

refer to them, because I think that reference will be satisfactory to the House and to the country. The expenditure of all kinds during the past year has been \$12,106,786, of which there has been applied to the redemption of the Public Debt, \$270,393, leaving as the ordinary expenditure, \$11,836,393. On the other hand it will be found that an income has been obtained during the past year of not less than \$12,432,748. Consequently, after meeting all the charges that have been brought against us during the past year, we have had a surplus of \$596,355—(hear, hear)—and, after making provision for the redemption of the Public Debt that has matured during the past year, we have carried to the credit of the country no less than \$325,962. (Cheers.) I may refer briefly to the estimates which were laid before the House last year. The estimated outlay was \$11,074,000. The actual outlay has been \$11,836,393. But of that there is no less than \$1,150,000 to represent the unexpected charges to which the country has been subjected, owing to the lawless attempts of bodies of men to invade our territory. And, from the manner in which the country has met, physically, these attempts, and from the manner in which this House has responded to the application of the Government to indemnify them for the expenditure, I know it will be satisfactory to the country to learn that all these expenses have been met, and no greater charge brought against us than what the ordinary revenue has been more than able to cover. (Cheers.) I may remark here that the amount set down for Militia expenditure covers not only the actual payments to the 20th June, but no less a sum than \$675,000 in addition, which is the total estimated outlay that will have to be made in connection with the last and most serious danger, and the calling out of the militia connected therewith. The estimated income was \$11,136,000, and the actual amount received \$12,433,000, being an increase over the estimate of \$1,297,000. It may be proper I should advert to the principal sources of revenue from which this additional sum has been derived, and I have great pleasure in doing so, because they are those which best indicate the prosperous condition of the country, and its ability to meet the charges which from time to time have come upon it. The minor sources of revenue—the Post Office, Public Works, Territorial, and all those minor revenues—have remained very much as they were before. But the consumption of products from abroad, as indicated by the Customs revenue, has been very much larger. We have received from Customs last year \$7,233,248, against an estimate of \$6,160,000—an excess over the estimate of \$1,073,248. From Excise we have received \$1,732,575, against an estimate of \$1,550,000—an excess of \$182,575. Various causes have undoubtedly operated to produce the increased imports during the past year. It is pretty well known to the Committee that the stocks of goods in the country had been to a great extent exhausted before the termination of the last financial year. It was then believed that a considerably increased import would take place, and it