

## PUBLIC ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR

### Statement Of Receipts And Expenditures Interesting Commentary On Growth Of The Province

Nothing can more eloquently attest the rapidity of British Columbia's commercial growth than do the public accounts for the last fiscal year, presented to the legislature yesterday by Finance Minister Ellison, an exceptional illustration of growth being found in

Comparative Statement of Receipts.

	Previous Record.	1910.
Dominion subsidy	\$52,076.88	\$52,076.88
Land sales	528,604.84	2,518,188.75
Land revenue	120,007.50	175,778.11
Survey fees	2,887.91	15,871.85
Rents, exclusive of land	96.50	193.00
Timber leases	59,035.59	65,876.23
Timber royalties	1,614,291.26	1,323,301.21
Free miners' certificates	232,963.69	305,138.00
Mining receipts general	12,739.42	53,095.07
Licenses, trades and liquor	79,502.69	91,253.75
Licenses, game	35,460.80	58,951.49
Licenses, commercial travellers	7,959.00	12,580.00
Fines and fees of court	200.00	700.00
Probate fees	16,960.23	30,724.50
Succession duty	15,211.28	19,463.86
Law stamps	77,818.97	108,495.39
Sale of government property	16,781.10	24,500.20
Registry fees	478.45	2,058.57
Marriage licenses	196,978.82	408,826.15
Revenue tax	8,965.00	17,490.00
Real property tax	153,753.00	260,682.00
Personal property tax	49,487.94	335,744.26
Land taxes (wild, coal and timber)	22,294.43	161,692.88
Income tax	23,312.97	250,904.71
Dykes Assessment Act tax	15,981.97	190,984.16
Mineral tax	19,080.07	19,080.07
Tax on unworked Crown-granted min. claims	81,927.16	102,608.93
Registered taxes	22,525.00	39,869.65
Tax sale deeds	640.00	510.00
Revenue service refunds	1,216.50	1,735.25
Printing office	27,693.68	65,194.44
Bureau of mines	597.50	687.00
Hospital for the Insane	22,947.73	24,064.67
Provincial Home	1,477.07	2,895.83
Royalty and tax on coal	143,223.50	222,722.91
Traffic tolls, N. W. bridge	23,064.50	29,901.25
Reimbursements, keep of prisoners	555.65	1,266.50
Interest on invest-sink funds	25,938.64	59,145.66
Interest, miscellaneous	82,461.34	157,495.13
Chinese Restriction Act	304,600.00	845,300.00
Log scaling fees	13,010.59	21,698.75
Fishing licenses	23,072.50	31,340.00
Boiler inspection fees	41,260.85	19,614.62
Miscellaneous receipts		45,622.70
	\$4,664,500.99	\$8,874,741.94

