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The Advocate Justifies the Loan Bill

In our comments on the proposed loan we made a distinction between the policy of the Government and that which was followed by former administrations. In this case there are specific objects on which the money will be expended and from which a definite return may reasonably be anticipated, but we have had such an orgy of extravagance during recent years that it is not surprising that the very mention of a loan is received with scepticism and mistrust. Money was poured out like water and millions were expended with no regard to the consequences, because it was taken as a matter of course that further millions could be borrowed to cover the deficit.

What cared they for results? What consideration was shown by them for the fishermen and the laboring classes for whose welfare to-day they are so solicitous? Even in their methods of relieving destitution their first care was ever to see to it that the distributors of their bounty were themselves well recompensed for their labours. They preached charity unctuously, and in practicing it, they stuck literally to the text that charity begins at home.

On Saturday the mouthpiece of these very administrators pretends to work itself into a fury over the proposals to provide public utilities, which are not fancy schemes, but which have been advocated by clear headed business men for years as sound undertakings. Not only that, they are intended to provide honest labour which will be productive, instead of employment on such extravagant operations as the cutting of pit props for the benefit of the few, or the breaking of stones which netted the country a loss per ton equivalent to the price of antracite.

This wordy article in the Advocate appears to be a formidable denunciation of the policy of the Government, while as a matter of fact it is the strongest kind of endorsement that the Government could have. We confess to having been deceived at first by the general appearance of the Editorial, but the gratification was all the greater on that account, when we discovered that instead of condemning the Government's proposal it had blessed it altogether. A perusal of the article will clearly indicate how very deceptive appearances can be.

The borrowing of 1,600,000 is justified by the Advocate in the following words: "It is generally conceded that money must be found to pay any deficit or bills that the Colony might owe at the present time."

"There may be sufficient justification," says the Advocate, "to raise money for rolling stocks for the railways; for a new steamer for Cabot Strait; for repairs to the Dock; for repairing the sheds and new machinery for the machine shops, and other matters in connection with the railway."

Here is a summary of the

amounts of the loan which the Advocate considers justifiable:

To meet deficit	\$1,600,000
Rolling stock	550,000
Cabot St. Steamer	400,000
Repairs to Dock	50,000
Building Sheds, etc.	125,000
New machinery	50,000
Railway buildings, etc.	75,000
Rerolling	800,000
Other construction on Railway	50,000
Total	\$2,450,000

Again the Advocate states that \$800,000 is a ridiculously low estimate to put in the loan bill to repair 151 miles of the road bed. If this figure is ridiculously low, and we confess to ignorance in the matter, we presume we are justified in at least doubling the allocation in order to bring it up to an amount which the Advocate would consider reasonable. That brings the justifiable loan up to \$4,250,000. We are rapidly approaching a common ground of agreement, so near in fact that we are apprehensive of having to find fault with the Advocate's proposals on the ground of extravagance.

The stumbling block is the \$2,000,000 for road building. There's the rub! May we ask with whom this excellent idea originated? Was it not with the author of the Road Booster, one time Chairman of the Roads Commission, and at present editor of the Advocate? Everyone has a perfect right to change his opinion, but we trust that his retirement from the Roads Commission, of which he was such an active member, has not in any way affected his views on this question. His plans outlined in the Booster are broad and comprehensive, and it would be deeply regretted to learn that those views have been narrowed with his ceasing to act in an official capacity.

Visiting Squadron to Anchor off Topsail

The Admiralty has advised the General Post Office that the ships "Hood," "Repulse" and "Adelaide" of the Special Service Squadron of the British Navy will arrive on or about September 6th, and anchoring off Topsail, will remain until the 21st of the month. The warships are at present in Halifax.

Secured a Good Position in Boston

The many friends of John Byrne son of Head Constable Byrne, will be glad to learn that he has secured a good position in the general office of the Walworth Mfg. Co., Ltd., one of the biggest concerns of its kind in Boston. Jack, who formerly was employed in the Audit Office of the Reid Mfg. Co. left here early in July for Boston. He has arranged to take a course in civil engineering from the Hawley Engineering School.

