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SIR CHARLES AND THE NAVY

Probably no man with the exception of Premier Borden has wobbled more on the question of Imperial defense, than the veteran Sir Charles Tupper. Now Sir Charles Tupper has so far passed the allotted span of life that we would rather not too closely question any statements he might make. But a brief despatch from Vancouver giving his views of the Borden naval contribution is given prominence in the Tory press, we may be pardoned if we show that Sir Charles had other views on the subject. When filling the post of High Commissioner at London some years ago Sir Charles took the ground that Canada by building the Canadian Pacific Railway thus providing a short route to India had rendered a great service to the mother country and should not therefore be called upon to contribute to the cost of Imperial defense. In March 1909 when the Parliament of Canada by a unanimous resolution declared for a Canadian Navy, Sir Charles in a letter addressed to Hon. R. L. Borden expressed cordial approval of the action of Parliament and expressed the opinion that "a fearful responsibility would rest upon those who would disturb that compact." About that time the veteran statesman got into a controversy with the Montreal Star which was at that time advising Canada to purchase Dreadnoughts for the British Navy. The Star had accused Sir Charles of talking nonsense, and in his reply dated from The Mount Buxley Heath, England, November 11, 1909, he said, among other things: "Allow me to say that in my opinion your journal is making a serious mistake in attacking the deliberate judgment of a Canadian House of Commons, who have unanimously pledged themselves to proceed vigorously with the construction of a Canadian navy and on the lines that the Imperial Government has decided is better calculated to provide for the security of the Empire than the construction of Dreadnoughts." Sir Charles it will be noticed has wheeled right around in favor of the presentation of Dreadnoughts, according to the Vancouver despatch recently given prominence in the Tory press. Sir Charles has posed so much and so long as a true blue patriot and British subject that we actually have to think that he is still placing partyism before patriotism.

BRITAIN NEEDS NO CONTRIBUTION

Sir Wilfrid Laurier, discussing the Navy Bill, said that it was not Canada's money Great Britain needed, but that what the situation called for was ships to be manned and maintained by Canada, forming a Canadian fleet as part of the Imperial navy.

This is amply borne out by the position of British finances as shown in the statements of the Government regarding the national debt. This shows that while all the other nations of Europe have for years been piling up debt upon debt in the mad race of armaments, Great Britain has been reducing her public debt at a rate never paralleled since nations became sufficiently civilized to have public debts. In fact since 1904—a period during almost the whole of which Liberal Governments have been in power in England—the gross British national debt has been reduced by the stupendous sum of approximately \$500,000,000.

In the year 1903-04 the British "deadweight" debt was £770,778,762. From that time onward the debt has been steadily reduced—with the exception of one year—until a statement just issued for 1912-13 shows the debt to be £674,744,567. That is in Canadian money the debt has decreased from \$3,853,893,810 to \$3,373,722,835, or an absolute reduction in the national debt of \$480,170,975. The "Weary Titian" does not seem badly in need of money for purposes of emergency.

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having reached the years of maturity when except for sudden exigencies such as war she should properly expect to reduce her debt. But during the same period Canada, as a young nation, forging her way ahead, increased her gross national debt from \$364,962,512 in 1904 to \$508,338,591 in 1912—a total increase of \$143,376,079, practically all of which is invested in the National Transcontinental Railway.

And in face of this increase in Canada's gross debt and the huge national saving shown by Great Britain Mr. Borden proposes to tide the Empire over an "emergency" by pouring \$35,000,000 into a Treasury which admits of allowances towards the reduction of the debt of the United Kingdom. And this money is to be added to Canada's debt, borrowed in England and the interest to be paid to British capitalists.

The news of the death of Rev. G. B. Payson who passed away at Truro on Monday was learned of with great regret by many old friends in Fredericton and vicinity. The reverend gentleman made his home in this city for many years and was held in the highest esteem by all who enjoyed his acquaintance. He was a most earnest and faithful worker in the cause of the Master, and the sick and afflicted of all denominations found in him a true friend and counsellor, ever ready to perform a kindly act. He has gone the way of all the world, but his work will live and hundreds who benefited from his ministrations will cherish his memory.

The York Municipal Council which convened today in annual session unanimously elected Coun. William R. Fawcett of Southampton to the office of Warden. The new warder has occupied a seat at the Board for many years and has rendered valuable service to his parish and county. He is well fitted by ability and training in Municipal affairs to discharge the duties of the important office. The Mail heartily congratulates Warden Fawcett on his appointment.

PROVED SUCCESSFUL.

