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General Business.	guttamitut gutante.	Brunswick not only refuses to permit		blasted hopes. After a minute scrutiny of	many bridges for the Nova Scotia government, and I should say the statement of Mr. Koss re cost is correct. The Nova Scotia government engineer made a very careful examination of all our work	and the said investigation commenced on same day, namely March 9th, when Mr. Barne's and Mr. Haines, who had chirge of	CITATION.
TEDIAL O	OHATHAM. N. B., - FEBRUARY 9, 1899,	his interference in its local concerns, but it resents it. As the federal leader	character and standing in the country. Beef and boodle are nauseating. Out-	MR. PINDER'S PRACTISED SCAVENGERING and Mr. Dibblee's professional acumen the	before giving us estimates, and got good bridges, but he did not jusist on inspection of all material,	the Cocaigne B idge repairs, were examined	N THE PROBATE COURT OF NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY.
REDERICTON	A Problem of Conquest.	he only demonstrates his incapacity by	siders will have to learn that Northum-	opposition had not even a peg upon which to hang a criticism, nor a single item which	accepting the names of the rolling mills and their own tests as guarantees of the quality of the mate- rial: nor did he worry our shop superintendent by	further evidence. "The other witnesses being produced	To the Sheriff of the County of N rthumberlar any constable within the said county, Gre
- Quin all	Our American cousins do not appear	failing to understand that if he were	ociland men can take care of Northum- berland's interests and that they are not	could be by the most skilful manipulation	rial; nor did he worry our shop superintendent by having his bridges handled several times over for inspection, and consequently got good bridges at a	your committee met again on the 11th and 12 h inst., continuing the latter session	Whereas, Jomes D. Murphy and Mary Currar ministrators of the estate and effects of Ela
The Automatic)	to be as successful as their progenitors	much more able, capable and influential	made of the stuff that will submit to	construed into a charge of boodling." Without desiring to parade myself as a	much lower price than any bridge built for Mr. Wetmore would cost. Your truly,	until early this morning, when all persons	Walls, late of Chatham in said county, dec have filed an account of their administration
WIDSBORNE COLLEGE	in dealing with semi-civilized peoples	than he can ever hope to be, New	outside dictation.	particularly honest man, I quote the above	(Sgd) R. FIfZGIBBON. P. O. Box 426, Montreal, Nov. 19, 1898.	amined upon oath in regard thereto, as was	said estate and have praved in it the same m passed and allowed in due form of hiw. You are therefore required to cite the heir
	and, as a result, they are having no end	Brunswickers would easily get along without him, resist his intrusion in	[St. John Gazette]] Then and Now.	as the opinion of the news editor of the	The enclosure referred to above by Mr.	also the chief commissione and Mr. Wins- low, the clerk of the board of works office,	next of kin of the said deceased, the credito all others interested in her said estage to
t Commercial teacher, of the principal : the	of trouble in the Philippipe islands.	their local affairs, and in giving him the		Gleaner, whose opinion, I am free to admit, does not appear to entirely cerrespond with	Fitzgibbon is as follows : Robert Fitzgibbon, Esq., City :	on all matters in question. "A stenogropher being in attendance	before me at a Cours of Produce, to be held office. News stle, with n and for the said Co
oroughness of the work that is being done; the sonable rates of tuition, and the very low figure which board may be had, are some of the things	They appear to have underestimated the treachery of the Spaniards and the	right about, suggest that they are only	There is a decided difference between the way the opposition make charges in	that of the so-called religious editor of that	Dear Sir,-In reference to you letter concerning the Woodstock bridge, I would say the shop cost.	throughout taking the evidence, a copy of said evidence is herewith submitted, mark-	N rthumberland on Friday, the fourteenth April next, at eleven o'crock in the forei actend the pasting and allowing of the said a
which board may be had, are some of the things	assistance they would naturally have	following the policy of the people of his	the legislature and during a political	paper. 1 would like to ask if there is any more in	owing to inspection and intricate detail, was at least twice as great as that for such bridges as we	ed "A." "With reference to the investigation of	Given under my hand and the seal of t
	from Aguinaldo in getting as much as	own province, who know him best and	campaign. Every opposition supporter	formation new before the country to show any	had built for the Nova Scotia government. I do net know anything about cost of material and erec-	the expenditure on said Cocagne bridge	Cou.t this 28th day of December, 1893. SAM. THOMS
redericton Business College	possible in the form of money or other	have refused, for many years, to permit any public man associated with him to	throughout the province and all the news- papers controlled by the Moncton conven-	dishonesty on the part of the government than there was when the member of the	tion expenses, but the election expenses must cer- tainly be very largely increased owing to these same details. The more than a pulse of the set of the s	your committee, after affording ample time for all persons to be heard, and on con-	(L.S.) Judge of Probates Co.
popular college of the Maritime Provinces.	concessions from the United States to	have a voice in administering their	tion conservatives are yelling their threats		details. The inspector was a nuissnot, making us constantly rehand e material for his inspection co- sides insisting in all sorts of extra work. The de-	aideration of the evidence, find that ne wrongful act on the part of any person con-	G. B. FRAS 5R, R A. LAWL Registrar of Probate for said County
e popular college of the Maritime Provinces. Present attendance more than double that of last ar.	square both off in connection with the tormer conditions and differences be-	local affairs. Sir Charles Tupper's	dry and hoarse about double price bridges.	respect to Mr. Pinder's insinuations. It is	tails themselves were the most expensive of any- thing I ever handled in bridge work, athorrh I	nected therewith h s been shown, and the accounts of the said expenditure, as pro-	
Send for FREE Catalogue. Address, W. J. OSBORNE,	tween them. The fact that the United	impertinent backing of Mr. Foster's	In the legislature they made charges and withdrew them. Here is what happened	quite true that a letter purporting to have some from the Dominion Bridge Company	have been working for the Dominion Bridge Com- pany and others for the last twenty years.	duced from the department of public works, are correct.	- AND - S
edericton, N. B.	States naval and land forces were not	Moncton convention policy is, therefore,	during the session of the house in 1897.	and which, I have no doubt, did come from	Yours truly, (Sgd) WILLIAM ROSS,	"Your committee further find that the	
	backed by the absolute authority which	another proof of his senility and political incapacity.	It is taken from the official journals of the	that company, has been published, in which it is stated that that company could furnish	1300 Outanio street, mentreal, October 25, 1895.	course pursued by the department in pro- viding materials and doing the work in cou-	NOTHE TO HULDEDS
	they would have had were they British,		house and can be examined by anyone with sufficient curiosity to look up the	bridges at a considerably lower rate than	In these two letters we have the key note to how at least one of the upper province	nection with rebuilding and repairing the Cocagne bridge, considering the nature of	NOTICE TO HOLDERS
SPECIAL DRIVE	to establish themselves, for the time being, in the position of conquerors,		records.	paid by the government to New Brunswick concernes; but let us examine the most im-	concerns expected to make money by tak-	the work and the extent thereof, was correct."	TIMBER LICENSE
AT	appears to have encouraged a continu-	A bogus Northumberland opposition	"COMMITTEE ROOM,	portant part of that letter and what do we	ing work at a lower rate than New Bruns- wick concerns could honestly do the work	Now then, if anything wrong with respect	CROWN LAND OFFICE, 24 JULY The attention of all holders of Timber Li
	ance, on the part of the late rebels, of		"House of Assembly, 13 March, 1897. "The committee to whom are referred	find? "The exact price we can quote you	for.	to the prices paid for permanent bridges	all d to Section 19 of the Timber Reg
JOSIE NOONAN'S	the idea that the Americans were		the Public Accounts, together with the Auditor-General's report thereon for the	for any particular structure will depend on the design of span and on its length and		had been discovered after the session of 1897 , would it not be reasonable to suppose that	19 No Spruce or Pire trees shall be
THE BOOLET	as easily to be brushed aside as the	Following is a list of the candidates already nominated for the Local Legisla-	fiscal year ending 31st October, 1896, beg	capacity and resulting weight, the shorter	by getting a little "leeway." In other	the public accounts committee of last year	for pding, which will not make a log at 18 feet in length and ten inches at the r
HE BOQUET.	Spaniards. True, their ruler and gen-	tune in the different constituents of M	to report that your committee pursuant to the reference made by the House to		words, by being permitted to slight the	would likely have made some reference to the matter in their report? That com-	end; and if any such shall be cut, Lumber shall be liable to double stum and the License be forfeite 1"
	eral, Aguinaldo, had commissioned his friend Aguincelo to go to Washington	Rennamiak -	them by order of the 6th Feb. last passed,	the cheaper, but our price is not likely	work. That is the whole story in a nut- shell, and I think it highly creditable to	mittee was composed of Messrs. Fowler,	and all Liceusees are hereby notified, that
Dozen-The Latest-Walk-	to sue for terms which would leave the	County. Govt. Opposition. Restigouche, (2) Labillois.	have carefully investigated the various items concurred in by the house, and	In any case to be below of over the lightes	the officers in our department that the	Dibblee, Robinson, Osman, Tweedie, Pinder	Cutorceu
