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needed reforms initiated.

This is a record any Party complished by the poor F.P.U. tainly entitles them to the best bate in the House last night which erated his statement and defied ture.

The Pit Prop Bill

thanks of the people. Mr. Stone's action in exposing the Postal Telemidnight. graph Department is creditable and worthy of the people's thanks.

Another matter re Postal af-Premier, Messrs, Kent, Coaker, fairs is the case of shortage in Halfyard, Winsor, Bennett, Higcash by a clerk in the Registration gins, Hickman and Lloyd. Office, named Weston March. Mr. Mr. Kent opposed the Bill in a Coaker referred to this case in splendid speech, in which he rethe House early in the session and the Colonial Secretary promised that he would investigate the matfrom The Standard of Empire, ter. After six weeks' delay, Mr. Bennett tabled the following parto England during the early winticulars in this matter :---ter and which claimed that a cam-

"On afternoon of March 10th it paign was being operated here to was reported to the Postmaster force the export of pit props and General that March was not pulp wood as a permanent policy. ed by the actions of the Reidsprompt in settling for amounts of Duty collected on Registered aran hour, which was vigorous, aggressive and impressive, tore the Falls.

He was called before the Postmaster General and told that the matter should be settled by ten John's, Newfoundland, Union Pub- | o'clock the following morning, or he would be reported to the Government.

ticles.

He stated that trouble had oc-The next morning he paid into curred in the Government over the Parcel Post branch the sum of those proposals, and men sat in

591.30, the amount against him this House who were interested they withdrew their money that for the current quarter. He also financially in this matter. He was to establish paper mills at

(the Premier) would show how he six or twelve months after the war came by the \$60,000 worth of terminated but he could not supshares he held in the St. George's port a measure of allowing this to The Government's measure en-

abling pit props to be cut and ex- [Co., that he (Mr. Coaker) would go on for 10 years which would ported from Newfoundland until give him the name of the agent mean that 20 years would be addmight be proud of, but being ac- December 31st, 1916, and for ten who approached him. This taught ed to the 10 as soon as the 10 exyears from Labrador was the the Premier a lesson and he said pired-an occurrence now becom-Party of back woods men it cer- cause of a strong and stirring de- no more. While Mr. Coaker reit- ing a daily event in our legisla-

> kept the House open until after anyone to say it was not true. He objected to any further ex-

The Premier found a way to port of pit props from Newfound-The principal speakers on this publish his last night's speech in land and referred to several petimeasure last night were:-The this morning's News, but why tions to that effect then on his should his speech be published desk. He asked if the people had while Mr. Kent's and Mr. Coaker's petitioned for such a departure will have to wait until September from the settled policy of past Governments. If the Noseworthy before seeing the light of day? Mr. Coaker never spoke better petition which had been sent evferred to a cutting he had read at han he did last night and his erywhere had received 1000 signatures out of the 60,000 voters. He the opening of the House, taken speech will prove an eye opener when published. He showed that asked whether the timber was not which was written here and sent the Country required all of its the heritage of the people and if own timber for local manufacture so what right the House had to into timber or paper. That no

give it away to Land Grabbers and make them rich while the less than three large proposals to value of the areas should be used erect paper mills had been blockto develop the fisheries, educate Mr. Coaker's address of over one on the Gander and another at the children, and in a dozen other ways make life worth living in Deer Lake, and another at Bishop this Colony. The ship was being He showed how the Reids had

scuttled and driven on the rocks and pirates were eagerly seeking ments and exposed a plot to take done all possible to ruin the the people's heritage without their | Bishop Falls proposal, had held up their loot.

The measure was not in the interest of the people, but solely intended to enrich land sharks who sulted in disgusting the English had never done an hour's work to capitalists to such an extent that benefit the people or country.

