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LONDON, SATURDAY, OCT. 4.

THE UNITED STATES TARIFF
BILL.With the signing of the present tariff
bill President Wilson puts the seal on
a marvellous personal triumph. He has
shown qualities of practical politics,
and of real leadership, that are rather
disconcerting to those who were dis-
posed to make fun of him as a school-
master. He has made no false moves
and has overcome grave difficulties.This bill will be a landmark in
American legislation. The wave that
set in about 1825, and reached its
height about 1900, now turns back. A
few years ago no one would have
thought such a subsidence of high
protection possible. The great inter-
ests seemed all powerful, and there
was no expectation that the Demo-
cratic party could challenge, much
less defeat them. They had their
champions within the Democratic
party itself, and as yet insurgency was
not. To President Wilson belongs
much of the credit for drawing and
holding together the forces of reform
and giving the people what they have
demanded. The Senate has disap-
pointed reactionist hopes in its treat-
ment of the bill, which is more radical
than when it left the House, and the
President has insisted upon going far-
ther than even Underwood, the father
of the bill, was at first disposed to
go.The legislation goes into effect at
once. More than any other nation,
Canada is interested. The effects will
be immediate, and it will soon be
demonstrated how insincere were all
the cries two years ago about the use-
lessness of the American market to
Canadian producers. The chief organ
of Bordenism in Toronto already says
that Canadian manufacturers even are
going to benefit by the new law. The
change is fortunate just now, when
Canada needs so much an increase of
export trade to the United States to
pay the excess of imports over ex-
ports. Otherwise products would have
to be sent thousands of miles instead
of being delivered right at our doors.It is true we shall not gain so
much as we should have by the trade
agreement of 1911. We have now to
share with the other producing coun-
tries. And the duties (though reduced)
still remain on many items—horses,
barley, beans, oats, peas, wheat, wheat
flour, fruit, vegetables, hay, butter,
cheese, linseed.Free, however, now are cattle, sheep,
swine, beef, mutton, pork, lard, buck-
wheat printing paper, pulp, eggs,
bacon, hams, agricultural implements,
cream, milk. A great stimulus is
given to the production of all these
things. In the cattle trade especially
a revolution is likely to be made. It
will be helped in this country also by
the depletion of the American supply
owing to droughts and other shrinkage
of ranches. The effect will be felt in
every Canadian province, in none more
than in Ontario. Those scheming poli-
ticians who were warning Canadian
producers against the seductions of the
American market now look ridiculous
in view of a development over which
Canada can have no control. Of course,
nothing will be heard from them now
about the damage to loyalty or the
east and west haul, in selling to the
United States. They will be more dis-
posed to ascribe the advantages of it
to the Borden Government. Some of
their followers, whom they led by the
nose, will suppose that the law was
passed at Ottawa and not at Washing-
ton.However, they will be bothered
enough by the retention of the ten-
cent duty on wheat, which will be
taken off only if Canada takes recip-
rocal action. The grain growers will
overwhelm the Big Interest Government
at Ottawa, with petitions; in fact, the
agitation has begun already. Stranger
things have happened than a surren-
der by the weather vane Borden to such
demands. It would be a sharp corner
to turn, but no sharper than that turned
on the naval question. Consistency
would be the cost, but that is a mere
nothing.

THE FARMER PAYS HIS SHARE.

The financial statement of the Do-
minion for the first half of the present
fiscal year—the period from April to
September—shows an increase in ex-
penditure over last year of \$17,231,-
422. This is 35 per cent. advance over
the corresponding half of 1912. During
September of 1911, the last year of the
Liberal Administration, the expendi-
ture was under \$10,000,000; during this
September it was \$13,000,000. Dur-
ing the two years of Conservative rule
the public expenditure has increased
at a rate unparalleled in the history
of any country in time of peace. Public
works have been constructed
wherever they would do the most goodto the party; armories have gone up
by the score in little villages; the
militia expenditure has reached the
sum of \$2 for every man, woman and
child in the Dominion; cabinet minis-
ters are flying all over the Empire in
special trains and subsidized ships;
money has been flowing freely from the
public treasury.Who pays for it all? The average
man pays; the laborer pays; the farmer
pays. These people pay as well as
the rich men. But they pay in greater
proportion to their income. If the cost
of living increases, the rich man can
afford to pay; but the poor man can-
not. Ten dollars to him means far
more than a hundred to many men;
more than a thousand to some. It is
no excuse to say that our revenue has
been increasing. It has, but not in pro-
portion to our expenditure. But even if
it did that is no reason why we should
spend money lavishly. If the revenue
increases, instead of squandering it,
reduce the rate of taxation. Do not
take so much more out of the pockets
of the people than the Government
actually needs. The common average
man and woman needs all the money
he can get these days. Give him a
chance to share in the prosperity of
the country. Let the mechanic get his
home supplies cheaper. Let the farmer
get his implements for less, and his
groceries for a little less, and his cloth-
ing at a small reduction. The farmer
pays a big share of all this public ex-
penditure. The farmers of East Mid-
dlesex will have an opportunity to say
whether they want any relief. If they
are quite satisfied to pay the increased
cost of living, if they are willing that
the Government should go on in its
career of extravagance; they can say
so at the election now coming. If they
support the Government candidate it
means that they are willing to go
on paying money into the public
treasury to be poured out freely for
political purposes; that they are not
anxious to reduce the cost of living.
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so.