Dr. Gale of the S.S. Empress of Britain, while a storm fiercely raged on the last passage from Liverpool to St. John, successfully performed an operation on a nineteen-year-old stevedore passenger for strangulated hernia. Chief Engineer Phillips assisted by giving the patient ether. The young fellow was sent to the General Public Hospital at St. John, and is doing well. Under the circumstances the operation was quite a surgical feat. Dr. Gale is a brother-in-law of Mr. L. W. Bailey Jr., of this city, and is well known here.

THE LAST TRIBUTE.

The body of the late Rev. G. B. Payson, whose death was announced in these columns yesterday, arrived from Truro this morning for interment. The funeral took place this afternoon and was attended by many old friends of the deceased. An impressive service was conducted at the Methodist Church by Rev. Neil McLaughlan, assisted by Rev. J. J. Collier. Interment was made at the Rural cemetery. Many old personal friends of the deceased followed the body to the grave.

REV. T. W. STREET

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ary and Conveyancer, will transact all Notarial business, etc., for the present at Major Studholme's office, Fort Howe, March 7, 1884.

Perhaps the most able man of the Street family was the seventh son, John Ambrose Street, attorney general and leader of the Street-Partelow government. His name is too well known in our provincial annals to require further notice here. The youngest of the family, Samuel Denny Lee Street, was one of the first three graduates at the provincial university in 1828, the institution being then known as the College of New Brunswick. Mr. Street was ordained in 1833 and entered upon the duties of the ministry as rector of Woodstock. His labors extended over the entire upper St. John region from York County to St. Francis, a distance of 140 miles, and the arduous journeys on horseback, by canoe and wagon in those early days were such that none but a man of vigorous constitution could have borne the task of his daily duties. The rector of Woodstock had many children, among them the late collector of customs at Fredericton, A. F. Street and E. Lee Street of Newcastle, N. B.

In view of the number of leading citizens of the Street family who have figured in the professions, in business and political life in past years, it is rather mournful to know that this name, once so familiar, has now almost ceased to exist in the community.

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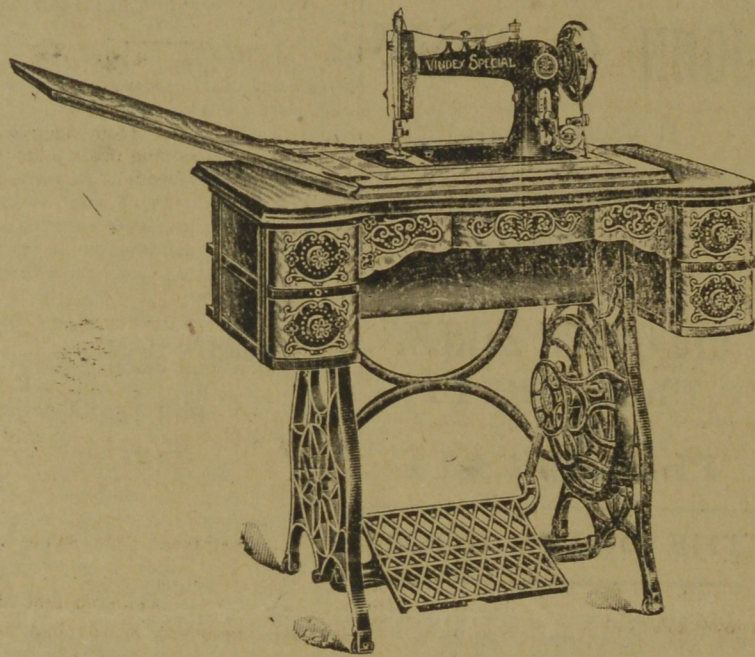
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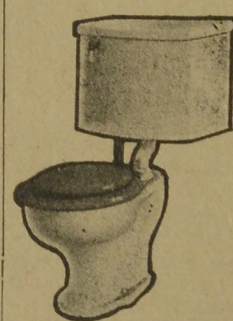
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"A" Company of the Infantry School Corps, now the R.C.R., was organized twenty-nine years ago today. The first to enlist were Sergt. Major Thomas McKenzie, Richard Mayne, Robert Cochrane and William Leek. The latter was the colored servant of Col. Maunsell, the com-

mandant, and is now living in Maine. Sergt. Cochrane is now caretaker of the St. Mary's Rifle Range. The officers of the corps at its formation were Lt.-Col. Maunsell, commandant, Major W. D. Gordon, Adjutant, Young Surgeon Brown and Lieut. Hemming.