

We have now to see how this large sum would be apportioned under the Confederation Act; that is, how much of it would go to the General, and how much be at the disposal of the Provincial Legislature. The General Government assumes the jurisdiction and management of the Customs and Excise Departments, of Light Houses, of Penitentiaries and Marine Hospitals; of the Post Office, and other public works, including Railways; of Agriculture and Immigration; of Quarantine establishments; of Sea Coast and Inland Fisheries; of Ferries, and subsidies to steamers running between one Province and another, or to a foreign port; of the Census and Statistics; of the Supreme Court of Judiciary; of Indians, Sable Island, and the public debt of the Province up to \$8,000,000. The General Government also pays the Lieutenant Governor.

On the other hand, the powers and responsibilities of the Local Legislature are as follows: The management and sale of public lands; the control of all revenues arising from mines and minerals; the support of public and reformatory prisons within the Province; and of hospitals and asylums, other than marine hospitals; the support of Provincial Courts of Justice; education; and roads and bridges. The expense of the Local Legislature will also fall upon the Provincial department, together with such incidental charges as will necessarily accompany it, to which we may add whatever subsidy may be given to ferries strictly within the Province.

Such, then, is the general revenue, and such are the respective obligations of the General and Local Legislatures. I will now see what proportion of this revenue will go to each, and how far it will be possible to sustain the various services, as fully and efficiently as at present. I will suppose that all salaries, &c., remain as they now are, and take as my guide the actual expenditure of last year. Under the Confederation Act, then,