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The Betrayal of the Women.

Signed Statement of the Suffrage League--Political Duplicity Exposed.

In answer to numerous enquiries, we find it necessary to give a brief account of the History of the Woman's Franchise Bill in connection with the present session. There is no need to go further back than to the opening of the House, when we began to canvass the members for the different dispots.

From the very first Sir Richard Squires was opposed to Woman Suffrage, and we soon became aware that our fate hung in the balance between the influence of Dr. Campbell,—opposed to Woman Suffrage,—and Mr. Coaker, whose influence seemed to be in our favour.

The signatures to our petition represented every district in the Island, and numbered about 10,000 when we secured Mr. Warren's promise to present it in the House on our behalf—which promise he in due time fulfilled.

He refused, however, to table our Bill, and informed us that no other member of the Government would consent to do so either.

This, however, proved to be incorrect, for the following day we called on Mr. Coaker, who expressed himself as being favourably disposed towards our cause, and though he would not himself table our Bill, suggested that we should ask Mr. Jennings to do so.

The following day we called on Mr. Jennings, who told us that our visit was not unexpected, and he gladly agreed to table our Bill. We cannot go into details concerning the many deputations of women to the Executive Members of the Government,—suffice it to say that we felt Mr. Coaker's influence to be most promising, and we continued our canvassing quite hopeful as to the success of our Bill as a non-party measure. In fact, we were getting on too well! We next called on Mr. Foote, who informed us that there had been a meeting of the Executive the evening before, and it had been arranged that the Premier should table our Bill as a Government Measure.

Mr. Foote advised us to see Mr. Jennings again before proceeding further, acting in connection with our Bill,—"You get the whole thing!"

This surprised us, as the Premier had shown such consistent hostility to the Woman Suffrage Campaign here.

However, we straightway repaired again to Mr. Jennings' office, and were there informed of the Premier's intention of offering to put our Bill through as a Government Measure himself, in place of Mr. Jennings.

We assured Mr. Jennings that we were perfectly satisfied to leave our Bill in his own hands; however, according to pre-arrangement between Sir R. A. Squires and himself,—Mr. Jennings then accompained us to the Prime Minister's Office, where an appointment was made for an interview the following morning.

Before leaving the Court House we overheard that Mr. Coaker was at the office in Sir R. A. Squires' office, so we decided to waylay him and enquire as to the reason for this incomprehensible change of attitude on the part of Sir R. A. Squires. When Mr. Coaker at last appeared, he gave us every assurance of good faith, and—referring to both the Premier and the Woman Suffrage Bill,—his parting words to us were,—**"Your Bill goes through all right. He has his orders!"**

Next morning, at the appointed time, and accompanied by Mr. Jennings, a deputation of seven women waited on Sir R. A. Squires. Having taken our seats at the table, Sir Richard asked us if we wished to speak with him.

We replied that we understood that he wished to speak with us. According to foregone information, this interview resulted in an offer by Sir R. A. Squires to table our Bill, and put it through as a Government Measure himself, in place of Mr. Jennings, **the Premier telling us that a Government Measure goes through as a matter of course.**

Of this we were already aware, and what gave the offer of a Government Measure greater appearance of sincerity was the fact that certain conditions were imposed, i.e.:—

1. Non-eligibility.
2. Age limit thirty years, (with the Premier's promise to induce the Government Party to reduce the age limit to twenty five years).
3. No voting power until the next General Election.

The acceptance of these conditions under the circumstance, would mean a decided step gained, where the uncertainty of a non-party measure might result again in total failure.

(In other countries where Woman Suffrage has passed as a Government Measure, eligibility has followed in due course).

The Premier impressed upon us the fact that our Bill would now go through declaring that he "would pass it this session—whether the House closed early or late,—in one month or in three,—what I say, goes!"

In view of this definite promise from the Prime Minister to the deputation of seven women,—in the presence of Mr. Jennings,—and together with Mr. Coaker's previous assurance,—we considered that our Bill was safe, and discontinued our canvassing. Shortly after this, we noticed in an account of proceedings of the House, in answer to a question put by a member of the Opposition,—that Sir R. A. Squires asserted that our Bill was not a Government Measure—whereupon we wrote the following note to him:—

Sir Richard Anderson Squires,
Prime Minister.

Dear Sir,—In the account of the proceedings of the House this last week, we noticed that in answer to Mr. Bennett's question re the Woman Suffrage Bill, you stated it as being a non-party measure.

This surprised us, as you must have forgotten that you definitely promised to ensure the successful passing of our Bill this session by offering to introduc it as a Government Measure yourself, in place of Mr. Jennings.

The Woman Suffrage Committee feels that to remind you of your promise offered to the deputation is all that is necessary. On behalf of the Woman Suffrage League,

Faithfully yours,
(Sgd.) FANNIE McNEIL,
Cor. Secretary.

