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Evening Telegram

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FRIDAY, February 18, 1916.

The Tonnage Question.

Last evening important papers were read at a Board of Trade meeting by the Hon. John Harvey, Mr. W. A. Munn and Mr. Gossling on the matter of shipping and freights, and the difficulties which may be experienced in future in bringing to Newfoundland food, coal and other supplies. The speech of Mr. Runciman, the President of the Board of Trade, is interesting in this connection, as it sets forth the difficulties which are being experienced by the British Government. It is, however, but an elaboration of the position set forth by Mr. Booth of the Cunard Line, to which we made reference two days ago. Mr. Runciman points out that a smaller mercantile fleet is being called upon to do in times of war much more work than a larger fleet undertook in times of peace, and he likens the undertaking to the attempt to pour a quart of liquid into a pint jug. The two directions in real importance may be effected must be in the direction of enlarging the jug and decreasing the liquid to be poured. Ship building is being pushed and the importation of luxuries cut out. As to the apprehension of shortage to our food supply, it should be remembered that we have as a standby the sealing fleet and after their trip to the ice, these can be put to work to relieve any congestion. We are therefore insured against anything in the nature of a food famine or a real price rise. The subject, however, which requires the fullest ventilation, and after a fuller discussion, we have no doubt the Government will co-operate in the doing of what appears necessary.

McMurdo's Store News

FRIDAY, Feb. 18, 1916.
We are just now looking orders for Colonial Fertilizers, a reliable brand of builders up of the soil "made at Windsor, N.S." The basis of these fertilizers is animal matter. While it is well known that the prices of the materials for making fertilizers has increased enormously, the Colonial Fertilizer Company, having bought part of their raw materials before the recent strong advances, is still able to sell their products at a moderate increase. The price of potash again (indeed it is now practically unobtainable at any price) has made the use of its salts in fertilizers almost out of the question, but in these fertilizers the animal matter will help to overcome this deficiency, and as was proved by experiments last year, fertilizers from the formula they use will give exceptionally good results. If interested call on us, and we will show you the formulas. Price (per bag of 100 lb.) \$2.50 a bag.

The Recount.

The preliminary arrangement of the Twillingate ballots prior to the recount were finished this morning, and the counting will begin at 4 p.m. After Twillingate there is only one more district, St. Barbe, to be handled, and the session will likely finish on Monday next.

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The Tonnage Question Discussed.

