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#### THE INCOME TAX IN THE SENATE.

### Some amendments, but no material change.

OTTAWA, September 4.

Amendments were made to the Income Tax Bill by the Senate, this afternoon.

The section defining the income that is subject to taxation was amended so that taxable income is declared to be the "annual net profit" instead of the "annual profit" as in the original bill. Other amendments were made to the same clause to make it clear that while bequests and proceeds of life insurance policies were not to be regarded as income, the earnings of the bequests and the policies were income and subject to taxation.

Another amendment declares that in computing income the person taxed shall not be allowed to deduct the amount of personal or living expenses

Senator Bostock moved that for each dependent child the taxpayer should have exemption of \$150. He stated that there was exemption for each child in England and France.

Sir James Lougheed replied that he could not ac-The amendments already cept the amendment. made were of an explanatory nature, and did not affect the principle of the money bill. This amendment proposed to reduce the amount of the taxation which the Government and the House of Commons had agreed should be collected. Therefore, it altered the principle of the bill.

Senator Landry said that under the measure a married couple with no children would have \$3,000 exemption of income from taxation The couple living next door with half a dozen children would have exactly the same exemption, no more and no less. He held that this was an immoral provision.

Senator Boyer said that in European countries, where there had been much experience with income taxation it had been found that neglecting to give special exemption for children had the effect of lowering the birth rate.

Senator Watson suggested that the exemption be given in favor of children and 'that the loss be made up by increasing the rate of taxation on large incomes.

Senator Domville suggested an exemption of 5 per cent. for each child.

Sir James Lougheed raised the point of order that the revenue provisions of the bill could not be altered by the Senate.

Chairman Sproule, acting as chairman of the committee, sustained the ruling.

Senator Bostock appealed to the Senate from the decision, which was sustained by 27 to 23.

The clause requiring employers to deduct the amount of the tax from the salaries of employees and pay only the "normal" tax He stated that Sir James Lougheed, so that employers will deduct and pay only the "normal" tax. He stated that it would be impossible for employers to compute the amount of the super tax.

As amended the bill was reported.

### 1916 UNIVERSAL OUTPUT IN QUEBEC.

The annual report of the Mines Branch of the Department of Colonization, Mines and Fisheries, covering the calendar year ending December 31, 1916, has just been issued. The mineral production for the year 1916, amounted to a value of \$13,287,024, which is the highest ever recorded, being an increase of nearly \$200,000 over the previous year, 1913.

Besides the technical review of the mining operations the report goes fully into the statistics cidents in mines, and the measures to be taken to prevent them. There has been a shortage of labor in the mines of the province which has been keenly felt and which has resulted in a very notable raise of the average wages.

sults of an investigation of the mineral resources and we ain't got a roller."-Good Jests. along the line of the Transcontinental Railway, between Hervey Junction and Doucet. The volume is carefully edited and well illustrated, and will be much appreciated by the public,

The geography lesson was about to begin, and the subject of it was France.

Accordingly, the teacher started off with the question: "Now in this present terrible war, who is our principal ally?

"France," came the answer from a chorus of voices. "Quite right," said the teacher, beaming. "Now can any of you give me the name of a town in

A small boy at the back of the class almost fell over in his eagerness to tell: "Somewhere," he said, breathlessly .- Pittsburg Chronicle-Telegraph,

### "A Little Nonsense Now and Then"

Black-After getting all your money, did the mining company give any explanation for no dividents? White-Yes; they wrote that they had been following a vein of humor!-The Lamb.

Woman (talking over telephone): "Send up a hale of hav."

Feed Merchant: "Who's it for?"

Woman: "Now, don't get fresh. It's for the horse." -Judicious Advertising.

A rising young artist was showing a lady through his studio.

"This picture," he said, stopping before one of his early efforts, "is one I painted to keep the wolf from

"Indeed!" replied the woman. "Then why don't you hang it on the knob where the wolf can see it?"

Military Inspecting Officer: "Now sergeant, what precautions do you take against infected water?" Sergeant: "Well, sir, first we boil it."

Officer: "Good."

Sergeat: "Then we filter it."

Officer: "Excellent!"

Sergeant: "Then we drink beer!"-Tit-Bits.

There is a certain Brooklyn man who takes a great interest in his household. So the other day, just before he left his office, he telephoned to his wife to ask whether she wanted him to bring anything home. "Yes," said the wife. "I wish you would stop and get some tea. And you might as well, while you're about it, get a set of china, too."

"China?" gasped the husband.

"Yes. Of course, we've got some, but cook says there's not enough to last the week out."-Harper's magazine.

A story is going the rounds concerning the inquiry in London into the best method of checking extravagance in restaurants and hotels, says Pearson's Weekly

Among the witnesses before the committee was a certain stolid-looking waiter. The particular article of food under discussion at the moment happened to be margarine, and one of the members asked inci-

"How do you call it in the restaurant business-'margarine' or 'marjorine?'"

"Neither, sir," blandly replied the waiter; "we calls

Little red-headed Mike Casey got a job as office boy for the president of a large western railway. After he had been upon the job several days they gave him a form to fill out with his "personal record." When young Mike came to a particular paragraph that said, "Have you any visible marks for identification in case of accident or death?" he rose from his chair and rushed over to a mirror near by, to give himself a general inspection. Then he returned to his task and wrote as his answer to this personal query, "Nothing except freckles."

A policeman, with more than usual avoirdupois and expanse of shoe leather, had just passed a little terace with a bit of garden in front, when a small boy ran after him.

"Halloa, kiddie!" said the arm of the law, genially, "what can I do for you?"

"Mother sent me out," answered the youngster, "to ask you if you would mind walking up and down The report also gives a full account of the re- our path for a minute or two. It's just been gravelled,

> "The Carnegie Foundation's recent resolution to the effect that the only way to insure a permanent world peace is to crush Germany," said Capt. W. E. Dame of the Rough Riders, in his New York office, "reminds me of the stocky, well-dressed chap in the police

"A big, burly drunk had been brought in on a stretcher, and the sergeant said to the stocky chap rather sternly:

"'What have you got to say for yourself?

"'Sergeant,' said the stocky chap, ' have merely been acting the part of a peacemaker.'

"'But, good gracious,' said the sergeant, 'you broke six of this man's ribs.'

"'It was the only way,' said the stocky chap, 'to get peace." - Washington Star,