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hand.

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THE PUBLIC ENQUIRY

A BRIEF SUMMARY.

(Continued.)

The Enquiry the past week or so
had still to do with investigation into
expenditures, etc., under the Pitt
Prop Act. The amount of supplies
given to various individuals for or on
behalf of the Union Trading Co. at
Fort Union. The reason why individual
employees of the Union were
selected was that it was figured out
that the individual would get more
returns for expenditures than if the
laborers knew it was the Trading
Co. or the Government, and these
men were employed as a "blind".
But apparently the "move" did not
work, as the men employed soon discovered
who really had the contract.
It was a case where the men were paid
Charlie Bryant for robbing or peeling
the wood.

Mr. Wilfred Dawe gave evidence in
reference to his firm's dealings with
the Government, and showed how
the sale of pitprops could have been
handled with a profit. He also stated
that he advised certain members of
the Government to cancel the contract
they had with a New Yorker named
Rogers, as they would not be able to
find the quantity of wood for him.
This saved the country a large sum
of money. In connection with this
contract Mr. Noel, of the Dept. of
Agriculture and Mines, stated that
Rogers informed him that Mr. Col-
lishaw was to get a dollar a cord
commission, amounting altogether to
\$70,000, if the original contract had
been carried out. It was shown that
although the financial condition of
the country was bad, and loans had
to be secured for relief work, money
was handled in many cases in a most
extravagant and shameful manner in
connection with the purchase of horse-
s, machinery, supplies, etc.

Mr. Coaker also gave evidence con-
cerning his connection with relief mat-
ters, and referred to the condition of
the country, and the need there was
for relief. He did not profit anything
personally, he declared, neither did
he believe that Dr. Campbell or Sir
Richard Squires did.
Mr. Russell, Asst. Mgr. of the
Trading Co., also gave evidence,
which dealt chiefly with his connection
with pitprop cutting, the amount
of supplies given by the Trading Co.
and the returns. He also gave in-
formation re certain bond issues of the
Trading Co. and Mr. Collishaw's con-
nection therewith as a bondholder
and as a creditor. The total issue of
bonds at present outstanding is now
\$155,000.

While Mr. Watson, the Auditor,
was on the stand, a question arose
as to the admission of his report, and
a lively and lengthy debate took
place between the Commissioner and
Mr. Howley. He declared that in
his opinion Mr. Warren had kept
things back. The reports dealt with
have not been full nor thorough. The
Commissioner pointed out that this
was a very serious accusation to
make, and stated he would ask the
Attorney General to go in the box so
that he may ask him questions.
Subsequently Mr. Howley admitted
that he was not instructed by his

clients to take this attitude, and ad-
mitted that he might possibly have
been more discreet.

Mr. Watson, the auditor, then gave
evidence re various matters of ac-
counts with the Dept., and discovered
something that involved an individual
in the Dept.

Mr. Morine then called Mr. Pratt,
of the A. E. Hickman Co., who gave
evidence particularly about certain
assignments made to his company.
Mr. Watson (re-called) stated that
\$79,000 had been paid Charles Bryant
or Bryant amounted to \$8,183.68, or
a total of \$87,000.00, whereas Mr.
Russell, the Asst. Mgr., stated
that \$46,000 was paid. The net
cash to the country is \$1,228,049.03,
and the outstanding balance is \$148,
488.18, and this is worth only \$70,
000. Besides this Rogers has a claim
against the Govt. for \$110,000.00.
This brings us up to Tuesday, Feb.
26.

Wednesday, Feb. 27—When the
Enquiry met on Wednesday morning
Commissioner Walker decided to
call Attorney General Warren and
have certain matters cleared up. The
Commissioner asked Mr. Warren if
he had kept anything back from him
that touches the Enquiry, to which
he replied "Not a thing." Mr. Warren
went on to explain that Mr. Howley,
Counsel for Sir Richard Squires,
charged that the Commission was de-
liberately drafted so as to avoid some
things, but the only charges made
were that money was advanced by
the Liquor Controller to Sir Richard
Squires' agent or accountant for him.
I consulted the Government Party,
and I stated that we would have a
full investigation into it. The only
thing he knew of were the payments
to Mrs. Harsani, and charges made
against Dr. Campbell with regard to
cash hire and general charges of ex-
travagance, and I said we would have
an investigation into these two things
as well as into the matters of the
Liquor Control Dept. Mr. Howley
has stated that he took full responsi-
bility for Sir Richard's resignation;
he advised him to resign and undergo
an independent enquiry. Mr. Warren
stated that at the time Sir Richard
resigned there was no question of an
enquiry at all, so that he could not
offer that he had done anything to
advise his client in that way. Further
than that, the only attempt, the only
offer that has been made to me has
been made by Mr. Howley. Mr.
Howley came to my house—

