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A Public Service.

Sir Michael Cashin and Mr. Morine, K.C. have performed a public service in drawing attention to the scandalous insecurity of the marked ballot papers used in the last election, and returned to the Colonial Secretary for safe-keeping. They found, yesterday, that some boxes of used ballots had been left two nights and a day in an unsafe place, unguarded, and that some of the boxes, with their keys attached, would be left wholly unguarded during meal hours in a room practically open to the public, while it was intended that the ultimate storehouse of all these valuable papers should be the cockpit in the wooden roof of the Colonial Building, surrounded by all sorts of inflammable material. At the request of Sir Michael and Mr. Morine, his Excellency the Governor sent a squad of police to guard the boxes night and day, until they can be safely stored, and it may, therefore, be hoped that they will be safe from both thieves and fire. During possible recollections and controverted election trials—which may take months—ballot papers are precious documents, the proofs, sometimes, of bribery and corruption, and it is quite apparent that there are people who would gladly know of their destruction. The Advocate and Mail, by their gross misrepresentations (the authorship of which it is not hard to guess) betray a suspicious heat and alarm. Well meaning officials would have welcomed anything tending to increase the security of such important public records.

Employment Bureau Closed.**SIR E. A. SQUIRES SHOWS HIS HAND.**

The Employment Bureau was suddenly abolished yesterday morning by orders of the Prime Minister. The office staff were paid off before 6 o'clock and Major Bert Butler, who has been in charge was given a few hours extra to finalise his affairs. It is reported that the sudden move on the part of the Prime Minister was due to the fact that the laboring people of St. John's whom he probably blamed for turning down 5 out of the six Government candidates in the election, Sir Richard picked at his fall from head of the poll in 1919 to third place and the defeat of Hon. Dr. Campbell showed a very vindictive spirit in mark contrast to his declarations in the interest of the workman made but a few days ago. Is not Sir Richard's love for the workmen sickle.

Supreme Court.

(Before Chief Justice.)
Arthur M. Earle, Plaintiff, and J. W. Hiseock, Defendant.—Morine, K.C. for plaintiff; Howley, K.C. for defendant. Morine, K.C. opens the case for plaintiff and calls Arthur M. Earle, who is sworn, examined and cross-examined by Howley, K.C. Howley, K.C. opens the case for defendant, calls J. W. Hiseock who is sworn and examined. The full hearing was adjourned until May 12.

Shipping.

S.S. Mons is due to leave Montreal tomorrow for this port via Charlotte-town bringing general cargo.
S.S. Rosalind was scheduled to leave Halifax to-day being due here on Thursday.
S.S. Sabie I. is expected to arrive here from Halifax on Thursday.
S.S. Sachem left Halifax at 6 p.m. Saturday and arrived at Boston at 9 a.m. yesterday. The ship leaves there on the return trip on Thursday and is scheduled to leave Halifax on the 15th inst., and this port for Liverpool on the 18th.

Mr. George Harris Heads Poll.**BURIN RETURNS ONE OPPOSITION AND ONE GOVERNMENT.**

Burin District has returned the Opposition Candidate, Mr. George Harris, at the head of the poll with a majority of 106 votes over Hon. S. J. Foote, the Government candidate. Capt. Eric Chafe, colleague of Mr. Harris, polled a splendid vote, considering that he was a new man in the field and was also handicapped in his canvass of the district by being held on the Kyle for 14 days. The final count was:—

BURIN.
Harris (Opp.) 1288
Foote (Govt.) 1182
Cheeseman (Govt.) 1150
Capt. Chafe (Opp.) 1148

St. George's Count.**BIG VOTE POLLED.**

The count for St. George's District finished at 9 p.m. yesterday with J. F. Downey, Government Candidate, leading the poll by a majority of 428 votes. The final returns were:—
Downey (Govt.) 1511
McDonnell (Opp.) 1083
The total number of votes polled was 2,594, but according to the poll there must have been 158 spoiled ballots. The vote in St. George's was 600 more than in 1919. It is reported that the increase was due to men belonging to Trinity, Bonavista and Twillingate Districts, who were working at Deer Lake, voting in the St. George's District.

Trinity Count.**GOVERNMENT MAJORITY CUT IN HALF.**

The result of the poll taken in Trinity District shows that the three Government candidates are returned with substantial majorities. The final count came in at 9 a.m. to-day and showed that the lowest Government candidate had a lead of 1,184 votes over the highest Opposition candidate, Mr. J. Stone, and 1370 over the lowest man. In the 1919 election, Mr. Stone was defeated by 2,354 votes, so that the Government majority is more than cut in half. Messrs. Stone, Bradley and Hodder are to be congratulated on their showing in the face of what may be counted overwhelming odds.

