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TOBACCO USERS

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Since 1902.

Size of Package Was Reduced When War Tax Was Imposed But Not Restored When Tax Was Lifted.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 30.—What is designated as a "joker" that cost the consumers of tobacco in this country nearly \$45,000,000, was found today in the existing revenue laws of the United States by Representative Dawson of Iowa, who at once introduced a bill to correct the error.

Under the Dingley tariff law the two ounce packages of tobacco sold to the consumer at five cents each and the four ounce packages for ten cents. In 1905 a war revenue tax of six cents a pound additional was levied on tobacco. At the same time in order to serve the convenience of the trade authorization was given for the reduction of the size of the packages from 2, 3 and 4 ounces to 1-2, and 1-3 and 1-4 ounces, thus enabling the smoker to procure a five cent and a ten cent package of tobacco "at the stores."

In due time, the war revenue tax was repealed. Somebody forgot, Mr. Dawson believes, to restore the packages of tobacco to the original sizes and hence ever since 1902 the consumer has been paying the equivalent of the war revenue tax to the manufacturers of tobacco.

According to figures obtained from the commissioner of internal revenue, over three billion 1-2-ounce packages have been sold during the past six years and over 12,000,000,000 packages

of the 1-4 ounce size. Representative Dawson figures out that the purchaser of each small package has been mulcted out of one cent and the purchaser of the larger of two cents and hence the joker has cost the consumer almost \$45,000,000. Mr. Dawson's bill proposes to restore the packages to the original sizes.

DECISION IN HORSE CASE.

FREDERICTON, N. B., March 31.—In the county court yesterday before Judge Forbes, the jury, after being out fifteen minutes, returned a verdict for \$75 in favor of the plaintiff in the case of McCatherine vs. Howie. The latter seized a horse from one Balfour Holm and sold it. McCatherine claimed he had a bill of sale on the animal and so the property was not reclaimable. The jury upheld McCatherine's claim.

SCOTLAND'S PATRON SAINT.

Why was St. Andrew chosen as the patron saint of Scotland? This question has been asked many times, but the archdeacon of whom Dean Hole tells may be considered to have discovered the most satisfactory solution of the problem. "Gentlemen," said he (he was speaking at a St. Andrew's day banquet at the time), "I have given this difficult subject my thoughtful consideration, and I have come to the conclusion that St. Andrew was chosen to be the patron saint of Scotland because he discovered the lad who had the loaves and fishes."—Dundee Advertiser.

"So you think you would like to make a journey to the north pole?" "Yes," answered the city official. "I must be restful to get to some place where nobody cares whether the snow is cleaned off or not."

Judge—He looks very seedy. Is he moving his will out?

Judge—No; rye.

SPRING IS RIGHT ON THE JOB; ALSO SEASONABLE FEVER, BLUES AND POETRY

Floods of Oratory and Song Sweep One Community—School Children Stricken on the Best Fishing Days.

BLUEBIRD SUPERS FROM SPRING BLUES.

BLUEFIELDS, Pa., March 30.—That spring has finally arrived is shown by the great numbers of bluebirds to be seen sitting on the telegraph wires about the weather. March weather almost always depresses this bird and makes him unhappy; hence his name. This interesting discovery in ornithology was first hinted at by Audubon, but it remained for F. P. Forbes, a local naturalist, to establish it as a scientific fact.

"At one time," said Mr. Forbes, "the bluebird was dull colored. This was when it made its home in the South, and before it became migratory. I may add that it owned a happy disposition and the ornithologist of the feathered tribe.

"Then the wanderlust entered its system, and henceforth the bird became a traveler. One spring he flew North. The snow was still on the ground and the air was chill. Naturally, under these depressing conditions he got the blues.

"Year after year the bird went through the blues, and so strong an influence did his morbid thoughts have on his coat that all the feathers, save those on the breast, turned blue.

