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Our Valuable Coal Deposits.

In our advertising columns we notice a statement issued by The St. George's Coal Fields, Limited, and also an appeal to the general public for their support for some additional funds to enable them to carry on the work of prospecting their Coal Property at St. George's. Before commenting on the statement issued by this Company, we have taken the trouble to look back over the pages of some of the Geological reports written on our Coal Areas and in a letter written by the late James P. Howley, Esq., F.G.S., in December, 1912, admittedly the best authority, on our mineral wealth, particularly on our Coal Deposits, he said:—

"I have had opportunities which others did not possess of acquiring a knowledge of our Coal resources during many years of exploration and close study, and I HAVE NO HESITATION IN PRO-NOUNCING THE OPINION THAT 'THE COUNTRY POSSESSES HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS OF TONS OF COAL. THIS IS NOT MERE GUESS WORK; IT IS FOUND ON ACTUAL INVESTIGATION AND ASCERTAINED FACTS. . . . Let us, then, be 'up and doing. Let some enterprising individuals take the matter 'in hand and form a Company of local capitalists, place shares on the market at a sufficiently low figure to come within the reach of everyone. Give the poor man and woman a chance of investing their dollars, as well as the rich his thousands. . . . In plain words, 'it is not so much a matter of gain as a patriotic duty we owe to the country which has given us so many good things.'"

The above extract was written by a man whose reputation as a Geologist stood high, not alone in his own country, but in every land where merit is the honour of the man. However, be that as it may, Coal like Gold, is where you find it and if the statements put forward by The St. George's Coal Fields, Limited are correct, and we have no doubt but it is, we consider, they (apart from any patriotic movement or idea in putting the price of their shares in reach of the poor as well as the rich) have a property which eventually must bring ample returns to the investor and add millions to the wealth of this country. The Telegram has stood by the Company since its formation and intends to do so.

In the statement published by The St. George's Coal Fields, Limited, are the names of seven seams of Coal averaging from 2ft. 2 ins. up to 5ft. 3 ins. of coal in width giving a total of 25ft. 10 ins. of coal calculated to underlay an area of 11½ square miles, estimated on the basis of 1,000 tons per acre-foot approximately 190,000,000 tons. These are astonishing figures, and whilst we have never seen the prospect our knowledge of the West Coast and the stories told by farmers and others who have on many occasions taken their winter supply of coal with pick and shovel from the Jukes

and other seams of these areas, yet we believe the statements put forward by the Company are conservative. It is strange that thousands of dollars, yes, hundreds of thousands can be found for the destruction of our forest by the cutting of pitprops and also for snow shovelling, and not one cent can be found to help along this very promising industry. There are, we believe, some concessions granted by the Government whereby any Company operating these areas will be given a bounty of 50c. and 75c. per ton over a period of years, which we consider very liberal, but when the Company, some two years ago, when the markets were in a much better condition than they are to-day, were about to sell the property, the Government, stepped in, and said, No! you must not sell this property to other than local capitalists. After some negotiations a price was arranged with the Company and \$500,000 voted through the House to work the Mine. The history of what happened to about \$200,000 of this money, which was squandered in the South Branch fiasco, is too well known to every one around this country for further comment at present. It is not too late yet for the Government to exercise some common sense and instead of spending thousands of dollars on building roads, which could be done without, to take hold of this very promising proposition and do something for Newfoundland and Newfoundlanders in the way of development of a valuable asset.

Channel Endorses Board of Trade.

WANT FISH EXPORT TAX REMOVED.

The following telegram of endorsement and approval has been received by the Secretary of the Board of Trade from Channel:—

"A public meeting held here last evening heartily endorsed the Resolutions of the Board of Trade re the reduction of taxes, especially on export of fish."

EMANUEL PIKE, Chairman.

H. H. MacKAY, Secretary.

C.C.C. PROMENADE DANCE—In future all the Band's Promenade Dances will be held in the C.C.C. Hall weekly, and the Grand Opening Dance with the regular Dance programme will take place on Monday next, St. George's Night (Whole Holiday). Tickets only 50c. Music by the C.C.C. full Band. Hear all the latest Dance hits.—apr20,11

Society United Fishermen.

GRAND LODGE SESSION AT HARBOR GRACE.

