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The New Tariff

Opinions expressed by the trade regarding the new tariff vary according to the manner in which it has been found to apply to the lines of goods handled by the different firms; and to ascertain the views of the ordinary citizen at the present moment, the person who is most concerned in any change that may have been made, is impossible until the new schedule has been for a considerable time in operation.

The prevailing opinion seems to be that the duties on the whole are higher than they were under the old system, despite the number of articles found on the free list. In connection with the latter, we cannot but submit that were the number of articles on the free list reduced, the distribution of taxation would be fairer, and the burden would more equitably be borne by all sections of the community.

From statements made by the Minister of Finance it does not appear that he anticipates any great increase in the revenue from the new tariff, and there is nothing in the estimates which would indicate that any considerable surplus is expected. As will be seen by referring to yesterday's debate on the matter in the House of Assembly, the Leader of the Opposition holds a different view, and these discussions are welcome as they will help to arrive at a definite opinion and possibly to a solution of some of the outstanding objections.

The disclosures in the Budget Speech of the legacy of debt left by the late administration brought home to the public even more forcibly than the Walker Report the lack of regard which had been shown for the welfare of the country and the incapacity of those who had held offices of responsibility. It also made it apparent that if we were to meet this indebtedness, and at the same time to pay current expenses, it was useless to expect for the time being much relief from the present burden of taxation.

The salaried man has reason to be grateful for the abolition of the income tax. The fisherman also has his burden lightened by the placing of flour, pork, beef, kerosene and gasoline on the free list, but these arrangements are apart from the schedule drawn up by the Tariff Commission whose findings have been accepted by the present Government.

The decision to scrap the sub-tax and supertax system and revert to the one straight duty is a very welcome change, and the classification of imports has simplified matters and removed many anomalies. Instances, however, are quoted which would indicate that the new system imposes a hardship on persons holding certain lines of goods. Some of these have already been revised, and no doubt if others are shown to be unjustly burdensome they will receive due consideration in time.

It is claimed that the Tariff Commission kept in view the desirability of making a distinction between luxuries and necessities. That is as it should be, but under those circumstances, it surely cannot be claimed that the re-

moval of the income tax has brought any relief to the wealthier class. That tax, it has been demonstrated could never be effectively applied, and if general taxes on luxuries have been increased, they not only provide a more certain revenue, but they more than counteract the relief given by the removal of the income tax.

Taken altogether the tariff is more or less in the nature of an experiment, and any irregularities which appear after it has been given a fair trial can be removed or readjusted.

George St. Sale of Work at Presbyterian Hall

A sale of work by the Women's Guild of George Street Church was held yesterday afternoon in the Presbyterian Hall. The sale was declared open by Lady Crosbie in the presence of a large number of patrons and proved a huge success. The stalls were heavily laden with a variety of fancy goods, novelties, home cookery, etc., all of which found ready purchasers. The afternoon and evening teas were largely patronized as well, and the results obtained were most gratifying.

"Blue Bird Tea Brings Happiness."

Successful Sale of Work

The sale of work of the Presentation Convent Association, in the Kindergarten School, was continued yesterday afternoon with the same measure of success as marked the opening afternoon. The stocks of goods were replenished and the tables were ready to meet the demands of the large number of patrons who were present. At 8.30 the sale was brought to a conclusion when a card party was held by the ladies in which a large number participated. An enjoyable game was indulged in and suitable prizes were awarded to the lucky winners.

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Sale Concluded With Concert

The second day's sale at Canon Wood Hall, under the auspices of the St. Thomas's Women's Association and St. Margaret's Guild, was equally as successful as the first, and during the afternoon a large number of patrons were present and gradually diminished the stocks. As a fitting conclusion to a successful sale a concert was held at night, in which the following performers took part:—Song, Mrs. G. Christian; Instrumental Duet, Mr. and Mrs. Mews; Song, Mr. Wylie; Song, Miss Johnston; Recitation, Miss Murray; Song, Mr. Horsley; Song, Mrs. Small; Song, Miss Langmead; Duet, Mr. and Miss Donnelly and a musical sketch, entitled "Aunt Jemima's Birthday Party," splendidly produced by the "Merry Makers."

