



Evening Telegram

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Primitive Labor.

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At its best labor in primitive times was but a form of slavery, the nations of Northern Europe being accustomed to the notion, chiefly owing to their associations with the Southern countries where market slavery was an institution. The German tribes, borrowing from the Romans, with whom they not infrequently fought, introduced the custom or system of making use of captives taken in war: men guilty of crimes against the state (one which is in vogue in every civilized country at the present day), debtors, and those who by invertebrate gambling had wasted their substance, often took the hazard of their personal liberty, and staked their bodies on the throw, becoming, if the losers, the slaves of their lucky opponents. Such forced labor could have but one termination—slavery—subjection of body and mind to the will of the master, and so slavery grew into national life and became legally recognised. The little information that we have of life in other parts of Europe beside those mentioned, in early times, give the same accounts of conditions and the essential features of the quality of slavery arising out of these, are discernible. Changes of time and the increase of the area of geographical observation brought slavery into greater prominence, and the abomination not only flourished and thrived for centuries after the introduction of the Christian era, but was long regarded as not inconsistent with the doctrines of Christianity, and became recognized, even in civilized Europe as a national institution, and laws were passed for its protection. The master farmed out his slaves or serfs, and received their earnings, when not employed at his own work, and this custom became an absolute right, and, apart from any contract, it was generally accepted that the person of the laborer was at the disposal of his lord, who held authority in all matters affecting his life, and could impose upon him sentence of death for disobedience.

Slave labor was common throughout the known world from the remotest ages, and some of its permanent handicrafts are the wonders of this present age of machinery and progress. Such monuments as the pyramids of Egypt and the Great Wall of China attest to the durability of man's constructiveness, and these were erected by the hands of slaves. The classic temples of Athens and Rome, the ruins of which are the admiration of all who behold them, were built by slaves. The walls and hanging garlands of Babylon testify to the ability of forced labor, and many other stupendous structures in the old world amply demonstrate the skill of both architect and laborer. In Britain, the Druidical temples of Stonehenge and Avebury were, without doubt, put up by slave labor. In the Americas,

North and South, long ere Columbus landed at San Salvador, or Cortes conquered Mexico or that other Spanish conquistador Pizarro subjugated Peru, slavery existed. The wonderful teocalli, so ably described by Prescott the historian, upon the roofs of which Aztec and Incas worshipped, and sacrificed to, the rising sun were, laid by slaves. In India, China and other Oriental countries slavery was recognized and protected, men being counted wealthy according to the inventory of their human property. For years the English colonies in North America made slavery an industry and armed ships were sent to Africa for the purpose of forcibly taking the natives from their villages for work on the plantations, the owners and purveyors of such ventures making large sums of money out of the sale of the human live stock brought back. Many of these "black birds" supplied the Spanish West India possessions, and a regular trade in human flesh was established and carried on with profit, until Great Britain took the lead and after abolishing slavery in her own dominions, declared against all such trading and trafficking as being contrary to divine and human law, and used all her influence to have the other powers join with her in the new crusade for the emancipation of the chained slaves of the 19th century, whose condition was far worse than the human chattels of barbaric times.

Bishop & Sons, Ltd., New Department.

The Telegram reporter had the pleasure yesterday afternoon of being shown through the splendid new Gents' Furnishings' Department of Bishop & Sons' Water Street department store. This department, which is in the store lately occupied by Mr. Jesse Whiteway, has been fitted up with the most modern and convenient combinations, and upon entering one is very favorably impressed with the brilliancy of the floor, bright and artistic decoration, and large glare-free electric lights lend this pleasing effect of the modern store. Handsome grey-oak finish cabinets and show-cases contain the new line of goods displayed for sale. These cases, which are so situated as to be most easily reached, contain glass doors which slide on wheels at the bottom, ensuring the minimum of time in opening the case. In them are kept young men's suits, each and every one of them, each made, youths' and men's cases. Needless to state, these are dust-proof. The caps and dress-shirts are assorted according to size and quality, the winter and summer ones being separated. In conjunction with the store is a changing room, where clothing may be fitted with the certainty of complete privacy. Large full-sized mirrors greatly facilitate this. In the rear of the department is situated a shoe and rubber counter, with handsome and comfortable seats and other facilities at hand. Without doubt this new department of Bishop & Sons is the latest and most up-to-date in the city, and that the custom that such a splendid store warrants will always be forthcoming, is our hope.

