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The Situation in

HAS NFLD. GIVEN A LEAD?

has been taken and the Conser- ond session of the Legislature. vatives have retired from the that I am at liberty, and that it is my gave to my sister for Sir Richard. West Coast where blast furnaces were Asked if he had any other business stage to make way for the first intention, to use any and all proper Q.—Was there any other sum to to be erected. Labour Party that has ever oc- constitutional means to arrive at that make up the balance. The amount The witness said that Meaney was witness stated they had to do, in addicupied the Government benches object, so that should the Leader of that reference has been made to totals the first to take the matter up with tion to political matters, with arin the British House of Com- the People's Party undertake this task \$43,500. At this juncture it will be in- led by any member of the Legislature own money which was applied to pay- WITNESS—He told them of my in- the mines closed down. teresting to show the strength that could form a Ministry with the ing transportation home during the terview with Sir Richard, who was Asked as to his position with the

votes polled in the recent elec- to give effect to my wishes as above." voters who worked on Bell Island. tion of the clauses and that Sir Rich- been accountant for 12 years and tions. Altogether about 14,186,-600 votes were recorded. Of Prime Minister. these 5,360,000 were cast for the Conservatives, 4,338,000 for Labour, and 4,251,000 for the Liberals. In other words, in consequence of the three cornered Speakers - Affirmative, Messrs. the witness said he came to the city Steel Company's reply was Company's agent in St. John's, Witcontest, the Governing Party is B. Snow and Alex. Rooney, Jr.; and saw his sister. She informed him that they had nothing to show, but ness in recalling that he had written supported by about one third of Negative, Messrs. E. Bursey and that Sir Richard said he expected the Sir Richard was coming later. and it represents one fifth of come.-jan22,11 those who possess the fran- Bell Island Mines to chise.

It remains to be seen what procedure the new Leader Ramray MacDonald will take. It is evident that in the event of his introducing legislation unfavlowed to pass it, and in any case he can only continue in office as ling as he possesses the good vill of the Liberals.

procedure says:-

crity by a vote of the Commons ution," but as he apparently had in mind a case where there were but two parties in the House his but two parties in the House, his 1st and 2nd prize. There will alopinion does not particularly ap- so be the prize for winner of the ply to the present difficulty.

Another recent writer on constitutional theory and practice, Sir Sidney Low, says:-

"It is well within the prerogative of the Sovereign to refuse his assent to a Dissolution of Parliament if advised on inadc- out a home, was sent down for four quate or frivolous grounds. But months. such action cannot conveniently safekeeping, was discharged. be taken by the King unless he has reason to suppose that the ed from the bench that he had given Opposition leaders would be will- judgment for defendant in the case ing to accept office without dis- of George Ingerman vs. Dr. H. Rensolving Parliament."

The following article taken from The Times of December of his dog. red in Newfoundland in 1908-09, when the Morris and Bond Par-and papers, the property of the ties tied at the polls. Have we Judges of the Supreme Court, came ness said at this time Sir Richard MR. created a precedent?

PARALLEL FROM NFLD. Hitherto precedents for the present for almost entirely in the constitucloser analogies, however, may be found in the Dominions, which have Constitutions based upon that of the Mother Country. A correspondent calls our attention, for example, to the legislative deadlock in New York and although the stolen property was later found by a workman in the legislative deadlock in New York and although the stolen property was later found by a workman in the legislative deadlock in New York and although the stolen property was later found by a workman in the legislative deadlock in New York and the leg our attention, for example, to the legislative deadlock in Newfoundland in 1908-09. A General Election had produced a tie between the Governin his possession a key which led to produced a tie between the Governin his possession a key which led to ment Party, led by Sir Robert Bond, the office, there was no proof to show

of the House of Assembly that has principally been the means of depriving my present Ministry of their maority in that House; and I should be glad if you would kindly inform me in writing whether you could, if so comsioned, form a Ministry that would

Supply and carrying on the business Mr. Gillis. orandum were as follows:-

istry that can procure at least six of 12 a.m. and 1 p.m. The want of confidence vote House, a General Election, and a sec- What makes the difference?

ed, and Sir Edward Morris became Mr. Cramm at Wabana

Re-Open Immediately

We are informed that the negotia- the cheque.

6 prizes in all for 30c Chance of a lifetime for those who attend.

Magistrate's Court.

