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DOUBLE PAY OF THE DEPUTIES

Bill Introduced in French Chamber Because of the H. C. L.

Paris, March 18.—A bill was introduced in the chamber of deputies yesterday proposing to double the salaries of deputies, raising them from 15,000 francs to 30,000 francs.

The preamble declares that the value of everything has increased, that the obligations of a parliamentarian have grown greater, that the cost of the necessities of life has tripled, that a deputy is obliged to have a residence in Paris where he can receive properly his constituents.

It adds that there are only a few of the deputies who are able to support themselves properly, owing to these increases in the cost of living, and that a majority of the deputies are likely to find the cabinet of ministers necessary to the proper direction of public affairs, interferred with unless their salaries are raised.

THE U. S. SENATE SEES SPECTRES

(New York Evening Post.)

If much learning can make men mad, endless debating on one subject may make them morbid. The senate has now had the treaty on its mind for nearly a year, and there are signs that its mind is giving way under the pressure. What seems to be peering now is not arguments but spectres. There is no use in statesmen like Mr. Root going to Washington to labor with senators. They require rather, mental healers, metaphysicians, experts in dealing with the victims of an obsession.

For there is no getting away from the fact that the senate has long since ceased to act like a body of reasonable men in full intellectual health. Too many of the members go about with the fixed gaze of people with fixed ideas. They cannot see any question connected with the treaty in a normal light. Everything is twisted and perverted. Words lose their natural meaning. For a phrase, phrase, senators are ready to go to the death. Consider the controversy which raged in the senate nearly all of last week. It was over the momentous question whether the reservation to Article X should say "to employ" or "by employing" or "by the employment of."

It seems incredible that grown men should let passion rise and speeches fall over such trifling disputes about the division of a verbal hair 'twixt north and northwest side. But it is only part and proof of the disordered state of mind into which the senate has unhappily fallen.

And still more unhappily, the affliction has not left the White House inmates. There, too, the prevailing Washington epidemic of unreason has penetrated. The president appears to have shut up his mind as tightly as the senators. Both he and they are making of the treaty something to exercise logic-chopping wit upon, something about which to be devilish sly in playing for party advantage, while forgetting its original great aim, the present crying need of ratifying it in any sort of workable form in order to give the country peace and help give the world stability. In all this long personal and partisan wrangle the treaty has come to stand for violent dislikes and prejudices which have finally disabled the reasoning powers of those chiefly concerned. They act like sick men.

This is the reason why business men, bankers, publicists and others who go to Washington in the interest of the treaty find themselves baffled. The matter would appear to be one for easy adjustment. A little clear thinking, a little willingness to concede something in order to win something, and all could be settled. But this is supposing that you are dealing with men capable of clear thinking. Few senators are so any longer. They are under the domination of imaginary fears. They see horrible spectres. They are afflicted by their own hallucinations. So that when Mr. Taft and Mr. Root come down in the endeavor to restore the reign of reason in the senate, they find themselves virtually confronted with the question: "Thou minister to a mind diseased!"

WILSON-NICE
At the residence of the officiating clergyman, Rev. G. D. Hudson, pastor of the Victoria street Baptist church, Miss Marie E. Nice, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Nice, was united in marriage yesterday afternoon to William J. Wilson of this city. The ceremony was performed in the presence of innumerable friends and relatives. The young people were unattended. The bride was attended in a traveling suit of navy blue with hat to match. Mr. and Mrs. Wilson left on the evening train for Toronto, where they will reside. The good wishes of a host of friends go with them.

Hon. J. A. Calder III.
Ottawa, March 18.—Hon. J. A. Calder, minister of immigration and colonization, who has been confined to his room for some days by a slight attack of influenza, is said to be making good progress toward recovery, though he will probably be absent from the house for another week or so.

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RECENT DEATHS

The death of Balah Chute, a native of Nova Scotia, took place at his home in Fenwick, Mass., recently, at the age of ninety-seven. He served in the civil war and at the time of his death was one of the oldest Grand Army men alive.

Samuel R. Bradley died March 8 at the home of Thomas B. Travis, St. Thomas, at the age of seventy-five years. He leaves two sisters and one brother.

The death of John E. Edmond took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Chiverton, Dalhousie, Tuesday, after an attack of influenza and pneumonia. He was thirty-five years of age, and was a native of England.

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WHISKEY VALUED AT \$100,000 HAS BEEN CAPTURED

Truck Loads Consigned to a New York Address From Maryland Seized by Prohibition Agents.

New York, March 18.—Seven motor truck loads of whiskey, valued at \$100,000, were seized by federal prohibition agents on their arrival here yesterday from Rowley, Md.

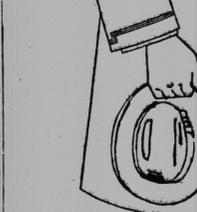
The whiskey was consigned to "Henry Bradley, 806 West 40th street, New York," but the owners of a garage at that address said they knew of no one of that name.

Soon after the arrival of the seven trucks from Maryland, an eighth truck with twenty barrels of whiskey was seized at the same address. This shipment was consigned to "Dennis Carr," also unknown at those premises.

Federal agents, who accompanied the motor caravan of whiskey on the last leg of its journey here from Trenton, N. J., are guarding the shipment.

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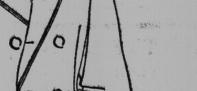
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AMENDMENT VOTED DOWN

Members From Albert Desert the Opposition and Vote Against Murray Government.

Fredericton, March 18.—By a majority of twenty-four to fourteen the Murray amendment to the reply to the address from the throne was voted down in the legislature this afternoon. Two opposition members, Messrs. Smith and Peck

of Albert, voted with the government. Addresses were given by Mr. Smith of Carleton, for increased stumpages, and by Hon. Mr. Veniot who continued his speech of the previous day.

Dealing with references to his own department the minister of public works said he was quite willing to accept the responsibility for every dollar that had been spent in that department. The opposition leader had charged him with spending money without any good return; that would have been impossible without wrong doing and dishonesty, and he challenged Mr. Murray to present evidence of anything of that nature in the conduct of his department. He also recalled the expenditure of \$175,000 in the fall of 1918 by the previous government on work of which no trace was left the next spring, but which had been charged to capital account.

Lady Astor for Socialism.
London, March 18.—Lady Astor, M. P., made a declaration in favor of Socialism at a meeting of women employees of the civil service.

"I hope some day we shall all be Socialists," she said. "It is a far better state than the present but we are a long way from it yet. That is the tragedy of it. We do not have enough of the communal spirit."

Winnipeg Murder Trial.
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