



Evening Telegram

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FRIDAY, May 17, 1918.

The Curtain Rung Down.

With the closing address of His Excellency the Governor, yesterday afternoon, the curtain was rung down on the last act of the seventh session of the twenty-third General Assembly of Newfoundland, and the members thereof may now be away home to look after their season's work. No one can deny that the present session was a brief one, lasting but little over three weeks, and no one can deny that it was the most unrepresentative assembly that ever met to enact legislation for the Dominion of Newfoundland. Measures have been passed which cannot fail to be far-reaching in their effects, not only upon the present generation, but upon those which are to come. Laws have been made, the carrying out of which will involve the use of all the diplomacy at the command of those in charge of their operation; money bills of the most paramount importance have been sanctioned by this unrepresentative Parliament, and people will be compelled to pay taxation in the settling of which they had no say, neither by their own voice, nor by the voice of their representatives, for the simple reason that they were deliberately allowed to remain disfranchised.

The laws governing Parliament, were for political reasons, ignored, and a Government which could not muster a complete majority of a constitutional Assembly forced through because of having a majority of numbers in the House, which majority was not representative of the majority of the population. The Government have sown the wind and their reaping of the whirlwind is not far distant. The farce is over. The final act has been played and the audience, the country, have twelve months in which to prepare for the 1919 house cleaning, and the said cleaning must be effective and thorough and must not leave one political cobweb to hang from the legislative ceiling or develop in the departmental corners. We may now expect a period of stagnation to set in. With the Prime Minister and the Minister of Militia absent, the work of the country is in the hands of juveniles. Any plots against the future welfare of the Dominion may be conceived and carried out, without let or hindrance. The hour of the Dictator is at hand. When it strikes, the people of Newfoundland will awaken too late to avert the overshadowing disaster.

"At Home."

The congregation of Cochrane St. Centennial Church are holding an "At Home" for the adults of the congregation (ladies and gentlemen) on next Wednesday evening, in the Lecture Room of the Church. Entrance from Bauman Street. It is the intention of the committee in charge to make the evening bright, useful and profitable. The following have kindly consented to take part in the program, viz.:—Misses Elsie Herder, Eleanor Mews, Flora Curtis, Hettie Vincent, Dot Vincent, Irene Thomson, Winnie Bowden, Jean Milley, Hon. Alec, and Mrs. Mews. Messrs. William Bowden, Arthur Mews, Charles Hatcher. A FEAST OF MUSIC, and the evening cannot be other than bright, useful and profitable. The chair will be taken sharp at 8 o'clock.

W. P. A.

The Packing and Shipping Committee acknowledge with thanks the following list of articles: From Bay of Islands—Curling, 5 prs. socks; Meadows, 14 prs. socks; McIvers, 5 prs. socks; Badger, 60 prs. socks; Greenpond, 12 prs. socks; Whitbourne, 30 prs. socks; Happy Adventure, T.B. 25 prs. socks; Barehead, C.B., 23 prs. socks; North Arm, Botwood, 26 prs. socks; Shambles Cove, B.B., 17 prs. socks; Cupids and Burnt Head, C.B., 47 prs. socks; M. B. Forbec Circle, Bonavista, 26 prs. socks, 1 pr. bed socks.

A. HAYWARD.

May 16, 1918.
KEEP MINARD'S LINIMENT IN THE HOUSE.

Return or Resign.

The following letter from the Returned Soldiers and Rejected Volunteers Association, demanding the return or resignation of the Minister of Militia (now absent from duty) has been sent the Acting Premier, and the publication of the same has been authorized by the Executive of the Association.

St. John's, Nfld.,
May 17th, 1918.

Hon. M. P. Cashin,
Acting Premier.

