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## Just Folks.

By EDGAR GUEST.

GRACE AT EVENING.

For all the beauties of the day.  
The innocence of childhood's play.  
For health and strength and laughter  
sweet.

Dear Lord, our thanks we now repeat.  
For this our daily gift of food  
We offer now our gratitude,  
For all the blessings we have known  
Our debt of gratefulness we own.

Here at the table now we pray,  
Keep us together down the way;  
May this, our family circle, be  
Held fast by love and unity.

Grant, when the shades of night shall fall,  
Sweet be the dreams of one and all;  
And when another day shall break  
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## Supreme Court

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made on January 5th, 1920, and ac-  
cepted on January 21st, 1921.

Incidental to the point that I have  
just been trying to make as to the  
previous acquaintance with Blakstad,  
and as to the absence of any reply  
from Blakstad to that message and  
letter of March 10th, if you lordship  
will refer to No. 69, W.H.G. 17, we find  
that on the 3rd July, 1920, the next  
mention of Blakstad we get after  
March 10th, when that letter and tele-  
gram were sent, we see that on the  
3rd June, 1920, "R.G.", that is Mr. R.  
G. Reid, "gave a luncheon to-day to  
R. Blakstad and Dr. J. A. Harker at  
which J. A. MacDonald and myself  
were present. The reason of the meet-  
ing was to get from Mr. R. Blakstad  
his opinion on the Humber Valley big  
scheme. We had left with him some  
weeks ago the Wallace reports and  
"had had from him the declaration  
"that after reading these reports he  
"was greatly interested in the  
"scheme."

"It seems to me that it would have  
been very much more satisfactory to  
all concerned in this case, if we had  
some information by correspondence  
or verbal evidence or some other in-  
formation which would enable us to  
fill the gap existing between the first  
mention of Blakstad in March, 1920,  
and the date upon which we had left  
with him the Wallace reports."

MR. EMERSON—If you wanted that  
information do you not think that you  
might have asked your own witness  
Mr. R. G. Reid, who was in London at  
that time?

MR. HOWLEY—I think that we  
might have asked a lot of things that  
we did not ask, but we are not bring-  
ing the claim into Court, and I think  
that if my learned friend is here to  
make this claim against us, and to  
ask your Lordship to adjudicate in his  
favor, that he would have been in-  
terested in bringing the fullest and  
most complete account of the matter  
before the Court.

MR. EMERSON—So we have. We  
have brought the evidence that we  
consider material; and if you consid-  
ered that this point was material, why  
did you not ask your own witness  
about it when he was in the box?

MR. HOWLEY—I submit that here  
are the Plaintiffs who have considered  
it material to show us this letter of  
March 10th, and now apparently they  
do not consider it material to show  
us anything else.

MR. EMERSON—You have not  
shown that we have anything else to  
show.

MR. HOWLEY—No, I do not know  
whether you have or not.

MR. EMERSON—Then you have no  
right to suggest that there is.

MR. HOWLEY—I say I do not know  
whether the Plaintiffs have anything  
else to show, but if there is, that it is  
material, that the Plaintiffs have  
not considered it material to show it,  
and that if there is not, it is more re-  
markable to find out how Blakstad  
got into touch with the Trust, and got  
the reports from them.

MR. EMERSON—He probably got  
them from R. G. Reid.

MR. HOWLEY—Mr. R. G. Reid does  
not know anything about the matter—  
MR. EMERSON—He gave a luncheon  
to Mr. Blakstad.

MR. HOWLEY—Yes, he gave them a  
luncheon on the 3rd June. There is  
no suggestion that R. G. Reid met  
Blakstad before the 3rd June, but  
there is the suggestion here from this  
letter that he did meet him on the 23rd  
June; and from the 10th March, when  
that first communication was sent to  
Blakstad, we have a complete gap; a  
gap, my Lord, which has not been ac-  
counted for by the suggestion that  
there were no letters or telegrams—  
I do not say that there was any cor-  
respondence or telegrams—I do not  
know; but if there was any corres-  
pondence then there must have been  
some verbal communication, there  
must have been some communication  
between the Trust and Blakstad, and  
even if that was not an irresistible in-  
ference from the facts, there is a  
statement here in the letter: "We had  
left with him some weeks ago the  
Wallace reports, and had had from  
him the declaration that after reading  
these reports he was greatly interest-  
ed in the scheme."

