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**Our Ottawa Letter.**  
"Extravagance and corruption are twin  
leaks in the public chest which compel in-  
creased taxation." When we have an  
admission like this from a newspaper that  
has generally been regarded as holding  
pretty strong Conservative views, such a  
paper as the Montreal Star who in the  
Government patronage list is graded "A  
1," we are apt to think that the country  
is at last awakening from its lethargy and  
that the people are at last asking where  
their money is going to. When we find  
men like Dalton McCarthy in Ontario,  
and newspapers like the Montreal Star in  
Quebec denouncing the Government for  
its extravagance and corruption it really  
looks as if our people had at last been  
aroused to the easy victims they have  
been for the confidence men who have  
been running the political caucus at Ot-  
tawa for the past sixteen years. If any  
one dare mention it, if the country could  
only in a fair reasonable way be per-  
suaded to look into the merits of direct  
taxation and discuss one with the other  
its pros and cons, it would not, I am  
sure, be long before the prejudice against  
it would be removed and the fact realized  
that it was the true principle of econom-  
ical government. The fact cannot be  
disputed that we are living under an ex-  
travagant regime. We have only to look  
at our public accounts to establish it. An  
increase of 64 per cent. in our taxation  
and 72 per cent. in our national debt  
with an increase of under 20 per cent. in  
our population during the same period,  
is no evidence of retrenchment.

The only remedy for extravagance is  
economy. How are you to bring it about?  
It would practically be political suicide  
for either of the great parties to suggest  
"direct taxation" as the surest means by  
which it might be accomplished yet, if  
the country would without prejudice give  
the question a little thought they must  
arrive at the conclusion, however unpopu-  
lar this means of collecting our taxes  
might seem, that it was the correct one.  
Any honest student of political economy  
must share this opinion although all will  
agree in the unpopularity of the system  
of direct tax while the soundness of the  
principle is admitted. Let us pause and  
ask ourselves what is direct taxation? If  
it means nothing more it means a knowl-  
edge of what you are paying and the  
purpose for which you are paying out  
your hard earned wages into the treasury,  
municipal or federal. It means control  
over public expenditure. Yet after all  
there appears to be a consolation in being  
kept in ignorance of what we are actually  
paying out of our pockets to the tax col-  
lector. In ignorance we are told there is  
bliss, to which fact may be attributed the  
popularity of indirect and unpopularity  
of direct taxation. There is no greater  
incentive to economy than the cash sys-  
tem. The temptation to buy is much  
greater when you have a line of credit  
than if you had to pay "cash down" for  
each purchase. You get tired of dipping  
down into your pocket every time if  
you have to pay cash, each time being a  
reminder that you are parting with your  
earnings; that you are at each dip making  
yourself a poorer man. The lesson can-  
not fail to teach economy.

The same way with your taxes. If they  
are spread out, although you may be  
paying indirectly through the custom  
house double the amount you would be  
called upon to pay if directly taxed, you  
are satisfied for you do not want to know  
what you are paying. You want the col-  
lector, who in this case is the minister of  
customs or the excise officer, to put his  
hand in your pocket and take out what  
he wants, to help himself, but you say to  
him "for heaven's sake don't let me know  
how much you take out." No, that  
knowledge would spoil your happiness.  
But why should not the same principles  
which apply to our municipal government  
apply to the administration of our federal  
affairs? Do you think that had you been  
directly taxed you would not have had  
something to say about the money that  
has been bled out of you to make good  
the loss of \$700,000 through the Con-  
nelly, McGreevy job; the loss of \$50,000  
as developed during the Printing Bureau  
scandal; the loss of \$270,000 through the  
Curran bridge swindle; the loss of \$450,-  
000 for two revisions of the voters' lists  
under a useless Franchise Act; the loss  
of \$125,000 through the Shiek's Island  
Dam contract; the loss of \$256,000 paid  
in excess of the estimate on the Little  
Rapids Lock; the loss of \$345,000 paid  
in excess of estimate for the construction  
of the Tay canal; \$26,000 campaign con-  
tribution recouped out of the subsidy to  
the Lake St. John railway, the loss of at  
least \$1,000,000 excess of estimate for  
the construction of the St. Charles branch  
of the Intercolonial railway. These are  
only a few of the evidences of reckless  
expenditure, criminal negligence or bare-  
faced robbery that as I am writing come  
before me. Do you not think you would  
have had more thought of where your  
money was going had you been directly  
taxed? I doubt if, with our small popu-  
lation you would have supported the

