

Greenspond for Bennett and Clean Government.

Editor Evening Telegram.

Dear Sir—It is very little appears in your paper from this place, and I now think that a few words will not be out of place. There have been several articles appearing in the Government organ, the Advocate, which are as near the truth as Greenspond is to Brazil. I may say that we have had a very fine but very frosty winter, which indeed was a blessing to our men who were cutting pit props for the British North American Trading Co. A very singular thing occurred here on the 8th of February last when Mr. William Barry, aged 82 years, and his wife Dinah, aged 78 years, died within the space of four hours. Mr. Barry dying at 2.30 and his wife at 6.00; they were both laid in the one grave. Rev. I. W. Upward performed the last sad rites. We have passed away the winter months very well, with concerts, teas and dances and public meetings in reference to pit props, and last but not least our meetings of the F.P.U. Council on Saturday nights. I did not intend to say anything about our meetings, but seeing some scribble in the Advocate writing falsehoods, I am compelled to write truth.

On Saturday night, Feb. 3rd, the Chairman told us that we were to have a meeting. R. G. Winsor, Geo. Bishop, Robert Teller and others were going to give us speeches worth listening to. This meeting was terminated by the Advocate as a mass meeting, when it was nothing but a Council meeting. No one who was not in possession of the Union password was

to be admitted. I find there were quite a number who had the password, but as they were not members of the Union did not attend, as it was not compulsory for them to do so. However, the meeting started, and after a few remarks by the chairman, the three worthies from Westville gave their addresses. We were greatly disappointed in our M.H.A., as we certainly thought he would give us a good sound address. But instead, he gave us rot. He, however, told us how he got his pit props. He then asked us how we could have taxation reduced. He said he could not see where a reduction could be made, and asked is the Old Age Pension too high, are the widows getting too much money, and such nonsense as this, and as for the other speakers Bishop and Teller, they are not worth writing about. These men Winsor and Bishop also held a meeting at Shambler's Cove, at which meeting the Advocate says they gave splendid addresses on education. That's enough, Mr. Editor, to make a cat laugh. These two members of our F.P.U. lecturing on education. The next thing we will hear is that Simeon Harvey, of Brookfield, is lecturing on Astronomy. The Advocate says fully 75 p.c. of Greenspond is for Coaker. The writer of that article knew he was writing a lie; it was done just to deceive outside places. Had he said about 75 p.c. of the members on our Union roll (which is, I believe, 97) he would have been nearer the mark. To give your readers some idea of our strength: When the chairman started to open the meeting, he said if there are any spies here put them out. I suppose, Mr. Editor, he thought there were some there, but I know out of the number present at one meeting, there were 22 of the same opinion as the writer,



that was to listen to what was said, but had no intention of supporting Coaker. Coaker may poll 70 per cent. of the number on our roll, but Winsor and Abbott not 40 per cent. and if matters continue running as they have since the Fishermen's Delegates arrived home, I fear there will not be enough left to open a Union meeting. Everything that can possibly be done to keep us together, and to bring back some who have left is being done; the chairman offering free passes to the Humber, but no one outside the Union need apply. But this bait is not good enough for Greenspond to-day. The place is fairly blocked

with Advocates, Daily Mails and Coaker literature. Every mail the clerk has two back loads of papers, but in spite of all this we are daily leaving the Union and joining the Opposition Committee. The Government is also flooding the public dispatches with such lies that we would like to know if it cannot be stopped. The report of the sealers' meeting was proven to be false. In a desk in the hall of the post office the news is recorded in a book. The report of the sealers' meeting written there, was that the meeting went in favor of Coaker and Squires; tacked to the wall alongside was a telegram to a private party saying, yesterday's daily dispatch was a tissue of falsehoods. No one will believe any political news in the dispatches since. Even Coaker's strong men here will not believe it. When the dispatch came in that Coaker was having two sealing steamers for next spring, one of his strong supporters said, no one will believe that. Years ago when I first joined the Union Coaker told us he was going to have four sealing steamers, but we did not get one, and how can anyone believe this now. It is only a lie to get them for a clean, honest government and reduction of taxation. A more orderly meeting was never held in this country, not one interruption, except

cheering as the different men took and left the platform. After the singing of the National Anthem a large number went forward and signed their names to act as a committee to work for Bennett and clean government. Saturday night they held a committee meeting when they had 80 voters on the committee. Owing to it being our Council meeting I was not present at the committee meeting, but I hear they have asked Mr. A. E. Hickman to come as a candidate for this district. Now, Mr. Editor this will give you and the people who may read this, a chance to see what the feeling of Greenspond is like toward Coaker. Last election you did not open your mouth to oppose Coaker; now one is afraid to say a word in his favor except behind closed doors.

