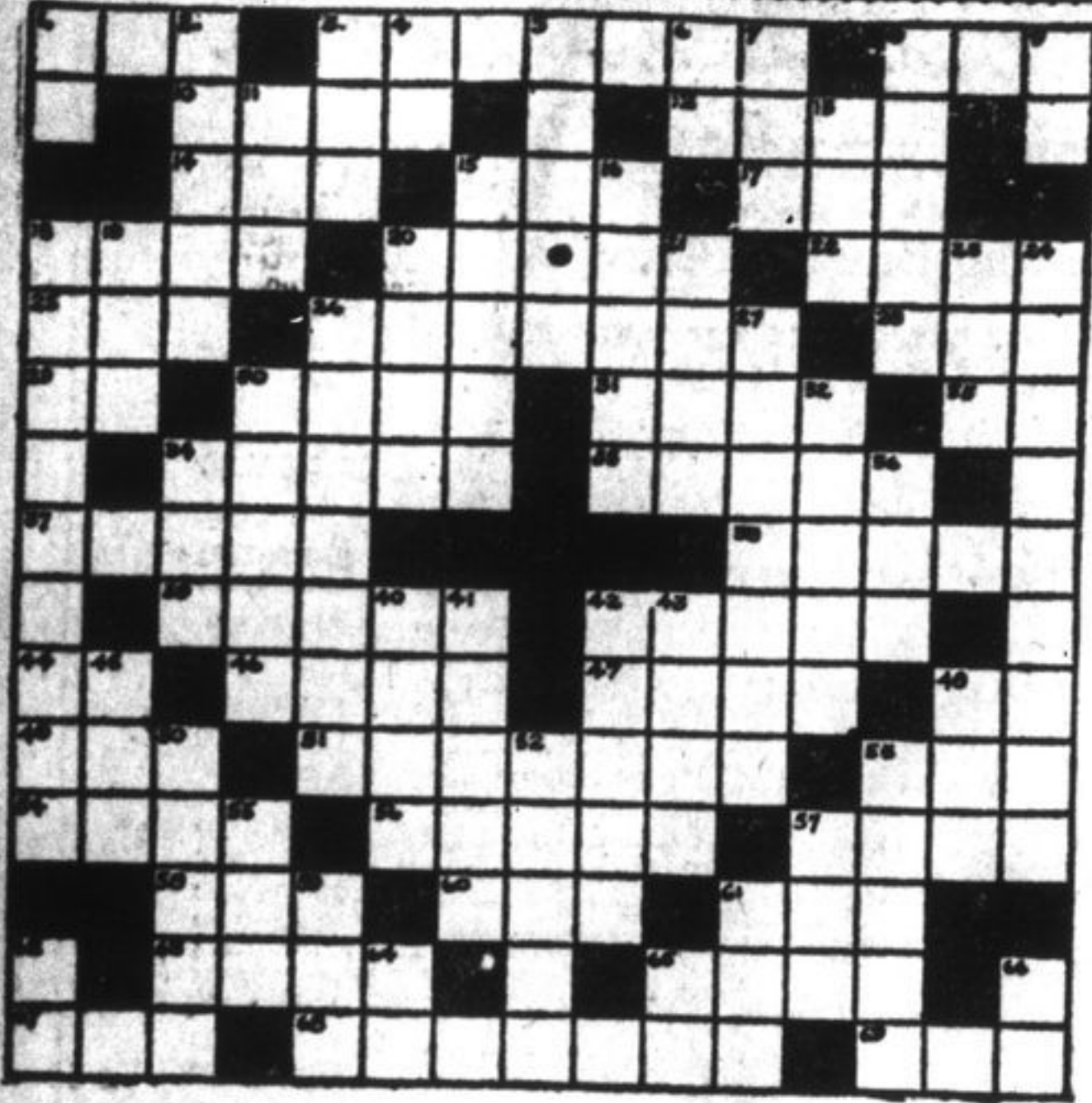


CROSS-WORD PUZZLE



The seven and nine-letter words in this puzzle add interest to an otherwise average makeup.

