ONTARIO IS PROSPEROUS

Facts and Figures given by Provincial Treasurer.

In the Legislature on Thursday last, Hon. A. J. Matheson, Provincial Treasurer, made his budget speech, which gave an account of the financing of the Province during the past four years, from which the following facts are gleaned:

Surplus for last year, $606,000.

"We claim we have fulfilled every pledge."

Surpluses for past three years, $1,656,174.

Members urged that there is necessity for economy.

The subsidy forms $2,128,772 of the expected revenue.

In three years the debt has been reduced $325,000.

The cash and debenture assets of the province are $1,899,333.

The succession duties are put down on a modest estimate of $600,000.

Timber dues and bonuses are expected to yield $1,800,000 this year.

The receipts in 1904 were $6,128,000, and in 1907, they were $8,320,000.

The estimated revenue for 1907 was $8,232,000; the actual revenue $8,320,000.

The province is congratulated on its prosperity despite outside depression.

"Even with large expenditures we hope to show another surplus this year."

The revenue from the T. & N.O. has more than paid the interest on the loans.

The total direct liabilities of the Province are $14,986,566, the indirect $6,960,000.

"We have reduced the price of school books one-third to one-half, and have improved the quality.

"I would be glad to satisfy all demands like those for more hospital aid, if the revenues were sufficient."

For education alone $600,000 was spent more than by the Liberals in 1904, and no money was ever better spent.

Estimated revenue for this year, $7,921,772; estimated expenditure, $7,501,875.

"If we could only get our securities on the trustee list, they would bring $99 or $100."

With the $500,000 due from lumbermen the surplus would have been over a million.

In six months the T. & N. O. will be completed to the junction with the transcontinental.

Within the past three months Ontario's credit in London has advanced three points to 95½.

Out of current revenue $2,837,000 has been paid on construction work on the T. & N.O. Railway.

During the year 518,000 passengers have been carried on the T. & N.O., and not one killed or maimed.

Mines are expected to yield this year $690,000, including $110,000 from royalties and $140,000 from taxation.

Mr. Matheson made a point out of the fact that the revenue from public institutions had increased by $87,000 over 1904.

The past expenditures were all justified, but we must be careful not to increase the permanent expenditure too much.

Owing to stringency, lumbermen were unable to pay $500,000 dues due last year, and this will have to be collected this year.

The "Soo" loan will be renewed for another six months, but there is a good prospect that it will be paid off at the end of that time.

Succession duties have increased from $358,000 in 1904, to $820,000 in 1907, and every estate that should pay has been made to pay.

Since 1904 the revenue from the public institutions has increased by $87,000, of which $57,000 was because of better collections from patients.

A profit of three hundred thousand is expected on the operations of the T. & N. O. this year, but this is not included in the estimated revenue.

One car has been shipped, more ore will be shipped this summer, and from the government mine a revenue of $100,000 is expected for the year.

With the balance of $1,674,084 on hand at the end of last year the aggregate sum of $9,595,856 is expected to be available for this year's expenses.

If the T. & N. O. had been built entirely with borrowed money instead of partially out of current revenue, there would have been $4,511,00 in cash on hand.

Receipts from Niagara Falls Park pay interest and full expenses, but the rate to be paid by the power companies for the water used by them has not been finally adjusted.

The engineering on the T. & N.O. from North Bay was very bad, and the road would have to be reconstructed and grades reduced so that engines could draw 40 cars instead of 20.

There have in former years been people in the public institutions living at the expense of the province, many people who could afford to pay, one man having a bank account of $7,000.

In the fall, when the British markets improve, the government will float another loan to provide money for prisons, roads and other permanent works, in lieu of current funds used on T. & N. O. construction.

Mr Matheson announced that the Soo loan would be renewed for another six months, at the end of which time there was hopes that it would be paid off. Then he expounded the work of the T. & N. O. In six months, he said, it would be completed to the junction.

