

NEW CANNED GOODS

Tomatoes 15c.
Corn 15c.
Peas 17c, 3 for 50c.
Clarks Pork & Beans 23c
Smaller sizes, . . 13c, 11c.
Peaches 25c.
Corned Beef 25c.

Corn Syrup

2 lb. Can 19c.
5 lb. Can 40c.
10 lb. Pail 75c.

Corn Flakes

SUGAR CRISP
12c pkg. 6 pkgs for 66c.
\$3.60 Case of 3 dozen.

Brooms

We have a nice line running in prices
44c, 55c, 65c, 75c, 95c.

Granulated Sugar

FINE GRANULATED
14 lbs for \$1.00.
100 lb Bag \$6.90.

Small Picnic Hams

Nice fresh cured 30c lb.

Monarch Pickles

45c Bottle. Try one.

Starch

MIXED STARCH 10c lb.
ACME GLOSS STARCH 13c pkg.
(2 pkg. for 25c.)
CANADA CORN STARCH 10c pkg.
BENSON CORN STARCH 12c pkg.

Beans

YELLOW EYE 13c qt., 2 qts, 25c.
\$1.00 peck.
WHITE BEANS, .. 13c qt., 2 qts., 25c.
90 cents a peck.

Flour

5 Roses and Purity \$4.80
5 Crown \$4.70
Snow White \$4.70
Small Bags, all kinds \$1.25

Raisins

NEW AUSTRALIA Fine Cooking Raisins, 13c lb., 2 lbs for 25c.
15 oz. SEEDED 15c.

Good Quarter Trades

9 lbs. WHITING 25c.
5 lbs. BUCKWHEAT MEAL 25c.
5 lbs. ROLLED OATS 25c.
3 pkgs. SNOWFLAKE AM. 25c.
6 cakes LAUNDRY SOAP 25c.
6 Rolls TOILET PAPER 24c.
2 1/2 lbs. PUL. SUGAR 25c.
2 lbs. BULK MACARONI 23c.

YERXA GROCERY CO.

2 STORES
York St. Queen St.

Estimated Receipts and Expenditures for Year 1926

The following is a statement of the estimated receipts and expenditures of the province for the year 1926 as tabled in the Legislature yesterday by Hon. Mr. Leger:

