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Change in Train Schedules

ARGENTIA AND PLACENTIA. Commencing Monday, July 14th, regular 8.45 morning train from St. John's will run through to Argentia, and return to St. John's 9.15 p.m., daily, (except Sunday's). BRIGUS BRANCH. Regular morning train connections between St. John's and Carbonear, will be as usual. Passengers will transfer at Brigus Jet. for Brigus Branch. Regular night train from St. John's & Carbonear will run daily, (except Sunday), as usual. When returning from Carbonear on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays, train will leave Carbonear 11.50 a.m. and arrive St. John's 4.25 p.m. in order to accommodate passengers arriving at Brigus Junction for points West on these days. Wednesdays, Fridays, Saturdays train will leave Carbonear at 7.50 a.m. as heretofore, arriving St. John's 12.25 p.m. BAY DE VERDE BRANCH. Commencing Saturday, July 12th, regular train leaving St. John's 6 p.m., will connect at Carbonear for Bay de Verde Branch, on Saturdays, Mondays and Wednesdays, leaving Carbonear 10.45 p.m. Returning, will leave Grate's Cove 8 a.m. Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, connecting at Carbonear with regular morning train for St. John's making further connection at Brigus Junction with Westbound express on these days. HEART'S CONTENT BRANCH. Commencing Monday, July 14th, train will leave Heart's Content 8 a.m. daily, (except Sunday's), and returning, leave Whitbourne 7.50 p.m., arriving at Heart's Content 10.50 p.m. Connection will be made at Brigus Junction for St. John's with the Carbonear train on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and from St. John's to Heart's Content on Westbound express, Tuesdays and Thursdays. Connection will also be made with the Humber special train leaving St. John's 5.00 p.m. on Mondays.

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LUCY GRAHAM'S SECRET

We are apt to be angry with this cruel hardness in our life—this unfinishing regularity in the smaller wheels and meaner mechanism of the human machine, which knows no stoppage or cessation, though the mainspring be forever hollow, and the hands pointing to purposeless figures on a shattered dial. Who has not felt, in the first madness of sorrow, an unreasonable rage against the mute propriety of chairs and tables, the stiff squareness of Turkey carpets, the unbending obstinacy of the outward apparatus of existence? We want to root up gigantic trees in a primeval forest, and to tear their huge branches asunder in our convulsive rage; and the utmost that we can do for the relief of our passion is to knock over an easy-chair, or smash a few shillings' worth of Mr. Copeland's manufacture.

Madhouses are large and only too numerous; yet surely it is strange they are not larger, when we think of how many helpless wretches must beat their brains against this hopeless persistency of the orderly outward world, as compared with the storm and tempest, the riot and confusion within—when we remember how many minds must tremble upon the narrow boundary between reason and unreason, mad to-day and sane to-morrow, mad yesterday and sane to-day.

Robert Audley had directed the cabman to drop him at the corner of Chancery Lane, and he ascended the brilliantly-lighted staircase leading to the dining-saloon of the London, and seated himself at one of the snug tables with a confused sense of emptiness and weariness, rather than any agreeable sensation of healthy hunger. He had come to the luxurious eating-house to dine, because it was absolutely necessary to eat something somewhere, and a great deal easier to get a very good dinner from Mr. Sawyer than a very bad one from Mrs. Maloney, whose mind ran in one narrow channel of shops and streets, only accessible by small creeks and outlets in the way of "briled sole" or "biled mack-rill." The solicitous waiter tried in vain to rouse Robert to a proper sense of the solemnity of the dinner question. He muttered something to the effect that the man might bring him anything he liked; and the friendly waiter, who knew Robert as a frequent guest at the little tables, went back to his master with a doleful face, to say that Mr. Audley, from Figtree Court, was evidently out of spirits. Robert ate his dinner, and drank a pint of Moselle; but he had poor appreciation of the excellence of the viands or the delicate fragrance of the wine. The mental monologue still went on, and the young philosopher of the modern school was arguing the favorite modern question of the nothingness of everything, and the lolly of taking too much trouble to walk upon a road that went nowhere, or to compass a work that meant nothing.

"I accept the dominion of that pale girl, with the statuesque features and the calm brown eyes," he thought. "I recognize the power of a mind superior to my own, and I yield to it, and bow down to it. I've been acting for myself, and thinking for myself, for the last few months, and I'm tired of the unnatural business. I've been false to the leading principle of my life, and I've suffered for the folly. I found two gray hairs in my head the week before last, and an impertinent crow has planted a delicate impression of his foot under my right eye. Yes, I'm getting old upon the right side; and why—why should it be so?" He pushed away his plate and lifted his eyebrows, staring at the glistening damask, as he pondered the question. (To be continued)

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY PROCEEDINGS OFFICIAL SYNOPSIS

(Continued.)

MR. HICKMAN said he wished to make a few opening remarks and in doing so he would like to tender his congratulations to Mr. Fox, as Speaker. He felt sure that Mr. Fox would do his duty fairly and unbiased and that he would treat the Members of the Opposition in the same way as he would the Members of the Government.

