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### Concerning Beaver.

In the House on Monday last, Sir Michael Cashin asked a series of questions concerning the Beaver transaction of the Marine and Fisheries Department, the same eliciting a reply next day from the Prime Minister in the absence of the Minister of that department to the effect that Beaver skins were received at and sold by that department in a regular way of business, and that such sales had been made on tender. Regular business steps were taken to ensure a square deal to all concerned, viz., trappers, tenderers and final purchasers. The following story of the Beaver activities of a Government department has been compiled from the details supplied the Leader of the Opposition, and makes quite breezy reading, especially as to some of the items of expense incurred in the trade thereof:

#### THE BEAVER STORY.

Boone Makes Highest Tenders—3391  
Skins Sold—Big Printing Bill.

From information furnished Sir Michael Cashin by the Prime Minister, the following facts about the Beaver skin sales are taken: Several tenders were received. The highest were those of Rev. F. H. Boone, and were—

Ex. No. 1 ..... \$35.00  
Large ..... 29.00  
Medium ..... 20.00  
Small ..... 12.00  
Kits ..... 5.00

All skins were sold on the basis of Boone's tender. The amount paid by Boone for skins was \$29,379. As 3391 skins were sold, it is apparent that if Boone had bought them all, the average price paid for each skin would be much below that of the lowest tender, which was an average price per skin of \$12.71. Either the names of all purchasers of the skins have not been given in the reply, or there is something wrong about the whole business. The expense account is interesting. Mr. T. E. Cloutier, for the very valuable services rendered by him received \$400.00. Mr. Badcock who, report states, did all the work, received only half that amount. The Union Publishing Company received the tidy sum of \$544 for printing and advertising. Beavers are evidently profitable for some people. There are some other minor details, which will appear in due course in the House of Assembly proceedings. Meanwhile, it would be interesting to know the names of the other purchasers, in order to straighten out the transaction which involves so much money. The account sales should have been included in the Prime Minister's reply, as the average price netted according to the total sum of Rev. Boone's purchase did not amount to \$9.00 per skin.

#### An Appreciation.

The Evening Telegram, Water Street.

Dear Sirs,—With reference to ad. appearing in last evening's issue covering special term policies as issued by our Company, I have to say that I am this morning in receipt of direct inquiry from several sources because of this ad.

Again thanking you for manner of set up and display given to ad. in question, I remain,

Yours truly,  
THE ONTARIO EQUITABLE LIFE & ACCIDENT INSURANCE CO.  
Thomas Soper, General Agent.  
March 22, 1922.

Memorial Billiards to-night at 8.15: Saints (B) vs. T. A. (B); M. G. C. A. (A) vs. B. I. S. (A); C. E. I. (A) vs. Star (A).—11

### At the House.

GOVERNMENT BREAKS SILENCE—PREMIER ATTEMPTS EXPLANATION—SIR MICHAEL CASHIN MOVES ADJOURNMENT.

The Government broke its long silence yesterday afternoon, and after the Minister of Justice had paved the way for the Premier, the latter attempted an explanation of the revenue paragraph in the Speech from the Throne, and closed the debate on the Address in Reply for his party. Sir Michael Cashin then moved the adjournment of the debate until to-day. He will reply to the Prime Minister this afternoon, after which the address will probably be adopted. It is certain that the Amendment will be defeated on a strictly party vote.

#### WHO STOLE THE CARPET?

Mr. Walsh in presenting a petition from his district, suggested the formation of a joint committee to deal with all petitions. On motion of the Prime Minister, the House then went into Committee of the Whole on the Loan Resolutions, so that these could be distributed. Question time was not very interesting. Mr. Jennings told an amusing story about the carpet and rug that were stolen from his department. The carpet was later returned, but the rug is still missing. The Minister did not know the name of the thief. The safe of his department, which Sir Michael Cashin had suggested was also stolen, was still in the department from where it had not been removed. The Prime Minister stated in reply to a question that \$5,800 had been spent on supplying for the fishery in Bonne Bay and so far, there had been no returns.

