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Those of our friends who have not yet remitted their Herald subscriptions for 1909 should lose no time in sending them along. Only two weeks of the year remain, and if they delay 1910 will be upon them before this obligation is discharged. Please do not delay.

We wish all our friends "A MERRY CHRISTMAS."

Hon. William Campbell.

As briefly stated in our last issue, Hon William Campbell died at his residence Sea View, on Wednesday last after a week's illness of pneumonia. Deceased was born on January 12th, 1835, so that he had almost completed his 74th year. He is survived by a widow, five sons and one daughter. Mr Campbell was a farmer and miller, and in both these capacities did in his time extensive business. He was a man widely known and highly respected. He was first elected to the House of Assembly from the New London district as a Liberal, in 1873. Subsequently he joined the Conservatives and in 1880 became a member of the Executive and Commissioner of Public Works, in the Sullivan Government. This position he held for about ten years. He continued in public life till a few years ago, and was at one time or another a member of the House of Assembly or the Legislative Council; and after the amalgamation, a member of the Legislative Assembly. For the past few years he lived in comparative retirement. Mr Campbell was a fearless advocate of the principles he professed, and a hard fighter in the political sense. He was a generous open hearted man, and had a great many friends. He was liked by his political opponents as well as by members of his own party. News of his death will bring a pang of sorrow to the hearts of his large circle of acquaintances who will condole with members of his family in their bereavement.

The Spurred Bribe

The offer of a senatorship by the Liberals, to Mr John McLean of Souris, Conservative member of the Legislature, and the spurning of the proffered bribe by that gentleman, has been a lively topic for the past week or so. Quite naturally the matter soon found its way into the news papers. Its first appearance in print was in an editorial in the Guardian on Thursday morning last. All at once there was a flurry of excitement in the Liberal ranks and their organ started in to make denials and has kept at it ever since. Liberal members of Parliament and of the Legislature, one after another, have been publishing denials of their knowledge of the arrangement. This is the most natural thing in the world. The plot having failed; the offer having been refused; it is easy to imagine how anxious these prominent Liberals are to create the impression that they were not parties to it. Had the little game succeeded we would have quite another story. One denial, however, has not thus appeared in the Patriot. That is the denial of the Liberal who made Mr McLean the offer, but as he stated in his latest expenditure the Liberals of the Province, and \$46,000,000 had been

added to the public debt. With reasonable economy it could have been cut in two. Mr Foster referred to the increased cost of loans which, he said, had gone beyond the average of the first fifteen years of Canada's financial administration. In the main estimates now before Parliament \$127,000,000 was asked for and many additions were to come.

Not to the finance minister was due the improved conditions re the financial position of the country but what had regenerated things was simply the work of the farmers, the greatly increased crops and the millions set in circulation in the marketing of those crops. This led Mr Foster to recall that it was the Conservative party that built the C.P.R., opened up the northwest and paved the way for that prosperity of which the present administration was reaping the benefits. It was the strong arm and business methods of the farmers, the genius of commercial men, and the brawn of the artisan that was responsible for the optimistic conditions now prevailing.

Canada's Finances

Hon. Mr Fielding Finance Minister, delivered his budget speech in the House of Commons, Ottawa, on Tuesday last, the 14th, inst. Briefly summarized his financial statement shows the following: The income for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1910, will be about \$97,500,000; the expenditure on current or consolidated fund account, will be in the vicinity of \$81,000,000; and the expenditure on capital account will amount to \$35,500,000. These figures show a total expenditure of \$116,500,000. According to the manner in which the Government accounts are kept, the book-keeping surplus of revenue over current expenditure is \$16,500,000; but the true statement, subtracting the total revenue from the total expenditure leaves a deficit on the year's financial transactions of \$17,750,000. This increase of \$17,750,000 to the debt of Canada, added to the debt increase of \$46,000,000, in 1908 brings the net Federal debt, at the present time up to \$325,000,000. No better criticism of the budget speech can be given than the following summary of Mr Foster's speech in reply, which we take from the St John Standard:

Mr Foster said that reduced to plain figures the trade of Canada in 1909 had increased \$67,000,000, revenue had increased \$11,000,000, and the expenditure \$21,000,000. The surplus of \$1,500,000 which had been counted on had dwindled to \$1,000,000 and had the bounties been charged to capital account there would have been a deficit of \$1,500,000. Whereas financial institutions and chancellors of the exchequer had prepared for the storm with economy Mr Fielding had plunged forth with his heaviest expenditures

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Proceeding Mr Foster said nothing was heard about the adverse balance of trade with the United States, which exceeded fifty or sixty millions. The total adverse balances of \$104,000,000 showed something radically wrong in fiscal administration. Even Mr. Paterson, he thought, would admit that the day of free trade had passed for ever. The Government talk of tariff for revenue and yet whereas the average duty from 79 to 96 was 28.35 per cent. from '96 to '09 it was actually 28.72 per cent. Mr Foster agreed with Mr Fielding in respect to President Taft's message. He characterized it as reasonable and statesmanlike, but the tariff of the United States already penalized Canada in regard to the export of paper and pulp.

Discussing relations with Great Britain, Mr Foster said that less than six years ago were the ideas of Mr Chamberlain promulgated, yet so rapid had been the change in public opinion that today South Africa, New Zealand, Australia and Canada gave a preference to the mother country, while in the latter one of the historic parties was entering the great and crucial campaign with tariff reform for preferential treatment to the colonies as its watchword. Whichever party won in the impending elections, the time was coming very near when Great Britain would be able to give the Colonies a preference in return for what they had given it. The lesson of it all was that in these negotiations of the present day Canada should look to the future rather than tying its hands too closely. Not only Canada but the Empire had much to gain in the carrying out eventually of the policy of preference, meanwhile let there be no entangling alliances. It was more difficult to abrogate than enter into a commercial treaty.

