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*Loggie, W. S.* (Northumberland, N.B.)—1126.

Thinks this an opportune time to cut the patronage system out of our municipal and national life. Tax resolution discussed, 1127-30.

*Macdonald, E. M.* (Pictou)—1243.

Criticises speech of Solicitor General, 1243-8. Claims that the man who is going to be hit by the new tax is the small business man, 1249-51. I submit that the Minister of Finance, in dealing with the question of the present financial condition of Canada, has not been frank in his statement to the House and to the country, 1253-4.

*Maclean, A. K.* (Halifax)—889.

Balance of trade and loans referred to, 890-1. I wish now to refer to the financial statement just presented by the Minister of Finance in respect to the present fiscal year, 892-4. This is, perhaps, the most convenient place for me to make reference to the Estimates for the coming fiscal year, which are open to grave censure, and are out of harmony with public opinion, 894-8. Capital expenditure and taxation proposals criticised, 898-902.

*Maclean, W. F.* (York South)—1262.

The nickel question dealt with, 1262-9.

*McCraney, G. E.* (Saskatoon)—1259.

Peel election. The Solicitor General and the Minister of Public Works referred to, 1259-61. Thinks farmers are willing and anxious to bear their share of the burdens of the war, 1262.

*McKenzie, D. D.* (Cape Breton North and Victoria)—1103.

The Budget is the real subject with which we have to deal on this occasion, and perhaps it would be well from my standpoint, as an Opposition member, if I briefly reviewed the financial conditions of the country for a short period before this Government came into power, and very hurriedly from that time down, 1110-14. Creation of new courts and Sir George Foster's speech referred to, 1114-17.

*Meighen, Hon. Arthur* (Solicitor General)—1222.

Mr. Oliver's speech criticised and a review of finances for two years given, 1222-3. Comparison of what Canada and England is doing in curtailing expenditure during the war given, 1113-6. I wish to say a word as to the features of the Budget that pertain to the tariff, 1228. The large phase of the Budget proposals remains, namely, that portion of its proposals which asks the great industries of this country to give of their surplus profits to help the country to tide over the financial stress of this war, 1229. Export of nickel referred to, 1232-40. It has been argued by hon. gentlemen opposite that we pay no attention to the call of economy, that we go ahead throw-

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ing away money here and there, employing civil servants beyond number, squandering the assets of Canada, and taxing the people of Canada to make good the loss. But it is important that the people of Canada should know the actual facts, and know what confidence to place in these wild and rambling assertions, 240-42.

*Michaud, Pius* (Victoria, N.B.)—1097.

Mr. Boulay's speech criticised and Mr. Verville's remarks commended as thoughtful and earnest, 1097-8. New taxes and other matters referred to, 1098-9.

*Nesbitt, E. W.* (Oxford North)—1006.

If the people have to economize as individuals, there is nothing that will make them so sore, if I may use the word, as to see what they consider wastefulness on the part of this Government, 1007. Now I come to the revenue side of the account, 1007-11. Immigration referred to, 1011-12.

*Oliver, Hon. Frank* (Edmonton)—1209.

Budget dealt with from the angle of the Government's administration past, present and prospective, 1209. It will be remembered that the Government of the day came into power on a very definite policy of high taxation and restricted trade. Resources of Canada and how administered dealt with, 1211-12. Taxation referred to, 1213-19. I believe that our people, especially the producers of the West, stand to lose a vast amount of money because of the policy of the Government, 1220. The hope that the Finance Minister expressed of a further increase in agricultural production next year might reach fruition if this Government would give the farmer of the West a square deal, 1221.

*Pacaud, L. T.* (Megantic)—1095.

As this is the first occasion I have had of speaking in this House on the great issue which overshadows all others to-day, perhaps I may be permitted to lay special stress on a few considerations which have impressed me still more deeply since the beginning of this debate, 1096. Quebec politics discussed, 1096-7.

*Ross, D. C.* (Middlesex West)—1020.

The war discussed, 1020. The apple duty referred to, 1022. Finances and taxation discussed, 1023-5. Rural credits considered, 1026-8. Government charged with lack of initiative, 1029-30. Government charged with extravagance, 1031-2. Thinks patronage and partyism should be destroyed, 1032-4.

*Turriff, J. G.* (Assiniboia)—1130.

Considers Budget a new departure in the history of Canada. Deplores the increased duty on apples and oil, 1130-2. I have several objections to the proposed taxation, but the main objection I have is this: the minister proposes to treat the honest business man exactly as he