



Evening Telegram

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Quick Change Artists

The actors in the cheap political vaudeville now being staged by the Opposition, have everything and everybody beaten to a standstill by their ability to make lightning changes. It is understood, however, that these rapid metamorphoses are part of the comedy now being presented, with the public for audience. The most laughable part of it all is, that no matter in what character they disguise themselves, their make-up is at once recognized, much to the amusement of the on-lookers.

Take the Hon. Richard Anderson Squires, that life-long Liberal, for instance, who is the chief performer on the political comic opera stage as the manager of the troupe. He has changed political costumes so often that any part for which he is cast, or casts himself, becomes him better than the preceding one. He entered political life as a Tory of Tories. Today he is masquerading in the garments of a Liberal, and imagines that his thin disguise cannot be penetrated. He has misappropriated the title of Liberal and in his arrogant conceit dreams that the transparency of his pretensions are not apparent.

Then there is our friend of Port Union fame—the Wordy President—as his erstwhile adversary, Doctor Mosdell designated him. He is another quick change artist. After denouncing the Hon. R. A. Squires and all of his kindred, both in the House of Assembly and through the columns of his controlled organ—the Advocate—he is now industriously planning an unholy alliance with the man upon whom he has time and again poured out the vials of his wrath, and warned all his followers against, going so far as to tell them THAT THEY MUST NEVER TRUST SQUIRES. What a conglomeration of ideas and persons are gathered together, to be sure, in the ranks of the Liberal (?) Reform Party.

Our readers have been regaled with some of the opinions of Coaker on Squires, and the Star on Coaker. Now it is a pleasure to give them one little testimonial of character handed, as a bouquet, to Mr. Coaker by no less a person than the self-appointed leader of the office seekers. This recommendation was given the Wordy President,—thank you Editor Mosdell,—by the Hon. R. A. Squires, with whom the W.P. now wishes to ally himself, in the Legislative Council, and appears in the Journal of Proceedings of that body for 1918. Here it is:

"The curse, under which the 'Fishermen's Protective Union' is laboring, is that honest, honorable, God-fearing men, who are earning their living 'day by day by manly toil, in many cases at the hourly risk of their lives in the tempestuous sea, should have to acknowledge THAT THEY

"HAVE ELECTED AS PRESIDENT, A MAN WHO WOULD BE GUILTY OF THE INFAMY AND TREACHERY of this letter from which I have read extracts (speaking now of the infamous circular, marked Special, and dated April 26, 1918). 'I have not in the whole of my career made any attack upon Unionism, organized labor, nor in particular upon the Fishermen's Protective Union, but I do know that in many sections of the District of Trinity in the election of 1913, UNION MEN WERE CALLED UPON TO TAKE A SOLEMN OATH UPON THE WORD OF GOD THAT THEY WOULD CAST THEIR BALLOTS for the candidates nominated by W. F. Coaker AND FOR NO OTHER. I do know that the organization (F.P.U.) has been cursed and degraded by him, who by manipulation and intrigue has secured the votes of a large number of the members to keep him at the head of that organization.'"

"Baseness" and "Treachery" are other epithets which Mr. Squires applied to Mr. Coaker's action in connection with the promulgation of this circular, but for the present sufficient has been quoted to prove that the leader of the Reform Party holds no trustworthy opinion of the leader of the F.P.U., notwithstanding that he is in close and friendly association with him to-day, the Advocate and Star, Saturday, having formally announced that the President of the Fishermen's Protective Union has finally decided to throw in his lot with the man he has repeatedly vilified and accused of accepting \$5,000 in Bank of Montreal Notes from the Reids, besides charging him with other heinous offenses against the commonwealth. The fishermen will know how to adjudge between these men and the sincerity of their present professions of amity. Coaker on Squires and Squires on Coaker constitute some of the finest expressions on the probity of the two men that could be desired, and the voters of Newfoundland will know how to accept and weigh their protestations as well as their promises for the benefit of the public weal. The unholy alliance has been consummated. The breaking of it is in the hands of all Newfoundlanders to whom such a coterie gives unforgivable offense.

Political Rumors.

The very latest one on the street is that Hon. R. A. Squires has withdrawn from the contest in St. John's West, and that he has refused to resign his seat in the Upper House, unless Mr. Coaker CAN PROMISE HIM A SAFE CONSTITUENCY. This, we are given to understand, has been assured him by the Wordy President, and consequently Mr. Squires goes to Willingdale District as the representative of the Fishermen's Protective Union.

