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One or two other small bills, relating to procedure in the courts received attention; but the longest bill of all and the one that elicited the most debate was that one incorporating the Light and Power company and granting them certain rights and privileges.

between the hours of 11 o'clock in the forenoon and 12.15 in the afternoon, and 7 o'clock and 8.15 in the evening, they conceded this provided a plebiscite were taken, and a majority of the people voted for it. This plebiscite was not to be taken till after the road was built and in operation at the furthest 18 months.

The discussion on the Sunday clause of the Light and Power bill was the liveliest of the week. By the way Mr. Bell and Mr. Farquharson discussed this matter and the air of self righteousness they assumed, it almost appeared as if they thought they had a special commission to regulate the morals of the community.

The Public Accounts.

The Provincial Auditor's report on the public accounts of the Province for the year 1897, has at last been submitted to the Legislature. A glance at its contents serves to remove all cause for wondering why the Government were so reticent in subjecting their report to public scrutiny.

The accounts before us show on the face of them, that in the transactions of the year 1897, the Government had a deficit of \$38,201.65. But, as we will presently show, this is not by several thousands of dollars, the true deficit on the public transactions of the year 1897.

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Table with financial data: P. of W. College Fees, 1,812 50; Fines and Penalties, 11 00; Deception, 117 00; Private Bills, 406 86; Succession Duties, 810 00; Provincial Land Tax, 20,904 45; Income Tax, 5,988 44; Refund, 11,843 16; Total Receipts, \$272,550 24.

In these items, our readers will observe that one of the largest for expenditure is \$15,518.28 paid in interest. Now, the measure of a debt is the amount of interest paid on it; consequently, our readers will readily understand the burden which our Grit friends have saddled upon the Province, when they study the above figures representing the interest on the debt.

We may safely conclude that \$427,000 does not by any means represent the indebtedness of the Province, on the last day of December last, and that it is very far below our public debt at the present time. The amounts due for unfinished and unpaid contracts, and the quarter teachers' salaries, due at the last of the year, would very materially add to the figures the auditor gives us.

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through the Canadian part of the bill which is contained in the... quiring that the election... according to the precedents... of the franchise are... now before the house... not go further than the... vote. It makes no provision... subsequent action in the... effect to the will of the... not usual to discuss the... first reading, but a... took place on the intro... bill. Hon. Mr. Foster th... should be added that in... of votes was cast for... should be given to the... answer was made to thi... Mr. McInerney pointed... required the vote to take... franchise act of 1898. T... such act. The franchise... in committee stage, and... say that it would pass... Hon. Mr. Fisher replied... erment had determined... pass. Mr. McInerney repl... than one bill which was... was determined to pass... Mr. Laurier thought... suggestion was of the nature... The government did not... draw the franchise bill... and pass it. After forth... Mr. Bagenal said the sol... had said in Quebec that... constitutional to impose... that province by the vote... vices. Since a member... ment had made this decl... Bagenal would like to kn... in case Quebec would vot... thought it would, Quebec... cluded in the prohibitory... no answer. Mr. Ives prote... the policy of the governm... ing a plebiscite to a franch... as the government will... strongly opposed by one p... in Canada and in this house... like an attempt to drag the... into party politics. If the... senate should not adopt the... act, or should even amend... ment might make that an... cause for destroying the pleb... Taylor suggested that the ple... be taken on the lists of the... election. The governm... to discuss the question fu... the second reading of the... franchise bill was then adopt... meaning at a clause adopt... vidual lists. Mr. Hoyd,

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