

For Charges on Crown Lands the vote was \$96,900; the expenditure was \$94,588, leaving an unexpended balance of \$2,362. For Refunds we were voted \$31,998; we expended \$24,729, leaving \$7,269 unexpended. For Statute Consolidation we were given \$33,650; we only spent \$27,759, leaving \$5,891 unexpended. For Miscellaneous we asked a vote of \$137,095, while we spent \$141,816, or an over-expenditure under Miscellaneous of \$4,721; that is exclusive of the \$50,000 vote for Unforeseen and Unprovided, which is carried out in the Public Accounts separately. This over-expenditure under Miscellaneous is mainly made up of the \$13,125 over-expended in connection with "The Canada Temperance Act." We asked for this service \$10,000, and expended \$24,525. Taking all these expenditures together, our total expenditure under the Supply Bill has been \$2,864,713.96; our estimated expenditure under the Supply Bill was \$3,085,771.96, or our expenditure under the Supply Bill for the year was \$221,058 less than the amount of the votes you placed at our disposal. (Hear, hear).

Let me now compare our ordinary receipts and our ordinary expenditures. Our ordinary receipts, as before stated, were \$3,123,211.68; our expenditure under the Supply Bill was \$2,864,713.96, or our ordinary receipts are in excess of our ordinary expenditure by \$258,497.72. (Cheers).

Mr. MEREDITH.—Do you call the receipts from the timber sale ordinary receipts?

Hon. Mr. Ross.—It certainly is an ordinary receipt. It is a portion of the ordinary revenue, which fluctuates from year to year as more or less timber is sold or lumber cut, and certainly is not to be considered outside of the ordinary revenue.

Now, I say, let us examine and see how does this compare with our expectations? We estimated last year that our receipts would be \$2,788,125, and our estimated expenditure under the Supply Bill being \$3,085,771, we estimated that had all our appropriations been expended and all our expectations of receipts been realized, we would have an expenditure over receipts in the year of \$297,646. Instead of that, the receipts have exceeded our expectations by \$258,497, and our expenditure is below the amount voted by \$221,058, so that between the excess of receipts and reduction of expenditure, we are \$556,143 better than we anticipated when I made my last statement. But as was said by the Honourable Leader of