By train this morning a number of Grand Lodge Officers and delegates of the Society of United Fishermen, went to Harbor Grace, where the regular Annual Session of Grand Lodge opens this afternoon. The agenda paper contains considerable business for disposal and an interesting and valuable Convention is anticipated. Other Grand Lodge members will go out to-morrow evening. The H. R. Grace Brothers have made extensive preparations for the reception of the superior body, this being the first occasion of Grand Lodge holding its annual communication in the second city. The British Hall will be the scene of the proceedings which will terminate early on Saturday afternoon, with installation of officers for the ensuing year.

C.C.C. PROMENADE DANCE—The popular Promenade Dances held by the C.C.C. Band last fall will now be repeated weekly in the C.C.C. Hall, beginning Monday, St. George's Night (Whole Holiday). Tickets only 50c. Regular Dance Program on Monday, beginning 8.30 to 1.30. The best Hall and Dance music in St. John's.—apr20,11

Sighted Many Bergs.

S.S. Rosalind, which arrived in port this morning, made a splendid run of 44 hours from Halifax. The ship has about three parts general cargo. The captain reports meeting very little ice on the passage, but several icebergs were passed, one very large one being sighted near Petty Harbor. The Rosalind will likely get away again at 6.30 p.m. to-morrow.

GASOLINE at Red Taxi Co., 55c. per gallon.—apr18,31

MINARD'S LINIMENT FOR GARGET IN COWS.

An Open Letter on Railway Matters.

To R. C. Morgan, Esq., C.B., of Winnipeg, in the Dominion of Canada, and of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, City.

Dear Sir—It has just occurred to me that your omission, to consider the lands granted to the Reid Newfoundland Company as contributory to railway rates and railway operating credits, may not have been an oversight on your part, but have been of set purpose. You may have knowledge that those lands have been alienated by the Reid Newfoundland Company, and suppose that they are not now available for the purposes for which they were granted. I understand the lands have been transferred to a Limited Liability Company. But, if they were transferred or alienated for any purpose save only to augment the credits of the railway operating account,—for which they were specifically granted to the Reid Newfoundland Company,—then, in my opinion, they were improperly alienated, and that it is the duty of the Government to immediately proceed before the Supreme Court to have them brought back into the possession of the Reid Newfoundland Company so that they may be available for the purposes for which they were granted, and in case of the failure of the Company to fulfil its contractual obligations, that those lands may become forfeit to the Government of this Colony.

It would be well for the Government to have in remembrance that the law is only for the protection of those who take due care of their rights and property; for as a Law maxim very forcibly puts it—"Vigilantibus non dormientibus servit lex"—the law regards those only who watch, and not those who sleep. I do not for one moment desire it to be inferred from what I have written, that the Reid Newfoundland Company alienated those lands to avoid the contractual obligation which attaches to them, or to place those lands beyond the possibility of ever reverting to the Crown under any condition of circumstances. To suggest such a thing, would be to charge them with fraud. I make, or imply by what I have written, no such charge, for I do not know what their purpose may have been. Possibly, the transfer may have been for the more easy handling of the properties, and the quicker transmutation of them into more tangible credits, or, to more easily mortgage them for a temporary loan. I do not know what their purpose was. But I do know that they could not lawfully alienate those lands from the purpose for which they were granted, and that purpose, I repeat and would emphasize, was to make the Reid Newfoundland Company to keep freight and passenger rates over the railway, and by steamers under their control, within the schedule provided by contract; and that the receipts available, or to become available, from those lands should augment the credits of operating account during the whole period of the operating contract. The Reid Newfoundland Company had no power in themselves to divert those lands from that purpose, and what they could not do lawfully themselves, they cannot do through others. The law is perfectly clear on that point. Nemo plus juris in alium transference potest, quam ipse habet—is a well known Law maxim.

No. The lands and their resources cannot be alienated from the purpose for which they were granted, and I therefore submit again that you should have taken them into consideration in the manner, and for the purpose I have set forth, which, if it had been done, most necessarily have changed the whole tenor of your Report as it now appears before the public. The omission is to be much regretted, because what might have been most helpful to the Government, can now only prove an embarrassment. I shall now deal with perhaps the most important declaration you have given utterance to. You declare that,—"Branch Railway lines were

"built without any hope of remunerative traffic."

