

THE EVENING TELEGRAM

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THE HEAVEN SENT.

In Tuesday's Advocate was published an impassioned address, the frenzied language of which shows that Mr. Coaker has not forgotten his vocabulary nor his old time style. The message is addressed to the Fishermen and Sealers—we presume the whole mass of both bodies, although it was not so many days ago that the Advocate was berating and reviling a section of either, because they had undertaken to perform a certain office for themselves and the country at large, without consulting the "Wordy President" in connection therewith, and for presuming to go ahead without having sought his advice. Now that the one man Coaker, "whom Heaven sent to be a blessing," to use the words of this fearfully and wonderfully constructed document, has seen that there is revolt against his rule in the Northern districts, he falls back on his original tactics, and makes his appeal to the Fishermen and Sealers of the North. He does not care now whether or not they are United Fishermen looking for a reduction of taxation, ditto expenditure, and a general decrease in the present high cost of living. Ah no! His purely paternal advice is directed to all of them, irrespective of sectionalism. His appeal is made to all in the name of Coaker, the omnipotent, the omnivagant.

"Listen to him: 'Are you ready fishermen and sealers of the North?' And he answers his own question thusly, 'Ready, aye Ready.' Truly the fishermen and sealers of the North are ready, but not in that state of readiness which Mr. Coaker desires. They are ready to do their utmost to drive from power for evermore, the aggregation of men who at present misdirect the destinies of Newfoundland, and who have, for the past three and a half years literally wasted the substance of the country in misgovernment. The fishermen and sealers of the North are ready, waiting for the day when an opportunity will be given them to use the prerogative of freemen everywhere, and bury beneath an avalanche of ballots the men, of whom Mr. Coaker is one, who placed them in the unenviable position they occupy to-day. The men who ground them down with taxation, who sweated more than half their earnings out of them to help pay for the colossal extravagance of an incompetent administration. The fishermen and sealers of the North are ready to sweep away from the seats of government the politicians, needy and otherwise—and they of the present Government were nearly all in the former category—who taxed them over one hundred and ten per cent. in duties on their fishing outfits, raised their postage letter rates by fifty per cent., and added other intolerable burdens to the load already being borne by the producers—the fishermen and sealers.

"Who is your leader," shrieks the Advocate, and again answers his own question. Not with the name of Squires, remember, and note that fact carefully, please; but with the name of Coaker. The creed of Islam may be summed up in this expression of belief: 'There is one God, and Mahomet is his prophet.' According to Coaker, the creed of the fishermen and sealers of the North should be, 'There is but one leader, and he is W. F. Coaker.' What does Sir Richard Squires think of this declaration of usurpation. Either Coaker is a pretender, and is shouting for effect, and to attract the populace, or otherwise he is the actual dyed-in-the-wool leader of the so-called Liberal-Reform Party. Which is which? Sir Richard must be long declare himself, and make it plain that he is the monarch of his political following. Two kings cannot reign in the same state, neither can two leaders conduct the destinies of a political party. Squires or Coaker? Which is it? Coaker proudly announces that he is the leader of the North. What price, then, the Prime Minister? 'The world knows Coaker,' solemnly proclaims the Advocate, but not one least, little word of Sir Richard Squires, and it probably does not care whether the world knows him or not, so long as Coaker can overshadow as he will eventually overpower him. Thus is Sir Richard in an equivocal position. If Mr. Coaker has usurped his authority, and the Advocate makes no bones about this being the case, then the people must perceive exactly the political relationship between the two men, both of whom claim to be leaders of the one party. Note the anomaly, readers, and then again ask yourselves, Which is which?

Voluntary Candidates. Capt. and Crew of Hawk.

MESSRS LONG, MOORE AND HARRIS OFFER THEMSELVES TO MR. J. R. BENNETT.

The latest acquisitions to the ranks of the Opposition Party, who have voluntarily pledged themselves to Mr. J. R. Bennett, are Messrs. Joseph Long, Joseph Moore and George C. Harris. The former will contest the district of Fogo against the Government candidate, Mr. George Grimes. Mr. Moore will face Mr. Scammell in St. Barbe and thereby test the ability of that gentleman to make good his boast that he had St. Barbe in his pocket. Mr. George C. Harris, the well-known principal of the firm of Samuel Harris, Ltd., and of the Marytown Trading Company, wired Mr. Bennett from Halifax last night as follows:—

"I offer my services as Opposition candidate for Burin District, and wish your party every success.

GEO. C. HARRIS.

With such men as Messrs. Long, Ayre, Outerbridge, Moore, Hunt and Harris offering themselves as volunteers in the interest of clean, honest government, is it any wonder that Bennett's stock is going up everywhere, and that the whole electorate have made up their minds to vote for BENNETT & BETTER TIMES.

