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THE ENGLISH BUDGET.

Collier's weekly thinks that the budget speech recently delivered in the Imperial parliament by David Lloyd-George, is one calculated to please the common people. Here is what it says:

"David Lloyd-George is a Prince of Wales. The Welshman is the first Chancellor in a generation to make a budget to please the common people. He is the first man since Charles II.'s time to lay hands on the Duke of Westminster's land values. It shows what the Nonconformist conscience can do when it tackles figures. Rank privilege, accumulated wealth, do not daunt him. Let those who want Dreadnoughts pay for them. For the beer barons and distillery dukes he doesn't care a button. And the Lords will show sense. You watch them. They know when to come down. The great man-eating, smell the blood of an Englishman giant-killer, Lloyd-George, is after Boozie. Great Britain's booze bill last year was three billion dollars—most of it had booze, 'come-back' beer with arsenic in it to nurse the thirst, and doped whiskey. The nut-brown ale that Robin Hood and Friar Tuck drank flows no longer save in comic operas. Housed beer and doctored whiskey make the British workman what too many of him is—a groucher, a bundle of nerves, the easy victim of any panic story Lord Northcliffe cares to print in his excitable newspapers. In the United States the saloon-keeper has a certain low place in politics, but he doesn't climb high. In Canada the liquor man has no place at all. He is in danger any day of falling a bloody sacrifice to public opinion. In England bad beer and worse whiskey are ennobled, and sit among the peers of the realm. The classes are willing to poison the masses if they can't manage them any other way. If Great Britain would stay sober for ten years there would be no national debt. Lloyd-George's budget looks like a charter of liberty. It's the first step toward putting the Boozie Kings back where they belong."

It is interesting to compare the attitude of the English press toward the liquor traffic with the Canadian press and public. The feeling in Canada is generally that anything which tends to restrict the traffic is a step in the right direction. In England, however, the trade is more strongly entrenched and exerts a greater influence. The following from the London Telegraph throws a side-light on the situation:

"The proposals of the Chancellor of the Exchequer in regard to the new license duties are to be looked at in the light of certain declarations made during the course of the Licensing Bill controversy of last year. Speaking in Hyde Park on July 25, 1908, Sir Thomas Whittaker said:

"Everyone knew that if the House of Lords were to reject the bill the government would propose in the very next session of parliament to tax the trade as it ought to be taxed. If ever the trade were so unwise as to force that to be done, he thought it would speedily come to the conclusion that the tender mercies of Whittaker were to be preferred to the taxes of the Chancellor of the Exchequer."

The proposal to increase the tax on whiskey has brought forth a strong protest from Ireland and Scotland, where enormous sums are invested in distilleries. After all, however, it is up to any man to refuse to pay the tax—he can do this by ceasing to drink the whiskey.

A MINISTER OF LABOR.

The action of the Dominion government in creating a department of Labor is being well received throughout the country. The bill passed parliament a few days ago, and it is pretty well understood that Mr. W. L. Mackenzie King, the brilliant young member for North Waterloo, Ont., will be given the portfolio soon after the prorogation of the present session of parliament. Mr. King was deputy minister of labor for a number of years and is thoroughly familiar with the duties he will be called upon to perform in the higher sphere.

The action of the government in creating the new portfolio has called forth the following endorsement from the Montreal Star:

"The creation of a minister of Labor, quite distinct from the postmaster general, is no more than common sense. The two departments have nothing in common and would never have been united under the same minister if it had not been for the accident that Sir William Mulock was postmaster general when his progressive zeal for social reform led him to found the department of labor. Sir William would have hit upon this excellent idea no matter what portfolio he held; and 'the baby' would as naturally have been turned over to him to nurse it until it was able to walk alone. But now

that the new department has justified itself, there is no longer any reason why it should be held by the hand. It can stand upright; and Mr. Mackenzie King seems to be just about the right sort of a minister to give it backbone and personality. Nor need we worry because we have more ministers than the Americans. Our ministers are ministers; while the American ministers are presidential secretaries."

The Laurier government is the only administration Canada ever had which has recognized in a practical way the importance of the labor interests of the country. Soon after coming into power the government abolished the sweating system, and established a fair wage schedule for government contracts. The head tax on Chinese was increased from \$50 to \$500, and an alien labor law was enacted. The government also established a labor bureau and founded the Labor Gazette, which is published monthly at Ottawa, and distributed for a nominal price. The government has also passed a workmen's conciliation act, for the settlement of labor disputes and it is working very satisfactorily. The only country in the world today that stands ahead of Canada in the matter of advanced labor legislation is New Zealand.

CURRENT COMMENT.

The efforts of the Tories of Brome to deprive Hon. Sydney Fisher, Minister of Agriculture of his seat in Parliament, have resulted in failure. The respondent filed preliminary objections to the petition and they have been sustained by Justice Demers, and the petition dismissed with costs.