Express Passengers

The following passengers arrived at Port au Basques by the S.S. Kyle yesterday and joined the incoming express:—J. J. Gordon, C. F. and Mrs. W. Walker, A. H. Stall, J. E. Effert, Miss C. Bujar, Mrs. J. S. Bell, W. Bailey, and Mrs. Stiles, A. and Mrs. Small, W. T. Jones, Mrs. Hatcher, G. H. Rendice, H. G. Acres, Mrs. A. Bethune, G. C. Hillier, G. Vatcher, J. and Mrs. McKay, Mrs. A. Sullivan, J. Ryan, J. Russell, H. M. Soper, D. J. Foley, W. Stone, T. Kennedy, Miss T. Kennedy, E. Foote, F. Byrne.

McMurdo's Store News

When the Doctor prescribes he expects the druggist to fill the prescription with pure drugs. There is no part of our business which does not receive its full share of attention. The quality of our drugs and medicines is not surpassed. Our subscription department is our special pride and sells the best quality of goods at low prices.

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 Flycatcher with Sprayer 6th Box
 Tagliatini 3 double sheets 10th

Schooners Loaded in Straits

A message from Lighthouse keeper J. Thomas Bell Island, received by the Minister of Marine and Fisheries reports small catches of fish taken there to-day. Carrots and Miller's schooners have loaded and will probably return for second trip. Capt. Winsor has loaded and ready to sail for his home port.

PEPPYS BEHIND THE SCENES.

August 16th.—The weather still might be unattractive, and like to remain so, if my wife be right, since I do know her disposition to be a true prophet of rain. Little news all this day and in the dull day I can remember this long time. In the morning, to board S.S. Rosalind to see farewells to Squibb, he going to Halifax for awhile, and a good place for him, being the worst gossip possible and the greatest bore. The ship left at 10 to his very capacity, and even the officers give up their rooms for the passengers. Indeed, I am told how on the next ship there be 100 round trippers coming from New York. All the talk of the town of the Government's road building scheme, which do everywhere meet with the highest approval, and is the best thing that could be done to improve the country. Indeed, it is like, by increasing the tourist traffic, to high double our Customs revenue, and like to prove almost as great an asset as the fishery. The evening being wet, I to stay at home and read two novels. So to bed.

August 17th (Lord's Day).—Lay long, being the first day of my so doing for many evenings, and feel all the better for the rest. This the first wet day for the summer, yet many trippers go out of town, being that the summer is high at an end and a few holidays left. I to bathe in the sea but the undertow great and makes it mighty unpleasant.

Obituary.

JOHN J. PENNY.
 A wide circle of friends will be shocked to learn of the death, at his residence 348 South Park Street, on Saturday night, Aug. 16th, of John J. Penny, a Halifax business man, well known through his partnership in the firm of J. Penny & Sons, Ramea, Nfld., whose sailing vessels have been familiar sights on the Halifax waterfront for the past 50 years. Born in Newfoundland 63 years ago, the late Mr. Penny made his residence in this city for the past twenty years. He was a man of sterling character, while not in the best of health for some time his condition was not thought to be serious. His sudden demise will be a distinct shock to all his numerous friends and business acquaintances in Nova Scotia and in Newfoundland, who will sympathize with his family in their bereavement. In religion he was an exemplary Catholic. The late Mr. Penny is mourned by his wife, four sons and three daughters—Pater Wm. Penny attached to the staff of St. Mary's Cathedral; John, professor of languages, Harvard University; Joseph, of Motors, Ltd.; George, associated in business, Nfld.; Sister Mary Clara of Claremont, Boston; Mrs. W. Barker, Mrs. Gerald Broom, North Sydney. Three brothers and three sisters survive him—George, his partner, at Ramea, Nfld.; Charles and Michael, Mrs. J. Penny, Mrs. M. J. Burke and Mrs. Robert Kellic, all of Halifax.

