



Evening Telegram

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Mr. Coaker's Threat.

The Minister of Marine and Fisheries has at length exposed his hand and shown the ambition possessing him. Goaded to desperation by the stinging irony of Mr. Fox in the House of Assembly during the debate on the "Repeal of the Codfish Export Act," Mr. Coaker overleaped the bounds of discretion and even of common sense, and assuming a gladiatorial attitude defied all and sundry. Almost in the language of Spartacus—"Ye call me Chief!"—he began an impassioned and lurid address in which threats and challenges were hurled at everybody who dared to disagree with the doughty President of the Fishermen's Protective Union, Minister of the Crown, Chairman of the Railway Commission, and Pooh Bah of the Government generally. It has been charged of Mr. Coaker that his aim and object was the setting of the North against the Centre, South and West of Newfoundland. Such charge has never been denied. It has on the contrary, been confirmed by no less a personage than the honorable member for Bonavista, and from no less a place than his seat in the House. On Monday, angered by the rapier-like thrusts of the junior member for St. John's East, Mr. Coaker declared with more vehemence than diplomacy that he was prepared to fight the North against anyone, and in another year he would do likewise in the West. The Minister has a most exalted opinion of himself and his abilities, but at the same time we must give him thanks for the sincerity of his utterance in confirmation of what has been said of him all along. But let us examine more closely that threat to fight the North against anyone, and the arrogance of such a declaration of war, after figures have played their little part.

Mr. Coaker as Supreme Head of the Fishermen's Protective Union, controls the representatives of five districts, viz., St. Barbe, Twillingate, Fogo, Bonavista and Trinity. The ten members from these, with the addition of Mr. Coaker himself, are all more or less employees in some form or other of the Union, or if not actual employees at least hold Government positions by virtue of Mr. Coaker's authority. Consequently this decemvirate of the F.P.U. is at the beck and call of the President and will stand solidly behind him on matters political in the House of Assembly. He is their Supreme Chief, and his will must be obeyed. There are penalties if not. The five districts named, has a population, according to the 1911 census of 36,125 of all ages and sexes. They have probably increased a few thousand in the last ten years, but it is a moot question to-day whether the actual voters in these electoral sections are as loyal to Mr. Coaker and the F.P.U. as they were in 1919 and previously. Assuming that they are, they are still in a hopeless minority when it comes to fighting, politically or commer-

cially, the other thirteen districts. Bay-de-Verde, Carbon-ear and Harbor Grace cannot be reckoned upon as Union districts in the same sense that the five northern districts are categorized. St. Barbe is included with the latter, because it has a Union sitting member, but it is certain that a large portion of it is by no means inclined to swallow a further dose of F.P.U. medicine, or show affiance to F.P.U. doctrines.

The districts on the west side of Conception Bay, numbered above, have a population of 27,252 (1911 census) and are represented by six members, who are not strictly speaking Unionists, but who have aligned themselves with Mr. Coaker for political preferment. The electors are not Union men, nor has the Union any control over them, and there can be no doubt that at the moment the sentiment of Bay-de-Verde, Carbon-ear and Harbor Grace is strongly and determinedly hostile to Coakerism as it is defined. Therefore it may be assumed that the 27,000 odd of population would join with the Centre, South and West districts in a fight against Coaker domination. Ten other districts are left to be considered. Their population is 125,293, based on the returns of the enumeration of 1911, and are represented by 19 members in the House of Assembly. That Port-de-Grave, Harbor Main, St. John's East and West, Ferryland, Placentia, Burin, Fortune Bay, Burgeo and St. George's are absolutely and unalterably opposed to the imposition of Coakerism on them cannot be gainsaid. They have experienced the fruits of the evil policy of that name, and they are not inclined to accept it under any other title of political or union camouflage. Out of the 242,619 people in Newfoundland, which includes the unrepresented Labrador, Mr. Coaker in his coming fight is hopelessly outnumbered, for there are 152,545 men, women and children steadfastly opposed to his claimed following of 86,125, and if the population of Labrador is added to the greater number then the ratio is increased two to one. Mr. Coaker declares he will go West next month and do the same thing there as he did in the North. Let him go and try it on. The West is just in good humor to give the President of the F.P.U. the time of his young life, and he should not put off his proposed visit there indefinitely, for he will need all his magnetic personality if he expects to get farther West than Burin.

