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Evening Telegram

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FRIDAY, January 11th, 1918.

The Government and Conscription.

The Advocate is getting nervous, poor thing! Among a dozen choice items scattered over its editorial page yesterday, all testifying to the manner in which it has been shaken by the revelations of the past few days, is one which betrays Mr. Coaker's conviction that an election is toward, a belief which we will not try to upset. It is headed "Water Street Demands Conscription." Since it appears in the Advocate, there is no need for us to state that both its title and its contents are deliberate misrepresentations. It insinuates that the merchants of Water Street last August demanded the enactment of Conscription. In support of the insinuation it quotes the recommendation of the Recruiting Committee made public by it on July 30th. We shall content ourselves here with saying that, out of a personnel of some twenty or more members composing that Committee, four or five only were Water Street merchants. We shall refer to that aspect of the matter again later.

We have said that this contemptible article is an electioneering move. It is most obvious. It is aimed to influence, and in fact it is addressed to, the fishermen of the country. Mr. Coaker thinks that the compelling influence of a few hundred slackers from the whole Island will be unpopular. Consequently, any politician who advocates or supports it will lose votes. Consequently, Mr. Coaker opposes it. Consequently, Mr. Coaker offers to the manhood and patriotism of this country the greatest insult it is possible to imagine. He says to the fishermen, in effect, "You are afraid to offer. You are slackers. Although it is the plain duty of hundreds of you to offer, I will not ask them to do it or compel them. I know I will lose votes if I do." There you have it, fishermen of Newfoundland. By his attitude Mr. Coaker calls you cowards as plainly as it is possible for anyone to do so without directly using the word.

But we will tell the fishermen, whom Mr. Coaker is endeavouring to influence, the truth of the whole matter. The Recruiting Committee passed the resolution in question. We have said so repeatedly and have commended the Committee for so doing. The Patriotic Association endorsed the resolution. It was passed by both bodies unanimously. Mr. Coaker was not a member of either. He has not had the courage or patriotism to act on a single patriotic committee since the war broke out. But Dr. Lloyd, now Premier, was a prominent member both of the Recruiting Committee and of the Patriotic Association. By his assent in the resolution he approved it with all the rest. Does Mr. Coaker now repudiate his Premier's action?

This is not the worst, however. We have already told how the late Premier enlisted the services of all the papers in the voluntary recruiting campaign. One of the features of that campaign was a great recruiting meeting at the British Hall in this city. Mr. Coaker was one of the speakers at that meeting. Mr. Squires also spoke, to the effect that he hoped, and was convinced, that Newfoundland, alone of the British colonies, could be able to the end to claim the distinction of keeping her fighting forces up without having recourse to

compulsion. Mr. Coaker spoke differently. While sharing the hope that this would be so, he stated that as a member of the Government he would see to it that, if the required number of men were not obtained by the time set, they would be put by compulsory methods. Mr. Coaker, of course, will deny this, but it is the truth. It is, in fact, absolutely in accord with the pledge given by the Government and Sir Edward Morris. Dr. Lloyd afterwards spoke to exactly the same effect at the Catalina Convention. It was openly stated, time and again, by Government members that if the necessary number of men, five hundred, were not provided voluntarily by the end of last year, the Government would adopt selective conscription. We call the whole public to witness the truth of what we say. The late Government stood pledged to that course. The present Government, which owes its position in office to the claim that it is the same Government, of the same national character, as the last, stands equally pledged to it. We know, of course, that the pledge will not be kept. Nobody expects Mr. Coaker or a single one of those associated with him to have the ordinary courage to keep it. We have proof in the Advocate's article itself of the contrary. What we wish to show now is the fact that Mr. Coaker and the whole Government gave that pledge, and that it is their first duty to convene the Legislature and redeem it without further delay. It is the only honourable course for them to take. Which is tantamount to saying that they will not take it.

Food Saving.

Campaign Endorsed by His Lordship Bishop Power, of St. George's.

The Food Control Board, in response to a letter requesting the co-operation of the churches in the movement and the setting apart of Sunday, December 30, for the preaching of food economy sermons, has received the following reply from His Lordship Bishop Power, of St. George's:

St. George's, Dec. 18, 1917.
Hon. Dr. McGrath, Chairman Food Control Board:
Dear Sir,—I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter and to say your movement shall have my hearty approval. We shall observe the last Sunday of the year in instructing our people to economize. When I was on the South Coast recently, I took occasion to urge all our people to save and provide. Any one who knows the real seriousness of the prospective shortage will look upon your campaign as timely, patriotic, and beneficent. Our people here will cordially help you out, as all those to whom I spoke are anxious to co-operate. I trust the whole colony will do its bit to give our soldiers a "bite."

