

PORT ALBERT.

Hauling the Government Over the Coals.

Broken Promises Coming up in Judgment How Government Money is Expended Away - The Sagaries of the Dredge "Challenge."

The following from a valued Port Albert correspondent, although it is not new matter to many of our readers, who know the lame manner in which the dredge Challenge has attended to business along our shores for some years past while "waiting for orders," certainly shows up the humbugging in a racy and readable form:

The question as to whether the Dominion government intends holding another session or bringing on the elections at once is the chief topic of conversation amongst our villagers. The Gits, confident of success, would prefer having the contest at the present time, when there is but little doing in the rural districts, instead of in June, when farmers especially have no spare time to lose in electing their representatives. The Tories on the other hand desire another session, for what reason we fail to understand, unless it be that by that time they will be resigned to the ultimate defeat so sure to follow. Oh! but didn't they take their recent defeat terribly to heart? Why, to use a pugilistic slang term,

"IT COMPLETELY DISEN THEM UP." They hadn't a pleasant smile on their countenances, nor a happy remark in their mouths for two whole weeks; but they are gradually returning to their old time cheerfulness. There were, of course, a few exceptions, a few who took their defeat gracefully enough, and to us we do not wish to do them any injustice. We alluded only to those rabidly dyed-in-the-wool Tories by instinct. Tories by birth, Tories by ignorance, Tories by their hatred of civil and religious liberty, those Tories who would roll under their tongues as sweet morsels the firebrand articles of the M.G., and whose love of Toryism, and all that the name implies is such, that they would even, if dying, mention it in their will, bequeathing it as a rich legacy to their issue. In proportion as we delight over Mowat's victory, so do we gloat over their humiliating defeat.

What are our prospects for receiving a Government grant for the harbor this year? is a question our people often discuss, and with no satisfactory conclusion. Were we certain that Government intended holding another session it would be a question easily answered, for even many of the Tories themselves agreed that there is nothing to be hoped for from the present Administration. "We have been treated most shabbily by them, there's no getting over it," said one of our prominent Conservatives the other day. "What have we ever got from them in answer to our petitions and delegations, but

Broken Promises, and staffs of engineers." And he was about right. We haven't received much Government pay. But now as we are speaking about it, we would like to observe that the idea seems to prevail in the outside world, that Port Albert harbor has received immense grants of money from the Government, that thousands and thousands of dollars have been recklessly squandered upon it, and that the Government was in no wise to blame for not granting any further assistance. Now, what are the facts of the case? What is the total amount of money received from the Canadian treasury for building and keeping our harbor in repair ever since its first inception some 20 years ago? Some immense sum, of course. Yes, oh yes. Whisper it not in Gath, tell it not in the streets of Jerusalem, we have during all that time received from the Dominion Government, in drabs and drabs, the gigantic amount of nine thousand, two hundred and sixty dollars. There it is, in all its entirety. Why, I would hardly have kept Rideau Hall in hairpins. Of course we do not include in this amount the expenses of engineers in surveying, which certainly has not been of any benefit to us, and the cost of which we know nothing, only that if these government engineers receive anything like

The princely salaries which public rumor credits them with, the cost must almost equal that expended on the harbor. Why we hardly ever sent a petition to parliament for pecuniary aid, or held any communication with the Public Works Department, but along came an army of engineers from Ottawa—generally Frenchmen—sometimes accompanied by their wives and children, on a holiday trip, and they would stop around for a couple of weeks, taking notes, making elaborate plans of the harbor, etc., and then depart to the Government seat, leaving us in a state of desperate anxiety to know whether "the grant this time would be only thirty or forty thousand dollars, instead of fifty or sixty thousand." The publication of the estimates— anxiously looked for, you may be sure—always settled that question beyond peradventure. Speaking of promises, the broken promises of the Government, the last session—and we sincerely hope that it may be the last session of the present parliament—overshadowed anything in that line that they previously committed. On that occasion our township council sent Sir Hector Langevin, Minister Public Works, in reference to our harbor, and that urbane and courteous gentleman at once promised to

