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RUINING A COUNTRY.

When grim, stark tragedy stalks throughout a once prosperous land, there must be some primary cause to which this is attributable, and those who are following closely to-day the record and actions of the present Government since their accession to power in November, 1919, must see plainly that for all the disaster and depression which followed the assumption of the Squires-Coaker administration, they and they alone are responsible. No country could have been more prosperous or with better hope for the future than Newfoundland in that ill-omened latter part of 1919, when the electorate decreed a change. The change came, but unfortunately, instead of having the results anticipated by the people who were misled by the manifesto promises of the present Prime Minister, misfortune and ill luck have been the hounds dogging this country ever since. And they continue to stick close to the heels of this devoted Colony, and will pursue her destinies so long as the Government of the day are permitted the control of affairs. The once progressive and prosperous West Coast was mercilessly treated by the Squires-Coaker agglomeration, and not one representative had the native courage or inherent manliness to protest the treatment meted out to fishermen and exporters alike. The men who from immature youth to old age gave of their life to carry on the fishing industry, and build up for themselves and their heirs, comfortable homes, all went down in the financial cataclysm that came in the train of Coaker's obnoxious and injurious Fish Regulations. New fish cargoes were prohibited from being cleared for market at the Custom House, and laden carriers remained moored to the wharves day after day and week after week, until deterioration set in, and the once valuable product of the labors of the fishermen became unfit for human consumption, and consequently a direct and irremediable loss ensued to the shipper. The natural result of this was that no longer could the merchants engage in the purchase of fish, either in bulk or cured. Hence there was no sale for the produce of the sea, and fishermen were compelled to reel up their lines, to coil down their trawls, moor their skiffs and motor boats, and make an endeavor to engage in other occupations altogether unfamiliar to them. The West Coast suffers to-day because of the Fish Regulations. It suffers because of the excessive duties clapped on all fishery supplies by the Government who boasted of being the possessors of all the talents, but who prostituted their high offices at the behest of a dictator, and permitted him to work his will on a people who had done more to build up the trade and commerce of the island than any other section. But the voters of the West Coast do not forget, and given their opportunity there will be such a downfall of mediocre politicians, who were recreant to their duty, than ever was known before in the political history of Britain's Ancient and Loyal Colony.

DUTIES THEN AND NOW.

The removal of the super duty tax of twenty-five per cent. on imports by the Acting Minister of Finance and Customs, Sir Richard Anderson Squires, a few weeks ago, is nothing more than the spreading of election bait, with the hope that electors will be convinced of his bona fides, and those of his Government, that he will, should he be returned to power still further lower the imports on fishery supplies and voyage necessities. Vain hope. Sir Richard Squires is responsible for the addition of the sur tax, super tax and sales tax to the regular tariff rates in effect. His removal of one of these, as noted, is not by any means sincere or born of a single thought other than to offer a bribe, and it is, to the electorate. The stroke of the pen that imposed these extra taxes could very well have wiped them off in a similar manner, but the remission of the twenty-five per cent. tax is the veriest bluff. It will be tacked on again should the Government be returned. Just by way of comparison it is thought fit to give a few figures of the duty rates in 1919, and those collected on the same articles at the moment, with the super duty tax eliminated. When Cashin was Minister of Finance and Customs, Butter was paying a duty of 3 1/2 cents per pound; under Squires the consumer is mulcted 5 1/2 cents. Cheese may be placed in the same class. Coal to the Outports was on the Free List. To-day duty is chargeable on this most necessary commodity at the rate of fifty cents a ton. Cordage, once 1 1/2 cents per pound is now about 2 3/4 cents. Flour in 1918, 25c. per barrel, is taxed by Squires at 87 cents, and so it goes on all through. Other fishery items will be compared in due course, so that fishermen may see for themselves the good wrought them by those who professed to be the saviors of the country, but three and a half years ago.

Portia Reports.

