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APPENDICES.

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REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

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# FIRST REPORT

OF THE

## SELECT STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.

COMMITTEE ROOM,  
March 1st, 1878.

MR. SPEAKER,—

Your Committee have the honour to submit this, their First Report.  
All of which is respectfully submitted.

(Signed) J. A. MARA,  
*Chairman.*

We append a statement of the Auditor, of the Assets and Liabilities of the Province on the 31st December, 1877, dated 21st February, 1878, and marked Appendix A.

The January subsidy was \$104,046 78.

The amount at the credit of the Province on the 16th February, ultimo, at call at the Bank of British Columbia, was \$49,456 23; in Dominion Savings Bank, \$10,000; on deposit, at 4 per cent., in the Bank of British Columbia, \$100,000.

We have been informed by the Auditor that, on completion of work under contracts awarded by Lands and Works Department, there will become due—

Roads .....	\$ 7,530 00
Buildings .....	100 00
Graving Dock .....	39,641 50
	<u>47,271 50</u>
And that the Commission to Kinipple & Morris, on Graving Dock, will be .....	19,400 00
	<u>\$ 66,671 50</u>

Respecting Debentures issued under the Act of 1876, we find that, of the \$264,000 of Debentures deposited with the Bank of British Columbia, there were—

Sold on 25th January, 1877 .....	\$ 2,000 00
Do. 1st February, 1877 .....	2,500 00
Withdrawn, and now lodged in the Treasury .....	259,500 00
	<u>\$ 264,000 00</u>

We append a statement from the Auditor of the dates of \$90,500 of the above Debentures, redeemable in two years from the date of issue, marked Appendix B.

We append a statement from the Auditor of expenditure, under vote, for consolidation, &c., of Statutes, Appendix C.

## APPENDIX A.

Statement of the Assets and Liabilities of the Province of British Columbia,  
on 31st December, 1877.

ASSETS.	LIABILITIES.
Estimated Arrears of Real Estate Taxes of late Colony of Vancouver Island ... .. \$ 1,500 00	Amount of British Columbia Loan, 1877, Debentures ..... \$727,500 00
Estimated Arrears of Pastoral Lease Rents Do. do. Assessed and School Taxes ..... 15,000 00	Amount of British Columbia Loan, 1876, Debentures, outstanding ..... 90,500 00
Remittance to Trustees of Sinking Fund, for Loan of 1877..... 7,387 50	Amount of British Columbia Loan, 1874, Debentures, outstanding ..... 20,000 00
Balance in the Bank of British Columbia, on 31st December, 1877 ..... 68,035 00	Deposits: Intestate and other Estates ..... 13,654 68
Balances in the hands of the Treasurer and sub-Treasurers, on 31st December, 1877 27,209 80	
TOTAL ASSETS ..... \$ 123,132 30	TOTAL LIABILITIES ..... \$ 851,654 68

*Audit Office, B. C.,*  
21st February, 1878.

(Signed) W. C. BERKELEY,  
*Auditor.*

## APPENDIX B.

## QUESTION—

Ascertain dates when issued of Debentures \$90,500 at 7 per cent., Loan, 1876, redeemable in two years from date of issue?

## ANSWER—

Nos. 209 to 213 (inclusive)	\$ 2,500	on 7th July, 1876.
„ 214 to 243 „	15,000	11th July, 1876.
„ 244 to 263 „	10,000	15th July, 1876.
„ 264 to 293 „	15,000	4th Aug. 1876.
„ 294 to 298 „	5,000	18th Aug. 1876.
„ 299 to 301 „	4,500	6th Sept. 1876.
„ 302 to 303 „	2,000	7th Sept. 1876.
„ 304 to 312 „	20,000	7th Oct. 1876.
„ 313 to 318 „	7,500	21st Nov. 1876.
„ 319 to 324 „	3,000	4th Dec. 1876.
„ 325 to 326 „	1,500	5th Dec. 1876.
„ 81 to 84 „	2,000	25th Jan. 1877.
„ 85 to 89 „	2,500	1st Feb. 1877.

## APPENDIX C.

## Statement of expenditure incurred, under vote, for Consolidation and Revision of Statutes.

Expenditure up to 30th September, as shown in published Statement of Expenditure for the year 1877 (pages 84 and 85) .....	\$ 1,645 52
Expenditure since 1st October, 1877:—	
Temporary assistance in Printing Office .....	482 07
Stitching, folding, and binding separate copies .....	73 00
Hauling Stationery to Printing Office .....	3 00
Printing ink .....	16 50
Stationery .....	179 00
Services of Commissioner, Hon. H. P. P. Crease .....	500 00
Do. J. F. McCreight, Q. C. ....	500 06
Services of Secretary to Commission, H. S. Mason .....	200 00
	3,599 09
Binding Statutes (paid in 1878) .....	254 25
	\$3,853 34