In eight and three-quarter years, \$57,000,000 had been spent by this department alone. It was inordinate and without compensatory advantages. There was no systematic plan on which these immense amounts were spent; there was no publicity, it was between the members and the ministers. One estimate were brought down change in 89 cases out of 100 was impossible. The other day there was an estimate of \$25,000 for a post office, with a revenue of \$700 and without the postmaster-general asking for it. Some one had simply buttonholed the minister and got the vote. Was it not an outrageous system, he asked. This was one of several pattern cases where money was spent with patronage as the primary consideration and which was responsible for the great increase in expenditures. There should be a board to pass on the needs of such buildings and public expenditures under the department. For shame's sake the Government should provide some business methods of constructing its works.

On the dredging money had been absolutely thrown away. He cited one case where \$45,000 was spent on a lake in New Brunswick for five feet of navigation

for a friend of the Government. He challenged the Government to allow an independent commission of three business men to inquire into the sense of that expenditure.

Coming to the question of general administration Mr. Foster dealt with the Yukon. In 1901 there was a surplus of \$1,680,000 on operations in that territory. In eight years since this surplus had been got rid of and a deficit of \$2,236,287 accumulated. He referred to the Yukon railway bill thrown out by the Senate, but after the Government had entered into an injudicious contract which resulted in damages of \$232,000 being paid without return. Then there was the Drummond counties railway and, more recently, the Quebec bridge, seven millions spent and the bridge collapsed, while the holding company gets compensated for its stock and 10 per cent. added, so there would be no hard feelings. Of the total eventual cost of fourteen millions, seven millions were lost.

Mr Foster's detailed examination of the extravagance of the Government was very effective. In particular he dealt with the Public Works Department. "There is no plan upon which these expenditures were made," he said, "there is no setting down by competent authority or competent board, taking into account the amount of money it would be wise to spend, taking into account the needs of the services for which alone the money should be spent, taking into account the localities which are to be served and in the line of precedent."

No country in the world proceeds to its expenditures upon public works on the haphazard and secret plan on which this Dominion of Canada proceeds. It is a matter between the candidate or the person pressing for the expenditure and the minister who has charge of the expenditure.

The crucial consideration he went on, was what was taken out of the people. For twenty years it had averaged \$65,000,000 per year, which was equivalent to \$11 or \$12 per head of population as compared with less than \$5.50 per head previous to '96. What was there to show for the \$922,000,000 expenditure? He could not escape the conviction that millions of it had practically been wasted. Thanks to the representative system of the government, inquiry was restricted if not prevented. The lid had been lifted on one department and a shocking condition revealed, in the others the door was barred. Continuing Mr Foster read a table of departmental outlays showing the decided tendency to increase. He referred particularly to public works.

On the other hand you have a city like Lethbridge, which has a postal revenue, of \$30,000 and more, which has absolutely no decent place where people can get their mail matter, and yet there is no post office building there good or bad and there is no proposition to put one there. But, because the member representing Lethbridge happens to be on this side of the house he must go chasing around for ever looking for his just rights.

"Well, neither the member for Lethbridge should have to chase around looking for suitable accommodation for the postal service in his city, nor should the other man get a building in his village for patronage purposes, but when such buildings are necessary for the service the department should consult and decide the building was necessary and the kind of building suitable for the conditions of the public service."

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In the United States where we think they have been pretty extravagant, no congressman can get an appropriation by simply going to a minister and buttonholing him. He has to submit his resolution that it is wise to have a public building built in a certain place; he has to substantiate that before a responsible committee and that committee has the oversight of the whole amount that is to be expended during any one year. The Minister of Public Works admits that he is asking appropriations for buildings to house departments of the public service which has not asked for them. The meaning of that plainly is that the Government is not creating public buildings for the use of the service but for patronage purposes. That is the system upon which this immense expenditure in the public works has grown up, until it is today \$12,000,000 under the administration of the present minister. Does not this House think that before a public building is erected the departmental head of the department which requires the use of it ought to express an opinion upon its necessity? Does not the House think there ought to be some board which would take all these matters into consideration and appropriate moneys for public buildings?

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They call that valley Paradise— 'Tis worthy of the name— We fished every crimson brook As anglers ever do.

And saw the legends' magic relate Of how the evil ones came And gave that charming little name To still more charming game.

O, they were noble pioneers Who bravely toiled along, And chased each other on the way With strains of sacred song.

Far over on the mountain side Within God's own green They ran, who once like us admired The beauties of that scene.

We fondly trust they live with God Who faithfully through life, Clung firmly to the holy Faith 'Mid hardships, trials and afflictions.

That they rejoice now to behold The symbol of that living faith Gleam out in golden light.

It marks the soul-inspiring church, St. Mary of the Mount, The dearest place to all the land Whose beauties I recount.

Within that consecrated shrine, New beauties we behold, Where rustic colors still prevailed, In softness unexcelled.

There through the mullioned windows came Two waves of tinted light And lit the marble altar fair, So perfect and so white.

The statues placed on either side Possessed a thousand charms; The Father, Father with the Child, R. clinging in his arms.

And oh! sweet Mary of the Mount, Our Lady full of grace, The smile that serenely was inspired Who wrought that life-like face.

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