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OUR OTTAWA LETTER.

Canada's Finances.

The completed statement for the financial year ending June 30th, has been made public, and, in ample fulfillment of the preliminary indications, the net result of Canada's business for the year is a surplus of over one and a half million dollars. The comparison of the practical results of the past two years with that of the previous administration is instructive and interesting. The deficit of the previous four years had amounted to considerably over \$6,000,000, and the last of the deficits, in 1897, amount to \$500,000 was due to the expenditures necessitated by the extravagance of the past. This is the first year in which a fair opportunity has been given to test the working of the Liberal policy, and the result is such that the Government and the country may feel entirely satisfied to continue along the same lines. Not only has the ledger been balanced, and the new year opened with a substantial amount to its credit, but the condition of every department of industry is such that the improvement will continue yet more rapidly for many years; indeed for as long as the same policy is pursued.

The expenditure under the Liberal administration has been heavy, but every dollar of it is there, and doing splendid service for the people. The millions that are being devoted to the deepening of the St. Lawrence Canals is but one instance of the practical application of business principles, a score of others might be enumerated; and so long as the people see that their resources are being husbanded and developed, that the best results possible may be made out of our magnificent heritage, so long as they are satisfied that the money is being used for legitimate purposes and is not squandered in Langevin blocks, Curran bridges, Caron manipulations and Haggart railway deals, so long will they be content to leave the management of the country in the hands of her administrators.

All Canadians are Brothers.

The spontaneous expression of sympathy which has been called forth by the terrible disaster that has befallen the city of New Westminster is a strong proof of the growth of that bond of common interest that is yearly more closely uniting the widely separated Provinces of the Dominion, and the manner in which substantial assistance is following that first expression of sympathy indicates that the feeling is a genuine one. It is within the memory of all but the youngest of our citizens, when British Columbia was scarcely thought of as a part of the Dominion; and one could only reach it by way of the Pacific Ocean, while its citizens spoke of the rest of the country as though it was a foreign land.

It is the first time that the cities of the coast have met with dire disaster, and have risen from their ashes with marvellous vitality and there is no doubt that New Westminster will give yet another example of the magnificent staying and growing powers of our glorious West.

31st Battalion, No. 4 Company.

Score Practice Match at Butts, Saturday, Sept. 17th.

Table with 2 columns: Name and Score. Capt. Galbraith 200 yds 400 yds, Sgt. Ramage 11, Sgt. Matthews 11, Sgt. Snyder 11, Corp. McCaul 11, Private Bourne 11, Davis 11, Whitmore 11, McFadden 11, Jones 11.

Private Bourne making the highest score at the 200, and Sgt. Snyder the highest score at 400. The company shooting match will be held at the Butts on Saturday Oct. 1st. Watch for notice.

AROUND THE LAKE.

The event of the week was the Lawrence-Hooper wedding. [As this is referred to elsewhere we drop our correspondent's report.—Ed.]

Mr. Geo. Wilson with his steam thrasher has moved into the neighborhood and will soon clean the barns out. Durham sports are probably not aware that A. Bell's driving park is giving training to prize winners. Mr. Bell has a horse of Mr. James of Priceville, in training just now and from the way he goes round the ring, your cor. thinks he must be striking a 2.40 gait—if the course is not too long.

Another wedding in the near future.

HAMPDEN.

Mr. E. W. Geddes of Hepworth paid a flying visit to his old home last week while enroute for London.

Mr. O. M. Snider who has been visiting friends at Warton returned home Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Watt jr. attended the London Fair.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyd are this week visiting friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Floto of Port Egin are visiting relations here at present.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Brautigan spent part of last week with friends near Clifford.

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Mr. Charlie Upshott formerly a resident of this place, who has just returned from Cuba where he served in the 31st Michigan Infantry, is at present the guest of his old friend Mr. T. Brusso.

Mr. C. Wetz of Orchard, paid this place a flying visit one day last week.

NORTH EAST NORMANBY.

Mrs. Dickelman returns this week from Allanford where for the past two weeks she has been visiting her son Wm. Mitchell.

Mr. G. Moore and family left last week for Teeswater after spending some time with friends in this vicinity. We hope Mr. Moore's health will be improved by his visit.

Mr. Wm. Petty and Misses Elsie and Annie of Bentinck, visited at Mr. W. Petty's lately.

The Eden Bros. are at present building an addition to E. Fee's house. It is said this will be put to many uses, but we must wait and see.

Miss A. Johnston of Durham visited friends in this neighborhood last week.

A temperance meeting in connection with the coming campaign will be held in the school house No. 1, on Monday evening Sept. 20th. All are cordially invited to attend.

Miss Mary Gadd left last week for Guelph where she intends to remain for some months.

Mrs. J. Morris has been somewhat under the weather for the past week but we hope to hear of her speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Fee visited Glenelg friends one day lately.

Oh heart that is broken, Oh Jimmy that weeps; What billows of sorrow Must cover you sweep. But comfort yourself For she will come back. And tread once again That hard-beaten track.