A largely attended meeting of members of the Board of Trade took place yesterday afternoon when the question of tonnage, mainly as it applies locally, was discussed.
His Excellency the Governor was present, having been invited by President B. Job, took part in the discussion.
Hon. John Harvey, Chairman of a sub-committee already appointed, went into the matter thoroughly. He stated that the tonnage problem was a serious consideration commercially at the present juncture and in particular for Newfoundland which was so much dependent on the movements of its commerce. On account of the war freights were abnormally caused by internment, loss from submarines, normal attrition, etc. Over six million tons approximately of German shipping, in his estimation, had been interned thus far, about one million of which, captured by the Allies, had been released. One million had been sunk and lost by natural attrition. Besides the Russian mercantile marine were locked up in the Baltic and Black Seas. At the outbreak of the war 24,500 steamers were sailing the seas with a tonnage of 45,000,000. A little over 75 per cent were available owing to the demand for military purposes and a much smaller percentage was free to do the world's commerce. The cessation of ship-building was another drawback. Congestion was the outcome of short tonnage, followed by a big advance in rates. From a local standpoint the increases were shown thus: In 1913 a 4-qt. cask of fish was shipped from St. John's to Naples at a cost of \$1.80; 1914 it was \$3.50 in September 1915 it was \$5.50, two months later it was \$9.00 and at the present time it is \$9.00. These staggering figures, the speaker said, applied to the Mediterranean trade. Regarding the general trade with Great Britain and the United States advances were less severe because the Red Cross and Furness Lines ships were kept running and at reasonable terms. Mr. Harvey spoke in flattering language of the Furness Company whose ships had taken to England several times comforts for our soldiers and sailors with a charge. He referred to conditions as he anticipated them after the war, that freight rates would come down somewhat, but only slowly. He disliked the idea of the Government interfering with shipping, intimating that it had had effect and urged that resisters from a co-operative system of subsidizing was more beneficial than requisitioning ships. The most serious problem was the deal with locally, he continued, was the export of our Labrador fish from that coast, steam communication with the west. Though the former trade was being done by sailing vessels, the latter was being done by direct steamers from Halifax and direct steamers from Halifax were doing good work. The speaker pointed out that the idea of a ship service from Montreal was imperative owing to the big freights from the West. He emphasized, it was useless to expect any company to operate ships on this route without return trade with Canada. He was opposed to the plan of subsidizing this particular period, but it was apparent that that was the difficulty which could be met. The building up of a fleet of carriers with auxiliary motors, the development of an insurance scheme and other points were dwelt on by Mr. Harvey during his address.
The Premier, Sir Edward Morris, was then introduced and spoke on the same lines as Mr. Harvey and endorsing all that gentleman's views. He made special reference to the fact that the fleet of our locally owned vessels had been greatly depleted during the past thirty years, and which he thought accounted for outsiders controlling shipping rates. He then dealt briefly with the salt question, which was affecting the whole Colony, the great difficulty being the scarcity of carriers. If the few carriers that were left with a mishap the result would be disastrous to our fisheries. In his opinion the situation would best be met by the introduction of auxiliary vessels. Speaking of the rate on a cask of fish going to the Mediterranean, he knew of a recent case in which \$12 had been paid. He suggested the formation of a company of merchants to remedy matters. Concerning freight to West he believed it was possible to get an additional ship to bring cargoes here from Halifax. He also promised the Government's co-operation in order to improve shipping conditions.
Mr. W. A. Munn was the next speaker. He eulogized the Red Cross and Furness Lines and railway people for endeavoring to keep conditions as normal as possible. He thought an effort could be made to induce the C. P. R. or some other corporation to take up the St. Lawrence route. He said steam for the carrying of our fish to the Mediterranean and Brazil was coming soon.
Mr. W. G. Gossling followed, pointing out that our stocks of flour and provisions in St. John's at the present time were low, being 25,000 behind last year's and that freight by the Red Cross Liner Stephano had been booked up to the last of April. The supply of flour is bound to be short owing to the railroad embargo, but which will be lifted on March 15th. Harvey & Co. alone having 75 cars waiting. The Florizel will resume the Red Cross route again in May, but there was no way he saw at present of replacing the Montreal boats. He thought that ships might be secured by the merchants with the assistance of the Government.
Mr. G. C. Fearn suggested that a Committee of those whom the tonnage problem concerned must be appointed to lay their views before the Government, emphasizing that immediate action was necessary.
Messrs. Steer, Grieve and McGrath spoke briefly and showing the passing of a vote of thanks to Hon. John Harvey, the meeting adjourned till Monday next.

Supreme Court.

The hearing of the case the King vs. Job Roberts, et al. for barratry was resumed before Chief Justice Horwood yesterday afternoon.
Mr. C. Tessier was examined at the morning session by Mr. Howley, K.C., and part of the cross-examination was taken before recess. After recess the cross-examination was resumed. Mr. Tessier identified a letter which he (Mr. T.) had written to Mr. Roberts asking him for information re the cargo insured.
The Counsel for the defence drew the Court's attention to the fact that on the back of the letter submitted, there was another letter in lead pencil and which Mr. Tessier stated was an exact copy of Roberts' reply to him. The witness was then asked if the handwriting was not that of Smith and Co's Agent there, and could not give any definite reply. Asked to swear if it was not Mr. Hickman's writing witness said he could not.
Howley, K.C., objected to further questioning of witness unless a definite allegation was made that Mr. Hickman was the writer of the letter in question. The Court then questioned Mr. Higgins whether he was prepared to say that such was his allegation, to which Mr. H. replied that he had been instructed to that effect by his client.
Mr. Howley stated this was evidence which was entirely new to the Crown. The Court then adjourned the case in order that the Crown might consider the new aspects of the case. Mr. Howley afterwards held a conference with the Minister of Justice, and a result a deposition was made by the police and a warrant was issued at the Police Court for the arrest of Mr. Hickman.
This morning the Minister of Justice asked leave to enter a nolle prosequi, that is, to discontinue the case. The Crown was unwilling to follow up the present proceedings. The jury was discharged and the matter was adjourned until Monday. New proceedings are being instituted. The accused has a lawyer and the matter will be brought before the Court to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Bickman Returning Voluntarily.

