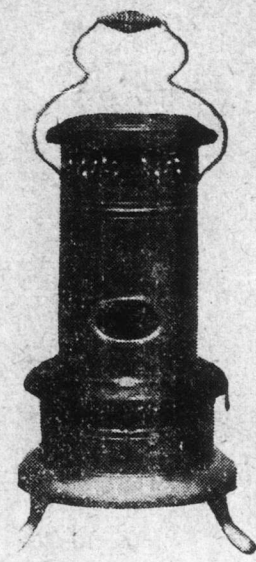


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## Evening Telegram

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WEDNESDAY, November 15, 1911.

### Is the Cost \$20,000 a Mile?

The Daily News is apparently unable to reconcile its own estimate with that of the Premier, and maintains silence on the matter.

Yesterday we showed that the Daily News estimate for part of the Premier's branch railway programme exceeds the Premier's estimate for the whole, as given in the Premier's Speech at Burin on October 11th, last, by \$1,500,000.

The Daily News does not attempt to deal with this extraordinary discrepancy. We also showed that the Daily News estimate is too low, as not a cent is allowed for stations, piers, wharves, fences, and snow fences, and extras ordered by the Government, which are to be paid for monthly under Section 37 of the Railway Extension Act.

The Daily News appears to ignore absolutely the obligations under Sections 34 and 37, and to make its estimate by a mere multiplication of \$15,000 by the number of miles.

This sufficiently accounts for the figures it gives about the Bonavista Branch \$1,500,000 is merely the product of \$15,000 by 88.

The Daily News has obviously left out of account the cost of all stations, piers, wharves, fences and snow fences, and other extras, which are not included in the work to be done by the Contractor for \$15,000 a mile. The Government is under an obligation to pay, in addition to the \$15,000 a mile, the fair value of this work.

To make this matter clear we quote a part of Section 34 and the whole of Section 37.

34. The Contractor shall erect all stations, piers, wharves, fences, and snow fences along the line of the Branch Railway to which the Contractor refers, and shall erect, construct and perform all other works which the Government shall require, which are not included in, or incidental to, the completion of the works comprised in this Contract, as the Government in their discretion may consider necessary and appropriate.

37. The Government shall pay to the Contractor the fair value of all works, constructions, articles and things provided and constructed by him under the provisions of clause 34 hereof, subject to their approval of the same, and to the provisions of the next preceding clause. Payments on account hereunder to be made monthly, on the certificate of the Engineer, for all works, constructions, articles and

things completed and furnished at the date of such certificate.

We have been asking for almost a whole week for an itemized statement of the payment already made under the Sections 34-37, and for some reason or other the Government declines to furnish the information.

Again, we know that part of the Bonavista Branch was constructed in the fall of 1909, before the Contract was executed. How much was paid for this work and at what rates?

The absurdity of placing the cost of the Bonavista Branch at \$1,500,000 is shown by these facts; also from the fact that nothing is allowed for the purchase of the rights of way.

Further, there is a gross discrepancy between this estimate and the financial statement tabled last spring in answer to a query in the House of Assembly. This financial statement was confirmed by the Minister of Finance who stated in his Budget Speech that four-fifths of the Bonavista Branch had been built and that \$1,212,000 had been paid to the Contractor up to February last. As one fifth is a quarter of four fifths, the fair inference is to add \$300,000 to this, and this makes \$1,500,000. At that time we believe nothing had been paid for stations, etc. It is evident, therefore, that we cannot be far out in estimating the total cost of the Bonavista Branch, when that Branch is absolutely complete, at \$2,000,000. So far the Daily News has not produced an itemized statement of what has been paid in this connection and an estimate of what remains to be done in that branch which will have to be paid for.

All these inquiries have been prompted by the misleading statement made by the Premier at Burin and by the apparent discrepancies which have appeared in the Daily News, and which the Premier and the Daily News have far from even attempted to reconcile.

In conclusion, we repeat we will promptly reply to the Daily News query of this week, when the information we asked for last week is furnished.

Special to Evening Telegram

Wind N. N. W., fresh, weather dull. The S. S. Bonavista passed west at 7.30 followed by the S. S. Mariner at 8 a.m. Bar: 29.78; ther: 30.

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## Police Court News.

To-day a drunk was fined \$4 or 14 days.

