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Our Ottawa Letter.

probably one that will be long remember-

ed. Sir Charles Tupper is not the only

one who dreads it. Foster dreaded it, and

after reading the official Gazette to day

It is said that nothing is so bad that it

might not be worse, but what corld be

worse than the financial statement Min-

ister Foster is forced to lay before you

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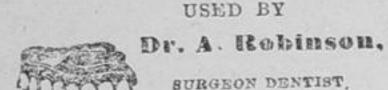
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pressed it had he the power to do so, at

we can express no surprise.

to day.

least until the elections in Haldimand, Antigonish, Vercheres and Quebec West are over, for it is certainly very damaging evidence against the government, an evi dence of reckless extravagance and unfulfilled pledges.

Let us look at the official figures given

The statement, which is for the nine months ending 31st March, places the revenue collected during that period at \$24,553,099, agai..st \$27,845,846 during the corresponding period of last year.

For the same period the expenditure on consolidated fund alone, without ref erence to expenditure on capital account which amounted to another \$3,273,195, was \$23,844,991, or \$513,236 more than it was during the nine months ending 31st March, 1894.

While the expenditure was \$513,236 in excess of expenditure during the three quarters ending 31st March of last year, a shrinkage of \$3,292,747 is shown in revenue, making the country's finances \$3,805,983 worse off than they were on the same date, 31st March, 1894.

Allowing that for the next three months, which go to make up the balance of the present fiscal year, the revenue shows no further decline, and that rev enue and expenditure remain the same as last year, what will be the position of our finances on the 30th June.

The deficit in the treasury on the 30th June last year was \$1,210,332. To this must be added the \$3,805,983 representing the balance now standing against the treasury up to 31st March as compared with our position on the same date of 1894 and we get the actual deficit for the year, allowing that matters grow no worse for the remaining three months.

Just look at the result of this masterpiece of financiering, you taxpayers who have been the dupes of Minister Foster and his colleagues.

A deficit of \$5,016,415.

Is there a Tory Minister or a Tory newspaper who will dare say it will be I have of course assumed that there

will be no further shrinkage in revenue,

but I know that in doing so I am deceiving myself and misleading you. Those who are best posted in prospective revenue and expenditure for the next three months say that it is impossible that a further adverse balance of at least one million dollars can be averted, which

would bring the deficit up to over six million dollars at the end of the year. I do pity Tory correspondents and editors who for party sake have to put forth their best efforts to make as good a story as possible out of the very unsatisfactory text the government has furnish-

ed them in the financial statement. With all the facts before him the editor of the Citizen, the government organ here, in reviewing the financial statement to-day puts a sign board heading over his

article, "The Reign of Economy," Some one met Foster going up to his department this morning smiling away as if a happy thought had struck him. Asked what it all meant Foster said he was laughing to see what a good job the editor of the Citizen had made out of the financial statement.

Let us see where Foster found his grain of comfort out of the Citizen's com ments on his balance sheet.

In showing that "A Reign of Econou:y" had struck the government, the editor of the Citizen tells us that the ordinary revenue for the month was \$2,-748,153 and the expenditure \$1,509,958, both of which he says are less than for the corresponding month of last year.

Now the editor of the Citizen leaves you just there. He does not tell you how much less the revenue was, nor does he tell you how much less the expendi-

I will. The revenue for the month was \$1,011,173 less than in March last year, while the reduction in the expenditure was only \$189,353 less. This is what they call "The Reign of

I won't say it is economising the truth, but it looks mighty like it.

The editor of the Citizen then goes on to say that for the nine months there has been a reduction of \$3,292,747 in revenue as compared with the corresponding period of 1894, but while he tells you that the expenditure for that period amounted to \$23,844,891, he makes no comparison with the expenditure of last year. Why? Just because that expenditure would show an increase in expenditure of \$513,236.

The Citizen, however, finds that in ex- 29 A. Winger penditure on capital recount during the | 30 D. Smith month there has been a reduction of 31 G. Quantz \$200,659, which it announces with the 32 Jacob Spicer following interesting bit of information: | 33 J. A. McKingon 76 Jno. Drummond "If the revenue has fallen off, &c , &c., 34 Wm. Kyle it has to a large extent been met by re- 35 Alex Malloy duced expenditure on capital account, 36 W.H. Castator the result of rigidly economical manage- 37 M. Thistlewaite 80 Albert Searl

ment of the departments of government." | 38 John Darker For appearance sake in view of the ap- | 39 A. McNaughton 82 H. Appleton proaching session they have cut down ex- 40 J. R. Wilson penditure on capital account \$200,659, 41 Isaac Murray and they are losing no time in letting | 42 W. Hamilton

you know all about it.

omy "the Citizen tells us about come in ? 45 Henry Whitmore87 James Devins Mr. Foster and his friends must think | 46 T. Richardson 88 P. Phillips. they are teaching the methods of finance | 47 James Murray to a Kindergarten class when they attempt to palm off such stories upon you. | 27th day of May.