Another rumor has it that Dr. Campbell has had an attack of cold feet and is desirous of withdrawing from St. John's West, while it is said that Mr. Brownrigg would give ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS to get rid of the love birds. We give these for what they are worth, but straws show how the wind blows, and these show that Coaker has assumed a dominant position in the Opposition Party already.

New School.

The R.C. Building Committee of St. Patrick's are negotiating for a site to build a new Convent School and Parish Hall. The old school cannot accommodate the ever increasing number of pupils. Funds for the work are being collected and already a goodly amount has been received.

WANTED—A Girl for Repairing Clothes and making alterations; also a Messenger Boy to learn his trade. SPURRELL the Tailor, 365 Water Street. sept17,ood,t

Qualified Queries.

Will oil and water mix?
How long will the Squires-Coaker combination last?
Have the erstwhile hostile leaders swallowed their opinions of each other?
What does the public think of the very latest combination of political elements?
How much confidence can be placed in the men who were so busily engaged in personal recriminations of the basest sort not many months ago?
A correspondent writes: What is the meaning of the letters L.R.P. when used to designate the Squires-Coaker Opposition? Well, good friend you can take your choice of either of the following: Licensed to Ruin Prosperity, or Leave to Restore Plundering.

An Incredible Story.

(From this morning's News.)
The Advocate publishes a story to the effect that a certain man in an outpost applied, in 1898-99, for work, saying that he had no food; that a policeman was sent to search his house, and finding a barrel of flour there, the man was sentenced to thirty days' hard labor. To tell such a wicked falsehood as this, is about the most offensive thing which any man can do. The man who wrote it writes his name down as a knave or a fool. There was not, and there is not, of course, any law under which a man could be punished for telling a lie, or for having a barrel of flour, or anything of the kind. One might well ask what this country is coming to when the avowed organ of the leader of a party can be so base as to coin such a falsehood, and so foolish as to circulate it. It is an insult to the intelligence of its readers to suppose that any of them are so devoid of common sense and knowledge as to be able to swallow such a falsehood. The Advocate says, "some man told us the story." We do not believe that any man ever told the story; but, if there was a man so base as to coin it, it is difficult to conceive how any member of the Advocate staff could be so soft as to swallow it, or so bad as to repeat it. We are afraid that the country has, indeed, entered upon bad days. There are signs that the Advocate has thrown aside all restraint; that, in the mad lust of its master for power, it is prepared to offend every sense of decency, display an utter disregard for the truth, and scatter its vile falsehoods broadcast.

Coastal Boats.

F. H. ELLIS & CO.
S.S. Sasa, which left Badger's Quay at 5.20 this morning, is due in port at six o'clock this afternoon.
GOVERNMENT.
The Prospero sails Wednesday for the usual ports of call, North.
The Portia is expected here from Sydney, via South Coast ports, on Wednesday next.
REIDS.
Argyle's report since leaving Placentia on the 19th.
Clyde arrived at Lewisporte 11 a.m. yesterday.
Dundee left Port Blandford 9.40 p.m. Saturday.
Ethie no report since Port Saunders on the 18th.
Glencoe left Port aux Basques 8.25 p.m. yesterday.
Home leaving Lewisporte to-day.
Kyle arrived at Port aux Basques 7.15 a.m. yesterday.
Meigle left Placentia 5 p.m. Saturday for the Westward.
Sagons arrived at Battle Br. 3 p.m. on the 18th.
Petrel arrived at Clarendville 3 p.m. yesterday.

McMurdo's Store News.

MONDAY, Sept. 22.
Sore throat, tonsillitis, quinsy, and inflamed throat are very prevalent in town just now, and often give a great deal of trouble. A bottle of our Throat Gargle is a good thing to have in the house just now. If used at once the attack will often be cut short by its application; at any rate it will be rendered much less severe thereby. In such cases as in some others, true as of the very essence of the situation, and if the gargle be used at the very beginning of the attack, the best and quickest results may be expected. This is why we advise you to have a bottle on hand. In any case, sooner or later will come a use for our Throat Gargle, and it will keep good indefinitely. Price, 20c. a bottle.

From Cape Race.

Special Evening Telegram
CAPE RACE, To-day.
Wind west, light foggy to sea. The steamers Sassenheim coming. Randwick west on Saturday afternoon and Canadian steamer Ranger west yesterday. Nothing heard passing to-day. Bar. 30.10; Ther. 62.

