



Evening Telegram

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Our First Duty.

Newfoundland will fail to rise above herself until all personal considerations and local jealousies are thrown into the dump and patriotism supreme springs from the hearts of every islander who places love of country first and foremost and far and away beyond individual benefit and profit.

So far as our conduct of war affairs has gone, we have not exhibited that spirit which brings victory, but have been too prone to cavil at everything, which in our opinion, has not suited us, thereby giving moral satisfaction and encouragement to the enemy.

Viewing the magnificent meeting of last night as an evidence that this spirit of distrust and criticism has disappeared, it should now be the prime duty of all classes, irrespective of any political predilections, to back up by every means at our disposal the new "win the war" policy, which has been generated, we might say, spontaneously; for it is apparent that only within the last few days has the true vision of things been seen by the people.

The great parade of last night has opened our eyes to the possibilities of our wholesome co-operation with the movement set on foot by the soldiers, and we realize now, as we had not perhaps before, the debt which we owe them. A debt which can only be repaid by striving with all our might to help in bringing the struggle raging in Europe, to a victorious finish for the arms of the Mother Land, the Overseas Dominions and the Allies.

And to strive with all our might means, that every man, every woman, every boy, and every girl, must put their shoulders to the wheel and push. New, fresh, strong, vigorous, determined efforts must be made. If the cause of victory demands sacrifices, we must make them without a murmur.

If it demands that we must give them as cheerfully as Abraham prepared to offer up Isaac. If the demand is for sacrifice in the way of luxuries, aye or of necessities, we must learn to do without them. Would we not be rather Britons on two meals a day than Huns on full rations? Better a dinner of herbs under British rule than a stalled ox with a Prussian bureaucracy established. Is money needed to win the war? Then we should be prepared to devote our last cent to bring victory. Money! Who would withhold a dollar when by contributing it, victory brilliant and glorious would be gained, and a peace lasting and certain, ensured. Let us then drop everything which keeps us apart; let us forget all past differences and begin anew

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the fight which will bring to the world the dawn of that day
'When the war drum throbs no longer,
And the battle flags are furled
In the Parliament of man
The federation of the world.'

To Our Soldiers.

What are they fighting for, these splendid men?
Who, sacrificing all a man loves most,
Go forth, undaunted, firm and true
As steel,
Breaking the onrush of the German host,
Counting their very lives small price to pay?
They fight that we may see all warfare cease,
And Hate's dark clouds roll rapidly away
Before the dawn of Everlasting Peace.

'Florizel' Inquiry.

At yesterday's sitting of the Marine Court of Inquiry, Mr. Dunfield intimated that the Attorney General had ruled that the matter of handling the bodies of victims of the Florizel disaster and matters pertaining to the belongings of the same, could be heard before another Court of Inquiry. He also pointed out that in the event of such an inquiry being started, it would be necessary for the Court to proceed to the scene of the wreck to take evidence, as well as conducting the inquiry in St. John's.

Hon. M. P. Gibbs, K.C., representing Capt. Martin, then addressed the Commission and hoped to give our readers a full report of his address as soon as space will permit.

Former Report Incorrect.

Dear Sir:—Many friends of Rev. W. W. Cotton, will be glad to learn that in reply to a cable sent by the Minister of Militia, Hon. F. R. Bennett, the War Office states that Lieut. W. W. Cotton has not been reported in the casualty list, and they suppose him to be with his unit. A former notice was to the effect that Lieut. Cotton had died of wounds. This message from the War Office will therefore, be a great relief to the wife and many friends of Lieut. Cotton, and I am greatly pleased to be in a position to make this announcement.

Yours truly, L. CURTIS. April 13, 1918.

New Power Plant For Heart's Content.

