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THE THOUGHTS OF THEOBALD.

FLOUR AND SUGAR.

With the Government helping out the Tarde with tonnage for coal and salt, the situation with regard to Flour and Sugar ought to receive some attention. In a very few months stocks of flour and sugar are going to be slim and the uncertainty of freight carriers seems to be increasing. Nothing definite can be ascertained with regard to freight from New York in February, so that the situation should be "sized up" at once, and action taken. With the example of the coal merchants before them, dealers in flour and sugar should hesitate before advancing prices on their present stocks. In commandeering coal the Government has made a precedent that may be extended to other commodities should occasion arise.

THE HOUSE.

It looks as if the House of Assembly is not to open till late in February. This will shorten the session, and consequently will shorten the Government's most trying time in all the year. In spite of big importations it is rather more than likely that a further increase of taxation will be needed, and if the people can be induced to "foot the bill" instead of another foreign loan, so much the better.

In considering the best method of raising money, I still cannot think of a more equitable way than by an income tax. It is true that the collection of such a tax will present features bristling with difficulties, but surely they can be overcome with proper organization. The income tax bears on those who are best able to pay, that is, the men of money, and from this source must come the money that we need.

The past year has been a year of extraordinary prosperity for business men. This prosperity has come as a result of high prices—high prices based on increased duties and freight rates and which enabled the merchants to clear their stores of oil and dead stocks which had lain on their shelves, in some cases, for years, at a price that surprised even them. The salaries of the clerks and of the shopkeepers, however, have not been increased in the same proportion, so that it is no wonder that we find in almost every such home, a continual and ever-increasing forced economy that is disheartening, even if we allow that some economy is good for us all. We don't want to be forced to it, that's all! Everyone likes to be able to put

by a little, and everyone finds that it is precious little he can "put by!" Therefore it devolves upon the Government to protect these homes of moderate means, and can do so by inaugurating a conscription of money and begin with an Income Tax. Increased duties are a delusion and a snare if the Government thinks that they are a fair tax, covering all people alike. Increased duties mean largely increased profits for the man in business and these profits come from the people into the pockets of the merchant. The gain to the Colony is simply the ten per cent, or whatever the increased duties are, but it is a gain at the bitter expense of the people, tending to decrease the spending power of the people and really working against the best interests of the people. Economic prosperity at the expense of the well-being of the people is no longer good government, good politics or good sense.

An Income Tax bears fairly upon all. It does not touch the man of small salary, but of him who hath much, much will be required.

UNEQUAL TAXATION.

I suppose it is an impossible task to equalize taxation. For instance, it does seem rather strange that a man with a large family and consequently a larger spender is taxed more than a single man or a man with a small family. The more a man is "shorn" of his money by increasing family needs, the more bitter does the "wind" of taxation bite him. There might be a bonus given for every child paid out of a tax collected on bachelors! It seems to be one of those inequalities that will ever exist, certainly while the world is run as it is now. But the Golden Age that lies before us and not behind us, all things will be made straight, and all people will unite to do the world's work like members of one family.



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At the City Hall.

Salaries Increased and Bonuses and Pensions Granted.

The full Board attended at the City Hall last evening and considerable business was done. The question of increases in salaries and granting of bonuses was taken up with the following result:

The Bonuses Voted Were:
Secretary-Treasurer . . . \$200.00
Engineer 200.00
Clerk Mahoney 100.00
Typewriter French 100.00
Clerk Larkin 100.00
Sanitary Supt. 60.00
Plumbing Inspector 60.00
Collector Hynes 35.00

Triennial Appraisement Votes.
Appraisers White and Godden \$1000 each
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Solicitor F. J. Morris 100
Janitor 10

Increases:
San. Insp. Clancy from \$504 to \$564
San. Insp. Murphy from \$504 to \$564
San. Insp. Beer from \$504 to \$564
P. Insp. Donnelly from \$840 to \$900
San. Sup. Dwyer from \$840 to \$900
Rd. Master Bird from \$624 to \$684
Typewriter French from \$420 to \$480
Collector Grace from \$850 to \$875
Rd. Inspector Bambrick received an increase of \$60 a year.

Pensions.
Collector J. Fitzpatrick \$528.00 year
San. Inspector Ewing . . . \$336.00 year

The grounds given for these increases are as follows:
Messrs. Fitzpatrick and Ewing have served for a number of years in the service, both are elderly men and have been pensioned, Collector Fitzpatrick receiving \$528 and Sanitary Inspector Ewing \$336. This pension means the 2 1/2 of salary formerly paid, and is a saving of about \$457 to the city.

Nine officials have received a rise of \$5 per month, and these officials will have to do increased work. The bonuses voted to the Secretary-Treasurer, Clerk Mahoney and Typewriter French have been granted for extra work.

It is arranged that Sanitary Inspectors Murphy, Clancy and Beer will look after the work formerly done by retiring officers Fitzpatrick and Ewing and the difference between their salaries and pensions will be saved.

Mr. Anderson objected to the application of Collector Hynes for \$35 as remuneration for services in helping to pay the laboring staff, on the grounds that such work should have been done under the direction of the Treasurer's Department.

Mr. Mullaly favored Mr. Hynes's appeal, believing that he had earned it. Messrs. Ayre and Anderson moved that in future the Secretary relegate the work to clerks of the Department. The petition of M. Fogarty for increase was not granted, as the records show Mr. F.'s services are fully recompensed.

Impounder Duffett begged a rise in salary. As the impounder already makes some \$150 above his regular salary this request does not meet the assent of the Board.

A pension of three dollars per week was granted to an old employee who had been in the service over 25 years. The request having been asked of the Board by Inspector Bambrick.

Mr. D. English, Mr. D. asked for a rise in pay. Not granted, as it is thought that Mr. English is already receiving sufficient salary.

A report of the City water supply was furnished by Engineer Ryan. In 1914 the average consumption, including water for fire, was 5,000,000 to 5,750,000 gallons daily; in 1915, 6,000,000 to 6,750,000 daily, and the present season from 5,000,000 to 6,000,000, the averages being taken for corresponding periods. The Engineer's records show that the greatest amount of water is taken from the lake between midnight and 6 a.m., evidence that householders leave taps open. An inspection has been kept up night and day of late, and every effort will be made to stop the waste.

The Deputy Minister of Finance wrote, acknowledging receipt of half year's interest on city debt, due Jan. 1st last, and also the city's contribution towards the fire department. Manager Mitchell, Royal Bank of Canada, informed the Board that the loan of \$50,000 asked for was at the Bank, as soon as the Government issued the bonds necessary to cover the amount.

Following the reading of several reports re minor matters, the meeting adjourned at 10 o'clock.

Theatre parties, if arranged for, will be served at close of performance at WOOD'S Central or West End Restaurants during Klark-Urban Co's. season, Jan 12, 11.

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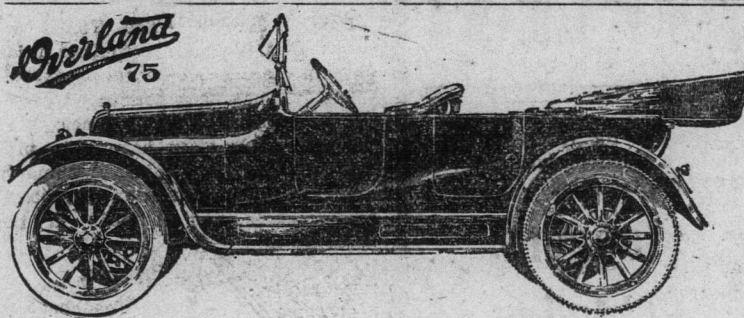
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