



Evening Telegram

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Coakerism!

The Opposition papers put up a pitiful whine about the dangers of Coakerism, etc., and try to persuade the people to shun voting for the Cashin candidates. According to the Opposition writers, the Opposition candidates, more particularly the leaders, Squires and Coaker, are veritable demi-gods. For a brief moment, voters, study carefully whom you are to vote for. Take Coakerism: What in the record of Coaker is inducement enough for you to vote to put him back in the Government. The tactics pursued by Coaker and his followers in the present campaign, are so despicable that all honest persons turn away from the perusal of their publications with loathing. As an instance of this, take the St. Brendan's affair. The Advocate states emphatically that Morine is not allowed to land at St. Brendan's, while yesterday's messages denote that not only did the Government candidates land, but that they received a good hearing, and that indications are that the Liberal Progressive vote will be fully equal to that given to the Union Chief himself, although this has always been counted as one of Coaker's strongholds. The foregoing is only one instance of what Coakerism is. Put in plain, unvarnished fact, Coakerism as thus shown up, spells degradation of public morals, and total disregard of the truth. Thus were there no other evils resultant from Coakerism, this alone would be sufficient to command the serious attention and the combativeness of the electorate.

Freedom of expression is supposed to be the privilege of every man to-day, and the greatest of criminals is allowed to plead his cause personally or through his lawyer. Coakerism destroys this freedom and gives to no man the right to speak contrary to the opinions and whims of the Wordy President. As evidence of this, note how often Coaker has bid Morine and others stay away from Bonavista Bay and other districts, and his satellites have imitated Coaker not wisely but too well. In these warnings to political opponents, there appears more than "mere cussedness." Coaker knows that his opponents have proofs to show that Coakerism is not good for the country, and that even as Bolshevism terrorized Russia, and such Bolshevism condoned by Coaker candidates, so will the woes of Coakerism stultify the prosperity of Newfoundland. Coaker arrogates to himself the right of changing his opinions and political bed-fellows as frequently as serves his own purpose, but when a person opposes him as Honest John Stone did, then no longer is such a man to be tolerated. Here then is Coakerism stripped of its outward hypocrisy. Morine and Stone were excellent friends of the Union, when everything pleased the Union's Dictator. Cashin and Crosbie were the "boys" when they saved the Union from financial

disaster, but because they were and are more careful of their country's interests than of Coaker's enmity or personal aggrandizement, then they are no longer fit to rule, according to the decree of Coaker himself, whose law—unlike that of the Medes and Persians—changeth every twenty-four hours.

We have thus far shown how Coakerism means (1) degradation of public morals; and (2) the curtailment, and possible destruction of freedom of expression. As an example of Coakerish madness, we have only to remind the voters of his mad scheme, whereby he wishes to make the Government treasury act banker for his own private enterprises, for the guaranteeing of the price of fish is nothing more nor less than laying the country's revenue open to the reckless policy of expenditure that Coaker may pursue. His proposal to provide an initial outlay of \$3,000,000 or so on twelve sealing steamers is another proof of the man's unstatesmanlike ability financially, and at this period of our country's history, when strong financiers, as well as strong statesmen are wanted, it is imperative that we hesitate not to mark our votes for the Government candidates, and thus make it impossible for the menace of Coakerism to imperil the finances of our country and lull us on to that condition of affairs where we will be compelled to acknowledge our inability to continue longer as an independent and responsible country, and be forced to sue terms for confederation with Canada. This is the danger that faces us if Coaker or his colleague Squires obtain control of the Government, and this is the danger that all honest and patriotic Newfoundlanders must do their utmost to combat and overcome, and Newfoundland can only rid itself of this possible incubus by voting for the Cashin Party, the men that are able to guide the ship of state safely through the perils of Coakerism, Squiresism and Bolshevism, and keep her in the haven of financial security and national credit, where she now is.

There is one other aspect of Coakerism, it behoves us to note, and that is its vacillation. Note Coaker's record during his time in political life, and see what remarkable somersaults he has made. He has been in and out with all the Government leaders during the past number of years, and such a record of change is indicative of the man's true character and of his worth, to the people of Newfoundland, in political control. No one will deny to Coaker great organizing ability, but organizing ability is not the only nor the most important factor in statesmanship. Coaker has changed his allegiance so often because of his uncontrollable temper and his dogmatic opinions or obstinacy; more than that, has there not been more than suspicions of treachery in some of the dealings that Coaker has had with his past political leaders, and there is no need to go back to past years to prove Coaker's insincerity of expression, and his variable-ness for the sake of political expediency. Can such a man be trusted to look after a country's interest, if to-day he calls a man a knave or worse, and tomorrow makes no apology, but still publicly admits the same man an ally. That is, in the main, what Coaker and Squires have done, and yet both appeal to the country as would-be saviours.