I speak for the people, said Mr. Coaker, and whether perfect or



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for the bona fide use of incorporated institutes; Official Reports. the construction of new ships. upon such certificate as may be Newspapers, and Monthly and Semi-Monthly Magazines; Weekly required by the Minister of Finance and Customs, ad val Library Papers unbound, and Christmas Annuals: Blackboards,

specimens, medals and wall dia- Molasses, produced in the West India Islands, in the process of the grams, illustrative of natural his-

The Post Office Scandal

Mr. Stone yesterday delivered a speech respecting the Postal Telegraph Department that caused a sensation and the result was the Government decided to appoint a Commission to enquire into the working of the Department from top to bottom.

The speech will be published by us to-morrow and will prove an eve opener to the public, if the statements made by Mr. Stone are true, it is high time an investigation was held.

Mr. Bennett referred to trouble he has had and openly stated that the institution had become demoralized and he was glad in many respects that Mr. Stone's statements enabled him to clean up the Department through a Commission of Enquiry.

Mr. Coaker reminded the Colonial Secretary that just before closing last March he had called his attention to several matters in connection with the Telegraph Department and pointed out some serious transactions that had taken place, and he asked the Minister then to give close attention to the Department.

Mr. Coaker also reminded the Minister that during the present session he had gone further and openly denounced the goings on in the Department and had asked the Government to remove Mr. Woods and appoint Mr. Robinson to the position of P.M.G. He then went as far as he thought prudent but the Government still persisted in sleeping and had taken no action.

The question asked during the session by Mr. Stone in reference to the Telegraph Department should have been enough to convince the Government that something was wrong and should be

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tendent of Registration, to cover amounts apparently unsettled, which after deducting overcharges \$4.48 was found to be \$66.37. This amount has also been paid in, set-

tling the account in full. He was not accused of anything except not being prompt in paying file.

in amounts collected; and steps have been taken to prevent the possibility of any repetition of the trouble.

No further action was taken in the matter."

One Hundred and Fifty Seven Dollars and Sixty Seven Cents

was therefore the shortage, and this man was told to make good and held on in his position, while another man with less political friends would have had to face a trial and a jail. This man March is a brother-in-law of Jordon Milley, the thrice defeated candidate for Twillingate District.

The shortage occurred during one month. He receives the taxed postage on registered parcels and square up his accounts monthly. He wanted money for sport during the month and took it bit by bit from his office receipts. Not having squared up when the month expired, his action was re-

ported and an investigation of his books found him according to Mr. Bennett, \$157 out. He was through the influence of Jordon Milley and a member of the Executive permitted to pay up the difference, and Jordon Milley passed in cheque for \$90 and he (March) was permitted to pay the balance due in monthly instalments.

If this is not turning the Postal Department into a political foot-

ball and stuffing it with friends of political heelers, and then making the Department a compounder of crime to save the face of partywire-pullers, what else can it termed?

made right, yet they closed their

made a deposit with the Superinasked if a member of the House Bishop Falls and Mr. Albert Reed imperfect, agreeably or disagreehad interviewed or written members of the Executive regarding the issue of a license to John Jardine of Bay Roberts for 1000 square miles, and why Jardine's

license had been issued in March out of fifteen that were then on

Premier's rosy picture into frag-

consent or leave, to make a num-

ber of Land Grabbers wealthy.

Mr. Coaker further asked if the Government knew that it was said lardine had an option to sell this timber area for \$60,000 if this Pit Prop Bill passed and whether he

had not already been paid \$8000 on the timber licence. The Minister whose name was mixed up in this made a strong appeal to the House to pass this measure in order to provide labor, and he did not occupy his seat last night or

vote. Frank Morris is a Director in one Company-The Bell Isle

Strait P. and L. Co.-that hopes to sell its holdings to a pit prop

firm for a large sum of money should this measure pass. C. Emerson represents W. H. faylor—the noted timber specu-

ator-as Solicitor, and Tayor has large holdings that will be ship in winter. The interest on very valuable in event of this measure passing into law.

