



Evening Telegram

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Pauperising A Country.

From every section of the country comes reports of destitution, a destitution not brought about by any act of the people themselves, but produced by a series of errors on the part of the Government, since its assumption of office in November, 1919. Almost from the very day that the Liberal-Reform Party succeeded the late Administration a blight has fallen upon Newfoundland, and even at present no man may foretell the end. Destitution prevails. Government Relief is being sought for by men who have fish in their stores which they cannot sell, a condition unprecedented in the trade of the Colony. There was never a time when dry codfish was not a saleable commodity at some price, until the years of grace 1920-21; years the blackest of any in colonial history. Requests, appeals and demands are piling in as day succeeds day for relief supplies, and the Government—the Liberal-Reform Government from which so much was expected—instructs its Relieving Officers to dole out allowances of Flour and Molasses only, weekly, according to the schedule covering such issue per family. There is not a district in which people have not been obliged to swallow their pride and make application for the articles of food named, in order that body and soul may be kept together until such time as a brighter day dawns and a stable form of Government established in Newfoundland. A Government that will restore confidence at home and abroad, and bring the country out of the slough of despond into which it has been plunged by those who should have adhered more sedulously to their pledges and not have permitted themselves to be seduced by smooth tongues and plausible promises.

Of all the districts, perhaps, those comprising the Western section of the country are in the worst case. Members in the House of Assembly have repeatedly declared that numerous requests had been received by them, soliciting Government assistance. These requests did not come from the permanent poor, but from able-bodied fathers of families, who as a last resort were obliged to seek charity, because they could not dispose of the products of their labor, the whole fish industry having been strangled by the imposition of the Fishery Regulations, and exporters forbidden to ship their cargoes to foreign markets, when ready, at the usual time. Placentia and St. Mary's, Burin, Fortune Bay, Burgeo and La-Poile. These are the principal sufferers, as the only industry in which the people engage is codfishing. Hence their sole welfare depends upon the catching and marketing of that product of the sea. Last year they were prevented from doing this freely, and this year they are yet embarking on the voyage to a very great extent, simply because there is no one to buy fish after it is caught. Poor Relief seems

to be the rule rather than the exception, and men who would rather do anything than seek such aid, have been obliged for the sake of their wives and children to have their names placed on the Emergency Relief List, and take their weekly order for the apportioned quantity of Flour and Molasses allotted them. It is an intolerable condition, and no burden of life could impose its weight more heavily upon the hitherto independent fishermen of the districts named than that of having to accept such bare rations as are handed out by and with Government authority.

More able-bodied poor relief has been issued in the district of Burgeo and La-Poile this year than ever before, and able-bodied relief is different and distinct from permanent and casual. It is distressing to read the many letters coming from all parts of that district, all complaining of the hopelessness of the outlook and lamenting the hard fact that dire necessity alone compels the people to accept the naked charity offered by the Government. Not so very long ago the member for this district made a public statement that he had ordered but twenty-five barrels flour to be sent there on Government account. That may be quite all right, but the official answer, to a question tabled in the House of Assembly on this subject, shows that one hundred and eighty barrels of flour have been shipped to various settlements to be given out under authority of the relieving officers, not including some broken lots supplied by a local dealer to the value of over four hundred dollars, the latter being charged to the Government at the rate of sixteen dollars and fifty cents per barrel, and some molasses issued by the same dealer was entered at a price of one dollar and seventy cents per gallon. These issues do not cover the total for the whole district, nor are the returns of the four relieving officers for Burgeo and La-Poile included. They will tell a tale of their own. One hundred and fifty barrels of this flour were shipped from St. John's by a Commission Merchant, and it is said, by a clerk in a grocery store who is a well-known partisan of the Prime Minister. He filled an order for seventy barrels, while the Commission Merchant put through a shipment of eighty. Dealers in the district supplied but thirty barrels and some broken lots. In this connection we make the contention that where there are dealers in the district carrying adequate supplies, their stocks should be drawn upon to relieve existing distress, and that the preference, if any, should be given these men, rather than that favorites in St. John's should be permitted to ship flour on Government account, thus interfering with the legitimate business of recognized merchants and suppliers.

Mr. Alex. Scott Dead.

Mr. H. N. Burt was apprised by cable this morning of the death of Mr. Alex. Scott, who passed away at Washington, Vermont, whither he had been residing for some years. A more extended obituary notice will appear to-morrow.