Petty Harbor Choir Entertained

On Thursday last, Aug. 14th, the members of choir and organist of St. Andrews Church, Petty Harb., accompanied by the Rev. F. and Mrs. Seavern, paid a visit to the city. They travelled by motor bus owned by Mr. Weston Williams. On arrival in city, they were welcomed to the Holloway Studio and were photographed. They then visited some friends and were entertained at tea. After tea the company went to see the picture at Nickel Theatre. They arrived back in Petty Harb. about 10.30, after having spent a most enjoyable evening.

Government Boats

Argyle leaving Argentea noon today on Bay route. To-morrow morning's train will connect for Western route.
 Clyde left Lewisport 6.30 a.m. today on Green Bay route.
 Glouce in port.
 Kyle at Port au Basque, awaiting arrival Sunday's express.
 Malakoff left Port Union 6.40 a.m. today.
 Neigle arrived at Turnagain 5 p.m. Saturday.
 Portia left Argentea 12.10 a.m. 17th. Taking 40 passengers, 30 tons and 10 second, besides 11 carloads freight.
 Sagona left Humbermouth 12.50 p.m. on 16th, taking 17 first class passengers, 3 second and 3 carloads freight.

Workmen at Humber

REPORTED TO BE ORGANIZING.
 Passengers who arrived by yesterday's express report that the workmen at the Humber, both at Corner Brook and Deer Lake are being organized for the purpose of resuming the strike of a few weeks ago. It was expected that the strike would be called this morning. Up to present hour no news of any new developments had been received.

Magistrates Court

A nine year old orphan boy, taken in for safe-keeping will be sent back to the institution.
 A 25 year old domestic belonging to Fogo, given in charge by the Secretary of Wesley Church, was charged for loitering in the church and doing slight damages to the organ. The accused was found in amongst the organ pipes following the service last night. Her presence there damaged the instrument somewhat, but the church authorities did not press this charge. According to the witnesses the woman has had been frequenting various churches where she slept. She was remanded to the penitentiary for eight days, pending further enquiry as to her antecedents.
 A 55 year old fisherman, resident Lower Battery, given in charge by his wife for being drunk and disorderly in his home, and also assaulting her, was charged to sign bonds in the sum of \$100 to keep the peace, or in default 30 days imprisonment.
 A woman summoned by Constable Peck Lee for a breach of the Lottery Act, failed to appear.
 The case of a foreigner, who has been residing in the city for the past four years, charged with keeping a house resorted to for the purpose of prostitution, attracted unusual attention in the court this morning. Six girls who frequented the place were called as witnesses, and two of them gave the names of two officers of a well known cross-Atlantic ship who visited the premises in their company. A resident of the locality also gave evidence against the accused. During the course of the Judge's remarks reference was made to the circumstances of the man's family, and rather than send him to jail and have the children suffer and not himself, he was granted the option of a fine in the sum of \$100.00, or in default 3 months imprisonment with hard labour. After sentence had been passed I. G. Hutchings made motion to have the man deported under the new Deportation Act.

Victory Lodge

Entertained Visiting Past Grand Mistress of Hamilton.
 The members of Victory Lodge, No. 277, L.O.B.A., tendered a banquet on Monday evening, August 11th in the Stirling Restaurant in honor of the Most Worshipful Past Grand Mistress Sister Flora Burrows, of Hamilton, Ont., who was on a visit to Newfoundland. After doing full justice to the repast provided and the toast list gone through, Sister Burrows, W.M., presented a beautiful whitecoat to our distinguished visitor, Sister Burrows, on behalf of the members. Sister Burrows then replied in a most pleasing manner thanking the members for their kindness. A poem composed in honor of our distinguished guest was then read by one of the sisters. A programme of speeches, songs and recitations was rendered, after which a pleasant evening was brought to a close by the singing of the National Anthem and Auld Lang Syne.

