



## Evening Telegram

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### The Real Reason.

It suits the Government organs at all times and on all occasions—and none such are ever omitted to rail at the Opposition Press, charging the latter with being blue ruinists and enemies to the best interests of the dominion, and charging that they are using every means, availing of every opportunity to destroy trade and bring about impoverishment of the people. It is doubtless good politics to conduct such a campaign of defamation against opponents, because in the first instance it diverts attention from the short-comings and crass failures of the Government to do anything but involve Newfoundland still further in debt, and secondly, hectoring the Opposition does away with having to explain any of the policies upon which the Government has embarked. All through the discussion of the merits (few) and demerits (many) of the Fish Regulations, the papers supporting the Government and in sequence the Regulations, could not or would not put forward one jot or tittle of evidence to prove that benefits were being derived by the whole population, irrespective of class, from the operation of these measures, though repeatedly challenged to do so. They would not or could not submit any statistics in contradiction of the arguments of the Opposition Press that the fishermen were reaping any advantage from the sale of their fish locally, proportionate to the minimum prices fixed in the foreign markets. They could not or would not explain why it was that South West Coast exporters were being held up on their cargoes, nor was their defence of the regulations backed up by presentation of facts and figures.

Mr. Coaker declared in his address delivered at the opening of the Supreme Convention of the Fishermen's Protective Union, some days ago, that "he welcomed fair, honest criticism of a Government or the public actions of public men." That

gentleman—with all due respect to his exalted office and profound knowledge—does not comprehend the meaning of fair, honest, criticism. Witness the disgusting exhibitions of his own paper. Witness the use of the bludgeon on opponents who were offering fair, honest, criticism on his Fishery legislation. Witness the heated language of portions of his address from which we have quoted, published in the Advocate of yesterday. Witness the villenous of his epithets as applied to the editors of the Herald, News and Telegram. Mr. Coaker, himself, cannot be, does not know how to be, fair and honest in criticism. He would suppress everybody holding contrary views to himself if he possessed the power, and he is making an attempt to secure that power by later on subverting the independence of the Legislature. Fair, honest, criticism and honourable and straightforward argument are foreign to the mental make-up of Hon. W. F. Coaker. He will brook no opposition to his will. His dictum must be accepted and agreed to. Any objection to his ideas is the signal for an immediate attack on the personality of the objector, through the columns of newspapers at present subservient to him. Bluff, bluster and evasion are the characteristics of the wonderful address so loudly and enthusiastically proclaimed by his fuglemen, and those who have the patience to wade through it cannot but fail to arrive at any other conclusion.

### War Graves of the British Empire.

Lt.-Col. (Rev.) T. Nangle, with customary courtesy has forwarded information and perusal an advance copy of the Register of the British Military Cemetery at Forceville, France. This register is issued by the Imperial War Graves Commission, and is the first series of a complete record of the names and graves of those who fell in the Great War and whose bodies are interred in foreign soil. The registers will be compiled by cemeteries, and each will contain the names of all British and Dominion soldiers buried in such cemeteries. Forceville being one of the first three which the I.W.G.C. have constructed. These registers will, with the registers of the missing, also be commemorated in the cemeteries—form a complete roll of those who fell in the war, and will when completed comprise probably 140 volumes.

As the number of cemeteries in which Newfoundland is interested is comparatively small, compared with the number scattered all over the world, Rev. Nangle, when the records are completed, intends publishing a Newfoundland Death Register, containing all the particulars of the Nfld. Royal Naval Reserve, Royal Nfld. Regt. and Forestry Battalion, giving particulars of each member as to birthplace, age, nature, place and date of death, where buried, in which cemetery interred, inscriptions on tombstones, parents names and addresses, date of enlistment, date of first departure for war zone, etc. This register will be complete so far as the Newfoundland forces are concerned.

The present register, under review, contains a record of 304 graves and names of sailors and soldiers buried in Forceville Cemetery, but does not include the names of any of Newfoundland's gallant lads. It is illustrated with photographs, map and plans of layout of the cemetery, which is situated west of the village giving its name, and is in the department of the Somme, 12 miles from Doullens and 6 miles from Albert on the main road between these two places. The volume is well printed in clear type on heavy paper and forms a most valuable record.

Fr. Nangle, in his covering letter, says that "any person desiring a copy of the Newfoundland Register should send name and address to me before the end of January next. The cost under present conditions, will not exceed \$5.00 complete," and he wisely suggests that "each college, school, church and club throughout the island should have one, in which they can mark the members of their own circle who paid the supreme sacrifice."