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to a strange nigger and all that money
on me?"the two-inch article under the four-
inch caption, we are unable to find
what Ald. Saunders repudiates. He
admits that he said everything. The
Advertiser said that he said. The Free
Press owes him an apology."The Mackenzie interests are fight-
ing with the help of The Advertiser
to kill public ownership in London,
by buying a railway that the city
of London owns and should operate."
—Toronto Telegram.This shows the danger of long-range
criticism. No one proposes selling the
L. and P. S. R. Those opposed to elec-
trification believe in using the city's
ownership of the road to exact certain
privileges for local shippers, without
loading a white elephant on the tax-
payers. By the way the Telegram is
bitterly fighting the municipal owner-
ship of the street railway and the To-
ronto Electric Light Company's plant,
on the ground that the city is asked to
pay too high a price for these prop-
erties. Here in London we also take the
ground that municipal control and
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Many "Associates" Handed
Out for Publication.Assuming that the Grand Trunk
and all other steam railways will al-
low their business to be handled by
the city, and that no arrangement at
present enjoyed will be disturbed, the
advocates of electrification have se-
cured a number of names to a peti-
tion. Whether these gentlemen would
have signed the petition after they
had learned the attitude of the Grand
Trunk is doubtful.In the list of names there are a
great many organizations with the
promoters of electrification. Personal
friends and the firms of the prin-
cipal advocates of the scheme appear.
There are a number of firms in the list
who are no doubt independent of their
attitude.Many businessmen in the city were
approached and refused to sign the
document.The names follow:
The McClary Manufacturing Com-
pany, London Concrete Machinery Com-
pany, Empire Manufacturing Com-
pany (Limited), the William Weld
Company (Limited), the London Print-
ing and Lithographing Company (Lim-
ited), Battle Creek Tread Corn-
pany (Limited), Dickinson, Nicholson
& Co. (Limited), Spittal
Bros. & Co., D. S. Perrin & Co., H. J.
Jones' Sons (Limited), the George
London and Petrolium Company, the
Carling Brewing and Malt Company
(Limited), the A. A. Lang-
ford Company (Limited), Richards-
Wilcox, Canadian Co. (Limited), S. E.
Lawrence Co. (Limited), Johnson & Bous-
sard, International Harvester Company
(Limited), Lawson & Jones (Limited),
W. E. Saunders & Co., Wright, Sons
& Co., John Hayman's Sons (Limited),
Ontario Spring Bed and Mattress
Company, C. H. Tume (Limited), Mc-
Mahon, Granger & Co., The London
Shoe Company (Limited), John Gar-
vey, Jas. Wright & Co., Sterling Bros.
(Limited), Canadian Coal and Flour
Mills (Limited), Chandler Bros., Jas.
E. McGuffin, Hord Company (Lim-
ited), J. G. Orchard & Sons, Brenner
Bros., London Rolling Mills Company
(Limited), John Labatt (Limited), Sil-
verado (Limited), John Tanton &
Son, A. B. Greer, Coates, Burns &
Wanless, Webster & Graham, Edward
Adams & Co. (Limited), Dennis Wire
Company, Karn Shoe Company, T.
Sproat, Anthracite Mining Company, The
Good Year Tire and Rubber Company,
The Ford Motor Company (Limited), Thos.
Bryan (Limited), Mann, Laurie & Co.,
Rice Clear Box Company, Joe. Gaste
Company, Karm Shoe Company, T.
Dexter & Sons, Ogilvie Flour Mills
Company, W. J. Thompson & Sons,
The Standard Macintosh Company
Limited, John C. Butler, John Deere
Company, John Deere & Co., J. C.
Munroe, William Ward, William Web-
ster, C. N. and W. Shoe Company,
(Limited), Gustave Rice Company,
Line, MacDonald Company.MRS. PANKHURST UNABLE
TO FILL ENGAGEMENTSNotwithstanding Big Fees Asked,
Militant Leader Is In
Great Demand.[Canadian Press.]
Paris, Oct. 4.—Mrs. Emmeline Pank-
hurst, after reading the dispatches
from New York today reporting the
commotion among the American suf-
frage leaders, has decided to re-
ceive for her lectures, commissioned
her daughter, Christabel, to explain
her point of view."The women's movement is an in-
ternational one," said Miss Christabel
Pankhurst, "consequently anything
contributed by Americans to help to
win the woman suffrage campaign in
England will help the cause there. I
do more for liberty than any other
country, now is reactionary, and has
become more conservative than any
other country. The women's move-
ment will be obtained there, it will be
easier to win elsewhere."Miss Christabel says that Miss Joan
Wickham, of the Women's Social and
Political Union, who is receiving more
invitations than it is possible for Mrs.
Pankhurst to accept, in spite of the
fee asked, and she adds that Mrs.
Pankhurst, no doubt will be freely ad-
mitted by the port authorities of New
York.DR. ANNETT DIES IN
VICTORIA HOSPITALYoung Physician Was at One
Time on the Staff of St.
Joseph's Hospital.Following a critical operation at
Victoria Hospital, Dr. Ivan Annett,
