# The Country Acclaims John R. Bennett and His Party

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# To-Morrow's the Day

#### Each Man Has a Vital Part to Perform.

To-morrow the Squires-Coaker Government will stand before the people of Newfoundland to be judged for their actions in the discharge of the trust committed to them 31/2 years ago by a trusting people, and the verdict must be given at the polls on that day for the weal or woe of our country. The people must decide whether the Government into whose hands they placed the destinies of the country in 1919 has proved itself worthy. If its actions during their term of office were such as would warrant giving them another term. Judged by their record, can we trust them to do better in the future? Would it be madness to take the risk? Has not their conduct of public affairs been so atrociously bad that it would be madness to take the risk of placing them in power again?

Compare the condition of the country to-day with what it was 3½ years ago, when the present Government took over the duties we entrusted to them. The country then was prosperous, its people happy and contented, and the future looked good. Now what do we find. The Government, in atter defiance of the rights of others and common decency, has, by its borrowing, squandering, pleasure trips, pauper relief, fishery regulations, and all the other scandals brought the people from prosperity to poverty. There is no man who will look at the case in an honest way but must come to the conclusion that their actions are in-

After going into the evidence placed before the people, we have no hesitancy in saying that the verdict will be that they cannot be trusted. That those who would support them would be equally culpable. That they have betrayed the trust of the people. That they have trodden the Constitution under foot and have ruled by Minute of Council instead of by the people's re- East and West will be at home to in the hope of gulling the people of ceive may be elected to support the lect in and ship from Port Union. The presentatives. That they have ignored the rights of the people their friends and supporters in the the city, some outlandish rumor will Government, will Squires or Coaker, work of collecting, packing, shipp and brought the country to the brink of ruin. All these things, theatre flat of the Star Hall to-night, be circulated in the city and nearby think you, have the greater number? and all the kinds of labor ass and others too numerous to mention, make them ripe for the when the candidates will deliver addresses and submit final reports of resort of a dying and humiliated concannot be truthful, and answer other-

vote for a clean and capable Government under the leadership

### Greetings from St. John's to the Electors of Conception Bay.

Join Hands for a United Victory with Large Majorities in Favour of Our Fifteen Bennett Candidates.

On the eve of polling day, and on | lent results for the nine candidate this the final opportunity afforded, St. who represent the Bennett Party in John's extends heartiest greetings to Conception Bay, and from all accounts its fellew-countrymen all over Con- believe St. John's will not be misception Bay with the strong confi-taken that their fellow countrymer dence that these two important sec- across the Bay will accomplish their tions of the Island will create a mem- aim and duty also. The return of the orable epoch and a great national 15 members will then constitute a event by electing with sweeping ma- very important portion of the new

jorities all of the 15 candidates who Government, which will be promptly represent the policy of Bennett and installed in response to the overwhelming desire of the popular will So far as St. John's is concerned it and then all will be made clear for the assures the voters of Conception Bay beginning of the new era of prosper that there is no doubt whatever here ity, which we have been prevented of the city districts performing their from enjoying by the reckless and share of its duty and its aim to-mor- rulnation deeds of the worst Governrow. For the most confirmed Govern- ment that ever betrayed a whole counment supporter knows in his inner- try's population. In the spirit then of most mind there is positively no hope the greatest friendship and fraternity, whatever for the election of one of and as citizens of our one com the Government candidates; that their native land and desirous for the welcause is irretrievably ruined, and that fare of every voter in Conception Bay, the bluff of their newspapers is mere- St. John's now cheerfully renews ly for the purpose of deceiving the again expressions of the very heartrest of the country. St. John's West lest that the enthusiasm is favor of
is as hopelessly lost to them as St. Bennett and Better Times which
John's East and the courage of suppromises such a signal victory in the

Porters and candidates is so shaker. porters and candidates is so shaken that their very countenances display their hopeless prospects. We bespeak then on behalf of the great majorities who will go on record to-morrow to register the election of the six Bennett candidates here, the same excel-

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MINARD'S LIMIMENT USED BY afternoon; nothing sighted to-day.

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which have come to the city we firmly

## The Tyrant of the North.



The days of tyranny are rapidly drawing to a close and a happier and more independent people will be thankful for release. Coaker, the Government head and self-styled autocrat of the North, is now shivering in abject fear, for help is at hand and the Bennett Candidates are being proclaimed from all districts.

The shackles of Coakerism have been thrown off, and a happier people are acclaiming BENNETT AND BETTER TIMES!