Give Jewellery this Christmas! It is the gift of gifts and one that is treasured for all time. DULEY'S Jewellery display makes the selection a matter of comparative ease, and there is something of quality for every purse.—dec3,21

In stock, big assortment of Carriage and Cart Whips, Harness, Collar Sashes, etc. BOWLING BROS., LTD. (Hardware Dept.)—dec3,31

### Great Improvement in Water St. Trade.

There was a gratifying change for the better in the local fish situation this week. All the cargoes of Labrador fish about that were held up the previous week were hauled in to the wharves, and were being discharged at \$8.00 a quintal.

It is thought that financial arrangements will be further amplified to take all the Labrador cargoes that have since arrived and that will arrive between now and the latter part of next month, when all that is coming in this winter will have been brought along. The price of Labrador in the Greek market has been re-arranged at \$8.00 for Labrador all round, and the distinction of Choice and Prime has been done away with.

We understand that negotiations with the Consorzio in Italy are being renewed for Labrador fish and that there are good hopes of the Exporters being yet able to sell fifty or seventy thousand quintals there before the winter is over. This will certainly be a great relief to the situation. The free selling of fish this week has already given noticeable improvement in trade on Water Street owing to the money that has been put into circulation. The Dry Goods stores as well as the Provision stores are doing more business now than in any week this fall, and the prospect is that the activity will increase and keep up till after Christmas.

Coincident with this cheering conditions of affairs, is the fact that prices in nearly all lines are coming down and the store-windows are exhibiting goods of all kinds marked with such low prices as have not been since 1915.

Next spring importations will witness a much greater reduction and taking a survey of the whole situation, it looks as if we have passed the crucial period in the depression that was common to the whole world in 1920, and when the New Year opens we shall be able to look forward with confidence to the time when Newfoundland will have emerged triumphantly from all her financial troubles.—Trade Review.

### Coastal Boats.

GOVERNMENT.  
S.S. Prospero left Coachman's Cove at 9 a.m. Dec. 3rd, going north. No report of Portia.

GOVT. RAILWAY COMMISSION.  
Clyde left Little Bay Islands at 9 a.m. yesterday, outward.  
Senef left Lewisporte at 12.20 p.m. yesterday.  
Glencoe left St. Jacques at 4.15 p.m. yesterday, inward to Placentia.  
Home left Pilley's Island at 4.15 p.m. yesterday, inward.  
Kyle at North Sydney.  
Meigle at St. John's.  
Petrel left Clarenceville at 4.30 a.m. yesterday.  
Sagona left St. John's yesterday p.m. for Humbermouth.  
Sebastopol left Bonne Bay at 3 p.m. Thursday, going north.  
Earl of Devon arrived at LaSalle at 4 p.m. yesterday, on way to Lewisporte.

### The Christmas Spirit.

The "Festival of Christmastide" is much more than just a holiday.

It is the expression of a beautiful ideal. It is the manifestation of the generous desires and impulses that live in our hearts the whole year through, but sometimes seem hidden behind a mask of reserve or smothered in a mass of pressing prosaic duties.

Christmas gives people the best "excuse" in all the world for being just as kind and big and wonderful as they always love to be—without danger of seeming "sentimental" or fear of having the truth of their sincerity doubted. Christmas gives you an opportunity to show your appreciation in a tangible way of kindnesses received.

To cater properly to this Christmas spirit, it takes a store peopled with folk who see beyond its surface and into its heart—a store that has no interest in doing a tremendous amount of Christmas business unless the business means a correspondingly tremendous amount of Christmas happiness—a store that is brimful of carefully chosen Xmas Goods. It takes such a store to deserve the unlimited confidence of sincere Gift Givers. Such a store The Royal Stores strives to be. And the gifters themselves, they are happy people. They taste the sweetness of making other hearts rejoice. The quality of Christmas-giving should not be strained. It should be a spontaneous desire, an impulse of love purely.

THOUGHT is what makes a gift-giving count, and without THOUGHT a gift is nothing. Sincere gifts of thought for the bringing of complete happiness to your friends, your family, and yourself now await your selection at this store.

THE GLEANER.  
Stafford's Prescription "A." Never fails to cure indigestion and all stomach trouble caused by Dyspepsia. Price: 35¢ and 70¢ bottle; Postage 10 and 20¢ extra.—nov17,11

MINARD'S LINIMENT RELIEVES NEURALGIA.

### Well Done! Grand Bank.

Business Men There Will Deal With Their Own Trade Interests.