Sir,—The Soldiers and Rejected Volunteers' Association share fully the apparently universal disapproval of the action of Hon. J. R. Bennett, Minister of Militia, in leaving the country and his post of duty at the very time when the condition of Military affairs imperatively requires the presence of the Head of the Department here. The Military Service Act has just been put in force, and its application is certain to require the presence here of the responsible head of the Militia Department to deal with vitally important matters that may be brought upon him in connection with the working out of the Act. It may be that some very strong reason exists for Mr. Bennett's leaving his post here at the present time, and so, our Association would be grateful for any information that would set at rest the dissatisfaction they feel, and which is shared by the Public, at Mr. Bennett's departure.

The sentiment of the Association is that the situation imperatively requires the presence of the head of the Militia Department here now, and that in the absence of a valid public explanation of his going away at this critical time, Mr. Bennett should either return at once or tender his resignation, so as to allow of the appointment of a successor, who will discharge the duties of his position in a manner which the needs of the Country and the Regiment require.

We have the honor to be, Sir,
Your obedient servants,
THE SOLDIERS AND REJECTED VOLUNTEERS' ASSOCIATION,
Per Harold Mitchell, Pres.
B. B. Harris, Secy.

Exemption Tribunal.

YESTERDAY'S SITTING.

13. John Valentine Conway, 17 Monkstown Road, St. John's. Case partly heard; case deferred for medical examination.
23. Ralph Leuts, Beaumont House, Water Street. Case stands adjourned.
24. Patrick Joseph Murphy, 5 Patrick Street. Case partly heard.
46. Peter Hawco, Chapel's Cove, C. A. V.
47. Joseph A. Dwyer, Bell Island, C. A. V.
74. Azariah Duwe, Clarke's Beach. Referred to Magistrate Thompson for the taking of further evidence.
83. Norman Bishop, Wesleyville, claims exemption on ground D. Disallowed.
86. Martin Moore, Kelligrews, C. A. V.
19. Nicholas McDonald, 72 Long's Hill, C. A. V.
14. S. Richard Steele, 100 Water Street. Exemption allowed on ground B.
16. W. J. Morris, 49 Field Street. Exemption allowed conditionally on ground D.
20. Howard Pike, c/o S. H. Parsons, Water Street. Allowed on ground C.
26. Hudson Squires, 58 Charlton Street. Allowed on ground B.
27. Patrick Griffin, 18 Moore St. Conditional exemption allowed on ground D.
28. Wallace Long, 71 Long's Hill. Exemption allowed on ground B.
35. Henry Hutchings, Spaniard's Bay. Exemption disallowed.
41. Clifton Maxwell Iveya, Western Bay. Conditional exemption allowed on ground D.
55. Patrick Murphy, Kilbride. Exemption disallowed.
84. Harvey Chipman, Spaniard's Bay. Exemption allowed on ground B.
86. Percy Howell, Pound Cove. Conditional exemption allowed on ground D.

In the case of John V. Conway of 17 Monkstown Road, Hon. M. P. Gibbs appeared for complainant and, Lieut. C. C. Murphy for the Military Authorities.

Casualty List.

(Received May 17th, 1918.)

- Still Dangerously Ill, May 15th.
- 2789—Pte. Chesley G. Chaffey, Crabbe's Bay St. George. Previously reported.
- At Wandsworth.
- 3254—Pte. Michael McGrath, 6 Convent Square. Previously reported.
- 3859—L.-Corp. Joseph Hilliard, Summerside, St. George. Fractured left arm, accident.
- Telegram from Copenhagen, May 9th to War Office, Received this Office May 16th, states Died April 21st, at Lussemburg, Aldershot, Germany.
- 1503—Pte. Michael J. Mackay, Mertrymeeting Road. Tuberculosis.
- Dangerously Ill, May 15th.
- 3992—Pte. William J. Donahue, Ft. Verde, Placencia. Cerebro Spinal Fever.

W. F. RENDELL, Major, C.S.O. for Minister of Militia.

A Concert will be held in St. James' Hall, at the Goulds, the 20th May, in aid of the W. P. A. Admission 20c.—may 17, 11.

