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## A PROSPEROUS CANADA PERMITS REDUCED BUDGET

Fifty-five Million of Gain is National Surplus, Thirty-nine Million of Our Debts Paid and Nineteen Million Reduction in Taxes

### A COMMENDABLE RECORD

A national-belated but neverthe- is to be granted on certain papers less welcome-Christmas present was used in the production of magazines. handed the ratepayers of Canada in Aluminum net floats are free; and H. Robb, made public in Ottawa, are reduced. Thursday, February 16th. In short, the chief items of interest are as fol- free.

#### Tax Reductions

Income tax-Ten per cent. reduc tion in personal. Corporation income tax -- reduced 8

Sales tax-reduced from 4 to 3 per

#### Tariff Changes

Cottons-The maximum rate under the general tariff is reduced, with one in the percentage of labor and maexception, from 371/2 to 30 per cent. Duties on coarse yarns are lowered. but a 15 per cent. general tariff duty ferential rates. is imposed for the first time on yarns of 40's count and finer, except mercerized yarns, which remain free under the British preference.

Material reductions in a large range of household cottons.

British preference widened, Woollens-Duties reduced on woollen and worsted fabrics imported for 1928, total debt reduction will be dyeing and finishing, and on many \$144,700,000. lighter weights of such fabrics im- Debt refunding operations in the ported in finished condition.

woollen socks and stockings to be ad-savings of \$3,607,800. justed so that more expensive lines pay higher rates, while lines more year of \$38.815,000. commonly in demand will be reduced.

Textile machinery made free under \$19,027,520. the British preference.

finer grades reduced. Mining machinery—Reductions in

to be free under the B.P. and greatly \$28,000,000. reduced under the general tariff. Drawback of 80 per cent. of duty months, \$147,100,000.

of Work Undertaken by

Council

ment's recent announcement of its in-

tention to spend the sum of \$3,000,000

moon laboratories for the Council of

National Research, the House of Com-

present the subject of research:

2. Cereal-grain rust.

and yields of grain.

1: The use of Canadian iron ores.

specific respect to New Brunswick,

3. Tuberculosis in man and animals.

6. Problems of the grain industry.

8. Storage of fruit in warehouses.

9. Utilization of Canadian magnes-

the mining industry.

Research List

the fifth Budget of the Hon. James parts of engines for fishermen's boats

Non-alcoholic disinfectants made

Drawback of 50. per cent to be allowed on materials used in making aero engines.

Certain crude petroleum not in its natural state, for refining, to be admitted free until July 1, 1981. Drawback of 60 per cent. to be allowed on materials used in the manufacture of tools when 50 per cent. of

production cost is incurred in Canada. An increase from 25 to 50 per cent terial which must enter into Empire goods to secure for them British pre-

#### Financial Statement

Estimated total revenue for present fiscal year, \$419,480,000. Estimated total expenditure, \$364,-365,000.

Estimated surplus, \$54,815,000. In five-year period ending March 31,

present fiscal year have enabled the Rates on knitted underwear and Government to effect annual interest

Estimated net debt reduction this

Yarns for weaving are made free, show an increase over last year of

Total estimated expenditures show Linen-British preference rates on an increase over last year of \$9,-Trade for the first nine months of to recapture Japanese merchantmen duties are made on many items to help this fiscal year shows: Imports, \$823,- from the pirates.

054,000, an increase of \$56,000,000; Press and stereotypers' blankets are exports, \$970,154,000, a decrease of Favorable trade balance for nine

economic and general interest which

Tabled in House 1. The effect of light on life pro-2. The effect of violet rays upon lay- sailor. Canadian Commons Informed ing hens.

are being studied are:

