

DUTIES ON TOBACCO.

EXCISE LARGELY INCREASED
ON THE FOREIGN LEAF.

New Regulations Cause a Flurry in the Trade in Toronto—Users of Plug Tobacco Will Feel Increase.

Ottawa, June 30.—The inland revenue authorities have determined to get after the stemmed foreign raw leaf tobacco which is being brought into Canada in yearly increasing quantities by combination factories. They think that it is preferable to have the unstemmed leaf imported so that the process of getting it in shape for manufacture may be done in this country, and more work afforded for Canadians. A readjustment of the excise duties has accordingly been effected, under which those factories which use native and foreign leaf will have to pay higher rates if they insist upon having the stemmed article. Under the readjustment the excise duties on foreign raw leaf, in addition to the existing rates, will be as follows:

Except when used for the manufacture of cigars, 20 cents per pound on unstemmed and on stemmed 28 cents per pound. When taken for use in the manufacture of cigars, 37 1/2 cents per pound on unstemmed, and 53 cents per pound on stemmed. When taken for use in the manufacture of cigars, 16 cents per pound on unstemmed and 23 cents per pound on stemmed.

Toronto, June 30.—By those engaged in the tobacco trade in Toronto the opinion is expressed that the immediate effect of the increase in the excise duties will be an advance in the price of cigars of from \$1.50 to \$2 a thousand, and on smoking and chewing tobacco it will mean an advance of about four cents per pound. This will be the advance to the retailer, but he will probably make a still further advance to the consumer. At the present time, the trade here argue, the increased duties cannot be of very great benefit to Canadian manufacturers of cigars, because there is a very limited manufacture of cigars from Canadian tobacco that will suit the taste of the Canadian consumer, but they admit it is possible to encourage the growth of a tobacco that may catch the Canadian taste.

They state that there is no Canadian tobacco used in the manufacture of cigars.

CREAMERY BUTTER.

Amendments Will be Made in Mr. Fisher's Bill.

Ottawa, June 30.—For a considerable time past the practice has prevailed in Canada of sending to the British market quantities of butter, represented as creamery butter, but which in the real sense of the term was not that product at all. This butter would be made in small lots, repacked into exports, marked "creamery" and then forwarded to the United Kingdom. Originally it may have been good, but by reason of the conditions of handling and the unevenness of the quality on reaching the market, it has tended to discredit Canadian butter with English customers. The protection of our export butter trade, upon which large sums have annually been spent, has therefore become necessary, and it was for this purpose that Hon. Sydney Fisher introduced a bill which was recently discussed in the House. Persons in the trade give the name "creamery" only to butter which is manufactured in a factory. It is a number of dairymen who produce what they term "creamery butter" at home, and sell it as such upon the local market with special brands. When the bill was first introduced it was thought that the number of these producers was inconsiderable, and not enough to justify an exemption from the provisions of the bill. They, however, seem to be more numerous than was supposed, and it has been represented that their interests would be very seriously affected by the proposed legislation. The Minister of Agriculture has no desire to incur in any way interests that do not conflict with Canada's export trade, and it is possible to exempt from disabilities these dairymen who are using the word "creamery" as an indication of the character of their retaining those provisions which are necessary for the protection of our reputation abroad. Hon. Mr. Fisher will probably be disposed to consider such a suggestion favorably. It is likely that an amendment will be made to the bill, confining the operation of the clauses with respect to the marking of creamery butter to the export trade, so that the bill will not interfere with the marking of butter as "creamery" intended for local use only. The clauses of the bill which deal with the penalties will also be amended. At present the penalties run from \$400 down to \$10. The heaviest penalties would apply to offences such as deliberately manufacturing and dealing in oleomargarine, process butter, etc., but there are several minor offences which scarcely merit heavy penalties. Accordingly it is proposed to divide the range of penalties. Fines ranging from \$200 to \$400 will then be applicable to serious infractions of the law, while the minor offences will be punishable by penalties of from \$10 to \$50. It should be explained that Mr. Fisher's bill is introduced at the instance of the exporters, who, equally with the Minister, are desirous of maintaining the standard of Canadian butter.

Rev. Dr. Carman in Boston.

Boston, June 29.—The celebration of the 200th anniversary of the birth of John Wesley by the Methodists of the New England conference was continued to-day, with Rev. A. Carman of Toronto and Rev. George Jackson of Edinburgh, Scotland, among the leading speakers.

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JEWS IN RUSSIA.

Outside Agitation Will Have no Effect in Their Case.