M.C.L. Fifty-sixth Session meets to-night, Thursday, March 8th. Resolved: That the denominational system of education in Newfoundland is the present obstacle to the sound education of the masses. Leaders: Messrs. Jordan Miller and S. P. Whiteway. Visitors welcome.—mar.8

To-Night's Meeting in St. John's West.

To-night the friends and supporters of the Liberal Labor Progressive Party will meet in their rooms in the Star Hall for the purpose of nominating candidates and forming committees to contest and conduct the election during the campaign. From every section of the district much enthusiasm is manifested, whilst in the city proper the great multitude is awaiting the day when they will have the opportunity of defeating the Coaker-Squires trio. St. John's West is going to strike the first blow to-night in electing the Bennett Government.

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Prominent Frenchman Dead.

M. JACQUES LEGASSE. Yesterday Hon. Tasker Cook was apprised by Cable of the passing of M. Jacques Legasse at St. Pierre on Tuesday following an attack of paralysis. The deceased was a prominent figure in the commercial life of the French colony, being director of Morue Francaise, a business with headquarters in Paris, and branches in Boston and Cape Breton. A cousin S. M. Legasse, who is manager of the Boston branches was for several years at Cape Breton. Monsieur Jacques Legasse, who was 59 years of age when he passed away, was born in France. He leaves a wife, three sons and two daughters living at St. Pierre. His oldest son, Jean, is manager of the Morue Francaise business on the island. The deceased leaves also two brothers, Louis Legasse, president of the firm, and Monsiengneur LaGasse who holds the church at St. Pierre after the fire there in 1893. Monsiengneur Legasse has since been created a Bishop of the diocese of Orleans, France.

Senef Arrives.

WENT TO SCHOONERS ASSISTANCE.

S.S. Senef, Capt. Norman, arrived in port at 7 o'clock this morning from Placentia Bay after a round trip of nine days. The steamer called at Chambers Island, Daves Cove, Balne Hr., Odehrn, Presque and La Plante, and landed her full cargo of supplies for the various settlements. The captain reported that he sighted the schooner Natalie J. Nelson, Capt. Pudge, caught in the ice and requiring assistance. The Senef steamed to the vessel's aid, and bearing down on her, the captain reported that they were short of provisions. After a quantity of food was placed on board, the Senef towed the schooner into open water. The Natalie J. Nelson was 100 days out from Glasgow to Belleoram, in ballast. Capt. Norman reported passing S.S. Viking off Cape Pine 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The Senef will be sailing west again on Saturday, with freight for points as far as Lunenburg. Ice conditions are improving along the south west coast, the heavy swell during the last few days having loosened up the floes.

Weather and Ice Condition.

SEALING FLEET REPORTED. The following messages received to-day by the Marine and Fisheries Department report the Northern Sealing Fleet off Westleyville.

Catalina—Strong west winds; ice to be seen outside.

Westleyville—Wind west, fair breeze clear of ice as far as can be seen. Two steamers sighted five miles off. Supposed to be Ranger and Thetis.

Greenpond—Wind S. W., strong breeze. Bay full of ice. Five steamers in sight. Two of these supposed to be Thetis and Ranger passing north about one mile off. Others are about 8 miles off making slow progress.

Bonavista—Winds S. W., stormy, with thick snow.

Willingdale—Wind N. W., strong breeze. Clear weather, but Bay full of ice.

Griquet—Strong west winds, fair and cold, ice off land. No sign seals.

Port aux Basques—Wind N. W., light breeze. Ice about one mile off land.

Silvia Outward.

S.S. Silvia sails at 4 p.m. for Halifax and New York taking a small freight and the following passengers:—F. Lambros, Thos. Murphy, C. H. Shaw, Mrs. Mary Power, Miss M. Forsey, Mrs. C. C. Robertson, W. Oliver, J. D. Rendell, Mrs. E. Moore and five children, L. Patrick, J. McLellan, W. R. Howler, Miss E. Bartlett, P. J. Bartlett, Mrs. Thos. Mahan and baby, Miss E. Brown, W. O. Feaver, Lou Mercer, H. Rowe, S. Rowe, Robert F. Williams and 40 second class, most of whom are en route to Lunenburg to engage in fishing.

NOTE OF THANKS—Mr. Robert Puddicombe wishes to thank the manager and the employees of the Rope-walk, also Lady Cashin for their kindness towards him when his wife died.—ad.

The Price of Fish is What Coaker Makes It

Where is Coaker Now and What is He Doing for The Fishermen?

Before the last election, when times were good and the country's outlook favorable, Coaker claimed all the credit for putting up the price of fish and loudly proclaimed through his paper and otherwise that he was the man who was doing it all, and that "the price of fish is what Coaker makes it."

