



Evening Telegram

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But for the Telegram.

Certain people in certain sections of the country appear to be very much down on the Telegram, because of its advocacy of Conscription. Some of the displaced ones go so far as to say (and we own it with pride) that but for the Telegram the Conscription Act would not have been introduced. Be that as it may, the Act has now become law and nothing can be gained by either conscientious objectors or any other kind of objector by provoking the enforcement of the penal clauses. To do so would land these people in an awkward position. The Telegram would be pleased to give publicity to any reasonable objections to the Conscription measure, (subject to the Censor's approval) if the same were made by reasonable people. Unfortunately there is in our midst a class (and this refers particularly to that section of the country at present in mind) which is more than willing that some one else's son volunteer to fight for rights which they demand, but are not prepared to do anything, but talk, to maintain. They are quite satisfied to have the blood of others shed in defence of their liberties, deriving a smug self-satisfaction from the knowledge that they are quite safe so long as others stand between them and destruction. But the moment it is found that in extreme necessity, stern laws have to be made and enforced to carry on the struggle, in that moment all that is petty, all that is unpatriotic, all that is selfish, comes to the surface, and they cannot rise to that standard which places Empire before self. We should not have referred to such a matter as this at all, preferring to let rumours that we had heard die a natural death, but having received, by mail, some letters containing comments on the Telegram's stand on Conscription we feel that we owe a duty as much to the Regiment as to ourselves to show that we are not to be turned aside from the stand we have taken. We would not have it supposed for a moment that this criticism of the Telegram for unhesitatingly advocating the passing of the Conscription Bill, is by any means general in the sections from which we have learned that such comes. We rather think that it is but the mutterings of two or three who have no higher ideal than to live at the expense of the sacrifices of others, and we shall be very much mistaken if the strong loyalty and patriotism of the masses can be in any way undermined by the mouthings of a mere handful of individuals. Rather will that loyalty ensure and condemn any and every attempt of the nature mentioned, to turn aside from

the path of duty, in the gravest moment of our peril from the enemy, any person from responding to the call of heart and country. The Telegram places the Empire first, then Newfoundland and last but not least the Royal Newfoundland Regiment and the Royal Newfoundland Naval Reserve, and whatever this paper can do toward helping maintain the traditions of the one, the honour of the other, and the strength of the Dominion's land and sea forces, will be performed without fear, favor or affection.

We advocated Conscription because we were satisfied that it was the only fair and just way to raise men, and we held to that opinion. We advocated it because of a feeling that the time had arrived when something had to be done to reinforce the ranks of as gallant a regiment as ever went on parade, and we also advocated it because we believed that the principle behind it was far better for all concerned, as all would have to share equally under its enforcement. At any rate, we are prepared to defend the position we have taken, and if the feelings of a half dozen or more people become hurt in the process, so much the worse for themselves.

Ethie in Port.

The S. S. Ethie which under ordinary circumstances would be numbered with the ships that pass in the night, now lies snugly tied up to the starboard side of the old hulk Desola, at the dry dock, and has two giant pumps working at high pressure to keep her free of water. The raising of the ship from the bottom at Mistaken Point, and the towing her to Trepassey, created between two ships, where temporary repairs were made, and subsequently coming to the city under her own steam, is a feat in maritime engineering that goes to prove what can be done when the venture is worth the cost.

Exemption Tribunal.

The Exemption Tribunal met on Saturday, when thirty-three applications were dealt with and the following were exempted under (b):—A. M. Dunphy, S. M. James, A. W. Lukins, Bernard Carberry, John McCue; under (d) James Finn, A. A. Chipman, John Mason, S. B. Whelan, John J. Kearney. Four applications were refused, 3 sent to Commissioners for report, 3 sent to the Medical Board, 2 adjourned and 11 applicants were not in attendance.