ing Hats and Sailors,	people of the Philippines at his mercy,	" Mott.	Messra, Summer and Pinder were repeat- edly requested to furnish the names of	named above. If you will send us full particulars of any work that may be offer-		and Sumner. Their report was submitted the day before the prorogation of the house	ALBERT T DUI Survey
-	but he failed to await the result of the		witnesses, but they neglected to do so	ing we will make a careful estimate of the	I have been furnished with a list of bridge	and, as the report printed in the journals of	
9cts, and 99cts.	mission of his envoy, and concluded	" Barns.	until this morning at 2 a.m., when, your	same and will name you a definite price for the metal work." Here you will see that	companies that have gone out of business	the nouse of assembly will show, was, in the	"OUR NATIVE HE
	that it would serve his purpose best to create new troubles. Our United	" Barchill,	were requested again to furnish the said	the Dominion Bridge Company did not com-	during the last few years, and the statement is made that they were forced to suspend	-	The Original Herb Compound,
ome early before the assort-	States neighbors thus learn another	" O'Brien, " Fish.	names. Mr. Sumner did then hand in the names of two witnesses, Colin Stewart	mus enomectice so any bitco.	opperations because of not being able to	MITTED.	The Great Blood Purifie
ment is broken, as the styles	lesson which is involved in their de-	Kent, (3) Barnes, Buckerfield, "Johnson, B. Johnson,	and Angus Fisher of St. George, Char- lotte County, when subpoenas were at	DOMINION COMPANY GIVES NO PRICE. When they would have a definite plan	compete with the Dominion Bridge Com- pany. The list is as follows : The Canadian		Kidney and Liver Regu
are very attractive and	parture from the Monroe doctrine and	" Legere. Goguen.	once made out and duly signed and de-	before them they would be prepared to name	Bridge and Iron Co. Montreal A Rooman	the government, or any member thereof,	Guaranteed by our REGISTERED GUAL to cure at diaeases arising ir on I apure Br
quality the finest.	have another incentive to study true	Westmorland, (4) Richard, Sumner, Wells, Melanson,	livered to Mr. Summer by the chairmon. Within a few minutes after Mr. Summer	a definite price for the metal work ; but we	Montreal; A. Donaldson, Montreal; Royal Bridge and Iron Co., Montreal; Central	with respect to the cost of permanent bridges. These two paragraphs from the	hacuvity of the Liver and kidneys.
	models in conquest and colonization.	" Robinson, Black,	returned and withdrew the names of the witnesses, stating that he would not pro-	Company, which concern, as I have stated,	Bridge Works, Peterboro.	report of last year's committee will be found	And the Dollar Back if you are not C
s usual, prices the lowest.	WASHINGTON, Feb. 6The official des-	Albert (9) Emmerson Trites	and with the inquiry	built the Sussex and Salisbury bridges,	NO EVOPORTUR OTLINGTO DEDUCTOR	'That whatever practicable the contracts	THE ALONZJ O. BLISS
••	patches from Manila received on Sunday are as follows :	" Osman. Peck. St. John City, (4) Robertson, Stockton,	"Your Committee beg also to report that on the 5th of March instant some	charging the government of this province at the rate of 6 cents per pound in one case,	This government will see to it that no	for the construction of the superstructures	
JOSIE NOONAN.	MANILA, Feb. 5.	" McKeown, Alward,	items of expenditure so presented in the	and at the rate of 7 cents per pound in the	firms, whether they belong within or with- out the province, shall be permitted to	of permanent bridges should be put up to tender, with preference in favor of pro-	
	To the Secretary of the Navy, Washington :	" Purdy, Shaw, " Reynolds. Lockhart.	Public Accounts referred to were ques- tioned, though fully explained by the	other case, or an average of 61 cents per pound, which rate the opposition papers	-h	vincial manufacturers." f "In conclusion your committee desire	
HE LONDON GUARNTEE	Insurgents here inaugurated general en- gagement yesterday night, which continued	" County (2) Dunn, Carson, " " McLeod. Dean.	Chief Commissioner, re Young's Bridge St. George Bridge and Digdequash bridge	pound, which late the opposition papers	permanent bridges, but I am prepared to	to place on record their appreciation of the	
	to-day. The American army and navy is	Kings, (3) White, Fowler,	in the County of Charlotte, and the Nere-	keep the work within our own province. At		honorable chief commissioner of public	Our (1HE)SI.
AND	generally successful. Insurgents have been driven back and our line advanced. No	" Pugaley, Morrison, " Scovil. Campbell.	pis bridge in the County of Kings. Reso- lation, moved by Mr. Sumner, a member	I stated on another occasion, there are bridges and bridges, as there are shop made	wick concerns that are willing to furnish a	furnished all information in their possession	10th
CCIDENT CO.	causualties to navy.	Queens, (2) Farris, Woods, "Carpenter, Hetherington	of the committee, asking for authority to	goads and custom made goods. The same	good article at a reasonable rate shall suffer		1
The only British Co. in Canada issuing	(Signed) DEWEY.	Sunbury, (2) Morrow, Glazier,	Witnesses under eath was passed and as		province concerns, whose methods in the	manta 31	Of Business Practice is the latest develops scientific Methods, an I gives the statist
arantee Bonds and Accident Policies.	MANILA, Feb. 5.	York, (4) Harrison. Hazen. York, (4) Gibson, jr., Black,	set forth in the Auditor-General's report and the accounts referred to therein. That	trade, the printing business, or any one of a	past have not given satisfaction.	Sun are those reports of the public accounts	handling of almost every conceivable kind
arantee Donus and Accident Policies.	To Adjt. General, Washington : Insurgents in large force opened an attack	" Campbell, Pinder,	your committee proceeded from page to	hundred other businesses, applies equally to the building of steel and iron bridges. I		committee, made up, as I have stated, by	these papers and observe in all respects
Accident Insurance at lowest rates. Protect your sand your time by taking a policy in THE	on our outer lines at 8.45 last evening ; re-	Whitehead. Pitts.		you want a cheap made bridge, made from	position in connection with the erection of	I have never hesitated to say on the flours	same routine as is practised in as up
and your time by taking a policy in THE NDON. JAS. G. MILLER,	newed attack several times during night; at 4 o'clock this morning entire line en-	; Charlotte, (4) Hill, Chipman, O'Brien, Grunner,	the best of your committee's ability, found all the items as set forth in the said	the plans of the company and not from plans	permanent bridges. We believe that our	of the legislature and elsewhere that I	Send for samples of those papers, also
JAN, G MILLEK,	gaged ; all attacks repulsed ; at daybreak	" Russell, Clarke,	report correct.	furnished by the government, you can get it as I have already stated, at a lower price			Business and Shorthand Catalogues.
	advanced against insurgents and have	Carleton, (3) McCain, Dibblee,	"The Chief Commissioner and Mr. Winslow, Chief Clerk in the Board of	than we have been paying, but I defy the	of our course in erecting permanent bridge	less figure by having the service done by	S KERR & S
TOD CAT T	driven them beyond the lines they formerly occupied, capturing several villages and	Smith, Fleming, Carvell. Hay.	Works Department being called from time to time to explain various items of	opposition to produce two competent en		a days' work. Money was saved in that way	DHULUGVOULUA
FOR SALE.	their defence works ; insurgent loss in dead	Victoria, (2) Beveridge, Carter,	expenditure in that department did so te		in a determination to expend as much of ou	the danastment was not confronted with	i no i o anni na
wo heavy draft horses seven years old, weight bs. Two drivers-one four years old, sired by	and wounded large ; our own casualties thus far estimated at one hundred and seventy-	" Lawson.	our full satisfaction, as did also the pro- vincial secretary and surveyor-general as	made bridges are not worth more than 50	money within the limits of our own province	large hill of extres as is unfortunately too	still hold a
bs. Two drivers—one four years old, sired by nd Chief, one three years old, sired by Carnot, by Dean Swift, both jet black.	five, very few fatal. Troops enthusiastic	Madawaska, (2) Bertrand Laforest (ind.)	to items within the scope of their respect-		as is consistent with fair prices and excell-	often the case when the work had been doue	prominent place for
by Dean Swift, both jet black, we hundred barrels good potatoes for table use, lightst prices paid for raw furs.	and acting fearlessly. Navy did splendid	I	ive departments. What happened in connection with the	bridges, which was built by the Upper	Every bridge to which a double price has	by contract. I have endeavored to point s out particularly with respect to the work of	CHRISTMAS - PRE
BOGER FLANAGAN.	execution on flanks of enemy; city held in check and absolute quiet prevails; in-		charges of 1897 will happen again this	Canadian concerns at prices a little higher	r been alleged by our opponents was con	· repairing, that it was often very difficult to	
	surgents have secured good many Mauser	The Moncton Transcript save : "Mr.	year, after the legislature meets. The	Rennargial Game	fore, whether right or excessive, were placed	- have plans and specifications prepared that d would meet the case. The flooring of a	
1.4	rifles, a few field pieces and quick-firing	J. D. Hazen during his sneech on Setur	charges will be withdrawn because the		before the public accounts committee, or	bridge might have to be repaired, and when	IN O MA
14	month.	day night took occasion to state that Hon. A. G. Blair is still premier of this	them.	Although the Moncton Times, like the St	which both the opposition and the govern	 part of it was taken up it would be found that very much greater repairs were needed 	10
	(Signed) OTIS.	province, and that he wields the hand of		John Sun, is a bitter opponent of our gov ernment, it is fair enough to say that "Mr	ception of the insinuations of Mr. Pinder	, than at first supposed, and while I know	THE
BUILDING LOTS	MANILA, Feb. 5. Adjt. General, Washington :	authority over Premier Emmerson. The		Summer was not slow to see and was fai	no voice had been raised in the legislatur	e that there is always a desire on the part of	1
SALE on Princess, Victoria and Howard	Have established our permanent lines well	Transcript retorts by saying that "Mr.	The following extract from Hon. Premier Emmerson's speech at Frederic-		cally alleged are double-priced bridges I	opponents to create the impression that f work done by the day is more costly than	TIME