Octette Scores Another Success.

The St. John's Octette repeated their St. George's night concert in the Methodist College Hall last night before a large and appreciative audience. The different items on the programme were faultlessly rendered. The violin solo by Mrs. (Dr.) Murphy and the recitations by Mrs. H. Outerbridge were enthusiastically received both having to respond to several encores, whilst handsome bouquets were presented to both ladies as a small token of appreciation for their splendid concert. The proceeds of last night's concert as that of the previous one will be devoted to city charities under the direction of the Llewellyn Club. The St. John's Octette has established itself in musical circles and future appearances will draw packed houses.

Eat Mrs. Stewart's Home-made Bread.—april 29, 1921

800 Unemployed Registered.

At the Unemployment Bureau nearly 800 men have registered up to today. Of the total number 220 have been placed to work. Preparations for opening up other jobs of work are under way, but the Council seems handicapped for the want of necessary pipes, etc. These are, however, expected to arrive shortly. In the meantime the gang of men now employed will be paid off and another batch of 200 or so take their places. This seems to be the only possible solution for the present time. The registrar, Mr. Edward Whitty, informs us that a surprising number of the men are in very poor circumstances, and the conditions of a large number is something terrible.

Civil Actions.

A Defective Chimney.—A man was charged with having a defective chimney in a house owned by him. He said he was going to tear down the house. His Honor said he would continue the hearing of the case next week.

Hues for Passage Money.—A most interesting case was that of a man who sued the Daily Star for the amount of his passage home to England. It appears that this man came out here over a year ago as a hand compositor for the Star, with the understanding that he was to receive his passage money after a year, if he did not wish to stay. He was laid off in March owing to there not being sufficient work for him, and the Star now refuses to pay the passage money agreed upon. Hon. Mr. P. Gibbs, K.C., for defendant company, asked for a postponement. Mr. G. W. Ayre, for the plaintiff objected. It was decided to postpone the case until Tuesday next.

Supreme Court.

(Before Mr. Justice Kent.)
In the matter of the petition of Marquette Winter, praying that W. J. Whiteway of Grand Falls be declared insolvent.
F. R. Emerson for petitioner asks for leave to withdraw the petition. It is ordered accordingly.

Rumored Changes.

It is rumored to-day that the Government intends closing the Shipping Department, and that Mr. Caw and Mr. Piccott will be transferred to the Marine and Fisheries office, which latter, it is understood, Mr. Coaker is vacating, he having decided to give his attention to the business at Port Union.

To Reduce Milk Prices.

The farmers of the surrounding country held a largely attended meeting in the British Hall yesterday. Matters in connection with seeds, fertilizer, etc., were discussed. The matter of reducing the price of milk was also considered. The meeting decided to sell milk at 20c per quart retail, after the first of June. This is a reduction of 16 cents per gallon on the cost during the period of high price feeds.

Obituary.

MYRTIS LIND.
There passed away at the General Hospital, on Tuesday morning last, Myrtis, daughter of Harry J. and Julia Lind, of Grand Falls, at the early age of 21 years. Miss Lind had been an inmate of the Hospital for some weeks, undergoing treatment for valvular heart trouble, but spite of all that could be done by skill and love death supervened, and a bright young life was snuffed out. Deceased was a niece of the late Frank T. Lind, so well known in the annals of the Royal Nfld. Regiment and in local journalism. Left to mourn are a father, mother, several brothers and one sister, all of whom the deepest sympathies go out. Funeral takes place on Saturday afternoon from the General Hospital.

Shipping Notes.

S.S. Winona, of the Canada Steamships Line, leaves Montreal on Wednesday next for this port.
S.S. Sabie I, which left Louisbourg at 10.30 a.m. yesterday, is due to-night bringing general cargo to Harvey & Co. The ship sails for Halifax to-morrow night.
S.S. Manola, 6 days from Montreal, arrived port at 6 p.m. yesterday upon the general cargo to Harvey & Co. The Manola has been the first steamer to arrive here from Montreal this season.
Schr. Kinsman, 53 days from Gibraltar, arrived in port to-day to A. E. Hickman & Co., in ballast.
S.S. Roseland leaves New York on Tuesday next.
S.S. Maplelawn, now in port with a cargo of foodstuffs from Montreal, was formerly the Manola. The change was made to avoid confusion with another ship of the same line, Manola.
S.S. Winona starts loading freight at Montreal for this port on Tuesday.

