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THE APPROPRIATIONS.

Here comes the assertion in several journals that Secretary Gage himself estimates there will be a deficit of \$21,000,000 in the next fiscal year under the present revenue law. Is it strange if many newspapers are lamenting their loss of influence with the people, even when they try to use it in a good cause, so long as they resort to such untruths in order to support any claim they make? The secretary made no statement warranting such an assertion. What he did was to contrast his estimate of the probable revenue for the next fiscal year with the amounts asked by the various departments, showing that if all the money asked should be appropriated by congress, and spent during the fiscal year, there would result a deficit of \$21,647,886. This formal statement, made by successive secretaries in their annual reports, is never supposed to be an estimate by them that congress will appropriate all the sums asked, although it does at times exceed the estimate.

The fact remains, says the Tribune, that the responsibility for the future, both as to sufficiency of the revenue and as to possibility of strengthening the monetary system, rests just where President McKinley placed it when he urged in his message great prudence in appropriations. It is obvious that congress has power to appropriate more money than its revenue laws raise, and equally obvious that a deficit, so long as it exists, involves more or less risk of distrust regarding the monetary future. In plain words Secretary Gage has shown congress that it is asked "by the several executive departments and offices" to appropriate \$21,600,000 more than its revenue law will probably yield next year, although that law will probably yield next year, although that law will yield, in his opinion, \$13,600,000 more than the government requires for its expenditures this current year, and \$34,400,000 more than it actually expended in the last fiscal year. Thus the whole question comes to be one of appropriations—is the great increase asked, largely exceeding the probable revenue, necessary for the proper support of the government?

This is the one question which the representatives of the people in congress must decide in the light of their knowledge of the needs and the will of the voters. It is their especial and great responsibility at this time. They know that they can defeat themselves and their party, as both parties have more than once been defeated, by appropriations which the people hold excessive in view of the existing conditions. It is plan to them that the country greatly needs such assured excess of revenue over expenses as will strengthen the public credit and the currency and make practicable reforms to that end. If they care rather for the satisfaction of interested people in this or that improvement or building or extension of the public service, they have to answer to constituents who are not slow to remember that heavy appropriations without an ample surplus involve grave risks.

The appropriations asked this year are substantially the same as the amounts voted last year in most branches of the service, and the great difference is found in comparatively few items. Under the war department, including river and harbor

improvement, \$65,400,000 is asked, in place of \$22,914,816 asked a year ago. The responsibility rests with congress to decide whether, until the sufficiency of the revenue has been established, such extensive increase of appropriation should be made. Secretary Gage's department reduces its estimate for department service and public works by \$1,043,000, and increases its estimate for miscellaneous expenses by \$786,000, making a net decrease. The department of agriculture asks an increase of \$500,000, while in the estimate for foreign intercourse there is a decrease. The estimate for the navy department shows a decrease of \$2,350,000, and the interior department shows a small decrease in public works. The estimate for pensions is slightly reduced, and expenditures for the department of justice and the estimate for the District of Columbia are reduced about \$500,000. A decrease is also made in the estimate for interest on public debt. The great increase asked is for public works, and that increase alone would turn a comfortable surplus into a deficit if the revenue proves as large as Secretary Gage estimates.

Notice.

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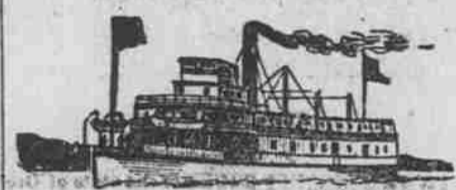


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