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THE BUDGET.
HON. MR. SULLIVAN'S EXPOSITION OF OUR
FINANCES.—A CLEAR STATEMENT.
FRIDAY, MARCH 25.
HON. MR. SULLIVAN moved the order of
the day for the House in Committee of
Supply. He said:
MR. SPEAKER.—In moving that the House
go into the order of the day, it became
my duty to present a short statement of the
financial condition of the Province.
THE RECORD SINCE '73.
I may, perhaps, be permitted in
the first place to refer to our
finances since 1873. It will be ob-
served that in no year, since the Province
entered the Confederation have the
receipts met the expenditures, except last
year, when we had a surplus on the transac-
tions of the year of nearly \$15,000. In 1874
our expenditure amounted to \$433,212.56,
and our receipts were only \$403,013.48,
showing a deficit of \$30,199.08. In 1875
the deficit was larger still. In that year it
amounted to \$94,125.27; while in the year
1876 it reached the figure of \$109,829.
183.56. I ought, of course, to explain that
in those years some very large amounts,
which were expended, should be classed
under the head of extraordinary expendi-
tures. But coming down to the year 1877,
when the public services were provided
very much as at present, we find
that the expenditures of the Government
amounted to \$331,632.13, while the receipts
were but \$296,274.64, leaving, in that year,
a balance against the Province of \$35,357.
49. Again, in 1878, our expenditures
amounted to \$334,133.29, and our receipts
were only \$312,084.34, or \$21,449.95 less
than the amount the late Government ex-
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during which the late administration held
the reins of power. In 1879,
during most of which our oppo-
nents were largely responsible for the
finances of the Province, the expenditures
amounted to \$313,843.27, while the receipts
were \$285,062.35, showing in that year an
excess of expenditure over revenue of \$28,780.
92. Now, the year 1880 was the first
year in which the present Government had
a fair trial in the management of the
finances of the Province. In that year, as
compared with the expenditures of 1879,
we have \$269,603.38, while the expenditures
were reduced to \$267,308.38, being \$12,295
less than the receipts.

1878 AND 1880 COMPARED.
HON. MEMBERS on the other side of the
House are continually saying that the
Government have carried out their
policy, that the Government have been ex-
travagant, &c. Now, I shall show you, Mr.
Speaker, and I shall show you, the
country, that, compared with the late
Government, we have been very economical
indeed. The year 1878 may fairly be
regarded as the year of the late Govern-
ment for the purposes of the comparison. The
late Government assumed office in 1876.
They had all 1877 to put things in order.
By 1878 they surely had the finances on a
 footing which suited them. Let in making
a comparison between their expenditures in
1878, and ours in the year that is past, I
shall show that we have saved to the Pro-
vince, the very considerable sum of \$130,
157.55.
To show more clearly the difference be-
tween our expenditures and theirs, I will
bring to the consideration of the House
some of the items on which we have effected
this very great saving. I will not take up
the time of the House by going much into
detail. I will merely direct your attention
to a few of the items which we have saved
in the Administration of Justice. In the
Administration of Justice we have made
reductions in the expenditure to the extent
of \$9,138.49, which amount we have saved
to the public. In the Administration of
the Education of the Province we have saved
\$4,965.60; in Legislation we have saved
\$3,360.48; in the management of the Poor
House, \$594.60; in the expenses of the
Provincial Secretary-Treasurer's office we
show a reduction of \$4,310.92; in the
office of the Commissioner of Fisheries we
show a decrease in the expenses amounting
to \$2,020.89. Then there is the item
of public printing. In 1878 public printing
cost the Province \$10,185.36. In 1879 the
amount paid for this service, including a
balance brought forward from the previous
year, was \$9,550.50. In 1880 the sum
expended in public printing was \$5,
478.20, showing a reduction in 1880 over 1879
of \$4,677.16, and over 1878 of \$4,706.80.
These, with other reductions, amount, to-
gether, to some \$130,157.55, which amount
I have just stated, and which has been almost
entirely wiped out, as I said before, to the
large sum of \$130,157.55. The entire sum
paid out by the late Government in 1878
was \$331,367.61, and we carried forward
to the next year a balance against the
Province of \$50,071.95, making the total
liabilities of the year \$391,378.52. We
have, as I said already, reduced the ex-
penditure of the Government to \$267,289.85;
and during the short period which has been
open for our Government to meet—
over \$60,000.00—which we were compelled
by the late Government to meet—
to \$2,690.69. Adding the sum still due to
our expenditure, and taking into considera-
tion the fact that we paid to the teachers of
full quarters' salaries in each year, while in
1878 our opponents paid the teachers but
three quarters' salary—giving us credit for
that—the difference between the results of
the year 1878 and those of the year 1880
will be found to be no less than \$130,
157.55.

