"IN FREEDOM'S CAUSE."

Evening Telegram

W. J. HERDER, - - - Proprietor
C. T. JAMES, - - - - - - Editor

Thursday, October 21, 1920.

Government Control.

The people of St. John's are paying from twenty-eight to thirty cents per pound for granulated sugar. The people of the outports are paying thirty-two cents per pound for the same commodity, and all the time there is a falling sugar market in exporting countries. Yet through the lack of foresight of the Newfoundland Food Control Board, and their over-purchases at topnotch prices, consumers have to pay through the nose for an article that should be sold at, nearly half the price asked, if a little wisdom had been shown earlier in the year. We are not concerned at the moment with repeated reports that the action of the Food Control Board had for its object the protection from loss of certain unwise and heavy speculators in sugar. If such were the case, then the F.C.B. has added to the opprobriums already showered upon its personnel. But we do know and it is public property for all who can read, that the Newfoundland consumer is being made pay twice as much for sugar as should be paid, and all because the Food Control Board have invoked the power of the War Measures and other automatically expired Acts to buttress their untenable position and compel purchasers and users of sugar to pay exorbitant and unjust prices to cover foolish and inexpert buying of stocks.

* * * * * *

Importers have accepted the dictum of the Food Control Board, sitting down. Fear of consequences has prevented them from ordering shipments of sugar, because the bugbear of the law has confronted them, and they have not the courage to run counter to illegal regulations and restrictions on trade. Every day the price of sugar in refining centres is declining, yet there is no reducton in the fixed price for Newfoundland, made by our sugar commissioners, who find themselves with an overstock, bought when export prices were at high water mark. The price of raw sugar in New York to-day is something like $7.50 per hundred pounds, and this is not a special price, it is a world price. The price of refined sugar in the same market is $11.00 per hundred pounds, this rate being based on raw. When the Newfoundland Government took over, through the Food Control Board, all the sugar in St. John's, they may have done so on an appeal from importers who were overloaded. In any case the mulcting of the householder has gone on from the revival or reconstitution of the Board that existed during war time, and every extra cent that has been taken from the people has been illegally wrung from them by legally illegal measures. With sugar at a world rate of $11.00 per hundred pounds in the United States for export, it is piling Pelion upon Ossa to demand that Newfoundland consumers pay from 28 to 32 cents per pound, retail. Such a harsh bearing regulation must be broken, and the importer who is courageous enough to join issue with the enactments of the Food Control Board, will have the country behind him. For the future welfare of the dominion, Government control of Fish and Sugar prices must be smashed. Who will bell the cat?

Notes and Comments.

Trinity Enterprise: "As far as we can learn very little cash have been paid for fish around here this fall, the old time barter system having been again revived."

The same paper is authority for the following political item: "The latest rumor from St. John's is, that on his arrival home from England, the Hon. W. R. Warren, Minister of Justice, will be made Premier, in place of Hon. R. A. Squires. What's this?"

Barbers in the early days of the Christian era were not permitted to talk while shaving a patron. Indeed, silence was so much appreciated by persons while under the barber's hands that mutes were preferred for this service.

A big fifty-foot whale tried to use the S.S. Philadelphia as a scraper to remove his barnacles, near the Irish coast on the liner's last trip. But the clumsy big thing got across the bows of the ship and could not get away owing to the speed at which it was being pushed along, broadside on. The officers backed up and the whale turning up his tail went down for repairs.

A little girl who was an unnoticed listener at dinner the other day suddenly piped up with: "Mamma, is everybody wicked?"

"Why, no, my child, of course not," answered the mother. "Why do you ask such a question as that?"

"Because you haven't said a nice thing about anyone to-day."

The meal was finished in silence.

It is stated that sugar to-day would be selling at 15 cents per lb. only for the Sugar Control Board, but instead the consumer has to pay 30 cents for sugar or else drink "switchel." With a long, hard winter coming on and the high cost of provisions, etc., and the low price paid for fish, our people, in many cases, will find it hard to make both ends meet. Already there is a murmur of "hard times" coming on.—Trinity Enterprise.

