

have the matter rooted up, have already worked to a useful end. In the House, on the 8th instant, Mr. Macfarlane, the member for Perth, moved for a copy of the charter of the Company, and sundry returns as to its operations. On a vote of 56 to 23, the House ordered these returns to be prepared and presented. The debate published in another column will show that there is ample ground for a searching investigation. The Hon. Mr. Rose, Mr. Macfarlane, Mr. Scatcherd and Hon. John Carling all took strong ground against the continued abuse practiced by the Canada Company, of their oppressions, of the vast tracts of land which they hold in an undeveloped state, and refusal to grant to settlers. It is high time as we have on several occasions asserted that the affairs of this Company were investigated and made public, and if the allegations made are fully proven that the Home and Colonial Governments should be petitioned either to declare the charter forfeited, or that some guarantee should be given that better faith with the public should in future be kept. It would be well if Parliament insisted on the lands of the Canada Company being thrown open for public sale, in the same way as the Crown Lands are now offered to the public. In the debate in question, the Hon. J. H. Cameron, the Solicitor to the Company, in vain came to its aid. He endeavored by special pleadings and "bamboozling" to divert the attention of the House from the consideration of the evils complained of; but it would not do. Mr. Macfarlane stuck to his motion, and carried it by a majority of 33. We congratulate those gentlemen who have given their time and attention to this matter on their first success, and trust they will persevere until they get justice done the thousands of poor settlers at present in the grip of the Canada Company and who are scattered over the vast tracts of land held in Huron, Perth and Middlesex. All our local members were in favor of the called-for investigation, and, as will be seen from the report, Mr. Scatcherd, Mr. Carling, and Mr. Macfarlane took part in the debate. Our Mayor especially deserves credit for the manner in which he has ferretted out this business, and brought the subject so prominently before the attention of members of the Legislature.

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THE CANADA COMPANY.

The agitation of the subject by the Mayor of London has at least produced one beneficial result—the appointment of a Parliamentary Commission to enquire into the manner in which the conditions of their charter have been complied with. This object was once before sought, but owing to the influence brought to bear by the Commissioners of the Company, many of whom were members of the Executive, the question was for a time staved off. Mr. Glass deserves the thanks of every settler on lands once held by this Company for his manly course in coming forward as the advocate for their rights.

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GOOD NEWS FOR HURON AND PERTH.

THE CANADA COMPANY.

It is with some degree of satisfaction that we give insertion to the two following extracts, not only because they announce the reduction of \$4 per acre by the Canada Company on their lands, but also that they give expres-