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The Chancellor of the Exchequer and His Budget

The Right Honourable Winston Churchill, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, has in his time played many parts. The son of a man of remarkable ability, even if his career was somewhat meteoric, and who for a brief space occupied under the late Lord Salisbury the office held by his son to-day, Winston Churchill has served with distinction as a soldier both under the Spanish and British flags; he has been a noted war correspondent, and is the author of several well known books. During the past twenty-five years he has played a prominent part in politics, first as a Liberal and then as a Conservative, and has filled in turn the offices of Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies (on two occasions), President of the Board of Trade, Home Secretary, First Lord of the Admiralty, Minister of Munitions, Secretary of State for War, Secretary of State for Air, and now as Chancellor of the Exchequer, he has presented a budget which meets apparently with cordial approval.

Strange as it may seem, this man of many talents has been more freely criticised at various times than perhaps any man in public life to-day. He has been spoken of as vacillating, as a free lance, as too prone to act on impulse, and in fact almost everything that he has done or said has brought him under fire, but no one has questioned his remarkable ability.

Without doubt one of the best judges of the Chancellor of the Exchequer is the Earl of Oxford, or as he is better known, Mr. Asquith, under whom he served for many years, and anyone who has read "The Genesis of the War" by the former Prime Minister cannot but be impressed with the very high opinion that he holds of his colleague.

In this book he gives the address delivered in July, 1922, by Mr. Churchill, then First Lord of the Admiralty, to the Committee of Imperial Defence, and the speech shows unmistakably how accurately the First Lord had foreseen the result of the trend of events in Europe.

The naval holiday, proposed by Churchill in 1923, which was heartily approved by America but was treated with derision by Germany, had for its object the prevention of the struggle which events were making inevitable, and it was due to his idea of mobilizing the First, Second, and Third Fleets in home waters in July of 1914 that Britain, at the moment when the flat went forth in the early days of August, was ready and waiting to hold the narrow seas and to defeat any plan of operations by Germany against the British and French coasts.

Two other facts are of significance in referring to his remarkable talents. When the cry of Britain and her Allies in 1917 was for munitions and still more munitions, it was Winston Churchill who was placed in charge of the department whose business it was to see that supplies were available. At the most critical point in the war, and at a time when the situation called

for the most delicate handling, owing to the fact that the Allies were under a united command, it was Winston Churchill who was selected for the position of Secretary of State for War. Later no doubt when the events of those days are viewed by the historian from a proper perspective, the part which he played will be given its true value.

From the general expressions of approval which his first Budget has called forth, it is most evident that he has again scored a success, and this time at a most critical period in the economical life of Great Britain. To meet her indebtedness as well as her internal expenses, taxation has been heaped upon the people until the burden has become too heavy for them to bear. The Chancellor of the Exchequer has taken the bold course of reducing taxation, thereby removing the stranglehold and permitting the country to recover its vitality; he is protecting the natural industries by putting a stop to dumping; he has shown consideration for the aged poor, and his scheme for contributory insurance provides a means whereby the workman can feel assured that, when age or incapacity of some other nature makes it impossible for him to earn a living, he will not have to rely on some demoralizing and humiliating form of charity.

Terra Nova's Cargo

S.S. Terra Nova finished discharging her cargo of seals yesterday afternoon. The following is the specification:—10,718 young harps, 392 young hoods, 4,471 bellmasks, 1,894 old harps, 380 old hoods or a total of 18,225. Gross value of cargo, \$45,356.27. Less damaged skins \$420.00. Net value \$44,936.27. Less one full share \$242.81. 1/4 for crew \$14,164.48. Gross weight, 515 tons, 17 cwt., 2 qrs. 10 lbs.; net weight, 481 tons, 9 cwt., 3 qrs., 2 lbs. The young harps averaged 50 1/2 lbs. The crew of 176 men shared \$80.48 each.