An elderly woman taken in for His Honor Judge Morris announce

dell. This is a case in which the plaintiff took action a few days ago, claiming \$40.00 damages for the loss

with the larceny of several copies of he resigned his position in 1922. Consolidated Statutes, other books up for hearing this morning. The asked him to arrange to get \$100,000 defendant upon being arraigned elic. from the Steel Company. ited to be tried in the Lower Court, and entered a plea of "Not Guilty." The evidence as submitted by the political situation have been looked Crown witnesses was not sufficient almost entirely in the constitu-nal history of Great Britain. Even his Honor dismissed the case. There ever, failed to fix the date.

resignation. The Governor wrote to J. J. Miller Cross Examined by Attorney Lewis

Who is Collishaw?

of the country. At a personal interview

Asked by Mr. Hunt what became of the Governor handed Sir Edward cheques he had received from Miss McDougall, G. D. McDougall and their but he did not remember." Morris a memorandum, to which Sir Miller the witness replied he gave staff. Meaney and himself had a draw-Edward Morris offered no objection. gave them to Sir Richard at his resi- ing room section on the train going witness about the Bay de Verde elec- ment is about to take office. The The two principal points of the mem- dence in return for a promise of a to Montreal. This meeting with the tion "It should be clearly understood vate office of Sir Richard the follow- all proceeded to Montreal. During the Squires' request he gave some assist-

months' Supply, and thus avoid, for at MR. HUNT-The various sums men- contract was discussed. least this spring, a dissolution of the tioned so far do not total \$46,000.

and fail the Governor may then en- In answer the witness explained deavour to obtain a Coalition Ministry, that there was a sum of \$380 of his say?

then represents the full amount? Wesley Young Men's Literary WITNESS-Yes. As checked up by WITNESS-They asked if our Prime produced by counsel which witness

tions between the Government and Asked if he had communicated with the result of their interviews. Besco were considered at a Council the Company in reference to the COMMISSIONER-The only result first had reference to Government meeting last night with the result that cheque about this time, the witness of the interviews that I have is that tenders for coal from the Nfid. Coal curable to both Conservatives work on Bell Island will be resumed could not remember and was allowed they questioned if the Prime Minister Trading Co., the answer to which reand Liberals, he will not be al- either to-day or to-morrow, and will to examine his correspondence at the was sane. What did you tell him? be continuous until Dec. 15th next. No period so as to fix a date. As he could WITNESS-I told him (Sir Richard) Works, The second letter was written new arrangements have been made not do so Mr. Hunt asked whom did he that Mr. McDougall would not take for the purpose of obtaining Sir R. A. with reference to the royalty, but at communicate with, witness replied Sir the matter seriously. The witness Squires' influence to secure an order the moment, the important matters is W. D. Reid, a director of Dominion. then explained that he had gone to to supply the Reid Nfid. Co.' with to give the miners, who have exhaust- A message in code was sent through Montreal at the request of Mr. Mc- \$10,000 tons of coal. In this case the Dicey, one of the high au- ed their means, an epportunity to re- Mr. Howard Reid, his son. The reply Dougall on matters in connection with writer was referred to the chief Purforities on such questions, of sume work. The news will be welcome to that message was dated March 3. his appointment to a position in the chasing Agent of the Co. All docuin Bell Island, where so many are de- The reply was put in evidence and Company's employ at St. John's. The ments were identified by witness. pendent upon this industry. At least marked. A second message dated witness then related a visit to the Asked if his relations with Sir Rich-Don't forget the Big Games of read aloud and the Commissioner ion Steel Co. Mr. Kempton, the Secre-until Meaney's suspension. He stated

dishonored.

whether he posted it or gave it to John's coming via New York. | was produced signed Miller and sent him personally. He knew it passed to MR. HUNT-Did Mr. Wolvin carry from Halifax to Sir R. A. Squires, Afhis hands. Nothing further transpired out your suggestion? until the fall of 1921 when Mr. Gillis WITNESS-Yes. Shortly after I ar- stated that he had permitted another went to Bell Island and arranged for rived home he received a letter from person to use his name in forwarding the transfer of the \$20,000 amount to Mr. Gillis. (This letter will be pro- the cable. Further questioned it was Sydney Bank account. Previously it duced at the hearing on Wednesday). elicited that the name of the person was charged to the Company's ac- About the middle of March, 1923 two who sent it was Collishaw. This count at the Bank in Wabana. It had auditors, Messrs. Tasman and Kemp- caused some amusement in the court never been entered on the Company's ton, arrived here and made a special and the Commissioner expressed some books there. The transfer meant a audit.

the former would not show a debit. Asked what happened the \$26,000 Questioned about a visit to Sir

