



Evening Telegram

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An Amazing Agreement.

Under the agreement entered into between the Government of Newfoundland and the Dominion Iron and Steel and the Nova Scotia Steel and Coal Companies the following stipulations are made:

(1) An export tax of twenty-five cents per ton for 20 years, from January 1, 1921, on all ore shipped to Nova Scotia.

(2) Free exportation to all other countries other than the Dominion of Canada.

It is a cause for wonder why an export tax is fastened upon ore shipped to Nova Scotia only, or why such an absurd penal claim—as that which follows is inserted, as though the framers of the draft agreement considered this as an after thought, and the eminent Counsel looking after the interests of Newfoundland also saw eye to eye with them:

"In any year that the shipments to Nova Scotia amount to one million tons, there shall be no tax on the ore shipped to any other place in Canada."

The whole agreement as published leads one into a maze and does not make any attempt to secure for Newfoundland any privileges whatever. It is a clear give-away to the Companies operating on Bell Island, and all the eggs have been deliberately placed in their basket.

Let Newfoundlanders ask themselves why there should be a tax placed upon ore from Bell Island shipped to Nova Scotia, a British province, while there is to be free trade in this article of commerce with all the rest of the world? Germany, Britain's whilom enemy, and incidentally the enemy of the universe outside her own possessions, is permitted to receive any quantity of iron ore from Bell Island, without restriction, which same ore may be turned into war munitions to be ultimately used against Britain. Where has our boasted patriotism gone to permit such treasonable trade? Have we forgotten our prime duty to those Newfoundlanders who fought and died that the dragon of German conquest should be destroyed and the imposition of German kultur prevented. Yet now a patriotic (?) Government places in the hands of an implacable foreman a weapon wherewith to retaliate eventually for the defeat which that country suffered. Newfoundland, the most ancient and loyal Colony, the first born of the Empire, agrees to permit Germany to use Newfoundland ore, out of which weapons may be forged, without any discrimination whatsoever. There is nothing in the agreement with the Bell Island Companies to prevent them from exporting unlimited quantities of ore to Germany, and the Germans are not and will not be slow in returning the compliment.

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Editorial Note.

We have been asked by Hon. M. P. Gibbs, K.C., to state that he had no knowledge whatever of the Bell Island Ore Tax Agreement, and did not see the Bill until published in the newspapers. Neither had he anything to do with the drafting or examination on behalf of the Government. We make this explanation in justice to Mr. Gibbs, the reference to whom in our leading article of yesterday, may have caused a misapprehension on the part of readers.

Served in Navy.

Bert Noel, of Harbor Grace, Nfld., has gone from North Sydney to Vancouver, where he takes a position as first mate with a steamer commanded by his brother, Captain Lewis Noel. Captain Noel spent five years in the British navy during the war, his activities being confined to work in the English Channel and the North Sea. He had several encounters with German submarines, but managed to escape without injury. Halifax Herald, April 26th.

Graduating Recital.

A Graduating Recital was given at the Fawcett Memorial Hall, Sackville, N.B., on April 29th, by Miss R. Alice Woods, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sydney Woods of this city. Eloquence is Miss Woods' speciality, and she was assisted by Miss Kathryn Thompson, soprano and her brother, Mr. John Woods, baritone. The programme consisted of seven numbers, four of which were rendered by Miss Woods, two by Miss Thompson and one by Mr. Woods. It is probable that this talented young lady will repeat her recital here during the coming season.

Stolen Car Recovered.

Machine Considerably Damaged. The motor car which was stolen from Sir Michael Cashin, and found near Nash's Holyrood, was brought to town yesterday evening under its own power, after quite a lot of unnecessary repairs had been effected. The machine is considerably damaged, caused by its leaving the road and striking a stump of bushes. The headlights, radiator, dashers and steering gear are the parts that received the most damage, and it will cost a considerable sum to have repairs effected.

Shipwrecked Crew Home.

The crew of the E. Harris, Ltd. bark, Quacois, have returned home after a voyage which has been the most perilous in their lives. The vessel was driven ashore on the north coast of the island on the 23rd of April, and the crew were stranded for eight days. The vessel had run before the wind under a heavy sea, and all her cargo was lost. The vessel was a "hulk" condition when she was driven ashore, and the crew were in a very bad way when they were rescued. They were landed at St. John's, N.B., where they were treated as heroes. They were then sent to the hospital for a few days, and then returned home.

Outport Nurses.

Lady Harris entertained at Government House on Monday afternoon, the members of the Outport Nursing Committee and a few friends interested in the work to which God-speed to the two nurses just arrived from England who were on the eve of their departure to their districts.