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Expression of Thanks

Capt. George Whitley and crew of the Stella Maris, desire to publicly express their grateful thanks to Capt. Burgess, officers and crew of the S.S. Prospero, for the very great kindness shown them following their rescue after their own ship had gone down. Everybody on the Prospero exerted themselves to make the wrecked mariners comfortable, and the good work of the stewards was particularly appreciated. The experience of the Stella Maris' crew was a most unpleasant one, but it was relieved by the splendid treatment received on the Prospero, which will not soon be forgotten.

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Government Boats

Home on dock at Burin. Argyle left Burin 7.30 p.m., 16th, coming to Argentia. Saturdays 8.45 connects for Bay, Monday for west. Gloucester now at Argentia; Saturday's 8.45 connects for South Coast and Fortune Bay. Kyle due at Port aux Basques this morning. Fortia left Ramée 11.20 a.m., 16th. Now due Port aux Basques.

There will be NO PRACTICE for the Presbyterian Choir this evening. L. CALVERT.—april 17.

William Randolph Hearst

after seeing "Von Stroheim's 'GREED'" the picture of Frank Norris's "McTeague," said:

"'GREED' is absolutely the most powerful motion picture I have ever seen."

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"The Mixed Grill"

A GREAT SUCCESS.

Last night's entertainment in the Majestic Theatre gave the large number who attended an evening's amusement such as theatre goes in St. John's only too rarely have an opportunity to enjoy. From the very start the audience was captivated, and each item on the programme added to the enjoyment. The music of the orchestra under the baton of Mr. Gordon Christian, the dancing, the singing, and the all too short dramatic performance which concluded the programme were one and all excellent, and the talent displayed by the artistes was thoroughly appreciated. "The Mixed Grill" is assured of a full house on each night that it is repeated during the week, and it is to be hoped that these little bits will be splendidly done and captivated the house.

Promptly at 8.30 o'clock following the arrival of His Excellency the Governor (Chief Scout), and Lady Allardice, (Island Commissioner, Girl Guides), the curtain rose to reveal a very artistic garden scene with two children, little Barbara and Gerald Winter playing with their toys. A song, "There are fairies at the bottom of our garden," splendidly rendered by Miss Anderson, was made most realistic by the arrival on the scene of a first pair of bunny rabbits (Misses Olive Elliott and Betty Fitzgerald), followed by three dainty fairies (Misses Frances Ross, Betty Simms and Noreen Jeffery), and next by two tiny butterflies (Misses Mary Kent and Phyllis Warren). The dance given by these little elf was splendidly done and captivated the house.

The next item on the menu was the Hawaiian scene. When the curtain rose it revealed a group of Hawaiians seated around Princess Kahana (Mrs. W. R. Warren) and the maidens presented her with gifts. (The maidens were Mrs. H. LeMessurier; Misses Maria Hutton, Betty McNeill, Jean Knowling, Marjorie Mews and Jean Campbell). Princess Kahana then sang "Moonlight Memories," and her deep contralto voice suited the song admirably and the strumming of the ukuleles by the ensemble was entrancing. The dance by the Hawaiian maidens which followed was gracefully done and received a good hand. "Honolulu Lullaby" sung by Princess Kahana and Marianna (Maria Hutton) was indeed very pretty. The solo dance by Lilihana (Betty McNeill) was very gracefully done; in fact rarely have we seen an amateur interpret an Hawaiian dance as well as did Miss McNeill. "One-Two-Three" sung by the ensemble with "Uke" accompaniment was very well rendered and the closing chorus "Aloha Oe" was a very fitting finale.

