



Evening Telegram

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Strikes and Public Opinion.

Excepting in rare instances, the sympathy of public opinion is invariably hostile to strikes and the consequent confusion which is bound to arise following a declaration of such. Be labor troubles of ever so small dimensions there is bound to be stagnation of certain industries whenever a strike is on, for no matter how small or trivial, certain interests suffer loss, and it is upon the public that the last cost of making up the deficit of output falls. Hence strikes are not regarded with love or affection for the strikers by the majority of the people by whom the burden of cost has to be borne. The public, to use an expression borrowed from our American cousins, is always "the goat." It receives the bricks and kicks and had luck bestowed by strikes until patience has ceased to be a virtue and "the goat" has turned. No longer will the public sit down and complacently wait until such time as the walk-out men have had their demands granted. Tired of being squeezed between high cost of living and high cost of labor, which is one and the same thing, the public has organized itself to assert the rights which it possesses, and to put precept into practice. In other words, where and when necessary in the interests of state the public will perform the tasks which workmen refuse.

That this can be successfully accomplished has already been demonstrated in numerous instances—not yet in Newfoundland, it is true, but the Newfoundland public is as well able to help itself as any of the neighboring countries, and should occasion arise in the future our public will respond to any demands made upon it by necessity. When a strike of police occurred in Boston, Massachusetts, some weeks ago, citizens at once volunteered for service and patrolled the city, and it has yet to be proven that they did not do it any the less effectively than the regular force; when the miners of Kansas struck, volunteers dug coal and kept supplies up to demand; when railroad firemen in the United States quit work, citizens stoked the engines and did it thoroughly. And other instances could be multiplied of the average citizen stepping in to the breach and doing work to keep the machinery of industry moving. The "helpless public" exists no longer. "Sweeping aside all other considerations, it has proclaimed its intention to protect itself in its peace and well-being, and to use not only the force of its opinion, but its strength in man-power, to defend itself against a mad minority which has attempted to destroy the instrumentalities of civilization." In such services being performed by the public there will undoubtedly arise a "new form of civic betterment," the effect of which will be to make strikes a thing of the past, or at least to cause labor leaders to think twice or often, ere they call Unions out.

Natural aptitude helps men to perform tasks for which they have had no previous training. This is particularly true of Newfoundlanders who are able to turn their hands to many crafts and trades on a pinch. The Wall Street Journal says "that the skilled workman in almost any trade is by no means so irreplaceable as he thinks himself, or as his union leaders claim, though there are many employments that require long practice and even some benefit by hereditary skill." (This latter is the Newfoundland's birthright.) "The craft of the carpenter, the plumber, the house-painter, the bricklayer, the driving of a motor truck is no mystery. It can be learned in boyhood, certainly in the secondary grade schools, better and in far less time than the period of apprenticeship designed by labor-union strategy to keep skilled labor scarce. The plumbers' apprenticeship spends five years running unnecessary errands to bring the union plumber the tools for his job, which he has designedly forgotten. He could be a better man than his moderately skilled associate in a tenth of the time. Universal military training is by no means so necessary as universal manual training. If we make it a point of personal pride that every one of us is a tolerable carpenter in a pinch, a fairly good electrician in an emergency; that every woman can at least run a sewing machine or an electric washer without prejudice to her proficiency on the piano, the intensely stupid and trouble-breeding of the proletariat, so-called, will disappear. We shall all, then, be proletariat." It is not difficult to profit by the lesson from this advice.

Will Build Cathedral Tower.

C. E. I. MET LAST EVENING TO MAKE PLANS.

The Church of England Institute held a largely attended meeting last evening for the purpose of making plans and preparations for the building of a tower on the Cathedral. It was decided that all the churchmen—not only of the city but of the county—would be interested in the plan. A big meeting will be held in the Synod Hall on the night of the 27th. The Institute members will form up at the rooms and march then to the Hall.

The Winton Outrage.

Barbarous Culmination of Political Differences.