Send the dredge along. In the spring and also to expend a certain amount in piling and some other very necessary repairs. Well, what was the result? The dredge laid up in Goderich last winter and commenced to fit up for the opening campaign shortly before the summer. Of course we naturally expected that as soon as she had been fitted out and would commence operations here. But she didn't, just the same. No, nor in a long five weeks of glorious weather, after she had been fitted out and thoroughly overhauled, did the Govern-

ment dredge Challenge "do a stroke of work anywhere," as our best door neighbor sometimes remarks. And more than that, she had her full staff of men on board doing nothing but drawing their pay which ranged all the way from twenty to seventy five dollars a month, board included. Some, they had to keep up steam, for he knows, it was "waiting for orders," the captain said, and as he didn't know the hour or the minute he might have to depart, he kept his dredge like on one of her Majesty's warships, "ready for instant departure." But at last the "orders"—sealed orders—came. There was a commotion, a hurrying to and fro.

ON BOARD THE CHALLENGE, as those brave fellows realized that their five long weeks of miserable inactivity was at last over. And a beautiful, soul-stirring sight it was, on that fine June morning to see the magnificent craft—with those gallant hearts on board—crossing whether they went—in love of their country the Government tug Trustee, sailing majestically out—not out to some far distant port, gentle reader, but only out to the end of the south pier, Goderich harbor, where, according to the most reliable information received by the Government, a sand bar had formed during the winter. For four weeks did the dredge Challenge lie in Goderich harbor last spring with a stone three of an obstructed to the entrance, and within nine miles from the picturesque northern village where Sir Hector Langevin had faithfully promised she should early commence operations. But we must be brief. Some five weeks after the above event we ever heard one of our leading Conservatives remark that he "never felt the want of cannon on our Port Albert hills until he saw that black dredge passing up this morning to spend the rest of the season around Southampton."

Since writing the above we have been informed of the dissolution of Parliament. 'Tis well. With the Hon. M. C. Cameron as our representative we can rest satisfied that a brighter future is in store for our fair village.

A BAD RECORD.

What Macdonaldism Has Done For Canada.

Dr. S. B. Macdonaldism and Religion—Corruptionism Thriving at Ottawa.

The Globe has been looking up the history of Macdonaldism during the past six years, and furnishes the following summary:

Corruption of the most loathsome kind in the Cabinet, in Parliament, amongst all the dependents and hangers-on of the Government, as witnesses:

- The Underdonk job. The Beatty-Woodworth case. The White Jamieson-Bowell case. The Hickey case. The Hector Cameron case. The Macmaster case. The Macdonald-Tupper case. The J. H. B. case. The Rykert case. The Dalton McCarthy case. The Robitaille-McGreavy case. The Sons of their Fathers case. Mr Beatty's written estimate of the value of a Minister's services. The memorial to Sir Hector Langevin, and the favors conferred on contractors who subscribed to it. The memorial to Mr Costigan, and the favors conferred on contractors who subscribed to it. The memorial to Sir John Macdonald, and the favors he bestowed on the Northern Railway who subscribed to it. The diamond necklace and other diamond ornaments, worth \$15,000 to \$25,000, presented to Lady Macdonald, and the arrangement with the C. P. R. which followed it. The Chapeau-Ripley transaction. The many applications for timber limits, coal areas, ranches, made by members of the Tory party in Parliament, the other Railway charters and subsidies given to Parliamentary supporters, &c.

The terrible misgovernment in the Northwest, the seven years' cruel and callous neglect of the claims of the half-breeds, the transfer of their lands at Batoche to the White-Jamieson Company, the starvation of the Indians, the supply of putrid food to the Indians and the pestilence and death which they caused, the waste of several hundreds of thousands of dollars of the money voted by Parliament for the use of the Indians, the ill-treatment of Indians by political partisans, the degradation and debasement of the Indians by Sir John Macdonald's employes, as described by Methodist and Presbyterian missionaries.

The creation of the great railway monopoly in the Northwest. The disallowance of Manitoba railway charters. The creation of numerous land monopolies. The making of regulations that would increase the profits of the monopolists. The reservation of large tracts from settlement for the same purpose. The general misgovernment of the Northwest, and making it a dumping ground for Tory prodigates and worn-out Tory hacks.

The driving away of thousands of settlers, and the preventing of settlement. The rebellions in the North-West. The loss of over 200 valuable Canadian lives. The frightful sufferings of women and children, of missionaries and clergymen. The waste of millions in suppressing the last rebellion, and all the robbery and corruption countenanced by the Government. The Gerry-mander Act. The Franchise Act. The refusal to pass a Factory Act. The obstinate resistance to Reciprocity. Threats of rebellion in British Columbia. A secession movement in Nova Scotia. This is what the Tories call progress.

