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Wednesday, April 9, 1924.

The Government Announces Its Decision

The decisions of the Executive Government, announced through the columns of the Evening Advocate yesterday, created a sensation in the city second only to that caused by the Report of the Commissioner nearly three weeks ago, and generally speaking, the news was received with a feeling of relief. The Findings of Mr. Walker were so unequivocal, both with regard to the individuals against whom charges had been made and to the Departments which came within the scope of the terms of the Commission, as to leave no alternative to the Government but to take further proceedings. As days passed and the Government remained undecided, the surprise at first expressed gave place to consternation, and of late to openly expressed resentment.

Tardy as the Executive have been in realizing their obvious duty, they are to be congratulated upon the comprehensive nature of their pronouncement, which, whatever the result, has already had the effect of restoring confidence in the Government.

The line of action having been decided, it now remains to determine with regard to the investigations how they will be conducted. The recent experience will be of the greatest assistance in these cases, and if there is one lesson which it taught more thoroughly than any other it is the absolute necessity for full publicity. Without that, there would be no guarantee of thoroughness, the whole enquiry would be viewed with suspicion, and the ultimate findings would not be convincing or satisfying.

Since a house cleaning has been decided upon, let it be a thorough scouring from top to bottom, regardless of undue consideration for anyone, unprejudiced by partisanship and undeterred by cajolery or threats. If the Government will be faithful in the pursuance of this duty, it will emblazon for itself in the pages of Newfoundland history a name which will live for ever and which generations to come will mention with reverence and respect. If there is compromise, it will be anathema.

It is to be regretted that the services of Mr. T. Hollis Walker are not available. Not only would he inspire confidence but the insight which he obtained into our affairs during the Enquiry would make his services even more valuable than they were then. The problem of securing a local commissioner who possesses the necessary legal talent, personality, knowledge of accountancy, and who at the same time is unaffiliated by political associations, is by no means the least difficulty which confronts the Government and their selection will be awaited with interest. In the task they have undertaken the Government can rest assured of our hearty co-operation and support.

NOTE: Since writing the

above, we have been informed that it was decided last night by the Executive to request the Colonial Office to select a Commissioner to preside over the proposed investigations.

Will Act on Walker Report

GOVERNMENT DECIDES TO INSTITUTE CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS—FURTHER ENQUIRIES TO BE UNDERTAKEN.

By a decision of the Executive Government arrived at Monday night criminal prosecutions will be instituted against those who under the Walker Report are found guilty of wrong doing, and others who have, during recent months been in the limelight. It has also been decided to have an immediate enquiry into the alleged shortage of liquor at the Controllers Department, as well as into affairs at the Departments of Agriculture and Mines, Auditor General and Posts and Telegraphs. Commissioner Walker has been communicated with and asked to conduct the enquiry, but owing to circumstances beyond his control he cannot accede to the request at least during this year. At a meeting of the executive held last night it was decided to cable the Colonial Office to appoint a commissioner.

The Legislature Meets on April 24th

In the Royal Gazette, issued yesterday, is a Proclamation issued by His Excellency the Governor, summoning the Legislature to meet for the dispatch of business on Thursday, April 24th.

The last chance to here "The Rosary" this afternoon and night.—apr.11

Lecture at B.I.S. Rooms

"Legal Charivari" was the subject of a very interesting address given last night before the members of the B.I.S. and their friends by Mr. T. P. Halley, B.L., Vice-President J. C. Phipps in his capacity of Chairman introduced the lecturer. Mr. Halley told an interesting story of his ten years experience in the law courts of this country and especially in the lower court which had come under his notice and compared some of our laws with those of the English courts. At the close a vote of thanks proposed by Mr. W. B. Comerford, was carried by acclamation.

Prospero for West Coast

Arrangements have been made by the Newfoundland Government Railway to place the Prospero on the West Coast service. The ship is scheduled to sail from the Dock premises on Tuesday next and she will make all ports of call between here and Port aux Basques. All freight will be handled from the Railway freight sheds. As soon as conditions north becomes more favourable, the Portia will take up her service on that coast. The last ship was recently overhauled from stem to stern and is now in first class condition.

Hear Mr. Geddes sing "The Rosary," you'll never forget it.—apr.11

Fire at Salmonier

According to a message received last night from Salmonier by Mr. W. J. Walsh, M.H.A., a dwelling house, owned by John Penny with all its contents, was destroyed by fire on Monday night, and the occupants barely escaped with their lives.

With the Masonic

An enjoyable Card Tournament was conducted by the members of the Masonic in their rooms last night. There was a large attendance and closely contested games followed. Mr. Ernest Gear won the prize for auction forty-fives and Mr. L. A. Diamond was the lucky winner in the bridge tournament.

"The Rosary." "A Perfect Day," "The Lost Chord," by Geddes, a treat.—apr.11

Had Sentence Suspended

A fifteen year old lad named Rose, appeared before the Juvenile Court yesterday afternoon, charged with being an accomplice to the robberies committed by Peddie and Wall, who were found guilty and sentenced to a term of imprisonment yesterday morning. As it was the youth's first offence the presiding judge allowed him to go under suspended sentence.