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List of casualties to-morrow.
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these two gentlemen is second best man."
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alter to import which Senator Poirier is
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is the leading Acadian of Naw Brunsand it is a system prevails, While 1
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believe that a great wrong had been com-

being prepared and will forward as soon as an honor to his race.-[Telegraph. ossible. Troops in excellent health and

the stories told and which are well now in public life. Do you not think that to the government, they did so without any (Pinder) against my department, yet the (Signed) OTIN. WASHINGTON, Dec. 6th—Instructions will be sent to Major-General Otis to-day direct-ing him te follow up his victory over the in-surgents and crush the power of Aguinaldo. Now that Aguinaldo has thrown down the gauntlet, lloilo will be taken and the rapidly as possible and to the Y. M. C. A. hall. Now that Aguinaldo has thrown down the gauntlet, lloino will be taken and they could not get in. Standing ou the street that rapidly as possible and to the Y. M. C. A. hall. Now that Aguinaldo has thrown down the gauntlet, lloino will be taken and the Comercatives of the street that rapidly as possible and to the Y. M. C. A. hall.

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rapidly as possible and to the extent that Gen. Oils' force will permit. It is pointed out that Aguinaldo and his followers have placed themselves within that provision of Messr. Colter, McLeod and others were the president's proclamation declaring it to proclamation declaring it to the messive set of the province. The public accounts control of the set of the province. The public denied, and, as a matter of fact the govern-

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is the leading Acadian of New Bruns-wick, a literary man, a statesman and an honor to his race. - [Telegraph.] The state was not put forward by any member

FREDERICTON, Feb. 5-According to all of the legislature, but by a gentleman not Foundry and Machine Co. who are opposed years by the hon. member from York

president's proclamation declaring it to be the purpose of the United States to hold, and to take Mr. Pitts with them disturbance of peace and the order of the Co. had to take Mr. Pitts with them Special Notice to to strict account those responsible for the one would accept, and mesers. Black and the order of the Co. had to take Mr. Pitts with them. York was about to unearth the double price own plans, they were enabled to supply close of the session of 1897, was as follows and the report was accepted and adopted by islands or who fail to recognize the suprem-acy of the United States. The authorities was very meanly treated. announced the arrival of the governor to short of the required strength. There being "Committee Room, House of Assembly,

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ALEX. GIBSON, Gen'l Manager

FALL 1898.

13th March, 1897.



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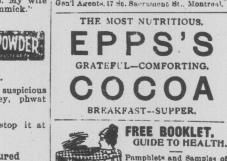
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 and dock dues. Already St. Joha has been able to despatch cargoes, chiefly of lumber, for it is one of the great depots of the Cana-dian export lumber trade—to almost every end of the earth, to the British Isles, France, A retrain Nuclei and the second of the cana-dian export lumber trade—to almost every due to heart disease. Chatham Town Council. WOOD AND COAL Executors' Notice. The Town Council met in regular month A SAD CASE :- As we go to press a jury delivered to all parts of the Town. under Coroner J S. Benson is investigating ly ression on Monday evening, ald. Coleman Receipts, In Re ESTATE OF HON. MICHAEL ADAMS. the death of an infant of Mr. and Mrs. bsent. By balance from 1897, \$ 127.59 nation apply to nearest Ticket C. E. LAECHLER, Agent, St. John, N. E All persons having claims against this estate are hereby notified to file the same duly sworn to with JR Lawlor, Newcastle, BS, immediately-and all persons indebted to said estate are hereby requested to make payment within thirty days to the under-In the absence of the Mayor who is con John Cable of Weldfield settlement, a few from county fund, 1322,01 HARRIS tiued to the house with a broken ankle. ald. miles from Chatham. The facts, as report-Australia, North Africa, the Argentine, and on acc. assess. ment, 1898, 5200.00 tuition fees, 10.00 borrowed from McIntosh was asked to take the chair, but are that the child was found on Sunday the United States. In every department of declined, whereupon ald. Loggie was apcommerce its trade increases every year about noon, frozen to death on a path near the Card to Electors J D CREAGHAN, J R LAWLOR, } Executors highway in that locality. It sppears that wointed chairman. The pamphlet is so full of facts and irrefu-A list of officers for the Town was read as Bank of Nova table arguments that it should be seriously Cable is in the habit of ill-using his wife and Scotia,12000.00
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L. J. TWEEDIE Scotia, i2000.00 To Electors of the County of Northumberland, recommended in committee, with the ex-\$8659.60 studied by every manufacturer and export-WITH THE TIMES **KEEP ABREAST** family; that he beat his wife last Friday ception of the Assessors, on the selection of bruising and cutting her face; that after whom the committee could come to no MPORTANT TO FARMERS he left for the woods she left the house to agreement. come to town "for law," some say taking the baby, but according to others leaving it babind with the following officers for 1899, as It will pay you to place your order with us for fruit trees, fruit busnes, heiging, etc., early this scason. As proprietors of the largest nurser es in the Dominion, (over 700 acres,) we are able to speak administic **BY PURCHASING** the baby, but according to others leaving it behind with two older children. The woman is not clear on the athject. At al. events the baby was missing and not found until Sunday as stated. One story is that it was taken by a little sister who intended to earry it to a neighbor's house, but dropped and left it on the way. **C. M. B Ball.** The great ball of the season on the Mir-amichi-that given by the Chatham branch of the C M. B. A.—us about to begin as we go to press, so we must defer fuller refer-ence to it until next week. Masonic Hall is beautifully decorated and both arc and incandescent lamps have been in-talled for the occasion. The indications are that the attendance will be larger than at any Due on assessment 1897, \$ 231 08 do do 1898, \$ 500.00 the Dominion, (over row acress), we are not to speak advisedly. YOU WILL REGRETIFIFYOU DELAY YOUR ORDEK Give a hearing to our agent when he calls. Pears are bringing large prices in the English market. Do you grow any? If not allow our re-presentative to tell you why we can furnish super-our pear trees, and thea give him as trial order. We can utilize the services of a few good ren to sell our goods. DEXAND FOR OUTS MOUTS TO HEAVIER THAN EVER. Supplies turnished free, and our agents westly. THE BEST IN THE MARKET HEAVIER THAN D, weekly, and our agents paid weekly, STONE & WELLINGTON, Nurser, me MOST REASONABLE PRICES. The bill of G. B. Fraser and M. Haley The people of New Brunswick will learn L, J TWEEDIE, JOHN P, BURCHILL, JOHN O'BRIEN, CHARLES E, FISH. for auditing accounts of school board, \$5.00 with great satisfaction that there is every lf reason to believe that within a compara-Bills in connection with fire department tively short time the oil deposits which You underlie the Province will be developed The board of works department handed in and an industry established which while CARD. The board of works department and an industry established which were passed, among it will be new to this part of the Dominion will also be one of the greatest in the GENTLEMEN :-I representation of the County of Northumberland. Can't GO YOURSELF SEND WE HANDLE ALL LINES OF GOODS GENTLEMEN :--I regret that circumstances compel me to declin nomination at the approaching election for t YOUR ORDERS TO Ald. Robinson asked if Mr. Wyse's bill country. The facts on which the promis-Surveyors of Dams-B. Flood, Patrick Coleman. Coustables—Ambrose Hays, James Ranz-botham, Anthony Forrest, Wun. Synoott, Wun. Troy, John Johnstone (Jouglasfield), Is ac Dickeson, Calvin Craig. Inspectors of Butter—Dan'l Chesman, Thos. Finangan. Note: A light for the committee acknowledged that Finangan. attendance will be larger than at any Coleman Dry Goods, HICKEY'S DRUG STORE similar event in the history of Chatham. Boots and Shoes, Curling. for any of the following tion. The committee acknowledged that there was a great deal of work on account of and the Nepisignit river on the north, and a the didate from Newsstle, who takes my place to the Government Ticket, will meet with the un-Interest at the Chatham curling rink Flanagan. Fence Viewers-George Traer, John Foley, Sam'l Waddleton. Boum Masters-Mithael Keoughan, Dou-tered all over the town, and in order to work Hats and Caps, STUARTS DYSPEPSIA TABLETS. centres just now in the match : Married vs. Single. The following are the rinks that Yours respectfully ALLAN A. DAVIDSON, VIN MARIANI. ald Uluck, D. Chesman, John Robertson, the different sections advantageously Mr. square miles, being profitably productive of B. Flood. Groceries & Hardware. have played, so far, and the results ;-ald Uliock, D. Chesman, John Robertson, B. Flood. Walk, Alex, Boss. Weighers Hay and Coal-Thos. Flanagan, Weighers Hay and Coal-Thos. Flanagan, Weighers Hay and Coal-Thos. Flanagan, Work Wase, Win, Whaten, A. W. Waters. Collector Dig Tax-Thomas Green. Auditor-George B. Fraser. Ald. Maker muyod that the same WYETH'S MALT EXTRACT, Married. Single. PABST MALT EXTRACT, Chas. Ruddock, D. Gould. C. Sargeant, A. Haviland, W. J. Connorr, F. Chesman, D. G. Smith, Skip. S. D. M. Loggie, Skip.23 CALL AND EXAMINE OUR STOCK OF CLOTHING. SCOTT'S EMULSION, PINK PILLS, -3 Suits, Jumpers, W. L. T. Weldon, C. Sargeant, Geo. Dean, H. Mairhead, DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS, Ald. Maker moved that the same assessors be appointed who filled the position last year, viz:-Geo. Stothart, C. Sargeant, J. B. Crocker, Geo. Dean, H. Muirhead, Alex. Burr, Skip. 11. J. Johnston, Skip. 13. Order A Suit for DOAN'S KIDNEY PILLS, position last year, viz :- Geo. Stothart, by ald. Snowball, who said that personally, New Weddleton and Michael Haley. **Overcoats**, Reefers or any other medicine you may require Ald. Robinson objected to this on the ground that they should be appointed by ballot, after being nominated. P. A. Noonsu. W. B. Snowball, R. Murray, Geo. Hildebrand, Sp. 14 E. Johnson, Skip. 11. ELECTION MINERAL OIL IN HARDENED FORM. and Ulsters, Ask for one of our handsome calender A. Robinson, Rev. G. Young, D. Chesman, Skip. 10. News of the death of alderman John Soley of Chelses, Mass., has reached friends and Sevent Deaths. It will be gratifying to the people of this **DAY**.... PRICES. ALL BUSINESS CHANCE. AI We are offering them at supris-ingly low rates for the month of The Business heretofore carrie name of John McDonald, will here ed under the name, and style of CLOTH DEPARTMENT John McDonald & Co. Overcoats. News of the death of alderman John Soley of Chelses, Mass., has reached friends and relatives here. He was a native of Truro, Novs Socia, and married Miss Maggie Cormack, daughter of the late Alex. Cormack, and sister of Mre. Alex. Robinson of Chat-ham. Mr. Soley has resided in Chelses about thirty years and, besides, Mr. Waddleton had acted membershing, under great strain, of the bye-law committee reported certain bye-laws and had considered the stering of the dealt firm, the matter fally' in bis capacity for a number of years and be would vote for him in preference to the the stering of the great strain, of the status of the fall conting and the would not deal with the matter fally' are now using both tariff and navigation of Chelses, Mass., has reached friends and relatives here. He was a native of Truro, the chairman to cast his vote and he named Adjourned. Serges, Tweeds, Worsteds, Trouserings, Etc. Etc. JOHN MEDONALD SNOWBALL B.

