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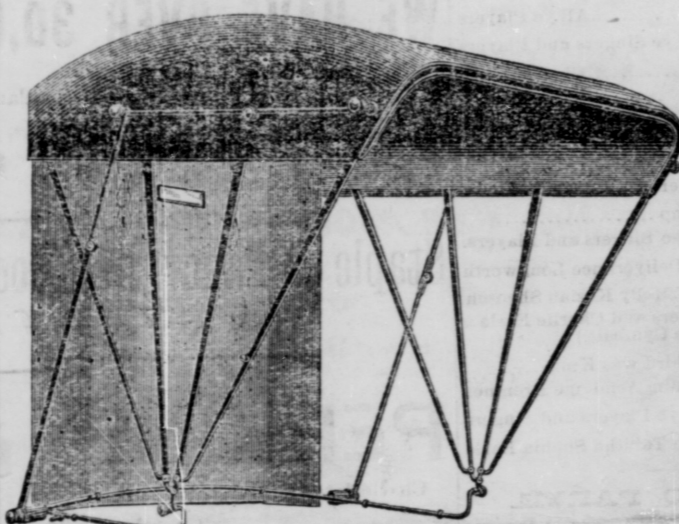
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February 11, 1888—3m 2aw pd

**The Provincial Budget.**

**Hon. W. W. Sullivan's Speech.**

**A GOOD PROSPECT.**

MR. SPEAKER in the Chair.

The first order of the day for the House  
in Committee of Supply having being  
read—

HON. MR. SULLIVAN, Leader of the Govern-  
ment, moved that the House do now go  
into the order of the day, and said: Mr.  
Speaker, before the House goes into Com-  
mittee of Supply, I desire to offer a few  
observations on the present financial state  
of the Province. On the 27th March, last,  
I moved a resolution to the effect that the  
House would, on the next day, go into a  
committee of the whole on supply; but my  
friend, the hon. member for Strathalbyn,  
thought it hardly treating the Opposi-  
tion fairly to ask them to consider the  
finances of the Province on such brief notice;  
for, it will be remembered, the public  
accounts had been tabled but a very short  
time before the motion was made. The  
hon. member thought the Opposition were  
entitled to at least a week for the purpose  
of making themselves sufficiently acquaint-  
ed with the various items of the revenue  
and expenditure for the past year; and he  
was supported in his statement by the hon.  
Leader of the Opposition. Since then,  
three weeks have elapsed, so that hon.  
members of both sides of the House have  
not had a fair opportunity to consider fully  
the accounts placed before them. Besides  
this, the hon. Leader of the Opposition  
and his lieutenants have propounded on the  
order book a series of questions, asking for  
a considerable mass of information respect-  
ing almost every department of the public  
service; and the Government have taken  
every pains and availed themselves of every  
opportunity to supply, and to lay before  
the House, everything that has been asked  
for. Whatever charges hon. members of  
the Opposition may make against the Govern-  
ment, I do not think that, on this  
occasion, this session, they will charge the  
Government with any attempt or desire to  
withhold from the House the fullest infor-  
mation with regard to the administration  
of public affairs. In order that they might  
have no doubts in this respect, I stated,  
that if there was any other information be-  
yond what they had already received, it  
would be submitted as soon as it could be  
prepared, if asked for. But no additional  
request has since been made; on the con-  
trary, the hon. Leader of the Opposition  
has expressed his satisfaction with the infor-  
mation placed by the Government before  
the House. The House has now before it  
the report of the Provincial Auditor on the  
Public Accounts, the report of the Superin-  
tendent of Education on the Schools of the  
Province, the report on the Hospital for the  
Insane, the report on Public Works, the  
report of the Commissioner of Public  
Lands, the report on Exhibitions, etc.,  
etc. Hon. members have, therefore, be-  
fore them the fullest information respecting  
every branch of the public service, and  
have had three long weeks in which to  
digest the statements regarding public  
affairs during the past year. Such being  
the case, on going into a Committee of  
the whole, to consider a Supply, every hon.  
gentleman has a right, and I have a right,  
to make some comments and statements to  
the House with respect to the position in  
which the Province now stands financially.  
Hon. members will remember that last  
session when the Budget Speech was deliv-  
ered before the House, it was stated by me  
that if we received the amounts expected,  
as revenue, during the year, and if our ex-  
penditure during the year would not exceed  
the amount then estimated, we would prob-  
ably have a small surplus of about a thou-  
sand dollars. Well, as hon. members are  
aware, these were only estimates and did  
not come out as we expected. In fact, es-  
timates hardly ever turn out as anticipated.  
But on looking over the records, now, and  
comparing those estimates with the actual  
revenue and expenditure, I think there is  
no reason for the Government to be ash-  
amed of them. Hon. members of this House  
are aware that the Accounts of this Provin-  
ce are made up to the 31st December in  
each year. In fact, those Accounts are made  
up to the last moment of that month. The  
Accounts in the banks in which the Govern-  
ment do business are also made up to the  
close of the last day of each month. By  
reference to the report on the Public Ac-  
counts it will be seen that on the 31st Decem-  
ber, 1887, there appears to be an indebted-  
ness of the Government at the banks, by  
over-draft, of upwards of \$188,000. There  
appeared to be that indebtedness on the  
face of the Accounts. Hon. members will  
recall that this amount exceeds that of the  
previous year by upwards of \$40,000; and  
our opponents say that the indebtedness  
of the Province has been increased to that  
extent. I say, Mr. Speaker, that on the  
31st December last we had an apparent  
indebtedness of upwards of \$188,000. At  
that date, or, nearly all, the Accounts of  
the year were paid off. Some few small  
amounts, a very few, were necessarily  
carried forward to the year 1888. Every  
hon. member who does business knows how  
difficult it is to get his creditors to furnish  
small bills before the close of the year. The  
Government were anxious that all the  
indebtedness of the Province should appear  
in the Auditor's report for the past year,  
but, for the reasons given, some small  
amounts were carried forward. Although  
there appeared to be an indebtedness at the  
banks on the 31st December, 1887, of  
\$188,000, on the day after, viz., the 1st  
day of January, 1888, we were entitled to  
receive from the Dominion Government our  
half year's subsidy, viz., \$96,768, so that  
the apparent indebtedness was reduced to