Susu in Port

FISHERY SHOWS SIGNS OF IMPROVEMENT.
 S.S. SHEN, Capt. Jacob Kian, arrived from the Fogo Mail Service yesterday morning at 4.30, having made all ports of call as far as Change Islands. The captain reports a big improvement in the fishery around Fogo during the past week. At Turnagain and other places the crews have done fairly well. On Thursday night last several crews left Joe Batt's Arm and remained out all night. On the following morning they returned with from 10 to 15 quintals each. The indications are that the fishery has improved all over the north. The prevailing easterly winds during the past few days has made a big change for brighter prospects and more encouraging reports are expected from now on. Squid is reported very plentiful. The Susu brought upwards of twenty passengers for this port. She sails again to-morrow at 2 p.m.

Sable L. Arrives

S. S. Sable L. arrived in port this forenoon bringing the following passengers:—Herbert Moore, Miss Elmer, Walter Baldwin, Alfred Baldwin, Emma Murray, Gertrude Wilson, Winthrop Stiles, George Lamusse, C. Green, Mr. and Mrs. F. White, Mrs. F. Lowe, Mrs. M. Moore, Miss M. Lowe, W. S. Jakeman, Mr. Hagen, Geo. Scoville. The ship brought part general cargo and one car load cattle.

Circuit Court at Benin

Circuit Court with Mr. Justice Johnson is now at Benin having proceeded there from Placentia.

TO-DAY'S MESSAGES.

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE COMES TO SATISFACTORY CONCLUSION.

LONDON, Aug. 17.
 Peace between France and Germany came one step nearer last night when representatives of the Allied Powers and Germany assembled in Premier MacDonald's room in the Foreign Office and signed or initialed a protocol, providing means for putting into effect the Dawes Plan, designed to settle the Reparations problem. The Conference, after thirty trying days, was brought to a successful conclusion. Premier MacDonald, as President of the Conference, presided at last night's meeting, which was attended by about 200 delegates and experts, from various powers. The session was chiefly informal and lacked spectacular features as the entire Conference has. It was a business meeting in a business office and more like a Directors' Conference than a diplomatic function. The British Prime Minister and Premier Herriot and Thomsen, Chancellor Marx, Ambassador Kellogg, Baron Nuyt, Jagan, and Professor de Dineatni, Italy, all made brief addresses, expressing satisfaction over the successful conclusion of the Conference.

RIOING IN MANDALAY.

LONDON, Aug. 18.
 A serious riot broke out Saturday at Mandalay, Upper Burma, according to a Rangoon despatch to the Exchange Telegraph. Two priests and two policemen were killed and many soldiers and civilians injured. The rioting occurred during the course of a Burmese procession through the main streets in connection with a Protocol demonstration led by a Buddhist Priest.

THE FIRST PEACE TREATY.

LONDON, Aug. 18.
 Characterizing the agreement reached as the first negotiated agreement since the War, and more, "the first peace treaty," inasmuch as the delegates at conference had turned their backs on war and war mentality, Premier MacDonald addressed the delegates to the International London Conference before they left the Foreign Office last night.

ONE DIES AND SEVERAL SEVERELY INJURED ON BURNING VESSEL.

HALIFAX, N.S., Aug. 18.
 John Flaherty, the purser, was fatally burned, two members of the crew suffered serious burns and the remainder of the crew of twelve and three passengers had narrow escape from death when flames, breaking out from an unknown cause, destroyed with marked rapidity the wooden coastwise steamer Margaret, 195 tons gross, as she lay at her wharf in Port Bickerton, Halifax County, at midnight on Saturday.

GREENLAND BASE CHANGED.

