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GROSSLY INCONSISTENT.

It is screamingly inconsistent for the Mail to denounce Cashin as one of the makers of the Railway Contract, 1898,—the "Reid Deal"—and in the same breath claim that credit be given to Squires for the Humber Deal, which is based on the Reid Deal. It is not true, as claimed by the Mail, on Thursday, that "the Humber proposition was initiated by the present Government. It was initiated by the Reids, as the Wilson Deal, in 1916, when Coaker and the Liberal Party, bitterly opposed it. It was revived as the Humber Deal last year, when Greenwood and Blackstad were here, and Squires opposed it. A change has come over Squires and Coaker, the reasons for which do not yet appear, but will!

Cashin supported the Reid Deal, in 1898, and so did Morris! But Squires came into public life under Morris, and supported him for years, especially upon his branch railway policy. How, then, can Cashin be logically denounced for his support of the Reid Deal by the organ of Squires? Squires saw nothing wrong in the Reids in 1917, when he accepted \$5,000 from them under circumstances so graphically described by Coaker.

But why talk now about ancient history, the Reid Deal of 1898? What about the Reid Deal of 1923? What terms has Squires made to acquire the railway, as part of the Humber Deal? How much is to be given the Reids? How much will the railway cost, to carry out the terms relating to it in the Humber Deal? Never mind back files, Mr. Mail, but tell the public how much the Reids are to get, and who enjoys the rake off!

COME TO THE FIRING LINE.

The Mail is untruthful in ascribing to the Telegram the statement that Sir Michael Cashin dropped a libel suit against the Advocate "simply and solely because of a request made by Mr. Coaker." The request was made on behalf of Mr. Coaker, but it was agreed to for a variety of reasons concerned with other matters, urged on behalf of Mr. Coaker, and assented to on behalf of Sir Michael. The fact remains, however, that Dr. Mosdell was the responsible editor of the original libel, and Mr. Coaker was the victim, left with no other prudent course to pursue than to seek the dropping of the action. One reason which doubtless weighed with Sir Michael in not pressing his action was this, that the person really responsible for the libel was not the one who would have been forced to pay the damages if the action had been pushed. Now the libeller is at his agreeable task again, but this time, with the skilled hand of experience, he insinuates indirectly what he more bluntly asserted before. If the Mail courts a libel suit on this matter, Dr. Mosdell should cease his dirty insinuations, and "come out on the firing line." But, we forget, his reputation as a "slacker" forbids the hope that he'll dare that!

The Truth: Nothing But The Truth

Squires Preferred a Promise to Performance—He Delayed Humber Development for Selfish Political Ends.

On Thursday the "Mail" said, "the cry of Bennett and Better Times" is but a promise, but Squires has brought the gift of the Humber, more work and better wages."

And yet it was only last Wednesday that the "Mail" said: "There is no contract. There is only an arrangement to go into effect if the electors support the Government." We pointed out yesterday that the "Mail's" statement on Wednesday was false, and now we say that it's statement on Thursday was equally false. The "Mail" piles lie upon lie in this connection.

It is untrue that Squires has brought the gift of the Humber, or work and wages there, if by the assertion anything more is meant than the merely preliminary work illegally paid for by the Colony itself. It is equally untrue that there is no contract, or only a contract depending upon a Squires victory. There is a valid and subsisting contract awaiting the approval of the Legislature, which approval will be given if Bennett wins.

It is also the solemn and mighty significant truth that the Humber scheme might this very day be the law of the land, and work be in full swing, but for the cruel heartlessness and political cupidity of Squires. The negotiators of the contract on the part of the British Government and the Humber company intended, and supposed they had provided, that the contract should be submitted to the Legislature in February last for approval, and are deeply chagrined that general election proclaimed in advance of approval. The delay is annoying to the Company, it is very detrimental, it is dangerous, it is a blot which ought to be in the doing, it is a blot which ought to be in the doing, it is a blot which ought to be in the doing.

reprehensible departure from a carefully thought out programme. The political trickery of Squires is responsible for the delay. He was thinking only of votes in this connection. He sacrificed public interests to his political necessities. What cared he how much the unemployed might suffer for his delay, how many women might weep, or children go hungry, as the result of trickery which might perchance add the votes he hoped to secure for his candidature by a promise instead of a performance. Squires said to himself, "If I give them work they may vote for me, but if I dangle a promise before them, they must vote for me. I'll dare them to do otherwise. I'll persuade them their future depends upon me." "Gratitude," he said, "is a lively sense of favors (not past) but to come."