- Horizontal. 1. Vehicle for carrying passengers. 2. Meal (pl.). 3. 2000 pounds. 4. So. 5. On the lee side of a ship. 6. Space of years. 7. Beverage. 8. Bark. 9. Biblical pronoun. 10. Part of a stable. 11. Take care of. 12. 5 1/2 yards. 13. Fictitious narratives. 14. Organ of hearing. 15. Proposition. 16. Part of verb "to be". 17. Far below the surface. 18. Father. 19. Mold. 20. Mistake. 21. Metal. 22. Musical instrument. 23. Pointed pieces of metal. 24. The joint between hand and arm. 25. On high. 26. Fate. 27. Contest of speed. 28. Printer's expression. 29. Rusted. 30. Injurious to health. 31. A fabulous bird. 32. Besides. 33. Drawings of buildings. 34. Small houses. 35. Part of a circle. 36. Incline. 37. Beverage flavored with juniper berries. 38. 420 sheets of paper. 39. Orient. 40. Affirmative. 41. Motives. 42. Male child. Vertical. 1. Near. 2. Hove. 3. The earth's furnace. 4. Pronoun.

- 5. Pertaining to the magnetic poles. 6. God of sun. 7. Cunning. 8. Indian wigwam. 9. Negative. 10. Garden implement. 11. Consume. 12. To make reparation. 13. To slur over. 14. Pour out of one into another. 15. Very warm. 16. Principal axis of a flower. 17. Look slyly with malice. 18. Short slumber. 19. Pertaining to the drama. 20. Large species of seals. 21. Military duty. 22. An every meal food. 23. Balance. 24. Low flat marsh land. 25. Decay. 26. Noose. 27. An expression on the face. 28. Mistaken. 29. Male sheep (pl.). 30. Close friend. 31. A poker term. 32. Former Russian rulers. 33. Wine men. 34. Small animals. 35. Before. 36. Pronoun. 37. Vehicle. 38. Matter in the most rarified state. 39. Forever. 40. Personal pronoun. 41. A printer's measure. 42. Preposition.

Answer to Tuesday's Puzzle.



ON PARLIAMENT HILL

By a Member of the Parliamentary Press Gallery

Ottawa, Feb. 23.—An indication of the desire of parliament to save the public money by eliminating needless talk and getting down to business speedily was furnished on Monday of last week the debate on the Address in reply to the Speech from the Throne terminated without an amendment being offered by the opposition, and the same evening the main Estimates for the fiscal year ending March 31st, 1926, were tabled by Hon. James A. Robb, acting minister of finance. That debate established a record for brevity. That one week compares very favorably with the three weeks consumed last year and with any session of this fourteenth parliament. An amusing fact in this connection is that, while last year the Conservatives were scolding the Progressives for prolonging the discussion, the opposition this year were scolding the Liberals and Progressives for not talking and charging that a "conspiracy of silence" had been arranged between those two parties. It was also declared by Conservatives that the Liberals had refrained from talking so that the session could be shortened in order to hold a general election at an early date. The Liberals and Progressives both refrained from talk, after the leaders and a very few others had expressed their views, but for another reason which was their desire to get down to business and to save the country avoidable expense.

Economy in Practice. A reduction of almost \$7,000,000 was the outstanding feature of the main estimates. Another notable fact is that, if the reductions in the main estimates of the last three fiscal years are added together, there is to the credit of the Dominion government a total cut in estimated expenditure of nearly \$105,000,000, and this in the face of heavy uncontrollable outlays that cannot be cut and that must be paid to meet obligations contracted by Canada during the war and as a result of the war. Still another important feature is that where any considerable increase of expenditure is to be provided for it is really in the nature of an investment on behalf of the taxpayers of the Dominion. An illustration of this is the proposed additional expenditure of \$700,000 toward the maintenance and operation of the dredging fleet in the River St. Lawrence channel. The effect of this will be to further reduce the hazards of navigation, which are now really at a minimum, and thus encourage the British mariners to reduce their rates of marine insurance on vessels plying in and out of Canada's greatest waterway.