NOTE OF THANKS—Max D. Spooner desires to thank the Hospital Staff for all that was done for him when he was a patient at the institution; especially does he wish to thank Drs. Anderson, Keegan and Carnell, Miss Taylor (Matron), Miss Scott (Head Nurse), and Sisters Lyster, Millett and Guy, also Misses Long, Adams, Murray, Hyde, Moores, Scott, Grimby, Hamilton, Milson, Ellis, Doy's and Walsh for the kind attendance during his recent stay.—adv.

To-Day's Messages.

10.00 A.M.

IRISHMAN ARRESTED.

LONDON, To-day. John McKenna, Chairman of the Kerry County Council, was arrested to-day on a charge, not specified, under the Defence of the Realm Act, says a despatch from Cork to the Central News Agency. McKenna was taken to Cork prison.

WOMEN TO BE ENLISTED.

TORONTO, To-day. Canadian women will probably soon be enlisted as members of the Royal Air Force branches in Canada. One of the officers of the force here said this morning that this was becoming necessary. They will be employed as chauffeurs and in other auxiliary capacities.

U. S. POSTAL BILL.

WASHINGTON, To-day. The Post Office Appropriation Bill, granting an increased wage to postal employees, and authorizing general acquisition of the pneumatic mail tube system, in six of the largest cities of the country, was passed by the Senate late to-day, without a record vote. The Bill provides for an appropriation of \$381,000,000, an increase of \$47,000,000 over the House Bill.

NOT WORTHY TO WEAR IT.

PARIS, To-day. Jean Lemarie, former Director of the Ministry of the Interior, who was sentenced to two years in prison, and fined 1,000 francs yesterday, in the conclusion of the Bonnet Rouge trial, is expected to demand a revision of the sentence, at once. The French law allows 24 hours to elapse, after condemnation, for such demand to be made upon the Court. As M. Lemarie was leaving the Court of Justice yesterday, he wore from his button hole the red ribbon of the Legion of Honor, and threw it away with a gesture of despair.

A ROUND DOZEN.

NEW YORK, To-day. The Times this morning publishes the following: Twelve German submarines were sunk or captured in British waters by British and American destroyers during the month of April, which was a record. In addition to this number at least two other U-boats were destroyed during that period: one was sunk on April 8th in the North Sea while making an attack on a convoy; the other was sunk on Friday, April 26th, during the forenoon, while attempting to attack a convoy of transport ships filled with American troops on the way to France.

AN UNCONFERRED DECORATION. BRITISH HEADQUARTERS IN FRANCE, To-day (via Reuters' Ottawa Agency).—Most of the fighting of the past 24 hours has been aerial. Last night, taking advantage of a clear moonlit atmosphere, the Germans carried out a series of bombing raids against the back areas of the Allied zone. Our airships are ceaselessly busy over territory where the Germans are thickest, and where their communications are most vulnerable. A German non-commissioned officer, captured lately, throws light on the disposition of the Germans sustained in their unsuccessful attack on the Belgian front on April 17th. He says the operation was designed to develop into a great flank turning movement. So certain was the high command on success that the Kaiser came to the Yser to witness the battle, having in his train the next highest German decoration to the order "Pour Merite," which he designed to bestow upon the general directing the attack, but when the Kaiser left the Yser this decoration still tinkled in his pocket. Leave has been opened in the German Postal Army to farmers and agricultural laborers, and it is remarkable how popular the cry "back to the soil" has become.

REACHED PORT SAFELY.

PARIS, To-day. Ten passengers, one European and nine Arabs, were killed when the French steamer Atlantique, was torpedoed in the Mediterranean Sea, this month. The steamship managed to reach a port by her own means.

COMMONS ADJOURNED.

LONDON, To-day. The House of Commons adjourned last night until May 29th, without any sign of the long delayed Irish Home Rule Bill. Apparently the members of the Government have no idea when the Bill will be introduced.

STEAMER SUNK.

LONDON, To-day. The British steamer Clan Mackay, of 6,580 tons, was sunk in a collision on May 11th, according to a telegram from Gibraltar, received by Lloyd's. The crew was saved.