Message From Major Cotton**TO DEPT. MINISTER OF POSTS AND TELEGRAPHS.**

Made flight to Straits yesterday. Ice packed tight on Labrador Coast from Cape Whittle to Blanc Sablon, clear water off Newfoundland Coast all Bays frozen including St. John's Bay to two miles outside St. John's Head, reaching Point Rich to Flower Cove. Easterly winds keeping coast clear, but westerly winds will bring heavy blockade of ice off Labrador Coast and block Newfoundland again. Clear water between ice and Newfoundland coast 20 to 30 miles.

Magistrates Court.

A 48-year-old grocer of the higher levels for being drunk and disorderly was fined \$2.00.
A cabman drunk in charge of a horse was fined \$2.00.
A young girl from an outport taken in for safekeeping was released.
A drunk and disorderly was fined \$2.00.

A laborer of New Gower Street, drunk and disorderly and assaulting the police was fined \$20.00 or 30 days.
An express driver of Hutchings' Street, drunk and disorderly, was allowed to go upon payment of \$2.00.
An unfortunate young woman Barron found wandering about the streets at an early hour this morning by the police was sent down for 30 days.

Dance at Green Lantern.**LION TAKERS' CLUB ENTERTAIN.**

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Lion Tamer's Club held a very enjoyable dance in the Green Lantern last night. Upwards of fifty persons attended. The ballroom was suitably decorated for the occasion, while the programme of dances was thoroughly enjoyed. Another dance will follow in the near future.

Playing a Joke.

A sailor from a foreign going vessel lying at Hickman's wharf, reported to the authorities early this morning that some person had taken from his locker a suit case containing two suits of clothes and a suit of oil skins. The matter was investigated by the police who found that the article had been hidden by one of the members of the vessel's crew for a joke. No further action was taken.

A CORRECTION.—The names C. Macpherson and Mark Pike given in yesterday's issue as officers of the McMurdo Drug Co. should read Harold McPherson and R. G. Pike.

Gower Street Mission Band Concert will be held on Thursday evening, May 10th, at 8 o'clock, in the Lecture Room of the Church. Admission 25c. Candy for sale.—may8.11

Safeguards For Ballots Demanded.

Sir Michael Cashin Takes Precautionary Measures Through His Solicitor.

Malicious Attack by Government Paper Results in Mr. Morine, K.C., Instituting Proceedings for Libel Claiming \$20,000 Damages.

Yesterday morning Sir Michael Cashin accompanied by his legal adviser, Mr. Morine, K.C., called upon his Excellency the Governor to ask that instructions should be issued for the greater care and security of the ballot papers used in the recent elections, as they come to St. John's. They requested that his Excellency would himself send to the Colonial Building, where the election papers are being stored upon return, for the purpose of ascertaining what steps were being taken to efficiently care for them. His Excellency accordingly made a personal visit, and saw for himself how little care was being taken. The empty ballot-boxes and some other paraphernalia were being placed in the entrance hall of the Colonial Building, and the large tin boxes containing the ballots themselves in the office occupied by the Clerk of the Assembly during sessions. There they were for the time being, in the charge of Mr. W.O.D. Kelly and one other person; but upon enquiry, it was ascertained that the boxes for Port de Grave, Carbonear and Bay de Verde, for instance, which had arrived on Saturday night, had been left all that night, Sunday and Sunday night, without any guard, and in a room which, though it was locked in the ordinary way, could have been entered by the windows, which had not even been fastened. Mr. Morine telephoned to the Deputy Colonial Secretary, Mr. Mews, and asked him to come up and see for himself how little care was being taken, and what the danger was that the ballots would be interfered with, which Mr. Mews promised to do. Mr. Morine suggested that Mr. Mews should have the ballots placed in some bank vault, or other secure place, as what is known as the "Dark Room" in the cockpit of the Colonial Building was unsafe from evil-disposed persons. Upon examination of this darkroom, it was found to be just under the roof of the building, which is entirely wood, with wood partitions, and with old paint cans and other inflammable material scattered around, and the dropping of a spark would have destroyed the roof and all the valuable papers. Speaking to Mr. Mews, Mr. Morine said he wished to explain that no reflection upon the Colonial Secretary or upon the Deputy and his officers was intended, but as the Colonial Secretary was himself chiefly interested in the ballots for St. John's, it would inevitably be charged by his opponents that he was responsible for the mishap; and furthermore, the dangers which surrounded the papers under existing circumstances were not such as the Colonial Secretary and his officials could guard against in any other way than removing the ballots out of the Colonial Building to a safe place. While Sir Michael and Mr. Morine were waiting for Mr. Mews to arrive, Superintendent O'Neill and a posse of police came to take charge of the ballot papers, probably at the request of his Excellency the Governor and they proceeded to see that the papers were watched carefully until removal to some safer place than they then occupied. This very proper proceeding by Sir Michael and Mr. Morine, in the interest of the public generally and all concerned especially, has been grossly misrepresented by the "Advocate" newspaper, and Mr. Morine will, this morning, take an action against the "Advocate" for libel, claiming \$20,000 damages.

