



Evening Telegram

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A Forlorn Hope.

Our friends of the Opposition appear to be in the greatest possible muddle in their attempt to secure a trio of candidates to contest the District of St. John's East. They have already approached several gentlemen, holding out special inducements for them to risk their political fortunes in leading a forlorn hope in the premier district of the island, but without success. They have also sent out special S.O.S. calls to others, whose business has taken them out of the city, to return post haste and permit their names to be placed in nomination, but a deaf ear has been turned to the entreaties, and all those who have been approached and sent for have flatly refused the offer and turned aside from the entreaties of the would-be political charmers.

Now this is really too bad, and as the Telegram has always been recognized to take the part of a "Good Samaritan" toward our unfortunate brethren of the press in all difficulties and distresses, perhaps a suggestion to-day would help out our friends somewhat. Anyhow it can do no possible harm and might materially assist the Opposition in providing still more amusement for the general public. As most all the pictures shown on the cinematograph screens in the city are taken from foreign scenes, subjects and characters, a local drama once in a while should prove interesting, as well as amusing—no pun intended this time—and to fill up the cast of characters in the election farce of St. John's East, Messrs. Coaker and Squires should get up a sweepstake, placing the names of the committee and chief supporters in the hat of Dr. Campbell, the names, of course to be written on "scrips" of paper. This is done during Regatta time. On drawing, the three names that come out first, should be pledged to accept the L.R.P. ticket. It goes without saying that Dr. Campbell, who is a real sport, would not only loan his hat for the occasion, but would also act as master of ceremonies, and would see that no sleight of hand was performed, and that fair play would be guaranteed to all.

This suggestion is offered our genial contemporaries, who it is hoped will not take it as being out of either time or place, as it goes to show that the Telegram is, as usual, ever ready to assist in relieving the mental anxiety and worry under which our good friends of the Opposition are straining at the moment. Should it not be approved that Dr. Campbell draw the scrips from the hat, there is Doctor Mosdell upon whom to fall back, and who would assuredly take a hand in it. It is, however, painfully obvious that the general run of the oppositionists will see the utter futility of exhibiting their selections to the people of St. John's East, or in fact, in any other district, but they must make a showing, and

such an exhibition will, at least, give them an opportunity to shout for the purpose of keeping up their waning courage.

Many a dramatic company has been obliged to perform before a very small audience, and, although the efforts of the Squires-Coaker troupe will not be the success they fondly imagine, it will help the general public to pass a week or so in pleasantly viewing the antics of the political acrobats of the Opposition in their barren attempts to scale the walls of the impregnable ramparts of the Government. Comedy always takes with the people of Newfoundland. Of course if the ultra-conscientious mind of Hon. R. A. Squires revolts at the terrible crime of a sweepstake on a Sunday, for instance, like the good Sabbatarian that he undoubtedly is, he could easily absent himself from the drawing and his way to Harbor Main.

It cannot be supposed that the Coaker-Squires agglomeration have much hope of the success of their operations to capture the Government. They have already exhausted all their supplies of munitions in the form of vituperation, malice and abuse of the Government, individually and collectively. To the mind of students of history both the Coaker and the Squires factions bear a strong resemblance to the rebellious citizens of Capua a long time ago. The story is worth telling. Pacuvius Calavius, ascertaining that his townspeople were up in arms against the Government undertook to cure them of their discontent, and caused the Senators to be shut up in prison—the first step toward carrying out his plans. Next he called the contumacious populace together in the market place of the city and having told them what he had done, thus addressed them:

"Now you have your tyrants at your mercy. They are unarmed and helpless, and you can have your revenge. One by one they will be brought before you, that you may accuse and judge them. I will undertake to carry out your sentences. But there is one condition. As you condemn each one some better man must be chosen in his place: for of course the work of Government must go on."

The discontented citizens cheered, and at the bidding of Pacuvius one called out the name of a Senator against whom he had a particular grudge and said: "Let _____ take his place." At this the others began to protest and at least a hundred charges were preferred against the citizen chosen to fill the office of the condemned. The second and third senatorial accusations were heard amidst a similar confusion, until it became evident that the matter, as Pacuvius had shrewdly guessed, could never be settled in the way he had proposed. One by one the people stole away from the market place, each man having made up his mind that the old senators were after all the better law makers, and the easiest way out was to cease complaining and not run the risk of doing worse by making a change of rulers.