MIRAMICHI ADVANCE, CHATHAM, NEW BRUNSWICK, FEBRUARY 9, 1899.

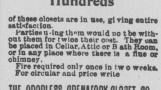
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Feby. 9, 1899.

Advance Supplement.

MR. EMMERSON REPLIES. Bridge Charges Swept Away at the York Convention.

FREDERICTON, Feb. 2-The most enthu-FREDERICTON, Feb. 2—The most enthu-singuic and representative convention that ever gathered within the bounds of this old cathedral city met in the Y. M. become tired of the bounds and the convention. Mr. X. R. statemenents of Dr Stockton and the four members from York and the opportunity to tar faw remarks declared the Messre Whitehead and Thompson convention opened for the despatch of business. Every seat was occupied and forty or fifty electors had to stand. It and so knows the city of Fred-

and after & new remarks dediated the masses whitehead and represent for the despetch of business. Every seat was occupied and forty or fifty electors had to stand. If a short searched by the selection of Messre. Campbell and Gibson as their collesquee and no man who knows the city of Fred-committee was named in short segment heir hade are greatly strengtheaded by the selector. Af 3 30 o'clock Fremies Emmerson, Af 3 30 o'clock Fremies Emmerson, and they restined to o ble address when the proper dime sent and through J H Barry, their chairman, reported the committee rearrend and through J H Barry, their chairman, reported the committee rearrend and through J H Barry, their chairman, reported the committee rearrend and through J H Barry, their chairman, reported the committee rearrend and through J H Barry, their chairman, reported the committee rearrend and through J H Barry, their chairman, reported the committee rearrend and through J H Barry, their chairman, reported the port was received with applause and on motion the nom animous. Each of the gentlemen and there neath the server spice, of the opone in the spite to assist the subleted in the province generally that there is no doubt of the result. Mr. Thompson and the men composing it there is no doubt of the result. Mr. Thompson with the weak canvasses made by the opposition, especially showing how did not fill a representation was taken that the government the signification that the signification and the arplices is not on the serve of a motion reserves and the applicate address. He was heat and sould mot fill a representation was taken that the government and the servery spirt. All shows here cities for the secting was namined the spisses design and hopefu address. He was heat and sould mot fill a representation was taken that the government and the are drawn and the are stated to to the sounty representation was a mother section and the spisses design and the structures. I think it will be generatis the the spose of the sposition with the sector of the c He was heart and soul in the hight and believed there was every assurance of a victory. Thomas Colter, Alex Heron and others spoke briefly, raview-ing the situation and attesting to the isct that the conven-tion was the best ever held in York. Mesers. Morrow and Harrison also sprke and each expressed the belief thet San-harw while menanism for a fight would and each expressed the belief that San-bury, while preparing for a fight, would be carried against all odds for the gov-ernment. Among those in attendance were: Alex Little, John Petty, A Gibson, jr, A G Robinson, Geo Pagh. Horace Pagh, John Campbell, Arthur Everett, T H Colter, Geo Miles, N W Brown, Jas Humble; H Niles, J F Vanbuakirk, S Cowperthwsite, A Munroe, C Phillips, H Brewer, M Butler, Rew W W Brewer, O Fisher, Dr Henry, E Allen, J H Barry, John Yerxa, W Whitford Grant. At the close three cheers were given for the government.

Then an informal discussion followed,

Mr. Emmerson's Speech Introduced in Mr. Emmerson's Speech.
Mr. Emmerson's Speech.
In secont public addresses I stated that when the proper time came, whether an election took place or the Legislare was called 'exposures'' of the opposition with respect to the construction of seel bridges in this province, and It will be my dur to-night to attempt attempt to attempt att

were with fiaming head-line, might naturally have some effect, but with members of the legislature and those who have carefully watched the proceed-ings of the legislature assembly the charges were not likely to have much weight. In fact, there was liktle if any-thing new contained in the startling n-wepaper articles. Indeed, they were largely a rehash of the in-sinuations that have been made in the legislature for some yeav past by the homorable member for York, Mr. James K Pinder, famili-arly known as the "King of Nacawic." At a meeting of the public account committee of the legislature on the 17th of last March, Mr Pinder claimed "that these accounts showed that many prices received by the Roord Foundry Com-pany were 100 per cent in excess of what they should be," and on the same day in the legislature that genileman made a speech in which he stated that "rumor connected the stockholders of the Record Foundry Company with the department of public works." On both occasions I went into this matter as I thought, very throughly, and while the Sun newspaper gave great prominence to the report of the insina-tions of Mr. Pinder's insinuations, con-tenting itself with the statement that "Hon. Mr. Emmerson replied at some length." I do not wish to make any complaint as to the Min's manner of conducting its newspaper busines, but I do think that a sense of fair play and justice might have suggested to jit the desirability of publishing my answer to the charges which had been insinuated against the department over which I have the honor to preside. In my an-swer on those occasions I stated that I was prepared to meet at any time-set din the Record Foundry and Ma-chine Company with a statement that I was prepared to meet at any time-eted in the Record Foundry and Ma-chine Company with a statement that I was rece may wife had received as a legscy from her father \$500 of stock in that obmpany. One of the homorable members for Restigouche, Mr. Mott, avant to know about thash, but I and-wered, as the official r

Justified by Mr. Sumner.

Justified by Mr. Summer. Justified by Mr. Summer. In this connection I desire to quote an estract from the speech of Mr Summer, one of the opposition members in the legislatare. It is as follows: "He (Summer) desired to say that Mrs Emmerson had a right to hold stock in the Record Company. Her father had started that enterprise fifty years ago, and be was a man with the profound re-espect of all who knew him. He (Sum-ner) arsolved Premier Emmerson from any suspicion of wrong-doing because of the small amount of stock held by Mrs Emmerson in that enterprise, which stock had been left by her father. His only regret was that the amount of stock was not a great deal greater. He was willing to pay New Branswick concerns like the Record Foundry a little more for work than to have it done outside the province." That was the way in which Mr Summer answered the insinuations of his colleague, Mr Pinder. That was, as I have stated, on the 17th of,last March, and yet the Sun newspaper and other opposition journals, in thair "startling exposuree" of September 26th last sought to create the impression that they had unearthed something which was then areing the light of day for the first time. To those who have not carefaily for uncerthed something which was then have had erected are excessive. Io who is the proceedings of the legislature seeing the light of day for the first time. For the last four or five years the sense. If the dramatic production of September tional charges which respect to the cost of 27th sought to create any im-permanent bridges, enlivened as they pression at all it was that there and bridge service of the province have

had been boodling in con-mection with the giving of some con-tracts to the Record Foundry and Ma-chine Company; that in return for these contracts the company were contributing money to members of the governmen for election or other purposes. Now what are the facts of the case with respect to this Record Foundry and Machine Com-news? pany?

