



## Evening Telegram

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### Drawing Divisional Lines.

If, as has been alleged—and without official denial it must be accepted as fact—that a Government guarantee against loss in the purchase of Labrador fish, has been given certain exporting firms, it means a radical departure from established methods, and one which may well be regarded with distrust and disfavor. To use the revenues of the dominion for the purpose of bolstering up commercial deals by private corporations is something hitherto unheard of and if such is actually the case a really dangerous precedent has been created, which may react with grave consequences upon all involved in the arrangement. It is neither fair, just nor equitable that a privilege of such far-reaching importance should be accorded a minority of the fish buyers in St. John's. It is a vicious scheme of protection for the benefit of the few at the expense of the many, and is without doubt a particular favor to a particular class, benefitting only a certain section of the Colony. If market conditions abroad are so favorable as have been reported and enlarged upon, and if the demand is greater than the supply—and the Government press has not failed to preach that it is—why should there be any need for a Government guarantee against loss in fish transactions? If the staple export of Newfoundland is commanding good prices in Europe and elsewhere, why the necessity of pledging the revenue to help out a corporal's guard of local shippers?

Such a preference shows rank discrimination, and is a slap in the face to outport exporters who have been obliged to ship cargoes and take chances without any favored guarantee. Why should not they participate in the privilege granted St. John's competitors? Why was not a guarantee given in their favor? Is the reason far to seek? When cargoes on the South West Coast were refused clearance, and their owners faced with a substantial loss through deterioration and other causes, was there any hope held out that the Government would come to the rescue and make good any deficit? No, there was not. These exporters were penalized. They received no protection or guarantee whatever. All the losses incurred by enforced delay and damage had to be shouldered by themselves. They were discriminated against deliberately. Because the holding back of permits to sail was done in order that firms in St. John's might benefit through getting off all their old (1919) fish. The whole trade of the South West Coast was held up. The business of the mercantile body on that section was paralyzed and disorganized, but there was no promise made to equalize the losses. To-day, when it is discovered that there is a prospect of loss involved in fish transactions for St. John's firms, the

credit of the dominion is pledged in their behalf. Thus are divisional lines sharply drawn. The South and West can row their own boat, and do the best they can to minimize their losses, but the Government intervenes to save the fortunate few in the capital. If this is not class protection, what is it? The Western trade has suffered because of the Fishery Regulations, and the first-fruits of Coaker's policy in so far as it has affected the West Coast, are shown in the assignment of three of the largest firms doing business in the districts of Burin and Burgeo and LaPelle with—unfortunately—others to follow. Had these been protected by a Government guarantee this financial debacle may have been prevented, but the West has to suffer in order that the Capital shall be saved.

### The "Star" and Mr. Penny.

The Star was evidently very hard up for space fillers yesterday. The poor, overworked editor had exhausted himself on Thursday by venting his spleen on the Telegram, spleen, by the way, which like Gray's rose, "was born to bluish unseen, and waste its sweetness (?) on the desert air." Even the Bard of Avon failed the Star last night, and every bit of the editorial space of that illustrious journal was given up to pleading that poor Mr. Penny be saved from his friends. We can imagine Mr. Penny crying, "Save me from my friends!" unless he is becoming fed up with their abnormal generosity. Surely, friends who were kind enough to send him on a picnic to Norway and other countries, where, as he tells us himself, he was provided with the best of everything, are not friends that one would want to be saved from! The Star has a lot to say about what Mr. Penny could, or would have said at that very unsuccessful meeting of Coaker's. We, however, are not worrying about what he would or could have said. What is more to the point is what he did say, and that was certainly a splendid proof of the Government's generosity when dealing with its friends. But the Star evidently has inside information as to what was behind that picnic, and so has good reason to say, on behalf of Mr. Penny, "Save me from my friends!"

### Personal.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Baird and Miss D. Baird are passengers by the Digby sailing for England to-day.  
Mrs. Geo. Ayre and children leave by the Digby to-day on a visit to England.  
Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Pratt leave on a visit to England by the Digby to-day.  
Mrs. J. Duff, accompanied by Master Cecil Duff, leaves for England by the Digby, sailing to-day.  
Mr. P. E. Outerbridge is a passenger to England by the Digby sailing to-day, and will be absent for a couple of months.

