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The Provincial Debt.

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ficit followed deficit and the debt increased by leaps and bounds, the Government and their supporters and their press have in the most bare-faced manner endeavored to deceive the people and to divert attention from our deplorable financial condition by presenting false and misleading statements. By means of such duplicity at election times our Grit friends have managed to keep themselves in power thus far but their po-litical sins are finding them out and their insincerity is unmistakably manifesting itself. At the last general election in 1900 Mr Farquharson, then Leader of the Government, and his supporters would not acknowledge any public debt and the Leader in his famous manifesto sought by a manipula tion of figures to convey the ide that there was a surplus of \$6,000 for the year 1899, the last year for which the public accounts were then available, notwithstanding that the auditor's report for that year plainly showed a deficit of \$36.915.03. We now have the confirmation of this truth from the most unexpected and, for the Government, the most inconvenient source. When Mr. Farquharson went to Ottawa looking for money in 1901 he very well knew he would have to present a statement approximating the truth if he hoped to win his case; he als knew he would have no trouble in making a good showing on the score of indebtedness if he at all adhered to the facts. Consequently his memorial to the Federal Government set forth that the was \$575,000. By his story of the surplus of \$6,000, and no acknowledgment of a Provincial debt he succeeded in winning the elections; but when he went on a begging expedition and the truth had to be told, his surplus was transformof the Province had suddenly jumped up to almost \$600,000. This memorial of Mr. Farquharson's is now embalmed in the Journal of the Legislative Assem-

This frank acknowledgment of the Provincial debt by the Patriot not an indignant electorate are is evidently intended for a purpose. only awaiting the opportunity to The people are to be asked to put their hands down deep into their pockets and plank down more taxes to pay the bills of this reckless and extravagant Government, and maintain unnecessary offices for their favorites and henchmen. The tone of the Patriot is very ap-

the debt. As we have more than House, who have business to attend the Leader of the Government to lay on once pointed out, it should be suffi- to in the country should not be the table of the House a statement of cient for all fair minded persons compelled to lose their time wait- all the convictions secured under The to know that when the Conser- ing for these differences of opinion Canada Temperance Act, the names of vatives assumed power they in- to be patched up. herited from the Davies Government a debt amounting, according to Mr. Hyndman, the Auditor of

FROM time to time we have pointed out to our readers the enormous proportions assumed by the Farguharson, amounted to \$128,-Provincial debt, under the reckless and extravant administration of from the \$128,429, we have \$76,our Grit friends. But, while de-689 as the amount of debt saddled upon the Province by the Conserthat they had only collected taxes for three years, or \$82,000 altonower we will find these facts: They succeeded to a debt of \$128.-000, and now at the end of eleven ervative Government are responible, \$76,689, we shall have \$623,-311 as the amount for which our Grit friends are responsible. Suposing we add to this amount the axes collected by them, viz., \$410,000, we shall find that between debt and taxes the tax payers of this Province are worse off than they were when the present Government came into power

ny Government or any party. But the Patriot says the receipts from the Land Office and the mounts received from the Federal Government on account of piers and other refunds should not have been used as ordinary revenue, but should have been capitalized and the interest only should have been used. The receipts from the present Government to find any fault with the Land Office receipts being used as revenue. This Government not only used the receipts as ordinary revenue, but wasted thousands upon thousands of the ed into a large deficit and the debt assets of the Province by granting enormous discounts to those in debted to the Land Office in order to ensure their political support. This is the way the assets of our Province were squandered by the bly for 1901, and shall continue present reckless debt-creating for all time to come a chapter of Government. The draft of \$200, our political history. In Decem- 000 from capital is once more ber, 1901, the Government desired called upon to do duty in the to dispose of some debentures and specious argument of the Patriot they were placed on the market It has repeatedly been pointed out by J. C. McIntosh, Broker, Halifax. that the Grits who were in a ma-In placing these debentures on jority in the Legislative Council sale the Government were obliged must bear the responsibility for to state the nature of the security that withdrawal equally with the that attached to them, and in his Conservatives. But it must be announcement of the assets and remembered that the Conservative liabilities Mr. McIntosh placed Government, through their exerthe Provincial indebtedness at tions, had \$20,000 added to our \$626,000. From this statement annual subsidy at Ottawa it will be seen that the Govern- Consequently, although our an ment admitted the rapid increase nual receipts were lessened by in the debt, due to their misman. \$10,000 a year by the withdrawal agement. Finally, when the Pub- of the \$200,000 the amount of our lic Accounts for 1901 were pre- subsidy was \$10,000 a year better sented to the Legislature a couple when the Conservatives went out of weeks ago the Patriot acknow- of power than when they assumed ledged the debt to be \$642,177.72. the reins of Government. It will Registrars. It shall be the duty of the This is the amount of the debt as therefore be seen that nothing can shown on the face of the Auditor's be made against the Conservatives on this score. No matter report; but, as we have already how much sophistry is used in the shown, the unfinished contracts attempt to whitewash the Governand other accounts carried forment it is of no avail, they are ward the debt at least \$700,000. condemned by their record; their doom is sealed, and if we mistake

