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A BAD BARGAIN.

In the year of grace, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen a certain promising young politician deemed that the time was ripe for him to become leader of a party, and with the consent of a few of his backers and supporters he thereupon organized, with the assistance of a powerful burgher of the North, a brand new party which he christened Liberal-Reform. Days passed briskly in the work of organization, and ultimately the budding young tribune issued a document—most marvelously and intricately worded—which he styled a manifesto, the burden of which was a promise to lessen taxation and keep the Railway Company in its proper place. Time wore on, and the people, placing faith in the promises of this so accomplished leader and having confidence in his professions of doing much good in their behalf, voted him and his party into power. His so loudly expressed threat to put the Railway Company where it belonged had impressed itself upon the electors who for a period had been obliged to sweat under the freight and passenger rates charged. And therefore they, in their innocence, had faith in their young leader and trusted him implicitly, being greatly pleased over his promises. Therefore they persuaded themselves that here was a Daniel come to judgment and gave him their fidelity.

But what an awakening! Since the entering into possession of the Government by the ruler who was going to discipline the Railway Company, assisted by his Northern colleague, have matters improved in any way to the advantage of the people. Have they benefitted by the ultra favorable attitude of the Government toward the contractors? The promise that they would be put in their place has vanished, and instead the people find that more and still more taxes have been piled upon them, in order that the insatiable financial appetite of railway operation may be appeased. Millions of dollars have been paid out into the Treasury of the Company that losses on operation might be met. Thus the Government have bled the people, for far from putting the contractors in their place, the ambitious young tribune has catered to their every wish and desire and the people now are overburdened with the weight of the load they are called upon to sustain. Millions of dollars spent on railway operation and millions more to be spent. Can carefully the statement of disbursements of the Six Million Dollar Loan of 1921 published in yesterday's Telegram and Daily News and note the handsome monthly and semi-monthly sums paid on account of the railway. And that is the idea of the present Prime Minister of putting the contractors in their place. Unfortunately it has been the

wrong place for Newfoundland, which is now standing for losses incurred on railway operation, a condition which never should have permitted, because had not the Commission of 1920-21 tinkered with railway running and thus laid the Colony open to the obligation of paying for the mistakes and ignorance of the said Commission, the Company would have been obliged to operate or forfeit.

At the House.

AN INNOCENT ABROAD—MR. JENNINGS IN TROUBLE—TREMENDOUS LOSSES ON FISH.

The Minister of Public Works was responsible yesterday for a heated and exciting finish to what would have been a very quiet session. Mr. Jennings has been most obstreperous throughout the present session, and has simply been looking for trouble. When he rose yesterday afternoon, on the motion to adjourn, to reply to charges made against him in the House and in the press, it was apparent that he was in great labour.

DIRTY SLIMY POLITICS.

Mr. Jennings said the attacks on him were unwarranted, and he could only put it down to "dirty slimy politics." The Opposition were ready enough to reveal scandals now, but nothing was said about the big scandal in the summer of 1919 in connection with a public institution. What the scandal was, Mr. Jennings would not say. He then stated that he could not possibly supervise all road construction undertaken by his department. How carefully had the proprietor of the Daily News supervised the G.P.O. when he was there, asked the Minister? But what he resented most was the attack on his personal character.

THE INNOCENT ABROAD.

Mr. Jennings contended that he should no more be expected to supervise road work than was the Leader of the Opposition to look after his department when he was finance minister.

Sir Michael Cashin—"Oh, you're an innocent abroad."
Mr. Jennings—"I'm not as big a fool as you take me for."
Sir Michael Cashin—"I know you're not. You're the reverse of a fool."

Mr. Jennings—"Your opinion does not go far."
Sir Michael Cashin—"It seems to me to be a good one."

Mr. Jennings—"If you want my character I would advise you to go to my home town and find out what they think of me."
Sir Michael Cashin—"You couldn't lose your character when all you've done is to tame gulls. Perhaps now you're up you can tell us something about the Humber Deal and how you went back on Coaker."

Mr. Jennings concluded by hoping that any further charges would have more foundation.

SIR MICHAEL'S REPLY.

Sir Michael Cashin replied to Mr. Jennings in language which while not offensive, nevertheless had the effect of making the unfortunate Minister simply squirm in his seat. The Minister, said Sir Michael, was labouring under a misapprehension as any charge made by him was not a personal one, but was made against him in his official capacity. Mr. Jennings was responsible for all work undertaken by his department. Mr. J. Alex. Robinson, whom Mr. Jennings had attacked, was one of the cleanest men in local journalism. The Minister had got into the House by accident, under the tail of Mr. Coaker, and after the next election he would never be heard of again. "Personally I have nothing against you," but as the head of a department you are no good," concluded Sir Michael.

