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PROVINCIAL BUDGET SHOWS NEW TAXES

Estimated Revenue Put at \$3,695,771 or \$38,161 More Than Collected in 1925, While Expenditures Are Computed at \$4,362,605—Direct Taxation to Come Into Effect in 1927.

In 1927 direct taxation to make up any deficit for 1926 in the form of a levy on real and personal property and incomes based on the valuations for municipal and civil assessment faces the people of the province of New Brunswick. Hon. Antoine J. Leger, Provincial Secretary-Treasurer, announced in his first budget speech on Thursday afternoon of last week in the legislative assembly, Fredericton, before a large crowd in the gallery.

The new tax proposed does not come into effect until 1927. The province, Mr. Leger says, desires the right to balance current revenue with expenditure and what the exact levy will be is a matter for the yearly deficit to decide. Any deficit will be proportioned over the entire province on a just basis.

The keynote of the Hon. Mr. Leger's speech was that it would be the policy of the present government to lighten as far as possible the burden of future taxation and to this end, a gasoline tax of three cents and increases in the taxes on banks, fire insurance companies, life insurance companies, accident and guarantee companies, in addition to a readjustment of the amusement tax by which it is hoped to receive double the present revenue from this source were proposed. In addition, a larger proportion of the burden of the provincial hospital, St. John, will be apportioned over the municipalities having patients therein. Hon. J. E. Michaud, moved the adjournment.

The bill to be introduced regarding the direct tax provides that experts will be hired to go over the entire province to equalize the assessment. An appeal from their valuation is provided in the act and after the valuation is established and there is no appeal, the provincial secretary-treasurer is authorized to issue a warrant to the different municipalities and cities and towns for the amount required.

from each to make up the deficit at Oct. 31 of each year. The taxes will be collected in the same manner as ordinary taxes for civil and municipal purposes.

"The amount each tax payer will have to pay is to be decided by the deficit. If there is no deficit there will be no tax," said Hon. Mr. Leger.

Despite the increases in taxes a deficit on current account of \$668,334 for the coming year is estimated by Hon. Mr. Leger. The estimated revenue is placed at \$3,695,771 or \$38,161 more than actually received last year, while expenditures are placed at \$4,362,605. Interest alone eats up the enormous sum of \$1,314,551, or more than one-third of the ordinary revenue.

One of the bright spots in the speech came in connection with interest charges when Hon. Mr. Leger announced that commencing on April 1, next, the bank interest would be lowered from 5 1/2 per cent. to 5 per cent.

Taxes on banks and insurance companies are to yield fully \$75,000 more than last year. Banks are estimated to contribute \$88,500 to the provincial revenue as compared with \$29,554 last year, while fire insurance companies will contribute \$75,000 instead of \$50,441 and accident and guarantee companies will give \$10,950 instead of \$7,297.

A tremendous boost of about \$300,000 is anticipated from the motor vehicle branch through the gasoline tax and licensing of all drivers, as proposed.

In expenditures, the agricultural estimate is increased from \$125,621 expended last year to \$128,085. Lands and mines run to \$204,165; public works, \$871,180; public health, \$102,026; general education \$448,615; vocational education, \$91,146; prohibition act, \$60,000; provincial hospital, \$190,000; Jordan Memorial, \$88,000; motor vehicle law, \$346,140.

MAPLE SUGAR SALES RULES ARE CHANGED

Developments in the Maple Sugar Industry.—Methods of Gathering Canada's Annual Crop Have Greatly Changed Since Early Times.—Many New Features Have Been Introduced.

Ottawa, Ont.—An order-in-council has been passed establishing new regulations governing the sale of maple syrup. The regulations are as follows:

All packages or containers such as bottles, jars and cans containing maple syrup exposed for sale, offered for sale or sold to the consuming public, shall be labelled to show plainly and distinctly:

(A)—The name of the article.
(B)—The name and address of any individual or firm assuming responsibility for the packaging.
(C)—Volume and net weight of contents.

Chemists long ago called attention to the curious and important fact that wood, sugar and starch all contain the same chemical elements. The theory is that the differences in the commodities are due to the various ways in which the atoms of the elements are combined. For fifty years chemists have sought to find the key to change, for as soon as that he noted that the part of the food problem of the world, they say, will be solved. Many Canadian chemists have made sugar from wood, but the cost has up to the present, always been prohibitive. So far, they have failed to do it economically—all except one, for in Spring the oldest of them all, Dame Nature, touches the Canadian maple with her wand, out flows the sugar and behold the sugar!

