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PROVINCIAL ESTIMATES.

643.22 which the Legislature will be and near Victoria. asked to appropriate.

The revenue is estimated at \$8,192,-100.06, which is an increase of 14 per year. Of the amount the total re-

amount, as stated above, to \$11,035,-389.75, of which amount \$5,507,990.00, have to do with the establishment of 000,000 for the next five years. transportation facilities within the ual increases, but chiefly to the in- this item. stand as follows: For the Premier, \$50,000,000. yet this gentleman was largely able to demonstrate his fitness for such a salary. By the wise policy of the Mines Department of the Province, the Minister responsible for which only receives as Minister one-tenth what the manager's new salary is to be. The prosecuting attorney of Vancouver receives a higher salary than the Attorney-General of the Province, and the City Engineer of Prince Rupert gets within \$1,000 of what the Province pays its Minister of Public

For details and comparison of the proposed expenditures reference may know that there is a steady increase items may be made the subject of gress. Bearing this in mind we estipassing comment. The allowance to mate that, taking into consideration the Agent-General of the Province in new works not now in sight, and the to \$25,000. This is to cover salary and dustry, there will be paid out in this all the expenses of the office. The province during the next five years in ner has rendered the Province justi- above mentioned fully \$600,000,000. fies the increase, but in addition it must be borne in mind that he is province with less than half a million brought into competition especially population.

This is a wonderful prospect for a province with less than half a million a dramatist and newspaper man died today at the Audubon Hospital of pneufles the increase, but in addition it This is a wonderful prospect for a with Australia, which empowers its representative to make large outlays for advertising and displays of products. The fact that next year will be Coronation year will add to the cost of the Agent-General's office.

and we assume the total will not fall an amendment setting forth the ex-far short of a million. The demands pediency of making such fiscal-

provements and land purchase is amendment places the case on \$1,150,000. Of this \$400,000 is for grounds relating solely to over-seas surveys generally, \$10,000 for the exploration and development of Strath-cona Park and \$750,000 for the settle-for it will show if there are any free The Provincial Estimates for the latter item is a great sum of money. year ending March 31st, 1912 have It includes not only what will have to Canada has been precipitate in enterand we have a grand total of \$12,179,- advance in the value of property in haste in making it, if indeed it was

THE OUTLOOK

During the next five years there will cent. The rule in the case of esti-certainly be 1,500 miles of railway conmated revenue since the present govstructed in this province, and in all We think this is wise. British public ernment came in has been that the probability nearer 2,000. Along these actual receipts have exceeded it, and lines of railway there will be at least it is very probable that this may be seventy-five new towns large and form themselves as to the facts. For the case during the ensuing fiscal small: there will also be numerous inceived from the Dominion government ments. Are we extravagant when we dustrial plants and other improvesay that this means an expenditure of of British preference is yet strong in The new expenditures contemplated \$100,000,000? We think we are within the mark.

How much shall we say the province or within four thousand dollars of one will expend in public works during half is for public works, and out of the next five years? Next year the this \$3,741,020 will go for roads, amount will be approximately \$6,000,streets, bridges, wharves, steamboat 000. It is difficult to see how this can subsidies and ferries. These items be reduced, so we will put down \$30,-

How much shall we say the municiprovince, and the expenditure cannot palities within the province will expend fail to be productive of very great during the next five years, and that benefit to the public. They show an will be expended within them by tramincrease of \$912,000 over this year. way companies, telephone companies, The public debt entails a charge upon light companies and so on? We inthe finances of the province amount- clude in municipal expenditures the ing to \$527,869.11, which is very cost of streets, sidewalks, schoolhouses, slightly lower than for the current sewers and so on. There is about \$6,year. Salaries show about a 30 per 000,000 for such work or nexft year, so cent, increase, due in part to individ- perhaps \$30,000,000 is not too much for

public service, which the growth of ture on new private buildings during not say that some of its details may the province renders necessary. It the next five years? This must of not be susceptible of improvement. will be noted that there is an in- necessity be only an approximation. That is a legitimate subject for discrease of \$1,000 a year to each minis- but if the present rate of building only cussion; but we do say that such a ter, whose salaries will for the future is maintained, it will not fall short of law as is proposed is wholly right in

> five years. What will be expended in getting out

lumber during the next five years? In 1909 it was nearly \$12,000,000. Surely it will average at least \$15,000,000 for the next five years or \$75,000,000 in all.

The above estimates are based upon the figures for the present year, and mates given elsewhere; but a few progress implies other steps in pro-London has been increased from \$15,000 normal expansion in all lines of invery excellent service which Mr. Tur- the various departments of industry

BRITISH POLITICS.