Here and There.

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CONDITION SERIOUS.—The many friends of Rev. C. W. Hollands will regret to hear that his condition is considered serious, though it is hoped that with care and attention assisted by his good physique, he will pull through.

WANDERERS' BASEBALL CLUB.—The annual meeting will be held at the Imperial Tobacco Co's. Office on Saturday at 8 p.m. All members are requested to be present.—m17,21

DIED.

At Lower Island Cove, on May 16th, Edna, darling child of John W. and Tryphena Louis, aged 10½ years.

IN MEMORIAM.

1240—Pte. W. B. Taylor, died May 17th, 1917, of wounds received in the Battle of Monchy, aged 21 years.

Cross Country Notes.

The schooner Gladiator is now loading salt bulk fish at Channel.

The Fogata took down 600 barrels of oil from Port aux Basques for Hr. Grace a few days ago.

Engineer Power was taken ill at the terminus and could not come east with his train on Monday.

A cow which strayed on the right of way west of Flat Bay, was killed recently by engine 109.

Capt. Burgess and crew are now at Port aux Basques to bring to St. John's the steamer Sea Scout, recently purchased by the Reid Nfld. Co.

A large piece of machinery weighing eight tons, consigned to Saunders & Howell, Carbonara, has been landed at Port aux Basques and will be sent on to its destination by rail.

Early this week there was not a package of freight left at the western terminal.

During the past week the worst rain storm for 40 years was experienced along the west coast.

Much progress is being made on Martin's new vessel at Norris Arm. There is thousands of pit props rotting away by the side of the railway east of Bishop's Falls.

Farmers along the West Coast are making extensive preparations for the spring seeding.

The numerous lumber mills scattered along the railway are now busy sawing their winter cut of logs. As a result of the scarcity of coal at Grand Falls, hundreds of cords of wood are now being burnt in the homes.

We learn that the A.N.D. Co., Grand Falls, are experimenting in the manufacture of beaver board, felt, etc., in addition to the making of pulp and paper.

Large quantities of machinery for the coal storage plant is now piled along the track at Port aux Basques.

McMurdo's Store News

FRIDAY, May 17, 1918.

The latest arrival we have to chronicle is a full stock of D.D.D. prescriptions, the famous remedy for eczema and skin diseases. We have been out of stock of this preparation for a number of weeks, and many calls therefore which we shall now be able to attend to. All mail orders will be filled and forwarded at the earliest possible moment. Price \$1.30 a bottle.

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Beaten General's Spile

BRUTAL PRISON CAMP RULER.

New instances of German barbarity to war prisoners are described by an officer, now at Murren, Switzerland, in a letter to his mother in England. He was taken prisoner in 1914 and spent nearly three and a half years in various German camps.

"At Holmshinden," he writes, "we had to stand in a line with dishes of plates in our hands at meal times, and as we passed up one German would fling some potatoes on to your dish while another would thrust his filthy hand into a great cauldron and deposit a piece of stinking fish on the plate. The commandant—the worst type of Prussian—stood by saying, 'Ach, you will get a meal here as good as you get in Piccadilly'—Ach!"

Beaten by the English.

"No British prisoner in the 10th German Army Command is sure of his life or reason, mainly because the general commanding was beaten by the English. When I was taken prisoner in 1914 I was forced in a very exhausted condition to carry a wounded German on a shoulder stretcher. When we tried to rest from the pain caused by the bar hitting into one's shoulder we were struck with rifle-butts and driven on. One German officer took me behind a house wall as armed guard and the point of the bayonet made me hand over to him my brooches.

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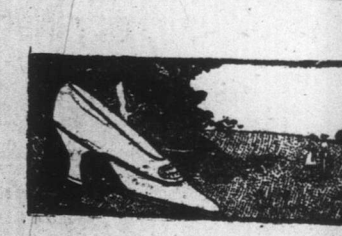
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