A remarkable operation, in which the crown of a woman's tooth was removed from her lung, where it had lodged for a year and a half, was recently performed successfully at the Western Hospital, Montreal, by Dr. R. H. Craig, with the aid of the Bronchoscope and Fluroscope, handled by Dr. Colin Ross. This operation saved the woman's life. It has been learned that the tooth was accidentally swallowed during its extraction by a local dentist.

An attempt is being made to cure men who have been gassed in the war by pure oxygen breathing. At Guys Hospital, London, an airtight chamber of glass 20 feet square and 7½ feet high has been made. Men who have been gassed and suffer difficulty of breathing will be put in the chamber for five days or more and will breath oxygen continuously. The treatment was devised by Prof. Joseph Bancroft, of Cambridge University and Dr. G. H. Hunt, of Guys Hospital.

An elderly man of gouty tendency lived in dread of paralysis. When the fear came upon him he would pinch himself frantically to make sure that his enemy had not attacked him.

One night at a dinner-party his worst fears were confirmed.

"Come at last! Come at last!" he groaned. "Total insensibility of the right limb."

His partner, alarmed, craved enlightenment. On being told the tragedy she said:

"Oh, well, if it's any consolation to you, I may as well tell you that it was my leg you were pinching."

For the Westward.

S.S. Glencoe left Placentia at 4 p.m. yesterday with the following passengers:—Miss L. Wilcox, Miss Stella Garland, Mrs. P. Connors, Miss T. Dunford, Miss V. Little, Miss T. Francis, Mrs. A. Garbage, Joseph Garbage, Miss A. Garbage, Jas. Morris, Mrs. S. Walters, Mrs. N. Hodder, Miss N. Hodder, Mrs. N. Barton, R. Hodder, Mrs. J. Yetman, Mrs. R. Power, H. Oakley, Rev. Fr. Bride, Miss Inkpen, Mr. Inkpen, and 4 in steerage.

The Annual Prize Day for the Ladies of the Bally Haly Golf Club will be held on Friday, 22nd. at 4 p.m. His Excellency the Governor has kindly consented to present the prizes. Teas will be served as usual.—oct21,1i

MINARD'S LINIMENT RELIEVES NEURALGIA.

Reply to Rev. Mr. Boone

The Advocate, yesterday, contained a letter over the name of the Rev. Francis Boone, of the First Methodist Episcopal Church of East Wareham, Mass. It appears by his own account that while here on a visit this year, he heard the question "What is wrong with the Government" much discussed by the public, and he proceeds to charge responsibility for public unrest upon "corrupt politicians" and "unscrupulous merchants." And this he does just after a paragraph in which he says "it is bad doctrine" to charge public men with corruption—meaning, of course the public men he champions, not their opponents.

The reverend gentleman is evidently careless of the use he makes of defamatory language. It is safe to say that he cannot produce an iota of proof of the charges he makes. He is one of a class of casual visitors who voice their ignorant and prejudiced conclusions without a basis of truth to support them. It seems to me rather scandalous that a Minister of the Gospel should be so reckless in aspersing other men.

The statement that the present rampant denunciation of the Government is due in the main to politicians and merchants, is grossly untrue. Politicians opposed to the Government are allowing matters to take their natural course. A majority of the merchants of the colony supported the present Government party at the general elections last fall. If they have changed their views, is it not probable they did so for good reason? When the people, the merchants and the politicians agree that Coaker's trade policy is bad, what right has an uninformed and uninterested outsider to asperse them?—Com.

Come Across!

We learn to-day that the Newfoundland Road Commission has experienced some difficulty in collecting the additional tax provided for under the new Act from some of the owners of motors cars, and in consequence of this the Commission has been reluctantly compelled to engage a Council to institute legal proceedings against all delinquents who refused to comply with the Act.

It is regrettable that some motorists do not seem to appreciate the value of good roads and the efforts that are being made by the Road Commission to reorganize our road system.

The Commission consisting of ten men representatives of the motorists and the general public, is non political in character and are giving their services absolutely free, although their duties entail considerable work, particularly that of the Secretary. Their sole aim is to revolutionize our main road system throughout the Peninsula of Avalon, but in doing this they expect the co-operation and assistance of all motor men as this is the class mostly benefitted by the better road movement.

