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THE BUDGET

The budget debate, which is being delivered in the Provincial Legislature this afternoon is optimistic regarding better conditions both as regards business and industry within the province.

The Provincial Secretary estimates that the receipts for the coming year will run about \$5,781,000, which is over three hundred thousand dollars ahead of last year. The estimated expenditure is set down as \$6,270,000, which is more than forty-two thousand dollars below that of the previous year.

For the ensuing year arrangements are made to carry a deficit of \$489,203. The Secretary-Treasurer, however, had also two encouraging statements to make. One was that there will be no new or increased taxes put on by the government this year. The other was that possibly there would be a balanced budget this year. The last statement seems too good to be true. However, it sounds good and we hope it pans out.

The Provincial Secretary-Treasurer is speaking on the budget this afternoon.

GOVERNOR'S RECEPTION

The first official reception held by His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. MacLaren was given at the Parliament Building last evening. It was dignified and charming in every way and was the nicest function of its kind held in recent years.

RELIEF PROJECT

The report of the Department of Lands and Mines just issued contains much information regarding the relief project in New Brunswick. According to the report, early in 1933 a proposition was submitted by the Federal Government for the establishment in New Brunswick of an unemployment relief project for single, homeless, unemployed men, through the Federal Government Department of National Defence establishing a military training field, and the Forest Service of the Dept. of the Interior establishing a forest experimental station jointly.

In order to carry out this project, the government of New Brunswick undertook to extinguish existing titles to all alienated parcels of land and all rights held under leasehold timber license, or permit, within the area selected, and to vest the same in the Dominion Government free of all encumbrances, the Dominion to enjoy full possession, use, control and administration of the land, including the timber thereon, as long as the said lands are required by the Dominion for military or forestry experimental purposes.

The area selected is located in the Parishes of Manguerville and Sheffield in the County of Sunbury, and the Parish of St. Mary's in the County of York, covering 78 square miles, more or less.

Under the authority of Chapter 16 of the Acts of 1934, this Department has proceeded with the surveying of the area and the extinguishing of existing titles to land and timber, and up to the date of the report surrender of titles covering 17 parcels of land covering 2,216 acres, and surrender of timber licenses covering 30 1/2 square miles, have been acquired by the province. The expenditure to date for the surveying of the boundaries, cruising and appraising values, searching of titles, and legal fees, compensation for land and timber licenses, camp site leases, etc., totals \$23,948.95, which has been paid from the Crown Land Sinking Fund. Purchase of the remainder of the area is proceeding as rapidly as agreements can be made with the various owners.

An area of 294 acres of Crown Land in the vicinity of Brockway in the Parish of Manners-Sutton, in the County of York, also has been available to the Federal Government for the purpose of an emergency landing field. Six

hundred and seventy-five single unemployed men are being given relief and employment on the above projects.

The establishing of a military training field in New Brunswick will make it possible for the training formerly carried out at Petawawa to be carried out here in the future; and the establishing of a permanent forestry experimental station is considered of very great value to New Brunswick in view of the major importance of the forest industry to the province. The work now being done on the area as an unemployment relief measure is in preparation for the future operations of these two projects.

SNAPSHOTS

March came in like cold lamb.

As soon as children begin to snort at the nose they should be kept at home.

The members of the Picardy Chapter I. O. D. E., know how to get up a good luncheon fit for the King let alone the Lieutenant Governor and his guests. We recommend the single "daughters" to Hon. Dr. Taylor or any other eligible bachelor.

The Lieutenant Governor and Mrs. MacLaren's reception last evening was one of the most dignified and generally successful held in recent years.

"No increase in provincial taxes this year" says the Provincial Secretary. This sounds good.

Children skating at the Arctic rink could get along with less profane language on the part of some of the older people.

While they are all talking about Boy Scouts nobody is boosting for the Girl Guides which is a very important factor in girl life. Give the girls a boost too.

Larger Revenue, Reduced Expenditure

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condition and of the continual increasing confidence that investors have in the credit of the province, but also reflected great credit on the administration which has managed its affairs.