Obituary.

ALEXANDER MOORE.
Mr. Alexander Moore, who sustained injuries some time ago at the Royal Gazette Bldg., died yesterday evening at the General Hospital. Death was principally due to pneumonia. Mr. Moore was one of the most widely known printers in St. John's, and worked for about 40 years on the "Royal Gazette." He was a very amiable citizen, and a member of the Grand Lodge of the Society of United Fishermen. He leaves to mourn a widow, three sons and three daughters. The Telegram extends sympathy to the bereaved.

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MENTS.
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PICTURES OF THE POPE,
20c. and 30c. each
CONGREGATIONAL
CHURCH HYMNAL,
55c. each

C. of E. PRAYER & HYMN,
A. & M.,
25c. 60c. & 75c. each
C. of E. PRAYER & CHURCH
HYMNS, 60c. each.
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assorted prices.
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BOOK MARKS, etc., from
2c. to 30c. each
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assorted prices.
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words only,
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SANKY HYMN BOOKS,
with Tunes,
\$1.00, \$1.50 and \$2.10 ea.

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AVIATION.

The Conquest of the Air.

(Specially Written for the Telegram.)

An attempt will be made shortly to cross the Atlantic by air. In this simple phrase is announced an endeavour surrounded by difficulties, which one, unacquainted with aviation, cannot possibly realise. Through-out the world there has been a phenomenal development of flying, along fighting lines and now that the war is over the aeroplane is going to justify its existence as an aid to the peaceful progress of humanity. Foremost amongst the conquests to be made is that of the Atlantic, and the men who have given England her aerial supremacy on the Western front will not be found wanting in the exceptional genius, courage and organizing abilities requisite for this venture.

To fly nearly 2,000 miles across the ocean out of sight of land! It hardly sounds the wonder that it is. So rapid has been the progress of aircraft that the general public have come to regard its marvels as a matter of course. But think of the problems to be faced, the difficulties to be overcome before the transatlantic flight is an accomplished fact! In the first place a machine has to be designed which can maintain a speed of about 100 miles per hour while carrying fuel for the journey, the pilot and at least one passenger. At the same time it has to maintain a standard of accuracy such as never before has been dreamt of. To produce such a machine is the work of a genius, requiring broadness of mind, boldness of conception and a scrupulous attention to the minutest detail.

Secondly a man has to be found to make the venture, a man of courage, a man of skill, a man with unusual powers of endurance, one who is willing to risk his life that the world may be better for others to live in. Thirdly the machine has to be navigated. The Atlantic Ocean is a vast waste of water, there is no asking the way, knowledge of the sea is not enough. Men have been navigating ships for hundreds of years, but it is only in the last year or two that any serious attention has been given to the difficult problem of finding your way in the air out of sight of land. Numerous obstacles which are non-existent on board a ship, are encountered on board an aeroplane. To state two alone: an aeroplane does not fly steady for long at a time and to one in it it is impossible to say whether it is steady or

not, also it is no easy matter to see your horizon when at 5,000 feet, and this is essential for navigation, by sun or stars. But the brains of the Anglo-Saxon race will overcome this difficulty, even as its hereditary daring will find the pilot.

