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SURPLUS AND REVENUES.

Although for many years the Conservatives had said to it "aroint ye," that Ontario surplus will not arount. Like Banque's ghost, it is always there, a reproach to the guilty, jealous conscience great public question, and form any of the Opposition. Orators may touch the empyrean with their eloquence; journalists may build up glowing sent ences and clever phrases but nothing appeals to The People like a hard ineluctable fact. This surplus is an. evidence of prudence, economy, and contrivance. The business of running a Government is not so easy nowadays as it was a generation ago, when the great Provincial assets of mine and like and forest were practically untouched. Governments, like departmental stores have to be content now with small profits and many of them. They must economize in management and in all ways carve close to the bone. The Ontario Government has been

confronted for a long time with the prospects of direct taxation, but this \$2,400,000 surplus seems a pretty solid bulwark between the public and that eyentuality. It is to the credit of the Ross Administration that it has shown so much ingenuity in staying off the day. The spectre of direct taxation haunts many a Legislature, and makes many calls on their cleverness to allay it. The Ontario Government has shown in various ways its willingness to tackle the assessment problem. There was the Colder's Block long ago. The result of its deliberations luridly depicted as imminent, indeed if commission, for instance, which sat not Doubtless their recommendations will even up the burden without arresting

those activities which tend to the devel opment of the Province and the exploitation of its resources. The corporation tax is, of course, unwelcome 25c. in some quarters, but the principle of 25c. that impost will strike the people as 37½c. eminently fair—that those who make most should pay most. As far as the tax touches railway, gas, electric, telegraph, and telephone companies, the verdict will be that they are getting full justice. So long as public ownership of public utilities does not enter the sphere of political consideration people will be 10c. inclined to say that there companies should pay a fair return for the use of these great and profitable franchises. Some day the State will step in and take over these franchises, but meanwhile it could hardly be the intention of the W. H. BEAN Ross or any other Administration to he had no opinion sufficiently formed discourage the men and the capital that are infusing yigor into our industrial and commercial life. These men are entitled to the fair reward of their enterprise, but they must also carry a fair share of the white man's burden. Another increasing source of revenue is lative remedy, - I do not know any". the succession duties. which are almost Clarke Wallace talked all round the double last year's. The maintenance of question, joining in the debate upon public institutions, \$828,291, is the larg- the principle that West York has got to est item of Provincial expenditure; and be heard whenever East York speaks; by a wise provision, these succession and Col. Hughes declared that "Billy" duties are devoted to that purpose. As | had put in an amendment, and then the country grows, as wealth increases,

as more millionaires and rich men pay

tell to the State in which they made

their money, we may look to these

succession duties to relieve more and

State chrerfully assumes—the care of

fisted millionaire charitable, willy-nilly. They enforce a public spirit among these who are inclined to neglect this obvious duty. Another satisfactory thing about Ontario's financial statement is that the revenue from woods and forests shows an increase of 184,000 in the happy position of having announced a policy with a great flourish of trumpets, only to find their most influencial supporters throughout the and forests shows an increase of 184,000 Province in revolt against it, and to over last year. Woods and forests still be told by the leading railway men in contribute the largest item of Provincial | the country that the carrying out of revenue, and, under prudent manage- the scheme will mean inevitable bankment, will continue to do so for many ruptcy to the Province. As rapidly as you should years. Mr Booth of Ottawa recently CANADIANS SHOULD DO MORE stated that he had one limit from which he had been cutting for forty years, and try a bottle of Mac Farlane's that he could cut from it for forty years longer and leave it in good shape. This was in Canada last year purchasing shows what can be done by careful military remounts, makes the followconcessionaires who know what timber ing suggestions in a letter to Dr. Mcto cut and what to leave standing. The Eachren, Dominion Veterinarian :- "I Kinds and enough to supply Ontario Government has established a was pleased altogether with the class Bureau of Forestry, with a progressive of horses which were brought before the demand. superintendent at its head. The duty of this Bureau is to the conservation of the made by using the English our forest wealth to guard against bush doing away with the American trotting sire, which in my opinion, has and to devise plans of reboisement done a great deal of harm to Canadian wherever they are necessary. The horses. I attribute long back, and Government has set aside in Algonquin | weakness of back, ribs and bones, also Park and Temiscamingue two great also smallness of bones belowthe knee national parks, which will preserve the to the American trotter. I wish to watersheds of the country and will be urge on Canadian farmers, and young incidentally, treasuries of standing men in Canada, to take to riding. Try our & Pureto or Chief the timber and wild game. In every way instead of always driving. They the Government indicates a desire to would add greatly to their health and husband these natural resources, to happiness by so doing, and enchance the value of their horses fifty per cent. draw the interest so to speak-not to It is difficult to find in the country dissquander the capital. If the plans of tricts a horse that has ever had a man the Forestry Department are carried on his back." out successfully there is no reason why the forests of Ontario should not be as permanent an asset to this Province as the forests of India are to the British Government.