## consign them to political oblivion. Sessional Notes.

In the waste of valuable time Premier Peters equals, if he does not surpass, any of his Liberal predecessors. More than four ologetic; it is very desirous that weeks have passed since the sesparty bitterness shall be eliminat- sion opened and the Government ed, that all will willingly bend have enacted scarcely any legisla- by a fine. A fee of ten cents is to be their necks to the galling tax tion excepting the amended road paid the District Registrar for each yoke. After arrogantly upholding act. The budget has not yet birth and death registered by him. all the political rascality of the been delivered, and a species of party in power, its gerrymander, political chaos would almost apits deprivation and restoration of pear to have crept in to the Govthe franchise to suit party exig. ernment side of the House. Memency and its numerous other acts bers are absent from their places by which the rights of the people and interest in the proceedings

esponsible for a large portion of the revenue the members of the road from Gilbert Road in Lot 14 to the

Speaking of the road act in our lastissue, without the report of the victed under said Act from whom no the Davies Government, to \$51,- Public Works department before 740. They remained in power as, we set down the expenditure twelve years, and when they re. on roads last year at \$18,969.61. tired the debt, according to Mr. The Public Works Report shows that a balance on road contracts laid on the table the returns of the 429. Substracting the \$51,740 was carried forward and not mentioned in the Public Accounts. This balance amounts to \$6,203.84. Consequently the amount spent vatives. That is to say \$6,390 a on roads during 1901, so far as year for twelve years. Surely we have any knowledge, was upthat is a good record considering wards of \$25,000. A very considerable sum all must surely admit for the amount of work done. gether. If we now examine the The road act as it now stands is ecord of the Grit Government in somewhat worse than it was before the act of 1901 was introduced. The numerous inspectors under the new act will have little years the debt is \$700,000, or an influence for good; they will be average of nearly \$54,000 a year. apparently figure-heads to a large But that is not all. During eight extent. The road makers who of these eleven years our Liberal work the "machine" will evidentfriends collected \$410,000 in taxes, ly have the pull. The or an average of over \$51,000 a act seems to give them the disyear. If we substract from the tribution of work for political present debt of the Province the purposes. This act seems to have mount for which the late Con. all the defects of the act of 1877, labor and with all checks removed. it. The Government will consider the

vengeance.

pition for this Province seems to Cummiskey said that after the resignahave engaged considerable attention in the Government caucus. This matter had been very strong- officials. They reported no defalcations ly urged upon the Government. and not a dollar missing. by upwards of one million dol-They had been waited upon by a delegation of the directors and of the Government if the Act of last lars. Surely that is a record suffi cient to irretrievably condemn members of the Exhibition Association who pointed out that un- the provision of the British North Amless a Government grant be given erica Act. Premier Peters replied that the grounds and buildings of the agreed to give a grant for the tractor having left the Province. The Provincial exhibition as well as with this report was another to lic Works what action had been taken deficit of 1899 amounted to \$36. Land Office have never been used on the 31st December 1900 land of the Province on the 31st December 1900 land of the province on the 31st December 1900 land of the province on the 31st December 1900 land of the province on the 31st December 1900 land of the province on the 31st December 1900 land of the province of merside. This latter would surely be a pretty arbitrary proceeding, as the property owners of Charlottetown and Summerside are now very heavily taxed for municipal purposes. Whether or not it was intended to link together the exhibition and civic taxation we know not; but evidently the Charlottetown and Summerside taxation question could not be forced through the caucus, and with its collapse the exhibition grant also fell to the ground; for t soon became current that the exhibition was "knocked in the nead," and that the idea of civic taxation for Provincial purposes and been abandoned. It is rather humiliating commentary on the reation of a department of agriulture and the inauguration of Farmers Institutes that the Exibition Association are obliged o sell their grounds and buildings