Wanted a Second Hand Fish Screw for cash fish. THE COWAN BROKERAGE CO., LTD.—apr.11

Sealing News

There is nothing of great importance received from the sealing steamers on the Northern front since yesterday.

The following messages received this morning reads for itself:

BOWLING RHOS.
Eagle—Total stowed 18,000; wind N. E. ½ North.

Ranger—Total stowed 8,800, still on pans 4,000. Continually jammed; hauling every seal on board.

BAINES JOHNSTON & CO.

Seal—Located remainder of stage 4 p.m. yesterday. Owing to heavy swell past two days lots of pans broken up. Will report further to-day.

A message received by Job Bros. this morning from the Neptune states 20,000 on board; heavy swell, fear will lose some of the pans.

Thetis—Jammed; cannot get to pans.

Amalgamation of Companies

In yesterday's issue of the Royal Gazette, announcement is made of the amalgamation of the Union Export Company and the Fishermen's Union Trading Company. At a meeting of the former, held on April 3rd, it was decided to wind up this company voluntarily.

Obituary.

MRS. W. LEVER.

There passed away at her residence, Bannerman Street, last night, Jennie, the beloved wife of Mr. W. Lever, of the Martin-Royal Stores Hardware Company. The deceased has been ill only three or four months, and her death though not altogether unexpected comes as a severe blow to her relatives. The late Mrs. Lever was the daughter of the late Mr. William Godley who for many years was a cook on Messrs. Job Brothers vessels. For eleven years she was an employee of the Royal Stores Office Department. Left to mourn are a mother, husband and three children to whom the sympathy of their friends will be extended. The funeral takes place to-morrow afternoon.

McMurdo's Store News.

GAULT'S DIGESTIVE SYRUP.
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MILITIA ORDERS No. 84.
By Lieut.-Col. W. F. Rendell, C.B.E., Chief Staff Officer.

1. **APPOINTMENT.**

Lieut.-Col. W. F. Rendell, C.B.E., relinquishes his appointment as Chief Staff Officer on ceasing to be employed, with effect from March 31st, 1924.

Lieut.-Col. T. Mangle, C.F., relinquishes his appointment as Director of Graves, Registration and Enquiries for Newfoundland on ceasing to be employed, with effect from March 31st, 1924.

Major J. M. Howley, M.B.E., relinquishes his appointment as Paymaster and Officer in Charge of Records on ceasing to be employed, with effect from March 31st, 1924.

Lieut. H. C. James, M.S.M., relinquishes his appointment as Asst. Officer in Charge of Records on ceasing to be employed, with effect from March 31st, 1924.

2. **RETIREMENT.**

Lieut.-Col. W. F. Rendell, C.B.E., is retired with effect from March 31st, 1924, and is placed on the Reserve List of Officers.

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3. **DISBANDEMENT.**

By order of His Excellency the Governor-in-Council the Department of Militia ceases to exist on and after March 31st, 1924.

W. F. RENDELL,
Lieut.-Col.,
Chief Staff Officer.

Shipping.

Sacr. Freeman, Capt. Nosworthy, 40 days out from here, reached Barbados yesterday.

Schr. Union Jack left Barbados on the 22nd inst. for this port with a cargo molasses.

TO-DAY'S MESSAGES

ELECTIONS IN SOUTH AFRICA IN JUNE.

CAPETOWN, S. Africa, April 9. Premier Smuts announced in the House of Assembly to-day that the union general election would be held between June 15th and 20th, the exact date to be announced later.

DUKE OF MANCHESTER TO BE SUE FOR DEBT.

MONTREAL, April 9.

The Montreal Star publishes in its news columns to-day a story to the effect that John Tebbutt, a shoe manufacturer of Three Rivers, has sworn out a warrant against William Drogo Angus Montague, the Duke of Manchester for \$5,494, claimed by Tebbutt to have been lent to the Duke to defray the latter's expense at local hotel. Tebbutt declares he has never been repaid and that the Duke seems to have forgotten the debt. The Duke with his son, Lord Mandeville, visited the city last year in connection with certain mining interests, said by his grace to be owned by him in Northern Ontario. It was on the strength of these holdings that he undertook to lend the Duke money. The Duke's luggage, it is stated, to be held by the hotel management.

COMMUNICATIONS BILL PASSES SECOND READING.

LONDON, April 9.

The House of Commons to-night passed the second reading of the West Indian telegraph bill providing for the expenditure of \$400,000 for the establishment of cable and wireless communication in the British West Indies and British Guiana. The measure, was introduced for the purpose of linking together the British possessions and the mother country to prevent Imperial communications falling into foreign hands.

EVICCTIONS BILL SHELVED.

LONDON, April 8.

Having been forced to drop the Government's Rent Bill for the time being, as a measure defeated on its second reading cannot be introduced at the same session of Parliament, Premier MacDonald announced in the House of Commons this afternoon that the Government would adopt the bill of Ernest Simon, a Liberal, known as "The Prevention of Evictions Bill." The Premier added the Government would give this bill all facilities to insure its further progress after it has been subjected in committee to certain amendments which he thought would be satisfactory to all sides.