An amendment to the Address in reply to the Speech, put forward by Mr. J. Norton Griffiths and some others. Improved the speech of the constitution today and 432 against. This indicates a large majority for ratification. An amendment to the Address in er Unionist members, expresses re-ratification. An item of local interest is the \$30.- gret that the Ministry has not indi-000 for the completion of the Mill Bay cated any intention to seek the co-oproad, which will swell the cost of this eration of the over-seas Dominions in highway, built at the request of the matters of legislation, administration to fly today and to test the report that citizens of Victoria, to upwards of and defence. While Mr. Griffiths Mexicans would fire on them in the citizens of Victoria, to upwards of and defence. While Mr. Griffiths Mexicans would fire on them in the \$200,000. When the matter was first votes with the Unionists he claims to event they crossed the international urged upon the government the prob- be something more. He stands for boundary. able cost was put at \$22,000. This Imperial consolidation, and it is the was, of course, merely a guess, and first plank in his political platform, the government engineers as soon as all other questions being considered they examined the ground, said it by him in view of the light which would be very much more; but the they throw upon this one, and all people of Vancouver Island wished policies being judged by the bearing ment aroused debate in the House of the work carried out as part of a they will have upon this greatest great trunk highway, and it has been, problem of them all. It is not at all on federal relations for investigation or will as soon as spring opens, be probable that this amendment will be was brought up. Although the joint was ever claimed for it. A minor, the support of the whole Unionist favor of reference, much opposition debut interesting Victoria item is \$2,000 party, for Mr. Griffiths is a little towards the Seamen's Institute. In ahead of most public men in England improving the public grounds of the on this exceedingly important subcity \$25,000 will be expended, and ject; but we are very glad that he \$150,000 will be laid out on an addi- has brought it forward, for we think tion to the Parliament Building. This it will have a decided effect upon last item is only the first appropria- British public opinion by serving to tion to a work that will probably be some extent to concentrate public atcarried on continuously until all the tention upon the Imperial idea irreaccommodation necessary for the spective of its relation to trade.

Mr. Austen Chamberlain has mo far short of a m:lion. The demands for space have outgrown the present buildings and temporary structures are being put up to meet present emergencies.

Pediency of making such hacule changes as will enable the United Kingdom to grant inter-Imperial preferences and to make reciprocal trade concessions to foreign countries. This The appropriation for surveys, imtrade Unionists in the House.

been submitted to the Legislature.

be paid to the Indians, but also the ling upon negotiations for reciprocity with the United States. This view and are of great interest generally as with necessary expenses. That so great a sum should now be needed to asked to vote the great sum of \$11,-035,389.75. Adding to this the Sup- ago it was supposed could be disposed to think the agreement a good one, plementary Estimates, \$1,144,253.47, of for about \$100,000 shows the great admit that there was no need for likely ever to become necessary.

The London Times thinks it not very desirable that the discussion over the amendments should turn too much upon the reciprocity agreement. issue and seem to have failed to inexample, Mr. Balfour was reported as saying that some satisfaction is to be derived from the fact that the party Canada. This indicates that he thinks the supporters of preference are less numerous than they were, but it is quite the other way. We do not think any considerable number of people in Canada could be found who are opposed to the idea of a preference to the United Kingdom. When the Farmers' Convention declared in favor of placing the preference at 50 per cent., there was not a dissenting voice in the whole country.

The United States has found postal savings banks a success even though the experiment in them was a very limited one. A trial that was expected to end in disaster has turned out quite the other way.

We confess to being able to understand the objection to the principle increased number of persons in the What will be the aggregate expendi- volved in the new rallway Bill. We do principle. This is not a position that \$9,000; for each minister other than What will be the expenditure in conthe Premier, \$6,000. As salaries go, nection with mining? We know some-announcement that the government inthese allowances are not high. The thing about what is going to be done tended to introduce such a measure, other day mention was made of the in the way of the extension of the for we advocated it long ago. It is fact that the superintendent of the coal mines on Vancouver Island; we gratifying to see that one of the critics Trail Smelter had left that plant to know something of what is in prospect of the measure seems to have made up accept a salary of \$60,000 a year, and in other parts of the province; we its mind that the administration of afat more than \$150,000,000 for the next hands of the present administration for all time to come.

one of the reasons why the Duke of Connaught is coming out as Governor-General is that he may use his tact to What shall we allow for salmon, What in the name of common sense whale and deep-sea fisheries? Certainly \$5,000,000 yearly will not be too bigh and this gives us \$30,000,000 traordinary ideas about things. If the Marquis of Lorne had interfered with the National Policy, as he was minded upon work actually in sight. But we to do, he would have been called home be made to the synopsis of the esti- from year to year; that each step in as quickly as the wires would permit, and if any one, who may suceed him. should undertake to do anything of the sort he would meet with similar treatment. As for the Duke of Connaught his tact and good sense would never permit him to attempt to influence Canadian legislation on domestic matters.

Statehood Vote in Arizona

High Wind Foils Aviators EL PASO, Tex., Feb. 9.—Owng to a

Vote in Massachusetts House BOSTON, Feb. 9.—An order issued to ascertain the sentiment of the people of Massachusetts regarding the proposed Canadian reciprocity agreecommittee on rules had reported in veloped and on a vote the motion was lost 86 to 50.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.-A remarks of Fairbanks, Alaska, requesting the establishment in that city of a postal savings bang. The petition is twenty-

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