TREMENDOUS LOSSES.

The Order Paper was practically cleaned up during the sitting. The Prime Minister is evidently anxious to close the House before Hon. W. F. Coaker returns for he gave notice of Supply for Wednesday and Ways and Means for Friday. From the answers to questions asked by various Opposition members, tremendous losses in fish and pulp wood were exposed. The Government had lost the huge sum of \$235,000 on their purchase of Labrador fish. Of the \$462,000 given out in guaranteeing supplies for the fishery, returns up to the present equalled only \$50,000 or in other words, there is a loss of \$412,000. On pulp wood cutting the Government has lost \$183,000. The House adjourned at 4.30 p.m. until Monday when the Loan Resolutions will be debated.

Spring is Here.

We take no responsibility whatever for this statement, merely basing our assertion on information supplied by a keen observer, who says that the real indications of the coming of spring are found in two ways. The first being when the schoolboys open their initial game of marbles, as occurred to-day; the second that the sight of a painter going through the streets with the paraphernalia of his trade. You can take your choice of either as the true evidence.

Eat MRS. STEWART'S Home Made Bread.—oct18,6mo

Reports From the Fleet.

OVER 50,000 ACCOUNTED FOR.

Last night's messages to the sealing ship owners was not more hopeful than that received on the previous occasion. Owing to foggy weather the past three days nothing could be seen by the barrel men. In fact it was so thick that the S.S. Terra Nova has lost ten pans which were blown from their position. There is a lot of uncertainty about the positions given by the captains, and those following the matter closely say that they cannot be relied upon. The S.S. Eagle did not report last night and is supposed to be working south looking for the main pack. The following are the messages received last night:

BOWING BROS.

Terra Nova (Friday p.m.)—Finished picking up seals panned on the 16th. On board and stowed down 15,000. Ten pans wheeled to the South East, too foggy to find them. Cannot do anything without a swell.

Viking—5 miles N.E. by N. St. Paul's. On board and stowed 7,700. On pens 6,000. All well.

Ranger and Eagle—No report.

JOE BROS. & CO.
Neptune—Took 200 to-day, steaming east, weather foggy; position 50 miles S.E. of Funks.
Thetis—Jammed all day; position same as yesterday.

REID-NFLD. CO.

Sagana—This ship reported yesterday morning as being 60 miles east of Bonavista steaming east in search of Cotton's patch. The ship has 7,500.

THE CATCH TO DATE.

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| Terra Nova | 15,000 |
| Viking | 13,700 |
| Thetis | 13,500 |
| Eagle | 11,400 |
| Neptune | 10,200 |
| Diana | 7,000 |
| Sagana | 7,500 |
| Ranger | 3,000 |
| Total | 80,900 |

Harbinger of Spring.

One swallow does not always make a summer, but the first motor car out is an almost certain harbinger of spring. A touring machine, all dolled up and resplendent with new varnish and polished, nickelled parts, was noticeable in front of the Board of Trade Building this forenoon. Being such a fine day, the owner could not resist the impulse to try the roads.

Be sure U attend Dancing Classes, S. U. F. Hall, every Monday and Thursday night.—mar25,21

Shipping Notes.

S.S. Rosalind was due to leave Halifax at noon to-day for New York. The ship will leave on the return trip on the 29th inst.
S.S. Canadian Sapper sailed for Halifax at 8 a.m. to-day.
Schooner C. Bryant sailed for Pernambuco this morning cleared by the Customs.
Schooner Isabel Moore sailed this morning for Barbados with a cargo fish cleared by Hickman & Co.
S.S. Watchful sailed this a.m. for Westville. The ship took some 6 or 7 passengers for intermediate ports.
S.S. Sabie I. sailed at 6 a.m. to-day for Halifax.
Schooner E. D. Bally sailed to-day from Carbonear for Alicante with 3,800 qtls. Shore, 750 qtls. Labrador codfish and 72 qtls. haddock, cleared by W. & J. Moore.

Report From S. S. Seal.

Messrs. Baine Johnston & Co. received the following message last night from Capt. Jacob Kean of the S.S. Seal:—"Wind have been southerly. We saw scattered white ice to-day. Very thick fog. Steamed 5 miles. Ice broken but very heavy. Everything working very well."

Cruelty to Horse.