"And if you will notice you will see that the bluebird is always bluer in the spring of the year than in the late summer. Which proves my contention.

FINE CROPS SPRING FROM IRON SPRINGS.

SPRINGVILLE, Pa., March 30.—By the interest accident Caesar Augustus Leach discovered a new principle in the raising of spring vegetables, and one which is sure to bring about a revolution in the whole industry of trucking.

Running his farm upon scientific lines, Mr. Leach sent a sample of soil to the State College, and was informed that it was lacking in iron.

One of the professors pointed out that iron in the soil produced strong, full-blooded vegetables. Vegetables grown in soil deficient in iron are almost invariably anemic, and the red beet is pale and white.

So, to restore the soil, Mr. Leach scattered a few loads of scrap iron on the ground. He was amazed at the improvement in the produce. But what most impressed him was the fact that the spring radishes which thrived beside the iron from a spring-board waste.

Mr. Leach has this year fertilized the ground with the works of old clocks, and he hopes to raise a fine crop of half-spring lettuce.

While our springs will aid materially in producing a large crop, still the vegetables are inclined to be heavy and coarse. Cabbage sprouts should not be used; they give the vegetables a bitter taste.

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There is only one way to give indigestion and that is to give your system so much good, red blood that the stomach will have strength enough to do its natural work in a healthy, vigorous way. Many dyspeptics do the stomach with tablets, syrups and other things aimed to assist in digestion, but these things merely give temporary relief—they never cure indigestion—and the trouble grows worse and worse until the dyspeptic is gradually starving. In a case of indigestion a half-dozen boxes of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are worth all the mixtures and so-called re-digested foods in the country. These pills cure indigestion because they strengthen and tone the stomach, thus enabling it to do the work nature intends it should do.

Mr. Paul Charbonneau, St. Jerome, Que., says: "For months I suffered tortures from indigestion. After every meal I felt as if I was being strangled. I finally ate most sparingly. I tried several so-called indigestion cures but they did me no good. My general health began to run down. I suffered from headache and dizziness and pains about the heart. Often after the lightest meal I would be afflicted with a smothering sensation. Finally my mother induced me to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Under the use of this medicine the trouble began to disappear, and in less than a couple of months I had completely recovered my health and can now enjoy a hearty meal as well as any one."

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NEW HAMPSHIRE WILL BE CLOSED TIGHT

Express Companies Will Not be Allowed to Take Liquor to No-License Towns.

CONCORD, N. H., March 30.—No-license cities and towns in New Hampshire will be rigidly protected from the bringing in of liquor from other places within the state by the action of the Senate today.

By a vote of 13 to 10 the Senate concurred in the house amendment to a Senate bill for the protection of no-license territory, the amendment prohibiting the transportation of liquor by express companies from a license community into a no-license place. The bill amended now goes to the Governor, who is expected to sign it.

VANCOUVER 'LONGSHORE' MEN GO ON STRIKE

VANCOUVER, B. C., March 31.—All longshoremen engaged on the waterfront went on strike yesterday and the big blue funnel boat Oanta, the Rupert City, the Georgia, and the Puritan are all tied up.

NINE OFFICERS ARE DISMISSED; HARDING CLEARED

Brodeur Acts With Strict Justice on Commission's Report

Deputy Gourdeau and Mr. Harding Have Been Superannuated

OTTAWA, Mar. 30.—Hon. L. P. Brodeur presented to the commonsense of the House a statement of action taken by the government with regard to the various officials and employees of the Department of Marine implicated by the evidence adduced during Judge Cassels' inquiry into the department last year.

The net result is the unqualified dismissal of nine officials of the department, the dismissal of twelve minor employees on government steamers who were found to have accepted gratuities, their dismissal, however, being qualified by the statement that the Minister may in individual cases consider whether the offenses were of sufficient gravity to warrant him in refusing re-employment after four months' time; the suspension of one official for a period of four months; the retirement on superannuation of two officials, and the reinstatement without loss of salary of two officials suspended during the course of the inquiry.