MR. HUNT-Which Company? WITNESS-Dominion. Mr. Hunt asking what date the witness replied, "sometime before Sir Richard left for Montreal." He, how-

occasion when you interviewed Sir

a reasonable prospect of being able to James Miller which began in the fore- If he obtained the money it was arinduce Parliament to pass Supply, acon was continued during the after- ranged that it was to be deposited in and carry on the business of the coun- noon session and concluded at 4 p.m. an American bank either the First when the cross-examination by Mr. National or First International. The I wish it to be clearly understood Lewis opened. When the witness took witness was not sure which was the that the object I desire to attain is a his seat he informed Mr. Hunt that he name of the Bank mentioned. He and linistry that can obtain Supply and had not brought with him the mes- Meaney then left for Montreal procarry on business, so as to render a sage sent to Mr. McInnis and it was ceeding by S.S. Rosalind sailing early dissolution of Parliament and a Gen- probably in the possession of his sis- in January. On the eve of their deeral Election in the spring unneces- ter. A reply to the cable was produced parture, the witness said, he received and put in evidence. It was dated a letter from Sir Richard. Asked what Sir Edward Morris replied to the Halifax, August 2nd. A copy of an- became of the letter, the witness reeffect that he was prepared to under- other cable sent the same day was of- plied that he gave it to Meaney. Questake the formation of a Ministry to fered as evidence, but Mr. Lewis ob- tioned about what happened during meet the House at an early date and jected. The witness stated he could the trip that had relation to the matwith reasonable prospect of passing find no correspondence he had with ter in hand the witness said that at gave aid to any candidate at that elcheque he said he received at the pri- officials was by appointment and they

the officials of the Company.

Sir Robert Bond eventually resign- The money, he said, was paid through and would shortly be coming to Mon- previous to that, purchasing agent. He treal.

MR. HUNT-The cheque of \$46,000, COMMISSIONER-What was their position or requesting Sir Richard's

reply?

said this occurred the and they stayed at the Ritz Carlton to refresh witness' memorylatter part of March or early in April. for a period of about three weeks. Sir dated May 15, 1923 the other June 12, He was not sure of the date, but it Richard came there shortly after their 1923. Both were addressed to Sir was only a few days after he received arrival and they informed him of the Richard, Both were signed J. J. Miller discussions they had on the train- and copies of the replies signed by R.

objected to having letter messages Wolvin, then President of the Domin- at that time and they remained cordial tary, was present. Mr. Wolvin during that he stood by Meaney because he After making some explanation re this interview told witness that Sir did not get a square deal. Witness the balancing of the books of the com- Richard had been there at 10 a.m. two further added that their change of repany at the end of March, the witness hours previously and had stated that lations dated from the time of was asked by the Commissioner to he had not received one cent of the Meaney's interview with his solicitor. state what he did after the cheque was \$46,000 from Millet. He suggested that it must have been used by himself and The witness explained that he sent his sister. In reply to Mr. Wolvin the it to Mr. Gillis at the head office in witness asked to have an investiga- personal interviews or correspondence Sydney. He was not sure, however, tion. Miller later returned to St. with Sir Richard in August. A cable

transfer from the Wabana Bank ac- MR. HUNT-Did you receive any and why it should happen that whencount to the account at Sydney so that communication from the auditors? | ever the name Collishaw was men-WITNESS-Yes, a certificate. A tioned a laugh was raised. "Apparentcertificate dated March 26th stating ly. Mr. Lewis," said the Commissioner note the witness said it was outstand- that Jas. Miller, chief accountant, had "you and I are the only persons pres-Britain with that which occur- has been held on remand charged ing at the Bank on Bell Island when directly accounted for all the moneys ent who are in the dark as to the under his control and had left the cause of this humour." The Comemploy voluntarily was put in evi- missioner asked when Collishaw had

> MR. HUNT-With the exception of that it was some time in the autumn. \$2,000 the rest of the money \$43,000 The Commissioner thought that it was accounted for by the slips put in must indeed be a very dull time in the city with the chief wit absent Q .- You say the whole of this went for so long. At this point the session

> closed until Wednesday as certain of WITNESS-As far as I know it was the Counsel are engaged in the trial passed over on the drafts and was in the Supreme Court to-day. charged up to the Company by the

a cent of the amount and you never begun by Mr. Lewis.

LOOK-LOOK-at the CRESCENT WEDNESDAY NIGHT 5--Big Acts-- 5 Newfoundland Vaudeville

DAN McCARTHY

WEST & KING

Playing New Selections on the Piano-In Burnt Cork Comedy and Mandolin

DAINTY DOLLY and DAN DELMAR Impersonating Jackie Coogan.