Late in the afternoon of this day, May 19, 1920 (Notable Events in the History of Newfoundland) while Henry D. Winton was proceeding to Harbor Grace from Carbonear, in company with Capt. Churchward, of the brig "Hazel," he was stopped at a place called Saddle Hill, by five masked men who knocked him down and cut off his two ears with a scissor. The captain was prevented from interfering and told that he would not be molested. After the commission of the deed, Winton and Churchward proceeded to Harbor Grace, where Dr. Stirling bound up the wounds. A reward of one thousand pounds was offered by Winton's friends, supplemented by another of five hundred pounds by the Government, for information that would lead to the detection of the culprits; but the secret was well kept, and the men were never discovered. It was alleged at the time that the deed was committed by Irishmen, to whom Winton had made himself particularly obnoxious, by continuous attacks in his newspaper, The Public Ledger, on their country and creed. Winton sustained no permanent physical injury, but he was a marked man for the remainder of his life.

"Henry Winton," says a foot note to Chapter XIV, Prowse's History, "on whom this most disgraceful outrage was perpetrated, was a man of remarkable intrepidity, an able and most independent editor. He was one of a very convivial circle, which included Mr. John Boyd, whose name Mr. Nicol Jarvis was considered by good judges to be the best amateur actor ever seen, either here or elsewhere. Boyd was being sharply cross-examined about Winton's habits in a libel suit. Winton was of rather a saturnine habit, except when under the influence of good liquor, which brought out all his talents. "Now, sir," said Mr. Emerson, pointing to Boyd, "did you ever see Mr. Winton the worse for liquor?" "Nae, nae," said Boyd, "never. But I often saw him the better of it."

"Be wise in time" and get your tickets at once for "Dorothy" at the Royal Stationery Co. may19,21

All the World in Suspense.

Sopwith Biplane Was "Somewhere in Atlantic" Year Ago To-day—Yesterday Was First Anniversary of "Great Adventure."—Many Aviation Anniversaries Occur During This Month.

A year ago yesterday, Sunday, May 18, 1919, the Sopwith Baby, biplane, flown by Harry G. Hawker, pilot, and Lieut.-Commander MacKenzie Grieve, R.N., navigator, took off at Mt. Pearl at 3.21 p.m. and heading first over the town, over Pleasantville (where the Martinsyde biplane was) and over Signal Hill, set her course out across the broad Atlantic on her never-to-be-forgotten adventure. A year ago to-day she was unreported, and her whereabouts unknown. She was unofficially reported off the Irish coast at noon, but this was unconfirmed. On the following day she was still unreported, and hope was pretty generally abandoned. It was not until Sunday, May 25, that the brave aviators were reported safe, having been picked up by the Danish steamer Mary, 1100 miles off the Irish Coast.

On Sunday, May 18, the same day on which the Sopwith took off, the Martinsyde attempted the Transatlantic flight, but was caught by a cross current of wind when a short distance from earth and there not being air enough in which to recover, crashed nose-first and was wrecked.

On Thursday, May 15, the U. S. Blimp, C-5, made this port, having flown from Point Montauk, N.Y., covering 1300 miles in 26 hours 50 minutes. She was moored at Pleasantville, broke loose in the afternoon and floated out over the Block-house to sea. U.S.S. Edwards, which with the U.S.S. Chicago, was in port, was sent out to locate the Blimp, but failed.

On Saturday, May 17, the United States N-C's 1, 3, and 4 left Trepassy for Azores.

Suffrage Petition Largely Signed.

The Women's Suffrage Petition, asking that women be extended the right to vote, which came out yesterday, was out again to-day and met with enthusiastic support everywhere. The factories were canvassed to-day and a big list is expected. The petition will be presented to the House to-morrow.

Miners Open Co-operative Store.

The miners of Bell Island have opened their own store on the Iron Isle, capital having been subscribed by themselves. The store owned by Mr. Basha has been purchased and put into first-class condition and a large stock put in. The business is conducted on the co-operative plan and has already justified its organization.

Child Welfare.

At the W. P. A. Child Welfare meeting on Friday evening in the Presbyterian Hall brief addresses were given by Lady Harris, Miss Haslam, Lordship Bishop White, the Prime Minister, Mr. Gilling, Mrs. Keegan and Campbell and members of the Social Service Council.

McMurdo's Store News.

WEDNESDAY, May 19.

We are in a position to offer a large stock of Turkish Dyes at 50c. a dozen or five cents a single package. A few years ago Turkish Dyes were about the most popular package dyes in the market, and so far as quality goes they are equal to any package dyes then or now in the market. But some of our manufacturers failed by lack of advertising, window displays, etc., to keep them before the public, and they are now not so often asked for as they used to be. So in order to clear, we are offering them at half the old price, or about a third what other dyes are selling for. Used according to directions Turkish Dyes will give admirable results. Look in our window—you may see some of the very color you need. Price (all colors) 6 cents a package.