Mr. Hickman, having learned of the development of the case reported above immediately decided to return voluntarily and at once to deal with it. Mr. Bartlett of his office is leaving by the Stephano to finish the work in which Mr. Hickman was engaged in New York. Mr. Kent, K.C., is acting for him.

Obituary.

MRS. THOMAS LAWRENCE.
After a protracted illness there passed away yesterday Jane, wife of Mr. Thomas Lawrence, Hayward Ave. Deceased was an invalid for two years and bore her sufferings with great patience. She is survived by three sons and three daughters. The Telegram offers its deep sympathy to the bereaved family. The funeral takes place to-morrow afternoon.

Train Notes.

Yesterday's outgoing express left Glenwood at 8:35 a.m. to-day.
The express coming this way left Port aux Basques at 8:35 this morning.
The Southern Shore train arrived at 11:40 a.m. and the local via Brigus Junction at 12:30 p.m.
A cross-country freight train arrived early this a.m.

Special to Evening Telegram.
CAPE RACE, To-day.
Wind southeast, light, weather dull, slob ice packing on land. The storm Coruna passed in at 11 a.m. Bar. 29.58; Ther. 40.

THIRD WEEK

KNOWLING'S ANNUAL CLEARING SALE

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Hospitality.

By GEORGE FITCH.
Author of "At Good Old St. John's."
Hospitality is the art of convincing a guest that he is conferring a great favor on you by giving you a chance to entertain him.
Some people are so expert in hospitality that their guests tremble as they leave to think of the desolation they will cause by going. Others are so awkward at the game that after they have entertained a guest half an hour, he will trip over a stool and break a leg if necessary in order to get away.
There are many kinds of hospitality. Some people insist in stuffing it down the gullets of their guest until he bulges at the seams. Great cruelties are often performed in this manner by hearty eaters, who catch a thin and dyspeptic guest, make him eat fifteen selections with encores, and then assault him with pie at the end of the meal. Other hosts resort to entertainment to show their hospitality and talk to their guests faithfully and maddeningly. There is nothing that will make a guest years more squally for a spiked club than to be led into a library full of fascinating books and magazines, and talked to in reels for three hours by an entire family of hosts, none of whom has enough interesting information to round out a complete sentence.
Still other hosts rely entirely upon

their native cities and tow their guests about them with great energy, showing the court house, the nine-story office building, the village millionaire and other inspiring sights.
But hospitality doesn't consist of a good cook or a full flow of conversation, or a pair of agile and persevering feet. It varies, in fact, with every guest. First size up your guest and then prescribe for him. You can talk old times with one man and send him away glowing with affection. For the second guest, you may have to depend on tender beefsteak, while if you will sit quietly and allow the third guest to do all the talking, he will bring your hand at leaving and tell you that for hospitality you have the F. F. V.'s looking like hotel clerks. It is not hard to size up a guest and decide what brand of hospitality to hand out to him. Forty or fifty years of practice will quite often make one fairly proficient in the art.
Some hospitality is very fine, like silk, but wears out in a few days. Other hospitality is almost perpetual. Young women are fragile things, but are equipped with hospitality of almost deadly durability, entertaining their school friends for months at a time with the utmost fortitude.

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PUT BACK TO HALIFAX.—The Furness Liner Dromore, which was unable to enter this port, owing to ice and was obliged to proceed to Halifax reached the latter port at 11 a.m. yesterday, and is landing the Newfoundland mails and freight there.



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