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HOW THE TARIFF WORKS

During the course of a discussion on Canadian literature in the House of Commons a short time ago, Mr. H. C. Hocken, a hard boiled Orange Tory and an apostle of high protection, representing a Toronto constituency, took occasion to point out that Canadians paid the American price for book paper plus 25 p. c., and that the raw material for the American article was produced in the Dominion. He was interrupted by Hon. Mr. Meighen leader of the opposition who wanted to know why Canada had to import from the United States, when it was large exporters of white paper. Here is what Hansard reports them as saying:

Mr. Meighen—Will the hon. member explain why it is we have to import the white paper from the United States when we are large exporters of white paper?

Mr. Hocken—We do not have to export the white paper, but white paper is sold in the United States at 25 per cent less than in Canada. It is sold at an advance greater than 25 per cent, because you pay for Canadian paper exactly what you would pay for paper bought in the United States, plus the duty and plus the freight.

Mr. Meighen—I am informed, and the hon. member will know whether my information is correct or not, that the character of paper that goes into magazines is not manufactured here, that it is an American manufacture, and that the quantity that is used here would not warrant the manufacture in this country. Newsprint is another paper altogether and of course we manufacture that.

Mr. Meighen is an Ex-Premier of Canada and it is most astonishing that he should display such ignorance in regard to one of the leading industries of this country. He was promptly corrected by Mr. Hocken, who said: "The information given to the leader of the opposition is not correct. There are a good many book paper mills in this country, doing quite an extensive business. Book paper of all grades is manufactured in Canada, but it is sold in the United States for 25 per cent less than in Canada."

After listening to the remarks of Hon. Mr. Meighen and Mr. Hocken, Mr. Evans a Progressive member from Saskatoon rose in his place and expressed the opinion that the best way to help out the magazine publishers of the Dominion was to remove the duty on book paper and made a motion to that effect but it was not entertained by the House.

NEW HIGH SCHOOL

The City Council have taken up the matter of a New High School in the wrong way. When the matter first came before the Council, they appointed a Committee to report on the matter. Now the gentlemen appointed, successful in their own business, knew absolutely nothing about the matter on which they have been asked to report. They visited the schools and made a report to the Council. Since then some members of the Committee who made the report are advocating something entirely different. At the meeting on Friday night it was quite evident that the Council did not know where they were at in the matter; they seem to be getting down to business in the right way. They should at once employ an expert to look into the School situation and find out if a new High School building is absolutely necessary, or if other arrangements could be made that would be less expensive. It would cost a few hundred dollars to bring an expert here, but it might be a means of saving thousands of dollars each year in taxes. The City Council should wake up to the seriousness of this matter, because if the plans of the School Board are carried out, it means an advance in taxes of from 20 to 25 per cent.

ACTORS WELL BEHAVED

In New York state last year some 51,000 persons were convicted of misdemeanors and felonies ranging from disturbing the neighbors to such matters as murder, and punished by levies of fines or terms in prison. A casual examination of the statistics

incidental to these pastimes reveals a lot of interesting facts. Particularly as to the occupations of the persons convicted it is noted that some classes which one would suspect of only slight acquaintance with the insides of jails are heavily represented in the list. On the other hand, one would suppose after reaching a few thousands miles of hot information on the activities of screen and stage people that they form a pretty fair bloc in the assembly, and that the ladies of the chorus mentioned in such literature as the late confessions of one millionaire's son who married into the theatre would be due for some mention.

Curiously enough, only 15 actors were convicted in 1922 in New York state. As for the chorus girl, figures show that not one was convicted of anything in that state in the same period.

The members of the government gave out advance copies of the departmental reports this session to newspaper men with the distinct understanding that nothing was to be published from the same until after the reports had been submitted to the Legislature. The agreement was kept by all newspapers with the exception of an enterprising St. John paper, which lifted matter from the Crown Land report and published it the day before that report was submitted to the House. The Public Works report was not brought down in the House until late on Friday afternoon, but before it made its appearance an opposition member submitted an enquiry based on matter contained in the report. The chances are that next year there will be no advance copies of the reports handed out.