Government in pledging your wages for  
the subsidy of \$170,000 a year for twenty  
years towards the Chignecto ship railway  
or \$750,000 a year to the fast Atlantic  
steamship service if you had been com-  
pelled to pay your taxes directly. The  
country must sooner or later awaken to  
the fact that something has to be done.  
What is it to be? Whether it be through  
direct taxation or in some other way the  
principle of economy must be resorted to.  
Study it out and help your leaders. No  
Government could be extravagant and  
live under direct taxation.  
Ottawa, Aug. 26.

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new Tea, called Kalsala Ceylon Tea? It's  
beautiful. If you call at Dilworth's  
Drug Store you can get a sample carton  
of it for nothing. It's the best and cheap-  
est Tea we ever used.

**East York Liberals.**  
A large number of Liberals met in con-  
vention at Little York on Friday last to  
consider the revision of the voters' lists,  
and the selection of a candidate for the  
approaching election for the House of  
Commons. All parts of the riding were  
well represented. President Walter  
Scott occupied the chair, and Mr. J. C.  
Clark was appointed secretary pro tem.  
The following were among those present:  
Messrs G. B. Smith, ex-M. P.; J. H.  
Mackenzie, Chairman of St. Paul's Ward  
Association; J. K. Leslie, Chairman St.  
Matthew's Ward Association; Joseph Gib-  
son, William McLeish, George McLeish,  
Frank Armstrong, sen., W. M. Hall, Ter-  
rence Farr, Alexander Wheeler, Robert  
Armstrong, R. J. Gibson, T. R. Bain, W.  
S. Ormiston, F. C. Snider, W. D. Gregory,  
George Vair, Capt. Vennell, Dr. D. A.  
Ross, J. Mountstephen, John Gibb, W. H.  
Smith, J. L. McCulloch, Wm. Urmay, J.  
Long, W. S. Armstrong, John Towers,  
James Macdonald, Alex. Smith, Secretary  
of the Ontario Reform Association, and  
others.

From other parts of the riding came  
John Richardson, the newly elected repre-  
sentative of the riding in the Local Legis-  
lature; W. J. Hill, reeve of York; Levi  
Annis, D. B. Nighswander, John Noble, J.  
E. Clark, J. L. McCulloch, Wm. Urmay, J.  
Mantou, Geo. D. Mantou, John Warren,  
License Inspector Eckardt, W. M. Whyte,  
John Fitzgerald, Jas. Munthead, Joseph  
Latter, Wm. McGuire, D. McGinn, A.  
Neilson, W. A. Heron, G. R. Vanzant, G.  
Riley, Dr. D. A. Clark, S. Kennedy, P.  
Heron, M. Fitzgerald, W. A. Noble, W. W.  
Walton, Geo. Elliott, Thos. Pikey, Jas.  
Stewart, Jos. Armstrong, Alex. Kennedy,  
J. Iouson, A. J. Reynolds, Wm. Armstrong,  
A. Iouson, Jas. Omerod, Jas. McGinn, J. H.  
Gibson, Jos. Lapp, H. R. Corson, Jonathan  
Slater, Jay McCaffrey, P. Barkey, Thos.  
Johnston, Geo. Fitzgerald, Wm. Douglas,  
Jos. Tingle, Robt. Forfar, E. T. Trow, Jas.  
T. McBeath and many more.