This was his cry everywhere and at all times, and thousands of fishermen believed it to their cost. It was all very well while times continued good, but when the slump came after the war, how did Coaker live up to his promises to keep up the price of fish? Let the fishermen ask himself the question to-day and his own mind will supply the answer. Last fall the price of Labrador fish was down to four dollars. A couple of years previous it was up to eight dollars or more. If Coaker was able to keep up the price of fish in 1919 why was he not able to do so in 1922? He fooled the country and the fishermen for years, trading on good times and conditions, which helped to put up the price, but which had no more to do with it than the man in the moon. When he had to face a falling market and bad times everywhere else, his boasts were seen to be without any backing. He collapsed like a burst bubble, and the fishermen know to-day from bitter experience that Coaker can do nothing whatever for them. Not alone can he do nothing for them outside the Government, but he proved that he could do nothing, or was inclined to do nothing for them, in the Government.

ABANDONED HIS OFFICE. When he took control of the Department of Marine and Fisheries he boasted of the great things he was going to accomplish, but after the first year he abandoned the office and the work attached to it; and everything connected with it—except the salary. For the past two years he has hardly been a day in the office, but he is taking care to draw the salary all the time, though giving little or no return for it. Most of his time he spends at Port Union looking after the business of his own company. Why, then, should the taxpayers be obliged to give him a fat salary when he does nothing in return for it. Now he is making the pretence that he is resigning from the Government to be a private member of the House of Assembly. This is all a pretence and a scheme to throw dust in the eyes of the country on the eve of the election. Coaker has no more intention of stopping outside the Executive, than he has of playing the game squarely and fairly with the fishermen of the country. If the Government should manage to get back into office by any sort of scheme he will go back into the Executive the week afterwards, and if the Government is not returned—as seems certain now—it will make no difference where he is. Because of his unpopularity and the dissatisfaction which exists even in the Northern districts, he has realized that he must withdraw into the background, for the present, so as to make Squires able to say in his Manifesto and his platform speeches that Coaker is no longer a member of the Government. But this is only a pretence. It is not meant seriously, and we predict Coaker will be back in control again three months from now, if the Government is re-elected. There fore, vote against Coaker domination and the ruin of your country and vote for BENNETT & BETTER TIMES.

tic effusions ever heard in a political campaign.

It's the same old Daily Star with additional scurrility and personal abuse thrown in.

All old timers tell us that the Bennett Government of yore was one of the best the colony ever had.

That the new Bennett Government will be a repetition is a foregone conclusion.

Bennett and Better Times.

Over 20 millions of dollars have been added to the public debt in three and a half years.

If the Humber deal is a good one why Mr. Squires and Mr. Coaker show it to the people.

If it means anything for Newfoundland the Bennett Government will certainly boost it to the limit.

Don't forget to-night's meeting when the flag of progress and prosperity will be unfurled.

Bennett is winning every round. Now get ready for the knockout.

SNAP SHOTS.

By ZIF.

Bennett and Better times.

Every day

In every way

The people say

Bennett and Better times.

Hurrah for St. Barbe and Fogo.

Messrs. Joseph Moore and Joseph Long will be the next respective members for these districts.

Mr. Squires now realizes his mistake in not securing a tradesman or a representative of the masses on his ticket in the West End.

To-night's meeting will be a boom-crash for the Squires-Coaker combination.

Bennett and Better Times.

1923 will be an eventful year.

When it will not be necessary to give out pauper dole.

Because tradesmen and laborers will have sufficient work and good pay.

Back to conditions of 1919 because it will be.

Bennett and Better Times.

The Mail is attacking the merchants.

What is Sir Marmaduke Winter?

We never heard of him expounding the cause of labor.

Nor do we know him to be a member of any particular labor union.

Surely it is time to laugh when the Mail prints such stuff.

Sixteen millions of dollars in three and a half years is the Government's record and all we can see for it is.

Cab stands.

Just read this list and then ask yourself, what the answer is going to be?

Bennett and Better Times.

Monroe, Ayre, Hunt, Moore, Harris, Long and Outerbridge.

All progressive sane sound business men who will be a credit to any legislature.

Like all other business interests they know only too well what another Coaker-Squires Government means for Newfoundland.

Model's "me-ow" in the "Daily Mail" are pronounced the most idiotic.

MINARD'S LINIMENT FOR WARTS.

Pilate's Daughter.

TO CLAUDIA.

Judas' streets and temples rang
With shouts of malediction dread,
The curses of the multitude
Upon the Nazarene's head.
"Give us Barabbas, every said
(As Pharisaical voices cried),
Then pondering Pilate's courage fled.
He ruled "Let Him be crucified!"