Extensive operations are contemplated when the spring opens as the Commission will have a full equipment of the most modern type of Road-building Machinery and hopes to put our main line in first class condition next season. In order to do this, however, the Commission must collect its revenue as defined under the Act, and it is hoped that the owners of all motor cars who have not paid their taxes will respond immediately and thus prevent the unpleasant necessity of the Commission being forced to institute legal proceedings to recover outstanding taxes.

Old Comrades Will Enter Hockey Team.

There will be a meeting of the C. L.B. Old Comrades in the club rooms at the Armoury to-night when some matters of importance to the Association will be discussed. The different committees of the Club met last night and decided to ask for permission to enter a team in the forthcoming League Hockey matches.

The C.C.C. Band will meet for practice to-morrow (Friday) night, at 8 o'clock.—oct21,1i

Golf Club Ball.

Despite the disagreeable weather, some sixty couples attended the ball of the Bally Haley Golf Club last night held in the Club building. The arrangements made by the Club Manager, Sergt. J. Robinson, assisted by Mrs. Robinson, Leo Robinson and the stewards of the City Club were faultless. The approach to the main entrance was carpeted with matting, the porch and portal being draped with bunting and ornamented with national greenery. The color scheme of the Ball Room decorations was national and patriotic, the ceiling being a replica of the Union Jack made with red white and blue festoons, while from the cornices and centre depended Japanese lanterns. When lit up the spacious room presented a fairly land scene, to which was given a touch of home comfort by three open fires, the dancing flames being reflected in the more subdued illuminations. Music was furnished by the C.L.B. Band, the programme containing fifteen items. Following the seventh dance, supper was served upstairs, the tables being decorated similarly to the general arrangement. After discussing a very choice menu dancing was resumed and the function terminated after midnight, "Auld Lang Syne" and "God Save the King" by the band bringing a most enjoyable evening to a close. It is hoped that this Ball will become an annual event in Golf Club proceedings.

Self-Determination for Ireland League.

The following message was received this morning by Mr. R. T. McGrath, Chairman of the Dominion Council, Self-Determination for Ireland League of Newfoundland, from Mr. J. M. Devine the League's representative at the Irish Race Convention at Ottawa.

"Convention concluded after three "days' and nights' session. Canada "represented from Atlantic to Pacific; "regarded as one of the most notable "gatherings in history of the Domin-"ion; an unqualified success in every "particular. Convention embraced pro-"minent clergymen, Members Pro-"vincial and Federal Parliaments, law-"yers, doctors and leading laymen and "women from every Province. Many "prominent Protestants participated "and delivered stirring speeches. Com-"mittee to draft resolution composed "of two Scotch Presbyterians and a "French-Canadian member of the "Federal Parliament; resolution adopt-"ed unanimously."

Mr. Devine is due to arrive home on Monday next, and members of the League are looking forward with much interest to his account of the Convention.

Coastal Boats.

GOVERNMENT.

S.S. Portia arrived at Channel at 1 p.m. yesterday and left again at 2, going north.

S.S. Prospero left Exploits at 3.20 p.m. yesterday and is due here to-morrow night

REIDS'

Argyle left Merasheen at 7.15 a.m. yesterday, outward.

Clyde leaving St. John's to-day.

Diana no report since leaving Humbermouth on the 19th, going north.

Glencoe left Placentia at 4.30 p.m. yesterday, going to Port aux Basques.

Home arrived at Lewisporte at 2.30 p.m. yesterday.

Kyle at North Sydney.

Petrel arrived at Clarenville at 5.45 p.m. yesterday.

Sagona at Catalina yesterday.

Sebastopol leaving Humbermouth to-day, going north.

Senef no report since leaving Herring Neck on the 19th, outward.

Watchful left Salvage at 6.15 a.m. yesterday, outward.

Earl of Devon left St. Anthony at 11 a.m. yesterday, outword.

Brick's Tasteless at Stafford's. Price $1.20 bottle. Postage 20c. extra.—jly19,tf

GALE UP COUNTRY.—A N.E. gale with heavy rain prevailed along the railway last evening and night, with the temperature almost at freezing point.

