

The Liberal Party and Superannuation.

As some of the mouthpieces of the Liberal party are loud in attacks upon the superannuation expenditure by the Conservative administration, it is well to examine the policy and practice of the Liberals when in power and the effect upon the superannuation fund to the present day.

In their five years of office, from November, 1873, to October, 1878, the Liberal Ministry, under Mr. Mackenzie and Sir R. Cartwright, used the power of superannuating civil servants to a greater extent, at larger cost and more profusely than ever before or since.

Up to June 30th, 1895, the civil servants superannuated by the Mackenzie administration in the five short years it lasted, had drawn from the superannuation fund the sum of

\$950,002. As the total expenditure for the superannuation up to that date had been \$4,030,350, the Liberals for their five years had incurred very nearly a quarter of the outlay, an enormous overproportion from any point of view. And in the fiscal year 1894-5, 33 civil servants, superannuated by the Liberals, were still on the list and drew \$16,170, so that the weight thus placed on the fund is far from being removed at present.

To these five years of Liberal administration may be largely attributed the burden on the superannuation fund.

The following are the civil servants superannuated by the Liberals during their term of office from 1874 to 1878, and who are still alive in 1894-5:-

SUPERANNUATED BY LIBERALS; STILL ALIVE IN 1894-95.

Name	Department	Age at Super'ation.	Received In 1894-5.	Total Receipts Since Super'ed.
Agnew, W.....	Customs.....	59.....	\$ 583 00.....	9,849 00
Holly, Jn.....	Agriculture.....	61.....	160 50.....	2,789 88
Cameron, Rev. J.....	Sta'tical Off., Hfx.....	—.....	252 74.....	4,519 80
Clute, J. B.....	Customs.....	80.....	396 14.....	6,740 63
Condon, Wm.....	Marine.....	50.....	178 50.....	3,853 92
Cook, Cella.....	Canals.....	54.....	60 84.....	1,257 40
Eager, J. B.....	Post Office.....	42.....	499 50.....	9,116 97
Ferland, S.....	Agriculture.....	36.....	262 03.....	4,939 18
French, T. B.....	Public Works.....	69.....	617 16.....	11,055 45
Godin, L.....	Canals.....	62.....	217 08.....	4,643 84
Hall, J.....	Customs.....	63.....	434 52.....	7,785 15
Howe, John.....	Post Office.....	62.....	1,399 02.....	26,598 42
Hunter, Jas.....	Canals.....	65.....	07 08.....	1,990 14
Kimber, R.....	Parliament.....	59.....	1,048 80.....	21,150 68
King, J. W.....	Justice.....	46.....	608 04.....	12,008 69
La Croix, H.....	Customs.....	59.....	675 10.....	12,095 66
Le Sueur, P.....	Post Office.....	63.....	1,024 32.....	18,159 25
Lindsay, A.....	Tinty House, Que.....	42.....	783 30.....	15,275 52
Lowden, H. J.....	Marine.....	57.....	285 60.....	5,474 00
Meredith, E. A.....	Interior.....	62.....	2,520 00.....	42,000 00
McMullan, Rev. H.....	Sta'tical Off., Hfx.....	41.....	488 88.....	8,693 83
Nutting, C. M.....	Sta'tical Off., Hfx.....	—.....	195 59.....	2,697 95
Perkins, T.....	Customs.....	66.....	360 00.....	6,976 70
Purcell, Jas.....	Customs.....	69.....	396 48.....	6,476 54
Quinn, F.....	Inland Revenue.....	45.....	347 70.....	7,245 00
Ryan, A.....	Sta'tical Off., Hfx.....	—.....	75 72.....	1,376 65
St. Amour, Is.....	Post Office.....	37.....	150 72.....	3,014 35
Tuck, Geo.....	Customs.....	62.....	114 00.....	2,280 00
Woodgate, A.....	Post Office.....	62.....	1,553 45.....	31,176 56

DIED IN 1894-95.

Ahorn, Wm.....	Canals.....	59.....	169 53.....	7,922 67
Burland, B.....	Customs.....	72.....	210 00.....	14,140 00
Hill, Thos.....	Marine.....	62.....	216 81.....	3,446 05
Rhodes, J.....	State.....	49.....	115 20.....	2,092 33

Total.....\$16,169 37.....\$317,781 84