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CONFEDERATION

Tomorrow will be a day of celebration throughout the length and breadth of Canada. The date marks the completion of the first fifty years of the life of the Dominion. It is a good thing for any nation to have a period at stated intervals, wherein they can take stock of themselves; wherein progress and achievement can be looked upon with national pride, and also wherein shortcomings may be noted.

In reviewing the growth and development of the nation during the past fifty years, the material progress is a most remarkable tribute to the people who form the nation. In 1867, Canada embraced an area of 540,000 square miles and since that time other territories have been organized into provinces which now give Canada 3,729,665 square miles, and more than double the population.

The increase in trade and commerce has been marvellous and even yet the full value of the resources of the country is unknown. The progress and development during the time since Confederation have only shown to some extent what the actual potentialities of this rich land, which is the heritage of Canadians, really are. And in our celebration of the event which occurred fifty years ago, it is impossible to look back over the past without also taking a glance into the future. If our wealth and material prosperity has increased tenfold or more during the past fifty years, the ratio of increase hence will be much greater. The wisdom of the Fathers of Confederation bequeathed this land of untold possibilities to us, and at this time, it may be well for us to ask ourselves if our wisdom has increased, as the results of their wisdom have. With all our greater wealth, it were well to remember that "righteousness exalteth a nation."

UNEQUAL TAXATION

One of the arguments with which Sir Thomas White, W. S. Middleboro', and others meet the demands for a high levy on war super-profits and the taxing of large incomes is that the Government is able to finance

the war on its present sources of revenue. The question of revenue in itself is not directly an issue in the minds of those who make the proposals referred to. They are more concerned with the readjustment of the burden of taxation, so that those who have the most shall pay the most, instead of those who have the least paying the most, as they do now.

Over sixty per cent. of the present revenue comes from customs taxation; thirty per cent. is drawn from excise and the so-called war taxes such as stamp duties and imposts on articles which in England are not taxed at all. A little over six per cent. is yielded by the tax on war profits and large incomes pay nothing at all.

Everybody knows, of course, that the average consumer pays the customs tax plus a super-tax which the protected interests add to the amount of the tariff rate. And he practically pays all the rest with the exception of the 6 1/2 per cent. of the total received from the war profits taxation. The burden of our taxation thus is inequitably distributed. What it needs is readjustment in accordance with elementary justice. The revenue would remain the same, if desirable, with the difference that those who are making most from the war would pay most towards its cost.

CONSCRIPTION

One element favors conscription of men without conscription of wealth. Another opposes conscription of men because it might involve conscription of wealth. A third wants conscription of wealth without conscription of men, while a fourth objects to the conscription of wealth because it might involve the conscription of men. The first and second represent a division of opinion among certain leaders of finance and industry. The second and third portray the conflict of thought at the other end of the economic pole. All of them are illogical; some of them are that and more.

The common ground upon which these extremes might meet is conscription all round.



which is advocated by a fifth class. It is just as easily accomplished as conscription of either man-power or money-power.

It is the right and duty of the state to require the employment of all its human and material resources for its defence when it is in danger, and it makes no difference whether that danger is in the form of a mob with its threat of chaos, organized lawlessness or an external enemy. The obligation is the same.

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LAND LEASE NOTICE

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TAKE NOTICE that I, George McRae, of Skidegate, B. C., occupation engineer, intend to apply for permission to lease the following described lands:

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MINERAL ACT

Certificate of Improvements

NOTICE

Carbon Mineral Claim situate in the Skeena Mining Division of Cassiar District. Where located:—Near head of Alice Arm, B. C.

TAKE NOTICE that I, J. Fred Ritchie, Free Miner's Certificate No. 3229 C, acting as agent for W. A. Williams, Free Miner's Certificate No. 5911 C, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claim. And further take notice that action, under section 85, must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements. Dated this 27th day of March, A. D. 1917. J. FRED RITCHIE, Agent.

DETRAYED SHIPS TO GERMAN SUBMARINES

New York, June 28.—An officer of a liner from a Norwegian port which recently arrived has given out the news of the arrest and imprisonment of two Norwegian skippers of passenger steamers plying between ports of Norway and Great Britain for giving information to German submarine commanders of the sailings of British and neutral boats from Norway. One of the skippers has been twenty-five years in the trade and has been held in high esteem by the Norwegian Government. It was learned through secret service agents who travelled on his ship and that of the other convicted skipper that the pair had been working for a year in the pay of Germany before their duplicity was discovered.

Salvation Army.

Public meetings, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays at 8 p. m.; Sundays at 7:30 p. m.

MINERAL ACT

NOTICE TO DELINQUENT PARTNER

To C. W. Calhoun:

Take notice, whereas I have done and caused to be done assessment work on the Midnight Fraction mineral claim, situated on the Illance river, about fourteen miles from the head of Alice Arm, in the Skeena mining division of Skeena district, assessment work for 1914, 1915, and 1916, and have paid for said work and recording same the sum of \$307.50. Unless you pay me the sum of \$102.50, for your share of the said assessment work, together with the cost of this advertisement, I shall, at the expiration of ninety (90) days from the date hereof apply to the mining recorder at Prince Rupert, B. C., to have your interest in the Midnight Fraction mineral claim vested in me, in pursuance of the provisions of the mineral act. Dated at Prince Rupert, B. C., this 11th day of April, 1917. Jy 11

MINERAL ACT

Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE

"Dougall," "Dougall Fractional," and "Waterfront" Mineral Claims, situate in the Skeena Mining Division of Cassiar District. Where located:—On the west side of head of Alice Arm.

TAKE NOTICE that I, Richard B. McGinnis, Free Miner's Certificate No. 11306, acting as agent for the Bolly Varden Mines Company, Free Miner's Certificate No. 931-C, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claim.

And further take notice that action, under section 85, must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements. Dated this 24th day of April, A. D. 1917. RICHARD B. MCGINNIS.

"WATER ACT, 1914."

BEFORE THE BOARD OF INVESTIGATION

In the Matter of all Streams in the Hazelton and Fort Fraser Water Districts. A MEETING of the Board of Investigation will be held at the Court-house at Hazelton on Monday, the 23rd day of July, 1917, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

In the Matter of all Streams in the Prince Rupert Water District. A meeting of the Board of Investigation will be held at the Court-house at Prince Rupert on Wednesday, the 25th day of July, 1917, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

At these meetings all statements of claim to water privileges under Acts passed before the 12th day of March, 1909, on any of these streams, all objections thereto, and the plans prepared for the use of the said Board, will then be open for inspection.

All persons interested are entitled to examine these, and to file objections thereto in writing if they deem fit. Objections will be heard forthwith if the party objected to has received sufficient notice of the objection.

The Board at the said meetings will hear the claimants, will determine the quantity of water which may be used under each record and the further works which are necessary for such use, and will set dates for the filing of plans of such works and for the commencement and completion of such works.

And whereas there may be persons who, before the 12th day of March, 1909, were holders of water records on the said streams and yet have not filed statements of their claims with the Board of Investigation, such persons are required to file, on or before the 15th day of July, 1917, a statement, as required by section 294 of the "Water Act, 1914." The forms (No. 59 for irrigation and No. 51 for other purposes) may be obtained from any Government Agent in the Province.

The claims of riparian proprietors who have filed, as required by section 6 of the "Water Act, 1914," statements of claim to waters of any of the said streams will be heard at the same times and places.

Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 7th day of June, 1917.

For the Board of Investigation, J. F. ARMSTRONG, Chairman.

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