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### Get Salt Supply.

Now is the time to look out for the salt supply for next spring. An effort should be made to get it cheaper than it is to-day, viz: \$4.50 per hhd. It is high prices like this that debar the fishermen in considering the outfit for next season. In the older days the merchants used to get the most of the salt for the coming season in the fall of the year in large steamers, which gave them a cheaper freight.

Previous to the war salt was bought here at low at 85 cents a hhd. At least it should be next year not more than \$3.00 per hhd. In older days too, a stock was kept stored on the Labrador, but this practice has been gradually abandoned, and to-day there is none worth while remaining over, except at Battle Harbor at Baine Johnston's rooms.

We all remember the crisis that arose last May here for want of salt from Cadiz, and only that a steamer load was got from Liverpool, the fishery would not have been prosecuted by thousands of fishermen.

The same trouble is likely to occur next Spring unless provision is made against it in time. We notice that very few of the schooners are taking home salt this fall. In most cases they are not able to get it, as the merchants that supply them had none in stock. It is a matter for the Board of Trade to consider, and the sooner it is dealt with the better.—Trade Review.

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### Food Shortage North.

**RESIDENTS OF WHITE BAY FACED WITH SERIOUS CONDITIONS.**

We have received additional information this week of the serious condition of affairs in White Bay as regards the shortage of food from Cape John to Canada Bay. The residents of White Bay in particular are now living on allowance and, unless they get speedy relief before the Bay freezes over there will be starvation. They have no flour, no sugar, molasses, beef, pork, or kerosene oil.

They are living now on potatoes and fish, and that will not hold out in most settlements till Christmas. The dealers who supplied them in other years, are out of the business now for manifold reasons, and as there are no supplies going there, it now devolves upon the Government to see that nobody dies of starvation in White Bay this coming winter. It soon will be too late to get food there as Sopp's Army in the bottom of the Bay is already frozen over and the rest of the Bay outside soon will be.

We hope that Mr. Scammell, who represents the District of St. Barbe, will not fail to bring this case before the notice of the Government. We have no doubt that he has done so long ago, as he must surely be aware of what conditions are in White Bay. It is to be hoped then that a steamer will be sent there with food supplies before the Bay is frozen over and navigation is impossible to Jackson's Arm and the intervening harbors whence supplies could be distributed.—Trade Review.

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### Song Service Revival.

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### No Relief Being Sent to White Bay.

**PROSPERO TAKING VERY LITTLE FREIGHT FOR THAT SECTION.**

The S. S. Prospero this trip is loading very little freight for White Bay. Despite the almost frantic appeals of residents of the district, who arrived from there last week, to have relief sent to the almost starving people, the Government has sent no aid. Representations have been sent to Port Union but help has not been forthcoming from that quarter. The conditions in White Bay and parts of the French Shore—as published in the Telegram do not half describe the sufferings and deprivation actually existing. It has been admitted by one of the Government members that the half is not known and if the details were published the result would be appalling. This gentleman admitted that the Government was powerless to cope with the situation, which he said was brought about by the Opposition tactics. Asked the reason why, the explanation was given that owing to severe headlines in some recent New York papers, parties who, under Government permission intended to cut pit props and pulpwood, withheld making contracts hoping that conditions would become worse, and then they would get their work done for little or nothing. This statement needs no comment. The whole trouble is that the country has been managed by children in business and, like in the Kindergarten, they cry, "You did it."

We learn, however, that the S. S. Clyde, sailing to-day, took a large shipment of flour for Port Union.

The Ea-Gi Class will hold a Sale in the basement of Gower St. Church on Monday evening, Nov. 29th, at 7.45 o'clock. Tea, 20c. Fancy Work, Candy and Ice Cream will be on sale. Proceeds will be devoted to the Armenian Relief Fund. Admission free.—nov27,61

### Police Court.

A woman was charged with vagrancy. Some time ago she had been up before the Judge on the same charge and had been given time to find a place. She was not able to do this, nor could she get into the Poor House. His Honour sent her down for 10 days for safe keeping.

Four boys were charged with loose and disorderly conduct. It was proven that they had been making nuisances of themselves to several people and had used profane language before much younger boys. They were each fined \$5 or 20 days.