The sap of all maples contains sugar and in pioneer days, in times of scarcity, even the Manitoba maple, the least productive of the family in this respect, was tapped for the purpose of boiling the sap to obtain sugar. In commercial practice, however, only the hard sugar maple (Acer saccharum) is tapped for sugar-making. In passing it may be noted that it is the least of this tree, the sugar maple, which is Canada's national emblem.

When Jacques Cartier came to Canada he found the Indians making sugar. They cut the bark with hatchets, and by the wooden spouts directed the flow of sap into the birch-bark pails (called "casses" or "rocanes" by the Indians) and boiled down in earthenware pots. The first white settlers learned the art of maple-sugar making from the Indians and from that day to the present, in Indian and pioneer days in Canada when the maple was almost the only source of saccharine matter, maple sugar was a necessity; today it is esteemed as a delicacy or luxury and sells for two or three times as much per pound as cane or beet sugar.

The early settler improved upon Indian methods by substituting iron kettles for the clay pots, and wooden buckets for the birch bark ones, and today still further improvement has been made by the use of modern evaporators installed in buildings, and by the collecting of sap in tin receptacles. With each change there has been an improvement in the quality of the product. This is now much lighter in color than of old and its delicate maple flavour is unimpaired with that of smoke, ashes, or other foreign substances.

In many districts, of course, the keeping by a farmer of a "sugar bush" and the making of maple sugar is but a passing phase of agricultural development, but there are others where, owing to particularly suitable conditions, sugar making bids fair to become as permanent as apple orcharding. These conditions include a maple

grove situated on a hillside of considerable extent and too steep or too stony to be suitable for field culture. In such a situation, where the owner intends to maintain a permanent sugar bush, the evaporator house is placed at the bottom of the slope. In the Spring when operations are to begin an array of bright tin tubes, two inches or so in diameter, and totalling hundreds of yards in length, are brought out from storage and erected in long lines radiating from the evaporator house up the hill and extending to all parts of the grove. The sap is collected in tin pails hung against the trees. These are provided with covers which keep out rain or snow, dead leaves and dust. When a pail is full the worker replaces it by an empty one and empties the full pail into one of the funnels fixed at convenient intervals along the tubes. From the tubes the sap pours into a tank inside the evaporator house, and from this it is drawn off as required through taps placed over the evaporator pans.

The sap is then evaporated to the syrup or sugar stage as desired. By this means the product is kept free from foreign substances, also the amount of labor required is reduced to the minimum. Wood is generally used as fuel and it is customary to go over the grove in the winter and cut out all dead and undesirable trees and to skid these down the hill, into the woodpile, for the spring operations. In permanent groves provision is also made for planting saplings and encouraging young trees to fill open spaces or take the places of trees that have died.

The chief centre of the maple sugar industry is that part of Quebec south of the St. Lawrence known as the Eastern Townships. The other provinces in which maple sugar is made are Ontario, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, in the order named.

The quantity of maple sugar produced in any year is affected by a number of factors including prices of other sugars, state of trade and climatic conditions which increase or decrease the "run" of sap. The output in 1925, according to the Dominion Bureau of Statistics was larger than in 1924, but owing to lower prices the value was somewhat less. The average price was 17 cents per pound for sugar and \$2.05 per gallon for syrup.

PETITCODIAC

March 29—Miss Bertha Allan is the guest of friends in the village for a few days.

The funeral of the late Dr. Beauman Keith was held today from the residence of his niece, Mrs. Dr. F. G. Mann. A play entitled "His Uncle's Niece" is to be given in the memorial hall on April 5th, by the young people's council of the United Church.

John Branscombe, Sunay Brae, was a visitor in town recently. Word has been received of the death of Mrs. John MacFarlane at the home of her daughter Georgie in Boston. She is survived by three daughters and four sons.

Mrs. R. Mitten and daughter Miss Madge Bustard, have returned from a weeks visit in Sussex with relatives. Mrs. D. L. Trites left last week for Pembroke, Ont., where she will spend some time with her daughter, Mrs. G. F. White.

Mrs. Pool and daughter, Montague, P. E. I., are guests of Mrs. G. W. Sherman.



Allan Cup Defenders

The Port Arthur team, Dominion champions and holders of the Allan Cup, photographed outside the C.P.R. Windsor station on their arrival at Montreal to defend their trophy against Toronto Varsity, amateur champions of Eastern Canada. Port Arthur travelled on the Imperial Limited from their home town and after a thirty-hour trip were in fine condition for the crucial game, a sterling tribute to the smoothness of travel they experienced over C.P.R.

lines. The team as they appear in the photograph are as follows:

Back Row, Left to Right: Ted Whaley (sub) D. Cox (sub) A. Pudas (right wing) Bill Brydge (Captain, defence) Lorne Chabot (Goal) Alex Gray (centre) Art Ponsford (president).

