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BALANCING THE BUDGET.

While the taxation proposals recently submitted to the Legislature by the Provincial Secretary-Treasurer have provoked some criticism from certain adepts at balloon financing, reasonable men on both sides of politics are inclined to give Premier Baxter and his colleagues credit for courage and sincerity. Most people are fair enough to admit that this province for some years past has been living beyond its income, piling up deficit on top of deficit, or in other words piling up wrath for the day of wrath, and that a rigid application of the brakes is considerably overdue. Some critics of the administration make bold to point out that so long as the province possesses assets reputed to be worth around ninety million dollars, and liabilities of less than one half of that amount, it is wrong to even think of augmenting the revenue by resorting to direct taxation. It is true that the province possesses in its crown lands a valuable asset, one which up to the present time has stood between the people and direct taxation, but it must not be forgotten that this asset even under the old rate of stumpage would not now produce sufficient revenue to pay the interest on the public debt. The net debt of the province is now \$32,000,000, and interest and sinking fund requirements for the coming year are estimated at \$1,490,350. High water mark in receipts from territorial revenue was reached in 1924 when the total was \$1,321,159.58. This is \$169,200.42 less than the amount required for interest and sinking fund during the ensuing year.

In taking steps now to balance the budget the provincial authorities are only doing what the Dominion government was compelled to do shortly after the close of the great war, when it imposed a tax on incomes, a sales tax, and other taxes too numerous to mention. It was all done with the sole purpose of balancing the budget, and there was nothing for the people to do but pay up. The public debt of the Dominion is now \$2,500,000,000 in round figures and New Brunswick's share of this great liability may safely be put down at \$100,000,000, which means that we have got to provide the interest for that portion of it every year, and part of it is being paid by means of direct taxation. We also have municipal indebtedness running into millions of dollars, the interest on which is also a direct tax on the people of the cities, towns and municipalities, so that the surplus assets which the province possesses over and above its liabilities do not loom as large on the horizon as some financial critics of the government would have us believe. The fact is we have been running headlong into debt and the time has arrived when it must cease.

The late Charles Dickens, who it will be admitted even by critics of the Baxter Government, was one of the world's greatest teachers, has bequeathed us a very simple lesson in economics which might be heeded with advantage by governments as well as individuals. Here are the words which he put into the mouth of one of his characters: "Annual income twenty pounds, annual expenditure nineteen shillings and six pence; result, happiness. Annual income twenty pounds, annual expenditure twenty shillings and six pence; result, misery. The blossom is blighted, the leaf is withered, the God of day goes down on the dreary scene and you are forever floored as I am." As Hon. Mr. Richards pointed out in his excellent speech in the House yesterday the old government during its eight years in power went behind at the rate of \$381,000 a year, a total of \$3,049,000. In order that this annual deficit may be wiped out and the budget balanced the new administration has announced its intention of raising additional revenue by means of direct taxation. While direct taxation is not popular as a means of raising revenue and perhaps never will be, whatever annoyance its imposition may entail at the outset will be more than offset by the happiness and peace of mind which will result to the average taxpayer from the pleasing knowledge that the province is living within its income for the first time in many years.

HON. MR. RICHARDS.

Hon. C. D. Richards, Minister of Lands and Mines, contributed an able and interesting speech to the debate on the budget in the Legislature yesterday. The present session is the sixth for Hon. Mr. Richards as a member of the House, and yesterday he spoke there for the first time as a minister of the Crown. The courtesy, moderation and entire absence of flippancy which always characterized his utterances in the Legislative Assembly while discharging the important duties of leader of the opposition, were again in evidence yesterday. As head of one of the most important departments of the government, great demands are necessarily made upon the time of Hon. Mr. Richards, but he furnished abundant evidence yesterday in support of a fact, already well known to his colleagues and personal friends, that he is taking his public duties seriously and is determined to administer his department in the best interests of the people irrespective of party politics.

Since his appointment to office Hon. Mr. Richards took occasion to visit Quebec and acquaint himself with conditions pertaining to the lumbering industry in that province, particularly in regard to the administration of the public domain. He obtained a lot of valuable information, which he used to good advantage yesterday in reply to criticism directed against the government for having reduced the stumpage rate by fifty cents per thousand feet. He stated most emphatically that the hands of the government were not tied by pledges to any group of lumbermen and they were absolutely free to fix the stumpage rate next year as conditions shall warrant. He gave assurance that in fixing the stumpage rate both the lumbermen and the people of the province would be dealt with in a fair and equitable manner. The utterances of the Minister bore the stamp of sincerity, and made an excellent impression on the House and galleries. His speech was one of the most important which the House has been privileged to listen to during the present session.

Hereafter Harvard will require photographs of all prospective entrants. Harvard will try to pick a crack halfback from among the pictures.

A Master Mind, according to modern crime standards, is one who directs six accessories to tie up the aged watchman while he cracks the safe.

The fellow over in the corner with the dejected look forgot to tell his wife that her Easter bonnet was most becoming.

Inquiry confirms a supposition that when Mr. Dempsey was picked up the other day in California for speeding he was not en route to a war.

There must be a lot of worried rabbits on that Massachusetts farm which has a duck that barks like a dog.

It is estimated that about 3 out of a hundred who talk most about "light wines" know what they really are.

The unobjectionable feature of an April blizzard is that it virtually ruins an attack of spring fever.

The scientists who found a skull an inch thick in Arizona didn't have to go to Arizona.

Does it presage anything in particular if April comes in like a hyena?

Afoot and awheel it's the same human nature.

Orders Special Hunting Boots. Mrs. James Stillman who achieved fame within the past few years by contesting her millionaire husband's action for divorce and after much unsavory publicity had been given, being reconciled with her husband, has ordered a pair of special hunting boots from the John Palmer Co. in this city. The boots are to be delivered at her hunting lodge in Quebec Province. The same lodge was prominent as the scene of numerous incidents concerned in the divorce action.

Two Still Alarms. The firemen responded to two still alarms Wednesday evening. At six o'clock an overheated pipe caused an alarm from the residence of Gordon McDonald, Brunswick street, and at about the same time there was an alarm given for a similar cause from the residence of J. Walter MacKay, 357 George Street.

THROUGH OUR SIEVE

Hi Slocum says that the Governor's Ball was a gold mine to the Beauty Parlors.

Add ties that bind: A dollar down.

"Some men, remarked the Man on the Car, "seem to feel that free speech is compulsory."

When the heart leaps with joy the feet want to get busy too.

It is what is in your heart that makes the robin's song sweet.

Man's horror of housecleaning time is too real to be paraded annually as a spring joke.

Self-control is a matter of reading all the magazine advertisements without determining to buy anything.

Spring has been hard-boiled before. Wait till she softens and begins to smile with her eyes. Oh, Boy!

When the radio announcer gets to joking, as he does sometimes, there is nothing for the listener to do except groan and wait until the attack passes.

Alliance Executive

The meeting of the executive of the New Brunswick Temperance Alliance closed here Wednesday night. The secretary, Rev. Thomas Marshall, said there was no announcement to be made concerning the business done. Those present were Donald Fraser, Plaster Rock; W. G. Clark, Rev. Dr. Sutherland, Rev. I. A. Corbett, Moses Mitchell and Rev. Thos. Marshall, of Fredericton.

Yale, Okla.—Encouraging a buy-at-home campaign a local motion-picture theater has accumulated a roomful of mail-order catalogues. The management offered a free admission in exchange for a catalogue.

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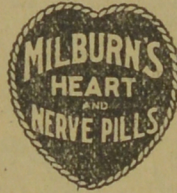
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