C. WISEMAN, assisted by DAN DELMAR, in JERRY HOULIHAN TAKING THE CENSUS

of Melodious Melodies.

USUAL BIG AMATEUR CONTEST FRIDAY NIGHT.

LONDON, Jan. 21.

TO-DAY'S MESSAGES. Asked when the Bye-election took place the witness renlied the Bye-THE LABOR PARTY'S PROBLEMS election in Harbor Main in 1920. To

Mr. Lewis then questioned the history of England, a Labor Govern-

Labor amendment to the Address in Witness said that at Sir Richard Reply to the Speech from the British Politics. "It should be clearly understood vate omce of Sir Richard the closure trip of 30 hours the matter of the elthat what I desire to have is a Mining day (Monday) between the hours trip of 30 hours the matter of the elin 1919 when he made arrangements Throne, introduced in the House by John Robert Clynes, Deputy Leader imination of the two clauses of the in 1919 when he made arrangements of the Parliamentary Labor Party, whereby the miners at Wabana might on January 17th, was adopted to-COMMISSIONER-What are these without loss to themselves record night by a vote of 328 to 256, J. Ramclauses? The bill which committed the their votes. The purpose was to help say MacDonald himself moving the WITNESS-Two thousand dollars Company to an expenditure of \$3,- Mr. Cave. He also had something to closure which was agreed to. The It should be made perfectly clear I had on loan from a friend. This I 000,000 at Bell Island and on the do with the elections last spring. amendment reads, "But it is our duty respectfully to submit to Your Majesty that Your Majesty's present addealings with Sir Richard Squires, visors have not the confidence of the rangements between the Government support of Herbert Asquith, former COMMISSIONER-What did Meaney and the Company and with regard to

Only nine Liberals voted with the Government against Clynes' amendment. The final scene had been made of the parties in relation to the fair hope and prospect of being able Bye-Elections in Bay de Verde of looking for \$300,000 for the eliminaa small minority chiefly Conservatives, to get the debate carried on in could not remember seeking a higher assistance in the matter. A letter was clearly the great body of members Class Debate, Tuesday, January

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Sir Richard.

Minister was crazy. Then McDougall identified. It was addressed to Sir Richard.

Asked what happened in connection asked what authority we had to col
Richard Squires, and dated July 7, a great political event of foremost more respectively.

Class Debate, Tuesday, January

Asked what happened in connection asked what authority we had to col
Richard Squires, and dated July 7, importance been enacted with so litsupported by about one third of hose who registered their votes, Martin Bourne. Visitors welCompany to have contributed that Asked by Mr. Hunt what Hotel they cause of his losing the job, Counsel enLabel Title Sir Richard was coming later. It said that he (Sir Richard) was the fact that the cause of his losing the job, Counsel enLabel Title Sir Richard was coming later. It said that he (Sir Richard) was the fact that the amount (represented by the cheque) stayed at, the witness replied they to the campaign funds.

Were in Montreal four or five weeks

The witness said this occurred the and they stayed at the Ritz Carlton

The witness said this occurred the and they stayed at the Ritz Carlton strike on its hands. Strikes have been the most serious tests of authority and tact of the various British cabinets. How the Labor Party will deal with this strike, which un-A. Squires were also submitted. The doubtedly it would much prefer not to have to deal with, and whether it will stand as champions. of the Railway Engineers against Employferred witness to the Dept, of Public ers furnishes a situation as remarkable in British politics as any of the series of remarkable events that have followed the downfall of Lloyd George Coalition Cabinet. Premier Baldwin will present his resignation to the King to-morrow and the King will summon J. Ramsay MacDonald to form a new Government. "A Ministry placed in a min- 800 men will be given work at once. March 24th was also put in. Mr. Lewis Besco office at the request of Mr. ard were cordial, witness replied Yes SITUATION IN SYDNEY UN-CHANGED.

WHO IS COLLISHAW?

Here and There.

Kosy Felt Footwear for ladies' and gentlemen at SMALL-WOOD'S,—dec24,tt

ber or direct from the agents.

SYDNEY, N.S., Jan. 21

The Nova Scotia miners' tie-up. which has been in existence one week, remains in an unchanged condition, with hopes that a meeting of offer some solution. The last hope for immediate resumption of work Witness could not remember any was dissipated this evening when the Provisional Executive of the U.M.W. District 26, at Glace Bay, acting upon instructions from the International President, John Lewis, wired ter some close questioning, witness Premier Armstrong, at Halifax, that they would not agree to his suggestion of a fifteen day truce for the purpose of re-opening negotiations which the company had agreed to. They advised that the company still had an offer from them to carry on for ninety days at 1923 rates, while wage negotiations were mutually settled. It is understood that some fuel coal for the miners themselves announced that if the miners will left here, to which witness replied coal for local purposes, they will centres dependent upon coal for opagree, but what they have now bank- erating their plants fear enforced ed they need for operating the Steel idleness because of inability to obtain Plant and protecting property there. supplies.

