

The Evening Telegram.

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The Plain, Unvarnished, Critically Correct Tale.

The Daily News in its editorial this morning directs attention to what it terms the Premier's "effectual rejoinder" and "plain, unvarnished and critically correct tale" delivered nearly a month ago on the Railway Resolutions. This "effectual rejoinder" has been so long in making an appearance that we had forgotten all about it. We thank the Editor of the Daily News therefore for reminding us of it as it enables us to show what reliance is to be placed on the Premier's "plain, unvarnished and critically correct tale."

In the course of his remarks on the Railway Resolutions Sir Robert Bond referred to the fact that the Government had illegally authorized the expenditure of One hundred and fifty thousand dollars on the Bonavista branch railway line on the plea that it was necessary in order to provide relief. To this the Premier replied as follows. We copy from the report of debates published by the Daily News:—

Hon. Premier—"Another statement made by my Rt. hon. friend of the Opposition was that we had spent \$150,000 for poor relief this autumn. I want to take issue with that statement also. There was not one dollar spent on relief."

Sir Robert Bond's "effectual rejoinder" to this incorrect statement was the following letter from the Premier to Mr. W. D. Reid which has been tabled in reply to a question from him and which he read to the House.

Prime Minister's Office,
St. John's,
Oct. 5, 1909.

Dear Sir,

Following on the communication of the Colonial Secretary of June 15th, 1909, I have now to intimate to you that the Government will be prepared to discuss with you in detail the terms of a contract to be entered into for the construction of certain branch lines of railway in Newfoundland.

As you, no doubt, are aware, a survey party has been in the field for some time, and a line has been located near Shoal Harbour, in the District of Trinity, and one of the three alternate routes has been reported on favourably by the Government Engineer, and the Government will be prepared to adopt that as the route. Pending the discussion of the details, and entering into the contract above referred to, the Government are anxious to have the work of this Bonavista branch immediately commenced. Owing to the failure of the Labrador fishery during the present fishing season on several portions of the coast, some thousands of our people are deprived of the means necessary to support them and their families during the coming winter, and the Government propose making a temporary arrangement and to commence immediately the construction of the said Bonavista branch by clearing, grading and ditching the route which may be adopted; also to have the sleepers cut to be used in the construction of the said branch; the

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work to be done upon the same not to exceed \$150,000. This sum to be devoted exclusively to the labour for the class indicated. The Government will pay you from time to time as the work progresses, and the payments will be regarded as payments on the section of the branch to Bonavista.

I shall be glad to have an early reply from you, and, at the best, we can now only get about two months and a half work before the winter will be upon us.

I remain,
Yours faithfully,
(Sgd.) E. P. MORRIS.

W. D. Reid,
Vice-President.

Reid Newfoundland Company.
The public will not fail to observe where the truth lies, and will place the proper value upon the Premier's "plain, unvarnished and critically correct tale."

Why was this letter suppressed in the publication of the debate?

McMurdo's Store News

THURSDAY, March 3rd.
There seems every likelihood that the coming season will see large developments in agriculture. To meet the demand there will certainly be for Garden, Grass and Flower Seeds of the very highest class, we are importing a full stock of the seeds of Messrs. Sutton & Sons, the Royal Seedsmen, of Reading, England. These seeds need no commendation from us, their reputation being world-wide. We expect a brisk demand for them. In addition to the seeds we shall have a limited stock of special Seed Potatoes from the same house; in particular the "White City," a wonderful new potato, which we predict will become the favorite among main-crop tubers.—adv.

Missionary Meeting at Topsail.

Last evening a very bright and enthusiastic Missionary meeting was held at Topsail under the direction of Rev. James Nurse, the Methodist Minister of the place. A party of ladies and gentlemen drove in from town and after a light repast repaired to the Church where the Methodism of Topsail was represented in a goodly gathering. Mr. C. P. Ayre acted as chairman and after preliminary exercises and the reading of the Missionary Report by the pastor, the first speaker of the evening, Mr. Goodman of the Methodist College, was introduced. Mr. Goodman in an excellent address briefly sketched the religious conditions of India at the present day, showing that through the teaching and influence of the missionary the heathen had been drawn from the worship of his ancient gods and is now in a state bordering on Agnosticism from which it is the duty of the Christian Church through her missionaries to rescue him and lead him to the only real substitute—the religion of the Lord Jesus Christ. The second speaker was Mr. C. R. Steer who, in a very forceful address, demonstrated the true meaning of "Mission," showing that a mission of whatever nature has a three-fold comprehension, viz:—An authority, a messenger and an aim. A Christian Mission has for its authority the highest—Jesus, its messenger—the missionary, and its aim—the leader of the heathen from darkness to light.