Two disorderlies and a man who has no home were discharged. Const. O'Neill summoned a cabman for cruelty to his horse in leaving it for 48 hours in a field without attention. Two men showed clearly that the animal had been taken out of the field in which it was at first placed by some unknown person, and he made a search for the horse but could not find it though later the police discovered it. The case was dismissed.

Supt. Grimes summoned a chauffeur for having no tail light to his motor recently. The man averred that he lit the lamp before leaving the garage, but did not know of it being out until the Supt. spoke to him of it. He was let off on paying costs.

A man named Hibbs summoned another named Somerton of Portugal Cove for assault on the 14th. He was fined \$5 or 14 days. Mr. Higgins for defendant. Mr. Rd. McGrath for dit.

## More Goods Seized.

To-day several business people of Water Street went to the police station to try to identify goods which they have missed from their stores, but there is such a great accumulation taken from Mrs. Butler's house that it will take several weeks to assort it properly for public inspection. The woman has not been arrested, but we learn is under police surveillance.

At 12.30 to-day Officer Byrne and Tobin took from her residence a large quantity of goods filled with more material and which contained such things as accordeons, walking canes, books, toy apparatus and this morning more goods will be taken. It is said that a sensation equal to that of yesterday may occur this evening, and that officers will make another big seizure. The heads of Water Street dry goods firms are deeply interested in this matter, believing as they do that much of the goods seized by the police have been sent away from their stores by dishonest employees.

## Several Big Larcenies.

Though the police have not had to deal with such a number of petty larcenies this fall as during past seasons, those which did occur were of more than ordinary importance. These include the larceny of a trunk with \$100 from the cabin of a schooner; the stealing of seven cases of oil worth \$150 from Geo. M. Barr's wharf, and last, but not least, the discovery at Mrs. Charlotte Butler's, Colonial St. The belief of several people is that the woman was dealing with dishonest clerks in several city stores and that they furnished her with the goods which they stole from the shelves of their employes' stores.

## Train Notes.

The west bound express left Notre Dame Junction at 8.55 a.m. The incoming express left Port aux Basques at 9.25 a.m. to-day. The local via Grand Cove arrived at St. John's at 1 p.m.

## Had Himself Shot.

Gave Instructions to Gamekeeper and Ran Into Danger.

Suicides often adopt ingenious methods, but the art of the felo de se seems not to have advanced materially during the centuries. The modern case of a heavily insured hunter who on a fabled hunting trip stood bareheaded in a quagmire for hours and so fully contracted a fatal pneumonia, is matched in cleverness by one five hundred years old. The following facts are well vouched for, and, indeed, were never questioned:

Sir William Hankford, a Judge of the King's Bench in the reign of Edward III, Henry IV, and Henry V, and Henry VI, and at the time of his death Chief Justice of England, was a man of melancholy temperament.

He seems to have contemplated suicide the greater part of his long life, and during his later years the idea became a fixed purpose. The act was of peculiarly serious consequences in those days, for the reason the law treated it as a capital crime. The offender was buried at the cross roads, with a stake driven through his body, and all his goods and property were forfeited to the Crown, to the utter ruin of his family.

Hankford made good use of his wits and succeeded in accomplishing his purpose without incurring either unpleasant penalty. He gave open and notorious instructions to his gamekeeper, who had been troubled with poachers in the deer preserve, to challenge all trespassers in the future, and to shoot to kill if they would not stand and give an account. One dark night he purposely crossed the keeper's path, and upon challenge made motions of resistance and escape. The faithful servant, failing to recognize his master, followed instructions to the letter as was expected of him, and Sir William fell dead in his tracks.

The whole truth of the affair was common knowledge, but it was impossible to establish a case of suicide by legal proof. The servant was protected by his instructions. Hankford had honorable burial and his estate passed to those whose interests as heirs he had so wisely considered.

VESSEL OVERDUE.—The Empire is 45 days out from Opport to St. Bar—about 25 days overdue. It is likely she met one of the big N. W. storms coming on the coast.

The S. S. Bella Ross is due at Penambuco to-day with fish for Goodridge & Sons. The Osage which left here the same time got down last Saturday.

## To-Day's News.

Special to Evening Telegram.

WASHINGTON, To-day.—Taft is planning to take up the high cost of living in a special message to Congress.

NEW ORLEANS, To-day.—Vessels will be allowed to pass through the Panama Canal, before the official opening, which is set down for January 1st, 1915.