Some of those present favored the idea  
of nominating a candidate at once, while  
others thought it would be better to defer  
the selection for a time, but to make ar-  
rangements for the revision of the lists.  
As this was being discussed, Mr. G. B.  
Smith, the late local member, entered the  
room, and was loudly cheered as he took  
his seat on the platform. Mr. Smith was  
at once nominated as the candidate for  
the coming election, but he declined the  
honor as his health would not yet allow  
him to return to politics.  
The following were afterwards nomi-  
nated: J. K. Leslie, J. H. McKenzie, W.  
J. Hill, W. D. Gregory, J. H. Richard-  
son, M. P. P., Ald. H. K. Frankland,  
Hon. S. H. Blake, Joseph Gibson, and  
Levi Annis. All the candidates responded  
with the exception of Hon. S. H. Blake  
and Ald. Frankland, who were not pres-  
ent.  
After good speeches all the nominees  
present retired with the exception of Mr.  
J. K. Leslie, and this gentleman did not  
give a decided answer. Some of those  
present said they could not support Mr.  
Leslie on account of his stand in favor of  
Sunday street cars.  
Finally it was decided to strike a com-  
mittee to take charge of the revision of  
the lists until such time as a candidate  
was chosen, and by further resolution the  
committee was composed of the President  
and Secretaries of each municipal asso-  
ciation together with the local ward asso-  
ciations of St. Matthew's and St. Paul's,  
Toronto. The President of the riding  
association was named as convener.  
It was further resolved to adjourn un-  
til Saturday, September 1, when the con-  
vention will again gather in Boston's  
Hall, East Toronto, and definitely select  
a candidate.  
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PROGRAMME—FIRST WEEK.  
MONDAY, SEPT. 3—Preparation Day.  
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TUESDAY—Opening Day. The public  
admitted at 9 a.m.; the exhibition to be  
formally opened at 2 p.m. by the Hon.  
John Thompson, K.C.M.G.  
WEDNESDAY—Wheelmen's Day. Great  
meet of bicyclists in competition for valu-  
able prizes. Trotting race for 2.27 class,  
and pace and trot for 2.35 class. Trotting  
heats between dogs. Hurdle, chariot,  
and Roman standing races by the Kemp  
Sisters' Combination, and all the special-  
ty performances in front of Grand Stand.  
Japanese day fireworks on Grand Stand.  
THURSDAY—Pioneers' Day. Great  
gathering of pioneers and early settlers of  
York and surrounding counties. Exhibit  
of the relics and souvenirs of early days.  
Machinery, etc., in operation. The after-  
noon attractions in the horse ring will in-  
clude trotting races for free-for-all class  
and 2 year-old colt trot and pace. At  
7.30 p.m. the great Specialty Company  
will give an entertainment in front of the  
Grand Stand, which will be followed by  
the first production of the grand Pyrotech-  
nical Spectacle, "The Siege of Algiers,"  
in which 400 military, etc., will be en-  
gaged with battle-ships, artillery, cavalry,  
marines, etc., concluding with the most  
magnificent display of fireworks ever  
given in this Dominion.  
FRIDAY—School Children's Day. 20,  
000 children are expected. Special  
features will be provided for both young  
and old, Ferris Wheels, Carousals, Swings  
and Donkey Rides. The horse ring in  
the afternoon will be full of attractions,  
including boys' bicycle races, trotting  
races, hurdle races, chariot races, etc.  
Music by excellent bands. "The Siege  
of Algiers" in the evening.  
SATURDAY—Ladies' Day. Grounds and  
buildings open from 8 a.m. till 10 p.m.  
All parts of the Exhibition complete.  
Grand display of ladies' and children's  
work, fine arts, etc. Extra features in  
the horse ring. Match races between the  
trotting dogs, "Doc" and "Victor." Balcon  
ascensions and double parachute  
drops by Miss Lamont and Prof. Wool-  
cott. Japanese day fireworks, etc. Grand  
paintings and beautiful pictures. Music  
by the 48th Highlanders and other bands.  
Phantasmagoric views in the evening at  
7.30. To conclude with fireworks and  
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