

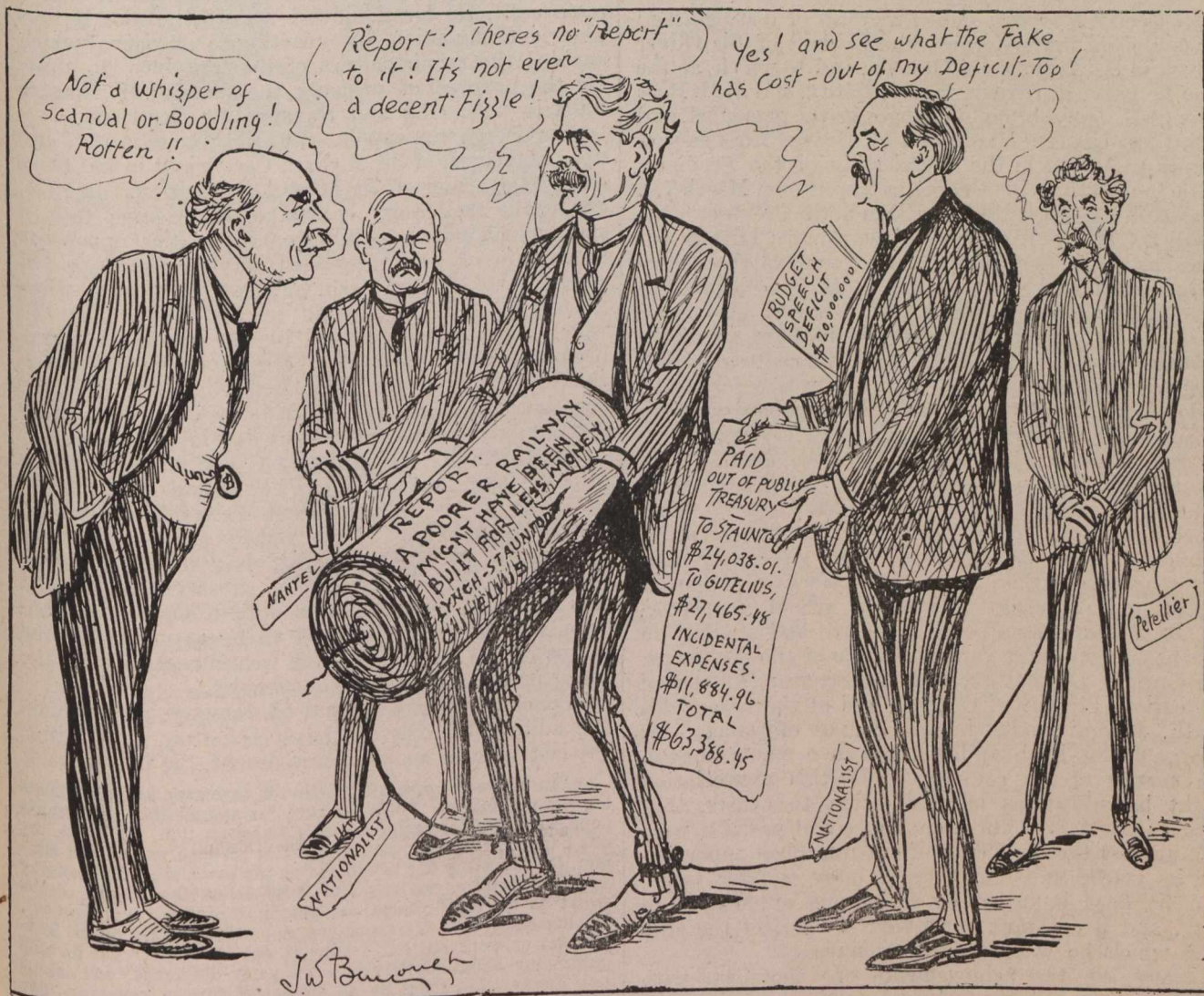
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THE SURPRISE OF THE SESSION



On January 29, 1912, the Borden Government appointed Mr. George Lynch-Staunton and Mr. F. P. Gutelius members of an Investigating Commission to report on the National Transcontinental Railway. The report of the Commissioners after a two years' inquiry, was presented to Parliament by the Prime Minister on February 12. It was expected to prove the great surprise of the Session. It has turned out to be such, but not in the manner expected. Instead of reflecting upon the Laurier Administration or any member of the Transcontinental Commission, the report through the absence of any specific charge and its enormous cost has caused embarrassment to the Government, and has failed to create any sensation either in the ranks of the Opposition or in the country.