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Calendar for Nov., 1900.

MOON'S CHANGES.
Full Moon, 6th, 3h. 12 a. p. m.
Last Quarter, 13th, 6 49h. p. m.
New Moon, 21st, 10h. 35m. p. m.
First Quarter, 29th, 9h. 47m. a. m.

Day of Week	Sun. rises	Sun. sets	Moon rises	High Water
1 Thursday	6 52	4 36	1 51	4 30
2 Friday	6 53	4 35	2 29	5 59
3 Saturday	6 54	4 33	3 17	7 33
4 Sunday	6 55	4 32	4 28	8 32
5 Monday	6 56	4 30	5 56	9 23
6 Tuesday	6 57	4 28	7 10	10 4
7 Wednesday	6 58	4 26	8 24	10 50
8 Thursday	6 59	4 25	9 30	11 25
9 Friday	7 00	4 23	10 30	12 1
10 Saturday	7 01	4 21	11 25	12 31
11 Sunday	7 02	4 20	12 15	1 3
12 Monday	7 03	4 18	1 0	2 25
13 Tuesday	7 04	4 16	1 50	3 15
14 Wednesday	7 05	4 15	2 35	4 10
15 Thursday	7 06	4 13	3 15	5 20
16 Friday	7 07	4 12	3 50	6 12
17 Saturday	7 08	4 10	4 20	7 10
18 Sunday	7 09	4 09	4 45	8 9
19 Monday	7 10	4 07	5 15	8 51
20 Tuesday	7 11	4 06	5 40	9 33
21 Wednesday	7 12	4 04	6 00	10 10
22 Thursday	7 13	4 03	6 15	10 50
23 Friday	7 14	4 01	6 30	11 30
24 Saturday	7 15	4 00	6 45	12 10
25 Sunday	7 16	3 58	7 00	12 50
26 Monday	7 17	3 57	7 15	1 30
27 Tuesday	7 18	3 55	7 30	2 10
28 Wednesday	7 19	3 54	7 45	2 50
29 Thursday	7 20	3 52	8 00	3 30
30 Friday	7 21	3 51	8 15	4 10

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A large assortment of Table Sets, Berry Sets and Lem-made Sets, suitable for wedding presents, to which we specially invite inspection. Customers will be astonished at our low quotations.

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We are showing a complete line of novelties and staple styles for FALL AND WINTER.

See our Rich Combinations in

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Kerseys, Coverts, Diagonals, Montagnacs, Victurnus, Meltons, Heron Bone effects, etc.

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Do Not Misquote Figures.

Some advertisers are using the Inland Revenue Department's recent official report upon baking powders to show the comparative strength and qualities of these articles as they are sold in the Dominion. It is not fair, however, either to the Analysts or to the public in making this use of the official figures that they should be misquoted, as it is alleged has been done in some instances.

The following figures are copied from the official report printed by the Canadian Government and show correctly, as per that document, the relative strength value of the baking powders named. The analyses in all cases were made by the Government Analysts:—

Per cent. of available leavening gas	Per cent. of available leavening gas
"Royal" (average of three highest tests).....13.4	"Imperial" (average of two highest tests)..... 9.9
"Cleveland's" (average of two highest tests)..... 13.	"Magio" (contains alum), (average of three highest tests)..... 7.7
"Dearborn's" (average of two highest tests).....11.7	
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These tests should set the baking powder question at rest.—Montreal Pharmaceutical Journal.

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The Government and the People.

As intimated in a recent issue, the Farquharson Government in question had no existence except in imagination. This is how matters stood, according to the public accounts, on December 31st last. On the 22nd day of May, 1900, a statement was submitted to the Legislature by the Government, showing that the amount due the banks on that date was \$22,808.23 over what the public accounts showed to be due on December 31st, 1899. This would bring the debt up to \$539,829.89 at that date, admitting that the loans account and debenture account remained the same as they were on December 31, 1899. This is the last statement the public has had from the Government regarding the finances of the Province. At the last session of the Legislature, the Government passed an act empowering them to issue debentures to the amount of \$48,750.00. If these debentures have been sold the debt of the Province has been increased by that amount, bringing it up to \$588,579.89. Should it so happen that they have not been sold, we may be sure the deficit on the year's transactions equals the amount of the debentures and more. Whether the debentures have been sold or not, we may take it for granted that the Government, in accordance with their past record, have this year added to the Provincial debt considerably more than these debentures amount to. Placing the quarter salary due the teachers on December 31st at \$26,000, and the half-year's interest on the public debt falling due on the same date, and adding these two items to the above figures we shall have in round numbers the sum of \$624,000.00, which we may be sure is a moderate estimate of the debt of this Province at the present time, or in a few weeks hence when the year closes.