Mr. O'Hearn Attorney General has introduced a Bill into the Nova Scotia Legislature which has for its purpose the conferring of absolute jurisdiction upon Stipendiary Magistrates in all cities and towns. At present constables, in making arrests for criminal charges, may ignore the Stipendiary of their town and go before any Magistrate. The Bill is to amend that and to make it compulsory for constables in cities and towns to make their charges before Stipendiaries.

Although the greater part of Canada is under prohibition, brewing concerns appear to be able to earn snug dividends. For instance the profits of the National Breweries Limited for the year ending December 31st, amounted to \$1,254,674. After providing for bond interest and preferred dividends, the company had left a balance of \$787,722, which is equal to 8.62 per cent on the common stock.

It is no secret that Fredericton merchants are having a hard time to make both ends meet at the present time. Are they going to stand for a new High School and twenty per cent increase in their taxes?

It is time for the City Council to get down to business and employ an expert to look into School affairs.

THROUGH OUR SIEVE

Who is the young chap who goes walking every noon arm in arm with his best girl?

When Frenchmen go into Germany they discard their well-known kissing habit.

A versatile orator is one who can make either side of a question look like the right side.

It isn't always wise to tell the truth to the man who already knows it. He might be trying to forget.

Judged by the name a boudoir cap must have been intended originally to be worn on a bedpost most of the time.

Much is said about "tired business man," but he never seems half as tired as some of his employees.

The radio fan's problem is, when the mistress of the household wants him to stop and do something for her—how to "cut out the interference."

It is mighty convenient for people with moderate incomes that they don't have to go to Florida for their grapefruit and to California for prunes.

Robert Quillen says the slogan, "They shall not pass," is a nuisance on the highway. It would never work in a game of poker.

Nature by sticking to one style makes it convenient for animals and birds. They know in advance just what they are going to wear when Spring comes.

UNUSUAL ITEMS OF LOCAL INTEREST

Spring Is Here
The voice of the turtle dove is yet to echo throughout the land; the guttural yodel of the ecstatic bull-frog is yet to be wafted from the soggy banks of the mellifluous St. John; the chirp of the bluebird and the robin are yet to be greet the waiting ear; the fragrance of the spring bonfire is yet to bathe the tense nostrils with its Oriental aroma; the crocus has yet to play peck-aboo with the cigar stubs of the front lawn; and yet—and yet—there are infallible signs that spring is here; among them is that hankering for the "open roads" and go violetting, and then the one sign that old winter's backbone is fractured—marbles.

May Be They're Sly Lil Rascals
A New York business man who has been on a trip to the Maritime Provinces and who was here a few days ago, commented on the fact that he had not come across one lady who smoked in all his travels. Said it was refreshing to be in a country where the ladies had not taken up the cigarette habit.

PERSONAL MENTION

Major James Pringle, who has been seriously ill from an attack of flu for the past fortnight, is showing only slight improvement.

The Countess of Ashburnham was hostess at a tea on Saturday afternoon in honor of Mrs. W. F. Todd. Mrs. Gordon Coy was hostess at a bridge of four tables on Saturday evening.

Mrs. W. D. Gunter entertained at bridge Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. James Evans of Campbellton is visiting Mrs. H. H. Gunter.

Mrs. Loggie of Chatham is visiting Mrs. Daniel Richards.

Well Known Curler Hurt.

William A. Shaw, of J. & A. Shaw, was painfully injured in an accident which occurred on the North side of King square at St. John on Saturday afternoon. Mr. Shaw had made a delivery of merchandise to the Ideal Cafe and was about to place his delivery basket in his sleigh when his horse bolted, throwing Mr. Shaw to the ground. He sustained a broken collar-bone, a broken shoulder and is injured internally. Mr. Shaw has curled here with the Thistle curlers.

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