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### Official Correspondence.

#### FROM MEMBERS OF THE OPPOSITION TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.

St. John's,  
April 15, 1920.  
His Excellency, Sir Chas. Alexander Harris, K.C.M.G., K.C.V.O., etc., etc., Governor of Newfoundland:  
Sir,—We, the undersigned members of Your Excellency's Opposition Party in the House of Assembly, beg to draw the attention of Your Excellency to the following facts:

In January last a petition was presented to the Supreme Court complaining of the undue return of Mr. William Woodford as Member for the electoral district of St. John's; and alleging that Mr. Woodford had been guilty of certain corrupt and illegal practices. The trial of this petition was set down for hearing in the Supreme Court on the 18th March. On the morning of the hearing the Hon. M. P. Gibbs, K.C., Counsel for the petitioner, addressed the Court, consisting of The Hon. The Chief Justice and Mr. Justice Kent, and moved for the withdrawal of the petition. Their Lordships intimated that in accordance with the English practice, which they held to apply in this Colony, a motion for withdrawal could not be entertained until certain preliminary requirements had been complied with, including the filing of affidavits by all the parties to the petition and their solicitors, showing whether or not any collusion or agreement existed. Afterwards, although no notice of the application to withdraw was given, affidavits from the petitioner and from Mr. Gibbs' junior partner, Mr. Barron, were filed deposing that no agreement had been made

to the best of their respective knowledge and belief; and that the reason for the withdrawal of the petition was that Mr. Woodford had resigned his seat. Some days afterwards, the Court having in the meantime delivered a formal written judgment as to the requirements to be followed in such matters, the Solicitors for Mr. Woodford and Mr. Woodford himself filed affidavits. Mr. Woodford's affidavit was filed on March 24th last; and a copy of it is hereto annexed for Your Excellency's information.

Nothing further transpired until April 1st, when Counsel for Mr. Woodford moved in Court for a certificate of indemnity to be granted to Mr. Woodford with respect to the matters disclosed by his said affidavit. After hearing Counsel on this motion the Court directed the Registrar to forward to the Attorney General copies of the various affidavits that had been filed in the matter; and the Registrar did so. The Attorney General has not taken any steps to prosecute or otherwise deal with the charges contained in the Woodford affidavit.

We have waited patiently and in vain for this matter to be dealt with by the proper authorities; and now we find that Your Excellency has called the Legislature to meet on April 20th.

We have to publicly and with respectful but firm insistence indicate to Your Excellency that this affidavit of Mr. Woodford's asserts that Your Excellency's Prime Minister, Mr. R. A. Squires, and a Member of Your Excellency's Legislative Council, Mr. M. P. Gibbs, have been guilty of what is in law a criminal act, and what is of even greater concern have been guilty of a gross transgression of public morals. They are, therefore, unfit and un-

worthy to occupy the public positions that they now hold.

We call upon Your Excellency, and we believe that we have the endorsement of the entire public in making this call, to deal with this matter at once, and not to permit the Legislature to open under a Prime Minister who stands charged with such an offence unless and until the charge is satisfactorily disproved.

For the present we make no comment upon the inactivity of Your Excellency's Attorney General.

We have the honor to be, Your Excellency's obedient and respectful servants,

M. P. CASHIN  
JOHN C. CROSBIE  
W. J. HIGGINS  
W. J. WALSH  
M. S. SULLIVAN  
N. J. VINNICOMBE  
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JAS. McDONNELL  
P. F. MOORE.

#### FROM THE PRIVATE SECRETARY OF HIS EXCELLENCY TO SIR MICHAEL CASHIN, K.B.E.

Government House,  
April 16, 1920.  
Sir,—I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to acknowledge the receipt of the Petition of the 15th instant, signed by yourself and eight other members of the House of Assembly, in which you appeal for action on the part of His Excellency's advisers in respect of matters arising out of the Woodford Affidavit, and to inform you that an answer will be sent with the least possible delay.