"Live and Let Live"—Buy the Goods Manufactured in your own Home Town.—april 29, 1921

Serious Assault.

According to a message received by the Inspector General from Acting Sergeant Shepherd of Bell Island, a youth named Patrick Barrett, aged 17, has been arrested there on a charge of assaulting and wounding Patrick Butler, aged 17 also. Butler was unconscious up to the time the message was sent but a later message states that he is recovering. Barrett will be tried before the Stipendiary Magistrate at Bell Island.

Police Court.

An outport man was charged with the larceny of a quantity of lumber from the yard of the Horwood Lumber Co., on several occasions. A report of this case will be found in another column. The man was fined \$50 or 2 months.

A man was charged with being drunk and disorderly and breaking a pane of glass. He refused to accompany the police who came to arrest him and had to be taken by force to the Police Station. He was fined \$5.00.

Coastal Boats.

GOVERNMENT.
S.S. Portia left Marytown at 10 a.m. and is due here to-morrow afternoon.
GOVT. RAILWAY COMMISSION.
Home arrived at Placentia at 8.30 a.m. yesterday, leaving to-day for west.
Kyle left Port aux Basques at 7.50 p.m. yesterday, going to North Sydney. Meigs left Hermitage Cove at 6.30 p.m. Wednesday, going to Port aux Basques, later left La-Poile at 8.45 a.m.

McMurdo's Store News.

FRIDAY, April 29.
We are pleased to be able to announce to-day that a full line of Dr. Daniel's Veterinary Remedies has just come to hand, and will be immediately available for sale. Among the number we mention Worm Powders, Renovator (Condition) Powders, Hoof Dressing, Absorbent (Bilster) Carbo-Negus, Colic Drops, etc.
American Cabbage Seeds are highly esteemed, and we have this year as usual, a good line of these seeds of the popular names. Prices \$5.00 a pound; 50 cents per single ounce.

From Cape Race.

CAPE RACE, To-day.
Special to Evening Telegram.
Wind northwest, light, weather fine. A motor boat and a fore-top-sail schooner passed in at daylight. Bar. 28.80; Ther. 54.

Here and There.

The receipt of Thirty-five Dollars conscience money, due the late George Neal, is hereby acknowledged.—april 29, 1921

JUNKS AT 90 CENTS.—Schr. Lucy Jane, which arrived in port during the early part of the week from Trinity Bay with a full load of birch junks, landed a few hundred at the Public Wharf, East End. They are selling at 90 cents per hundred but there is very little demand.

We have them again at Pre-war Values: All Wool Pound Serges, suitable for children's and women's dresses; Pound Shirting and Pound Percalates at prices to suit your purse. Extra values.

THE WEST END BAZAAR, 51 Water St. West.

STILL ALIVE.—The young man Martin who attempted to take his own life at Port aux Basques last week, by cutting his throat with a razor, is still alive and under the care of a doctor at Channel. As soon as he is fit to travel he will be sent to his home in Hr. Grace.

WHIT MONDAY CONCERT.—The Band of the G.L.B. Cadets is repeating its Easter Monday Concert on Whit Monday, May 16th, in aid of the Shan-Don Munn Memorial Orphanage. All those who performed in the last concert have kindly consented to do so again and the affair is bound to be a huge success.

HAY FEVER, ASTHMA, CATARRH & CHRONIC BRONCHITIS.

All surrendered their terrible affliction to the relief of Dr. W. E. BUCKLEY, M.D., Chemist, 143 Mutual Street, Toronto, Ont.

CLEVER CARTOON.—A Telegram reporter was shown a very clever cartoon of Mr. G. W. B. Ayre, done by Mr. W. J. Carver, Secretary to the Prime Minister. It depicts Mr. Ayre in armour as St. George, and with a coat of arms on his shield consisting of an ink pot and quill pen surmounted by the legend, "Our George." Under the picture are the words, "Now bring on that Dragon." Mr. Ayre intends having a block cut made of it.

Here and There.

"What happened to Jones?"

LOCAL CATTLE.—A number of local cattle arrived by train to-day and will be disposed of by auction on Monday.

This is window display week of Local-Made Goods. Come and see them and be a booster.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT.—The Hon. Treasurer of the C. of E. Orphanage gratefully acknowledges receipt of the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100) from the St. Thomas's Women's Association.