#### A WEAK DEFENCE.

Hon. Mr. Warren opened the debate on the Address in Reply, attempting a weak defence of the Government. He was unfortunate in the choice of his words, for when he characterized the Speech from the Throne as being "critically correct," he unwittingly hurled a boomerang which later returned on himself. He repudiated attacks on the Governor. According to Mr. Warren, all Speeches from the Throne are bad, and every new one is worse than those which preceded it. In a hundred years time, the speech delivered then would be proportionately bad. In making this statement, Mr. Warren showed himself a real optimist, for he is one of the very few who believe that the House of Assembly will exist much longer. There were no "terminological inaccuracies" in the Speech from the Throne, pronounced Mr. Warren.

#### A CHINAMAN'S CHANCE.

He later referred to Cold Storage and said he hoped he might be able to institute it in Fortune Bay.

Mr. Bennett—"Well, you won't have a Chinaman's chance at the next election if you don't do something."

Mr. Warren continuing, said he thought that Mr. Higgins' criticism of the railway question was quite fair and he felt sure the Government would overcome the railway problem before the session closed. He forgot to add that the same problem may overcome the Government before long. A surprising statement was that Rumanian Bonds held locally would be paid in full this year. After pleading for co-operation in the fishery industry, and spreading a little benevolent optimism about, the Minister resumed his seat amid thunderous applause from a Government "rooster" seated in the gallery.

#### A SPLENDID SPEECH.

Mr. J. R. Bennett made a splendid reply to the Government spokesman, in which he repudiated any tax of disloyalty and said the Government were merely pulling the wool over the people's eyes. It was a burlesque on responsible government. The people were taxed so that they could no longer bear the burden. The business community was used and did not know where it was. This was the result not so much of lack of money, as want of confidence. He likened the duties to a Chinese puzzle which none could solve, not even the Customs officials. He stated that he had heard rumours of a Government guarantee for Rumanian Bonds. Referring to the Auditor General, who has been absent from the country for several months, Mr. Bennett said he was the one indispensable public official and his return should be insisted upon. Appearance pointed to the Auditor General having been put out of the way for purposes on which Mr. Bennett would not express opinions. After commenting on various other matters, including the Bell Island contract, he gave way to Mr. Higgins.

#### CRITICALLY CORRECT.

With sarcasm of the most biting nature, Mr. Higgins made the Government members simply squirm. Seizing upon Hon. Mr. Warren's unfortunate phrase, "critically correct," he used it as a whip with which he simply flogged all the arguments used by the Government. It was "critically correct" that half the Executive Council was abroad; it was "critically correct" that there was a Minister of Marine and Fisheries, but he had not entered his office for months; it was also "critically correct" that a wireless from Brazil would cause some of the Government members to vote one way, and the cracking of a whip, to send the dog team in a fixed direction. This last statement wrung an impassioned protest from Mr. Jennings. He was

not a dog, and would not be called one. He was told by Mr. Higgins that if he kept on the way he was going he would be surprised to find where he would end.

#### THE PREMIER'S REPLY.

The Prime Minister was not happy in his role of Government apologist, and was frequently interrupted from the front row of the Opposition seats. He explained the misleading statement concerning the revenue by quoting from the Budget Speech of last year, and this was the only defence he could offer. He pleaded for constructive, not destructive, criticism. His efforts failed to convince any of his hearers, except possibly the members of his own party. Sir Michael Cashin will reply to-day. Some unimportant bills were passed before adjournment was taken.

### S. W. Coast Isolated.

NO MAILS FOR WEEKS—HARBORS ICE-FREE.