WASHINGTON, To-day.—The German Embassy has sent a note to the State Department formally claiming under favoured nation clause of the existing treaty the same privileges, offered Canadian pulp and paper, of free entry into States. American publishers are backing claim.

PEKIN To-day.—It is possible that Yuan Shi Kai may recommend the abdication of the Emperor. He reports rebel leader, General Li, said he would not recognize him as Manchou Premier, but would obey his orders if Yuan would consent to become President of Republic.

WASHINGTON, To-day.—Mohammedanism construe the assault on Mohammed people in Persia, Tripoli, Morocco and parts of India as concerted. How far this unrest of Mohammedans will develop if Persia becomes more seriously involved with Russia, officials here are not ready to say.

LONDON, To-day.—In the Commons, Dillon called the attention of Grey to the published statements of Schuster, the American Treasurer General of Persia, charging Britain and Russia with obstructing his work and interfering with the independence of Persia. The Secretary promised to deal with the matter in a statement to the House as soon as opportunity offered.

## Hurt on Bonavista.

While a stoker in the ship named W. G. McLean of Montreal, was going to his quarters on the Bonavista shortly after 15 feet. He was unhooked, tripped and fell as he passed the fore hatch and went into the hold, falling a distance of 15 feet. He was seriously injured, but two physicians were summoned to attend him and he was later taken to hospital in the ambulance. The man narrowly escaped death, but it was found this morning that nothing more serious had occurred to him than some ugly cuts on the face and head and some bruises.

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## DIED.

Last night, at Bell Island, after a short illness, the beloved wife of D. J. Jackman. Funeral notice later.

There passed peacefully away, at Boston, on October 31st, Annie, beloved daughter of Martin and Agnes Myers, aged 25 years; leaving a father, mother, 3 brothers and 4 sisters to mourn the loss of a father, mother and one brother to mourn their sad loss; funeral on Thursday at 2.30 p.m., from his late residence, 78 Casey's St. R. P.

This morning, after a long illness, John, son of John and Selina Dwyer, aged 19½ years; funeral will take place at 2.30 p.m. on Friday, from his late residence, 13 Holdsworth St.; friends will please accept this, the only intimation.

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If outport competitors who are unable to obtain this Liniment in their town will mail us Twenty Cents in Stamps, together with number of guess, name and address in full, we will forward post paid by return mail a bottle of our "QUEEN OF LIME-MENTS," but with the outside wrapper removed and retaining in its original package of purchase, and a due record kept of that fact. The person forwarding us the greatest number of outside green wrappers of bottle together with their name and address will not only receive an additional prize of \$5.00, but will have a chance of winning some other prizes as well. If they send a guessing number with each accompanying wrapper.

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Death of Mrs. Fanny Hudson. There died at Pouch Cove, on 15th inst., Mrs. Fanny Hudson, nee Mr. Clement Hudson, and daughter of the late Philip Grouchy. In the year of her age, Mrs. Hudson was great sufferer and had not been long of the family circle for quite some time. She was well known for her kind words and charitable towards God's poor who always Mrs. Hudson a generous and a friend. Mrs. Hudson leaves behind a kind husband, two sons and daughters, Thomas and Irene Pouch Cove, Annie, of St. John's, of Mr. George Jeans, and Archibald residing in the States, two step- and four step-daughters residing America and one step-daughter living in Toronto, two brothers residing at Pouch Cove, Mr. Jesse Grouchy, Mr. Samuel Grouchy, two sisters, Mandy and Mrs. Ryan, residing Pouch Cove; also one sister residing in Scotland. To the sorrowing relatives the Evening Telegram extends deep sympathy.

Easily Pulled Her Out. Editor Evening Telegram. Dear Sir.—The sight was a great one, in the gray of a beautiful November dawn, this morning, to see the majesty's ship Brilliant and the Nfld. Co's ship—the Dundee—two Clyde—all lit up, notwithstanding the fog ship Clyde had her foremast caught on one of the harbour rocks here. It was only the work of a few minutes for the Brilliant to release her. Then she steamed up to Government wharf without a feat out of her. There she took freight to the North, and when leaving the wharf three rousing cheers were given her popular Captain, John Kirk who responded in the usual way with three blasts of her whistle. The three more hearty cheers were given up for Captain P. Delaney whose ship open Newfoundland face is quite

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