Burglar Makes Escape.

Although Surrounded by Police. A Head Constable, a detective, and four policemen failed to stop a bold and intrepid burglar from making good his escape from the residence of a well-known citizen. It appears that for some time past the house had been unoccupied and a servant was making preparations for its re-opening, when the presence of the intruder was discovered. With commendable promptitude, Mr. Karl Trappnell called the police (including Officer 666), but the crook unfortunately made his getaway, and everything points to the fact that he must have received assistance from the owner of the house, Mr. Fred J. King. When approached, Mr. King would neither deny nor confirm this statement. The police are clearly chagrined, but refused to discuss the matter with our reporter, when he called on them last night during a rehearsal of next week's play.

Needs Attention.

The attention of the Minister of Public Works is called to a portion of Reine's Mill Road, near the Old Bakery, which is badly in need of repairs. Also those responsible should see that the high power wires, which are removed, as at present the ends are lying on the road, and though not dangerous they may be made so by the small boys who are constantly playing with them.

PROFIT AND LOSS—You PROFIT when you buy NEWFOUNDLAND made goods; you stand to LOSE when you buy foreign goods.—may 9, 41

"What Happened to Jones?"

This question which has been intriguing the people of St. John's for some time past was fairly and satisfactorily answered by the Llewellyn Dramatic Company at the Casino Theatre last night, and a delighted audience can testify to the ability of the performers to give an equally satisfactory answer to-night when the comedy will be repeated. For that reason we do not feel disposed to tell here just "What Happened to Jones." There is one lot of people in the city who know. That is those who were present last night. To tell it again to them would be equivalent to telling wind and gold. And it would be manifestly unfair to the capable cast of the play to unfold the secret to those who have not yet seen the performance, but who, are going to to-night, for that would spoil the climax, as it would give everybody inside knowledge, and nothing is more calculated to make a play drag than to have each auditor telling the other what is going to happen next. The unknown appeals.

But in order to arouse curiosity a wee bit, let it be said that when the control of Jones' fate was over a highly respectable family, the head of which is a Professor of Anatomy and brother to a Bishop, and when the guidelines of that fate takes the shape of a lost ticket to a "glove contest" which falls into the hands of the professor, who in a reluctant attempt to return it to its rightful owner, falls a victim to the blandishments of the said owner, who is engaged to the professor's daughter and is supposed by all the family to be "a model young man" who neither drinks, smokes nor swears, and goes off to see the outcome of the "glove contest," the fun begins. After the fall of the curtain on the first act, the question is, what happened to the Bishop? At the close of act two this question is more intense, but at the close of the final act you will all know what happened to Jones.

You will also have the extreme pleasure of witnessing how the difficulties of a peculiar situation vanished and fate became as kind as in the beginning and as unkind. You will further be delighted with the playing, acting and delineation of the various characters by such well known artists as Misses Angela McGrath, Ida Howlett, whose histrionic ability is of the highest quality, and who kindly came in with the troupe and rendered invaluable service; Misses L. Miller, L. Lillie, Olive Major, L. Oke, and Messrs. W. E. Stirling, R. W. Jeans, S. R. Steele, M. Colton, L. Stuck, G. J. Oke, T. J. Seymour, old favorites and new favorites. Then there is the Casino Wallace-Hickey-Jardine trio, who were called upon last night no less than three times to respond to well merited encores. And the C.L.B. Band is there. And then there are Navajo blankets, which add greatly to the interest of the comedy.

So there you are, and all we can suggest is that every husband takes his wife, and every young man his "best girl," and if he hasn't one let him take the other fellow's and hop along to the Casino this evening. In any case as Helma, the Swedish servant girl says, "Yump anyhow."

The production is under the distinguished patronage of His Excellency the Governor and His Lordship the Bishop of Newfoundland, and is given in aid of the Church of England Orphanages. Home-made candy and chocolates will be on sale by the young ladies who volunteered for this service.