The four reasons adduced are sufficient to prove to all intelligent voters the danger of Coakerism, and the inability of the man to fill creditably the position of leader of the Government. The dangers of Squiresism are equally as bad for Newfoundland's future. The confederation cry has exploded,

What Did Jethro Say?

Mr. Jethro Penney looms large on the front page of the Morning Post to-day as the principal figure in the matter of an alleged statement by Sir John Crosbie at the Royal Stores on Saturday last, regarding Archbishop Roche and the Pope. Any reasoning man who reads and studies all the material in the Squires' papers about this matter, the past two or three days, must ask himself what occurred to give rise to the alleged outbreak by Sir John Crosbie; because no one will believe that he was fool enough to go into the Royal Stores and make the declaration alleged against him without some provocation.

Now what are the facts? As far as we can learn, simply these:

Jethro Penney is Grand Master of the Black Chapter of the Orange Order. In this capacity he attends Conventions in Canada every summer, and we are told that for several years past he has obtained a pass over the Reid line through the agency, not of his own associates, but of some prominent Roman Catholic connected with the Government—Sir Edward Morris, for several years, and Sir Michael Cashin for the past summer and previous year. If this is not correct, perhaps Mr. Penney will contradict it, but our information is that that has been his practice. At any rate we believe he will hardly deny that in 1918, as well as in 1919, he got a pass through the agency of Sir Michael Cashin, and it will be seen from this that he has no very strong scruples, despite his high position in the Orange organization, against using a Roman Catholic to get him this concession.

It appears that on Saturday evening, Sir John Crosbie and Mr. Lockyer went into the Royal Stores to ask Mr. Penney with regard to nominating Mr. Higgins for St. John's East, a task he had undertaken six years ago. They had no reason to suppose that Mr. Penney had gone back on the party, particularly because, in addition to getting the pass through Sir Michael Cashin's agency, a few months ago, Mr. Penney got \$40 in cash from Sir John Crosbie and, according to report, he got it as a gift, and not as a loan.

Squires has not as yet declared that the danger of confederation is eliminated by the election of him as premier. He has not refuted his reported alliance with W. D. Reid nor the other Reid transactions with which his name is coupled. Coaker has said nothing against confederation, but he did say that confederation would come in the next four years, so that really there is more danger to be feared from the Squires-Coaker combination with their promises of guaranteed fish prices, lower taxation, less revenue and less credit, than from the policy of Sir M. P. Cashin, who boldly declares for no further reduction in taxation until the country can afford it, thus defeating the confederation cry by his mere malice, and refusal to adopt party catch cries as an aid to his election. In the light of these facts it is any wonder that the whole country is saying that

CASHIN WILL COME BACK!

A Coaker Story.

The Opposition papers have said a lot about Morine being thrown out of windows, etc., during his present tour of Bonavista Bay, but all such stories were without foundation. It seems natural that we should therefore give a little story of Coaker, which is now going around the streets. A gentleman resident of the north

Mr. Penney intimated that he was no longer supporting the Government, and a somewhat heated controversy arose.

Now comes the question which we want to put to Mr. Penney, and which we want the public to carefully watch his answer to:—

DID MR. PENNEY ASSIGN AS A REASON FOR HIS NO LONGER SUPPORTING THE PRESENT GOVERNMENT, THAT HE DID NOT INTEND TO BE IN A PARTY BOSSSED BY THE POPE AND ARCHBISHOP ROCHE AND ROMAN CATHOLICS, BUT HE WAS GOING TO SUPPORT A PARTY HEADED BY HON. R. A. SQUIRES, THE PAST GRAND MASTER OF THE LOYAL ORANGE ASSOCIATION?

In asking this question, we do not wish it to be understood that these are the precise words which were used, but we want Mr. Penney to say whether or not he gave, as his justification for supporting the Opposition, a reason couched in somewhat the terms of the above quotation.

Our information is that Mr. Penney did advance some such argument for leaving the Government supporters, and that it was in response to this declaration that Sir John Crosbie, in the heat of the moment, made some references to the Pope and to Archbishop Roche, calculated to prove that he was no more under their thumb than Mr. Penney was.

