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OVER EXPENDITURE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND FOREST SERVICE

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More Revenue

While there must be considerable satisfaction that the government has instructed the operations of every year to be shown in the statement for the year and thereby shows the people the true condition of affairs, yet the demands of the public service which necessitated so large an over-expenditure will cause not only members of the government and those supporting it, but all representatives of the people and the people themselves to give grave consideration to such reasonable suggestions as will increase the revenue of the province to such a point that they will meet the expenditures easily.

The crown lands will afford more revenue next year because on the first of August, 1919, the government announced an increase in stumpage. The lumber cut will no doubt be very large as the reports so far have surely indicated but there is a general impression that too much dependence has been placed upon crown lands as a source of income in the past and not enough attention paid to other possible sources of taxation to obtain revenue. Other provinces of the Dominion have differed from New Brunswick in this respect and have placed taxation in many quarters which have hitherto escaped paying tribute here.

If there is any consolation in the fact the government can find it in knowing that this province does not figure alone in the deficit class. Nova Scotia had the same experience last year. The new government of Prince Edward Island found a large deficit awaiting them. British Columbia a short time ago, had a deficit of over \$2,000,000, and the Prairie Provinces were likewise unfortunate. The richer provinces of Quebec and Ontario have been freer from such experiences than other parts of Canada, but this can be explained by the fact that they contain the largest centres of population

and have great manufacturing zones in their areas. Taxation and license fees of all kinds upon business are imposed by the governments in both of these provinces from which New Brunswick happily in the past has been free.

An interview with the minister of public works which is sent herewith gives a very full and frank explanation of the over-expenditure in his department. He makes no excuses for absolutely needed expenditures, but deals with the facts as they exist, just as he dealt with the necessities as they were reported to his department during the many months that additional and unexpected repairs were needed to the bridges of the province. He says that any other course would have been criminal—that the safety of the people was the first consideration.

Some Points of Interest

Some notes in the examination of the different items of revenue and expenditure will explain more fully to the people the public accounts as they appear in the Royal Gazette.

The revenue of the province for the year was not over-estimated, and in fact it exceeded the estimate by \$104,592 of which over \$50,000 came from the crown lands.

The expenditures of the province, apart from those of the two principal spending departments of the government, public works and forestry service, were within the estimates by \$9,295.

While there were a number of services in which the expenditures were greater than the estimates, there were also a considerable number where the expenditure was within the estimates. One of the most important of the services that of education, lacked \$12,515 of the estimated expenditure, and this is explained by the fact that during the earlier portion of the year the epidemic of influenza closed very many of the schools throughout the province.

Nearly \$25,000 more was spent upon the Provincial Hospital maintenance than the authorities estimated it would cost. The increased cost of provisions and wages for house help and to feed and take care of over seven hundred patients in the Provincial Hospital, will indicate very plainly where the additional amount went and affords the best example to the people of why the expenditures exceeded the revenue.

The needs of the provincial committee of the Military Hospital were \$700 more than was estimated and the pensions of school teachers exceeded by nearly \$1000 the plans of the department.

In the item of school books alone, nearly \$5000 more was required than the estimate. Why was this? Simply because school books increased in cost, and while the government would have been justified in increasing the cost to the people so as to equal the prices paid for the books, yet the cost was not increased to the purchasers of school books and the province suffered the loss.

There was even an over-expenditure of \$1000 in adding to the sinking fund of the province which, while appearing on the books as an over-expenditure, is not lost to the province in any degree.

More than \$1,600 was over-expended on account of tuberculosis. The unfortunate people so afflicted deserve care and they received it.

The over-expenditure of \$16,884 in the unforeseen expenses item is partly accounted for by the expenses of the reception to His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, amounting to about \$14,000 and the visit of His Excellency the Governor General earlier in the year.

Enforcing Prohibition

Globe: Rev. W. D. Wilson, chief inspector under the prohibition act, has returned from Albert county, where a physician was charged with issuing prescriptions for liquor to be used for beverage purposes and also with selling liquor illegally. He was fined \$25 on the first offense and \$50 on the second charge. The chief inspector says an accountant is engaged in figuring out a new schedule of prices to be charged by the vendors for liquors, and adds that wholesalers seem to have difficulty in replenishing their stocks.

It is not easy to understand Holland's desire to keep the old kaiser. He has ceased to be a windmill and adds nothing to the scenery.

It is not probable that a few warm clothes judiciously worn would interfere with any young lady's matrimonial prospects.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, N. B.

EPIDEMIC INFLUENZA

As this disease has been reported as again epidemic in several cities of the Middle Western States, it is perhaps probable that it may again revisit this Province.

In that event the following may be of service to the Public:

- (1) The disease is not carried in the open air.
- (2) It passes from person to person in close contact.
- (3) It is principally spread by sneezing and coughing, by the person affected, close to another.

TO AVOID IT

- (1) Do not travel if possible.
- (2) Do not frequent crowded assemblages.
- (3) Keep clear of persons sneezing or coughing.
- (4) Do not visit neighbors merely for pleasure, and do not give parties or dinners or dances.
- (5) Do not give way to panicky fear of it.
- (6) Do not drink whiskey or other intoxicants as a preventive. It is worse than useless.

HOW TO AVOID GIVING IT TO OTHERS.

- (1) Always sneeze or cough in a handkerchief.
- (2) Go home at once if feverish or unusually chilly.
- (3) Go at once to bed and remain there till all fever and discharge from nose are gone.
- (4) Keep to one room and see no one except nurse, doctor or clergyman.
- (5) When able to get up and move around, remain at home for ten days to two weeks. Pneumonia and death may result in consequence of neglect of this precaution.

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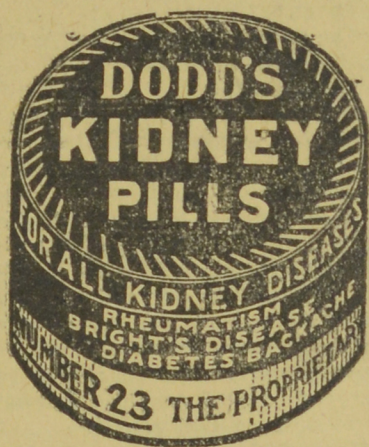
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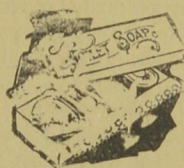
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