The third part of the programme was in the form of a Pierrot show—the curtain raised was the prologue from Pierrot, sung by Tonio (Mr. Fred R. Emerson), whose voice was heard to good effect in this difficult piece. As the curtain went up the Pierrots and Pierrettes were seen grouped around the stage. The black and white costumes showed up well, and with the black drapings lent a magnificent spectacle. The opening chorus by the company was very lively and well sung. The solo dance by Signorina Aida (Miss Doris Withers), was faultlessly rendered, and called for an encore. "What a Funny World We Live In," a humorous song by Harry Foss (Mr. Harold Foster), was excellent. "Can It Be Love," a solo by Signorina Meusetti (Miss Elinor Mews) was very pretty. "The Dancing Lesson," sung by Signorina Aida, to which a dance by Miss Nimbles and Mr. Timothy Hardnut (Miss G. Milley and Mr. T. V. Hartnett) was very gracefully carried out, the performers having to respond to an encore. "I Want To Be Somebody's Baby," a very peppy jazz item was rendered by Signorina Japette (Miss J. Anderson), in great style. In connection with this item the Pierrettes and Pierrots had a little bet as to whom could sing the choicest, and we fear the fair maidens won the bet, but whether the Pierrots will come across is as yet not known. This item also called for an encore. "The Topical Song," which consisted of local verses, was indeed amusing and the audience called for more. It was indeed put over in great style by Messrs. Duke Winter, Harold Foster, Ron Martin and Ralph Herder. Harlequin and Columbine (Misses Doris Alderidge and Doris Withers) executed a very pretty dance and had to respond to an encore. "Dance With Me" by Signorina Meusetti and Harry Foss, a song and dance was very well done. "Love the Pedler," solo by Mr. Warbler (Mr. H. Wardell) was rendered in great style. "Shall We S 'Lats" by The Duke and his Pal Hurdy Gurdy (Duke Winter and Ralph Herder) brought forth rounds of applause. The finale by the ensemble was very catchy and rang down the curtain on a very bright show. The last item was a sketch entitled "The Rest Cure," which was excellent in every detail. The following is the cast:—

Clarence Reed—Mr. Herbert Rendell.
 Olive (his wife)—Mrs. R. Herder.
 Alice Palmer (Dark Cat)—Mrs. H. Cuthbert.
 May Williams (Fair Cat)—Miss Edith Cleary.

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Remember "The Four Horsemen"

Well, here's what Rex Ingram, its director thinks of "GREED":

"'GREED' is the greatest piece of direction I have ever seen. Such compelling and soul-baring characterizations have been so far unknown to the stage or screen. The comedy relief is wonderful, the climax tremendous."

(Sgd.) REX INGRAM.
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Hotel Resolutions.

The following resolutions in reference to the proposed Hotel for St. John's were tabled in the House of Assembly yesterday:—

(1) The Company shall erect and operate in this city a 150 room Hotel to be constructed of reinforced concrete, to be fireproof, and equipped with modern furnishings throughout, the total cost to be not less than \$700,000.

(2) Building is to begin within two months after approval has been granted by the Legislature, and the Hotel must be ready for occupation and in operation on or before May 1st, 1926.

(3) As security for carrying out the above undertaking the Company has to deposit with the Government a certified cheque for \$25,000.

(4) The Government agree to give the Company a grant of the land known as the old railway yard on Cordova Street, subject to the proviso that in the event of the Company failing to erect a hotel the land shall revert to the Government. The Company agrees that the land shall not be sold, leased or otherwise disposed of without the permission of the Government.

(5) All plant, machinery, furnishings, etc., necessary for original erection and furnishing are to be admitted free of duty.

(6) The stock, dividend, debentures, etc., of the Company shall be exempt from taxation.

(7) The Company shall be exempt for a period of ten years from Income Tax, Business Profits Tax, and similar taxes other than duties levied under the general law of the Colony on goods imported by the Company and not otherwise exempt.

(8) The maximum fee to be paid by the Company for a permit under the Alcoholic Liquors Act shall not in any case exceed \$1,000. For the first ten years the fee shall not exceed \$100.00 per annum.

(9) The Government shall guarantee payment by the Company of the principal of an issue of a series of Mortgage Debenture Bonds of \$450,000.00 to be secured by a Trust Deed containing a specific First Mortgage upon the property and fixed assets of the Company; but such guarantee shall not commence before June 1st, 1926. The said debentures shall be serial debentures of which the sum of \$15,000.00 shall fall due and become payable each year. Such debentures shall only be delivered to purchasers in accordance with the progress of the work of construction. Provision shall be made for the redemption of the said debentures by means of a Sinking Fund. In the event of the Company failing at any time to provide the said Sinking Fund to redeem the debentures upon maturity, the debentures so redeemed shall become the property of the Government.

(10) Municipal Taxes to be levied on the Company's property shall for a period of 30 years be as follows:—First six years, \$266.67 per annum; next six years, \$533.33 per annum; next six years, \$800.00 per annum; next six years, \$1,066.67 per annum; next six years, \$1,333.33.

(11) So long as the Government remains under any obligation in respect of said guarantee, the Government will nominate one of the directors of the Company.

(12) The Company shall employ Newfoundland labour in connection with the construction of the Hotel, except such labour as shall not be obtainable here when needed.

