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## Evening Telegram

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THURSDAY, September 20, 1917.

## And Now Argentina.



The vote in the Argentine Senate — almost unanimous — for severing relations with Germany may not be surprising, but it is none the less welcome news. It is one thing to have an excited mob burning property and demanding war, another to have a sober Government exhibiting similar sentiments in an unmistakable way. The Chamber of Deputies has not yet been heard from, but there is not much likelihood that it will record an opposite opinion. If Argentina is ranged with Brazil and the rest, the gain to the Allies' cause will be a notable and material one. As in the case of that country, it will be most valuable economically. There will then be no great producing country in the world, with the possible exception of Sweden in respect of iron, that is not openly against the Central Powers. Of which the plain meaning is that little supplies of any sort will reach, not merely Germany and Austria, but the erstwhile convenient neutrals adjoining them. Germany has done fine work for herself since last winter. As the result of it she faces, in that which is coming, prospects of starvation bad enough in themselves but aggravated tenfold by her own senselessness. The moral effect of it all will tell, sooner or later, with little less force. Even the infatuated German people must begin soon to suspect something wrong in the policy which antagonises every part of the world which is not too near her to express its antagonism. And late events in Sweden, optimised in the remarkable turnover of the elections, suggest that even the fearfulness of her immediate neighbours can be presumed upon too far. Sweden is the leader of the Scandinavian Alliance and Sweden has now a popular Government of very different complexion from the last. We have not yet heard the end of the Argentine incident.

## Shipping Losses.



The record of British shipping losses during the past week is a remarkable one. The gratifying improvement of the previous week for larger ships sunk—twelve being then reported—has been continued, and the low-water mark of

sight reached, a fine cause for satisfaction. The losses of smaller ships, on the other hand, has jumped up to twenty. There is more than mere chance in this, and the explanation, if known, would probably be greatly encouraging. It looks as if the U-boats were being slowly mastered, in their fight with the larger steamers, whether because these are now better armed, better skilled in warding off attacks, more systematically convoyed, or from some other cause, and are turning their baffled attention more closely to the smaller prey. These, in turn, cannot be so heavily armed, are of slower speed and generally of less importance. Though all losses count, the bigger ships, we should think, provide the better criterion, and the Allies will be comforted accordingly. It is a pity that the Admiralty cannot see fit to concede the popular demand for fuller particulars, if only to the extent of publishing the total tonnage lost each week. It is tonnage, not ships, that matters. The returns as given are of little use except as a comparison of the successes achieved each week and month by the enemy: an average rate is probably maintained, so that the numerical ratio is accompanied by an approximately equal tonnage ratio. Germany some time ago postponed the hour of Britain's collapse to October 1st, when the subs would bring her to her knees. The Germans are fond of fixing dates, but they never fix them correctly. The real date for the consummation of their admirable purpose is the Greek Kalends. No doubt John Bull is already on his knees, but he is not supplicating. It is a posture one often finds in conqueit, to assume when hunting insects.

## Forest Fires.

Concerning the alarming conflagration at Britannia and vicinity, there was no further news received in town up to noon to-day. From the information yet to hand it is difficult to estimate what the damage wrought would be, but judging from the destruction to timber areas, dwelling houses, lumber mills, and a considerable amount of other valuable property, also the rendering homeless and destitute of ten families, the loss is enormous and the extent of it will go well into the thousands.

The last heard here of the fire yesterday was that it was working its way through the forest towards Hickman's Harbor and was being fanned by a strong westerly wind. However, with a large crowd of people fighting the fire and a change of weather, the belief is expressed that the outbreak has pretty well exhausted itself ere this. Acting Premier Lloyd has arraigned with Inspector General Hutchings to have Sergt. Ryan of Trinity proceed immediately to the scene of the fire, and report fully; also ordering him to wire at once the condition of the attacked families.

Deputy Minister of Justice Summers, K.C., was in receipt of the accompanying message last night from Magistrate Courage of Bay d'Argent: "A very large forest fire inside of Grand John. It was caused by careless berry-pickers."

There is also a strong theory that berry-pickers were the cause of the big forest fire at Britannia. News has also reached the city within the past twenty-four hours stating that extensive forest fires were raging near Musgrave town, Cat Hr., and Port Rexton. At the former place the flames had crossed the railway track. No particulars are received from either of these settlements as to the amount of damage done.

