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RICHIBUCTO, N. B., SEP. 28, 1899 THE FINANCES OF CANADA.

Mr. Geo. E. Foster in his speech at Toronto the other day, took as his chief burthen of complaint against the Laurier Administration, what he was pleased to deem their extravagance. Doubtless the fact that the present finance minister had been able to show a surplus of over five million dollars for last year, had put the ex-finance Minister in bad humor, for his own record shows a succession of deficits. The fact that the enormous surplus of last year was shown in spite of the heaviest expenditure for many years, proved a prosperity in Canada that no rhetoric could deny; the only thing left to the logic-chopping orator from Apohoqui was to draw a piteous picture of what Canada would come to if left to the extravagance of the Liberals. And yet in ordinary life we do not call a man spendthrift who spends most when his income is greatest and so long as he shows a surplus of revenue over expenditure, especially if his expenditure is made wisely and economically. The St John Sun, continuing Mr. Foster's argument, makes the following comparison of the expenditure of the past three years as compared with the last three years of Conservative rule:—

Table with 2 columns: Year, Amount. 1893-94: \$37,585,026; 1894-95: 38,132,105; 1895-96: 36,949,142; 1896-97: 38,349,000; 1897-98: 38,832,000; 1898-99: 41,760,000

In comparing these figures it must be borne in mind that in addition to the services carried on previous to 1896, since that date the present government has opened and developed the Kootenay and Yukon mining regions, and the extension of the I. C. R. to Montreal necessitating greatly increased expense, and in the past three years as well every service of the government has been extended and enlarged. In the last year of Conservative rule, particularly, the public service in the different departments was starved in order to keep down the year's expenditure and thus make a better shewing when the government went to the people at the election of 1896, so that the amount spent was in fact the poorest kind of economy. In the election campaign, Sir Hibbert Tupper was authority for the statement that whichever government came in power the expenditure for the current year must of necessity exceed \$40,000,000, but the Liberals, by the most careful economy, spent two millions less than the amount predicted, although the Conservative estimates called for the larger amount.

But we have ever contended that the mere comparison of expenditure is no fair test either of the financial condition or of the

successful management of the country's affairs. As we have explained, since the Laurier Administration took office, new and unexpected burthens have been taken up by the government of Canada. These new burthens have greatly increased the current expenditures of the Dominion, yet at the same time the current revenue has more largely increased showing that the expenditures were judicious. At the same time these expenditures were increased not only without increasing the burthen of taxation on the people, but under an actual reduction of that burthen. This of course was only possible under the enormous increase in the trade of the country. As the Daily Telegraph of St. John in a well considered editorial last week expressed it: The true test of the burthen that the people bear is the amount collected from them in taxes, subtracting the amount of the surplus, if there is a surplus, and adding the amount of the deficit, if there is a deficit. Tried by this test the last three years of Mr. Foster and the first three years of Mr. Fielding may be compared as follows:—

MR. FOSTER'S YEARS. Table with 4 columns: Year, Taxes, Deficit, Total. 1893-94: \$27,579,203, \$1,210,332, \$28,789,535; 1894-95: 25,446,198, 4,187,875, 29,634,073; 1895-96: 27,759,285, 330,751, 28,090,036; Total: \$86,479,454

MR. FIELDING'S YEARS. Table with 4 columns: Year, Taxes, Deficit, Total. 1896-97: \$38,648,625, \$ 519,951, \$39,168,576; 1897-98: 29,576,455, 1,722,712, 31,299,167; 1898-99: 34,923,780, 5,036,926, 40,000,706; Total: \$113,568,449

It will be seen from the above that the burthen on the people was actually smaller during the three of Mr. Fielding than during the last three years of Mr. Foster. Moreover, it ought to be explained that the expenditure of 1896-97 was based on the estimates of the late government, and that it was enormously increased by the fact that Mr. Foster left a very large amount of the expenditure which properly belonged to the year 1895-96 to be paid by his successor in office in the following year.

As Sir Richard Cartwright showed in his Toronto speech, the claim of extravagance and increase in the public debt which the Tories have been so persistent in charging against the present government, is hypocritical in the extreme. In the last three years of Tory rule the net debt of Canada was increased no less than \$16,816,393, while only \$10,676,000 of that amount could be accounted for by their expenditure on capital account. In a word, the balance of over six million dollars represented the amount spent by the Conservatives on current account more than the revenue warranted, and yet in 1896 it was found that in every department the service had been neglected. In the railway department, to take an example at our own doors, the road bed and rolling stock had not had proper repairs, and in the next year it was found necessary to put two years' repairs on the road bed of the I. C. R., while almost the entire rolling stock has either required repair or has been condemned as not worthy of the cost necessary to repair it. Comparing the figures of the last three years, we find that while the Liberals have added \$6,500,000 to the public debt, they have in the same time spent \$19,165,000 on capital account, or thirteen million more than the addition to Canada's debt. It will thus be shown that under the Liberal rule for the past three years, Canada's finances have been nearly \$19,000,000 better off than in the three last years of Conservative rule. The old era of deficits has been ended; the old system of neglecting the public services has been replaced, by the more intelligent one of not only maintaining these, but of extending their usefulness in every direction; the old Conservative habit of catering to dishonesty in the public contracts in order to raise election funds, has been ended and we hope forever in this country and the public tender system car-

ried out honestly in the country's interests. Almost twice as much has been expended on necessary public works by the present administration as was spent in the same time by their predecessors in office, and yet only one-third as much has been added to the public debt. The financiers of Canada are in a better condition than they have ever been since Confederation, while much of the hardship of the old National Policy tariff has been removed in the revenue tariff put in force by the present administration.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The banquet to be given in honor of the Minister of Railways and Canals by the City of Moncton on the 2nd of October, seems a fitting expression of appreciation of the Hon. Mr. Blair's work in building up the business of the Intercolonial Railway. Moncton has evidently realized that if a weaker or less intelligent man had been in control of that system, instead of the railway hub having increased in prosperity in the past three years, it would be by this time in a fair way to lose its importance. If the C. P. R. ever get possession of the people's railway, as the Tories wish, the railway town will soon be known merely as The Bend.