At this point the Commissioner in-
terrupted Mr. Warren by saying "I
don't think I will go into that unless
Mr. Howley desires it."
Mr. Warren was then questioned
by Mr. Howley, after which Mr.
Howley stated that he accepted Mr.
Warren's explanation as he gave it
in the box, but down in the bottom
of his heart he did not have his im-
pressions completely eradicated, and if
he had wronged Mr. Warren by any
statement he had made he would
apologize to him most humbly.
Mr. Warren in reply stated that
he would like to accept Mr. Howley's
qualified apology were it not for the
fact that he, too, had more knowledge
than he had given expression to here.
Mr. Halfyard, Colonial Secretary,
and Dr. Barnes, Minister of Educa-
tion, then gave evidence, Mr. Half-
yard in reference to a trip to Port
Union in which his smokes were paid
by the Government, and Dr. Barnes
in reference to \$100.00 for fishery
supplies.

Dr. Campbell was then sworn and
examined by Mr. Howley, and cross-
examined by Mr. Winter. He was
examined concerning the general con-
duct of himself personally and his
Dept., including expenditures for cab
hire, pitprops, kit bags, etc.

COLEBY'S POINT ROAD BOARD

The Road Board Election for Col-
ey's Pt. was held in the C. of E.
Schoolroom Monday night. Mr. Jos.
Roach acted as chairman, and Mr.
Gus Keefe was secretary of the meet-
ing. The following gentlemen were
elected: Henry Martin, Isaac Bowering,
Wm. Bursley, Henry Bowering,
Henry Greenland and Edward Snow.

ROAD BOARD ELECTION FOR COUNTRY ROAD

The election of a Road Board for
Country Road was held in the School
room on Monday night, Feb. 25th.
Mr. Abram Snow acted as Chairman
with Mr. Walter Caravan Secretary,
and Messrs. James Samways and
Jacob Morgan scrutineers. The fol-
lowing were elected: Messrs. Edward
J. French, Abram Snow, Samuel
Bradbury, Wm. Delaney and Eli
Bradbury, sr. The Board subse-
quently met and elected Messrs. Ed-
ward French and Samuel Bradbury
Chairman and Dep. Chairman, respec-
tively.

"FOR THE PEOPLE"

It is a fact worthy of note that
while a section of the press and cer-
tain politicians exhibit great concern
"for the people" and their rights
during the interval between elections
in this country, they are ready to
cast the people and their wishes
aside when an election campaign is
about to start. Whenever any definite
attempt has been made by the
people themselves to secure their
rights just as an election campaign
is about to begin, their reasonable
and proper requests are ignored, and
sometimes when appeals have been
made to the press for assistance it
has been flatly refused. During the
present Enquiry it has been brought
out where certain public men have
deliberately stated that certain things
were done because they did not trust
the people. And yet these very peo-
ple were expected to trust and sup-
port, and did actually trust and sup-
port these politicians. And we have
no doubt but that on many occasions
these same men who were not trusted
actually fought for and helped to
elect to power the very men who
doubted their honesty.

SUCCESSFUL CONCERT.

An entertainment by the pupils of
the Coleby's Point Meth. School, was
given in the schoolroom on Wednes-
day night, Feb. 27th. Every avail-
able seat was occupied during the
performance and many were stand-
ing. During the interval refresh-
ments were served. Mr. E. J. French
was the chairman, and he filled
ed that office in his usual capable
manner. Those taking part perform-
ed so excellently that no distinction
could be made. At the close of the
entertainment a vote of thanks was
moved by Rev. S. Baggs to Miss
Flora Thistle, teacher of the school,
whose energetic efforts and faithful
work brought such excellent results.

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febr, 51

"WHAT HAPPENED TO JONES"

The play entitled "What happen-
ed to Jones" was staged in the R.C.
School Hall on Tuesday night, Feb.
26th. Each player took his part ex-
cellently and great talent was dis-
played. The Hall was filled to its
entire capacity, many visitors from
nearby places being present. At the
close of the comedy, Mr. J. Kieley,
on behalf of the players thanked the
audience for their patronage. Lunch-
es were served during the evening
and dancing was indulged in and an
enjoyable time spent by all.