And so, if there are unemployed today, or for the next two or three months, who might otherwise have been employed about the Humber development, they and theirs will suffer because "that black rascal Squires" (as Coaker called him) loves himself more than he loves his countrymen.

Sagana Will Finish Discharging To-Day.

SEALS ARE LARGE SIZE. The work of discharging the Sagana's seals continued all day yesterday, 3,360 prime young harps were landed up to 6 o'clock, the net weight being 138 tons, 0 cwt., 1 qr., 7 lbs. The Assembly was dissolved, and the average gross weight turned out general election proclaimed in advance of approval. The delay is annoying to the Company, it is very detrimental, it is dangerous, it is a blot which ought to be in the doing, it is a blot which ought to be in the doing, it is a blot which ought to be in the doing.

The Reckless Boatman



Between the lea shore of Coakerism and the oncoming waves of millions squandered in waste and extravagance, what is likely to be the fate of the country? Therefore, men of Newfoundland, vote for safe, sound and sane representatives, the standard bearers of **BENNETT AND BETTER TIMES.**

Rosalind in Port.

MUCH ICE AND FOG ENCOUNTERED.

S.S. Rosalind, Capt. James, arrived in port from Halifax yesterday at 5 p.m. The ship encountered very heavy ice throughout the trip, while on Thursday last it was very foggy, and the ship made very slow progress. The Rosalind brought a full freight and the following passengers: Miss Eva Olivetti, Mrs. F. McNamara, Mrs. W. B. Comerford, Miss Comerford, D. Brownrigg, Mrs. T. H. Carter, Master Carter, W. S. and Mrs. Monroe, Miss A. Crocker, Jas. Rendell, T. J. Freeman, J. V. and Mrs. O'Dea, Mrs. G. R. Williamson, Stanley Williamson, Miss M. K. Stick, H. and Mrs. Holmes, Misses Dorothy and Molly Holmes, Mrs. A. W. Oldfield, Mrs. J. J. Ferguson, Miss Audrey Ferguson, Miss Shirley Ferguson, A. Thurgateau, G. S. Doyle, W. H. Dorrity, P. Shirley, F. J. Bartlett, C. M. Rogers, J. L. McGregor, Mrs. C. M. Rowe, R. Rowe, Jr., E. T. Barron, Col. A. B. Winah, Mrs. Winah, J. H. Williams, N. Snow, Arthur, Monroe, Leroy Rones, Lady Squires, Master Squires, Miss Squires, Mrs. Whittington, J. C. Ellis and 27 second class. The Rosalind sails again on Tuesday.

Coaker Weakening in Bonavista Bay.

From our correspondent in Bonavista Bay, we learn that Coaker is steadily losing ground in Bonavista Bay. This is what he says: "There is a wonderful change in this Bay since last year. In this section there are 380 voters, and we have gone over the names and, giving Coaker every doubtful one, can only find 63 that may be in his favor. If Bonavista proper should go 50 F. in our favor there is no doubt but Coaker's two men will be defeated even if he himself pulls through. I have heard from good authority that Coakerism is weakening at Bonavista."

From the foregoing it will be seen that Coaker is going to have the fight of his life to retain his own seat and if this is the case in his supposed stronghold, what hope can his hirelings have in Trinity and Twillingate Districts.

Vice Regal Party.

VISITS SEALING INDUSTRY.

This morning at 11 o'clock His Excellency the Governor and party from Government House, accompanied by Mr. Edgar Bowring, paid an official inspection to Bowring's Southside where they watched the landing of seals from the s.s. Sagana. The party then proceeded through the manufacturing plant, first the skinning room and from there to the refinery department where the fat was reduced. His Excellency and staff remained at the premises for upwards of an hour and felt highly pleased with our local industry. The party were conveyed to and from the Southside by the tug Mouton.

Coastal Boats.

S.S. Malakoff sailed at 8 a.m. for Placentia and St. Mary's. S.S. Senef left Burin 7.30 a.m. going west. S.S. Watchful, no report. S.S. Portia at Hermitage.

