two of the settlements. And in the interior blooms the wild rose and the heather, and the forests primeval and their heads to the breezes of the ages. Here and there a solitary trapper may be seen, and now you may trace a faded line between St. John's and Georges Bay, where in an hour of ideal progress, Saurdoff Flemming was instructed to mark out the future railroad of the Island.  
 Newfoundlanders enjoy the bitter with the sweet. If storms howl about them in winter and throw down their mansions, they are fanned in summer with a refreshing sea breeze, while we languish in a parched air goaded with mosquitoes. And in their secluded settlements in the protected coves by the sea shore, they hug their native rocks the more closely while winter ramps and rages and tosses the sea in icy foam—feeling their safety from its rude touch. Here, indeed, ignorance is a kind of bliss; for these parts are not without their legends. Beyond the humble cot of the fisher there lies a rusty cannon, none can tell how came it there; so imagination builds a pirate ship with streaming flag of ebony and the ghastly cross bones and skull, dashing against the cruel

rocks. And, of course, every such "cove" has its keg of gold or billion buried; while peacefully, but watchful, its Hydra, a defunct Spaniard, ever guards the treasure. They are happier, perhaps, than the New Brunswick farmer who has a smattering of Greek and Latin, and reads the pastorals of Juvenal only to despise the plough; who have read or stole from Homer how the gods eat ambrosia and drank nectar, to turn up his nose at a dish of pancakes and a bowl of buttermilk. Still as—  
 "Full many a gem of purest ray serene,  
 The dark unfathomed caves of ocean bear,"  
 it is a pity that Newfoundland had not a better school system, and some of her obscure sons might make brilliant marks, her interior opened up and her industries developed. If the colony can do this herself let her never enter the Union; if she cannot, then let her choose the lesser of the two evils.

**The Opposition Leader.**  
 The Attorney General as will be seen by his speech which we print in another column, has knocked Mr. Blair's figures into a cocked hat. We shall have something on this in our next issue.  
 But Mr. Blair is not clear yet. Mr. Secretary does not take all those notes for nothing. We do not know whether Mr. Wedderburn will attack the speech as delivered in the house by Mr. Blair, or as written by Mr. Blair for the Butler-Willis-Thompson organ—the *News*.  
 We are among those who admire Mr. Blair for his very considerable ability, while we are also of those who must denounce him for garbled statement, and perversion of fact to make a case out when all else fails. We have written much in praise of Mr. Blair, and hope we shall still have opportunity to laud him. We admire him when he tries in his fine dashing way to make points against the Government, we censure him when he tries to do this by wilful misrepresentation. There are very many in this county who look upon Mr. Blair as a political redeemer. We look upon him as having few superiors in the house. He would be a credit to the Government in a Government, he is a benefit to his country in opposition—pursuing an honest course.  
 The time may come when the Government will do wrong. Then, note our prospectus which says:—  
 "But let nobody be deluded into believing that if we stick to our party when on the road of political rectitude, we are going to follow it into every dirty slough."

If Mr. Blair be in his place, then we shall be in our place,—at his back. Let him not now throw down the sake of the spoils try to throw down a Government whose record bids fair to be creditable; let him not argue that all he desires of the Government is to show ordinary human ability, and then condemn them for not showing the wisdom—the forecast—of gods. Let him bide his place and his time and "he will have his reward in the end."  
**Mr. Anglin vs. Mr. Sullivan.**  
 It is not a little surprising to people who do not understand Mr. Anglin's ways to hear him denounce the new Government in Prince Edward Island, at whose head is Mr. Sullivan, a very able lawyer, and clever politician. Mr. Sullivan is a Roman Catholic, and in the struggle between the majorities and the minorities, the contest between christian and non christian schools, Mr. Sullivan was with the weak party. But the majority carried their law by force and put it for good or for evil on the Statute Books of the Island. Years have passed away and every one has learned to bow his head to the yoke, none foolish, chimerical enough to see the faintest hope of repealing that law. Davies led the old Free School party, but his term in office bred corruption, and grinding taxes followed. A question arose, but it was a question between parties as to who could best administer the existing laws. Mr. Sullivan led the reform party and was victorious. Now Mr. Anglin tells us he leads the party which is essentially the Free School party and therefore denounces him. Denounces him for doing what? For taking office! Because a law with which Mr. Sullivan did not agree, passed, was that a reason why he should never enter politics again? On the contrary he has done just right, for in his place