that extent. Hon. gentlemen on the other  
side of the House have asked the Govern-  
ment to lay on the table of the House a  
statement showing our financial position on  
the 31st March last. In their desire to  
entrap the Government, and to show that  
its indebtedness at the banks was increas-  
ing, they asked for that return. Well, it  
was duly furnished, and shows clearly that  
the balance against the Province at that  
date was reduced to the sum of \$139,000.  
This shows a reduction of \$49,000 since the  
close of the past year. Now, the Opposi-  
tion declare that no reliance can be placed  
in the estimates made by the Government,  
but that the fullest reliance may be placed  
in their own. Now, let us see in what  
respect the Government Estimates for 1887  
failed to be fulfilled. Let us see whether  
the Government, or the country, or the Op-  
position is to blame for this. The estimate  
of expenditure for 1887 was \$265,481.22,  
and the actual expenditure \$287,700.17,  
showing a difference of \$22,218.95. Let us  
inquire as to the cause for that difference.  
Hon. members are aware that when the  
estimates for last year were submitted to  
the House, there was before this branch of  
the Legislature a bill to amend the Educa-  
tion Act, under the provisions of which,  
had it become law, the expenditure on  
education would have been reduced to the  
extent of about \$10,000 per year, without  
diminishing the efficiency of the present  
school system of the Province. I must say  
that I believe that, instead of impairing the  
efficiency of the schools, it would have in-  
creased it very much by causing the people  
to take a deeper interest in the working  
of those schools. When people have to put  
their hands into their pockets and contrib-  
ute a portion of the expense of working  
our school system, they are more particu-  
lar in guarding their own interests and in  
seeing that they receive corresponding ad-  
vantages. In introducing that amendment,  
therefore, the Government were forward-  
ing the interests of education in this Pro-  
vince, whilst, at the same time, reducing  
the annual expenditure thereon to the ex-  
tent of about \$10,000 per year, or \$100,000  
in ten years. While saving that large sum  
of money to the Province, we would have  
increased the efficiency of our educational  
system ten-fold. As matters now stand,  
education costs our people nothing in  
country districts, while the people of  
Charlottetown are heavily taxed. Last  
year, my own personal taxes in Charlottetown  
amounted to about \$200. In the city we  
are taxed for education through the  
Corporation, but in country places the  
people have merely to pay the ordinary  
running expense of the maintenance of  
their schools. Owing to the fact that the  
Legislative Council refused to agree to the  
proposed amendment of the Schools Act,  
we could not make the proposed  
saving in the expenditure for educa-  
tion; consequently the estimate  
for this year will exceed that of last year  
by \$8,450. And for 1887, there was an  
over-expenditure to that extent above what  
was at first anticipated. In the Public  
Works Department, as hon. members are  
aware, a change has taken place. The  
gentleman who formerly had the manage-  
ment of that department was, by the  
foulest and most discreditable means, de-  
prived of his position. The hon. gentle-  
man who succeeded him, found that certain  
undertakings, of which he had no knowl-  
edge at the time the estimates for last  
year were made, had to be carried out.  
The result was that there was an over-  
expenditure in that department on the  
highways of about \$5,300. That this was  
an over-expenditure cannot be denied; but  
it was necessary to make it in the public  
interests. There was, also, a large ex-  
penditure on packets, public buildings and  
other items which amounted to over \$7,000.  
So that the total over-expenditure in all  
these departments of the public service  
amounted to \$22,200. This accounts for  
nearly half the difference between the es-  
timate and the indebtedness, which appears  
in the Public Accounts. There was also a  
falling off in the receipts for the year 1887.  
These did not turn out to be as large as  
was anticipated by the Government. We  
expected to have received during the year  
a larger sum from the Dominion Govern-  
ment by \$10,000. Instead of receiving the  
additional subsidy of \$20,000, we received  
\$10,000; the remaining portion of the  
amount due we received on the first of  
January following. We have, however, the  
full benefit of that money this year, and it  
has assisted in reducing our indebtedness.  
We expected, also, to have received from  
the Dominion Government the amount due  
this Province on account of Pensions paid  
by us since Confederation. We made up a  
statement of our claim, and received a  
promise that it would be paid. The sum due  
us is about \$12,000. We have been pay-  
ing pensions ever since 1873, which the  
Dominion Government should have paid.  
The pensions were paid to the late Hon.  
George Coles, the widow of the late Hon.  
Edward Whelan, and the late Sir Robert  
Hodgson. In the other Provinces all such  
amounts were paid by the Dominion Gov-  
ernment immediately on their entering  
Confederation. Our claim was equally  
strong, and the Dominion Government con-  
cluded to pay it, but by some misadventure  
it was not placed in their estimates for 1887,  
and they could not do so. I find that I  
reported last session as having stated that  
this money would be expected during the  
year. Well, we were desirous of receiving  
it, but it did not come. The money, how-  
ever, is due us and will be received, and  
will go to reduce what our opponents call  
our "indebtedness." The non receipt of  
it, last year, caused us to fall short of the  
sum expected, to that extent, in addition to  
the \$10,000 of subsidy which was not re-  
ceived until the first of January last. We  
expected the Land Office to have yielded  
us \$3,062 more than we received from that  
source. The hon. member for West River  
complained to this House during the pre-  
sent session, in the course of his remarks  
on the Draft Address, that last year was an  
exceptionally bad one for our farmers, and  
that there was an extraordinary depression

