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PRINTING FIGURES.

THE President of the Fishermen's Protective Union in a recent Circular addressed to his Local Councils, when referring to Government printing by newspapers, made an elaborately exaggerated statement that "probably since 1919 the Telegram has received from eight to ten thousand dollars" by way of Government patronage. Yesterday we threw back the lie in Mr. Coaker's teeth. To-day we give the exact figures of the monies received from the Government Departments for general printing, which is by way of advertising certain ordinances, which had to be announced through the columns of all newspapers irrespective of party predilections or affiliations. Such work as this is custom work, and comes through the ordinary channels of advertising. Patronage work is different altogether. As we have already said, the Telegram does not solicit, particularly from the sources charged up to us by Mr. Coaker. But let the figures themselves tell the story. It is a far cry from twenty-eight hundred dollars to ten thousand, even in the space of three years. Read the appended table of printing work done for the Government by the Telegram for the years 1920, 1921, 1922, and be convinced that Mr. Coaker does not tell the truth, nor is the truth in him.

Department	1920	1921	1922
Agriculture & Mines	27.00	6.75	60.00
Public Works	36.50	77.00	90.25
Militia	226.00	99.50	199.25
Marine & Fisheries	687.00	98.75	83.00
Colonial Secretary	47.00	45.00	72.00
Posts & Telegraphs	22.50	—	36.00
Finance & Customs	8.75	—	—
Shipping	303.75	283.00	379.50
	\$1,358.50	\$360.00	\$920.50
Total for Three Years	\$2,839.00		

The large sum in the year 1920 on account of Marine and Fisheries, was due to the fact that there was much common advertising in the now executed Fishery Regulations. The sums paid by the Shipping Department had to do with the advertising of the sailings of steamers and other public matters connected therewith. And certain it is that value was given for the outlay. All these figures quoted show exactly the sums received by the Telegram in three years from Government sources, and all was of the nature of public service and for public information. Mr. Coaker should take another look at the accounts ere he so grossly misleads his purblind followers with crooked statements. The public at large will appreciate in the proper manner his conduct in this respect, and he may be well left to their judgment.

A DISGRACEFUL ATTACK.

MR. W. S. Monroe has consented to become a candidate for election to the Assembly, and thereby to place his abilities at the disposal of his fellow countrymen. This patriotic sacrifice, instead of receiving universal commendation, has subjected him to a brutal attack by the "Mail," the personal organ of Sir Richard Squires.

The "Mail's" own story is this: (1) That last year Mr. Monroe's business was financially embarrassed, and (2) that the Government arranged with a bank to enable him to continue business, but (3) that as he has joined the Opposition, no such assistance can now be given; (4) wherefore his Petty Harbor dealers, in particular, can get no supplies from him this year.

We do not know the truth or otherwise of this story, but, judging by its source, the greater part of it is as probably false, as all of it is disgusting. Admitting, however, its truth, for the sake of argument only, consider it critically for a moment! What clear public necessity warranted interference by the Government to help Mr. Monroe last year? What valid excuse for using public credit to help any man in business can be given other than public necessity? If, then, this excuse did exist for any action taken by the Government in this matter, it was done for Mr. Monroe's dealers, not for him. But if done for them last year, why not for them this year? And if not done this year, then, according to the "Mail," the dealers are to be punished because Mr. Monroe is no longer a Government supporter.

It amounts to this, then, that the Government uses its influence to aid its embarrassed friends, and refuses aid when its opponents would be helped, even though the real sufferers are the innocent fishermen. "The Government helped you in 1922," through Mr. Monroe," says the Mail, to the people of Petty Harbor, "when Monroe was on its side, and now that he dares exercise the independent choice of a free man, the Government will punish you! Squires refuses you aid because he wants to injure Monroe; he cares not how you suffer if he can be revenged on him."

