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- 18 38. — Have your quantities taken off by an outsider, else can you not be impartial.
- 18 39. — You can lay out work for a contractor and make him pay for it.
- 19 40. — You have heard of charging double what a thing is worth ; but have you ever heard of trying to get a dozen times the value : The air ducts, etc. Ottawa.
- 20 41. — At such figures we could not make an offer ; but resorted to another process.
- 21 42. - Please put on one carpenter and two laborers to renew the centreing of the air ducts.
- 21 43 — “ Government knows we have laid out money “ in the elections and that it has got to be made “ up to us in some way or other — Govern- “ ment wants no cheese-paring ” — “ No, but when “ the rind is thicker than the cheese, some paring “ becomes necessary.”
- 21 44 — One more example : \$1.25 the superficial foot for 10 cent winter sashes.
- 22 45 — “ No man, no government can sanction such prices without being held up to the execration of the country.”
- 22 46 — Sir E. P. Taché then premier, said I was “ not sufficiently confidential.”
- 22 47 — Be careful as to what you write to a contractor Montesquieu has said, “ give me three lines of any man’s writing and I will send him to the gallows ” ; or words to that effect.
- 23 48 — Alluding to concessions to the Quebec Jail contractors, I wrote them “ After all that I have done for you, why not pursue a more generous policy.”