Cathedral Parish

BAZAAR,

IN C. L. B. ARMOURY,

Wednesday & Thursday, Oct. 27th & 28th

Under the patronage of H. E. the Governor and the Lord Bishop of the Diocese. Bazaar will be opened **Wednesday, at 4 p.m.,** by Lady Harris. Funds needed for repairs to Cathedral.

ADMISSION:

Adults . . . . . 20 cents
Children . . . . . 10 cents.

oct21,23,25,26,27

East, West and Central Showrooms.

Wet Weather SUGGESTIONS.

East, West and Central Showrooms.

Knowling's

are now showing a large selection of

New Raglans, Rubber Coats, Oil Coats, Waterproof Coats.

Styles correct. Prices the Lowest as usual.

LADIES' KHAKI OIL COATS. Price $7.50

LADIES' BLACK OIL COATS. Prices . . . . . $11.50 to $16.00

LADIES' BLACK RUBBER COATS Price $12.75

LADIES' COLOURED RUBBER COATS. Price $21.75

LADIES' WATERPROOF COATS, cloth surface. Prices $12.75 to $38.00.

LADIES' WATERPROOF COATS SPECIAL, silk surface, plain and shot effects. Prices $10.75 to $21.75.

LADIES' RAIN HATS, Black and Colored. Prices . . . . 90c. to $2.60

LADIES' UMBRELLA SPECIAL. Prices $2.00 to $10.50

CHILD'S and MISSES' RAGLANS. Prices . . . . . $9.75 to $16.80

CHILD'S and MISSES' OIL COATS. Prices . . . . . $7.60 to $11.25

CHILD'S and MISSES' RUBBER COATS. Prices $8.50 to $11.75

CHILD'S and MISSES' RAIN HATS Prices . . . . . 35c. to $1.20

G. Knowling, Ltd.

Pony and Outfit Located

A pony and outfit belonging to an invalid soldier, which had been missing since Saturday last, was located yesterday at Oxham Pond, on the Thorburn Road. The pony was detached from the waggon, having broken clear of the traces by the vehicle getting hitched in a tree. The loss of the outfit for the time was a great hardship on the soldier. On Monday three young men were seen driving along Circular Road with the outfit, and judging by the way they were enjoying the drive, they gave little heed to the hardship they were inflicting on both horse and owner.

Labrador Report.

Macovic.—Gale from northeast with light snow.

Holton and Smokey.—Strong northeast wind, cloudy, with snow squalls.

Grady.—Gale from northeast.

Flat Islands.—No report received.

Domino.—Strong N.E. wind, cloudy.

Venison Island.—Strong N.W. wind, cloudy with snow squalls.

Battle Harbor.—Gale from north, with snow squalls; very cold.

Getting It Both Ways.

Late advices from Cuba indicate that sugar prices have reached the lowest point, and the future tendency will be upwards. Seeing that dealers cannot import now owing to the regulations, it looks as if we will meet the high prices both going and coming.

Obituary.

The death occurred on Wednesday, Oct. 6th, at her residence, 3 Hennessy Street, Halifax, after a long illness, of Catherine A. Houlihan, beloved daughter of Martin and the late Annie Houlihan, formerly of this city, in the 23rd year of her age, leaving a sorrowing father, three brothers and two sisters, also of this city, to mourn their sad loss. A sorrowful fact in connection with her death is that it has been less than a year since the death of her sister, Mrs. Gerald McHale, following only two months after her marriage.

Girl Missing.

A young girl belonging to Trinity Bay, who arrived here by train at an early hour this morning, to take passage by the s.s. Rosalind, caused a lot of anxiety to relatives who were to meet her at the station. Owing to some mix-up in messages here friends were not on time and when they did reach the station the girl was nowhere to be found. A report was made to the police station, but up to noon hour no trace of her could be found.

SPATS only $2.20 the pair, for ladies in Black, Brown, Fawn and Grey. Extra high cut, 11 buttons, extra heavy felt, with leather straps. Only $2.20 pair. PARKER & MONROE, LTD.
oct16,6i

At Trafalgar.