L. S. P. U. Decide TO WORK COASTAL BOATS.

The L.S.P.U. met last night at the Union Hall, Victoria Street, when the matter of handling the coastal boats and the work of any firm not offering reduced wages was discussed. President Flavin occupied the Chair, and read communications from the Minister of Shipping and several other people, offering to pay the old scale of wages if the men would handle their work. After a discussion of the matter it was decided that work with these firms would resume this morning.

The Title of Black Rod.

"Black Rod" derives his title from the fact that this is his badge of office. His duties are to maintain order in the Lords; he can take into custody any peer guilty of a breach of privilege, and he summons the "faithful Commons" to the Upper House whenever their presence is required. He is also Chief Gentleman Usher to the King, and the Door Keeper of the Chapter of the Garter; he is also a member of the Order.

The Labor Situation.

The Union men who had been on strike since Monday last, resumed work on the S.S. Fortia, which is loading for the Westward. The men also went to work discharging schooner cargoes of coal for Messrs. Hyman, Darby and Morey, the employers of about 100 men. At practically every other waterfront premises there is no work being done by Union men. At an East End mercantile premises the office hands and others around the place donated overall this forenoon and proceeded to quish loading a vessel with fish for market. Yesterday at an uptown mercantile premises the owner, his son and a number of permanent employees, did good work unloading fish from a schooner. Generally there is no change on either side with regard to the positions taken. The Longshoremen evidently are waiting "till next week," when three or more steamers are due.

McMurdo's Store News.

WEDNESDAY, May 4. Nyal's Cherry Cough Syrup is an excellent Cough Remedy for older children, and is safe and pleasant to take, prompt in action, economical in use, it compares favorably with most things of this kind, and is recommended in cases of recent cough and cold. Price 50c a bottle. Colorite may be obtained from us in all the popular shades, and there is nothing better to refresh a straw hat which has become dull or faded, making it look quite as good as new. Price 40c a bottle.

Coal Dropped.

The schooner Harry and Ferns with a cargo of screened coal is now discharging at Marshall's wharf. The coal is selling at \$18.50 per ton, a reduction of \$1.50 on the ruling price. This cargo is pressed which at Sydney cost 35 cents more than run of mine. It is not unlikely that further reductions will take place during next week.

New designs in English China Tea Sets, 40 pieces, \$29.50, \$24.50, \$26.00, \$27.00, suitable for Wedding Presents, at G. KNOWLING, LTD.—may 4/1

L'Envoi of the Suffrage.

When the Suffrage Petition is granted And the feminine vote has been won, When the oldest woman has voted And the youngest woman is old, We shall rest, and faith we shall send, Thought of course, made pretty and small; They shall vote three or four times over, And never be noticed at all. And only the woman shall count votes And only the woman shall sort, And no one shall care if they're surplus, And no one shall care if they're short, But each in her very best moment, And each in a separate pen, Shall vote just as she has a mind to, For the lawless it will be then.—CAROLYN WELLES

Supreme Court.

John J. Nesbitt vs. K. K. Bishop. Mr. Hunt for defendant, asks leave to leave a commission to take evidence. By consent of parties leave to issue a commission was issued. Henry Blach vs. John Dempsey. This is an appeal against the order of Mr. Justice Johnson. C. J. Fox for defendant, moves that the appeal be dismissed. L. Curtis for plaintiff, asks leave to withdraw the appeal. Leave to withdraw was granted on payment of costs. Robert G. Reid vs. Sir W. D. Reid. This is a motion for an order to void or set aside. Howley, K.C., for plaintiff, is heard in support of motion. L. E. Emerson is heard against the motion.

The Washing Cap.

"The Washing Cap," the operetta which is being presented this evening by the pupils of Bishop Spencer College at the Casino, is a production which is well worth seeing. The dramatic talent shown by the very young performers is amazing and the staging is very good indeed. Many of those who saw the operetta in December are going again to-night to renew their acquaintance with it, and this alone speaks well for the excellence of the performance. There is a fine vein of comedy running through the operetta and the audience is bound to be greatly pleased with every part of it. The C.L.B. Band is assisting at to-night's performance.

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Marine Firemen Meet.

The Firemen's Union held a meeting in the L.S.P.U. Hall last night. President R. Scobie occupied the chair. Matters in connection with the Union scale of wages were discussed and consideration also given to the firemen of the S.S. Sisu, who signed on yesterday at \$40 per month. Only one of these men belonged to the Union, and he will be dealt with upon his return to port. It was decided at the meeting that a reorganization of the body should take place, and in future only competent men would be taken in the ranks.

Floral Tributes to the Departed.

Nothing so nice as flowers in time of sorrow. We can supply wreaths and crosses on short notice, and guarantee satisfaction. We will endeavor to meet the humblest purse. "Say it with Flowers." VALLEY NURSERIES. Phone 224. Box 294, St. John's. Tessler Brothers.