## Ottawa.—Following the Govern-For Agriculture

mons was furnished recently with a Ottawa.-The House of Commons list of the investigations which the has approved expenditures for the here that the vessel had been seized health. Throughout the country, Research Council is at present con- Dept. of Agriculture totalling \$911,ducting. While somewhat lengthy in 000. The individual items in this total its entirety, it specified the following were: Dairying, including a grant of nine national problems as being at \$5,000 to the National Dairy Council, \$265,060; cold storage warehouses. \$30,000; fruit, including a grant of \$8,000 to the Canadian Horticultural Council, \$241,000; seed, feed and fertilizers control, including a grant to 4. Reforestation problems, with

seed fairs, \$375,000. To investigate all phases of the to-5. Best methods of obtaining accur- bacco industry Hon. W. R. Motherste results in testing varieties, strains well, Minister of Agriculture, has appointed a commission, E. P. Tellier, former member of the Ontario Legislature for North Essex and H. J. 7. Heating and insulation of build-Archibald, Wallaceburg. A third mem-Dept. of Agriculture.

In addition to the above investigations by committees of the Council itself, important researches are being for more duty to be put on silk stock. her such opportunities as this neighcarried on into upwards of 100 indus- ings." "Put more duty on them!" ex- boring country, which counts 120,000. trial and scientific problems, by the claimed the old man. "What else do 000 mouths to feed and which is not sid of funds granted by the Council, make their stockings cover half their Nothing can overcome this natural visitors to the London Zoo; 2,158,208 haps the three subjects of greatest bodies, as it is."

A Victim of the Sea

#### The Late Earl of Oxford and Asquith



CRETAINS DISTINGUISHED STATESMAN AND SCHOLAR PASSES The Rt. Hon. Herbert Assuith will long live in the memory of the British people as a great statesman and a thorough English gentleman. The two photos above show him in mufti and also in a ceremonial naval uniform.

### Japanese Warship Earl of Oxford Captured Pirates

Total estimated revenues this year Follows First Piracy on North War Time Premier Passes Coast for Two Years

Shanghai-The first piracy on the north coast of China in two years brought forth two Japanese war craft

The Japanese steamer Hirao Maru Haichow. The junk approached the in his siventy-sixth year-Hiraco Maru and as it neared the ship it was seen the junk was filled with Lady Oxford, better known as Margot sanitation and public health. pirates. The pirates fired on the Asquith and their daughter, the Prin-Japanese steamship, wounding the cess Bibesco were with the former Japanese captain and killing one Premier when he died.

the ship from the pirates near Hai- for six years. chow after severe fighting. The For some time, eginning after his Japanese steamship was identified as retirement from active politics in the Haitsu Maru. It was presumed 1926, Lord Oxford had been in ill crew was not reported

Zuiho Maru reported passing a steamship flying a Japanese flag and a funk. The steamship hoisted the Chinese version of the "Jolly Rober," which is not described in the reports.

#### Canada's Choice

Quebec Soleil (Lib.): The developplished by using all the British marber will be a tobacco expert from the especially by the market of the Uni officer in the Grenadier Guards when ted States, which is, it seems to us, the nearest and the most advantageous. From he point of view of econ-"I see," said mother, reading the omics, Canada serves the universe by evening paper, "that they are asking her commerce; but no country offers and geographical fact.

#### WAS SEVENTY SIX

out bound from Shanghai encountered a steamer flying a Japanese flag last at his country home, the Wharf, accompanied by a Chinese junk near accompanied by

destroyer Tsubaki and the Gunboat as soon as possible. Sir Maurice and Tsushima, started on the trail of the Endy Bonnam-Carter joined the other pirates. It was reported by wireless relatives at the bedside. Sir Maurice recently that the Tsubaki recaptured served his father-in-law as secretary

by the priates. The fate of the ship's great sympathy is expressed for the dead man was one of the great figures

> decades. He first entered the Cabinet more than thirty-five years ago; for eight years, two of them war years, he was Prime Minister of England, and for several years he was joint leader with David Lloyd George of the Liberal party, now sunk to third rank in Brit-

The heir to his Earldom is Julian, ment of our resources will be accome Viscount Asquith, fourteen-year-old son of the former Premier's oldest kets, by all other foreign outlets and son, Raymond Asquith, who was an he was killed at the battle of the

> There's no excuse now-a-days for a fellow who doesn't see a good deal his "wandering ballots" sensation. He

people passed the turnstiles.