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Battalion Presentation

Following the church parade of the Newfoundland Highlanders held yesterday, Col. Paterson on behalf of the officers of the Brigade, presented B. S. M. Ernest Hiscock with a purse of gold as an appreciation of the valuable services he had rendered the Battalion, and for the high esteem in which he was held by the officers. Sergeant Hiscock has offered for the Regiment and is to commence drill on June 1st.

Silk Gowns just from New York's most popular 5th Avenue at New York. Price can be had at the British Hall.—may27.11

WEATHER REPORT—The weather across country is light S.W. wind and fine, temperature 30 to 42 above.

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Casualty List.

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At Wandsworth.
3765—Pte. John McDonald, Conn River, Bay D'Espoir; debility.
Improving May 19th.
2846—Pte. Thomas Lomond, Grand Bay, Burgeo; previously reported.
Improving May 28th.
2825—Pte. Raymond Cornick, 61 Power Street; previously reported.
764—L.C. M. F. Murphy, 47 Patrick Street; previously reported.
Endell Street Military Hospital, London.
3785—Corp. John A. Ball, Codroy, Adenit's Neck.
Died at Military Hospital, Military Road, May 26th.
4912—Pte. Jas. Osbourne, Lewisport, N.D.B. Pneumonia after measles.
W. F. RENDELL, Lieut.-Colonel, C.S.O., for Minister of Militia.

Mentioned in F. M. Haig's Dispatches

Editor Evening Telegram.
Dear Sir,—I have the honour to state that we are advised by the Record Office, London, that Captain Butler, D.S.O., M.C., and 2nd Lieut. Waterman are mentioned in Sir Douglas Haig's dispatch of the 26th inst. published in Supplement of London Gazette, May 28th.

Kindly give this publicity in your esteemed paper.
Yours faithfully,
W. F. RENDELL, Lieut.-Colonel, C.S.O., for Minister of Militia.

Official Explanation.

The announcement of the King's intention to cause the Prime Minister of Newfoundland (Dr. W. F. Lloyd) to be sworn to His Majesty's Privy Council in connection with the forthcoming Imperial War Conference has reached Newfoundland through a telegraphic announcement in Canada. We understand that this indirect announcement of His Majesty's gracious intention arose out of a premature publication which by some unexplained misunderstanding appears to have happened in the United Kingdom. The Governor has been notified by the Secretary of State, and on receipt of a despatch from the Secretary of State a formal announcement will be made in the Gazette in due course.

Wounded With the Canadians.

Word was received Friday that Corporal Ralph Fowlow, of the 25th Canadian Battalion was wounded—gun shot wound—in the left shoulder. Corporal Fowlow is one of three brothers: Pte. Norman, killed in France, April 1916, and Pte. Frank now with the Royal Nfld. Regiment. They are the sons of George and Mrs. Fowlow, 6 Gilbert Street.

The many friends of Corporal Fowlow wish him a speedy recovery.

Magistrate's Court.

(In Camera.)
An indecent assault case wherein the complainant is a young girl of 15 years of age, and the defendant a young man under 20 years of age, was heard in camera before Judge Morris, this morning. The evidence of several witnesses for the prosecution including that of the girl was heard when the hearing was adjourned at 1 o'clock in order for counsel for the defence to prepare his case. Certain witnesses were unavoidably absent owing to a recent death in the family of the accused.

Obituary.

There passed away at Whitbourne, on the 19th inst., Mrs. Elizabeth Sparkes, at the ripe age of 76. Her husband, the late Reuben Sparkes, the well-known mill man, predeceased her nine years ago. She leaves three sons at Whitbourne and three daughters, Mrs. James Eales, of this city, Mrs. (Capt.) Josiah Goss, of Victoria, and Mrs. (Capt.) Thos. Goss, of Vancouver, B.C. Her funeral took place on Sunday, the 14th, a large number of people attending. The service was read by Rev. Mr. Jeffery. She was laid to rest in the family plot to await the Resurrection.

Cape From Race.

CAPE RACE, To-day. Wind East light, weather fine; a barque and several schooners are in sight, also bound in; two icebergs are in sight, one near Cape Ballard and another about nine miles S.E. Bar. 29.60; ther. 54.

