



Evening Telegram

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5, 1918.

Making Progress.

To all outward appearances the Germans are abiding by the terms and conditions of the armistice agreement, and are surrendering slowly. It is true, the units of their navy enumerated in the document, the last totals to come in giving one hundred and twenty-two sea wolves handed over to the Allies. To the British Navy has been entrusted the task of clearing the mine-strewn waters of the North and the Baltic Seas, and so well has this work been performed that the Great and Little Belt, those two straits which, with the Sound, connect the Baltic with the Cattegat, may now be crossed by ships without a pilot. As both these straits were exceedingly dangerous to navigation under ordinary sailing, because of the numerous rocks and shoals and intricacies of the passage, and doubly so with mines sewn everywhere, the feat performed by the sweepers in the short time at their disposal is a prodigious one and shows that no matter where his duty lies, the British man-of-war's man is ready, any ready to perform it.

The stipulated surrender of military material and rolling stock used for troop transportation, is not by any means proceeding apace, delay after delay occurring, the Germans apparently being unwilling to hand over such huge quantities of stock as have been demanded. So tardy have they been in delivery of locomotive engines that Field Marshal Foch has stirred them up a bit by issuing a warning that Germany will be held responsible for further delays. In some way this notice was twisted by sensation mongers into the form of a new ultimatum which had been served on Germany giving the Government of that country twenty-four hours in which to effect the transfer, failing which the army of occupation would immediately begin its march into Germany. We need not accept too credulously all the news stories which will be set afloat between now and real peace. The men who are in charge of armistice affairs may well be trusted to see that every condition is complied with, both in the spirit and the letter.

The general order issued by Field Marshal Haig to the British Army of Occupation is couched in language which will appeal to every soldier in the ranks. Contrast its wording and instruction with that of similar orders issued by German commanders during the time their soldiers were in possession of Belgium and part of France. The verbiage of Haig's G. O. is irreproachable and the commands therein are examples of the faith which the British Commander-in-Chief has in his men. Intercourse with the male and female inhabitants of Germany will be (not, must be,) marked with restraint, and nothing approaching familiarity should be allowed to enter into any relations between British soldiers and the German people of both sexes. "The Field Marshal knows that he can rely upon all ranks, and he is confident that they will show

themselves as they are, the tried and proved soldiers of the victorious army of the British Empire." Not one British soldier will mar that supreme confidence by a single unbecoming act or deed. British chivalry and British honor will be exemplified by the sons of the Empire, gathered together from all lands for the one purpose and the traditional respect of the British soldier for persons and property of a beaten enemy will be once more demonstrated.

The news from Berne, Switzerland, that a resolution has been introduced into the Swiss Parliament inviting that Government to approach other neutral countries for the purpose of being represented at the peace conference is more amusing than serious and partakes of the nature of burlesque. But it is not improbable that the suggestion of this remarkable proposal comes from Germany. We can imagine the Allies taking into their deliberations a hotch potch of representatives from all the neutrals, which were if anything, favorably disposed toward Germany until they knew that she was beaten. The Allies are well equipped to settle their own affairs without the assistance of the little neutrals, who, if there is anything coming to them, will receive it with interest added. Meanwhile they need not worry. Whatever is to be done will be accomplished and the allied representatives are quite capable of attending to the business, which will be discussed, without advice from would-be friends.

Casualty List.

RECEIVED DEC. 5TH, 1918.

At 3rd London General Hospital, Wandsworth.

3777—Pte. Alexander Dean, Britannia Cove, T. B.; dysentery.
4266—Pte. Charles Whelan, Western Bay, C.B.; appendicitis.

Following Repatriated Prisoners of War Arrived in England From Germany, all Well.
2191—Pte. Philip Healey, Grand Falls, N. D. B.
945—Pte. Peter Barron, 39 Duckworth St., City.
523—Pte. Thos. J. Smyth, 11 Bond St., City.

2701—Pte. Matthew Taylor, Harbour LeCou, Burgeo.

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Minister of Militia

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MAN INJURED.—As the schooner La Berge was entering port yesterday, one of her seamen named Frampton, had his hip injured by the towing hawser striking him. He was attended by Dr. Campbell afterwards being taken to hospital.

AT BALSAM PLACE.—The following are guests at Balsam Place: Miss Lily Wakely, Mr. Buffett; W. N. Warham, Haystack; J. Badcock, Cupids; J. M. LeDrew, Wabana; Wm. Morgan, Port de Grave; Capt. John Parsons, Bay Roberts.

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NFLD. SCHOONER DAMAGED.—Schr. Bessie McDonald, from Lunenburg, New Brunswick, bound for Bridgewater, made Liverpool, N.S., on Thursday, Nov. 28, with her rudder damaged. She is now on the marine railway, and when repairs are completed will load lumber at Liverpool by the McClellan Lumber Co., for Grand Band, Nfld.

Wanted--A Man!

("Judices")

God give us men. A time like this demands Strong minds, great hearts, true faith and ready hands: Men whom the lust of office does not kill; Men whom the spoils of office cannot buy; Men who possess opinions and a will; Men WHO HAVE HONOUR—men who will not lie; Men who can stand before a demagogue And scorn his treacherous flatteries without winking; Tall men sun-crowned, who live above the fog In public duty, and in private thinking.

