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A REAL REFORMER.

Hon. F. B. Carvell is making a determined effort to put into practice at Ottawa the principles which he stood for which in opposition, and seems to be meeting with some success. In a recent speech in parliament he is thus reported:

"Mr. Carvell admitted he was having more trouble with the over-manning problem in connection with cutting down expenses than with any other. It was a hard thing to tell a man, who perhaps had been in the government employment for a long time, but whose services were really unnecessary, that he was no longer needed. He had been engaged in getting reliable reports on every office of the department. These reports showed that a large number of men were not earning their salaries. The Public Works Department had recently taken over all work in connection with the buildings for the Military Hospitals Commission and it was hoped that some of the employees of the Department who were not required at present would be absorbed in this work."

It seems that government telephones at Ottawa cost Canada the tidy sum of \$62,000 a year. The attention of Hon. Mr. Carvell was recently called to the matter at Ottawa, and a press correspondent thus refers to the incident:

"Government telephones in Ottawa cost the country \$62,000 a year. Mr. Carvell frankly admitted that it was a large sum, and promised that the amount on the estimates would be materially curtailed by him."

Somewhat to the consternation of old parliamentarians he declared that the Interior, Marine and Fisheries, Naval Service and Inland Revenue departments had entirely too many telephones.

"What on earth they want with all the telephones in the Inland Revenue Department is a mystery to me," he declared. "The whole thing is quite without head or tail or anything else, so long as they can go ahead and spend money."

"I am making open confession tonight, but I think I can make a saving in this matter."

ONE KIND OF PATRIOTISM.

Mr. E. Guss Porter, an Ontario M. P., recently complained in the House of Commons of a variety of canned soup supplied to our overseas soldiers. It was supplied by an Ontario concern, and it seems that one of the ingredients had been left over from the South African war. A returned soldier in referring to this particular brand of soup said that although the Canadians went over to England to kill the Huns they felt more like killing the manufacturer than killing the Huns when they ate that soup. Mr. Porter in speaking of the matter in parliament said:

"Evidence was forthcoming to show that in the manufacture of these goods, which had passed the inspection of the officer appointed by the department, celery had been used which had been lying in the warehouse from the days of the South African War. It was ground and prepared, but not shipped, (in those days) and it had become the habitation of rats, mice, cobwebs, flies, and all sorts of other unnecessary ingredients. This was used in the manufacture of soup, supplied to our soldier boys at the front. Testimony to this effect was made by men who were actually employed by the manufacturer; yet the inspector appointed by the department had failed to discover that or had overlooked it."

In commenting on Mr. Porter's statement the Sydney, N. S., Record says:

"Canada has not forgotten the story of the 'patriots' who thought it quite the patriotic thing to supply Canadian soldiers with rotten boots and shoddy uniforms. There is still in mind the loose-tongued statesman from Kings county who purchased from one of his friends at public expense and for military service, in 1914 or 1915 a horse that had been rejected as too old for army use at the time of the South African War. The public memory is short but holds recollection of the meat-packing profiteer who treated Canadian army bacon in such a way that its weight was added to without anything being added to its nutritive qualities. To this noble trinity it is now possible to add the man who supplied the Dominion's troops with soup made from ingredients twenty years old and made foul by flies, rats and mice."

"How much longer are Canadians to bring shame upon themselves by

treating such 'patriots' as worthy of association with decent citizens?"

If the farmers of New Brunswick can procure the necessary help during the coming season they will certainly do their part in the greater production campaign. The frost is now out of the ground and in some localities planting has commenced. It is expected that seeding operations will begin in less than a fortnight. The warm rain this week was just what was needed to put the soil in condition.

Moncton Transcript: Is economy only for the masses and not for the officials, just like the food restrictions are only for the masses and banquets for the food controllers, judging by newspaper reports in the past? The story comes to the Transcript that in one of the public institutions in Halifax, more or less under Dominion control, that the officials there had bacon every morning for breakfast and that an utter disregard was shown in those institutions for the food restriction orders of the food controller. These are current stories, which in one instance comes to the Transcript upon the authority of remarks credited to one who spoke from personal observation.

Through Our Sieve

May 1—looks something like May 1?

How'd you like to be Queen of the May today?

The Maypole today is the handle of an umbrella.

It must be great fun to live in an autocracy—if you are the autocrat.

The old discarded gramophone record makes an excellent pie crust.

Mrs. O'Hevens says it was the custom of making May 1st moving day that put the May Queen off the throne.

Most of the men in the world are so charming that it is a deep, dark, astonishing mystery where all the bad husbands come from.

The days may be growing longer; but everything else appears to be getting shorter, dearie, food, money, flirtations, skirts and marriages.

Sometimes a man is so perfectly healthy that it makes his wife ill merely to watch him enjoying his breakfast.

Every woman who visits in a large city to broaden her mind, returns with a great deal to say about the bargains she found in the ten-cent stores.

BUDGET

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taxation, but at a lower rate. The rate of taxation shall be 25 per centum of the amount by which the profits exceed ten per cent the rate being applicable alike to incorporated companies and other business employing the stated amounts to capital.

Important amendments to the income tax act are proposed. The exemption in the case of unmarried persons is to be reduced from \$1,500, to \$1,000 and for married persons from \$3,000 to \$2,000, the rate to be two per cent from \$1,000 and up to \$1,500 in the case of unmarried persons and widows or widowers without dependent children, and two per cent from \$2,000 and up to \$3,000 in the case of all other persons.