In view of such conditions it is no wonder a Party measure was carried in caucus, extending a war

neasure for pit props to cover 10 ears and including the export of everything in the way of timber

n its provisions. The matter is a scandal of the most dispicable colour, open

brazen faced and covered with Falls to St. John's. Tammanyism from beginning to

end. Small wonder that so few could be found to support this con temptable outrage.

Mr. Coaker stated that those holding areas were being offered from 30c. to 50c. per acre for their 22.000 miles of holdings should

this Bill pass, which at 30c. would

had to put his own money alone ably, my utterances always porin the business and cut it down to tray the opinions of the common a pulp mill or to about one quar- people of this country and I am ter of the industry he had been here to stand by what they wish prepared to construct at the first. and I will always abide by their The Gander proposal was ready wishes-not my own-but theirs. when a demand by the Reids kill- They will be always be to me the ed that. The Deer Lake proposa! Sovereign Power, not a month be-

the work a year, threatening in-

junction to prevent the construc-

tion of the dam, which trouble re-

was ready for action, having \$7,- fore the elections, but every)00,000 capital subscribed when month, and when I am not willing Reids demand for \$1,250,000 killto recognize this principle I will ed that also, thus the action of the not hold a seat in this House or my position in the F.P.U. Reids had prevented the estab-

'ishment of industries that would | Every word uttered by Mr. have employed 3000 permanent Coaker had its effect and created nen and an extra 4000 loggers in a feeling in every members' breast winter, which would have meant who heard his burning, incisive an additional annual expenditure and appealing words, that sincerof nearly \$5,000,000 for labor. ity of purpose and a strong love The A.N.D. Co. had intended to for Country was the key to the

utilize Lewisporte as a shipping success of the speaker and the port in summer and St. John's as foundation of his speaking force the shipping port in winter, but and attraction.

The pit prop resolutions passed owing to Reid wanting his pound of flesh and with it its ounce of and those who voted for this adblood the A.N.D. Co. had to ditional robbery of the people's build a railway to Botwood and heritage are:---

Sir E. P. Morris, Bennett, Emerare now compelled to hold six nonths stock of paper and pulp son, Crosbie, Cashin, Moulton. on hand owing to being unable to Kennedy (St. John's). Woodford Walsh, Moore, Currie, Devereaux, this vast stock for half a year was LeFeuvre, Higgins-14.

The smallest vote yet cast this enough to cripple any industry, and the Black Eye the Premier | session in favor of any Government measure. stated that those concerns were

Frank Morris and Piccott did giving the Colony owing to not saving a dividend, was chiefly due not vote.

to the want of tact and reasonable Kennedy (Hr. Main), Young capacity on the part of those who and Downey were absent.

made it impossible to ship in win-All the Opposition present votter from St. John's owing to big ed against the measure and in sharges for freight from Grand favor of Mr. Kent's resolution.

Mr. Coaker stated that 20 pulp mills could be operated in the Country if we safeguarded the vater powers, for the timber was

there, but if pit prop exporting was permitted, the whole prospects for future development would be as black as jet. He opposed the cutting of another pit

The Colonial Secretary knew give over \$5,000,000 to the Land prop in Newfoundland or this Col-

tory and imported for colleges schools and public . libraries; Kindergarten Requisites, and Catalogues and Price Lists of persons, firms and companies elsewhere, and not domiciled Oil personaly doing business here, ad val10 per cent. Chair Cane or Reed of Withrod, when imported in an unmanufactured state, ad val10 per cent. Engravers' Plates of Steel, polished.

for engraving thereupon; Photo Engraving Machinery, viz.:-router, bevelling and squaring machines, screen-holders, crossline screens, chemicals for use in engraving, wood for blocking, graving tools and process plates, loop Iron or Hoop Steel, splayed, punched or nosed, and cut in lengths not to exceed sixty-eight inches, to be used in making herring barrels, ad val .. 10 per cent. ndian Corn. ad val. 10 per cent Junk, Old Iron, Old Copper, and Old Composition Metal, ad val.