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Personal.

Mr. Percie Johnson, who came so nearly being asphyxiated at the Cochrane Hotel on April 8th, is able to attend to business for a portion of each day, but cannot yet get around. It is possible that a skin-grafting operation will have to be made, ere he is thoroughly recovered from the effect of the scalding received at that time in the attempt to restore him to consciousness, and this process will likely take a period of three weeks.

Train Movements.

Sunday's express arrived at Port aux Basques at 3 a.m. yesterday. The Bonaville express arrived at 1 o'clock this morning.

Yesterday's outgoing express was only one and a half hours behind schedule up to last midnight.

The shore train arrived at 9.45 last night.

BASEBALL MEETING.

Meeting of Wanderers' Baseball Club at Office of Imperial Tobacco Company this Wednesday evening, 7.30 p.m. All players specially requested to attend. may19,21

The Salt Situation.

CONDITIONS CONSIDERED CRITICAL.

The discussion in the House of Assembly yesterday re the salt situation is as serious as it can be. The statements attributed to Sir John Crookall and Hon. W. F. Coaker are not absolutely correct, but the statement made by the former is very much nearer the truth.

Another gentleman familiar with the trade stated that there were at Cadiz now three steamers awaiting cargo, but as the strike is on there is no hope of their getting supplies held out until the strike is over. This gentleman said that there was about 25,000 hds. of salt held in the city.

A meeting of importers was held yesterday and it was decided to cable Iviza and Lisbon as to the possibilities of getting supplies there. If salt cannot be procured there, it is likely that a steamer, probably the Digby, will be engaged to bring a cargo from Liverpool.

Supreme Court.

Before Mr. Justice Kent.

In the matter of the Petition of Harold Macpherson alleging that George Shears of Robinson's, General Dealer, is insolvent and praying that he be so declared, Mr. McNelly appears for the petitioner and asks for an adjournment until to-morrow at 10.30. It is ordered accordingly.

In the matter of the petition of Llewellyn Morgan of Bell Island, miner, alleging he is insolvent, and praying that he may be so declared; Mr. J. Higgins appeared for the petitioner and Mr. W. J. Higgins for several creditors. The case was adjourned until Saturday 22nd. It is ordered accordingly.

Legislative Council.

—May 18.

The Council met at 4.30 o'clock p.m. It was ordered that the Bills entitled "An Act to Provide for the Standardization of Codfish," "An Act to Provide for the better obtaining of information respecting the Codfishery," and "An Act to amend Chapter 176 of the Consolidated Statutes of Newfoundland (third series) entitled, Of the Encouragement of Shipbuilding," be stricken from the Order paper.

The three Bills had reached committee stage. A Select Committee to consider all three Bills, and report within three days, were appointed. The Committee are: Hons. G. Shea, M. P. Gibbs, M. G. Winter, W. B. Grieve, F. H. Steer, R. K. Bishop and J. Browning.

The Bill entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 11 of the Consolidated Statutes of Newfoundland (third series), Of the Department of Marine and Fisheries," and "Survey of foreign-going and Labrador Vessels," "An Act to amend the Judicature Act," and "An Act to confirm a contract between the Government of Newfoundland and the St. Lawrence Timber, Pulp and S.S. Co., Ltd., were deferred.

Hon. Mr. Power, who made his first appearance in the chamber for the session, took occasion to congratulate the Hon. the President, on the dignity conferred on him.

The House adjourned to meet at 4.30 to-day.

Police Court.

A shopkeeper of the West End of the city was summoned at the instance of Detective Toohy for a breach of Section 208, Chap. 22 of the Consolidated Statutes. The man was charged with having in his possession a box of cigars on which no duty had been paid. The case was postponed until this evening.

In an assault between some women two of the defendants were fined \$10 or 30 days.

Movement Spreading.

Yesterday 4 young ladies belonging to one of our high schools entered a small store, and purchased a package of cigarettes and a box of matches. On the street they lit the cigarettes and smoked them very manfully. It may be noted that the suffragette movement was active yesterday, hence the independence of the young ladies from the usual conventionalities. Of course it is nothing new that some of our young ladies smoke cigarettes, but the smoking as a rule is done in privacy.

Will Draw Trap Berths.