Stockholders Opposed to the Government

Stockholders Opposed to the Government Many of the leading stockholders in that company are gentlemen who have ally, but I thought if was in the interests of the province that when it should be done by them, regardless of the fact as to whether the concerns were onposed of political triends or oppon-ents. The company, I believe, has a stockholders is Senator Wood, a gentle dield. The books of the stockhold-ers, and does any same man insgine that it would be possible for the company to contribute to election finds without every stockholders bis same to sheard for ers, and does any same man imagine that it would be possible for the company to contribute to election finds without every stockholders bis almost too sheard for enside at the fact without every stockholders bis almost too sheard for enside at the fact without every stockholders bis almost too sheard for enside at the fact without every stockholders bis almost too sheard for enside at the fact has there was bodling in consection with the con-tracts, what force would there be in their charges? Surely no member of the government would be foolinh enough to onsent to have paid a greater price for the construction of these bridges than would be foolist examples the prices for the price of one, would they not from a political oppones, bis to have twice the number of bridges without materially increasing the total cost it goes without asying that be to have built, because if they were able to have built able to have built able to have built bridges without materially increasing the total cost if goes without asying that Many of the leading stockholders in

Former Canvass Contradicts This One.

suffer in consequence. Former Canvass Contradicts This One. Former Canvass Contradicts This One. When we ran an election some years ago us of the canvasses used against us was that the work in connection with steel bridges was obtained in On-tario and Q nebec that could just as well have been done here; and as far back as the year in which I assumed charge of the department of public works I re-solved to have the work done in our own province if it could be done consistent with good workmannhip and far prices. There has scarcely been a session since 1892 that I have not from my place in the legislature put forward the idea that our chief object should be, not how we could obtain the cheapest bridges but how we could obtain struc, three which would endure for genera-tions—structures that would last severa-tions which would an unber of years cover-ed by their bonds—structures that would not entail a heavy interest after a faw years, as had been the case with most of the bridges previously built in his province. It am ready to admit te-night that if our object had been to erect, under the guise of permanent bridges, structures that would cost that least possible money, we might have erected bridges after the syle of the Hampton bridge, the Trout Creek bridges which were constructed under contract by the Canadian and Dominion Bridge Ompanies, st a much less rate than how bridges cost; but we were after permanency in all that the name im-province to say that the prices we have and an here to challenge any competent engineer in this or any other province to say that the prices. Roed and Bridge Problems. The questions involved in the roat

The questions involved in the road

"Unanimously and Respectfully Sub- have mitted."

You will search that report in vain for any reference to wrong doing on the part of the government, or any member thereof, with respect to the cost of per-manent bridges. These two paragraphs from the report of last year's committee will be found interesting:-

from the report of last year's committee will be found interesting:--"That wherever practicable the con-tracts for the construction of the super-structures of permanent bridges should be put no to tender, with preference in favor of provincial manufacturers." "In concusion your committee desire to pisce on record their appreciation of the highly satisfactory manner in which the homorable chief commissioner of public works and the honorable provin-cial secretary furnished all information in their pessession asked for by the com-mittee with respect to the expenditures

in their possession asked for by the com-mittee with respect to the expenditares in their several departments." By How unlike the sensational articles of the Sun are these reports of the public accounts committee, made up, as I have stated, by representatives from both sides of the house.

stated, by representatives, made up, sin the terms of the legislature and elsewhere that I honestly believed that in very many cases the government could get better work at a less figure by having the service done by days work. Money was saved in that way with respect to the matter of inspection, and the department was not confronted with a large bill of extras, as is unfortunately too atten the case when the work had been done by contract. I have endeavored to the work of rep-iring, that it was often very difficult to have p ans and specifications prepared that would meet the case. The flooring of a bridge might have to be repaired, and when part of it was there is always a desire on the part of the work done by the day is more costly than if put up to tender, I have no hesitation in saying that in nine cases ont of the province to have inportant work proving what the repart of the work done by the day is more costly than if put up to tender, I have no hesitation in saying that in nine cases ont of the province to have important work space when it would be in the best interests of the province to have important works by the other the case when it would be in the best interests of the province to have important works by the day is more costly than if put up to tender, I have no hesitation in saying that in nine cases ont of the province to have important works by the other the day's work eystem prevails. While I say this I do not meries the the other is always a desire on the say is not mean to say that cocasions will not arise when it would be in the best interests of the province to have important works by the day is more constrained when it would be in the best interests of the province to have important works by the day is more the constrained when it would be in the best interests of the province to have important works by the day is more constrained when it would be in the best interests of the province to have important works by the day is more day the say is the completent.

have been built by New Buns-wick concerns. An examination of the reports of the auditor general of the Dominion of Canada for 1893 and 1894 should afford Mr Hasen and the St John San evidence of their great con-sistency. The reports mentioned show that the work of rebuilding the custom house was done entirely by day's work. In 1893 there was paid out for labor and material on the St John custom house the sum of \$74,983 38, and in 1894 for labor and material there was paid on account of the St John custom house \$113,011 65. \$113.011 65.

Interesting Custom House Iten

Wages were paid the men all the way from \$1 50 to \$4 per day. I am not find-ing fault with the rate of wages paid, but in connection with the account there are some few items of very special in-terest. Mr. John E. Wilson is a very connection gentlement and is an ear terest. Mr. John E. Wilson is a very respectable gentleman, and is engaged in the gelvanized iron work in St. John. When the work of repairing the custom house in St. John was commenced tendhouse in St. John was commenced tend-ers were asked for placing copper roots on the building. Tenders were sent in from all parts of the dominion, and when they were opened it was found that of Mr Wilson of St John was the lowest. The public works department tele-graphed M. Wilson asking him if he was prepared to enter upon the performance of the contract at the figures named by him. He replied that he was, whereupon his contract was ac-cepted and he gave an order to Messra. W. H. Thorne & Co. for the large quan-tity of copper that would be required in W. H. Thorne & Co. for the large quan-tity of copper that would be required in the performance of his contract. Some-time after his acceptance of the contract Mr. Wilson concluded that he was not likely to make as much out of the work as he had expected. He thought he dis-covered some roofs on the building that had not shown in the plans, but he thought he might ressonably count on large extras, or extras sufficiently large thought he might removally count on large extras, or extras sufficiently large to make the contract a profitable one, but on reading over a copy of the agree-ment he concluded that there was very little chance for extras unless he had the matter arranged in advance.

Arranged with Hazen for Extras

can be obtained when the day's work system prevails. While I say this I do not mean to say that occasions will not arise when it would be in the best inter-ests of the province to have important works let by competion. I do not purpose making any refice-tions upon the integrity of the gentleman who has isthered these "startling ex-pources." I refer particularly now, not to the puriet of the Nacawic, but to Our Young Friend, Mr. J. Douglas Hazen. I can very well understand that a gentleman so closely connected with the Harris land job" in St. John might the expected to tremble and turn pale at the very thought of the provincial government being in any way con-nected with jobs, and when we re-call his connection with the work of the Dominion parliament, we are the discovery that we were be to get an idee of how he must have enflered in mind and conscience when he made the discovery that we were to favor of his friend Mr Wilson the the discovery that we were able to get an idee of how he must have enflered in mind and conscience when he made the discovery that we very building some permanent bridges by day's work, such bridges being ou-structed by New Brunswick firms at lease of bridges, comparing the latter with the superior bridges that the work should be done by the day's with the superior bridges that the work should be done by the day. What was the recall?

A Fat Thing for Wilson.

A Fat Thing for Wilson. The government took off the hands of Meesrs. W. H. Thorne & Co. the copper which they had parchased for Mr. Wil son, paying them a very large price for the same, and then they employed Mr. Wilson to superited the job, paying him at the rate of \$4 per day as foreman, and paying him also \$1.50 a day for the hire of roofing and cornice tools, and also purchasing from Mr. Wilson a large quanity of supplies. Mr. Wilson had profits from three sources—his wages as foreman, the hiring of his roofing and cornice tools, and the profits on the ma-terials supplied. A very large item in the materials supplied by Mr. Wilson was that of solder, for which he charged at the rate of \$0 cents a pound, a figure so high that be-fore paying the bill the auditor general wrote some spicy correspondence on the subject. I am told that there was a pra-tence at asking tenders for the supplying of the addar. but the cacultaneous of the subject. I am told that there was a pre-tence at asking tenders for the supplying of the solder, but the genuineness of the tenderers will be doubted when I men-tion the fact that the additor general pointed out that the price paid Mr Wil-son, for supplying over 2,000 pounds, was the same rate that the solder could be bought at retail.

In 1893 Mr. Wilson Rece ved \$728

bought at retail. In 1893 Mr. Wilson Rece ved \$728 as foreman of the custom house, and the same year he received \$1,855.52, the gratter part of which was for supplies. In 1894 there was paid to Mr. Wilson \$633, about one-half of which was for material and the other half for wages. The total sum paid for wages to roofers about the state of the state of the leading directors of the St John Sun newspaper, the leading opposition paper in the province. Neither the Sun nor Mr. Hazin seems to have been strongly ovork done by the day when the repairs where being made to the oustom house in St John. These repairs, as I have about the suditor general's report of the state the total the suditor general's report of the directors of the St John Sun newspaper, the leading opposition paper in the province. Neither the Sun nor Mr. Hazin seems to have been strongly ovork done by the day when the repairs who whose amounts. I have not at hand the suditor general's report of the dominion for 1895 and cannot say posi-tively whether any sums die on the custom house in St. John were pid that in not pretending in the city of St. John. Now, mark you, I am not pretending in the matter, of ar as Mr Wilson, or, for that matter, of ar as Mr Wilson, or, for the master, to far as Meesra Thorne & Co, were con-erned. I merely mention this matter, of ar as Mr wilson, or, for the master, to far as Meesra Thorne & Co, were con-erned. I merely mention this matter, of ar as Meesra Thorne & Co, were con-ductor general's report the exact cost of the roof on the custom house building, but the greater part to fan fait with our government for house building, but the greater part is quite impossible to figure out of the work on the St John custom house, and house building, but the greater part is quite impossible to figure out of the house building, but the greater part is and wages, as wall as the wages of the different roof-re, the grand total wille and wages, as wall as the wages of when the st

that would at least be attractive to the eye of that gentleman's political opponents. Just fancy a member of the dominion parliament starting off in the company of a gentle-man who had received a contract covering many thousands of dollars, seeking an interview with the minister of public works, first beseeching him to change

Impute Charges of Boodling to Mr. Bazen

I might not have to draw very largely on my imagination to paint a picture

works, first beseeching hinther to prime the contract—to consent to a higher price—and then threatening him with dire consequence if the contract went to a concern ontside of New Brunswick. And it might be possible—in fact it might be no very difficult matter—to leave the impression that Mr. Hasen in taking the stand that he had taken was not moved entirely by motives of patriot-ism; however, it is not my purpose to fling mud, and the only reason why I have re-ferred to this matter at all is to show the bypocrisy of the gentlemen who now seek to have the government of New Brunswick hurled from power for hav-ing permanent bridge work done by the day by New Brunswick concerns, when he was so willing a few years ago to ap-ply the day work system to the repairs apon the coastom house in the city of St John. John.