Please take notice of this, voters of Bonavista District, and join with Greenspond for a clean government under the leadership of Mr. John R. Bennett.

Come along Messrs. Hickman, Crosbie, or Monroe and bring two good men with either of you, and Coakerism will be wiped out of this district. Yours truly,
CONVERT FROM COAKERISM.
Greenspond, March 20, 1923.

West End Voter Replies to The Mail

Dear Sir—In Wednesday's issue of the Daily Mail, its Editor asks the question "Will the voters of St. John's agree to the game rigged on them so brazenly and so arrogantly by Cashin and Morine and Crosbie?" And then it answers its fool question by the words "We think not." The voters of St. John's West will make an emphatic answer on polling day to all the questions that Mosdell of the Mail or any other of the Squires-Coaker writers wish to ask, and that will be recorded by a thundering majority for Cashin, Linegar and Hunt. With the poisoned pens of intolerance these writers have been laboring to stampede some innocent men to vote against the Opposition, but their work in that direction is only meeting with a terrible rebound on the Government. Their howlings on the Humber Deal have so sickened the voters that they are nauseated with its continued trotting out, without being told what the terms of the Deal are. Day after day this Humber business is hashed, re-hashed and hollered over and over again so much, that Dr. Mosdell, instead of being a Lunacy Commissioner, is likely to unhinge his mind in the other direction and carry his fellow scribes with him. But none of the re-hash is palatable to the voters of St. John's West for they are all well satisfied to trust the handling of the Humber enterprise to the Bennett Government. And now I turn to the consideration of the subject bearing on the fool question referred to in my opening remarks. That idiotic question is built around a lot of matter concerning A. B. Morine and Capt. Jessé Winsor; and the so-called smart Editor, by bringing in the names of these two citizens seems to see in their introduction a very astute plan to get the electors to look through his Squires-Coaker spectacles. Permit me to tell Dr. Mosdell that the voters of the West End are not the idiots that he imagines they are and that they are up just as early in the morning, or earlier no doubt, than he is, with their eyes of wisdom wide open and ready to manage all the cunning that Mosdell is capable of. Playing on the name of Morine has no effect upon the voters of St. John's West, not the slightest whatever, and to couple his name with that of Sir M. P. Cashin and Sir J. C. Crosbie, that they have a game rigged for some sinister purpose tends not in the slightest to diminish our confidence in Cashin, Linegar and Hunt. Mosdell says in answer to his fool question that he thinks we won't agree to this so-called game in which he drags in the name of Mr. Morine. Well, like the Polish man who laughs at his own supposedly smart sayings because no sensible person can see anything therein, Mosdell is entitled to have all of a fool's comfort from answering his own question himself. But I will answer another question if Mosdell wishes to put it and that is "Will the electors of St. John's West stand for any other game that Sir M. P. Cashin is up to?" To this I would say yes, we are all as one man to play the game of Cashin, Linegar and Hunt in winning our freedom back again from the thralldom of Coakerism; the game of upsetting the worst Government that ever ruled Newfoundland, and the most incompetent and bungling political outfit that we ever have had; the game of putting asleep for ever the hireling scribblers who are endeavoring to seduce an electorate into placing back in power again the men of whom they are but the tools. All these games we help to play and the result will be announced next month in the record straight ticket majority piled up for CASHIN, LINEGAR and HUNT.

Yours truly,
WEST END LIBERAL.
St. John's, April 3rd, 1923.

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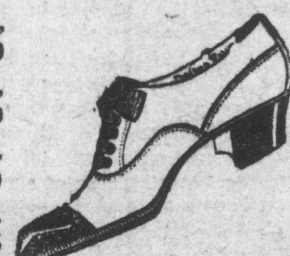
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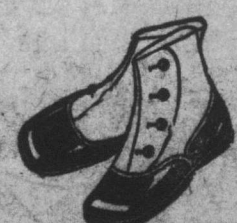


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