

TOBACCO QUESTION IN THE ASSEMBLY; DEBATE ON BUDGET

Mr. Halfyard (continued)—

There has been some money put in circulation for a short while by the building of these branches, and the result has been that we have had somewhat abnormal revenues, but there will be no new industry to the Colony as a result of the building of these branches and there will be no lasting good effects to the people.

You cannot point to anything in connection with these branches whereby the earning power of the people will be increased. There has been no industry started as yet by reason of the building of the railway whereby the earnings of the people have been increased. We now find ourselves in the position of having everything of a public nature at a standstill, as no extra moneys have been voted for education, lighthouses or any other public works.

Spent Borrowed Money

The Government have made large expenditures under these heads from moneys obtained under various governments and not out of the current revenue of the Colony. The ordinary man is not aware that these public works have been paid for out of capital account.

The Government are now demanding more taxation on an already overburdened people, to meet last year's deficit of two hundred and seventy thousand dollars. The taxes on certain articles last year were taken off, but as soon as the elections were over they were put on again, and additional taxation was also imposed.

This taking off and putting on of taxes was undesirable, for one of its chief objections was the disorganization of trade. Small shopkeepers last year suffered to a large extent by reason of the reduction of taxation. I do not think that the Government gained a vote by that action, but they made the excuse for doing so, on the grounds that they were carrying out a promise previously made to the people. It would have been much better as things turned out if they had broken that promise and not reduced taxation.

Reimposed It and More

They are now trying to get back that three hundred and eighty thousand dollars and a great deal more besides in the way of taxes. While this changing of the tariff means the disorganization of trade, there are some merchants who are in the happy position of being able to make money out of it, for those who hold large stocks make heavy profits on their sales.

On the whole interference with the tariff in this way must cause a great deal of dissatisfaction. Even if the Finance Minister proposes next year a reduction of the surtax by five per cent, the dissatisfaction will remain, for the goods will be sold at the same price, because the man who imports is not in a position to tell what the Government is going to do next in connection with the tariff.

Children could not have made more blunders in this connection during the past two years than the present Government. No right thinking man can retain his seat and vote for this Budget.

Huge Amount

With regard to the spending of public moneys I would like to mention that it was brought to my notice last night that during last year the sum of two thousand two hundred and six dollars was expended on a breakwater at Musgrave Harbor, in the District of Fogo. It was only this afternoon that I present a petition from the people of that place asking for moneys to repair that breakwater.

I suppose that money was transferred to another part of the District without consulting the people. If that is the case I consider such a course of action very unfair.

During the election of 1908, one of the candidates for Trinity District supporting the present Government, made a great deal of capital out of the fact that public grants intended for one section of the district were transferred to another part of the district. That candidate had maintained that the money should not have been transferred until the people had been consulted. That money intended for Musgrave breakwater last year, and spent in another part of the District, should now be spent on that object.

Leave It To The People

If moneys are allocated for a particular work the people of a place where that public work is situated, should have the spending of the money, but do not give the people the money one day and take it away from them the next.

I am not going into the matter of the figures of this Budget, because they have already been dealt with by the hon. Leader of the Opposition in

gard should also be paid to those whose capital is invested in the various interests of the country.

Economy Necessary

Economy should be practised and extravagance discountenanced if the public affairs of this Colony are to be placed on a sound basis. The policy of the present Government seems to be the obtaining of a surplus, whether wisely or not, and the spending of it amongst its adherents and those who are hand in glove with them.

Such a course is not in the interests of the community of the whole, for the prosperity boasted of is not derived from the earnings of the people, but from the spending of the capital borrowed from abroad from time to time.

