

COAKERISM---

What it is Doing and What it Has Done.

That the Squires Government has made some very serious mistakes is undeniable fact, that as a consequence it has come in for a great deal of criticism from the Opposition is also true. But, in spite of this, there is absolutely no excuse for the gross deceit, palpable falsehoods, rotten, personal abuse practised by the Government organs, the Star, the Advocate, Day after day these papers appear with their editorials ringing with abuse and falsehoods, and, by its mouthpieces, must the Government be judged.

Every Government has made mistakes, but few have made as bad mistakes as has this one. In fact, it has managed to put the country in a position in which it never has been before, even now, none can tell the outcome. Who is responsible for the present state of affairs? Is it the Government as a whole or any one man in it? On this point people are divided, there can only be one answer, there is one man dominating the Government. In his hands the Prime Minister is as so much putty, ready to be moulded to his will. That man is the President of the F.P.U.—Hon. W. F. Coaker. Nowadays, Mr. Coaker is an autocrat. No one dares question his authority. He does as he pleases, how he pleases, and when he pleases. The Prime Minister seems to be a mere puppet in his hands, and Coaker rules the roost. Now, as some ruler of Newfoundland, Mr.

Coaker is on a pedestal, like any demigod. He actually has refused to see fishermen who have called to see him with reference to their fish troubles. But Mr. Coaker was not always like this. There was once a time when he raved and ranted against the very men with whom he now associates and takes into his bosom. The Coaker who now raves like a maniac against the Opposition press, which he claims is responsible for damaging us abroad, is evidently not the same Coaker who roared against conscription and fought against the best interests of the country when the war was on. Surely he is not now that same Coaker the socialist who wanted the fishermen to rise and put the "grasping" merchants to flight. And surely the Morine whom Coaker attacks regularly in the papers of his "yellow" Journal, the Advocate, is not the same Morine who told Coaker, so straight forwardly, what he was, and put the truth so bluntly that the outraged President actually attempted to hurl an inkpot at his aggressor, with unfortunate results to himself? Coaker attacks Morine personally, and the Opposition in general, with all the venom at his command. Now, why should one so highly placed as our own prize "Czar" take all this trouble to attack his powerless enemies? The answer is easily found—because he fears them!

There is no doubt about the fact that Coaker runs the Government, and that as a consequence, we have been in-

flicted with the Fish Regulations and the Food Control Board, amongst other things. Take the Fish Regulations. By means of these, Mr. Coaker has succeeded in antagonising all the fishermen save those, who have so much money in Coaker projects that they cannot afford to make any protest against anything he does. At the same time. In spite of the glowing accounts in the Advocate of his meeting last week, the fishermen who attended were not backward in showing their disapproval of what the Minister of Marine said and did. They were loud in voicing their opinion that the whole thing was a "cod." They did not want to hear about our trouble with the Consorzio, what they wanted to know was whether or not Coaker was going to keep his promise and pay the prices he offered for fish. But all the fishermen who went to Coaker in a last attempt to sell their fish were sent away with promises, more promises, always promises. What the end will be, no one can tell, but sooner or later the fishermen will organise and force Coaker to make his promises good. In the meantime, we hear that he intends to get the country to redeem them for him, by telling the merchants to buy fish at \$8 and that any losses they may incur will be made good by the Government, an arrangement which which the country at large is not likely to look upon with any feelings of pleasure. It is a matter of some doubt as to whether or not Coaker will stay in power much longer. For the sake of the country, let us hope not. Some say that the Prime Minister has been underrated, that he has stayed away so long, that Coaker may have "rope enough to hang himself." Others say that, contrary to this, Coaker is working for the overthrow of Squires by attempting to gain the allegiance of the Premier's followers for himself.

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Whilst giving these rumours for what they are worth, in conclusion let us pray "Deliver us out of the hands of Coaker."

Currents Events Club Lecture.

At the Current Events Club last Saturday afternoon a paper was read by Dr. Lena Wilson, (daughter of A. Wilson, Esq.) who has recently returned from Edinburgh, where she graduated, and is now Newfoundland's only lady doctor.

The subject chosen by Dr. Wilson, "Welfare Work," was an appropriate introduction to the work in which our women are actively engaged this week, and in her address to the Club Dr. Wilson dealt with some of those forms of public service, and laws concerning women and children. It was with much interest that the members recognized the thoroughness by which these problems are solved in Edinburgh. At the conclusion of the address Lady Horwood called for a vote of thanks, which was heartily accorded by all the members present, who appreciated Dr. Wilson's kindness in acceding to their request for a paper, as much as the subject matter with which it dealt.

To speak for English methods in child welfare we had an illuminating address last year by Miss Lecky, of London. For Scotland, we have now had Dr. Wilson, and on Saturday next we hope to hear Mrs. Gosling speak for St. John's, and what we are trying to do here for those little ones that have so poor a chance in their struggle for existence.

Old Ladies' Home.

The Cowan Mission "Home for Old Ladies" is now practically filled up, as another inmate of the Poor House was taken into the Home recently and we learned yesterday that the last vacancy will probably be filled today. The old ladies now in residence are enjoying the peace and happiness which, if it were not for the Cowan Mission, they would not have done. In the meantime, although donations of clothing are coming in, there has been practically no response to the request for monetary donations. The Cowan Mission has no intention of making a house to house canvass for funds, but they will be very grateful for all voluntary contributions, large or small. It is to be hoped that this deserving institution will meet with more success in its appeal than it has heretofore.

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Recently nearly seven hundred men were paid off at the Bell Island Iron mines and there is very little chance of their resuming work for some time. The majority of those put out of employment are from Conception Bay, although quite a number are from St. John's. There is no work here for these men to do, so it is probable a great many of them will have to go abroad.

A Family Mix-Up.

Halleybury, Ont., Nov. 19.—By her marriage here Monday, Miss Christina McAulay, daughter of Major N. J. McAulay, becomes a sister-in-law of her step-mother, and at the same time her husband is brother-in-law and son-in-law of his bride's father, Wilfred McKee, the groom, is a brother of the present Mrs. N. J. McAulay, second wife of the Major, and Miss McAulay is a daughter of the Major by his first wife. The ceremony was performed by Rev. R. A. Spencer, pastor of the Methodist Church here.



STATUTORY NOTICE.

In the matter of the Estate of William Mead, late of St. John's, in the Island of Newfoundland, Volunteer Royal Newfoundland Regiment, deceased.

All persons claiming to be creditors of, or who have any claims or demands upon or affecting the estate of William Mead, late of St. John's, in the Island of Newfoundland, Volunteer Royal Newfoundland Regiment, deceased, are requested to send particulars of their claim in writing, duly attested, to Clift & Pinsent, Law Chambers, Duckworth Street, Solicitors for the Executor of the said Estate, on or before the 8th day of December next, after which date the said Executor will proceed to distribute the Estate having regard only to the claims of which he shall then have had notice.

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