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MODIFICATIONS PROPOSED IN FORM OF TAXATION

The Ten Per. Cent. Tax on Boots, Clothing Etc., Over a Certain Price has Been Changed Into a Fifteen Per. Cent. Tax on the Excess Retail Price. Other Reductions Also Made.

(Special to The Guardian.)
OTTAWA, June 10.—Practically a new budget was introduced in the Commons tonight by Sir Henry Drayton. Modifications of a far-reaching nature in the so-called luxury tax are proposed in the announcement made by the Minister of Finance. The object of the government is to lighten the load which was placed upon the common people by the taxes imposed in the budget speech, namely, a ten

CONDENSED SPECIALS

WANTED—TWO GIRLS TO look after children. Phone 539. If

WAITRESSES WANTED. APPLY Charlottetown Country Club, any day after 2 p. m.

PROTESTANT TEACHER WANTED for Grosse Isle Magdalen Island, for term of eight months. Salary forty dollars per month. Apply to James Quinn. 9658-6-11-31

THERE WILL BE AN AUCTION of all personal belongings of the late Mr. John Mallett, New Glasgow, P. E. I. on Wednesday June 16th, 1920. See handbills. June 11 31 Fri Sat Mon

WANTED GIRL FOR GENERAL housework in family of three. No washing. Apply 108 King Street. 9557-6-7-11.

CAR FOR HIRE.—PHONE 339-R. 9089-5-26-11

WANTED — 2 HOUSE MAIDS immediately. Apply P. E. I. Hospital. 9572-6-8 51.

WANTED.—WAITRESS FOR DINING room and also girl to work in kitchen. Apply Victoria Hotel. 9663-6-31

POTATOES WANTED — FRIDAY and Saturday. L. H. D. McLeod Albany 9650-6-10 21.

FOR SALE.—HEAVY BROWN paper suitable for putting under oil cloth. Apply at Guardian. 9094-5-26-11

WANTED GIRL OR WOMAN for general housework. Farm. Twenty per month. Write box 26, Kensington. 9634-6-10-31.

A GENTLEMAN can be accommodated with front bedroom and board in private home, centrally located. Apply at Guardian office. 9162-5-29-11

A STRAYED BULL, RED AND white; age two years, with top of both ears; has been on my premises since last fall. Alex. B. Stewart, Belle River. 9569-6-8 61.

WANTED — COMPETENT MEN to represent the Manufacturers Life Insurance Company on Prince Edward Island. Liberal contracts for the right men. Apply to the E. R. Machum Co., Ltd. Managers for the Maritime Provinces, St. John, N. B. 9618-6-10 121.

AUCTION — PIANO, FURNITURE for Mr. J. A. Gilleen, 69 Prince Street, on Monday 14th June, commencing at 11 o'clock all his household effects, comprising piano, parlor, dining room, hall, bedroom and kitchen furniture, Singer Sewing machine, bedding, range, etc. R. Bearns, Auctioneer. 9604-6-11 me 21pd.

SIR SAM HUGHES MAY BE OPPOSED BY A FARMER

Convention Likely to be Called in Near Future to Name Candidate. Mr. Rowell Also Likely to be Opposed by a Farmer.

(Special to The Guardian.)
TORONTO, June 10.—Sir Sam Hughes if he decides again to try his fortunes at the polls will likely have to contest his riding against a United Farmer candidate. Today the farmers of Victoria County met at Lindsay for the purpose of naming a man to run against the former Minister of Militia. Before the summer is past practically all rural ridings will have selected their candidates for the Dominion House. It is expected that a convention which several times has been postponed will be called at any time to place a farmer in the field against Hon. N. W. Rowell.

U. S. EDITORIAL PRESIDENT RECEIVES SAD NEWS

Death of His Mother and Destruction of Her Home by Cyclone, Wired to Him at Kentville, N.S.

(Dom. Press Special.)
HALIFAX, N. S., June 10.—After touring the Cornwallis and Gasperau Valleys, the American Editorial party left last night for Sydney. Just as the town of Kentville was welcoming the guests, William Wilke, President of the National Editorial Association, received word of the death of his mother and the destruction of her home by a cyclone in Minnesota.

RETURNED MEN HONORED AT BANQUET LAST NIGHT

A notable function took place at the Davies Hotel last evening in the form of a banquet and presentation in honor of the returned soldiers, members of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engine-men. Six members were awarded medals, presented by the Grand Lodge, and these decorations were formally presented by His Honor Lieutenant Governor McKinnon. Those who received the medals were:

- Harold E. Moore.
 - James E. Reville.
 - Alexander McKinnon.
 - Gordon Worth.
 - J. V. McDonald.
 - J. J. Bowlen.
- Emblem buttons were presented by Gulf Garden Lodge No. 13 to B. D. Coffin, H. W. Howatt, Jack Bowden and J. E. Rodd.

