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### MARSHALL BROS.

## MR. COAKER ON FOOD INSPECTION; MAKES TELLING REPLY TO ATTACKS MADE ON FISHERMEN'S ADVOCATE

(Continued)

Mr. Halfyard.—Mr. Chairman, in his remarks the hon. member for Burgeo referred to me as having spoken of newspapers, but I must remind the House that it was in the course of the Rt. Hon. Prime Minister's speech that the first mention of The Advocate was made. I merely replied to his argument that the hon. member for Bonavista, Mr. Coaker, was responsible for a certain matter that was written in it, and I said that it was ridiculous to blame my hon. friend for that article, for he had nothing to do with it.

It was the Prime Minister who first brought the newspapers into the House and anybody who reads the debates will know that this is correct for it must have been taken down by the reporters.

However, I cannot see why the matter should be brought in here at the present time at all for it certainly has nothing whatever to do with the Bill now before us.

Behind Time.

I am in accord with the principle of this Bill and I agree with other hon. gentlemen who have said that it should have been brought in long ago. I am especially pleased to know that we shall have inspection of meat and other articles of food, and I am also strongly in favor of pork and salt beef being included. I trust that every section of the Bill will be closely considered for the matter to which it relates is one of much importance to the people.

However, I think we are all stomach and no head for, while we do not look forward to any difficulty in carrying out this Bill to improve our food, we are told that it will be impossible to have compulsory education, which will tend to improve the minds of coming generations, because of the obstacles in the way.

Education Neglected.

Therefore, compulsory education I brushed aside and we take up a measure that promises to build us up physically. While I am in favor of any measure that will improve our bodies I do not think that we should give our attention to our bodies and forget the mental side.

To return to the subject of the news papers, we state that we think it unfair to misrepresent a statement in the papers. The publication of such misrepresented articles should be pro-

hibited. What has caused the greatest amount of dissatisfaction is the statement which originated in The Daily News, and was afterwards copied by The Herald. It was founded on a letter published in The Advocate during the absence of Mr. Coaker. I was responsible—if anyone—for this letter. I was discussing the educational question. I said among other things that undermunicipal schools must come.

False Cry Raised.

The sentence was cut out and kept for a long time, and the cry was raised that we advocated Godless Schools. This was done to poison the minds of the electorate in every newspaper in the Colony. Because we refer to that thing, we are said to be suspicious. We have right to be suspicious.

The fishermen would ever look up on the merchants as rogues if the F.

P.U. did not mend matters. They are getting a little knowledge of merchants and fishermen. Don't think we are fools altogether because we are new to the business. We will throw back anything we don't like. Patriotism is the last refuge of scoundrels. Don't think we will swallow any insults, because we are green horns. We are not educated in the intricacies of party politics as well as are the old hands.

Can't Help Seeing.

We cannot close our eyes to what is going on in the country. Take the Civil Service for instance. We do not find the officials appointed according to their abilities; on the contrary they are appointed because of their political pull, because of their influence with the person in authority.

This question brings to my mind what the Premier said the other day with reference to a competitive sys-

tem. He referred to our lack of education, and said that there were Universities in England one thousand years before Newfoundland was discovered. I think he did not mean that.

We could have a competitive examination for the Civil Service organized on similar lines to those of the C.H.E. I think there would be hundreds of applicants from the boys of the outports. Those who have put in a number of years should be rewarded for their long and faithful service.

No Chance For Outport Boys.

The only thing that the boys of the outports have to look forward to is to get a smattering of education and then come to St. John's and enter as Pupil Teachers. There is no chance of entering the Civil Service.

I want to say, Mr. Chairman, that The Advocate in all its writings did not cause such bitter feeling and prejudice as that utterance with regard to Godless schools that was enlarged upon in every possible way.

The cry of Socialism was also raised. These catch cries were kept up The Herald for all it was worth. I am only defending our position in connection with The Advocate. I had nothing to do with the editorials except in this case, and that was because Mr. Coaker was away.

Asked For It.

Mr. Coaker.—Yesterday some remarks were made in connection with The Advocate. The Premier stated he would lay upon the table of the House a paper in connection with the statement made yesterday.

Rt. Hon. Prime Minister.—Mr. Chairman, I have that paper here. The discussion arose in relation to a statement that was published in The Herald last August. The hon. member has Mr. Halfyard. The hon. member has the quotation and it would be more correct to read from that. His point was that the quotation was not the same as The Advocate. My point was that the wording was practically the same. The wording in The Herald was:

"From your earnings Bishops, Priests and Ministers derive their income. You are five to one yet you have always permitted the one to do with you as it liked. Take the power lying dormant in you and shake those rascals as you would a dog found worrying sheep," etc.

Sir Edward's Contentions.

These are the words published by the Herald and he claimed that that was not the correct copy of what had originally been written in The Advocate. Now I have the original paper and I think it will be found that they are practically the same.

The words are taken from the Fishermen's Advocate of Feb. 5th, 1910. This is the whole article. I will read the whole of it. The hon. member would, I feel sure, like to hear it all:

"This country has been maintained always by you. You pay the salaries of the hosts of employees at St. John's and in the outports. From your earnings, Bishops, Priests, Ministers, Doctors, Lawyers, Politicians, Bookkeepers, Storekeepers, Clerks, Tradesmen of all description derive their incomes. You are five to one, yet you have always permitted the one to do with you as it would. Out of the 50,000 voters in the Colony, you number 40,000. Why then do you permit the 10,000 to handle you as though you were something or nothing? Be men, you have been fools long enough. Take the power lying dormant within you and shake those rascals as you would a dog if discovered killing sheep."

Questioned It.

It will be found that the whole quotation is published verbatim. The hon. member shakes his head, but I put it to the Committee whether the words are not the same as quoted here.

