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The Limitation on the Power of the Legislative Council.

By "An Act to make provision with respect to the power of the Legislative Council in relation to those of the House of Assembly," which was placed on the Statute Book in 1917, the authority of that body was considerably curtailed.

This action arose out of a war measure known as the Business Profits Tax, to which the Upper House would not agree, but which the Lower Chamber was determined to enforce. That the attitude of the Legislative Council was not altogether without justification was clearly indicated after the measure was ratified. Here as in England, it was soon found that it could not be effectively applied, it did not bring in the increase of revenue anticipated, and it tended to discourage and impede commercial enterprises.

The measure is intended to apply only to Money Bills, but the wording of the Act is of so general a character that a considerable number of the bills sent up from the House of Assembly come within its scope. It was obviously never intended that the Upper House should be deprived to such an extent of exercising its influence on our legislation. It is representative of our industrial and professional life and the fact that it is not elective gives it certain advantages. For example, it is not influenced to the same extent as the Lower House by party ties; it does not change its personnel periodically, but at the same time it is possible to introduce a new element as occasion demands; it consists to a great extent of members who have had long experience in administration in the House of Assembly; it is less likely to be affected by the fluctuations of public sentiment, as the positions of the members are permanent; the members are of mature years and are closely associated with our most important industries. Consequently they are bound to consider a measure carefully in order to make certain that it will be for the benefit of the country generally before passing it.

While in a manner, the curtailment of the power of the Upper House can be attributed to their own actions, it seems nevertheless regrettable that their influence on our legislation cannot be exercised to a greater extent.

That they should not originate money bills, nor possess the right to vote or amend measures that have direct reference to taxation is undoubtedly a wise and proper restriction, but while it may be argued that in former times they sometimes impeded legislation, many instances on the other hand may be quoted to show that their refusal to sanction a measure in its original form often resulted in its receiving further consideration with beneficial results.

Look out for the Independent.
July 21st

Deputy Colonial Secretary Mews.

DID NOT KNOW THE PRICE.

A few days ago we dealt with the matter of the publication of a pamphlet containing the address of the late Prime Minister Squires, also that of Sir M. G. Winter, leader of the Government in the Legislative Council on the Humber and Railway agreements. It was pointed out that this booklet, which will cost thousands of dollars, was ordered by the Colonial Secretary's Department without the knowledge of the Hon. Mr. Warren, and any member of the Executive Council. In answer to a question the Prime Minister said in the Assembly that "the pamphlet 'containing the address on the subject of the Humber Proposition was ordered by the Deputy Colonial Secretary; ten thousand copies were ordered. The copies were ordered from the office of the Daily Mail. The price was not yet been fixed as 'the pamphlets are not yet complete.' Later Mr. Mews informed Mr. Higgins that he did not know how many copies were to be printed or the price to be charged for same. Mr. Mews gave Mr. Higgins a copy of the official letter from his department, which is as follows:

July 19th, 1923.
Sirs.—Herewith I return certain proofs in connection with official speeches of the Prime Minister and the Leader of the Government in the Legislative Council on Railway and Humber.

I am directed to instruct you to cause these to be published in pamphlet form, the number of copies to be the same as the number to be supplied in connection with the publication of the Budget.

I have the honour to be, Sirs,
Your obedient servant,
(Sgd.) ARTHUR MEWS,
Deputy Colonial Secretary.
Nfld. Publishers, Ltd.,
CHY.

The pamphlet is about seventy pages. The Prime Minister promised a few days ago to take steps to cancel or reduce the order, as it was pointed out a great deal of the matter contained it was false and misleading, and it looked as though it was a serious attempt to finance a party newspaper. The question now to be answered is who ordered 10,000 copies? as the Budget order is not more than five hundred.

Visiting the Humber Development.

The Members of the House of Assembly left the city by special train at 4 p.m. yesterday on a visit to the Humber Development. Amongst those who went out were H. J. Russell, acting Manager of the Railway, and representatives of the press. Owing to there not being sufficient accommodation yesterday it is quite probable that the Members of the Legislative Council will go out when the Members of the Lower House return.

Silvia II. Arrives.

STAG BAY GOLDFIELDS A LIKELY FAILURE.

The yacht Silvia II, Capt. Butler, which left here in July last, with a party on board for Stag Bay, Labrador, returned to port on Saturday. Capt. Butler brought back very discouraging news as far as gold is concerned. All on board feel fully satisfied that no gold is to be found in Big Brook where all the claims are taken up. The party surveyed the river for thirty miles, while other prospectors who went some twenty miles further inland, met with the same poor luck. The Silvia II. will remain here for a few weeks after which she sails for Boston. It is said that a number of miners are reported coming south by the s.s. Sagona and nothing reliable can be received as to whether gold has been located until it arrives. Up to the present outlook is a very gloomy one.

