

COMPTROLLER GENERAL'S FINAL REPORT ADMITS MISREPRESENTATION IN EARLIER FINANCIAL STATEMENT—NOW SHOWS A DEFICIT OF \$134,656 IN YEAR'S OPERATIONS, INSTEAD OF BALANCE OF \$30,951 AS CLAIMED

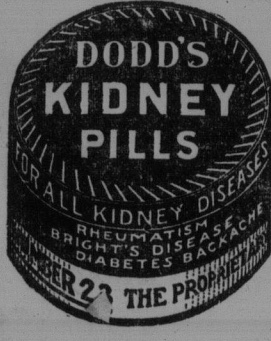
Revised Balance Sheet for Year Ending October 31, 1918, Proves Conclusively The Standard's Charge That Liabilities Incurred During Year Were Not Included in Earlier Report—As a Matter of Fact Actual Shortage on Year's Operations is Nearer \$300,000—Patriotic Funds Have Been Used for Roads and There Have Been Charged to Capital Account on Highways Great Sums of Money Expended on Ordinary Repairs.

A DISGRACEFUL ADMISSION OF DELIBERATE DECEPTION AND OF MISMANAGEMENT IN EVERY DEPARTMENT

The report of the Comptroller-General on the public accounts of the Province of New Brunswick for the fiscal year ending October 31, 1918, which was tabled in the Legislature last week, reveals an actual deficit for the year of \$134,656, instead of a surplus of \$30,951, which was the declared result in the previous statement issued at the end of the calendar year. This statement is in glaring contrast to the original report, and bears out in their entirety the charges made by The Standard, that the early statement was a misrepresentation of actual conditions. To the deficit now admitted must be added many other items which do not clearly appear, for it will be seen from the following that funds collected for specific purposes have been turned into general revenue and expended in ordinary expenditures and not for the purposes for which they were assessed. As a matter of fact, New Brunswick has gone behind to the extent of at least \$300,000 on the year's operations.

THE GOVERNMENT'S REVISED BALANCE SHEET FOR 1918

REVENUE RECEIVED AND DUE.		DISBURSEMENTS.	
	Received	Estimated	Incurred
Dominion of Canada—			
Annual Subsidy	\$281,511.20		
Allowance for Government, etc.	180,000.00		
Allowance for Export Duty 150,000.00			
Interest at 5 per cent. on Deposit (\$529,299.29) ..	26,464.96		
Territorial Revenue—			
Stampage	\$475,579.48		
Royalties	42,120.00		
Wild Land Tax 1917-1918 ..	101,938.06		
Forest Fire Tax	30,554.67		
Fishing Licenses	25,532.40		
Game Licenses, Fines, etc. ..	33,113.56		
Mining Licenses, etc.	30,165.07		
Fees, Provincial Secretary—			
Marriage Licenses	9,170.70		
Letters Patent	4,120.00		
Moving Pictures	8,155.81		
Commissions	385.00		
Taxes, Incorporated Companies—			
Banks	\$14,800.00		
Trust and Loan Companies ..	1,400.00		
Fire Insurance Companies ..	22,104.00		
Life Insurance Companies ..	7,730.00		
Accident and Guarantee Companies ..	2,467.68		
Express Companies	500.00		
Telephone Companies	1,500.00		
Street Railways, etc.	9,808.75		
Extra Provincial Companies ..	1,129.50		
Taxes, Amusement Administration—			
Taxation	\$25,000.00		
Greater Production, Grant ..	25,000.00		
Greater Production, Fertile ..	1,218.30		
Sheep, Sale of			
Seed, Sale of	1,218.30		
Miscellaneous Receipts and Notes	1,218.30		
Provincial Prohibition	99,079.99		
Assessment	19,459.19		
Probate Court Fund	2,824.64		
Supreme Court Fund	1,168.15		
Fuel Controller	17,743.94		
School Books	16,868.41		
Provincial Hospital	65,935.73		
Provincial Hospital Inventory 1918	11,664.65		
Jordan Sanatorium—			
Railway Earnings	1,661.42		
Southampton Railway for 1 year to Oct. 31st, 1918 ..	39,550.14		
Interest Received			
Factory Inspection	9,914.84		
Succession Duties	218.00		
Private and Local Bills	1,886.66		
Printing—King's Printer	2,539.79		
Miscellaneous Receipts—			
Public Works Department ..	1,046.38		
Health Department	331.00		
Crown Land Department	152.73		
Treasury Department	1,577.83		
Education Department	1,595.53		
Rent Reversing Falls Bridge			
Wharves, Half Cost (Dominion Government)	4,785.99		
Total Receipts	\$2,323,633.03	\$2,135,780.15	\$1,875,852.88
Balance being Deficit for year carried to Balance Sheet	134,656.98		
Total	\$2,458,290.01		



C. P. R. OFFICIALS IN CONFERENCE

Discussing Subjects Pertaining to Railway Efficiency.

Montreal, March 21.—Five hundred officials of the C. P. R. are holding a conference on subjects pertaining to railway efficiency in Montreal and Quebec, commencing today and lasting till Monday evening. Eighty of these have come from the west, and many others from points in Ontario and the Maritime Provinces. Sunday a special train will convey a large number of the officials to Quebec, where the terminals and the Quebec bridge will be inspected.