The Fracas at Deer Lake

The fracas which occurred at Deer Lake last week and to which brief reference was made in the Telegram, was not as serious in its results as was at first reported. The trouble, it appears, arose when some workmen resented what appeared to them as insulting behavior towards a man and a woman by several French Canadians who had implied too freely. The Frenchmen were set upon and beaten, and to escape the fury of a fast growing crowd, sought refuge in a store owned by a man named Gustave. About 850 angry men surrounded the building and threatened to haul it down if the Frenchmen would not come forth. It appears that their demands were not acceded to and the fort was taken by assault. Furnishings and Frenchmen were ejected, some of the former, which included a stove, went out by way of the window. Constable Myers, who arrived on the scene, took charge of the Frenchmen, and with several prominent business men and officials, used all their endeavors to allay the anger of the crowd, some of whom had become very aggressive as the result of imbibing in a keg of "cider," which was unearthed during the disturbance. One of the citizens who tried to quell the disturbance was roughly handled by the mob before quiet was restored. The Frenchmen, after their arrest were taken before the Magistrate and charged with assault. As they were needed on the log drive they were released on bail, to appear later.

Enjoyable Dance

Upwards of 250 people attended a dance in Grenfell Hall last night given by the Ladies' Department of the Grenfell Institute. The dance hall was decorated in colors of red, white and blue, with balloons and Chinese lanterns to the strains of the Prince's Orchestra, the assembly enjoyed themselves thoroughly. A programme of twelve dances with three extras was gone through before midnight and was thoroughly enjoyed. The elimination dance was a special feature. The prize winners were Eric Robertson and Miss Margaret Murray. The Master of the Department, Mrs. Fones, was chaperon, assisted by Mrs. Glen Denning. The ladies of the Department provided the catering. The entire assembly were conveyed by the elevator to the reception room, where everybody was seated to an elaborate spread which was done full justice to by all. The object of the affair was to raise funds for the purchase of a radio set for the Ladies' Department.

There will be NO practice for Cochrane Street Choir this evening.—apr30.11

'Abbu San of Old Japan'

A SPLENDID PERFORMANCE.

The lecture room of Cochrane St. Church contained a large audience last night, which came away much pleased with the performance of "Abbu San of Old Japan," which was staged by the Cochrane Street Girls' Bible Class. Abbu San is a royal princess in old Japan, the only daughter of the Emperor. She is a bright, happy child of nature and beloved by all the ladies of her court except a distant relative, Mist of the Evening, who is jealous of the popularity of the little Princess. Mist of the Evening is engaged to marry the Baron Cho and is much incensed when the Princess permits the Baron to dance with her at the royal ball. The next day, two of the court favourites, with whom Mist of the Evening is somewhat unpopular, falsely announce that she has faked her fiancé and has decided to propose to the Princess. Abbu San herself unconsciously lends colour to the story by stating that she is soon to be betrothed, but not saying to whom. Mist of the Evening, furiously jealous, flies to her mother, the regent Duchess Jui-no, who is almost beside herself at the imagined affront offered to her imperial household. She determines to rid her daughter of the Princess who is about to visit the hill country to attend the annual chrysanthemum festival. Abbu San, with her three favourite attendants, sail down the river to the hill country and at the suggestion of the Princess, they intend to compete with the village maids for the honor of being chosen queen of the fête. To do this, Abbu San and two of the maids, dress as peasants. Mist of the Evening, however, does not care to masquerade, and retains her court garments. The convict woman, intent on abducting the Princess, arrives at the fête disguised as a peddler, and seeing only one lady in court garments, she naturally supposes she is the Princess, and abducts Mist of the Evening. In the meantime, the Duchess of Tokyo learns that she is still faithful to her daughter and hurries to the hill country to save the Princess from the hands of the convict woman, and is much concerned when she learns that her own daughter has been the victim. All ends happily, however, as Mist of the Evening is rescued by a valiant porter woman, who, for this, is chosen as Queen of Chrysanthemum Fête.

The comedy is furnished by Miss Dash, an American newspaper writer, and old Aunt Paradise who "don't like dis here old Japan," and longs for "Old Virginy."