The agreement is signed by the Colonial Secretary in behalf of the Government, and by T. E. Rousseau and F. X. Ahern, Directors for the Company.

Forest Fire Reported

On Wednesday last a fire broke out in the woods near the Black Marsh Road, and no doubt considerable damage would have been done had it not been discovered in time. As it was a barn came near being caught in the blaze. How it originated is not known.

Pearline for easy washing.

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THE TRAINS.—Thursday's west bound arrived Bishop's Falls 3.35 this morning. The express arrived at 9.30 a.m.

If you fear the truth, don't see "GREED."—april 17.

THETIS FINISHED DISCHARGING.—The sealing steamer Thetis finished larding her fat at noon to-day and turned out a total of 15,920 seals. The gross weight of the cargo is approximately 233 tons. The full specification was not available up to press hour. The crew will be paid off this afternoon.

INJURED IN DAMASCUS RIOTS.—DAMASCUS, April 17. Of twenty persons who were injured in the riots which occurred here during the visit of Lord Balfour last week, one of the three Arabs, wounded by bullets, has died; six rioters received sabre cuts and six were injured by stones hurled at the Hotel Victoria, where Lord Balfour stayed. One other injured person is in a serious condition. Nearly all of the demonstrators who were arrested have been released.

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 CLASS 4: Twins of five years of age. First prize, £20; second prize, £10.
 CLASS 5: Triplets of four years of age. First prize, £20; second prize, £10.
 CLASS 6: Quadruplets of three years of age. First prize, £20; second prize, £10.

Entry by photograph of child only, accompanied by score sheet with three questions for mothers which must be answered for child to be a prize-winner.
 For further information and score sheets, apply in the East End, to Mrs. F. W. Bradshaw, Millary Road; Central, Child Welfare Centre, Duckworth Street; West End, Mrs. J. Angel, Hamilton St.
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DIED.

At Sanitarium, on April 16th, Esau, only son of Stephen Hollahan, of Princeton, N.B. Funeral on Saturday at 4 p.m. from his aunt's residence, Mrs. Good, 40 Livingstone St.

This morning, after a lingering illness, Joseph Morris Ivamy, aged 59 years, leaving a wife and three daughters, Funeral on Sunday, at 2.30 p.m., from his late residence, 74 Carter's Hill. Friends please accept this the only intimation.

There passed peacefully away, at Duffs, Holyrood, at 3 o'clock, on Good Friday, April 16th, James Duff, aged 70 years, leaving a wife, two sons, one daughter and one brother to mourn their irreparable loss. May the Sacred Heart of Jesus have mercy on his soul.

IN LOVING MEMORY

of George Skanes, who departed this life on April 17th, 1921, aged 14 years. R.I.P.
 To-day brings back sad memories, Of that sad and bitter blow; That was cast upon our homestead Just four years ago.

In our hearts we mourn the loss of him we loved so dear, What would we give to clasp his hand, his gentle voice to hear; His loving smile and welcome voice that was so dear to us, He's resting now in Heaven above in God alone we trust.

No pen can write, no tongue can tell, Our sad and bitter loss; But God alone has helped us well To bear our bitter cross.

May the Sacred Heart of Jesus have mercy on his soul.—Inserted by his Mother and Father.

IN LOVING MEMORY

of Pte. Thomas Rogers, died at Douai from wounds received in the Battle of Monchy, April 17th, 1917, aged 18 years; also his sister, Nellie, who died on Easter Sunday, 1918, aged 16 years. May the Sacred Heart of Jesus have mercy on their souls.

NOTE OF THANKS.—The officers and members of Edith Cavell Lodge wish to thank all the performers who took part in their entertainment held in the Victoria Hall, April 15th, 1925, especially the Methodist Guards Band, who rendered such excellent music.

NOTE OF THANKS.—Mr. Ray Lane who left home to enter the General Hospital, Jan. 27th, 1925, returned home April 9th, doing fairly well. His many friends will be glad to hear of his arrival home and his good success at the General Hospital. He wishes to thank Mrs. Keegan and Fox for their kind attendance, also Nurse Garland, LeDrew, Gardner, Strong and Goss; Sister Doyle, and everyone who helped him in any way while at the institution, the visitors who attended him. His family wishes to thank them for having him come home on his way to health.—adv.



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