

**Dr. Lloyd's Speech**

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 accept it that the statement is correct.  
**HON. MINISTER FINANCE AND CUSTOMS**—Not over last year.  
**MR. LLOYD**—I have the Estimates of last year as they were tabled.  
**HON. MINISTER FINANCE AND CUSTOMS**—By some error these votes did not appear in the Estimates as tabled. There was \$100 to each of the Assistant Superintendents of Education.  
**MR. LLOYD**—The Minister of Finance says that the vote was not included in the Estimates by a printer's error. By a printer's error \$200 which was to have been voted was not authorized.  
**HON. MINISTER FINANCE AND CUSTOMS**—Yes, and you made the same speech about it then as you are making now.  
**MR. LLOYD**—I enjoy interruptions, Mr. Chairman. As I said before, I try to use them to make my point clear afterwards. If this vote was left out last year by a printer's error, why is it left out this year?  
 As the Minister has not answered I will repeat my question. The Minister has pointed out that the extra \$100 was missed out last year by a printer's error. We knew about it last year, and further, according to the Minister, I made the same speech on that occasion. How is it that he made the same mistake in these Estimates which are now before us? Why has it not been added? How is it that after it was missed out last year, and after I made a speech on it then, the same speech the Minister says as I am making now, the same mistake has been made this year. I have dwelt upon this point somewhat, but this only leads up to the main point I want to call attention to. The Minister said we could not find \$200 paid out improperly. Well, in this one department alone we find \$220. Now I notice in his own department that some salaries are increased. G. C. Hann has got an increase of \$150. And this is over and above the \$220 I spoke of before, so it is clear that the Finance Minister does not know what the increases amount to. There is a namesake of my friend whose salary is also increased. This official has got an increase of \$90. There is another increase of from \$300 to \$390 in his Department. So that in his own Department, outside of the Colonial Secretary's Department, my friend

has increases of \$150 and \$290.  
**HON. MINISTER FINANCE AND CUSTOMS**—What is that for?  
**MR. LLOYD**—I am not in a position to say what it is for. I don't pretend to be able to read the mind of my hon. friend and tell him why he made these increases. I am dealing with the facts, and showing that he does not know, when he is talking about increases, what he is talking about—does not even know his own Department.  
**HON. MINISTER FINANCE AND CUSTOMS**—It is too paltry to talk about a few hundred dollars. Talk millions while you are at it.  
**MR. LLOYD**—When I talk millions the Minister is not satisfied. I am now talking the hundreds that he introduced himself and he is not satisfied. But I would point out to him that in the way of pensions, increases in salaries and new salaries, there is no need to talk in hundreds; we can talk in the ten thousands; for we find that the Minister and his friends have authorized the expenditure of \$25,000, contrary to the Audit Act, and protested against by the Auditor-General, and in spite of the fact that the proper place to deal with these matters is not the Executive Council, but this House. The Minister and his friends are arrogating to themselves powers that don't belong to them, and that have been reserved for this House; and so far as I can I will resent that arrogance on the part of the Finance Minister and his friends in making expenditures and the Legislature and the law of the land do not contemplate. But that is not all, sir. Not only do they make these expenditures in connection with increases of salaries and pensions without any authority, but they take money and my money against the expressed provisions of this House and the Audit Act.  
 The Auditor-General says: "I have to report the following expenditures in excess of the votes indicated, all on services for which no vote has been taken," and then he goes on to speak of them. He says in reference to them: "I have disallowed all these charges and they constitute a debit balance against the respective Departments." Now, sir, this statement of the Auditor-General and similar statements which have been laid on the table of the House from year to year, show the inadequacy of the Act. Though we pass votes to the amount of \$3,900,000, that sum will in the ordinary course, be exceeded

next year in the same way as the votes which have been passed here in previous years have always been exceeded. And that brings us up to the question. What are you going to do to meet these expenditures. What are you going to do to meet the \$4,000,000 that you have asked us to vote. It is clear enough that extra tariffs will not respond to make good the deficiency; there is no "nest-egg" now to cover any deficits; it is clear from your estimates that you are not cutting down in any way commensurate with you income. And therefore, what are you going to do? There are only three ways of meeting the difficulty. You must do one of three things. You may economise—which you refuse to do; you may put on extra tariff, but you cannot make the revenue come in—you cannot compel people to import goods; and there is only one other way: You have to borrow, if you can. I believe you can, but you do not say how you are going to do it. That is my point in connection with these Estimates: that they do not take into account the loans that the Government will have to seek immediately this House closes. You are making no provision what-so, sir, that you are treating us lightly, and that you are treating the situation lightly. The position that you are putting up in refusing to declare the course you intend to pursue, is unworthy of you and of those who sit in this House. I have been told already this session that I am the Cassandra of the House—the Prophet of Evil. That is the answer which the Prime Minister deigned to make—

