

THE THOUGHTS OF THEOBALD.

LANDERS.
I wrote last week of the way we are losing our assets, instancing Bell Island and its wealth. Now we are faced with a new Reid Deal that takes pretty well all that we have left and the future map will show a small margin round the coasts that will represent all that is left of Newfoundland for Newfoundlanders.

In this Deal we are parting with our most valuable water powers and it means another step for monopolistic control and domination of this country. Reids control it too much already, and this deal is objectionable from this very fact. The wretched state of the railway is one way in which the country is not treated fairly, the freights charged when Reids are the only carriers of freight to a port is another, and this Government has shown its hand plainly in accepting the help of the Reid group last election, and it is well known that the Reids spared neither time nor money to elect Sir Edward Morris.

Some officials were given holidays at the time and every influence that could be brought to bear was used. Now is this the reward? They have been paid for building the railway branches but have only operated one, and now comes the crowning act. The Nfd Products Co. is a Reid Co. The resolutions are drawn by a Director of the Products Co. to whom the concessions are given and drawn by him at the instance of the Premier? Can you wonder that Reid preferred to have Sir E. P. Morris to deal with than Sir Robert Bond? More than ever is it brought home to us that the same administration of Bond brought the island prosperity, and that the prosperity has been shattered in a few years. Newfoundland for Newfoundlanders—let that be the cry. Why should we sell ourselves for a bit of labour? And what right have we to larter away not only the people's right to be, but the rights of the generation to be. In fifty years, or less than fifty years' time, conditions will be changed and monopolies and land domination will have passed away, and what a heritage are we leaving our children.

I consider this measure to be quite as important to the people as Prohibition, but yet we do not hear anything of letting the people vote on it. I repeat that the concession of land and water powers should not be given to a monopolist, no matter what millions are spent in labour. These millions will never buy it back from Reid. Let us remember what happened to Ireland and how its people became almost exiled from their birthplace.

PROTECTION.

Apart from the main objection, why should the Nfd. Products Co. be exempt from taxation forever? What return is the Colony to get? Are the Reid-Nfd. Products Co. bound down to buy from local industries? As a matter of fact do we find the Reid Nfd. Co. encouraging our home industries? Make enquiries and you will find that only when forced does Reid buy locally, and in this connection I suspect it is largely the fault of their own system of giving the powers of purchasing to one individual who is a venal "chief." Does this contract provide that the Reid used in construction should be made here or that the local made paint should be used? Not one word about it. Is there no way to stop this outrageous contract from being ratified by the Assembly? Is it to be put before Country? We are at the crisis. Are we to be rushed into this last ditch or are we going to exert all the strength of Newfoundland for Newfoundlanders? Let us defeat the measure, overturn the Government, and rise at last a freed people, with a Government of the People, for the People and by the People?

SAVAGE LAND LAWS.

It is peculiar that the peoples of the past, whom we term savages and civilized, had views about land that show a spirit vastly in advance of our modern ideas, and a more Christian way of dealing with land than we do in this Christian era. Take the following instance:

"The white settlers of New Zealand found themselves unable to get from the Maoris what the latter considered a complete title to land, because, although a whole tribe might have consented to a sale, they would still claim with every new child born among them an additional payment on the ground that they had only parted with their own rights, and could not sell those of the unborn. The Government was obliged to step in and settle the matter by buying land for a tribal annuity, in which every child that is born acquires a share."

And in these days it is possible for one man to own a continent and exclude the rest of the world! They will only live by his permission!

TAXATION.
The results of last year's trading show that an increased tariff does not always bring an increased revenue. The increase of \$750,000.00 that was anticipated by the increased tariff put in force in the winter of 1914 has not materialized by any means, rather the revenue has gone back for almost a like amount, and we find that at the very least the Colony will be on the wrong side by a very large amount by June 30th. This shows that while we have been spending our money, we have got less for it, as it follows that owing to increased prices a dollar does not go as far now as it did a year ago, so the revenue suffered. The fault lies exactly with the tinkering of the tariff. It shows that there is not as much surplus money in the country that some would make us believe; if there were, it would have been spent more freely than the imports show. All this proves that in governments as with business it is better to turn over a large amount of business for a small profit than to turn over a small amount at a large profit. The easier the tariff is made the more importations you will have, the people will buy the goods at a cheaper price, and buy more frequently.