SPECIAL EVENING TELEGRAM.  
GRAND BANK, To-Day.  
The business men of this town have formed a Board of Trade for the extension and solidification of the commerce relating thereto. The officers elected are: William Forsey, President; L. R. Crammond, Vice-President; and L. B. Clarke, Secretary.

### McMurdo's Store News.

SATURDAY, Dec. 4.  
Among other recent arrivals we note a fine line of the famous Key-stone Hair Brushes, ladies' and men's styles. These brushes are of exceptional quality and very suitable for presents.

Another recent addition to our active list (for which, by the way, we have been waiting some time) is Palmolive Cold Cream. A good friend in winter weather.

We mentioned Thermos Bottles yesterday, but it is no harm to repeat the news, that we have now on show in our window and on sale in our store, a fairly extensive line of these useful articles.

### Express Passengers.

S.S. Kyle arrived at Port aux Basques at 1.30 a.m. yesterday, with the following passengers who are on the incoming express: W. Batcock, W. Taylor, Jas. Hallett, F. Sheppard, J. and Mrs. Michael, Mrs. H. Bennett, Miss B. Bursell, F. Cronan, Miss C. Parsons, W. S. Rumsey, V. R. Pitt, Miss L. Furlong, Miss J. Snelgrove, P. E. Grady, P. and Mrs. Parker, Miss M. Guy, Rev. W. Batcock, W. J. Bennett, Miss S. Cashin, Dr. Newhook, Mrs. A. Butt, W. Seward, Miss E. Corbett, W. J. Sharpe, C. F. Bond, Mrs. A. Bennett.

### Shipping Notes.

S.S. Mapledene left North Sydney at 1 p.m. yesterday, and is due here to-morrow.  
S.S. Sable I. leaves North Sydney to-day on schedule, and is due here Monday.  
S.S. Rosalind sailed for Halifax and New York last evening.  
S.S. Volunda arrived from Sydney yesterday evening with a cargo of coal to A. Harvey & Co.  
Schr. Dazzle has cleared for Port with 3,220 qts. of codfish shipped by T. E. Kemp & Co., Placentia.  
S.S. Canadian Miner leaves Charlottetown to-morrow for this port general cargo to the Furness Withy Co.

### From Cape Race.

SPECIAL TO EVENING TELEGRAM  
CAPE RACE, To-day.  
Wind N.W., blowing strong with snow squalls; the s.s. Rosalind passed west at midnight and the schooner Shamrock bore away from here at 11 a.m. to-day probably for Fermanagh being unable to get to Trepassy; Bar. 29.88; Ther. 23.

### Knowling's Hardware.

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COAL VASES,  
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### TO-DAY'S MESSAGES.

FREDERICTON, N.B., Dec. 4.

Lindsay Crawford was prevented from addressing a meeting here last night by interruptions. Crawford denied, in reply to a question, that one of the objects of the Self-Determination League was separation from the British Empire and the establishment of an Irish Republic, and said the League was associated with De Valera "in so far as Self-Determination goes and no further." The singing of "Rule Britannia" interrupted Hon. P. J. Veniot, Chairman of the meeting, when he asked for a hearing for Crawford. "It is no wonder there is an Irish problem," the meeting closed with "God Save the King." It was attended by a body who gathered at the G. W. V. A. Hall early in the evening and marched en masse to hear Crawford, and to ask questions.

### NEGOTIATION RUMOURS.

LONDON, Dec. 4.  
There are rumors in Parliamentary circles that indirect negotiations are proceeding between members of the Government and Sinn Feiners. The Times gives prominence to these reports.

### WAGE REDUCTION.

TACOMA, Dec. 4.  
Six of the largest lumber mills here yesterday, announced reductions in wages of forty to fifty cents per day.

### AN ARMY OF UNEMPLOYED.

LITTLE ROCK, ARK., Dec. 4.  
Five thousand men employed in the lumber industry in Arkansas have been laid off since November fifteenth.

### CONSTANTINE IS COCKY.

LUCERNE, Dec. 4.  
Former King Constantine has adopted a policy of "hands off" toward Greece, and will await the result of the Plebiscite, Sunday, according to his chief advisor.

### IN TWO WEEKS.

MONTREAL, Dec. 4.  
The new service between Halifax and Newfoundland will be in operation within two weeks, it was stated yesterday. The steamers used will be the Canadian Miner and Canadian Sealer, the former having been on the Montreal-Charlottetown-St. John's service and latter on the Sydney-Lewis route.

