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Grand Jury Made Protest

In Matter of Letters That Recently Appeared in the Press From the Superintendent of The Penitentiary

YESTERDAY the Grand Jury, through their foreman, Mr. Patrick Kavanagh, made a protest before the Judges of the Supreme Court, in the matter of the letters that have recently appeared in the press from the Superintendent of the Penitentiary with regard to the Grand Jury's presentment, made on Saturday last.

The Chief Justice, in reply said that he had heard of the letters mentioned, but had refrained from reading them. He thought it highly improper for the Presentment of the Grand Jurors to be subject to such

PENSIONS

\$4,158 Added to Pension List, While Morris Taxes Molasses and all Cattle Feed--Ten More Civil Servants Added to Pension List, Bringing the Total Up to \$30,000.

YESTERDAY Morris passed a Bill to compel the fishermen to find \$4,158.00 to pay pension to the following government officials:—Kate Roman, who was a keeper of the old Amou Bank Building, \$88.00 per year; John Barnes, late warden at Lunatic Asylum, \$350.00; James Denief, another warden of the Lunatic Asylum, \$400.00; Patrick Houlligan, late keeper of a lighthouse in Placentia Bay, \$400; Thos. Ryan, who was once a servant of the Agricultural Farm, \$500, or as much as 10 worn-out fishermen at 75 years of age receive; Geo. A. Moulton, P. Master at Carbonear, \$500, which is just what he received as salary, but owing to the wire pulling of J. R. Condiann who gave the promise in 1913 to secure votes, he is getting \$500 in-

JONNIE THE BLUFFER TAKEN TO TASK

Freshwater Wharf Tumbling to Pieces While Jonnie Sends Money to Fix Wharves to Fogo District

(Editor Mail and Advocate) Dear Sir,—I noticed J. C. Crosbie secured a grant of \$60.00 for Tilton wharf and sent it to one of Figoard's dirtiest heeleders in 1913, who is now eating small potatoes at Tilton Hr. Hm Jonnie the bluffer forgot that Freshwater wharf, in the District of Bay de Verde, which he managed to codd in 1913 by family grants and railway construction, is need of repair very badly. In the winter of 1914 the wharf received a big tearing up through a big sea, yet nothing has been sent here to repair it, although it is tumbling to pieces. What will Bay de Verde electors say to this piece of bluff on the part of Jonnie, seeing he could get \$60.00 for a graball heeler at Tilton in Fogo District, and treated with contempt, Freshwater people's request for a

THE NEW REID DEAL--THE MORRIS

Clique Challenged Once More by

the Opposition on the Infamous

Morris Rob of the People's Heritage

Mr. Kent's Amendment to Defer the Passing of the

Bill Until the Session of 1916, Rejected--All Hopes

of Saving the People's Heritage Now Centred in

the Upper House.

YESTERDAY Mr. Kent moved the resolutions published below in reference to the New Reid Deal now passing through its final stages in the House of Assembly. It is all that the Opposition Party can accomplish. Every effort to save the Country from the curse that will fall upon it by the passage of this infamous piece of robbery has been defeated by a strict Party vote and there is no hope of preventing the enactment of this Bill unless the Upper House takes action and compels the Government to submit the measure to the people when the Prohibition Bill is submitted in November or defers its passage until the next session of the Legislature when the people's wishes will be known and necessary information on the matter is submitted to the representatives of the people.

If the Upper House is tame enough to submit to the whip held by Morris and vote for the Bill, then there is no escape from the awful monster that Morris is bringing into existence in defiance of the wishes of the people. There is not one man sitting on the Government side of the House that possesses courage or honor enough to stand up for the people's rights and to save their heritage.

Not one of the 20 will ever again be trusted by the electorate. Not one of them will ever again deserve to be respected or esteemed by any lover of our unfortunate Country. Not one of the 20 is worthy of any consideration but that of contempt and derision.

The whole clique are tarred with the same brush. They are all steeped in the love of GRAB and the glitter of GOLD, and have about as much love for their Country and fellow countrymen as the Devil has for a Saint.

Let them all go down into a Traitors' Grave. Let them all be remembered for their Black Vices. Not one of them are worthy of being known again as Newfoundlanders.

While 2500 of our young men are read to DIE FOR EMPIRE, those 20 TRAITORS' have sold the peoples heritage to the Reids. Never were traitors as black as those 20 who voted for the most iniquitous piece of robbery ever perpetrated up on a free people.

Their names will forever be attached to a curse and future generations will trample upon their graves and curse the day they were ever born.

The whole Country is now a dependency of the Reids and not a man in it will be able to oppose any Reid scheme without suffering for it.

The trade has been silenced some time in its objections to the Reids' methods of fulfilling their public obligations, and out of all the papers in the Country The