A disgraceful condition of affairs exists on the South West Coast, which for over three weeks has been as completely isolated as if it were situated at the North Pole. This applies particularly to Burgeo, where the harbor is free of ice and yet no attempt has been made to get a mail through. Of course, with the House in session, the various members of the Government have to expend so much time preparing the speeches they never deliver, that such important matters as mails simply cannot be touched. If the Minister of Posts and Telegraphs is possessed of the smallest measure of ability, he will find no difficulty in getting mails to the South West Coast and the quicker he gives his matter his attention, the better. The following message from a Burgeo correspondent speaks for itself:

"Four weeks to-morrow since last mail from St. John's. Three weeks yesterday since last mail from west. Last St. John's daily papers eighteenth February. Truly open navigation is not of much advantage to the South West Coast."

### War Memorial Billiards.

SIX GAMES PLAYED.  
There was a marked improvement in the games in the War Memorial Billiard Tournament which were played yesterday. Six games were played in all. The biggest break for the day was 32, made by T. Ryan (Star). Alterations were made to the table before yesterday's games were played, and as a result, faster, and more interesting games took place.

#### THE GAMES.

In the three games played in the afternoon C. Myler (T.A.) defeated J. Angel (Guards) by 57 points. J. Edwards (C.E.L.) defeated J. Power (C.B.) by 103 points. W. Pearce (C.B.) defeated J. Hickey (K. of C.) by 20 points. In the evening's games T. Ryan (Star) defeated Dr. McLoughlin (City) by 92 points. J. Carbery (Star) defeated G. Knowling (City) by three points. J. McFarlane (Saints) defeated J. Spratt (T.A.) by 109 points. Three games will be played to-night.

### Rev. Dr. Jones

HOLDS MISSION AT HALIFAX

Enduring weather and the advance of the Lenten season united in taking Halifax people to their churches on Sunday and places of worship in the city were crowded at all services. The evening services in particular received record attendances and streets in the vicinity of churches were thronged with people during the before and after service periods.

The outstanding religious event of the day was the mission at Trinity Church, being conducted by Rev. Dr. Edgar Jones, of Newark, Delaware. A mass meeting for men was held at four o'clock in the afternoon and was very largely attended. Lieutenant Governor Grant presided and a male quartette assisted in the programme. Dr. Jones' topic was "The Flaming Eyes of God." A similar meeting, for men only, will be held next Sunday afternoon when the mission will be concluded. Last evening Dr. Jones addressed a meeting that crowded the church to its very doors. His topic was "The Rebuilding of Altars," and Dr. Jones pointed out the necessity, in times of great mental stress, for people to rededicate their minds to God, lest they slip away from the Christian life for various causes such as great prosperity, great hardship or indifference. Governor Grant, at the close of the meeting, said he wished every young man in Halifax could have heard the address. There was an after meeting for which some two hundred people remained and consecrated their lives to the service and love of God, having been so deeply moved by the address of the Missioner. The mission will continue, with four meetings daily, until next Sunday evening.—Halifax Herald.

KYLE REPORTED.—The following message was received last evening from the S.S. Kyle:—"Position at 4 p.m. 60 miles S.W. by South Channel Head. Ice open, making good progress."

Stafford's Phorotone will cure Coughs and Colds. For sale everywhere.—mar23,11

### Report From Sealing Fleet.

TERRA NOVA HAS 15,000

Last evening's messages to sealing ship owners advise that the Eagle and Ranger have gone East towards the seal patch located by Major Cotton. The Seal was reported on Monday night as steaming for this patch, but since no report has been received. From a report to the Reid Newfoundland Company, the prospects for the Viking getting a full load appear good. The ship has 8,000 stowed and between 8,000 and 9,000 on pans. The following are the messages of last night:—

#### BOWRING BROTHERS.

Eagle.—(Wednesday p.m.)—Patch cleaned up. Left at 10 a.m. for Cotton's patch. Steered a S.E. course 15 miles, struck patch hoods. Then steered N.E. took 10 whitecoats. At 7 p.m. stopped for the night. Will advise prospects in the morning.

Ranger.—(Wednesday p.m.)—Steaming East for Cotton's patch. Position 6 p.m. 30 miles East Cape Bonavista, 2,600 on board.