The Local-Made Goods shown in the Water Street Store windows this week are well worth seeing.—april 29, 1921

POTATOES \$2.75.—Potato prices took another drop in the market to-day. They are now being retailed at 12 cents per gallon. From the country people they may be bought at \$2.75, at which price some were sold this morning.

Good Local Goods, well made, are being shown in the windows of the Water Street Stores all this week. Don't miss seeing them.—april 29, 1921

TO TAKE FISHING CREWS.—It is understood that the S.S. Glencoe has been engaged for three trips to the Straits and Labrador for the purpose of taking down fishing crews. The first sailing will probably be to the Straits, beginning May 20th.

You can't buy or use better made Goods than are manufactured in Newfoundland. See the Store Windows this week and be convinced.—april 29, 1921

NOTE OF THANKS.—Miss Maudie Kennedy wishes to thank all those who patronized her card tournament; also her helpers, especially Misses Roach, Maddigan and Brien; and to R. Callahan for china ornament; S. Faour for tobacco pouch and Philip Murphy for underwear.—adv.

Strange Requests.

Strange and sometimes pathetic are the requests that deceased people occasionally leave behind them. Only the other day a farmer was borne to his grave on a farm-cart drawn by his favourite pony.

Some time ago a lady, who was a brilliant pianist, asked in her will that she might be buried in her piano instead of a coffin. Another lady was buried at sea, by her special wish, and the coffin borne thence in a fishing-boat by two fishermen who had known her since her childhood.

In an open field not very far from London there is a solitary grave of one who was an ardent lover of the surrounding country. This, again, was a woman who did not wish to be buried in the crowded cemetery of the city. And one cannot help feeling that she was a little wise, for where she rests the countryside is full of peace.

Floral Tributes to the Departed.

Nothing so nice as flowers in time of sorrow. We can supply Wreaths and Crosses on short notice, and guarantee satisfaction. We will endeavor to meet the humblest purse. "Say it with flowers."

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Tessier Brothers.
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Phone 124.

BORN.
On April 29th, a son to Mr. and Mrs. P. Joyce.

MARRIED.
On April 25th, at the C. of E. Cathedral, by the Rev. J. Brinton, Herbert Roberts to Miss Jeanie Eddy.

DIED.
This morning, after a long and painful illness, Thomas J. Walsh, aged 28 years, leaving a wife and five children, two sisters and two brothers to mourn their sad loss. Funeral on Sunday, at 2.30 p.m., from his late residence, 40 Livingstone Street. Will friends please accept this, the only intimation.

This morning, at Washington, Vermont, Alex. Scott, formerly of this city.

This morning, William F. Phelan, eldest son of Pierce Phelan, H.M.C. Funeral on Sunday at 2.30 p.m. from his late residence, 48 King's Road.—21.

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Knowling's BLANKETS and TOWELS

We inadvertently omitted from our great Housefurnishing Cash Sale our Elder and Wadded Quilts, Blanket and Towel BARGAINS.
We cannot charge or send on approbation at these prices.

WOOL BLANKET BARGAIN

We offer a large selection of Grey and White Wool Blankets at the following prices:

5.85, 6.10, 10.55,
14.75, 24.95

Pair.

Regular values range from \$7.00 to \$30.00.

COTTON BLANKET BARGAIN

The season is now here when Cotton Blankets are necessary. Here are some attractive price offerings, viz:

1.50, 2.35, 2.90,
4.75, 7.45

Pair.

Regular values range from \$2.25 to \$9.85.

TURKISH TOWEL
BARGAIN — All
sizes, beautiful goods;
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Sale Prices range from
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Prices range from 8c.
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Bran \$2.85 bag
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Dark-Blue Band Teaware.

Consisting of

Tea Sets, 21 pieces . . . \$6.00
Tea Cups & Saucers . . . 48c.
Breakfast Cups & Saucers . . . 55c.
Egg Cups . . . 35c.
Salad Bowls . . . 50c, 60c, 70c.
Jugs . . . 50c, 60c, 70c.

White and Gold Teaware.

Cups & Saucers . . . 35c.
Tea Plates . . . 10c, 17c.
Tea Sets, 21 pieces (china), \$7.90

Fancy Glass Sets.

Floral design, Gold, traced, consisting of—

Berry Sets . . . \$3.75
Table Sets . . . \$3.75, \$4.00
Lemonade Sets . . . \$3.75, \$4.00

JOE LOT Toilet Sets.

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G. KNOWLING, Ltd.
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Accountant,

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