UNPRECEDENTED ICE CONDITIONS. Capt. Connors of S. S. Portia wired the Coastal Department this morning that the steamer was stuck in the ice 12 miles from Rott Point, Bay d'Espoir, since last evening. The captain further stated that it was absolutely impossible for any steamer to get through the ice in Hermitage Bay, it being a solid jam. A later message apprised the Shipping Department that the Portia got clear of the jam and expected to arrive at Pushthrough this afternoon. The Portia's present trip on the South West Coast has been a very lengthy one, having occupied, up to the present time, a period of four weeks, and it is not unlikely that she is now running short of coal.

Have you ever seen a man go "moony"—and then Wake up? See Paul Mullane in that famous comedy of Bernard MacCarthy's "The Romantic Lover" in the College Hall on Patrick's Night.—mar15,21

Magistrate's Court.

A 21 year old teamster of Central Street, arrested for being drunk, was fined \$2. An 18 year old laborer without a home, taken in for safekeeping, received his discharge. Inspector Noseworthy will try and secure work for him to-day. The proprietress of a beer shop on Water Street West was summoned by Const. Lee for obstructing the police in the discharge of their duties on the 12th inst, when taking a sample of the home brew from the premises, thus committing a breach of Sec. 38 of the Intoxicating Liquors Act of 1906, as incorporated under the provision of Sec. 2 of the amended Prohibition Act of 1917. The defendant, who was represented by counsel, pleaded guilty to the charge and made a strong plea for mitigation of sentence. A fine of \$5 or 14 days was imposed.

Express Train will leave St. John's at 1 p.m. Sunday going through to Port aux Basques.

SNAP SHOTS.

By ZIP.

Day by day

In every way

The People say

Bennett and Better Times.

Let Coaker and Squires finish their work, shrieks the Advocate.

"Sure Mutt!" They have finished their work and in doing so they darned near finished Newfoundland.

"What we have we hold," barks Mr. Coaker. Right-o, Bill! And the people are going to see that you are not going to get any more.

Houdini got nothing on the guy who allegedly looted the desks of the Prime Minister and the Attorney General.

With a small screwdriver he upset the legislative workings of the Dominion.

And all during the official working hours of the heads and their deputies in these departments.

Should there happen to be an accidental explosion of T.N.T. in the vicinity of the "Wall" office, it is said that some Rabbits will undoubtedly be among the victims.

The Liberal-Labor-Progressive Party Committee rooms were filled to capacity again last night.

This surely is a sign of what is going to happen in this district on polling day.

When fully 700 men, all anxious to do their bit to rid St. John's of Coaker's rule assembled.

No notices of advertisements of this meeting were sent out or published, yet the spacious hall could not hold the crowd.

All the speakers, Vinicombe, Sir M. P. Cashin, Higgins and Sir John Crosbie called the Government's bluff on the Humber deal.

The people now know that the deal is an accomplished fact in as much as the Government have already spent over one million dollars on same.

The Opposition candidates have made themselves clear on their attitude respecting the Humber proposition.

They will support it and in doing so make the best bargain possible for this colony.

The Humber deal would be better and safer in the hands of a Bennett Government than it is with Coaker and Squires.

Bennett's Government will be a strong combination of successful business men and mechanics, and certainly a great party of genuine representatives of the people.

C. L. H.—Cashin, Linegar and Hunt stands for Clean Legislative Halls.

It was a crying shame to steal Sir Richard's signature and a greater one still to return it.

"He who steals my purse steals trash but he who robs me of my good name robs me of that which no enriches him and leaves me poor indeed"

Poor Richard—with emphasis on the words good and enriches.

Coaker means Calamity, Squires stands for Stagnation.

Rally sons of Terra Nova onward to the light

And save the country from destruction By knocking Squires and Coaker out of sight.

Vote for Bennett who stands for the Humber Deal, if it is an honest one, and will give employment.

Vote for Bennett whose Government will do everything possible and encourage movements that will mean progress and prosperity for all the people all the time.

Oh Mister Gallagher! Oh Mister Gallagher, Do you know the thing that all the people say?

That we have every cause For extending the game laws For the "Rabbits" grow more numerous every day.

Oh Mister Sheehan! Oh Mister Sheehan! I begin to know exactly what you mean.

Quit writing in the "Wall" and we see his "tale." It's signed "Snare" Mister Gallagher!

No! "T.N.T." Mister Sheehan.

BENNETT & BETTER TIMES.

