

Bay de Verde had received benefits from Unionism and A. E. Hickman was chosen as their friend in 1913. He no sooner was made a M.H.A. than he set out to destroy the organization that had made him a public man. He picked out the best and most intelligent Union leaders at each place and secured their good will by appointing them agents to purchase fish. This being done his next step was to create a lack of interest and confidence in their duty as Unionists. Gradually he secured several of the leading men as buyers of fish, and being Hickman's agents they soon forgot about Union meetings or Councils. Hickman worked to make himself independent of the F. P. U. and when he considered himself safe, he showed his ungrateful teeth and crawled into the bosom of men he hated in order to destroy the organization that for ten years had compelled him to pay from fifty cents to a dollar more for fish than he would have paid if no Union existed. He backed Cashin and Morine in order to assassinate the thing he dreaded, which they called Coakerism. He secured from Cashin the promise that Crosbie would not be allowed to appeal to Bay de Verde as a Government Candidate and that Hickman should lead the Government ticket in that district. Cashin consented, as Hickman's

Bond carried 32 seats out of 36 by 11,000 majority against Morineism—only two candidates lost their nomination in that fight. On November 3rd 12 candidates lost their nomination fees. The voice of the People must be respected and woe be to him of the Liberal Reform Party who heeds not the wishes of his constituents whose verdict on November 3rd wiped out Tory Rule for at least 25 years to come.

Reforms must be instituted that the electorate has been longing for; changes drastic and far-reaching must be accomplished. The air we now breathe pleads for reforms and the institution of new ideas and maxims. Newfoundland has not been asleep as a close observer can realize when studying the F.P.U. movement and the steady evolution it is responsible for in transferring the commercial and political power from the few to the many.

There must be reasonable changes. The people must not lose their heads and demand impossibilities. I am no believer in the methods of revolution but I do believe in the methods of evolution and sad will be the condition of any people that believe revolution to be the cure for all the ills our present civilization is responsible for. In Newfoundland during the next four years great develop-



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vote, if against, would have ousted him from forming a Government, and Hickman numbered himself with the traitors and arrayed himself with the enemies of Unionism. But he, like other traitors, failed to accomplish his purpose. Bay de Verde electors were not all purchasable and tracherous and Cave and LeGrow were received as the representatives of clean Government and enemies of treachery. Hickman received his just desserts and never again will a district trust A. E. Hickman.

Hickman succeeded in obtaining the support of an officer of the F. P. U. whose conduct has been under suspicion for a year past. He became an agent for Hickman purchasing fish and did his utmost to return Hickman on November 3rd. Like other traitors such as Jack Stone, Sam Wells of Salmon Cove, A. A. French, Lewis Little, E. J. Wornell, A. Hoffe, A. Yates, Jabez Winsor, Sidney Hill, Allan Hudson, and others, a troubled conscience and a feeling of contempt for his conduct is the compensation derived by the once esteemed official of the F.P.U. referred to.

The majority of 30,000 cast on November 3rd against Toryism and Cashinism has demonstrated once more that the people cannot always be fooled. In 1900 Sir Robert

ment and progress will I hope materialize. I can see in my mind's eye two or three large industrial undertakings as large as Grand Falls being successfully established.

I see a new railroad much more efficient and much more competently operated which will adequately meet the freight and passenger traffic of the country. I see a large plant operating at Bay of Islands, another at Bishop's Falls, another on the West Coast and one at Glovertown. I see Bell Island mining 100 per cent more ore and employing an additional thousand men. I see the advent of a thousand or two families from Europe to turn the wheels of industrial progress. I see fishermen better off than ever, securing fair prices, banking considerable annual balances. I see the trade prosperous and business more stable than ever known before or dreamt of even 10 years ago. I see education flourishing with the attendance at schools added to by thousands of children. I see a fine fleet of new sealing steamers, uniform in size and speed, heading for the northern patch, guided and directed by wireless from a dirigible airship attending the fleet. I see the extern districts and Labrador brought within almost daily touch with the center of trade and administration by air mail service.