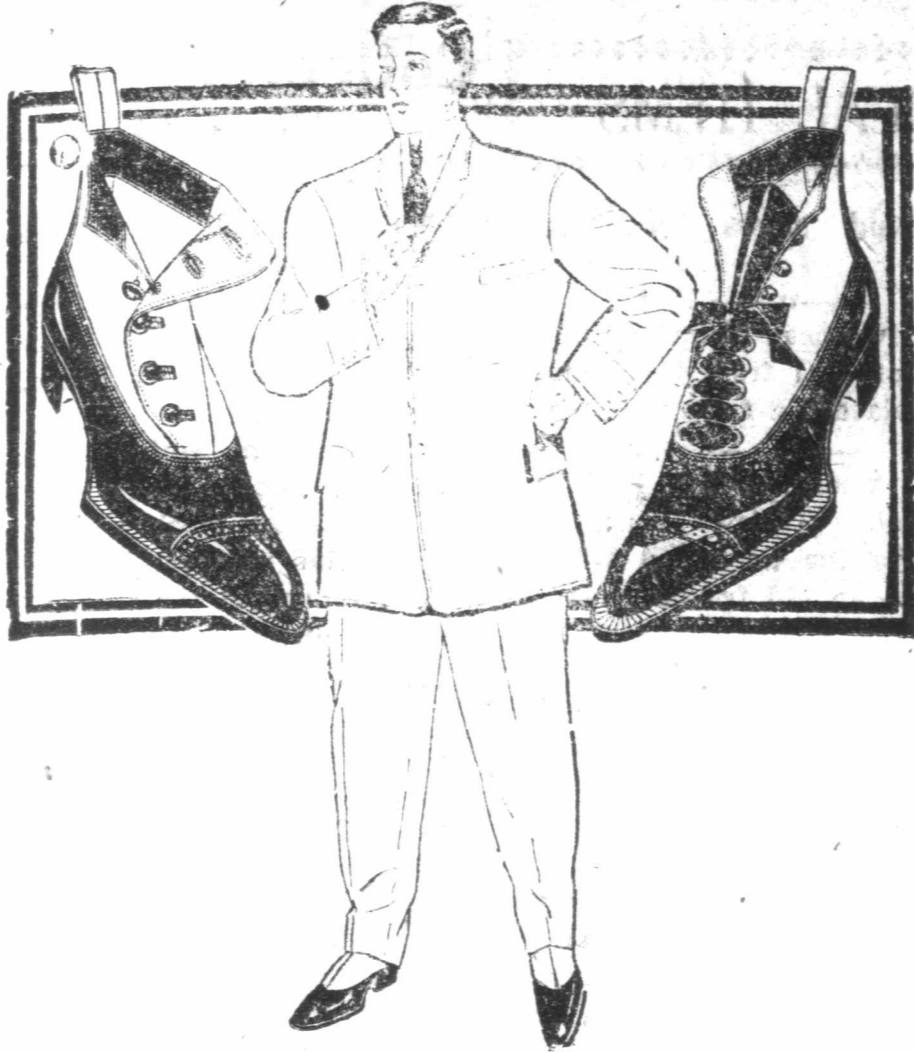


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Carmanville Will Support Coaker and the Union

(To the Editor)
Dear Mr. Editor:
Will you please oblige me in a few remarks which I wish to relate in your highly esteemed paper, and to let you know that Carmanville is not asleep or backward in doing its work for the Union. Although this is my first time writing to your paper, I am glad to tell you I am interested in your noble work which you have taken in hand, to uplift the poor down-trodden fishermen, which our forefathers have often wished for. We are thankful to know such a day has dawned when Mr. Coaker stepped forward to help the poor of Newfoundland. We are glad that Newfoundland has given such a son as Mr. Coaker and we believe he is a god-sent man. Go ahead Mr. Coaker, although there are a few who say your work is hush; but Mr. Editor if there was an easy job on the go they would be the first to try and step in. We are looking forward to the day when these traitors will have to kneel and confess their faults, but the time will come when they will see the errors of their past life and the way they have treated you, Mr. Coaker, and

will wish they had listened to our worthy President.
Go ahead Mr. Coaker, we realize the majority are in favour with you and your work throughout this Island Home of ours. We cannot praise you enough Mr. Coaker for the good you have done and especially such a branch as you are erecting at Catalina. Who thought it, or who could realize such a day would dawn. You need the thanks throughout the universal world. We also thank our soldier and sailor boys who are nobly fighting for their King and Country and fighting for the right. We long for the day to come when swords will be sheathed and peace will be proclaimed to every Nation. We know and realize that mothers are weeping for their dear boys, but we believe it is God's will and what He wills is best.
Thanking you for space, Mr. Editor, I am not a Union man, Mr. Editor, but a Union woman to the backbone. Wishing the Mail and Advocate every success.
AUNT PRICILLA.
Carmanville, Aug. 29, 1916.

