

U. S. CUSTOMS HISSIED PLAY; RETURNS SHOW A DECREASE

Receipts for Fiscal Year, However, Expected to Exceed Estimate Made When New Tariff Law was Passed.

Washington, April 8.—Figures were made public in a treasury department statement tonight showing that the revenues from the customs during the fiscal year which ends June 30, 1914, almost certainly will meet and probably will exceed the estimates made when Congress passed the new tariff law. The statement, prepared by Assistant Secretary William, in charge of customs, said: "It was estimated that the receipts from customs for the fiscal year 1914 which included three months under the tariff act of 1909 and nine months under the present tariff, approved October 3, 1913, would amount to \$270,000,000, resulting in a loss of \$40,000,000 from the customs receipts of the previous years.

"The total customs collections for the nine months just ending amounted to \$225,500,000, showing a loss for the nine months period of \$44,500,000 as compared with the collections for the same period during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1913. As this loss is only half the estimated loss for the whole year, it is probable that the receipts for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1914, will exceed the estimate.

"It is to be noted that the loss in revenue during the months of January and February, 1914, amounted in figures to six and ten million dollars respectively. This was caused by the falling off of the duties paid upon sugar as that commodity was retained in bonded warehouses pending the reduction of sugar duties on March 1, 1914.

"The customs receipts for these two months amounted to \$23,500,000 and \$17,500,000 respectively. The customs receipts for the month of March just closed were nearly \$26,000,000 as against \$23,500,000 for the corresponding month of 1913, showing a loss of but one and one-half million dollars and a recovery of receipts as compared with February of this year of over \$8,000,000.

"In view of the above figures it now appears that a monthly average of less than \$15,000,000 for April, May and June, the remaining three months of the present fiscal year would bring the total customs receipts up to \$270,000,000, the original estimate for this fiscal year.

PRUSSIAN PRINCESS TAKES TRIP TO SOUTH AMERICA

Berlin, March 10.—Princess Henry of Prussia is one of the distinguished passengers aboard the liner Cape Trafalgar, which is making her maiden voyage bound for South America. The princess is accompanied by her husband, Prince Henry.

HEARING OF REQUEST FOR 5 P. C. INCREASE IN RATES FINISHED

Washington, April 8.—Taking of testimony by the Interstate Commerce Commission on the application of eastern railroads for a five per cent. increase in freight rates was concluded today, so far as the present phase of the proceedings is concerned.

Effective Spring Tonic Overcame Weakness

System was All Run Down—Could Not Attend to Work—Lasting Cure Effected by Dr. Chase's Nerve Food.

"The cold, changeable Canadian winter is a severe strain on all who are not in robust health. This is proven by the many deaths, particularly of aged people, which occur about March and the very many people who find themselves weak and run down in the spring.

Man Who Hissed Play Recently Imported from the Continent.

Dublin Magistrate Discharges Man Who Hissed Play Recently Imported from the Continent.

London, April 8.—The Briton has a common-law right to hiss a play, provided he does so within bounds. This right, first affirmed in a case reported in 1810, has been reaffirmed by a Dublin magistrate, who discharged a man imported from the continent. The defendant said the play was "foreign filth," and he considered it his duty to protest. His protest was so loudly and so cheerfully made that the play was interrupted for some minutes.

The leading case of 1810 appears to have been the first instance of a prosecution for this offence. Counsel in that case said it had been difficult to find precedents, for although "catalin" and he considered it his duty to protest. His protest was so loudly and so cheerfully made that the play was interrupted for some minutes.

PARTY OF IMMIGRANT GIRLS FOR CANADA

Coming Under Auspices of Catholic Immigration Association of Canada—Abbe Casgrain in London.

London, April 9.—Rev. Abbe Casgrain of Quebec, director of the Catholic Immigration Association of Canada, has arrived from the continent after visiting Rome and Austria, whence he went in the interests of his work. Abbe Casgrain was the guest of the Canadian College at Rome, and received a letter from Cardinal Merry Del Val, the Papal Secretary of State, conveying the benediction of the Pope on the efforts of his association.

Yesterday the Abbe was received in audience by the Cardinal Archbishop of Westminster, who also warmly commented his work. Next month a large party of girls will emigrate to Canada under the auspices of the association.

Abbe Casgrain found the emigration regulations very strict in Austria, where all intending emigrants are performed their military service before they are allowed to leave the country. The Abbe returned to Canada by the Albatross on Saturday. He will be accompanied by Abbe Lindsay, also of Quebec.

