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Those Firebrand Attacks.

Its disgraceful attempts to trade on sectarian appeals exposed by the Telegram, and frankly denounced, the Advocate was quite hysterically incoherent on Wednesday, last, in an attempted justification and excuse.

Our protest against the sectarian propaganda by the Advocate, through the use made of Sir Michael Cashin's name, is referred to as "a plea for mercy," as an admission that Sir Michael will go into political oblivion, and he is called a "quitter."

The Advocate refers to the fact that Lord Morris, a Roman Catholic, was twice leader of a party here successful at the polls, and asks how the fact that Sir Michael Cashin is also a Roman Catholic could have been effectively used by the Squires-Coaker party in 1919, to defeat the party led by him.

"If," says the Advocate, "attacks upon Sir Michael are because he is a Roman Catholic, are attacks upon Squires and Coaker because they are Protestants." The answer here is also obvious and complete. No complaints have been made by the Telegram because of attacks upon Sir Michael, for anything he has done or omitted, but because attacks are being made upon Mr. Bennett, upon the false ground that he is merely a "pawn," and Sir Michael the actual leader, for no other purpose than to create prejudice against the Opposition Party in Protestant districts on the false and scandalous ground that the actual leadership is in the hands of a Roman Catholic.

Criticism of Squires or Coaker cannot be for the purpose of creating sectarian prejudice against the Government party in Roman Catholic districts, for the leaders of both Government and Opposition are Protestants, and nothing could be gained in this respect by comparison. If the Government party were attacked upon the ground that Dr. Campbell is its actual leader, the position would be analogous to that created by the attacks based upon the assertion that Sir Michael leads the Opposition.

Coaker is called the "Boss" of the Government Party because (1) he is Boss, (2) because he puts himself forward as Boss, and (3) because his Boss-ship threatens looting of the treasury. His past conduct, his declared policy for the future, and his political position, justify all that is said of him. He is Boss because he will control a majority of the members returned to support the Government. He puts himself forward as Boss by his Manifestoes, in which he declares, in advance of Premier Squires, what will be the policy of a Government of which he will not be a member officially. He threatens looting because he has looted. He took money for salt, for fish, for public works, to reward his supporters; he wasted millions on the railway, and he demands public subsidies for his sugar refinery, for his sealing steamers, for freight steamers from Port Union to the West Indies. He has declared that the control of the fishery shall be taken from the merchants and given to his tools. A victory by the Government candidates will surrender the Colony, bound hand and foot. And he has already declared that he will sell the Labrador to Canada!

Sealing News.

There was very little sealing news received from the fleet last night. The Viking in the Gulf reported nothing new. The Ranger reported 7,800 on board and stowed. The S. S. Seal steamed through numerous old hoods in the water yesterday, and managed to secure an extra 200. There was no news received from Job's ships, and it is not likely that there is any change in the catch.

McMurdo's Store News.

FRIDAY, April 6, '23. It is no mere figure of speech to say that the Common Sense method of destroying vermin—rats and mice—is by the use of Common Sense Rat Exterminator. This Exterminator infallibly does destroy any rats or mice that eat it, and does so without leaving any unpleasant odor behind. Used according to directions you can clean out your cellar or barn in very quick time. Price 35c. a tin. Do not forget that to-day and to-morrow are Candy Sale Days, on which we give special prices on all bulk Mol's Candies. Some good ones this week.

Confederation

Life Association.

ORGANIZING THE NEWFOUNDLAND AGENCY.

Mr. Ernest Fox, the newly appointed Joint Manager for the Newfoundland Branch of the Confederation Life Association, who has been bringing this Company before the public persistently the last few months, is continuing his plan of organization by an advertising campaign through the medium of the "Evening Telegram," and by the announcement that the Company has appointed Mr. Andrew M. Clouston as special Agent for Newfoundland. We congratulate Mr. Fox on his progressive policy and bespeak great success for the "Newfoundland Branch" of the Confederation Life in the future.

WEEK-END BARGAINS. Ladies' Ready-to-Wear Hats \$1.49 to \$10.00 each. Lot Ladies' Hand Bags 85c. to \$1.20 each. Ladies' Gloves and Hosiery, big variety at low prices. THE WEST END BAZAAR, 51 Water Street West.

LAMB-SLAUGHTER



Harry brought two bleating lambs Through St. John's East in tow; He'll lose them on the bleak White Hills If they so far should go. For everywhere this trio pass The flags are sure to show; "We vote for BENNETT and his men No other names we know!"

W. McK. Chambers and Capt. Eric Chafe, M.C.

Bennett Standard Bearers for Burgeo and Burin Districts--West Coast Candidates Leave by S.S. Kyle to Start Campaign.