in the price of farm produce. Well there  
was not an "extraordinary depression,"  
although there was a very considerable de-  
pression in the price of farm produce.  
Owing to that, the receipts at the Land  
Office fell short of the amount expected by  
about \$3,062. Taking this with the other  
items we find a total decrease of receipts  
from the sum estimated of \$24,382. By  
adding this amount to the over-expendi-  
ture, which was unavoidable, we find how  
the increase of the indebtedness at the  
Banks for the past year was incurred. The  
over-expenditure was \$22,453, and the de-  
crease in receipts \$24,382, making a total  
of \$46,835. It was owing to these facts  
and circumstances that the apparent in-  
crease in our indebtedness for the past year  
was incurred. I have already stated that  
the total amount due the Banks on the  
31st March last was about \$139,000 or  
\$3,000 less than the balance due them on  
31st December, 1886. Now, Mr. Speaker,  
we approach the more important question  
of the estimates for the present year;  
for, whatever explanation we may  
make about the past, we can  
make matters neither better nor worse  
than they are. The past is dead and gone  
forever. Let us consider the present and  
the future. As hon. members are already  
aware, the estimated expenditure for the  
present year is \$253,242.22. Now, this is  
a smaller sum than that of the estimates  
for last year by \$12,239, and I dare say  
hon. members were surprised to find such  
to be the case. I was a member of the  
House in 1873, when the Terms of Con-  
federation were agreed upon, and when  
hon. members on both sides of the House  
made estimates of what they thought would  
be sufficient to maintain the Public Service  
of the Province under the union, and I  
find that among the highest estimate made  
on that occasion was \$257,000. The  
estimate of the hon. member of  
Strathalbyn was far below that sum. An  
estimate made by an hon. gentleman who  
is not now in this Legislature, but who has  
filled, not without credit of a certain kind,  
the position of member of the Dominion  
Cabinet and Governor of the Northwest  
Territory, was very much lower than these  
amounts, viz., \$205,038.85 per annum. It  
will be seen that this estimate was very  
much lower than that for the present year,  
which is \$253,242.22. The average es-  
timate of hon. gentlemen who compose the  
present Opposition in 1873, of the expendi-  
ture under Confederation, was about \$205,-  
000 per annum. I do not attach any blame  
whatever to any hon. gentleman who made  
estimates on that occasion, but will show  
reasons why those estimates have been ex-  
ceeded.

(To be continued.)

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