What exactly constitutes cruelty to an animal was the difficult problem which Judge Morris had to decide this morning when a cabman was charged with cruelly ill-treating his horse. The defendant had smashed the horse on the nose and had used his knee on its flank in an attempt to make it move back. He was ordered to pay costs.

McMurdo's Store News.

SATURDAY, March 25.
It may seem early to talk about seeds, but the fact is that we have all our seeds for the coming season on the premises and will have them open and ready for sale during the next few days. We have a full line of farm vegetables and flower seeds from Sutton's and a consignment of American Cabbage Seeds from Thorburn's. Both firms are recognized as being at the top of their trade. Our Seed Catalogue for 1922 is in the press. Send your name and address for one post free.

Curliana.

As will be seen from the advertisement in another column, the Curlers are holding a Five and Forty Card Tournament on Tuesday next, the 28th inst. at 8 o'clock. Two very handsome prizes have been presented by two of the guests of the Association as an appreciation. Both the first prize and the booby prize are valuable ones and something worth winning. The House Committee are looking forward to a large attendance as the last Tournament was very much enjoyed by all.

SHEA will offer Boys' Suits Monday night; also Child's Spring and Summer Coats.—mar25,21

Our Local Peeps

HIS DIARY.

March 24th.—Towards the office at noon, on my way meeting Mr. Cave, that is Minister of Shipping, and to discourse with him about politics. Anon to the Board of Trade, where I fell in talk with Sir P. T. McGrath and our discourse about his article on the Canadian elections. The House sat for but a short time and Sir R. Squires tells how the Government did lose close on three quarters of a million dollars over fish and pulp wood. Anon, to talk with divers Parliament men about certain matters, and Mr. Bennett shows me a message from Major Cotton which says how the ice on the pond. And is like to mean he will fly here soon from Botwood. Home and up to my wife, and there she shows me a new hat, which I am to give her and I am not much troubled at it. It will cost me near \$25—she costing me but little compared with other wives and I have not many occasions to spend money on her. Out at night and to play at Bridge with friends. So home and to bed.

Fire Destroys House.

The house of George Bennett, Sr., of Port au Bras, Burin, was completely destroyed by fire yesterday morning. This news was conveyed in a message to Mr. John T. Cheeseman, M.H.A., for Burin. The fire broke out in the early morning and despite all efforts to fight it could not be placed under control. The loss is a heavy one to the owner. It is not known whether or not he carries insurance.

Aeroplane Coming.

A message received by Mr. John R. Bennett yesterday from Major Cotton tends to create the impression that the airman will fly to St. John's soon. The message asks if the ice on the pond is safe. It is not known whether Major Cotton will fly to the icefields again in a further attempt to locate the main patch. Such a flight would now be attended by many risks.

Birthday Number.

The March number of the "Fleur de Lis," official organ of the Boy Scout's Association of Newfoundland, celebrates the third birthday of the magazine. The number is full of interesting matter, including articles on various topical subjects and some original adventure stories. The Fleur de Lis is making steady progress and deserves to be congratulated upon its third birthday number.

Weather and Ice.

Foggy—Strong S.W. wind; no ice outside Fox Island.
Westport—Strong N.W. wind, fine; still ice bound.
Nipper's Harbor—Wind W., strong breeze; fair and cold.
Flower's Cove—Strong breeze, N. wind; fair and cold; ice packed in again.
Newtown—N.W. winds; no ice to be seen.

Supreme Court.

(Before Mr. Justice Kent.)
The Owners of S.S. Karma plaintiff vs. Nfld. Shipping Co., Ltd. defendants and A. H. Murray and A. E. Hickman as third parties.
Howley, K.C. for plaintiff asks leave to amend statement of claims by adding A. E. Hickman & Co., Ltd. as a defendant to the alternative claim, and by making the Nfld. Shipping Co. and A. E. Hickman jointly and severally in the alteration to the second claim. Motion, K.C. for A. E. Hickman & Co., Ltd. moves for a postponement of application to Tuesday, March 28th. Mr. L. E. Emerson for defendant asks leave to amend defence. The other hearing is adjourned until March 28th. The amount of \$5,200 is claimed in the action for damages to the ship Karma.

Obituary.

MR. MOSES PIKE.
The death took place last evening at his home, 35 Alexander Street, after an illness of week, of Mr. Moses Pike (Cooper). The deceased is survived by a wife and two daughters, Mrs. Fred Pretty, Carbonear, and Mrs. F. J. MacKay, this city; also four sons, Hayward and Parvey residing here, and John and Len in the United States. Mr. Pike was in his 72nd year. Interment takes place to-morrow afternoon. The Telegram extends sympathy to the bereaved relatives.

