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Western Notes.

The weather about Channel is ex-
cessively disagreeable and a bad form
of lagrippe is prevalent.

Mr. Benjamin Billard, second officer
of one of the Cabot Strait steamers,
who was injured by a fall a few days
ago, is slowly recovering.

Though bait supplies are plentiful
fish continues scarce and the fish-
ermen are consequently, not doing
much. Salmon had not struck in up to
June 4th. The lobster packers have
set a few traps and are making their
usual preparations for the season.

The schr. Codilla, 47 tons, has been
sold by Mr. Emmanuel Pike and pur-
chased by Mr. George Geog who will
use the vessel in the coal and coasting
trade.

Mr. R. Moulton, M.H.A., paid a
"bring visit" to Channel a few days
ago, arriving from Dargoo in the
morning and taking steamer outwards

the same evening. His constituents
were greatly benefitted.

Generous Collection.

The collection taken up in the Rom-
an Catholic Churches yesterday for
the Belvidere Cemetery annual beau-
tification, amounted to the handsome
sum of \$1,831.72, made up as follows:
Cathedral, \$1,215.05; St. Patrick's,
\$566.45; St. Joseph's, \$50.22. The
Cemetery Committees beg to return
their sincere thanks to the generous
donors who made the collection such
a successful one.

LABRADOR SAILINGS—The fol-
lowing vessels left Brigus last week
for Labrador: Traveller, M. Bartlett,
master; Star of the Sea, E. Fitzger-
ald; R. E. Bishop, H. Bishop, and Eva
Midred, S. Daws.

New German Offensive.

AN AIR BATTLE.

THE HAGUE, June 9th.

Five British and seven German air-
planes of the largest type fought a
battle Tuesday evening off the Dutch
coast, according to a Terschelling des-
patch to the Handelsblad. One of the
German machines were seen to fall
in flames into the sea. One British
machine was forced to descend, but
landed safely. Another British ma-
chine, which had descended to the
surface of the sea because of a defec-
tion in the propeller two hours after
the battle, was later set on fire by its
occupants, all whom waded ashore
and gave themselves up for intern-
ment. The crew included two Cana-
dians. The British machines were a
squadron of five seaplanes, which
started Tuesday afternoon on a re-
cognitering expedition off the north-
ern Dutch coast. During the after-
noon they had met a squadron of five
German airplanes which they drove
off without difficulty in three succes-
sive encounters. The Germans, how-
ever, returned reinforced by seven
seaplanes. A lively fight ensued, and
in addition to the German machines
which fell in flames, another German
machine was brought down. A Brit-
ish machine commanded by Robert
Paul, of Buffalo, N.Y., a member of
the Canadian Flying Corps, developed
engine trouble, and was forced to de-
scend to the surface. Joseph Eaton, a
New England man, who was senior
pilot of the squadron, was detained to
protect the disabled plane, and circled
about for an hour while the Germans
continuously attacked the cripple.
During Eaton's defensive work his
machine was riddled with bullets, but
he was able to keep the air until the
Germans were driven off. He then
descended his machine, which was
wrecked, but all the crew got ashore
safely. This engagement was report-
ed Admiralty in its communication of
June 6th, which announced that a
squadron of large seaplanes, while re-
cognitering over the North Sea, met
a large formation of hostile machines,
which was engaged, and two of the
enemy machines shot down. Two of
the British machines, it was stated,
were forced to alight close to the
Dutch coast because of engine trouble,
and had been interned.

The above remarks were based on
indisputable evidence of concerted
efforts on the part of certain men in-
fluential in the management of the
Reid Company, to dislocate the trans-
portation facilities of the country to
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faction and public outcry against the
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Personal predilections for any
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He and his hired scribes are bark-
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"hard nut to crack" I would say, "go
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ces are delightfully interesting, Andy
still lives, and Griffin Town records
are not all destroyed.
I have had two objects in dealing
with these railway matters. One was
to focus attention upon the incapable
manner in which the railway was be-
ing operated, both across the country
and locally; the other to induce the
Government to take some action to
compel the Company to give a better
service to the trade and to the pas-
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My efforts have not been without
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Mr. Editor, I shall accommodate him
by devoting a little attention thereto.
The public have been hoodwinked
as to the cause of the break-down of
the railway transportation facilities.
Politicians and railway officials seem
to have conspired to cripple the coun-
try's railway to promote personal am-
bitions, and the political and commer-

The Coal Question.

Editor Evening Telegram.

Sir,—Some few days ago an East
End coal dealer was summoned before
Judge Morris for a breach of the Regu-
lations now in force with reference to
the selling of coal. We were led to
understand that only one half ton
could be purchased by any citizen at
any one time. This, was officially, the
orders of the day.