The Telegram is pleased to-day to announce the selection of Mr. W. McK. Chambers, a well known business man of St. John's, to be the candidate of the Opposition Party in the Burgeo and Burin districts. Mr. Chambers is a son of Mr. Levi Chafe, who for years before entering the civil service was chairman of Mr. Bennett's Committee, enlisted as a private with the 1st. Regiment (Blue Puttee, No. 52) Sept. 2nd, 1914. Proceeded overseas with first draft. Embarked for active service with B.M.E.F. 20-8-15 (Gallipoli); admitted Hospital Alexandria (enteric) 4-12-15; invalided to England and admitted 3rd L. G. Hospital, Wandsworth, 3-1-16; attached to Depot, Ayr, for duty 17-4-16. Promoted L. Cpl. 15-4-16; Cpl. 11-8-16; Sergt. 27-10-16; granted a Commission as 2nd Lieut. 15-11-16. Proceeded to join Battalion in the field 4-5-17. Granted furlough to Newfoundland and embarked Liverpool 21-7-18. Rejoined Battalion in the field 4-11-18. Promoted Lieut. 18-3-18; A. Capt. 6-11-18. Transferred to England 22-4-19. Reappointed to Newfoundland for discharge 22-5-19. Attached to strength H. Q. 1-9-19. Placed on reserve list of officers 21-6-19. Awarded the Military Cross 9-10-17. Since receiving his discharge from the Regiment, Capt. Chafe has been actively engaged in the general trade and business of the Colony, his offices adjoining those of the Gorton Fish Company. This is Capt. Chafe's first appearance on the stage of politics but he is a young Newfoundland of high reputation and his nomination spells success for the Bennett Party cause in the district of Burin.

The Liberal-Labor-Progressive team in the South West Coast districts with Messrs. Harris and Chafe for Burin, P. E. Outerbridge for Fortune and W. McKay Chambers for Burgeo and LaPolla will win. CAPT. ERIC R. A. CHAFE, M.C. In Capt. Eric R. A. Chafe, M.C., Mr. Bennett and the Liberal-Labor-Progressive Party have a strong and influential colleague to be associated in the party interests with Mr. Geo. C. Harris in the district of Burin, and that both will be successful in destroying the Menace of Coakerism is a foregone conclusion. Capt. Chafe, son of Mr. Levi Chafe, who for years before entering the civil service was chairman of Mr. Bennett's Committee, enlisted as a private with the 1st. Regiment (Blue Puttee, No. 52) Sept. 2nd, 1914. Proceeded overseas with first draft. Embarked for active service with B.M.E.F. 20-8-15 (Gallipoli); admitted Hospital Alexandria (enteric) 4-12-15; invalided to England and admitted 3rd L. G. Hospital, Wandsworth, 3-1-16; attached to Depot, Ayr, for duty 17-4-16. Promoted L. Cpl. 15-4-16; Cpl. 11-8-16; Sergt. 27-10-16; granted a Commission as 2nd Lieut. 15-11-16. Proceeded to join Battalion in the field 4-5-17. Granted furlough to Newfoundland and embarked Liverpool 21-7-18. Rejoined Battalion in the field 4-11-18. Promoted Lieut. 18-3-18; A. Capt. 6-11-18. Transferred to England 22-4-19. Reappointed to Newfoundland for discharge 22-5-19. Attached to strength H. Q. 1-9-19. Placed on reserve list of officers 21-6-19. Awarded the Military Cross 9-10-17. Since receiving his discharge from the Regiment, Capt. Chafe has been actively engaged in the general trade and business of the Colony, his offices adjoining those of the Gorton Fish Company. This is Capt. Chafe's first appearance on the stage of politics but he is a young Newfoundland of high reputation and his nomination spells success for the Bennett Party cause in the district of Burin.

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Argentia Loyal to a Man for Bennett Party.

Special to Evening Telegram. ARGENTIA, April 6.

Messrs. Walsh, Sullivan and Sinnott arrived here on Wednesday's train and despite unfavorable weather conditions crowds gathered at the railway station to receive them. To say they were tendered a right royal reception would be putting it mildly, only for the fact that Reid's railway premises here are so solidly constructed they would have been shaken to pieces by the tremendous ovation which greeted these popular candidates as they stepped from the train. A public meeting was opened at 8 p.m.; the spacious hall being filled to its utmost capacity. We defy contradiction to the statement that the most enthusiastic, unity and wholehearted support ever manifested in any cause in the history of Argentia was manifested throughout every minute of the three hours the meeting was in progress. Walsh, Sullivan and Sinnott in solid masses and statesmanlike address placed the issue before the people, explored the Humber, reviewed the brainless, inefficient and squandering actions of Squires-Coaker & Co. and outlined a sane fishery policy the product of Bennett, which will in small measure help the onward march to better times. That the voters are fully alive to the conditions of affairs, and highly appreciate the part these trusty representatives are taking in the restoration of prosperity was evidenced by the fact that at least every five minutes their speeches were punctuated by deafening applause. Argentia is true to the core for Walsh, Sullivan and Sinnott. Out of one hundred and twenty-five voters here, five only were believed to be for the Government; two of the five are now known to have declared themselves for Bennett and Better Times since Wednesday night, and two of the remaining three will split votes. Walsh, Sullivan and Sinnott, the three most popular men who ever represented this District, will prove it on Polling Day.