eldest son of Mr. Walter Annett,
Brook Township, died at 10:30 p.m.
this morning. He was brought to Victoria
Hospital from Windsor about three
weeks ago suffering from kidney
trouble. Dr. Wishart, the attending
physician, performed an operation to
remove the stone, but his life, but it
proved unsuccessful.Dr. Annett, who was in his 24th year,
graduated from Western University in
this city in 1911, following which he
was appointed a house surgeon at St.
Joseph's Hospital. About six months
ago he took a practice in Windsor,
where he resided until the time of the
illness which resulted in his death this
morning.He was a consistent member
of the Methodist Church, Brook, and
was popular with all who knew him.
His untimely death cut short a most
promising career. The funeral will be
held from the family residence,
Brook Township, Monday afternoon at
2 o'clock.Dr. Annett is survived by his par-
ents, one sister, Mrs. Ed. Carroll,
and three brothers, George, Calvin and
Leonard, all at home.MORE ASSESSORS
TO BE EMPLOYEDIf Commissioners' Ideas for Re-
organization of Department
Are Carried Out.Independent Valuation of the
City's Realty Considered
Necessary.If the suggestions of Assessment
Commissioner Stephen Grant are carried
out the London assessment department
will be entirely reorganized, more as-
sessor will be added to the department,
an independent land valuation of the city
will be made, and a basis for future as-
sessment established. At the meeting
of the finance committee yesterday after-
noon the question of the assessment com-
missioner's suggestions was broached.
Nothing was done on the matter, how-
ever, the discussion being deferred until
later, when a special meeting will be
called to take up the question from
every standpoint.This morning Commissioner Grant out-
lined his ideas in an interview with The
Advertiser."What we want is an independent
valuation of the city's realty. We want
valuators appointed who will work in-
dependently of the assessors in preparing
a valuation report. The idea of the as-
sessment department is to have a fair,
equitable and just assessment for all,
respectively of who they are. We want to
have the assessors' work checked up
and a new valuation basis established.""We are getting so close to single tax,
without realizing it, with the value of
the land steadily eating up the value of
the buildings, that the valuation question
is getting more and more important.
Therefore we want an independent one.""The idea of establishing a valuation
basis by independent valuers is one
that is carried out every few years in
other places, and there is no reason why
we shouldn't have it here. It is needed,
and our assessors have not the time to
devote to the work."A Busy Department.
In former years, when we had any
slack time in the department, we sent
our assessors out to revalued the land,
but this year, and for some time past,
we have been unable to do so. The as-
sessment department has been kept busy on
statistical work—income taxation, business
taxation, the analysis of big concerns,
and so on, that has prevented them from
revaluation.So far this year there is not a man in
the assessment department who has had
an hour's holiday. The prospects for
any of these holidays is slim. We have
counts of revision until December, and it
means that the department will have to
double time until these are all over.
Then, too, the annexation has increased
our work materially. We will have to
add men to the department to adequately
carry on our work, even after the inde-
pendent valuations have finished their
work and established a new basis for the
future assessments."Assessment revision has been ad-
vocated in the city for some time, but
nothing has been yet attempted along the
lines outlined in Commissioner Grant's
suggestions. The fact that the finance
committee has set aside a special meet-
ing for the purpose of discussing the
proposition is regarded as an indication
that some definite action will be in-
augurated this year.GIRL VISITING CITY
FOUND DEAD IN BEDMiss Margaret Swanston, of
Muirkirk, Passes Away
in Her Sleep.[Canadian Press.]
Margaret Jessie Swanston, who had
been visiting her uncle and aunt, Mr.
and Mrs. J. McDonald, of 107 Inker-
man street, was found dead in her bed
Friday morning by members of the
family. She was apparently feeling
well upon retiring at night, and the
discovery came as a tremendous shock
to the family.Miss Swanston had been in poor
health for some time, and heart disease
was given as the cause of her death.She was the eldest daughter of Mr.
and Mrs. R. W. Swanston, of Muirkirk,
and was 16 years old. Besides her
parents she is survived by two
sisters at home, Hilda and Ellen.The remains were forwarded this
morning to Muirkirk on the 7:10 Pere
Marquette train by Griffith & Willsie.
Interment will take place on Monday
afternoon at 3 o'clock. Services will
be conducted by the Rev. E. Edwards
at the parents' residence, lot 13, con-
cession 7, Oxford Township, Kent
County, at 2 o'clock.