Meanwhile I am to assure you that the matter has from the first had His Excellency's anxious consideration: the whole of the circumstances surrounding the affidavit raise questions which vitally affect the Constitutional position of Ministers and demand the greatest caution.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,  
R. WATSON.

Private Secretary.  
Sir M. P. Cashin, K.B.E.,  
King's Bridge Road.

#### FROM SIR MICHAEL CASHIN TO HIS EXCELLENCY.

St. John's, April 17, 1920.  
To His Excellency Sir C. Alexander Harris, K.C.M.G., K.C.V.O., Governor of Newfoundland:

Your Excellency,—I have to acknowledge receipt of a communication of date to-day from your Secretary re the Petition from a number of Members of the House of Assembly in respect to the matters arising out of the Woodford affidavit.

I beg to draw Your Excellency's attention to an apparent misunderstanding of the petition referred to. It does not ask for action on the part of Your Excellency's advisers. It asks for action on the part of Your Excellency yourself.

I beg to submit on behalf of my colleagues and myself that it is essentially a matter for action by Your Excellency, independently of your advisers; and further to emphasize our respectful, but firm, insistence that your present Prime Minister ought not be permitted to sit in the House of Assembly as Your Excellency's Prime Minister for one minute only unless and until he has satisfactorily cleared himself of the charge of misconduct under which he now lies.

I am,

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W. H. RENNIE,  
Secretary.

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### A Plea for Shorter Hours.

Editor Evening Telegram

Dear Sir,—Is it not about time that some one arose and explained why it is that the office hours of the Government telegraph and postal telegraph operators have not been shortened as promised by the late administration. As I remember, it is more than six months since the Telegraphers' Strike took place for increased pay and shorter hours. Both of these conditions, it is understood, were agreed to. The first has been carried into effect, but why the second has been allowed to remain in obedience is a matter of surprise to the public, as well as to the members of the service so deeply affected. It seems to be a remnant of the slavery days that obliges one class of Civil Servants to put in a twelve hours day, while of all the others only from five to eight hours are required.

True it is that tidewaiters also are supposed to give a twelve hour day service, from 6 a. m. to 6 p. m., but in some of the outports at any rate, this law does not seem to apply. Whether it be by permission of their superior officer—the collector of customs—or through force of circumstances—no work—it is not unusual to find the tidewater in certain ports putting in only about half their time, while if a postal telegraph official is only twenty minutes late in arriving at his or her office where he or she has to remain confined to his or her work for twelve hours, some very busy members of the community tumble over themselves in their haste to report this serious breach of duty to headquarters. I am no apologist for the postal telegraphic officials of this Dominion, but in all justice and fair play, I think that they are entitled to a square deal, and that their daily hours of service should be limited to eight at most, and that the Government should keep faith with them in the promise made by their predecessors for shorter hours. The following letter, signed "Outport," published in your paper last March, sets forth pretty plainly the case for the P. T. officials, and shows that their demand for shorter hours is fully warranted by facts.

Yours faithfully,

TRAVELLER.

West Coast, April 10, 1920.

#### LONG HOURS.

Editor Evening Telegram.

Dear Sir,—We hear a lot on the street and read more in the newspapers of the eight-hour day, which seems to be the standard time set for labour throughout the world. But what of the outport postal telegraph officials of this country who are confined to their offices from nine o'clock in the morning until eight at night, and oftentimes much later? Is the twelve hour a day drudgery still to be exacted of these poorly paid members of the Civil Servants while the hours of every other class of labourers, whether Government or otherwise, are so limited or curtailed as to permit of exercise and recreation so necessary to health and personal well-being. Most of the postal telegraph officials in this country, it should be remembered, are of the gentler sex, whose weaker constitutions should not be subjected to the severe test of a close, continuous and painstaking application for twelve hours out of the twenty-four, thus allowing no time for needed recreation. It is contrary to all the laws of hygiene and should be remedied without delay. This is a case where the Ladies' Branch of the N. I. W. A. could, perhaps, do good service.

Yours truly,

OUTPORT.

March 13th, 1920.

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