What is the Humber Deal?

The candidates of the Government and of the Opposition are lining up in their respective Districts, and the "battle of the Ballots" has begun. The Opposition are well armed and well equipped for the fray. They know the weakness of their opponents' armour and will pierce it easily and effectively. The Government are resting securely upon an unexplained "Humber Deal" thinking that by keeping this in the foreground all their misdeeds of the past three years will be forgotten. They do not attempt to explain any of the conditions imposed upon the country by this measure. They do not explain any particulars regarding it, but permit their organs to make all kinds of exaggerated statements concerning it, hoping that such statements may be accepted as facts. A people who have been so grossly deceived by Squires in his 1919 Manifesto are not likely to be caught napping this time, and will accept no statements that lack complete verification. If the Humber Deal were so beneficial as they claim, why was it not brought before the Legislature and confirmed? Why this secrecy about its terms and conditions? It is up to the Government to take the public into its confidence and to publish the contract in its entirety. Then we will know just where we stand regarding it. If the Government refuse to make public the conditions of this contract then we must conclude that there is something in it disgraceful to the people which would be forced down their throats by Squires and Coaker, if elected. Let the people be on their guard, there is something about this Humber Deal that precludes it from the public gaze—some shady section that will not bear out light. Trust Bennett to see that you get a square deal.

Hare Bay Will Support Long.

HARE BAY via Fogo, April 6.

Special Evening Telegram. Mr. Long held a meeting here this afternoon and showed up the Government's record during the past three and a half years. In forcible language he pledged his support to foster the Humber Deal and any other industries for the benefit of the fishermen. We, the undersigned of Hare Bay, pledge our support to Mr. Long in this fight. Richard Nippard, Sr., Frank Waterman, Benjamin Waterman, Solomon Coles, Mark Coles, Eli Nippard, Elias Nippard, Stephen Nippard, Walter Coles, Humphrey Coles, Absalom Coles, Levi Nippard, Richard Waterman, Robert Waterman, Kenneth Nippard, Humphrey Coles, Sr., Henry Coles, William Heath, Isaac Coles, Absalom Coles, Sr., Thomas Nippard, John Hy. Nippard, Albert John Nippard, Elias Coles, Ambrose Nippard, Arch Oke, David Waterman.

Dildo and New Harbor

WILL BURY THE SQUIRES-COAKER OUTFIT.

Special Evening Telegram. NEW HR., April 6. Magnificent meeting held here to-night by Stone, Bradley and Hodder; tremendous enthusiasm and speakers cheered continuously. Opposition will poll 90 per cent. vote in Dildo and New Harbor. Bennett and Better Times. Edmund J. George, Moses Thorne, Thomas Thorne, Robert Pretty, R. A. Cranford, Jacob Hillier, W. A. Pollett, Martin Higdon, A. P. Moore, James Reid, Andrew Cranford, Robert Hillier, Selby Levi, William J. Hafford, Levi Hollett, Alan T. George, W. L. Moore, Ritis Thorne, E. C. Cranford, Wm. S. Thorne, Charles Woodman, Owen Reid, S. J. Pretty, Samuel Picheur, Leonard Thorne, Philip Smith, Fred Hafford, Wm. A. Suley and hundreds of others who are determined to bury the Squires-Coaker outfit.

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Weather and Ice Report.

Catalina—Strong East wind, rain, no ice as far as can be seen. Greenspond.—Strong Southerly wind, no ice in sight. Bonavista—Strong E. S. E. wind, thick fog, sleet. Port aux Basques.—Wind S.E., raining, ice close on land.

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The Day Is Coming When St. John's Will Have Many Vacant Stores

On Water Street, Said Coaker in the Evening Advocate.