Rev. O. D. Fournier is preaching a series of sermons at Walkerton on what he calls "eternal problems. A recent topic dealt with was "Is there a real hell?" The Telescope says that the atmosphere outside was about the right temperature for a comfortable consideration of such a red hot topic, but in the opinion of Mr. Fournier, Hell is not the hot place it is popularly supposed to be. His first question was, "Is there a real Hell?" The answer was in the affimative. "Where is this place of torment?" was the next question, and the answer was, that in the ordinary geographical sense it cannot be locaten. The fire and the brimstone referred to by our Saviour, was not intended to be understood literally. It was simply a figure of speech to convey the idea of intense suffering. Hell is in the heart of the sinner. Hell is an accursing conscience. And there will be no escape from it. It will follow the condemned spirit throughout the endless ages of eternity, and will be worse to endure than literal fire. When Mr. Fournier warms up to his subject he is a vegorous and effective speaker.

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THE CANADIAN EMIGRATION POLICY.

The Canadian Magazine for February has a very informing article on the Canadian Emigration Policy. Mr. W. S. Wallace succinctly reviews the history of the present movement, dating from 1897, showing how the great expansion of the last few years is due to advertising on an enormous scale, and the employment of agents all over Europe and the United States. Mr. Sifton is quoted as stating the considerations that led to the present policy. The educational system of Ontario has developed a class of young men, who, finding no market for their talents and ambition, went over to the United States. The Government thought something ought to be done to retain our young men, and this was only possible by developing our own country. No one can doubt that this desirable end has been secured, and Canada is being built up and we are finding places for our young men as suitable and profitable as they could find across the boundary line. In the last seven years nearly 900,000 emigrants have settled in Canada, bringing with them and creating a great amount of wealth. The question is asked, is this increase of wealth and population likely to have a good effect upon the character of the Canadian people? Herbert Spencer says, "I detest that conception of social progress which presents as its aim increase of population, growth of wealth, spread of commerce—quantity only, and not quality." This kind of prosperity may spell adversity; and so Goldsmith:

"Ill fares the lands, to hastening ills a prey,
When wealth accumulates and men decay."

What is the effect of immigration on our native stock? A writer from the United States says, speaking of their policy, "The immigration for the last 50 years has added millions to our population, and added enormously to the wealth of our country, but these things have been accomplished at the expense of the native stock. The decreasing birth rate of our native population has been largely due to the effect of foreign immigration. As newer and lower classes of immigrants come to this country, Americans shrank more and more from the industrial competition that is forced upon them. They became unwilling to subject their sons and daughters to this competition, and hence these sons and daughters were never born. The higher the social standing and social pretentions of our native born, the smaller the birth rate becomes. Our immigrants do not attempt to live up to these standards and are more prolific, and are replacing native Americans. It is fundamentally—what kind of babies are to be born." Careful statistics have shown the native races are dying out. Immigration has not reinforced our population, it is replacing it. The United States Industrial Commission says, "It is a hasty assumption which holds that immigration during the 19th century has increased the total population." Another writer says, "I do not think our population has been materially, if at all, increased by immigration; on the contrary, I think our population would be almost, if not quite as large, if the great flood of immigration, which begun in 1847, had never reached our shores."

"It appears to be conclusive that inferior immigration (and nearly all immigration is, in the nature of things, inferior) is to lower the birth rate of the native born population. The native born population, in the struggle to keep up appearances, fails to propogate itself, commits race suicide, in short, whereas the immigration population being inferior, and having no appearances to keep up, propogates itself like the fish of the sea."

"What influence will this population have upon the electorate, on the soundness of public conscience, the integrity of the public vote? Will they cast their votes intelligently, or will they sell their birthright for a mess of pottage?"

The regime of Tammany Hall, under Boss Tweed and Richard Crocker, would have been impossible with a native born population. The presence of millions of foreign people was the tempting bait for these land pirates. The Mormons, Galicians, Doukhobors are settling in blocks and are repeating the French Canadian situation with all its possibilities for mischief.

