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**IT TAKES INTERESTING READING
—BROKEN PLEDGES AND
PROMISES.**

Ottawa, Ont., May 5.—It was generally conceded that Hon. Mr. Fielding's budget speech afforded considerable opportunity for reply, and that Mr. Foster rose to the occasion was the unanimous verdict of those who heard his splendid deliverance, friends and foes alike.

"Whatever the partial critic might say of the address which was read to us the other day by the Finance Minister," Mr. Foster began, "as to its merits as a budget speech, I am quite sure he would be willing to award the highest of all possible marks. The speech is a campaign document. It would be rather a surprise in the British House of Commons to hear the Chancellor of the Exchequer rise to make an exposition of the finances of the British Empire, and do it in the manner of a campaign speech. The Finance Minister's speech, I am not going to cavi, he went on, "with a large part of the figures which are the basis of the Budget. The Budget is a public document, which, happily in our country, are above reproach; and we are not bound to either praise or cavi the House."

But while the budget speech was largely a campaign document, there were two or three outstanding passages deserving attention. In the first place it was the most complete apology he has ever heard a party in the Dominion make for its record of misdeeds and ineptitudes. I think it will go down in history as the most complete recantation of pledges, promises and policies made by the Government of the day for 18 years — a recantation as full and complete in these respects as it was lacking in one other essential name, that of the Hon. the Chief Minister. He has impelled them to confess that they were in error and made mistakes, and that they have been misled by the misdirection of still maintaining a consistent position (Here: *Heard*). And I could not help contrasting the tone of the budget speech with the tone of the speech of 1899, when the leaders of the Liberal party in this House will never be able to turn around and say to the people: "We have pined you up and we have not danced; we have mourned you and you have not lamented; we have not noticed that the leaders mourned you and that the extravagance of the Government thirty years ago over our outrageous addition to the public debt, our enormous and constantly increasing expenditure, the burthenousness of taxation, the exorbitant, like doctore followers, lamentations and wails, and the like, on any other day, when the Finance Minister plied them in quite a different strain, to them, exactly, almost, fantastically, more so, than we are doing now. The very same men who in 1899 applauded Sir Richard Cartwright when he declared before high heaven that he was a **RESOLUTE MONSTRIOUS**

that any Government should ask for \$8,000,000, to be expended on a count like ours, applauded to the echo the Finance Minister the day before yesterday when he declared his intention.

asking for an appropriation \$7,000,000 higher." (Laughter and cheers.) He could not help recalling the impetuous and conscientious way in which McMullen applauded that sentiment in 1896, and contrasting it with

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