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OUR POINT OF VIEW.

NOT NECESSARY ?

The Honorable P. T. McGrath states in The Herald that the "Upper House" refused to pass the Coaker Logging Bill "because there was no proof shown as to the need of it."

That, by the way, is not the reason he advanced a few days ago when he gave us to understand that the Bill was not passed because there was no one to father it in the Legislative

Now then we have it from The Herald that as far as the Honorable P. T. McGrath is concerned at any rate, the Bill got its quietus because the party led by Sir Edward Morris there was no need of it.

drawn up by Mr. Coaker after numerous representations as to necssary reforms had been made to him by men who had experienced conditions as they exist at logging camps.

It had been read and approved by representatives of a large number of our logging companies.

It passed through its various stages in the House of Assembly, was fully debated and sent on to the Legislative Council without a single dissent- Premier down is of the same opinion. ing vote being cast against it.

The loggers then thought there was the dose has to be taken. were of the same mind; the House ple and its form.

Doesn't see the need of assuring good food, comfortable quarters and advantages to the loggers.

floor, of a camp and contract a cold leading to some complication and to

the awoods and cut down green, frozen boughs to sleep on at night? What if they wake of a frosty morning and find their clothes frozen

to the side of the camp? The Logging Bill, which aimed at a change from these conditions was thrown out-so says the Honorable P. T. McGrath-"because there was no proof shown as to the need of it."

"Lowliness is young Ambition's ladder.

Whereto the climber upward turns his face: But when he once attains the utmost

He hen unto the ladder turns his

Looks in the clouds, scorning the base

degrees By which he did ascend."

HARD HEARTED

Where's the sense in the Govern ment being so hard-hearted in its treatment of poor Dr. Keegan? What's he done that he should be

denied a few cabbage leaves and 'taties at the public expense? Where's the sense of this "progressive" agricultural policy; what's the use of trumpet-blowing about its crop-increasing effects if it can't

be made supply the Superintendent of the General Hospital with vegetable grub, free gratis and for nothin'? Contemplate, gentle reader, the multitude of family grants scattered abroad by the Government; meditate upon these "specials" for this, that and the other thing; think of all these increases in salary provided for mind the pickings from dredge sup- fashion? Do you want to co-operate

sitting in his free chimney-corner, humanity.

And why, oh, tell us why, did the Government refuse in this instance to relieve the doctor altogether of th necessity of bothering with any the tradesmen except those who do adorn the person of a man?

Truly a favor but half performed were better never undertaken at all

Why this streak of shyness so un accountably developed by the Honorables P. T. McGrath and J. A. Robinson the last few days?

What is there about these alleged appointments to make the chief penpushers of The Herald and The News so chary of an out-and-out announce-

"Rumor says," and "report says," is the indefinite languages used by the Editor of The Herald, while the ambiguous announcement in the editorial columns of The News fairly bristles with such obscure terms as "it is stated," "it is genrally expect-

ed," "according to reliable authority." Who should know better than the Honorable journalistic and Legislative twins whether or not "rumor"

If what is "stated" and "generally expected" be founded on fact why should not our Government trumpetblowers out with it in unequivocal

Are they just a couple of political innocents abroad or do they so size up the general public? Maybe they are only feeling the

pulse of public opinion. Perhaps they recognize that the nemesis of public anger is hard on

their track. Or, maybe, they are troubled in conscience over this "expected" outraging of popular opinion and are thoroughly ashamed of themselves for siding with a government so utterly indifferent to its responsibilities

to the people. Now, then, brethren, speak up like little men. Tell us definitely that judged it to be neither wise nor expe-In the first place that Bill was dient to tempt the providence that presides over political affairs by contesting bye-elections while the tide of popular indignation is at the flood. Of course, that's an open secret, No necessity of obscuring that fact with "ifs" and "an's" and "buts." The city knows it, the most hidebound supporter of the present Government admits it. And, if "rumor" be correct as to these appointments, the whole Government from the

Some men there be who are men of peace at any price; from their of Assembly assented to its princi- actions we are regretfully led to believe that the present Government But the Honorable P. T. McGrath have adopted as their motto "Power

at any price." The arm-chair critic of The Herald Well, the price to be paid is a regards it as an unnecessary meas- high one-most self-conceited mortals would hesitate long before footing

There's scorn for the men who accept place and pay at the beck and What if a man does sleep on the call of a party and in defiance of

the mandate of the people. There's also absolute contempt for those who hang on to the reins o What if men do have to go out in power despite the fact that they are afraid to test popular opinion at the

> But, there, wasn't it Shakespeare who remarked that occasionally "policy sits above conscience?"

A PATHETIC CASE

We publish herewith a pathetic appeal that has reached us from one of the outports. For obvious reasons we suppress the name of the writer and her dwelling place, but any who are charitably disposed can get this information from this office, and doubtless those who are well or fairly well fixed in this world's goods will help us send practical cheer to this struggling widow.

Mothers with bright, comfortable homes, with kind husbands to provide for your wants and these of your little ones, think of the hard lot of this woman bereft of her bread-winner and protector, and small outport with four young child- Government, for the four years

"My husband," she says, "died and stronger language than that is being "left me with nothing and nowhere used all over the country. "I have four children and not one

"big enough to work. "quarter from the Government.

