

"from. I discussed with you my personal position under the proposed arrangements
 "and with yourself, *Allan* and *Abbott* all the main features of the legislation proposed,
 "and such as were deemed necessary for the object. As you state, there were difficulties
 "in the way of closing matters, and I was aware of the agreement with Mr. *Langvin*
 "to which you refer, as it was frequently discussed between us and Mr. *Abbott*. I
 "was also aware from the first of Sir *George Cartier's* opposition to Sir *Hugh Allan*,
 "and of the means by which Sir *George* was forced to forego his opposition.
 "In regard to the payment of money for election purposes, I was informed of the
 "arrangement with Sir *George Cartier*, and was also shown a confirmatory telegram from
 "Sir *John A. Macdonald*. I understand the affair to be substantially as you have
 "related, and I have reason to believe that large sums of money were actually expended
 "for election purposes under the arrangement.

"Yours truly,

A. B. FOSTER."

(Enclosure No. 6.)

MEETING OF MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT IN OTTAWA.

(From the *Montreal Herald*.)

"The gentlemen opposed to prorogation held a meeting in the Railway Committee
 "room, immediately after prorogation.

"Hon. *L. H. Holton* said he thought it would be proper for the deputation who had
 "carried the memorial to the Governor General to report the result. That memorial had
 "been signed by ninety-three Members, which were a clear majority of Members who
 "were usually in attendance in the House. It was a memorial only praying him to stay
 "his hand so as not to prevent the House of Commons from inquiring into the most
 "stupendous political and electoral frauds which had ever hitherto been heard of. (Loud
 "cheers.) The practical result was that in the reply this memorial had been scorned by
 "the representative of the Crown. The worst possible insult had thus been put upon
 "Parliament by a Governor General, acting on the advice of men who were themselves
 "under impeachment for crimes which almost amounted to treason.

"Mr. *Cartwright* said, as Chairman of the Committee, that the memorial had been
 "received by the Governor General in a very courteous way, and with the remark that it
 "was drawn in a very proper manner, and that he also sympathized very much with the
 "feelings of the gentlemen of the deputation, but that he was obliged to act upon the
 "advice of the Members of his Government. He said also that he had named a Royal
 "Commission, consisting of three legal gentlemen, and would summon Parliament to meet
 "again in the course of about two months. With respect to the Oaths Bill, his
 "Excellency stated that his Ministry were not to blame for its disallowance. He also
 "said that he had to decline to accede to the prayer of the petition, because, unless he did

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