Remarkable Statement

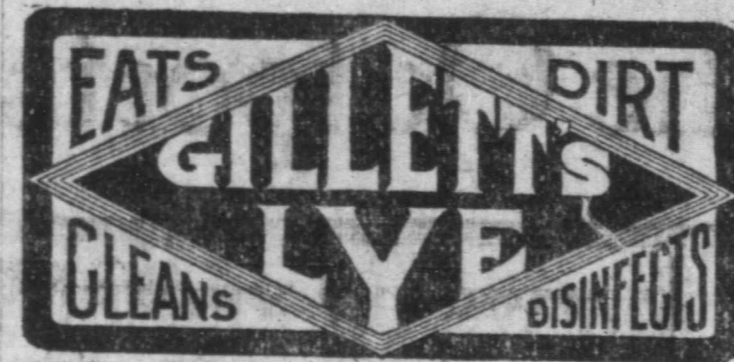
Mr. Grimes—Mr. Chairman, I have listened with some attention to the remarks of the previous speakers upon these Resolutions, and particularly

to those made by the Finance Minister. That gentleman made one remarkable statement when he said that it was gratifying for him to be able once more to congratulate the country upon our continued prosperity.

I do not believe that the House took the hon. member seriously when he made such a statement. The people of the country generally are not enjoying the prosperity referred to, and the hon. member's remarks can only apply to a few individuals who are supporters of the present Government.

Obligated to Emigrate

I make this statement for the reason that during the reign of the present Government many persons were obliged to leave the country to seek a livelihood in other lands. Each year hundreds of people have left this country to engage in pogie fishing and other pursuits in the United States and Canada, because they were unable to secure employment here.



The Finance Minister and the Colonial Secretary have stated that there was employment for all those who were able and willing to work. If that is so why do so many people leave the country? I have no hesitation in saying that within the past few months a great depression in trade in this town has been evidenced, and there has never been less employment for our people.

Work Hard To Get

Is it not a fact that work is much scarcer round the dock and other such places of employment than usual? How many carpenters, masons and other tradesmen and labor-

ers are out of employment to-day, and yet we are told that country is enjoying continued prosperity. The statement is not borne out by facts.

I contend that if the Government had done something for the benefit of the country the present condition of things could not exist to-day. Many persons can only obtain work for six months out of the year, and are obliged to provide for themselves and families for twelve months out of the money earned during that period.

If the Government had carried out some policy which would provide employment for the people through the year there might be some justification for the statement that this country was in the enjoyment of increasing prosperity.

To a Certain Extent

I do not mean to say that a certain amount of prosperity is not enjoyed in some parts of the country, but as a whole this country is not enjoying the increased prosperity referred to

by the hon. Minister of Finance.

As I said before we have to look facts in the face and the general conditions all over the country to-day. We would be more likely to believe in it if we found that there was all over the country at present plenty of work for everybody, but this prosperity exists among the supporters of the Government.

The Reids have got the biggest share of the loans for railways. Bishop, Ryan, Crosbie, the 'News', the 'Herald' and those other newspapers have all had their share in the pickings of the last four years. This prosperity is a false prosperity; it is based not upon the earning power of the people, but upon the capital of the Colony. It is based upon the spending of borrowed money.

Huge Revenues to Spend

What have they had at their disposal during the past four or five years from 1909 to 1913. They have had \$14,000,000 of revenue, and in addition, \$7,000,000 of borrowed money. What do they show for all that? There is very little improvement in the Public Services.

The people have contributed the greater portion of this out of their taxation, in order that the Reids may be able to share the profits of railway building. I have no objection to them getting a fair share of it, but it is well known that that railway could have been built at a much lower price than has been charged by this Company.

All the good that the Minister of Finance and Customs has talked about can only be looked for in the dim and distant future. The Minister cannot point to one single industry that has not yet been established. There have been done in the country the past four years. He has only borrowed a lot of money and spent it on his five branch railways, which have already cost \$6,000,000, and will cost another \$2,000,000.

Doubled in Cost

It is a remarkable thing that after the railway was to be built for \$4,000,000, they have now asked for \$8,000,000, and still do not know if that will be enough to finish the work.

Had the Government done something in the way of providing the fishermen with motor boats, and the opening up of new markets for the fish, which will have to be done sooner or later, they would have been able to justify the statements they have been making the past few days, but they did not. They have thrown it out broadcast here and there, and so far as doing anything of a tangible nature is concerned, we have to look for it in the dim and distant future. We have no hope of any returns from it.