MONTREAL HAS ITS WIRELESS TELEPHONES

Montreal, March 21.—Wireless telephones are being installed in the Montreal Board of Trade. The phone will enable brokers to talk with Three Rivers, Quebec, Kingston and Ottawa. Ultimately it is expected conversations will take place between the Board of Trade and Ireland over the Marconi Company wireless plants.

POULU, CAMOUFLAGE, BOLSHIEV—Write these words more clearly and more easily read on the REMINGTON—UP-TO-DATE Typewriter. A. Milne Fraser, Jas. A. Little, Mgrs., 21, Dock Street, St. John, N.B.

PATROL ACTIVITY

Archangel, Thursday, 20.—(By The Associated Press)—Patrol activity has increased considerably along the Volodga Railway and on the Drina front. On both sectors the Bolsheviks have been defeated by the Allied and American troops.

DIED.

McCORD—At his late residence, 101 Acadia street on the 20th inst. Samuel H. McCord, in the 67th year of his age, leaving three sisters to mourn. Funeral on Monday from his late residence. Service at 2:30 o'clock.

LABOR CONVENTION FINISHED WORK FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Question of Co-operative Stores Was Discussed—Officers Elected for Ensuing Year.

Fredericton, March 21.—The New Brunswick Federation of Labor Convention closed this afternoon when the final business was discussed and officers elected.

The officers for the ensuing year are President, O. A. Melanson, Moncton; Vice-President, J. E. Tighe, St. John; Secretary-Treasurer, G. R. Melvin, St. John; additional Vice-Presidents, for St. John, William Treacher for Moncton, E. C. Wilson; for Fredericton, Harry Ryan. Lobbyist at Legislature, Prentiss Melanson.

The Committee on Constitution and Laws reported progress, and were given an extension of time in which to make a further report. President Melanson brought up the matter of local unions in various centres, which are not affiliated with the Trades and Labor Congress of the American Federation of Labor, and the matter will be dealt with.

Another important question brought up by President Melanson was that of the establishment of co-operative stores by union labor in the various centres in this province. He explained the principles of operation, taking for example the establishment of Moncton Co-operative, Limited.

Organizer Sullivan, of the Cigar Makers' union, also strongly urged the adoption of the co-operative stores plan. The convention passed a resolution expressing sympathy with the school teachers of New Brunswick in their efforts to obtain better pay, and the appointment of Delegate A. A. Sanders as one of the organizers in the war savings stamps campaign was also endorsed. The usual votes of thanks were passed.

The delegation who waited upon the Provincial Government and presented the resolutions passed by the Federation, reported that they had been courteously received, and that careful consideration had been promised the several matters referred to. Most of the visiting delegates left for their homes this evening.

THE MARKETS AT A GLANCE

Coffee markets continue the tendency towards higher level, and it looks now as though a general recovery upward in prices to the trade must soon be necessary. Stocks in hand in Canada are becoming pretty well depleted, and new arrivals that about due have been bought at figures which will mean a probable advance of about four cents per pound. Tea seems to be holding its own, and where the market has been quite a factor in the cost are lower, the market at primary points has advanced, more than offsetting the decline in transportation rates. It is understood there have been some fairly substantial parcels exported from Canada, and it would not require much of this business to place the tea trade in excellent shape as regards supplies.

Montreal—Among the declines of the week is one of one cent per pound for ground sulphur. Shelled peanuts also are lower, and salted too. Pearl barley and oatmeal are quoted less, while glutin feed is less by \$2 to \$3 per ton. Cattle, hogs and muttons are lower to the extent of \$2 per crate. Spices are easier in New York, but unchanged here and firm at primary points.

Among the advances noted is one for glucose of 35c per 100 pounds. Raisins are also up one cent at growing points. Oats and barley are marked up again this week also, and walnuts registered an advance in one quarter.

Dried fruits are steady, enquiries continue from Europe for supplies, but these surplus stocks seem to be short. Coffee and tea are steady, firm and sugar is steady and unchanged.

It is hard to struggle along with a head that aches and pains all the time. Headache seems habitual with many people; indeed some are seldom, if ever, free from it, suffering continually and wondering why they can get no relief.

In nine cases out of ten, persistent headaches are due to poisoned blood, the blood being rendered impure through some derangement of the stomach, liver or bowels.

The reason Burdock Blood Bitters makes permanent cures of all cases of headache, is because it starts the organs of elimination acting freely, and the poisons and impurities are carried off from the system, purified blood circulates in the brain cells, and instead of pains and aches there is revived mentality and bodily vigor.

Mrs. Geo. Monck, Arden, Ont., writes: "I have been troubled a great deal with sick headaches, and at times would almost go blind, and have to go to bed. I tried different remedies, but none without any benefit until I was advised to use Burdock Blood Bitters. After taking it, I have not been troubled since."

B. B. B. is a purely vegetable remedy, and has been manufactured for over forty years by Dr. T. J. Milburn Co., Limited, Toronto, Ont.