Things have come to a pretty pass indeed when the campaign sheet of the Premier, his Will-o'-the-Wisp mouthpiece, attacks the business solvency, past and present, of one of the largest suppliers in the Colony, to satisfy the malice of that Premier. If, indeed, Mr. Monroe ever required help, if he unhappily should need it now, in order that his great supplying business should be continued, he has been brought to that position by the insane conduct of the Squires-Coaker Government. His difficulties, the common difficulties to a very great extent of every supplier in the country, are due to the notorious Fish Regulations entangled by Coaker, and made possible by Squires; and if the Government ever helped to mitigate in any degree some of the evil consequences, it but did a very little bit to lessen the damage it had itself done. It is scandalous, it is unendurable, that men like Walter Monroe should be bludgeoned by the hired assassins of the Political Bully who occupies the position of Prime Minister of this Colony.

There will be a Special Meeting of the T.A. Ladies' Auxiliary on Friday evening, 23rd inst., at 8.30 o'clock.—mar23,21

DELAYED SAILING.—S. S. Senel has been delayed in her sailing for the Northward owing to the thick weather which is prevailing.—mar23,21

SNAP SHOTS.

By ZIP.

Day by day
In every way
The crowd all say
Bennett will be our next Premier.

Hoorah for Bennett and Better Times.

Ambrose got \$25,000 to be the joke on the Southern Shore.

Just imagine giving Capt. Tom one hundred and twenty thousand dollars to go to Placentia.

Bennett can get fifty better men to go there and be elected for nothing.

Walsh, Sullivan and Sinnott will have bigger majorities than in 1919.

Yet the peoples' one hundred and twenty thousand bones will be gobbled up.

Capt. Thomas Bonia Minister of Finance. It is to laugh.

It only goes to show how loose and careless Coaker and Squires are with the peoples' money.

The only way the Government can get this money back is to wager the full amount that the "Cap" will be defeated by over 700 votes.

Mr. Squires laid a nice trap for Mr. Hearn when he consigned him to oppose Moore and Cashin.

All the civil servants are shaking in their shoes afraid they will be forced to go to districts for the Government.

And the Prime Minister told the War Heroes that they were "Paid to Fight."

And now he has dropped the extortionate tax on sugar because the soldiers' pensions will cease after June 30th.

Mr. Coaker's nerve is commendable.

He says that he is just as determined to enforce the fish regulations as ever, and will do so if his party is elected.

He is right in putting in the word "I," and if that is all the chance he has, you can bet your socks we will never again hear Fish Regulations.

We want the Humber Deal—yes, if it is any good at all.

But we must have a sane Government to make the deal a success.

If you want a Humber Deal that will be a good deal for the Colony, vote for Bennett and his party.

That the friends of Mr. Walter Monroe will resent that attack in last night's Government papers is a certainty.

Just imagine Cloutier, Mosdell, St. John and Mews vilifying a man of the type of Mr. Walter Monroe.

The people of Petty Harbor will, when the opportunity presents itself, rise in their might to vindicate their friend.

The Coaker-Squires team in the West End will, as they never did before, regret those scurrilous attacks on Mr. Monroe.

The three hour meeting of the young voters of St. John's West last night is proof positive of the landslide that is coming.

Five hundred young men between the ages of 21 and 35 are joining Bennett's West End Committee.

Fully 1000 voters present heard spirited addresses from Cashin, Linen and Hunt.

The names of the Clean, Legislative Hall candidates.

The West's Awake. The country is awake.

Never again for Coaker control.

The St. John's West Committee is now approaching the one thousand mark.

The West Coast is with St. John's West and Conception Bay and other districts in destroying the menace of Coakerism.

If you vote for Coaker you will see more rocks ahead.

The Coaker-Squires Government is truly styled The Rocky Government.

Rocks, Rocks and more Rocks.

They are all Rocking.

Back to 1919 and plenty of work for every workman.

When the fishermen will get his support.

SWIFT REPUDIATION

Daily Mail Convicted of Falsehood—Official Correspondence Between Bank and Monroe Export Company.