At Cape Broyle.

Over 150 passengers left St. John's on the excursion train yesterday afternoon for Cape Broyle to attend the Garden Party there. The affair was largely attended and was a splendid success. At six o'clock delicious teas were served which were enjoyed by all. Dancing in the open air was then indulged in, after which the visitors entrained for town and arrived here at 12.15.

Salvation Army Wedding.

To-morrow night, Tuesday, August 21st, at the S. A. Citadel, Adelaide St., Colonel Thos. Cloud, Territorial Leader, will conduct the wedding of Ensign Amelia May Frampton to Capt. Joseph Hewitt, two very popular officers, both having rendered excellent service to God and the Army. A pleasant evening is anticipated. Please come early. Doors open 7 p.m. Don't miss it. Band in attendance.

Vice Regal Party at Grand Falls.

His Excellency and Lady Allardie accompanied by Miss Allardie and Captain Goddard, left on Saturday by special train on an official visit to Grand Falls. It is understood that the Governor and Party will be away for about ten days.

Goulds Lady Won Lucky Maine Competition.

Mrs. Violet Williams Hudson, of Peabody, won the \$50 prize for the Lucky Name competition in Boston, recently. She is more than pleased with the prize. She says she never received so much with so little effort, just slipping a coupon with her name and address in an envelope and sending it to the Boston Advertiser, 80 Summer Street, Boston.

Jobs Cove Holds a Garden Party.

A garden party was held at Job's Cove on the 18th, under the auspices of the Shamrock Athletic Association. The weather was ideal, and in consequence a record crowd attended. A lengthy program of sports was run off, the various items were keenly contested, and honours were divided between the teams of Carbonear, Western Bay, Blackhead and Job's Cove. The winners were:—

75 yards—D. Moore, Blackhead.
High Jump—T. Murphy, Job's Cove.
Pole Jump—P. Colbert, Job's Cove.
Three-Legged Race—Clarke and Taylor, Carbonear.
Football Sides—Won by Job's Cove.
1/4 Mile—F. Hawker, Carbonear.
Football Kick—G. Williams, Carbonear.
Barrel and Sack Race—P. Kinsella, Job's Cove.

Football Sides—Won by Job's Cove.
300 yards—F. Hawker, Carbonear.
1/4 Mile—Clarke, Carbonear.
Football Sides—Won by Western Bay.
Final Football (eleven)—Won by Job's Cove.

During the afternoon refreshments were served on the field. A dance was held in the school at night, and the younger folks spent a most enjoyable time. We congratulate Rev. Fr. Williams and his energetic committee on the success of the affair both socially and financially. A return game was played on the sixteenth between Job's Cove and Blackhead at the latter's grounds. The result was a draw. Walsh scored first for his team and James evaded matters for Blackhead. The visitors were subsequently lined by Rev. Mr. Pichering assisted by the Ladies Committee. A notable feature of the meet was the stellar play of the veterans, D. Hudson and R. English, sole survivors in their respective teams of those stalwarts who first met in friendly combat nearly twenty years ago.

McMurdo's Store News.

GAULT'S DIGESTIVE SYRUP.

If you are suffering from indigestion or dyspepsia in any form, try a bottle of Gault's Digestive Syrup. This wonderful remedy is a compound of herbs, bark and roots and contains no injurious minerals whatever. We have many testimonials of its value, and know of many persons who have had instant relief after a few doses. Price 50c.

Of Interest to Tourists.

CASH'S TOBACCO STORE IS NOW READY FOR THE TOURIST TRADE.

The man from England or the United States or any other country when visiting our City, will find his favorite brand of Cigars, Cigarettes, Tobacco and other Requisites at Our Store.

We also carry a full line of Picture Postcards and Books of views of Newfoundland.

Our Soda Water Fountain is now in full swing. Our Ice Cold Coca Cola and other syrups are pronounced by all to be the very best in the City.

A good smoke—a cool drink and a visit to our beautiful Bowling Park will linger in your memory for many years.

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A Popular Star at the Star Movie

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2 ACTS OF LAUGHTER.

COMING:—"THE FLAME OF LIFE." A Jewel Production, in Eight Parts. And the famous REGINALD DENNY, in the
LEATHER PUSHERS
THE CYCLONIC SENSATION OF THE MOVIES.

Schooner Little Stephano O.K.