TO-DAY'S MESSAGES.**NEWFOUNDLAND STUDENTS RECEIVE DEGREES.**

HALIFAX, May 8.
The following are included among those recommended for degrees at this year's Convocation of Dalhousie University:—Bachelor of Laws, Eric Jerrard; Doctor of Dental Surgery, Michael P. Hogan; Carbonear; Norman D. MacDonald, Grand Bank; Engineering Certificate, C. F. Campbell, St. John's.

KYLE SHORT OF PROVISIONS.

NORTH SYDNEY, May 8.
The failure of the Newfoundland steamer Kyle to reach port due to the impossibility of sending stores by packing them over the ice has caused the Reid N.Y. agent to appeal to the Marine Dept. at Ottawa for the assistance of an ice-breaker; as the food situation on the ship is said to be critical. The captain, Capt. Stevenson, a former commander of the Kyle and his wife, both of whom are ill is causing considerable anxiety.

BRITISH-RUSSIAN SITUATION.

MOSCOW, May 8.
According to reports from Petrograd, all exports to Great Britain have been stopped in anticipation of a British note now on the way, which might result in the breaking off of relations.

OTTAWA ON THE SOCIALISTS.

In the Senate, last night, the Hon. Lorne Webster, of Montreal drew attention to the disloyal statements made at Socialist gatherings at Calgary and Sydney. Senator Dandurand said he would bring these to the attention of his colleagues.

CHINESE BANDITS CRUELTY.

SHANGHAI, May 8.
Lloyd Lehrbas, a reporter on the Chin Press of Shanghai, who is editor of the New York Tribune, who escaped from the bandits who held up the Pekin express on Shanghai border, arrived here yesterday, reports that the women were beaten and shoved ahead as they lagged behind and were spat upon by the bandits. Some of the women were eventually left where they dropped in their tracks, as the marauders set a terrific pace over the hilly country. Lehrbas asserted he saw a white man shot dead.

MYLES ACQUITTED.

HALIFAX, May 8.
Ralph Myles was declared "not guilty" of the murder last June of his former sweetheart Florence Miles, by the jury which heard the evidence.

Election Returns.**RESULT OF POLL IN ELEVEN DISTRICTS.**

PORT-DE-GRAVE.
Winter (Govt.) 886
MacKay (Opp.) 859

HARBOR MAIN.
Hawco (Govt.) 514
Woodford (Opp.) 807
Kennedy (Opp.) 771
St. John (Govt.) 746
Jones (Ind.) 504

CARBONAR.
Moore (Opp.) 496
Maddock (Govt.) 440

FERRYLAND.
Cashin (Opp.) 1086
Moore (Opp.) 931
Hearn (Govt.) 412
McGuire (Govt.) 193

RAY-DE-VERDE.
Cave (Opp.) 1198
Cramm (Govt.) 1118
Grosble (Opp.) 1049
Puddester (Opp.) 971

HARBOR GRACE.
Piccott (Govt.) 1296
Stimmonds (Govt.) 1234
Caplin (Govt.) 1210
Wannett (Opp.) 1149
Hickman (Opp.) 1128
Archibald (Opp.) 1075

ST. JOHN'S WEST.
Hunt (Opp.) 2790
Cashin (Opp.) 2770
Squires (Govt.) 2769
Campbell (Govt.) 2755
Linegar (Opp.) 2648
Flugbligh (Govt.) 2617

ST. JOHN'S EAST.
Higgins (Opp.) 3268
Fox (Opp.) 3116
Vincombe (Opp.) 3082
Burke (Govt.) 2995
Bartlett (Govt.) 2514
Bulley (Govt.) 2404
Dunfield (Ind.) 323

TRINITY.
Haltyard (Govt.) 3232
Hibbs (Opp.) 3068
Rendell (Govt.) 3005
Stone (Opp.) 1819
Bradley (Opp.) 1648
Hodder (Opp.) 1633

BURIN.
Harris (Opp.) 1288
Foote (Govt.) 1182
Cheeseman (Govt.) 1150
Chafe (Opp.) 1143

ST. GEORGE'S.
Downey (Govt.) 1511
McDonnell (Opp.) 1083

Bread Van Upsets.