# To-Nights Big Meeting Will You Vote

In The Star Theatre.

lic. It is generally accepted that all such propagands. The Government would be committed to it, but I will and if Coaker means so much of six will be elected with hig majorit- is defeated and the true lesson will be keep outside it, as a supporter, where ies and that Premier Squires himself told at the big meeting in the Star I can control it." will be badly defeated. The repeated Theatre to-night; when it will be stempts on the part of the Coaker- clearly demonstrated that the peo- St. John's? He has himself said, un- out whom he cannot have that power duires newspapers and paid sup- ples wishes will be realised on to- mistakably: "I will make the grass Every vote for Squires, every vote for corters to broadcast fake messages morrow when the country will de- to grow in her streets." To the best a Squires candidate, is a vote f and fabricated stories during the past clare itself for Bennett and Better of his ability for evil, has he not ful- Coaker, for Coaker rule, for Coaker

## The Greatest Victory In Our Local History.

The Wires Hot with the News that All to the ticular. Newfoundland Favours the Policy of what he will do if the electors but patriotism demands of them on the Bennett and Better Times and that the give him the power. He has declared: occasion as to vote for Squires or an will Nationalize the fish trade." other Coaker candidate. Squires-Coaker Combine will be Annihilated at The Polls.

great mainstay of the country by the and in favor of the popular policy anging so long over the homes of body will then be lifted and in which will bring to all the fullest neasure of the ideals of life, constant

Evidence is accumulating every is the aim of the voters of the outhour of the day that the voice of the ports, consequently but a small inconpeople all over Newfoundland is pro- sequential minority who are yet insing in no uncertain tones that capable of realizing the horrible con- ton. She took a part freight and the Hilda Krentslin, M. G. Basha, the Squires-Coaker Government is sequences of Coakerism will support following passengers:—Hon. R. Wat- Susie Crane, A. Spencer, H. Hawl doomed. There is no warning what- the latter cause. Make no mistake son, Geo. Snow, Miss Margaret Mur- G. Ryan, Miss M. Noseworthy, ever in the determination of the fish- about the result then for the Govern- phy, Capt. and Mrs. G. Berg, Master G., Williams and 2 children, ermen in every District to rid the ment is doomed without a doubt, and W. Berg, Miss G. Berg, Miss B. Gal- Flight, Miss M. Williams, W. LeDre country from the Menace of Coaker- therefore we say to all still within way, Miss I. Wilson, Mrs. E. Butt, P. Styles, F. Williams, J. Bragg, L. ism. The free development of the fish- our reach to keep the enthusiasm Miss M. Butt, Master J. Butt, Mrs. M. Lawton, Miss S. McCarthy, W. eries, unhampered by any more mad going until polling day and when this Carbery, Miss L. Parsons, Miss A. rick, J. North. regulations is their sole aim and de- arrives to rally to the booths in all sire. Add to this the encouragement their strength and make the blow all for the further prosecution of the the more effective against Coakerism BENNETT AND BETTER TIMES.

#### Rescue the Perishing.

Coaker has gone to Bay de Verde to It is said that a hurried call was sent out yesterday for help to Cave and Piccott, and this has been the response. Dr. Barnes has left Twilling gate District in despair. He was bille to speak at Grand Falls this week its stead there will spread over the but put in no appearance and has and those bright rays of prosperity

The standard bearers of John R. | more harm than good and it is only | We speak as to sane men, residing | That means that he will have the her Bennett in the districts of St. John's natural to suppose that on to-morrow in St. John's. In any party you con- quarters in Port Union. He will contheir work during the past eight glomeration. In view of any staged wise. You will say "Coaker, of course." John's forever. He has boldly warned weeks, and the various issues as they attempt in this respect we advise the Well, Coaker himself has said, "I will you. Will you not heed? stand will be placed before the pubnot be in the Government, for so

> What would Coaker control mean for him in power, by voting for men with filled this threat? By establishing Port vendetta against St. John's. No sa Union, he has permanently deprived unprejudiced or unbought man ca this city of much of the trade and give one to such men with such an en labor that its people once carried on. in view. What, then, Mr. Elector w The laborers, the truckmen, the coop- be your vote on Thursday,-what as ers and all tradesmen, have for years you, insane, prejudiced or bought earned less than they would have done | Will you not reason calmly? Will you had there been no Coaker. And indi- allow your vote to be influenced ectly, by his infamous Fishery Regu- sectarian prejudice? Will you so f lations, he has done yet greater harm forget your duty to your country as to the prosperity of this city in par- your city as to allow a dollar bill

blind you to the light? We are co And what he has done is nothing to vinced that tew will so far forget

#### Sachem Outward.

this morning for Halifax and Bos- Mrs. R. Daws, Master A. Daws,

### Reward Offered.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN. A libelous Circular was distributed on Tuesday evening about me, headed

"HOW MUNN BECAME KNOWN." This Circular is a tissue of falsehoods. No newspaper would publish it knowing that they would be liable for heavy damages.

