

~~two or three years a year or two~~ this colony will have to find eight millions ~~on~~ in the London market, or become default. This is enough to make a man ill, and I do not marvel at the absence of the Colonial Treasurer. ~~A year ago he was hale and stalwart—one whose giant strength men talked of; A few months ago has been stricken down, and now he has broken down!~~ ~~It is certainly~~ *There has been, indeed, sufficient* cause. What is our outlook? ~~We have got to hand this colony down~~ *wish to "leave this land as a noble heritage to our children;"* but it will have to be done by better men than those who at present hold the Treasury benches. I will not, whatever I may think, refer to any honourable gentlemen as the pimps and panders of ~~money agents banks and loan and mortgage companies, because that would be unparliamentary, but I deplore the fact that the gentlemen on these benches are gentlemen whose conduct~~ *conduct of those who occupy the Government benches has been such as cannot be described in parliamentary language, and impeached for being the panders of a bank to which* They have sacrificed the interests of this colony through three long years. ~~and that~~ We are not safe for one single hour while these gentlemen have control of the finances of the colony. No wonder that they cling to office. No wonder that they want this moribund Parliament, meeting in what I may be called a *this* mortuary chamber, to grant them supplies for ~~the fourth~~ *another* year. We are under a system of triennial Parliaments and yet ~~they we~~ *are asked us* to vote supplies for a fourth year, so that those gentlemen may hold office till next session. I hope they will not *succeed*. However, whatever the temper of this House may be—whatever may be the numerical divisions of this House—I take leave to say, with unusual boldness, that out of doors ~~they the Government~~ have not a majority, and that on the hustings they will be impeached and ~~that by the elections at the ballot-box~~ they will be condemned.

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