ESTIMATED REVENUE 1926		
	Revenue 1925	Estimates 1926
DOMINION OF CANADA:		
Annual Subsidy and allowance	\$ 666,765.76	\$ 666,766.00
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE:		
Miscellaneous Receipts	2,490.91	2,150.00
DEPARTMENT OF LANDS AND MINES:		
Stampage	887,710.69	636,000.00
Royalties	33,484.79	33,000.00
Wild Land Tax	57,320.19	56,000.00
Forest Fire Tax	32,008.00	32,500.00
Fishing Licenses	34,694.75	35,000.00
Timber Licenses (Renewals)	81,116.00	82,500.00
Timber Licenses (Sales of)	6,332.00	5,000.00
Game, Pelt, Hide Licenses, Royalty on Fur	68,253.36	70,000.00
Mining Licenses	4,456.00	4,000.00
Orders of Survey, Land Leases, Copies of Plans, Transfer Timber Leases, etc.	8,920.71	9,000.00
Total	1,213,296.49	963,000.00
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS:		
Miscellaneous Receipts	100.00	100.00
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH:		
Laboratory Fees, etc.	8,844.52	9,400.00
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION:		
Miscellaneous Receipts	4,100.95	4,000.00
Vocational Education—Grant from Dom. Govt.	25,111.57	43,775.00
DEPARTMENT OF PROV. SEC. TREAS.:		
Marriage Licenses	8,657.50	8,600.00
Letters Patent	7,805.00	7,500.00
Commissions	350.00	500.00
Moving Picture Fees	8,335.41	8,500.00
License Travelling Shows	170.00	450.00
Total Fees	24,817.91	25,550.00
Taxes Incorporated Companies—		
Banks	29,554.83	88,500.00
Trust and Loan Companies	2,450.00	2,200.00
Fire Insurance Companies	46,118.54	69,000.00
Life Insurance Companies	50,441.90	75,400.00
Accident, Guarantee and Other Insurance	7,297.08	10,950.00
Express Companies	560.00	560.00
Telegraph Companies	2,078.22	2,100.00
Telephone Companies	22,952.98	23,000.00
Street Railway Cos.	3,844.82	3,800.00
Extra Provincial Corporations	20,100.00	20,100.00
Railway Companies Tax	58,220.00	58,220.00
Total	243,618.37	353,830.00
Amusement Admission Tax	49,067.84	100,000.00
King's Printer	4,337.42	4,300.00
Private and Local Bills	2,250.00	1,500.00
Probate Court Fund	24,569.10	24,500.00
Supreme Court Fund	2,899.53	2,900.00
Succession Duties	298,560.71	200,000.00
Interest Received	17,953.96	17,500.00
School Books	30,493.55	28,000.00
Factory Inspection	1,861.22	1,850.00
Railway Earnings (Southampton)	1,391.56	1,400.00
Rent Reversible Falls Bridge	4,000.00	4,000.00
Sales Securities Act	1,259.15	1,250.00
Total	438,644.04	387,200.00
N. B. BOARD OF LIQUOR COMMISSIONERS		
	329,114.07	175,000.00
PROVINCIAL PROHIBITION ACT		
	44,256.07	50,000.00
PROVINCIAL HOSPITAL		
	99,626.53	150,000.00
JORDAN MEMORIAL SANATORIUM		
	56,374.76	55,000.00
BOYS' INDUSTRIAL HOME		
	9,856.51	9,500.00
MOTOR VEHICLE FEES		
	500,592.53	800,500.00
Total	1,039,820.47	1,240,000.00
Grand Totals	\$3,667,610.99	\$3,695,771.00
ESTIMATED EXPENDITURE, 1926		
Summary	Expended 1925	Estimated 1926
Public Debt—		
Interest	\$ 961,432.98	\$1,314,561.00
Sinking Fund	177,889.00	175,799.00
Total	1,139,321.98	1,490,360.00
Legislation—		
Legislative Assembly	70,585.84	69,287.00
Librarian, Books and Insurance	944.54	975.00
Legislation, Uniformity of	782.80	750.00
Total	72,313.18	70,992.00
Department of Attorney General—		
Departmental Salaries and Expenses	6,356.20	6,850.00
Administration of Justice	45,760.40	34,650.00
Total	52,116.60	41,500.00
Department of Agriculture—		
General	105,175.03	116,395.00
Exhibitions	14,790.00	5,190.00
Immigration	5,595.99	6,500.00
Total	125,561.02	128,085.00
Department of Lands and Mines—		
Departmental Salaries and Expenses	25,848.31	27,665.00
Forest Service	166,422.00	163,000.00
Mining and Diamond Drill	1,714.92	2,300.00
Surveys and Inspection	5,621.45	5,000.00
Wild Land Tax Expense	23.50	200.00
Colonization Roads	5,199.24	6,000.00
Total	204,829.42	204,165.00
Department of Public Works—		
Departmental Salaries and Expenses	36,011.64	36,180.00
Ordinary Bridges	374,033.19	300,000.00
Ordinary Roads	248,515.83	210,000.00
Roads Patrol	256,961.43	250,000.00
Public Buildings	42,514.05	35,500.00
Other Public Works and Miscellaneous	52,203.16	41,500.00
Total	1,010,239.30	873,180.00
Department of Health—		
Departmental Salaries and Expenses	36,740.93	36,900.00
Laboratories Salaries and Expenses	15,617.19	15,076.00
Medical Inspection of Schools	21,034.58	23,000.00
Tuberculosis Survey	8,536.36	4,000.00
Other Medical Work	8,476.21	7,200.00
Hospitals	16,747.10	15,850.00
Total	102,152.37	102,026.00
Department of Education—		
Department and General	416,912.71	414,225.00

New Tax Proposals are Embodied in the Budget

Hon. Mr. Leger Makes an Able Exposition of the Finances of the Province—Forecasts a Deficit of \$666,334 on Ensuing Year's Operations—Says That the Time Has Arrived When the Situation Must be Faced Squarely.

A deficit of \$666,334, direct taxation to be levied on real and personal property and income, an increase in the amusement tax, a boost in the taxes paid by banks and insurance companies, a gasoline tax of three cents per gallon, and an increase in the amount paid by municipalities for the support of patients at the provincial hospital, were the outstanding features of the budget brought down in the Legislature yesterday afternoon by Hon. A. J. Leger, Provincial Secretary-Treasurer. It was a budget of surprises and is likely to be a fruitful topic for conversation throughout the province for some days to come.

It was Hon. Mr. Leger's maiden effort, and it will take rank as one of the most important deliverances which the House has listened to since Confederation. The Provincial Secretary-Treasurer is a young man, small of stature, but seems to be possessed of wonderful force and energy. He has a strong, penetrating voice, and speaks with great ease and fluency, and with a slight French accent. The task which fell to his lot yesterday was anything but an agreeable one; in fact it was a man's job and it was tackled and carried through by Hon. Mr. Leger in man fashion. Budget speeches in the past have as a general rule been lacking in pep, but this cannot be said of the message which the Provincial Secretary-Treasurer delivered to the House yesterday. There was scarcely a dull passage in his speech from start to finish, and he certainly got well away from the beaten path. While a very important deliverance it was not a lengthy one, occupying a little more than an hour in delivery.