The following is the cast of characters:—Madam Masago (Morning Glory), the Manager of the Play, P. Soper; Out her maid of all work, E. Grimes; Porters, P. Moore, D. Tizard; Abbu San, daughter of His Majesty, E. Jardine; The Duchess Fui-no, second cousin of His Majesty, J. Hopkins; Lady Yu-Girl (Mist of the Evening), her daughter, M. Grimes; O Matsuka San, Maid of honor to the Princess, D. Jardine; Okiku San, Maid of honor to the Princess, D. Matthews; Natsu-no hostess of the "In of Million Welcomes," J. Pollard; Okuku, sister of the Ox, a porter at the Inn, E. Clark; Ohano, Miss Flora Grimes; Um; Sada and Jada, three little Peasant Maids; E. Adey, C. Lewis and F. Vey; Miss Henrietta Dash, an American newspaper writer, Mrs. C. F. Garland; Aunt Paradise, a black mammy from "Old Virginy," E. Grimes; Court Ladies and Peasant Maids, H. LeDrew, I. LeDrew, M. Butt, H. Soper, P. Spooner, Musical Director, Mrs. Jardine.

The costumes were very pretty, whilst the stage settings were of elaborate design and the whole scene was a pretty one. The music was particularly pleasing, being taken from the Mikado, whilst the singing, and spoken parts left nothing to be desired. The performance will be repeated to-night, and deserves a large attendance.

Truckmen's Union Make Most Generous Offer

The St. John's Truckmen's Union held their annual meeting in their hall on Tuesday evening when the financial report, which showed the Union to be in a most satisfactory position, was read and adopted. A discussion took place with reference to the question of carting stone to "Exon," the Church of England Girls' Orphanage, where the Orphan Club are about to erect a new building, a letter having been received from that organization in connection with the matter. The Union very generously decided that any work of this kind would be performed free, and their action merits the thanks not only of the Club but of the whole community.

Government Boats

Argyle arrived Argentina 6 a.m. to-day.
 Clyde left St. John's at daylight for Lewisport.
 Glencoe arrived St. John's 11:50 a.m.
 Kyle at North Sydney.
 Portia left Poughdown 2:30 p.m. yesterday, going west.

Magistrate's Court

A drunk was discharged.
 A drunk and disorderly was fined \$2.00 or 7 days.

JUVENILE COURT.

A 13-year-old lad, was arraigned before Judge Morris in the Juvenile Court, and pleaded guilty to the following charges:—
 (1) Larceny of a key, the property of Miss Taylor on 7th inst.
 (2) Larceny from the house of Miss Ettie Taylor, a cash box containing \$2.00. The property of Miss Taylor.
 (3) Larceny of a key the property of Charles Lester on the 25th.
 (4) Larceny of a package containing two prayer books, from the store of George Knowling, Ltd., within the past two weeks, valued \$2.00.
 (5) Larceny of 1 pair of glasses, valued \$1.00, the property of James Baird, Ltd., within the past two weeks.
 (6) Larceny from the Royal Stores, Ltd., one pack of playing cards, valued at \$1.00, the property of the Royal Stores, Ltd., within the past two weeks.
 (7) Larceny of one kit box, from the auction rooms of Mr. Bastow, George Street, also about 4 doz. post cards, valued about \$3.00 within the past two weeks.

The eleven-year-old lad, a brother of the accused was also apprehended by the police, but was not charged. Constable Bennett of the Detective Staff who was engaged on the case, told the court that the accused with his brother were found living in a house on George Street, and had no bed to sleep on. Their only means of getting any sleep was after the family would retire, when they would lie down on the kitchen floor, using their overcoats for a mattress. The constable found in a kit box in the possession of the accused most of the stolen articles and the balance was found in possession of the boy's father. The constable also stated that he had described to the father the habits of the boys and the surroundings in which they were living, but stated that the father claimed he had done all he could for them. In the meantime the father was summoned before Court at the instance of Inspector Noseworthy, the Probation Officer, and was charged, in the presence of his sons, with a breach of Sub. Sec. 2, Section 14 of the Children's Act.

The accused pleaded Not Guilty to the charge, and all that he had to say for himself was that after his wife's death he sent the boys to Grand Falls to be looked after by his sister. For some reason or other the boys returned to the city, and he then placed them in boarding houses and paid their board. As to the finding of stolen property in his possession he was unaware of it.