The disastrous fires in the outports referred to are, no doubt, a warning to local berry-pickers, who should exercise extreme care when lighting fires in the woods for cooking purposes and it should make them realize the dire consequences of carelessly leaving fires to burn out after they have finished using them.

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## Police Make a Sensational Discovery.

Infant Found Dead—Mother of Babe Will Face Serious Charge.

Death under mysterious circumstances brought the police to the home of William Hollett, on Quidi Vidi Road last night where they found the body of a female infant, which had been born only a couple of days ago. The mother of the child is a young woman named Laura Hollett. The body was brought to the morgue and a post mortem held on it to-day by Dr. McDonald, who pronounced that the child had died through neglect on the part of the mother. The little corpse was then prepared for burial and interred in the General Protestant Cemetery. The mother of the babe is yet ill. On her recovery she will probably have to stand her trial on a charge of concealment of birth.

## A Faithful Servant.

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## Died Suddenly.

Early this morning Mrs. Dave, wife of Head Constable Dave, was found dead in bed at her home on Cabot Street, heart trouble being the cause. Her husband, who was in Trinity on special duty, has been acquainted with his wife's sudden demise, and is now on his return to the city. We sympathize with Head Dave and family in their bereavement.

**A few Strictly Fresh Eggs from the country folk going fast at WHELAN'S.**—sept20,17

## Personal.

Mrs. W. Charles, Freshwater Road, who was taken seriously ill at her home on Monday night, is to-day much improved.

Mrs. Alex. McDougall enters the General Hospital this afternoon for medical treatment. The many friends of Capt. Spracklin, of the Reid N.B. Co., will regret to hear that he is seriously ill and is on the incoming express to enter the General Hospital.

## Reid's Boats.

The Argyle left St. Lawrence early yesterday morning. The Thetis reported at Hawke's Hr. yesterday. The Clyde left Gander Bay at 6:15 a.m. yesterday.

The Dundee left Seldom-Come-By early yesterday.

The Ethie left Humbermouth at 6:15 a.m. yesterday.

The Glencoe left Placentia at 9 a.m. yesterday.

The Home left Three Arms on the 18th; not reported since.

The Wren not reported since leaving Heart's Content on the 18th.

**PARTIDGE BERRIES, just ripe for jamming, only 9c. a quart at WHELAN'S.**—sept20,17


## Why Not Blame Yourself?

London Daily Telegraph: The last person whom the consumer thinks of blaming is himself. He forgets that but for the insistence of his demand prices could not have been forced up so high. If by some happy miracle the whole nation turned thrifty overnight, and everyone woke up tomorrow with an overpowering desire to spend just as little as possible, and everything luxurious and unnecessary ceased to appeal to those with whom it had hitherto been a "darling sin," there would be a universal slump in prices within a week, and within a month the Chancellor of the Exchequer would find himself almost embarrassed by the new money seeking investment.

**WAR TIMES are HARD TIMES, but all must live. We can help you to economize when you leave your order at WHELAN'S.**—sept20,17

**SUCCESSFUL GARDEN PARTY.**—Rev. John Stead, Rector of Bell Island, arrived in the city this morning. Yesterday the ladies of his parish held a garden party in aid of church purposes and realized a handsome amount.

## Do You Weigh the Cake of Soap You Buy?



The increase in the cost of nearly everything that is used in the manufacture of soap makes it impossible to give the same size, same weight and same quality as heretofore, *without increasing the price.*

Some soap manufacturers have cut down the size and reduced the quality.

**KIRKMAN'S BORAX SOAP** is the same to-day as it has been for over a quarter of a century—no change in the weight, in the size or in the quality.

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## A Famous French Corps.

