

CANADA'S REVENUE STILL SHRINKING

Decrease \$1,000,000 a Month

Past Nine Months Much Behind Same Period Last Year

Hon. Thomas White Looking For a New Seat—Has His Eye on Several But May Have to Give a Senatorship in Order to Smooth the Way.

Ottawa, Dec. 31.—Canadians paid four and a half millions more customs taxes during the year just closed than the year before. The collections totalled \$118,888,000, which was a betterment of \$4,458,918.

The first nine months were great for revenue. Goods ordered a year previous were arriving, swelling the imports and the customs receipts.

The business stringency reached the government's great source of revenue in October, and since then imports have declined so heavily that revenue has been falling off a million a month or more. In November the decrease was \$1,272,410 and in December the decrease amounted to \$991,175, the collection for the month totalling only \$7,779,000.

The fiscal year is not closed by the government until April 1. Nine months of the fiscal year have passed, and the revenue is \$1,017,293 behind the revenue for the same period the year before, and is expected to continue falling for many months to come.

Hon. Thomas White is looking for a new political home. Leeds, the constituency which now gives him his place in the commons, is wanted by the private secretary of another cabinet minister, and Mr. White has to get out. He has been looking for an opening in Hamilton, which is now represented by David Henderson. It is understood that Mr. Henderson has received an intimation that if he will make way for Hon. Mr. White in the next general election he can have a seat in the senate.

If this bargain is made it will again defer the appointment to the upper house of Major Thomas Beattie, of London, who more than once has been told that he would be promoted to the house of parliament whose members sit for life without the annoyance of periodic elections.

Mr. White has also been flirting with a Toronto riding. Failing to get an opening in Hamilton, he would like to have West Toronto, which is represented by Sir Edmund Osler. He is going to move and it will be to one of these seats.

OTTAWA'S NEW KNIGHT HAS MANY INTERESTS

Sir Henry Kelly Egan is a Prominent Conservative, Clubman and Financier.

Ottawa, Dec. 31.—Henry Kelly Egan, whose name appears in the list of New Year's honours, is one of the capital's most prominent and wealthy citizens, and comes of an old Bytown family. He is a son of the late John Egan, a native of Lixavahane, County Galway, Ireland, who represented Ottawa and Pontiac counties successively in the Canadian assembly, 1868-77.

Born at Arlmore, Quebec, Jan. 15, 1846, Sir Henry was educated at the Montreal High School. He is now managing director of the Ottawa and Prescott Railway Company, a director of the Bank of Ottawa, British Canadian Bank Note Company, and the Ottawa and Montreal Transmission Company.

A Conservative in politics, Sir Henry has several times declined nomination for the house of commons. He is a member of the Ottawa Improvement Committee. Sir Henry has always taken a great interest in charitable and social work, and is a life member of the County of Carleton General Hospital, a governor of St. Luke's Hospital, a life director of the Old Men's Home, a director of the Country Club, member of the executive committee of the Royal Ottawa Golf Club, and a member of the Ottawa Hunt Club and Rifle Club.

ASSISTANT BANK MANAGER ARRESTED ON THEFT CHARGE

D. A. King of Bank of Nova Scotia, Mount Dennis, Accused of Stealing \$700 and Doctoring Books.

Toronto, Dec. 31.—D. A. King, assistant manager of the Bank of Nova Scotia, Mount Dennis, was arrested here today on a warrant charging him with the theft of \$700 from the bank, and falsifying his books. He was released on \$2,000 bail.

CHOICE OF POISONED WATER OR NONE AT ALL

Montreal Faces Hard Situation

Repairs to Aqueduct Still Uncompleted and a Supply Through Old Conduit Would Be Unfit for Drinking or Cooking—Citizens Furious at Civic Bungling.

Montreal, Dec. 31.—It was announced by Mayor Lavallée and Controller Lachapelle today at the conclusion of a conference with a delegation of Montreal business men representing the board of trade and the Canadian Manufacturers Association, that preparations were being made to let water into the old aqueduct in case there was further delay in getting water to the residents of the city by the present method of repairs.

