

THE BUDGET DEBATE.

Report of Mr. Phinney's Speech.

Mr. Phinney said that the intention of the opposition to unnecessarily occupy the time and prolong the Debate, by the discussion of questions that were not relevant to the subject now before the House—the financial position of the Province. The Budget debate, under parliamentary usage, opened up a wide scope for debate and discussion, and it was quite competent to make reference to all questions of government policy and legislation. But on the present occasion he (Phinney) did not purpose travelling on such a wide range. He desired to confine himself more particularly to subjects incident to the one more particularly before the House, and the propositions contained in the amendment to the address moved on behalf of the opposition. The debate was in many respects the most important that would engage the attention of the Legislature this session, and it was not a little surprising that the members of the Government, more particularly the Leader, on whom devolved the responsibility for the regrettable and serious financial outlook of the province, should maintain a stolid silence, leaving the discussion and the answering of the criticisms of the opposition to the members on the back benches behind them.

The parliamentary tactics thus pursued indicated either an unwillingness to take the house into their confidence or inability to propose any satisfactory measures to meet the admitted financial difficulties. The Provincial Secretary had satisfied himself with some general remarks of the usual character made by him on such occasions and what was practically a repetition of the printed "Abstract of Receipts and Expenditure" laid on the desk of members. He had, apparently without regret or any uneasiness, told the House that the territorial revenue for the past ten months had fallen off over \$40,000, that the indebtedness on Roads and Bridges by warrant was over \$30,000, and that the Province had on the current year's operations run heavily behind. The statement is made and not denied that the deficiency will total up over \$120,000 while the net indebtedness of the Province reaches the enormous sum considering our resources of \$2,252,000. Out of a limited revenue of say \$650,000 we are now paying at least \$105,000 for interest. Yet with this fact staring him in the face the Finance Minister of the Province quietly folds his arms, makes no proposition to meet the difficulty, and practically intimates to the House and country that the only policy of the government is to allow matters to "drift," where they apparently can not. "After us the Deluge." On the contrary the Secretary says that while our revenue is limited and he hesitates to propose any further direct taxation measures to add to it, the provincial expenditure must continue to increase—the contingent expenses will grow, the cost of material and construction of bridges and other public works must necessarily enlarge, and "there is a tendency," he tells us "on the part of the municipalities to unload upon the Government charges that should be borne by the ratepayers." The latter will be regarded as a most astonishing statement to come from a government which has earned the unenviable reputation of promoting legislation which for the first time in the history of the Province, has compelled the municipality to meet heavy charges hitherto paid out of the provincial Exchequer.

We are further told that a portion of our indebtedness incurred during the year should rather be charged to capital account than to current expenditure. What possible difference can it make by what name the debt is called? The liability is the same, the interest on the debt continues to increase, until it is now one-sixth of the revenue, and the money available for the ordinary public services is proportionately reduced. The result must necessarily be that unless a strong and united effort is made to reduce the expenditure, and stop the waste of public money and keep our expenditure within the income, resort must be had to further direct taxation measures, or some effort must be made to secure increased subsidies from the Dominion Government, a proposal which at present does not appear likely to be successfully urged.

Mr. Phinney said that the Government apparently felt their own incompetency to deal with the situation, and were calling upon the opposition to point out a remedy for the troubles which they had brought upon themselves. To quote the language of Mr. Blair last session:

"The opposition had brought us to the brink of the chasm. They had pointed out the yawning gulf below, and then had calmly walked away and left us there without extending a helping hand."

Why should this government, of whose strength the Solicitor General (White) boasts, and which claims a large following in the House, call upon the opposition to extend to them "a helping hand." Upon the administration rests the responsibility, and if they are strong in the House so much the greater reason that they should grapple with the situation with a firm purpose. So far as the opposition were concerned he (Phinney) was prepared to say that they would render the Government all the assistance in their power to remedy the existing situation. But the government must assume the responsibility.

