

### SIR H. DRAYTON FLAYS BUDGET, HAS AMENDMENT

Appealing for Protection, Says Robb's Financing Insult to People

### CLAIMS TARIFF OF COUNTRY INADEQUATE

Free Trade Is Advocated by Liberal Member From P. E. Island

#### THE AMENDMENT

OTTAWA, March 26—The Conservative amendment to the budget moved in the House by Sir Henry Drayton this afternoon reads as follows:

"That conditions in Canada urgently demand reduction of taxation, especially of the sales tax and other levies which have been increased by the present government and the House regrets that the financial statements now presented show no evidence of economy necessary to make such reductions possible but rather disclose an alarming increase in the public debt."

OTTAWA, March 26—Debate on the budget was continued in the house this afternoon by Sir Henry Drayton. He compared the financial statement of Hon. W. S. Fielding covering the year 1922-23 with that delivered by Mr. Robb on Tuesday last.

Mr. Fielding while showing ordinary revenue some \$50,000,000 greater than his ordinary expenditure, had admitted a deficit of \$31,000,000. This Government with revenue but \$34,000,000 greater than expenditure, claimed a surplus.

#### CALLED INSULT.

Such financing was "an insult to the intelligence of the country," Sir Henry asserted.

Sir Henry insisted that the solution for many of Canada's economic difficulties was a tariff which would afford protection to Canadian industries. He claimed that Canada had not had a high protective tariff for many years, nor had this country one today. Conditions in Canada had reached a point where in many lines of industry it was cheaper to manufacture in the United States and bring the manufactured product back to this country.

If the tariff was to high why did goods continue to come into Canada in such large quantities, Sir Henry asked.

#### \$700,000,000 SENT OUT.

The sum of \$700,000,000, the amount being sent out of Canada today for imports, could be kept in this country, providing work for the building up of Canadian industries and employment for hundreds of thousands of workers. Sir Henry stated that 60 per cent of the price to the consumer was looked upon today as representing the cost of labor for a product. It was quite easy to compute the number of men that would be given employment were these moneys kept in the country today. These workers were in the United States.

Surely the responsibility rested on the Government, and Canadian workers should have the benefit of their own market.

#### STATEMENT UNPALATABLE.

Sir Henry quoted from a publication of the United States Department of Commerce which stated that "economically and socially Canada may be considered a northern extension of the United States," and that trade might be considered more as domestic than foreign so far as the United States was concerned. Such statements were "unpalatable to any Canadian who thinks anything of his country," said Sir Henry, and to any Canadian who sees his country as a great nation of the future. Canada could only be great provided her resources were not exploited.

#### TERMED SHANDYGAFF.

"This country is simply a shandygaff today, so far as its finances are concerned," said Sir Henry. As a result of the years since 1883 when the United States had an excess balance of her world's trading of \$29,084,777,236, she received in payment of this balance excess gold to the amount of \$1,994,928,000. "My friends, the free traders, need not think the United States exporters are out that balance—not at all—it is covered at a good rate of interest by loans, and by the acquisition of business and other properties in countries subject to the industrial domination of the United States."

#### OPPOSES PROTECTION.

J. J. Hughes (Liberal, Kings, P. E. I.), said: "Protection never was, never will be, and never can be of any advantage to the farmers and fishermen of Prince Edward Island." He stated that Maritime Provinces fishermen could catch sufficient fish in two weeks to supply central Canada for 32 weeks.

Mr. Hughes stated that coal in the Maritime Provinces cost \$1.50 more per ton than in Montreal. "In other words, the other industries of the provinces, farmers, fishermen and lumbermen, will pay about \$1,500,000 a year for the support of the coal mines."

#### WOULD SLASH COAL DUTY.

As a free trader, Mr. Hughes would have preferred to have the duty of round coal reduced. He referred to a letter signed by Colonel Cantley, director of the British Empire Steel Corporation and former director of the Nova Scotia Steel & Coal Company, in which the latter had stated that the

coal mines in Nova Scotia were being ruined by bad management. "The sooner industries were told, declared Mr. Hughes, "that they must stand on their own feet, the better." The Maritime Provinces in becoming parties to Confederation had been "deceived." The Government could do much for the Maritime Provinces by improving trade relations with the West Indies, and Mr. Hughes was sure that everything possible was being done.

### TAX ON HYDRO GETS BUFFALO SUPPORT

Evening News Says U. S. Cannot Quarrel With Canada Over Levy.

BUFFALO, N. Y., March 27.—The Buffalo Evening News, commenting editorially on the proposed Canadian export tax on electric power, says: "The United States cannot quarrel with Canada over this tax. After all it will not be nearly so onerous as the

coal bin tax in the State of Pennsylvania. Then it should be remembered that the cost of hydro electric energy from the Canadian side is relatively low. As far as Buffalo is concerned, a complaint against the tax would come with poor grace, for Canadian power kept the industrial plants of this city going during the world war period."

#### EINSTEIN ARRIVES.

BUENOS AIRES, March 27.—Professor Albert Einstein, author of the theory of relativity, has arrived here on the steamer Cappolonio. Professor Einstein was invited to Argentina to deliver a series of lectures at Buenos Aires University.

### Harry Stone Saves Playmate From Drowning In North End

Harry Stone, 10-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. B. Stone, 83 Millidge avenue, saved the life of his playmate, Ronald Hawker, nine-year-old son of Mrs. Louise Hawker, 106 Adelaide street, yesterday when the latter broke through the ice on the mill dam at In-diantown and went into the water, going in after him and dragging him to safety. The boys were playing on the surface of the pond when the ice gave way and Harry went up to his neck. The other lad went in after him and managed to get him back on the solid part of the ice. Both were soaked to the skin after their immersion. Reports at the home of Mrs. Hawker last night were to the effect that her boy was not any too well after his misadventure. He had to be carried from the mill dam to his home.

### City Managers In New Jersey Town

CAPE MAY, N. J., March 27.—Cape May was the first town in New Jersey to put in operation the city manager form of government when the new elected councilmen, William R. Sheppard, Jere E. Chambers and Samuel M. Schellenger, took office at noon Tuesday. They were sworn in by former Judge James E. Hildreth. The council elected Sheppard as mayor and Paul A. Volcker as city manager at salaries of \$4,500 each per year.

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