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opinion that there was doubt as to the lawful way to turn highway, but no case of difficulty connection had as yet arisen in the province. He thought the public would in no way suffer if the road were not until next session and that effect.

SPRIOUS PROPOSITIONS Thursday's Daily. James general manager of the... who is now en route to Winnipeg after paying an official visit to the... which his railway had been... this winter, said that it was... to say that it would... in a clear loss to the C. N. R. \$100,000. Frequently they... last few months they had... as many as a thousand snow... at the rate of \$2 per day, and... of winter too for the... and the train crews and...

THE LABOR PROBLEM... ing generally of the question... extension. Mr. James said... about the difficulty of the... coming season would be that... of the C. N. R. had mapped out... hundred miles to build this year... did not see how it was going... unless they broke the... of Chinamen. They... for the work in hand, with... something like 5,000 men, who... P. R. would require 10,000... Y. 20,000 and the... they were coming from. At... times the three companies... working in conjunction with... getting out as great a number... as possible, those... ideal workmen. He... that they would get anything... number required.

ROLLING STOCK DIFFICULTY... rolling stock. Mr. James... C. N. R. has every other rail... not only in Canada, but in the... was up against a serious... that respect. His company... to place an order for a... engines with the Baldwin... and they had 15 engines on... and they could continue to... the rolling stock so far as... of it.

LEMIEUX'S BILL... ing for Compulsory Investigation... labor Disputes Gives Rise to Un... successful Attempt of Opposition... to Block it.

Feb. 28.—The entire session... day was spent on Mr. Lemieux's... compulsory investigation of... disputes. Unable to achieve the... Opposition have settled... blocking it clause... in committee. The... of the minister of labor... He neither loses his... eye to business. His... an effective body of fighting... always on deck, and his... takes the wind out of... obstructivist.

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## GOVERNMENT'S FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION IS CONCEDED BY THE OPPOSITION TO BE PERFECT

### Budget Brought Down by Hon. A. C. Rutherford, Premier and Provincial Treasurer, Fails to Elicit a Single Adverse Comment From the Opposition—\$1,500,000 Expended During the Year, and Surplus of \$556,000 Reported—Liberal Rule in Alberta for the People.

Never before in the history of Canada has a finance minister or provincial treasurer been accorded the distinction and favor that was conferred upon Hon. A. C. Rutherford, Premier and Provincial Treasurer of Alberta, in bringing down the annual budget in the Legislature yesterday. Not one dollar of the estimates for the ensuing year was criticized, and not one dollar of the expenditures of the past year received adverse comment. Nor was it charged that any sum had not been spent in the public interests. To have received and disbursed nearly two million dollars of public money to the satisfaction of the opposition, the legislature and the people at large, is a privilege that has seldom been the lot of the custodians of the public purse.

The delivery of the speech occupied about an hour and a half, and though it contained no unexpected or sensational statements, it was a splendid story of liberal and judicious expenditure of the people's money for the people, reflecting the virile energy of the administration and the unprecedented prosperity of the country.

During the year the Government spent about one and a half millions and closed the books with a surplus of \$556,000. The provincial treasurer made the important announcement that the government did not intend to aim at a large surplus, but contented that it was necessary to keep the capital of the province working towards the development of the province during its pioneer stage.

The estimated expenditures for the year 1917 aggregate \$3,783,374, while the revenue is estimated at \$2,227,351, thus leaving a small surplus on the year's business. Some new expenditures that will be noticed are \$200,000 for the provincial telephone system; \$75,000 for Alberta's share in the maintenance of the R. N. W. M. P.; \$150,000 for the purchase of a university site; \$25,000 for a provincial asylum and \$175,000 for the parliament buildings. Though the government have not started any branch of the service, yet they were able to carry on the business of the province with less money than was authorized by the legislature last session by over \$467,000—a splendid evidence of thrift and economy.

Mr. Heibert (Rosebud) essayed to play the role of financial critic for the Opposition. His criticism was reluctant praise. The only comment that might be taken as unfavorable by the member for Rosebud was his complaint that the estimates should have brought down earlier. This was the only analytic discoverable between this critic and others who have crossed swords with the government on similar occasions.

After the delivery of the speech, the House went into committee on supply. The supply bill was passed through all its stages. A sum of \$400,000 was voted for the expenses of legislation, maintenance of public institutions, and salaries of government and civil service from the end of the year until the passing of the estimates in 1918.

Financial Statement. The honorable Minister of Agriculture also has charge of some very important legislation—the health act, noxious weeds, vital statistics and the act referring to increased assistance to hospitals. I had charge of an act respecting assignments and preferences by insolvents; an act for the establishment of a public library; corporation act, and an act respecting taxation for educational purposes. I think the House will agree that all of these measures are of a very constructive nature—drawn on board and comprehensive lines, and make for the public good. Our province made great strides during the past year. The receipts of the year 1916 will show that this Government shared in the prosperity prevailing all over this Dominion, and we hope that the prosperity which has been marked in this province will still continue in Alberta this year. We are receiving large accessions to our numbers from the United States and from the old land, and we expect larger additions from these directions this year than we have received in any past year.

Without any further introduction I will enter into the presentation of the financial statement of this province, showing the revenue received during the year 1916 and the expenditure during the same period.

The head of General Revenue we had at the commencement of the year 1916 the sum of \$473,232.64. This amount was our surplus at the beginning of the year 1916.