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HOLD ANNUAL MEETING. The annual meeting of Wesley Young Men's Literary Class was held on May 10th at 8 p.m. The following officers were elected for the 1921 session:—

Hon.-Pres.—Mr. A. Rooney, re-elected.
Pres.—A. Pelley, re-elected.
Secretary—J. Parsons.
Ass. Sec.—B. Addey.
Treas.—W. Pelley, re-elected.
Chairman of Debates—Rev. W. B. Bugden.

Class Representatives—E. Nicholls, E. Bursley, G. Cummins, R. Clarke, B. Parsons.
The reports showed a successful year in an interesting membership. The meeting closed with a social hour.

Wesley Church.

Young Ladies' Mission Circle. The Young Ladies' Mission Circle of Wesley Church are having their annual public meeting to-morrow night at 8 o'clock, and it promises to be of exceptional interest, as Madames Lindsay, Wardlaw and Vey and Misses Bradbury, Bartlett, Burton and others are taking part. It will be a choice programme. Everybody is welcome.

SCOTCH CONCERT. Methodist College Hall, May 18th. Coupons now on sale to be exchanged for Reserved Seats at Gray & Goodland's, Thursday, Friday, Saturday. General booking on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. NOTE—Coupons will NOT admit.—may 10, 31

Salt and Salter.

(Daily News.)

To the salt scandal the Salter scandal is now added. That a well paid employee of a business firm should be subsidised out of the public funds is an indecency. The Board of Works is the purchasing Board for public supplies. Its members are "Hon. W. P. Coaker, Hon. Alex. Campbell, M.D., Hon. Michael Power, Lieut. H. Small, M.H.A., and Albert Salter, Esq." to quote from the Newfoundland Almanac for 1921. Each of these gentlemen is paid \$250 for his services. Albert Salter, Esq. receives \$1080 additional.

This tribute to Mr. Salter's superiority may be as merited, as his services to the Hon. R. A. Squires were merited during the 1919 campaign. But paying personal debts from the public purse is grossly scandalous. Thousands of Newfoundland citizens who have been seeking work and finding none because the country's business has been recklessly ruined by interference with the fish markets, will not find comfort in the knowledge that out of their meagre earnings, they are called on to pay an additional \$1,080 to Albert Salter, Esq. Nor will it be overlooked that the aforesaid Albert Salter, Esq., is an employee of the Royal Stores, Limited, which has been liberally patronized by the Board.

The Minister of Public Works who claims to have saved considerably (possibly a quarter of Albert Salter, Esq.'s, \$1,080) in the purchase of splits, stated yesterday in the House, in reply to a question asked by Sir John Crosbie that between November 15th 1919 and January 31st 1921, orders had been given to the Royal Stores, Ltd., and the Martin-Royal Stores, Ltd., aggregating \$24,712.36. Albert Salter, Esq., is the purchasing agent of the Board and also the employee of the firm from which he made the purchases.

Which is the worse scandal, the Salt or the Salter one, our readers will decide. Meanwhile before decision is arrived at it will be well to await replies to certain questions by Sir John Crosbie which will appear on to-day's order paper.

Minister Jennings' reply yesterday was as follows:—

1. Mr. A. H. Salter is employed by the Department.
2. Payment \$1,080.00 per annum or at the rate of \$15.00 per month for each institution.
3. He acts as supervisor of accounts in connection with the supplying of the public institutions through the Public Works Department, that is, checks prices of goods supplied and furnishes information respecting wholesale and retail prices current in St. John's; prepares standard price list corrected in accordance with market prices week by week.

There are no specified hours of employment. He is always in touch with the Department by telephone and comes here when required.

Happy Albert Salter—no specified hours—always in touch—comes when required—happy employee—happy employers! And thrice happy public which pays the piper!

McMurdo's Store News.

WEDNESDAY, May 11.

There are a good many cases of cold, cold, and bronchitis in town at present, due probably to the cold weather. As a general remedy for these cases, we can recommend Gault's Syrup of Tar and Cod Liver Oil, which is one of the best and most popular remedies for these conditions. Gault's Tar and Cod Liver Oil is suitable for children as well as adults, and is quite pleasant to take. Large bottle 50 cents.