St. Petersburg, June 30.—The amendment to the "temporary regulations" of May 15, 1882, permitting Jews to reside and to acquire real estate in 101 additional towns within the pale of Jewish settlements is thus explained by the Jewish journal, The Voskhod: "The temporary regulations which have been in force during the last twenty-one years were hastily issued, and were not brought into conformity with other laws. Their enforcement caused nearly all the Jews living in the rural districts, amounting to about twenty per cent of the whole Jewish population in 1882, to be driven from the towns and cities. The pale of Jewish settlement, previously embracing fifteen provinces, suddenly shrunk to a limited number of towns. The number of towns open to Jews has continued constantly to diminish. As a result the towns with Jewish populations have been officially pronounced breeding-places for physical and psychical diseases. The Ministry of the Interior, in view of the dangers, has decided to open 110 new places to Jewish settlers.

"Among many expedients for driving out Jewish settlers under the 'temporary regulations' one of the most successful was to demand written charters from the towns. Those which could not produce a charter were at once pronounced villages. In this way all the towns in Poltava were wiped out of legal existence in 1895, and all the towns of Charnigov suffered the same fate in 1899. In other cases old towns decayed, or shifted towards newly built railroads. The Jews were, however, not allowed either in the new towns that grew up in their place, or in spite of repeated decisions of the Senate in the new streets of old towns.

"The 'temporary regulations' may be briefly stated, forbid Jews to move into cities and towns where they had not been living when the regulations were issued, to remove from one hamlet to another or to acquire or rent land."

BASEBALL IN GEORGIA.

One Man Killed and the Umpire Hurt.

Quitman, Ga., June 30.—As the result of a ball game near here between nine composed of negroes from rival plantations, Sam Johnson, one of the players, is dead, and Umpire Dick Edmondson is seriously wounded. There had been great rivalry between negroes employed on the Spain and Griffith plantations, and trouble was anticipated when the game began. In Sam Johnson, a Span negro, started to steal second. The man at the bat interfered with the catcher and the "steal" seemed easy for Johnson, when he was shot by an anti-Span rooster among the spectators. The umpire insisted that a man should take Johnson's place at second and this so enraged the Griffith rooters that the umpire was shot and the game was broken up.

Johnson died soon after being shot. Officers have made no arrests, as the negroes refuse to inform.

COLLINGWOOD ASSAULT CASE.

Benj. Johnson Arrested on Complaint of a Little Girl.

Collingwood, June 30.—Benj. Johnson, a deck hand on the steamer Britannia, about forty years of age, was arrested yesterday by Chief Wilda and Constable Best, on a serious charge of assault on the little five-year-old daughter of Mr. Ayers, Campbell street, Collingwood. Johnson is well connected in town, and has lived here all his life. He has a wife, who is at present in the asylum. The assault was made on Sunday evening, at his own house, which is next door to the Ayers' residence, which is also owned by Johnson. The accused will appear before P. M. Nettleton on Tuesday at 10.30 a.m.

THE DWYER SILVERWARE.

Ownership Probably Discovered by Police.

Toronto, June 30.—It is believed that the owner of the silverware, which it is alleged was stolen by James Dwyer, has been found. Dwyer was arrested on June 22 by Detective Duncan, while trying to dispose of silverware in a pawn shop. It is thought that the articles belong to Major Mutter of Esquimaux. A quantity of silverware shipped at Montreal for Owen Sound, to be forwarded to Esquimaux for Major Mutter, was missed at Owen Sound. Major Mutter's whereabouts is not at present known, but the missing articles correspond to those found in Dwyer's possession.

THE CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CASE.

Toronto, June 30.—Christian Science treatment is manslaughter when it leads a parent so far as to deny medical assistance and medicines to his child and that child dies for want of these necessities. That is the effect of a judgment given yesterday by the Court of Appeal, and unless it is upset by a higher court it is now the law of the land. The decision is an important one, as it affects cases where Christian Science treatment is involved.

The case that led to the judgment was that of the King v. James Henry Lewis of Toronto, Roy, the little son of Mr. Lewis, contracted diphtheria, and died on August 13 last. The father, who is a Christian Scientist, was charged with manslaughter under the criminal code for neglect to provide the necessary medical treatment, medicines and assistance.

Lewis was found guilty, but sentence was reserved, pending an appeal to be taken on a stated case before the Court of Appeal.



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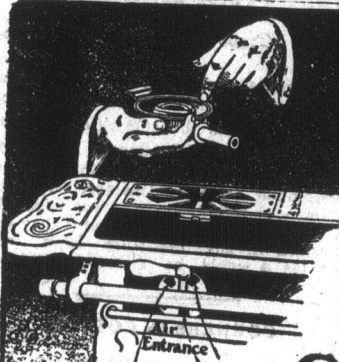
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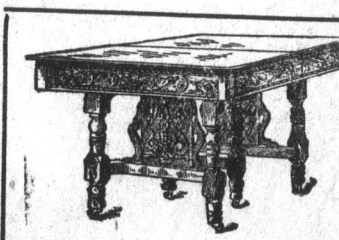
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