What else is its majority good for unless to enable them to efficiently administer public affairs? If they are unable or incompetent to do so, let them make way for other men. The Province has abundant resources and an industrious, intelligent population, and no government need be unwilling to place the facts fairly before the electorate and propose legislation to meet the situation fairly and squarely. The members who had spoken on behalf of the government have asked the opposition to point out the items in which the expenditure can be reduced. This is not the first occasion on which the same demand has been made and answered. The items of controllable expenditure may be classed under the following heads:

Public printing, contingencies, criminal prosecutions, Executive government and Legislation. Now it only requires an examination of the public accounts to see in what respect large reductions may be made in all these without impairing in the slightest degree the efficiency of the public service.

Under the head of public printing he would, without referring to any other charges to which attention had been so frequently called point out the sum of \$300 paid to the St. John Telegraph for printing as an extra the evidence in the Quinn enquiry with large head lines, designating it "The Conspiracy." This was a sample of the petty tactics the present government felt called upon to pursue at the public expense.

There is an unjustifiable waste of money in the matter of public printing—large amounts being given to newspapers supporting the government and in which the members of the government or their friends are interested. As an instance of this take the charge that appears in the Auditor-General's report under one head of \$2,363.00 paid the Attorney General's organ the Fredericton Herald, not to speak of other charges scattered all through the accounts. The contingencies are extravagantly high, while the expenses of executive government in the way of excessive travelling expenses are out of all proportion to the business demands of the province. Last year the surveyor general charged \$1000.00 for travelling expenses and the chief commissioner \$900.00—out of which they did not pay one dollar for railway fares as all the members of the government are provided with passes over all the railways of the province and travel free. The charge is, in plain language, a dishonest one.

Then again the province annually pays a large sum for fees to lawyers for conducting criminal prosecutions which should be conducted by the attorney general and solicitor general and for which they receive suitable salaries and ample remuneration. The expenditure on public works is extravagantly high and it can be truthfully added most efficiently conducted. The St. John suspension bridge enquiry fully disclosed this and if investigations were held in connection with other government work he (Phinney) was satisfied similar disclosures would follow. In this connection he desired to call attention to the fact that while the public accounts showed an expenditure upon the Cocagne bridge of \$2374.83, it was well known that the work recently done on that bridge cost several thousand more, it was reported in the vicinity, of 8 or 10 thousand dollars. The statement has been made by the Chief Commissioner that the Bye Road grant in Kent has been expended in the ordinary way, but on reference to the public accounts he (Phinney) found that there had been over \$80 deducted from the grant to place against the old indebtedness of the county incurred when Messrs. LeBlanc and Wheten represented the county, and Mr. Hoar of Albert County had drawn from the fund \$600 on account of the Graham Point Bridge, and Mr. Willard Kitchen of Fredericton, \$861 for Chapel Bridge, Buctouche, nearly one-third of the grant going to these two gentlemen. The remainder of Mr. Phinney's speech, dealing with the resolutions moved by the opposition will appear next week.

A BOON TO HORSEMEN.—One bottle of English Spavin Liniment completely removed a curb from my horse. I take pleasure in recommending the remedy, as it acts with mysterious promptness in the removal from horses of hard, soft or calloused lumps, blood spavin, splints, curbs, swellings, stifles and sprains.

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There has already been a falling off of 25 per cent. in the number of deaths from diphtheria in New York city, which is attributed in a large measure to the use of anti-toxine.

Advertisement for Menthol Master, a cure for sciatic pains, rheumatism, lumbago, and neuralgia. Includes an image of the product box.

CHURCH SERVICES AND MEETINGS.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.—Rev. Wm. Hamilton, pastor. The usual services will be held on Sabbath first, viz:—Kingston at 11 o'clock a. m., and Richibucto at 7 o'clock p. m.

Divine services in the Episcopal churches next Lord's Day—17th inst., as follows (D. V.):—Richibucto at 11 a. m., and 7 p. m.; Kingston at 3 p. m.

H. HACKENLEY, Rector. Rev. J. S. Allen will preach on Friday Night at Nicholas River Bridge at 6.30; Saturday, Pine Ridge, at 6.30 p. m.; Sunday, West Branch, 10.30, a. m.; Kingston, 3 p. m.; Richibucto, 7 p. m.