"I am crippled myself." Do you want to help out this poor And now Sir Edward is awa' for probable, in view of the work still in the recent budget; sum up in your strugglings widow in practical the third railway loan negotiated to be done, that a fourth loan of at plies and other little "hand-outs" too with us in lending her a hand? We numerous to mention, and then turn believe that hundreds of our readers borrowed for railroad construction So we may as well try to look afford it. to this other picture-Dr. Keegan will respond to the promptings of purposes within four years.

warming himself up by his free fire and form a Relief Society. The Daily in the House of Assembly on Feb. leaping to Ten Million Dollars—on an drink.

and yet refused his free meat, milk Mail will gladly receive and acknow edge all contributions of money or gods sent in to this office. If you have some children's clothing you an spare, make it up in a bundle

> If you can spare a few cents or a dollar or so, let us have it, and we will see that it is forwarded promptly. Mark your envelopes "Widow."

And the state of t

ONE OF MANY SUCH.

Dear Sir,-I am a widow. My huband died last year. He left me, you might say, with nothing and nowhere to get anything. I have four children and myself makes five. No one big enough to

The only help I get is the \$6.00 from the Government, and that is not much to get wood, food and clothing, besides I am crippled myself. So I thought if I would let you know, you would try and help me, let it be little or

CHASING THE DOLLARS

So, according to The Herald, Sir Edward Morris has left "for England to make arrangements for the raising of the loan for railway ex-

Another dollar-chasing expedition in which this country is bound to come off a poor second.

Two little jaunts of the same nature and for the same purpose have already taken place. Speaking on the Morris branch

railroad policy in the House of Assembly on Feb. 10, 1910, Sir Edward said: "I will put the estimate at two hundred and fifty miles. This, at \$15,000 per mile, will cost \$3,900,-000, or in round figures, \$4,000,000.

So our administrators hied themselves abroad, invaded the money markets and returned with the cash that, according to the Premier, was to see the branch railroad undertaking through.

But it didn't. In 1912 Two Million Dollars more

So the original estimate of Four Million Dollars grew in two years to Six Million Dollars. But while this Colony's credit was

Nasty medicine to swallow-but pledged for the security of Six Million Dollars that amount of hard cash wasn't brought home. Not much. It took little presents totalling al-

most half a million dollars, to brokers and to money-lenders to persuade them to do us honor of owing them Six Million Dollars.

So, we owe Six Million Dollars; we pay interest on Six Million Dollars, we have had the spending of only about Fire Million Six Hundred Thousand

Half a million dollars was absolutely lost to us on expenses of brokers who negotiated the loans and by the ill-advised action of selling our bonds in the market at a time when money was difficult to obtain. even on gilt-edged security, and when we could get only about 94 cents for every dollar's worth of bonds we sold.

So we lost almost half a million dollars. That's gone, absolutely and

irretrievably. But our liability for this amount still remains and we have to go on, year after year, paying \$17,000 per annum for money we never had the

Beautiful bargain, isn't it. Something worthy of an "ideal

The annual interest we have to pay on the money lost through the bungling of the Morris Government would provide three hundred forty old fishermen every year with pensions of Fifty Dollars each.

Of course, the general public will admit that, in the words of a Morris struggling to make both ends meet. election pamphlet, "it is not too much Think of this widow's position in a to say that the record of the Morris ren to feed and clothe; with the has been in power, was never apthousand and one necessities of a proached since, the granting of Rehouse to find through her own exer- sponsible Government to the Colony." No, indeed, that is not at all too Fellow men, can you think of any- much to say. In fact a great deal thing more tragically pathetic than more might be said about the "record the story told by this brief note?- of the Morris Government." Much

emphatic that for bungling, for in- road "The only help I get is \$6.00 per and worse-"the record of the Morris so reticent had he been sure of this Government was never approached, in his own mind.

Eight million dollars is just double sured expenditure of Eight Million Dol Some men borrow trouble because basking in his free electric light and Lets get together on this matter the amount Sir Edward Morris stated lars with the probability of its they have heard that it drives men to

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10, 1910, would complete the five undertaking that the Premier as- An ounce of charity is better than a complete the five undertaking that the Premier as-Most likely he'll make some sort for Four Million Dollars.

of a deal for the money. But, unfortunately, all the money market signs indicate the likelihood of another big loss to the country. Even the most optimistic figure that we'll likely be out close on Two Hundred Thousand Dollars on this

But the end is not yet. Sir Edward Morris would not give the Opposition a definite assurance Their name is legion who are quite that his new loan would see the railcompetency for mismanagement- through. He would hardly have been

It is, therefore, by no means imleast Two Million Dollars more will That makes Eight Million Dollars be needed "in the sweet bye-and-bye." bad taste in dressing because he can't pleasant and contented over an as-

sured the country could be financed ton of advice. Just a little mistake of Six Million dollars in this estimate.

A THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY.

Nothing much to speak of-in fact,

Your hands in your own pockets in the morning, is the beginning of the

last day; your hands in other people's

pockets at noon, is the height of the

last day.—Ruskin.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS

Occasionally a man doesn't show

Talk is cheap-unless you hire lawyer to hand it out.

A healthy man can afford to take chance on health foods. There are more ways than one for a

woman to have her way.

Some men are always getting busy but they don't keep busy.

There is nothing hypocritical about the wagging of a dog's tail. Wise is the man who knows what not to say—then doesn't say it

We naturally refuse to believe that people who praise us are liars.

We know from experience how good I take the pressure of thine hand. a man feels after paying his debts. It's easier for love to find the way than it is for dad to pay the bills.

POEMS OLD AND NEW.

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Doors, where my heart was used to

So quickly, not as one that weeps

I come once more: the city sleeps; I smell the meadow in the street; I hear a chirp of birds: I see Betwixt the black fronts long with-

A light-blue lane of early dawn, And think of early days and thee. And bless thee, for thy lips are bland.

And bright the friendship of thy And in my thoughts with scarce a

No man wants his wife to know ev. lerything he knows about himself.