Eat Mrs. STEWART'S Homs Made Bread—oct4,400

Sealing News.

SLIGHT INCREASE REPORTED—EAGLE COMING HOME.

There was very little doing with the sealing steamers at the icefields yesterday. The Terra Nova and Viking were the only ships reporting an increasing of catch. The former accounting for 2,400 bedlamers, and the latter 1,200 whitecoats. The S. S. Eagle, Capt. E. Bishop, will very likely be the next arrival. The Eagle managed to get clear of the ice on Thursday night, and is slowly working inward. The following were last night's messages:—

BOWRING BROS.

Viking—75 miles S.E. by E. St. Pauls, on board and stowed 3,300, on pans 500. Thick fog, weather unsuitable. Terra Nova—Got 2,400 bedlamers to-day. Ranger alongside. Eagle—Got clear of ice Thursday night, working inwards.

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Neptune—Did nothing to-day, weather foggy, saw many old seals in water. Position 160 miles E. by S. Cape Spear.

Thetis—Position same as yesterday, burnt down all day, thick fog. The catch to date is as follows:—Sagana (in port) . . . 11,500 Thetis . . . 12,500 Terra Nova . . . 11,400 Neptune . . . 11,000 Eagle . . . 10,000 Ranger . . . 7,500 Seal . . . 7,200 Viking . . . 3,700 Total . . . 74,900

Leslie Street Residents.

COMPLAIN OF CONDITION OF STREET.

With hundreds of men working in the West End of the city, there seems to have been no attention given to the clearing away of the snow on Leslie Street. Citizens of this street are strong in the denunciation of the Government in not attending to this matter. People of this street have been unable to get in a supply of coal as the street is impassable for coal and delivery sleighs.

A Service Prostituted.

COASTAL BOATS FOR CANDIDATES USE.

The Government's squandra mania goes on apace despite the terrible condition of the country. No less than three Coastal boats are now brought into requisition in the interest of candidates. S.S. Malakoff in charge of Capt. O'Reilly, is engaged in Placentia Bay to help Mr. T. Bonia through. S.S. Daisy, which left here for Port au Port with Hon. Sam Foote and was jammed in port for 10 days costs three hundred dollars a day to run. S.S. Watchful is now on her way to Port au Port to accommodate Hon. W. R. Warren on his canvas of the district. This ship, like the other two costs about \$300 a day to run, and the tax payers have to pay the bills. For how long more will they stand it.

GRAND JURY SUMMONED.—The Grand Jury are summoned to appear in the Supreme Court on Monday next to consider the indictment for rape preferred against John Humby.

Fox Harbor Will Return

WALSH, SULLIVAN and SINNOTT.

Special to Evening Telegram.

ARGENTIA, April 7. Messrs. Walsh, Sullivan and Sinnett arrived here on Thursday and were right royally received. When the place and time of meeting was announced, this settlement was astir with enthusiasm, all moving towards the new schoolroom to hear the speech of the popular trio. Mr. Walsh's coming to the platform brought forth an outburst of cheering, and his popularity was reflected in the faces of the hundreds present as he drove nail after nail in the political coffin of the present Government, and took his seat amid thunderous applause. Mr. Sinnett came next and made a practical speech in setting home the charges made against the Government by his colleagues. "Gentlemen," said he, "contrast your position to-day with the one you occupied four years ago, and the problem is solved. This needs no explanation from me or my colleagues. I feel sure the intelligent men of Fox Harbor have full grasp of the matter, and when the time comes to mark your ballots, I ask you to remember the issue: Squires and Starvation or Bennett and Better Times." Mr. Sinnett sat down amid great cheering for himself and colleagues. Mr. Sullivan then spoke, and the ovation surprised none, because we found him and his friendship whenever most needed. His speech was clear and convincing, and he fired shot after shot at the rotten Squires-Coaker combination, until it seemed to go up in smoke amid the cheers that rung for Bennett and Better Times. Fox Harbor can be reckoned on one hundred per cent. for Walsh, Sullivan and Sinnett.

Spaniard's Bay in Line for Bennett.

Special to Evening Telegram.

SPANIARD'S BAY, April 6.

