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## Evening Telegram

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TUESDAY, Oct. 31st, 1916.

## THE CALL FOR MEN

The isolation of Newfoundland has long been its chief handicap, and even in these universal times we catch rather the eddies than the full current of the great events of every day. But the time is past when this could be pleaded as an excuse or admitted as an explanation of ignorance of the gigantic conflict that still rages. There is no village so remote that it does not know at least the bare fact that on the issue depend the destinies of nations, our own included, whether or not the knowledge has brought with it the sense of duty and even of self-interest that it should. And of late there have sounded certain clarion calls which should be echoed and kept ringing through the length and breadth of our island.

Sir William Robertson has called for another million men: they are absolutely necessary both to achieve victory and to drive it home. In Australia, in Canada and in Ireland the question of conscription looms large, and while it is being debated men are flocking to the standard. Recently our premier returned and told us of his visit to the regiment, and a recruiting appeal went out as a result. A few days ago we published figures compiled by Dr. Lloyd which showed the comparative contributions in men of the different districts of the country, a comparison which he who runs may read. Our men are now at home. The Recruiting Committee are redoubting their efforts. The services of many of our returned soldiers and sailors, brave men bearing the scars of battle on their bodies, have been freely given on many platforms. What able-bodied youth can be content to sit among their audience? On every side there are signs as if the day that great things are imminent—

not great things either, but great victories, are being brought nearer. Comparisons are odious, but they are often necessary and often intrude themselves upon us by sheer force of facts. Let then the striking discrepancies we have noticed between the districts in this respect be removed or so far effaced as to leave nothing but a splendid evidence of united effort. We shall note carefully, from the beginning of November, the recruiting returns and shall not stint our praise of those districts which head the list, absolutely and proportionately. Let us see a friendly and healthy rivalry for pride of place, with what just demonstrations of pride the smallest settlement welcomes back its heroes on furlough or honourably discharged from honourable service. This is the debt the community owes its sons. That which each son that can owes his community is to go now, that he may receive the like welcome when all is over and the fight is won.

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## Death of Rev. Dr. Howard Sprague.

The most eloquent tongue in Eastern Canada, perhaps the most eloquent tongue in the whole Dominion, has been hushed in death. One of the most comprehensively scholarly minds in all Canada, richly stored and ripe in experience and influence, has passed beyond the veil. A man whose name has been a household word for many years is missed and mourned throughout the Maritime Provinces to-day.

Dr. Sprague was a Newfoundlander, and a native of Lower Island Cove, C.B., where he was born in 1843, his father being the Rev. S. W. Sprague, at that time stationed as the Methodist minister of the place. He was educated in the two most famous schools in Newfoundland in those years, Scott's school in St. John's, and Roddick's school in Harbor Grace. Thence he proceeded to the newly established Mount Allison College at Sackville, N.B., where he became one of the first two graduates in Arts, the other being Lieut.-Governor Wood of New Brunswick. His scholarship and eloquence brought him into rapid recognition and influence, and he early became one of the leading Methodist Ministers of Eastern Canada, occupying the foremost pulpits, and being chosen constantly for positions of responsibility and honor. One of the most modest and retiring of men, he never sought place for himself, and an almost constant fight with ill-health often restricted his labors. But his talents could not be hidden, and he came to his own throughout the years. So long ago as 1875, he was offered the Presidency of his Alma Mater, but declined it. In 1908, however, he accepted the position of Dean of the Theological Faculty of Mount Allison University and continued to hold that important post till his death, announced to-day in the public despatches. Dr. Sprague leaves a family, all grown to maturity. One of his daughters is Vice-Principal of Mount Allison Ladies' College. His father was an Englishman, his mother a Miss Currie of St. John's. One of his sisters still resides in this city, the wife of W. H. Crowley, Esq.

## Opening of Consumption Camp.

Yesterday afternoon the new Consumption Camp initiated principally by Private Phil Jensen for the succor and relief of our soldiers and sailors, who are in the incipient stage of tuberculosis, was formally opened in the presence of His Excellency the Governor and Lady Davidson, the Premier and Lady Morris, the Ladies' Reception Committee as well as Messrs. C. P. Ayre and P. T. McGrath, representing a sub-committee of the Patriotic Association. Four patients were admitted after the opening and everything possible for their comfort was done by the Ladies' Reception Committee. The Camp, which is situated on the Blackmarsh Road and in close proximity to the Girls' Tuberculosis Camp, is 60 ft. long, 12 wide, contains a ward and dressing room and has ten beds. On the south side is a sun room, 18 feet x 12, with a front of glass and well furnished and fitted up for the convenience of patients. On the whole this miniature sanitarium is nicely finished and will be found useful for the treatment of those who have been stricken by the dread disease while endeavouring to do their "bit" for us.