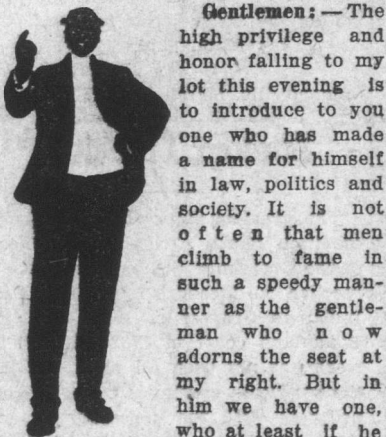
Saint John's, March 23, 1923.
Editor Evening Telegram.
Dear Sir—With reference to the article which appeared at the head of the first column on the front page of last evening's issue of the "Daily Mail," we take the liberty of enclosing you herewith copies of letters recently passed between the Bank of Nova Scotia and our firm, in the hope that this correspondence may be of interest to your many readers. We may say that the local banking business of this Company has, during the past eighteen months, been confined entirely to the Bank of Nova Scotia.
Yours truly,
The Monroe Export Company, Ltd.
J. B. BAIRD, Director.

[Copy]
March 22nd, 1923.
J. A. Young, Esq.,
Manager Bank of Nova Scotia, City.
Dear Sir—We shall be much obliged if you would advise us whether, during the past eighteen months, which period covers your term of office as Manager of the St. John's branch of the Bank of Nova Scotia, the Government, or any person or persons not connected with this firm arranged for financial assistance for our Company at your Bank.
Your prompt reply will be appreciated.
Yours truly,
The Monroe Export Co., Ltd.
(Sgd.) J. B. BAIRD, Director.

Who's Who in the Government.

NUMBER IV.

INTRODUCING HON. WILLIAM R. WARREN.



Gentlemen:—The high privilege and honor falling to my lot this evening is to introduce to you one who has made a name for himself in law, politics and society. It is not of a man that men climb to fame in such a speedy manner as the gentleman who you will see seated at my right. But in him we have one who at least if he did not achieve greatness had greatness thrust upon him. Let I forget, gentlemen, let me, ere I go farther in proclaiming the virtues of our soon to be distinguished guest, make you all acquainted with the Honorable William R. Warren, Minister of Justice in the Squires-Coaker government, and member for the district of Fortune Bay before Parliament dissolved. Mr. Warren, gentlemen, has had a long and useful political career. His first introduction to public life was many years ago when he had the honor of being the sole representative for St. John's within that borough in Trinity Bay having had its name spread far and wide during an acrimonious debate in the House of Assembly, in which our guest of the evening took no small part. Mr. Warren, gentlemen, is no mean fighter. Witness how he challenged all the forces of the government of the day as member for St. John's within, and blocked supply which the administration was endeavouring to put through ere the Sabbath dawned. The year, gentlemen, is immaterial. You who remember that wonderful session will not fail to recall it to memory. So enthusiastic were the voters of St. John's within over Mr. Warren's strenuous fight that they failed to restrain him to seek re-election at their hands and ballots, and so, gentlemen, he sought other political fields, and couched a knightly lance in the fair domains of Port de Grave, again meeting with some measure of success. But a tyro in politics, though a professor in logic stole his laurels in 1912, whereupon our guest was not heard of again until the year 1919, when he wooed with considerable success the

