## THE EVENING TELEGRAM. ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND, AUGUST 13, 1924-8

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## EWFOUNDLAND POWER & PULP UTILITIES CORPORATION,

LIMITED. The Hon. The Colonial Secretary, St. John's, Newfoundland.

Reply to question of Mr. Hickman Order Paper of August 4th. Herewith is copy of the only corre ndence on file in connection with he subject matters of Question. There is no Minute of Council in ference to the same.

11 & 12 Southampton Street, Bloomsbury, London, W.C.1.

Nfid. Power & Paper Co., Ltd. Sir .-- I have the honor to report that, as alterante for the Hon. J.

tance Foote, K.C., I have attended four meetings of the London Committee of for your immediate consideration. this Company held on the 3rd August, I have the honour to be, 19th November, 4th February and 4th All these meetings, with the exception of the last one, have been

attended by Sir George Barnes, the Director representing the British Government. Sir George was absent from the last meeting through indisposition. All the meetings have been Bees, London. of a formal character, and have al-

most entirely consisted in Sir Glynn General Election when position can West reporting progress. At the be examined more closely please supmeeting held on the 4th inst., Sir Glynn West reported as to the for-Board to signing agreement referred mation of a Company called the Newto in your letter of the 9th ult. Prima foundland Power and Paper Utilities facie. I agree with your view as to Corporation Limited, for the purpose transmission line. of providing housing and other ac-

commodation which were requisite for the use of the Power and Paper Company. On the 7th inst. I received from Mr. E. P. Carter, one of the Secretaries of the Trade Facilities Act Advisory Committee, a letter dated the 5th inst. conveying copy of a let- Newfoundland Power and Paper Company. Limited ter to the Newfoundland Power and Paper Co., Ltd., also dated the 5th of the 22nd inst., as follows:inst., and copy of an agreement (copies of which I enclose herewith) which it was proposed should be entered into between the Power & Paposition of Trade Facilities Board per Co., Ltd., and the Utilities Cor-

to signing Agreement referred to poration. From this agreement it in your letter of the 9th ult. would seem that the Transmission prima facie, I agree with your Line is to be provided by the Utilities vlew as to transmission line: Corporation and will be the property of that Corporation. The Trade Facilities Committee and their advisers

Attorney. General. We at once communicated with the take strong exception to this as you Secretary of the Trade Facilities Act will see stated in Mr. Carter's letter. Advisory Committee, and enclose you So far as the Newfoundland Govern- copy letter we have received from ment is concerned, I have had no in- him. We also enclose copy letter we structions here in regard to the have written to Messrs. Roney & Co., Trade Facilities Advisory Committee change of site of the factory, and I the solicitors for the Newfoundland to state that the Committee has re-

COPY.

such as that suggested in Mr. Carter's will keep in touch with the matter pany a print of an agreement which shares with a capital of One million We are. in the site was agreed to. Prima fa-Yours faithfully, cie it seems to me that it is of great

(Sgd.) BURN & BERRIDGE. importance that the Transmission Line should be without question the The Hon. The Attorney General, St. John's. Newfoundland. property of the Power and Paper Co.,

ons which you may think it and it was left over until Sir Glynn w to let me have. West returned from Italy. He is now back and I have no doubt that the uestion will be brought up before ong. Yours faithfully, (Sgd.) E. P. CARTER.

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Sir Thomas Berridge, K.B.E., 6 Austin Friars, E.C. 2., April 28, 1924.

me I shall be glad to have any

ary to let me have,

Sir Thomas

Prime Minister.

I am.

Your obedient servant, (Sgd.) T. H. D. BEERIDGE.

Sir.