The Photograph Studio of S. H. Parsons & Sons, corner Water and Prescott Streets will be open to-morrow, St. Patrick's Day. mar16,21

ALL FINISHED.

THE "REFORMERS" FAREWELL

(With Acknowledgments to the Late Sir W. S. Gilbert.)

"I very much fear," said Sir Richard one day "That I'm finished, I'm finished, I'm finished. I cannot get candidates, do what I may.

For I'm finished, I'm finished, I'm finished. I offer men jobs but they always say "no."

All my cash at their feet I have offered to throw To my districts I can't get enough men to go, I'm finished, I'm finished, I'm finished.

In Port Union, poor Coaker sat tearing his hair As he thought, "Oh, I'm finished, I'm finished."

Frank Boone sat beside him in woeful despair Saying also, "I'm finished, I'm finished."

Quoth Coaker, "I thought that the Humber would be The thing that would cause them to re-elect me But 'tis clear that my game voters plainly see, I'm finished, I'm finished, I'm finished."

Doc Campbell was ill. He had writer's cramp bad And he said out "I'm finished, I'm finished."

If I'm asked for more scripts, I will surely go mad For I'm finished, I'm finished, I'm finished.

Men follow me down to my office each day, Try I ever so hard, I just can't get away, And I know that each script is a vote gone astray, I'm finished, I'm finished, I'm finished."

Doctor Mosdell stopped writing his filth to declare, "I'm finished, I'm finished, I'm finished."

I've written as much rotten muck as I dare And I'm finished, I'm finished, I'm finished."

I've vilified men who are better than I If I keep on, in hospital soon I will lie And feeling like this, 'tis no wonder I cry, I'm finished, I'm finished, I'm finished."

So Coaker, and Campbell and Mosdell and Squires Cried out loudly "we're finished, we're finished."

And they shouted again, did these base vilifiers, "We're finished, we're finished, we're finished."

For from office we'll soon find ourselves thrown out, That the country is sick of us, there's not a doubt So we're candid for once, when we painfully shout, "We're finished, we're finished, we're finished."

Where to go To-Morrow

9.15 a.m.—B.L.S. Parade.

9.15 p.m.—Moving picture shows.

Prince's Park

9.30 p.m.—"Facing the Music" Casino Children's Party, Star Hall Card Party, St. Vincent de Paul Hall, Harvey Road.

9.30 p.m.—Entertainment, Holy Cross Bridge and 46's, Aula Maxima.

9.30 p.m.—Cowan Mission Entertainment, Methodist College Hall.

T.A. Card Party and Supper.

9.00 p.m.—L.O.A.—Concert and Supper.

9.15 p.m.—Moving Picture Shows.

Vanderville, Majestic.

Prince's Park

9.30 p.m.—Masonic Dance.

"Celtic," B.L.S. Hall.

8.00 p.m.—Dance, K. of C. Hall.

"Irish Night," Methodist College Hall.

Entertainment, Holy Cross Card Party, St. Vincent de Paul's.

Card Party, St. Andrew's Club.

Card Party and Dance in Star Club.

T. A. Dance.

"Diamond Mystery" and Concert, St. Joseph, Hoylstown.

8.15 p.m.—Concert, etc., in Aula Maxima.

8.30 p.m.—"Facing the Music," Casino Theatre.

McMurdo's Store News.

FRIDAY, March 16, '23.

You will be laying in your week-end stock of Candy to-day, but kindly remember that there are two days to provide for—St. Patrick's Day and Sunday—and put in an extra stock accordingly. As usual our Mohr's Candy is in the pink of condition, and you will find it, as ever, delectable, and do not forget the special prices for to-day, all to your advantage.

For a low priced Talcum Powder, suitable for general toilet use, there is nothing to surpass Nyl's Violet Talcum, which sells at a quarter. An excellent twenty-five cents worth.

Weather and Ice Report.

Catlin—N.W. wind; ice outside.

Bonavista—Wind N.N.W. no weather; ice close to Cape.

Greenhead—Strong N.W. wind; fine; ice conditions unchanged.

Wesleyville—N.W. breeze.

Pogo—N.W. wind; fair and cold.