### Aunt Emmy Writes.

Dearest Priscilla:—  
I am writing to you on a subject which I consider to be of the greatest importance, and that subject is Christmas Shopping. Do you remember what happened last year? I had at least twelve different lots of presents to buy, and I distinctly remember that I caused twelve distinct disappointments through buying these presents too late. Now, dear Priscilla, to be precise to-day is considered old-fashioned, but I am going to be very precise.

In the first place, I am determined this year not to fall into the same error as I fell last year. Last year I forgot several very important friends who in the past have been extraordinary good to me, and I don't intend to do the same this year. My plan is this: I am going to begin my Christmas Shopping next week, and I am going to select all the things I want after careful consideration, of course—because to-day the question of Gift buying is very, very important.

By the end of the week I hope to have all my needs chosen, properly packed, labelled and ready to send off. Again, dear Priscilla, I have come to the conclusion that useful presents should be the presents for to-day. After all, conditions are such that most of us, whatever we are, would much prefer presents that are useful to those that are merely charming and ornamental; except, of course, children, who must be amused; and one cannot amuse a child with a pair of socks.

I hope to arrive in St. John's on Monday morning, and start my shopping right away. Can you arrange to come with me to the Stores, as I should very much like to have the benefit of your common-sense way of dealing with practical matters? I feel sure, too, that you will bring your shopping list with you so that we can buy together.

I am particularly anxious this year to compare values, because one gets so interested in reading the various statements about "Prices." I am particularly glad to think that I am going to stay at your home as it is so conveniently close to The Royal Stores.

I am quite decided in my mind, dear Priscilla, so do please try and arrange your affairs so that we can finish this business together during the week.

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### Helpful Suggestions.

Editor Evening Telegram

Dear Sir,—As our friend the "Star" seems to be going a bit slow and has evidently run out of original ideas and knowing that in a few days it will have to make a show on account of the Prime Minister's long looked for return, it occurred to me it would be a kindly act to furnish some new material for them to incorporate in their columns. The following are a few suggestions.

The Star will probably say:  
(1) The Prime Minister on landing in Newfoundland appeared to be in rugged health and more affable than in his wont.

(2) The Prime Minister expressed annoyance at having been called away from Europe just as the League of Nations was about to sit and the "Vacant Chair" reserved for the President of the U.S. might have been occupied by Mr. Squires, but affairs at home were in such a state that further delay in returning was out of the question.

(3) Prime Minister Squires smiled benignly when some of the party explained to him the condition of business in Newfoundland, and one could not help feeling satisfied that the Master Mind had arrived, and all would now be well.

(4) The Prime Minister expressed great annoyance that further advance had not been made in the agriculture of the country, and was astonished when he learned that the Minister of Agriculture had been away on a picnic all the summer and had purchased a collection of animal bric-a-brac including dog fighting sheep. He intimated that a Curio sale would soon take place.

(5) The Prime Minister was greatly pained when he learned of the lax administration of the law, particularly when the estimated quantity of smuggled rum on the South Coast was laid before him and the enormous growth of the Moonshine trade; judging from the manner in which his jaw was set it looks as if Newfoundland would be really "bone dry" when he again takes up the reins of Premiership.

(6) Dealing with the law regarding close season for Beaver the Prime Minister got somewhat heated and expressed irritation at the long absence in London of the Minister of Justice whose job it was to enforce all laws. Confidentially the Prime Minister muttered something about stopping over for months in London to make dates with Canadian Ministers for future Labrador picnics.

(7) When asked about his statement

in the press that all Prime Ministers should get a salary of at least \$50,000, 00 a year the Primer raised his eyebrows and said "well why not? you know the old adage "Go while the goings good!" and after all is said and done, my responsibilities and administrative work are about equal to the Mayor of a medium sized town but they are foolish enough to work for nothing. NOT ME!!!

(8) The Prime Minister on reading a few of the recent back files of the "Advocate" mildly said: "why it is almost blasphemous; it would seem that during my absence some great Medicine-Man has arisen but a trivial matter of this nature will soon straighten out when I CLIMB THE BRIDGE."

(9) The Prime Minister when asked about the reason and the result of his 5 months' visit to London naively smiled and closing one eye said "What and See"!!

Any or all of the above suggestions are respectfully submitted to the Star and they are welcome to use any of the ideas.  
Yours truly,  
VOTER.

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