now he may be able to effect what he would be powerless to perform in opposition, namely make some modifications in the law.  
 There are two other reasons, and the only two, why Mr. Anglin does not approve of Mr. Sullivan. First, he is an Irishman; and as the earth can have only one sun, as said the conquer of empires, so can the Dominion have only one great Irishman, and that Mr. Anglin himself. The second reason is, and it is the most cogent, Mr. Sullivan is a Conservative.  
**Free Grants.**  
 The law or regulations in connection with our Crown Lands should be general in their application and inexorably carried out. Let there be no stall feeding of one settlement and starving of another. Fair play and blind justice should be the rule.  
 The great danger in all those new projects for the settlement of the country is promising too much. Governments often hold out inducements to parties which they never intend to fulfill, or, perhaps, cannot. Men are induced to seek a home in the forest wild under certain conditions. They find, after a time, that those promises were only delusions; they become exasperated at the deception and fraud of which they are the victims, and leave the whole in disgust, swearing eternal vengeance against the men who thus deceived them. It is only then they arrive at the conclusion that Governments, very often like corporations, have no soul.  
 The men who succeed best in this country are the men who roll up their sleeves, and with a will and resolve of their own, go forth determined to hew out a home for themselves in the land of their birth and adoption. Those that are fed on Government pap are like those hand fed calves—more ornamental than useful.  
 Every Government of which we have any recollection, has had some new idea relative to the opening of our wild lands. It is something like "Reading made easy," which was our first introduction into the literary world in days gone by. We thought we were savans when we got so far advanced, although we did not know a word of what it contained. The Government has now its reading made easy—a Free Grant law. Let it not be blundering over it.

**The New Formation.**  
 The garret meetings now have ceased to be, and the Premier of the "Third Party" has lapsed into obscurity. But other and powerful influences are at work. Each of the officers of the Opposition are provided with a hook and line and a considerable quantity of bait. A few days ago one of them, Mr. Covert, approached an unsuspecting member on the Government side, and dropped his hook down by his nose. This hook was baited with the Surveyor Generalship. But the most reasonable part of it is, the member did not bite. While this was going on Blair had the Chief Commissioner on another hook, but could catch nothing. Willis held the Provincial Secretaryship bait before Mr. Elder, but the latter would not as much as smell it. After three weeks fishing they caught, they imagined, two suckers. One of these is promised a portfolio, the other a seat without office; but if report has it correctly the pair of these worthies have been since bought back, and are again faithful Government disciples.  
**Under Mr. Blair's Thumb.**  
 We were of opinion at one time that it would be just as easy to keep a frolicsome flea in one spot, as to keep Mr. Willis, "one of the proprietors of the *News*" quiet. But to the credit of Mr. Blair be it said, that he taken this sprightly little editor in hand and not suffered his party to be further at his mercy. It will be remembered by those within the circumscribed ring what a tongue-thrashing Mr. Blair gave this editor after the appearance of the article which foretold the tumbling down of the Government.  
 Within the past three weeks Mr. Willis' clergyman has not received a literary article from Mr. Willis on local politics. This is a blessing to the few readers of the *News*, and much source of

strength to the few opposition people.  
 Mr. Fraser has shown in the House that Mr. Blair either will, fully, or with ignorance more unpardonable still mistated that the Province since '74 fell back \$375,000. The real amount is \$54,000. To this Mr. Blair made the flat, flabby, nonsensical reply. "I said it might be considered to have been over-expenditure." Alas for Mr. Blair!

The claim of the man Clark, who got information on the fisheries question is up before the Dominion house. His claim—\$30,000—originated under conservative rule, but while the Grit folks were in power he did not demand the balance unpaid him. The *Globe* wonders at this, but it need not. The Grits were not, unfortunately, very honest, so the poor shyster might have had to whistle for the amount. Say \$30,000 is a large sum! grant that, but if the information obtained by this lawyer helped largely to get five millions for Canada, was it very high then?  
 This is a problem that would even make the *Telegraph* scratch its head to solve to its own satisfaction.

