

Second five years of the Laurier Government:

1901-2.....	\$32,191,978	\$11,197,133	43,389,112
1902-3.....	37,001,727	12,013,779	49,015,506
1903-4.....	40,702,611	12,958,708	53,661,319
1904-5.....	41,433,649	12,586,475	54,020,123
1905-6.....	46,064,598	14,010,220	60,074,818
The average for the above five years is:			
	\$39,478,912	\$12,553,263	\$52,032,175

How It Works Out.

Average Taxation for last Conservative period.....	\$27,710,442
Average for the first period of the Laurier Government.	34,033,785
Percentage of increase.....	32
Average during the last five years.....	\$52,032,175
Percentage of increase over the first Laurier period.....	53
Percentage of increase over the last Conservative period	91

It will be seen that between 1896 and 1906 the taxation increased as follows:—

Customs taxes in 1896.....	\$19,833,279
" " 1906.....	\$46,064,598
Increase.....	\$26,231,319
Increase per cent.....	132
Excise taxes in 1896.....	\$ 7,926,006
" " 1906.....	\$14,010,220
Increase.....	\$ 6,084,214
Increase per cent.....	77
Total taxation in 1896.....	\$27,759,285
" " 1906.....	\$60,074,818
Increase.....	\$32,315,533
Increase per cent.....	117

TAKEN FROM PRODUCTIVE INDUSTRIES.

The customs taxation has more than doubled; the excise taxes have nearly doubled; and the total taxation has more than doubled, under the administration of the same party which promised to reduce the burdens of the people, and under the management of the same Minister who viewed with alarm the comparatively small increase which had taken place in the years before he took office. According to the actuarial calculations of the Government officers the population has gained in that period about twelve per cent., showing an increase per head in the taxation of fully one hundred per cent.

In the 10 years ending 1896 the total amount of taxation collected was \$287,931,372.

In the 10 years from 1896 to 1906 the taxes collected amounted to \$430,329,802.

Thus, the amount taken by the present Government in excess of that taken in the same length of time by the previous administration is \$142,398,430.