OTTAWA NEWS AND NOTES.

This first serious discussion of the session has demonstrated in a manner almost startling in its completeness, the lack of purpose and policy, or even of ordinary cohesion in Opposition ranks it indeed it did not go turther and prove the inability of leader and followers alike to grasp the salient points of a coherent opinion thereon. Upon the motion to go into supply on Tuesday, Mr Maclean of East York brought up the transportation question, repeating his alarmist contentions uttered last week that the Canadian railways were in danger of falling into the hands of aliens, and that to prevent this dire calamity the Government should at once secure control; Proceeding then to point out how easily (?) that could be done. Mr Maclean declared that control could be secured outright, of both the great Canadian systems by the expenditure of \$50,000,000, or they could be leased for 999 years for one dollar each per annum (assuming of course a few hundred millions of liabilities) in fact he thing looked so simple, that the Minister of Finance was; heard to ejaculate sotto yece, "Why we could raise that \$2 right here". But what was the kernel of the whole matter? What was the resolution into which

THE VERSATILE "BILLY" of East York chrystalised his scheme for meeting the impending disaster nothing more nor less than a declaration that in order to get the best results from the Government railway system, already existing, "the administration Agent for the thereof should be freed from all political inflence and a interference." Not a word about talking action to meet it was adirect negation of all the speech contained; because by inference it declared that Government control prevented the best results being secured and the experience of other countries goes to show that direct ministerial control is the only workable method that can be employed in the manage

ment of state-owned franchises. Then the new leaders took a hand in, and both of them were at special pains to make it clear to the Country that they were not responsible for their supporters views on this the first question upon which they had had a chance to have a policy, Mr Borden was "prepared to support that part of the resolution which called for freedom from political interference". -there was nothing else in it anyway; and upon the only really important part of Mr Maclean's speech, that which dealt with state ownership of railways, the leader made it abundantly clear that to give it utterance.

Mr Monk, leader and spokesman for the noble six from Quebec, was not prepared to accept all Mr Maclean's statements, and, added he, "I am not going to take up the time of the House by indicating particularly any legisspoken against it. For himself he could support the amendment to take control of the Intercolonial out of the hands of the naughty (Grits, but he could not endorse the proposition that the Government should own all the

more that burden which every Christian railways of the country. State cheerfully assumes—the care of the halt, the blind, the deaf mute, the Tories are shy of the question in view nsane, all that unfortunate section of of the mess their friends are in, in their the community who are handicapped in initial effort towards state control in struggle of life and who must go down | Manitoba. There the Conservative under our high-pressure civilization. premier Mr Reblin, has stepped in

These succession duties are in the way | where his predecessors feared to tread, of poetic justice. They make the close- | and at present appearance the truth of the old adage about angels and fools has been exemplified. At all events, the Manitoba Government just new i

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change in prices. There is only a moderate demand for for export bulls and prices are somewhat more easy. Offerings are moder-

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