## Our Missing Men.

October 30th, 1916.

Dear Sir,—I have to-day received from His Excellency the Governor the enclosed Memorandum, on the subject of enquiries which have been instituted in the effort to trace men of the First Newfoundland Regiment who have been reported "Missing," and I shall be glad if you will give the same much publicity as you may deem desirable.

Yours faithfully,  
J. R. BENNETT,  
Colonial Secretary.  
The Editor of the Evening Telegram.

## MEMORANDUM.

I have read, with anxiety, some correspondence which has appeared in the Press on the subject of enquiries which were set on foot by Mr. C. Snow in the earnest hope that he might be able to trace some of the "Missing" in the action of the 1st of July as Prisoners of War in Germany. I have not had the advantage of a personal conference with Mr. Snow on the results of his endeavours. Mr. Snow was unable to accede to my request that he should come and talk to me on the subject.

I would first repeat the action taken by the Government on the subject of the possibility of any Newfoundlanders being held as Prisoners of War in Germany or elsewhere.

(1) When the Regiment was at Gallipoli, I asked that the War Office should give prisoners taken by the Turks from the Newfoundland Regiment the same care and privileges accorded to any other British troops and that the provision of any comforts to them would be defrayed by this Government. Fortunately, none of our people were taken prisoners by the Turks.

(2) When two of the Newfoundland Royal Naval Reservists were reported as being taken prisoners when the Mine Sweeper "King Stephen" was destroyed by a German ship of war, I made the same request; I found out that the Prisoners were interned at Halle and are being as well cared for as other British Prisoners in Germany.

(3) As soon as I had grasped that the attack at Beaumont Hamel on July 1st had failed and before we received any Casualty Lists, I felt it likely that many of our men must necessarily have been abandoned in No Man's Land; so I wrote confidentially to the Secretary of State stating my fears and anxiety that some of our men who had advanced further might have fallen into enemy hands. When the Casualty Lists began to arrive, I repeated my request to the Secretary of State and to the Pay and Record Office. And what we have done has also been done by the Newfoundland War Contingent Association in London.

I read this action on our part merely in the attempt to disabuse people's minds of the idea that nothing could be done to assist those who had followed the best course very promptly.

We know that when the patrol returned from the brilliant raid of June 27-28, four men failed to return and were posted as missing. The patrol themselves (I have spoken to one who believed them to have been killed. One undoubtedly was killed, a second (Cahill) was taken prisoner and died of wounds received in action, and the other two (Coombs and Barron) are Prisoners of War at Gleissen in Germany. I hope that both have long since been amply supplied with food and comforts. Every effort has been made by us and I have no doubt they have now enough to spare for those of the Russian prisoners who have no friends to watch over them in captivity.

But as regards the long list of missing in the unsuccessful attack on July 1st, we have no tidings that any one of them is alive. Those who took part in the charge are under no disillusion on the subject. They maintain that the fury of the machine gun and shell fire left no chance of escape for those who fell in the open. Still we all hope against hope, despite the rule now obtaining at the War Office that those reported missing and not heard of within ten weeks must be believed to have been killed in action.

Now, the message received by Mr. G. Snow on Oct. 23rd—written I gather on Oct. 5th from Switzerland—names "No. 1738 Pte. Martin Farrell; 476 Pte. J. P. Haney; 1202 Richard Short; missing 1st July—wired Germany." I wish that I knew what Agency was employed, because there is a number of unscrupulous blackguards who fatten on the sorrows of the bereaved and obtain money by vague promises.

Why should the Agency have named these three men who were actually among the Missing of the Newfoundland Regiment on July 1st? I suggest the following reason as a clue. The War Office issues at once to accredited centres a daily list of all reported casualties from which the Pay and Record Office compile their telegrams; but it also issues for publication in the press a further list of casualties comprised according to Regiments and issued when a substantial number has been collected. On October 2nd, one such list was issued in the press and it appears in the Times on October 3rd. This list contained the following entries:

Previously reported Missing now reported Killed: 1322 Sergt. B. Brown, 1738 M. Farrell. Previously reported Wounded, now reported Wounded and Missing: 476 J. P. Haney; 1202 R. M. Short.

