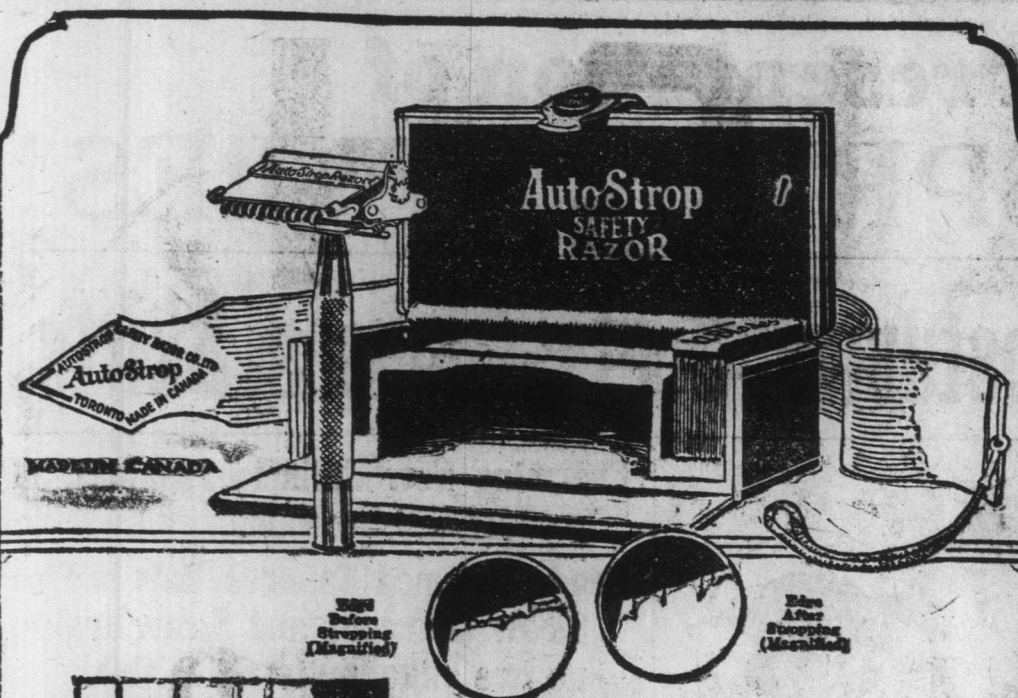




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As the North Sees It.

(Twillingate Sun.)
NEWS NOT PROPAGANDA.—It is great pity, and shows littleness on part of those responsible, that public news service should be so utterly partisan.
In many places the daily postal is only method that people have of getting in touch with current happenings. More especially is this so in winter, when mails are exceedingly irregular, and papers from the outside reach us after a lapse of ten or more days.
The reign of the late Sir P. T. Rath, who handled the compilation of the daily "Public News," it

was little more than government propaganda for the Morris and latter the Cashin party.
It is to-day perhaps not quite so partisan, but it takes care to say nothing that might be injurious to the wellbeing of the Squires party, and takes equal care to boost their doings whenever possible.
As the public news service is paid for by the colony it should be what it proclaims itself—a public service free from bias, supplying a brief synopsis of the happenings of the day.
It will be noticed that no word of the extraordinary Woodford affidavit ever appeared in that despatch; though nothing more "striking" to say the least, has happened for some

time, and it was the sensation of the year.
We suggest to the Minister of Posts and Telegraphs, or whoever is responsible for the compiling of this public message, that he make it a real news service and less of a party propaganda.
PRODUCTION AND ECONOMY.—While indications as to the prospects for the coming fishery are doubtful, ranging from rosy optimism to the blackest doubts, there seems reason to believe that no man who is willing to work, to give a fair day's labor for a fair day's wages, but may be sure of obtaining steady employment if he wishes.
The man who has the gear and plant would, in our opinion, be wise to stick to his job, but the many who have not built up a fishing room and fishing property, but are more or less in the sense of day laborers at the fishery can, if reports which continue to come from inland be true, find continuous employment during the summer.
This would relieve the fishery to some extent, and while 1918 prices will no more be obtained, there seems reason to believe that with a careful cure and the energy which the Minister of Fisheries is putting into the game, a fair price may be expected next fall.
Anyhow the old days of dread, when a failure in the fishery meant starvation, is probably passed never to return. "Produce and economize" is the watchword to-day, until the world recovers from its late attack of madness.

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Objects to Daylight Bill.

Editor Evening Telegram.
Dear Sir.—Please allow me space in your esteemed paper for a protest against the Daylight Saving Act. It is well known how it was imposed on the country without the people having the privilege of going for it or against it. Hence it is like a high-handed piece of Prussianism. Things are coming to a pretty pass in this country when one man can get up a scheme and dictate to the whole population what daylight can be had and what daylight can't be had. All sensible people know that Providence is well capable of judging how much day and how much night is best for the earth's inhabitants. One would think that three hours of daylight, when the work of the day is finished, are sufficient for most people of the city, the majority of whom are only waiting for sunset—the only part of the summer's day that can be called cool—before taking a walk round our country lakes and roads, after the work and heat of the day is over. It is evident, Mr. Editor, that more daylight is not needed in Newfoundland for the summer months. We have about eighteen hours of sunshine out of the twenty-four. That is plenty of time for recreation for practical people. As for the outports, last Summer, it caused no little confusion in the majority of the larger settlements. All the mercantile firms ignored the Bill, while the Banks and Railways complied with it. The same applied to the denominational schools. The S. A. and C. E. conformed to what is known as fast or Newfoundland time; while the Methodist and R. C. retained the slow or standard time, and confusion often arose which could not happen were there but one time alone to be kept. Hence it is as much of a wasting, rather than of a saving of daylight. Evidently the only practical thing to be done is to abolish the Act altogether and retain standard time alone. Then none would have reason for complaint. Newfoundland went daylight saving, with Canada and America the past few years, but Canada and America have learned better since and have seen the impracticability of daylight saving, and have discontinued it. It is hoped now while the "House" is in session that Newfoundland will do the same.
Yours truly,
STANDARD TIME.
April 24, 1920.