(To be continued)

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\$1.08

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\$1.59

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A very fine assortment made of pure White American Muslin, embroidery and insertion trimmed, with wide ribbon beading and lace edging; wide trimmed lace flounce. Reg. to \$1.70. Friday, Saturday and Tuesday

98c.

NIGHTDRESSES

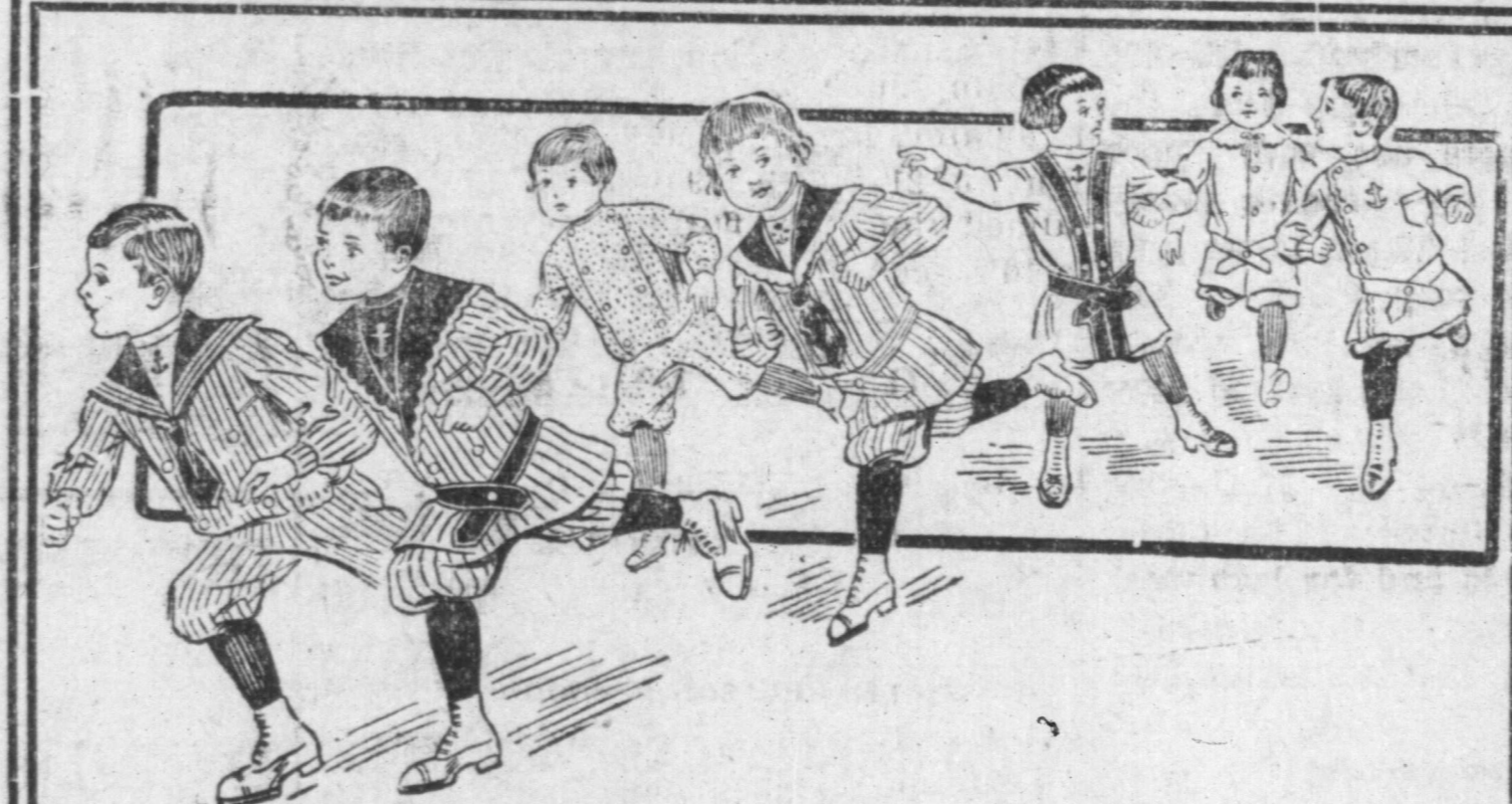
Regular up to 80c. for 59c.