Mr. Lester Douglas, Financial Secretary of Gulf Garden Lodge was toast master for the first part of the programme and Councillor P. A. Smith for the second. Features were the speeches by the Lieut. Governor, Premier Bell, Mayor Riley, Coun. Smith, Rev. (Capt.) Geo. C. Taylor, Mr. H. Craswell, Mr. Peter McQuaid, Mechanic

THE WEATHER, TEMPERATURE TIDE, MOON ETC.

The tide will be high this afternoon at 5.48 and tomorrow at 7.09; it will be high tomorrow morning at 6, and Sunday at 6.58.

The sun sets this evening at 7.50 and tomorrow at 7.51; it rises tomorrow morning and Sunday at 4.08.

Last quarter of moon Wednesday June 9th, 2.50 p. m.
New moon Wednesday, June 23rd, 2.50 a. m.

Noozle The Sunshine Kid.

DID YOU EVER NOTICE HOW A FELLOW ALWAYS TRIES TO LIVE UP TO A NEW SUIT?



An Important Property Transfer In Charlottetown

It is understood that the Bank of Nova Scotia has purchased the Crabbe block at the corner of Great George and Grafton Street and extending the length of several stores along the latter street and have also purchased half of the Robison property at the rear. It is the intention to erect a large new building on this site next summer for a new bank and stores adjoining.

GREAT INTEREST SHOWN IN THE ELLIS TRIAL

Hon. J. J. Johnston Opened Case for the Crown Yesterday Outlining Circumstances of the Tragedy. Important Evidence Taken.

In a brief but eloquent address to the jury, Hon. J. J. Johnston, opened the case for the Crown in the Ellis murder trial at Summerside yesterday morning. The courtroom was crowded.

Mr. Johnston explained that it was his duty as counsel for the Crown to indicate the nature of the evidence to be adduced. At first he made reference to the visit of the jury to the Ellis home on the previous afternoon. He was sure that the jury would retain a mental picture of the surroundings and aspects and would apply their knowledge to a clear understanding of the evidence.

"This tragedy," said Crown Counsel, "is one of the saddest that has ever occurred in this fair province. Thank God we have few. We are simple pastoral people. Perhaps we have old fashioned ideas as to moral rectitude and as to the value of a human life. When we read in foreign newspapers of the tragedies of the larger cities where the population is cosmopolitan and all grades of society intermixed we, in this province, can hardly conceive of such things happening. It makes us feel very sad, indeed, when it comes home to us as it has in this instance, but thankful, also, that it is of such rare occurrence."

Mr. Johnston then briefly outlined the circumstances. On the evening of Jan. 7 the people of the quiet little settlement of Harmony were shocked—terribly shocked—to hear that Alice Marie Ellis, the wife of Thomas Corbett Ellis, an Englishwoman, and the daughter of a Methodist clergyman, had been found dead in her bedroom in the house of her father-in-law, Wm. J. Ellis. The first intimation to the public was a telephone message from Alex Murray's to Dr. Stewart, Tyne Valley, informing him that the deceased was found with her throat cut and that she had committed suicide. Dr. Stewart proceeded to Harmony, arriving at the Ellis home at 7.20 p. m. There were present at the time the telephoning was done the prisoner, Rüd Ramsay, and Wm. T. Yeo.

"As will be related to you by Dr. Stewart," he continued, "he entered the home finding the prisoner in the kitchen. He enquired of him if his wife was dead. The prisoner replied that he did not know. Dr. Stewart went upstairs and found the deceased in a kneeling position against the table. "I think the Crown will establish," continued Counsel, "that the chin of the deceased was resting against the leg of the table, which was the only thing that kept the body from falling."

Mr. Johnston went on to describe the steps taken, the summoning of the Coroner, and the subsequent inquest. The verdict returned was that of suicide, but the prisoner was detained pending further investigation. Later on, said Mr. Johnston, the Crown had the body exhumed, and portions of the neck and body removed. They were sent away for expert pathological examination. "We have in court" Counsel stated, "a professor of medical jurisprudence, perhaps the most eminent in Canada, Dr. McTaggart, of McGill University who is an official examiner. Dr. McTaggart has had the privilege of examining the fatal wounds and his evidence will be of the greatest importance. There will be in addition a large number of witnesses, from whose evidence gentlemen it will be your duty to arrive at a decision.

"You have a very grave and very serious duty to perform. The lawyers engaged have a very solemn duty not only those for the Crown, but also those for the defence. I personally, have not the slightest animosity towards the unfortunate prisoner in the dock. It is not my duty to endeavor to convict a man who may be innocent. But it is my duty, his lordship's duty and your duty to see that justice is done, A

human life is at stake. If this tragedy was caused by a person other than the victim herself. If such is established beyond all reasonable doubt, irrespective of any sentiment, fear or favor it will be your duty to bring in a verdict according to the evidence. If there is any reasonable doubt it will be your duty to give the prisoner the benefit of that doubt."

At the conclusion of Counsel's address Alex Murray, the first witness for the prosecution, was called. Witness stated that he lived on the adjoining farm to the west of the Ellis home about 10 chains distant. Questioned as to the events of Jan 7 Murray stated that the prisoner came to his place at about 6.30 in the evening. He said to witness:

"Sandy, call the doctor, my wife has committed suicide."

