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MR. A. P. PROWSE IN BUDGET DEBATE

Riddles Opposition Criticism Much of Which He Characterized as False and all of it Misleading.

Mr. A. P. Prowse, during the course of the Budget debate, delivered an able speech, in which he gave some figures that spoke very unfavorably of the character of the Opposition criticism, especially in respect to public services. He referred to the charges that had been made and re-peated by members of the Opposition that the Government had in their employ too many officials. He would ask the Opposition to be more specific in their charges in this respect. Let them state definitely where there were too many officials, who could and should be dispensed, and what particular branch of the public services could be stinted on without impairment or injury, and not make merely vague assertions and insinuations. Mr. Prowse pointed out that last year, in the Legislature, when the Premier was going over the estimates he called upon the Opposition to state one single item that could be reduced, and they failed to indicate one solitary item. Yet in face of this, the Opposition would repeat their charge of too much extravagance and state many officials. They knew the statement was untrue, said Mr. Prowse, but they would have something to say about the Government, and so they manufactured any kind of story and set it in motion, trusting on the ignorance of those who were not acquainted with the facts to have their misrepresentations received as the truth. When they were called upon to substantiate their allegations, however, and when they were brought face to face with **Hard Facts**, they could only squirm.

Another statement made by the Opposition which Mr. Prowse designated as utterly false was that the present Government was receiving \$200,000 more of revenue per year than the Liberals. "To prove the falsity of this statement Mr. Prowse gave a comparative table of the revenues of the province during the respective periods 1908-11 inclusive and 1913-16 inclusive, as follows:

1908	\$366,601.15
1909	375,374.45
1910	375,151.32
1911	374,797.82
	1,491,924.74
An average of	\$372,981.18

These were years in which the Liberals were in office. Here is the official record of the four clear financial years in which the Conservatives have so far held office:

1913	\$506,553.39
1914	525,555.19
1915	470,729.80
1916	482,534.51
	1,985,372.89
An average of	\$496,343.22

By subtracting the average of the four Liberal years from the average of the four Conservative years it will be seen that the additional revenue of the latter was \$123,362.04, as follows:

Average revenue of Conservatives	\$496,343.22
Average revenue of Liberals	\$372,981.04
Average addition rec'd by Conservatives	\$123,362.04

Mr. Prowse then went on to show what had been done by the present Government in the interests of Education in this province towards which department a large amount of money had been expended in increased salaries of teachers, whereas the previous Government, he declared, "tore away the supplements and bonuses and left education in a reprobate state all over the province."

Proceeding to speak on the subsidy question, Mr. Prowse said: "A delegation went to Ottawa from this province under the Liberal regime and one member of that delegation is in this room now. If you turn to the Journal of 1903 you will find that gentleman supporting a resolution endorsing a plan adopted at the Quebec conference in '87 whereby this province would lose a revenue of \$5,000 a year. That would not have been discovered but for the Opposition then led by Mr. Mathieson. In 1906 we attended that matter out, and the attitude of the Government was against us for a while, until the Hon. Joseph Read saw

for exhibitions, \$6537.00, is included in the total of \$16069.84. Adding the charge for exhibition in 1908 to the amount charged to the department of agriculture, we have a total of \$10711.19, leaving a difference of \$6358.65, more expended in 1913 than in 1908. This increase is accounted for in the following items:

Inc. in money to seed fairs	\$ 974.29
" " to associations	901.70
" " paid to field competitions	503.08
" " to exhibitions	137.00
Money paid to Summer School for teachers	3340.00
Making a total of	\$5856.07

We will now compare the same accounts for the years 1911 and 1915. September 30th, 1911, is \$7055.46. Add for exhibitions in the same year

September 30th, 1911	\$7055.46
Add for exhibitions in the same year	6840.50
Making a total for 1911	\$13895.96
The amount for the year ending December 31st, 1915, shows net expenditure	\$20392.40
Expanded in 1915 over 1911	\$ 6426.44

This increase is more than made up by the following:

Inc. in money to Seed Fairs	\$1028.47
" " to associations	831.95
" " to field competitions	721.84
Exhibitions	2058.50
Money to Summer School for teachers	3343.38
Making a total of	\$7984.14

You will see that the increase in expenditure in the agricultural account, as shown by the above statements, has been made in the interest of the farming population of this province. I have up to the present time failed to hear any complaints in this regard from those who are deriving the benefits from the Seed Fairs and the different associations that are so supported. The Summer School for teachers is very popular with the teachers and is calculated to give an increased interest in the cause of education, which should be encouraging.