Thursday last, on my way to dimer,
I saw two boys putting in coals at
the residence of a government of-
ficial not a hundred yards from Raw-
linn Cross, and on my way back from
dimer, in the company of a friend, I
saw two carts laden with coal deposit-
ing their loads at the same residence.
Now! what about this? Can some
people get what quantities of coal they
desire, whilst others, who are just as
loyal and willing to abide by the or-
ders issued by the gentlemen in
charge of our coal supply, be deprived
of the same privilege?

There may be some explanation for
the facts as cited above; but, on the
face of it, I fail to see where any ex-
planation can nullify the positive and
absolute orders of the Coal Com-
mittee.

Yours truly,
SQUARE DEAL,
St. John's, May 8th, 1918.

When you want something in
a hurry for tea, go to ELLIS—
Head Cheese, Ox Tongue, Boiled
Ham, Cooked Corned Beef, Bologna
Sausage.

"Argus" and and His Critics.

Editor Evening Telegram.

Dear Sir,—There are two classes of
individuals who should be most care-
ful of making public statements,—
these are: liars with bad memories,
and men with shady pasts.

Under various nom de plumes a
certain individual in this city, whose
past cannot bear daylight, and who
is remarkable for nothing more than
for his notorious treachery to asso-
ciates and for boundless prevarica-
tions, has procured the writing of cer-
tain letters in the Advocate in reply
to my strictures on the management
of the Reid Company's railway.

But this pot-house slang, and slum-
witticisms, merely show that the
statements which I have made regard-
ing the inefficiency of the system dur-
ing the past year or more are too well-
founded to permit of contradiction.

I would direct attention to the fact
that in neither of these several ef-
fusions has the writer or the inspirer
attempted to refute the accusations I
have made, or to show that conditions
are not as stated by me in every par-
ticular. They not only fail to refute,
but they admit even more than I have
charged.

Writing on railway matters under
date of February 19th, I said: Re-
cent events have disclosed to the peo-
ple of this country that a spirit of
personal interest, and factional ad-
vantage dominate the minds of re-
sponsible officials of the system. It
has been demonstrated that in an un-
mistakable manner the general inter-
est of the public is being disregarded,
and the trade of the country made to
suffer by private intrigues which ap-
parently are as inimical to the effi-
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they are to the interest of the coun-
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Patriotic Self-sacrifice.

Editor Evening Telegram.

Dear Sir,—Every year since the war
commenced an annual sale of work
has been held and subscriptions raised
on the coast from Englee to Cape Nor-
man, the extreme north corner of
Newfoundland. The amount raised for
the Patriotic Fund last year was
over \$1,570; this year it will prob-
ably be over \$500. I call attention to
this fact because it is not as some
suppose that the people are richer
there than in any other District. On
the contrary, they are probably poor-
er, as last year's fishery was very
poor in that District. The money is
the result of great self-sacrifice. These

men do special work in the winter
and give the proceeds. Similarly with
the women. What is needed is good
local organization all round the Is-
land to show those who can not give
money how to turn their labor into
money and give that. If only such a
high standard were uniformly main-
tained all over the Island it is obvi-
ous that the receipts of the Patriotic
Fund would be very materially in-
creased. Regular promoters of sales
of the people's work are needed. Thus,
a few weeks ago the Girls of the King
George the Fifth Institute held a sale
of work for the Red Cross and raised
over \$500.

I want you to commend these ac-
tions in your paper, if you would, to
the attention of all friends round the
Island. The Funds were raised by
Protestant and Catholic, Conservative
and Liberal, poor and rich, utterly in-
dependent of any issue or influence
except that of love for the great cause
for which the Empire is struggling.

Faithfully yours,
WILFRED T. GRENFELL,
June 8, 1918.

A large shipment of Nyal's
Face Cream just arrived for
Stafford's Drug Stores, Theatre
Hill Store open every night till
9.30.—June 6, 1918

Apology.

Whereas it has been reported at
Clarenville that I, Richard Strong, of
Clarenville, have made a slanderous
report concerning Miss Maude Strong,
this report I absolutely deny. I know
nothing whatever about Miss Strong's
character, and if I have said any word
at any time that should have led to
this report, I sincerely apologize to
Miss Strong, and ask her forgiveness,
and am willing to pay the cost of this
apology to be printed in a public
paper, and any other cost that may be
incurred, if Miss Strong will not pun-
ish me, as I deserve. I also am will-
ing to take a bond for my future con-
duct.

(Sgd.) RICHARD STRONG.
Witness:—
(Sgd.) EMILY STRONG,
Step-Mother.
(Sgd.) CALEB TUCK, J.P.

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