**Patriots**

Arnold Bennett in London News  
 Let us ever remember that those who shout loudest about their patriotism should be heard with the greatest reserve. As a rule patriots do not go up and down saying: "I am a patriot." Dr. Johnson was terse on the point.—(Arnold Bennett in London News.)

The contention that there is a reason for everything is jarred from its foundation by the Iowa man who masqueraded as a woman for eighteen years.

Poiteness prompts a good deal of the applause and practically all of the laughter.

**Queen Stabbed King Constantine**

**Greek Monarch's Illness said to be Due to Wound Received in War Dispute**

Paris, June 15.—The punctured pleurisy region in the lobes of the lungs from which King Constantine of Greece is now recovering, is due, according to a statement made to the Boston Herald correspondent today by the diplomatic representative of a neutral power, a man who has the best possible means of knowing the truth, to a tragic episode that occurred in April during a heated discussion between the King and his Consort, Queen Sophia, who is a sister of the German Emperor.

Notwithstanding her conversion to the Orthodox Greek Church upon her marriage, Queen Sophia remains passionately devoted to the policies of her imperial brother, and to the cause of Germany. A very animated conversation, it is stated, took place in the King's library one evening, which developed into a violent quarrel, during which the Queen, whose occasional outbursts of impetuous temper are well-known to all about her, seized a sharp-pointed metallic paper knife and, scarcely realizing what she was about to do, plunged the paper cutter at her husband's side.

The blade, according to the Tribune correspondent's informant, pierced the pleura and grazed the lower lobe of the King's lung. The Queen instantly expressed the deepest sorrow at the consequence of her impetuosity, but the King, naturally viewing the episode on its serious side, earnestly desired that the Queen return to her own family. The truth was hushed up and the King as he would have done in any case, gallantly attributed to influenza the pleurisy that set in owing to the wound.

This dramatic explanation of King Constantine's malady is declared by the relator of the episode to be absolutely accurate.

Prof. Eisberg of Vienna today performed an operation on King Constantine removing part of the 10th rib.

The King felt some relief after the operation. The treatment is likely to cover a long period.

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**Lord Northcliffe's Attempt Stampede British Government**

(London Daily News)

At the beginning of the war Lord Haldane was engaged at the War Office and there was expectation that he would resume his old position as Secretary of War. That would have been the obvious course, for Lord Haldane was the maker of the British Army and he was the author in 1911 of that scheme for the dispatch of the Expeditionary Force which worked with such surprising smoothness in August last. The presence of a civil head at the War Office was especially necessary at a time when the whole civil resources of the country had to be applied to the improvising of a great army and no one was so marked out for the task as Lord Haldane. Lord Northcliffe saw that he could stampede the Government in a moment of excitement and the streets flamed with his placards about the "Haldane Scandal" and his demands for the appointment of Lord Kitchener. And in The Times, the Daily Mail, the Evening News and Weekly Dispatch he called for Lord Kitchener with varying degrees of violence. The prestige of Lord Kitchener was so great that the Government yielded.

**A Spaniard's View of the War**

Senor Melquides Alvarez, leader of the reformist party in Spain, is reported to have said in a recent interview:

Our whole life depends on the war. The inner politics of Spain are entirely subjected to the result of the fighting in France, Belgium, Russia and the seas. I cannot understand how there can be any people whose attention is diverted to other problems, and I do not understand, either, how there can be men who are called Liberals and are pro-German.

I am going to start a campaign about the war all over the country. The first meeting will be held in Granada. I shall say then what I tell you now. First, that I, as a Liberal, am on the side of the Allies because, after reading the official evidence of both sides, I have the conviction that Germany has caused the war.

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If golf produces letter writers like Woodrow Wilson we are strongly in favor of municipal (and parliamentary) links.—Ottawa Citizen.