Port aux Basques—Wind N.W. light breeze, cloudy; ice off land.

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"My dark Rossleen"—that exquisite translation from the Gaelic—embodies the fervid rhythm and soulful cadences so expressive of the Celtic temperament. Matthew Arnold calls it "the reaction against the despotism of fact." Forget your worries and spend an Irish St. Patrick's night at the College Hall. Everybody is going.—mar15,21

Sealing News.

VIKING TAKES WHITECOATS.

Capt. Bartlett of S.S. Viking reports from the Gulf the only encouraging news received from the fleet last night. Capt. Bartlett reported that he took 100 whitecoats of a small size, but the weather was too thick to see far. Weather or not the Viking has struck the fat is not intimated in the message received, but the next message will in all probability convey the information that the slaughter has commenced.

The position of the steamers on the front remains unchanged. The Terra Nova steamed some seven miles yesterday, but saw nothing. The following messages were received last night:—

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Bowling—15 miles E. of Bonavista, ice tight, ship jammed; ice rafting but no danger.

Eagle, (Thursday)—Position at noon, 23 miles S.E. by E. half E. of Bonavista, ice tight, ship jammed.

Sagana, (Thursday p.m.)—33 miles S.E. of Bonavista, ice tight, ship jammed; conditions unchanged.

Terra Nova, (Thursday)—Made 7 miles to-day; conditions unchanged.

Viking—Took first hundred whitecoats to-day, small size, too thick to see far. Position 20 miles E. of Cape North; ice tight, blowing gale from Northwest.

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Theris—20 miles S.E. by E. Cape Bonavista, making poor progress.

Neptune—20 miles S.E. by E. Cape Bonavista; ice very heavy, few ships in sight.

Supreme Court.

(Before Mr. Justice Kent.)

The Nfld. Coal and Trading Co. vs. Richard Goodridge.

This is an application for an order that a receiver be appointed in this action to receive the profits recoverable in respect of the interest of the defendant, Richard F. Goodridge, in the business of Goodridge Export Co., Ltd., in or towards satisfaction of the moneys and interest due to the plaintiff under the judgment in this action.

L. E. Emerson for plaintiff is heard. Gibbs, K.C. for defendant is heard against application.—C.A.V.

The Irish "Irish Night."

Those who are taking part in the Gaelic League Concert in the Methodist College Hall on St. Patrick's night, number amongst them the leading artists of St. John's. Without being invidious we may mention Mrs. Garland, Misses' Ida Howlett, Barbara Gibbs, Molly Kelly, Madeline Rossiter, and the Irish Calline; Messrs. O'Neill, Canning, Dillon, Duder, Major O'Grady and several others whose names we are asked to withhold for the present. In the programme advertised the name of the pianist, Miss Madge Meaney, the distinguished graduate in music, was inadvertently omitted. The name of Miss Madge Kelly was also, in error, printed as Miss Eileen Kiely. In this concert Mr. Charles R. Duder makes his first public appearance on the city stage. This is undoubtedly the best Irish concert ever presented to a St. John's audience. All the items are novel and have never before been presented here, including that most spectacular of all dances, "The High Ball Cup," presented by the Irish Calline.—Adv.

Who's Who in the Government.

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES FROM THE LATEST RECORDS.

Beginning on Monday next, our biographical writer will commence a series of life sketches of the prominent members of the Government, compiled from the latest records of the lives of these gentlemen. The first to be introduced to the reading public will be Hon. W. F. Coaker. These sketches have been prepared with a due regard to the ability displayed and services rendered the country by the politicians, who will be the subjects. Every article bears the hall mark of authenticity, and each should be kept in a scrap book for future reference. Look out for Number one—Hon. W. F. Coaker on Monday.

Stormy Along Railway.

RELIEF TRAIN GONE OUT. A severe snow storm raged along the railway line from Briggs Junction West yesterday, and as a consequence the trains are held up. The Rotary plows left various sections this morning to clear the line, while a relief train with a gang of men left the depot at 10 a.m. to assist in the work.

Concert at St. Joseph's.

ATTRACTION TO-MORROW NIGHT.