Mr. MacDonald said further that no new Government rent bill would be introduced at the present session. Leave was asked by Gordon R. Hall Caine, Conservative, to introduce a Bill to make sympathetic lockouts and strikes illegal. The Chamber decided to do this by a vote of 226 to 131.

AIR SERVICE BETWEEN VICTORIA AND VANCOUVER.

VICTORIA, B.C., April 9. Passenger and air mail service between Victoria and Vancouver may soon materialize if the plans of the Chamber of Commerce, which has appointed a Committee to investigate the project are found feasible. It will be the first service of its kind operated in Canada, it is said.

CHURCH UNION BILL TO BE WITHDRAWN FROM N.Y. LEGISLATURE.

TORONTO, Ont., April 9.

Unionist leaders have decided to withdraw the Church Union Bill from the Ontario Legislature, according to the Toronto Star, and an announcement to this effect will be made tomorrow according to the Star. Union leaders will centre their efforts to get the Bill now before the Federal House passed through, and should the measure pass there, the Union forces will come back to the Ontario Legislature with their prestige greatly enhanced and endeavor to have the enactment made in that Province.

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DIED.

Last evening at the General Hospital, James Brace, in his 75th year, leaving to mourn two sons and one daughter, all now residing in U. S. A. Funeral at 2.30 on Thursday, from the residence of his brother, Alfred Brace, 30 Leslie Street.

Passed away this morning, at 7 o'clock, at the Fever Hospital, Charlotte Irene, darling child of Samuel and Ida Dymond, aged 7 years. She leaves to mourn their sad loss 4 sisters, 4 brothers, father and mother. Funeral to-day at 2.30 from the Fever Hospital.

After a long and tedious illness, Mrs. William Lever, (nee Jennie Godley), in her 83rd year, leaving husband, three children and mother to mourn their sad loss. Funeral on Thursday, at 3 p.m., from her late residence, 73 Bannerman Street. Friends and acquaintances please attend without further notice. Boston and Sydney papers please copy.

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In the Supreme Court.

In the matter of the winding-up of Hermitage Trading Co., Ltd.

TENDERS INVITED.

Tenders are invited for the purchase of the Premises of this Company situated at Hermitage, Hermitage Bay. Highest offer may not be accepted. For full particulars apply to Mr. P. L. Carr, Liquidator, Grand Bank.

Offers will be received by the undersigned until noon of Tuesday, April 15th, 1924.

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Express Passengers.

The following passengers are on the incoming express, which left Port aux Basques 10 a.m. yesterday:—E. K. Parsons, J. B. S. Coates, L. B. Moore, Ida Butt, Mrs. Wilson, Holmer R. Rose, H. Young, B. H. MacFarlane, R. Goodman, Mrs. H. E. Browning, F. H. Butt, Mrs. LaValliant.

Here and There.

Another capacity house last night to hear Cameron Geddes.—apr.11

Wanted a Second Hand Fish Screw for cash fish. THE COWAN BROKERAGE CO., LTD.—apr.11

ENTERS DRY DOCK.—The steamer Daisy, Argyle and Home entered the Dry Dock yesterday afternoon to undergo their annual overhauling.

Bakeapples preserved in glass jars—20c. at W. E. BEARNS.—apr.11

BEING INVESTIGATED.—An enquiry into the McKay fire, Waterford Bridge Road, continued before the Magistrate's Court yesterday afternoon, when several witnesses gave evidence.

"OLIVET TO CALVARY"—Final rehearsal in the Kirk to-night, at 9 o'clock. Every member of the Choir and those assisting are requested to be present.—apr.11

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PORK—Fat Back, lb.16c.

PORK—Shoulder, very lean, lb.16c.

PORK—Ham Butt, lb.16c.

SPARE RIBS—Pound13c.

SODAS—Pound15c.

PILOTS—Pound15c.

LUNCH—Pound18c.

CANADIAN SAUSAGES—lb.30c.

BOLOGNA—Pound23c.

PURE LARD—Pound23c.

GREEN PEAS—Large, lb.10c.

RICE—Whole, lb.10c.

CRANBERRIES—Gallon70c.

ROYAL ICING SUGAR—lb.20c.

PURE GOLD ASSORTED JELLIES—Package14c.

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POTATOES—Gallon13c.

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PUBLIC NOTICE.

SEALED TENDERS will be received at the Office of the Department of Public Works up to 12 o'clock noon on Saturday, the twelfth of April next, for the Laying of Linoleum Floor Covering at the Normal School, Parade Street. Plans and Specifications may be seen, and all other information obtained, at the Inspector's Office in the new building during office hours. A money guarantee, or approved accepted cheque for thirty dollars (\$30) must be enclosed with Tenders, which must be addressed to the undersigned, and the words "Tender for Laying Linoleum" be written across the face of envelope. The lowest or any Tender not necessarily accepted.

A. W. PICCOTT,
Minister Public Works.

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