DO YOU WANT PINK CHEEKS?

They Can be Had by Keeping the Blood, Rich, Red and Pure.

Every woman—every girl—wants pink cheeks. They mean not only beauty but good health. When a woman's blood is scanty or anemic, her color fades, she looks debilitated, is short of breath and her heart palpitates after slight exertion. Sometimes the trouble is accompanied by severe headaches, or pains in the back or sides. This condition is entirely due to weak, watery blood, and can only be cured by making the blood rich, red and pure. For this purpose there is nothing can equal Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, which act directly upon the blood, and in this way bring new health and strength to weak, ailing people. Mrs. Anderson, Hearst, Ont., says:—"Before coming to Canada from England, I was a sufferer from anemia for upwards of a year. I had been gradually getting paler and weaker. I did not realize that I was sick, but felt constantly tired and worn out. I had no ambition for anything, and grew so white that my brothers used to call me 'snowball.' At this stage my mother decided that she would get Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, which are a favorite medicine in England as well as in Canada. On the day I commenced taking them I fainted on getting out of bed and mother urged me to stay in bed for a few days. I really felt so weak that I was glad to take her advice. I looked more like a corpse than a living person. I remained in bed for a week, taking the pills regularly, and then I felt that I was able to get up, though not able to go about. From that on, however, I gained strength daily, and in a little more than a month I was feeling as well as ever I did. The color returned to my cheeks and lips, and my friends were all surprised at my rapid recovery. I took no medicines but Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, so that they deserve all the credit for my restoration to health."

You can get Dr. Williams' Pink Pills through any dealer in medicine, or by mail at 50 cents a box or six boxes for \$2.50 from Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

There is, if anything, a better spirit in trade circles, and a gradual bettering of trading is being brought about.

Montreal—The cereal situation seems to be slightly improved, the markets on grain, though fluctuating a great deal, tending gradually upward. This has not affected rolled oats so much, on which there is a wide range of prices, but corn cereals seem in a much steadier position.

A decline of 7c per pound in one line of tobacco and 3c in another has been made this week. Peanut butter is lower. Steel wool is better quoted and higher prices have been named on washboards.

Linseed oil have sagged substantially, and general conditions on beans show little of interest. Rice shows up somewhat firmer, and some grades of Japan rice are becoming scarce.

Wholesale—Bean markets are decidedly weak, and further reductions may come at any time. Rice holding firm, with Siam reported scarce.

The tea trade is better with a firm undertone, the possibility of export trade with high prices asked at primary points being factors to stimulate the market generally.

Oranges have advanced in price, and grapefruit are ruling quite high, with arrivals of both lines good and commanding demand. Apples are high in price and none too plentiful.

All roads in St. John will lead to the great exhibition, commencing Monday. Get your tickets from the Box Office today; see full particulars on page 3, and be ready.

DRINK HOT WATER IF YOU DESIRE A ROSY COMPLEXION

Says we can't help but look better and feel better after an inside bath.

Happy, bright, alert—vigorous and anxious—a good clear skin; a natural, rosy complexion and freedom from illness are assured only by clean, healthy blood. If only every woman and likewise every man could realize the wonders of the morning inside bath, what a gratifying change would take place.

Just 1 of the thousands of sickly, anaemic-looking men, women and girls with puffy or muddy complexions; instead of the multitudes of "rosy cheeks," "rondons," "brainy faces" and pessimists we should see a virile, optimistic throng of rosy-cheeked people everywhere.

An inside bath is had by drinking each morning before breakfast, a glass of hot not water with a teaspoonful of limestone phosphate in it to wash from the stomach, liver, kidneys and ten years of bowels the various days' indigestible waste, acid fermentations and poisons before putting more food into the stomach.

Those subject to sick headaches, biliousness, nasty breath, rheumatism, colds; and particularly those who have a pallid, sallow complexion, and who are constipated very often, are urged to obtain a quarter pound of limestone phosphate at the drug store, which will cost but a trifle, but is sufficient to demonstrate the quick and remarkable change in both health and appearance.

A quarter pound of limestone phosphate costs very little at the drug store but is sufficient to demonstrate that just as soap and hot water cleanse, purifies and freshens the skin on the outside, so hot water and limestone phosphate act on the inside organs.

With The Provinces.

Toronto Mail and Empire: The Dominion Government proposes that Parliament shall validate the order-in-council on liquor transportation for a year beyond the date of the signing of the peace treaty. That will give time for provincial referenda to be taken, and a new policy, if any, to go into effect. The Dominion legislation leaves the question of "wet" or "dry" in the hands of the provinces.

Conserve Your Health

CANADA needs her men in the field and factory.

No one can afford to be too sick to work. Kidney trouble often keeps men ailing around the house, but Dr. Wilson's Kidney Bitters will quickly relieve pain in the back, makes the burning in bladder, restores healthy action to the kidneys, and makes a tired, worn-out, over-plagued man feel as if he had been born anew.

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Choice Mild Cured Hams 28c. lb.
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We are also offering during the Lenten season a choice line of SMOKED AND CANNED FISH at prices formerly quoted only to the wholesaler.

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