Fair-minded people, studying this whole matter, will, we think, feel convinced that Sir John Crosbie must have had some provocation. Mr. Penney takes altogether too hypocritical a stand in this matter in the letters (written on his behalf, it is alleged, by Mr. Squires) for people to swallow his story without a grain of salt. He is, we think it will be agreed, not so innocent as he makes out, and we now invite him and his journalistic apologists to tell the public the whole story of what occurred in the Royal Stores.

He might also say whether or not the \$64 he sent Sir Michael Cashin and the \$41 he sent Sir John Crosbie, making \$105 in all, came out of the now famous Squires' barrel.

side of Bonavista Bay, was in town last week, and incidentally the man in question is owner of a vessel. It appears that the gentleman alluded to, accosted Coaker in Port Union and asked him to pay the freight charges due on goods freighted some time previous. Coaker refused, and in the course of the conversation made an effort to strike his questioner, but the latter quietly laid Coaker on his back, and gave him a few other sundries in return for his non-fulfillment to pay the freight charges asked. Furthermore, despite the Advocate's charges, we are told that the gentleman in question was offered "truck" by Coaker instead of the customary cash. We also heard that Coaker is endeavoring to buy up fish extensively on this truck for cash system. If this is denied by the Advocate then we want more than mere editorial writings to persuade us to disbelieve the story told by the Bonavista Bay resident.

"Post" Held Up.

It is said that this morning's "Post" containing the filthy and reprehensible libel on Sir John Crosbie has been held up in the Post Office and held back from the addressees.

Try Phorotone for that nasty Cough and Cold you have. Price 30c., at STAFFORD'S Drug Store.—oct17,21

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Has Mr. Brownrigg Resigned?

It was rumoured around the city this morning that Mr. H. J. Brownrigg, Squires candidate for St. John's West, had resigned his candidacy for that district and had intended to sever all connection with the Liberal Reform Party. This action, it is said, was taken on account of the article and headlines in this morning's "Post" and Mr. Brownrigg has stated, so rumour says, that he could no longer be associated with a man who would allow such to appear in his papers.

Narrow Escape.

What might have proved a fatal accident occurred at the junction of Prescott and Gower Streets about 7 o'clock last evening. While Mr. Noonan's horse and carriage was being driven slowly up Gower Street, an auto came down Prescott Street, and as far as we can learn did not blow the horn, and struck the horse, knocking him down, but, up to the time our reporter left, it was not known if the animal had been seriously injured or not. The animal was driven to a vet, to ascertain if any injuries had been inflicted. It was well for the driver of the horse and carriage that he was not driving fast at the time, or a very serious if not fatal accident would have occurred.

Boy Accidentally Killed.

On Wednesday afternoon last, a 9 year old boy named Whitehead, was accidentally killed while attempting to steal a ride on the train near Heart's Delight Station.

Here and There.

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WEATHER ACROSS COUNTRY.—Calm and raining; 40 to 50 above.

When you want Sausages, why—get ELLIS'; they're the best.

EXPRESS DUE.—The cross country Express is due this evening at 4 o'clock.

When you want Roast Beef, Roast Veal, Roast Mutton, Roast Pork, try ELLIS'.

POLICE COURT.—In an assault case the defendant was ordered to pay costs.

There is a NEW BAKING POWDER here. Its name is "CLUB."—oct13,21,m,w,f

GUESTS AT THE CROSBIE.—The following are at the Crosbie's:—M. Orr, H. Curry, E. G. Grant.

MINARD'S LINIMENT.—The Old Reliable. P. C. O'DRISCOLL, LTD., Agents, St. John's. oct14,3m

LABRADOR REPORT.—Mackoviki.—Light north wind, clear. Smokey Grady, Flat Island and Domino.—Fresh west wind, clear. Battle Harbor and Venison Islands.—Light west wind, clear.

TINNED FRUITS at THE BEE-HIVE STORE, 27 Charlton St.: Strawberries, Grapes, Cherries, Peaches, Apricots, Apples, Plums, Pineapple, Baked apples.—L.S.M.f

ANNOUNCEMENT.—Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Earle, of Change Islands, announce the engagement of their daughter, Lizzie May, to the Rev. Heber Gosse, Rector of St. Margaret's, Change Islands.

When you want something in a hurry for tea, go to ELLIS'. Head Cheese, Ox Tongue, Boiled Ham, Cooked Corned Beef, Bologna Sausage.