Quebec Bridge Span to be Placed Sept. 14

One of the Greatest Feats of Engineering in World's History Will be Attempted Then, the Lifting of a 65,000 Ton Span Into Position
OTTAWA, Aug. 26.—During the second week in September a tremendous and spectacular engineering feat will be performed on the St. Lawrence. The center span of the Quebec bridge, 600 feet long, 100 feet wide and 65,000 tons in weight, will be floated to its place between the two big cantilevers 160 feet above the water and gently sunk into its place, thus connecting up the two sides of the river and making a through route from Prince Rupert to Moncton. The operation will be performed between the 14th and 16th of September, at a time when tidal conditions are favorable to the big hydraulic feat.
There are engineers living today who say it cannot be done, but those in charge of the work claim that every inch of the great span has been tested, and that it will rise along the guides on the cantilevers without a hitch, providing tide conditions are favorable. If they are not favorable,

the operation will be postponed until they are.
The two great cantilevers, which are the longest in the world, now reach out towards each other from either side of the river. It only requires the centre span to join them. The span is being completed at Sillery, three miles down the river, and will be brought down on huge pontoons, from which it will be hydraulically jacked to its place 160 feet above the water.
The Quebec bridge was commenced about 1905. In 1908 the Dominion was shocked by the news that one of the great cantilevers had collapsed, hurling to death 90 employees and causing a damage estimated at several millions. There will be a gathering of public men present when the connection is made.
Production of Wheat in Japan And England
WASHINGTON, Aug. 16.—A cablegram to the department of agriculture from the International Institute of Agriculture, Rome, Italy, gives the production of wheat in Japan as 24,444,000 bushels or 98.8 per cent of last year and 101.2 per cent of a five year average. The production of barley was 99,822,000 bushels, or 99 per cent of last year's crop.
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Sees no Reason for Four Special Constables Guarding Western Union Cable Co's Office

(To the Editor)
Sir.—Quite a number of people are beginning to ask what is the need of four policemen being stationed in a place so small as Heart's Content. Of course three of them are special constables and are here to keep an eye on the cable office, at least we suppose so, by the way they hang round the door. We know that the cable office needs to be watched, but if a stranger should enter, cannot the manager or assistant manager or the clerks in charge, ask him his business and if necessary get him out. We do not see why the Western Union Co. should not place detectives there themselves, they are making millions enough out of the business and can afford to pay. At the same time these three men, young men too—ought to be at the front—are regarded as unnecessary public expense, and we sometimes believe that they them-

selves feel ashamed to be seen standing around, imposing upon the public.
We also wonder, in these strenuous times, in which the people are taxed up to the hilt, whether the cable company is also taxed equal to the demand of the times, and the enormous profits which they reap every year. Let the Government look into the matter and see that we have "equal rights for all, special privileges for none." But they should first move these three so-called special constables, so that they may go to the front and do for themselves what others are doing for them. And if it should be necessary to have extra constables on, let three men beyond military age be put on. No man is too old to stand around and chew gum at the public expense.
Yours, etc.,
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WANTED A GENERAL HOSPITAL AT HARBOR GRACE.

The Harbor Grace Standard Scores the Government Over its Failure to Fulfill its Promise in This Respect—Conception and Adjacent Bays Would be Greatly Benefitted by the Establishment of a Hospital There—Would Relieve the Pressure on St. John's
At St. Anthony, the Mission is building a new hospital which is large and up-to-date. An up-to-date staff house and hotel is also in course of erection—St. John's paper.
We have often thought that if this town had committed to Dr. Grenfell the task of providing Conception Bay with a hospital, and he had accepted it, we would have had that crying need long ago.
The Government knows that the General Hospital at St. John's has to turn patients away every day, to ask them to go to the risk of their lives and the expense and trouble of waiting long weeks till a vacancy occurs. It acknowledges that outport hospitals at convenient distances to the sufferers are the due of the outport sick. It has promised as we all know a hospital to Harbor Grace, and its friends here and elsewhere have already given money towards the establishment of a hospital here, and have promised more. There is a nest egg of \$800 or \$900 in the Bank. The Roddicks' handsome offer still holds good. We lately heard of another generous offer to help as soon as the work is well under way though we do not feel at liberty to mention the name of the prospective donor. There are many good sites here to get for a comparative trifle of money.
When the town and its "benefactors," present and prospective, have done or are ready to do so much, and when this location for a hospital is in every way so good, and the need of a hospital so very pressing, the Government cannot feel that it would be doing an injustice to any other town in providing the suffering in this and adjacent Bays with cheap prompt and effectual means of getting treated for their ailments. Rather it should feel that it is unjust to the town and cruel to the suffering to delay so long in providing for their relief. Not only would this Bay be

served by a hospital here but adjacent bays as well. Why, our fresh breezes and wholesome air and water would supply half the cure. Not to speak of the curative effect of having your loved ones within easy reach of seeing you when you are sick. Why does the Government delay? It cannot be for want of money. Money is well and economically spent that saves suffering and restores to health and vigor. Better spend it on hospitals than on almost anything else. Governments spend—and not always unwisely—thousands of dollars on things not half so worthy of it. Isn't the life more than even food and body raiment? Then look at the amount that flows from the exchequer in lavish waste on sops to political partisans. The Government can well afford to do it. It cannot afford not to do it, and stand guiltless. The town would do well to be more alive and shall we say, more united than it has been in this matter. But a Government should not want for a town of country to prod it on to do things they know they ought to do. We hope our members will take up this matter at once and see that we are provided with a hospital before winter sets in. Make a beginning on a good site with plenty of room for extension.—Harbor Grace Standard.
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