

LIVELY TIME AT HOUSE ON QUESTION OF FOOD INSPECTION AND VALUES

Opposition Members Call For the Protection of Fishermen as Regards Salted Beef and Other Imported Foods Stuffs.

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act will require a very much larger staff than at present. He was strongly impressed with the necessity for such a measure, but it should be carried out effectively.

Mr. Coaker also offered a few remarks. He agreed with Mr. Kent that it would be pretty difficult to carry out the provisions; \$29,000 in his opinion would be needed to make the law effective. At his suggestion salted pork and molasses were inserted in the bill.

Dr. Brehm was alright as an expert in a case of diphtheria or scarlet fever, but when it comes to butterine that was another matter. Anything and everything in the way of salted meat had been sent to Newfoundland and a lot of it, as much in some shipments as 20 per cent, had been found unfit for human food.

He was informed that meat, which had been exposed in the shambles in New York and other cities for two and three days had been cut up, salted and shipped here.

This food inspection was also in the words of the Prime Minister "bristling with difficulties." We also got bad molasses, at times, and there was a process in vogue here of doctoring it. He had also seen lots of bad butter; one day a splendid article was turned out, and the next day an inferior grade often resulted. He understood that some of the milk sold in St. John's did not contain more than one per cent, of fat. This was a very low percentage.

Championed the Farmers.

Mr. Higgins championed the farmers' cause. He wanted the House to understand that our milk supply was O.K. and called upon Mr. Dwyer for an expression of opinion.

"The farmer's friend" was there with a ready reply, that the successful farmer around St. John's thinks the best milk he has is not too good if you want to gain good customers and hold them.

Mr. Stone also thought the bill a good one and a move in the right direction. He would like to see salted beef and pork specifically mentioned in the bill, as the fishermen used large quantities and should be assured of getting a good wholesome article of food.

Mr. Moulton (Burgee) said when he ordered pork or beef from the packers—and he spoke from an experience of 30 years,—he always got what he ordered, but when dealing with brokers for small lots he did not always get a satisfactory article.

Lots of people get taken in in this way. He did not understand why Union members and the Opposition were so suspicious of members on the Government side of the House. The Government side of the House, and did the Opposition think they were all together rogues and robbers on the Government side of the House.

The Fearless Advocate.

Mr. Coaker:—Nobody on this side of the House ever uttered such words and no party of men who ever sat in this Assembly could conduct themselves any better. He would have the honorable member understand that The Advocate has done its duty. We don't care what is said. We have a duty to perform and if we criticise a grant or extravagant expenditures it is in the interest of the people who sent us here and who want to know what is done with their money.

Mr. Moulton.—I for my part must resent the throwing of insinuations across the floors of the House.

Mr. Kent.—No member can object to straight honest and honorable criticism. I have heard more accusations at one sitting in former sessions than for all the time since this House met.

The honorable gentlemen should reverse the shield. The Opposition has the right to honest criticism of the actions and policy of the Government. We differ politically but we differ honestly.

Those objections to educational theories were politics pure and simple and the same thing applied to competitive examination for places in the Post Office, the Customs or any other public office.

It had been said that patriotism was the last refuge for a scoundrel, but the Union members had not been initiated into the intricacies of party politics. He contended we have a system of higher education which could be applied as a test for junior positions in the civil service. In this way the boys from all the outports would be given a chance of some day entering the employ of the Government. Now he has no chance at all.

Vile, Sectarian Conversations.

Some vile sectarian conversations, which Tory heeled tried to use amongst his Roman Catholic supporters in Fogo District were repeated to the House.

Mr. Kennedy (St. John's West) thought if Mr. Moulton had made a little slip it ought to be overlooked. He admitted that perhaps the papers on both sides went "a little too far" during the election.

Mr. Coaker defied Sir Edward Morris to prove to the House that certain extracts, as published in The Evening Herald, had ever appeared in the same form in The Advocate and Sir Edward said he would do so at next sitting.

Mr. Grimes endorsed the principle of the pure food bill and suggested an amendment. Articles of food displayed in store windows should be covered. Sugar and other food stuffs that had been exposed to the dust and fly spits for weeks were afterwards sold to the general public. If we want to safeguard the health of the city this should not be allowed.

Mr. Kent suggested that the competency of any inspector under the act should be decided upon by the medical health officer, who should grant a certificate of competency before any appointment was made by the Government. Other changes as to the time of bringing the law into effect, samples for analysis, &c., were also suggested by Mr. Kent and will be considered when the further debate on this measure is before the committee.

The tireless efforts of the F.P.U. have at last aroused the Government to some sense of duty towards the fishermen, for yesterday evening before the House closed the Premier gave notice of a suit of resolutions to be introduced next week dealing with the cull of fish, standardization of cull, bait depots and other matters in relation to the fisheries. It would appear that Sir Edward has done the brain picking in the present instance; but the Country can well "size up" the wily Sir Edward's move and his attempt to save his face at the eleven-hour. Coaker and the F.P.U. have forced the Government to act; we must wait and see to what extent the wishes and suggestions of our practical fishermen have been regarded.