Mr. Louis Williams, for several years in charge of the United Towns Electrical Co., of St. John's, who resigned some time ago, has just returned from New York where he was purchasing some high powered machinery to be installed in the new electric light and power plant which is to be opened up at Heart's Content. The new power station, when in full swing, will supply light and power to the various towns in Trinity Bay situated within a reasonable distance of the cable town. The source from which the new company will get their water power is said to be one of the finest in the country, and being easily got at will prove a profitable venture for the concern.

Here and There.

MAN FOUND DEAD.—The Deputy Minister of Justice received the following message from Fogo to-day:—"George Watkins, Barr'd Islands, wandered from home last night, and was found at noon to-day, dead."

JOINS REGIMENT.—Mr. W. F. Caldwell, of Bowring Bros. Insurance Dept., offered himself for military service with the Royal Nfld. Regiment. Mr. Caldwell has a brother in the American Aviation Corps.

EXPRESS PASSENGERS.—The following first class passengers are on the incoming express: C. A. Featherstone, E. J. Clarke, E. E. and Mrs. Freeman, J. Noseworthy, W. Butt, T. W. Larder, C. F. Bates, D. E. O'Brien.

OVER 100 VOLUNTEERS FROM BOWRING BROS.—The old firm of Bowring Bros. has sent overseas over 50 men and have over 50 rejected men on their staff. Five rejected men and three others of the staff offered their services this morning.

WILL ASSIST IN RECRUITING.—Messrs. E. M. Noonan and J. St. John, returned veterans, arrived in town yesterday from Bell Islands to take part in last night's parade. Both have signed the pledge to assist in recruiting, and will stir up the boys on their return to the Island.

A new Fancy Bake Shop was opened to-day at 35 Prescott Street, between Gower and Bond Streets.

The premises have been skillfully transformed by Bright Shamber, carpenter, and E. T. Buff, painter, and are now, though small, as bright and attractive as any in the city. The bakery will be under the management of Mr. Bert Walsh, who is thoroughly up-to-date, and first-class quality will be (apart from profit) of first consideration.—April 13, 11

MINARD'S LINIMENT CURES GARTER IN COVA.

To-day's Messages.

10.00 a. m.

WIN THE WAR POLICY.

CHICAGO, To-Day. The United States Chamber of Commerce in resolutions unanimously adopted at the sixth annual meeting, here to-day, urged the enactment of legislation for universal military service; reiterated its endorsement of the Government control of prices; took a stand favoring unequivocally the elimination of all non-essential industries, and announced its willingness to back to the utmost all measures that have for their aim the winning of the war.

AMERICAN MISSION HAS ARRIVED.

LONDON, To-Day. An American mission, comprising representatives of Labor, Journalism, Banking and other interests, has arrived at a British port, where the mission was met by a committee, including Lt.-Col. Sir Campbell Stewart and Harry Brittain, Secretary of the English branch of the Pilgrim's Club.

HOME RULE TERMS.

LONDON, To-Day. A report of the Irish Convention, submitted to the Ulster delegates, says that in regard to the fundamental issues no agreement was visible at any time. Almost every one of the speeches made by the Nationalists outlined a form of Home Rule far in advance of any previous claim. Finally a plan was brought forward on behalf of the Nationalists which included the following demands: A sovereign independent Parliament for Ireland, co-equal in power and authority with the Imperial Parliament; complete fiscal autonomy for Ireland, including the power of imposing tariffs and the control of excises; the right of making commercial treaties with foreign countries; the right to raise and maintain a military territorial force; repudiation of liability for the national debt, on the plea of over-taxation of Ireland in the past. Although the principal of a small annual contribution to the Imperial expenditures was admitted, it denied the right of the Imperial Parliament to impose military service on Ireland, except with the consent of the Irish Parliament. The Ulster delegates maintained that the fiscal unity of the United Kingdom must be preserved.

STILL UNREVEALED.

