

the obligations resting upon them, and do their share towards bringing about the desired result—a proper equilibrium in our finances.

The public accounts, for the past fiscal year, in a somewhat altered form from heretofore, have been laid before the House and contain the receipts from all sources and the expenditure for that period. I trust honorable members upon examination will find them on the whole satisfactory, and although we have not been able to do all in the way of collections and expenditure which could have been wished, at the same time our revenue has been kept up to its usual standard, and our expenditure, within the appropriations, made as far as possible consistent with efficiency in the public service.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE 1883-84.

I shall now give a short summary of receipts and expenditure grouped together, which may assist some in understanding the accounts better, and at any rate will afford the general public information which they can only obtain through newspaper reports:—

RECEIPTS.

Dominion of Canada.....	\$1,014,712 12
Ontario—On account of interest on Common School Fund.....	25,000 00
Crown Lands.....	753,378 28
Licenses.....	268,840 48
Justice.....	242,910 91
Public Officers—percentage.....	6,180 90
Legislation.....	395 67
Insurance on Library burned.....	39,200 00
Official Gazette.....	16,733 15
Asylums—Contributions by municipalities and patients.....	2,598 88
Public Buildings—.....	1,388 60
Casual Revenue.....	1,119 99
Pension Fund—Contributions.....	5,470 13
Interest.....	97,979 13
Quebec Fire Loan.....	506 66
Municipal Loan Fund.....	5,788 58