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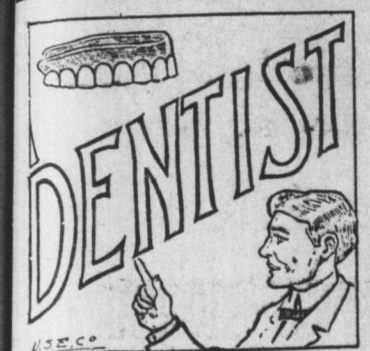
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Correspondence.

The Extra Fire Insurance Tax.

St. John's, Sept. 20, 1919.

Editor Evening Telegram.

Sir,—We herewith enclose copies
of correspondence with the Execu-
tive Government, the Board of Fire
Underwriters and the Board of Trade,
which we would appreciate your pub-
lishing for the information of the
public.

The subject of the correspondence
is the imposition by the Fire In-
surance Companies of a Tax of 5% on
premiums, and which the Insurance
Companies state is to cover the tax
imposed upon the Companies by the
late Government during the session
of this year.

The tax applies only to Policy-
holders in the City of St. John's and
in the opinion of the Council of the
Board of Trade the citizens of St.
John's should act towards having
this tax removed; the opinion of the
Council is expressed in the corres-
pondence.

Yours truly,
For and on behalf of the New-
foundland Board of Trade.

ERNEST A. PAYN,
Secy.-Treasurer.

TO THE GOVERNMENT.

Newfoundland Board of Trade.

July 26, 1919.

Sir,—The attention of the Council of the
Board of Trade has been called to the
fact that Fire Insurance Companies
doing business in Newfoundland pro-
pose to collect a tax of 5% on all
premiums after August 1st.

They give as the reason for this
fact that the Companies are taxed
5% on the premium collections
under the Profit Tax, 1919.

The Council of the Board of Trade
are of the opinion that this 5% tax
on the premium receipts of the Com-
panies is intended to be paid out of
the Companies' earnings, in the same
way that the Business Profits Tax
is paid by private traders from their
net earnings during the year, and
that it is both unfair and unjust to
allow the Insurance Companies to
collect this tax from the Policy-
holder.

The Council feel certain that it was
not the intention of the Government
that the Policy-holder should pay
this tax, and respectfully draw the
attention of the Executive Govern-
ment to the action of the Insurance
Companies with the hope that they
will take such steps as will prevent
any injustice being done to the Policy-
holder.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,

For and on behalf of the New-
foundland Board of Trade,
E. A. PAYN,
Secy.-Treasurer.

Hon. Sir M. P. Cashin,
Minister of Finance,
City.

Newfoundland Board of Trade,

August 28th, 1919.

Sir,—I beg to enclose copy of a letter
dated July 26th, which was address-
ed to Hon. Sir M. P. Cashin, on the
subject of the 5% Tax, Insurance
Companies doing business in New-
foundland, propose to collect from
Policy-holders.

I directed this letter by mistake to
the Minister of Finance instead of
the Colonial Secretary, but I trust
this mistake will be overlooked, and
that you will bring this matter to the
consideration of the Government at
your earliest convenience.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,

Your obedient servant,
For and on behalf of the New-
foundland Board of Trade.

E. A. PAYN,
Secretary.

Hon. J. R. Bennett,
Colonial Secretary,
City.

Dept. of the Colonial Secretary,
2nd September, 1919.

Sir,—

I am in receipt of your letter of the
25th August with copy of letter ad-
dressed to the Prime Minister on the
subject of the 5% tax, which Insur-
ance Companies are proposing to col-
lect from Policy-holders. I shall take
pleasure in bringing the matter to
the notice of the Executive Govern-
ment at the earliest possible mo-
ment.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,

Your obedient servant,
J. R. BENNETT,
Colonial Secretary.

E. A. Payn, Esq.,
Secretary Nfd. Board of Trade.

Dept. of the Colonial Secretary,
5th September, 1919.

Sir,—

Referring to your letter of the 26th
August, respecting the 5% tax which
the Insurance Companies are propos-
ing to collect from Policy-holders, I
have the honor to intimate that I
brought the question to the notice
of the Executive Government at its last
meeting. The Government regret,
however, that it is a matter in which
they can take no action.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,

Your obedient servant,
J. R. BENNETT,
Colonial Secretary.

E. A. Payn, Esq.,
Secretary Nfd. Board of Trade.

TO THE FIRE UNDERWRITERS.

Newfoundland Board of Trade,

July 26th, 1919.

Sir,—

We have to-day forwarded to the

Minister of Finance a protest against
the imposition of the 5% Tax on Pre-
miums, which we understand is pro-
posed to be enforced as from August
1st.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,

For and on behalf of the New-
foundland Board of Trade,
E. A. PAYN,
Secretary.

R. G. Ash, Esq.,
Secy. Board of Fire Underwriters.

Nfd. Board of Fire Underwriters,

July 29th, 1919.

Ernest A. Payn, Esq.,
Secretary Nfd. Board of Trade.