The concert at St. Joseph's Hall, Hoylstown, to-morrow night promises to be very enjoyable. A most amusing sketch has been prepared and is in the hands of a talented caste and those who attend are promised a treat. The affair will conclude with a dance. The proceeds go towards the funds of the parish.

Shipping.

S.S. Sable I, which left Halifax on Sunday last had not reached St. Pierre up to early this forenoon, according to a message received to-day by the local agents.

S.S. Yodamore is due to arrive here on Tuesday from Liverpool. The Furness Withy Co. received a message this forenoon from the ship giving her position as 450 miles S.E. of Cape Race.

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St. Patrick's Afternoon, at 3.30 o'clock

(IN AID OF OLD LADIES' HOME).

A particularly good programme has been prepared for this year's entertainment, and two short Sketches will be given entitled:

"Sarah's Young Man" and "The Backward Child."

The casts include Mrs. H. Outerbridge; Mrs. H. LeMessurier, Miss Cleary, Mr. Harold Knight, Mr. Hubert Rendell and Mr. D. Bate.

TICKETS Only 50c.

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From Cape Race.

CAPE Race, To-day.

Wind N.N.W., fresh, weather fine; an unknown three masted schooner passed South yesterday; nothing sighted to-day; Bar. 30.58; Ther. 20.

DIED.

Passed peacefully away on Thursday, March 15th, at 4 o'clock, p.m., in her 77th year, Susie, beloved wife of George W. Gushue. Funeral on Saturday, (St. Patrick's Day) at 2.30 p.m., from her late residence, 109 Patrick Street. No flowers please.

Last night, Richard McCarthy, aged 57 years, funeral on Sunday at 2.30 p.m. from his late residence, Goodrich Street. No flowers please.

Passed peacefully away, after a short illness, on Tuesday, the 13th inst., at St. Michael's Orphanage, Belvedere, Bridie Walsh, aged 4 years, leaving child of Johanna and the late Alexander Walsh, leaving a mother to mourn her sad loss.

There passed peacefully away, on Thursday, March 15th, after a short illness, James McNamara, aged 55 years. Funeral on Saturday, at 2 o'clock, from his late residence, Portlough Cove Road. May his soul rest in peace.

Passed peacefully away at Catalina, on Thursday morning, March 15th, Juliana, relict of the late Joseph Guy, Deceased was Postmistress at Catalina for the past thirty-two years.

IN LOVING MEMORY

of our dear mother, Annie Forsey, who departed this life March 17th, 1922. Gone but not forgotten.

—Inserted by her daughters, Mrs. Wm. Burry and Hattie.

IN LOVING MEMORY

of our dear sister, Helen Hickey, who died March 16th, 1920. May her soul rest in peace.

—Inserted by her Sister and Brothers.

NOTE OF THANKS.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Dowton and Widow of the late Alexander Dowton, wish to thank all kind friends, who sent wreaths and flowers to adorn the casket of their beloved son and husband. The following—Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Carnall and family, and Employees of Carnall's Carriage Factory; Mr. and Mrs. Bemister, Mr. and Mrs. Munn, Mr. and Mrs. F. Cornick, Mrs. Sullivan and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. Noseworthy, Mr. and Mrs. S. Harris, Capt. and Mrs. Anstey, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Duffy, Miss Gwen Edwards, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Whiteley, Mrs. Wm. Neal, Mrs. J. Doherty, Mrs. G. Woodman, Dr. and Mrs. Carnall, Mrs. Bages, Mrs. E. McLeod, Mrs. George Dowton and family, Mrs. George Cook, Mrs. E. Dowton and family, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Dowton, C.L.B. Old Comrades and Benjamin Hazeltine. The following for notes of sympathy:—Mrs. Capt. John Cook, Mr. and Mrs. A. Morris, Mr. and Mrs. W. Brown, Miss L. Laitins, Mr. D. F. Green, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Edwards, Mrs. R. Norman, Mrs. John Spracklin, Brigus, Mr. and Mrs. Harcourt, Mrs. G. Brown, Mrs. L. Briggs, and all kind friends (too numerous to mention) who helped in any way to lessen the sorrow during the sad bereavement.

Floral Tributes to the Departed.

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

VALLEY N