Terra Nova.—(Wednesday p.m.)—Working in same sheet we panned on the 16th. Hauled on board to-day 2,500. Thirty or forty pans still out. Position same as yesterday. Without a swell will take us two days more to clean up.

Viking.—(Wednesday p.m.)—10 miles N.N.E. St. Paul's, in whelping ice, seals scarce. Men have panned 1000 to-day, picking up pans. All well.

#### JOB BROS. & CO.

Neptune.—(Wednesday p.m.)—30 miles N.E. Cape Bonavista, making fair progress. Ice very heavy, in large sheets. Took 100 to-day.

Thetis.—(Wednesday p.m.)—Killed and skinned 2,000 to-day. Estimated 11,000 on board. Position 50 miles East of Cape Bonavista.

#### NOT REPORTED.

The Seal, Diana and Sagana did not report. A message from the latter ship is expected by the Reid Newfoundland Company to-day.

#### TO POSTAL TELEGRAPHS.

Via Pogo.—All ships report all crews on board and all well.

#### FROM PORT AUX BASQUES.

The Reid Newfoundland Company received the following from their wireless operator at Port aux Basques:—"Viking killed 1,500 to-day. Took on board 3,000. Now stowed about 8,000 and between 8,000 and 9,000 on pans. Going around picking up pans."

#### THE CATCH SO FAR REPORTED.

Terra Nova	15,000
Viking	12,400
Thetis	13,000
Eagle	11,000
Neptune	7,900
Diana	7,000
Sagana	6,200
Ranger	2,600
Total	76,100

### Wesley Debating Club

ANNUAL DINNER HELD.

The annual dinner of the Wesley Debating Club was held last night in the Green Lantern. Over 70 members and guests were present. Mr. A. E. Pelley, President of the Club, occupied the chair. All the speeches were exceptionally good and gave ample proof of the good effect which the Club is producing. During the evening songs were rendered by Messrs. F. Neville and B. R. Taylor. Mr. Max Colton presided at the piano. The Toast List was as follows:—

PROPOSER RESPONDER

Chairman . . . . . God Save The King

THE EMPIRE.

J. R. Smallwood . . . . . F. Gushue

NEWFOUNDLAND.

W. S. Spang . . . . . E. Bursay

THE W.Y.M.C.A.

R. Hooper . . . . . A. E. Pelley

CHURCH AND CLERGY.

B. R. Taylor . . . . . Rev. W. B. Bugden

OUR GUESTS.

J. Parsons . . . . . J. Milley

THE PRESS.

H. Hooper . . . . . A. B. Perlin, (Telegram)

J. R. Smallwood, (Advocate)

NATIONAL ANTHEM.

The officers of the Club are:—

Hon. President.—A. Rooney.

President.—A. E. Pelley.

Vice President.—J. Gushue.

Secretary.—W. Campbell.

Asst. Secretary.—B. Adey.

Treasurer.—W. Crane.

Librarian.—G. Davis.

Chairman of Debates.—Rev. W. B. Bugden.

Representatives.—W. G. Cumming, B. P. Nichol, E. Bursay, B. Parsons, and R. Clarke. The Wesley Debating Club deserves to be congratulated on a splendid year of real progress and it is hoped that their advancement in the future will be no less great.

#### Personal.

Mr. E. Jacobs, representing Messrs. A. & Co., High Grade Securities and Investment Agents, of Boston, Mass., arrived in the city on Tuesday from St. John, N.B., and is registered at Balm Beach.

UNBEATABLE.—We cannot help drawing your attention to the White and Spiral Cup and Saucer being sold for 15c. at STEELE'S. For price and quality they cannot be beaten.

### Our Local Peeps

HIS DIARY.

March 22nd. In the afternoon, I to the House. Hon. W. R. Warren and Sir R. Squires did make a defence of the Cabal, which I did think a very poor one. My wife will talk of nothing but Woman Suffrage, which I laugh at, and tell her how it is a very silly fad. She did fly into a rage at this, and did throw a vase at me, which is, I think, the first time in three years, that she did do such a thing. So to the Wesley Debating Club dinner and did make a speech, which I could do now as well as any man were I able to make a trial of it at home. Very mild to-day and much rain.

