



Evening Telegram

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That English Opinion

In the 'Daily Star' report of remarks made in the House of Assembly, on Wednesday last, by the Minister of Justice—Honourable W. R. Warren—that gentleman is made to say, "There was nothing criminal about such conduct," (i.e., the conduct of the Prime Minister as alleged by the Woodford affidavit.) "He based this declaration, not only on his own interpretation of the law, but also on the advice of a leading British Constitutional lawyer, who had been consulted on the matter by cable." It is, of course, not quite fair to regard the 'Star's' report as being exact, but it is noteworthy that the other newspapers reported the expression of the Minister of Justice, as of the same tenor, and therefore the 'Star's' report fairly represents the impression which was made on the audience who heard Mr. Warren's declaration.

In a letter from the Private Secretary of His Excellency the Governor to Sir Michael P. Cashin, dated April 21st, this paragraph appears:

"I am further to observe that the acts alleged to have been committed, do not come within the criminal law of this Colony."

It was not said that this statement was based upon the opinions of English Counsel, but taken in connection with the remarks of the Minister of Justice it is fair to assume that the advice given to His Excellency, by his Ministers, was asserted to have been upon the strength of the opinion given English Counsel. The following correspondence, tabled in the House of Assembly, gives the basis exactly of both the statement made by the Minister of Justice, and the assertion made—for his Excellency—by the Private Secretary.

COPY OF CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEN ATTORNEY GENERAL OF NEWFOUNDLAND AND LEGAL ADVISERS IN LONDON.

TELEGRAM.

3 April, 1920.

"To Bees, London:

See Section 185 Newfoundland Election Act, 1913 and Chapter 63 Consolidated Statutes of Newfoundland. Take Counsel's opinion whether sub-section 4, section 41, English Corrupt and Illegal Practices Act, 1883, applies in Newfoundland.

(Sgd.) WARREN,
Attorney-General."

TELEGRAM.

10 April, 1920.

"To Warren,
Attorney-General, St. John's. Counsel advise sub-section 4, section 41, English Corrupt Practices Act, 1883, does not apply to Newfoundland, being impliedly excluded by reasons of sections 186 to 189, Newfoundland Election Act, 1913.

(Sgd.) BERRIDGE."

There are several significant comments to be made upon this

correspondence. In the first place, it will be seen that it contains no evidence that "the leading British constitutional lawyers had been consulted by cable." The cabled enquiry was addressed to a firm of Solicitors in London, who chose the Counsel, and in cabling the opinions they had obtained, the London Solicitors did not so much as mention the name of the Counsel consulted. He may, or may not, be a constitutional lawyer: he may, or may not, have been a King's Counsel, or even a Junior Counsel. From the fact that his name is not mentioned it is a reasonable inference that he was not, at least, a man whose name is known all over the Empire. The Counsel did NOT say "there was nothing criminal about the matter." He was not even asked if the matter were a criminal one, but merely, whether a certain section of an English Act was applicable in this Colony. Note the difference. The answer is that the particular section referred to was not applicable here, and this reply therefore amounts to nothing more or less than this—That a particular penalty provided by an English Act of Parliament for such offences as the Woodford charge against Premier Squires is not law in this Colony.

As against this opinion of an English Counsel, whose name is unknown here, there is the solemn decision of our own Supreme Court, which on March 23rd last, with reference to this same matter, said:

"The Principles, Practices and Rules in England, shall apply here."

Even if there be reasonable doubt, why has it been resolved by the Minister of Justice in favor of the Premier? Why has he (Minister of Justice) not taken steps to obtain a formal decision by our Supreme Court, as he would in the case of an ordinary malefactor? It has been asserted upon the streets and in sections of the Press, and the assertion has been made much of by the Premier that the charges made against him are not criminal: that is to say that they are not punishable under the criminal law, and this assertion is alleged to be based upon the opinion of English Counsel. It now appears that this assertion is baseless, that it was made with fraudulent intent, and that in their endeavours, to escape from the burden of the Woodford affidavit, the colleagues of the Prime Minister have not hesitated to add falsehood to fraud, or fraud to fraud, as the case may be.

Now showing new stock of Boys' Jerseys in assorted sizes and colors. Price \$2.50 up, at W. FREW'S, Water Street.
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Spencer Won in Saturday's Game.

Although defeated by the Methodist girls in the first two games of Inter-Collegiate Basketball, the Spencer girls turned the tables and won Saturday's game by a score of 21 to 15.

The game was the fastest of the series and proved very interesting to a large number of spectators. The first period ended with the score very close, but in the second, through the splendid shooting by Maude Hutchings, the Spencer forwards got a large lead, which they were able to keep throughout the entire game—being so strongly supported by their guards. The centres on both sides were again the stars of the game. The line-up was:

Methodist—Forwards, M. Fenwick, M. Robinson, Centres, M. Lawrence, Guards, G. Knight, G. Sparkes, Spares, O. Bishop, E. Martin, E. Parkins and R. Roberts.