Between this time, June 3rd, when  
Blakstad's name appears before the  
footlights for the second time, down to  
the visit of Major MacDonald to New-  
foundland in August of 1920, we have  
a number of telegrams and letters  
dealing with the proposed negotia-  
tions for the Humber proposition.  
In this letter of Mr. Greenwood's,  
after telling us of this luncheon, and  
of the reason for the meeting, Green-  
wood goes on to say:

"While we had suggested that per-  
haps his interest might result in his  
making a proposal to us to join the  
scheme or in asking us to make a  
proposal to him, yet our negotiations  
with him had not and have not  
reached that stage at the moment,  
"though at our next meeting this  
"point may be up for decision."

Then he goes on and gives us an ac-  
count of Mr. Blakstad, who he is and  
what he has done, and then he goes on  
to say:

"He declares that the Humber  
"scheme is similar to the one he has  
"so successfully developed in Norway  
"and that conditions in Norway and

"Newfoundland are not dissimilar  
"..... In brief his idea is that a  
"holding Company should be formed  
"to embrace all the assets of the  
"scheme..... What is needed is  
"definite information regarding con-  
"struction costs in Newfoundland;  
"costs of material and labor. He is  
"apparently prepared to consider our  
"invitation to visit Newfoundland in  
"August and September and look over  
"the project on the spot..... He  
"suggests that a statement in detail  
"regarding the scheme be prepared  
"and draft scheme decided upon. The  
"Trust has been working on this, as  
"you know, for some weeks....."

Well, my Lord, I submit that this  
is the first information that we have  
that the Trust has been working on  
anything of this sort for some weeks,  
and I fail to comprehend whether or  
not that the Trust..... that this  
means that the Trust has been work-  
ing on Blakstad's suggestions for some  
weeks, or that they now, on the 3rd  
June, ascertain what Blakstad's sug-  
gestions are, and they find that they  
are identical with the lines that they  
have been considering themselves.  
However, they go on to say:

"It is now suggested by the Trust,  
"and this is the view of Mr. Blakstad,  
"that you, as the owner of the assets  
"of the proposed project, should con-  
"sider the advisability of taking  
"bonds, or preference shares or com-  
"mon shares or some of all as full  
"payment for your interest. This  
"would materially aid in the financing  
"of the scheme which will be a heavy  
"proposal involving £10,000,000, of  
"course not all to be issued at once.  
"The scheme will take years to com-  
"plete as a finished industrial enter-  
"prise and must be big enough finan-  
"cially to carry itself till it produces  
"a profit."

And then down below he says:

"Furthermore, we suggest that you  
"ask Mr. Powell to prepare a schedule  
"of construction, costs of labour and  
"material applicable to the scheme,  
"which we could place in Mr. Blak-  
"stad's hands to guide him in estimat-  
"ing the cost of construction. Beyond  
"a doubt, the investigations so far  
"made by the Trust, prove that the  
"Humber Valley project is feasible  
"and will be commercially profitable  
"if properly managed and organized  
"and amplified as herein indicated.  
"The danger is that we may inadver-  
"tently over load it at its inception and  
"jeopardize its success by our im-  
"patience to get something out of it  
"quickly."

Then, my Lord, there follows a  
number of letters and telegrams with  
regard to the terms upon which an ar-  
rangement may be made

To Dispose of the Humber Property  
and provide for its development, and  
I would like to draw your lordship's  
attention to the fact that in all these  
letters and telegrams Blakstad is the  
central figure; Blakstad stands out as  
the wizard who is going to perform all  
these miracles in connection with the  
development of the Humber. Now and  
then, we have a reference to "the  
Humber Group"; but I think it has  
been admitted and it is abundantly  
evident that every reference to Blak-  
stad and his associates, and every re-  
ference to the Humber Group mean,  
more or less, Blakstad; and when they  
refer to his associates, they mean  
Blakstad's intimate personal asso-  
ciates, and do not mean, and never  
mean any outside concern, such as  
the Armstrong Whitworth Company.

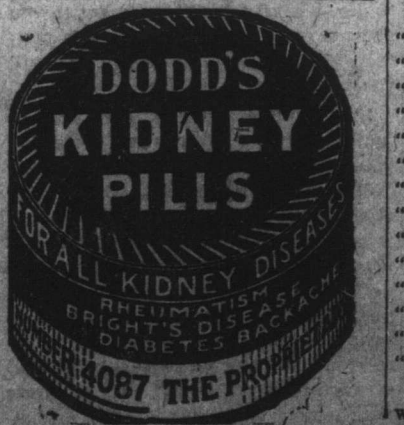
If your lordship will look at No. 73,  
which is J.A.McD. 243, written by  
Major MacDonald to Mr. H. D. Reid  
as late as on July 1st, 1920, you will  
be able to get some information which  
will direct you in ascertaining who  
were referred to as "Blakstad and his  
associates," and who were referred to  
as "the Humber Group." This let-  
ter begins:

J.A.McD. 243.  
Humber Valley Area.