It was amusing to read the comments of the various opposition organs anent the agreement reached by the I. C. R. and C. P. R. authorities. The first effusion was full of sarcasm over the defeat of the Minister of Railways, but the next issue showed that they had pulled themselves together and begun to study the statement given out. In a few months when the great minds in the sanctums of the St. John Sun and Moncton Times have solved the meaning of the traffic agreement, we may expect them to offer congratulations to the Hon. A. G. Blair. We will wait patiently in hope that they will eventually solve it.

The splendid wheat crop of the present season is the very best vindication of the sensible policy introduced by the Hon. Mr. Emerson. In one Parish in this county no less than 1000 barrels of flour will be ground from the wheat grown in the Parish.

What do the people of Kent think of the management of Canada by the present administration and of the liberality shown this county in spite of the fact that Kent is represented not only by an opposition member, but a renegade Liberal? In every department our public service has been extended and improved, while necessary public works, denied by the Conservatives whom we supported, have been supplied by the Liberals whom we rejected. Kent redeemed herself at the last local elections, in spite of the efforts put forth by the Conservative party, and at the next federal contest will place herself in line with the rest of the Province in returning a solid delegation to support the men who have cared for the interests not only of Kent but of the entire Province.

The rumor that the St. John Telegraph is to be rejuvenated, will be pleasant news to the Liberals throughout New Brunswick. When the late Mr. Elder laid down his editorial pen, the Telegraph was a power throughout the land and was regarded by friend and foe as the leading newspaper of the Maritime Provinces. In these latter days, it has lost much of its power and popularity, while its stand on certain subjects have rendered it an object of suspicion by many staunch party men. We trust the

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rumor may be correct, and wish the Telegraph prosperity and a renewal of its former greatness in the better days which, in such event, are in store for it. Liberalism seems to be active these days in New Brunswick.

A LOYAL LOVER. NEW YORK, Sept. 23.—The evening Journal says: "Horatio Bigelow, a rich young Bostonian, the son of S. Bigelow, president of the Boston & Montana Mining Co., and a leader in Rack Bay society, so the story is told here, a few weeks ago wandered into Jordan Marsh and Co.'s big department store in Boston. There he was waited upon by Miss Mary A. Riese, acknowledged to be the famous beauty of Boston's shopping public. Bigelow fell in love at first sight. He obtained an introduction, wooed and proposed marriage to her. She advised him to get his father's consent. President Bigelow stormed when his son broached the subject to him. The son weathered the storm and pressed for a decision. The father compromised. He proposed that the son should take a trip around the world before pressing his suit further. The son accepted. With an unlimited letter of credit young Bigelow started globe trotting. The trot suddenly ended at Chicago. He hurried back to Boston, called at the department store and at the close of the business day he and Miss Riese were wed. Then they went globe trotting together. The father is understood to be relenting."

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ACCIDENT ON THE INDIANTOWN BRANCH.

Chatham World: The engine on the Indiantown branch runs backwards from Indiantown to Newcastle, because a suitable turntable has not been built at Indiantown. Thursday forenoon, on the down trip, an axle of the tender broke and the engine was thrown off the track and upset. One box car ran off also, and the rest of the train kept the track. The driver's ankle was somewhat injured, but not seriously, and the fireman escaped with out being hurt. There were several passengers, and the sudden stoppage of the car was terrifying to the mind and rather disconcerting to the body. Mr. James Robinson, M. P., leaped to his feet with wonderful quickness at the first note of danger, and was thrown violently backward as the car stopped. He put back his hands as he was falling, caught the back of a seat, and turned a backward somersault, lighting on his feet with a lightning like quickness that was never equalled on the circus stage. Nothing but his hands and feet touched any part of the car. Then he rushed through the door and was on the ground almost before any other passenger realized that an accident had occurred. The engine was wrecked. The passengers were not injured except by the shaking up they got.

SHIPPING NEWS.

PORT OF RICHIBUCTO. ENTERED. Sept. 21.—Sch. Neil Dow, Irving, Murray Harbor, bal. Sept. 23.—Sch. Polar Star, Mally, Chatham, bal. Sept. 25.—Sch. Champion, Orr, Charlottetown, bal. Sept. 26.—Sch. Ella Maud, McAlmon, Charlottetown, bal. CLEARED. Sept. 21.—Sch. Maggie Roach, Weston Port Hawkesbury, lumber; sch. Annie T. McKee, Heater, Boston, lumber. Sept. 22.—Sch. Lochiel, Wright, Summerside, Wright, lumber, sch. Neil Dow, Irving, Summerside, lumber. Sept. 26.—Sch. Ella Maud, McAlmon, Charlottetown, lumber.

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