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Here and There.

Eat Mrs. Stewart's Home-made Bread.—April 5, 1921. YOU ARE THE BOSS! You can employ your OWN FOLKS by purchasing your Home-made goods.—m 3/1. COOPERS LAID OFF.—The coopers, who were employed at a job's premise, have been laid off. You do not want to see your Home Industries closed down? Then help them—buy Home-made goods.—m 3/1. CATTLE AUCTION.—Some 25 head of Toronto cattle were sold at auction to-day and fetched prices ranging from \$155 to \$150. THE IDEAL WEDDING GIFT.—Dinner and Tea Set to match, very neat pattern; 110 pieces to the set, only \$99.00. G. KNOWLING, LTD.—may 4/1. ON REVENUE SERVICE.—S. S. Daisy, Capt. Couch leaves to-day for the West Coast where she takes up the regular revenue protection service. SMALL DOCKET.—The two drunks who were the only prisoners to appear before the Magistrate were quickly disposed of this morning. After Monday things were unusually dull in court. STAMPED MAT PATTERNS.—We have just received all sizes from Door Mat sizes to 2 yards. G. KNOWLING, LTD. may 4/1, w.a.v. MOTOR MARAUDERS LOCATED.—The police have located the two young men who stole the motor car from the R. C. Cathedral grounds on Sunday night. It is not known if prosecution will take place. Queen Anne and Georgian Teapot Sets, 5 pieces, consisting of Teapot, Hot Water Jug, Sugar Bowl, Cream Jug and Teapot Stand, \$7.50 and \$7.80 set. A very useful Wedding Gift. G. KNOWLING, LTD.—may 4/1. OLD FELIDIAN MEETING.—A meeting of Old Felidians is being called for 8.15 p.m. Monday in B.F.C. Hall when the report of the committee appointed to draw up the constitution of the newly formed Old Felidian Club will be received. Park & Thford's New York Candies are now to be had at BISHOP'S Grocery in great variety. Last shipment of these celebrated candies was completely sold out in a very few days, and it now looks as if this shipment will also be sold out very quickly. TAKING NEW PREMISES.—The well-known firm of W. H. Ewing & Son, furriers and taxidermists, who for some considerable time have been carrying on business in the West End have recently removed to more commodious premises in the building occupied by the Franklin Agencies. ACKNOWLEDGMENT.—The Hon. Treasurer of C. of E. Orphanage gratefully acknowledges receipt of the sum of one hundred and fourteen dollars and sixty-five cents (\$144.65), being half net proceeds of Hockey Match, St. Don's vs. Old Felidians. An Informal Dance will take place in the Supper Room of the C. C. Hall on to-night, May 4th, for a worthy object. Tickets on sale at the door. Ladies 40c, Gents 60c. Best music, all the latest numbers. So come along now, ladies and gentlemen, don't be a wee bit shy; come and enjoy yourselves.—may 4/1. C.E.L.A.—The C.E.L. Athletic Association held its annual meeting last night in the Institute Rooms, and the following officers for 1921 were elected: President, Thos. Hallett; Vice-President, Robt. Blitch; Secy-Treas., F. F. Willis. Arrangements were finalized for the Association to compete in all sports during the coming season. The following artists are taking part in the Methodist Guards Comrades' Association "Grand Concert" Wednesday night, May 4th, in the Methodist College Hall: Mesdames Dunfield, Cocker, Outerbridge and Christian; Miss Mary Ryan; Messrs. Williams, Woods, Trappell, Gushue, Christian, Mews and Ruggles. The Guards Band are rendering selections during the evening, while the young ladies are serving Ice-Cream and Candy. Don't miss this rare musical treat.—m 3/1. NOTE OF THANKS.—Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Rose wish to thank Drs. Keegan and Cooper, Misses Boyce, Nurse Tago and French and all the other Nurses, for their kind treatment and attention to their son, Kitchener, while at the General Hospital for operation; also many thanks to Mrs. (Dr.) Peterson for books and toys. Mr. C. B. Carter, for use of his motor, Master Kelly, Miss Blanche and Florence Rose, and many other friends who helped to make their son's stay a pleasant one while at the above institution.—adv. Edward's Liment for sale everywhere.

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BOYS' CAPS. Job Lot. Values up to \$1.40. For this week. 70c.	BOYS' HATS. Tweed Rah-Rah, nobby style; gives the boy a smart appearance. only 98c.
BOYS' BLOUSES. Boys' White Blouses, fine strong material; buttons up to neck and has a fancy cord tie. only \$1.20.	BOYS' BLOUSES. Boys' Sailor Blouses, nicely finished with braid, trimmed Blue collar, \$1.20. Boys' Striped Blouses in fancy stripes, with tie cord at neck, \$1.60.
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