### TURKS FIRE ON BRITISH FLAG.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 4.  
The British torpedo boat, Tobago, was damaged by gunfire from a Turkish battery at Trebizond, which opened fire without warning, when the Tobago was entering the harbor, presumably for supplies.

### A VOCAL CONTEST.

NEW YORK, Dec. 4.  
The demonstration, consequent upon Mrs. Muriel MacSweeney's arrival here on the liner Celtic last night, developed into a contest of song, when some passengers aboard the Celtic opposed "God Save the King" to "Soldiers Song" of Sinn Fein. There were rival cheers for MacSweeney, Lloyd George and the King.

### Christian Brothers' Collection.

NAMES OMITTED FROM LIST.  
\$10.00 each—F. J. O'Leary, N. Murphy (St. Patrick's).  
\$5.00 each—M. J. O'Mara, R. R. Kennedy, W. J. Whalen, F. Coady, J. J. Collins.  
\$1.00 each—Leo Collins (in memoriam) Willis Collins (in memoriam), C. Allen.  
50 cents—C. Cooke.

LITTLEDALE.  
\$10.00—Miss May Furlong.  
\$5.00—Mr. Jas. Howley.  
\$2.00 each—Mr. Jno. Dunn, Mr. Jno. Neville, Mr. R. Shears.

\$1.00 each—P. O'Neill, G. Dunn, Miss E. O'Farrell, G. Neville, L. Wall, J. Cargy, E. Skeans, Mrs. Fleming, Miss A. Morris.  
70c—N. Aylward.  
60c—Mrs. Angel.  
50c each—Mrs. J. Farrell, Mrs. R. Nash, Mrs. Aylward, Mrs. L. Wall, Mrs. R. O'Neill, Mrs. St. Croix, Mrs. W. Stanley, Mrs. J. Holden, Mrs. J. Tobin, Mrs. Jno. Neville, Miss H. Knox, Miss M. Fleming, Mrs. J. Howley, Mr. J. Murphy, Mrs. Ryan, Miss A. O'Neill, Mr. S. Hannaford, Miss B. Nash, Mr. J. Power, Mrs. J. Power, Mr. Aylward, N. Aylward, Mrs. Aylward, Mrs. J. Murphy, J. Brophy, Mrs. T. Skeans.

KILBRIDE.  
\$5.00—Rev. J. J. Rawlins.  
\$2.00—Thomas Ryan.  
\$1.00 each—Frank Dennamore, P. Tobin.

\$1.00 each—E. Walsh, M. Ryan, J. Walsh, Mrs. T. Murphy, Mrs. Dennamore, M. Gorman, M. Merner, J. Murphy, Jas. Murphy, P. Murphy, T. Murphy, J. Breen, J. Connolly, J. McDonald, M. Tracy, P. Tracy, N. Aylward, M. Dorsey.

50c each—J. Ryan, Miss Brennan, W. Sinnott, E. Connolly, Mrs. Dooling, S. Connolly, Mrs. Tobin, Mrs. MacDonald, Mrs. Breen, T. Connolly, J. Ryan, P. Tobin, H. Murphy, P. Walsh, J. Sinnott, Peter Murphy, M. Tracey.

## Just Received

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These Heels preserve the cushion tread, impart buoyancy, ease the nerves, are noiseless, and made of real new live rubber.

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## Grand Dance and Supper,

Under the auspices of the Warrant and N. C. O.'s Mess to be held in the Armoury, Harvey Road, on the 6th instant. There is extra special music being prepared for this occasion. Tickets can be had from members of the Mess. Gent's, \$1.50; Ladies, \$1.00.

### Curliana.

At a meeting of the St. John's Curling Association held in the Board of Trade Rooms last night, the following captains were elected for the various divisions:  
Red—George Whiteley.  
White—H. Crawford.

Blue—H. J. Duder.

Green—F. C. Crane.

The annual meeting for the election of President and other officers, takes place on Monday next at 8 p.m. in the Curlers' Parlor at the Rink.

Folding Xmas Cards in all the latest designs, including Greetings from Nfld., from 5 to 50c. at GARLAND'S.—dec4,7,9,14,16,21,23

## "Diamond Dyes" Dye It Right

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Each package of "Diamond Dyes" contains directions so simple that any woman can diamond-dye a new, rich, fadeless color into worn, shabby garments, draperies, coverings, everything, whether wool, silk, linen, cotton or mixed goods. Buy "Diamond Dyes"—no other kind—then perfect results are guaranteed even if you never dye before. Druggists have "Diamond Dyes" Color Card" showing 16 rich colors.