Features of the Estimates. One important saving effected by the King government is in the interest on the public debt, the amount of this being a little over \$2,375,000 as a result of refunding loans floated by the government in the latter half of 1924 to pay off maturing Victory Bonds and other obligations. The government was able to get its money at a considerably cheaper rate than the interest carried by the Victory Loan issue they were retiring. These savings were actually made in some of the uncontrollable outlays: soldiers' land settlement, \$1,500,000; soldiers' civil re-establishment, \$1,210,000; adjustment of war claims, \$135,000; Imperial War Graves Commission, \$98,780. Included in the estimates is an item that will prove popular with the agricultural people of the country, and that is provision for an annuity of \$5,000 for Dr. Charles Saunders of the Central Experimental Farm at Ottawa for his invaluable services to his country in the development of the now famous "Marquis" spring wheat.

Curbing Steamship Combine. During the week the details of the proposed contracts between the government and the British shipping concern, headed by Sir William Peterson, for the purpose of setting up sufficient competition on the Atlantic ocean to compel a reduction in freight rates on goods shipped from Canada to Europe and from Europe to Canada. There will be some lively discussion of that project in the House of Commons. The government's purpose in the scheme is to get control of ocean rates in return for paying a cash amount of over \$1,000,000 to the Peterson concern. A fleet of vessels will be put on the ocean by the latter, to be supplemented by probably twenty ships of the Canadian Government Merchant Marine, and the money to be paid to the company will be determined by the extent to which that company's freight rates below that of the North Atlantic Steamship Conference. That the latter is a combine maintaining extortionate rates on Canadian cattle and other exports is shown in the report of W. T. R. Preston tabled in the House of Commons and even more conclusively by the evidence submitted to the House two years ago by the special committee on agricultural conditions appointed by parliament to inquire into ocean freight rates and other questions of vital concern to Canadian agriculture. The government's present plan to curb the power of the North Atlantic Conference is a direct result of the reports of that special committee. Another interesting fact is that the report submitted by that committee to the house was a unanimous report, was assented to even by the Conservative members of that committee, including Hon. Dr. S. F. Tolmie and Donald Sutherland (South Oxford), the latter of whom last week in the house devoted a lengthy speech to denunciation of Mr. Preston, author of the latest report on the activities of the North Atlantic Conference.

Re-making Canada's Constitution. Whether or not the parliament of Canada could and should amend the country's charter—the British North America Act—a question of deep interest to all Canadians was debated for two days during the week, the discussion being occasioned by a resolution moved by W. F. Maclean, Conservative member for South York and the oldest continuous member of the house. After an illuminating discussion, in which the prime minister and Hon. Ernest Lapointe were the principal speakers for the government, Mr. Meighen for the opposition and Hon. T. A. Crerar for the Progressives, the Maclean resolution, the amendment by William Irvine (Labor) and the sub-amendment by J. S. Woodsworth (Labor) were all withdrawn. Premier King, while regarding the debate as largely academic, admitted there was much to be said on both sides of the argument, and suggested that it would very probably be considered by the conference to be held shortly after the present session between the provinces and the Dominion on the primary question of reform of the Canadian Senate. Mr. Meighen declared he still favored the presentation of a Canadian appeal to the British Privy Council and of the power of amending the Dominion constitution through the British parliament. Mr. Lapointe urged that the pact of Confederation was in essence a treaty between the provinces and the Dominion and that the latter could not amend that British North America Act without consulting the provinces nor without their consent. Mr. Crerar said he was in agreement with the principle of the Maclean resolution but was dubious about the method proposed by Mr. Maclean.

MINISTER MOVES. A Sugar Social Held at D. J. Cronk's, Mountain Grove, Feb. 24.—Rev. Mr. Coleman preached his farewell sermon here on Sunday. He goes to Sharbot Lake.

A sugar social under the auspices of the Methodist Sunday school was held at the home of D. J. Cronk on Friday evening. A very pleasant evening was spent in music, recitations, games, etc., after which maple taffy and sugar was served. The proceeds amounted to \$15. A large number attended the Epworth League service on Sunday evening and listened to an excellent address given by Miss Maud Thompson, on "Put On the Whole Armor of God."

