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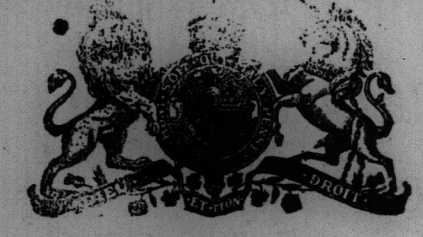
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C. E. Russell - Proprietor

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Bay Roberts, Friday, Nov. 30, 1923.

Existing Evils

For a long number of years the people of this country have been placed in a sad condition because time and again designing and unscrupulous men have taken advantage of them. In no other walk of life has this thing been more manifested than in the public or political life of the country. It is well known that we have one of the richest little countries under the blue skies of heaven, and if its affairs were half-decently managed, its resources exploited in a business like manner for the benefit of the people as a whole, and the public service managed economically and efficiently, the 250,000 of its population would be able to live like princes.

The wealth of the sea, the mines, the agricultural land and the forest is well-nigh inexhaustible. But there are so many evils contributing to the lack of proper development of all these things in the interests of the people generally as against the interests of the few, that we are not reaping by any means the annual harvest that we should be reaping. At the root of certain evils may be mentioned greed, selfishness, lack of knowledge, and last but not least, prejudice. Prejudice rules to such an extent, and in so many ways, that we regard it as one of the most important of the many evils existing in Newfoundland.

We suppose among the many prejudices traded upon, that of sectarianism, or denominationalism excels all others. Knowledge, merit, ability, sincerity, activity, vision and any other qualifications possessed by an individual have got to give way to the evil of sectarianism. And no field of activity is this more apparent than in the realm of politics. Men have traded on this so long that it has been one of the strongest factors, in our opinion, in bringing Newfoundland to the place she is in today.

The pity of it is that the thing does not originate and develop only with the politician. Leaders in churches, we fear, as well as the politician, are sometimes active in propagating and keeping alive this feeling of prejudice, with the result that men are selected to manage the important affairs of a country for us other reason, and with no other qualification, other than that they happen to be members of one denomination or another.

This is an awful commentary on our present-day civilization. We collect sums of money and send it to Christianize the heathen, while we refuse to recognize and practice Christian principles ourselves. The large bulk of the people, if left to themselves, would act in a sane, proper and practical manner, but there are generally to be found men who will take advantage of and trade upon the prejudices of their fellow-men for no other reason under heaven than their own selfish advantage. Then there has been the easy and delightful pastime practised by so many of creating a prejudice in the minds of the fishermen against the merchants. "Down with the Merchants" was once the most popular or all cries. But any sensible man knows that instead of broadening the breach between the fishermen and the merchant, they should be pulling together for the common good. We are speaking now more particularly from a business standpoint. Class cries, class legislation and group politics is not conducive to the common good. Only by unity and cooperation, and a united effort to reduce taxation and find additional and more profitable markets for our fishery products will a solution

of our difficult problems come. No man then can merely be a spectator. All-fishermen, merchant, laborer, mechanic and farmer—must unite in one supreme effort to come together and discuss our problems on a common platform and from a common standpoint. If this is not done disaster is bound to overtake us, and that quickly.

THE BRITISH ELECTIONS DEC. 6th.

Throughout the world, but more particularly throughout the world-wide British Empire, great interest is centered in the forthcoming elections which will take place in Great Britain on Thursday next, Dec. 6th. The chief question for the 17,000,000 electors to decide is as to whether the policy of Free Trade will continue while so much unemployment exists, or whether England will adopt what practically all other countries have adopted, the policy of a Protective Tariff, which will mean, so its promoters claim, employment for the unemployed.

A Protective Tariff is really the policy on which the Conservative Party, led by Stanley Baldwin, is appealing to the country. At present it looks as if public sentiment is favorable to Protection. The two hitherto separated wings of the Liberal Party have combined under the leadership of H. H. Asquith with Lloyd George as his first lieutenant. Asquith is 71 years old, and Lloyd George is 60. The Liberal Party is defending Free Trade, and are staking all on this, the chief plank in its policy.

The Labor Party, which made such a splendid showing in the last general election, is led by Ramsay MacDonald, who insists that the Party stand by a levy on capital which, he says, will be made only once for the reduction of the National debt and relieving unemployment. Austen Chamberlain, Lord Birkenhead and Sir Alfred Mond and a host of others will be engaged in the battle. Behind the scenes are men who will no doubt exercise a wonderful influence on the result. Men like Lord Burnham, Lord Riddell, Lord Beaverbrook and Lord Rothermere, proprietors of newspapers and periodicals, are also playing important parts in the campaign. The latter is a brother of the late Lord Northcliffe, whose papers reach 80 per cent. of the British reading public.

Premier Baldwin is a fine type of the English gentleman. He is not an orator like Lloyd George, but nevertheless he speaks well, and is greatly liked for his sincerity. He has served in the House of Commons as a member for the Bewdley division of Worcestershire since 1908. The standing of the parties at the dissolution of Parliament was as follows:— Unionists 342 Labor 144 United Liberals (59 Asquithians and 59 Lloyd Georgians) 118 Other parties 7 Seats vacant 4 Total 615

On Thursday an accident, which almost resulted in a fatality, occurred, when little Gus Hambling, son of Mr. J. Hambling, fell over the wharf of C. & A. Dawe. But for the effort of the captain of the schooner Esther Hankinson, it is probable that the little lad would have lost his life.

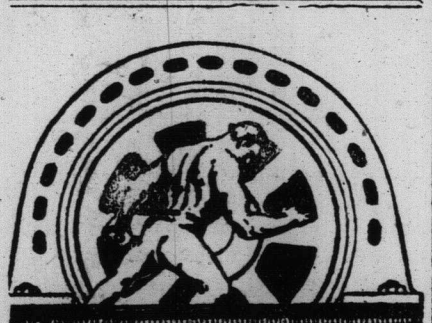
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ITEMS OF NEWS.

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Notes from CORNERBROOK. A large hotel is under construction at the Cornerbrook town site. We understand that Cornerbrook is soon to be made a port of entry. A railway station is to be erected at Cornerbrook next season. The site of erection will likely be near the present stopping place for the trains. The schooner Laverna was here during the week discharging a load of coal for Robert Dawe. The schooner Esther Hankinson is here discharging a load of coal at the premises of C. & A. Dawe.

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