#### I NOW OFFER A REWARD OF FIFTY DOLLARS

W. A. MUNN.

## Sir Robert Bond S

"The Country's Eyes Ough be Opened to the Writing on the Wall."

The country's eyes ought to be of, much less suppressent opened to the writing on the wall and no light which can be thrown upon without delay to a Stock to them should be neglected nor should the preparation of a correct any evidence be ignored much less sheet so that we may know

SIR ROBERT BOND, K.C.M.G. We take the above from a message right thing to do. itten by Sir Robert to the city press arly last year. We regret we cannot look back over past history, a comply with the wishes of many more profitable than theory, riends of the old Liberal chieftain glance will convince them o republish same, but clip some para- little Colony of a quarter of graphs which in the main convey the inhabitants has been apelig ntiments of Sir Robert at the time ness that has turned out of writing and which in our opinion barrassing; that it has atta would read the same to-day with the to trappings that are no same spirit as it was read for the first | ludricous but are excessi

"In my boyhood days, as one walk-ed down Water Street, about the be-acting the part of the sp inning of the New Year, great wood- without regard to the cons shutters were to be seen in front and has been piling up debt of the mercantile houses, the en- ing no provision to liquidate rance doors were padlocked, and out- not our present business to side them was affixed the notice quiry so as to discover u Stock Taking"—a silent intimation shoulders shall rest the chie to the public that something serious sibility for this condition was being conducted within that re-, affairs. It is sufficient for us quired the undivided attention of the nize the facts and divine will

I deem it not inexpedient at this eloquently spoken by the Pre ne to urge its application to our the United States last mon political, our public affairs. If I un- 'Stock Taking' of the great a rstand the signs of the times aright the world-it is not to be d hey are ominous. The country's eyes that Government falls when ought to be opened to the writing on cess of its cost robs the people the wall, and no light which can be way to happiness and the open thrown upon them should be neglect-ed nor should any evidence be ignor-

It is the prudent thing to do,

not only entirely unjust

# for Coaker? Voters of St. John's East and We

**Newfoundland, with Hands** 0 stretched, is Asking You to Save Her from Coakerism and Blue Ruin.

The indignation of the forty thou- | of St. John's and freedom sand people who live in the district Menace of Coakerism," wi of St. John's, comprising the East- ment is endorsed by forty ern and Western sections, is now people in St. John's today raised to such a high pitch that which cannot fail to speed profiteers and Coakerism alike must about the rejection of the met eedily be overwhelmed beneath the restoration again of the his tornado of the people's anger. of men who are not obliged

"Hands off the city of St. John's" their backs to the whip of s the universal sentiment of all its driver for a few paltry do rue lovers and inhabitants, and the forfeiture of principles. when a people's determination is Up men of St. John's! Li hus aroused its assailants in the forces with the North. So ape of profiteers and Coakerites and West in the determined vill be forced to swallow such a pur- strangle the menace of Co ative as will for ever prevent them Squisesism and Bolshevism m laving hands on a populace who dragging the life's blood ou vill not stand for such tyranny as is business reins of the Colo low being experienced under Coaker commerce and prosperity.

The issue is as to whether the peo- life and you will have reason le of St. John's West are going to gratulate yourselves of had lect 3 members who will be obliged Thursday, the 3rd day of Manager than the state of d to crawl down on their hands and the best job you could perfo eek to William F. Coaker and thus have it in your own hands. effect this humiliation on the con- Defend your rights and iency they would represent, or your compatriots. nether instead the district should You are the Jury and it is at in 8 members pledged to defend to decide.

Tou are the Jury and a second to decide.

Are you going to stand by the work for the safeguarding of the earners? lfare of the laborers, its mechanics | If so vote for one and a

nd all its other inhabitants. With the issue so clearly before it t. John's will not commit political sicide, which would be the inevitable quence of placing their repreives under Coaker rule, as the e we have had of it so far is ch convincing proof.
It must then be "hands off the city

straight ticket for a new

true representatives of the

Higgins, Fox and Vinicon Cashin, Linegar and Ho

# Why Vote for Squires

Men of St. John's West: Why for Squires? For sectarian really you vote for Squires? You What should they have to do really convinced as you can be of any- voting? You are not about aker would be dominant. You falth, but to set right the tame of the believe that Squires is fluent, ver, industrious; you may regard ony. The future of St. 108 as superior in gifts to Coaker great economic question for return or Coaker to power production for the coaker production for th return of Coaker to power means of the can win a majority independof Coaker. Believe, if you like,
if free of Coaker. Squires would
satisfactory—he is not free of
ker, cannot be, and you know it!
hen why will any man of you vote

ention Bay to the Lib ive Party ett and the the partie eir merits a and the ba nett Part ers! You - Squire been giver

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