DEPUTY GOURDEAU'S CASE

Starting at the top of the department, the Minister finds in the case of Lieut. Col. Gourdeau, deputy minister, who has been in the civil service for forty-seven years, the former of Cassels did not declare he was guilty of wrongdoing or of any corrupt act, though somewhat severe comments were made on his connection with the corn transaction brought up during the investigation.

Mr. Brodeur says that in some cases Col. Gourdeau has shown a lack of discretion, but nothing has been adduced to show that he has profited either directly or indirectly, by any action he may have taken.

The recommendation of the Minister, the government has retired Col. Gourdeau from the service with a superannuation allowance based on his salary as deputy minister before the recent increase in salaries took place.

SPAIN AND FRASER FIRED

Commander Spain, wreck commissioner, and J. P. Fraser, commissioner of lights, are dismissed, the former on account of wrongful charges as to his traveling expenses, and the latter for the recommendation of the Minister to make departmental purchases and for various other irregularities.

Agent Gregory of Quebec is also summarily dismissed along with Geo. D. O'Connell, inspector of fisheries, Quebec; C. Thomson-Schmidt, inspector of government steamers; Captain Charles Keen of the government steamer Drulin, and A. E. Bruchman, inspector of dredging, all of whose record varied from minor to serious persons dealing through them with the department.

Other dismissals at the Quebec agency include Louis Gagne, foreman carpenter, and Narcisse Dufour, foreman blacksmith.

In cases of Paul Bodue, T. Thraut, A. Roy, Joseph Belanger, Joseph Fontaine, Malcolm Morris, H. M. Stewart, J. Ferguson, A. Sampson, Eugene Belanger, A. Letich and E. Pitte, all engineers on government steamers, dismissal is coupled with permission to reapply for employment from the department in four months.

Individual cases will be considered on their merits, the Minister having regard to the record and to the general custom of engineers to receive gratuities and in some cases they could not be considered as bribes.

MR. HARDING SUPERANNATED

F. J. Harding, agent of the department at St. John, is retired from the service with superannuation.

Hon. Mr. Brodeur finds that although Mr. Harding had financial transactions in the way of loans with contractors and others dealing with the department, these loans were merely in the nature of temporary accommodation between friends, and there is no proof of overcharges to the department having been made as a result of these loans. Mr. Harding has had a recent stroke of paralysis and the Minister says he is convinced no corrupt act was committed.

John Kelley, inspector of lights for New Brunswick, and J. L. Richard, assistant inspector of fog alarms, accused of having received favors from persons dealing with the department, and who were placed under suspension during the inquiry, are exonerated and reinstated without loss of salary.

Captain McDougall of La Canadienne, who received some small gratuities, is punished by four months' suspension.

WHY SHE ASKED.

"Have you ever kissed a girl before?" she asked.

"Why do you put that question to me?" he replied.

"I only wished to know whether it was lack of experience or natural awkwardness that made you go about it in such a ridiculous way."—Chicago Record.

She was lying on the couch in a state of prostration induced by a prolonged attack of toothache, and even the presence of her best young man failed to soothe her.

"Oh! oh!" she wailed. "Why wasn't a born without teeth?"

"Strikes me you were," remarked the young fellow sweetly.



Don't Starve Your Nerves

A great many people suffer from ailments caused by weak, impoverished nerves, and try to cure these troubles by doing their stomach with drugs. It is impossible. Drugs are poisons, and poisons wreck the nerves.

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DECISION DISCLOSES

NOVEL SITUATION

Plaintiffs Have Cause for Complaint But There is No Legal Remedy.

