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## BRITISH ESTIMATES

### An Enormous Increase in National Expenditures

### NAVY STEADILY GROWS

### Taxpayers Are Wondering How the Money Will be Provided

The enormous increase in the army estimates, from £18,000,000 when the Liberals went out of office in 1895 to £29,000,000 for 1904-5, is not attracting more attention than it deserves.

This increase is all the more unaccountable and exasperating to the taxpayer inasmuch as during the same period the cost of the navy has risen steadily from less than £20,000,000 to £42,000,000, including £5,000,000 for works, and seems likely to increase still further.

This increase is, indeed, the natural result of the ascendancy of the "blue-water" school, who maintain that the navy is our only safeguard against invasion; that the landing of an enemy on our shores would mean disaster to us or to him according as our fleet was or was not able to command the sea.

This school assert with confidence that a large army of defence is useless, and consequently wasteful. For the country would never endure the expense of an army large enough to cope on equal terms with a great continental army in command of land and sea, and any lesser force could not avert ultimate conquest.

The only landing practicable while our fleet was on the seas would consist of a moderate-sized detachment

of raiders, who being soon cut off from support could be accounted for by a small and efficient army of defence.—Toronto Globe.

A. B. BAL MASQUE.

Judging from all indications the annual masquerade to be given by the Arctic Brotherhood on Monday evening will far eclipse all previous efforts both as to attendance and the splendor of the costumes shown. All the court costumes of many others of equal elegance owned by J. S. Cowan have been secured and when the dance is at its height the scene that will be presented will doubtless be one of exceptional brilliance.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

Are you going to make some of your friends a New Year's gift? If so we want to sell it to you at practically your own price, as we close our holiday store on Saturday night for another year, and everything must go at some price.—McKean, Queen street, two doors from Front street.

## HOCKEY TEAM LEFT SKAGWAY YESTERDAY

World Representative Wires That the Club Has Been Royally Entertained.

The Klondike Hockey Club now en route east to show both Canadians and Yankees how the noble game should be played reached Skagway yesterday in good shape, leaving the Dolphin last night for Vancouver. A wire from the representative of the World on the team states the club was royally entertained by the club at Whitehorse and by the White Pass and Yukon club at Skagway. The public is taking a great interest in the team and nothing was too good for them.

During the progress of the team in the east the World will publish the result of each game played, including the lineup and such incidents of the play as will be of interest to Klondikers, special arrangements having been made for the receipt of such news by wire the moment the game is concluded.

## LADIES WHO WILL RECEIVE THEIR FRIENDS

### Much Hospitality Will Be Dispensed--Gentlemen Will Have a Busy Time If They Call Upon All Their Acquaintances--List Incomplete

The good old custom of the ladies receiving their friends on New Year's day, the exchange of greetings and the drinking of a bumper of wine in honor of the new year, a custom that became memorable many years ago, afterward fell largely into disuse and later was revived, will be observed in Dawson this year in a manner fitting the occasion.

Every year since the birth of this northern metropolis the habit of making calls on the first day of the year has become more and more general and on Monday from the appendix list it will be seen the number of ladies who will be "at home" to their friends will doubtless be considerably larger than ever before. Owing to New Year's day falling on Sunday, the majority of the ladies will receive on Monday, though a few have signified their intention of being at home today. The following list will be found practically complete:

- Mrs. Bergholz will receive her friends at the American consulate from 2 to 5, assisted by Mrs. Congdon.
- Mrs. Andrew S. Grant will be at home at the manse, adjoining St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, and will be assisted by Mrs. W. E. Thompson; Miss Wilson and Miss Burnett.
- Mrs. Z. T. Wood will receive alone at her residence on barracks square.
- Mrs. A. Ross Outbert will receive at her residence assisted by Miss Walker.
- Mrs. J. Sutherland McKay will receive alone, 215 Sixth avenue north.
- Mrs. John Taylor will receive at her residence on barracks square assisted by Mrs. J. Langlois Bell.
- Mrs. W. H. Barraclough, being indisposed, will not be at home.
- Mrs. George Black will be at home, 602 Church street, and will be assisted by Mrs. William Black and Mrs. Guy Erwin. Mrs. Erwin will pour.
- Mrs. H. C. Macaulay will receive alone, corner of Seventh avenue and Princess street.
- Mrs. D. A. Cameron will be at home, assisted by Miss Forsyth.
- Mrs. Dugas and Mrs. Aime Dugas will not receive this year.
- Mrs. E. S. Busby will receive at 339 Eighth avenue, assisted by Miss Zinkan.
- Mrs. George Craig will not be at home.
- Mrs. D. R. Macfarlane, assisted by Mrs. Norma Macfarlane, will be at home at her residence at the head of Princess street.
- Mrs. Douglas, assisted by Mrs. Tucker, will receive at her home on Fifth avenue.
- Mrs. C. E. Cullin is out of the city and will not receive.
- Mrs. W. G. Radford will also be absent during the day.
- Mrs. F. G. Crisp will be at home at 311 Seventh avenue.
- Mrs. A. M. Thornburgh will not be at home.
- Mrs. Richard Roediger, assisted by Mrs. Oswald S. Finnie, will receive informally.
- Mrs. Frank J. McDougall will receive alone.
- Mrs. Charles MacDonald will be at home to her friends.
- Mrs. Arthur Davey will receive at her residence, corner of Church street and Sixth avenue, assisted by Mrs. Simpson and the Misses Macfarlane.
- Mrs. A. Tarut will receive today (Sunday) from 3 to 6.