CHILDREN HAVE NARROW ESCAPE.
At 2 p.m. yesterday while McGuire's bread van was proceeding West along New Gower Street, the driver named Bailey, to avoid running into an open cut along that thoroughfare drove his team over a pile of earth and stone. The van turned over on the sidewalk, and barely missed hitting an infant in a baby carriage and the six-year-old daughter of Mr. Mrs. R. Gual, 63 New Gower Street. The upsetting of the van was witnessed by several people, and as it fell in over the sidewalk everybody thought the little people would be crushed to death, but Providence ruled otherwise, the van crashed to the ground a scant few inches from the children. The little people were unharmed, excepting a few minor scratches. After much difficulty the vehicle was upright and taken away for repairs. Had the accident been fatal no blame could have been attached to the driver.

Nothing has been received from S.S. Kyle since yesterday at 4 p.m. when the gave her position as seven miles N. by E. half East of Low Point. It is presumed that her position still remains unchanged, as no word had been received up to press hour as to whether she got clear or not. Should the ice Jan break up the ship will not have any difficulty in getting to North Sydney as the damage to her propeller will not seriously interfere.

Kyle's Position Unchanged.
The telegram, which Attorney General O'Hearn sent to M. A. Patterson, Crown Prosecutor at Sydney stated that if Bruce said the above words to "secure his immediate arrest and charge section under Section 134 of the Criminal Code."

Coastal Boats.
REIDS.
S.S. Clyde left Epworth 8 p.m. yesterday. She will take up Bay route after arrival of Thursday's outgoing express.
S.S. Argyle will be taking up the Picoctia Bay route early next week.
S.S. Glencoe has arrived at Port aux Basques.
S.S. Kyle is still held in the ice seven miles off Low Point.

GOVERNMENT.
S.S. Portia sails north on Saturday next.
S.S. Sagona left King's Cove early this morning, and should reach port sometime to-night.
S.S. Malakoff left Cape Broyle yesterday afternoon, going west.
S.S. Wren at Placentia.
S.S. Seal is not reported since leaving Burin yesterday.

Deep Sea Divers.
SCOUR OCEAN BED FOR GOLD OF TORPEDOED LAURENTIC.
LONDON, April 21, (By A. P.)—Armed with large knives to fight off dogfish, a corps of deep sea divers is working at the bottom of the sea off Lough Swilly to recover the three and a half millions in gold lost when the Laurentic was torpedoed during the war. Part of the treasure has already been salvaged.
Heavy weather has torn the Laurentic to pieces and strewn the gold along the ocean floor. The task of the divers is made especially difficult by the great depth of the water and the strongest are frequently overcome. The wreck is well covered with sand, which must be removed by steam suction pumps operated from the salvage vessel.

PORTIA FOR NORTH.—The S.S. Portia is now taking freight for ports as far North as Griguit, and will take up the Prospero route, leaving here on Saturday next. A large number of passengers have already booked to go by the ship.

Weather Report.
Greensand—Light Easterly winds, thick fog.
Nipper's Harbor—Calm and dull; no ice in sight.
Port aux Basques—Moderate West wind; fog; no ice in sight.

MINARD'S LINTMENT FOR RHEUMATISM.

NOTICE.**In the matter of Bishop, Sons & Co., Ltd., in Liquidation.**

Tenders will be received by the undersigned up to and including the 15th day of May next for the purchase of the Lessee's interest expiring May 1st, 1933 in ALL THAT piece or parcel of land situate on the Southside of Water Street, in the town of St. John's, and bounded as follows:—On the North by Water Street aforesaid by which it measures one hundred and thirty nine feet more or less, on the East by Bishop's Cove (formerly known as Codner's Cove) by which it extends from Water Street to the waters of the Harbour, on the South by the Harbour, and on the West by the Crescent Theatre, together with all Wharves, Buildings and erections thereon. Occupation to be given not later than June 1st, 1933. Tenders to be sealed and marked "Tender for Bishop's Premises" and addressed to the undersigned Solicitors for the Liquidators. The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted. Tenders to be addressed to the undersigned.

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