#### Church Charities Concert

A fairly large audience attended the concert in aid of Church Charities held in the Lecture Hall of Gower Street Church last evening. The artists who so generously contributed their talents were in good form, and merited the applause that greeted their efforts. The programme included instrumental solos by Mr. Gordon Christian, A.T.C. M., and Miss Helen Earle, and vocal selections by Mrs. Christian, Mrs. Garland, Miss Herder, Miss Hutchings, Miss Maund, Miss Barnes, and Messrs. Stanfield, Glass, Steele, Tucker and Courtney; and readings by Mr. Holmes and Miss Barnes. Mr. Christian and Miss Tait were the accompanists. During the evening candy and ice cream were sold and the amount received added considerably to the funds.

#### Business Men Charged.

NON-PAYMENT OF INCOME TAX.  
Several business men appeared before the Magistrate this morning on summonses issued by the Department of Justice on the request of Assessor O'Reilly. All were charged with failure to pay income tax. Those who appeared in court, promised to pay up. Some men against whom summonses were issued, were ill and the cases against them were postponed until March 30th. One, who failed to appear will be arrested.

#### Advertising Lecture.

Ladies of the Women's Suffrage Committee spent the morning on Water Street, distributing leaflets and attempting to inspire others with their own enthusiasm. It is expected that they will be a large attendance at the College Hall to hear Mrs. Trounson speak, as she is a woman of wide knowledge and experience of social questions.

#### Repairing Westland.

Major Cotton did not fly to Charles' Brook on Tuesday to bring assistance to Capt. Syd Bennett and the Westland plane, as the weather was stormy. Instead, he sent a slide with two mechanics and the necessary outfit for effecting repairs. No message has since been received but it is presumed that repairs to the Westland have now been effected.

#### McMurdo's Store News.

THURSDAY, March 23.  
Now that Spring appears to be coming at last the uses of a good shampoo liquid needs only to be mentioned to bring it to the notice of people who may be interested. It is therefore with pleasure that we recommend our Emulsified Coconut Oil Shampoo, now very well known, but not yet employed by every possible user. Of course, some people prefer a powder or soap; these are fully entitled to their opinion. But every season the number of users of Liquid Shampoo preparations increases, and we strongly suggest a trial of our Emulsified Coconut Oil. Price 40 cents a bottle.

#### Here and There.

Stafford's Liniment for all Aches and Pains, only 20c. per bottle.—mar23,11

Come to the Billiard Tournament and back your team. It will only cost you 25 cents. mar23,11

KYLE AT LOUISBURG.—S.S. Kyle arrived at Louisburg this morning and leaves again to-night for Port aux Basques. The Express with her mails and passengers should reach town early Sunday.

Good Cooking Eggs (cold storage), 55c. doz. W. E. BEARNS, Haymarket and Rawlins' Cross. mar23,11

EXPRESS LEAVES.—An express with foreign mails and passengers left the city at 4 p.m. to-day, and will connect with the Kyle at Port aux Basques early Saturday morning.

Fresh Table Eggs (guaranteed not cold storage), 70c. doz. W. E. BEARNS, Haymarket and Rawlins' Cross.—mar23,11

### Here and There.

Eat MRS. STEWART'S Home Made Bread.—oct18,22

C. C. C. Hall, to-morrow, Friday, 4 to 6, reception for Mrs. Trounson.—mar23,11

During the War Mrs. Trounson had charge of 10,000 women. Come and hear her experiences.—mar23,11

Crawford's English Biscuits at J. J. MULCAHY'S Grocery. mar20,21,23

If you want to know the Billiard score, ring up "Information," but it will only cost you 25 cents to see the games. mar23,11

#### Parade Rink will not be open to-night.

Stafford's Liniment, best for Aches and Pains. For sale everywhere.—mar23,11

THE THREE STAGES.—Going, going, gone. At last those cracked cups are smashed. It's lucky they lasted until we could get White and Gold Cups and Saucers for 23c. each at STEELE'S.

