



Evening Telegram

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At War With Herself

That is the unfortunate position in Ireland to-day. Three separate and distinct parties, possessing separate and distinct ideas, and neither one of which will agree with the other, each clamoring for its portion of the unhappy island, made more so now by the recent splitting of the Nationalists. So far there has been little bloodletting, but it may not always be so. The supporters of De Valera are determined on a Republic: the followers of Griffith and Collins are satisfied with an Irish Free State, which shall be absolutely autonomous, while the Ulsterites will have neither the one nor the other, but demand that they be permitted to remain within the United Kingdom, and govern themselves under the British Constitution. Yesterday's despatches from Dublin and London indicate serious and grave conditions. Mr. De Valera has opened an exceedingly strong campaign no less against the Provisional Government of the Irish Free State than against the Empire itself. That the Free Staters are ready to abide by their agreement is undebatable. Thus will bad feeling grow between those who are satisfied with the Treaty as it is, and those who will not accept its terms and provisions in any way shape or form. Saturday's affair at Clones in which four special Ulster constables were killed, eight wounded and six made prisoners by members of the Irish Republican Army, whose leader was shot dead during the fracas, has caused widespread dismay, and there is scant hope that this will end where it began. There is much need of caution and wisdom in the councils of all three parties.

Apparently the dove of peace which has been hovering over Ireland for some time past, has changed itself into a stormy petrel, for the recent dissension has resulted in further clashing of opinion and the outbreak of fresh feuds. The world hailed Dail Eireann's acceptance, of an Irish Free State, as bringing to an end a seven hundred years heart-breaking conflict, and the precursor of the dawning of a new day. But other voices have broken in on this chorus of praise with fiery denunciation, fierce defiance and ominous predictions of disaster, and it is prophesied by a leading New York Sinn Fein newspaper that the final break between the followers of Eamonn De Valera and Arthur Griffith may probably be the beginning of civil war of a terrible and revengeful character in the whole of Ireland. Such would be dreadful to contemplate. Yet while Mr. De Valera is fighting for the absolute independence of Ireland, clear of all connection with the British Empire, there are charges that he too has not altogether been animated by purely patriotic motives. The Gaelic American stigmatizes him as "the man who is now making a split in Ireland to gratify his vanity and for personal revenge." Harsh words these, coming from the editor of one of the most in-

fluential Irish journals in America. The Dublin press agree that the great majority of the Irish people want peace, and are willing to give up a shadowy Republic for a substantial Free State. But as the matter stands at present, while not being quite hopeless, it is rendered considerably more complex by the recent developments, and there can be no doubt but that for some little time to come, Ireland will be at war within herself.

No Issue To-Morrow.

To-morrow (Wednesday) being a general commercial holiday, the Telegram will not be published.

Express Still

Stormbound.

NO MAIL FOR OVER A WEEK—POST OFFICE INCONVENIENT. The incoming express, bringing the first foreign mail to arrive in the country for over a week, is still stormbound at the Gulf Topsails. Until the snow storm, now raging over that section of line, stops, the train will not be able to move. There are drifts of a height of ten and twelve feet east of the place at which the express is held. The country, so far as mails are concerned, has been in a state of splendid isolation for some time, and this is due to the crass negligence or gross incompetence of the Postal Department, which refused an offer made by Harvey & Co. to bring mails on the "Sable Island" from Louisbourg. Have not the Postal officials had sufficient experience of local conditions to realize that no dependence can be placed on the cross country service at this time of the year, and that consequently every available opportunity to get mails into the country should be seized? But some people will never learn.

See Miss Campbell's graceful dancing at the Synod Hall, Feb. 21st.—Feb. 14.

Rotarians Meet at Luncheon.

The regular weekly luncheon of the Rotary Club was held at the Green Lantern at 1 p.m. to-day. The principal speaker for the day was Mr. D. J. Davies, Government Analyst, who, in an interesting address on the "Hardening of Oils," this is a subject with which Mr. Davies is thoroughly conversant, and it is also of great interest to the members of the club. Mr. Davies was chairman for the day. Amongst the guests were Messrs. J. G. Shaw, W. J. Cullen, and L. Bradshaw, and press representatives. The song leader was Mr. F. M. Ruggles.

See the little child wonder, Jean Hemmens, dance and sing at Synod Hall, Feb. 21st. She is only 5 years old.—Feb. 14.

Interfering With Police.

TWO MEN CHARGED WITH ATTEMPTED RESCUE OF PRISONERS.

Two men were charged before Judge Morris to-day with the attempted rescue of prisoners from the police. The case was a sequel to that heard yesterday, when two men were charged with assaulting Constables Trickett and Pike. Mr. Fox appeared for the accused and pleaded not guilty. The police witnesses claimed that the accused tried to get between them and their prisoners. The defence declared that they intended to assist the police and to prevent the prisoners from getting hurt. The case was postponed until Thursday morning.