# Dies in England

After Severe Illness— Family Was With Him

When the Eari was suddenly taken the Bulk Sales Act were introduced call of war. ing hens.

3. Means of improving the quality of maple syrup and sugar.

The Hirao Maru finally escaped and approaching and expressed the wish is to provide for the paying of interport for Lincoln, the third speaker of the control o

> Previously the Japanese steamer in British political life of the last abutting land-

> > not appointed one. ish political life.

# THE LEGISLATURE WEEK BY

room windows, the Legislature got realized it when the down to business on Friday the 10th. The Premier follows

Joseph P. Earngey, Kenora mem-full investigation into the heliot a ber, sounded "the call of the North," tion and answered, in part, som and Horace S. Colliver, Prince Ed- Mr. Sinclair's attack. ward representative, moved and sec- Aurelien Belanger (Liberal, Rus onded the Speech from the Throne, sell) moved the adjournment of the clearing the way for real business on debate. Tuesday, 14th.

Mr. Earngey is a newspaperman who talks as well. He launched a message straight at the heart of old Ontario.

"We in the North," said he, "rather pity you for your lack of knowledge. in the North, and when you come back French-speaking people of the prehere you will be better equipped to vince. give relative opinions on the North nothing in return."

After Mr. Colliver spoke the Liberal Leader, William E. N. Sinclair, ad- than restrict the present use of French journed the debate until Tuesday. MONDAY 13TH-

Inquiry into Hollinger Mine disaster promised by Premier. Later Judge T. E. Godson was announced as in charge of the investigation, with Peter White, K.C., as the Government legal representative.

A bill to amend the Succession Duties Act, and providing for three chief changes, was introduced by Provincial

Treasurer Monteith. Dr. Monteith also introduced a bill to amend the Mothers' Allowance Act, the change providing that two years' residence in Ontario, instead of two years in Canada, be the requirement. been responsible for the conditions. A bill to amend the Public Health Act was also introduced by the Provincial Treasurer. The object of this is to grant power to municipalities of over 100,000 population to charge up London.—The Earl of Oxford and sary to hie preliminary investigation, The idea is to make possible a more

#### AMENDING OTHER ACTS.

Act, the Local Improvement Act and first to leave Canada for battle at the est in compensation proceedings. The day, warmly criticized the Governsecond is to allow a corporation to ment in respect to its rural Hydre assume more of the cost of any particular work than it ordinarily would where a general by-law has not been passed, applying to work of certain De Valera Sails

Under the suggested amendment a corporation might, in the case of an old Provincial highway running through the community, assume some of the cost that would be fixed to

The proposed change in the Bulk Sales Act is to give a Junior Judge, as well as a Senior Judge, the right to appoint a trustee if the vendor has

Hon. William Finlayson brought in a bill to provide the necessary legislation in regard to Ontario's part in the poses to establish in Dublin. power development on the English River. His bill is entitled: "An act

respecting the Lac Seul storage." Frank W. Wilson (Con., Windsor) tried to introduce his "Beer by the glass" motion but was ruled "out of

TUESDAY, FEB. 14TH-

This day saw real fireworks. Hon. W. E. Sinclair, Liberal Leader, sprang terminated the best speech the House not my opinion." has ever heard him make with an He is returning to take the helm of amendment to the Address which, in the Irish Republican party, he said, effect, will place the members on rec- convinced that in the next elections, ord as to whether or not the Govern- which are due in five years if the ment has been guilty of neglect in its present Government does not resign. failure to legislate this session for the Republican party will cuter the old-age pensions-

#### CRITICISM ALL ALONG.

Mr. Sinclair clubbed the Ferguson Administration, and from every con- Quebee Action Catholique (Ind.): A

Mr. Sinclair varied his criticism. It if we were the least bit logical, we ranged from "bowling alleys" to the would first take steps to keep our Administration Building to an appeal to the Prime Minister to keep politics out of the constitutional issue with respect to power rights. At times it was feathery in substance, but fun-Canada have decreased, while imcompelling serious consideration. But Forts have increased.) The necessity at all times it was, to say the least, exasperating, if not galling, to the directly from our need to export our Government.