I thank you most heartily for your kind attention. Possibly I have occu-pied your time more fully than I should have done, but I was desirous of making have done, but I was desirous or making a full and complete statement with re-spect to these charges, and I am quite willing and quite prepared to accept the people's verdict with respect to these and all other matters connected with the affairs of government.

the affairs of government. Mr Emmerson was in magnificent voice and shattered the two price bridge charges to pieces. It is needless to say that in York the opposition will not dare voice these charges again. Attorney General White congratulated the four candida:es who had been se-lected by the county of York on its very excellent choice. The county had not been for some years past represented as it was once by such men as Messre Fisher, Allen and Blair, but I believe now the change has come and York will again take its proper place.

He then discussed the Moncton con-vention, said that it was not representa-tive of the Conservative party. It was there declared that the people were not henceforth to be allowed to govern them-selves but they must be governed by marky. party.

He scourged Stockton for his change base and said that the learned doctor at one time in a speech said that he would be schamed to belong to the Conservative party. Yet now we find him hand in glove with them.

Owing to the lateness of the hour the attorney general cut short a very inter-esting and eloquent speech.

At the close of the meeting Premier Emmerson was warmly congratulated upon what was considered on all hands to be the ablest speech of his life. It was a masterly answer to the red fire of the opposition and that it carried cun-vision to the minds of the great ma-jority of the large audience was evi-denced from the frequent outburst of hearty applause.

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to New Branswick concerns; but let us examine the most important part of that letter and what do we find? "The exact price we can quote you for any particular structure will depend on the design of span and on its length and canadity and resulting weight, the the design of span and on its length and capacity and resulting weight, the shorter and lighter span being the more expensive, the onger and heavier spans the cheaper, but our price is not likely in any case to be below or over the figures named above. If you will send us full particulars of any work that may be off-ring we will make a careful esti-mate of the same and will name you a definite price for the metal work." Here you will see that the Dominion Bridge Company did not commit themselves to any price. any price.

Dominion Company Gives No Price.

Dominion Company Gives No Frice. When they would have a definite plan before them they would be prepared to name a definite price for the metal work; but we have had an ex-perience with the Dominion Com-nany, which concern, as I have work; but we have had an ex-perience with the Dominion Com-pany, which concern, as I have stated, built the Sesex and Salistury bridges, charging the government of this province at the rate of 6 cents per pound in one case, and at the rate of 7 cents per pound in the other case, or an average of 62 cents per pound, which rate the opposition papers now condemn the government for paying to keep the work within our own province. As I stated on another occasion, there are bridges and bridges, as there are shop made goods and custom made goods. made goods and custom made goods. The same law that applies to the clothing business, the furniture business, the boot and shoe trade, the printing business, or any one of a hundred other businesses, applies equally to the building of steel and iron bridges. If you want a cheap made bridge, made from the plans of the company and not from plane furnished by the government, you can get it, as I have already stated, at a lower price than we have been paying, but I defy the oppresition to produce two competent engineers, either belonging to this province or to any other province, to say shat our home made bridges are not sust our nome made orligges are not worth more than 50 per cent-yes, more than 100 per cent-more than the Hampton, Salisbury or Sussex bridges, which were built by the Upper Cana-dian concerns at prices a little hicher than the bridges produced by the New Branswick firms.

Just'fied by the Moncton Times.

Although the Moncton Times, like the St John San, is a bitter opponent of our government, it is fair enough to say that "Mr Sumner was not slow to see and was fair enough to acknowledge that and was fair enough to acknowledge that the question before the legislature and the people was not the amount of Record atock held by the premier's wife or any of bis relatives or adporters. The remarks of the opposi-tion member for Westmorland in regard to the Record (amount's took held by to the Record Company's stock held by members of the premier's family are creditable to him, and it is a pity that Mr. Emmerson's supporters are not equally fair in their relevences to Con-servatives holding stock in the same con-serm." I may say that if any paper servatives holding stock in the same con-ern." I may say that if any paper supporting the government made unfair references to Senator Wood or any other leading stockholder of the Record Foun-dry and Machine Co. who are opposed to the government, they did so without any suggestion from me. I do not know that they made any such references, and I think that any allosions made by pa-pers friendly to the government to Sena-tor Wood, or other opponents of the government who are stockholders in the Record foundry, were made more with a view of showing that form a political government who are stockholders in the Record foundry, were made more with a view of showing that from a political standpoint the government could have no object in patronizing the Record foundry, rather than with a view of making any unifiendly references to these gentlemen In the construction of the Hampton.

but for the government a competent engi-tortant meer in the person of Mr. Wetmers pre-find? pared the plans. The Woodstock Bridge. thand on the bridge was erected under tender thand on the bridge was erected under tender thand on the bridge was erected under tender the bridge of the Woodstock bridge. The woodstock Bridge. The bridge was erected under tender the bridge company, managed by Mr FE Came who had built the Hampton bridge. The tram willing to admit, was all itel - seper t send structed since by New Branswick con-t may structed since by New Branswick con-t may structed since by New Branswick con-t met for contraction which leaves no Here doubt that the company ergected that Bridge there would not be a closs inspection of the work, and that the company wandd ites to the work, and that the company wandd the statement will see to it that no the statement will see to it that no trams, whether they belong within or trams, whether they belong within or doubt that the company expected that there would not be a close inspection of the work, and that the company would not be required to furnish the excellent bot that they were required to perform. Soon after the publication in the o.posi-tion papers of these "startling exposures" Mr. C. W. Robinson, one of the repre-sentatives from Westmorland county, wrote to the secretary-treasurer of the Canadian Iron & Bridge company, with respect to the cost of the Woodstock bridge.

Lost on the Contract.

Here is a copy of the reply received by Mr. Robinson:-

C. W. Robinson, Esq., Moneton, New Brunswick.

C. W. Robinson. Esq., Monoton, New Brunswick.
C. W. Robinson, Kew Brunswick.
Der Sir,-I am in receipt of your favor of the 16th instant and in reply would say that the Canadian Bridge and Iron Company woodstock bridge contract, whereas at our court c. price ve should have made about \$4.000. The cause of our loss was the deter-mination of the government engineer to make us carry out the specification to the figured on turning out bad work, but we figured on turning out bad work, but we regaranteed, and the bridge builders were four a time entire y at the mercy of the European manufacturers. No deliveries were guaranteed, and the bridge builders were four state of the bridge builders were four a time entire y at the mercy of the European manufacturers. No deliveries were guaranteed, and the bridge builders here is easily of course, for sections of take whatever sections of iron and steel the mills were turning out. Bridge engineers understood this, and consequently al-lowed the builders to make changes in plans, providing, of course, for sections of requestives and what of the bridge builders any charges and we had to buy in the United States at a very high pri e much of the ma-terial for the Woodstock bridge builders. Weit-more however, would not allow us to make could not get in Europe the stat sections of manufacture in the shop. I remember the shop cost of the bridge in question ex-receded the stinget oc our bridge at the entry of the inspector, who we unde-sto dhad stict orders from the engineer sto blis wers wail-ot, and this reply, which I encluse, will give you some idea of the cost in disk on inspector. The Nova Scotta government seglerer made a very careful systement seglerer made a very careful examination of all our work before giving us estimates, and goto do bridges, but he did not insist on inspect on of all material, ac-cepting the names of the coring mills and the rown test as guarantees of the equility of the material is por did be worry our shop government segl

The enclosure referred to above by Mr Fitzgibbon is as follows:-

Robert Fitzgibbon, Esq. Clty:--DearBir-In reference to your letter con-cerning the Woodstock bridge, I would say the shop cost, owing to inspec ion and intri-cate detail. was at least twice as great as how secolia government. I do not know anything about cost of material and erection expanse, but the erection expenses must certainly be very largely increased owing to these same details. The inspector was a material for his Inspection, besides insisting on all sorts of extra work. The details them-elves were the most expensive of anything i very handled in bridge work, although I have been working for the Dom'hin Bridge Company and others for the last tweaty yours. Nours truly. Robert Fitzgibbon, Esq. City:-

without the province, shall be permitted to charge an excessive rate for the erec-

without the province, shall be permitted to charge an excessive rate for the erec-tion of permanent bridges, but I am pre-pared to say here tonight that it is not the government's desire or intention that New Brunswick concerns that are willing to farnish a good artic'e at a reasonable rate shall soffer by too close competition with upper province con-cerns, whose methods in the past have not given satisfaction. This then is our defence sgainst the so called "starting exposures" of the opposition in connection with the erec-tion of permanent bridges. We believe that our conduct will stand the light of day; that the people of New Brunswick will approve of our course in erecting permanent bridges that are permanent in reality rather than a pretence, and that we will be sloways upheld in a de-termination to expend as much of our money within the limits of our own pro-vince as is consistent with fair prices and as cellence of workmanehip. Every bridge to which a double price

vince as is consistent with fair prices and ex cellence of workmanchip. Every bridge to which a double price has been alleged by our opporents was constructed before last year. The bills, therefore, whether right or excessive, were placed before the public accounts con mitice, on which both the opposition and the government were represented. Con m ties, on which both the opposition and the government were represented; yet, with the exception of the insitua-tions of Mr Pinder, no voice had been rsised in the legislature in condemna-tion of what it is now hysterically alleged are double-priced bridges. If the govern-ment pail this double price in 1801 the are double-priced prices. It the govern-ment paid this double price in 1894 the fact must have come, in the regular course of things, to the knowledge of the legislature that met in the following year, and so on with each and every bridge built year after year. The act was this double-priced