While work on the conduit was pushed to its utmost throughout the day little hope was held out that the city water supply would be restored before Friday noon. Citizens and business men are thoroughly aroused at the failure of the authorities to get a firm grip on the situation and drastic developments may be expected at any time.

In case the water is let into the old aqueduct the city will be supplied but the water will not be fit to drink, neither will it serve for cooking, as it will be highly contaminated. Those who desire the opening of the old aqueduct argue, however, that it will be water anyway.

PIUS MICHAUD, M.P.'S HOME BURNED

Loss Several Thousand Dollars, Partly Insured

Member for Victoria-Madawaska Declares Potato Embargo Means a Loss to Farmers in His Constituency of \$800,000.

Edmundston, Dec. 31.—The home of Pius Michaud, M.P., was reduced to ashes this morning between 5 and 6 o'clock. The house was occupied by Aurele Ouellette and his family for the winter. The fire broke out in the cellar, and when the occupants noticed it, it was too late to save the furniture. The loss, estimated at several thousand dollars, is partly covered by insurance.

It means a total loss of about \$800,000 to the farmers of Madawaska and Victoria counties, said Pius Michaud, M.P., when asked his opinion on the result of the embargo put on Canadian potatoes. "It is the duty of the Canadian government to act at once," he said, "and take up the matter with the authorities at Washington. I have no doubt whatever that the alleged diseased potatoes do not exist in Madawaska nor Victoria counties. The farmers of this section of the province have given themselves almost exclusively to potato raising, and I can say without fear of denial that they have outclassed their competitors across the line. The recent embargo put on potatoes is merely an device for the protection of the Maine potato growers."

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NEW YEAR'S HONORS FOR CANADIANS

London, Dec. 31.—The following names of Canadians appear among the New Year's honours, the official list of which will be published tomorrow: Knights Commanders of St. Michael and St. George: His Honor Sir Francis Charles Stanislaus Langelle, lieutenant-governor of the province of Quebec; His Honor Douglas Colin Cameron, lieutenant-governor of the province of Manitoba.

Commanders of St. Michael and St. George: Chas. Jerome Jones, Esq., I. S. O., assistant secretary to the governor-general of Canada; Aubrey White, Esq., deputy minister of lands and forests, Ontario. Knights Bachelor: Hon. Horace Archibald, chief justice of the court of King's Bench, Quebec; Henry Kelly Egan, Esq., Ottawa.

In addition to the Canadian list, ex-ambassador James Bryce is made a viscount; Sir Rufus Isaacs, the new British lord chief justice; Alexander Duff, lord president of the Scottish court of session; Sir Charles Cripps, Unionist member of parliament for Buckinghamshire, and Sir Harold Harnsworth, a brother of Lord Northcliffe, are raised to the peerage.

Courtesy Walter Bennett, British consul-general at New York, also was created a knight. Sir Gerard Augustus Lowther, recently ambassador at Constantinople, is created a baron, and Owen Seaman, editor of Punch, since 1906, is knighted.

RUSH TO MARRY IN WISCONSIN

License Bureaus Crowded with Couples Anxious to Dodge New Eugenics Law in Effect Today—New Legislation Calls for Clean Bill of Health of Candidates for Matrimony

Milwaukee, Wis., Dec. 31.—A rush to evade the eugenics marriage law, effective today, made today the busiest day on record for the Milwaukee county marriage license clerks. At closing time eighty-four licenses had been issued, and the office was so crowded with applicants that it was decided to issue licenses till midnight.

The new law requires a thorough medical examination of both applicants for a license to wed. It also stipulates that but \$8 shall be charged by physicians for making the examination. Many doctors have declared that they will not make the necessary tests for this fee.

Fear that county officials will refuse to issue licenses unless the medical certificate states that comprehensive blood tests have been made, caused the record demand for wedding permits in the closing days of the year. Reports from other counties in the state agree that an unprecedented number of permits have been granted.

Jerks in many counties have asked the attorney-general for an interpretation of the law, and several have indicated that they will issue no licenses until the supreme court has passed on the statute.