See the Sword Dancers, Misses Fern Morris and Stella Hemmens, at the Synod Hall, Feb. 21st.—Feb. 14.

Big Hockey Event.

LEAGUE HELPS WAR MEMORIAL.

The biggest one night hockey event staged here for many years, takes place on Thursday night at the Prince's Rink. It is being arranged by the Hockey League in aid of the War Memorial. There will be five games, each consisting of two fifteen-minute periods. There will be a league trophy for games played on the knock-out system. These games will be arranged as follows:—
(a) Terra Novas vs. St. Bon's.
(b) Fiddians vs. Saints.
(c) Winners of a vs. winners of b. There will also be an intercollegiate series as follows:—
(a) Bishop Field College vs. Methodist College.
(b) St. Bon's College vs. winners of a.
In all, there will be five games and every one should prove interesting. Fans who attend are in for the most exciting two and a half hours hockey, witnessed here for a long time.

Schr. Dobbie Sold.

The schooner Dobbie at one time owned by Messrs. J. G. Williams and Co., was sold by Sheriff's sale at the Supreme Court Rooms at noon to-day. The sale followed a judgement by Chief Justice Horwood in the matter of A. S. Rendell & Co. vs. Schooner Dobbie. The plaintiff sued for \$3808.38. Judgement was entered for the amount plus taxes, costs and interest, making a total of \$3872.32 ordered to be paid into Court from the sale. There were a large number of people but few bidders. The first offer was \$1000 which was increased by \$100 bids up to \$2100, when the bidding dropped to \$500 offers. In the latter stages Capt. Herald and C. Martin of Carboneau were the only bidders. The vessel finally fell to the latter for \$4,250.

Ice Sports To-Night.

EXCITING CONTESTS EXPECTED.

The indoor ice sports racing meet, the first of its kind held in years, takes place in the Prince's Rink at 8 o'clock this evening, when a crowded arena will no doubt be present to witness what is expected to be gruelling contests from start to finish. Judging by the large list of entries received up to a late hour last evening it is a fore-gone conclusion that each race will be a hotly contested one, while the various competitors are keyed up with enthusiasm and ready to enter the fray confident of victory. The One Mile has 12 entries, the Two Mile 10, the Three Mile 8, the Four Mile 7, the Five Mile 6, while the Juniors race 15 and under consists of 18 very promising boys, while the race of the evening 40 years and upwards calls for 7. Six firms will compete in the Mercantile Relay Race, viz: Bowring Bros., Bishop & Sons, Geo. Jackling's, Martin-Royal Stores, Ltd., and the Reid Nid. Co. The programme of events are as follows:—
Three Mile (Open) Championship.
Inter-Collegiate Relay Race (Three Men).
1/4 Mile (15 and under) heats.
1/4 Mile (Open) Championship.
1/4 Mile Junior (final).
Race for men (40 years and upwards).
5 Mile (Open) Championship.
Competitors are reminded that they must wear the regular running suit. Bennett's Band will be in attendance during the evening. General skating will follow the sports programme.

SPECIAL To-Morrow, Wednesday: Fresh Salmon, Fresh Halibut, Fresh Smelts, Fresh Codfish daily. MRS. C. TRUSKETT, 67 New Gower Street. Feb. 14.

Sacred Concert.

IN AID OF WAR MEMORIAL. On Sunday afternoon next a Sacred Concert will be given in the Star Theatre. The proceeds are in aid of the National War Memorial and the concert is being organized by Mr. H. Hutton. With their usual willingness to help in any worthy cause, the following ladies and gentlemen, among others, are kindly assisting: Mrs. G. W. B. Ayre, Mrs. W. R. Warren, Mrs. F. J. King, Miss Mary Ryan, Mrs. Dr. J. J. Murphy, Miss Mary Egan, Miss Hilda Krentzlin, Messrs. F. J. King, Karl Trappell, Fred Ruggles, A. Williams, Ron Sullivan, F. Bradshaw. The theatre has been generously placed at the disposal of the artists by the proprietors, Messrs. Cackman and Condon. This is the first time that this hall has been used for concert purposes, and it is said that the acoustic properties of this new and spacious theatre are unequalled by some as being unexcelled. It has been decided to have a one priced admission of 40 cents for the ladies and citizens to attend. The business arrangements are in the very capable hands of Mr. A. H. Salter.

B. I. S.—The Regular Meeting of the Ladies' Auxiliary will be held in the Club Rooms on Wednesday evening, Feb. 15th, at 8.15. ELIZABETH PEDIGREW, Secretary.—Feb. 14.

McMurdo's Store News.

TUESDAY, Feb. 14.

Analgesic Balm is used for many purposes where there is pain and its value is great in neuralgia, rheumatism, lumbago, and sprains, where it soothes pain, relieves congestion, and acts as a counter irritant. If you have any local pain due to any of the above causes, you will find Analgesic Balm of considerable service. Price 40 cents a tube.