We have heard a great deal of complaint from the members of the Opposition in the House of the increase of expenditure in the different departments of the public service. The Opposition members on being asked to point out where the increase was, on being asked to make their charges specific, would say: "You have too many officials," some going so far as to say that the increase cost an amount to from \$30000.00 to \$40000.00, an absurd and extravagant statement, which cannot be borne out by the facts. Comparing the year 1908 with 1913 we find the charges for salaries of employees in the offices of Agriculture and Provincial secretary, amounted to \$6173.61 and in 1913 \$7528.82—an increase of \$1355.21, divided as follows:

Increase in Office Agriculture	\$700.00
Increase in the Office of Provincial Sec. Treas.	655.21

We also compared the number of officials in the year 1909 with 1915. We find that in 1909 there were nine officials in the same offices. In 1915

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there were 10 officials. Cost in 1909 \$6447.50. Cost in 1915 7960.00.

An increase of \$1512.50. And again in the department of public works, I find in the year 1911 there were five officials; in the year 1915 there were six. The chief increase in the cost of officials in this office was due to the employment of an engineer, which was money wisely expended, and has been the means of avoiding the blunders that were made during the Liberal regime when valuable structures were allowed to fall to pieces—for instance, the steel bridge at Vernon River, and others that could be named, costing this province a large amount for repairs.

Now the slight increase in the cost of clerical work in the different offices cannot be considered excessive when we remember the increased volume of business amounting to 25 per cent greater than in former years. The receipts and expenditures of the province totalling up to over one million dollars as against \$800,000 in 1911, also considering the increased cost of living.

In conclusion, Mr. Prowse expressed his deprecation of the attitude taken by the Opposition in the policy of making charges without attempting to prove them, and challenged them to point to a single item of expenditure which they could prove had been needless, or a single instance in which there had been the smallest extravagance. "We want FACTS not FANCY," he said.

STOCK QUOTATIONS

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Sir,—How many of us remember our island railroad controversy, when the pros and cons were at work influencing our public for and against the building of a railway on Prince Edward Island, those for showing the good in time to come, those against, predicting ruin? Luckily for us we had a man in our midst of the "Lloyd Premier" type, named James C. Pope, Premier at the time. Knowing that a large majority of property holders could be scared by the terrible taxation that the short-sighted smart politicians were declaring would take place if a railroad would be built on the island, he seeing this, took time by the forelock and passed a bill authorizing the building of a railway from Summerside to Georgetown, letting a contract for the same to be built under a penalty for any drawback either by the Government or the contract on.

This happened in the last term of Parliament before a general election. The canvass when the public was called upon to elect members for the next House was what might be expected, "Railroad." Smart fellows said, "repeat the bill, cheapest way out."

What happened? The man with the strong will became ex-Premier with the satisfaction of seeing the other fellows busily engaged in the building of the road while he quietly looking on, knew that to get the road, was the way it had to be done.

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ONE WHO REMEMBERS.

MRS. THOMAS DIGNAN.

At Woodstock, Prince County, on March 22nd, after a few days' illness, Mr. Thomas Dignan, aged 54 years, deceased was a daughter of the late and leaves to mourn a sorrowing husband, one son, and one daughter. Also two brothers and six sisters mourn the break in the family circle. The sisters are, Mrs. Edward Dignan, Woodstock; Mrs. James Smailman, O'Leary; Mrs. David McAnisland, O'Leary; Mrs. Harry Metherall, Bloomfield; Mrs. William Gavin, Residing in Florida; and Mrs. Edward Kelly, of Summerside. The brothers are, George Horne, of O'Leary; and Robert on the homestead. The late Mrs. Dignan was a friend, beloved, modest, sweet, unselfish and kind. In her case we are assured as in that of every true follower of Christ "the day of death is better than the day of birth," and so though, we miss her and mourn we are not comfortless and can say it is well—"the will of the Lord be done."

The estimation in which the deceased was held was very manifest, in the large concourse of people who attended the funeral and followed the remains to the grave. The interment took place at Bloomfield cemetery. The funeral services were solemn and impressive and were conducted by Revs. Murray and Dawson. The floral tribute was a beautiful wreath from the family.

Oh, burdened hearts and lives bowed down with sorrow. Look forward to the glad eternal years; Be comforted, God will give you back your treasure. And dry with His own hands your binding tears.

FURTHER GAINS AROUND BAGDAD.

(Special to the Guardian.) LONDON, April 10.—The British made a further advance north of Bagdad. They have captured Balad station on the Bagdad-Samarah Railway and the town of Herbe.

LONDON, April 9.—A German destroyer was sunk and another was damaged severely last night off the Belgian coast by British airplanes, the Admiralty announces. The statement follows:

"Attacks were carried out on the Zebrugge (Belgium) mole by naval seaplanes on the night of April 7-8. Many bombs were dropped. Attacks also were made on ammunition dumps at Ghent and Bruges. All our machines returned safely.

"Other operations were carried out off Zebrugge during the same night whereby two enemy destroyers were torpedoned. One was seen to sink. The fate of the second is uncertain, but it was severely damaged. We sustained no casualties."

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