On Friday, C. C. C. Hall, 4 to 6, a reception will be held for Mrs. Trounson. Delicious Afternoon Teas will be served for only 20c. Everybody cordially invited.—mar23,11

M. C. L. I. meets to-night at 7.45 sharp. Debate: Resolved.—That adherents of a Methodist congregation should share with the members in the management of the Church business. Leaders: Messrs. W. Clarke and Geo. Peters.—mar23,11

Don't miss to-night's Lecture in Methodist College Hall, 8.15. Only chance to hear Mrs. Trounson while in St. John's. All welcome.—mar23,11

AT THE BALSAM.—The following are guests at Balsam Place: Mr. E. N. Nickerson, Mr. Buffett, Mr. J. E. Jacobs, Boston; Hon. W. F. Penney, Carbonear; Mr. J. Duff, Carbonear.

Do you want your choice of a Suit or Overcoat—cut, made and trimmed in the Spurrall way—at almost your own price? We must have work, even if we don't get profits. SPURRELL the Tailor, 365 Water Street. jan30,eod,t

Mrs. Trounson, the delegate of the International Woman Suffrage Alliance, is en route for Baltimore to be present at the Big Pan-American Conference, where representatives from all over the world will attend.—11

ROYAL OAK CHARTER.—Authorities state that the charter of Royal Oak Lodge of the Orange Order was brought to this country, not by Dr. Leeming, but by W. M. Hector McE. Fraser. This would seem to end the argument on this matter.

#### 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 NURSERIES.

Tessier Brothers, Box 994, St. John's.

#### BORN.

On March 23rd, a daughter to M. E. and Mrs. Parsons, 86 Pleasant St. On the 22nd inst., to Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Woodford, a son.

On March 21st, a son to Mr. and Mrs. D. J. O'Quin.

On the 22nd inst., a daughter to Archibald and Ida Steele, 6 Franklin Avenue.

#### DIED.

Passed peacefully away at Shannon Munn Memorial Orphanage, of broncho-pneumonia, Margaret, darling child of J. G. and Margaret Hodder. Funeral to-morrow at 2.30.

On Wednesday, March 22nd, at 85 McFarlane Street, after a long and painful illness, Theresa Gertrude, darling child of Thomas and Margaret Croke, aged 1 year and 11 months. At Marystown, March 22nd, Bride Power, beloved wife of Edward Dugoy, leaving a husband, six children, three brothers and one sister to mourn their loss.

At noon, yesterday, fortified by rites of Holy Church, Esther Annie Halloran, aged 80, niece of the late Capt. Terence Halloran. Funeral on to-morrow (Friday), at 2.30 from her late residence corner of Monkstown Road and Catherine Street.

NOTE OF THANKS.—Mrs. Pearcey and family wish to convey their sincere thanks to the following: Nfld. Postal Association for wreath and note of sympathy; to many friends for flowers; to Messrs. Bursay and Pike for wreath; to Mr. E. Brenner, Miss H. Taylor and Mrs. Tilley for letters of condolence; to Mr. H. P. Shortis, Mrs. Daley, Mrs. O'Brien, Miss A. Driscoll, Miss S. Lannon and Miss A. Wiseman for many acts of kindness; also the many kind friends who came to pay their last respects to a kind and loving husband and father. We fail to find words to express our gratitude to them all.—adv.

## Notice These Prices.

Evaporated Milk in cases containing 48 full size large cans, \$6.24 per case.

## Ready Mixed Paints.

Gallon cans, \$2.25; quarts, 65 cents. Half gallons, \$1.25; pints, 35 cents.

At above prices you can afford to paint even your back yard fence. This Paint was selling at \$4.00 per gallon last year.

## M. A. Bastow & Sons, Ltd.

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