Expenditure

	Previous 1909-1910	1910-1911
I.—Public debt:		
Interest	\$ 182,091.27	\$ 325,213.43
Sinking funds (chargeable to investment acct.) as follows:		
Trustees' account, "Loan Act, 1877"		
Trustees' acct. int. invested, "Loan Act, 1877"	4,288.61	8,577.22
Trustees' acct., "Loan Act, 1877"	4,187.39	8,786.74
Trustees' acct. int. invested, "Loan Act, 1877"	49,609.68	99,219.36
Trustees' acct., "Loan Act, 1891, '92, '95, '99, '02"	21,771.34	47,358.92
Sinking fund, "Dyking Assessments Adjustment Act, 1905"		
Premium and exchange	16,176.08	1,193.24
Discount and commission	1,193.24	2,677.18
Incidental expenses of negotiating loan, 1902		5,080.64
Redemption of debentures (Loan Act, 1892)	4,000.00	4,000.00
Redemption of \$100,000 dyking debentures (purchased before maturity @ 91)	91,047.61	
Redemption of \$71,000 dyking debentures, (purchased before maturity @ 93)		66,030.00
II.—Civil government (salaries):		
III.—Administration of justice (salaries):	264,278.87	389,700.87
IV.—Legislation	106,283.50	161,785.84
V.—Public institutions (maintenance):	68,975.08	114,486.86
Printing office	56,542.52	90,016.58
Hospital for the Insane	93,372.67	120,605.69
Museum	3,747.82	5,224.47
Provincial home	11,214.47	15,915.18
Head of mines	2,206.88	4,201.18
Fisheries (bathhouse and administration)	16,548.34	21,728.03
VI.—Hospitals and charities	178,379.49	209,442.14
VII.—Administration of justice (other than salaries)	143,305.70	213,386.61
VIII.—Education	373,759.32	587,935.91
IX.—Transport	27,023.40	50,104.43
X.—Rent		97,268.59
XI.—Revenue services	54,248.00	81,163.79
XII.—Public works:		
Works and buildings	529,900.59	1,115,598.88
Parliament buildings		2,012,102.42
Government House, Victoria	10,448.54	568,463.66
Roads, streets, bridges and wharves	1,115,598.88	554,452.36
Surveys	190,118.32	
New Westminster bridge		310,407.43
Irrigation		554,452.36
XIII.—Miscellaneous		
Less amount of sinking funds as above, chargeable to investment acct.	96,013.01	163,942.24
Less redemption of debentures as above, chargeable against loans	3,836,218.56	6,452,993.27
Net expenditure	55,047.61	70,030.00
Deposits on account of intestate estates (repaid)	3,749,170.85	6,352,992.27
Deposits on account of suitors' fund (repaid)	132,443.24	147,853.11
Deposits on account of tax sales surplus (repaid)	48,223.50	80,701.80
Intestate estates deposits (reverted to province, unclaimed, Act 1905)	8,635.67	3,111.60
Suitors' fund deposits (reverted to province, unclaimed, Act 1905)		
Shuswap & Okanagan Railway payments (Act 1890)	26,113.30	50,253.00
Nakusp & Siccan Railway payments (Act, 1894)	15,131.26	26,376.75

### MRS. SCHENCK'S CASE

Cross-Examination of Dr. Hupp Develops Facts in Favor Of Accused Woman

WHEELING, W. Va., Jan. 12.—The defence scored today in the case of Mrs. Laura Schenck, charged with attempting to poison her husband, John O. Schenck, Dr. Frank L. Hupp, who reported the alleged poisoning to the authorities, and who was considered the star witness for the state, was under cross-examination of Attorney O'Brien nearly all day.

Among other things admitted by Dr. Hupp was that he was not sure the

statement of receipts brought to the provincial treasury during the just past financial twelvemonth—ending the 30th June last—which shows a total revenue during the period under review of \$8,874,741.94 as contrasted with \$4,664,500.99 during the preceding fiscal period, albeit that period was of but ten months' duration. An this showing depicts material reductions in taxation under various heads. With such a showing "by the books of the treasury it is no wonder that Finance Minister Ellison is able to announce a surplussage of the province, of something in excess of \$2,250,000.00, which is said to be the best financial showing yet made by any of the provinces of the Dominion. The statement shows a reduction only under the head of game licenses (from \$7,920.00 to \$7,298.00); while there are increases under all other sources of revenue, in some cases doubling and even trebling the preceding (and formerly best year's) revenue. The statement for comparison reads:

### CAPTAIN ON TRIAL

Master of Wrecked Olympia Charged With Unskillful Navigation by Marine Inspectors.

SEATTLE, Jan. 12.—Charges of unskillful navigation were placed against Captain J. T. Daniels, master of the wrecked steamer Olympia, by the local United States Marine Inspectors today. Deducting from the evidence offered at the preliminary hearing that the wreck of the Olympia on Bligh Island reef, Prince William Sound, December 12, might not be wholly unavoidable, the formal charge was placed with the idea of thoroughly thrashing out the question.

### FIGHT FOR LIFE BY STANDARD OIL

Attorneys For Alleged Trust Offer Arguments Against Government's Case—Mr. Rockefeller's Operations

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—Fighting for its life, the Standard Oil Company through its attorneys today argued before the supreme court of the United States against the proposed dissolution of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey. For three hours John G. Milburn, of New York, addressed the court. Tomorrow Frank B. Kellogg, of Minnesota, will present the government's side of the controversy.

Mr. Milburn's task was to present the facts in the case, but he digressed now and then, to show what alleged wrongs the affirmation of the dissolution decree of the lower court would incur. In his history of chaotic conditions in the oil business between 1860 and 1870, due, he said, to an over-production of refining capacity, Mr. Milburn introduced to the court the character of John D. Rockefeller.

"There was in Cleveland," he said, "a young man in the early 60's with a small amount of money which he had saved, who possessed the gift of genius. He had the genius for business, and there is a genius for war or poetry or painting."