We are indebted to some anonymous writer for the above and when or how it was penned we do not know. It is very applicable to-day and more especially in this country. There is, we understand, to be an election in the spring. A Man is wanted as a leader and Men are wanted to back him up. On the battlefield a good leader will dare many dangers, if he knows he has good men behind him upon whom he can depend. If you aren't a leader you can at least be one of the good men behind. A leader by himself cannot accomplish very little. With the problems now to be handled, the Government of the Country is a Man's job and "the Leader" MUST be supported by men. This is no politician's job now, and it is not for political plundering, or for political opportunism. Democracy to-day, asks for Men to represent it and to help it. Democracy has seen too many of its men sacrificed in the late great struggle and its impatience of anyone leading it who is not up to the mark, or who has not been proved.

The path to-day is crowded with big problems which can only be properly tackled by men of wide experience, insight, sympathy and with disinterested motives. For anybody else tackling this, it is like tackling the horses of the Thracian Diomedes.

Unfortunately, mainly the class of men who apply for the job, looking upon the chances of driving the horses of government for their own interests are those with nothing to recommend them. These men have thick skins and figure the gain worth the shame. Unfortunately also most of the men who might handle the reins of Newfoundland Government are deterred by the torments of unjust abuse, which of late years have been permitted by the public to be showered upon them if they might lift their voices in the interests of the community.

And in Newfoundland Politics the Newfoundland public in the past has not properly backed up men who were trying to work for the best interests of the country. Until the public takes a more active and unselfish part in politics, besides saying, "this should be done" and "that should be done" the same state of affairs will no doubt continue. Sometimes it is noticeable that those who talk largely of what should be done have been found not to have even cast their votes when the crucial time arrived. They have been busy, or for some other trivial reason. To-day there is an insistent call by the electorate for Sir Robert Bond. Some of them wonder why he does not reply. Perhaps he

does not know it is so insistent, and that he is really so earnestly wanted. It may be his mind goes back to previous campaigns where promises were like pie-crusts and where he found traitors and spies in his camp working for the enemy and themselves.

He might not be blamed if the words which Tennyson puts into the mouth of Ulysses and his companions—who after many laborious wanderings found themselves reclining in the Lotus Land—come to him.

"Is there confusion in the little isle Let what is broken so remain. The Gods are hard to reconcile. 'Tis hard to settle order once again. There is confusion worse than death. Trouble on trouble pain on pain. Long labour unto aged breath. So tasks to hearts worn out by many wars."

And eyes grown dim with gazing on the pilot stars."

Many of Sir Robert Bond's old representatives have dropped from the field or ignominiously surrendered to the enemy. The Grand Old Liberal Party which always stood for Democracy might appear to have been swept away. The country is at appearances seems apathetic. It might appear as if anybody might walk on us, jump on us or even throw dirt at us and we have not spirit enough to tell them to go to.

It might appear to Sir Robert Bond as if we did not care, as if the majority of the public countenanced anything. Sir Robert Bond has been active in politics for the past thirty-five years. During that time he has worked unselfishly in the interests of the public and has a clean record. He may feel he has done his duty for his country in the burden of government during that time. And with a feeling that the country does not really care what kind of a government we have, he may not be paying the attention he might to those who tell him he is wanted.

We ask you, the Public, can you make the call somewhat stronger so that it may re-echo, as we feel intuitively that Sir Robert Bond is not one who will decline in the Lotus Land, if he feels he is really needed, and will have MEN behind him who have the same high ideals as he has. We know that there are to-day in Newfoundland many men thinking deeply upon things as they are, and things as they should be. We feel the old guard of Liberalism would rally to the Trumpet Call.

We know that there is a new young guard who will follow a good leader anywhere, and to whom no False leaders need apply.

A Suggestion.

Editor Evening Telegram.
Dear Sir,—With the carrying out of Demobilization new regulations were published in the Royal Gazette of Nov. 26th.

In this issue the discharge pays and allowances are detailed, and for these regulations, of some of them, there is a retroactive policy to Jan. 1st, 1915.

There are few people in Newfoundland who ever see the Royal Gazette, and as regards these regulations the soldiers in St. John's, even including those in the Militia Department itself, are hazy on same.

May we suggest to the Government through your valued columns that these regulations be advertised in the daily papers so that the public may see them, and more especially the soldiers in the outposts, the bulk of whom cannot, under present conditions, be clear as to what is being done. This would be merely a courtesy to the defenders of their country, and we can hardly understand why same has not been done ere this.

Yours truly,
UNION JACK.
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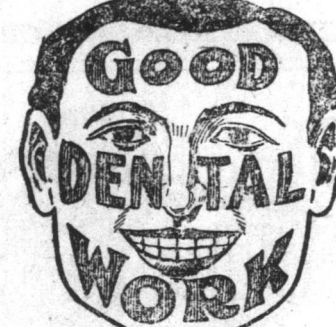
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After a brief illness, Thos. C. Carnell, wheelwright, aged 64 years, leaving a wife and five children, 4 sons and 1 daughter. Funeral on Saturday at 2.30 p.m. from his late residence, 18 Carnell Street. Friends and acquaintances accept this as the only intimation. Passed peacefully away last evening after a lingering illness, Robert Stanley, son of Henry and Celia Mitchell, aged 18 years, leaving father, mother, one sister and two brothers to mourn their sad loss; funeral on Friday, at 2.30 p.m. from his late residence, C. E. Institute, Duckworth St.; friends and acquaintances please accept this, as the only intimation.

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