Front Row, Left to Right: E. L. Carpenter (Manager) Wilfrid L'Heureux (Left wing) Gordon Wilson (defence) A. Chapman (sub) J. Zicks (secretary).

ATLANTIC VOYAGES IN THE OLDEN TIMES

A Trip Across the Atlantic One Hundred Years Ago Was Attended With No Little Anxiety and Often With Great Distressing Vicissitudes.—Experience of a Halifax Merchant.

A trip across the Atlantic one hundred years ago, even although sailing vessels in those days were classed as "clipper ships" was one attended with no little anxiety, and often with great distressing vicissitudes. "Occasional" in the Halifax Recorder, recently had the following to say regarding this subject.

The Halifax merchant who ventured on the journey—going home for his Spring or Fall stock—had always to reckon on being away from business a good many months. In fact, it was not an unusual thing for a proprietor to close up his shop before leaving, and to all intents and purposes, wind about to give up commercial pursuits forever. A leading merchant of the town in 1822 was Wm. Lockyer. His place of business was 16 Hollis Street, which had been at an early day, the Prince Edward Hotel. Mr. Lockyer's stock was almost wholly fashionable dry goods. He had rich figured poplins, and bombazeens, and bombazets, ally, and French cambrics, and every thing that was calculated to take a lady's fancy, and like the great majority of his brother merchants, he had also a "shot in the locker" for the sterner sex; he had a few casks of the very best London brown stout in bottles, and some very superior old port wine in bottles, of the vintage of 1812.

It was Mr. Lockyer's practice to go to England to select his stock personally. On one occasion he had, unfortunately, more than the usual hard luck on the great deep. It happened on his returning to Halifax. He took passage in London on the brig "Aurora," Capt. Hollett, in which vessel he had shipped nearly the whole of his Spring stock. The "Aurora" left the land on the 10th of April. On the 26th,

being then in long. 36.30, lying too, she was struck with a heavy sea, which cleared the deck, fore and aft, of round house, boats, stanchions, bulwarks, broke the main boom, carried off all the hatches, an anchor, and, at the same time, the mainmast, went by the board, foretopmast by the cap, with sails, rigging, etc. By this accident, Henry White, chief mate, and four seamen were lost overboard, and four others were wounded. Shortly after this the ship was got before the wind, and bore away from the English coast. A few days afterwards she fell in with a brig, Capt. Walch, bound to Quebec, who kindly assisted them to erect a jury mainmast. On the 8th of May the "Aurora" fell in with the "Alpha," Clarke, from Plymouth, for St. John, N. B. Mr. Lockyer then made up his mind to leave the "Aurora" and take passage in the "Alpha" for New Brunswick. The "Aurora" was then in long. 18, lat. 48, bound back to England. She was under foresail, jury foretopmast, and jury mainmast. It was her intention to make for the first port where the damage she had sustained could be repaired, and to sail again with the least possible delay, for her original destination. Two days after the "Alpha" had parted company with the "Aurora" she spoke the "Daedalus," from London for Miramichi, dismasted on the 27th, having on board the crew of another vessel, name unknown. Mr. Lockyer arrived in St. John on the 10th of June, and got back to Halifax on the 17th of June. In the first days of July when advertising the opening of his new stock, he announced that he was still expecting the "Aurora" with his extensive assortment of fashionable dry goods which he had selected in London in the early Spring. The "Aurora" turned up all right on the morning of the 17th July, being 31 days from Plymouth. She brought one passenger—Mr. Blackwell,

ST. MARTINS

March 26—Thomas B. Carson, a life long resident of this place, died at his home here on Tuesday, the 23rd inst. He had been in failing health for some time and his death was not unexpected. He conducted extensive lumbering operations for many years. In politics he was a staunch Conservative, and was a member of the provincial legislature at one time. He was a life long member of the Presbyterian church. The funeral was held from his late residence on Thursday, the 25th. Services at house and grave were conducted by Rev. Mr. Dickinson. He is survived by his widow, one son Frank, three daughters, Mrs. Wm. Daley, the Misses Erma and Clara Carson, and one brother, Capt. Robert Carson, all of St. Martins.

A little daughter was born to Rev. and Mrs. J. S. Millet on Saturday, the 20th inst.