"Is there anything to be gained by granting the franchise to all these immigrants after a five years residence? Is not safety better than speed? The policy of the Government is essentially a policy of forcing immigration instead of welcoming it judiciously."

At a public meeting held in Woodstock on February 28 in connection with the depression of the labor market and the unemployed, the immigration policy of the Government was severely censured. A resolution was unanimously passed condeming unrestricted immigration, the bonusing of agents and companies, and that all immigration when assisted by charitable, benevolent or reform associations be forbidden by Act of Parliament. One of the criticisms was, "It is unfair of foreign countries to ask us to accept the citizens they themselves have crowded out."

The disclosures in British Columbia bring the big corporations into the limelight as the sinners who are bringing undesirable immigration.

The motive of this digest is not to criticize the Government from any party standpoint, but simply to show that public opinion is opposed to their policy, because it benefits only the large corporations—steamships, railroads and manufacturing—and discriminates against the working man by flooding the labor market. Popular feeling, especially, is against charitable institutions and Reform Associations making Canada a dumping ground for undesirables and misfits in their own land. Let immigration come itself subject to stringent regulations.

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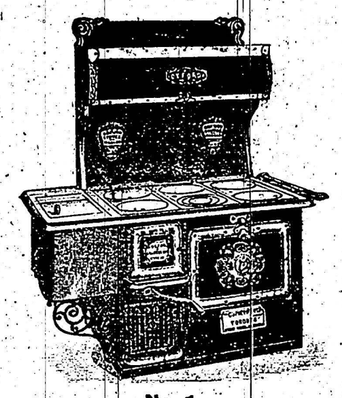

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CHAP. XXIX.—(Continued.)

And she waited there in soft fragrant night, almost desperate with fear, and yet bliss in her conquest of Hans Regsted heart; revelling in the thrilli future that was opening bef her, and with it, all in a fever and half unconscious conditi The clock in the academy str ten; she counted the strokes in low voice. "Only a quarter of hour more to wait," she said was strange how chilly she felt at once, in spite of the heat teeth chattered and her torch was damp.

There was a movement in old kitchen, which was now servants' room. The young sold went whistling across the hall light the lamp in the lieutenan room. Then he came back wit carafe of water, passed clos Katie, and disappeared in dark garden. Katie could hear pump going, and the whistling:

"Roses are blooming in the Soldiers are marching field."

The conversation about this song came back and she felt as if her heart stand still for fear. At the ent a window opened upstai

"Katie, are you there" her sister's voice.

She went into the house and upstairs. She felt as if she leaden weights on her feet so hard to climb the few steps she was obliged to stop half up, for the shivering fit came her again, and her head be ache horribly.

"Good gracious, where have been?" asked Helen. "Y mamma is always anxious you when you do not come good season. Have you been the Frau Pastorin?"

"No; at Aunt Melita night."

She sat up for an hour. Occasionally she would ex then a proud smile would her face. Sometimes she obliged to stop, for she was utterly wretched, and her ached so. At last she got up She wound it up with "Ke thought for your Katie you len." She could not bring he to read it through again stammering entreaty for and confession of guilt.

She put the closely-written into an envelope and addressed When she was about to seal letter with green wax, and off the seal-ring with her arms, a confirmation gift from parents for that purpose, she paused to look up, and caught of herself in the little glass hung over the table. A startled face looked out at with a pair of large wild eyes forehead was half hidden under mass of tangled hair. It w startling picture. And there the corner of the glass, strea the Tollens arms, beneath which she had painted "faithful and tru She stared at the glass as though under a spell, and a feeling of ho ror came over her. It seemed if she saw her father's face ov her shoulder, angry and threate ing.

"What have you done, Katie a voice seemed to say. "Y have stepped aside from the hon able path of the Tollens. Y are a traitor!"

She sprang up like one demen ed, and hid the letter in her pock and then hurried into bed drew the clothes over her. Ag she was shaken by that dea

PLAIN TALK FROM THE DOCTOR

A prominent physician, famous for his success in the treatment of kidney and bladder troubles, stated that to the following prescription is due a great deal of his success:

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