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POLITICAL NOTES.

NEWS FROM THE CAPITAL.

THE NEW DEBATE.—MR. LAURIER'S SPEECH.—ON THE CONSERVATIVE PARLIAMENTARY CONVENTION. The speech of the Hon. Wilfred Laurier last night (Tuesday, March 16), is said to have been one of the greatest ever made by him and one of the greatest ever made in parliament since Confederation...

OTHER NEWS.

REMARKS ON THE EXECUTION. He recalled the medical commission. He quoted a letter of Sir John Macdonald to Sir A. P. Caron, stating that the death was decided on by the cabinet on November 4th or 5th, while the medical commission did not act at Regina until November 6th, 7th and 8th. He charged the government with appointing the commission to show dust in the eyes of the public, and fairly quiver with indignation, he demanded a review in the history of the country there was a more cruel and shameful thing than this mock commission!

INQUIRY.

IF YOU are aware that on the ROMANIAN PLAN proposed by the French BARRIERS you only pay the actual cost of carrying out the risk, you can save year with an expense of \$1 per \$1,000. On this plan you can insure your life for \$5,000 or \$4,000 for the premium usually charged for \$1,000. The advantage over the assessment plan is that the FEDERAL LIFE is a Stock Company and its policies are backed up by its capital of \$7,000,000, \$54,683 of which is deposited with the government as security for policy holders.

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The Canadian Post.

LINDSAY, FRIDAY, MARCH 26, 1888.

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

HOME AND FOREIGN ITEMS OF INTEREST.

Heavenly fly and chinch bug seriously threaten the wheat crop of the American north-west. Two fatal cases of cholera are reported from Canada, two from Poland and seven from India. Two sisters have been executed in Austria for murdering their father, an old man of eighty.

GOVERNMENT RESPONSIBILITY.

For the insurance; second, the nature of the trial and execution, and third, the political aspect of the government's course. In each he contributed new facts and new principles to the discussion, and seemed to cover new ground, everywhere reviewing what others had said before him. His charge against the government as to responsibility for the execution had as a text the fact that in 1870 the government accepted as the principle of their dealings with the Metis, the dual claims of that people to consideration.

DISCARD ALL PARTISANSHIP.

and even the spirit of party, and approach it with all the calmness and dignity of impartiality. That was a difficult task in a political body, but because of its difficulty it was all the more imperative to act in that spirit. Alluding to Mr. Laurier's speech it was, he said, the crowning proof of French domination. This created great amusement, and Mr. Blake changed this to loud cheers by adding: "In my humble judgment it was the finest parliamentary speech ever pronounced in the parliament of Canada since Confederation."

FOR SALE OR LET.

DESIKABLE BUILDING LOTS IN LINDSAY FOR SALE.—Being Park Lot No. 20, East Ward, 40 x 100 ft. fenced; frame house, 5 rooms and summer kitchen on 10 x 10 ft. lot. Also a lot on Albion-st., South Ward, east of Lindsay-st., one acre, one block, on one of the best wooded, stable, well-cultivated, etc.

VETERINARY SURGEONS.

F. W. O'BRIEN, Graduate of the Ontario Veterinary College. Treats all diseases of domestic animals by the most scientific and approved methods. All calls by day or night promptly attended to. Office, "Hamilton House," Beaverton, Ont. Feb. 23, 1888.—29-ly.

MONEY TO LOAN.

6 PER CENT MONEY.—\$50,000 private funds to loan at 6 per cent. Interest yearly. Privilege to borrower of paying off any sum at any time without notice. H. DEAN, barrister. Office in Bigelow's block, corner Kent and York-sts., Lindsay, Feb. 23, 1888.—18-ly.

THE TRIAL AND EXECUTION.

he said he was not of those who looked upon Riel as a hero, because he lacked the well-balanced mind essential to the heroic nature; but he denied that Riel was a bad man. Riel, in his confused understanding, he said, had the idea of doing good to his race and country. His objections to the trial he formulated as: First, that Riel had asked for a month to prepare his defence, but had been granted only five days; second, that he had been denied the right to have a counsel of his own choice; and third, that he had been denied the right to have a counsel of his own choice.

MANY NOBLE PASSAGES.

of the speech. With upraised finger, pointed at the government he cried, "too late to late when hearts are swelling with long accumulating bitterness; when men, from long and weary waiting, have grown sullen and sore, a strife sets the fatal mischief in motion, even as a spark of fire dropped into the prairie grass at certain times and seasons starts an unquenchable and mighty conflagration." He went on to show that up to March 20, 1885, the government clung to the equitable settlement business, still ignoring the full meaning of the act of 1870, but that ten days later their policy suddenly changed, and they sent a dispatch to their commissioners advising the dual privileges of the Metis. "And why was this sudden change of policy?" he asked. "Because," he thundered, "because of the balance of the crown to the subject, and while England had always done its duty to the French Canadian, the government opposite him had not done its duty to them nor to the Metis. It has been loyal to its people, but not to its subjects."

WILL HOLD THE GOVERNMENT RESPONSIBLE.

Coming then to the main question, as he had no doubt that the previous question would be carried, he exclaimed: "I hold this government responsible for every dollar wasted, for every pang inflicted, for every life lost, whether upon the field or on the scaffold, and I believe that for this their accountability they will be called to strict and stern account, here first and afterwards at the great tribunal so soon as they are called before it." With reference to the insurgents and Riel there was legal guilt, no matter how great the provocation, but he asked what the moral justification or palliation they were guilty, and the only question for the jury was to find Riel guilty or not guilty, or to acquit him if he was not guilty. He then objected to the selection of a judge for the trial, who was not a superior magistrate and who was subject to dismissal by the government at pleasure. He never intended that such a magistrate should try cases of treason. He argued at length on the question of insanity and covered the legal view of crime and liability. He said that his opinion was that the government was responsible for the trial and execution. He said that he had been denied the right to have a counsel of his own choice, and that he had been denied the right to have a counsel of his own choice.

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THE ISLAND IN BALSAM LAKE. Of which over 200 are cleared, partially fenced and fit for cultivation, with a good barn. The remainder of the land is heavily wooded with timber of the best quality. There is a fine water power on the island, and a fine view of the lake. It is within 30 miles of Lindsay, and is a fine place for a stock or dairy farm. It is also a fine place for a summer residence. It is also a fine place for a stock or dairy farm. It is also a fine place for a summer residence. It is also a fine place for a stock or dairy farm. It is also a fine place for a summer residence.

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