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WE ARE TAXED HEAVY

A citizen who has made a somewhat careful calculation estimates that the people of Wolfville are yearly contributing something over sixty thousand dollars in taxation to the federal, provincial, municipal and civic authorities. This amount seems pretty large for a small community and the wonder is that those who furnish the money do not take more interest in the matter of its expenditure. In most cases the items of personal expense are closely scanned but when it comes to the outlay of public funds we are all too prone to carelessness. When the people of this country get to the point where they realize their responsibility in public matters we will get better government.

POSTAGE RATES

With the post office department of this country proclaiming a substantial surplus there is apparently no good reason why there should not be an immediate return to the two cent letter rate of former years. The post office is not supposed to be a profit-making institution and the public would naturally welcome a relief from the additional postage made necessary during and after the war. In the United States the two cent rate was returned to almost immediately after the war ended. The people of Canada have done their full share in solving the difficult problems that have arisen since 1914 and are not unreasonable in their desire to get back to normal as soon as possible; and in the matter of letter postage there seems no excuse for further delay.

LIVING COSTS CHEAPER IN WEST

In former times the claim was frequently made that the cost of living in the East was much less than in the West. Because of this difference government officials received a special allowance if located in a western province. For the same reason wages were higher there than here. These conditions apparently no longer exist especially with regard to some lines of living expenses. We note from a British Columbia paper of recent date that in that province the choicest cuts of beef are selling at from fifteen to eighteen cents, while by the carcass dealers are charging eight and ten cents. A comparison of these figures with prices charged here will prove interesting food for thought.

PROPOSED TRICENTENARY (1623-1923) OF FIRST SCOT COLONY IN NOVA SCOTIA

Regarding the efforts being made in Halifax for a programme for the above celebration, great interest is already shown abroad. John Calder Gordon, formerly of Glasgow, Scotland, descended from Sir John Gordon of Paris, an original Baronet of Nova Scotia, writes the following letter to the Viscount de Fronsac from Boston, where he now resides being there the Secretary of the Massachusetts Federation of Good Government Clubs:

"Dear Viscount:
I have your kind letter of December 15th and am delighted to hear from you. I am sincerely interested to learn about your program for the Celebration next summer, and I do not have the slightest doubt but what, if the Celebration is carried out on a broad and comprehensive scale, so that it may appeal to that basic sentiment that is such a vital part of all the people of genuine Scottish blood, together with the ever present practical elements that must also be taken into consideration in such a proposal, then I am sure that there can be only one result—a splendid success.
I have already spoken to Col. Percy Guthrie and other leading Scots here, and they are all quite enthusiastic to see the celebration go through on a grand scale. I have never been, since I have known you, in a stronger position, to aid and co-operate with a proposition of this sort, as I am to-day. But the main thing for you and I to consider is to have a basic and practical understanding of just where we each fit in the scheme of arrangements, as we must see to it that we are adequately and properly compensated for our labor out of the various sources of revenue that will flow from the thousands of Tourists and others who will spend money for souvenirs, historical booklets, and other things. Have you considered the feasibility of arranging a grand pageant to take place? This I believe, might be worked up through a great publicity campaign, so that it would make a great hit. The Scottish Historical Society of North America, with its great influence will heartily co-operate with you and the College of Arms, the Provincial Government and the N. S. Historical Society in putting across a grand Celebration of this notable historical event.
I do not venture at this writing to outline a program in detail but am simply answering your letter inviting me to co-operate, in a general way. I believe that a great publicity campaign could be set in motion right after the New Year through the principal daily newspapers, in every large city in the United States. This event ought to give you an opportunity to collect some of your best historical articles and Reviews into a booklet or book to be sold at the time of the Celebration. As you know I have had long in preparation "The Scot in

the Maritime Provinces and in New England" and will have it ready in time for the Celebration. More anon.
Yours Sincerely,
John C. Gordon, B. N. S."

THORNTON'S HARD ROW

(From The Financial Post)

Sir Henry Thornton says that he will keep politics out of the national railways, if he has to literally apply the boots to the politicians. Sir Henry is to be commended for the stand he has taken. Throughout Canada those who appreciate the terrific burden which the country is carrying in railway debt will hope for the best. But those who know the political game will realize that only a very strong man can defeat the insidious influences which will be at work.

Sir Henry is not the first man to talk of keeping the railways out of politics. No one could have given stronger assurances on this point than the present minister of railways. And yet at the Montreal banquet, where the new president of the Nationals stated his stand, Sir Joseph Flavelle—always the business man and never the politician—declared that he had seen no evidence of the practical application of the policy which the Hon. Mr. Kennedy so strongly advocated. He said:

"The Honorable Mr. Kennedy, the Minister of Railways, had this to say in Parliament during its last session, in reference to the responsibility and authority to be vested in the board administering the affairs of the National railway system. I quote his words:

"We will place them in the hands of men who as regards the component parts of the system, will administer them without fear or favor, without thought of politics, and in the general interest."

"It is the intention of the government," he continued, "that the board in the exercise of its several duties and functions shall be free from interference, political or otherwise."

The most critical will accept this declaration of government policy as satisfactory. But frankly, I have seen little evidence of its observance. I wonder if it can be observed in the form stated."

Even since the appointment of the new president of the Nationals, these have been mutterings which would indicate that the idea of keeping the government railways out of politics is not by any means an unanimous one at Ottawa.

If the government is sincere it will give supporters in the house and the public to understand that the National board is responsible for the administration of the properties and that petitions and delegations relating to railway matters will be referred to the board for action; it will give opposition members to understand the same thing.
If Sir Henry Thornton is allowed to handle the National railways in an

RETIRES FROM UNIVERSITY



Mr. James Christie, who for seventeen years has held the post of Chief Officer of Discipline for the University of Toronto has retired, and will become a professional golfer.

efficient, business-like manner, he will bring a measure of relief to every taxpayer in Canada, and do much to make Canada a cheaper and more attractive country to live in. In his efforts he should be backed by a robust public opinion making itself felt in the support of the government, against the activities of designing politicians, and in condemnation of a government which will yield to sectional demands as against sound and efficient administration by the National board.

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