The only point in which a difference lies is in the fact that the Herald did not quote the whole article. This is merely a quotation from an article and a correct quotation. That is what the hon. members asked for and I produced it. The quotation is correct.

Mr. Coaker.—Mr. Chairman, I am sorry that the Prime Minister was not manly enough to say that the Herald had quoted something from The Advocate and had left out important parts of the quotation that would have impressed the reader. But he actually gets on his feet and justifies what the paper said when any fair and reasonable man who compares the two articles knows that what the Herald said was false and untrue.

When It Was Written.

That article was written on a very stormy night at Coakerville, and little did I think at that time that it would become the subject of discussion in the House of Assembly. I am very pleased with that little article. I am proud of it. If it was sent broadcast through the country there is not one man but would say it was fair and just. It speaks well for my friend the member for Placentia. I had followed his speeches up to that time and I knew he was a fair and reasonable man. I hope he will now

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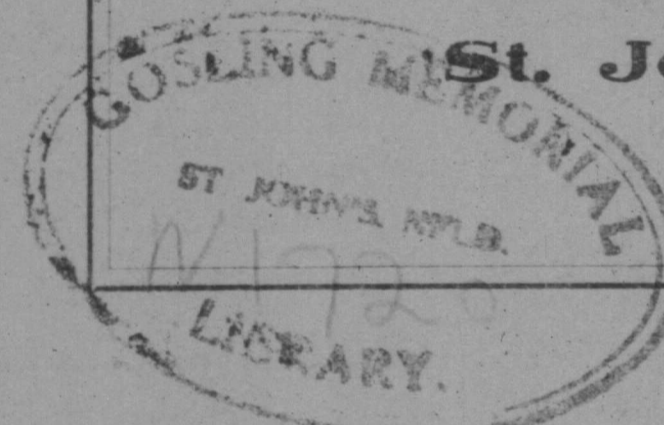
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back me up and see I get fair play. The quotation from the Herald says that the Advocate had published these words:

"From your earnings, bishops, priests and ministers derive their income. You are five to one, yet you have always permitted the one to do with you as it liked. Take the power lying dormant in you and shake off those rascals as you would a dog found killing sheep. They are all your enemies."

What was really said was as follows:

Real Article.

"This country has been maintained always by you. You pay the salaries of the host of employees at St. John's and in the outports. From your earnings, bishops, priests and ministers, doctors, lawyers, politicians, bookkeepers, clerks and tradesmen of every description derive their incomes. You are five to one, yet you have always permitted the one to do with you as it would. Out of 50,000 in the Colony you number 40,000. Why

then do you permit the 10,000 to handle you as though you were something or nothing? Be men, you have been fools long enough. Take the power lying dormant in you, and shake off these rascals who now control you as you would a dog if discovered killing a sheep."

Who Will Deny It?

Now who will deny all this? No one. It is not because reference is made to bishops and clergy that I meant them to be shaken off like dogs killing a sheep. I am a member of the Church of England. I have a bishop. I do not say that he is entirely dependent for his income upon the people of the country. He gets a great deal from foreign societies. But he does get a great deal from local sources, and the Catholic bishops are, I think, entirely dependent upon the people of this country for their income. The article then goes on to say:

"Out of fifty thousand voters in the Colony you number 40,000. Why then do you permit the 10,000 to

### CALL OUR HEARTS GO OUT IN SYMPATHY FOR NEWFOUNDLAND

The loss of the two sealing vessels with over two hundred lives off the coast of Newfoundland gives cause for sadness to the whole Orange Association. Dozens of the brave men who died on the ice floes and in the chilly waters of the Atlantic were enrolled in our Order. Many of them, doubtless, were at the meeting of the Grand Lodge of British America, held in St. John's last summer. Nearly all had loved ones depending on their arduous toil for a livelihood.

We know the members of our Association sympathize deeply with the bereaved families in Newfoundland, many of which lost two or more bread winners in this disaster. We feel sure they will do all they can to swell the fund being raised to provide for the temporal wants of those left behind by the simple, earnest men who were overwhelmed.

—Orange Sentinel.

handle you as if you were something or nothing?"

Peculiar Omission.

That is all left out. He did not trouble to put that in. He left it out and simply took here and there what would injure me. He makes out that I believe that bishops, priest and ministers should be shot or killed as you would a dog after sheep. No such thing was intended and nothing of the kind was said.

There is no one who has more respect for clergymen than I have, and no man with more respect for religion. I am a religious man. I have been President of the F. P. U. for five years, and if the Archangel Gabriel were to come down and examine every action of mine during that period he would certainly say: "You have certainly done well Coaker. Your services have been well performed. Keep on."

There is not a single act of mine during the last five years which I would be ashamed for any man to see. It is not that I think anyone else cannot say the same, but I say it in justification for myself.

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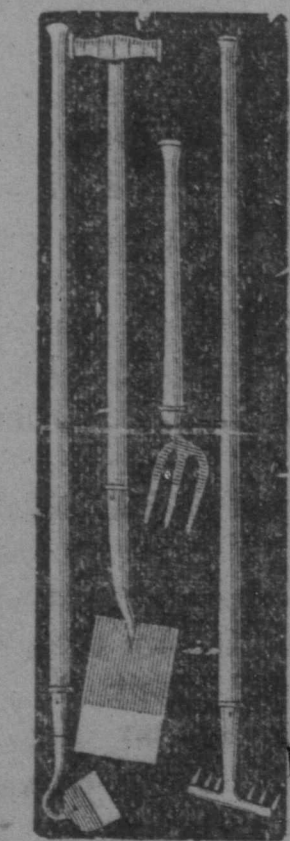
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