



had been chiefly instrumental in forming the ticket in opposition to the Government, but that was also, incorrect. He had merely acted with friends in the matter and was no more responsible than any other of a dozen or two others who were leading opponents of the Government.

After Mr. Triggs was suggested to him by Mr. Hutchinson, himself, and while he was informed on good authority that Mr. Hutchinson had consented to the formation of the ticket, he was present when Mr. Gillespie gave his assent to the only condition required of the Candidates who were asked to join the ticket.

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After I had congratulated him on my office together and he asked me whether there was to be opposition to him or not. I replied that I would altogether depend on himself. Just then, as you will remember, the Dominion elections were pending and local politics were not, after all, of great consequence to a good deal of us.

"Public thief!" Gentlemen, there was but one reply which a man could make under such circumstances. He said, "I am a public thief," and you, sir, are a public thief!" I regret that the hon. gentleman should have provoked me to the use of such language.

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ADVANCE and myself. In his Newcastle speech the Surveyor-General poured out the vitæ vitæ upon me, because I had exposed the mismanagement of the Directors and delegates of the Miramichi Valley Railway. I had intended to deal quite fully with the whole question, but I only touch upon the principal points.

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did not seem to calm that gentleman's excited feelings and he proceeded to say that Mr. Smith had declared in his paper that Mr. Adams was no Catholic and no Christian. [Possibly he did and he had excellent authority for the assertion.]

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Miramichi Advance.

CHATHAM, N. B., JUNE 29, 1882.

The Dominion Elections.

As stated last week, the Conservatives have won the victory in the Dominion Elections. On the whole, the Liberals have gained ground, but the gains have been far from sufficient to defeat their opponents in Parliament, where, for all practical purposes, they are as strong as ever.

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The Gloucester Contest.

A Bathurst correspondent writes as follows:—"The Conservatives have gained the day in Gloucester. We have heard of corruption and nepotism, but such wholesale open corruption and bribery as is said to have taken place in Gloucester on the 20th instant, we hope never to hear of again.

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The Provincial Government.

Whatever may be the pretensions of members of the Provincial Government in reference to the support they expect in the new House of Assembly, it is evident to those sufficiently acquainted with the situation to enable them to judge correctly, that the Opposition numbers as well as in its claims to assume the reins of Government.

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Showing his Fangs.

The Surveyor-General's ferocious attack upon the ADVANCE and its editor during the late election campaign and his brutal announcement on Declaration Day, that he and his friends proposed to wage a war of extermination upon Mr. Smith, who was to be buried so deep that he could never come to the surface, and the hon. gentleman's prophecy that Mr. Smith would not have friends enough left to attend his



