

since the present Government came into office, I think it would not be out of place to make a comparison between the expenditures of this year with the expenditures made during the two last full years in which the late Government held office. The change of Government took place in January, 1888. At that time the fiscal year terminated on the 30th June, and as that year was partly under the late, and partly under the present Government, it cannot be used for purposes of comparison. The present Government changed the fiscal year to correspond with the calendar year, the last half of 1888 being made a fiscal half year. In making this comparison, I would accept the classification made by the late Provincial Treasurer—Hon. Mr. Jones—dividing the expenditure under the three heads of Civil Government, Public Service, and Miscellaneous. I would first compare the expenditure under Civil Government, showing the saving which has been effected by the present Government in the cost of “running the machine”:

	1886	1887	1889
LEGISLATION	\$ 66,794 60	\$ 72,016 33	\$ 36,055 06
In favor of 1889.....	31,558 98	35,961 27	
EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.....	2,760 81	19,242 27	3,705 68
In favor of 1889.....		15,536 59	
TREASURY	17,128 39	11,901 30	6,545 79
In favor of 1889.....	10,582 60	5,355 51	
PROVINCIAL SECRETARY.....	13,400 78	17,871 30	8,055 03
In favor of 1889.....	5,345 75	9,816 27	
AGRICULTURE AND IMMIGRATION....	22,570 62	19,107 63	9,713 11
In favor of 1889.....	12,857 51	9,394 52	
ATTORNEY-GENERAL	64,154 88	84,324 48	48,513 98
In favor of 1889.....	15,640 90	35,810 50	
LAND DEPARTMENT.....			600 00
RAILWAY COMMISSIONER'S DEP'T....			779 02
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.....	35,115 85	35,265 51	23,905 14
In favor of 1889.....	11,210 71	11,360 37	
MUNICIPAL COMMISSION.....			1,319 06
	\$ 221,925 93	\$ 359,728 82	\$ 139,191 87
Total in favor of 1889.....	82,734 06	120,536 95	

On Legislation the late Government had expended \$66,794.60 in the year ending 30th of June, 1886; for the year ending 30th of June, 1887, \$72,016.33; while this Government have expended during the year ending 31st of December, 1889, only \$36,055.06, showing a saving, as compared with 1886, of

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