Spencers—Forwards: C. Crane, M. Hutchings, Centres, D. Mews, S. Chalkers, Guards, N. Wood, I. Rendell, Spares, E. House, E. Scandrett, M. Campbell and A. Mews.

C. C. C. Memorial Committee.

The committee recently appointed to consider the matter of a memorial to the members of the C.C.C. who fell in the Great War, will meet on Wednesday afternoon. The decision of the committee has been to erect a brass tablet in the Cathedral, with the names of the fallen members inscribed thereon. This decision of the committee will be communicated to the Archbishop for his approval. The committee consists of Major O'Grady, O.B.E., Capt. G. Byrne, M.C., Capt. C. McGrath and Mr. T. J. Foran.

C. L. B. Cadets' Dance.

The C. L. B. Warrant and N. C. O.'s of the Church Lads' Brigade Cadets held a very successful dance last evening in the Gymnasium of the Armoury, Harvey Road. The affair was a decided success, over 100 couples being present. Dancing was kept up till the "we sma' hours", when the affair terminated and was voted by all present to have been a "ripping time." Great praise is due the lady friends of the W. and N. C. O.'s who catered to the entire satisfaction of all present, and their splendid work was greatly appreciated. The music was supplied by the C. L. B. Band Orchestra, under Bandmaster Morris, and was voted "splendid." The Dance Committee have every reason to be satisfied with the splendid results of their work.

Two Men Drowned on Grand Banks.

The following message was received by Deputy Minister of Customs LeMessurier from Grand Bank to-day: "Schr. Maud Thornhill, Capt. H. Thornhill, arrived here and reports the drowning on the Grand Banks of Wilson Bunday of Mose Ambrose and Samuel Hatcher of Grand Bank, on the 22nd inst., by the sinking of their dory."

Coastal Boats.

F. H. ELLIS & CO.
S.S. Susu is still at Seldom awaiting a change in ice conditions.

GOVERNMENT.
S.S. Prospero sails Thursday for the usual ports of call, West.

REIDS.
Glencoe arrived at St. Jacques at 5.15 p.m. yesterday, and is held there on account of fog.

Home left Burin 2.30 p.m. yesterday, outward.
Kyle arrived at North Sydney 2.30 a.m. yesterday.
S.S. Meigle is at Placentia.
Sagrona arrived at Port aux Basques 4.50 p.m. yesterday.
Petrel at St. John's.
Argyle and Clyde are at St. John's.

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Placing the Unemployed.

PATRIOTIC EMPLOYERS SECURE HELP OF RETURNED VETERANS.

At the regular meeting of the Civil Re-Establishment Committee on Friday night, information was gleaned from the Employment Officials that 80 returned veterans had been placed in positions since April 1st—30 jobs having been actually secured during the week ending April 23rd. In this connection, appreciation is expressed to Hon. Geo. Knowling, Johnson's Bakery, Imperial Life Assurance Co., Reid Newfoundland Co., Hon. John Brown, T. Armstrong and Hon. H. J. Brownrigg and Minister of Shipping (Cave)—these having engaged the services of the men in question. The number of unemployed veterans, however, continues to increase, notwithstanding the splendid efforts being made by the Vocational Officer, and it is to be hoped that employers desiring help will communicate with the latter when they require suitable men.

Old Feildians Re-enter League.

Football 'fans' will be pleased to know that it was unanimously decided, at a meeting of a large number of Old Feildians, held last night, that they would re-enter the Football League this year. In 1915 the Feildians as a team were obliged to withdraw from the League through several of their members going overseas, and they amalgamated with the C.B.L. and in 1918 were winners of the trophy.

The elections of officers for the coming season took place:
Captain—R. R. A. Chafe.
Vice-Captain—B. E. Evans.
Secretary—A. Monroe.
League Delegate—Geo. Hunt.
Team Manager—C. E. A. Jeffery.
The Feildians have some good material to pick from and the College lads may be expected to give a good account of themselves.

At the Casino.

YOUNG-ADAMS COMPANY.

His Excellency the Governor and suite attended last night's performance of "Her Great Temptation" by the Young-Adams Company. The box seats of the theatre were filled, and the whole audience rose, as the distinguished patrons entered they were received by the ushers in charge, while the whole audience rose, the C. C. Band playing the National Anthem. Last night's play demonstrated that the particular forte of the whole Young-Adams Company is the sentimentally sensational drama, and the acting throughout, the whole troupe being employed in the cast, was indicated in radio despatches made public to-day at the Navy Department. Amundsen, who discovered the South Pole, apparently has abandoned his attempt to reach the North Pole.

McMurdo's Store News.

