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the methods used by local politicians in militia matters is disloyal and opposed to further enlistment in the cause of the Empire. So says the "inspired' Journal. No wonder the famous Dr. Johnson once said that "Patriotism is the last resort of the scoundrel." That witty saying was never better illustrated than in the present case. When men will drag the honor of the nation and the efficiency of the army in the mud and then try to escape the consequent odium by flag waving and loud talk about patriotism it is no wonder if honest men should want their loyalty to be known by a better name. . . Nobody can hold any ill-will against the man who shoulders his gun and goes out to fight for his country. Even should he have received that position by questionable means if he makes good the people are only too willing to forget the past. The people who are beneath contempt are the ones that prevent capable officers from fighting for their country while they themselves skulk in the shadows of their own home and rejoice in their villany. The outrages that have been committed in Prince Rupert in connection with military mat-

out the length and breadth of the civilized world, and is clear evidence that among its perpetrators there is not left a spark of national or personal honor. FRANCE ALREADY \* \* \*

Two bye-elections take place HAS SPENT FIVE shortly in New Brunswick, in **BILLION FRANCS** the counties of St. John and Carleton. Both of these seats Paris, Dec. 24 .- The cost of are strong government centers. The former was vacated the war to France for the first by the disgraced premier re- six months is officially figured at cently found guilty of graft by 5,929,442,865 francs or about a Royal Commission. The \$200,000,000 monthly. This total other was vacated because its is in addition to the usual expenmember, Mr. Baxter, has just ditures of the army, but it inbeen appointed Attorney Gen- cludes \$101,400,000 allowed to eral and was compelled to seek families of soldiers, \$4,000,000 re-election. It will be inter- to persons out of employment. esting to see what the electors \$10,200,000 for the maintenance will have to say about the mis- of persons driven from their conduct of their former chiefs. homes by the German invasion It is quite certain that Premier and to various other items direct. Fleming was not alone in ly due to the war. "holding up" the timber men The application committees of of the province. When the the French parliament met today head is rotten it is a safe guess to consider the budget, which agthat the whole body is corrupt. gregates for the first six months If New Brunswick is true to her in 1915 a total of 8,,525,264,407 best traditions, she will wipe francs (\$1,705,052,881). The rate of \$200,000,000 out this stain on her good name monthly for next year is about in no uncertain manner. the scale of expenditures for the \* \* \* It begins to look as if the five months of war in the present second attempt of the Bob year. Rogers element to force an election in Canada has again **Real Relief** been defeated. It is well known that the Governor General had true happiness. The trouble due to indigestion and biliousness, is removed quickly, certainly and safely by FORE KNOWLEDGE Sold Everywhere. In boxes, 25 center FLOUR APPLICATIONS WANTED 

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