The Agency, whatever it was, knew nothing of the Newfoundland losses in Missing on July 1st and did not know how to respond to Mr. Snow's enquiry; but copied these names in the list published in the Times on October 3rd and presumed that these names might be the missing men who were being enquired for. And accordingly the Agency is now searching Germany for these men.

Now, 1738 M. Farrell was reported Missing in Telegram No. 393 of July 31st, but in Telegram 489 of Sept. 20th it was officially reported that poor Farrell was killed in action on July 1st. An official announcement is only made when there is proof positive of death; and we can only conjecture that a scouting party on No Man's

Land brought in his remains or at least his identification Disc.

Despite therefore Mr. Snow's hopes which I should like to share, I fear that there is no hope that Farrell survives. We can only await patiently the results of the independent investigation which Mr. Snow has set on foot.

And I should like to add that all my time and all my energies and knowledge are at the disposal of any of those bereaved relatives who may desire counsel from me. Fully one hundred have consulted me in their anxiety for the welfare of those at the front and they can all testify that none have been turned away from Government House without such help and advice as we can give.

Oct. 30th, 1916.



## Don't Neglect Your Cough.

A little cold may not seem a dangerous thing—you may feel inclined to let it go on hoping that to-morrow it will be better—but can you afford to take chances? Just as the little insignificant acacia grows if let alone, the mighty giant oak, that cough if not stopped may grow to a very serious illness. When a Cough starts there's no telling where it will end. You know no doubt, of cases right among people you have known, where serious complications and fatal illness have had their start from a neglected cough or cold. "Don't neglect your cough," Stafford's Phorotone Cough and Cold Cure is what you should take. For sale at Stafford's Drug Store, Theatre Hill, and Stafford's Pharmacy, Duckworth Street. Price 25c. postage 5c. extra.

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## FOR HE'S A JOLLY GOOD FELLOW.

London Chronicle.—The French bandmen were quite at home when they greeted the Lord Mayor with "For he's a jolly good fellow." Not even we British can sing that tune with more vim than can Frenchmen, who have been singing it—to the libretto of "Malbrough s'en va-t-en guerre"—for over two centuries. The band of the Malbrough or Mena—victory for the Duke of Marlborough, but so far as the losses on both sides were concerned honors were fairly even; and as the French soldier consoled his comrades (wounded, like himself and hiding in a deserted farm house) by composing the famous skit on the English General, the melody of which we later found so useful for convivial gatherings. A few years later, by the way, Rachmaninoff, the Russian composer, heard the tune for the first time in England, when it was sung in his honor. It pleased him so immensely that he proceeded to utilize it for a set of orchestral variations, which have probably been hung up owing to the war, as Rachmaninoff is "doing his bit" on the Eastern front. However, when he has time, he might forge what ought to be a pleasing musical link in the strong chain of the Triple Entente.

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The Clyde left Lewisport yesterday.  
The Dundee leaving Port Blandford to-day.  
The Ethie leaving Humbermouth to-day.

The Glencoe left Rose Blanche at 12.25 p.m. yesterday, going west.  
The Home left Pilley's Island at 3.30 p.m. yesterday, inward.  
The Kyle left Port aux Basques at 9 p.m. yesterday.  
The Melgie due at Port aux Basques to-day.

The Sagana north of Catalina.  
The Neptune not reported since leaving Smokey Oct. 23th.

The Wren left Clarendville yesterday.

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## FRENCH REPO

PARIS  
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## WAR SUMMAR

LONDON  
In a vigorous cou launched with huge eff Germans facing the Freu the Somme River in P been able to recapture their former trenches no Maisonette and in the res ches. In addition, 412 were made prisoners by d To the north of the riv both the French and P succeeded in advancing the British between Les Merval and the French a Sally Saillet. In the gagement 60 Germans we While in the Dobrudja reg mania the Teutonic Allies up their advance on the f front the Roumanians are ing hard in the Prabhova Just Valley, where the been made by them. In thrum Pass region Berlin new success for the Aust but admits that southw Szurdok Pass the Roum forced the Austro-Germ fall back. In making for Russlans in Volynia to Pustonyi again, endeavor the Teutonic line, only ag feated with huge casual ing to Berlin. A Russia

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