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Sir .--- I beg to forward you herewith Nfld. Power & Paper Co., Ltd. Dear Sirs .- The Secretary of the etter dated 9th instant, just received Trade Facilities Act Advisory Comfrom Sir Thomas Berridge with regard to the Newfoundland Power and mittee communicated to us on behalf Paper Co., Ltd., and the proposed of the Newfoundland Government his Newfoundland Power and Paper Util- letter to the Newfoundland Power & ities Corporation Ltd. Attached to Paper Co., Ltd., of the 5th April last, Berridge's letter you will in reference to the proposed Agree-- 9 April, 1924. find the other enclosures dealing with ment with the Newfoundland Power matters which have been raised, and and Pulp Utilities Corporation. Ltd which seem to be of extreme impor- He also informed us of the arrangement arrived at that the completion of I am forwarding the papers to you this proposed Agreement should stand over for the present pending Sir Glynn West's return. We have received cable instructions from New-(Sgd.) ARTHUR MEWS. foundland that the Attorney General Deputy Colonial Secretary. is in agreement with the criticisms of Hon. W. R. Warren, K.C., L.L.D., this proposed agreement made by the Secretary of the Trade Facilities Act Advisory Committee, and we shall be

May 22, 1924. glad to be kept in touch with the posttion before the Agreement is com-Pending further instructions after pleted.

Yours faithfully. BURN & BURRIDGE. 42 New Broad St., E.C. 2. Trade Facilities Act,

Advisory Committee, (Sgd.) Attorney General. 16 Finsbury Circus. (LLOYD) London E.C. 2, 5 April, 1924. Dear Sir Thomas .- We have just 11 & 12 Southampton Street.

Bloomsbury, London, W.C.1. 26 May, 1924. Ltd., and which it is proposed to sign We duly received your cablegram Agreement for your information to-"Pending further instructions when position can be examined more closely please support op-

> range a discussion. Yours sincerely, E. P. CARTER. Sir Thomas Berridge, 11 & 12 Southampton Street

Bloombury, W.C. 1. 5th Apr.1, 1924.

Gentlemen.-I am directed by the Newfoundland. am not aware whether any condition, Power & Paper Company, Ltd. We ceived from Messrs. Roney & Com- ies Act as a Company limited by ties Corporation, Limited.



ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS. Mr. Warren-To ask Hon. the letter, was made when the alteration and report any further developments. it is proposed should be entered into six hundred thousand pounds divided Prime Minister what steps have been between the Newfoundland Power & into One million six hundred thou- taken since the House opened to con-Paper Company, Lim'ted, and the sand shares of One pound each, Eight vene a Commission of Enquiry into Paper Company, Lim ted, and the sand shares of One pound each, Eight vene a Commission of Enquiry into Newfoundland Power and Pulp Utili- hundred thousand of which are Seven the various Departments named by the liberty of its people, did away suggested among other things that voted for prohibition himself, but with the open sale of ardent liquors. the purchaser of spirits and not the ter a couple of years trial he saw per centum Cumulative Preference the Warren Ministry and if any steps other provinces now see the wisdom vendor be licensed as a check upon utterly a failure it was and gav The Committee has not yet had an Shares and the remaining Eight hun- have been taken by the present Gov-

Ltd., and the points raised by Mr Carter's letter as to the British Government's guarantee seem to me to apply equally to the Newfoundland Government Guarantee. I have been in communication with

Mr. Carter and the legal advisers of the Trade Facilities Committee, and letter of the 22nd May, nothing fur mittee to be in direct conflict with and Housing facilities and Transmis- Enquiry into the various Departhave been informed that it has been ther has been done with regard to both the spirit and the letter of the sion Line, short particulars of which ments referred to, and Mr. T. Hollis arranged that the completion of the the Agreemnt that was going to be

Agreement shall stand over pending signed. Sir Glynn West's return. I have asked ' Armstrong said at once on receipt to be kept in touch with the position of our letter of protest that of course of the site of the factory made it a ties." and with any arrangements which are if we had any objections they would condition that the necessary transmade so that I may report to you. not think of going on with it until the

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ment in detail, but it has been dis-Trade Facilities Act, Committee's legal avisers and I am business that it should have the use Colonies. Advisory Committee, 16 Finsbury Circus, E.C. 2. 23rd May, 1924. Treasury agreement.