The Fort William Herald is evidently not much impressed with the statesmanship of Premier Hazen and those who surround him in the government of New Brunswick. The Herald says: "How long has the present New Brunswick government to live?" is a question that is interesting students of political affairs in Canada. The course taken has been rather a stormy one and the man at the helm, Premier Hazen, does not seem to have met with a great amount of success so far. His chief ambition seems to be to scalp one William Pugsley, and up to date all the efforts have been signal failures. It seems like a finish fight between two very able men and at the present time odds seem in favor of the Minister of Public Works.

BRIEFS FROM THE WIRES.

George Meredith, the English novelist, is seriously ill.

Heavy rains have done considerable damage to property in Porto Rico.

Trade returns for April show an increase of \$4,028,267 over the same month last year.

The remains of Sir Allan MacNab were removed from Dundurn Park to the Hamilton cemetery.

Barrie ratepayers have voted the bonus to the Weber Foundry Co. for the establishment of a gas producer machine works.

Zoji, the famous buddhist temple, situated in Shiba Park, Tokio, was completely destroyed by fire a few days ago, the damage amounting to \$200,000.

A petition in bankruptcy has been filed against Tracey & Co., stockbrokers, of New York. Their liabilities are estimated at \$1,000,000, with assets half that amount.

The Canadian Northern crop report gives a highly satisfactory statement of conditions in the west in its territory. Quite a fall of snow is reported at Macleod, Alberta, and the cattle are suffering.

Eight Years for Hains.

Flushing, N.Y., May 18.—Captain Peter C. Hains, Jr., U.S.A., who was convicted of manslaughter in the first degree, for killing William E. Annis, at the Bayside Yacht Club last August, was sentenced yesterday by Justice Garretson in the Supreme Court to an indeterminate sentence of not less than eight years nor more than sixteen years at hard labor in state prison.

Mr. McIntyre, his counsel, said that he was not decided whether to appeal the case, but he would go to the Circuit Court and endeavor to obtain a writ of habeas corpus on the ground that Hains was never properly within the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court, but as an army officer only within the jurisdiction of the Federal Court.

Brakeman Killed.

Brantford, May 18.—Word was received here of the death of Fred Harper, a Brantford man, killed at Morristown, N.J., on the Pennsylvania and Reading Railroad, on which he was a brakeman. A clerk connected with the railroad withheld, through oversight, orders for Harper's promotion for four days, and was reminded of the same on the news of the unfortunate fatality. Harper was crushed between freight cars.

New Steamer for Georgian Bay.

Collingwood, May 18.—A new steamer, the Waubie, will be the Northern Navigation Co.'s liner from Penetang and Midland, up the inside channel of the Georgian Bay to Parry Sound and Point aux Basils. The City of Toronto that for years ran from Penetang to Parry Sound, calling at Minicog and Go-Home Bay, has been sold to a Cornwall firm.

Reichstag to Adjourn.

Berlin, May 19.—The Reichstag will adjourn to-day to June 15, to give the finance committee opportunity to make an effort to reach an agreement on a scheme for financial reform. The Government decided to prepare bills during the Reichstag interval, raising the tax on matches and the import duty on coffee.

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WATER SCHEDULE.

Fixtures	Annual Rate
Basinets	\$5.00
Additional Faucets	2.00
Bath	1.00
Additional Baths	2.00
Closets	2.00
Additional closets	2.00
Wash Bowl	2.00
Set-Tub	2.00
Urinals	2.00
Heaters	5.00
Horse	4.00
Cow	1.00
Beds for Boarders	11.25

SEWER SCHEDULE.

Fixtures	Annual Rate
Kitchen Sink	2.00
Additional Sinks	.50
Bath-Room	2.00
Additional Baths	2.00
Closets	2.00
Additional Closets	2.00
Additional Wash Bowls	1.00
Set-Tubs	1.00
Urinals	2.00
Slop Sinks	2.00
Beds for Boarders	25 m.
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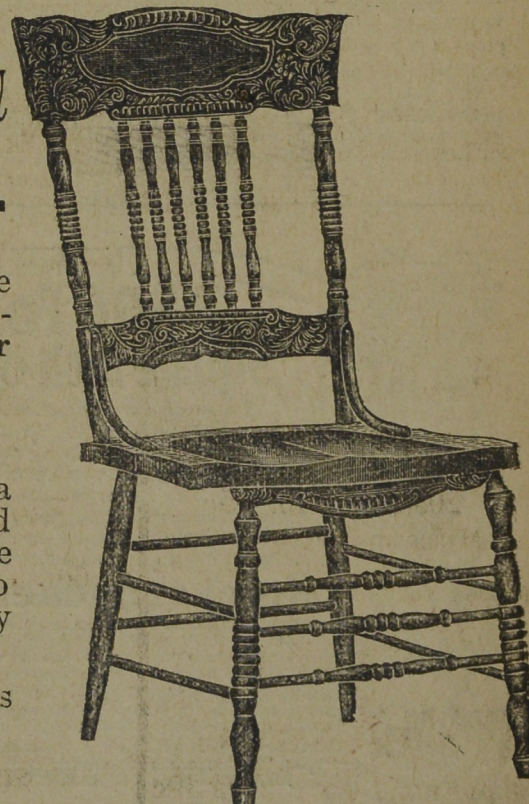
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