

LLOYD GEORGE BRINGS IN BRITISH BUDGET

Great Britain's Estimated Revenue is \$908,580,000 and Expenditures of \$906,170,000--Will Use \$7,500,000 to Fight White Plague--Chancellor Makes a Good Showing.

London, May 16.—Chancellor Lloyd George presented the budget in the House of Commons today. About the only novelty it contained is a proposal to pay members of the House of Commons travelling allowances or any a benefit to all ministers already drawing salaries.

tenure of office, the chancellor declares he had paid off \$130,000,000 of the national debt, while it has been reduced \$350,000,000 since the Liberals had assumed power. The chancellor said he had reached the conclusion that the prospects of a continuance of good trade were excellent as the trade barometer stood "set fair."

WHY DIDN'T HE WATCH



FARMERS WILL FIGHT IN THE FARMERS' BANK CASE

They will Put Up a Strong Case Against the Enforcement of the Double Liability Claim -- Mr. Fielding and Sir Richard Cartwright will be Subpoenaed as Witnesses -- Will Take Case to Privy Council, if Necessary.

Toronto, May 16.—William Laidlaw, K. C., who is handling the Farmers' Bank case for the Halton county farmers, stated today that a strong fight would be put up against the double liability claim.

Messrs. Elliott and Hollinrake, the other leaders in the resistance movement, arrived in Toronto today to confer with Mr. Laidlaw.

The purpose of the Halton victims is to contest the legality of the demands made by the creditors of the bank on the bold assertion that the Farmers' Bank never legally existed.

CARLETON CO. VILLAGE HAS A BAD FIRE

Fire Originating through a Defective Flue did Much Damage in Village of Peel Yesterday Afternoon.

Hartland, May 16.—The village of Peel, about four miles above Hartland, on the C. P. R., was the scene of a destructive fire today which started at noon in Herbert Clark's house owing to a burning flue. A high wind was blowing at the time and the fire extended south along the railway track, destroying Clark's house, about 2,000,000 laths belonging to Craig and Clark, Harry Corey's house, W. W. Melville's barn, Manzer Clark's barn, Archie Hatfield's house, Thos. McCrea's house and barn, and a house and barn on Dr. Macintosh's farm occupied by John Thomas.

THE MEXICAN PEACE TERMS ABOUT READY

U. S. Commander on Border Says Armistice will be Agreed on in 24 Hours--Madero's Demands Heavy.

Washington, D. C., May 16.—President Diaz of Mexico probably will resign in two months, according to a telegram received at the White House tonight from Col. Steever, in command of the U. S. troops at El Paso. The telegram follows: "Prospects for peace brighter today, an armistice will probably be agreed upon in 24 hours. Madero demands four places in the cabinet, one of them secretary of war, and 14 governorships. Mexican government agrees to give him Gobernacion and Justice, and possibly one other, while the secretary of war is to be chosen jointly by the two parties. Madero will likely get ten governorships. Diaz to resign after new governors appointed, probably in two months. This is the latest fairly reliable information I can procure."

THEY WANTED TO BE BRIBED

Three Ohio Politicians are Indicted for Offering to Sell their Votes on Important Legislation.

Columbus, Ohio, May 16.—Senator Edgar T. Crawford of Carroll County and Representative A. Clark Lowry of Lawrence County, Republicans, and Representative Owen J. Evans of Stark County, Democrat, were indicted today by the grand jury for bribery solicitation. Crawford is alleged to have asked \$200 from W. H. Cook of Springfield, secretary of the Ohio Butchers and Growers Association, in connection with trading stamp legislation. Lowry, against whom an indictment had previously been returned, is now charged with soliciting \$1,500 from Opha Moore, secretary of the Ohio Manufacturers' Association, for his vote on the nine hour day for women bill. Evans is alleged to have solicited a bribe of \$500 from John V. Welles of Canton, Ohio, secretary of the Stark Tuganawaw breweries for his vote in one of the city local option bills.

MAY REOPEN QUESTION OF BANK ACCOUNT

More Suggestions as to Source of Hon. Frank Oliver's \$70,000 May Lead to Widening of the Enquiry.