MOTHER ELECTROCUTED IN AN ATTEMPT TO RESCUE HER

Mrs. Louis Coler, aged 42, was elecocuted at her home in Dartmouth came entangled in electric wires in the cellar while attempting to rescue ffered a minor shock from an ex-

please you. He can get stocks of

A Public Meeting

THE AVALON COMEDY TRIO in a Medley

CANON WOOD HALL

Wednesday Evening, the 23rd, at 8 o'clock

to form an Outport Nursing and Industrial Association.

The Hon. the Prime Minister and the Rev. H. J. A. MacDermott ("Dr. Mac. of Fortune Bay") will be the principal speakers.

Lady Allardyce, President of the Outport Nursing Committee, will preside.

Ex. S.S. Digby:

Valencia Oranges, 300's. Valencia Onions, 4's and 5's. Green Grapes, kegs.

GEORGE NEAL,

all their contents and three other loan, provided she pays the Allie the Besco officials to-morrow will buildings are more or less damaged. during that period ten million gold RAILWAY STRIKE THREATENS TO count.

TIE UP INDUSTRIES. The second day of the strike called by the Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen in a protest against the wage reduction, noon to-day tendered his resignation found the men and railway companies and that of his ministry to King proclaiming that their respective posi- George. On Mr. Baldwin's advice he tions were gaining strength. Many of summoned Mr. McDonald, the Labor the later reports from the provincial leader, for an audience at noon. centres were far from reassuring to thousands of people who use the rail- ANOTHER FIRE WITH TRAGIC REways. Not only were the men standing announcement will be made by Ressiderable numbers of enginemen have many persons burned and injured and co to-day. In the meantime the strike is quiet and orderly, and the only outstanding effect is scarcity of tions of their Labour Union. Coal districts fear that the mines will soon it destroyed the business centre and surrounding country. Besco has have to cease work if the tie up con- Lyndonville, seven miles from here tinues owing to lack of means for early to-day. moving the output, while industrial

hably will meet Hugo

has been in the Ruhr

Schwab, United States

HALIFAX, N.S., Jan. 22. out six o'block last night twhen she for the pa sed, wire of a portable light.

SERIOUS FIRE IN NORTH SYDNEY.

Loss of three lives was narrowly the Le

crowns annually on reparation ac

LONDON, Jan. 22. BALDWIN HANDS IN HIS RESIG-NATION.

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SULTS.

ST. JOHNSBURY, Vt., Jan. 22 One woman was reported killed and

LENIN REPORTED DEAP. MOSCOW, Jan. 22. Nicola Lenine, Premier of Soviet Russia is dead.

Here and There.

officials at the Krupp and the Holy Cross Double bably will meet Hugo Quartette at St. Patrick's Convent to-night,-jan22,11

CARD TOURNEY-A large gather-O RECEIVE A LOAN, ing participated in the card tourna-LONDON, Jan. 22. ment under the auspices of the Stav soon receive a loan of R. R. and B. Committee last night. The crowns from the Al- prizes were won by Messre. A. Sulivan, A. Piccott, J. Meaney and W.

Nations vesterday is acReparation Commission.

deliberation at St.
the League experts dengary should be allowin which to repay the C.C.C. Orchestra.—jan21,21

Cross-Exami nires by Wa Q.-She aske A.-Yes, that had in mind y Q.-She paid went to Mont that would be asked you nonths' salary A.—That is said she want Q.-You hav to you before ary 1923, and A.—That is Q.-Why die

ount that s A.-I canno er a cheque COMMISSIO stead of \$120 A.-I do no noney, and count," and yo I do not see her \$120.00 un

ient at the tim A.-The fac \$80.00, but wh mind at the ti MR. WAR terwards yo \$40 00? A .- That is had asked me

way.

Q.-Do you

bout that int A .- The on about it is the Q.—That sh and you gave A.-I do no gave her \$80.0 whether I sen Q.-Do you about that in A.-No. I do that happened Q .- You did she talk to yo cial matters? A .- Not tha Q.-Would

A .- No, she likely to. Q.-Why w A .- She wor to talk about might, in con funds or som regard to poli any suggestion these Meaney

alk about an

did not. COMMISSIO hat when she her an evasiv