NEW YORK, March 30.—A decision of interest regarding a labor agreement was handed down here today by the United States Court of Appeals in the suit of the National Fire-Fighting Company against the Mason Builders Association and the Brick Layers Union. The decision discloses a novel situation. It is held by the court that while the plaintiff has cause for complaint against an agreement against the Builders Association, and Brick Layers Union since it prevents the National Fire-Fighting Company from doing business in the way it wants there is no remedy in law or equity on the evidence submitted. In the opinion of the court, written by Judge Noyes, the proposition is stated that when equal rights under the law clash, there is no remedy for an injured party.

MURDER AND RIOT AT ARMENIANS' MEETING

One Shot and Six Stabbed During Dispute Regarding Measures Advocated

BOSTON, Mass., March 30.—Kerelkin Esayan was probably fatally shot and six others were stabbed at a meeting in Brighton tonight, following exceptions taken to a statement by Moses Shenian of New York, who is claimed, advocated extreme measures to be taken with those rich Armenians who would not subscribe to the fund of the Hunchakist Society, which he represented. The police detained some twenty men, pending an investigation.

SIMPLE WASH CURES ECZEMA

Why Salves Fail While a Simple Liquid Has Accomplished Thousands of Cures

It is now thoroughly established among the best medical authorities that eczema is purely a skin disease, due to a germ, and curable only through the skin. It is not a blood disease at all; in fact, thousands of people suffer with skin disease and are perfectly healthy otherwise, and therefore they have no diseased blood. Simple salves cannot reach the germs because they do not penetrate the skin. The only way to reach the germs is by means of a PENETRATING LIQUID.

Such a liquid can be obtained by simply mixing ordinary oil of wintergreen with thymol, glycerine and other healing agents. This compound, known as D. D. D. Prescription, stops the itch instantly—and the cure all appear to be permanent. In fact, it took thousands of cures, case after case, before the best scientific authorities were convinced of the absolute merit of this remedy. D. D. D. Prescription kills the germs in the itching skin. Its effect is seen within one minute after the first application. The cure is even quicker if D. D. D. Soap is used in connection with the treatment.

For free sample bottle write to The D. D. D. Laboratory, Department S. E., 25 Jordan St., Toronto. For sale by all druggists.

ONE OFFICER KILLED AND FOUR WOUNDED

By Indians of Yucatan Peninsula—Uprising Feared.

MEXICO CITY, Mex., March 30.—It is rumored that the Maya Indians in the southern part of the Yucatan peninsula have revolted. Colonel Jose Reyes, commander of the Eighth Infantry, was killed by them and four fellow-officers were either killed or mortally wounded. The disturbance occurred in the penal settlement in the Province of Quintana Roo.

Many Yucatan Indians have been banished to the place, officially it is declared there is no uprising. The death of Colonel Reyes was due to an accident. No details have been given out at the War Department.

A HUNDRED PASSENGERS HAVE NARROW ESCAPE

PROVIDENCE, R. I., March 30.—A hundred passengers escaped with but slight injuries when a heavy electric car on the Providence and Danielsonville Electric Ry. rushed down the Broadway line into Olneyville Square this evening, crashing into a small Dyer Avenue Line electric. Failure of the air brakes on the car bound from Danielson, Conn., to work, is believed to be responsible for the accident. The woodwork about the front platform of the Danielson was set on fire when Motorcar A. H. Rondina reversed the power and blew out a fuse in attempting to bring the car under control. The Dyer Avenue car was lifted from the tracks by the shock while the Danielson car kept the rail. Both cars were well-filled with passengers all of whom were more or less injured, although none seriously.

WHY DAD BACKLID

(Athens Globe.)

An Athenian man who recently "converted religion" and became a member of the church says his family, and not his associates down town, are responsible for the backsliding that followed within three weeks. He says his wife and the girls were in a conspiracy to impose upon him, to work him for money, to make him do more work around the house, and submit to all sorts of tyrannies without grumbling.

"He can't object," he overheard his wife say, "for he has religion now, and is bound to be meek and humble."

Three weeks of this drove him into a frenzy, and one day he backlided so vehemently and forcibly that his wife and daughter were left speechless.

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