Trickery Feared.

A sealing bill is also included in the blanket resolutions introduced by the Prime Minister yesterday. Why this attempt to "kill" the Coaker bill to amend the sealing laws which have been on the order paper for ten days past?

Coaker's bill is in accord with the wishes of the bulk of the owners of the sealing steamers with whom the salient features of the proposed law have been several times discussed and virtually agreed too.

Morris's resolutions are to have first call and thus it is hoped to "kill" Mr. Coaker's private bill which is now set down for a second reading. No bill that the Government introduces in this cowardly fashion will be supported by the Opposition. The F.P.U. members will do all they can to manacle this latest Graball attempt to murder a measure fraught with so much good for the men who tread the frozen pans.

Notice of Question.

Mr. Halfyard.—To ask the Hon. Minister of Finance and Customs for particulars of payment made out of the Finance Department, during the years 1912 and 1913, of a sum of \$3,250 to the Hon. the Prime Minister for services, and for copy of warrant, Minutes of Council, and all vouchers connected therewith.

The reply was that the \$3,250 paid to the Prime Minister was for travelling and other expenses—to Washington and London

on public business and for services in connection with the raising of the loan of that year. There are no warrants or vouchers—nothing but the minute of Council ordering the payment of the amount.

Mr. Coaker.—To ask the Minister of Justice to lay upon the table of the House a statement of \$7197.05, as expenses in Commercial Cable Co., versus the Government.

Also to ask the Minister of Agriculture and Mines to lay upon the table of the House a statement showing amount paid on account of Squid Tickle and St. Chad's, Forest Fires, which occurred in the Spring of 1913, as no account for much of the expenditure appear in the usual grants for "Forest Fires."

Questions Answered.

Mr. Abbott.—To ask the Rt. Hon. the Prime Minister to lay upon the table of the House a statement of the amounts paid for stationery for the House of Assembly and Legislative Council from Jan. 1st, 1913, up to the present time, and if any bills are outstanding on this account.

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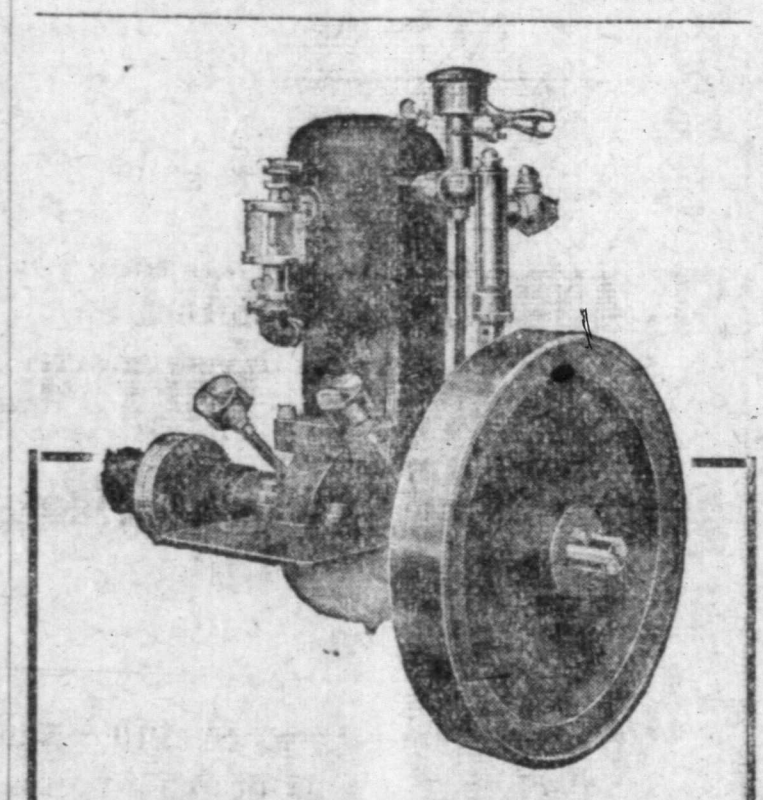
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TWO MORE CASES

Two more cases of diphtheria were reported at Norris' Arm, on Tuesday. Dr. Smith, of Botwood, attending the patients and under his treatment all are doing well.

COUNCIL MEETS

The weekly meeting of the Municipal Council takes place this afternoon.

WANTED—A Cook; Apply to MRS. H. D. REID, Devon Place.—Feb 1, 14

BOTWOOD ELECTRIC LIGHT

The new electrical plant at Botwood is almost completed. It is hoped to have it running and the lights on next week.

REPORT UNFOUNDED
Report had it Wednesday that the Mongolian was being towed back to port. There was no truth in it.