people of Fortune Bay. Through their solid support he acquired the portfolio of Justice, to which he, with others in the Cabinet, attached the handsome salary of \$4000.00 per annum, plus another thousand as seasonal pay. Our guest, gentlemen, has made full use of his term as Minister of Justice. The Labrador Boundary question has given him considerable worry, but with true patriotism he has not either flinched from, nor neglected his duty in this direction. Several trips across the Atlantic have been found necessary for him to make in order that he may consult authorities and browse amongst the musty manuscripts of the British Museum. And all in the interests of his native land. Mr. Warren has been instant in season and out of season. His motto is "Ubique," or in more comprehensive language, I am on the job always and everywhere. The ambitions of our friend, gentlemen, soar higher than even the exalted position of Minister of Justice. Some people say that he aspires to the High Commissionership for Newfoundland in London. Whether this is correct or not, may I be permitted to tell you that our guest would be an ornament to this much sought position. But in the meantime he is going back to Fortune Bay for the first time since his election in 1919, but this time without the support of the man who won it for him in that year. What the people of that district will say to him, and how enthusiastically they will receive him, I can only leave to your imagination. Because, you know, Mr. Warren voted for Coaker's Fish Regulations, which in operation practically bankrupted the merchants of the once prosperous district which our guest of the evening has so well and faithfully served—I don't think well then, let us leave him to his fate, but before dismissing him from our mind and presence, let me ask you all to drink the toast to Hon. W. R. Warren. May his future successes be no less great than his past ones, and may the district of Fortune Bay accord to him the welcome that is usually given forewarned representatives who vote for measures which militate against the prosperity of the land in which we live. Honors, gentlemen.

plies and sell his fish for good prices.

Oh, Mr. Gallagher! Oh, Mr. Gallagher! The Squire's manifesto '11 soon be out. To the West and Southern Shore. He'll make promises galore. His sincerity of course no one will doubt (?) Now, Mr. Sheehan! Now, Mr. Sheehan! Does he think we really haven't got a gleam. For we've had four years of bluff And we've really had enough. Who-o-o Squires Mr. Gallagher! Yes—and Coaker Mr. Sheehan.

Shipping.

S.S. Poris is still detained at Hermitage.
S.S. Kyle left Grand Bank for ports of call at 6 o'clock this morning.
S.S. Argyle is still at Burnt.
S.S. Gloucester continues ice bound at Argentea.

Up to early this afternoon the Red Cross Line Agents had received no advice from S.S. Rosalind. The ship left Halifax at 6 p.m. Wednesday and is expected to arrive here to-night.
S.S. Vedmore will sail for St. John's at 10 p.m. Wednesday.
Halifax. The ship takes a part outwards tonight.

WHERE DANGER THREATENS.—The Advocate is daily shouting that the Fishermen are behind Coaker. Sure nobody doubts this assertion or that they will use their hand-to-foot wear to good advantage from that position.

Sealing News.

SHIPS CLEANED UP SMALL PATCH

The patch of seals reported by the ships on Wednesday last was of very small size, and the crews from the various ships engaged in the slaughter yesterday account for 50,000 seals. The prospects are not extra encouraging, as at this date last year the fleet had 80,000 seals secured. It is presumed that the steamers are now moving further North, and with the heavy swell loosening up the floe, the ships have a good chance to come upon the main patch. Capt. Wm. Winsor, S.S. Thetis, wired the Minister of Posts and Telegraphs yesterday, to the effect that one of the crew named Rossiter, of Fernside, had his leg broken above the knee in falling between the pang of ice while out working the seals. This is the first accident reported on the Northern front since the ships left here. The following messages were received yesterday:—

BOWING BROS.

Sagana.—(Thursday 6 p.m.)—150 miles S.E. by E. Bonavista, all pans on board. Total stowed 4000. Now sound N.W. all ships in sight except Terra Nova.

Eagle.—Struck small patch, took 4000, now in search of another patch.

Ranger.—Struck a small patch, took 1000. Weather not suitable to estimate size of patch.

Viking.—30 miles S.W. Cape Ray, occasional lakes of water, making progress easy. Nothing new to report. Hope for better news later.

JOB BROS. & CO.

Thetis, (Wednesday p.m.)—135 miles E. by S. Cape Bonavista, killed and banded 3,000 Terra Nova in patch appears to be working seals.

Neptune, (Wednesday p.m.)—Struck small patch this afternoon. Killed and banded 1,000. All crews working with our men, except Terra Nova. Prospects good.

Thetis, (Thursday p.m.)—Position same as yesterday, picking up yesterday's patch. This patch cleaned up.