> It provides for the registration of births and deaths. The Provincial Secretary Treasurer is to be Registrar General, and under him there will be District District Registrar to make returns to first of March, June, October and Dacember in each year, of the births and deaths in his district during the previous three months. These returns shalf be on forms containing the original entries, certified under his hand. The act requires every clargyman to keep a register of baptisms and deaths within his parish. Notices of births are required to be given to the District Registrar by the father or mother or near relative, within thirty days after birth. The tenant or occupier of a ouse in which a death takes place shall likewise supply the required par ticulars to the District Registrar. Phy sicians are required to transmit certifi cates of the cause of death, and clergy men who perform funeral services shall satisfy themselves that registration has been made. There are special provisions to meet special cases and failure to comply with the law is punishable The act is to go into operation on the

n consequence of tack of Govern-

ment support. But this is what

A bill of some importance was in-

traduced to the Honse on the 4th inst

to latest reports.

The usual catechising of the Government by members of the House has yet four weeks of time has been consum been going on for the past week or two, and the proceeding has been in part a

1st January, 1903.

OTTAWA, April 5th, 1902.

THE WEEK IN PARLIAMENT. The debate on the budget, which will parties who paid the fines, the names of the parties imprisoned, also a detailed account of all the money collected as fines, also the names of persons confines were collected and the ressons for not collecting them, the names of parties releaced from jail and the Attorney General's authority for such release Hon. Mr. Peters said he had already Stipendiary Magistrates, but if any statements were required they would be made up and presented to the House. There was one case of release, that of woman who was let out of jail to indifference to him which policy he votes

Mr. McKinnon asked the Leader of petition from the inhabitants of Murray River praying for a grant of money t crossing McLure's dam for the safety taking in the matter? Hon. Mr. Peters replied that this matter belonged to the Department of Public Works and the question would be answered by and manufacturers was called for. ed the Leader of the Government if he EXODUS STILL CONTINUES. District praying that they would be allowed the privilege of submitting their grievances to arbitration and what ac-

petition had been received. He then explained the matter and the steps without the option of statute taken by the Government in regard to This is progressive legislation with matter and probably grant an arbitramissioner of Public Works if there had In addition to taxation the been any defalcation in that office within the past two years, and if so, has question of an agricultural exhi- the amount been restored. Hon. Mr rumors of defalcations. He had the matter investigated by two competen

tion the Government intends taking in

Hon. Mr. Gordon asked the Leader session regarding the controverted Election Act had been disallowed under the Act had not been disallowed. Hon-Mr. Gordon asked the Commissione ssociation would have to be sold. of Public Works if any arrangemen A day or two afterwards it was had been made for the establishment of said the Government caucus had a ferry at Poplar Point, the late con. Commissioner of Public Works said a number of tenders had been received grant for the "Winter Fair" at but none had been accepted. Mr. Mc-Amherst, N. S. Concurrently Lean asked the Commissioner of Pubwas not aware of a petition, but he thought it was a matter that should be attended to. Mr. McLean asked the action if any the Government have taken to repair the road along the shore on the north side of Fortune River. The Commissioner of Public Works said that a good deal of complaint had been received. A good many of the inhabitants wanted the road across the farms; a disagreement was apparent

s to the price of the land. Mr. A. J. McDonald asked the Leader of the Government to lay on the table of the House a statement showing in detail now the item of \$556023 as shown by the Public Accounts for the year 1901 to have Governor General of Canada is made up, the said statement to set forth (1) the name or names of the person or persons to amount paid to each; (2) The nature of the service rendered by each person and (3) The kind, quality and price of the goods furnished by each person to whom the said noney or any part thereof was paid. The tabled in a short time. Mr. Kickham ask the Commissioner of Public Works whether he intends making passable the roads leading from Souris West Bridge the caucus has decreed, according south along the Bank. The Commissioner of Public Works said that the road accom

nodated very few and thore was anothe oad which could be used. Mr. Archibald J McDonald asked leave to resent a petition from the inhabitants of Beorgetown, praying that unrestricted cillors of said Town to lease the Common for such term as they think fit and to sell ertain parts of the spuare; the money to be applied to improving the parts rebe granted to the said Town. Hon. Mr. Fordon presented a petition from certain useholders of Georgetown, praying that

the town be not incorporated. On the 4th Mr. John F. Whear, member for Charlottetown presented a petition with 800 names of residents of Charlottegarding the question of prohibition. the granting of the prayer of the petition he moved the following resolution. "Resolved that in the opinion of this House the prayer of the Petitioners that a plebscite of the cifizens of Charlottetown be taken as to whether they are in favor of tne Prohibition Act 1900 and that neces sary legislattion be passed at the present ssion to abrogate the said law if an adverse vote thereon be recorded against the said Act." There was no seconder and the discussion was dropped.