A fourth and most serious hindrance still remains in the weather. We can improve machines and improve navigation, but we cannot improve the weather. We can only sturd it with all the aid that ingenuity and science can place at our disposal. The Atlantic is so large that two or three great storms can exist right on the aviator's route without any signs of them showing any where on land. However, this question is receiving considerable attention and an officer of the Royal Air Force is now here in St. John's making arrangements so that he will be able to inform the pilot of the exact conditions he will come to regard and advise him when they are suitable. To carry out this project, the greatest ever attempted of its kind, he will have to be in daily touch with the weather throughout the whole of America, Europe and with numerous ships in the Atlantic.

And what of the flight when it is done, and what of the men who did it? This adventure will open out wide vistas of commercial prosperity such as never before have been closer the bonds of friendship between Britain and her Dominions, and enlarge the channel in which the ancient culture and modern genius of England may mingle with the great growth and power of the Americas in one great stream of achievement for the benefit of mankind. For it will bring this continent within at least 24 hours of London.

And of the men, future generations will read of them in their history books as we now read of Columbus, Peary and Scott. They are taking the way, knowledge of the sea is not enough. They will also read that the flight commenced from St. John's, Newfoundland, and a permanent lustre will be added to this city.

As things are at present it appears probable that the Sopwith Aviation Co. which did so much towards winning the war will be the first to try and win this battle in the human conquest of nature. Their pilot will be Lt. Harry Hawker and navigator Lt. Com. Mackenzie Grive, R.N.

Salvation Army Maternity Hospital.

The following Officers for the Maternity Hospital Campaign Committee were appointed in the meeting held in the Board of Trade Rooms yesterday evening:
President & Chairman—Mr. W. B. Grieve.
Vice President—Mr. I. C. Morris.
Treasurer—Mr. Frank Steer.
Secretary—Mr. Chas. O'Neill Conroy.
Asst. Secretary—Mr. A. H. Salter.
Kindly note that all cheques for the Maternity Hospital Building should be made payable to Mr. Frank Steer, which will be acknowledged through the Press.
Sgd. W. H. BURROWS,
S. A. Territorial Representative.

Public Health Report.

During the week 5 cases of diphtheria, 2 of smallpox and 1 influenza were reported in the city. Six houses were disinfected and released from quarantine. At present in hospital are 15 diphtheria, 23 smallpox and one influenza patients, while 2 with diphtheria and 1 with scarlet fever are being treated at home.

Maternity Hospital Subscriptions.

Previously acknowledged	\$15,152.70
Mr. G. C. Fearn	100 00
The Brazil Exporters	22 83
W. Howell	20 00
\$10.00 each—J. Alexander	
Robinson, Popes' Furni-	
ture Factory, W. W. W.	40 00
McNelly, S. G. Collier	
\$5.00 each—Stanley G. Gan-	
die, Misses Smith	10 00
\$2.00 each—Mrs. M. G.	
Joseph Soper, Mr. M. G.	
Lash, Mrs. Sphire	8 00
\$1.00 each—A Friend, Mrs. F.	
Marshall, Mrs. Gardner,	
Mrs. Logwell, Mrs. Wes-	
tern, Mrs. Lorenzo Mar-	
tin, Mrs. W. Locke, Joseph	
Nugent, Friend, Mrs. Rod-	
gers, Mrs. Noel, Friend,	
Mrs. Brennan, Mrs. Fitz-	
gerald, Mr. Barnes, S.	15 00
Haynes	6 00
Miscellaneous	6 00
	\$15,376.19

McMurdo's Store News.

SATURDAY, March 22, 1919.
If you suffer from occasional headaches which are merely nervous or not the result of the result of stomach or liver trouble, keep a package of our Headache Powders at hand, and take one now and again. One of these powders will usually give instant relief. Price 15c. a pkg. Sanidant Tooth Paste still holds a place in the forefront of this class of articles, and an increasing number of users proclaim Sanidant as a really good dentifrice and one which they will not willingly use any other instead of. Price 30c. a tube.