Capt. Abraham Kean received word this morning that the schooner Little Stephano, with a cargo of coal on board, had arrived safely at Beaverton, N.D.B. from New York, grew all well. Much anxiety had been felt for the safety of the schooner and those on board. On Saturday last the vessel passed the Narrows on her way north, and with everything in her favor she should have reached her destination on Monday last. It is quite possible that the little vessel ran into the north west winds and fog, which prevailed along the coast, and have to until the weather abated. Capt. Collett, who is in command of the schooner, was accompanied by his wife and child.

Come to the Guards Sports Wednesday afternoon or you will miss the greatest event of the season. AYTO Grounds, Pennywell Road—Aug 20, 11.

Sable I. in Same Position.

EFFORTS TO RELOAF SHIP PROVED FUTILE.

Word has been received by Messrs. Harvey & Co. from Lamaline, to the effect that all efforts to refloat the s.s. Sable I. had failed. The stranded ship is, however, in no immediate danger as long as the weather remains fine, and another attempt will be made to refloat the ship when extra apparatus arrives at the scene of the wreck from Halifax. The Stella Maris is due to arrive in port this afternoon with the s.s. Sable I's cargo, which includes some 65 head of sheep.

Fishery Report.

The following report has been received by the Dept. of Marine and Fisheries from the operator at Pogo: Cape Harrison and Makovick—Gale, foggy, with rain. No boats out. Holton—Fresh south winds, showery, poor fishing.

Grady—Strong winds and rain storm; no fish.

Domino, Flat Islands—Light south winds, cloudy and raining; no fish.

Venison Island—Calm, foggy, rain; sign fish reported.

Battle Hr.—Calm, foggy, rain; no fish.

Genlemen's Golf Shoes at SMALLWOOD'S—Aug 14, 11.

Coastal Boats.

Argyle left Argentea 7.30 p.m. Saturday, sailing to-day on western route.

Clyde left Lewisporte 7.50 a.m. to-day.

Gloucester left Port aux Basques 3.30 a.m. to-day.

Home arrived at Bonne Bay 9 a.m. Saturday, outward.

Kyle at Port aux Basques awaiting arrival yesterday's express.

Sagons left Indian Harbor 5.30 p.m. Saturday, coming south.

Malakoff arrived at Port Union 8 p.m. Saturday.

When left Hermitage 9 a.m. to-day, going west.

Ring 1346 for Neary's Dry Kindling Wood—July 31, 11.

Shipping.

S.S. Sachem will sail from Halifax on 22nd for this port.

S.S. Digny sailed from Liverpool for this port on Saturday last.

S.S. Ingraham, 11 days from Glasgow, arrived yesterday with a coal cargo to Job Bros. & Co.

Schr. John W. Miller has arrived from Sydney with coal cargo to Crosby & Co.

Schr. Hazel Trahey arrived yesterday from Oporto, after a splendid run of 80 days. She is in ballast to Balne Johnston & Co.

The Alambic, the twin screw motor schooner, Capt. Coward, master, has just arrived from New York in remarkably good time.

Schr. Northerton arrived at Port Rios on Saturday last.

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The Labrador Gold Fields.

PRESERVE THEIR SECRET.

Among those who returned from the gold fields on the Sylvia II. was Mr. L. Edwards. This gentleman has followed the lure of the yellow metal from the black lands of Alaska to the Antipodes, and his long experience in placer gold mining gives weight to his remarks as to the possibilities of a rich deposit being found.

Early in the season, Mr. Edwards on his arrival here from Montreal proceeded to the Labrador by the Malakoff, and immediately began operations. In the search were some twenty or more reliable men whose lives have been spent in similar expeditions. They crossed the country between Rigolot and Stag Bay and prospected for forty miles up Big Brook and on other waters, but without success. Colour it is true was found in one or two places but there were no prospects worth while. Those who were with Mr. Edwards are either on their way back or will be leaving the coast immediately. The anticipated rush of miners fortunate did not take place and it would appear that most of the reports in American and Canadian papers regarding the rush of thousands were in the nature of a boost rather than founded on reliable information.

Magistrate's Court.

A 30 year old domestic, belonging to Tilt Cove, taken in for safe keeping, was sent down for ten days.

A seaman belonging to S. S. Yankton, who failed to turn up before the ship sailed, was later arrested by the police for being drunk. He was remanded to the Penitentiary until the steamer arrives.

A 48 year old carpenter, Duckworth Street, charged with being drunk and disorderly, was fined \$2 or 5 days.

A 35 year old laborer, taken in for safe keeping, was granted his release.

Two loose and disorderly persons were discharged.

A shopkeeper of Henry Street was summoned at the instance of the Minister of Finance and Customs on a charge of selling smuggled cigarettes. The defendant pleaded guilty. A minimum fine of \$50 or 30 days was imposed.

