

are some figures quoted by Mr. A. K. MacLean, M.P., to show what has gone on. He compares the present year's estimates with the expenditure in the year 1911-12.

	1912	1916
Civil Government.....	\$ 4,774,000.....	\$ 7,024,000
Fisheries.....	843,000.....	1,561,000
Mines.....	261,000.....	547,000
Immigration.....	1,364,000.....	1,875,000
Indians.....	1,756,000.....	2,254,000
Customs.....	2,443,000.....	4,215,000
Dom. Lands.....	2,277,000.....	3,475,000
Post Office.....	9,172,000.....	16,677,000
Public Works.....	10,344,000.....	22,351,000
Totals.....	<u>\$33,234,000</u> .....	<u>\$59,979,000</u>

In these items alone, and they cover considerably less than half the expenditure the Government is asking Parliament to ratify, **Apart from the War**, there is an excess expenditure over that thought necessary by the Liberals in the height of prosperity, of Twenty Seven Millions.

This result has been largely produced by extensive application of the principle, dear to these ministers, of dismissing two or three office holders and putting four or five new ones in their place. The stamp taxes are not for aid to General French. They are in aid of General Rogers, and the price of general inefficiency.