Recapitulation of Receipts and Expenditures For 1916 Revenue Received from the Dominion Government \$ 473,232.64 Received from Canada 1,600,375.00 Received from the Dominion Government's Dept. 25,453.30 Received from Treasury Dept. 21,673.13 Received from Attorney General's Dept. 78,384.61 Received from Public Works 4,800.25 Received from Agriculture Dept. 226,338.91 Received from Education 960.00 Received from Health Commissioner 226,338.91 Received from Clerk, Legislative Assembly, in connection with Premier 3,400.00 Received from Clerk of Executive Council 200.00 Received from Government Printer 3,774.62 Interest on General Fund 28,486.20 Refunds 175.50 Total receipts \$1,898,315.65

Expenditure. Civil Government \$ 121,794.82 Legislative 28,926.54 Administration of Justice 116,889.29 Public Works 635,581.18 Calgary, Red Deer River near Cochrane, Battle River South of Lloydminster on the fourth meridian line; over the Belly River near Caldwell, and over the Willow Creek near Macleod—all permanent steel structures. Other various small steel bridges were put in on the Battle River, Little Red Deer River and at other points, making a total of nine steel bridges during the season. In addition, with the existing steel bridge heretofore put in place, make a total of 14 steel bridges in the province at the present time—and two other large steel structures—one north of Pincher Creek and another on the Old Man River, and another over the South Saskatchewan River at Medicine Hat, under construction. The total expenditure on bridges during the year was \$388,700.00 (Applause.)

Road Improvement. A large amount of road improvement was undertaken throughout the province. The total amount expended in the construction and maintenance of roads was \$198,277. Every effort was put forth to have our road work performed in a satisfactory and more permanent manner than heretofore by giving attention to drainage and general better methods of construction, so in most cases to provide a permanent road as possible with material available. (Hear, hear.)

A total of 877 1/2 miles of fire-guard were laid or replaced during the season at a cost of \$3,428. Owing to the development of the country and the extension of irrigation ditches in certain parts of the province, some of the existing fire-guard, but as against this, others will have to be provided in the newly settled country, and a very considerable increase in fire-guarding is looked for his season in view of railway extension.

Provincial Finances. The Department of Public Works we received \$6,557.59, the chief items being \$3,684.00 for certificates issued to engineers under the Steam Boilers Ordinance, and \$2,873.59 from inspections under same ordinance. From sales of allowances the sum of \$785.38 was received. The other receipts are made up of small items.

The principal items in the amount of \$4,801.26 received from the Agricultural Department is \$3,011 Branch Ordinance fees and \$1,800 for registration of stations. The Dairy Commissioner received \$226,338.91 being sales of butter, etc. The item of \$2,769.02 from the Government Printer is made up of subscriptions and advances in the Official Gazette, \$2,196.57 and sale of statutes, ordinances, etc., the balance. The other figures in connection with the revenue are to a large extent already given.

At the time I delivered my last budget speech the Government really had not passed, and I think it is my duty to inform you as to the particular work which we carried on during the past year. The Honorable General Commissioner had added to his duties during the year 1916 the administration of the criminal law and the control of the registry of fees, which has greatly increased the work of the Department of the Attorney General.

The work accomplished by the Department of Public Works during the year 1916 was considerable. Although that department did not spend the total amount of the vote which was granted at the last session, the Department of Public Works was large and of great advantage to the province. In the engineering branch of the Department of Public Works the record shows that 245 bridges were dealt with during the year. Out of this number 186 were new structures. Among the most important might be mentioned the bridge over Bow River in Calgary; Red Deer River near Cochrane; Battle River South of Lloydminster on the fourth meridian line; over the Belly River near Caldwell, and over the Willow Creek near Macleod—all permanent steel structures. Other various small steel bridges were put in on the Battle River, Little Red Deer River and at other points, making a total of nine steel bridges during the season. In addition, with the existing steel bridge heretofore put in place, make a total of 14 steel bridges in the province at the present time—and two other large steel structures—one north of Pincher Creek and another on the Old Man River, and another over the South Saskatchewan River at Medicine Hat, under construction. The total expenditure on bridges during the year was \$388,700.00 (Applause.)

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THE MAN OF THE HOUR IN ALBERTA  
HON. A. C. RUTHERFORD, PREMIER AND PROVINCIAL TREASURER, WHO PRESENTED THE ANNUAL BUDGET YESTERDAY.

### Coal Mines' Output.

The administration of the Coal Mines Act has been carried on by the Provincial Inspector of Mines with headquarters at Edmonton and a District Inspector of Mines at Lethbridge, who has looked after the revenue are to a large extent already given.

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latter output valued at \$222,976.77, and twenty-four private creameries with a butter output valued at \$178,000—a total of \$400,976.77—an increase of more than \$100,000 in one year. (Applause.)

Improve Home-Made Dairy Product. "The government had a travelling dairy in the field in the year 1916, attending to the number of districts in which farmers were not within reach of any established creameries or cheese factories. The travelling dairy was in charge of an expert in the service of the department, and had a complete outfit for carrying on the dairy-keeping on the most approved methods. Demonstrations and lectures were given at the meetings, which were attended by many farmers, who had little or no experience in dairying, and we felt our duty that we should assist them as much as possible—the principal object being to bring about a general improvement in the quality of the home made butter and thereby help increase the revenue to the farmers from that source. We fully expect that the dairy industry in this province will show very rapid development.

Alberta Butter in Japan. During the past year the product of the government creameries has been marketed in British Columbia; in the Yukon and a considerable quantity of butter has been exported to Japan and China.

Yesterday afternoon I intimated to the House the work which has been accomplished during the past year by the Department of Education of this province. It will not be necessary for me to take up the time of the House with anything in that connection in the subject under consideration.

General Statement of Expenditure. "I might at this stage advise the principle items of expenditure during the year 1916. Under the head of civil government we expended \$121,794.82. It is under this head we expect to receive an additional subsidy from the Dominion Government of \$130,000 a year. We at present receive from the Federal government, under this head, the sum of \$50,000. This will give us from the Ottawa authorities in this respect in the future \$180,000.

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