It is no wonder that Sir John Macdonald undertakes to turn public attention away from a record so frightful.

Why They Did Not

To the Editor of the Exeter Times (Tory) DEAR SIR—As a great majority of your readers do not know the reasons why the Hon. S. A. A. refused to accept Mr. Swenerton as their candidate, in fairness to the Association, I ask to insert the following in the column of the Times. The following are some of the reasons for rejecting Mr. J. Swenerton— 1st. Because he was not a total abstainer.

2nd. Because he opposed the Scott Act party, of Exeter, at the municipal elections of 1885. Nominated by them to contest the deputy reevehip, he refused, and ran for council as an anti-Scott Act candidate. 3rd. Because he accompanied a deputa-tion which waited on Mr. Katz, of Stephen, pressing him to run as an anti-Scott Act candidate, in which case Mr. Swenerton would not have been a candidate but would have supported him. These are enough for any unprejudiced man.

In giving the above a space in your columns you will greatly oblige the secretary of the U. S. A. A. P. S.—If the above statements are incorrect the Association was misinformed. Uxbridge, Jan. 4th, 1887

Guilt Proved from Official Documents.

I can show to you from the papers and statements of these men themselves that there were grievances affecting a large portion of the half-breed population; that the fact was known to them, and the importance of an early remedy was also known; that they asked for and received in 1879 full power to settle the difficulty; that they did not move at all until 1885; that they were asked again and again in the meantime to act; that they were warned again and again in the meantime of danger of delay; that in June, 1884, Riot came in, and they were thus especially warned in time to have averted the danger; that they in some sort knew the danger of the situation, and thought it serious enough to justify them in taking away the militia service, and establishing a special post of the mounted police; that notwithstanding all this, they did nothing to redress till 1885. In the Commons House of Parliament I have told these men face to face, that before God and man I hold them responsible for every drop of blood spilled, every pang suffered, every dollar of treasure spent, all our loss of reputation, all our blasted hopes, because of this rebellion; and what I said to them face to face I say to you today.— Mr. Blake.

Rev. W. S. Northcote, son of the late Lord Idlesleigh, denies that there was any ill-feeling between his father and Lord Randolph Churchill.

Goderich Markets

Table listing market prices for various goods such as Wheat, Flour, Potatoes, etc.

Legal Notices

NOTICE TO CREDITORS. In the Matter of WILLIAM JAMES of the Town of Brampton, in the County of Peel, Farmer.

Notice is hereby given that the above named William James has made an Assignment to the Creditors of his estate and effects, in trust for the benefit of his creditors, in pursuance of 48 Vic. (Chapter 26) Ontario Statutes, and amending Acts.

1873 GRIP! 1887 CANADA'S COMIC JOURNAL.

ANNOUNCEMENT FOR THE COMING YEAR. GRIP is now so well known as to require very little of either description or praise. It is the only cartoon paper in Canada, and it is furnished at about ONE-HALF THE PRICE of similar journals in the United States.

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Auction Sales

All parties getting their sale bills printed at this office will get a free notice inserted in this list up to the time of sale.

Auction sale of a valuable farm, farm stock and implements, the property of Mr. Seth Fisher, on the premises, lots 7 and 9, 3rd concession, eastern division of the township of Colborne, by John Knox, auctioneer, commencing at 1 o'clock, p. m., Thursday, the 27th day of January 1887. See posters for list of stock, terms, &c.

Legal Sales

CHANCERY SALE OF VALUABLE FARM PROPERTY, being composed of Lot Number One, in the First Concession of the Township of Ashfield, in the County of Huron, Western Division, containing by ad-measurement 63 acres of land, more or less.

EXECUTORS' SALE OF A VALUABLE FARM IN HULLT.

The executors of the estate of the late John Lawson will offer for sale by Public Auction, at SHEPHERD'S HOTEL, AUBURN, at 2 o'clock p. m., on WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 2nd, 1887.

JUDICIAL SALE OF FARM PROPERTY IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE.

The East half of Lot Number 25, in the 7th Concession of the Township of Wawanosh, will be sold by Public Auction, by SUTHERLAND MACLACON, Esq., Local Master at Goderich, on WEDNESDAY,

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