The balance of the time of the Legisature, whilst setting, has been occupied angement of bills for incorporation of hall companies and of a corresponding private nature. All that has been done Surely this imposture must soon cease

by which the rights of the people have been trampled under foot, our contemporary now changes is seems to have very much diminished. Numerous caucuses of the ished. Numerous caucuses of the Government members have been like and bland. Does it expect to deceive anyone by such tactics?

While the Patriot acknowledges the debt to be over \$642,000, it has recourse to its usual sophistry in a labored attempt to hold the pre
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# THE HERALD vious Conservative Government methods to be adopted to increase consideration of the Ottawa Weekly Letter. The Herald's Scoop-Net.

close on Tuesday, the 8th inst., was reof Government speakers. Mr. Kendall, Cape Breton, wants free trade and direct axation; Mr. Turgeon, Gloucester, is confident that free trade will be granted the Minister of Finance; Mr. Maclaren, of Huntington, declares himself to be a free trader, but he is willing to bow to the judgment of Hon. W. S. Fielding and come a protectionist; Mr. Holmes, West Huron, admits that there is a split in the Liberal ranks over the tariff question and warns the Government not to gran further protection; Mr. Scott, Assiniboia, who won his election on free trade pro mises, explains that now he is first and last a Liberal, and it is a matter of

The Conservative speakers presented solid front. They were Mr. Porter. Wes Hastings, who delivered his maiden speech nd made a good impression; Mr. Rosa mond, North Lanark; M. Pringle, Cornwall: Mr. Lovell, Leads and Grenville: Mr Taylor, South Leeds; Dr. Roche, Maruette; and Mr. LaRiviere, Provencher Canada for Canadians" was the strain that characterized the opposition re marks. Adequate protection to farmers

The United States census returns sho clusively that the claim made by th ment, that the exodus from Canada conshine. The statistics sent out from he United States census bureau established, that in 1880, there were 717,157 n 1890, the number was 980,938; in 1900 t was no less than 1,181,778. That is to say that in 1890 the total number of Canadians respectively domiciled in Canada and the United States was as 83 to 17; while in 1900, was as 82 to 18.

# MR. BLAIR'S BIG COAL BILLS.

In 1899-1900 Hon. A. G. Blair purchased \$548,140 worth of coal for the Inolonial Railway. In 1900-01, when the price of coal had advanced fifty per cent, he purchased 200,000 tons of coal when prices are normal. Mr. Blair as high as \$5 per ton for this coal in 1900-1901. These extensive investments were tion. Buying \$1.80 coal for \$5, partly explains the deficit of nearly \$1,000,000 the management of the government rail-

CANADA FLOODED WITH DISEASES. Mr. Robert Watchorn, the Special Imare the direct result of filth and sunanitary Intario and Quebec) is being made the lumping ground for disease introduced by these people. The Minister of Agriculture has refused to to take steps to extripate this frightful condition of affairs.

PROTECT THE FARMRES. For the year ending June 30th, 1901 canada's importation of agricultural procts from the United States included

Barley ......32,346 Tomatoes......37.508 Small fruits..... 80,366

named produce. The Conservatives have will guarantee to farmers the excessive privilege of trading in their own markets. 'Canada for Canadians" with equal recognition of the needs of the farmer, manufacturer and laborer is what the Conservative party stands for.

Britain, tons upon tons of German and LONDON, April, 5.—The city is talking other foreign textiles have been brought about Cecil Rhodes' will. His fortune over to England and re-shipped to Canada, after a so called process of 'finishing' in order that they may be classed as goods called process of 'finishing' in and teu million of this goes to found scholarships at Oxford open for three years at \$1,500 each, for students of partiy of British manufacture. In some partly of British manufacture. In some every British colony and every state in cases this 'finishing' in England, consists the American union and from Germany simply in taking of the German, French, or There are no restrictions as to race or maining; and also that corporate powers degranted to the said Town. Hon. Mr. again, and then giving them a British Gordon presented a petition from certain name or label. There is no branch of \$50,000. trade in which this style of smuggling is carried on to a greater extent than it is in the textile trade."-Belfast (Ireland) News Such a statement, coming as it doe rom the most influential British papers town asking that plebiscite be taken re- having no political ends to serve in Canada stablishes unquestionably the mischie After speaking for some time in favor of that is being wrought throughout Canada by the preferential? tariff as it now exists

At Los Angelos, Cal., March 13th, 1902 Herbert J. Coffin, aged 34 years, a native of Prince Edward Island and son of John At St. Teresa, on March 27th, Mary McAree in the 18th year of her age, be oved daughter of Francis and Mary Ann McAree. May her soul rest in peace. In this city, at the residence of Mr. Charos Riley, on Monday the 7th inst, Riley aged 55 years. R. I. P.