Mr. Hickman also wished to congratulate the mover of the motion for the Address in Reply. He said it was good to see men of the type of the Hon. Member for Burin representing their own Districts in the House of Assembly; and that he felt certain that the District of Burin would find an able and confident supporter in the person of Mr. Lake. He also wished to congratulate Mr. Linegar, the Member for St. John's West upon the speech made by him. He said that Mr. Linegar claimed to represent Labour and that the Opposition were pleased to see him and have him in the house and that they assured him of their sympathy in the movement in which he was so interested.

Of the Opposition are veritable working men and before the session concludes we will give evidence of it and see that legislation is put in force to provide for the labourer. As to the Speech from the Throne it has been customary heretofore to distribute copies previous to the opening of the House so that members of the Opposition might have an opportunity to discuss it but on this occasion this had not been done. As heard by him, Mr. Hickman said, there was nothing of importance in the Speech though it might be interesting to the public to know that Countess Haig had visited here and that those who had opposed the Government in the election had been defeated. He promised to assist the Prime Minister in carrying out his promises to the people and to assist in every way possible in forwarding whatever legislation that might be brought before the House. He hoped that the policy of "Clean up, the maintenance of law and order and the amendment of such acts at present in force and incapable of being carried out, would be brought into being and employment found for the people particularly the fishermen, so as to enable them to live in comfort. As to the cutting down of expenses he trusted that men would not be dismissed because of their party affiliations and their positions filled by supporters of the Government on the only grounds that they had supported the right side. In conclusion he expressed the belief that though Newfoundland is at present facing a serious situation in her history, she can weather the storm as she has done before and by proper legislation be brought back again to a condition of prosperity.

The Member for Fortune District, MR. WARREN, speaking for the Independent Opposition, congratulated Hon. the Speaker on the dignity conferred on him by his election to the position of First Commoner of the land and paid tribute to his ability as citizen and lawyer. He also congratulated Messrs. Lake and Linegar on their efforts in proposing and seconding the Motion for the Address in Reply. Hon. THE PRIME MINISTER took the opportunity to congratulate the Mover and Seconder of the Ad-

dress in Reply and the Hon. the Leader of the Opposition and Mr. Warren for the manner in which they had referred to the Speech from the Throne. He congratulated the Speaker on his election to that important position, expressing the belief that none was more qualified to fill it. He regretted that copies of the Speech from the Throne had not been available for the Opposition, but that was due to his inexperience. As to the promises made, or said to have been made, by the present Government, they had never made anything like the promises of their predecessors but would guarantee to carry out their programme as well as any party who ever held power before. The Government is sincere in its efforts to clean up and to give a square deal to all and that policy will be rigidly adhered to. He did not wish to make a political speech but as to the suggestion of Mr. Hon. the Leader of the Opposition that Government employees might be dismissed because of party affiliations he wished to state that none would be interfered with as long as they were faithfully performing their duties but men who were actively canvassing might have to be dealt with. He was sorry to say that previous governments had dismissed people from various offices simply because they or their relatives had supported those opposed to the Government. As to the fishery the Government would do all possible to foster it and ever other labor giving industry and a speedy solution of the Bell Island problem is looked for. The position of the Government is to try and make labor and capital agree and while some think that a standard wage should be given to labour throughout the island, the whole situation hinges on supply and demand. We have to go cautiously before saying that every employer shall pay a certain rate. Continuing he hoped to reduce taxation but pointed out that at present it is impossible to make an estimate of the country's finances owing to the way in which the accounts have been jumbled for some years past, salaries, bonuses, etc., being so confused that it is next to impossible to tell the wages of some officials. This will be straightened out and everything made clear to the public. At the next session it is hoped to be able to state where the country stands financially; but at present this is impossible owing to the way in which figures have been turned and twisted. The Prime Minister concluded by stating he would have more to say on this subject later.

The motion was then put and carried and the following Committee appointed: Messrs. Lake, Linegar, Halfyard, Hibbs, and Chambers. The House then adjourned until 3 o'clock on Monday, July 14th.

Monday, July 14th. The House met at 3 p.m. Speaker in the Chair. MR. SCAMMELL presented a petition from the people of Rocky Harbor to have the coastal boats according to schedule to call regularly at this port. MR. KENNETH BROWN presented a petition from the people of Filley's Island asking for an allocation of \$500.00 for repairs to the public wharf and dredging of a channel. MR. ASHBOURNE supported the petition. MR. LINEGAR presented a petition from the block-makers of St. John's. MR. PETER CASHIN presented a petition from the fishermen of Renewa with regard to the setting of traps. He also hoped that the Government would see fit to send a fishery warden up to this district at an early date. MR. PHILIP MOORE gave this petition his support.

On motion of HON. MINISTER JUSTICE a Bill to amend the War Pensions' Act was read a first time. On motion of HON. MINISTER OF JUSTICE a Bill to amend Chapter 86, 3 series Consolidated Statutes was read a first time. Committee on Supply was deferred. MR. HALFYARD introduced a Bill to amend the Election Act of 1913. This Bill was read a first time. THE HON. THE COLONIAL SECRETARY introduced a Bill relative to the Department of Public Printing and Stationery. This was read a first time. MR. BROWN introduced a Bill to amend Chapter 216 of the Consolidated Statutes entitled "Of the employment of men engaged in Logging." This was read a first time.

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