BRITISH EXPERT TO FIGHT POTATO SCAB

Ottawa Government Engages Prof. John Adams, of Dublin, to Come to Woodstock and Conduct Field and Laboratory Work in Efforts to Stamp Out Disease.

Ottawa, Dec. 31.—The government has decided to take drastic measures to stamp out the potato disease in the maritime provinces and to this end Professor John Adams, of the Royal College of Science, Dublin, is to have charge of the investigation of the subject. Experimental and field laboratory work will be carried on. He is a Cambridge graduate and also a botanist of note.

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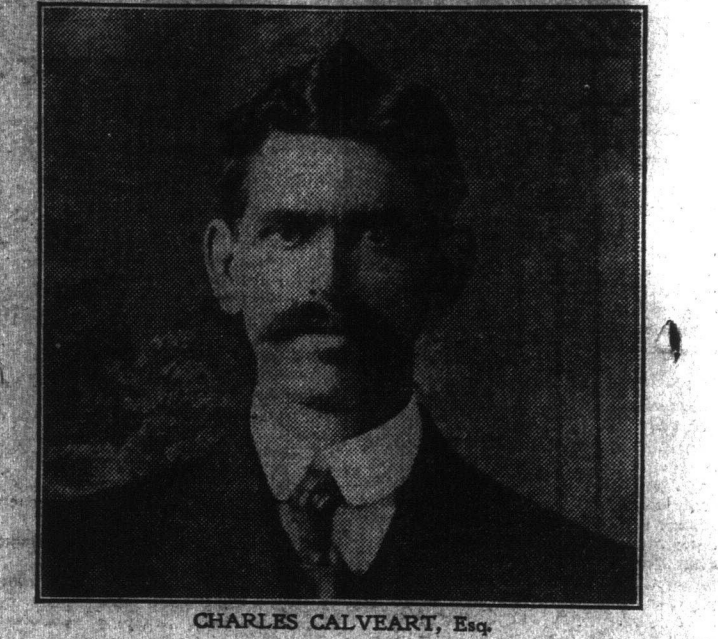
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SCREAMED WITH PAIN

Nearly Died With Kidney Trouble Until "Fruit-a-lives" Gave Welcome Relief and Completely Cured The Disease



CHARLES CALVEART, Esq.

"In 1911 I was laid up with Kidney Trouble and not able to get out of my chair. The pain was excruciating and my screams could be heard in the street. I tried many different remedies without any results and I was steadily growing weaker. One day, a friend from Ottawa came in to see me and when he found me in such poor health, said he would send me a sample of 'Fruit-a-lives,' which he did and I commenced taking them. They did me good from the start and in a very short time I was up and around. 'Fruit-a-lives' completely cured me and I have enjoyed the best of health ever since."

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SPECK OF RADIUM TAKEN FROM CHICAGO HOSPITAL

Disappeared While Being Used on a Cancer Patient—Is About Half as Big as a Pin's Head and Cost \$4,500—The Person Who Has It is in Danger of Death From Its Power.

Chicago, Dec. 31.—Search today by police and hospital authorities failed to disclose any clue to thirty-five milligrams of radium, believed to have been lost or stolen several days ago while being used in the treatment of a cancer patient.

Unless the person having the precious particle of radium—it is half the size of a pin's head and is worth \$4,500—in his possession knows how to protect himself from it, it may kill him, according to hospital physicians. If instead of being found it is mislaid, it will declare its presence by its influence on whatever substances are around it.

The speck of radium was imported from France by Saint Luke's Hospital. It was kept in a platinum capsule on eight of an inch in diameter and three-quarters of an inch long. Its last appearance known to the hospital staff was when the capsule was placed in an incision in the arm of a woman patient. After several treatments it was found that the capsule was missing. The capsule was opened, and it was found that the radium was gone.

It would be impossible to sell the missing bit of radium. If it is said a record is kept of every particle known to exist in the world and this piece is on that register. No respectable physician, laboratory experts say, would purchase a piece of radium from an unknown source.