Witness said: "What did she do?"

Prisoner: "Cut her throat."

Witness: "Is she dead?"

Prisoner: "I don't know."

Murray added that the prisoner said as follows:

"She has been insane for the last two or three days. I should have had her put away and locked up."

The witness who served on the Coroner's jury, described the position of the body as it was found at the inquest. It was in a kneeling posture, against the table with the left leg outstretched to the rear. The head was above the top of the table the chin resting on the edge. The body looked as though it might tumble over any time. There was much blood on the bed and also on a mirror which was resting at an inclination at the foot. Two razors and a pair of scissors were produced in court which the witness would not positively identify as the ones which were in the room. The table which stood in the room was also produced in court and the witness demonstrated as far as his recollection served him the position of the razors and the scissors.

Questioned by Mr. Johnston the witness said that he saw no wound although he was quite close to the body.

"Could a person in your opinion, stand at the door and see cut or wound?" asked the Counsel.

"I don't think so."

Cross-examined by Mr. Saunders as to the character of the Ellis family the witness stated that the prisoner was "a good fellow" and that he had nothing to say against him. He was a good worker and looked after his animals well. He never knew him to drink.

The father, mother and sister bore very good reputations. Mr. Saunders produced a plan of the house and the witness was questioned as to various details. In view of the nature of the surroundings he expressed the opinion that a man jumping out of the window of the deceased's room would run his (Alex Murray's) house, as well as from Alonzo Wilson's. He also said that the mother lying in bed in his room could not have had, in his opinion a clear view of the landing between the stairs and deceased's room.

Witness was asked by Mr. Saunders as to the conduct of the accused on the evening of January 7th, particularly about his silence and inaction. But he finally admitted that he considered the prisoner's conduct natural under the present circumstances.

Mr. John Mollison, land surveyor, produced a plan of the upper floor of the Ellis home. He was questioned closely by Mr. Johnston as to its details. The important point involved was the possibility of a view of the door of the deceased's room by a person lying of the bed in the room occupied by Mrs. Ellis, Sr. The witness said that it would be necessary for such person to lean out of the bed to obtain this view.

(Note:—The respective rooms

PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDACY BEGINS TO CRYSTALIZE

Senator Leonard Wood Still Holds Strong Position. He is Favored by Senator Lodge who is Permanent Chairman While Wood Men are Chairmen of two Important Committees.

(Special to The Guardian.)
CHICAGO, June 10.—General Leonard Wood continues to hold the super position he gained yesterday in the spirited and complicated contest for the Republican Presidential nomination. Senator Lodge, elected today permanent chairman of the convention, is a Wood man and Wood men are chairmen of the committees on resolutions and credentials, the two most important committees. With this condition established there is the first sign visible of crystallization of sentiment in the bitter fight for the nomination. Interwoven intricately and tangled in the skein of the battle for the nomination is the issue of the League of Nations. On that issue the question of candidates cannot be separated as the situation now exists.

GERMANY STANDING ON POLITICAL VOLCANO

No Hope Now That Members Elect Can Form a Government That Will Insure Internal Peace or the Peace of the World.

(Dom. Press Special.)
BERLIN, June 10.—Germany is standing upon a political volcano which momentarily may erupt with severe consequences not only to herself but to the entire world. The opinion of officials here, following the final tabulation of returns from the election of Reichstag members. On the basis of these figures, it was declared,

Tax Exemption For O. S. Soldiers

OTTAWA, June 10.—A five year exemption for returned soldiers from taxation under this year's budget is proposed in a resolution to be submitted to the Commons Friday by Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux. The resolution in part reads as follows: Whereas the returned soldier and his dependents have already borne their share of the burdens of war and contributed in valuable services to the preservation and prosperity of the state and whereas the recent increase in taxation as set forth in the budget will increase the difficulty of getting re-established in a productive capacity by greatly augmenting the cost of living, this house is of the opinion that all returned soldiers who have seen overseas service should be exempted from the new taxation for a period of at least five years.

gave an opinion and appealed to the bench. He was sustained. Mr. McLennan also testified as to the contents of which he examined in company with the doctor. A cheque payable to Mrs. Ellis for \$58 was found in a suitcase.

The Court adjourned until 10 o'clock this morning. During the morning a large number of exhibits were produced in court. One trunk containing a miscellaneous number of garments, bed clothing etc., was under seal. This trunk had been to Montreal where expert examination had been made by Dr. McTaggart. The precautions taken in the despatch and the return of the trunk were related by Dr. McTaggart and Mr. Walter Duncan of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

It was stated that the director of Criminal Investigation, Ottawa assisted at the examination in Montreal. Austin Squarebriggs, constable of Prince County, identified all the exhibits including those sent to Montreal.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, COMING EVENTS, MEETINGS, ETC.

**THE MEMBERS of Hamilton L. O. L., Clyde River, will hold a special meeting Saturday night, June 12th. All members are requested to be present. 9638.