The *Freeman*, the only living authority on political economy says:—  
 "Mr. Tilley's ideas of the duty of a Finance Minister are rather peculiar. He told the House also that the *Paris* he calls his will take two million dollars out of the people of the United States, but he did not explain how this will be done."  
 But that the great mind of the *Freeman* editor could not see it, we should say that the Americans will ride over the protection wall and sell their goods in our markets as cheap as our own, and that this is how Mr. Tilley intends taking the "two millions" from them.

The debate on the budget at Ottawa is spirited on the one side, and perhaps somewhat acrimonious on the other. Both parties make good argument; but Sir John's policy is very largely endorsed.  
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 Hemp Carpets,  
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 Clothing store, all or any portion of  
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 OWEN SHARKEY.  
 Jan. 28, 1879.—3 mos.

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 Through Pullman Cars.  
 On and after MONDAY, the 3rd February, PULLMAN CARS will run to Montreal without change.  
 They will leave Halifax on MONDAYS, WEDNESDAYS and FRIDAYS, and St. John on TUESDAYS, THURSDAYS and SATURDAYS.  
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 Moncton, N. B., January 31st 1879

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**A FULL SUPPLY**  
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**TO LET,**  
 THAT beautiful and new house on King Street, now occupied by F. B. Coleman. Possession given 1st of May.  
 For particulars apply to J. Edgcombe & Sons,  
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 FROM the first of May next, the Cottage owned by the subscriber, situated on Charlotte Street, adjoining the residence of Mr. Alex. Mitchell, and now occupied by Mr. Christopher Chumpany, Apply to  
**JAMES BURCHILL**  
 or to ALEX. BURCHILL.  
 March 11th.—1st

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 TO LET from the first day of May next, half of the subscribers dwelling house, fronting on Regent Street, at present occupied by Mr. P. S. Nicholson. The dwelling throughout is finished in first class style. It is heated by a wood furnace, and contains eight rooms, kitchen, pantry, and three closets, also a FIRST FLOOR CELLAR. Good well of water, and out buildings attached.  
**JAMES PEPPERS.**  
 F'ron, Feb. 25th. 2w

**TRUSTEES NOTICE.**  
 NOTICE is hereby given that GEORGE T. SCULLY and CHARLES E. COLLINS, of Fredericton, lately carrying on business as Merchant Tailors, under the name, style and firm of SCULLY & COLLINS, have this day made an assignment in trust to me, for the benefit of their creditors.  
 The Trust Deed now lies at the office of the Solicitors, Messrs. RAINSFORD & BLACK, for signature, where creditors are requested to call and sign the same without delay.  
 All persons indebted to the firm of SCULLY & COLLINS, will please make immediate payment to me at the store, lately occupied by them.  
 Dated this 8th day of February, 1879.  
**RAINSFORD & BLACK,**  
 Solicitors,  
 A. A. MILLER,  
 Trustee.  
 Feb. 18, 1879.—1st.

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**REAL FRENCH KID GLOVES,**  
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**TO RENT.**  
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**J. L. BEVERLY.**  
 F'ron, Dec. 12

**10 Bales GRAIN BAGS**  
 For Sale Low by the Bale.  
**P. McPEAKE.**

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**A Sable Hound** with Seal trimmings. The finder will be suitably rewarded by leaving the same at the Barker House.  
 F'ron. March 27, 21st.

**NOTICE.**  
 ALL who are indebted to the subscriber for over six months, either by note or account, will please settle immediately and save cost.  
**OWEN SHARKEY.**  
 Fredericton, Feb. 4th.

**TO BE RENTED.**  
 THREE STORES now being finished in the subscribers Building. Possession given on or before the first day of May next.  
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 THE store at present occupied by EDWIN SNODY. Possession given on the first of May next. Apply to  
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 THAT handsome and commodious new house on the corner King and York Streets, now occupied by Mrs. Pickard. Suitable for Boarding House. Possession given on the first of May next.  
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 Pianos, & Organs,  
 Chamber Sets & Parlour Suites,  
 Paper Chairs in many varieties,  
 Chandeliers & Fancy Photographs.  
 The largest assortment of Fancy China Cups, Saucers & Mugs, ever displayed in the city. Toilet Sets,  
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 Former price \$3.25.  
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