

In hospitals and public institutions, \$300,000; in education, \$913,000; in roads, streets, bridges and wharves, \$1,450,349; in works and buildings, \$546,949; in surveys, \$166,677.

Besides the cost of the administration of justice, civil government and all the rest of it, in forms of land subsidy or guarantee, assistance has been granted to the following roads that are either completed or under way: The Esquimalt & Nanaimo, Shuswap & Okanagan, Columbia & Kootenay, Nelson & Fort Sheppard, Nakusp & Slocan, Kaslo & Slocan and Victoria & Sidney Railways.

The other railways to which the Legislative Assembly has pledged assistance are the British Columbia Southern, the Chilliwack Railway, the Nicola Valley Railway, the Ashcroft & Cariboo Railway; and in this connection the assistance guaranteed to the bridge over the Fraser at Westminster is to be considered.

The assistance guaranteed to the promotion of the dyking and drainage in Westminster district is in line with the foregoing enterprises and not less important.

We quote here from the Budget Speech of the Hon. the Finance Minister:

"There have been built 110 school houses at a cost of \$174,441; 10 jails and lockups, \$26,985; 12 court houses, \$190,692; 595,000 acres of land surveyed, \$83,424; 1,200 miles of road, 800 miles of trail, 600 bridges and 5,000 miles of roads and bridges kept in repair, at a cost of \$1,531,683, making a total of \$2,007,225, or a total expenditure on public works during this period of over \$2,000,000. If we deduct from this \$300,000 for repairs, we have still an expenditure of some \$1,700,000 on public

works, which are now represented by assets that are fully equal to the expenditure that has been made on them. We might value the 595,000 acres of land alone at least at one dollar per acre, and this is now open for settlement and is being plotted and mapped so that the immigrant may be thoroughly informed respecting it at the Land Office. But we have to add to these assets the public works that will result from the expenditure which has now to be voted, amounting to considerably over \$400,000. This shows that the funds which we obtained from the loans referred to have been carefully expended in the manner which the country desired and which it expressed its own opinion of through the House at the time these loans were voted on for the purpose of public works."

A summary of the results may be placed in tabulated form as follows:

SUMMARY FOR SEVEN YEARS.

	<i>Mainland.</i>	<i>Island.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
Hospitals.....	\$ 175,116	\$ 123,989	\$ 299,105
Education.....	496,719	416,143	912,862
R. S. B. & W...	992,911	457,403	1,450,349
Wrks. & Bldgs.	385,896	161,053	546,949
Surveys.....	98,930	67,747	166,677

Total.....\$2,149,602 \$1,276,340 \$3,375,942

NET PROVINCIAL DEBT.		REVENUE.	
1887.....	\$ 419,836	1887.....	\$ 541,517
1888.....	497,132	1888.....	6'8,678
1889.....	606,614	1889.....	706,780
1890.....	672,576	1890.....	835,463
1891.....	701,419	1891.....	959,248
1892.....	1,033,612	1892.....	1,020,002
1893.....	1,694,722	1893.....	1,012,257
		1891 (est.).....	1,058,691
		1895 (est.).....	1,178,149

A FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

	<i>Gross debt.</i>	<i>Total assets.</i>	<i>Interest.</i>
1887.....	\$1,157,001	\$ 707,165	\$ 58,313
1888.....	1,780,125	1,282,993	89,878
1889.....	1,772,871	1,166,257	89,878
1890.....	1,797,820	1,125,314	89,878
1891.....	1,843,154	1,141,736	89,878
1892.....	2,876,036	1,842,144	118,978
1893.....	3,187,436	1,492,734	113,068

Value of public buildings is estimated at \$1,150,000, of which sites cost in round numbers \$100,000.