In haste,
Y. M. F. POWER.

City Council.

RESPECT MEMORY OF DECEASED BISHOP.

At last night's weekly meeting of the City Council the Mayor submitted resolutions of sympathy, which were passed unanimously out of respect to the memory of the late Bishop Jones. Each member of the Board presented eloquent tribute to the deceased prelate and intimated the great loss the Church as well as the Country had sustained in his passing. The Resolution is:—

"The members of the St. John's Municipal Council on the occasion of the death of His Lordship, the Right Rev. Llewellyn Jones, Bishop of Newfoundland, desire to place on record their deep sense of sorrow in the loss of so noble a Prelate and so good a man.

For nearly forty years he has been the head of the Church of England in Newfoundland, filling that high office with a dignity and kindness which has won for him the love and devotion of his people and the respect of the entire community.

Foremost in every movement for the advancement and betterment of the people, wise in his counsels, eloquent in the pulpit, courteous and gentle, as widely known as he was well beloved, he will long occupy a high place in the regard and memory of the people of this Colony.

RESOLVED, that the members of this Council place on record their expression of profound sorrow in the loss of the people of this country have sustained in the death of His Lordship Bishop Jones.

That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the Administrator of the Diocese, the Rev. Canon Smith, and to the family of the deceased.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that as a mark of respect for the memory of the deceased Bishop, the members of the Council shall attend as a body the funeral service at the Church of England Cathedral, and that this regular meeting of the Council shall now stand adjourned."

The business of the meeting was deferred until to-night.

OPERATIONS HAMPERED—Fishery operations on the western grounds are poor. There is an ample supply of bait, but stormy weather and rough seas hinder operations.

MINARD'S LINIMENT CURES GAR-

Funeral Right Rev. Llewellyn Jones, D.D., Bishop.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 11TH—ORDER OF PROCESSION.

Constabulary.
Royal Newfoundland Regiment.
Royal Naval Reserve.
Church Lads' Brigade.

Choir.
Clergy (in robes).
HERALD.

Mr. H. W. LeMessurier, C.M.G.
The late Bishop's Chaplain.

His Excellency the Governor and Suite
Lay Members of the Executive Com-

mittee of the Synod.
Lay Representatives of the Synod.
Representatives of the Bible Society.

Representatives of the Cathedral
Men's Bible Class.

President and Representatives of the
Methodist Conference.

Members of the Legislative Council.
Members of the House of Assembly.

Representatives of the Newfoundland
British Society.

Representatives of the Orange Society.
Representatives of the Society of
United Plastermen.

Representatives of the Society of Sons
of England.

Mourners generally.
The Clergy will robe in the Cath-

edral at three o'clock sharp.
Seats will be reserved for Represent-

atives, who have signified their intention to be present.
Representatives are requested to

state the body they represent, to the
usher.

BODY REMOVED TO CATHEDRAL.

The body of the Right Reverend
Llewellyn Jones, Bishop of New-

foundland, was removed from his late
home, Bishop's Court, to the Cathedral
at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The

hearse was followed by a number of
the clergy and laity and on reaching
the Cathedral the casket was placed

in the centre of the chancel immedi-

ately in front of the altar. Hunder-

reds of devoted worshippers occu-

pled seats in the sacred edifice and all
through the night the clergy in turn
kept watch. The casket, which is of
black with heavy silver mountings
and of beautiful design, was constructed
by Undertaker A. Carnell.

M. C. L. I. Debate.

"Resolved that the influence of the
present day motion picture show in
this country is detrimental to charac-

ter," was the subject of debate at the
M.C.L.I. club rooms last night. Mes-

srs. W. H. Peters, L. R. Penney and
H. Knight led for the affirmative,
whilst Messrs I. C. Morris, F. Peters
and G. Grimes upheld the negative
side of the question. The affirmative
vigorously denounced some question-

able pictures showing which they con-

tended were harmful to the moral
welfare of the young. They did not
wish to see the motion picture show
obliterated but advocated a stricter
censorship. The negative side ad-

vanced equally strong arguments,
pointing out that the motion picture
shows here were conducted by family
men of good character and who pos-

sessed the highest ideals of citizen-

ship. By their management they had
placed the movie theatre in St. John's
on a higher level than it was in
Canada or the United States. It was
also shown that the entertainments
here afforded cheap amusement
and cheap education. Other speak-

ers were Messrs. White, Wyatt,
Whiteway, Drover, Moore, Horwood,
Edgecombe and Woods. The vote taken
at the close resulted in a tie. Mr.
T. Soper conducted the debate. The
subject for next week will be: "Re-

solved that an unaccommodating
Normal School for training of teachers is
a present necessity and feasible."

