## A Comparison as to Public Works.

The Ontario Government erected New Parliament Buildings at a cost of \$1,300,000, with practically no extras.

The Dominion Government erected the Langevin Block with extras nearly as much as the original contracts, and the Curran Bridge with extras over twice as much as the original contracts.

#### A Comparison as to Timber Sales.

Before Confederation (1841 to 1867), 9,904 miles of timber lands were sold at 50 cents a mile, and 2,561 miles were sold at \$45.50 a mile of bonus (or \$116,771), or 12,465 miles in all.

The Sandfield Macdonald Government, 1867 to 1871, sold 635 miles of of timber lands at \$260 per mile, or \$165,362.

The Blake Government, 1871, sold 5,031 miles of timber lands at \$117 per mile, or \$592.601.

The Dominion Government sold several thousand miles of timber lands in the Disputed territory in 1883-4, at only \$5.00 per mile.

The Mowat Government, 1873–1894, sold 4,234 miles of timber lands at \$1,205 per mile, or \$5,101,627.

#### A Comparison as to Methods of Selling Crown Timber.

Ontario Crown timber berths are sold only by public auction after the fullest publicity.

The Dominion Government voted down, during the session of 1894, a motion to have all Dominion sales by public auction only, thus still adhering to the practice of selling by tender or privately.

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The Canada Lumberman, May, 1894, in comparing the Ontario method of selling timber berths by public auction only, with that of the Dominion by tender, says:—"If we take the prices secured at the (Ontario) sales, and compare them with prices obtained by other methods of sale, only one conclusion can be reached as to the financial results accruing from the sale of timber limits by auction."

# A Comparison as to Revenue from Crown Lands and Timber.

New York	State receipts	from	lands in	1893	were only		\$24,334
Michigan	"	"		66	•		14,258
Minnesota	6.6	"		"			192,345
Indiana	"	4.6		"			40,629
Ontario,	1893					1.	823,550

The above States, having no revenue from Crown Lands as Ontario, are compelled to raise most of their revenue by a direct tax on counties, amounting to \$4,028,071 in New York State; to \$1,272,000 in Michigan; to \$1,300,000 in Minnesota, and to \$1,497,000 in Indiana.

### A Comparison as to Cost of Asylum Maintenance,

Cost per inmate per annum for maintenance of	
patients in Ontario Asylums, based on average of	
three years\$1	38 43
Montreal Protestant Asylum, average for 1892 and 1893	181 12
78 U. S. Asylums, average cost of maintenance	227 88
English Asylums, average of 21 years	151 84
New South Wales Asylums, average for 21 years	193 96

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