HEART DISEASE RELIEVED IN 30 MINUTES.—Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart gives perfect relief in all cases of Organic or Sympathetic Heart Disease in 30 minutes, and speedily effects a cure. It is a peerless remedy for Palpitation, Shortness of Breath, Smothering Swells, Pain in Left Side and all symptoms of a Diseased Heart. One dose convinces. Sold by W. W. Short.

The Winnipeg Commercial states that a peculiar phase has developed in the lumber trade in Western Ontario lately, it being the presence on the market of pine lumber from the United States. This lumber was sawn in Michigan from the logs originally towed across the lake from Canada. The lumber in question is understood to have gone as far west as London, and to have sold at figures some fifty cents per thousand feet below the price at which it would cost dealers to lay it down there, leaving altogether out of the question the matter of profits.

Advertisement for Hawker's Balsam of Tolu and Wild Cherry. Claims to be a popular and reliable remedy for coughs, colds, croup, hoarseness, influenza, and bronchitis. Price 25 and 50 cents.

Advertisement for Living Seeds. The Steele, Briggs, Marcon Seed Co. offers a variety of seeds for sale. Includes a list of products and contact information.

Advertisement for Monsoon Tea. Described as the finest tea in the world, from the tea plant to the tea cup. A perfect tea.

Advertisement for Dr. Somers & Doherty's Nerve Beans. A new discovery that cures the worst cases of nervous debility, lost vigor, and falling manhood. Includes an image of the product.

Advertisement for a Farm for Sale. A valuable farm at Bass River, Kent Co., known as the Robert Brown farm, is offered for sale or rent.

Advertisement for a Fire Insurance Agency. I am Agent for the following Standard Fire Insurance Companies: IMPERIAL, OF LONDON, ENGLAND. ETNA AND HARTFORD, OF HARTFORD, CONN. J. D. PHINNEY.

Advertisement for Kent Northern Hotel, Kingston, Kent Co., N. B. Proprietor: Richard Hebert. Passengers and baggage taken to and from the Station free of charge.

Advertisement for Woods' Hotel. The Leading Commercial Hotel of Harcourt. House Thoroughly Refitted and Furnished. First Class Table. Good Sample Rooms. Centrally Located. Trains Stop Twenty Minutes for Dinner. Rates: \$1.25 per day.

Advertisement for Commission Merchant. All kinds of country produce sold on Commission. Quick sales and prompt returns. Highest market prices realized. O. S. MACGOWAN, P. O. BOX 117, MONCTON, N. B.

Advertisement for Merchants with an eye. Includes an image of an eye and text: "to Business Advertise in THE REVIEW. FOR SALE! FARM INGALLOWAY, RICHIBUCTO PARISH. I offer for sale lots 72 and 73 in Galloway settlement, formerly occupied by one Henry McGahey. There is a dwelling house, and several acres cleared and under cultivation. The lots include some of the best hay land in the district. Terms to suit purchaser. J. D. PHINNEY, Richibucto, Sept. 17th, 1894.

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Advertisement for Andrew Dunn, Dealer in Lumber, Railway Ties, Hemlock Bark, Dry Goods, and General Groceries, Flour, etc. Hay and Feed, King Street, Weldford Station, I. C. R.

Advertisement for Nerve Beans. A new discovery that cures the worst cases of nervous debility, lost vigor, and falling manhood. Restores the weakness of body or mind caused by over-work, or the errors or excesses of youth. This remedy absolutely cures the most obstinate cases when all other treatments have failed even to relieve. Sold by drug stores at \$1 per package, or six for \$5, or sent by mail on receipt of price by addressing THE JAMES MEDICINE CO., Toronto, Ont. Write for pamphlet. Sold in Kingston by T. E. CORRIAN, in Buctouche, by W.G. King.

Advertisement for Dr. Somers & Doherty, Dentists. Office—Y. M. C. A. building, Moncton. References—New York College of Dental Surgery, and University of Pennsylvania. Visits will be made to Kent County every month. Weldford on 16th, 17th and 18th. Kingston on 19th, 20th, 21st and 22nd. Richibucto on 23rd and 24th. Buctouche 26th and 27th.