Rev. T. B. Darby and S. Whiteway
will be the leaders.

Here and There.

When you want Steaks, Chops,
Cutlets and Collops, try ELLIS'.

PERSONAL.—Mr. S.-G. Bendon, re-

presenting California Associated Rais-

in Co., leaves by Sunday's express
for Montreal.

Gower St. Choir will meet for
practice this evening at 9 o'-

clock.—Jan 11, 11

MEETS WITH ACCIDENT.—Rev.
Dr. Curtis, while walking down Wa-

ter Street last evening, tripped and
fell to the pavement, severely injur-

ing his knee. It is sincerely hoped
that the rev. gentleman will soon be
able to get around again.

Forget the Eight Ounces, it's
only throwing your money away.

But don't forget to have your
suit or overcoat cleaned and

Pressed for the holiday season,
as it is going to be very DRY

weather, and you need good
clothes. Phone 574 or send to

SPURRELL the Tailor, 365
Water St.—dec 19, eod, 11

MINARD'S LINIMENT CURES DIPH-

TERIA.

The Menace to the Country.

Editor Evening Telegram.

Sir,—I said yesterday that it is
with the last official act of the late

Prime Minister, Sir Edward Morris,
that we are now concerned, as it

forms a serious menace to the coun-

try. We may express pity for the
people he has fooled, and "coddled"

and betrayed, but in our heart we
really think it served them right for

trusting him. And now that he has
stripped bare, we will leave them to

snarl and fight amongst themselves.
It is the country that we, who have

a stake therein, must look after. Under
an agreement made by Sir Ed-

ward Morris "behind the backs, and
entirely contrary to the wishes, de-

liberate and oft-repeated pledge to
his party" we find ourselves to-day at

the mercy of men who are anarchists
in methods and principles. They are

bound together by oaths of loyalty to
one another, and to carry out the de-

terminations of their Councils, even so far
as representation in the Legislature

is concerned. Our parliamentary
system has already been degraded

and the sanctity and purity of the
Executive Council has been invaded,

for we learn of members of the House
of Assembly being moved by Union

Councils from one district to another,
like pawns on a chess board, and a

Trading Company, under the direction
of its Boss, placing its employees

in control of important ministerial
offices, and by the number of its re-

presentatives in the Executive Council
controlling the funds of the Colony.

There is a tendency on the part
of some people, I observe, to treat the

situation as a joke or a farce. It is
a very serious joke. The system and

methods and principles that are at
work is part of the machinery of po-

litical corruption in all countries
where corruption is found. It enables

corporate concerns to rob franchisees,
secure transportation privileges and

throttle competitors in business. It
may cover with the cloak of patriot-

ism the most brutal selfishness.

You have told the public that an
alliance has lately been formed be-

tween the F. P. Union and the Reid
Newfoundland Company for political

purposes. Does that account for the
criminal neglect of the Government

in respect to Railway matters? A
short while ago a young man acci-

dently caused the death of a poor
woman and her child while motoring

in the Goules Valley. The authori-

ties very properly and promptly had
him arrested. He was indicted for

manslaughter, and acquitted. But
months previous to that event some

persons were burnt to death on the
Reid-Newfoundland Company's Rail-

way. The Government instituted
some kind of an inquiry. A few of

the Company's employees were ex-

amined, and so far as the public is
aware the matter ended there. Why

was a distinction drawn as between
the young man with the motor car

and the Reids with their railway? Dr.
Lloyd has been Minister of Justice

for some months, what has he done
in relation to that horrible and dis-

tressing occurrence? Perhaps His
Excellency the Governor will interest

himself in this matter now that it is
drawn to his attention. The people

want to know if that tragedy was the
result of culpable negligence, and

they are entitled to know. And the
friends of the eight dead victims of

the tragedy cry out for justice.

Yours truly,
VIGILANCE.

January 10th, 1918.

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our people—the use of which keeps
every cent expended on the same

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