March 29—Quite extensive lumbering operations have been carried on in this vicinity during the past winter. H. Jackson's mill has just finished a cut of over 1,000,000 feet of lumber, and about sixteen hundred thousand of laths. The lumber was nearly all cut on the new property, about three miles from here, Hanford Drummond, of Upperton, who conducted the lumbering business, is having the sawn lumber conveyed by rail from Patterson's siding to St. John.

A large quantity of laths and other lumber has been sawn by Mr. Ludolph Mosher's mill, near West Quaco. The mill is still saving. The two mills operating all winter have given employment to quite a number of men.

CORN HILL

March 26—The Corn Hill Corner Dairy Co. held their annual meeting on Thursday, March 26th, in the hall, with vice president F. H. Rouse, Jr., in the chair. The following officers were elected: President, Walter T. Stockton; vice president, Frank H. Rouse, Jr.; directors, Herbert Rouse, David H. Dickie, William A. Dickie, Arthur D. Rouse, Robert A. Coates. Herbert Rouse was appointed secretary treasurer. George Ellis has been engaged as cheese maker.

G. L. Wilson, poultry expert, of Moncton, was here on Tuesday, March 16th, and organized an Egg Circle with the following officers: W. J. DeBow, president; John I. Dunfield, vice-president; Fred R. Pickett, secretary-treasurer. Directors, G. O. Dunfield, F. H. Rouse, Sr. Charles Burlock, Circle manager.

The young people here have enjoyed the stormy winter evenings playing basket ball in the hall, which has been arranged for that purpose. Some very interesting games have been played, and proved great pastime. On Saturday evening, March 13, the girls played against the boys who only used one hand and were successful in defeating them. The game was exciting and caused much merriment. Irvine B. Rouse of Fredericton, and Bliss Marr, of Detroit, returned immediately to their home after the funeral of Mrs. William Marr.

Mrs. A. T. Stockton has returned

from a pleasant visit to Sussex and Pettitcodiac.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence DeFoe and children of Hanna, Alta., returned last week to their home after visiting their friends here and at Pettitcodiac.

Harley Rouse, of Detroit, is spending two weeks here with friends.

APOHAQUI

March 30—Mrs. George H. Secord has returned from Sackville, where she has been visiting her sister, Mrs. L. Wry and Mr. Wry.

Mrs. Harley S. Jones returned on Saturday from Fredericton where she had attended a meeting of the Advisory Board of New Brunswick Women's Institutes. While in Fredericton, Mrs. Jones was a guest of Dr. and Mrs. G. Clowes VanWart.

Mrs. George B. Jones and Mrs. Herbert S. Jones were in St. John last Thursday attending the funeral of the late Mrs. Howard Mowatt.

Geo. J. Langell, of Norton, spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. I. P. Gamblin.

Mrs. R. B. Reid and son Kenneth spent a few days of last week in Sussex, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Medley Reid.

P. P. Gamblin and George C. Law were visitors to Moncton Tuesday of this week.

Miss Marjorie Jones is spending the Easter holidays with her sister, Mrs. F. R. Rand and Mr. Rand, Sackville.

Miss Pearl Gaunce, of the teaching staff, Sussex, spent the week end at her home here.

Murray I. Gamblin spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Hamilton, Lower Millstream.

Mrs. Edward Erb and Miss Evelyn Erb spent Tuesday in Sussex, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Friars.

CHAMBER'S SETT.

March 29—John Dalling has accepted a contract to supply wood for the school house.

Mrs. Ira Fanjoy and son Garfield, spent Friday afternoon the guests of Mrs. Ben Fanjoy.

Norman Chambers, Cedar Camp, spent Sunday last at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lemuel Dalling.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Buchanan, of Waterford, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Dalling on Sunday.

Mrs. Wm. Leggett spent Friday in Sussex renewing old acquaintances.

A goodly number of the women of Chambers Sett. attended the quilting party at Mrs. Ben Fanjoy's, Thursday.

Edward Parlee was fortunate in catching a large raccoon after tracing it for several days.

Miss Hilda Richardson, Walker Settlement, was a guest of Miss Annie Dalling on Sunday.

Daniel Ross passed through this place on Tuesday, enroute to Phillemore.

George Sear spent Sunday evening with friends in this place, and reports the roads very uncomfortable for travelling.

Miss Gertrude Widbur spent Saturday evening guest of Miss Great Pan Joy.