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Advertisement for Intercolonial Railway, 1894. Winter Arrangement, 1895. On and after Monday, the 1st of October, 1894, the trains of this Railway will run daily (Sunday excepted) as follows:

Table showing train schedules for Intercolonial Railway. Columns include Station, Time, and Direction. Trains include Moncton, St. John, and Halifax.

Advertisement for Buctouche and Moncton Railway. Winter Time Table. In Effect Monday, October 8th, 1894. Eastern Standard Time.

Table showing train schedules for Buctouche and Moncton Railway. Columns include Station, Time, and Direction. Trains include Moncton, Buctouche, and St. John.

No. 1 Train connects with I. C. R. train for Halifax at Buctouche, and with trains for Campbellton and St. John leaving Moncton at 10.30 and 12.20 respectively. No. 2 Train connects with I. C. R. train from Halifax at Buctouche at 15.00, and with trains leaving St. John at 7.00, and Campbellton at 5.45. Trains run daily, Sunday excepted. E. G. EVANS, MANAGER. Moncton, N. B., October 5th, 1894.

Advertisement for Kent Northern Railway Time Table. Shows departure and arrival times for various stations including Richibucto, Kingston, Mill Creek, Grumble Road, Molus River, and McMinn's Mills.

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Trains are run by Eastern Standard Time. Trains run daily, Sunday excepted. Connect with I. C. R. accommodation trains north and south. WILMOT BROWN, General Manager and Lessee. Richibucto, Dec. 7, 1893.

Advertisement for Hotel Stanley, King Square, St. John, N. B. J. M. Fowler, Proprietor. Hot-water heating throughout. First-class in all its appointments.

Advertisement for Grand Anse Hotel, Grand Anse, Gloucester Co., N. B. This house is but a short distance from Grand Anse Station on the Carleton Place Railway, and possesses unsurpassed advantages as a watering place. Bathing, Boating, Fishing, Beautiful Drives, etc. Sample Rooms and Livery Stable in connection. Charges moderate. WM. THERIAULT, PROPRIETOR.

Advertisement for Queen Hotel, Fredericton, N. B. First-class Livery Stables in connection. J. A. & W. D. WARD, Proprietors.

Advertisement for Brunswick House, (Opposite Railway Station), Rogersville, N. B. Open Day and Night. Sample Rooms on premises. Baggage carried and from Station. M. O'BRIEN, Proprietor.

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Advertisement for Victoria Hotel, King Street, St. John, N. B. D. W. McCORMICK, PROPRIETOR.

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Advertisement for Terrace Hotel, Amherst, N. S. Large and well Lighted Sample Rooms in centre of Town formerly occupied by Lamy Hotel. FREE COACH TO AND FROM ALL TRAINS. W. and W. CALHOUN, Proprietors.

Advertisement for The Kent Hotel, Richibucto, N. B. GEO. A. IRVING, Proprietor. Centrally Situated. Good Sample Rooms. Newly Furnished. Free hack attends all trains.

Advertisement for Commercial Hotel, Kingston, Kent Co. FRANK McINERNEY, PROPRIETOR. Leonard Hotel, AND DINING ROOMS, Opposite Masonic Hall, Chatham, N. B. Permanent and Transient Boarders accommodated on reasonable terms.

Advertisement for Commercial Hotel, Main Street, Moncton, N. B., Nos. 107 to 119. Reopened, refurnished in elegant style, hot and cold water baths. Next to Post Office, in the most central situation in the city; electric bells and electric lights. The table will be supplied with all the delicacies of the season, and from past experience as a caterer I hope to merit a large share of the Commercial trade for which the house is well suited. P. GALLAGHER, Proprietor.

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Advertisement for Hotel Brunswick, Moncton, N. B. The largest and best Hotel in the City. Accommodating 200 Guests, situated in the centre of spacious grounds and surrounded by elegant shade trees, making it specially desirable for Tourists in the summer season. GEO. McSWEENEY, Proprietor.

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