The evidence of a second constable showed that during the months of January and February the boys were unable to set into their home, the father having being out and kept the door locked. The officer also stated that on several nights on returning from his beat, he would find the little chaps lying on his door step, cold and hungry, waiting for the father to return home. On more than one occasion the policeman took pity on the boys, and brought them into his house and gave them food.

Judge Morris, upon hearing the facts strongly condemned the father, and the manner in which he had treated his children. He would not punish the boy who had confessed to the eight larcenies because his father was to blame. The Judge read the Children's Act for the accused's benefit, and inflicted a fine of \$50.00 or in default two months' imprisonment. He was also ordered to sign a bond in the sum of \$500, and to look after his children in future.

Inspector Noseworthy, the Probation Officer, was given instructions by the Court to see that the order is carried out.

PEPYS BEHIND THE SCENES

April 29th.—A dull day and little or no sun to be had anywhere. Indeed, the times are mighty quiet, more so than I have seen them this long time. The House this day hears a petition from St. John's East, presented by the Opposition, and praying that the District do soon have its bye-election to fill the vacant seat there. Sir John Crobie explains the conditions of the last job at some length, and the debate then continued on the Tariff till late. Abroad to Water Street, and buy me a new hat, cost me \$7.50, which I am loath to do, yet am ashamed by my wife into getting it. But Lord, the wretch wears me with the interest she do take in my appearance, and should be content that I do allow her to spend a small fortune on her own clothes, without making me get into debt on my own account. Playing at bridge this night, yet am in no humor for the game and do make the most absurd mistakes, which to make my wife upbraid me unmercifully, nor have I the will nor the energy to answer back.

CITY CLUB.—The Quarterly Meeting of the City Club will be held in the Reading Room, this Thursday evening, at 8 o'clock.—apr30.11

TO-DAY'S MESSAGES.

PLOT BELIEVED TO BE OF COMMUNISTIC ORIGIN.

LONDON, Apr. 30.
 The officials of the Foreign Office, Home Office and Scotland Yard still refuse to discuss the plot against Austen Chamberlain, the Foreign Secretary, which culminated yesterday in the detailing of guards to protect him, beyond admitting the general belief that the plot was of Communistic origin. No details were forthcoming. London newspapers print the suggestion that the attack on Mr. Chamberlain was to be part of a general Communist disturbance over Europe, with which the recent troubles in Bulgaria and France and today's attempt to wreck a train on which the President of Estonia was a passenger were connected. It is not expected that disturbances will occur in England as the authorities have doubled their efforts for guarding the seaports and centres of possible Communist outbreaks. Heavy guards have been thrown about Mr. Chamberlain's residence and he is followed continuously by Scotland Yard men.

TO DO HIS DUTY LIKE A GOOD GERMAN.

GROSS SCHWUEL.
 Per Germany, Apr. 30.
 Field Marshal Von Hindenburg, President-elect of Germany, never a talkative man, in simple words summed up his conception of his duties as President to a small circle of friends who visited him at his temporary abode here immediately after his conference with Chancellor Luther yesterday. "I will do my duty just as I have done it thus far as a Good German," said the President-elect; "that surely will be the right way."

JARVIS MAKES A STATEMENT.

TORONTO, Apr. 30.
 In a statement issued last night Aemilius Jarvis gave an explanation of his connection with the Ontario Government bond purchase transaction, and declared there never was any bargain, understanding or arrangement expressed or implied with Peter Smith, the former Provincial Treasurer, or Andrew Pappal or any other person, that Peter Smith was to receive any share or benefit from the purchase of the succession duty free bonds. Smith was not present at the Ontario Cabinet meeting when the contract was negotiated, he said. Jarvis asked that the statement be given the same prominence as was given those items which appeared in the press from time to time during his imprisonment for conspiracy, "in which I have usually been pictured as a plunderer of the public funds, which is not true."

EX-PREMIER ASKED TO FORM A CABINET.

BRUSSELS, Apr. 30.
 Baron Charles de Broqueville, ex-Premier, has been asked by King Albert to form a new Belgian Cabinet to succeed that of Premier Theunis, which resigned on April 5.

NEW KNIGHT OF THE GARTER.