"Dear Mr. Reid.—As you have been  
"steadily working away for months in  
"an endeavour to crystallize a scheme  
"for the sale and proper development  
"of the water power and other nat-  
"ural resources contained in this  
"area."

This letter was written on the 1st  
July, and if they had been working on  
this scheme for some months, than I  
take it that that must mean that they  
had been in touch with Blakstad prior  
to that date of the 3rd June, when Mr.  
R. G. Reid gave the luncheon. He goes  
on to say:

"You will have seen from our cable  
"of the 24th June that the efforts of  
"all in the Trust have borne fruit to  
"the point of receiving an offer on  
"what appears to us as satisfactory."  
Then follows the cable. Now, my Lord,  
this is a cable having reference to an  
option to Blakstad. This is a cable  
from the Trust, who at this time are  
interested in this property in ac-



cordance with the terms of the letters  
of January 5th and January 21st, 1920,  
and at that time there is no doubt  
that the idea which the Reid Nfd. Co.  
had in its mind was that the Trust  
was going to make a resale to Blak-  
stad and his associates of the prop-  
erties upon which it had been agreed  
to give them options in January.

Then you will notice the reply to  
that cable:

"What is the capital of the Company  
"to be, etc."

To which the Trust replied:  
"Humber Group consider price ex-  
"cessive, etc."

Who is the Humber Group? I think,  
my Lord, that something on the top  
of the following page will explain  
that. He says:

"The last cable was sent after a  
"lengthy interview with Messrs Percy  
"Tarbut, Blakstad and Stanford. They  
"explained that the matter had receiv-  
"ed weeks of careful consideration  
"and prices generally in Newfound-  
"land, Scandinavia and America com-  
"pared."

This, my Lord, was written on the  
1st July, and this Blakstad groups,  
who apparently were met for the first  
time on June 3rd, explain that they  
have given weeks of careful consid-  
eration to this whole scheme. Then he  
says:

"It is evident to us that they had  
"made up their minds to go into the  
"scheme if the price was within what  
"they considered reasonable limits.  
"We gathered that they had gone a  
"considerable distance in selling their  
"scheme of finance and were actually  
"arranging for experts and engineers  
"to proceed immediately to Humber  
"Valley on the signing of an op-  
"tion."

"It is Mr. Blakstad's intention to go  
"to Newfoundland on the signing of  
"an option and would like me to await  
"his departure and go together. This  
"I will do if negotiations do not ex-  
"tend indefinitely."

HON. MR. JUSTICE KENT—That  
letter is from the Trust?

MR. HOWLEY—Yes.

HON. MR. JUSTICE KENT—Was  
there any option at that time given  
to the Trust?

MR. HOWLEY—No, at this time  
there was merely an agreement to give  
an option to the Trust at "prices and  
terms to be arranged when the scheme  
is further advanced," and here we  
have them at this time asking them to  
settle the price.

HON. MR. JUSTICE KENT—That  
would be some arrangement between  
Reid and the Trust.

MR. HOWLEY—The arrangement  
between the Reids and the Trust is  
the arrangement contained in the let-  
ters of January 5th and 21st.

HON. MR. JUSTICE KENT—There  
was no term of any option fixed by  
that.

MR. HOWLEY—There was an un-  
derstanding to give an option, as it  
says, "at prices and terms to be set-  
tled when the scheme is further ad-  
vanced"; and now the scheme is fur-  
ther advanced, and they come back to  
the Reids asking for prices.

HON. MR. JUSTICE KENT—But the  
matter that they are considering now  
is an option to Blakstad. There must  
have been some intermediate arrange-  
ment between the Reids and the Trust.

MR. HOWLEY—Apparently, my  
lord, there was not—there was no pro-  
gress made.

HON. MR. JUSTICE KENT—Does  
not the fact that they are talking  
about an option to Blakstad material-  
ly affect your argument?

MR. HOWLEY—No, my lord, I do  
not think so.

HON. MR. JUSTICE KENT—The  
basis of your argument, as I take it,  
is this: that the remuneration of the  
Trust on this transaction as it stood  
at this date would be the profit on re-  
sale?