New Residence and College Extension Banquet, Methodist College Hall, March 26th. Launching of the Campaign to raise \$150,000. Tickets on sale at Dicks & Co's.—mar20,22,24

Sealing Messages.

BOWRING BROS.
(March 22.)
S.S. Terra Nova, 8.15 last night—Dense fog all day, loose ice as far as can be seen; about 2,000 whitecoats; main patch not yet cut up.
S.S. Eagle, 8.15 last night—Thick fog; ice and seals scattered; men unable to get ashore.
S.S. Ranger, 8.30 last night—Total stowed 800 odd hoods, 500 young hoods, 550 whitecoats.
S.S. "Fishing"—70 miles S.W. St. Paul's; thick fog; nothing new to report.

JOB BROS. & CO.
S.S. Neptune, last night—About 1,000 more on board; weather foggy; ice in bad condition.
S.S. Thetis, last night—Ice bad; weather foggy; 1,000 more on board.

CROSBIE & CO.
S.S. Fagot, to-day—3,000 on board; patch broken up and finished; all steamers gone north.

BAINE JOHNSTON & CO.
S.S. Seal last night—Struck nice spot of young harps on 17th; my estimate, have on board 7,000; weather very foggy; miss some parts, can't say it will recover any; all well. No report to-day.
A message to the Minister of Marine and Fisheries from Sir Sable L. says "Dense fog; crew all on board and well."

Commendable.

We are glad to note the promptitude with which the Council cleaned the unsightly scene facing Water St., commented on in Thursday's Telegram. We note too the decision of the Council to clean the streets in general, and we would emphasize the preliminary cleaning at least, is a necessity, if we wish to counteract against another epidemic. We have no doubt but that the streets will be cleaned with the same speed that characterized the cleaning of the portion earlier referred to.

Dispute Over Salvage.

The Deputy Minister of Customs has received word from St. Lawrence that a dispute has arisen there over the salvage of the schooner Aviator, recently wrecked in that vicinity. No particulars are to hand as to just what caused the trouble or what settlement may be effected.

Shipping Notes.

S.S. Coban is now due from New York.

Capt. A. Kean's schooner, Cecil Jr., from Cadiz to Grand Bank, put into St. Pierre yesterday, owing to ice conditions.

The Russell Zinck is loading codfish at the premises of the Monroe Export Co. for Alicante.

The Philen, bound for this port in ballast from the Azores, put into Trepassey yesterday afternoon.

The Rt. Rev. Lord Bishop of Newfoundland will Lecture in the Synod Hall on Monday, Mar. 24th, at 8 p.m. Subject: "Education." Chairman, His Excellency the Governor. The parishioners of the three City Parishes and others interested in Education are cordially invited to attend. General admission 20c. mar22,11

MAJESTIC PRESENTATION.

Friday and Saturday, Afternoon and Evening,

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Personal Mention.

Dr. Goodwin, of Hr. Grace, is registered at the Crosbie.

Messrs. A. Snelgrove, Catalina, and W. H. Greenland, Coley's Point, are guests at the Balsam.

Dr. Cecil Kean, son of Capt. A. Kean, reached Alexandria, Egypt, yesterday, bound home.

Private Ronald Taylor arrived in town yesterday after a visit to Carbonear. His many friends there were glad to see him.

Mr. M. McGettigan, left by yesterday's express en route for Liverpool, to superintend repairs to the s.s. Prospero in England.

The engagement of Miss Josephine Hawker to Mr. Samuel Bigsby, of this city is announced; the groom to be is a Blue Puttee Boy.

Mr. Gordon Armstrong, after three years with the Royal Nfld. Regiment on active service, has again returned to civil life and is now in charge of the plumbing department of Mr. R. Callahan, in whose employ he was formerly engaged.

Mr. Walter Squires, manager of the Bell Island Transportation Co., who has been in the city on business for the past few days, returned to the Island this afternoon.