Mail and Advocate is the only one that dare oppose the Reids. No public man would be free from persecution of one sort or another if he dared speak the truth about the Reids. Now they will govern and dictate to Country, People and Government thanks to their Chief Tool Sir E. P. Morris and his 20 Henchmen. There is nothing left for the Country to do now but to become subservient to Reids' dictation. There is no other hope for the people but Serfdom in as black a quality as ever existed in Russia. While our sons have gone forth to fight our German enemies, our public men have availed of such conditions to fasten upon Terra Nova and her sons forever and forever the Blackest, Foulest, and vilest piece of Infamy and Robbery ever practiced by any highwaymen in any clime or age. Let us mark those 21 TRAITORS well. See that your children are taught to curse their names and all that belongs to them. Let each lover of Terra Nova teach his children to despise and abhor the names of every one of those TRAITORS. Remember that they sat silent for days while the Opposition showed up the piratical deeds, the robbery of the peoples heritage. The crime of binding our children to this Octopus for ever. The crime of binding every Government and Legislature of Newfoundland for ever. The crime of exempting the Octopus from taxes that every poor man living in the Colony would be compelled to pay. The crime of giving the Octopus the property of others without lease or licence. The rascality of giving away \$150,000,000 worth of property belonging to the people—present and future—without receiving ONE CENT in return. Not ONE of those men were ready to say a word in defence of their Country or move a finger to save her from a calamity that will exceed anything that ever befell a Free Country. They sat silent and defiant ready to barter their souls if need be to make an Octopus Rich and their COUNTRYMEN BEGGARS. May the curse of a deceived and robbed people go with them all from morning to night, from Sunday to Saturday, from January to December, from now till their death. They deserve no consideration or esteem. Such men are a danger to any country and a pest to humanity. They will die unhonored and their graves will for ever remain spots that honest and honorable men will shun as they would a degrading lion. They have chosen their part. They have cast their vote. They have riveted the Chains of Slavery upon the Wrists of their Fellowcountrymen. They have done so, knowing their action was a CRIME.

full and accurate information regarding the areas, powers, concessions, rights and privileges proposed to be granted to the Company of the effect of their being so granted.

- AGAINST: E. P. Morris, Bennett, Emerson, Woodford, Cashin, Crosbie, Ficcott, Moulton, Moore, F. Morris, Parsons, Currie, Walsh, LeFeuvre, Oeuvreaux. FOR: Kent, Coaker, Morine, Lloyd, Clapp, Grimes, Abbott, Winsor, Targett, Stone, Halfyard.

Mr. Morine Puts A Poser to the "Star"

(Editor Mail and Advocate.) St. John's, May 22, 1915. Sir,—I shall be obliged if you will published the enclosed copy of a letter I have this day sent to the "Star."

ALFRED B. MORINE, St. John's, May 22, 1915. (To the Editor of the "Star.")

Sir,—You desire that I shall state why, when I made my first speech against the Products Contract, I did not say that I receive an annual retainer from the Harmsworth Co. I shall endeavour to gratify you.

First, the retainer I receive does not bind me to render any but required legal service in the Courts and therefore, did not affect my work in the Assembly. Second, the Harmsworth Co. did not inspire, request or influence my speech in the Assembly, and to have dragged its name into the debate would have been an unwarrantable impertinence on my part.

Third, the Harmsworth Company was not opposed to the Products Contract, as such, but was concerned only in the provision as to the East Coast. You next desire to know if I did not, as counsel, confer with Manager Scott and Mr. Wood, K.C., in my law office in relation to the contract. Your curiosity passes the bounds of good manners, but nevertheless I will answer. Yes! I advised Manager Scott not to bring his Company's objections before the Assembly as it could be avoided, but to privately negotiate with the Government. He did so, with Mr. Wood's able assistance, and as a consequence, the East Coast provision was eliminated from the Contract. My professional work, you will see, did not call upon me for any action in the Assembly.

Now, having, I trust, satisfied your anxiety for my good name, may I ask you a few questions. I opposed the East Coast section, so did you; this was the only section which interested the Harmsworth Co. I was not paid for the opposition. Were you? If not, why insinuate, that my objection was inspired by self-interest.

Up to a certain time, you strongly opposed the following features in the Products Contract: (1) Hamilton water powers; (2) Unlimited exemption from taxation; (3) absence of purchase clause. I opposed the Contract on the same grounds. If your opposition was honest, why not assume that mine was also? Why continuously attack one who was strongly urging views similar to your own? My opposition has continued; yours has been abandoned. An explanation of your desertion seems called for.

Up to the night of a government party meeting early in this month, you voted against the Products Contract; so did a certain member of the Government. After the meeting, he stopped; so did you. He voted for the amended contract; you shout for it, though the amendment only affected one small point in your objections. My question is this, are your utterances inspired by a member of the Government? There are other questions I forbear to ask at this time but with your permission may put later.

I shall be obliged if you will publish this to-day.

ALFRED B. MORINE.

THE BRAVE 15

- J. M. KENT, A. B. MORINE, W. F. COAKER, W. F. LLOYD, J. A. CLIFF, W. W. HALFYARD, WM. M. CLAPP, JOHN DWYER, A. E. HICKMAN, GEO. F. GRIMES, J. G. STONE, W. B. JENNINGS, ARCH. TARGETT, ROBT. G. WINSOR, JOHN ABBOTT.

Mr. Kent's resolutions which was seconded by Mr. Coaker, that Morris and his supporters turned down yesterday, read as follows: RESOLVED—That in view of the extensive power to control the development of the natural resources of the Colony within the extensive drainage areas covered by the concessions granted in perpetuity to the Company under the agreement forming the schedule to the Act and of the unlimited time for which the exemption from taxation is given and the absence of any sufficient safeguards in the agreement to protect private rights and vested interests and also of the absence of sufficient information regarding the subject matters comprised in and affected by the said agreement and other matters, it will be in the best interests of the Colony that the consideration of the agreement and its ratification by this House be deferred until the Session of the Legislature to be held in the year 1916 and that in the meantime the Government take all necessary steps to acquire

Table with names and amounts: K. M. Brown \$10.00, John C. Brown \$2.50, James Curtis \$7.75, Thomas Carew Sr. \$3.00, Stephen Brown \$3.75, Samuel Brown Sr. \$4.15, Commission \$2.50, Total \$70.00.

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