LONDON, Apr. 30.
 King George has approved the appointment of Viscount Fitz-Alan as Knight of the Garter in succession to the late Marquis Curzon.

"Take My Advice" Scores Again

Another bumper house greeted the talented players in the playlet "Take My Advice" at St. Patrick's Parish Hall last night. The performers were quite at home in their different roles and the whole show went off without a hitch. Between the acts specialties were rendered by Misses Jean Taylor, P. Coughlan and M. Halley; Mrs. H. Small; Messrs. O. Green and P. Redmond, who with the music of the orchestra added much to the general enjoyment. By special request the play is to be repeated to-night, when another large audience will likely be present.

Feildian Re-Union This Evening

This evening members of the Feildian Club will hold their annual dinner in the Stevedoring Restaurant, when the champion hockey team and the rowing crew will be spectators. Elaborate preparations have been made for the event and the members and their friends are looking forward to a good time.

Personal

Mr. Hubert Rendell was a passenger by the Rosalind yesterday for New York, where he will be married to Miss E. Woods, of that city.

THE TRAINS.—Tuesday's west-bound arrived Port aux Basques 10:30 last night. The express is due at 7 o'clock this evening. The local train arrived at 1:30 p.m.

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Lady Cavendish and Sister Dead

LONDON, April 22.—Lady Frederick Cavendish, widow of Lord Cavendish, died at ten o'clock to-night, at her home in Turnbridge. She was 84 years of age. By a strange coincidence, her sister, the Hon. Mrs. Talbot, died at 8.15 o'clock this evening, at Edenbridge, near Turnbridge. Lord Frederick, husband of Lady Cavendish, was assassinated in Phoenix Park, in May, 1892, at the time he was chief secretary for Ireland.

BORN.

On April 29th, a son to Mr. and Mrs. C. Skanes, Quill Valley Road.

This morning a son to Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Fitzgerald, 124 Casey St.

DIED.

Passed peacefully away on April 29th, Gordon Fitzpatrick, beloved child of James and Susan Egan, aged 4 months; leaves to mourn 1 sister, 1 brother, friends and relatives. May the sacred Heart of Jesus have mercy on his soul. Funeral took place this morning, at 11 o'clock, from his late residence, 2 Hunt's Lane.

Passed peacefully away on Friday last, April 24th, Mrs. Lavina Pettie, of Flat Rock, Bay de Verde District, aged 87 years; left to mourn are 4 sons and one daughter. Boston papers please copy.

Wednesday morning, Thos. Nichols, aged 83 years, leaving to mourn two sons and two daughters. Funeral Friday, at 2:30 p.m., from his late residence, No. 35 Mullock Street.

NOTE OF THANKS.—I, J. Scriver and family wish to thank most sincerely the following who were of such great comfort and consolation to them in their sad bereavement; also the large number of friends who sent wreaths to adorn the casket of their devoted wife and mother: W. P. Rogerson, Rev. Joyce, Rev. Young (Fortune), H. Lake (Fortune), Drs. Carnell and Taft, Dr. and Mrs. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. M. O'Rourke, Mr. and Mrs. T. Flood, Mr. and Mrs. A. Rowe, Capt. and Mrs. Couch, Mr. and Mrs. P. Murphy, Mr. and Mrs. M. Churchill, Mr. and Mrs. R. Holden, Mr. and Mrs. J. Baker and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. Murphy, Mr. T. Woods, Mr. and Mrs. Taylor and family, Mr. and Mrs. H. Jones and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. Piercy, Mr. and Mrs. R. Bowring, Mr. and Mrs. T. Pike, Mrs. Jas. King, Mr. and Mrs. H. Grately, Mr. and Mrs. H. Driscoll, Mrs. A. King and family, Mr. and Mrs. T. Horan, Mr. and Mrs. O'Toole, Miss E. St. John, Mr. and Mrs. C. Smallwood and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. Duley, Mr. and Mrs. E. Burridge, Mrs. Hynes, Mr. and Mrs. E. Walsh and family, Mrs. H. Woods and family, Miss A. Wadden, Miss Henebury; and the large host of friends who near and far too numerous to mention, who sent letters and messages of sympathy.

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