Vaughan Council

The council of the municipality of the township of Vaughan met at the Town Hall on Tuesday, April 9th.

present: Messra. Arnold, Bryson, Knby and Watsor.

The minutes of last meeting were read and on motion approved. Mr. Arnold, that the treasurer be and is

hereby authorized to pay the following

accounts: District No. 1-

To Thos. Keys, for spikes, wedges and sharpening picks.....\$ 3 95 District No. 2-

To Jas. Marshall, for 5,500 ft. plank at \$14 per M 77 00

Moved by Mr. Arnold, seconded by improving now and we hope she will soon Mr. Bryson, that Robert N. Taylor do recuperate. have the road allowance from where the Vaughan uses the said deviation as a All are welcome. Don't miss it for we public highway through the premises of expect to have a good time. the said Robert N. Taylor, allowing the erections and standing timber from off the said road allowance belonging to the township, one year's notice to be given should the same municipality desire to regain possession of the said original road

allowance .- Carried. Moved by Mr. Bryson, seconded by Mr. Arnold, that the treasurer be and is hereby authorized to pay the following

To Edward Lovett, for cutting 2 cords of wood and piling same ... \$ 1 50 "Wm. Richardson, for keep of

indigents "T. F. McMahon, printing and binding 300 auditors' reports, 100 bills, 400 declarations to

pathmasters, &c 33 60 -Carried. Tenders for the township printing were received from T. F. McMahon, of the Richmond Hill LIBERAL, and A. R. Fawcett, of the Toronto Junction Leader.

The latter withdrew his tender. Moved by Mr. Arnold, seconded by Mr. Watson, that the tender of T. F McMahon for township printing for 1895 be accepted. - Carried,

Moved by Mr. Kirby, seconded by Mr. Bryson, that it is expedient to divide road beat No. 86 and to form it into two road beats by taking lots Nos. 10, 11 and THE 12 from No. 86, and to form said lots into a separate road beat, to be known as 86a, the persons living on said lots to perform their statute labor on side line between lots 10 and 11, and on the west ends of lots 10, 11 and 12; and that lots 23 and 24, 7th con., be taken from beat No. 57 and placed in No. 58, and the west portions of lots 25 and 26, in the 8th con., owned by Wm. Mitchell, placed in beat No. 85; and that the seal of the corporation be attached to this resolution .-

Carried. By-law No. 646 was passed appointing overseers of highways for the current

year as follows: 1 James Bowes 2 Thomas Lane 3 David Boyle

6 J. S. McNair 7 Wm. Sliney 8 Geo. Charlton 9 Alex. Prentice 10 Geo. Deadman 11 Juo. Charles 12 R. Vonderburgh 57 Isaac Devins

13 J. W. Heaslip 58 R. Cunningham 14 W. Washington 58aN. Doneral 15 Geo. Fisher 16 Arthur Bowes 17 Jesse Baker

21 G. W. Duncan 65 Jno. Jeffrey 22 Alex. Gordad 23 Reuben Keffer 24 Wm. Shunk 25 Jas. McNeil

28 Geo. Watson

50 Wm Watson 5 Arthur Coombs 51 Jas Brown 52 Jas. Ross 53 Robert Willis 54 Albert Banks 54aWm, Thompson 55 Wm. Mainpr.z3 56 Chas. White

48 John Wilson

49 Sam Robinson

59 Wm. Egan 60 Wm. Mathieson 61 Jus. Johnston 18 John Cocmbs 62 Geo. Wray 19 H. Bassingthwaite63 Jno. Weatheral 20 Wm. Clement 64 Wm Mainprize

66 R. Nattress 67 M. Lellis 67aJas. McDonough 68 Jno. McDonough 69 Wm. Watson 26 Jno Craddock 27 Henry Thomas 70 Jas. Weatheral

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74 Richard Agar 75 H. McDonald 77 Thos. Smith, sr. 78 Jas. Mitchell

79 Thos. Smith, jr. 81 Jno. Deadman 83 E. Hambly 84 Jas. Barneath

85 Wm. Agar 43 James Devins 86 Isaac Fletcher But where does "The Reign of Econ- 44 Robert Topper 86aL Cameron

The council then adjourned until the

Carrville

Although muddy streets are very prevalent in this vicinity, and considering the unpleasant weather, quite a number at-The reeve in the chair. Members tended service on Sunday evening and listened attentively to the eloquent sermon expounded to them.

Mr. McCarthy's hired man took his departure rather suddenly, and certain Moved by Mr. Watson, seconded by persons miss him very much. It is hoped he will soon return.

We hope our choir leader will be able to take her part in the singing next Sunday, as she was much missed during her absence.

to work with his brother during the We are sorry to learn Mrs. Leaf took -- Carried. very ill on Sunday morning, but she is

Mr. John Coombs, jr., has gone north

The young folks of this town intend road deviates between lots 15 and 16, in holding an entertainment in the school the 8th con. Vaughan, to the Humber house for the purpose of doing some river, so long as the said municipality of local improvements during the summer.

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