The Via Dolorosa, sea.

Is marked by many a sign of grace.

For every pang the Christus knew—
From Judgment Hall to burial place.
A child with sweet angelic face,
With tender, pearly rose arrayed
To touch His blood-stained gown and
To!

That flower was fated never to fade.

And thou who now that child portrays
And gives to us again to see
The valorous faith of early days,
Its grandeur in adversity.
Receive this tribute graciously
Thy tender, as the plaudits swell.
A hundred voices join with me
To say that thou deservest it well.
The Claudia's fair of history
Before the tyrant courts of Rome
Sealing their faith in matrimony.
We picture as we gaze on thee.
The Christian virgins of that day
Find fitting representative
In thee, for by thy graceful art
Thou makest them again to live.

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Burgoo Smacks Government.

RUINED BY COAKER'S FISH REGULATIONS.

Special Telegram

BURGEO, March 7.

Bennett leadership approved generally here. Opposition candidate will be returned against Government nominee if this place can do it. Coaker's Fish Regulations ruined this once promising export centre, and brought down some of our principle mercantile houses. Though for Squires the last time we are now through, and our whole influence and weight will be used against him and Coaker, and their candidate.

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Magistrates Court.

Albert Fry, brakeman with the

Reid Nhd. Co., who was held on remand for the larceny of \$140 from the

Placentia train on March 1st, appeared in court this morning. The accused

elected to be tried before Judge Morris, and pleading guilty to the

charge, was sentenced to six months hard labor, without the option of a

fine.

An express driver summoned at the

instance of Const. John Walsh for

driving his team on the sidewalk, was

fined \$1 of 3 days.

A 27 year old seaman of Texas, U.

S.A., charged with the larceny of Rubber

Boots and Blankets, the property of

the owners of S.S. Belvernon, was

remanded until to-morrow.

A 21 year old domestic of Cuddihy

Street, arrested for being a loose and

disorderly person on the public street

will be sent to her home by the police.

JUVENILE COURT.

A 12 year old lad summoned for the

larceny of a hand saw and carpenter's

square, the property of Joseph Curtis,

valued at \$4.25, was convicted, but

sentence was suspended.

Four boys, aged ranging from 11 to

15 years, were tried for acting in a

loose and disorderly manner on the

public street. The judge gave the

boys a sound lecture before dismissing them.

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Norwegian Fishery.

Lofoten All others Total

1922 3,200,000 4,700,000 7,900,000

1923 4,500,000 4,900,000 9,400,000

Shipping.

S.S. Roseland arrived at New York

at 9 a.m. and leaves again at noon on

Saturday for here.

S.S. Sable I. is now on the way

from Port aux Basques to Halifax

with a port cargo herring. The ship is

expected to leave Halifax for here direct

on Wednesday next.

Schr. Russell Lake is loading fish

at Port aux Basques by Lake & Lake

Oporto.

S.S. Digby left Halifax at 12.30 p.

m. Wednesday with 203 bass mail for

this port, and is due here to-morrow

forenoon, should ice conditions permit.

Schr. Lucille B. Cresser is loading

codfish at A. E. Hickman's for Bar-

bados and sails within the next few

days.

Viking Reported.

SHIP OFF CAPE PINE IN OPEN

WATER.

A radio message from S.S. Viking,

via Cape Race, was received by Messrs.

Bowring Brothers this morning

stating that the ship was steaming

through open water, yesterday afternoon,

15 miles S.W. of Cape Pine. No ice

in sight. Previous to the above

message the Viking reported as being

delayed for thirty hours owing to engine

room trouble. The steamer is now

making good progress and every-

thing is working well on board.

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G. W. V. A. vs. CITY.

Inter-Collegiate Hockey (15 Min. periods).

C.L.B. Band in attendance (By kind permission

O.C., C.L.B.)

General skating after conclusion of games.

Passes and Season Tickets will not admit.

Reserved Seats 50c. and 75c. General admis-

sion 25c. Tickets on sale at Gray & Goodland's

and from G.W.V.A. members.

Object: Child Welfare Association and Great

War Veterans' Association.

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NOTICE

NFLD. GOVERNMENT COASTAL MAIL

SERVICE.

FREIGHT FOR SOUTH COAST.

Freight for S.S. SENEFF will be received to-

day and to-morrow for the following ports of

call:

Branch, Flat Island, Marystown, Burin, St.

Lawrence, Lawn, Lord's Cove, Point aux Gaul,

Lamaline.

Steamer will sail Saturday morning at 10

a.m. (Ice conditions permitting.)

W. H. CAVE,

Minister of Shipping,

mar.8.41

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