The present super tax is to be continued as at present up to incomes of \$50,000, at which point a new classification and rate is proposed, as follows:

From \$50,000 up to \$75,000	15 p. c.
From \$75,000 up to \$100,000	20 p. c.
From \$100,000 up to \$200,000	25 p. c.
From \$200,000 up to \$400,000	30 p. c.
From \$400,000 up to \$600,000	35 p. c.
From \$600,000 up to \$800,000	40 p. c.
From \$800,000 up to \$1,000,000	50 p. c.

On Larger Incomes. In addition to the normal tax and super tax, it is proposed, during the war, to enact a war surtax assessable up to and inclusive of the calendar year in which the war ends upon the tax payable as follows:

On incomes from \$6,000 to \$10,000, 5 p. c.; on incomes in excess of \$10,000 and not exceeding \$100,000, 10 p. c.; on incomes in excess of \$100,000 and not exceeding \$200,000, 15 per cent.; and upon all incomes in excess of \$200,000, 25 per cent.

We propose to increase the excise duties payable on manufactured tobacco from ten cents to twenty cents per pound; on cigars from \$3 to \$6 per thousand; on cigarettes from \$3 to \$6 per thousand; on foreign raw leaf tobacco, stemmed, from forty-two cents to sixty cents per pound. We also propose to establish an excise duty of five cents per pound on raw leaf tobacco grown in Canada, allowing the Canadian grower a sufficient quantity for his own use without payment of duty thereon.

We also deem it expedient to place a customs tax of ten cents per pound upon tea.

Duties on Coffee.

The principal change in the taxation upon coffee relates to green coffee. The customs tariff upon green coffee is, British, preferential tariff, 24 cents a pound, and general tariff three cents per pound. It is proposed that the British preferential tariff be five cents and the general tariff seven cents per pound.

SURPRISE PARTY FOR SOLDIER AT MARYSVILLE

Marysville, May 1. — The home of Mr. and Mrs. John Wilkinson, George street, was last evening the scene of an enjoyable affair when a number of friends of Private Anson Armstrong of the Royal Flying Corps, held a surprise party in his honor. Private Armstrong has been visiting relatives here for a few days and will leave shortly to rejoin his unit. The evening was spent with participation in games, music, etc., and refreshments were served.

STEFANSSON AT FORT YUKON

(Canadian Press direct wire.) Fairbanks, Alaska, April 30.—Vilhjalmar Stefansson, Arctic explorer, has reached Fort Yukon, Alaska, from Herschel Island, where he had been spending the winter, according to word received from Fort Yukon today. A relief party left Fort Yukon on April 16 to go to the aid of Stefansson, who was said to be extremely ill. Stefansson, still weak from long illness, returned with the party. He expects to return to the United States in July, it was said.

A NEW PEACE MOVE BY POPE

The Hague, May 1.—Pope Benedict intends to issue a new peace offer on "White Sunday" (May 19) Cologne newspapers announced. The document, it is said, will be of more pressing nature than former offers and will conclude with concrete offers of mediation by the Pope, with the possible co-operation of neutral sovereigns.

HOW THE AIRMEN HELPED.

London, April 30.—An official report on aerial operations issued tonight says: "East of Loos the enemy troops on Monday offered good targets to our pilots, who dropped 275 bombs on them and engaged them with machine gun fire. Seven hostile machines were brought down in air fighting and one was shot down by our infantry. Two of our machines are missing."

Run of Smelt.

The run of smelt has begun and a number of fishermen have been trying their luck. Only fair catches have been made so far. The veteran angler James Hector, was one of the first to go after the smelt and did fairly well. The run is expected to improve.

Mr. John D. Algar of St. Stephen, is at the Queen.
 Mr. M. D. Wright of St. John, is registered at the Queen.

Better Milk

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percentage of butter fat is 3.25. Two samples of milk were below that and samples of milk were below that and

Keeping of Pigs.

A communication from the Mayor Council, concerning the keeping of pigs in the city was answered by the secretary. It was not stated what the nature of the reply is but it is understood that the Board has decided certain conditions under which pigs may be kept.

The coffee tariff items are covered by the West Indies agreement and the preferential rate for coffee from the West Indies islands, which were parties to the agreement must be at least twenty per cent. below the general tariff rate. This has been provided for in the general tariff changes in respect to coffee.

Sleeping Car Berths. Resolutions which I shall submit will provide for the repeal of the special war tax rates on sleeping car berths and are substitution of the rate of ten per cent. of the price paid for each berth with a minimum rate of twenty-five cents; and for the increase of five cents to ten cents of the tax on parlor car seats; they shall provide for an excise tax of one cent per hundred on matches or fractional parts thereof; an excise tax of eight cents on each pack of playing cards and a specific rate of customs duty of five cents per lineal foot upon moving picture films.

The resolutions shall also provide for a special war excise tax of ten per cent. upon the selling value of automobiles, jewelry, gramophones, phonographs, talking machines, mechanical piano and organ players and records when imported into, or manufactured in Canada. The tax upon automobiles is applicable to all imported into or manufactured in Canada and unsold this day. Such are the taxation proposals and other than I have stated, no tariff changes are proposed.

STAPLES' PHARMACY
 ALONZO STAPLES, Prop.
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Notice is hereby given to stallion owners that they must submit their stallions for inspection at the nearest inspection points named below: The following are the inspection points and dates of inspection:

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YORK COUNTY.

FREDERICTON	May 6 and 7 (2 p.m.)	City Hotel
MILLVILLE	May 7	Hotel
CANTERBURY	May 8	Hotel
STANLEY	May 9	Hotel

SUNBURY COUNTY.

FREDERICTON JUNCTION	May 15	Hotel
OROMOCTO	May 14	Kelly's Hotel

J. F. TWEEDDALE,
 Minister of Agriculture.

New Brunswick Dept. of Agriculture,
 Fredericton, N. B., 30th April, 1918.