Truly for the sake of peace of mind—if there were no higher or nobler reason—it is very much better to—
"Bear those ills we have
Than fly to others that we know not of."

And so it is with the people of this dominion. Even the oil and water concoction of Coaker-Squiresism will be refused, and though every effort will be made to administer the impossible mixture by the party physicians, Messrs. Campbell and Mosdell, through the columns of their party press and otherwise, Newfoundlanders know

when they are well off, and will not surrender a certainty for an uncertainty.

The Manifesto.

On another page in this issue is published the Manifesto of the Hon. Sir M. P. Cashin, Prime Minister of Newfoundland, and leader of the Liberal Progressive Party. The attention of the public is directed to the contents of this document, which is clear cut and incisive, stating in the plainest terms and unadorned by flowery verbiage, the position of the dominion as it is: the record of the Liberal Progressive Government since its assumption of office in May last, and the legislative programme it is proposed to adopt in the future. The Manifesto is the plain statement of a leader who is desirous of placing the issues before the electors as lucidly and concisely as possible, and the Premier has done this in a manner which will appeal to all sorts and conditions of Newfoundlanders. He has addressed himself directly to the producers, and his assurances of co-operation and assistance by the Government will be heartily appreciated by all.

Space to-day does not permit a more lengthy review of the Manifesto. That will be a pleasure to be attended to later. In the meantime the people are asked to read and consider if the Manifesto of Sir Michael Cashin is not one of the most business-like and statesman-like documents that has ever been presented to them.

Qualification of Candidates.

The following questions and answers are printed for the guidance of our readers:

1. What net income must a candidate be in receipt of to qualify him for nomination?
Ans. According to Section 48, Sub-Section A of the Election Act, 1889, the candidate must be in receipt of a net income of four hundred and eighty dollars per year, and he must specify the source of his income.
2. Is there any property qualification?
Ans. The same Section of the Act provides that, if otherwise qualified, the candidate must be possessed of property clear of all incumbrances of two thousand four hundred dollars, in amount or value, and he must describe it particularly.
3. If a candidate not having either of these qualifications, taking the necessary oaths to ensure his nomination, what would happen?
Ans. He would be guilty of Perjury.
4. If a voter gave such a candidate a vote would it be any good?
Ans. No. It would be a vote thrown away and wasted.

L. P. P. West End Candidates' Meeting.

The committee of the West End Liberal Progressive Party will meet to-night at 8 p.m. in the T. A. Armoury. The meeting will be addressed by the candidates, Hon. J. R. Bennett, Messrs. J. J. Malloy and J. T. Martin. Important matters will be discussed and every member is expected to attend.

"Seal's" Report.

The following message from Capt. Randall, of the s.s. Seal, was received by the Marine and Fisheries Department from St. Anthony yesterday afternoon: "Leaving here to-day, Wren at Hopedale, Sept. 22nd, reports one hundred schooners north of there at that date, all but twenty well fished or doing well. Tolton to Pack's Harbor and Flat Islands to Fishing Ship Cove, reports poor season, otherwise catch looks good."

Sable I's Passengers.

The Sable I sailed this morning for Sydney, C.B., taking the following passengers: Mrs. Crothers, Miss McKnight, Ron Spooner, Wm. Wood, J. St. George, Leo St. George, A. and Mrs. Wilson, Miss M. E. Parsons, A. Hollett, H. Hudson, A. W. Nellis, T. Jordan, Miss J. Diamond, Miss E. Baldwin, W. and Mrs. O'Brien, J. L. Holden, Miss J. Thomas, Miss Brett, C. H. Bridge, A. Gosling, Mrs. M. M. Devine, J. J. O'Brien, J. Cohen, G. Hurst, Const. Gaetz, Miss Nora Dalton, Miss M. Parsons, Miss C. Bruce, Mrs. M. Pike and child.

When you want something in a hurry for tea, go to ELLIS' Head Cheese, Ox Tongue, Boiled Ham, Cooked Corned Beef, Bologna Sausage.