Three boys for stealing lumber, the property of the Horwood Lumber Co., were each convicted and ordered to pay costs to the value of lumber stolen.

Several of our local Waltonians have had good trout fishing at Hughes Brook of late.

A man of Flat Bay was before Magistrate Farty recently charged with netting Flat Bay Brook. He was fined \$10.00 and costs.

Serpentine River was in excellent fishing condition last week and fish are plentiful there. But at present there are no fishing parties there.

Fishermen on the western rivers continue to have good fishing. It is said that salmon were never more plentiful in our rivers than they are this season.

L. D. Irving and Mr. Pearce returned from Serpentine River on Sunday when they spent nine days fishing and landed 95 fish, ranging in weight from 2 1/2 to 25 lbs. In one day they caught 17 salmon, some of them weighing 20 lbs. each.

There are quite a number of salmon in a pool at Junction Brook below the dam, but so far they refuse to rise to the fly. The fish cannot get above the dam, but it is thought they may work down the river later on. Some are advocating that permission be given to net these fish, but opinion is divided on the matter.

Asked how he enjoyed his holiday, he replied:

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Another story concerns a farmer who was very thirsty, and called at an inn for a drink. He ordered gin and water, and after taking a good drink, he turned to the landlady:

"Ah, say, did ye put 't' gin in first, or 't' water?"

The landlady replied that he had put the gin in first.

"Ay, I shall come at it 't' noo," commented the farmer, as he took another drink.

NOTE OF THANKS.—Mrs. Fred Fildes wishes to thank the Sisters and Nurses of Cowan-Ward; also Drs. Macpherson, Wilson and Fox for their kindness and good attention to her daughter during her stay at that institution—adv.

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Blessing the Ocean.

OLD CUSTOMS AT SEASIDE PLACES.

Once upon a time a great monarch of the ancient world, whose plans for conquest had been thwarted by a sea so rough that it would not permit the passage of his troop-boats, solemnly had the sea scourged. Great chains of iron were taken out between two ships, and the waves were violently chastised.

This only happened once, and isn't likely to again. But the seaside holiday-maker of to-day may sometimes be lucky enough to find a local custom quite out of the ordinary.

Rhos-on-Sea, for instance, just outside Colwyn Bay, has a curious fish weir by its pier; the sea fills it at every high tide, but can only escape through a grating, the result being that large numbers of fish are left in the trap, as it really is.

By ancient custom, the vicar takes a "tithe" of the catch, but instead of taking one fish in ten every day, he claims the whole of every tenth day's haul. In the old days, it was insisted that in return he should read prayers at the weir three times during the fishery season, but this has now been dropped.

At Broadstairs once a year the rector goes out with supplied procession to the little jetty, holds a short service and pronounces a blessing on the sea. The interesting little ceremony with its quaintly old-world touch, always attracts a large number of spectators. A similar service is held at Hastings.

Bardsey, the little island off Anglesey, was another place with an odd local custom. It was so remote from the mainland as to be difficult to administer in the ordinary official way. So some years ago Lord Newborough, the landowner, for the sake of convenience, appointed a local "king," to act as a sort of headman of the little colony.

The "king" was presented with a brass crown, a silver casket, and an "army" consisting of one painted wooden soldier to guard the crown and casket. The last "King of Bardsey," by the way, resigned his post some little time ago.

The Channel Islands have, as most people know, their own odd customs that have come straight down from the time of the Normans.

The ancient Norman-French tongue is still the official language there, and a genuine islander may enter a petition at law by calling aloud in public a request for aid to Rollo, one of the ancient Norman princes.

"Hs. Rollo, to my aid, my prince!" was the call of a Norman with a grievance and this has survived through the centuries up to our own day.

Yorkshire Yarns.

This story concerns two brothers, John and William.

One day they had a quarrel, and although they lived only a stone's throw from one another, they each vowed never to speak again. They didn't for forty years, until one day John fell ill and lay on his death-bed.

William, struck with remorse, went to see him. He sat at the bedside, and together they talked of old times.

When he rose to go, John sat up in bed and called out to him:

"Now, William, if I get better, all this is for nowt."

The above story is told by Dr. W. R. Bishop in "My Moorland Patients." Here's another:

A patient who had lived all his life on the Yorkshire moors (which are practically flat) went to Switzerland for a holiday. When he came home he was very disappointed.

Asked how he enjoyed his holiday, he replied:

"I reckoned nowt too it. I could see nowt for 't' bloomin' hills."

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EXPRESS DUE AT 6.—The incoming express is due at 6 p.m.

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