For a recent cough get a bottle of Creco Cough Cure. Price 40 cents.

Black Jersey Leggings, knee length. Ladies', reg. \$3.90. Now \$1.10. Misses', reg. \$1.50. Now \$1.00. Child's, reg. \$0.80. Now 50c. G. KNOWLING, LTD. Feb. 14.

Horse Races Postponed.

PRACTICE MEET TO-MORROW.

The championship horse races which were set to take place to-morrow afternoon on Quidd Vidi Lake, have been postponed until Feb. 22nd. The Horseman's Association met yesterday afternoon in the Board of Trade Rooms, and decided, owing to the accumulation of snow on the pond, to postpone the meet until conditions were more suitable. However, racing enthusiasts will be able to witness a few practice races to-morrow, as Mr. Charles Lester is at the pond to-day. So far there are 6 entries for the Championship Trotting race. Two of the horses are recent importations and owned by Messrs. Brolin and Curran. In the Pacing Race there will be at least 5 entries. One of these is the splendid mare Rhoda Mac owned by Mr. Curran. The new entrants are high class animals, and the races should prove highly exciting.

To-Night's Winter Sports, Prince's Rink: A limited number of seats in the New Galleries will be on sale to-day at the Royal Stationery Co's. Kindly note: Book Tickets and Season Passes do not admit.

ICE SPORTS MEET, Prince's Rink to-night. General admission 25c. Book Tickets and Season Tickets do not admit.—14

TO-DAY'S MESSAGES.

GRIFITH AND DE VALERA. DUBLIN, Feb. 13. Arthur Griffith, President of Dail Eireann, in a statement to-night, replying to Valera's assertions of Sunday, declared that with respect to partition, Valera himself gave an undertaking not to coerce Ulster, and that this arrangement in the treaty was the only one that could be made without coercion. Valera was in full possession of it before the signing of the treaty, and made no objection, Griffith adds. Respecting De Valera's assertion that Sunday's meeting showed Irish people would not accept the treaty of their own free will, Griffith said the people would be given an opportunity by an election to express their desires at the earliest possible moment and we shall abide by their decision, he concludes.

LONG ABSENCE. OTTAWA, Feb. 14. Serjt. Joyce, of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police who was sent into Baffin Land last year to investigate the supposed disappearance of the body of Robert S. James, Trader and Trapper of Nfld., is not expected to report for months.

A GRIM ALTERNATIVE. DUBLIN, Feb. 14. Mercantile Relief Committee, in recognition of an Irish Republic, charges that a coup d'etat is being planned against the Provisional Government. Collins declared the alternative to the treaty is a renewal of the Provisional Government. Government want the people to decide the issue themselves. If they decide for war, there is no doubt where he stands, Collins declared.

WOUNDED CHILDREN DIE. BELFAST, Feb. 14. Shooting broke out again in North Howard Street area at eight o'clock this morning, and two children have been reported. Four of the children, who were wounded in yesterday's bomb attack in Weaver Street, died in hospital during the night. Twenty two persons were wounded by missiles, but thirteen were sent home after hospital treatment. The deaths in disorders here since Saturday night total sixteen.

ITALIAN BGLERS SALUTED PONTIFF. ROME, Feb. 14. Commenting on the coronation of the Pope, the Messenger calls particular attention to the fact that for the first time when the Pope appeared on the balcony of St. Peter's, the bugles of the Italian Army sounded a Royal Salute.

RECEIVED PRINCE QUIETLY. LONDON, Feb. 14. A despatch to the London Times from Mrs. A. M. Morris says in respect to the Prince of Wales there was an agreeable surprise. Although in the morning the Prince was expected to be in a state of complete, and everything closed down, in the outlying districts, however, the Prince was open. Unexpectedly, the Prince's arrival was not the despatch adds, he taken as indicating that the condition of the Prince was other than very serious, although it is true the general trend of incidents, during the past fortnight, had been distinctly favorable. Nevertheless the temper of the populace, despatch continues, is extremely impatient, and any violence may break out any minute.

IRELAND IN A SEETH. LONDON, Feb. 14. Michael Collins' dramatic disclosure of an alleged republican plot to overthrow the Provisional Government, and the suspension of the British Military evacuation and the dangerous tension between the British and the Irish, have produced a sensational situation in Ireland. The outcome, no one here ventures to forecast more definitely, and unless kidnappings and dreaded possibilities, but despatches show that the position on the frontier is not far removed from a state of war. The prospect of civil war is being seriously discussed in Belfast, and elsewhere in the north. The despatches sent by Belfast correspondents of London newspapers represent the temper of the Ulstermen as being such, that unless kidnappings and dreaded possibilities are speedily released, there will certainly follow an explosion, which may lead to war. 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