Enthusiastic Meeting.

TREPASSEY SOUNDS THE SLOGAN—WALSH, SULLIVAN AND SINNOTT THE FAVORITES.

Special to Evening Telegram. TREPASSEY, To-day. The most enthusiastic political meeting ever held in this historic old town was presided over last night by the venerable old planter James Butler, and addressed by the standard bearers of the Liberal Progressive Party. Never since responsible government were members tendered such a whole-hearted and enthusiastic welcome as that given Messrs. Walsh, Sullivan and Sinnott, and as the policy of progress of the Liberal Progressive Party was outlined, the speakers were forced to wait until the applause subsided—not once but a dozen times. It is the unanimous opinion of one and all that Walsh, Sullivan and Sinnott will receive the largest vote that was ever polled in this district. Their progress has been one triumphant march from the Brook to Portugal Cove, Biscay Head and Trepassey. The slogan here is "Vote for the Liberal Progressive candidates, for Cashin, the man we trust, is coming back." The meeting lasted two hours, and after closing the audience remained for another hour, discussing in a friendly manner district matters, and renewing old friendships.

N. W. M. Policeman Lectures at Gower St.

Constable Ralph Gaetz, of the Royal North West Mounted Police, lectured last evening, in the basement of Gower St. Church, on the work of the world-famous force of which he was a member. The lecture was under the auspices of the Epworth League, and Rev. E. W. Forbes, M.A., B.D., presided. Trooper Gaetz, who is superintendent of the Regina district, and who arrived from Hudson's Bay by the Nascopee a few days ago, delivered an unique and interesting address as has been heard in this city for some time. Relating many of his personal experiences of the frozen North, he gripped his hearers from start to finish, and the only pity is that the audience was not a larger and more representative one. Dr. J. Alex. Robinson proposed and Mr. F. Parsons seconded, a vote of thanks to Constable Gaetz, which was accorded by acclamation.

"Ferm" Enquiry.

The enquiry into the stranding of the s.s. Ferm, was continued yesterday before Judge Morris. Mr. W. R. Howley, K.C., and Mr. Winter appearing in place of the previous Counsel, Messrs. Foote and Warren. The enquiry was postponed sine die.

A Good Day's Work.

A good day's work deserves praise, and for this reason the good day's work performed yesterday by a certain employee of the Municipal Council is to receive its just due in this paper. Yesterday, with his horse and box-cart, he hauled and spread crushed rock on the section of Forest Road extending from Cavendish Square to Sheehan's Lane, a distance of about 400 yards. Such a day's work is not often performed.

McMurdo's Store News.

TUESDAY, Sept. 30. We have noticed that bronchial colds and coughs are unusually prevalent just now, and such coughs are very annoying, not only to their possessors but to their friends, and bronchial coughs sometimes become chronic and are then worse than merely annoying. One of the best things we know of for these conditions is the Pinex mixture. We carry the principal ingredient of this remedy, the mixture being made up by simply adding a thick syrup to the Pinex. Pinex, after several years' use is more and more highly esteemed. Price 60c. a bottle.

Auto Ran Into Shop.

As a result of the control gear getting out of order yesterday afternoon, while proceeding along New Gower St. the automobile of Mr. Charles Pippy, then driven by Herbert Mercer, crashed into the Oyster Bay Parlor, owned by Mr. Geo. R. Hierlihy. A young lad named Jackman, who had been near the door, was struck and driven in through a door he had to attend the deep cut made in his head, but otherwise he was not badly injured. Considerable damage was done to the shop, the door being completely demolished. The car driven escaped unscathed.

By permission of the Lieut.-Colonel commanding, the C.L.B. Bands of St. John's and Bell Island will hold a Garden Party and Sports on the afternoon of October 2nd, commencing at 3 o'clock, concluding with Grand Concert and Dance in C. L. B. Armoury, Bell Island.—sep30.11



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At the Majestic.