OPORTO MARKET.—The following message was received yesterday by the Board of Trade from Oporto:—The consumption of codfish is exceptional owing to deliveries of old being forced in consumption at normal prices.

JUST ARRIVED.—Another large shipment Wm. Dow & Co. (Montreal) Celebrated Pale Ale. Just in time for Polling Day, at STEWART'S, Water St. East, opposite King George Institute. oct16,21

INTERCOLLEGIATE FOOTBALL.—The first match of the series will be played on Saturday Evening, when St. Bon's will play Bishop Field. The match promises to be a good one as both teams are in excellent form after so long a practice.

STAR OF THE SEA ASSOCIATION.—A Special Meeting of the Star of the Sea Association will be held on Sunday, 19th inst., at 2.30 p.m., for the purpose of nominating candidates for office for ensuing year. By order, WM. F. GRAHAM. oct17,21

Coughs and Colds are very prevalent at present. Try Phorotone at STAFFORD'S, Theatre Hill.—oct18,22

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There will be an unusual spread of good things at our store Saturday. Come in if you can; if impossible to come in, telephone; if you cannot telephone, send a messenger. Our whole organization will be at your service.

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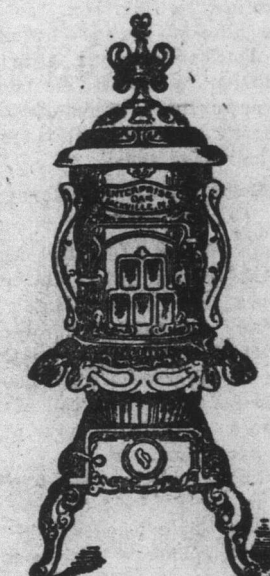
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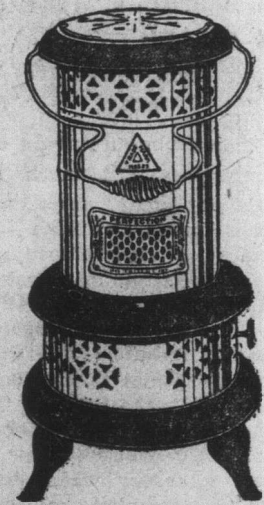
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Hall Stoves, Parlor Stoves and Cooking Ranges and Stoves of every description.

Montreal Freight Service

The following Canadian Government Merchant Marine steamers will be sailing from Montreal on the undernoted dates:—
CANADIAN ADVENTURER November 12
CANADIAN RANCHER November 16
CANADIAN ADVENTURER November 20
CANADIAN SOWER November 30
SAILINGS FROM ST. JOHN'S, Nfld.
CANADIAN ADVENTURER to Montreal November 19th
CANADIAN RANCHER to St. John, N.B. November 19th
We are also advised that there will be several sailings from Charlotte-town, P.E.I. For further particulars apply to

Furness Withy & Co., Ltd.

Shipping News.

The S. S. Lake Eion due here since Thursday, was 60 miles off the Cape last night, and is expected here to-day.

The S. S. Taunton leaves New York for here, via Halifax, Oct. 21st and again on Nov. 7th.

The S. S. Rosalind is expected to leave New York via Halifax for here about the 15th November.

The S. S. Lanuvium which came here some time ago with 6000 tons salt for Bowring Bros., is now taking bunker coal at Harvey's.

The Gladys M. Hollett has left Port Union for Gibraltar, with 5000 qtls. codfish.

The schooner Associate has sailed from St. Anthony's for Gibraltar with 3500 qtls. codfish.

The schooner Kirstine has cleared from Catalina, with 2,614 qtls. codfish for Gibraltar.

Personal Mention.

Mr. K. B. Spence, who has been at the Straits of Belle Isle during the past month on business returned to the city by rail Wednesday evening.



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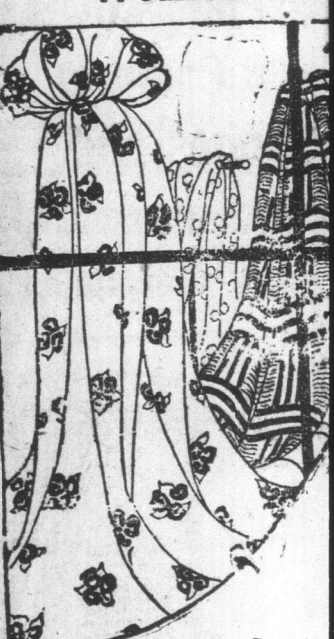
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