THE VANISHING "EMERGENCY"

(Halifax Chronicle.) Mr. Asquith in his speech at Leeds stated that in five years, 1908-1913, the naval expenditure of five great European Powers had been in the aggregate by 35 millions sterling, and that in the same period of time British naval expenditure had increased by 14 millions. Put in this form, the figures are very telling, especially having regard to the fact that in the same period the Continental Powers have increased their military expenditure by \$300,000,000 whereas the expenditure on the British Army has remained practically unchanged.

But, says the London Daily Chronicle, a leading Liberal journal in commenting upon these significant figures, "Mr. Asquith did not say that already in 1908 we had a tremendous lead over our naval competitors. We started, that is, with a great preponderance of naval strength. NEVER HASTHE SUPERIORITY OF THE BRITISH NAVY, BOTH ABSOLUTE AND RELATIVE, BEEN SO OVERWHELMING AS IT IS TODAY, GUAGED BY ANY STANDARD, MEN, GUNS, BATTLESHIPS, CRUISERS, SUBMARINES, TORPEDO-BOATS.

This being so, how can it be really necessary to go on piling up the Estimates, million after million? We all desire an efficient navy and an adequate measure of naval strength, but unbridled expenditure only excites rivalry, and proflusion does not necessarily connote efficiency. Never were our relations with European Powers better than they are today. Surely this fact ought to have its influence on our naval expenditure?"

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BIG INCREASE IN BUILDING FIGURES IN 1913

More than \$2,880,000 for building construction in this city during the past year, as shown by the permits issued by the building inspector, indicates an increase in the extent of such operations of 220 per cent over the previous year's work.

The figures are: Year ending Dec. 31, 1913, \$2,880,000; Year ended Dec. 31, 1912, \$1,036,000.

For December, a poor month for building, the permits issued totalled \$12,950, compared with \$14,000 for the corresponding month in 1912.

Some of the larger amounts included in the year's figures are: Atlantic Sugar Refinery, \$750,000; C. P. R. grain elevator, \$600,000; new post office, \$380,000; Bank of British North America, \$180,000; Sisters of Charity Infirmary, \$80,000; McClary Mfg. Co. office and warehouse, \$40,000; Royal Bank, Main street branch, \$20,000, and M. E. Agar's warehouse, \$10,000.

While it is not thought likely that there will be so many large amounts during 1914, several big buildings are already planned and there will be a good number of smaller contracts.

To TRY SCHMIDT AGAIN JANUARY 12.

New York, Dec. 31.—Hans Schmidt, in whose trial for the murder of Anna Amuller the jury disagreed yesterday, will be tried for the second time, beginning January 12, before the criminal branch of the state supreme court here. This decision was reached today at a conference between District Attorney Whitman and Supreme Court Justice Davis. A special panel of 100 talesmen will be ordered.

The Modern Horse. When the steed had nobly sped him, And the stableman had fed him, To the drinking trough he led him, But he coaxed to no avail. For the horse replied with hauteur, "You may lead me to the water, But to make me drink you'd oughter Have an individual pull!" —Life.

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WANTED—Capable. Work. Apply, Fair Vale, Robbsey.

WANTED—Girl for work; references. Mrs. A. C. L. Tapley, avenue, St. John, N. B.

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WANTED—A first teacher for school. Upham, Apply, stating Fowler, Upham, Kings.

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LYON-REID—At age, Welsford (N. B. Dec. 31, 1913, Wm. E. Annie M. Reid, both of here, Quebec Co. (N. B. marriage by Rev. J. S.

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WITHERS—At 108 this city, on Dec. 28, Mrs. Wither, aged seventy-seven, one daughter, and two brothers to mourn.

SMITH—At his King street east, on short illness, James Smith, leaving two daughters to mourn.

BEACOM—At the daughter, Mrs. D. Harbor, Grand Lake, Margaret Beacom, Beacom, of Gagetown leaving one son, four brother to mourn.

SWEENEY—At his Lewwood, on the 29 Sweeney, leaving a wife and two sons to mourn.

TOWNSEND—At ville, Dec. 31, Rev. C. pastor of Fort Kent (N. B.).

MOCHAN—In this Anne, widow of John three daughters and on