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If time was money the loafers of this

Silence is said to be golden, but it someimes indicates guilt.

Somo people claim to be broken heartwhen they have only a disordered

Some get up with the lark while others are not content without a swallow the

drst thing in the morning.

A young man near Charlottetown met near costing him his life. He was out hunting for trouble and accidently ran up

A Georgetown woman says her husband holds the record for talking in his sleep. Poor fellow! Poor fellow! Perhaps he thinks that is his only chance to get in s

To look over the average congregation

in a church is enough to make one wonder

where are the poor : but look into the contribution box and you will wonder where are the rich. WHERE HONOR COUNTS.

The count possessed an honored name; Exalted was his rank. Ah yes! His name was honored, but Not honored at the bank.

There is a sixteen-year-old boy in Tenessee who has already killed three men. boy at that age who has committed so many murders is almost sure to come to a

around the corners of this city who are nore than in the previous year. Run of kept so busy maintaining their dignity nine coal is worth about \$1.80 per ton that they haven't time to earn a decent

A number of young men belonging to peared before the Magistrate at the police court the other morning for fast driving which revealed itself in connection with on the streets. They were let off with a warning. The general opinion is that they should have been let off with a warming.

Captain Morrison, the fighting editor of the Ottawa Citizen, has been presented with the Distinguished Service Order for igrant Inspector, who has charge of all gallant conduct in the field in South United States immigration officials in Africa. The Cap, deserves it, having anada, is responsible for the statement, shown by his handling of the guns out that "ninety-eight per cent. of the Europ. there that he is a remarkably cool and Boers, he is handling his pen, raking the ranks of his Grit opponents with hot shot, He ought to get a D. S. O. even for thi

# FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE

CECIL RHODES' FUNERAL. CAPE Town, April 3 .- A stream of

people passed by the coffin of Cecil Rhodes in Parliament House to-day, and the funeral this afternoon was imposing. The streets were lined with troops. The pall bearers were Dr. Jameson, the Premier of Cape Colony and six others. The chief mourner was Colonel Frank Rhodes, who walked bareheaded and alone, followed by the other brothers of the deceased and representatives of Lord Milner, the British presentatives of Lord Milner, the British High Commissioner, and Sir Walter Hely Hutchinson, the Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Cape of Good Hope. The gun carriage was drawn by eight horses. Among the drapings of the coffin was a banner of the Loyal Woman's Guild inscribed, "farewell; great heart." In front o headed and the building itself was filled to its capacity. At the conclusion of the services the mourners proceeded to the station. There the coffin was borne into the De Reers Company's saloon car, which had been converted into a chapelle ardente. The family, the executors of the will, and others, accompanied the remains to Rhodesia.

# The Prices.

The market was not very largely attended yesterday. The few loads of hay on the square were disposed of at prices between 50 and 55c. Buyers are paying from \$9.00 to \$10:00 a ton for pressed hay, and \$7.00 for straw, Pork was scarce; 7½c was the top-notch price. Potatoes are worth 30c. and oats 42c. price. oats 42c. utter. (fresh).....

Butter (tub)	0.21 to 0.22
Beef (small) per lb	0.08 to 0.10
Beef (quarter) per lb	0.07 to 0.71
Calf, skins	0.06 to 00.6
Ducks	0.50 to 0.70
Eggs, per doz	0.11 to 0.12
Geese	0.80 to 1 00
Hides	0.05 to 0.51
Hay, per 100 lbs	0.50 to 0.55
Lamb	0.05 to 0.06
Lamb (carcass)	0.41 to 0.05
Mutton, per lb	0.05 to 0.06
Oats	0.42 to 0.42
Oatmeal (per cwt)	3.00 to .325
Pctatoes (buyers price)	0.30 to 0.30
Pork (small)	0.10 to 0.12
Pork (carcass)	0.7% to 0.7%
Sheep pelts	0.50 to 0.65
Turnips	0.60 to 0.12

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