To this note we received no reply.

We decided to see the Premier again and ask for an explanation. Having secured an appointment, we once more repaired to the Prime Minister's Office, taking Mr. Jennings with us.

On being ushered into the Presence, we found the self-constituted arbiter of our destinies seated at the table **with his back to us, smoking a cigar.**

He omitted to rise, or to greet us in any way, continuing to enjoy his cigar, and we seated ourselves at the table.

When questioned as to why he stated in the House that our Bill was not a Government Measure,—according to his pledge made to us at our previous interview,—the Premier gave what we considered to be most unsatisfactory and evasive answers. He admitted that he had offered to put our Bill through as a Government Measure, yet at the same time denied all responsibility for it after its second reading!

This attitude of the Prime Minister gave the women of the deputation just cause for indignation, and foundation for the belief that there had never been any intention on the part of the Premier to fulfill the pledges made by him.

At this interview we protested against the suggestion that we heard had been made by members of the House, of putting the Woman Suffrage Bill to a plebiscite.

In fact, we ourselves proposed that to put our Bill into 'Select Committee' —(which is equivalent to again giving it the objectionable six months hoist,) would be preferable to such an alternative.

In no case of the extension of the franchise to men, has the plebiscite ever been used. We protested against such a proceeding as this,—as being neither just, nor democratic,—in that it represents the views of men only, who constitute but one half of the community. The further suggestion,—of having our Bill go to the Electorate in connection with the Liquor Bill,—we felt to be not only unjust, undemocratic, and injurious to our cause, but a gratuitous insult to every woman in Newfoundland!

The Prime Minister refused to see our point of view,—lightly remarking that, **"wine, weeds and women are the three great factors in the world of men!"**

Further comment on this interview is unnecessary. Meanwhile our Bill was "hung up" in the House of Assembly,—on the order-sheet day after day,—pending its going into Committee stage.

We at last decided to again see Mr. Coaker in the faint hope of obtaining a more satisfactory outlook.

Our interview was all to no purpose. Mr. Coaker while declaring himself strongly in favour of Woman Suffrage, was non-committal regarding the possible fate of our Bill, and we came away from this interview convinced that the Government had no intention of keeping faith with us.

When the Bill (at long last) came up in Committee the insincerity on the part of the Prime Minister was manifest: in that it was brought before the House under the most unfavourable conditions, put into Select Committee, —of which, out of the five members chosen, three are opposed to Woman Suffrage.

All opposition to the Woman Suffrage Movement is of no avail. We press forward with fresh determination to the new era which is dawning; strong in our conviction as to the righteousness of our cause, and confident of its ultimate success.

Signed on behalf of the Woman's Suffrage League.

A. N. GOSLING,
AGNES AYRE,
ANTONIA HUTTON,
HELEN BAIRD,
MAUDE HUTCHINGS,
EMILIE FRASER,
MARY KENNEDY,
FANNIE McNEIL.

Russian Relief and N. F. Codfish.

Editor Evening Telegram.

Dear Sir,—Your hearty editorial endorsement of the suggestion contained in my letter, which you so kindly published on the 15th inst., combined with the many expressions of approval which I have received, encourages me to write again so as to keep this important matter before the Government and the people.

To-day's despatch states that the British trade agent reports the Russian famine as "gigantic" and will require £35,000,000 worth of food to relieve same. If we sold to the relief committee our entire catch of old and new fish, it would not represent more than about 15% of the food requirements. On this basis the chances should be good for selling at least all the old fish now in European ports.

If the old fish is cleared at a fair price the exporters would obtain cash settlements, and the demand for new fish would be such as to raise the price, probably two dollars or more per quintal, which would mean about three million dollars increased wealth to the fishermen, and be a wonderful stimulus to the general trade; the earning and spending power of the people would be greatly increased and the Government would obtain increased revenue.

It may be proved that as our European fish is the nearest big lot of food stuffs to Russia at the present time, quick transportation could be obtained through the Dardanelles and Black Sea. Other lots could be sent by rail from Italian and other ports direct to the Russian border.

No doubt big contracts will be given to Canada, United States, South America, Australia and New Zealand. But these shipments would be weeks, perhaps months behind the Newfoundland shipment. Therefore the demand for early shipment is all in our favor. If the fish exporters would meet and discuss this matter, it no doubt would be found advisable to pool all the European fish, and a request be made to the Government to act at once, probably through the High Commissioner's office in London. Lord Morris also would certainly be glad to interest himself in this important matter. It would probably be considered advisable to send a special representative with packages of samples to interview Mr. Hoover at Washington, he being the American organizer for Russian relief.

Trusting that no time will be lost in bringing this matter to a successful issue, I am

Yours truly,
WM. WHITE.

Aug. 17, 1921.

C. H. E.

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A. WILSON,
Registrar.

From Cape Race.

Special to Evening Telegram.

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