The last speaker was Rev. J. K. Curtis who for forty minutes held the rapt attention of his audience, as he showed them the visions that had come to the laymen of the Methodist Church resulting in the Laymen's Missionary Movement, to the Colleges of America resulting in the Student Volunteer Movement, to the Young People's Societies resulting in the Forward Movement of Missions. He showed the good that had already been accomplished by these movements and the bright prospect of future accomplishment. The Reverend gentleman's remarks were interspersed with apt illustrations impressing their truths on the minds of his hearers. The musical items on the programme were a duet by Misses Tucker and Pippy and a solo by Mr. S. J. Tucker both of which were well rendered and deeply appreciated. Miss Emmie Butler of Topsail presided at the organ with much acceptance. As a finale to such an enthusiastic service a collection of \$40.00 was taken towards the Missionary Fund.

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GEO. KNOWLING.

Our Valentine Puzzle.

(Harbor Grace Standard.)

A good deal of interest has been taken, particularly by the young people, in our Valentine competition. Quite a number of answers have been received, two of them correct. The first of these (dated Feb. 17th) was received on Feb. 22nd. It was from Miss Mary Smart of St. Bride's Academy, Littlefield; and we have much pleasure in sending this young lady the one dollar prize.

The second correct solution (dated Feb. 18th) was that of Mr. Richard English of Burnt Point, Bay de Verde (by the by one of the teachers whose scholars took part in the Best Boy and Girl Competition). To him we are sending the Standard for another six months in token of our appreciation. There are other solutions not exactly correct, but showing thought and ingenuity. We shall send a picture to these.

We give here below the puzzle and the solution. We may have room next week for some other attempts at interpretation.

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1 0 the—I sigh for thee.
0 0 no 0—O sigh for no cipher.
0 0 me—O sigh for me.

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CHILD RAN UNDER CAR.—About 2.30 p.m. yesterday a child sliding down Brennan's Lane ran right in close to the wheels of a street car before the motorman could pull up. It was a narrow escape.

SEALERS ARRIVE.—Two hundred and fifty sealers came in by the local train to-day, and 100 on the express. The latter came from Lewisport, Gambo, Alexander Bay and Clarendville, and the former from Conception Bay.

MINARD'S LINIMENT CURES COLDS, ETC.

OBITUARY.

"They rest from their labours and their works do follow them."

There passed peacefully away on the 2nd inst., at the ripe age of 85 years, E. S. Whelan, of Cupids, wife of Capt. William Whelan, who predeceased her. Mrs. Whelan was the daughter of English parents, her father being one of the business pioneers of Conception Bay. She has two brothers now living in Belfast, Ireland, one son, three daughters, twenty-two grand and three great grandchildren are the living branches of her family tree.—Mr. William Whelan, of Cupids; Mrs. J. Noseworthy, of St. John's; Mrs. M. LeDrew, of Cupids; and Mrs. R. Weber, of Boston. The whole life of the deceased was spent in the forgiveness of self, her motto: "I shall only pass this way once," was fully lived up to, and all who came in contact with her will cherish memories of her kindness and encouraging words. She was especially the friend of the young, and during the festive seasons would gather round her the young folk and find her greatest pleasure in catering to their enjoyment. Eighty-five years without having made an enemy is a record worthy of emulation.

"And many shall arise to call her blessed."—Com.

Coastal Boats.

The Glencoe left Placentia at 6.15 p.m. yesterday.
The Home is at St. John's.
The Argyle left Baine Harbor at 8 p.m. yesterday and arrived at Placentia at 9.30 a.m. to-day.
The Bruce left Port aux Basques at 2.20 a.m. to-day.

WEATHER REPORT.—Along the line to-day the temperature is from 25 to 35 above. It is snowing in places.

Here and There.

PARADE RINK.—open to-night; ice in lovely condition. Prof. Bennett's band in attendance.—ad, 11

LECTURE TO-NIGHT.—"The Mending of the House of Lords" is the title of the lecture to be given by Dr. Lloyd at the Synod Hall to-night.

GLENCOE'S PASSENGERS.—The Glencoe left Placentia at 6.15 p.m. yesterday, taking R. G. Pike, Capt.

Power, Rev. Mr. Mercer, Geo. Moulton, J. Moulton, H. Hue, Mr. Robinson, J. Inkpen and Miss Gorman.

B. I. S. DEBATE.—The B. I. S. Debating Committee will discuss the pros and cons of the Daylight Bill next Monday or Tuesday night. Mr. J. Foley and Mr. J. J. Mulhally amongst others will also speak.

Justice and Mrs. Emerson left for the S. S. Almeriana yesterday for England.

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