School Supplies at THE BEEHIVE STORE. sept19,20,21,22

Distinguished Visitor.

The Rev. Dr. Curran of the Arch Diocese of Halifax, N.S., who has been in St. John's for the past week, spending his vacation, celebrated 9 o'clock Mass in the Cathedral yesterday. The reverend gentleman is highly pleased with his visit, and the hearty welcome which has been extended to him by the people of St. John's. Dr. Curran took advantage of the occasion yesterday when delivering his eloquent and instructive sermon to pay a high tribute to the Catholics of this city for their regular attendance at the Church, as well as his great pleasure in witnessing the large number of people who received Holy Communion. He also praised the beautiful Cathedral, which is undoubtedly one of the most magnificent specimens of ecclesiastical architecture on this side of the Atlantic, and the site upon which it is placed, is certainly the best in the world. It is the first object that meets the eye of the mariner as he nears the port of St. John's, and its beautiful and massive outlines can be seen from almost any part of the city. Dr. Curran in the guest of Mr. E. J. Sinnott, Renneville's Mill Road, and, we understand, he will return to Halifax to-morrow, retaining the most pleasing recollections of his visit to St. John's, and having the practical experience of the proverbial hospitality of Newfoundlanders. Rev. Dr. Curran is a relative of our local historian Mr. H. F. Shortis, and we hope to see the Rev. gentleman make another visit to our shores in the near future.

Gower St. Church.

A large congregation was present at Gower St. Church last evening, in discussing the question: "What kind of a Church does St. John's most need?" The Pastor spoke from Rev. 21: 12-13, and pointed out the seven spheres of influence that the Church should occupy. The church is an assemblage of worshippers, an evangelizing agency, a school of religion, a humanitarian effort, a reforming body, a political power and a missionary organization. The kind of a church that St. John's most needs is a church with a strong evangelistic spirit; a church that cultivates a real and sympathetic Christian fellowship, a church that lays strong emphasis on Bible study, a church that above all things recognizes its debt to the community at large, and is more concerned in getting heaven into men than men into heaven, and a church that recognizes the transcendent value of young people within its borders, and is prepared to get out of grooves that will surely become graves if not left behind, and open up new lines of work in its attempt to make good citizens and good Christians of its growing boys and girls. He congratulated the congregation on the fine and flourishing Girls' Club in its midst, which now numbers 150 members, and announced a Rally social of the members and friends on Thursday evening of this week. He also thanked the people for their co-operation in the work of the Boy Scouts, and announced the first drill for the season in the C.L.B. Armory on Wednesday evening. The Golf Club will meet for organization in the basement of the church on Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Rally Day in the Sunday School will be held Oct. 19th, and on the first Sunday in October Harvest Home Services will be held, when the church will be suitably decorated with the products of field, farm, and garden.

Police Court.

A newboy was fined \$15 for breaking a young lady's eyeglasses.
The enquiry into the motor car accident that resulted in the losing of Miss Dorothy Barter's life, was begun this morning.

Plank Flotsam.

The following message was received by Mr. LeMessurier, Deputy Minister of Customs, to-day:
"A lot of 3 inch plank strewn along shore off Rose Blanche, supposed from steamer wrecked on St. Paul's Island."

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Boot Store Robbed.

When Mr. Jack Cohen, of the American Boot and Shoe Stores, entered the East End Store yesterday morning, he found that the place had been entered by someone, and about a dozen pairs of boots and shoes stolen. He reported the matter to the police, who got busy on the case at once. Entrance was made by means of back window, which was pushed in, sash and all. Mr. Cohen is of the opinion that the thief was surprised in some manner, and retreated before he could take any more than he did.

When you want Sausages, why-get ELLIS'; they're the best.

Editor Resigns.

Mr. S. J. Hefferton, editor of the Industrial Worker, and formerly a member of the Telegram reporting staff, has resigned his position on that paper and will leave in a few days. He takes a teaching position at the Soldiers' Training School. In the meantime, we understand, Mr. T. M. White, President of the N.I.W.A., will take over the editorship of the Industrial Worker.

BORN.

On Sept. 18th, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Carey, No. 1 Leslie Street.

MARRIED.