The South and North Battermen will draw lots for trap berths outside on the 25th of this month. This is being done as a result of a law passed last session when a deputation of fishermen called on the House. The old custom was to have berths outside on the water all winter.

The line Telegram learns, also, that the trap-men intend to get up a petition calling on the House to prevent sleggers from operating outside, claiming that they prevent the traps from catching fish.

A Dangerous Practice.

The attention of school-masters in schools near Queen's Road and the top of Theatre Hill is directed to the dangerous practice of boys jumping on and off street cars which pass. The boys cling onto the end of the cars and if this is not stopped there is going to be an accident some day. The school-masters might take some steps in the matter, as it is mostly school-boys who practice the game.

Weather and Ice Conditions.

Seal Cove—Fresh S.W. wind, fine and warm; ice very loose.

La Scie—Moderate S.W. wind, fair and warm; ice off shore and very loose.

Cape St. John—South wind, fair breeze; lots of ice in the bay.

To-Night's Lecture.

Capt. Fenn, R.N., H.M.S. Briton, will deliver a lecture this evening in the Synod Hall in aid of the Women's Home Mission Fund, the subject being "The British Navy." Tea will also be served, by the ladies, as an additional incentive, and all those who desire to know about the Senior Service are advised to attend.

Reids' Boats.

Argyle left Placentia at 6.15 p.m. yesterday on the Western route. Clyde, Home, Kyle, Petrel at St. John's.

Glencoe due at Port aux Basques this morning.

Melita left here yesterday afternoon for North Sydney.

Sagana to have left here to-day.

Seed Potatoes.

The seed potato outlook is now somewhat brighter than it was a couple of weeks ago. Some dealers have secured stocks which will be suitable for seed. The cost, however, not inclined to descend to terra firma. The Agricultural Department has ordered this season some 2,150 barrels most of which have been distributed.

Shipping Notes.

S.S. Rosalind leaves New York on the 26th inst. for this port, via Halifax.

S.S. Stella Maria sailed for Sydney at 5 p.m. yesterday.

S.S. Melita sailed this morning for Sydney.

S.S. Thetis sailed at 11 a.m. to-day with a cargo of oil for Pictou, N.S.

Schr. Lena, from Sydney, bound to Carbonear, sheltered at Trepassy last evening.

S.S. Cohan arrived at Aquathana on the 17th with 320 tons of coal and miscellaneous freight.

Schr. Medina H., coal laden from Sydney, arrived at Marytown on Monday to James Baird, Ltd.

Schr. Swan, Capt. Albert Mills, arrived at St. John's yesterday from Fortune, to which place she had taken a load salt bulk codfish from Channel, consigned to Lake & Lake. The Swan loaded salt here for the Abbott and Haliburton Company, Port au Port, a little bit of proof that there is not so much of that commodity on the West Coast as Mr. Coaker thinks.

Here and There.

Pure Gold Chocolate Pudding—the new Dessert—at all Grocers.—apr30,1m

PROSPERO SAILS FRIDAY.—S.S. Prospero does not sail North until Friday morning.

Lurcher betrayed the plot. Would you know the secret? See "Dorothy"—may19,21

A few good Reserved Tickets for the Opera "Dorothy" can be had at the Royal Stationery Co. may19,21

WANDERERS MEET TO-NIGHT.—The Wanderers' Baseball Club meets to-night for the purpose of deciding if it would enter the League or not. The club is very much depleted and any young men interested in baseball are invited to join up with the Wanderers.

DR. FALLON has changed his residence from "The Cochrane Hotel" to No. 9 CHURCH HILL.—may19,21

WORKMAN INJURED.—Early this morning a man working on the S. S. W. M. Tupper was injured by a package falling on him. He was conveyed to his home in a box cart, by one of Mr. Lester's teamsters. The man's injuries were not thought to be serious.

Mill Chaff free for the taking away. Good bedding for horses, at BOWRING & MILLER'S Factory, Thomas St., off Water Street.—may19,21

TO HOLD A CARD PARTY.—The Knights of Columbus are holding a card party in their rooms on to-morrow night for their members and lady friends. As the party has been requested by a number of ladies it is sure to be well patronized. A good evening's amusement has been arranged and some valuable prizes are offered.

BORN.

At Witless Bay, on the 16th inst., a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Mullooney.

DIED.

Passed away at 6 o'clock yesterday morning, at Champer's, Trinity Bay, Frances, widow of the late George Barnes. Canadian papers please copy.

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