Many of our tariff items are high in order to benefit our local industries. This is a desirable thing to do if the industry we protect does not take advantage of it to inflate the prices of their products and make an exorbitant profit. Unfortunately there are some industries that apparently come under this category, and so we have to pay a high price for goods, the profit on which goes to a comparatively few shareholders.

Government examination of the books of local industries so protected may well be made and is something that could be done at once. At any rate every effort should be made to lower the indirect taxation under which we labour at present, and if we could at some future date change it to a direct tax, so much the better; a form of limited Free Trade would remove the burden from the shoulders of the middle class and the direct tax would place the burden on the shoulders of those best able to bear it.

The imports of flour so far show about 40,000 barrels more imported this year than last. Now it may be easily seen that this extraordinary quantity of flour was not bought at a high price. Merchants don't usually buy flour when it is high in large quantities. From this I should conclude that the profit on flour during the last four months has been in the neighbourhood of one hundred thousand dollars. This is called good business. It may be business but is it good?

BUSINESS.

Is a man justified in getting all he can? If a man buys a plot of land for one hundred dollars and in a few years the land adjacent is taken up and built upon, the street becomes a busy one and what was a barren once becomes a city, what takes place? Why the man will be able to hire his land to another for a hundred dollars rent per year, thus getting back what he paid for it every year and still own the land. And what is this causing? The man who hired the land has built a shop on it and to his costs he has to add the hundred dollars he pays for ground rent. This in turn makes prices high and adds to the worry and anxiety of the family man, lessens his comforts and shortens the schooling of his children. And all this time the landlord sits back and fattens on values which have been created, not by him, but by those who have worked around him. He does nothing, and if by chance the man on his land is successful, then more than likely he will put up the rent.

This is a typical case of the real estate deals we heard so much about a few years ago in Western Canada and it is considered good business. And how it separates the poor and the rich. Money buys a good site, as it buys almost everything in the world, but how wrong it is. As regards land, I hold that it should be vested in the Crown and allotted out without fear or favour in small plots sufficient for house and garden and that occupation be the only title to the land. This would prevent the gambling in land and make life easier for us all.

The arbitration fees paid in connection with the railway building of late years seem to me to be some of the most extraordinary payments ever made. Men have taken \$6,000.00, \$6,000.00 and more for work which at the most has not taken two months of their time, and at the same time they have been drawing a regular salary from the government funds. How they square with their consciences I cannot imagine. From any point you view them the payments are unjust and unreasonable and could not be taken if men elected to conserve the Colony's interests and its funds thought for a moment of their Duty.

Devine's

Latest War News condensed and handed out in readable form.

WORKMEN!

YOU we are addressing to-day, and please hear what we have to say. See that that dollar of yours does its duty. Read our FRIDAY and SATURDAY BARGAIN LIST.

Arrow

Collars

Young man, we are after you. We now carry a full line of the famous Arrow Collars, without doubt the most popular collar in the city.

Men's Mackintoshes

We are showing to-day a very serviceable Rain Coat for men; all sizes, in fawn shade, bought at a bargain and sold in the regular way at \$7.50 to \$8.50. Friday & Saturday... \$5.00

BLOUSES

We have an excellent line of Blouses (Job), usually sold at \$1.00, \$1.50 and \$2.00 each. We are going to clear up the lot Friday and Saturday at... 50c

WORKINGMEN'S SHIRTS!

Madam you must select your husband's Shirt when he hasn't time to come himself. Isn't it important that you take no chances in this matter? Come down to DEVINE'S Friday and Saturday, as hundreds of your friend ladies are doing, and get the best that's made in Shirts of all kinds.

See the shaped khaki reinforced stitches, full size; not a 16 in. collar with a 13 1/2 in. body, but a roomy, well-built shirt all round. Generally sold at \$1.10. Friday and Saturday... 85c

Black Sateen Shirts (good ones). Regular \$1.20... 95c

Friday and Saturday... 50c

Regatta Shirts, in dark shades; 75c. kind... 50c

Friday and Saturday... 49c

A SNAZ—20 doz. Men's Negligee, all sizes, nicely striped; the kind you've been paying 75c. for. Friday and Saturday... 1.80

Men who like some class, drop in and see what we are showing in White and Cream Poplin, with and without collars (soft), double cuffs. A Shirt for any occasion. Friday and Saturday, each... 1.80

Overalls for Men

Take it from me, we are come to stay in the Overall racket, and have the two best lines in the world, viz., Sweet-err and Star Union Overalls, in Stiffels, Indigo and Blue Derry. Will wear out two pairs of the slip-kind, with and without bibs. None just as good; they're best. Price from \$1.50 per garment.