Neptune, (Thursday p.m.)—145 miles S.E. Cape Bonavista, killed and banded 1,000. Patch cut, heavy swell.

ANGLO TELEGRAPH CO.

Supt. Saunders of the Anglo received the following message from Sydney last evening:—

"Eagle, Ranger, Thetis and Seal, report having struck seals S. E. Cape Bonavista, and prospects good. Viking got some to-day and expects to strike bigger patch to-morrow."

BAINE JOHNSTON & CO.

Seal (Thursday p.m.)—Patch cut, estimated contain 30,000. In heavy swell. Have between 3000 and 4000 stowed.

The following pelts are reported to date:—
Sagana 4,000
Eagle 4,000
Thetis 3,000
Neptune 2,000
Seal 3,500
Ranger 1,000
Viking 100
Terra Nova 500
Total 18,100

Here and There.

Eat Mrs. Stewart's Home-made Bread.—oct4,6mos

BEDROOM SLIPPERS SOLES Men's, women's and children's can be obtained at KNOWLING'S Shoe Stores for 70c, 75c, and 95c. pair.—mar23,31,eed

TRAIN DELAYED.—Train traffic along the railway line has been hampered considerably owing to ice being frozen solidly to the rails. Gangs of men were working on the tracks across country yesterday, and there is much ice to be removed. It is hoped to have them cleared up to-day.

CROSS & CO., The Grand Coliseum, Duckworth Street.—Large assortment of Ladies' Black and Coloured Hosiery and Underclothing. Splendid selection of Men's Top Shirts, and Underclothing, Men's Tweed Pants, Pyjamas, Braces and Socks. Open Friday and Saturday night's until 10 o'clock. CROSS & CO., invite inspection.—mar23,21

Floral Tributes to the Departed.

Nothing so nice as Flowers in time of sorrow. We can supply wreaths and crosses on short notice, and guarantee satisfaction. We will endeavour to meet the humblest purse. "Say it with Flowers."

VALLEY NURSERY LTD., Tessier Brothers.

BORN.

On the 20th inst., to Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Church, a son.

DIED.

At 12.20, this morning, Nellie D. eldest child of Capt. W. B. and Mrs. Keen, aged 13 years. Funeral to-morrow (Saturday) at 2.40 p.m. from her late residence, Topsail Road.

IN LOVING MEMORY of our dear mother, Anastasia Murphy, who died March 23rd, 1922. We do not forget her, we loved her too dearly.

For her memory to fade from our lives like a dream.

Lips need not speak, when the heart mourns sincerely.

For grief often dwells where a seldom is seen.

Inserted by her son Patrick, Toronto, Ontario.

ANNOUNCEMENT.—The engagement is announced of Miss Mary Julia Pottle, of this city to Mr. William Nicholas, of Toronto, Ontario. Wedding to take place early in April, at Toronto.

A Frost at Botwood.

CAPPY JONES AND CO. MEET ZERO TEMPERATURE.

BOTWOOD, (To-day.)
Special to Telegram.

The Squires Coaker Candidates held their meeting here last night. Poor Jones, no one understood what he said. Brown is a positive failure. Dr. Barnes said he was going to back the Humber deal. He said also that Bennett and Cashin were backing it. He claimed the Squires party had kept the people alive but he could not admit as was claimed that that party brought them to starvation. He said there is a steamer chartered to come here for pit props. One of the audience remarked that it was too late as the pit props were all burned. About one hundred men, women and children were present at the meeting. Not one of the speakers mentioned Coaker's name during the evening. It was the hottest political meeting ever held here.

CORRESPONDENT.

GREENSPOND, (To-day.)
Special to Telegram.

Opposition Committee met last night. All deeply resent use of local daily dispatch for purpose of Government propaganda, and advise that a memorial on this subject be presented to His Excellency the Governor. All we ask for is equal rights to all, and special privileges to none. Sentiment in favor of A. E. Hickman for Opposition Candidate is sweeping Greenspond.

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