Here and There.

Eat MRS. STEWART'S Home Made Bread.—oct18,6mo

On sale to-day, Price 5c. The "Fleur-de-Lis."—mar25,11

Why not attend Dancing Class held at S. U. F. Hall Mondays and Thursdays?—mar25,21

If you want a beautiful Spring Raglan, come to SHEA'S Monday night.—mar25,21

HERRING FISHING.—A message to the Marine and Fisheries Department states that the herring fishery at Springdale was poor for the past week and only 100 tubs were taken.

Make Him bring you to the S. U. F. Hall on Mondays and Thursdays and learn you how to dance.—mar25,21

Here and There.

Buy the "Fleur-de-Lis." 11
All-Wool Blankets at SHEA'S Monday night.—mar25,21

Buy the "Fleur-de-Lis" to-day. mar25,11

The "Fleur-de-Lis" March issue out to-day.—mar25,11
Where do I spend my Monday and Thursday evenings? Why, Dancing Class at S. U. F. Hall, certainly.—mar25,21

Memorial Billiards to-night at 8 o'clock, C.C.C. Hall; Hickey, K. of C. vs. Knowling, City; Rabbitts, Masonic, vs. Spratt, T.A.; French, B.I.S. vs. Power, K. of C. Admission 25c.—mar25,11

Ladies' Blouses in Silk, Lawn and Muslin at SHEA'S Monday night; also Skirts and one-piece Dresses.—mar25,21

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.

VETS' RAFFLE! RAFFLE! RAFFLE! To-night, Saturday, G. W. V. A. Building at 9 o'clock. Vets' Sweep \$1.00 tickets, eight for ten cents. Positively only 350 tickets to be raffled. Winners: 1st \$500.00, 2nd \$200.00, 3rd \$100.00. Every other boat \$50.00. One ticket has one chance in 168. Try your luck for ten cents.—11

If you want an Umbrella, Lady's or Gent's, come to SHEA'S Monday night.—21

"SOMETHING NEW AT NELDER'S."—Try our Bonella Massage (The restful road to beauty) known in United States and Canada as "Mud Massage." It clears the complexion and gives it colour; removes blackheads and pimples, lifts out the lines, closes enlarged pores, rebuilds drooping facial tissues and gives renewed life to the nerve centres. Makes the skin soft and velvety.—mar24,21

THE NEW HANSARD.—The Hansard or Official Report of the Debates in the Legislature for the session of 1921 is now practically completed and will be issued next week. It contains over 300 pages more than the Hansard for the previous year which was then the largest on record.

CURLIANA.—A Five and Forty Card Tournament will be held in the Curlers' Parlor on Tuesday evening next, the 28th inst., commencing at 8 o'clock. Both first prize and Booby prize are valuable, useful and costly, and a full attendance of Curlers is being looked forward to by the House Committee. "BE UP AND DON'T RE SHORT." A. H. SALTER, Sec'y.—Treasurer.—mar25,11

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, Phone 124. Box 994. St. John's.

DEED.

At Marlton, New Jersey, on January 18th, Frederick Strobel, aged 83 years. At Marlton, New Jersey on February 25th, Mary A., aged 73 years, widow of the late Frederick Strobel and daughter of the late William and Elizabeth Smith.
This morning, after a short illness, Charlotte Clark, beloved wife of Thos. Hann, aged 67 years, leaving a husband, two sons and three daughters, also one brother, J. H. Clark, of G.P. O. to mourn their loss. Funeral on Monday, at 2.30 p.m. from her late residence, 225 Theatre Hill.
Passed peacefully away on Friday evening, after a short illness, Moses, beloved husband of Dorcas Pike, aged 72 years, leaving a wife, four sons, two daughters and one brother to mourn the loss of a kind and loving husband and father. Funeral on to-morrow (Sunday) at 2.30 p.m. from his late residence 35 Alexander Street. Friends and acquaintances please accept this the only intimation.

NOTE OF THANKS.—Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Malone wish to thank sincerely Dr. Brehm, Matron Reid, Nurses Hampton, Greenslade, Stirling and Snelgrove for their kindness and attention to their son, James, during his stay at the Fever Hospital.—adv.

NOTE OF THANKS.—Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Comerford, Heart's Content, desire to thank the friends who sent wreaths and flowers to adorn the coffin of their dear son Bob; those who sent telegrams and letters of sympathy; those who personally offered condolence and all who helped in any way to lighten the burden of their sad bereavement. They are especially grateful to the Sisters of Mercy, to Rev. Bro. J. E. Ryan, Principal of St. Bonaventure's College, to Rev. Bro. J. C. Penney, and to Rev. Bro. M. F. Ryan for the great consolation given them whilst in St. John's. It is noteworthy that one of Bob's last letters home contained the following in reference to the kindness he received from the Brothers of the College: "To live with them is just like Heaven."