Ottawa, May 16.—The committee appointed by parliament to enquire into the charges against Hon. Frank Oliver will meet tomorrow morning for organization purposes. The committee was appointed to deal with the suggestion made by the Toronto World that the Canadian Northern Railway was responsible for the deposits placed to Mr. Oliver's bank account in Edmonton. Since then, however, other suggestions as to the source of the money have been made in the public press, including an allegation that the money came from the Tuganawaw, and it is probable that the question will be reopened in the House and a motion made to widen the scope of the inquiry to include these other suggestions.

RIOTING IN A MEXICAN CITY

Drunken Rebels Dynamite and Loot Banks in Pachuca, and Terrorize the Inhabitants of the City.

Mexico City, May 16.—Rioting and pillage occurred at Pachuca during the early hours of today following the surrender of the city to revolutionaries. The rebels became drunk and looted the banks. Pachuca is a mining city of 40,000 population, the capital of the State of Hidalgo, and is 60 miles northeast of Mexico City.

GREAT BRITAIN WILL HAVE TRADE AGENTS IN CANADA

Five Correspondents to be Appointed to Report to British Government on Matter of Trade in Dominion.

Montreal, May 16.—That five imperial trade correspondents whose duties will consist of reporting to the British government, through the British trade commissioners' office here, upon trade matters in the Dominion of Canada, have been appointed is the announcement made by Mr. E. Griggs, British trade commissioner for Montreal. Mr. E. A. Saunders, secretary of the Board of Trade at Halifax, is to be maritime province representative among them.

HON. W. C. H. GRIMMER LEAVES FOR BOSTON TO SEE SPECIALIST

The Surveyor General will Undergo Treatment--Valuable Trees Burned near St. Stephen.

St. Stephen, May 16.—Hon. W. C. H. Grimmer, Surveyor General, left last evening for Boston to consult specialists. Dr. W. M. Dolanstad accompanied him. The Surveyor General has suffered for over a week from a severe attack of gall stones. The Old Hill homestead at Milltown, occupied by Robert and Roland Hill, was badly damaged by fire which caught on the roof soon after noon today. A strong wind prevailed and the fire was very threatening for a time, the St. Stephen department being called to the aid of the Hilltown firemen. The loss by fire and water will amount to over \$1,000, but is covered by insurance.

A NEW RECORD FOR RAPID AIR FLIGHT

Aviator Attained Height of 1000 Feet in Less than Five Minutes--Will Try for Distance Record.

Bony, Department of Marine, France May 16.—A new record for rapidity of ascension was made today by Lieut. Menard in his new army aeroplane "Tour de France," which he was trying out in the view of the aviation commission of the army. Menard attained a height of 1,000 feet in four minutes and 40 seconds. He will leave tomorrow on a tour of France, and will take a passenger in an attempt to lower the world's distance record. The tour is planned to cover 2,000 miles.

PROVINCES IN FOR EARL GREY TROPHY

His Excellency Suggests Provincial Musical and Dramatic Competitions with Best in Grand Dominion Contest.

Ottawa, May 16.—His Excellency the governor general attended a meeting at Rideau Hall, the executive committee of the Earl Grey musical and dramatic trophy competition. It was decided, in view of the success which has attended these competitions for the past five years and on the suggestion of Earl Grey, that trophies shall be awarded by the committee for provincial competitions in future years and that the best of the provincial companies shall compete for the federal trophy. Three federal trophies are now prepared, one dramatic, one orchestral, and one for chorus.

BEIJING WILL BE THE THIRD CITY

Greater Berlin will have Population of Close to 3,500,000--Next to London and New York.

Berlin, May 16.—The Prussian Diet today adopted the greater Berlin bill, which will combine the capital and the suburban municipalities forming a metropolitan area with a population close to 3,500,000. This union will move Berlin from the sixth to the third position among the great cities of the world in point of population. The city would rank next to London and New York.

THE SEARATE DEBATES THE VALLEY RAILWAY

Senator Thompson Vigorously Defends Proposal in Reply to Attacks by Senator Power, of Halifax, who Sees in Construction of Road Added Trade for St. John.