PROGRESSIVE LEADER SPEAKS. Sists, from the number of our imthe new Progressive pilot, making his quate judgment in the choice of these maiden debate speech, arguing the old imports so that they will serve the question of Ferguson v. Drury, direct-needs of our national production. ing further fire against the Liquor, Control Act administration, which, he alleged, was "efficient" only in the A judge has ruled that dogs have

that the whole act was a sales promo- the dogs.

The Premier followed as

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 15TH-Now contentious Bills took up the proceedings of the House.

THURSDAY, FEB. 16TH-The debate on the Speech continue Aurelien Belanger, French member Come and visit us. Spend two years for Russell, bared the feelings of the

With a force and an eloquence which and the South. It has been said that at times stirred even the Government we Northerners come down here look benches into applause, Mr. Belanged ing for money—always wanting some pictured the French-Canadian as a far thing. Of course! But we also come more loyal and more desirable citizen down and offer opportunities to the than the Communist-infected immipeople. It is false to say that we are grant from London; pleaded for a always getting something, and giving better understanding of his accounplishment and his aims; and urged that the Government extend rather in the schools so as to enable French-Canadian children to obtain the education they required, and to which they were entitled.

DEFENDS LOW STANDING.

Mr. Belanger displayed a "let by gones be bygones" attitude with regard to Regulation 17; claimed that even where it had been applied conscientiously it had proved a failure; and defended the low standing of the schools and pupits in his county by charging that lack of departmental support-for instance, the sending out of 17 and 18-year-old girls with third and fourth class certificates had His attack was met forcibly at the evening sitting by Rev. W. G. Martin. Con. member for Brantford, who denied that Ontario was a bilingual to capital account all expenses neces- be taught—and "no bluffing, either!" province; who said that English must -and who implied that Mr. Belanger

FIRST TO LEAVE.

The Brantford member, amid cheers of his fellow-benchers, said the fact must not be overlooked that it was Bills to amend the Municipalities the English reservist who was the

# To Return Home

Irish Republican Leader Concludes Visit to United States

New York-Eamonn de Valera, Irish Republican leader, sailed for Ireland on the Leviathan Feb. 11, after an extended visit to the United States in the interest of a newspaper he pro-

"Committees have been formed from the Atlantic to the Pacific." he said, "to aid in the effort to obtain funds to have the \$500,000 we need." He declined to discuss the visit to this country of President Cosgrave. Asked whether he did not believe the visits of himself and Mr. Cosgrave would serve to give the United States a clearer opinion of Ireland's problems, he said:

"I have said no such thing. It is

Dail in majority numbers.

### Immigration

ceivable angle. Not only did he carry law restraining immigration would his warfare to Mr. Ferguson and var- have the immediate result of making ious departmental activities of his us understand that it is out duty to Government, but to subordinates just look efer our own nationals. As it without the Queen's Park confines. In is, our only serious preoccupations this connection "Strong Man" Hanna, are about foreigners. Our people Chairman of the Liquor Control leave the country and we are only Board, who, he charged, was paid vaguely interested. We do not even \$20,000 a year to "rubber-stamp ap- take the trouble to count those who pointments made by patronage comof those who enter the country. . .

# Imports and Exports

of importing into the country arises own products. The problem consists, from the national point of view, Then followed John G. Lethbridge, portations, but in the exercise of ade-

sense of selling liquor and not con- the same rights as pedestrians in crossing a road. The S.P.C.A. is un-Mr. Lethbridge stressed the point derstood to be protesting on behalf of

#### A SEA SAGA REFLECTING CREDIT TO CANADA A derelict: The schooner "Mayette" after it had been abandoned when its crew was rescued by the "Canadian Pathfinder" in a manner which has breught forth great praise.