To-day, October 21st, is the 119th anniversary of the Battle of Trafalgar, when the immortal Nelson defeated the combined French and Spanish fleets, gaining victory with the loss of his life. The immortal signal "England expects every man to do his duty," flown from the masthead of Nelson's flagship 'Victory,' was an encouragement to the men of the fleet, and right nobly they responded.

Two old residents of Newfoundland will be remembered by earlier generations as having taken part in this naval engagement. One of them was Mr. Kingwell, for many years C. of E. school teacher at Harbor Grace, who lost a leg in the battle, being a sailor on Nelson's flagship H.M.S. Victory, and who subsequently was obliged to sport an artificial limb of the peg-leg type. The other was Jeremiah Shea, a native of County Kerry, Ireland, who about eighty years ago, lived in the West End of St. John's, near Job's Bridge. Shea was a bosun on Rear Admiral Collingwood's ship Royal Sovereign, which took and broke the leeward line of the enemy, and was noted for his stentorian voice. He was grandfather of Mrs. Fennessey, who to-day keeps a small store in the West End of the city on Water Street.

Supreme Court.

(Before Full Bench.)

In the matter of an application by Smith & Shipman Co., Ltd., for the issue of a writ of mandamus to the Collector of Customs.—Mr. L. E. Emerson, for defendant, moves for an adjournment and asks that Saturday, 23rd, be set down for the hearing. Morine and Higgins, K.C.'s appeared for Smith and Shipman and opposed the motion. It is ordered that the hearing of the motion be adjourned till to-morrow.

The White Clothing Mfg. Co., Ltd., and Walter R. Smallwood.—Mr. L. E. Emerson appeared for the plaintiff and calls J. P. Blackwood who was sworn and examined and puts in Bill of Sales. Witness was cross-examined by Mr. Mews. Letter from Blackwood and Emerson to Walter Smallwood, dated March 4th, 1919, put in evidence. William White sworn and examined by Mr. Emerson; puts in agreement. The court adjourned the hearing for recess.

Quartermaster on Rosalind Drowned.

PROBABLY SUICIDE.

At 3 o'clock this morning while Customs Officer Courtney was doing duty on S.S. Rosalind he noticed one of the ships quartermasters, Francis Walsh, leaning over the side of the ship, but not thinking much of it he continued his walk to the other side of the cabin. A few minutes afterwards he heard a noise, which made him retrace his steps, and as he did so was just in time to see Walsh go overboard. An alarm was sounded through the ship and in a few minutes a rope was secured and thrown overboard. The drowning man made no effort to grasp it. A report of the occurrence was at once made to the Inspector General of Police, who sent Sergeant Bennett and Constable Case to the scene. Father Wilson was also notified and he proceeded to the Southside and broke the news to the man's father who had left the ship not many hours previously. About six o'clock this morning the police began jigging and at nine o'clock the body was found near the stern of the ship. It was brought to the morgue where a post mortem was held by Dr. Cowperthwaite after which the remains were prepared for burial by undertaker Bursell. The unfortunate man is a son of Michael Walsh of the Southside and has been on the Rosalind since that ship first came to the country. He is about 25 years old unmarried, and lived with his grandmother at James Street. Michael Walsh, father of the unfortunate man, is a carpenter on the ship. An inquiry into the sad affair will begin before the magistrate this afternoon. Captain Mitchell of the Rosalind, cannot throw much light on the tragedy. He held the deceased in high esteem being with him on three different ships, and during that time did not know him to indulge in drink. The circumstances point to suicide as where Walsh jumped over there was a high rail, and it is obvious that suicide was premeditated.

Miss May Higgins will resume her Children's Sewing Class on Saturday, Oct. 23rd, at 31 Monkstown Road.—oct21,1i

COAL TRUCKS ARRIVE. — Two five-ton motor trucks came by the Rosalind yesterday for use in transporting coal from the South Branch coal mine to the railroad. They will be sent out by next cross country freight.

Blue Serge Suits!

We have just received on consignment

33 BLUE SERGE SUITS,

sizes 3, 4, 5 and 6.

As the above is outside our line of business we are offering them for **$24.50 per suit.**

POPE'S FURNITURE SHOWROOM,
oct21,tf Waldegrave Street.