REYKJAVIK, Aug. 17.
 Lieut. Lowell Smith, commander of the United States Army Spauld flight, has decided to give up the proposed flight from Reykjavik to Annapolis, on the east coast of Greenland and, with Lieut. Nelson, will fly instead to Frederiksdal, on the south western point of Greenland, a short distance from Cape Farewell. Both Lieut. Smith and Lieut. Nelson appear to be chartering over the decision to go to Frederiksdal. Lieut. Smith said he was very glad the question of a landing place had been settled and that he and Nelson would make their start from Reykjavik on the first day the weather conditions are favorable.

Belgium Mine Shafts Sunk in Columns of Ice

In order to mine rich coal beds in Belgium that were practically inaccessible by marsh land lying over them, engineers devised a means of sinking ice shafts in columns of ice. Two such shafts already have been sinking the shafts in columns of ice, of more than \$1000 a foot.
 The system consists of freezing portions of marshland in the form of cylindrical columns of ice in which the shafts are sunk. To do this several holes about a yard apart are drilled in a large circle around the proposed shaft. A vertical pipe sealed at one end then is sunk in each of these holes and a freezing solution of salt run through them, forming around each pipe a cone of frozen bog that spreads until it joins zones of adjoining pipes.
 The refrigerating machines used are based on the evaporation of liquefiable gases, such as ammonia and carbon dioxide. These are compressed and liquefied in coils of a condenser that are kept cool by passing water over their continuously. The liquefied gases then pass through refrigerating coils over which the freezing liquids circulate. As the gases evaporate they create intense cold, freezing the water around them.
 Several months were required to freeze the first shaft, and it took to sink the shaft at a rate of little more than three feet a day.

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Here and There.

NOTICE—Business place of J. Whiteway Co., Ltd., closed today and to-morrow, owing to the death of Mr. Burt. —Aug. 18.

WEDDING BELLS—The marriage of Mr. Stanley Robertson of this city to Miss Ethel Osborn Dwyer of New York, took place at that city on the 8th of August. Mr. Fred Ellis, late of F. H. Ellis & Co., this city, was groomsmen. The Evening Telegram offers congratulations and best wishes for their future happiness.

SYMPATHY.

Ease the family's Sorrow, send FLOWERS. Wreaths delivered promptly. Prices reasonable. Phone 1513. Night Phone 2111M. Valley Nurseries, Ltd. —Mar. 10.

BORN.

On the 16th, a son to Mr. and Mrs. E. West, 25 Stephen Street.

DIED.

This morning at 12.30, Michael Murphy, aged 30 years, leaving a wife and four children, 1 brother and one sister. Funeral notice later.
 This morning, after a long illness, Richard J. Buckley, aged 62 years, died at his residence, 279 Southside, Joshua Burt, aged 50 years. Funeral on to-morrow (Tuesday) afternoon, at 2.30 o'clock.
 Suddenly, at St. Peter's Hospital, St. John's, Nfld., on the 16th, the late Thos. and Mary Melvin, aged 70 years, leaving to mourn one brother, Thomas, of this city.—R.I.P.
 Yesterday morning, after a short illness, Thomas, son of the late Robert and Ellen Smyth, aged 59 years, died at his residence, 161 Hamilton Street; friends and acquaintances will please attend without further notice.

FUNERAL NOTICE.

Pursuant to telegraphic instructions, the funeral of the late Mrs. Ellen Parnell, who died in Gloucester, Mass., will take place immediately upon arrival of the body at St. John's, Nfld., on Thursday morning, at 10 o'clock, at Petty Harbor. —JOHN T. NASH, Funeral Director.

IN LOVING MEMORY

of my dear Mother, Jane Hopkins, who died August 16th, 1923. "Dearest mother we have laid thee in the peaceful grave's embrace. But thy memory will be cherished. Until we see thy well-loved face. God in His wisdom hath recalled thee. Thy gift, His love had given. But though on earth the body lies The soul is safe in Heaven." —Inscribed by her daughter Mrs. A. Burt.

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