Debt Redemption

Debt redemption during the year was given at \$991,242.76., of which \$541,202, was paid out of sinking funds. The net debt on October 31st was stated as \$47,413,393.39, an increase during the year of \$997,986.79, such increase including the deficit on current account. The debt increase since the year 1925 was given at \$16,536,054. Of the Capital liabilities of the province he said that about 25 per cent were self supporting.

Revenue Items

The estimates tabled this afternoon by Hon. Mr. Leger show receipts of \$5,781,574 and expenditures of \$6,270,863. The largest item of revenue is Dominion subsidies, placed at \$1,266,575. The gasoline tax, which ranks second, is estimated at a round million dollars, against \$881,721.16 last year. Motor vehicles are expected to yield \$803,500 against \$768,674.06 last year. Receipts from the Liquor Control Board are estimated at \$600,000 as against \$557,572 in 1934. An increase of \$110,000 is looked for in succession duties, but other items in the department of the Provincial Secretary-Treasurer show little variation. The Department of Lands and Mines is expected to turn in \$836,600 as against \$832,457 last year.

Expenditure Reduced

Of the estimated expenditure of \$6,270,863, the sum of \$3,991,873.50 is authorized by law and the balance of \$2,278,989 is to be voted by the House. Estimated expenditure in the Department of Agriculture is increased from \$177,942.86 to \$193,710, and in the Department of Lands and Mines there is a reduction from \$368,458.15 to \$245,170. Expenditure in the Department of Public Works is set down as \$998,200 against \$978,386.33 last year, and for Public Health the total of \$134,100.50, a slight reduction. The appropriation for school books, which was \$62,372.84 in 1934 has been reduced to \$30,000. Expenditures at the Provincial Hospital will be reduced from \$230,997.96 to \$205,000. The Bureau of Information has been allotted \$32,272 against an expenditure of \$34,000 last

OUR MAIL BAG

WEIGHING COAL

Fredericton, N. B.,
February 28th, 1935.

Editor, Daily Mail,
Fredericton, N.B.,
Dear Sir:

Congratulations on the improvement of the Daily Mail glad to see one man in Fredericton not afraid to come out in the interests of the public.

I just want to draw your attention to chapter 22 of our City By-Law re weighing of coal in which it states no coal of one-half ton or over shall be offered for sale without first having been weighed on City Scales Ect.

Our School Board buys all their coal and delivers it direct from the cars breaking above by-law and not knowing whether they are getting the coal or not. While we pay the bills I do not say any trucker takes the coal but you know human nature and it is leaving the door open for the horse to be stolen and further it is giving the coal dealer the extra profit that the city weigher should have for salary the city provides scales appoints a man to look after them and pays him. According to what he weighs makes by-laws and then lets every dealer break these laws and starve the weigher. I am safe in saying not one tenth of the coal burned in our city is weighed on the city scales. And I think one of your good editorials on this subject would do much to brighten people's ideas and that buying a pig in a bag is not what it is cracked up to be. This may help some one who is buying coal in a bag.

Yours truly,

BY-LAW.

Brunswick Street,
Fredericton, N. B.

THE RECEPTION

Last night's function was informal and for all the people. It was not advertised as formal. This being so was it the correct thing for the Sergeant-At-Arms to refuse one admittance to the Assembly Chamber because I had forgotten my gloves.

My people have been prominent on this river for generations and are well known as respectable. One man, whom I knew offered me his gloves. A stranger did the same but I did not accept.

I would have liked to have paid my respects to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, but was not permitted to do so.

Yours truly,

A. A. TREADWELL.

Central Kingsclear

Central Kingsclear, Feb. 28—The weather has been stormy the last few days, which has left the roads in a poor condition.

The Y.P.S. of Keswick Ridge showed a set of lantern slides in the United Church on Monday evening, entitled "Putting the Church in Churchill." Quite a large number was present.

Mrs. Harry Strange and Miss Estella Fox spent the week end with their mother, Mrs. Fox.