Bridge Charge Was a Campaign

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intended to suddenly lead the electorate to believe that a great wrong had been committed by the chief commissioner and his department. As I have stated, charges have been insinuated during charges have been insinuated during the past several years by the hon. mem-ber for York (Pinder) against my depart-ment, yet the public accounts committee on which, as I have said, there are mem-bers of the opportion as well as govern-ment supporters, have never been able to discover any wrong doing on the part of the department, or any doing on the part of the department, or any doing conthe part of the department, or any doing conthe part of the department. The public accounts committee have not always been able to approve of every action of the govern-ment, but they have never hesitated to ment, but they have never hesitated to make favorable reports with respect to the public accounts of the province. The public accounts committee of 1897 was

"Committee Room, House of Assembly, 13th March, 1897.

⁴ The chief commissioner and Mr. Win-slow, chief clerk in the board of wo ka-department, being called from time to time to explain various items of expen-diture in that department, did so to our fall satisfaction, as did also the provis-cial secretary and enveryor secret as

full satisfaction, as did also the provim-cial secretary and surveyor general, as to items within the scope of their re-spective departments. "Your committee beg also to report that on the 5th of March, instant, some items of expenditure so presented in the public-accunts referred to were questioned, though fully explained by the chief commissioner, re Young's bridge, St. George bridge, and Digidegusch bridge, in the county of Charlotte, and the Nare-is bridge. In the county of King's George bridge, and Digideguash bridge, in the county of Charlotte, and the Nare-pis bridge, in the county of King's. Resolution moved by Mr. Summer, a member of the committee, asking for anthority to send for persons and papers and examine witnesses noder oath, was passed and concurred in by the homas, and Meesrs. Summer and Pinder were repeatedly requested to farnish the names of witnesses, but they neglects to do so until tois morning at 2 o'clock, when your committee, being then in session, they were again requested to fornish the said names. Mr. Summer did them hand in the names of two witfornish the said names. Mr. Summer did then hand in the names of two wit-nesses, Colin Stewart and Aogus Fisher, of St. George, Charlotte county, when subject as were at once made out and duly signed and celivered to Mr. Summer by the chairman. Within a few minutese atter Mr. Summer returned and with-drew the names of the witnesses, stating that he would not proceed with the im-quiry.

that he would not proceed with the in-quiry. "Further, your committee report that on the 9th day of March, instant, like-authority and concurrence of the house was sought and obtained on motion of Mr Pinder, a memter of the said com-nitiee, to send for persons and papers and examine witnesses under oath rela-tive in an expension with the denart. and examine witnesses under oath rela-tive to an expenditure by the depart-ment of public works appearing in the public accounts of 1896 on Cocagne bridge, in the county of Kent. The names of James Barnes, M P P; Inspec-tor McGrath, Alfred Haines, John M Gogain, Richard Burgeois and Charles Lucae, were submitted by him as wit-nesses, along with the said resolutions, "The said mitnesses were duly anon-

"The said with the said resolution, mored, and the said investigation com-menced on same day, namely March 9:b, when Mr Barres and Mr Haines, who had charge of the Cocaigne Bridge repairs, were examined for further with amittee adjuarped for further exidence.

"The other witnesses being produced, your committee met sgain on the 11th and 12th inst, continuing the latter es-tion until early this morning, when all persons tendered for examination were fully examined upon osti-in regard thereto, as was size the chief commissioner and Mr Winelow, the clork of the board of works of-fice, on all matters in question.

"A stenographer being in attendance throughout taking the svidence, a copy of said evidence is herewith submitted, marked "A."

"With reference to the investigation of the expenditors on said Coceage bridge your committee, after sfording ample time for all persons to be heard, and on consideration of the evidence, find that no wrongfal act on the part of any per-son connected therewith has been shown, and the accounts of the said expenditure, as produced from the depart-ment of public works, are correct.

"Your committee further find that the "Your committee further ind that the course pursued by the department in providing materials and doing the work-in connection with rebuilding and re-pairing the Cocsgoe bridge, considering the nature of the work and the extent thereof, was correct."

Record foundry, were made more with a view of all the view of all

engaged the strength of the legislature and the government since the province was first established. Up to the year 1835 each county had its own highway act. In that year all the highway acts of the various counties were consolidat-ed. Evidently the intention of the legis-lature of that day was to can the could ed. Evidentity the intention of the legis-lature of that day was to cast the cost of opening and maintaing the roads of the province upon the counties. At that time, and for many years before, all the rivers and streams of the prov-ince of any size were crossed by ferries, the control and management of which, by law, was placed in the hands of the asseince of each county which assigns exemptions of each county, which sessions expresponded to the municipal nouncils of the present day. The legislature from time to time made special grants to each county to senist them in open-From time to time made special grants to each county to assist them in open-ing and keeping up the roads. After a time it appeared by the acts of those years the province proceeded to con-struct bridges over those rivers and streams previously traversed by ferries. Later another highway act was intro-duced, amending the previous act so se to put upon the various counties the coat of maintaining these bridges also. For many years the performance of staints inbor became in some parts of the prov-ince a dead letter. There was a general impression existing that the responsibil-ity of keeping up the roads and bridges of the province should be borne alto gether by the government. At first the counties received small and decultory prants, and then it grew into a castom for the government to make larger ap-propriations for the different counties. First Permanent Bridges.

First Permanent Bridges.

Some dozen of years ago the govern-ment purchased from the New Bruns ment purchased from the New Brune-wick Railway Company four railway beidges, and these were converted into some fourteen or fifteen highway bridges and placed in various parts of the prov-imee, the whole being done by days work, and under the superintendence of Mr. Alfred Haines, of the board of works denertment. department.

This, I may say, so far as I am descriment. This, I may say, so far as I am aware, was the first attempt on the part of the government at permanent bridge building in this province. At that time the government had the active an enthusiastic support of the present leader of the opposition, who could see mothing wrong in having the bridges preted by days work. The government ware so well pleased with these steel and iron highway bridges that they de-eided to emberk in the building of per-manent bridges, feeling satisfied that the undertaking would result advan-dentity is the province. The result was that the government obtained anthor from the legislature in 1891 to that the government obtained anthor-My from the legislature in 1891 to issue bonds to the extent of 9850,000 for the exection of permanent structures. We advertised for tenders Ly the greating of ins Hampton bridge, the Trost Creek Bridge at Scase2 and the Salisbary bridge. The contract to build the Hampton bridge was awarded to the Canadian Bridge and Ircn Com-pany, and the Contracts for the other two bridges were awarded to the Domin-ion Bridge Company. Other Bridges Cost More.

Other Bridges Cost More

What was the rate per pound charged by these upper province firms? Did they tender to construct the bridges for 3 or 3; cents per pound, as the sensational coposition papers would have us believe the Dominion Bridge company is now willing to erect permanent bridges in this province for? No! Nothing of the kind. "The Dominion Bridge company charged this province at the rate of 6 charged this province at the rate of 6 easily per pound for the erection of the Bailsbury bridge. They charged the province at the rate of 7cents per pound-for the Sussex bridge, and the Canadian Bridge & Iron company charged and were paid at the rate of 7j cents per pound for the Hampton bridge. The government were then new at the work of building permanent bridgee, but they were not long in discovering that while they had paid the upper province con-cens fair prices for the bridgee named they had not obtained a fair return for their money; that the bridgee, while Bridge & Iron company charged and were paid at the rate of 72 cents per pound for the Hampton bridge. They they had paid the upper province con-eens fair prices for the bridges, multi-they had not obtained a fir return for the draws and they had not obtained a fir return for the draws and they had not obtained a fir return for the draws and they had not obtained a fir return for the draws and they had not obtained a fir return for the draws and they had not obtained a fir return for the draws and they had not obtained a fir return for the draws and they had not obtained a fir return for the draws and they had not obtained a fir return for the draws and they had not obtained a fir return for the draws and they had not obtained a fir return for the draws and they had not obtained a fir return for the draws and the upper provinces con-they would not have provinces and the upper provinces and the upper provinces and the upper provinces and the upper provinces and they had not obtained a fir return for the draws and one at Petitco-they had not obtained a fir return for the draws and one at Petitco-they would not have produced their they had not obtained a fir return for the draws and one at Petitco-they would not have produced their the noney; that the bridges, while well constructed wooden bridges. They the work could be done in the best in-Hampton bridge, that the material have been doing recently, and we have the when we have you not think that the object of that rate than paid by the government than bridge, that the material have been doing recently, and we have

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was too light for the length of the spans, and that, slihoagh the bridge when erected was sup-posed to last upwards of fifty years, it required important repairs one year after its erection. The strain rods had broken because of being too light, and l may say that the same bridge has had to be repaired a second time, and the opinion is general among competent bridge builders that the bridge will not lest half the time that we had hoped. The Sussex and Salisbury bridges have given somewhat better satisfaction, but neither of them begins to compare with the bridges that have since been erected by our own New Branswick concerns. The bridges built by the R-scord Foundry and Machine Company give evidence of better work-manabip, engineering capability, capac-ity of strength and much better quality of material. One of the difficulties we for the tongh ad that, although supged the attention of the legislature was \$00 light length Company give evidence of better work-manabip, engineering capability, capac-ity of strength and much better quality of material. One of the difficulties we toand in connection with the building of the Hampton, Sus ex and Salisbury bridges, by upper Canadian firms, was that we had no engineer who could pre-pare plans and specifications for these permanent structures and could not have proper unspection at the point of construction and that we were obliged to accept bridges from plans prepared to accept bridges from plans prepared to accept bridges from plans prepared by the companies themselves. When we went into business on a larger scile, and obt-ined authority for a bond issue of \$400,000 for the purpose of building permanent bridges, we determined on a different policy. We decided that if it were coa-sible, having regard to quality of work-manabip and fair prices, we would have the work done in our own province, and as far as possible Give Employment to Our Own People.