Imagine, \$8.00 buys a Phonograph that plays any 10 inch record made. Others at \$18.00, \$26.00 and \$32.00. Floor Cabinets, \$60.00. Our prices on reliable guaranteed Phonographs is 20 per cent. lower than elsewhere. Records free with each machine. J. M. RYAN SUPPLY CO., 227 Theatre Hill—mar20,31

From Cape Race.

Special to Evening Telegram.

CAPE RACE, To-day.
Wind northeast, light, weather foggy, heavy open ice drifting west; no vessels sighted. Bar, 29.90; Ther. 46.

What will your subscription be toward the New Residence and College Extension Fund? Look for the report of the Banquet, which opens the Big Campaign to raise the \$150,000 required.—mar20,22,26

Reids' Boats.

The Kyle left Placentia at 3.30 a.m. to-day.
The Meigle is in port.
The Sagona was to have left North Sydney last night.
Others not reported.

FREE—10 selections of music your own choice with every Phonograph purchased from us from \$18.00 up. See us for supreme Phonograph value. J. M. RYAN SUPPLY CO., 227 Theatre Hill.—mar20,31

BORN.

On March 17th, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Elton.
On March 22nd, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Jackman.

DIED.

Passed peacefully away at the General Hospital, on Friday, the 21st inst., Alex. Moore, leaving a wife, three sons and three daughters. Funeral on Sunday, at 2.30 p.m., from his late residence, 18 Waldegrave St. Friends and acquaintances please accept this the only intimation.

Passed peacefully away on March 21st, Catherine Furlong, widow of the late Peter Furlong, and eldest daughter of the late Capt. Tom Larkin, leaving one daughter and five grandchildren. Funeral on Sunday, at 2.30 p.m., from her late residence, 4 Bulley Street. Friends will please accept this the only intimation.—Boston and Toronto papers please copy.

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To-Day's Messages

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MINERS REPRESENTATIVES CO-OPERATE.

LONDON, Mar. 22.—One hundred and fifty delegates representing the Miners of the United Kingdom, met this morning to discuss the interim report of the Commission, of which Justice John Sankey is Chairman, issued last night, and decided as to whether there would be a strike or peace in the mining industry. The conference met without any recommendation from the executive officers of the Unions. Before the meeting the key report, which recommended an hour of work underground for miners instead of eight, from 12th inst., and six hours from 13th, 1921, subject to the economic conditions of the industry, with increase in wages of two shillings shift for colliery workers, now upon the sliding scale, and an advance one shilling for workers under 16 years. An effective voice in the direction of the mines for the miners was recommended, was the substitution of the National Union or unification by National Union or joint control, for the present system of ownership and system of working.

ANOTHER APPLICANT.

LONDON, Mar. 22.—German-Austria has expressed a desire for independent representation at the Peace Conference, according to Berlin advices reaching here.

GERMAN SEAMEN REFUSE.

LONDON, Mar. 22.—A Central News despatch from Amsterdam says, German seamen at Hamburg have decided that they will not man ships carrying English troops.

GRAVE SITUATION IN EGYPT.

LONDON, Mar. 22.—The situation in Egypt is becoming worse, and at the present time is distinctly grave, a Reuter despatch from Cairo says. General Allenby, Commander in Palestine, will reach Cairo Tuesday. The large force of troops already in Egypt are being reinforced.

THE CONFERENCE HAS THE WORD.

PARIS, Mar. 22.—"The first result to be obtained, Peace, and the quickest peace possible," said David Lloyd George, British Premier, in a statement issued in to-day's issue of the "Excelsior." "All internal events in every country are being put on hold," continued the Premier are dependent on that Peace which we expect and desire to obtain at the earliest possible moment. It is this everyone is living in a state of expectation and uncertainty. Commerce and industry are kept in a kind of stagnation, which can engender disorders. I shall therefore remain in Paris, unless something unexpected arises, until the text of the Peace Preliminaries are definitively drafted, and ready for submission."

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