RENEWAL OF POSTAL ARRANGEMENT ASKED

London, April 9.—Prince Arthur of Connaught will preside at the annual dinner of the Royal Colonial Institute on May 20th, at the Savoy Hotel. The institute has passed a resolution urging a renewal of the massing postal arrangement with Canada. It is interested in the matter as a deputation from the Newspaper and Periodical Association after the Easter holidays.

LATE SHIPPING

Philadelphia, April 8.—Ard star An-Portland, April 8.—Ard star Sand-Portland, April 8.—Ard star Sand-Flymouth, April 8.—Ard star New-Amsterdam, New York. Avonmouth, April 8.—Ard star Royal-Edward, St. John, N. B.



Sir Edward Carson, Leader of the Ulster Unionists, in Fighting Attitude.

P. E. ISLAND APPEALS TO PREMIER GIVES BUDGET SPEECH

Receipts for Year above Estimate, and Expenditure Less—Debt Reduced by \$20,000—Fox Industry.

Charlottetown, P. E. I., April 8.—Premier Matheson delivered a three-hour budget speech in the legislature tonight giving an exhaustive review of the situation.

Actual receipts last year were \$966,553, being \$4,777 more than estimates. For the coming year he estimates receipts at \$928,254, and expenditures at \$908,254, a surplus of \$20,000. Last year the debt was reduced by \$24,963. This year the estimated reduction is \$20,000.

Last year was the first time since Confederation that a surplus was obtained without drawing upon our capital from Ottawa.

Among the acts which this government has accomplished during two years they held office were the following: Securing an increase of \$100,000 Dominion subsidy of getting our federal grant for agriculture increased from \$6,000 to \$26,000; the settlement of the title of our fisheries within the mile limit thus making it possible to inaugurate the system of leasing barren bottoms for oyster cultivation; a new wood act; a ballot act; and the long course in agriculture; building in two years twice the number of permanent bridges built in previous twenty; increasing the telephone rate by two per cent; laying new telegraph cables and securing reduced telegraph rates.

Backache Banished.

Thousands of men and women are suffering from weak, lame and aching backs, and many of them unable to do any work for the pain.

The stitches, twinges and twinges are had enough and give enough misery, but back of the backache, and the cause of it all are the disordered kidneys crying out in warning through ache, and there's serious trouble ahead for you if you neglect it.

Don's Kidney Pills cure every form of backache by curing the sick kidneys that cause it.

Mr. Jack Mason, Springhill, N.B., writes: "I have been suffering from backache for a very long time. I tried everything and did everything, but still I would suffer. One day I was looking over your Almanac, and saw your advertisement for Don's Kidney Pills, so I got a box, and I am glad to say that they brought me back to life again, and from now on I will never be without them."

THE GUILTY ONE OFTEN THE TORTURATE ONE

Berlin, April 8.—The two recent fatal army duels fought in Germany and Austro-Hungary, which prompted the Clericals in Parliament to ask the Minister of War what steps would be taken to terminate "this relic of barbarism" were typical instances of how the innocent suffer and the guilty escape. In each case a husband was killed by the adversary who was responsible for the combat.

In a duel at Metz, Lieutenant Haage of the 88th Infantry was required by the regimental court to challenge Lieut. von La Valette St. George of the first exchange for an alleged invasion of Haage's home. Haage fell at the first exchange of shots, thereby vindicating the honor of his unwounded adversary.

At Budapest Stefan Hadju, lieutenant in the aeronautic corps, was killed by his brother-in-law, Sigmund Babocsay, an officer of the reserve. Babocsay, in a quarrel with his wife, Hadju's sister, had made some insulting reference to the Hadju family. This came to the ears of the military authorities. They declared that this family affair could only be settled with pistols, and assigned Lieutenant Hadju two officers as seconds, who saw to it that the duel took place, although Babocsay was a member of the aristocracy of the country. This was the twentieth duel in which Babocsay has been involved.

The fall of General von Meerinon, the late minister of war, is generally attributed to the last Reichstag debate on the subject of duelling. His abolition of compulsory duelling in the army, was highly displeasing to the leaders of the powerful Clerical Centre party and his retirement followed in due course. Gen. von Falkenhayn, his successor, like all Prussian officers, holds the same views, believing that officers must follow the "code" in the defending their honor or leave the army. The utmost to which he is willing to go is to demand for trivial causes to be prevented and that officers who by their unworthy conduct provoke duels must leave the army.

MASSACRE OF CHRISTIANS REPORTED

Athens, April 8.—An official communication says that Mussulman Albanians yesterday entered Koritsa, in the village of Monastir, and with the aid of the gendarmerie, who had previously disarmed the inhabitants, he today a massacre of the Christians.