What Australia and U. S. are Doing for Disabled Men.

(Atlantic Leader.)
In commenting on the war veterans' claims for increased pensions for disabled men, the Winnipeg Free Press says that the demand for more liberal treatment for totally disabled men is increased from the fact that within the last few months both the United States and Australia have raised their scale for such pensions very considerably higher than it is in Canada.
At the beginning of the war the total disability pension in Canada was \$480, with additional amount for wife and children. This was later raised to \$600, and parliament last year granted an additional bonus of \$120 on account of the high level of prices. This, of course, was only a temporary increase voted for the year.
A statement by the British Pension Board to parliament on Dec. 19 last, showed that the Canadian pensions were more liberal than those of any other country. The disability pension (weekly rate) given by the different countries, was: Canada, 47s. 11d.; Britain, New Zealand and South Africa, 40s.; Australia, 30 s.; France, 37s.; Italy, 10s. 4d.; United States, 28s. 10d. The Canadian treatment was reported to be similarly favorable for dependents and partially disabled men.
On Dec. 24, however, the United States raised their total disability pension from \$665 for a man without dependents, and \$910 for a married man with three children, to \$960 and \$1250 respectively. And only a few days ago the Australian government introduced a repatriation bill which raises the pensions of totally disabled soldiers from \$378.60 for a single man and \$822 for a married man with 3 children to \$20 per week (roughly \$1,000 a year) and \$300 (roughly \$1,500) respectively. Australia's war burden was already very heavy. Her war debt is \$1,500,000,000; and her gratuity which she lately gave her soldiers cost \$140,000,000, and her pension list was already \$18,000,000 a year.
The pension increases granted by the Canadian parliament last year amounted to \$5,380,000. Besides the bonus of \$120 for totally disabled private and corporals, the pensions of sergeants was increased in the same way from \$637 to \$720. A 20 per cent. bonus was given to pensioned widows and parents of private and corporals, and 13 per cent. to similar dependents of sergeants.
There was a permanent increase from \$96 to \$120 in the amount allowed to a totally disabled man on account of his wife, and an increase from \$144 to \$150 in the amount allowed for the first child of a widow; also an increase from \$278 to \$360 for the first orphan child of a

Consumers' League Becoming Active.

At a meeting of the Consumers' League, held last night, Mr. A. E. Earle was appointed Chairman, and Mr. E. Doyle, Secretary. A committee was appointed to interview the Government, with a view to the enactment of legislation for the punishment of profiteers. The object of the League is to try and cut down the prices of necessities. A public meeting relative to this matter will be called in a short time.



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At the evening service in Trinity Hall on Monday evening, Rev. W. Netten, M.A., Rector of Trinity Church, Cornwall, announced that after consultation with the Bishop of the Diocese in Ottawa, he had decided to remain in Cornwall.

Quite recently His Lordship Bishop Roper intimated to Mr. Netten that he wished him to accept the incumbency of All Saints' Church, Ottawa, vacant through the death of Ven. Archdeacon Mackay. The announcement was made from the pulpit of Trinity, Cornwall, by Mr. Netten, and at the request of the wardens and leading church members, a meeting of the congregation was held in Trinity Hall, one of the largest ever held in the history of the parish, at which strong resolutions were passed, urging the Bishop not to disturb existing relations, and to Mr. Netten, asking him to remain here as rector. It was pointed out to the Bishop that there were several important activities in the parish, involving large expenditures, which were due in a large measure to the personal efforts of Mr. Netten, and which would undoubtedly suffer from his translation to Ottawa. Mr. Netten himself was assured of the regard and affection of the congregation, which he possesses to a remarkable degree.

The decision of the Rector of Trinity will be learned with pleasure and satisfaction, not only by the congregation of Trinity but by the people of the town generally. Mr. Netten came

to Cornwall in May, 1914, and succeeding a long line of popular and beloved pastors, soon established himself firmly with his immediate flock, and by the interest he showed in public questions, especially in the many activities arising out of the Great War, was soon recognized by those outside the Anglican communion as a man among men. A brilliant, scholarly and convincing preacher, with the gift, none too common, of so presenting the truths of religion as to compel each man and woman to make of them a personal application, it is little wonder that the Bishop sought to promote him to what he considered a more important parish. He has a way with him, has the Rector of Trinity, by means of which he has been able to create a remarkable enthusiasm and interest in church matters, which would have been deemed impossible a few years ago. The unanimous desire to keep him in Cornwall expressed by the congregation must signify their entire confidence. May many years be given him to minister to Trinity under equally favorable conditions.—The Freeholder, April 1, 1920.

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