The Foreign Legion of the French Army is a nondescript unit, but its members have made it famous for generations. Among the gallant fellows who have joined it during the present war have been many Americans who have not been content with easy expressions of sympathy for the cause of civilisation and freedom. On the day of the outbreak of war, Kiffin Rockwell and his brother Paul, members of a well-known and highly-esteemed family of North Carolina, wrote to the French Consul at New Orleans offering their services to France. Kiffin was a brilliant graduate of the Military Institute of his native State, and of the Washington and Lee University of Virginia. The brothers' services were at once accepted, and on August 7, 1914, they embarked for France and enlisted in the Foreign Legion. They were together through all the fighting on the Aisne and in Champagne, but were afterwards separated, Kiffin being attached to a unit which was operating in Artois. On May 9, 1915, he was severely wounded in the assault which made the French masters of La Targette. Immediately on his recovery, he joined the Aviation Corps, in which his rare qualities of coolness, dexterity, and courage, rapidly made him an accomplished pilot. Five days after his arrival at the front he put to his credit his first German aeroplane, near the Hartmannswillerkopf. He shortly afterwards went to the Verdun front, and in a single month was engaged in thirty-four combats. One day he attacked alone three enemy aeroplanes, and although wounded in the head, emerged as victor after compelling one of the enemy aeroplanes to descend. On September 8 he destroyed his last German aeroplane, which fell at Vauquois, and on the 23rd he found a glorious death, above the lines of Aisne, near Thann. "I have never known," says the Captain of his escadrille, "a better pilot, a braver soldier, or a nature more generous and straightforward." He had won the Military Medal and the Croix de Guerre, had been three times cited in orders of the day, and been nominated as sous-lieutenant. Unfortunately, however, this nomination reached his unit only after his death.

## Hymeneal.

**REID-HARRINGTON.**

A quiet but pretty wedding was solemnized in St. Patrick's Church, Carbonear, on Sept. 17th, the contracting parties being Michael F. Reid, eldest son of Mr. John Reid, and Josie Harrington, seventh daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. Harrington, Carbonear. The bride was neatly attired in a turquoise blue silk, with hat to match, and carried a bouquet of chrysanthemums and asters. She was attended by her youngest sister, Miss Agnes Harrington, who wore a gown of pink voile with hat to match and also carried a bouquet; while Mr. James Reid, brother of the groom, acted as best man. The ceremony was performed by Monsignor McCarthy, after which the bridal party drove to the home of the bride's parents where dinner was served and an enjoyable time spent. The bride was the recipient of many useful presents. The happy couple left by the afternoon train for Holyrood where the honeymoon will be spent, after which they will proceed to Bell Island where the groom is employed. Their many friends wish them a long and happy voyage over the matrimonial seas.

Fabrics are much used for bags on account of the scarcity of leather.

## SCHOONER WANTED

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## Here and There.

**Just Arrived — Nyal's Face Cream at Stafford's Drug Stores, Duckworth St. and Theatre Hill.**  
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**A CORRECTION.**—The name of Mr. John W. Campbell, which appeared in yesterday's issue under the heading of the W.P.A. Christmas Fund, was incorrectly printed John H. Campbell. We regret the error.

**It does not cost you any more to buy ELLIS' ROASTS, STEAKS, CUTLETS, CHOPS, because the Market is CLEAN and SANITARY.**

**FLORIDA WATER AGAIN.**—An East End laborer was found helplessly intoxicated last evening by Constable Murphy and taken to the Police Station. An overdose of a facial tonic known as Florida Water, knocked him out. He was released from custody this morning on deposit of \$1.

**SALVED FROM S. S. KRISTIANIAFJORD.**

**Men's Undershirts, value \$1.10 for 39c., while they last.**

**THE WEST END BAZAAR, sept19,41 51 Water St. West.**

**OPINION OF INDIVIDUALS.**—The President of the Poultry Association desires us to say that the announcement made in the report of the Association meeting that it will be impossible to sell eggs less than \$1.00 per dozen, was the opinion of individuals of the Association and not of the Association itself.

A cake will beat up more quickly if the butter and sugar are left to stand for half an hour before beating.

## MARRIED.

At St. Mary's Church, on Sept. 17th, by the Rev. H. L. Pike, Florrie Hoskins to Augustus Gullage, both of this city.

## DIED.

Last evening there passed away, after a short illness, William, son of the late William and Mary Gallivan, leaving to mourn two brothers and two sisters; funeral at 2:30 p.m., Friday, from his sister's residence, No. 23 Duckworth St.—Boston papers please copy.

Yesterday, at 2 p.m., of cholera infantum, Alexander, infant child of George and Sarah Coleman, aged 3 months.

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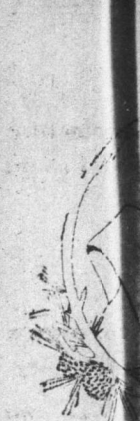
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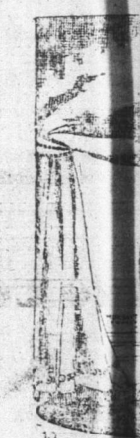
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