OUR BOOKSHELF

We acknowledge from Messrs.
Macmillan & Co., Publishers, Lon-
don, England, a new volume by Rud-
yard Kipling entitled "Land and
Sea Tales" for Scouts and Guides.
(Price 4s. nett.) It consists of about
a dozen stories, interspersed with
poems in the author's usual manner.
The tales are wide in range, and
nearly all are of adventure in
many lands and under different cir-
cumstances. The following lines
from the poetical Preface may be
taken as the keynote of the volume:
"The even heart that seldom slurs its
beat—
The cool head weighing what that
heart desires—
The measuring eye that guides the
hand and feet—
The Soul unbroken when the Body
tires—
These are the things our weary
world requires
Far more than superfluities of wit;
Wherefore we pray you, sons of
generous sires,
Be fit—be fit! For Honour's sake be
fit."

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Large half-lb. cake pure Toilet Soap,
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Girls' and Boys' Sweets, assorted
colors and sizes, just the thing for
the school children, only \$1.45 each.
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strong, only 29c yard.
Woolnap Quilt Pieces only 29c per
bundle.
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skill, care and cleanliness used in its manufacture,
prove our claim that Cracker Jack Flour is the best
made.

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TRAGIC DEATH.

The sympathy of the community
went out to Mr. and Mrs. James
Fitzpatrick and family, this (Friday)
morning when it became known that
their eldest daughter, Margaret, had
died in the General Hospital, St.
John's, on Feb. 28th.
It is learned that the deceased
young lady was in the employ of a
man named Lewis, Topsail Road, St.
John's, when she tripped over a
kerosene stove, which was standing
on the floor in the kitchen, the flame
of which quickly ignited her clothing
and burnt her badly about the arms
and chest. Dr. Templeman was hur-
riedly summoned and after bandag-
ing up the wounds had her brought
to the hospital, where, some hours
later, she expired. The sad news
was conveyed to the bereaved fam-
ily by Rev. Fr. Fitzgerald. The re-
mains are expected to arrive here on
the noon-train Saturday, March 1st.

Rev. E. M. Bishop delivered an
address in St. Paul's Hall, Hr. Grace,
on "Missionary Work in Canada," on
Tuesday night, Feb. 26th.

Word has been received that Mr.
W. E. Cave, now residing in All-
ston, Mass., U.S.A., who has been
seriously ill, is very much improved
and is now on the road to recovery.

We are pleased to learn that Miss
Barbara Calpin, who has been seri-
ously ill at the General Hospital, St.
John's, has now recovered.

Wm. Dawe & Sons have a num-
ber of men at Fox Marsh and vicin-
ity cutting birch and witchazel for
the coming season's operations here.
Mr. Edmund Mercer is in charge of
the work, and we learn the men are
making fairly good wages.

DIED

On Thursday night, Feb. 28th, at
the General Hospital, St. John's,
Margaret (Maggie) dearly beloved
daughter of James and Anastasia
Fitzpatrick, aged 23 years.

Newfoundland Notice to Mariners

(No. 5 of 1923)

Harbor Grace Island CONCEPTION BAY

Lat. 47° 42' 45" North.

Lon. 53° 08' 11" West

Change in Character of Light.

Notice is hereby given that the
OCCULTING WHITE LIGHT
now exhibited on HARBOR GRACE
ISLAND will be changed on No-
vember 1st, 1923, to a WHITE
FLASHING ACETYLENE GAS
LIGHT giving

20 FLASHES PER MINUTE

Note: The old Light Tower will
be removed and the Acetylene Gas
Light will be shown from a White
Painted Wood Framework Structure
height of which is 138 feet from
high water to focal plane.

G. F. GRIMES,

Minister of Marine and Fisheries.
Dept. of Marine and Fisheries,
St. John's, Newfoundland,
September 26th, 1923.

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J. T. MEANEY IS ON PERSON- AL BUSINESS ONLY.

Quebec, Feb. 25—John T. Meaney
of St. John's, Newfoundland, former
Liquor Controller of the Colony and
a prominent figure in the Squires
Enquiry, is in Quebec. He declined
to be interviewed, stating that he is
here only on personal business, hav-
ing come to see Dr. Mooney, of Que-
bec, about some pulp wood matter in
Newfoundland.

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"Don't bother about the pockets—I
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I've paid for the suit!"

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notice all possible publicity because
the Post Office Department pur-
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M. E. HAWCO,
Minister of Posts & Telegraphs
St. John's Nfld.
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