The Official Report.

Assembly Chamber.

March 26th, 1926.

The House met at three o'clock. Bills No. 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 17 were read a third time and passed.

Bills to authorize the town of Campbellton to borrow money to incorporate certain companies, to confirm the title of certain lands re the Portland Church of the United Church of Canada, regarding the Victoria Hospital and regarding the Taxation of wild lands were read a second time.

MR. ATKINSON submitted the report of the Municipalities Committee. MR. BROOKS on behalf of Mr. Dickson submitted the report of the Agricultural Committee.

HON. MR. REILLY submitted the report of the Standing Rules Committee.

MESSRS. VENIOT and BORDAGE gave notices of enquiry for Monday next.

HON. MR. TILLEY submitted a petition for a Bill regarding sidewalks in the Parish of Lancaster.

MR. LEWIS introduced a bill re the assessment of the Wilson Box Co. Ltd.

MR. SQUIRES introduced a bill to amend the Act relating to the town of

Woodstock, also a bill to provide for debentures issued by the town of Woodstock.

MR. HECKBERT introduced a bill to incorporate the S. W. River Log Driving Co.

HON. MR. RICHARDS introduced a bill to amend the building laws of the City of Fredericton.

HIS HONOR the Lieut. Governor entered the chamber at 3.30 o'clock and gave the Royal assent to thirteen bills passed by the House.

HON. MR. LEGER presented a message from His Honor the Lieutenant Governor submitting the estimates of receipts and expenditures for the ensuing year, and moved that such message and estimates be referred to the committee of supply. He said:

In rising for the purpose of asking you, Mr. Speaker, to leave the Chair so that the House may form itself into a Committee of ways and means; it being not only my first budget speech, but really my first experience in a Legislative Assembly, it may seem but natural that there should appear manifested in me not only a certain amount of unfamiliarity but a real and apparent sentiment of timidity.

When I consider the already long list of distinguished gentlemen, who, in the past, have had the control of the department over which I now have the honor to preside; all men of much greater ability and greater experience than I possess; when I think of the seriousness of the functions which are now mine; when I ponder over the fact that all that we are doing will henceforth affect the future of this province; I would be neither serious nor cautious if I approached the subject with levity, if I did not crave the generous indulgence of those, who, on both sides of the House, are older and more experienced than I am; if I did not seek the goodwill of those of the opposite side who may appreciate my initial endeavour.

During the past year many noticeable events have happened which could, by a voice more authorized than mine, be profitably consigned to the Journals of this House. There are three, however, which even the inexperienced speaker cannot pass in silence.

The Queen Mother.

The death of Her late Majesty, Queen Alexandra, saddened the whole British Empire. And we, faithful and loyal subjects of Her reigning Son and Majesty, George V., desiring to express our universal and profound sorrow, make use of this serious occasion to express respectfully to His Majesty, our sincere sympathy in the misfortune which he has sustained by the demise of the Queen Mother whose reign and career was filled with glory and happiness. Endowed with all the royal virtues, she once filled with joy the noblest place in the greatest Kingdom. And it may well be said that she had the larger merits in shaping the title of her late husband, perhaps the proudest that any Monarch ever earned, Edward the Peacemaker. With her late husband she reigned and lived with love amongst her people and subjects; and her advanced years seemed to surround her, if possible, with greater respect and greater admiration. May her mother devotion, her charitable disposition be a source of inspiration to the womanhood of this province.

U. N. B. Endowment and Deficit	27,337.46	30,390.00
Pensions to Teachers, Deficiency	3,866.02	4,000.00
Vocational Branch	58,109.92	91,146.00
Total	506,226.11	539,761.00

Department of Provincial Secretary-Treasurer—

Departmental Salaries and Expenses	23,099.16	23,525.00
Annuities	5,069.03	5,401.00
Amusement Tax Expense	9,448.49	8,000.00
Children Protection Act	3,806.41	3,500.00
Consolidation of Statutes	8,932.92	25,000.00
Elections	27,059.82	2,000.00
Factory Inspection	3,795.19	4,170.00
Guarantee Bonds Government Officials	810.00	810.00
Kings Printer	9,166.40	7,150.00
Labor Bureau	5,987.15	5,000.00
Moving Picture Censors	2,666.66	2,100.00
N. B. Historical Society	125.00	125.00
N. B. Tourist and Resources Association	2,500.00	7,500.00
N. B. Tourist St. Stephen Office	500.00
Natural History Societies	1,200.00	1,200.00
Probate Fee Fund	16,641.15	16,600.00
Provincial Rifle Association	300.00	300.00
Revision of Voters Lists	4,766.30	4,875.00
School Books	55,046.56	58,000.00
Sales Securities Act	1,613.45	1,250.00
Unforeseen and Miscellaneous	4,701.24	4,000.00
Workmen's Compensation Claims	17,467.08	10,000.00
Institute of Adult Blind	500.00	500.00
Maritime Freight Rate Case	1,953.28	6,000.00
Railway Property at Minto	1,800.00
Musquash Dam Break Damages	600.00
Year Book	700.00
Total	210,045.29	197,006.00