You will remember that the Com-(5) The Corporation has at the mission line should be financed by request of the Paper Company agreed further arrangements for obtaining Sir W. G. Armstrong Whitworth & to provide the utilities for the Paper the services of a Commissioner. Company, Limited, who were to ad- Company on the terms and conditions

vance the necessary money to the hereinafter appearing and the Cor Company on the security of the third poration intends to enter into a condebentures or some other security tract for the supply of the utilities specting "Disembarkation of Paupers." ranking after the guaranteed Loan. with Sir W. G. Armstrong Whitworth This Bill passed the House without The Agreement now proposed does & Company, Limited. NOW IT IS HEREBY AGREED as not carry out this arrangement. One of the terms of the Agreement is follows:

that the transmission line may be 1. THE Corporation shall at its. seized at any moment should the own expense take steps to acquire tion as it now stood involved the Company fail to carry out its obliga- the absolute or other adequare owntions. Seeing that the whole activ- ership of sufficient lands at Corner pense alcoholic drinks as beverages. ities of your Company are dependent Brook, Newfoundland for laying out a The Bill itself is the result of a Reon the possession and the efficient Townsite and Public Works connect- port of a Joint Select Committee. working of the transmission line the ed therewith and also sufficient land He would not detain the House

Committee considers that the terms for the said Additional Store and with any long talk on the subject of now suggested are directly opposed Warehouse Accommodation. The Pa- either prohibition or anti-prohibition, to the interests of the Treasury as per Company shall furnish the Cor- but he wished to put himself down guarantees. Before any agreement poration with all information in as in favor of a repeal of the existing dealing with these matters is enter- its possession concerning lands at law and the substitution of another ed into the Committee desires an op- Corner Brook which it considers in its place and a more workable the dawn of Christianity and before ing to pay the doctor a dollar for a was recognized by all that the ex portunity to consider the proposed suitable or necessary for such pur- one. poses and the Paper Company shall He referred to the difficulties which agreement and to discuss it with all

parties interested. I -- am informed give to the Corporation all possible made it practically impossible to that the agreement now proposed is assistance in connection with the carry out the old Act, and pointed to be signed on Tuesday next. I am acquisition by the Corporation of the out the example of Mr. Morine who in an earnest effort to carry out the directed to enter a strong protest said lands. 2. As soon as the necessary lands law sent a warship in 1919 to Bonaagainst such signature.

have been so acquired the Corpora- vista Bay to suppress moonshining I am. Gentlemen. tion will forthwith proceed to lay out going on in a certain section of the Your obedient servant (Sgd.) E. P. CARTER. a Townsite at Corner Brook with all Bay. He was convinged that smug-

Messrs. The Newfoundland Power & necessary drainage, water supply, gling and moonshining were the re-Paper Co., Ltd., 8 Great George lighting and heating systems in ac- suit of an attempt to carry out Pro-Street, S.W. 1.

The Proposed Agreement. poration which plans and specifica-An AGREEMENT made this tions shall be subject to the reason- very best thing that can be done. One thousand nine able prior approval of the Corporahundred and twenty-four BETWEEN

day of

tion. 3. SIMULTANEOUSLY with the NEWFOUNDLAND POWER AND laying out of the said Townsite the This they claim would give people an PAPER COMPANY, LIMITED of Cordland (herein- Corporation shall commence the erecafter called "the Paper Company") of tion thereon of dwelling houses and the one part, and NEWFOUNDLAND other buildings and works in such claim there is no need for haste. POWER AND PAPER UTILITIES numbers order of priority and loca- What can be gained by delay? He opposing it lay in the fact that its ed a CORPORATION, LIMITED of Corner tion as the Paper Company shall re- knew that in the meantime numerous brook, Newfoundland (hereinafter quire and Corporation shall ap- petitions would come in asking that of carrying out than those of the excalled "the Corporation") of the prove and the Corporation shall as the present law be carried out. He isting law. Speaking as one who had the

other part. WHEREAS complete the erection and equipment asking for this delay, (1) The Paper Company is incor- of the said Additional Store and He could see the necessity for Verde and later on Labrador he could porated under the Newfoundland Warehouse Accommodations. All companies Act as a Company limited works comprised in this clause shall for the tourist traffic of next year, as to provide themselves with rum was was ompanies Act as a company minter works company minter works company and accordance with we must plan a year ahead. This is entirely mistaken. It was never me million dollars divided into Two plans and specifications to be fur- why the Government is so anxious known to him that it was a necessity.

