

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS OF THE PROVINCE

GOVERNMENT CLAIMS SURPLUS LAST YEAR

While Actual Deficit Exists, Balance is Shown Other Way by Book-Keeping Methods.

The public accounts presented to the House Thursday, according to the government, are supposed to show a surplus of revenue over expenditure, the first in the history of the province, extending over thirty-three years.

The statement of the receipts and expenditure shows that during the year ending June 30th, 1904, there was a net revenue of \$2,638,290.68. The net expenditure for the same time was \$2,862,794.00. This shows a deficit of \$224,503.32.

The government, however, figures out a surplus of probably \$78,769.51.

In order to show this it is necessary to deduct \$470,743.30, which was expended on the New Westminster bridge. In explanation of why this should be deducted, it is set forth that this sum was authorized and provided for by the Loan Acts, 1902 and 1903, and that, therefore, it is not chargeable against the ordinary revenue of the province.

The receipts from the Dominion government under the Chinese Restriction Act are \$258,050 for the year ending June 30, 1904. In the year previous it was \$267,287.50.

This year, however, there will be no income from this source so that additional revenue will have to be

Table with columns for Public Debt, Government Claims, and Surplus Last Year. Includes items like Public debt (see note below), Civil government (salaries), Administration of justice (salaries), etc.

Table with columns for Net Expenditure, Public Debt, and Government Claims. Includes items like Net expenditure for New Westminster bridge, Public debt, Civil government, etc.

A comparative statement of receipts and expenditures for the last fiscal year and the year preceding is given as follows:

Table with columns for REVENUE, 1902-1903, 1903-1904, 1st July to 30th June, and 1st July to 30th June. Lists various revenue sources like Dominion of Canada, Annual payment of interest, Land sales, etc.

Table with columns for EXPENDITURE, 1902-1903, 1903-1904, 1st July to 30th June, and 1st July to 30th June. Lists various expenditure items like Public Debt, Sinking funds, Trustees' account, etc.

Net revenue \$2,044,630.35 vs \$2,038,590.68. Loan Act, 1902 (\$271,000) vs \$4,498,850.00. Loan Act, 1903 vs \$1,000,000.00.

Table with columns for PUBLIC DEBT, 1902-1903, 1903-1904, 1st July to 30th June, and 1st July to 30th June. Lists items like Sinking funds, Trustees' account, Interest invested, etc.

Table with columns for ASSETS, Dominion government, section 2, Terms of Union, Sinking fund loan, etc.

The balance sheet of the province shows the following condition of the assets at the close of the year June 30th, 1904, treasury:

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Advances to Departments, viz: Hon. Provincial Secretary, Hon. Minister of Mines, Hon. C. C. Lands and Works, etc.

Balance Due by Agents, viz: Cowichan, Revelstoke, New Westminster, Vernon, etc.

Table with columns for LIABILITIES, B. C. Loan (Act, 1877), B. C. Loan (Act, 1887), B. C. Loan (Act, 1891), etc.

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Table with columns for A NEW CLASSIC, Times Will Publish a Localized and Patriotic Edition of Evangeline. Includes text about the publication of 'Evangeline'.

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SUCCESSFUL BALL BY NATIVE SONS

ENJOYABLE FUNCTION IN ASSEMBLY HALL

More Than Four Hundred Danced to Delightful Music - The Arrangements Were Perfect.

"The best yet" is a platitude worn threadbare by a use that has been constant since the Anglo-Saxon tongue came into being.

The liberal employment of superlatives serves a world of work, especially when a scribe is attempting to adequately describe so successful a function as the Native Sons' ball on Friday.

But if the four hundred or more people present were organized into a committee and the matter referred to them for report, it is a dead safe hazard that the verdict would express the absolute success of the evening.

There have been so many dances of considerable magnitude in this city within the past few years, that it has been freely admitted of late that it would be difficult for human ingenuity to achieve anything new or strikingly novel.

The most artistic elaboration in the decorative display would have much that was staid, and to attempt to improve upon past effects by dashing a few more streaks of color on the almost perfect pictures presented in the past, would have required an amount of labor and an expenditure of money wholly unnecessary.

The Native Sons were content to leave unrivaled the decorative triumphs of former years, and to devote their surplus energy and funds to two requisites that are of immeasurably greater importance than decorations.

These are the music and supper arrangements. People cannot dance to spectacular effect, no matter how much they may desire to, and social and economic conditions have not yet reached the stage when a supper on evergreens and bunting is necessary.

The hall was neatly, if not extravagantly, adorned. Chief Watson, of the fire department, and his assistants, being particularly anxious to produce a picture which would not provoke the reproach that it was a "chance of color."

Behind the Sookie hills, this was a pleasing feature, and enhanced the appearance of the hall to a striking extent. Over the entrance to the dancing area was a banner of the British Columbia Telephone Company's partially built plant at cost.

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LEAVES FERNIE. "The British Columbia Telephone Company, whose headquarters are in Vancouver, has sold out to the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Company," says Wednesday's Vancouver Province.

"Yes, our interests at Fernie have been purchased by the coal company," said General Superintendent H. W. Kent this morning. "There is no room for two telephone companies in Fernie, or any other city in the world for that matter. The whole affair is settled now."

"This is the official ending of the fight which occurred between the British Columbia Telephone Company and the city of Fernie. The settlement is hailed with delight at Fernie.

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London, Feb. 14.—Interest attached to the parliament by His Majesty the belief is practiced will be the last session parliament. Even his escape defeat, it is in ment in the attainment of the country of questions now agitated. Good weather favor, which followed former occasions, about from an early assembling of the tribune route from the House. The shown in the time-limits benefit of the lanterns and halberd.

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