"That man was John D. Rockefeller. He saw that this over-production of refineries was to be met by volume of business, so as to withstand the lower profits."

He then told how Rockefeller had allied himself with Andrews, a practical oil refiner, and how, with the exercise of Rockefeller's genius for business and their consequent good standing among financiers, they grew rapidly.

Mr. Milburn dwelt particularly on the period of acquisition, which he said, closed in 1879, on the trust agreement of 1882 and on the new arrangement of ownership in 1894. Acquisition never had been made, Mr. Milburn told the court, with an intent to restrain or to monopolize interstate trade. Most of the purchases were made, he said, before 1899.

### Just imagine! Suits up to \$60.00 for Half Price



Washington. Branch offices have been maintained in many eastern cities.

### THREATENING LETTERS

Present Chief of Police of Spokane Receives Missives Like Those Sent to Capt. Sullivan.

SPOKANE, Jan. 12.—Within the last four days, no less than four threatening letters, all of which make reference to the death of Captain of Police Sullivan, have been received by the present chief of police, W. J. Doust. In said letters the chief of police is threatened with death if he does not resign within two months, and has not been mixed up in any of the factional wars that have been waged since the death of Captain Sullivan.

Within the last few days these letters have appeared on much city property, and the police are working on this clue in an attempt to discover the slayer of Captain Sullivan.

### BARON SWAYTHLING DEAD

Noted London Banker, Who Was Prominent in Advancing Jewish Institutions

LONDON, Jan. 12.—Baron Swaythling, a banker, died today. He was 73 years old.

### CAPT. PEARY ENDORSED

Sub-Committee Adopts Favorable Report On Bates Bill—Likely To Be Opposed In House

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—Captain Robert E. Peary, the Arctic explorer, today was formally approved by a sub-committee of the house committee on naval affairs. The sub-committee, at an executive meeting from which two principal opponents of Captain Peary, Messrs. Roberts and Macon, were absent, adopted a favorable report on the bill, which extends the thanks of congress to Peary and retires him with the rank of rear-admiral in the engineer corps of the navy. Captain Peary now is 53 years old, and the action, if proved by the full committee and agreed to by the senate, will place him immediately upon the retired list with about the same pay—\$6,000—as he is receiving as captain upon the active list.

The report probably will arouse a lively discussion in the house.

### FISHERIES ARRANGEMENT

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—The fishery conferences with Canadian and Newfoundland commissioners have been going on since Monday morning and followed similar conferences by the State Department officials with representatives of the Gloucester fishing interests.

The formal statement of the outcome follows: "As a result of these conferences, an understanding was reached that, instead of calling upon the commission of experts appointed under the award to determine the reasonableness of certain existing fisheries regulations to which the United States had objected, the Canadian and Newfoundland governments will proceed voluntarily to make such changes in the existing regulations as are necessary to remove the objections of the United States."

"The effect of this arrangement is to make it unnecessary to reassemble the Hague tribunal to act upon the report of the experts, and eliminates any further proceedings at The Hague. All differences that may arise in the future as to these or any future regulations that cannot be disposed of by diplomatic negotiations will be referred to the permanent fisheries commission to be established in accordance with the recommendations of the award."

Mrs. John Watson, who has been the guest of Mrs. Price, Oak Bay, left yesterday on her return home to Spokane, after a most enjoyable visit of a month's duration.

### Cure Your Cold With Rum or "Scotch"

RUM, Imp. qt., \$1.25; bottle, \$1, or 75c; flask . . . . .50c  
OLD NICK RUM . . . . . \$1.25  
GILBEY'S GOLDEN JAMAICA RUM, bottle . . . . . \$1.50  
GLENLIVET SCOTCH, \$1.25 or 85c, flask . . . . .50c  
BLUE FUNNEL SCOTCH, bottle . . . . . \$1.25  
CLAN MACKENZIE SCOTCH . . . . . \$1.25  
B. & W. SCOTCH . . . . . \$1.25  
WATSON'S XXX SCOTCH, \$1; No. 10 . . . . . \$1.25  
GILBEY'S IRISH WHISKY, bottle . . . . . \$1.25  
JOHN JAMESON'S WHISKY XXX . . . . . \$1.25  
RYE WHISKY, bottle . . . . . \$1.25  
CANADIAN CLUB, bottle . . . . . \$1.00  
SEAGRAM'S '83, bottle . . . . . \$1.00  
SEAGRAM'S RYE, bottle . . . . . \$1.00  
IMPERIAL RYE, bottle . . . . . \$1.00  
G. & W. SPECIAL, bottle . . . . . \$1.00

### DIXIE H. ROSS & CO.

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See our Special Ad. on Page 10.