In cheaper grades we can give you an Overall usually sold for 75c. Friday and Saturday... 59c

Men's Pants

from \$1.00

You must have Pants. If you don't know, you should, that you can save money by panting yourself here. Serviceable Strong Pants Friday & Saturday from... \$1.00

Men's Khaki Pants for the country from... \$1.50 to \$4.00.

Savory Roasters

Mr. Wholesale Man, your customers would like a Savory Roaster. Drop in and let us quote you prices.

Moth Proof Sates

They're going. You owe it to those valuable furs of yours that they be kept free from moths. Only a few remaining. Come in and look 'em over. Price... \$1.50

Listen to this--Fire! Fire

Purchased from the recent fire stock of Noah, 100 pairs strong Boots, sizes 6 to 8; men's in Box Cali, Blucher cut, not damaged. Regularly sold at \$2.50 and \$3.00 pair. Out they go Friday and Saturday at... \$1.50

Just marked, 10 doz. pairs Men's American regular stock Boots, in Box Cali, Blucher cut. Generally \$2.70 pair. Friday and Saturday... \$2.50

SEE OUR NEW AFRICAN BOOT AT \$3.50.

One Piece Dresses and Costumes.

Here's where we shine, ladies! Come in and see the \$11.00, \$16.00, \$17.00 and \$17.50 New York Tailored Costumes moving out at \$5.55, \$7.90 and \$9.00, in Blue Serge, Tip-top collar; smart New York effects. The price, remember it, One-Piece Dresses all kinds, Friday and Saturday from... \$5.95

WE HAVE ALWAYS ROOM FOR A LIVE SALESMAN or SALESLADY.

J. M. Devine,

THE RIGHT HOUSE, Cor. Water & Adelaide Streets.

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We hold the field in this line, and Friday & Saturday year can supply your Corset needs by buying the reduced ones of Devine's. See this \$1.00 line. Friday & Sat... 75c

Household Notes.

In boiling vegetables, just enough water to cover is a good rule. Save all the discarded peckles—they may be useful for patching. Hold a hot shovel over varnished furniture to take out white spots. Drain dishes in a wire drying basket and lots of time will be saved. Sun and cleanliness are two of the best preventives of moths in woollens. Cold tea used on varnished floors or woodwork of any kind will give it a beautiful luster. Fry dripping liver in milk before frying. It will fry a nice brown and will not be hard. A charming little bonbon basket can be made by covering a finger bowl with crocheted raffia. Have an individual towel rack in every bedroom—then there is no doubt where each one's towel is. Save old quilts for the padding of new ones. Of course these old quilts must be washed first.

Any floor, whatever the finish, should be dusted every day, if you would have it in good condition. Baste a strip of sandpaper to a Turkish bath mat on the under side and it will keep the mat from slipping. Furs should be well sunned and aired and sent to a reliable cold storage plant at the first hint of warm weather. The most efficient housewife gets rid of all useless trash, thereby making her work easier and her house pleasanter.

If iodine is spilled the stain may be removed by soaking the article in cold water to which strong ammonia has been added. That good old standby, a mixture of lemon juice and glycerine, is a great comfort to the hands, especially in housecleaning time. Grass stains can be removed from white serge costumes by spreading powdered magnesia over the marks, leaving it on for a day, then brushing off.

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Says They are the Very Best.

MR. J. A. HILL TELLS WHAT DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS DID FOR HIM.

He Suffered For Four Months From Kidney Trouble but Found Quick Relief When He Used Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Sixty-Nine Corners, Ont., April 30th. (Special). — "I know that Dodd's Kidney Pills are the very best of medicines." Such is the statement made by Mr. J. A. Hill, a well known resident of this place. "I was sick for six months," Mr. Hill continues. "My troubles started from a cold that seemed to settle in my back. My joints were stiff and I had cramps in my muscles, my appetite was fitful and I was heavy and sleepy after meals. I had a bitter taste in my mouth, and I was always tired and nervous. "I used four boxes of Dodd's Kidney Pills and the great benefit they did me is what makes me say, 'They are the best of medicines.'"