Low neck style and 3/4 sleeves, made of fine White Cambric, showing lace insertion yoke and lace edged neck and sleeves. Reg. up to 89c. Friday, Saturday & Tuesday

59c.

THOUGH not fully mentioned in this advertisement, we have never-the-less a most interesting lot of nice SUMMER APPAREL for every member of the family SPECIALLY PRICED for this Mid-Summer Sale. Don't miss these opportunities, Friday, Saturday and Tuesday.

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Regular 80c.	Friday, Saturday and Tuesday	68c.
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Regular \$1.20.	Friday, Saturday and Tuesday	\$1.05.
Regular \$1.50.	Friday, Saturday and Tuesday	\$1.22.

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Think of it, only 13c.

We have just received 5 dozen of these from New York and hasten to unload them at an attractive price. Made of faint printed Muslin in shades of fancy Pink, Lavender, Blue, Black and White; excellent for morning wear about the house; loose fitting. Special Friday, Saturday and Tuesday, each

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77c.

SILK SCARVES

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42c.

DRESS GOODS. SPECIAL!

65c. Value for 52c.

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52c.

GENTLEMEN!

Do You Want Mid-Weight UNDERWEAR ?

We have lately opened a very fine medium weight of English Manufacture long sleeve singlets and ankle length pants. For those not caring to change to the real finer makes we particularly recommend this line, beautifully finished. Regular 40 cents. Friday, Saturday and Tuesday, per garment

33c.

YOUR SUMMER HOSE

65c. Quality for 45c.

8 dozen only of these in fast Black Cashmere with embroidered fronts and ankles; no imperfections; just a snap for you. Regular 65 cents. Friday, Saturday and Tuesday

45c.

CHILDREN'S HOSE

Assorted Sizes, 19c.

Another new arrival, containing all sizes in that preferred make of the ribbed all-Black Hose for Summer wear; extra full length. Values in these up to 25c. Friday, Saturday and Tuesday, all sizes; per pair

19c.

LADIES' HOSE

20 dozen of fast Black Silk and Lisle Summer Hose. Full sizes. Regular 45 cents. Friday, Saturday and Tuesday

39c.

MEN'S SILK HALF HOSE

For Sunday and Holiday wear, these are very suitable; finely woven fast Black; full sizes. Regular 40 cents. Friday, Saturday and Tuesday

32c.

American Flannelettes!

These come in remnant ends. We bought the entire output of a big factory involving thousands of yards, showing a lot of coloured stripes on assorted grounds. Don't miss this chance. Come now whilst the lots are unbroken; flannelettes for the whole family. Special, Friday, Saturday and Tuesday, yard

11 1/2

Blouses! 69c. 90c. Regular, for

We have an open order with a big New York concern to forward all specials in Blouses. This fact makes possible the splendid values we offer for this week, consisting of fine White Lawn Blouses and Plain Shirtwaists, with Linen Collar; others with Fancy Embroidery Dutch Collars, low necks and 3/4 sleeves, button in front; others again with pretty embroidery front, the entire lot a reflection of New York's latest and smartest styles. Regular up to 90 cents. Friday, Saturday and Tuesday

69c.

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\$1.09

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26c.

TOWELS! SPECIAL!

Another new arrival Plain White Turkish Towels with fringed ends, closely finished; assorted sizes. Reg. 20c. Friday, Saturday & Tues.

17c.

Turkish Towels!

Just to hand a range of Towels offering superior values, principally this one which we offer this week; unbleached quality; crimson striped; sizes 17x36; fine make. Reg. 15c. Fri., Sat. & Tues.

12c.

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