CRAWFORD.

Mr. Dave Hasto spent last week in Toronto visiting friends and taking in sights.

Mrs. George Christie and Walter Mair of Sallira visited at Mr. Dugald McDonald's last week.

Mr. Ed Boyes has been busily engaged in erecting a porch to the Methodist church here.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Anderson spent a day at Mr. Boyd's on the 9th.

Miss Jeanie Coult is on an extended visit to Toronto friends at present.

Miss Agnes Superant is at present engaged at R. H. Ledwith's, Dorchester.

The McDougall families on the 8th had a pleasant visit from Keppel friends, who also attended Walkerton show.

Mr. Hugh and Miss Kate McMillan were among the exhibitors to Toronto; they report a good time and wonderful sights.

Mr. Hugh McKechnie, R. Kelly, and daughter Cassie passed through here on a visit to Elderslie friends.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. A. Taylor who some weeks ago were united in the holy bonds of matrimony. Rev. Mr. Little led the knot in the presence of a large number of friends. After a pleasant evening the young couple left on a trip to O. Sound.

The McDonald families on the 8th attended the McIntyre-Isaac wedding near Drumore last week. They give glowing accounts of having an excellent time, among fine people in a fine district of land in Egremont.

Rev. Mr. Laing, Dundas, preached in the Pres. Church here the past two Sundays with great acceptance. Mr. Laing is on y 25, and has a bright future before him.

Mr. A. McKinnon, estate buyer, spent a day at Mr. D. McDonald's lately.

Mr. Angus McDougall attended the Walkerton show.

Mr. A. J. S. Morrison visited at Mr. L. Wilson's and other friends at Louise.

Miss Alice Boyce is a resident of Durham now, being engaged with Mrs. Hughes as a dressmaker.

BOOTHVILLE.

Miss Alice Wilson spent a few days at Toronto Exhibition, and we believe she had a lovely time.

Miss Lizzie Wilson spent a few weeks with her grand parents at Southampton, her brothers Willie and Tom accompanied her home.

Mr. J. Campbell's infant child has been very poorly last week but is better now.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Marshall visited Mr. W. Marshall last Sunday.

Mr. Chas. McQueen is recovering from his late illness.

A number of Balsara Valley youth and beauty passed through our burg on Wednesday last to attend the marriage of Mr. Daye McIntyre and Miss Lizzie Isaac. We wish the young couple a long and happy life.

Miss Mary Wilson is home just now enjoying her holidays.

After a long illness borne patiently, Mr. James Kinsman passed quietly away to his reward on the 7th. Mr. Kinsman was a quiet neighborly man and well liked by those who knew him best. His remains were followed to the grave by a large number of friends and neighbors. He leaves a widow, one daughter and one son to mourn his death.

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DURHAM MARKET.

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Live Stock Markets.

TORONTO.

There were about one hundred loads of offerings here this morning, including 3,500 hogs, 1,400 sheep and lambs, and a few milkers and calves. Some of the cattle was of inferior quality, but we had an active market, and about everything was sold.

Shipping cattle was in good steady demand at from \$1.25 to \$1.05 per cwt; shipping bulls ranged, according as they were light or heavy, from \$3.25 to \$4.10 per cwt; and if extra choice a little more than the latter figure.

Except for the best stuff here butchers' cattle was off from five to fifteen cents per cwt. Choice cattle sold at \$4 and \$4.12 per cwt; medium at from \$3.50 to \$3.80; good cattle fetched from \$3.20 to \$3.50; and poor stuff sold at around \$3 per cwt.

We had a heavy run of stockers. The demand was good, and they sold freely at from \$3.12 to \$3.50, with an eighth more occasionally for selections.

Milk cows are in good demand, and selling easily up to \$50 each if of the right kind.

Calves are wanted at from \$3 to \$6 each, and for choice \$7 and \$8 each will be paid.

Sheep sold well this morning; ewes fetched from \$3.25 to \$3.60 per cwt; bucks are worth from \$2.50 to \$2.75 per cwt.

Lambs are in fair demand at from \$2.50 to \$4.25 each. Hogs of from 100 to 200 pounds are worth \$4.75 per cwt., but anything under 100 pounds will not grade as first class. Light and heavy hogs fetch from \$4.25 to \$4.40 or \$4.50; sows from \$3 to \$3.30; and stags \$2.25 per cwt.

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List of Fall Shows.

Table with 3 columns: Location, Date, and Show Name. South Grey Sept. 27 to Sept 28, Industrial, Toronto Aug. 29 to 10, Western, London Sept. 8 to 17, Northern, Walkerton 14 to 15, Markdale 15 to 16, Owen Sound 20 to 23, Collingwood 20 to 23, East Grey, Flesherton 22 to 23, Central, Walters Falls 27 to 28, Holland, Chatsworth 22 to 23, Centre Bruce, Paisley 27 to 28.

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