

# THE DAILY MAIL

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## AN INDEPENDENT VIEW.

While the St. John Standard and other newspapers which gave the old government a slavish support are seeking to create the impression that the McQueen report is a partisan document, it is worth while to note what the St. John Globe says about it. The Globe, while an independent newspaper, supported the old government and cannot therefore be accused of unfriendliness towards the public men who figured in the potato enquiry. Answering the contention that there was no loss to the province on the potato transaction, the Globe says:

"If it be true that there was no loss and if it be true that Premier Clarke was the only member of the cabinet who knew of the covering agreement, there would still remain the uncontradicted story of dirty financing which cannot be ignored, and for which all concerned must assume that measure of responsibility which attached to their share in the affair. Political and partisan attacks on the Commissioner, insinuations of unfairness in the conduct of the investigation and the many other things that have been said in anticipation of the report, must now give way to actual consideration of the findings and conclusions of the Commissioner."

A little further on the Globe says: "Every business man who studies the problems of his own business must agree with Commissioner McQueen in respect to the financial loss sustained, the rotten financing, the book-keeping trickery practiced, as an expedient to cover dirt. \* \* \* The Commissioner finds himself compelled by the evidence adduced to point out that some of the money secured as a result of the Valley Railway bargain was used for political campaigning in the government interests. He is forced to conclude that Geo. B. Jones and Hon. J. B. M. Baxter gave financial aid to W. B. Tennant to help him conceal the \$61,500 transaction at the time of the Valley Railway investigation; that Jones swore falsely before one of the other enquiries; that ex-Premier Murray was constantly informed as to the progress of events in connection with the potato transaction, and is largely responsible for the loss incurred, either through neglect or incompetency, and that B. Frank Smith is still indebted to the province for \$2,375 advanced to him and never returned."

The Globe rather takes the wind out of the sails of the Opposition organs which claim the report is partisan, when it says:

"The report is an exhaustive review of the evidence. It will undoubtedly be attacked even more viciously than before it was presented; but attack is not answer to the evidence and the conclusions based on the evidence."

Says the Globe in summing up: "The province was plundered and financial trickery of the most despicable kind employed in an effort to conceal the facts. For a time the effort was successful. Today the whole dirty story is pretty well laid bare. It is a story without a single redeeming feature unless that feature is found in the financial aid Hon. Mr. Baxter gave to W. B. Tennant. \* \* \* The patriotic desire of the people to aid Belgium was made the occasion of financing for both political and personal gain, of dirty bookkeeping of false statements in public records, of deception in public speeches and of any and every kind of thing that it was thought would aid in covering up and keeping the public ignorant of a transaction that, if honest, would have been confessed. Not one single person who had to do with the affair can point with pride to anything done; not one can claim credit for a single act worthy of public approbation and acclaim. It is a dirty story from first to last, and the more it is studied the worse it appears."

The strong language of the Globe is fully borne out by the cold facts. The potato politicians may roar and rave over the McQueen report, but they cannot thus escape responsibility

for one of the most shameful transactions in the history of Canada. Every one of them should get out of public life and not wait until they are kicked out.

## A UNIQUE EXPLANATION.

A local newspaper which gathered in \$10,000 of Mr. W. B. Tennant's "advance profits," in a labored editorial in denunciation of the McQueen report, gets off this gem:

"Potatoes were down that year. The belief was general that the demand in Europe, in Cuba and elsewhere would send the price of potatoes up. The department expected in that way to make a profit that would in a measure reduce the cost to the province of the potatoes it was freely sending to Europe, to England and elsewhere."

Ye gods and little fishes! Can you imagine the Department of Agriculture expecting to make a profit on potatoes bought to be freely sent to war-stricken Europe as "a token of the loyalty of the people of New Brunswick to His Majesty's throne and person?" Then again, if the belief was general that the price would go up why was it that so many potatoes were dumped upon the government in excess of the quantity required?

Some people may be easily gulled, but they will scarcely swallow the guff the graft organ has dished up for them in connection with the potato transaction.

Says the local graft organ: "He (the Commissioner) savagely condemns Mr. Geo. B. Jones, M. L. A., who was financial man of the late government's party organization. \* \* \* There is not a more reliable man in the political life and in the business life of this country than Mr. George B. Jones." It was Mr. Jones who arranged for the famous "put up or shut up" payment of \$10,000 to the graft organ. It would seem that another payment is about due.

Says the St. John Globe of the McQueen report: "Perhaps the Commissioner shows partisanship in refusing to believe that the former Attorney General did not appreciate the purpose of the aid given to Tennant. If so, it is the only charge of partisanship that can be successfully maintained against the Commissioner."

## THROUGH OUR SIEVE

No need of waiting one more day to announce that "spring has come."

In the spring the young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of maple candy.

This is becoming a very serious world—but where can you move to?

Is there anything humorous in love? Yes, but only to outsiders.

What's become of the old-fashioned girl who used to knit socks for soldiers?

Maybe she's still at work trying to finish the pair before peace is formally declared.