The Opposition supporters here received with great enthusiasm and satisfaction the names of Bennett, Hickman and Archibald as the winning team for Bennett and Better Times. The Government supporters concede two seats to the Opposition and hope to get Piccott in a split vote. Whatever hope there was of the fulfillment of this dream has been dispelled by the announcement that Russell has thrown in his lot with Squires and will act as understudy for Piccott, as the latter's health is not likely to benefit by a political campaign. Bennett, as Leader of the Opposition, will poll a vote of which he may well feel proud. Hickman, as a fisherman's merchant, can count on victory in Spaniard's Bay and Island Cove. Archibald is not forgotten by us men for his fighting with the Squires Government to give us work the past three years, and well do we remember the visit of the Governor to Bay Roberts when he addressed the men of Spaniard's Bay, and told us he came on the advice of the Squires executive to tell us to go and catch fish for our families, and that his executive also advised him that the men of Spaniard's Bay were the cause of all the trouble down to Badger. When the time comes to mark our ballots we will show Squires that the Spaniard's Bay men do not forget this insult and Russell-Piccott-Calpin and Simmonds will not save their nomination fee.

McMurdo's Store News.

SATURDAY, April 7. Gressmith's Perfumes comprise some of the finest of the moderate priced perfumes, and are exceptionally good value for the money. Several of them are well known Oriental odors, and the list includes Shamel Nessimio, "the perfume of Arab," Wana Rana, an Indian bouquet, Phil Nana the odor of Ceylon, and Hasu no Hana, a Japanese scent, all of which have their admirers. Price \$1.50 a bottle. The "Rosalind" brought us a fresh lot of Moir's Candles, which we hope to have available for this afternoon and evening. Come to us for your week end supply.

Magistrate's Court.

A drunk was discharged. A case for assault was withdrawn. An East End teamster appeared on a charge of being drunk while driving a horse in the public street. A fine of \$2 or 5 days was imposed. A case for a breach of the Intoxicating Liquors Act preferred by Head Const. Byrne against the proprietor of a city drug store was postponed indefinitely.

Bungled Mails.

No mail arrived by S.S. Rosalind despite previous experiences by the Postal authorities. S.S. Canadian Sapper due here to-morrow, it is understood, is not bringing a mail either. Business people and others will be obliged now to await the arrival of S.S. Sabie I. next week.

MINARD'S LINIMENT FOR COUGHS AND COLDS.

"Confederation Of The Labrador"

"SOLD FOR THE PRICE OF A SHEEPSKIN"

Sale Plotted in Secret Without the People's Warrant—Labrador Fishermen Beware!

The Advocate discussed yesterday what it calls "the Confederation of the Labrador," and in doing so, it does not deny that the Government has negotiated a sale to Canada of this great dependency of Newfoundland. The fact is, we understand, that the price has been tentatively agreed upon, and even the proportions to be paid by Quebec and Canada respectively have been arranged. This was done, with the approval of Coaker, by Squires and Warren, sitting in secret conclave at London with the agents of Canada and Quebec. No mandate of the people has ever been given and no approval by the electors will be asked, but if the Government is returned to power, the shameful bargain will be ratified by a Legislature subservient to the plotters. The Advocate deceitfully talks of the sale as a mere settlement of the boundary lines, as though it were nothing more than a delimitation of the boundaries already prescribed in writing, whereas it is a sale of that portion of the Labrador admittedly ours, and the extent of which was to be made clear by the Privy Council. The agreement is not for the sale of that which is in doubt, but of that which is undoubtedly ours, by law and by possession. The Government proposes to sell to Canada, "for the price of a sheepskin," all that we as a people possess in Labrador as our own right, reserving only to individuals such rights as they may now possess on the Labrador.

The Advocate says that "the full rights of the fishermen on the Labrador will never be interfered with," the only right the fishermen, as such, possess on the Labrador—the right of fishing—they possess even now in common only with all British subjects, and this right, of course, they would continue to have, as they have it now on Canadian Labrador, but only as they now have it there. They would be subject to all Canadian fishery rules and regulations, such as concern li-

matier is spoken of by members of the Government and the Government shows how wholly incapable they are of understanding its importance. The people going from this Colony to Labrador, more especially to the people who fish from the shore, chief from Conception Bay, it is a matter of much more vital importance than the much talked of Humber project. It means that if the sale be made their lifelong occupation will be virtually destroyed.

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