The many friends of Mrs. S. Stenchoomb, Long Lake, regret to hear of her serious illness. Miss Gertraude Price, Napanee, is under the parental roof for a few days. Miss E. Reesor, Stouffville, is visiting her sister, Miss K. Reesor. Mr. and Mrs. McPherson, Oso, are at H. Loyst's. George Cox, Elmdale, spent Sunday at his home here. J. McCrimmon and Miss Y. McDonald are at William Cowdy's. K. Thompson at R. Munna's. Mr. and Mrs. John Godfrey at J. D. Clark's. Miss C. Penman at W. Barry's. Mrs. C. Cowdy at W. Uens'. Miss Axie Fox at G. Cronk's. Mr. and Mrs. D. Cronk visited at Long Lake on Sunday. Mr. Stockloser and family have moved to Madoc. Mrs. Fred Thompson and little girl, Havelock, are at W. Brown's. Miss Elvise Price has returned from Peterboro. S. Summers, Toronto, was in the village for a few days. Mrs. C. Fraser, Elginburg, at R. Cox's.

LUMBERMEN WORRYING. If Snow Does Not Come, Logs Must Remain in Woods. Harlowe, Feb. 23.—The heavy rain has put the roads in a very bad condition again. If snow does not come the lumbermen will be at a great loss, as they will have to leave their logs in the woods. Mr. J. Huffman and little Marjorie and Grace, who have been visiting friends at Tweed, are returning home to-day. Rev. Mr. Beck preached in the Harlowe Methodist church on Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. William D. Thompson were the guests of Mrs. J. White on Friday. Mrs. Edwin Cole is renewing acquaintances at Harlowe.

Good Church Attendance. McLean, Feb. 23.—Drawing pulp and trees seems to be the order of the day. The roads are very icy after the rains of Saturday and Sunday. A box social is to be held on Feb. 27th. William Hare will soon be moving on his farm at Wagarville, formerly owned by John Chalk. Mr. Timmerman, from back of Mountain Grove, is to move on D. Hecht's place. Rev. Mr. Gail preached to a large congregation on Sunday. We are in hopes that every Sunday will see as many at church service.

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Death of Mrs. Hurry. At Henderson, N.Y., the death occurred of Mrs. Clem. Hurry, following an illness of about five months. Mrs. Hurry, fifty-one years old, was born in Gananoque, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Moses Bishop, and moved with her parents to Three Mile Bay when a child. She had resided at Henderson for seventeen years. Besides her husband, she is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Hawley Montague, Henderson, and a son, Albert Hurry, Adams; also four brothers, John Bishop, Vermont; James and Charles Bishop, Cape Vincent; and Alexander, Bishop, Buffalo, and two sisters, Mrs. Meade Hayes, Three Mile Bay, and Mrs. Charles Bordell, Cape Vincent.

Late Mrs. Bertha Kraft. Mrs. Bertha Kraft, St. Lawrence, N.Y., died at Watertown, Monday, been an invalid for the past twenty-three years and was taken to the hospital last December after the death of her husband, George Kraft. Her death was due to erysipelas. Mrs. Kraft, forty-six years old, was born on Wolfe Island, a daughter of William and Mary Horn. During her early life she resided on the island, later taking up her residence at St. Lawrence. She is survived by her father, William Horn; two sisters, Mrs. John Niles and Miss Elizabeth, both of Wolfe Island, and three brothers, Robert Horn, of Wolfe Island; Walter Horn, of Providence, R.I., and George Horn, of Massachusetts.

Heard in Surrogate Court. In the surrogate court, Brockville, before Judge Reynolds a contestation of the will of James Poole, of the township of Bastard, by some of the next of kin was heard. It was maintained that the will was not the original or genuine document and considerable expert testimony was available in behalf of each of the litigants. After a small portion of the evidence had been heard it was agreed between the solicitors that there was an intestacy and judgment was directed to issue, amending the existing grant of administration, with will annexed, by striking out any references to the will. The present administrator is to wind up the estate as an intestacy.

Charles F. Baker Passes. One of Tweed's residents, Charles F. Baker, passed away on Feb. 18th. For some time he had been ailing in health and was removed to Kingston Hospital. Little hope was held out for his recovery from the first, so he returned home. Mr. Baker was born in Elizivier township about sixty years ago where the greater part of his younger life was spent. He moved to Tweed about eleven years ago where he has lived with his wife and only son, David, up to the time of his demise. Appointed Secretary. Wesley Playfair has been appointed secretary-treasurer of the Lanark village and Bathurst Agricultural Society for 1925 succeeding Reeve Ben. Willis, Lanark.

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