AMSTERDAM, To-Day. The strategy of the German Supreme Army commanders is still unexplained, says the Kiuestische Volks Zeitung, and will be recognizable only in the course of further operations. The paper discounts this with the question of an "Extremely foolish idea" which it thinks may crop up, that the German thrust, against the Anglo-Portuguese front, indicates that when the offensive in Picardy couldn't be carried to success, the German Commanders wished to try an experiment elsewhere. The Frankfurt Zeitung regards the new thrust as a portion of a great plan of attack, and then dwells upon the great strain put on the enemy's nerves, by the necessity of having to make his dispositions in the greatest haste.

GENERAL SCHEME ADOPTED BY CONVENTION.

LONDON, To-Day. The scheme mentioned by Sir Horace Plunkett as meeting the approval of the majority of the delegates, is set forth in paragraph 42 of the report, under the title "Statement of Conclusion," summed up as follows: Section 1.—The Irish Parliament to consist of the King, Senate and the House of Commons and notwithstanding the establishment of an Irish Parliament, the Supreme Power and authority of the Parliament of the United Kingdom shall remain unaffected, and undiminished over all persons, matters and things in Ireland, and every part thereof. (Section carried by 51 to 18.) Section 2.—The Irish Parliament to have general powers to make laws for peace, order and the good government of Ireland. (Section carried 51 to 18.) Section 3.—The Irish Parliament to have no power to make laws on the following: Crown and successor; the making of peace and war; army and navy treaties and foreign relations; dignities and titles of honor; necessary control of ports for naval and military purposes; coinage and weights and measures; copyrights and patents. The Imperial and Irish Governments shall jointly arrange, subject to Imperial exigencies for the united control of the Irish Police and postal services, during the war, provided that as soon after the cessation of hostilities, the Administration of these two services shall become subject to the Irish Parliament. (Section carried 49 to 18.)

Section 4.—Restriction of the power of the Irish Parliament and prohibition of laws interfering with the religious equality; a special provision protecting the position of Free Masons and a safeguard for Trinity College and Queen University. Money bills to be founded only on a viceregal message; privileges and qualifications of the members of the Irish Parliament to be limited, as in the act of 1914, and rights of existing Irish officers to be safeguarded. (Carried 46 to 15.) Section 5.—Constitutional amendments as in the act of 1914. (Carried 46 to 15.) Section 11.—Money Bills to originate only in the House of Commons and not amendable by the Senate. (Carried 45 to 22.) Section 12.—Disagreement between the Houses to be solved by a joint sitting. (Carried 45 to 22.) Section 13.—Representation in the

British Parliament to continue and Irish representatives to have the right to deliberate and vote on all matters; forty-two representatives shall be elected to the British House of Commons. Irish representations in the British House of Lords to continue as at present until that Chamber is remodelled, when that shall be reconsidered. (Carried 44 to 22.) Section 14.—Finance, Irish Exchequer and consolidated fund to be established, an Irish Controller and Auditor General to be appointed as in the act of 1914. If necessary, it should be declared that all taxes at present payable in Ireland should continue to be levied and collected until the Irish Parliament otherwise decided, and if necessary, adjustments of revenue between Ireland and Great Britain during the transition should be made. (Carried 51 to 18.) Section 15.—Control of Customs and excises by the Irish Parliament to be considered for further consideration until after the war, provided that the question shall be considered and decided by the United Kingdom Parliament within seven years after the conclusion of peace. Until the question of the ultimate control of Irish Customs and excises is settled, the Board shall contain persons nominated by the Irish Treasury, a Joint Exchequer Board, consisting of two members nominated by the Imperial Treasury, and two nominated by the Irish Treasury, with a Chairman appointed by the King, shall be set up to determine the true income of Ireland.

