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Emigrant Hospital, \$4,000. This is a subscription the Province makes with a view to providing for the relief of a certain class of patients, cases of accidents and so forth. This is given independently of the general cost of maintenance of the institution, which falls to the Dominion. For what may be called our ordinary charities, we propose \$30,290. The Government, after a good deal of consideration, has felt it could do nothing less than place their grants at the ordinary figures. After much deliberation, and with great difficulty, we have come to the conclusion that we are compelled to say we can place no new charities on the list. The present system is one that has grown up and lasted for a long time ; but in its present state it cannot last. I say, in its present state, because it is necessary that rules of some kind be adopted as to the amount, and the manner of distribution of this kind of aid for years to come. This \$30,290, I need hardly say, is simply for one year. I do not say the amount is not to be continued ; because to the extent of our means it must ; this year, we make these grants, simply without diminution, because the institutions in question have carried on their operations in the full faith that they would receive the full grant, and we felt we could not refuse them. Many other like applications have been made to us ; but we have felt we could just now neither cut down the old grants nor add to their number. Next year we hope to come down with some system, to enable us to regulate the whole of this matter on a footing more satisfactory than the present. Added to this list, is the sum of \$4,000 for aid to the Nova Scotia fishermen, and \$715.93 for relief of the Labrador distress. I may say, in connection with these two items, the Government has dispensed another considerable sum—for colonization roads—something more than \$2,000, which forms part of the \$62,500 asked for this service generally. These \$2,000 were spent in Gaspé at the beginning of winter, for the relief of distress then and there prevalent, and which I believe was as real and terrible as, while coming nearer to ourselves than, the misery we sought to relieve in Nova Scotia. [Cheers.] The money was spent among the destitute, for useful work, thus securing their relief, and something for the general advantage. I think we should have been criminal, had we not done as much as we did ; and I am free to confess it was with much pain I felt that, under the circumstances, we could not do more. [Cheers.] The total, then, for all our charities is \$204,005.93.

I now come to the only remaining class of estimates, and which may be grouped together—the collection of the revenue, maintenance of works, and so forth. The first item is for Crown Lands surveys, \$20,444.11. Of course, all that will not be spent unless we find it necessary. I believe it is important that, instead of abandoning or lessening surveys, we should render them more thorough and efficient. We want to know what our lands are, and all about them ; and our surveys should be more effective than ever. We ask \$108,936.09, for territorial outlay connected with the Crown Lands Department ; and for stamps, and so forth, \$8,100. The whole of these items, being for outlay incidental to collection of revenue, under the old system, would not have been asked from the House. But under the new system, we ask a vote for everything. [Hear, hear.] There are two other items, which may be said to fall substantially under this head, \$117,312, for Culling timber, and \$12,143.91 for Registration service, —the making of *cadastres* in connexion with our registry system. The