FIVE MASTER ASHORE DURING THICK FOG

The Oakley C. Curtis Was Bound from Philadelphia to Portland, Me.—Expect to Float Her.

Leves, Delaware, April 8.—The five-masted schooner Oakley C. Curtis, Philadelphia for Portland, went ashore on Miah Miah Shoal, in the lower Delaware Bay, during a thick fog today. Tugs are standing by and it is expected the ship, which was not damaged, will be started on its way to the high tide. The Curtis is a 2,000-ton vessel and sailed from Philadelphia yesterday with a cargo of coal.

OPERA HOUSE THOMPSON-WOODS STOCK CO.

THIS WEEK THE PLAY WITHOUT A NAME \$30 for Best Title Suggested. SPECIAL Matinee Friday, April 10.

NEXT WEEK THE NEST EGG Zelda Sears' Successful Comedy. PHOTOS from Reid's Studio of Mr. Drummond Monday Night.

UNIQUE A BATCH OF PICTURES From Reliance, Key Box PAR EXCELLENCE and Theatrical

THE RELIANCE Convincing story of the underworld with a Holy Week moral. "THE LOAFER" "THE LONG PORTAGE" "THE ELEVATOR MAN"

SATURDAY AFTERNOON Thanhouser Kidlet Holds Before Easter Children's Matinee is "THE MISSION OF A CHILD" NEXT WEEK Wed. - Thur. "Our Mutual Girl" First of Series.

WILL GIVE 15 DAYS HEARING

Canals Committee to Begin Today—Victory for Repeal Advocates on First Test in Senate.

Washington, April 7.—Confronted by telegrams from Gulf and Pacific Coast ports, urging public hearings on the bill proposing the repeal of the first exchange of the Panama Canal act, the Senate Inter-oceanic Canals Committee decided today to give 15 days, beginning Thursday, to hearing both proponents and opponents of the measure which passed the House. In the meantime, the committee will listen to various Senators who have offered substitute plans.

The committee entered into no discussion of the merits of the bill itself. Along-standing rule that committee meetings should be secret was put aside and the discussion thrown open to the public, but a few Senators, a group of schoolgirl tourists and the newspapermen were the only persons to take advantage of the departure from precedent.

Chairman O'Gorman's suggestion that a program be arranged brought from Senator Shields a proposal that Ex-President Taft, Ex-Sec. of State Knox, Sec. Bryan and other Government officials, past and present, should be called. This precipitated a general discussion, during which Senator Simmons said he opposed the inclination to make the hearing an inquisition of the Administration as the defendant. Mr. Shields disclaimed any such intention. No action on a program was taken.

The first rollcall on the general subject was taken in the Senate today on a motion to refer to the Foreign Relations Committee a resolution of the President explaining what matters he had in mind in writing in his repeal message of "matters of greater delicacy and nearer consequence" and what connection these matters might have with the Panama Canal regulations and tolls.

IMPERIAL HAS A FINE PROGRAM WED.-THUR.

A Rip-Roaring Vitagraph Sea-Comedy "THE HALLROOM RIVALS" Or The Old Salt And The Widow.

A Weird Tale of the Plains "HIS SHADOW" Kalem Story That Gets You.

TRAVEL TRIPS More Scenes You Like. COMEDIES Few things in for good measure. AND MUCH MORE.

Xylophones. Mirambophones Trombones, etc. THE HYLANDS INSTRUMENTAL NOVELTIES.

BIG BILL FOR FRIDAY Special Holiday Offerings. FOR EASTER WEEK Splendid Musical Features.

THE KAY BEE A thrilling and unusual French Canadian drama of the far north trappers. "THE ELEVATOR MAN"

THE THAMHOUSER A Riley Chamberlain of the type that's funny.

LYRIC No Holiday Features of all That's Good! NEIL SULLIVAN, The Character Actor Presents His Sterling Comedy "AN IRISH MILLIONAIRE" Thanhouser Dainty Easter Novelty "Her Love Letters" Fred Mace in Another of His Funny Ones: Her Husband, My Wife Powerful Political Drama by the Majestic Company "HELEN'S STRATAGEM"

Headache

"How are your bowels?" This is generally the first question the doctor asks. He knows that headaches, bilious attacks, indigestion, impure blood, are often due to a sluggish liver. Ask him if he approves of Ayer's Pills.

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The acting premier here in St. John's has contributions of \$2,000 each from the Dominion and Nova Scotia Steel Companies. The local relief committee was appointed today by the administrator and organizes tomorrow. The steamer Kite sent a wireless

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