Michael Ferro, the Italian who a month ago was sentenced to three months in the provincial goal after having been convicted of several charges of obtaining money under false pretences, is a criminal of wider experience and activity than the local police authorities were aware. Ferro, according to a communication received from Portland authorities, is wanted there for similar offences, as a fugitive from Mexico, and the police of Vancouver have also charges against him. His modus operandi in Victoria was to take fellow countrymen that he possessed baggage at the wharf, but that he required money to release it. On this plea he secured various sums. In the south his operations were on a more extensive scale, and many Italians in Portland were victimized in much larger sums.

Portions of the province outside Vancouver island are recognising the advantages which have accrued to the island through the activities of the local development league. Mr. E. McGaffey, the secretary of that organization, is in receipt of a letter from Mr. E. H. Hicks-Beach, of Hazelton, asking information as to how to form

an auxiliary branch to make public the resources of the northern interior of the province. In reply Mr. McGaffey has pointed out that the local league is essentially an island organization, but at the same time he has explained its workings, and given all necessary advice as to how a league should be inaugurated.

BOMBAY, Jan. 12.—Troops called out today to quell a religious riot, fired several volleys into the crowds, killing eleven and wounding 14 persons.

VANCOUVER, Jan. 12.—"We propose to start the construction of a \$500,000 merchant steel plant on our property near Sunbury by April 1," announced Wm. Price, of Seattle, general manager of the Western Steel Corporation, today. Mr. Price has been in the city for some days making an inspection of the 300-acre property on the Fraser river secured by the Vancouver directors for the proposed steel mills.

### SEAMEN STRIKE NEXT

Plan To Call Workpage Of Workmen Coronation Of In June Next

WORD IS SENT OVER FROM

Further Planned General Strike Of O Order To Make Greater

NEW YORK, Jan. 12.—Matthew Tearle, United of the National Sailors' Union, of Great Britain, decided to call a world seamen next June, at coronation of King George V. There have been no strike heretofore, but date has been set.

Mr. Tearle's informant was received in a letter from M. E. president of the Union. He declared that he had called a general strike order to further union in behalf of the seamen. The seamen knew nothing about it, aside from the general seamen in England. Increased wages will in the event of the strike.

DEBATE ON THE

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"To the Dominion belongs the duty of protecting and protecting fisheries. So far only cruiser has been provided, and when the coast of Columbia has some 700 miles, it requires no part to show that we are like the measure, which the interests of our own rights to protect our fisheries, so modern cruisers should take steps toward the of our rights to have Hecate Straits declared under international law, also that this is a delicate matter, but the government is none the reason. Salmon hatcheries established upon all the ers of this province, known fact that to a large mon return to their streams when fully matured of the greatest importance of the salmonade means be providing and rearing the young.

Agricultural Products  
The bountiful harvest Columbia has enjoyed a season has added much wealth of our agriculture, and indeed to vineyard and other crops won the highest prizes exhibitions both on the continent and also in Great Britain. We must not forget the fish Columbia has produced, equally well adapted for the prosecution of other industries. Vegetables here to perfection, and better adapted for profitable production than in other parts of the world. When we think of the enormous amount of British Columbia is a mighty much better than it seems to me that a systematic effort should be made to encourage the home necessities of life, three million dollars' worth of cheese was imported from Columbia during 1909, million dollars' worth of poultry. Surely there the exercise of the energy of active assistance mark you, the market usually.

The Mining Industry  
The mining industry has never presented an advantage than during year; the metalliferous discovered at the head of the Columbia are already well, and are given of continuity and amount of production. Their development—over dollars has been experienced alone—and in the beginning. Very fine metals are being developed in that section. The millions of camps in the interior of Columbia have for the steadily working, and the prospect of a better future. The well known Howe Sound work; the mines on Texada Island, and are turning the Lucky Jim has developed beyond the owners consider there a very good mine many promising prospects along the coast.