At Kibbide, on Wednesday, Sept. 17th, by the Rev. Fr. Coady, Miss Lizzy Desnoire to Mr. Charles Stanley, both of Kibbide.
At the Anglican Church, Topsail, on Saturday the 20th, inst., by the Rev. Arthur Pittman, Incumbent, Evelyn Louise W. Adams, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George J. Adams, of St. John's to Eric B., son of Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Stenford of Hearst's Content.
At the Church of St. John the Evangelist, Topsail, C.B., on Saturday, Sept. 20th, by the Rev. Arthur Pittman, Margerie Isabel, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Ellis, South Side Road, to John Thomas, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. A. K. Lumsden, Cochrane Street.

DIED.

Passed peacefully away this morning, Captain Patrick Christopher, leaving one son and three daughters, to mourn their great loss of a kind and loving father. Funeral on Wednesday, at 2.30 p.m., from his late residence, 70 Flavel Street. Friends and acquaintances please accept this the only intimation. Rest in Peace.
Died this morning after a long illness, Margaret (Maggie), Hanrahan, aged 21 years, eldest daughter of Bridget and the late Constable Hanrahan, leaving a mother, two brothers and one sister to mourn their sad loss. Funeral on Wednesday, at 2.30 p.m., from her late residence, 49 Barter's Hill.

District
Saint John's West
A meeting of the friends and supporters of the Government Party will be held in the TOTAL ABSTINENCE ARMORY on to-morrow, TUESDAY EVENING at eight o'clock to appoint a committee and make arrangements for the forthcoming general election.
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ST. JOHN'S EAST
Friends and Supporters of the Government in this District will meet in the C. C. Hall on Wednesday, 24th inst., at 8 P. M., for the purpose of organizing for the approaching General Election.
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Shipping Notes.
The Annie L. Warren arrived to W. H. Hynes from Cadiz, with salt. She was 25 days on the passage out. S.S. Graciana sails for Halifax to-morrow morning.
JUST ARRIVED
GREEN TOMATOES.
RIPE TOMATOES.
PICKLING ONIONS.
RED & GREEN PEPPERS.
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CALVER'S,
sept19,31 162 Duckworth St.
KEEP MINARD'S LINIMENT IN THE HOUSE.

Funny Old

Whilst it is difficult for us not to be quite sure as to whether we are either better or worse than our forefathers, it is by no means difficult to be quite sure that we are different from them.
To my mind there is no way in which this difference is so evident as it is in connection with what are known as the funny things of life.
We frequently hear it said by those who can recall—either from personal knowledge, or from what has been told them by others—the sayings and doings of the men and women of the last generation who have been called to their rest, that all the really funny people have gone, and that we, of our best, are but poor imitators of genuine article.

With that sense of humour with which God has blessed me, and for which I am devoutly thankful, I have always loved to recall the past, and to perpetuate in conversation and story, those interesting characters and their funny sayings and doings. With the highest respect for their persons and their memories, I give herewith, a selection of such incidents as come to my mind in support of my assertion, that the men of the past were in every respect of a lighter, (even though unconsciously) funny.

John — was the master cooper in Garland's employ some eight years ago, and Robert Curtis was working in the cooper shop with him. They were men, faithful to the master's interests and needed watching to incite them to duty.
The agent, however, was a mean suspicious person, and always believed that the workmen in the different departments were systematic loafers, and needed watching.

Because of this belief he acquired the habit of moving about quietly and appearing suddenly and unexpectedly, where men were at work. He had done this on several occasions at the cooper shop, with doubtful success. One day as John was working near the window, he caught sight of the agent's hat passing under the window outside, and moving towards the door.
There was no sound to indicate his presence, but when John knew that he was within ear shot, he sneaked (loud enough for him to hear) "Robert, did you ever see a snake?" "No, John," said Robert. "Well, Robert said John, 'there are a good many kinds of snakes, and though they are very different from each other, yet they are all a bad lot. The most venomous of them all, however, is the rattle snake; but although it is so venomous, Robert, yet he is a gentleman. Yes, he's a gentleman, for he always rattles his tail. Robert, and gives you warning of his coming. Yes, Robert he's a gentleman.'"

Evidently the agent, who had been a listener, took the hint, for he moved off as quietly as he had come—and he never came back.

Nanny Jefferies was a little old woman who lived—not in her shop but "around the Point," and was well known in Trinity some sixty years ago.

She was a widow, and as such was entitled to 12½ a quarter from the Government.
One summer the Governor of Newfoundland came to Trinity for an official visit. During his daily unattended walks abroad, he met Nanny one morning, and attracted by her quaint appearance he stopped and asked her name, and how she lived.

Nanny, with no idea as to who the stranger was, replied: "Me dear 'man, I don't live at all. I only ex-

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