Bovril's Herb and Gum Salve is useful in nearly all cases of skin trouble, as well as a good antiseptic dressing for cuts and sores, etc. Price 25 cents a box.

"OFFICER 666"—Tickets now on sale at the Royal Stationery Co., for this Whirlwind Farce which is being produced at the Casino next week in aid of the poor city children.—may 11, 41

Bigger Work

by Grenfell.

Dr. Curtis, a member of the medical staff of the Grenfell Mission for the past five years, is in town en route to the headquarters, at St. Anthony, Newfoundland. In conversation with The Record, he stated that already \$700,000 out of the \$1,000,000 required for the endowment fund have been raised. Dr. Grenfell has been all over the U. S., and had also spent some time in Canada in this connection. The interest on this fund will furnish an income for work, and will serve to obviate appeals from year to year.

A new orphanage is projected at St. Anthony's to replace the present wooden structure. The new building will be built of concrete and will be four stories in height, and will cost about \$120,000. It will have accommodation for 50 as against 30 in the old building. Six trained nutrition workers will go down this season, and there is much need for work along this line on the Labrador coast. Twenty-five college boys will go down to assist in the building of the new orphanage.—Sydney Record.

PRELIMINARY NOTICE!—An Afternoon Social and Sale of Children's White and Colored Garments, for both boys and girls; also choice Home-made Candles, will be held in the Congregational Lecture Hall, Queen's Road, on June 1st. Admission 10c.; Afternoon Teas, 40c.—may 11, 31

Grand Function

To-Night.

A big Card Party, Supper and Dance will be held to-night in the C.C.C. Hall by some lady friends of the C.C. Band, the proceeds of which will go towards wiping off the debt for the new alterations made last year to the Hall. Two five dollar gold pieces are being given as prizes for the card party, which starts at 8 p.m. sharp and continues until 3.45 p.m., when dancing will begin. The programme will consist of 14 dances, including some of the very latest musical hits which will be played by the C.C.C. Band under Capt. A. Bulley. The following will be the floor managers:—Messrs. Garrett, Brownrigg, Brophy, P. F. Fearn, E. Spry and T. Ryan.

They surprised the town! Who? The performers in "What Happened to Jones" at the Casino last night. It sure is a humdinger. Fun, fun all through, and a veritable riot of laughter. See it to-night. Only a few reserved seats left, but room in the Gallery and Pit—may 11, 41

Obituary.

PATRICK J. ALLAN.

There passed peacefully away, last evening, after a long and tedious illness, a widely known and highly respected citizen of the West End, in the person of Patrick J. Allan. Deceased was engaged up to a few years ago at the grocery business, but owing to failing health he was obliged to give it up, so that he would be able, with care and attention to try and fight against a telling malady. But even with the best of medical aid and kindness of a devoted family it was all to no avail, and as stated the end came yesterday. Left to mourn are a widow, three daughters and one son; also one brother, Thos. J. Allan, as well as a large circle of friends, to whom the Telegram tenders its sincere sympathy.

False Pride.

Don't strain your eyes by trying to sew or read without glasses. That is false pride and likely to have a most disastrous result. See H. B. Thomson, the Optometrist and Optician, 336 Duckworth Street, to-day or to-night. Hours: 9.30 to 12.30, 2 to 5, 7 to 8. Call early. may 9, 31, 60d

From Cape Race.

CAPE RACE, To-day. Wind S.W., light, weather fine; an unknown steamer passed in 10 a.m. and several schooners are in sight, bound in; Bar. 29.82; Ther. 42.

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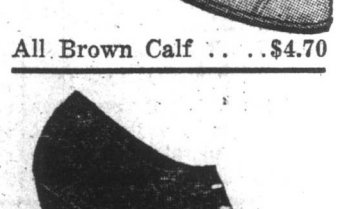
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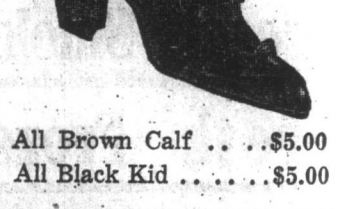
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