Well-Known Fireman Passes Away.

This morning there passed away at the General Hospital, where he was employed as fireman, Mr. Robert Kearney—one of the best known of our local steamship firemen. He had been ill but for a brief period when death, the great reaper who exempts neither prince nor peasant, called him away from this terrestrial sphere. Mr. Kearney was well liked by all those who had the pleasure of his acquaintance. He had sailed to many countries and was a most proficient fireman, and was held in the highest esteem by his fellow firemen. He leaves a wife and five small children to mourn the loss of a kind and loving husband and father. His funeral takes place on Wednesday afternoon from his late home Lime Street. President Woods of the Firemen's Protective Union is making arrangements to have the firemen now in the city to attend the funeral of their late brother member. To the bereaved wife and little children the Telegram extends its most sincere sympathy.

MOTOR CAR IN RIVER.—The driver of a Ford motor car lost control of his machine yesterday while passing Waterford Bridge, which resulted in the car going over the embankment and into the river. The occupants, fortunately escaped injury, but the car is considerably damaged.

Major Buchanan's Lecture.

It is to be hoped that all who are interested in providing employment and training in the various industries for the returned and returning soldiers of our Regiment, will attend the lecture which will be delivered at the Grenfell Hall this evening by Major E. L. Buchanan, the subject being: "The Re-establishment in Civil Life of Discharged Soldiers."

McMurdo's Store News

MONDAY, May 27th, 1918.
We have just opened our new season's stock of Hayswood of the usual special Pine Tree Brand that we always carry, which has given such remarkable satisfaction to our customers for many years past. We are the only importers of this superior brand to this Dominion, and those who want Timothy Hayswood of the very finest quality will get what they want in Pine Tree Brand in sacks, or smaller quantities.

FOR BONNE ESPERANCE.—Capt. Geo. Whitley and crew left by yesterday's express for Humbermouth, where they will connect with the Diana, today, enroute to Bonne Esperance, Straits of Bell Isle to prosecute the fishery.

Here and There.

In aid of Mount Cashel Garden Party, Card Party and Dance, T. A. Armoury, Wednesday, May 29th. Music by T. A. Band. Tickets 50c—m27.21.m.w.

TRAIN MOVEMENTS.—Yesterday's outgoing express left Millertown Junction at 9:05 a.m. to-day. The incoming express is due at 4:30 p.m. to-day.

FREE TO ALL SUFFERERS.—The NEWBURN REMEDY, for PAIN, RHEUMATISM, BRUISES, SWELLINGS, etc., is now on hand at the NEWBURN REMEDY, 101, 103, 105, 107, 109, 111, 113, 115, 117, 119, 121, 123, 125, 127, 129, 131, 133, 135, 137, 139, 141, 143, 145, 147, 149, 151, 153, 155, 157, 159, 161, 163, 165, 167, 169, 171, 173, 175, 177, 179, 181, 183, 185, 187, 189, 191, 193, 195, 197, 199, 201, 203, 205, 207, 209, 211, 213, 215, 217, 219, 221, 223, 225, 227, 229, 231, 233, 235, 237, 239, 241, 243, 245, 247, 249, 251, 253, 255, 257, 259, 261, 263, 265, 267, 269, 271, 273, 275, 277, 279, 281, 283, 285, 287, 289, 291, 293, 295, 297, 299, 301, 303, 305, 307, 309, 311, 313, 315, 317, 319, 321, 323, 325, 327, 329, 331, 333, 335, 337, 339, 341, 343, 345, 347, 349, 351, 353, 355, 357, 359, 361, 363, 365, 367, 369, 371, 373, 375, 377, 379, 381, 383, 385, 387, 389, 391, 393, 395, 397, 399, 401, 403, 405, 407, 409, 411, 413, 415, 417, 419, 421, 423, 425, 427, 429, 431, 433, 435, 437, 439, 441, 443, 445, 447, 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