Dodd's Kidney Pills cure sick Kidneys, and Mr. Hill's symptoms are the symptoms of Kidney disease, consequently he found quick relief in Dodd's Kidney Pills. They always cure Kidney Disease.

GERMAN MINE LAYERS IN NORTH SEA SUNK BY BRITISH CRUISERS.

London, April 24th. Your correspondent understands that there has been no naval fighting in the North Sea. The true explanation of the origin of the reports to this effect is that a patrolling squadron frustrated by gun fire an attempt by the Germans to lay mines in immense numbers by means of trawlers. The squadron sighted numerous apparently innocent trawlers flying the Norwegian flag. The weather was thick and the density of the fog in part of the area resulted in a collision between one of the British warships and a trawler. The latter was instantly blown up by a terrific explosion. The other trawlers tried to escape but were pursued and captured. It was then discovered that they were Germans whereupon they were sunk by gunfire, which with the huge explosions of the trawlers, gave a vivid impression of a battle. The incident is additionally interesting in view of the endeavors to again raise the cry of Great Britain's misuse of neutral flags.

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Ah! How "Tiz" Helps Tired, Aching Feet

"O, Glorious Relief! How my sore, swollen, sweaty, calloused feet ached for 'Tiz.'"



"Pull, Johnny, Pull!" Ah! what relief. No more tired feet; no more burning feet; no more swollen, bad smelling, sweaty feet. No more soreness in corns, callouses, bunions. No matter what ails your feet or what under the sun you've tried without getting relief, just use "TIZ." "TIZ" is the only remedy that draws out all the poisonous exudations which puff up the feet. "TIZ" cures your foot trouble so you'll never limp or draw up your face in pain. Your shoes won't seem tight and your feet will never, never hurt or get sore and swollen. Think of it, no more foot misery, no more agony from corns, callouses or bunions. Get a 25 cent box at any drug store or department store and get instant relief. Wear smaller shoes. Just once try "TIZ." Get a whole year's foot comfort for only 25 cents. Think of it.

The Principal Movie Stars

Are always to be seen at the Crescent Picture Palace. Francis X. Bushman, Robby Connolly, the Vitagraph juvenile actor, Margaret Gibson, George Cooper and other noted film stars appear to-day in features produced by the best film makers. You are always sure to see a superior class of pictures at the Crescent. Open every afternoon at 2 o'clock and evenings at 7 o'clock. Go to-day and see what the Crescent is offering.

BANISH THE BAR IN SASKATCHEWAN.

Vanguard, Sask., April 23.—That the Government of Saskatchewan would carry through its new temperance policy, or go down to defeat in the attempt, was the declaration made by Premier Scott at a public meeting here to-night at which the speakers were Hon. Mr. Scott, S. R. Moore, M. P. P., and Rev. Mr. Leitch. Both Mr. Moore and Mr. Leitch declared themselves as emphatically in favor of the banish the bar principles outlined by Premier Scott, and their declarations met with strong approval by the meeting.

Premier Scott dealing with the opposition to his temperance policy which has made itself manifest in certain quarters of late, said: "I have only to say that the Government will carry through and put into operation the measure which I outlined at Oxbow or go down to defeat in the attempt."

In regard to dispensaries, Premier Scott said that it is agreed that the wholesale traffic shall exist, at least, until the year 1919. "Our scheme proposes that this wholesale traffic shall not remain in private hands, but under direct Government management, to be controlled and managed by the Government which has framed and is responsible for the measure destroying the retail traffic and which will be wholly and sincerely desirous of having the new order of things become a success."

Reserve Company

Post Cards of the RESERVE COMPANY which left on the Stephano Thursday now on sale at

PARSONS' Art Store,

THE CAMERA HOUSE, Five Cents Each. apr24,15

HOUSEHOLD NOTES.

Ink stains may be taken out of silk with sour milk.

Pineapple juice will remove cherry stains from the hands.

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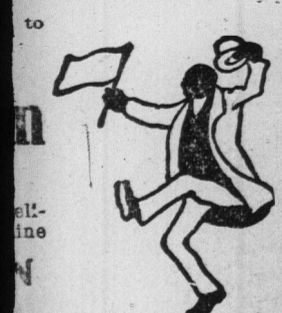
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