A—Yes, my lord. If I might refer  
back to that letter of January 5th,  
and incidentally the letter of January  
5th in many respects is in the same  
terms as Mr. Thomson's letter of No-  
vember 5th. Thomson's letter of No-  
vember 5th in relation to the fixation  
of nitrogen says: (Reads). Then Reid's  
letter of January 5th says:

"When the question is decided upon  
"as to which of the water powers  
"will be selected we are prepared to  
"give you an option subject to prior  
"sale upon them as well as plant site  
"and other facilities that may be re-  
"quired for the development of the  
"project at prices and terms to be ar-  
"ranged when the scheme is further  
"advanced."

That is just roughly 14 days after the  
alleged oral agreement. But the scheme  
is not "further advanced" down  
to June 3rd apparently. On June 3rd we  
get this letter W.H.G. 17, which tells us  
of the meeting with Blakstad, and of  
the plans that Blakstad has outlined,  
in a general way; and then he says  
in this letter:

"It is now suggested by the Trust,  
"and this is the view of Mr. Blakstad,  
"that you, as the owner of the assets  
"of the proposed project, should con-  
"sider the advisability of taking bonds,  
"or preference shares or common  
"shares or some of all, as full pay-  
"ment for your interest. This would  
"materially aid in the financing of the  
"scheme which will be a heavy pro-  
"posal involving possibly £10,000,000  
"—of course, not all to be issued at  
"once. The scheme will take years  
"to complete as a financial industrial  
"enterprise..... etc."

HON. MR. JUSTICE KENT—That  
would be done in Blakstad's name?

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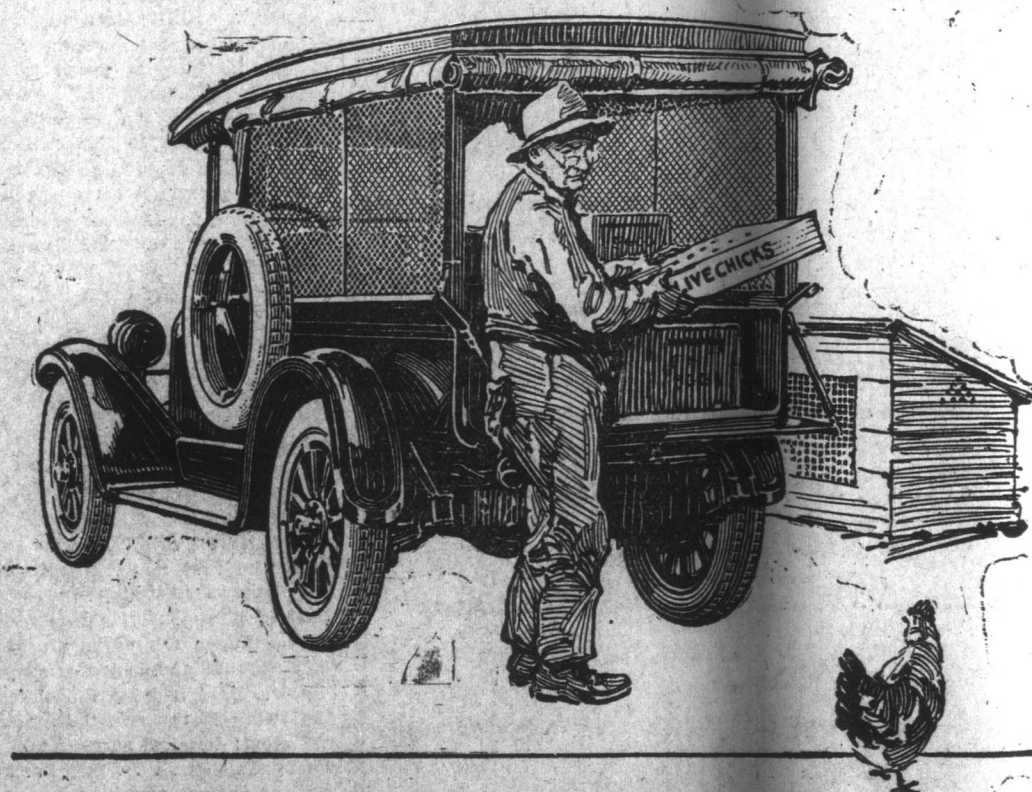
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MR. HOWLEY—Yes. Then on the  
18th June, No. 70 J. A. McD. 242,  
comes this message from the Trust,  
to Harry Reid, St. John's:

"Reid Islands Can you quote price  
"cash, the remainder in shares you  
"will accept for all interests there in-  
"cluding pulp and water power stop  
"Subject to offering Rothermere pulp  
"according to promise stop We may  
"have a chance disposing whole pro-

"perty cash and share basis stop Also  
"state additional price you want for  
"Hamilton Inlet timber and water  
"rights."

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