Notable saints and experienced sinners agree in not being too hard on transgressors.

A health note tells us how to take castor oil, and ends by admonishing us to first wet the inside of the wineglass. Wineglass—what wineglass?

In Oregon the temperature of each legislator will be taken as he starts the day's work. It might be wiser to try 'em out after business gets under way.

Another reaction is reported by the Portland Express, which notes that already some of the magazines are appearing in covers that do not show a soldier hugging a girl.

Our observation is that the average man stands out for a square deal for everybody, with four shades the best of it for himself. But there are difficulties in executing that programme.

## Twenty-Eight Discharges

Twenty-eight discharges were given today at the District Depot Discharge Section. Major B. Smith reported for duty yesterday.

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## LOCAL NEWS

### Game Case Being Heard

A game violation case from Marysville was before the Police Magistrate this afternoon. The defendant in the case is charged with killing a deer with the aid of a dog.

### Further Adjourned

The case against R. T. Mack for selling liquor to a policeman on duty came before the Police Magistrate this morning but was further adjourned until tomorrow morning for judgement.

### Delegation on Railway

Adelegation of residents of Victoria County is expected to arrive here tonight to appear before the provincial Government Friday to urge early action towards the extension of the St. John & Quebec Railway from Centreville to Andover.

### Ask For Boiler Inspection

This morning a delegation representing the Stationery Engineers waited upon Premier Foster and urged the amendment of the Factory Act so as to provide for the inspection of boilers by a government inspector at least once annually. At the present time boilers are inspected by officials of the insurance companies.

### Horsemen Meeting Here

A meeting of horsemen of New Brunswick is being held here today for the purpose of discussing the formation of a circuit during the summer and autumn. Among the followers of harness racing in the city are P. A. Bellevue of Moncton and W. H. Keyes of St. Stephen. Others are expected to arrive here this evening.

### New Company Formed

Arthur S. Creighton, H. A. Powell and Charles O. Morris and the city and county of St. John have been incorporated as the Miramichi Construction Company, Limited with head office at Newcastle and a capital stock of \$45,000. The company is authorized to engage in ship building and operation lumbering and other lines of business.

### Ready's Beverages, Limited

Joseph Leo O'Brien, Harry Barr Tippet and William Joseph Murphy all of Lancaster, St. John County have been incorporated as Ready's Beverages, Limited, with head office at Fairville and capital stock of \$155,000. The company is authorized to purchase or otherwise acquire all or part of any brewing, malting, aerating, bottling or similar businesses carried on in New Brunswick and elsewhere.

### Funeral This Afternoon.

The body of the late Mrs. P. A. Edington arrived today from Vegreville, Alta., where the deceased passed away. The remains were conveyed to the home of Mr. A. K. Limerick, St. John street, where service was held by Rev. J. S. Sutherland, assisted by Rev. G. C. Warren. The body of the deceased was then conveyed to its last resting place at the Rural Cemetery. The pall-bearers were Sterling Limerick, Harold Dimerick, Lloyd Vanwart, W. A. Vanwart, Charles Ramsey and Harry Wilson. The mourners were P. A. Edington, John Edington, Larkford Good, A. K. Limerick, Harry Atherton, Hartley Smith, Ford Smith, A. H. Vanwart, S. A. Belyea and J. W. Spurdin.

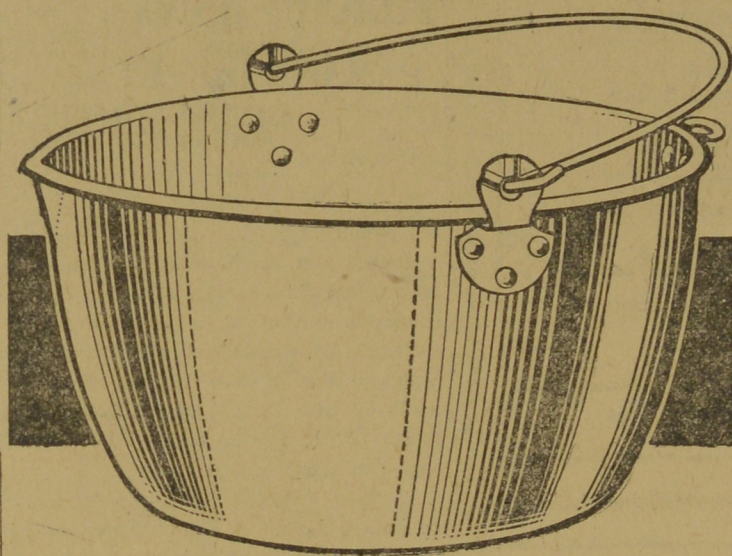
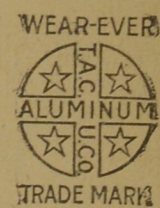
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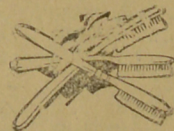
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## FOOD SALE

The Ladies' Aid of the Methodist Church will hold a sale of food, home-made candy and aprons on

SATURDAY, MARCH 22nd,

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