"A great burden has been thrown on the Company through the construction of branch lines, none of which have justified their construction. Their operation has greatly added to cost of maintenance and operation."

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That is the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth. The truthfulness of your declaration is corroborated, first, by self-evident facts, which need no proof; secondly, by the voluntary evidence of reputable witnesses; for instance, Hon. Sir R. A. Squires (Prime Minister).

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I would observe, that confession is the hardest part of repentance and that the above named gentlemen must be commended, at least, for their manliness in publicly admitting that they were participants criminals. Your denunciation of this 'political crime, crime, crime, and crime' is no equivalent of all the facts in relation thereto which question the justice of it. If I were able to reveal the whole of the facts in the case I would picture to you one of the boldest political conspiracies of which you ever heard or read. I can only, I regret to say, pull back the curtain part, and reveal it to you in part. Were I to fully pull back the curtain, actors high in position in your own country must needs appear. At this time, and in connection with the matter under review, I would not be warranted in exposing them to public criticism. But the part I shall reveal will, I think, convince you that the time must come when the whole truth shall be revealed. You will probably query—"what interest have I got in such a revelation as you refer to?" None, I doubt not. But I read in your observations on the Branch Railway policy that you assume the undertaking was for the benefit of the Reid Newfoundland Company, and therefore they deserve and should receive, special consideration at the hands of the Government. If that is your belief, I shall prove from public records that such a belief is ill founded.

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Correction.

In Letter No. 6 of the above series published yesterday, a typographical error made line 29, column 2, read "specially unfit for those services." It should read "specially fitted for those services."

Kyle's Passengers.

After a run of 12 hours from North Sydney, S.S. Kyle reached Port aux Basques at 9 a.m. to-day. He brought the following passengers, who joined him this morning for Port Union returned to port this morn.

Schr. Eva Blanche arrived at Gaults yesterday from Halifax with 550 barrels flour and 100 barrels potatoes.

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TO-NIGHT! TO-NIGHT!—Spencer Club Dance in Spencer College Hall. Don't miss it. Tickets at the door. Price \$1.00.—apr20,11

"Way Down East."

A SPLENDID PICTURE.

(By Our Dramatic Critic.) While I am not a very keen movie fan, I never miss a chance to see any production of David Wark Griffith, especially if the lead is played by Lillian Gish. I am therefore deeply indebted to Mr. T. H. O'Neill of the Majestic Theatre, who this morning afforded me an opportunity of seeing the preliminary showing of "Way Down East." The picture is a striking example of Mr. Griffith's work and gives many evidences of his wonderful genius for producing and directing. "Way Down East" is the work of a master hand who ignores expense and labour in his efforts to create a work of such artistic merit that it cannot fail to appeal to all classes of picture goers. The story deals with the trials and misfortunes of Anna Moore, a simple country girl, who while visiting wealthy relations in Boston, meets a susceptible and attractive Don Juan in the person of Lennox Sanderson. He tricks her into a mock marriage and pledges her to secrecy. After a brief honeymoon, Sanderson tells his wife to return to her home. When about to become a mother, she sends for him and he then tells her that their marriage was not legal. Anna's mother dies, and the unfortunate girl is compelled to wander until she settles at the village of Belvidere where a baby is born. The child dies and Anna, turned out of her boarding house, finds work at the Bartlett farm in a neighbouring village. Here she falls in love with David, the son of the house. The story of Anna's shame comes to the ears of David's father who drives the girl out into a blizzard. Despite his father's wishes, David follows her and rescues her from death as she is crossing a partly frozen stream. The annals are most spectacular, especially the thrilling climax when Anna is so gallantly rescued by a yellow exhibition of acting as "Anna Moore." She possesses fine emotional qualities which are seen in this picture produced and directed by Griffith. Richard Barthelmess is excellent; while Lowell Sherman is the ideal villain and Burr McIntosh, the spiritual father and director of the life. Some light comedy forms a pleasant interlude. The whole picture is a vivid representation of village life and a most successful production. "Way Down East" will be shown at the Majestic next week and is well worth seeing.

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WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENT.—The wedding of Miss Ethel Freeman, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Freeman, of Toronto, to Mr. Bert Chateau takes place to-day at the Bond Street Congregational Church, Toronto.