THE PASSING OF "SANDY" LINDSAY

A. H. (Sandy) Lindsay, of Moncton, formerly of St. John, advertising agent of the Canadian National Railways, and a member of the Moncton Salvage Corps, was fatally injured Friday morning in a disastrous fire which wrecked the Capitol and the Empress Theatres on Main St., with a loss of which is estimated at between \$150,000 and \$200,000. While assisting in stringing a line of hose to fight the blaze, which broke out about 5.30 o'clock, Mr. Lindsay was struck on the head by a portion of a falling wall. He was taken to the Moncton City Hospital and died of his injuries about 8.30 o'clock. Mr. Lindsay died from a compound fracture of the skull.

The St. John Times-Star had the following regarding his passing:

—The former his native city and the latter the city of his adoption—are mourning today the tragic death of Alexander H. Lindsay, Advertising Agent of the Canadian National Railways, Atlantic Division, which occurred this morning. Lindsay here who remember him was captain of the St. John Salvage Corps, at which time he was a member of the Globe writing staff, will think it a strange and a sad coincidence that he met his death while fearlessly engaged in salvage corps work in connection with the fierce fire which so badly damaged two Moncton theatres at an early hour this morning.

Thus there comes to its close the life of a man of fine character, earnest purpose, and a great usefulness, his last act one of self-sacrificing duty to the community. The end is characteristic of his life. "Sandy" Lindsay, as he was known by thousands in the Maritime Provinces and elsewhere, was born in St. John nearly fifty-eight years ago, a son of Mr. Matthew Lindsay of the famous firm of Logan & Lindsay, whose store is so well remembered by the older people here. Of exceptionally fine physique, young Lindsay took naturally to sport, and he was a pillar of strength to the old St. John Cricket Club and was prominent in many other lines of athletics. He had a fine musical taste and was a tenor of note, and his musical attainments, his sense of humour, his lively interest in everything and everybody, made him a welcome figure in all circles. At an early age he became a reported on the Globe and developed into a sound, all-around newspaper man. He was a charter member of the old Salvage Corps, served as its secretary, and rose to command, doing faithful and daring work all hours of the day and night when the corps was called into action.

Nearly twenty years ago he joined the publicity staff of the old Intercolonial, and advanced steadily in the appreciation of its management, winning promotion and becoming Advertising Agent for this division after the I.C.R. was placed under C.N.R. directorship,

Mrs. Lindsay is a daughter of the late Hon. Dr. Vall, at one time Speaker of the Legislative. Happy in his family relations as in his business associations, well liked by all with whom he came in contact because of his genial and straightforward disposition, Mr. Lindsay commanded the warm regard of all who enjoyed his friendship. He was a powerful descriptive writer, and he gave his native province fine service through the various pamphlets and articles he wrote regarding its resources, its scenery, its climate, its fish and game and its various other attractions. To him this was a labor of love, and he had done much to aid to the progress and prosperity of New Brunswick and its people, a fact that many will remember with a new sense of gratitude today and hereafter.

RATTER'S CORNER

March 30—J. Slaughter, of Southfield, spent several days at the home of W. Durham.

J. H. Campbell is visiting his daughter, Mrs. John McGinnis, Southfield.

Allen and Heber Cripps were guests at the home of A. Monahan on Sunday.

E. Mercer and H. Wilson were visitors of Mrs. R. McGowan on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Mercer spent part of Sunday with Mrs. H. Campbell.

The thaw of last week left the roads in a very treacherous condition.

W. Quirk's mill is moving from Parlee Brook this week to the lumber cut of Robert Wilson's in this place.

News of the death of Otis H. Campbell, Somerville, Mass., was received by relatives last week. He was a son of the late Finley Campbell of this place. He is survived by his wife and two daughters, also two sisters, all of Massachusetts. J. H. and J. Reid Campbell, of this place, are cousins, also Byard Campbell, Southfield, and Mrs. L. J. Carr, of Sussex.

ANAGANCE

March 29—The roof of the wood working factory owned by Edward Smith fell in, on account of the large amount of snow.

Mrs. Thomas Stockton spent the week end guest of Mr. and Mrs. David Proudfoot.

Reuben Greer, the Rawleigh retailer, was in this place last week.

Mrs. Theodore Hopper was in Moncton last Thursday.

Arthur Middleton and daughter Adeline, were in Moncton one day last week.

Miss Clara Keith spent the week end with friends in Moncton.

Thomas Paynter, of Knightville, spent part of last week here.

Mrs. W. Payne and family were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Paynter on Sunday last.

Misses Gladys King, Audrey King, Annie Payne, Vilda Payne and Ruth Gallagher were guests of Miss Annie May Graves last Friday evening.

Charles Nugent spent part of the week with friends in Moncton.

The Womens Institute met at the home of Miss Evelyn Smith on Wednesday last.