.....10 per cent Machinery of all kinds to be used in the actual breaking of coal or ore bodies underground or in the open pit, viz-Rock Drills, Coal Cutters: Pumping Engines of all kinds, to be used in transferring water from the underground, or open pit workings, to the surface; Hoisting Engines or other machinery to be used as a motive power to lift ores or coal from the underground, or from an open pit, to the surface; Crushers, or other machinery, to be used in the actual breaking of ores, so as Printing Paper, Printing Presses. to facilitate refining or transportation; Special Machinery of all kinds, to be used for the washing. concentration, reduction, or the refining of any ore or coal, or for the manufacture of brick: Prospecting Drills of all kinds, to be used for the proving the extent or existence underground of coal, oil or ore bodies; Cranes and Scrap-iron and Scrap-steel (old), and Derricks, when used for the actual handling of coal or ore from the working to the surface; compressors to be used for the operation of any of the above machines: Fire Clay and Fire Brick, to be used in the construction of any ore reduction or smelting Dynamite. Detonators. plant: Blasting Powder, Fuses of all kinds; Blasting Batteries, Bat-

tery Wire and Drill Steel, when

manufacture of sugar from the juice of sugar cane, and the package in which it is imported, ad Music, written, ad val. 10 per cent. Cake, Oil Cake Meal, Cotton Seed Cake, Cotton Seed Meal, Pease Meal, Bran and other preparations for cattle and chicken feed ad10 per cent. val. Ores, to be used as flux, ad val.10 per cent. Paper, known as Solling Paper, and Papers to be used by manufacturers in enclosing their manufactures: Tin, in sheels and blocks and solder; Printed and Lithographed Labels when imported by persons engaged in the manufacture of fish tins or packages or in the preserving of fish for market, provided that the labels cannot be manufactured in this Colony; Ammonia, when imported for refrigerating purposes; and Mineral and Lubricating Oils when imported by Cold Storage Companies for use in connection with their machinery: Lead Sheets. Steel and Wood Boxes and Labels when imported by Tea dealers, to be used by them in Packing Tea in small packages, Shooks, Tins, and other coverings with labels, when imported by manufacturers for their use in the manufacture of Tobacco, ad val.10 per cent. lants. Trees and shrubs: also seeds for Agricultural purposes, N.E.S., and Florists' Seeds, ad val.10 per cent. Printing Types, Printers' lak and Printe's Office Furniture when imported by bona flut printers for use in their business ad val. 10 per cell. Refuse Pice, Rice, Uncleaned or ad. val. 10 per cui Sand and Fire Clay: Sansage Skins of Casings, ad val. 10 per cent. fit only o be manufactured, being part of or recovered from any vessel wrecked in waters subject to the jurisdiction of Newfound-.10 per cent. land, ad val. Steel Shafting, when imported 101 ad val. use in steam vessels, Stereotypes. Electrotypes and Celluloids for Almanacs. Calendars, Illustrated Pamphlets, Newspapers, Advertisements or Engrav

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picture, admirably staged, admirably eyes, and now they were driven all those facts, yet he turned his Grabbers and over \$7,000,000 at ony. As for Labrador, no pulp produced, admirably acted, and spok-

THE NICKELS

A SPLENDID PHOTOPLAY The house of masterpieces was

crowded again last night by those (anxious to see, which anxiety was relieved, by witnessing the splendid production of the Gaumont artists in the "Curse of Greed." This is a five reel