Ottawa, May 16.—In moving the second reading in the Senate of a bill to authorize Canada to lease the Valley Railway of New Brunswick, Sir Richard Cartwright stated that the proposal was somewhat unusual one. The province proposed to build a line of railway down the Valley of the St. John river from Plaster Rock to St. John and the Dominion government was to lease it. The road had not yet been built, but the passage of the bill was a preliminary to construction. "The experiment is an interesting one and all parties will be delighted, I am sure, if a railroad can be operated anywhere in that part of Canada for sixty per cent. of the gross earnings."

Senator Thompson in reply said the Intercolonial was now running into Fredericton, and that was a good reason for arranging for the operation of the northern section. So far from that part of the country being gridlocked with railways there were 140 miles not served by a railroad. This is an untapped productive and prosperous portion of the country, which was at one time served by steamboats and stage coaches. That service had been wiped out by the construction of a railroad 25 miles back which had taken part of the business. When the national Transcontinental was projected New Brunswick did not think this road would have to be built in this way.

The project was to build the National Transcontinental down the valley of the St. John river from Grand Falls to Woodstock. Instead of this being done, the influence of Nova Scotia had pulled the National Transcontinental out, away from the most productive fertile valley containing 50 to 60,000 people and had run it through a wilderness, across the height of land where there was not a single inhabitant, and over a route which rivalled the Eiffel tower for dizzy treacle work.

The road would go through the hills over thousands of feet of roadbed hundreds of feet high and with all this there had to be a pusher grade on what should have been a level line. These were some of the reasons which lead the province and the Dominion to unite for the purpose of rectifying a grave mistake and giving railroad service to one of the most prosperous portions of Canada.

OPIMUM FOUND IN MONTREAL

Seventy-five Parcels of Drug Sent from Vancouver in Bond, Seized by Officials--Arrests will Follow.

Montreal, May 16.—Following the apprehension of Yee Deck Chung, of this city as he was about to leave town this morning for having with him a 10 pound can of opium which he was about to smuggle into the United States, D. J. O'Grady, customs inspector had a careful investigation made of all suspicious looking packages consigned here from the west, and discovered 75 pounds of the drug, which was found in a box sent from Vancouver in bond. The consignment has been held up until the federal authorities have been communicated with as to it is not known whether it is legal for the local authorities to confiscate a shipment passing through here in bond. It is not known whether the drug was originally smuggled into Canada from China or whether it is the product of some of the western coast factories which were ordered to shut down some time ago.

SHORT OF CASH KILLS HIMSELF

L. J. R. Daley Cut His Throat in Montreal Boarding House --He was a Native of Quebec.

Montreal, May 16.—Financial troubles are thought to have derailed the mind of L. J. R. Daley, 25, of Quebec for his committed suicide by cutting his throat in a rooming house in St. Denis street. He was alive at 2 o'clock this morning, but at 7 his body was found. Several times last night he went down stairs and asked the landlady about a cheque. He wanted to know if somebody had called bringing a cheque for him. He was nervous and apparently distressed and the last time he went up stairs, he declared he could not stand it. He only took the room yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock. The body was taken to the morgue to await instructions from relatives in Quebec. He lived at 192 St. Marguerite street there.

FOREST FIRES IN PENNSYLVANIA

Pittsburg, May 16.—The forest fires continued to burn fiercely today in Northwestern Pennsylvania, and in portions of Maryland, and West Virginia. At Ridgeway, Pa., despite the light being made by 4,000 men the flames are spreading. In West Virginia, from Kingsville to Coalton, the flames have swept everything before them. Bellington is surrounded by fire and the people have suspended all work and are combatting the flames.

FORGERS ARRESTED

Liverpool, May 16.—Erlia Stooche and Chio Alexis, Bulgarians, who are wanted in America on a charge of forgery, and grand larceny, were arrested here today upon the arrival of the Lusitania upon which they were passengers. The men were committed to the Bow street court for extradition. Stooche had in his possession a large sum of gold.