Dear Sir,—

I have your favor of the 26th inst.,
and it will be placed before the Board
at a meeting to be held on Friday,
August 1st.

Yours truly,

R. G. ASH,
Secretary.

Newfoundland Board of Trade,

September 16th, 1919.

Dear Sir,—

In reference to my letter of July
26th, and your reply of the 29th, I
would be pleased to know if anything
has been done by the Board as to the
enforcing of the imposition of the 5%
tax on premiums.

Yours faithfully,

E. A. PAYN,
Secretary.

R. G. Ash, Esq.,
Secy. Board of Fire Underwriters.

Nfd. Board of Fire Underwriters,

September 17, 1919.

E. A. Payn,
Secretary Nfd. Board of Trade.

Dear Sir,—

I beg to acknowledge receipt
of your favor of yesterday's date, and
in reply might say that I put your
previous communication before the
Board, but no action was taken by
them re the matter.

The Tax of 5% on all City Premi-
ums has been added to all Policies
and Renewals by all the Insurance
Companies since August 1st, 1919.

Yours truly,

R. G. ASH,
Secretary.

Battle of Assays.

On Friday, September 23, 1803, Col-
onel Arthur Wellesley, created in 1814
the first and Great Duke of Wellington,
fully established his reputation for
military genius by his victory in the
battle of Assaye, which was gained un-
der every disadvantage of locality and
pre-arrangement, whereby he inflicted
a blow on the Marhatta kingdom in the
centre of India, from which it never
recovered. The great achievement
made him the hero of India, and rich
gifts poured in upon him in gratitude.
The British Inhabitants of Calcutta
voted for him a sword valued at 1,000
guineas; the army a service of plate
valued at 2,000 guineas; and the civil
authorities poured in their congratu-
lations and addresses. But what he
valued more than all the rest and ex-
hibited on many occasions in his after
life, was an address from the native
inhabitants praying "that the God of
all castes and colors would bless and
reward him for his just and equal
rule in Mysore," for he had been pre-
viously appointed civil and military
Governor of Seringapatam and Mysore
with almost a Viceroy's authority.

Subsequently circumstances compelled
Wellesley to fight a battle on the de-
fensive, but he was always swift to
strike when opportunity offered, as
at Salamanca, and in particular he
knew the value of the offensive against
Asiatics. Thus, when he found him-
self before the Marhatta army in
position at Assaye, earlier in the day
than he had anticipated so that his
other column under Colonel Steven-
son was yet distant, he decided to
strike. Some 60,000 men with a pow-
erful artillery faced him, and he had
about a tenth of that number all tired
by a long march. His guns, too, were
light and of little service being soon
overpowered and silenced. But a
flank attack, followed by a charge of
the cavalry, some 2500 sabres, swept
away all opposition. The enemy broke
and fled, leaving the ground cumbered
with dead and wounded and crowded
with cannon, bullocks, caissons, and
all the material of an Indian army.

It was, in truth, a brilliant victory,
for Scindiah's army was no mere mob,
ignorant of tactics and unused to
combination, but composed of infantry,
well trained under French officers, an
efficient artillery and cavalry, excel-
lent for its kind. That they fought
well is shown by the fact that about
a third of the whole British army was
put out of action, while over 1,200 of
Scindiah's dead were left on the field,
and although another battle was nec-
essary, the confidence of the Marhat-
tas was gone. Moreover, it was made
evident that in the "Sepoy General,"
as Napoleon sardoniously called Welles-
ley later, England had found a soldier
capable of yet greater things. The
Duke was born near Dublin in 1769,
the same year as his future great mili-
tary rival, Napoleon Bonaparte, the
French Emperor, and Marshal Soult,
another of his chief French opponents,
both of whom he defeated in his crown-
ing victory at Waterloo on June 18,
1815. Wellington lived to be eighty-
three years of age, and died almost
exactly forty-nine years after his vic-
tory at Assaye, on Tuesday, Septem-
ber 14, 1852.

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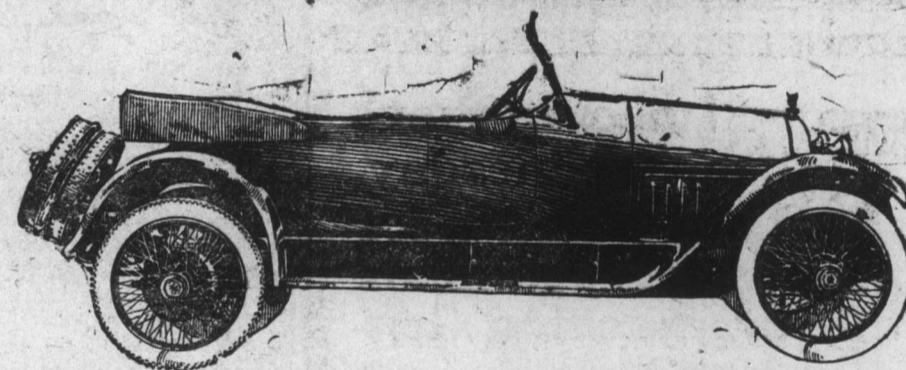
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