SASKATCHEWAN LEGISLATURE.

[Canadian Press.]
Regina, Sask., Oct. 4.—It is general
belief that Saskatchewan Legisla-
ture will open its session early in No-
vember and conclude before Christmas.
Premier Scott is now in Eastern Can-
ada, but is due to return shortly.

Milk Increase Interesting.

Considerable interest is being taken
around the city hall at the statement
made by Medical Health Officer Hast-
ings, of Toronto, that Toronto may
go into the milk business as a city
enterprise, if the prices are raised
much more by Toronto dealers. The
question of an increase is not one
of the most important factors.The fact that if the city were to enter the milk busi-
ness the cost of distribution would
be materially lessened is one of the
most important factors.

Township Taxes Reduced.

Smiling faces are the general rule
of many of London's taxpayers when
they are paying their first taxes in the
city since annexation. In many
cases the amount paid into the city
treasury through the city tax collec-
tor's office is materially less than the
former payments of township and
county taxes.

\$700,000 for Hydro.

Considerable hydro circles over the fact
that \$700,000 more is being asked for
by the Toronto hydro system. The
money will be raised by another bond
issue, and the authorization has been
ready been asked for by the city coun-
cil of that city.

Separation Report Ready Soon.

While no definite date has yet been
fixed for the presentation of the first
report on the separation of the city
waterworks and electric departments,
it is expected that a special meeting
will be called this week. The first
report on the separation of the water-
works plan, made by Engineer John
M. Moore.

Carpenters Still at Work.

Carpenters are still at work in the
remodeling of the Spencer Block
city hall quarters. It will still be
some time before the last sounds of
the hammers and saws dies out from
the old building. Work is now beingFOREIGN GOODS WORTH MILLIONS
POURING INTO UNITED STATESAustralian Butter Flooding the Market and Bi-
Shipments of Beef Are on the Way—Reduction
in Prices Expected Immediately—Customs Men
Are Buried in Work.[Canadian Press.]
San Francisco, Oct. 4.—First effects
of the new tariff law on the Pacific
coast, it was agreed today, will be felt
in importations of foodstuffs from Aus-
tralia.In San Francisco the release of great
quantities of butter held in customs
storehouses was expected to affect the
local market.Eighteen thousand pounds of Aus-
tralian butter arrived Thursday, and
fifty thousand pounds more will be
here in a few days.Australian meat is selling at prices
lower than those charged for domestic
meats, and the quantities imported will
be increased.Butchers advise their patrons that
the imported meats bring somewhat
in cooking because of refrigeration.

CUSTOMS MEN BUSY.

[Canadian Press.]
New York, Oct. 5.—The first effect
of the new tariff law, to which President
Wilson's signature was written last
night, was seen early today, when the
clerical force at the customs house was
increased by fifteen men in anticipation
of the first day of the new tariff.

The customs officials began business