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### RECOMMENDS ADOPTION OF THE METER SYSTEM

Independent A. McLean Presents  
Annual Report of Waterworks  
Department, Showing Work Done  
and Cost of Construction and  
Maintenance.

The annual report of the Water-  
works Department for the year ending  
September 30, 1910, was submitted to  
city commissioners Friday  
afternoon at a public hearing, and  
considered at the regular  
meeting of the board.

The report shows a total capital  
expenditure of \$55,114.61.  
The year's work was carried out  
well as carrying on the work of  
the department, considerable work  
done by the waterworks depart-  
ment, outside, as well as for the  
departments, such as Health,  
Railway, Engineer and Power.

Cells have been pumped,  
flushed, and skating rinks  
closed.  
The waterworks office has been re-  
located during the year, so as to  
better accommodate the  
departments.

Recommendations have been made of  
all in the city, and the following  
list of the number of defective  
meters found and ordered to be re-  
paired: Toilets 184, taps 171, baths  
and pipes 9, total 399.

The superintendent suggests that  
question of repairs to the sedi-  
ment basin of the filter system  
be taken up at once, and that work  
be commenced on it at the first of  
the year.

Recommendations Meter System.  
The year's 43 meters were  
repaired and 54 taken out. The num-  
ber at October 31st was 241.  
superintendent, who has on sev-  
eral occasions in the past recommend-  
ed that a meter system be put into  
operation instead of the present flat rate,  
suggests that the matter be  
considered.

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## PREMIER SIFTON DELIVERED BUDGET SPEECH ON MONDAY

### Gave Clear and Comprehensive Outline of the Financial Condition of the Province.

Mr. Sifton's budget speech was delivered in the House of Commons on Monday, December 13, 1910. The speech was a comprehensive outline of the financial condition of the province for the year 1911. Mr. Sifton stated that the province was in a sound financial position and that the government was committed to a policy of economy and efficiency. He outlined the various departments and their budgets, and discussed the proposed changes to the tax system. He also mentioned the proposed construction of a new government building and the proposed changes to the judicial system. The speech was well received by the members of the House and the public.

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IN CHARGE OF LIGHT BRIGADE.  
Resident of Oakland, California, Seeks  
Charity From City.

Oakland, Cal., Dec. 11.—George Smith, one of the immortal six hundred that rode in the charge of the light brigade at the battle of Balaklava, now is at the age of 84 seeking charity from the Oakland Board of Supervisors. He is asking for sufficient funds to carry himself and his daughter to British soil, in order that he may revive his claim to a pension from the British government. For bravery in the Indian mutiny he was awarded the Victoria Cross and received a personal gift of twenty sovereigns from Queen Victoria. After the Indian mutiny Smith came to America, later becoming a citizen.

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## NO LAND GRANTS FOR '66 VETERANS

SIR FREDERICK BORDEN MAKES  
THIS ANNOUNCEMENT IN  
HOUSE OF COMMONS.

Ottawa, Dec. 12.—This was a comparatively quiet day in the House of Commons. After disposing of the questions and a small amount of routine business, the House settled down to a long debate on the motion of D. D. MacKenzie, (Lib.) Cape Breton, in favor of the construction of branch lines of the I.C.R. in Nova Scotia.

This opened the way for a discussion of the whole question of the Government's I.C.R. policy, and practically all the representatives felt called upon to place themselves on record. Several members, including Dr. Black, of Hants; Geo. Kyle, of Richmond; and E. M. MacDonald, favored the disposal of the I.C.R. to the C.P.R. or some other corporation if it cannot be properly developed by the construction of extension of the I.C.R.

Others, including Hon. H. R. Emmerman and F. B. Carvell strenuously opposed this suggestion and urged the Government to build or secure the necessary branch lines. Mr. Emmerman said that the trouble with the present government policy was that the development of the I.C.R. has always been opposed by the party that has been in power. He said that the Conservative Government was that the development of the I.C.R. has always been opposed by the party that has been in power.

Hon. Geo. P. Graham, after speaking in favor of the adjournment of the debate, he said that a number of important matters involving public expenditure would be discussed in the House of Commons. He said that the Government was definitely decided not to give a land grant in Western Canada to the I.C.R. or any other corporation. He said that the Government was definitely decided not to give a land grant in Western Canada to the I.C.R. or any other corporation.

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## LASKA STEAMER IS WRECKED ON A REEF

STEAMER OLYMPIA, WHICH LEFT SEATTLE  
WITH 200 PASSENGERS, GOES AGROUND  
ON BLIGH ISLAND, 40 MILES FROM  
CORDOVA—NO WORD AS TO PASSENGERS'  
FATE.

Seattle, Dec. 11.—The Alaska Steamship Company's steamer Olympia was wrecked on Bligh Island reef, 40 miles from Cordova, Alaska, early this morning. The only information received was a brief message from the company's agent at Valdez, Alaska, that the steamer had gone aground on Bligh Island reef at ten o'clock this morning. "All hands on deck," the message said, "the passengers are being rescued."

The Olympia sailed from here December 10, with 200 passengers and several hundred tons of freight. The passengers first sailed on the steamer North-Western, which grounded in False Bay, San Juan Island, early on the morning of December 2nd, a few hours after sailing from Seattle. The passengers were rescued and returned to their homes.

The Olympia had already called at Cordova, and as only a few of the passengers were bound for ports west of there, it is probable that not more than a dozen were aboard when the steamer struck Bligh Island reef. Three Alaska liners have been wrecked within a radius of fifty miles of the point where the Olympia struck.

Grave Fears for Vessel.  
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## MAJORITY OF NEW SETTLERS IN WEST

THE IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT SHOWS  
DISTRICT IN PAST TEN YEARS OVER THE  
PROVINCES OF DOMINION.

Ottawa, Dec. 9.—Figures supplied by the immigration department in reply to a question by Mr. Sifton in the House of Commons relative to the destination of immigrants entering Canada since 1900 show the following: Total arrivals, 1,163,391; distributed as follows: Maritime provinces, 60,265; Quebec, 215,908; Ontario, 232,844; Manitoba, 274,879; Saskatchewan and Alberta, 421,205; British Columbia and the Yukon, 138,870; not shown, 13,211.

During the first seven months of the present fiscal year, from April to October inclusive, Chinese arrivals in Canada totaled 2,538. Of these, 2,388 paid the taxation tax of \$500 each, making a total contribution to the public treasury from this source of no less than \$1,194,000. The number admitted as exempt totaled 688. Of these 170 were classes as merchant seamen and 518 as other.

The latter figures are interesting in view of the investigation now being conducted at Vancouver relative to the admission of Chinese under fraudulent certificates.

Japanese and Hindu immigration figures show that the arrivals are now very restricted. Since the agreement entered into three years ago with Japan, 1,457 Japanese have entered Canada, or less than 500 per year. The influx of Hindus, which was assumed to be practically stopped in consequence of the restrictive legislation adopted by the government, since April 1 of last year only 15 Hindus have entered the country.

Will Show Good Returns.  
I think we may perhaps anticipate that sort of thing although I have no doubt he will show us at the end of the year very good returns, but I do not think the members would be surprised, if they found that they had to vote a small amount for the assistance of these farms. I do not think they would be surprised, if they found that they had to vote a small amount for the assistance of these farms.

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