Give Employment to Our Own People We decided that we would have the new bridges erected under the supervi-sion of a competent engineer and in-spector of large practical experience, from working plans. The chief spector of large practical experience, from working plans. The chief engineer of the department, Mr. Wetmore, who had some ex-perience in connection with railway bridges, and who had the advantage of instruction under Mr Eiward Shaw, an engineer of almost world wide reputa-tion, was authorized to take charge of the work. It was first proposed that tion, was authorised to take charge of the work. It was first proposed that these bridges might be constructed by a company, to be organized in Charlotte county for the purpose of undertaking bridge construction. My predecessor in the premiership, Hon Jas Mitchell, took a very active interest in the effort to have the work done by a company or-ganized in his own county, but, through some heatianty on the part of the Char-totte county promoters, the department of public works was obliged to look else-where within the province for parties who would undertake to have the work due glid of the county is of Mr. who would undertake to have the work unity Ender the singly sion of Mr. Haines in much the singly sion of Mr. Haines in much the singly sion of Mr. Haines in much the singly side of Mr. iron bridges constructed in the province. The Record Foundry and Machine Com-pany constructed several bridges in this way, at prices about the same as paid the upper Canadian companies. Before the government gave the Record Foundry and Machine Company a contract it re-quired of them to produce memoranda and that the company a contract to be quired of them to produce memoranda abowing the sotual cost of labor and material, before any profit could be expected on the work to be given. To this was added the work to be given. To this was added a small percentage of profit, and the government agreed to give the Monoton concern the building of a num-ber of bridges at prices a little less than paid the upper prov-ince firms. The Record foundry people invested a very large sum of money in a plant necessary to carry on the work. A little later Mr. J. M. Baddock, of Ohatham, went into the permanent bridge building business, and as chief commissioner of the province I took occasion to invite tenders from New

been paying the New Brunswick firms at the rate of about 62 cents per pound. There is no secret about this rate, as all the accounts in connection with the con-struction of bridges have been before the public accounts committee every year, and there has never been the struction of bridges nave been before the public accounts committee every year, and there has never been the slightest disposition on the part of the ohief commissioner or any other mem-ber of the government to withhold any information with respect to the cost of these or any other bridges. If there be any virtue in the argument that the erection of permanent bridges is a wise policy, then the bridges must be what they pur-port to be, and no bridge whose life will be less than the bonds issued to cover its cost could properly be classified as a permanent bridge. It is not my desire to refact upon the bridges, either con-structed within our own province by upper province firms, or upon the bridges erected in tha neighboring province of Nova Scotts by firms either within or withoat that province but I an willing to stake the exclusion of our government upon the verdict of a committee of reputable engineers that the bridges built in this province by our New Branswick firms will outlive by New Branswick firms will cutlive by from 50 to 75 years the bridges erected by cutside firms in this province or the bridges constructed in Novs Scotia at a

bridges constructed in Nova Scotia at a much less rate than we are paying. I bav- made no complant over the fact that the charges which the Sun and other opposition newspapers have been publishing during the last sev-eral months have been put into shape by a nameless civil engineer, but I am going to ask this audience tonight and I am going to ask the people of this coun-iry if they consider it manly that charges should be burled assants a gov-ernment when the author of the charges was unwilling to appear in the open. I may be permitted to conjecture who this was unwilling to appear in the open. \bar{I} may be permitted to corjecture who this gentleman was, and I might not be far astray if I located him in the person of an engineer who for years was a domin-ion public servant, and who, by reason of his unrestricted dealings in a species of the public property of the dominion, termed, for the purpose of deceiving, "shingles," was dismissed from a position of trust. How far that dismissed has actuated him with respect to this matter \bar{I} will leave it for the gub-lic to corjecture, but I am bound to say to the matter will rewer for the pub-lio to corjecture, but I am bound to say that a gentleman who laid himself open to a criminal charge for the misspiro-priation of valuable property of the do-minion to the uses of himself and those with whom he was associated, is not entitled to that recognition which would entitled to that recognition which would result in condemning me in the eyed of the constituents of the province, in the face of my own statements and de-denial to the contrary. While this has been my conjecture regarding the name-less engineer, I notice that within the 'www for dery' the name of Mr. A. R. Holmes has been put forward as the engineer who had farnished the opposition with the material for their campaign documen'; and who fa the Mr. Holmes? a young man who from 1895, until the 15th of last September was, I am informed, an apprentice in the engineering department of the Inthe engineering department of the In-tercolonial railway at Moncton, and who, when he left the department was an en-gineer of such eminent ability that he was receiving the munificent salary of was receiving the munificent salary of seven dollars and a quarter a week. The young man is now undergoing instru-tions at a Boston school of tech-mology, and I trust may become at no distant day an engineer, whose opinion will be valuable. In the meantime his name seems to have been used for the purpose of drawing away attention from the gentleman, whose wholesale dealing in "ahinglee," cost him his position as chief engineer of the Intercolonial Rail-way. WAY.

Opposition Evidence Not Creditable,

was so that if the house met before an election the opposition might have a chance of running away from the charges which had been published in their interaction. interest. The Daily Record of Saturday, Janu-

The Daily Record of Saturday, Janu-sry 21st, referring to my statement at St Andrews that the insinuations in the legislature with respect to the bridge charges had been fully met by the gov-ernment, said: "This Dr Stockton em-phatically denied, and, as a matter of fact the government's little dodge of fact the government's little dodge of fact the government's little dodge of was speaking to the charges worked well. The member for York was about to pnearth the donble price scheme and well. The member for York was about to mearth the double price scheme and expose the trickery of the boodie legis-tators when the wher of the black rod announced the arrival of the governor to terminate the seesion." I have not seen any denial of the truth of this report in the Record, but I would hope that poli-tics in New Brunswick have not failen so low that the leader of a party would be guilty of making such an incorrect state-ment as the one just quoted. As a mat-ter of fact, as the report in the Sun news-paper of Friday, March 18th, last year, will show, Mr Pinder finished an exhaus-tive speech and was followed by myself. Messre Dibbles, Osman, Summer, Robin-son, Stockton, Tweedle, Smith, Alward, Black and Lockhart, and the debate was concluded and the house concurred in the report of the committee of public was concluded and the house concurred in the report of the committee of public accounts, after which the house ad-journed until Friday forencon, when, after considerable routine and no dis-cussion, the governor prorogaed the house. What tue opposition can hope to gain from thus misrepresenting the actual proceedings of the house I leave it to Dr. Stockton and his party to deter-mine.

Bridge Expenditures Approved Last

Just before the close of the legislature last session there was a meeting of the public accounts committee. A report of its proceedings was telegraphed to one of the St. John papers by a member of the G.eaner newspaper staff. This is what he wrote: "Being disappointed with Mr. Emmerson's capable and housest admin-istration of affairs in connection with the legislative buildings and lamatic asylum. the opposition seruting wasthe legislative buildings and lunatic asylum, the opposition scrutiny was-next levelled at the expenditure on per-manent bridges The opposition felt: sure that Mr. Emmerson, with all the multitude of cther official duises the, premier must attend to, could not-expend \$85,000 u,on 254 bridges, situated in every part of the province, in sums varying from \$150 to \$3,709, and baving to deal with all eoris of men, without some misapproall sorts of men, without some miasppro-priation or unwise or excessive expendi-tare. Mr Pinder, sided by Mr Dibbies, made a most careful and eritiest eserch made a most careful and estitical everch. of all the accounts, papers and state-ments of permanent bridge expenditure. Mr Emmerson and the depaty sommis-sioner of public works, Winslow, were present to aid the critics in their investigation, and when a most thorough search was completed at 11 o'clock to night the opposition members heid a midplet concleve and made successmidnight concleve and made success-fol arrangements for obsequies of their blighted and blasted hopes. After a minute scrutiny of

Mr. Pinder's Practised Scavengering

Mr. Pinder's Practised Scavengering and Mr. Dibblee's professional acumen' the opposition had not even a peg upon which to hang a criticism, nor a single item which could be by the most skilful? manipulation construed into a charge of boodling." Without desiring to parade myself as a particularly honest man, L quote the above as the opinion of the news editor of the Gisaner, whose opin-ion, I am free to admit, dcer not appear to entirely correspond with that of the so called religious editor of that paper. I would like to ask if there is any' information now before the contry to