KNOWLING'S Ladies' and Children's Raglan, Mackintosh, Oil Coat BARGAINS Many items less than Half Price.

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| LADIES' KHAKI OIL COATS—Reg. Price 7.60. | Sale Price 3.95 |
| LADIES' DULL RUBBER COATS—Reg. Price 12.75 | Sale Price 4.90 |
| LADIES' MACKINTOSHES—Colors Navy, Fawn, Grey. Reg. Price 8.25 to 22.50 | Sale Price 4.90 to 9.50 |
| LADIES' MACKINTOSHES—Silk finish, shot effect. Reg. Price 10.80 to 29.50 | Sale Price 4.90 to 12.75 |
| LADIES' RAGLANS—Lined and unlined. Reg. Price 10.50 to 38.50 | Sale Price 8.75 to 20.00 |
| CHILD'S & MISSES' OIL COATS—24 to 42 inches. Reg. Price 7.60 to 16.00 | Sale Price 4.60 to 9.60 |
| CHILD'S & MISSES' DULL RUBBER COATS—Sizes 6 to 16 years. Reg. Price 11.25 to 12.50 | Sale Price 5.15 to 6.15 |
| CHILD'S & MISSES' MACKINTOSHES—Grey, Navy and Fawn. Reg. Price 9.00 to 12.25 | Sale Price 3.75 to 8.00 |
| CHILD'S & MISSES' RAGLANS—Lined and unlined. Reg. Price 9.75 to 16.40 | Sale Price 5.20 to 7.25 |

LADIES' UMBRELLAS.

Fashionable Handles. Regular Price 2.00 to 10.00.

Sale Price, \$1.25 to \$6.70

G. KNOWLING, LTD.

G.W.V.A RAFFLE TO-NIGHT

G. W. V. A. Store at 9 o'clock to-night. Eight (8) Vets' Sweep \$1.00 Tickets for ten cents. Positively only 350 tickets to be raffled. Winners: 1st, \$500.00; 2nd, 200.00; 3rd, 100.00; every other boat 50.00. One ticket has one chance in 168. Try your luck for ten cents. mar25,11

CLEAN-UP SALE!

During this week and the next we intend clearing certain lines, in order to make room for incoming stock. Below we make mention of some special values.

\$2.75 Misses' Mackintosh Capes!

About 15 Misses' Capes with plaid lined hood. These are waterproof; only two sizes, 39 inches and 42 inches long. Regular selling price \$5.80 each. To clear at \$2.75. See window display.

Blouses.

Ladies' assorted Crepe de Chine, Silk and Georgette and Shantung Blouses, in assorted colors. See window display. Clearing Price,

Each, \$3.95.

Nightgowns.

Ladies' White Lacy Nightgowns, with fancy silk worked front. These have short sleeves, full and well made. Clearing Price,

Each, \$2.00.

Nightgowns.

Also a line of Ladies' White Nightgowns. These have short sleeves and were sold at as high as \$2.90 each. Clearing Price,

Each, \$1.50.

White Underskirts.

A line of Ladies' White Underskirts that are white to clear. These are trimmed with embroidery, lace, etc. Clearing Price,

Each, \$1.20.

Camisoles.

Also a job line of Camisoles. These are worth from 70c. to \$1.00. Just a sample line. Clearing Price,

Each, 39c.

Sport Hose.

Ladies' Sport Hose in Light and Dark Fawn shades. These are of soft English Cashmere make, decidedly a new line.

Per Pair, 95c.

Boys' Caps.

Boys' Spring Caps, to be had in light and dark shades; assorted sizes. Clearing Price,

Each, 60c.

GIRLS' BLACK GLAZE HATS.

Special for wet weather. These are Cape Ann style, fitted with strings. Worth 60c. each. Clearing Price,

Each, 39c.

ALEX SCOTT, 18 New Gower St.

From Cape Race.

Special to Evening Telegram.
CAPE RACE, To-day.
Wind N.W., fresh, weather fine, shore clear; ice in sight west; steamer Cabot passed west at 6.30, but was unable to reach Trepassay, returning at 7 a.m. and landed Trepassay passengers and Cape Race freight, for which again we must thank "Uncle Dalton and crew. Bar. 29.87. Ther. 32.



at STEELE'S.