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DIED. Passed peacefully away, of meningitis, Mary Joseph Turner, aged 71 years, daughter of Capt. J. and Mrs. Turner, leaving to mourn 2 sisters and 3 brothers. Funeral to-morrow, Friday, at 2.30 p.m. from 128 Bond Street.

Passed peacefully away, at 4 p.m. yesterday, Noah John, eldest son of the late Abraham and Christina Stone, aged 38 years. Left to mourn their loss are mother, brother, and 3 sisters. Funeral takes place Friday at 2.30 p.m. from his late residence, 56 Flower Hill. Friends and relatives please accept this, the only intimation. Passed peacefully away, April 19th, Jacob Bradley, in his 77th year, leaving a wife, 2 sons and 3 daughters in Canada, 1 son and 2 daughters in Newfoundland to mourn their sad loss. Funeral on Friday at 2.30 p.m. from his late residence, 45 Field Street.

Personal. Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Herder who were on a vacation, South, returned by S.S. Rosalind this morning.

Messrs. Murray and Hugh Anderson, sons of Hon. John Anderson, arrived by the Rosalind from New York on a visit to their father.

Mr. George C. Harris of Grand Bank is at present in the city on business.

One-Steps, Fox-Trots, Waltzes too, and Lancers. Come, O Come ye Dancers to the Spencer College Hall.—apr20,11

Shipping Notes.

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"Plane for Labrador."

MR. COTTON LEAVES BOTWOD.

Mr. F. Sidney Cotton left Botwood at 9.30 a.m. to-day for Battle Harbor, Labrador, in the Marymude plane. He was accompanied by Mechanic J. R. Stannard. At 10.40 a.m. the machine was reported as having passed Springdale. Mr. Cotton is taking mails and will probably stop at St. Anthony. He will bring return mails and possibly furs from the Hudson's Bay Company. It is not known if Mr. Cotton will fly to Cartwright, but if conditions permit he will probably go so far north as that station.

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New Cabbage, Cal. Oranges, etc.

TO-DAY (Ex. S.S. Rosalind from New York.)
NEW AMERICAN CABBAGE—Crates.
CALIFORNIA SUNKIST ORANGES.
THREE-CROWN CALIFORNIA RAISINS.
25-lb. Boxes.
CALIFORNIA RAISINS, 1-lb. Boxes.
NEW CROP PRUNES 70/80

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One Hundred Sides AMERICAN TRIMMED SOLE LEATHER.
LOWEST PRICES.

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QUEEN STREET.
PHONE 393.

Case Dismissed.

ISLANDERS CLAIM LIQUOR. The postponed case of a Maronite of the West End, who was charged with having liquor in his possession, came up for hearing in the Police Court to-day. The accused, who figured in a recent case when a sailor charged him with selling booze, pleaded not guilty. Witnesses were brought from Bell Island who claimed that they owned the booze found at accused's home, and had left it with him as they could not carry it across the ice to the island. They had obtained the liquor on scripts. The case was dismissed. Mr. L. R. Curtis appeared for the accused.

McMurdo's Store

THURSDAY, APRIL 20, 1922.
To-day we start our Hypocrite campaign. Hypocrite is a disease which, as tests have shown, is one of the other well known diseases in preparation in potency killing power, and is free from the objections of ordinary poisons. Diluted for use, it is odorless and colorless, yet it kills the odors of decay and purifies the thing it comes in contact with, dairy especially it can be used with greatest advantage, as it is sonorous. Hypocrite is sold in different sizes at popular prices.

Irish Butter,

47c. lb.

MUSSELS 1-lb. Cans 30c.
FRY'S BREAKFAST COCOA 3/4's and 3/2's 10c.
BAKER'S BREAKFAST COCOA 3/4's and 3/2's 10c.
LOWNEY'S BREAKFAST COCOA 1-5 lb. Can 10c.
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LOOSE BREAKFAST COCOA 20c. lb.
SARDINES 10c. Can up.
BAREAPPLES 1-lb. Cans 30c.
CHICKEN HADDIE, 1-lb. Cans 10c.
LIBBY'S PINK ALASKA SALMON, 1-lb. Cans 10c.
FRESH EGGS, 50c. Dozen.
CLEANED CURRANTS,