Until the question of the ultimate control of the Irish customs and excise shall be decided, the revenue due to Ireland as determined by the Joint Exchequer Board, shall be paid into the Irish Exchequer. All branches of taxation, other than customs and excise shall be under control of the Irish Parliament. (Carried 38 to 30.) Section 16.—The principal of Imperial contributions is approved. (Carried unanimously.) Section 17.—Acceptance of the report of the sub-committee on land purchases. (Carried unanimously.) Section 18.—Deals with the judicial power similarly to the act of 1914. (Carried 43 to 17.) Section 19.—The Lord Lieutenant shall not be a political officer. He shall hold office six years and neither he nor his appointees shall be subjected to any religious disqualification. His salary shall be sufficient to throw the post open to men of moderate means. (Carried 43 to 17.) Section 20.—A civil service commission, consisting of representatives of the Irish Universities shall formulate a scheme of competitive examinations for admission to the public service, and nobody shall be admitted to such service who has not qualified. A scheme of appointments and salaries shall be prepared by a special commission, and no appointments shall be made until the scheme of this commission has been approved. (Carried 47 to 18.)

Section 21.—The Irish Government, if desired, may defer taking over the departments of old age pensions, national insurance, letter exchanges, postal savings banks and friendly societies. (Carried 43 to 18.) The concluding paragraph of the report to the Imperial Government was carried by 43 to 35. The whole report was carried by 44 to 23.

BRITISH SLOWLY RETIRING. LONDON, April 12. Field Marshal Haig's report from Headquarters in France to-night says: "Strong pressure has been maintained by the enemy all day. South and southwest of Bailleul constant attacks in great force are made in this section and are continuing. Our troops have been pushed back slowly, in continuous fighting, to positions in the neighborhood of the railway, where they are heavily engaged with the enemy."

VIA BERLIN. BERLIN, April 12. Our victorious troops, says the official report from headquarters this evening, are progressing through the line of the Lys, between Armentieres and Merville."

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On April 12th, at Chelsea, Mass., John W. Taylor, son of Mrs. Emily and the late Geo. E. Taylor. Funeral notice later.

Yesterday morning at the Sanatorium, Topsail Road, after a long illness, Escelle, beloved wife of William Tobin, aged 28 years, leaving a husband, three children, mother, sister and two brothers to mourn their sad loss. Funeral to-morrow, Sunday, at 2.30 from her late residence, 49 Goodview Street; friends will please attend without further notice. Spidey and Toronto papers please copy.

IN MEMORIAM. In loving memory of Pte. Richard Volsky, who was killed in action Somewhere in France, April 14th, 1917. Rest in peace.

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The So Great City Ablaze with Burgeoning Parade and Recruiting Selective Conscription Crowded Audience. Addresses. Over 100,000. Soldiers' Day, and all that it means is now numbered with the yesterdays. But he said, and the citizens of loyal old St. John's will bear us out, that never in the history of the country was there anything approaching such a display of bunting and the spontaneous outburst of enthusiasm as was shown here yesterday. From the business houses on Water Street, down to the humblest dwelling in the back streets, some token of sympathy for the soldiers and the great cause was demonstrated by the abundant flutter of flags and pennants. The suggestion of the promoters that caribou heads and red crosses be shown from the homes of those who have sent soldiers to fight in the great cause and for those who are foremost in patriotic work was largely availed of. Each caribou head represented a person in that family who had joined the colors. The number of little "red deer" varied from one to five in several homes throughout the city. In the United States where Sergeant Mitchell got the idea, flags of a similar nature were always exhibited and are never taken down, and the same practice might be followed here. The presence of those little emblems as symbols of heroic service may have the effect of awakening in the heart of some slacker the call to duty. THE PARADE. Undoubtedly the largest parade in the history of St. John's was witnessed last night by upwards of 15,000 citizens. Long before the starting hour thousands of citizens gathered near the C.L.B. Armoury. At 7.30 the march began, the order of procession being as follows: Returned Soldiers in carriages. Returned Soldiers marching. T. A. Band. Rejected men. Bugle Band. J. B. Band. The Regiment. The C. I. B. C. C. C. Band. C. C. C. Highlanders Band and Companies. Salvation Army Band. Patriotic citizens. Motor cars with girls. The route followed was: Military Road, Ordnance St., Duckworth St., Cochrane Street, Water Street, Job

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