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"An architect designs, and his plans are executed by a builder. The greatest builder of health is Hood's Sarsaparilla. It lays a firm foundation. It makes the blood, the basis of life, pure and strong. Be an architect of your fortune and secure Hood's as your health builder. Headaches—"I was completely run down and was troubled with headaches and dizziness and pains in my back. I took Hood's Sarsaparilla which in a short time entirely cured me." Mrs. J. Winterton, Orangeville, Ontario.

Hood's Sarsaparilla NEVER DISAPPOINT

Are the intelligent electors of this Province prepared to accord their support to a Government that insults them in this fashion? In the absence of any official statement of the Government's transactions for the current year, now almost closed, we must only refer to their past record as the next best evidence of what they have been doing for the last twelve months. There is every reason to believe that whatever worse than the record the year coming to a close has been, it has not been any better. We must, therefore, conclude that the financial affairs of the Province are in a very bad position. Here is the record: On the 31st day of December last, according to the statement of the Provincial Auditor, the debt of the Province was as follows: Balance against the Province..... \$136,756.77 Due on debentures..... 220,000.00 Provincial loans..... 160,464.89 \$517,221.66

Regarding the debenture debt, the Public Accounts contain two items amounting to \$16,532.80, which are credited to debenture account under the head of sinking fund; but according to a statement of the Provincial Auditor, submitted to the Legislature on the 23rd of May, 1900, the sum of \$11,030.30 of this amount has no existence as a sinking fund. The amount was said to be on call in the bank; but it is well known the Government's account was at that time overdrawn at the bank; therefore the amount in question had no existence except in imagination. This is how matters stood, according to the public accounts, on December 31st last. On the 22nd day of May, 1900, a statement was submitted to the Legislature by the Government, showing that the amount due the banks on that date was \$22,808.23 over what the public accounts showed to be due on December 31st, 1899. This would bring the debt up to \$539,829.89 at that date, admitting that the loans account and debenture account remained the same as they were on December 31, 1899. This is the last statement the public has had from the Government regarding the finances of the Province. At the last session of the Legislature, the Government passed an act empowering them to issue debentures to the amount of \$48,750.00. If these debentures have been sold the debt of the Province has been increased by that amount, bringing it up to \$588,579.89. Should it so happen that they have not been sold, we may be sure the deficit on the year's transactions equals the amount of the debentures and more.

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The Government say they are not responsible for all the debt; that there was a Provincial debt when they assumed the reins of power. Well, we do not wish to accuse the Government of any political crimes of which they are not guilty, and will admit that they inherited some debt from their predecessors in office. During the discussion of the budget in the Legislature last session, the Premier placed the debt assumed by the Liberal Government, from their predecessors at \$128,429

We are not disposed to controvert these figures; but will assume they are correct. When the Conservative Government came into power they, too, inherited from their predecessors, in office a debt of \$51,740. Subtracting this amount from \$128,429, we have \$76,689 as the correct amount of debt chargeable to the Conservative Government. If we divide this by the twelve years they held office, we shall find that they increased the debt at the average yearly rate of \$6,390. Let us now see at what rate our Liberal friends increased the Provincial debt. Subtracting the \$128,000, assumed by them, from the present debt of \$624,000, we see that the Liberals increased the Provincial debt to the amount of \$496,000, or a yearly average increase for their nine years of office of \$55,112. This, in brief, is the statement of the public debt and the amount of it, for which the Liberal Government are responsible, as well as the rate per year at which they increased it. When the Liberals assumed power they proclaimed it as part of their policy to make revenue and expenditure meet. The figures of the enormous public debt under which we are now groaning as shown above, exemplify the Government's method of carrying out this part of their policy, and the sacredness with which they regard their promises to the people in this particular. The following list of deficits will afford our readers some idea of the facility with which the Liberal Government have rolled up our Provincial debt:

Deficit, 1891.....	\$ 30,439.20
Deficit, 1892.....	37,651.29
Deficit, 1893.....	119,942.33
Deficit, 1894.....	20,164.21
Deficit, 1895.....	32,862.80
Deficit, 1896.....	14,135.32
Deficit, 1897.....	88,201.65
Deficit, 1898.....	25,576.77
Deficit, 1899.....	36,915.08
Total.....	\$355,888.60

making an average annual deficit of \$39,548.16. While they were rolling up the debt at such a rapid rate, they were also diving deep into the people's pockets and extracting therefrom an average yearly taxation of \$48,108.17, as the following table shows:

Taxes imposed 1894.....	\$45,182.81
Taxes imposed 1895.....	47,661.00
Taxes imposed 1896.....	48,468.10
Taxes imposed 1897.....	46,674.50
Taxes imposed 1898.....	44,995.97
Taxes imposed 1899.....	55,668.68

Taxes imposed in six years..... \$288,649.06 All will surely admit that this is a considerable amount of tax to be extracted from the people of this Province by a Government that declared on their advent to power, that the day of taxation was far off; by a Government that declared they would not resort to direct taxation without first consulting the people.

A debt is fairly measured by the amount of interest paid upon it; therefore the magnitude of our Provincial debt may be approximately gauged by the interest charge upon the same. The extraordinary growth of this interest since the Liberals came into power will be shown by comparing the interest charge for 1890, the last year for which the Conservatives are responsible with that of 1899 the last year for which we have the public accounts. In 1890 the interest paid by the Government, as shown in the public accounts, amounted to \$2,697.44. From this modest sum paid by the Conservatives in 1890 the interest charges against the Province have gone on increasing under Liberal rule until the enormous amount of \$19,075.51, was reached in 1899. At this rate of increase we may be very sure the interest paid this year will be considerably over \$20,000.00. In

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connection with this interest, the Liberals say they are paying a lesser rate than was paid by the Conservatives. If that be the case it only shows that they have accumulated a larger debt than is apparent to the public. Surely this question of interest is sufficient of itself to condemn, most emphatically, the Government that preached economy and promised to make revenue and expenditure meet. Their actions have most glaringly belied their words; and its by their actions they must be judged.

Having scandalously deceived the people and falsified all the promises of economy made in 1893, the Government found it necessary to invent a new shibboleth when they again appealed to the electors in 1897. This time the people were told the matter of our claims against the Federal Government were to be submitted to arbitration, with the confident expectation that our Provincial treasury would benefit thereby, to the extent of a million dollars or two, in actual cash. This, the people were told would be the means of obviating direct taxation for all time. Events have proved that these roscate statements had no foundation in fact, and that they were simply made for the purpose of deceiving the electorate; for the then Premier, who embodied this alluring language in his election address, knew he would be starting for British Columbia as soon as the election should be over. The trick accomplished all that was intended; the people were deceived; but from that day to this we have heard nothing about arbitration. No money has been recouped to the Provincial treasury in virtue of our claims at Ottawa; the deficits have gone on as usual, the taxes have been extracted from the pockets of the people and the Provincial debt has been piled higher and higher. The people now have an opportunity of resenting all this falsehood and deception. Will they avail themselves of the opportunity; or will they condone all this wrong-doing and allow the Government to deceive them once more?

The above enumeration of facts does not by any means embrace the full catalogue of the Government's political crimes. They have set at naught the provisions of the constitution and have trampled under foot the principles of responsible government, by retaining in the office of Attorney-General, for the space of about a year, a man who had been rejected by the electorate when he appealed to them for confirmation of his office. During all the years they have been in office they have squandered the public revenues and continue to squander them in the matter of our roads and bridges. Necessary repairs on our roads are not let to public competition; nor is the work done on the roads at a season of the year when it would be most beneficial, from the view-point of convenience or economy. The public are allowed to suffer during the season that the road work should be done, and whatever money is expended is paid out on the approach of an election, not for the benefit of the public; but with the object of securing votes for the Government. The consequence is that the money is wasted in attempts to debauch the electorate, the roads are left as bad as, or worse than, before and the travelling public are obliged to suffer all this inconvenience without any means of redress.

There are several other counts in the indictment against the Government; but space does not permit us, at the present writing, to enunciate any more. We think we have said enough however, to prove beyond the possibility of doubt, that they have forfeited the confidence of a free and independent electorate. We have shown from their own official statements that, although they took from the pockets of the people, in the shape of taxes, the sum of \$288,649.06; they have accumulated deficits amounting to \$355,888.60; they have increased the debt of the Province by nearly \$600,000; they have increased the interest charge against the Province to the extent of \$16,378.07, or nearly twice as much as the revenue derived from the land office last year. All this they have done in the face of their promises to economize and to make revenue and expenditure meet. These hoary Grit sinners; these political scape goats now come before the people and seek a renewal of power. Once more we ask, are the electors of this Province prepared to condone all their falsehood and deception and give them another lease of office?