Here is an interesting reference to St. John's by W. F. COAKER, copied from the Fishermen's Advocate:—"To an outpost man, the social, political and commercial atmosphere of St. John's abounds with many nauseous elements. Socially, the people are fast riding to financial destruction. The cost of some of the houses of the upper ten is outrageously above the earnings of the head of the house. There are men in St. John's who expend as much as \$300 a week upon the maintenance of their homes and families. To be entitled to belong to the upper class in St. John's to-day, one must own an automobile worth at least \$2,000. A mad race in foolish expenditure of display is being run that will, before five years, bring about another financial disaster at St. John's. THE DAY IS COMING WHEN ST. JOHN'S WILL HAVE MANY VACANT SHOPS ALONG WATER STREET. To a certain extent, the residents of St. John's are social conditions in a desperate condition, but moral conditions are even worse. Twenty-five years ago, St. John's was a moral city. TO-DAY IT IS ONE OF THE WORST CITIES FOR ITS SIZE AS REGARDS VAIN GLORY, SOCIAL EXTRAVAGANCE, AND MORAL DEGENERACY THAT EXISTS IN NORTH AMERICA. The one mad rage is enjoyment and sport. Four theatres are open every week. Each is packed with admirers. Go to the clubs, and one finds a continual course of gambling. Even boys of fourteen have rooms called "clubs, where they play cards and gamble until midnight. There is absolutely no sign of the restraint upon moral degeneracy so observable when we were boys. To what fate is St. John's travelling? are questions often asked by the serious-minded. "What a responsibility the church will have to shoulder at the Day of Judgment! In our humble opinion, the churches and their responsible ambassadors will have to answer to the Creator for the conditions we have named, for had they performed their duty faithfully, and lived only and solely for the Glory of God, instead of for temporal advancement and financial gain, those conditions which to-day cause many who men to shudder would not have existed. The churches who denounce wrong now, "adays, when they fear financial loss of lifelong friends, if they dare to do so,"—W. F. COAKER.

Everything Favorable.

ENTHUSIASM FOR THE BENNETT PARTY. Capt. Jesse Winsor, Chairman of the United Fishermen's Movement, received the following messages to-day:—

Bonavista, April 6.—Our committee now 250. Prospects daily improving. Rousing meeting last night. H. ROWSELL, Sec'y.

Wesleyville, April 6.—Held enthusiastic meeting last night; 95 voters present; \$5 now on committee. Everything going favorable for Bennett Party. STEWART WINSOR, Chairman.

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NOTICE. NFLD. GOVERNMENT COASTAL MAIL SERVICE. Freight will be received up to noon, to-day, for carriage by S. S. MALAKOFF for St. Mary's, Salmonier, Branch. Shippers having freight for ports in Placentia Bay, please communicate with Coastal Office: Phone 306. Preference given to food stuffs. Freight will be landed when weather and ice conditions permit. W. H. CAVE, Minister of Shipping.

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First Sure V...-Bennet Sweep

The Bennett... West End of St... Cashin. Linear... opponents hiked... and only hope... candidates, a split... appeared. Morris... such an ent... they have thrown... into the campaign... the election of... ates by sweeping... previous conclusi... Last night some... working committe... headquarters and... presses from Cash... who were st... sessions. Mr. B... Chairman Cald... the work of the... pressing beyond... banked all for t... the District had... during the first... Mr. Charles Hu... upon by the Cha... ing address. Ho... merely cordial r... receiving in the... Central Street... they held the mo... ing that was ev... Test. Everywhere... most pronounced... BETT and BETT... ing. Mr. Hun... the sins of the... bringing their t... promise had been... challenged. CONTR... RESPECTABLE T... Mr. Hunt said... papers were sa... was returned. He... would be decrea... understood that... thing of that na... would forthwith... tion with the part... that thousands... squandered sh... the men who did... and "flanders" ar... the Government... based on the H... they say they ar... This is another f... proposition whic... in 1913 by Carbi... come on and not... Then in 1922 it is... the Government... This time it is... holds and it is... it is a good b... straight, but it... the Reid's tr... ing protected. Mr... challenge the... by Squires and... Gibb, which... weakness. It w... that if Squires is... discussed Humber... through. In con... spoke of the des... that was going... leader of the Op... Bennett, by sayi... This was... that no self-thi... ing for. Sh... supporting Mr. B... was standing... never yet. Thi... word. Thirty... his pledge... now he has give... Bennett, and... West Squires' f... was to get de... the accounts to... doing anything w... done him and h... solely, and their... tion of their... the Colony \$15,000... regards Mr. B... twenty years in... one can say that... he had not st... Hunt made a str... straight ticket v... LABOR CANDIDA... ERN... Mr. Linegar wa... tion. He spok... that were... organizing the H... that work wa... was returned. He... campaign... What had s... could blow... ers had been... ises, but wh... But leaving... thought to liv... Humber Deal Mr... show what w... would. Fire sh... right in the... much here... over taxation a... apparently a... Gibb, as if one... ing on. Reag... Linegar wa... film was