Now, Mr. Speaker, this is the saving the
present Government have effected. Yet our
opponents have the hardihood to de-
clare that we have effected no saving.
Sir, I place the figures before the House;
and I invite the Opposition to any one
year we have not done and show that
they are incorrect.
THE ESTIMATES.
As will be seen by the estimates placed
upon the table of this House, the present
Government do not propose to expend dur-
ing the current year, so large an amount as
their predecessors expended during
the year 1878. Our revenue is, in
very small degree, increased in the
year we have just passed. One of the
items from other sources decrease every
year. It therefore becomes the duty of the
Government to curtail the public expenditure
as much as possible; and in the present
year we have consequently determined to
reduce the expenditure a very considerable
extent—although we think we have made
ample provision for all the absolute re-
quirements of the Province. I need not
particularize the items of the expenditure
proposed making this year. They are
set out in the estimates which have been
before you for some days. But in reference
to the item of education, I may be per-
mitted to call your attention to the fact that
this is an expenditure which cannot be cur-
tailed by the Government; and it is increas-
ing year by year. Last year education cost
the Province upwards of \$96,000.00; and
it will be nearly, if not quite as much, this
year. It is not possible for the administration

of the day to control this expenditure, be-
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Now, the estimates of last year amounted
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SOURCES OF REVENUE.
I wish now to show you, Mr. Speaker, how
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I stated before, part of our revenue is large-
ly made up by the subsidy we receive from
the Dominion Government. This is about
\$153,000.00. Last year it was \$153,400.00.
But some few small amounts have neces-
sarily, and for the same reasons, been
withdrawn from our Capital, and this year
we shall receive from Ottawa what
will be about \$153,000.00. Then there are
the receipts of the Land Office. Last year the
Land Office yielded about \$54,000.00. This
Department, as you are aware, was under
the control of my hon. friend from Car-
digan (Hon. Mr. Ferguson); and I need
not say that it was as well managed as
possible. Although the crop of last year
was only a fair one, and prices were low,
and money was not plentiful, the receipts
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RAILWAY.
TIME TABLE NO. 15.
Winter Arrangement.
To take effect on the 8th Dec., 1880.
TRAINS GOING WEST.

STATIONS.	MIXED.	MIXED.
Georgetown	Up 8.15 a.m.	
Carleton Place	" 8.40 "	
Mount Stewart	Ar 10.00 "	
Norfolk	Up 7.00 a.m.	
St. Peter's	" 7.40 "	
Morrell	" 8.44 "	
Mt. Stewart	Ar 9.10 "	
Mt. Stewart	Up 10.05 a.m.	
Bedford	" 10.45 "	
York	" 11.30 "	
Royalton Junction	Ar 11.22 "	
Charlottetown	Ar 11.45 "	
Charlottetown	Up 8.15 a.m.	Up 9.00 p.m.
Royalton Junction	" 8.38 "	" 9.23 "
North Wilshire	" 9.39 "	" 10.15 "
Hunter River	" 9.45 "	" 10.25 "
Bedford	" 10.21 "	" 10.57 "
County Line	" 10.32 "	" 11.08 "
Kennington	" 11.10 "	" 11.56 "
Summerside	Ar 11.45 p.m.	Ar 6.30 p.m.
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