back on doing his duty because 50c. per acre. by the indifference of the Execumills would ever be erected on the) en of admirably everywhere. It is full tive to take a stronger stand, and political considerations stepped in. Mr. Coaker stated that in 1913 coast, but the timber could be of exciting incidents, attracts the spectator's attention instantly, is The public confidence in Mr. Ben-Mr. Stone's statements were the he (Coaker) was approached by manufactured into paper cheaper graphically descriptive of man's pasnett wont be increased by such acourcome. Mr. Stone was comhenchmen of some of the com- in Newfoundland than in England sion for greed, and gives a moral that panies holding areas on the Lab- or America and if it paid people is touching, appealing and forcible. tions, nor will the people feel as pelled to take this course, as he positive regarding matters comsaw the Government would not rador, offering him (Coaker) a to take it away so far to make pa- Don't miss it. Come to-night and tell ing before Mr. Bennett, receiving large sum of money if he would per surely it would pay better to your friends to do the same to-mortake the matter serious. Now a square deal in future in view of row night. It cost a lot to produce they were compelled to move or support the Morris Party in the make it into paper here in Newbut can be seen for practically nothe facts of this case. forever be held responsible for election and bind the Premier to foundland. thing. shielding wrongdoing. place a plank in his manifesto to He absolutely would not permit

The Opposition has again prov-The figures of the Norwegian codfish catch as received by Deputy Min. ed its watchfulness of the public of Customs LeMessurier yesterday, interests and shown that the F.P. are 54,400,000 up to May 27th this U. Party is not asleep. Already year, with 68,800,000 at the corresthe public institutions have had ponding date last season. conditions revealed through the

stand taken by the F.P.U. in the last night on her way to Trinity Bay House. The conditions at the where the cable line connecting New Hospital and Penitentiary had York and Heart's Content, recently been investigated, resulting in damaged by an iceberg grounding on great reforms being initiated, and | it, will be repaired.

permit the export of pulp wood a permanent policy of export unfrom the Labrador at an export less all the areas held by speculatax of \$1.00 per cord. The Premier interrupted, rather then sold at their highest figure warmly asking Mr. Coaker to give for the benefit of the Colony and latest New York hits. The excellent the name of the agent, but Mr. cutting operations were properly The cable ship Minia reached port Coaker refused. The Premier supervised in order to protect house must attract and please all, spoke as though he doubted the young timber and thus maintain for they are up-to-date, of interesting statement and pushed for the a perpetual supply. During the name. Mr. Coaker silenced his an war he was willing to permit ex- the Crescent this p.m. for an enjoytagonist by exclaiming that if he port from the Labrador and up to able performance.

THE CRESCENT.

"Don't blame it all on Broadway," tors reverted to the Colony, and and "Play the game of Love" will be heard at the Crescent to-day, and Delmonico is just them an to sing those pictures shown at this popular little character, and given in a theatre flat that is second to none in the city. To

ings. and all other like work for used for mining purposes: commercial, trade or other pur-Wrought Iron or other pipes, to be poses, and matrices or copper used in transmitting steam, comshells for the same, ad val. pressed air or water through the underground or open pit workings, and from the point of ac- Material for installing wireless telecumulation to the point of exit; Hoisting and Hauling Cables, to be used in the lifting and transporting of coal or ore from the Wheat, whole, not ground or crushed, working face to the point of shipment; Machinery, or other equip- Works of Art, viz .- Paintings in oil ment to be used in conveying coal or ore from the mine or from the working to the surface; Provided that should any of the foregoing mentioned articles in this section be used for any other purpose than that for which they are here set forth, they shall be dealt with as smuggled goods, to be subject to all the provisions in such cases provided under the Customs Acts, 1898 to 1905. The word "machinery" in this item are not to in- gal, and on Gasoline of 61/2c. per gal. clude or relate to steam boilers repeated.

graphy on board ships engaged in the trade and fisheries of the Colony, ad val. 10 per cent. ad val.10 per cent. or water colors, by artists of well known merit, or copies of the old masters by such artists; and paintings in oil and water colors. the production of Newfoundland artists, under regulations prescribed by the Governor in Council, and engracings, when producted by the Art Union Society of London, ad val. Drawbacks in Kero Oil of 51/2c. per