TUESDAY, April 27.
Do not forget that we have a carefully selected stock of American Cabbage Seeds, in all necessary variety to cover the entire season. The list comprises Early Spring, Early Summer, Early Jersey Wakefield, Charleston Wakefield, Succession, (American) Drumhead and (American) Flat Dutch. These seeds are all of the highest quality, and secured from one of the most reliable seed growers in America, and we believe that they will give as good results in crops as usual. Price \$3.00 a pound; 60c. an ounce.
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C.L.B. OLD COMRADES' ASSOCIATION.—A Special Meeting of the above Association will be held to-morrow (Tuesday) evening at 8 o'clock sharp. The business of the utmost importance will be transacted, every member is requested to attend. By order, R. G. CHAFE, Sec'y.
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Shipping Notes.

S. S. Edmund Donald leaves Halifax for here to-morrow night.
S. S. Sable I. will leave Sydney for here to-morrow night.
S. S. Rosalind will leave New York for here, via Halifax, on May 3rd.
S. S. Digby leaves Halifax for here on May 1st.

Supreme Court.

(Before the Chief Justice and Mr. Justice Johnston.)
Hickman vs. Cave.—Mr. McNelly addressed the Court during the forenoon, closing the case for Mr. Hickman. This afternoon Mr. Mews, for the defence, began his argument.

St. Thomas's Women's Association will hold their Spring Sale in Canon Wood Hall Wednesday, April 28th. Plain and Fancy Work, Afternoon Serviettes, Handkerchiefs and Children's Clothing for sale; also Home Cookery, Candy, Refreshments and Afternoon and Six O'Clock Teas. Admission 10 cents.
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BROUGHT GOOD PRICE.—"Rose-dale", Upper Battery Road, was auctioned by Messrs. Dowds and Edwards at noon to-day, realizing the sum of \$5,800.

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To-day's Messages.

AMUNDSEN ICEBOUND.

WASHINGTON, April 26.
The Amundsen Polar Exploration party, in the steamer Maude, is ice-bound at the mouth of the Kolyma River, Siberia, and is awaiting an opportunity to sail southward. It was indicated in radio despatches made public to-day at the Navy Department. Amundsen, who discovered the South Pole, apparently has abandoned his attempt to reach the North Pole.

ABSOLUTELY FALSE.

LONDON, April 26.
Stories, published in France and England asserting that there is discussion among the members of the Supreme Council, are termed slanderous, and are the statement issued by Earl Curzon of Kedleston, British Foreign Secretary, and telegraphed from San Remo. Almost simultaneously the Foreign Office received an official message from the United States denying the reports of alleged dissensions, which had been republished in the United States were creating a deplorable situation.

UKRAINIAN INDEPENDENCE.

WARSAW, April 27.
(By Associated Press).—The Foreign Office announces that the Treaty between Poland and the Ukraine will be signed within a few days. The independence of the Ukrainians will be proclaimed soon afterwards.

WHO GAVE THE CONCESSIONS?

OTTAWA, April 26.
A million and a half acres of pulpwood forests in Southern Labrador, immediately north of Cape Charles, in Newfoundland territory, is being acquired by a United States Securities firm, to supply British trade. It is understood that a full survey of the area has been made by means of photographs from aeroplanes, and the corporation has practically completed its arrangements to take over the forests, install machinery and prepare to ship pulp direct from its own harbors to Great Britain, where the pulp will be converted into paper.

GARRISON WIPED OUT.

ALEPPO, Syria, April 26.
Dr. Robert Lambert, Director of the American Near East Relief Commission in Syria, has just reached here from Urfa in the north western part of Mesopotamia, accompanied by Mrs. Richard Mansfield, Miss Mary Louise Law, Colin Clements and an Englishman named Garnet Woodward. Other Christians in Urfa are reported to be safe. The entire French garrison of three hundred, who evacuated Urfa, were all killed on their way to Djerbib. Antab has been surrounded since April 16th by eight thousand French troops and quiet prevails there.

BEDOUINS ATTACK BRITISH.

CAIRO, April 26.
Fighting is reported to be taking place between Arabs and British troops in Palestine. Two thousand Bedouins attacked Samakin, south of Lake Tiberias, from which a small British force withdrew after a fight in which they suffered few casualties. The incident was not important, according to the official view, being merely a local development of recent Bedouin cattle forays.

POLICE COURT.—A drunk and disorderly in charge of a horse was fined \$5.00.

Bulb Competition.

Dear Boys and Girls.—Those of you who entered for the Bulb Competition have, as you know, had the daffodils inspected and judged. The results have been most gratifying. There were several beautiful entries which have evidently received care and attention. The prize winners in Section A (4 doors) are Olive Wood King's Road, Edwin White, Pleasant Street; Ben Williams, Pleasant Street; Kathleen Malone, Colonial Street. The results of Competition B (8 doors) will be announced later, as well as plans for this year's garden. —A.H.A., E.G.S.
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From Cape Race.

Special to Evening Telegram.
CAPE RACE, To-day.
Wind West, light weather, fog; to sea; the steamer Nevada passed in at 7 and a Reid Co. steamer at 8.40 a.m. to-day; Bar. 29.60; Therm. 44.

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CALIFORNIA LEMONS.
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PARSNIPS.

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