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL	10,411.52	10,400.00
PROHIBITION ACT ENFORCEMENT	78,345.38	60,000.00
PROVINCIAL HOSPITAL	200,817.12	190,000.00
JORDAN MEMORIAL SANATORIUM	88,489.40	88,000.00
BOYS INDUSTRIAL HOME	20,654.76	20,500.00
MOTOR VEHICLE LAW	333,207.00	346,140.00
Total	731,925.18	715,040.00
Grand Totals	\$4,154,730.45	\$4,362,195.00

Deceased Members.

In less than a year, since the last general election, the angel of death has twice visited this House. The first to leave us was my esteemed friend, the member for St. Stephen-Milltown, Mr. J. M. Flewelling. Those who have had the privilege of being associated with him in parliament will render testimony that he was a genial and lovely fellow. To me, he was a friend sincere and true, one of those friendships formed when the heart is young and the mind capable of prompt and lasting appreciation. His good and kindly words of congratulation extended to me on the occasion of my election are yet vivid in my mind. His hope then was to be well when the House be called together to help his admired leader. Providence decreed otherwise and his constituents, the members of this House, his friends, deplore his departure.

The other comparatively young man called to answer the summons of the Angel of Death was the late member for the county of Saint John, Mr. Frank L. Potts. Ambitious, active, able, of a determined mind, he achieved success throughout; and died at the zenith perhaps of his ambitions. Mayor of St. John and member of the Legislative Assembly of New Brunswick. Widely known, his loss will be felt generally but more particularly in the community where he labored and by the people he served so well.

Financial Affairs.

And now let us consider the financial affairs of this province. Although the present government was in power at the end of fiscal year which terminated on the 31st day of October last, it had been only been in control for one and a half months, so that it will not be unreasonable in regard the last fiscal year as the last one of the former regime, since, the former cabinet in the exercise of its prerogatives determined the estimates, passed the amounts required, made the contracts created the obligations, ordered nearly all expenditures, and almost entirely sanctioned the payments thereof. It is then, properly speaking, and in all fairness the achievements of the late government.

When a new administration takes charge, it would seem natural to take an inventory of the assets and the liabilities to ascertain the true position of the ship of state, or in other words to find out where we are, what we have, in order to determine what to do. These figures placed in opposition will indicate clearly the course of the affairs, whether we are advancing towards progress of whether we are stationary or going backwards.

Capital Liabilities.

What is our financial position; where do we stand?

The last balance sheet places the capital liabilities at \$37,999,314.94 the balance sheet of last year (1924) made in the same manner and dealing with the same subjects did place than at \$35,077,297.79 or an increase in one year of \$2,922,016.62.

It might be instructive to give for comparison a statement of the capital liabilities as published in the same manner for the last nine years.

1917	\$17,827,938.35
1918	19,697,897.24
1919	22,241,936.75
1920	24,244,461.87
1921	27,540,138.96
1922	30,423,603.85
1923	32,802,365.88
1924	35,077,297.79
1925	37,999,314.94

Increase of Debt.

If we were now to examine the increase of our bonded debt, what would we find. And let me assure this House that I am doing it, not so much in the spirit of censure, but to find out whether we are going.

Bonded debt in 1916	\$15,950,646.66
Bonded debt in 1917	\$15,809,855.80
Bonded debt in 1918	\$17,163,089.13
Increase 1918 to 1917	\$1,353,233.33
Bonded debt in 1919	\$18,585,759.74
Increase 1919 to 1918	\$1,433,670.00
Bonded debt in 1920	\$20,683,236.45
Increase 1920 to 1919	\$2,097,476.71
Bonded debt in 1921	\$23,573,432.25
Increase 1921 to 1920	\$2,890,195.80
Bonded debt in 1922	\$26,628,432.29
Increase 1922 to 1921	\$3,055,000.00
Bonded debt in 1923	\$28,583,932.24
Increase 1923 to 1922	\$1,955,500.00
Bonded debt in 1924	\$30,737,909.33
Increase 1924 to 1923	\$2,153,977.09
Bonded debt in 1925	\$32,345,909.33
Increase 1925 to 1924	\$2,608,000.00

This great increase of our public bonded debt viewed particularly in the light of the results or benefits accrued to the public from the augmentation thereof cannot be but alarming.