opportunity of considering this agree- | dred thousand are Ordinary Shares. ernment to obtain the services of a (4) The Paper Company considers Commissioner either here or from or cussed in a preliminary way with the it expedient for the purpose of its through the Secretary of State for the directed to inform you that the Com- and benefit of the Ships, Wrapping The Prime Minister-The only steps

to see so many ladies present, and mittee takes serious exception to Paper Machine, Additional Store and taken by the Government were to thought the time opportune Dear Sir Thomas.-In reply to your the agreement. It appears to the Com- Warehouse accommodation Townsite seek a Commissiover to conduct the are set forth in the second Schedule Walker, K.C., having been invited to heretofore and which are hereinafter undertake the work, and his reply, mittee in consenting to the alteration collectively referred to as "the Utili- declining the task, having only just

been received, the Government have not had an opportunity to consider quoted from his words of yesterday, ORDER OF THE DAY. Committee of the Whole on Bill re-

with it. discussion and was read a third time. House went into Committee of the Whole on the Liquor Bill.

force it was too drastic to be properly The Prime Minister said the quescarried out, and therefore was in favor of some amendment, but this Bill was granting or not of the right to disnot an amendment it was a repeal. He was opposed to such hasty action most earnest protest against it.

tried bone dry Prohibition?

whenever the opportunity offers.

Mr. Ashbourne said he was pleased

Mr. Cahill said he thought Proception entirely and was a subversion

wines, etc., has been in vogue since a bottle of spirits without first hav- platform what the party intended. and never was considered a crime. script. In this Bill we find an honest, ing law was a failure and should Prohibition has never fulfilled the attempt being made to make things amended or repealed. Prohibition hopes of those who espoused it. Tak- better. It is a real Prohibition meas- introduced more evils than it ing America as an example, he quot- ure which at the same time does not pretended to cure, and this applies ed figures to show that while the rob any man of his privileges as a not alone to Newfoundland but consumption of beer had fallen stat- citizen. Under its provisions a man every place where it has been trie istics prove that in the United States is free to get a drink while all in- We have had nine years of experime there is more ardent drink consumed ducements to abuse are practically and our experience teaches us it than in the days before Prohibition. eliminat

introduce has really been responsible of its being railroaded through. It for crimes not before experienced, is quite wrong also to say as a speakcordance with plans and specifica- hibition, and he desired to put an among these contempt of all laws. er has just said that the House is untions to be furnished by the Paper end to this by a law which would do He saw no good reason for delay in animous on the question as there Company at the expense of the Cor- away with these evils. He was ab-putting, the measure through and exists very strong opposition to the solutely convinced that this is the would support it. Bill as a whole. If the Government

Mr. Halfyard wished to be put on wished to promote temperance then he Opponents of the Bill ask us to rerecord as opposed to the bill espec- saw in the existing act a more perfect and on his report the House divided frain from further action in the mat-ially to those sections of it which law than the one proposed. All the permitted the sale of liquors on Governmen steamers and trains. He could not enforce it. opportunity to become acquainted ! with the provisions of the Bill. They | thought the measures could be easily op enforced. His principal reason for port proprovisions would be more difficult por soon as practicable commence and was receiving messages as it was practical experience as a fisherman

first in his native district of Bay de prompt action if we are to prepare state that the idea that fishermen had t

see however why he should make sugbscription He would support the Bill and feel gestions as in his opinion the measure father of the present bill, but be ares. So that he was not doing any wrong. would not help the country either fin- member of the Government he nati iod an a ly had his part in it. He wished to shall ba ation.