Mrs. N. F. Hagel and the Misses Hagel will be at home.  
Mrs. H. A. Stewart will be at home, 115 Sixth avenue north, and will be assisted by Mrs. H. L. Ladd and Miss Williams.  
Mrs. C. K. Snell will receive at her residence, 133 Sixth avenue north, assisted by Mrs. James Leslie.  
Mrs. M. A. Day will not receive.  
Mrs. W. M. Heion will see her friends informally at 519 Second avenue north.

Mrs. G. G. Hulme, being convalescent from a severe sickness, will not be at home.  
Mrs. J. Harmon-Caskey will receive at 509 York street from 3 to 5 and 8 to 10.  
Miss Palmer will be at home from 3 to 6 near the corner of Fifth avenue and Queen, assisted by Mrs. Robert Lavery.

Mrs. O. S. Lanning will receive at her residence at the corner of Second avenue north and Judge street.  
Mrs. John Scott will not be at home.

Mrs. E. W. Griffin will be at home at the N. A. T. cottage, corner of Second avenue and York street, assisted by Mrs. George P. Wells.  
Mrs. Herbert B. M. Brown will receive from 2 to 5 at 508 1/2 Church street, assisted by Mrs. H. S. Smith.

Mrs. Creelman and the Misses Creelman will not be at home.  
Mrs. John R. Grey is ill and will not be at home.

Mrs. J. A. Lester will receive at her residence at the fire hall.  
Mrs. H. J. Bailey will receive alone at the corner of Steele avenue and Judge street.  
There will doubtless be a number of other ladies who will receive, quite

a few having not definitely made up their mind in time for insertion in the foregoing list.

AT ST. ANDREWS.

At the evening service at St. Andrew's Presbyterian church the offertory will be a duet by two little girls, "Luther's cradle song," sung by Constance Busby and Gudrun Anderson.

## EARL GREY CONDEMNED

For Desecration of the Sabbath—Rev. J. W. H. Milne of Ottawa, Takes Him to Task.

OTTAWA, Dec. 12.—Rev. J. W. H. Milne in the course of his sermon at the Globe Presbyterian church last night on "Indifference," referred to the city merchants crossing the river and playing golf on Sunday and thereby desecrating the Sabbath day.

The departure of Earl Minto, he said, was the occasion of demonstrations and desecrations of the Sabbath day.

If the newspapers told the truth, he declared, we find Earl Grey following in Lord Minto's footsteps, and treating with disdain the sanctity of the Lord's day.

"We have too much of this kind of snobbery from the other side," insisted Mr. Milne.

BOUND TO EUROPE.

OTTAWA, Dec. 10.—Hon. W. S. Fielding, minister of finance, accompanied by Mrs. Fielding, leave Ottawa today for New York, where they are to embark on the White Star line steamer Celtic, for a Mediterranean trip. Mr. Fielding is going to London on business, but in the meantime is extending his trip to the south to enable him to accompany his wife and daughter to Vienna for the purpose of consultation with the famous Austrian surgeon, Dr. Lorenz. They will land at Naples or Genoa and proceed by rail to Vienna, where the ladies will remain while Mr. Fielding continues his journey to London. He expects to be back in Canada soon after the beginning of the parliamentary session.

## MONEY ON THE ROADS

### How It Has Been Variously Spent

### AMOUNT OF WORK DONE

### Forty Thousand Spent on Whitehorse End and Work on Duncan Trail

Gross misstatements have been made recently in the city publicly regarding the road allowances of the territory having been squandered. A few inquiries were made yesterday in the administration building as to the way the money has been spent and the results are far different from what was stated.

A very considerable sum of the road money was spent on the Whitehorse and Lake Klunne road. The money is shown by the records to have been spent on this road in connection with construction work and repair work done at the Whitehorse end of the territory on the Livingstone creek road, the copper mines road and the south end of the Whitehorse road from Whitehorse to Yukon crossing, amounted in all to \$46,000. Then there was the Clear creek road, the Quartz creek road, the Klondike river trail and other different portions of the trail that will ultimately open the road to Duncan creek. There was also other summer work done on the Whitehorse end of the trail, which in all amounts to a considerable sum. A full debit and credit statement of road account will shortly be published, which will show how false the News charges are.

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