A packed house greeted last night's show at the Majestic. The feature of the evening was a dance by Miss Wallace, which was encored at both shows. Little Miss Wallace has already been before the public and the admiration of all is increasing, as evidenced by the applause given. The Majestic idea of donating part proceeds to such a fund as that of the Highlanders' Association is much appreciated, as proven by the big attendance last evening. The comedy was the best seen here for months and had everyone in continuous roars of laughter. The big feature to-night will be a song by Mr. Carl Trapnell, who will sing "The Rosary" at the request of several music lovers. Other equally original features will be announced during the week. Patrons are promised something that will attract.

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St. John's Municipal Council.

Tenders for Plumbing.

Tenders addressed to the undersigned and marked "Tender for Plumbing," will be received until Tuesday, October 8th, at Noon, for the necessary plumbing work to be done in the houses in course of erection on Quidi Vidi Road.

Specification of the work may be examined and all particulars can be obtained at the office of the Plumbing Inspector, City Hall, or from Architect Jonas Barter.

The lowest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted.

By order,
JNO. L. SLATTERY,
Sec.-Treasurer.

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From Cape Race.

Special Evening Telegram

CAPE RACE, To-day.

Wind S.W. fresh, weather fine. The steamers Coban and Amphitrite passed in yesterday. Nothing sighted to-day. Bar. 29.93; Ther 60.

Open every night, Stafford's Drug Store, Theatre Hill, till 9.30.—sep11.11

Hon. Premier

TO THE PEOPLE OF NEWFOUNDLAND.

Gentlemen,—I was entrusted by His Excellency the Governor in May last, with the duty of forming a new Government, and with the aid of members of the Assembly who had been in Opposition to the so-called National Government, I was successful in forming an administration, which now, as the Liberal-Progressive Party, appeals for your support, on the record it has made during the few months it has been in office, and the policy which I shall outline herein.

AS TO THE PAST AND PRESENT.

The record of the new Government is brief, for it came into office at the far-end of a session of the Legislature, without opportunity to formulate a policy. Brief though that record be, it is marked, I submit, by capacity and regard for the interests of the public.

Coastal Steam was forced upon the new Government for action at the very outset of its career. Provision for renewing the Bowring contract had not been made in time. The contractors for that service were only willing to renew it upon terms which permitted them to very largely increase passengers and freight rates for a ten-year period. Whilst recognizing that increased rates were reasonable under existing circumstances, the new Government felt that within so long a time as ten years, transportation by sea might be expected to become cheaper, and therefore that ten years was too long a term for a contract. The contractors were asked to accept a shorter term, and refused, asking, at the same time, for much higher rates for freight and passengers than they had tendered for. The Government therefore purchased the S. S. Prospero and the S. S. Fortia and they are now being operated by the Department of Shipping, at the rates first stipulated for by the contractors, which rates, it is hoped, may be made lower in the future.

The high cost of living has been agitating this Colony, in common with all other parts of the civilised world, and here, as elsewhere, the problem is how to make prices lower or earnings greater. The new Government has appointed a Commission, as representative as it is possible to make it, to enquire into the whole question, and to recommend remedial measures, and the Government pledges itself to take drastic steps to enforce those recommendations which may hold out even a reasonable prospect of improving existing conditions.

The classification and pay of persons in the various branches of the Public Service has for a long time been unsatisfactory. The increased cost of living has of course borne even harder upon salaried people than upon any other class, and has exaggerated long-standing hardships. A Commission of experienced and competent men has been appointed to enquire into and report upon the whole subject, and that report will be promptly dealt with when received.

A contract for the construction and operation of a modern long-distance telephone system on the Peninsula of Avalon has been entered into with a Company incorporated in this Colony, and which expects to raise its capital here, and I am confident that this long needed public utility will soon be in operation.

Coal-boring operations near Howley station, on the main line of railway, have been undertaken, and are now progressing satisfactorily, and I am hopeful that coal-bearing measures economically valuable will be found thus solving a question of first importance to the industries of the Colony.

AS TO THE FUTURE.

RAILWAYS.

It is provided by contract that the railway system of the Colony shall be operated "efficiently and continuously," and that it shall be "maintained in a safe, efficient, and satisfactory manner." It is undeniable that for years the contracts have not been kept in either particular. The difficulties naturally incident to the operation of new railways explained and excused this, to a certain extent, for a few