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Mr. Higgins said he was pleased fer to the time when Mr. Morine Minister of Justice, in an attempt to remark the practical unaniminity (c) pay suggest that it would not be long of the House in respect to the Bill, see the law carried out, sent a rteen day before this country would get into There had been no serious objection ship to Bonavista Bay. What hap ee calen line with the other dominions by to it so far and the only point being ed in that case, did Mr. Morine g the date giving the ladies the right to vote. He raised by the Opposition was in re- clap on the back or any form Corporat thought that if this Bill were put into spect to what they referred to as plause for his act in trying to eni the liabil force it would not be very long before haste. They all counselled a tem- respect for law? Not at all he go y under the people sought and obtained its porary shelving of the Bill but no stead a good deal of abuse. He pletely repeal. He wished to state clearly one has suggested an alternative much pleasue in supporting the the amou he was in favor of Prohibition and measure while all admit the need for because it aimed to bring good to ll have some enactment to remedy the pres-, people and because it offers a squ unt during his opinions of the Bill. He was ent deplorable and scandalous state deal to all. nths upon

strongly in favor of giving the people of affairs. Prior to 1919 there had Hon. Mr. Monroe said he regre Utilities a chance to pronounce upon it. This been an attempt to have the law pro- he had not had a single suggest per Compa was not the opportune time to deal perly carried out, but at that date the from the other side. The leader of ns raised lid went off, to use a rather common Opposition does not say whether expenses

an amount of good and statistics and that was the law of awak

suggested among other things that voted for prohibition himself, but

Quebec being a Conservative pro- would show that before Prohibition responsibility and moral sur

vince adopted a modified Prohibition there was three times as much liquor preaching and teaching of which

law which, while not interfering with consumed as at any time since. He heard but very little recently.

of that law and are swinging back to abuse of the privilege. He did not up. He wished it to

ancially or morally.

Mr. Duff said he thought that expression, and general laxity be- is a prohibitionist or not, but he Corporat when the Prohibition law went into came the order. He could not un- gests not, for he is more interest paymen derstand this demand for a plebiscite in a reduced price for liquor than ll not be when honourable gentlemen all admit prohibition. He thought it was of July. the popularity of the measure now we cut away from this prohib d and tw before the House. As the honour- and introduced some sensible 1 whole of able gentleman who has just spoken lation such as this Bill proposed of inco as was being adopted and offered his admits there is a popular demand for Mr. Browne said he thought on and the thousand such a law. The sale of a bottle a was no chance of an intelligent

day is a considerable improvement ple not understanding the meaning hibition was founded on a wrong con- on the present system which sets no the Monroe manifesto, and it was (d) pay t limit. It is a better state of affairs special duty during the election of ect of ever which the of democracy. The drinking of beers, which permits the poor man to get paign to make it clear from ev mpany, un completel nt to enab dividend e said eight ative Prefer sht hundr ares provid m shall be time to have a change. And here one half Prohibiton even while it fails to bring Mr. Hickman did not wish to speak are, as the Hon. Minister of Justic of Janua about the reforms it was hoped to so much to the Bill as on the matter says, putting another prohibition la the other th day of . on the statute book. It is an hones

attempt to remedy the present state of affairs, and for this reason we are supporting it from this side of the The bill was reported by the Chair man of the Committee, Mr. Puddester,

mittee was adopted by a party vote. ent need to do would be to The bill extending the time for the When the Select Comagree with supporters of the bill who mittee was in session those who Company to construct a failway on the Labrador passed its second readed the adoption, of the reced what has been call- ing and Committee stage and stands for third reading to-morrow. nority report. In this re-was simply asked that no The bill relating to the Department of Finance and Customs was read a ssion take place during

and the bill as amended by the Com-

second time and will be committed nt session. He said he saw h good had come of Pro-The House adjourned at midnight le was one of those reor the introduction of the until to-morrow afternoon at 3 .o't the time and his regret clock. a surf being the way

was not properly carried gentlemen on the other Pearline for easy washouse were quite mising\_-july17,tf