Miss Annie Shaw, of Macnaguae, has been visiting friends in this place. Mrs. John Black has been quite ill at her home but is improving.

Bertha Burden, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Burden is quite seriously ill. Dr. Robertson was called this week to attend her.

Mrs. Frank Hallet was calling on Miss Fox Wednesday afternoon.

Miss Laurie Fox spent Saturday in Fredericton.

Miss Irene Goodine had tea with Mrs. Frank Kilburn on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Mills were visiting Mr. Mills' sister, Mrs. Jos. Goodine on Sunday.

Gertrude Grey spent Sunday with Thelma Kilburn.

Mrs. Charles Mills took tea with Mrs. Anderson on Monday.

Mr. Alfred King and son are employed hauling pulp wood at Long's Creek.

Mrs. Wm. Collicott spent an afternoon with Mrs. R. G. Kilburn recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Kilburn and family were visiting friends at Lower Kingsclear a few days ago.

Municipal Bonds, Bank Interest Aired in House

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bond issue had called for alternate bids—one for five years and the other to run 15 years. The best bid on the 15 year bond was 3.29, while the 5 year issue, because of the short term, had sold for 2.94. He did not think that any municipality was likely to make an issue of short term bonds. He was sure that the action taken by the Government had been very helpful to the Counties of Northumberland and Gloucester.

Mr. Richard (Gloucester) said that he was familiar with conditions in his county and was aware of the fact that last year the municipality had difficulty in financing bank overdrafts. He complained that the cost of maintaining patients at the Provincial Hospital was a burden to the municipality of Gloucester which should be lifted.

Dr. Coffyn said that the Municipality of Gloucester had experienced difficulty last year with its financing and had called upon the Government for assistance. The action taken had been very pleasing to the municipal authorities and both Liberal and Conservative Councillors were very glad to have the bonds taken over by the Government at 4 1/2 percent interest.

Hon. Mr. Stewart said that the Gloucester people were in a dilemma and wanted to discharge their liabilities. Tax collections in that county were behind, and the Banks did not wish to loan to them. Delegates had come to the Government to get assistance, and many people up there had expressed their satisfaction with the way the Government had acted. He could not accept, without resentment, the charge that the Government was trying to make party capital out of the assistance given to Gloucester and Northumberland.

Mr. Richard (Gloucester) said he must challenge the statement that the people of Gloucester were satisfied with the action of the Government regarding the loan and would not be until the Government assumed all the liabilities for the indigent poor. Taxes were being imposed beyond the ability of the people to pay. Unless this were done the County would be borrowing every year. He maintained that the charges fixed on the Municipalities in connection with the Provincial Hospital were altogether too heavy.

Miss Joan McCorquindale Dies in Saint John

The news will be learned here with general regret by the older residents of the death at Saint John on Wednesday of Miss Joan McCorquindale, aged 62. Miss McCorquindale had been living at Boston, Mass., in recent years but had been at Saint John for the last year and had been in failing health. She is quite well known here and was formerly engaged in the dressmaking business. Two brothers survive, William and Hughey McCorquindale, of Pinder. The funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon from the home of Miss Martha McIntosh, 659 King street where service will take place at 2:30. Rev. George Telford conducting. Interment is to be made in the Rural cemetery. The remains arrived here last evening.

QUIET MORNING AT HOUSE

The first meeting of the committee on contingencies was held this morning with routine business done. The government met briefly at noon to consider sessional matters, no announcement being made by Premier L. P. D. Tilley afterwards. The most important matter today in the House was the bringing down of the budget by the provincial Secretary-Treasurer.

PARIS, March 1—The Chamber of Deputies today refused to discuss the dissolution and disarming of France's many veteran and political "troops."

DIED

MCCORQUINDALE:—At Saint John, February 27, 1935, Miss Joan McCorquindale.

The funeral will take place on Saturday afternoon from the home of Miss Martha MacIntosh, King Street with service at 2:30 o'clock, conducted by Rev. George Telford. Interment will be made in the Rural Cemetery.

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