



Evening Telegram

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"BETTER THAN THE BEST."

"Sleep on, brave soldiers, sleep—  
Where the poppies grow,  
Sleep on brave soldiers in your places,  
Row on row."

"The torch you flung to us, we caught;  
With blistering hands we bravely fought  
To hold it high, to guard you through  
The night,  
And to the dawn to guide you to the light,  
When you awake from Flanders' Fields."

What sad yet glorious memories are awakened by the thought of Beaumont Hamel—that fatal day on which the gallant battalion of the Royal Newfoundland Regiment crimsoned a stricken field with their life's blood; willingly gave their all engaged in a forlorn hope. Yet not perhaps forlorn, for who can say that nothing was gained on July 1, 1916, when the gallant men of the Ancient Colony measured strength with the professional soldiers of Germany and proved themselves in courage and bearing superior to the men of Prussian blood and iron. They died heroically facing, ever bravely, a deadly hail of German steel, but was their sacrifice fruitless? Was there not something sublimely noble in their bearing as they attempted the impossible—something that communicated itself to those who came after them and filled their places in the gaps made by Prussian shell and shrapnel and machine gun? These are questions for the psychologist, but in our inmost hearts there is a feeling that our men did not die in vain, that their offering of precious life made the freedom which we possess infinitely dearer and more to be valued. They counted not the cost, but at the order "Newfoundlanders Advance!" they swept over the top and across the area between them and the enemy positions, with death everywhere—but not one of them faltered. Do or die was their motto, and having failed of their objective they died and in their death victory was eventually won.

"When can their glory fade?" Not while sea-girt Newfoundland remains in the mind of its inhabitants "a gem of the ocean." Not so long as a wave beats upon its rock-ribbed shores. Not, indeed, while Terra Nova holds her place in the British Empire will the deathless glory of her gallant sons who fell in the Battle of Beaumont Hamel be forgotten or relegated to a secondary place in memory. For ever, while the wind blows and the bird flies and the tides of the sea ebb and flow, so long will the day bring to us and our successors loving yet sad thoughts of sons, brothers, husbands and sweethearts who failed not in the hour of trial; who so ably and splendidly upheld the honor and tradition of Britain in the hour of darkest gloom. "Better than the Best!" What more dignified distinction could be bestowed upon the men of the Royal Newfoundland Regiment, who essayed the impossible and all but succeeded. How better can their memory be enshrined and their daring and

heroism handed along to coming generations than by setting apart the day of their sacrifice in annual commemoration of the deeds which made them famous. True, every ceremony, every reference will sadden some hearts, whose wounds time has yet unhealed, but in the remembrance there will be, ever pointing upwards, the glory untarnished and unsullied which came to the men from the land of the Caribou on that stricken field in far-off Europe where they died that the world might be free—not so much for democracy as for humanity, and in their dying bequeathed to us a duty which belongs to all Newfoundlanders, present and to come—that of remembrance. Truly Their Names Liveth for Evermore.

THOSE WHO CAME NOT BACK.  
We welcome back our bravest and our best;  
Ah, me! not all; some come not with the rest,  
Who went forth brave and bright as any here!  
I strive to mix some gladness with my strain,  
But the sad strings complain,  
And will not please the ear;  
I sweep them for a psalm, but they wane,  
Again and yet again.  
Into a dirge and die away in pain.  
In these brave ranks I only see the gaps,  
Thinking of dear ones whom the dumb turf wraps,  
Dark to the triumph which they died to gain:  
Fitter may others greet the living,  
For me the past is unforgetting;  
I with uncovered head  
Salute the honored dead  
Who went and who return not. Say not so!  
'Tis not the grapes of Canaan that repay,  
But the high faith that failed not by the way;  
Virtue treads paths that end not in the grave;  
No ban of endless night the exiles brave,  
And to the saner mind  
We rather seem the dead who stayed behind.  
Blow, trumpets, all your exultations blow!  
For never shall their aureoled presence lack;  
I see them muster in a gleaming row,  
With ever youthful brows that nobler show;  
We find in our dull road their shining track;  
In every nobler mood  
We feel the orient of their spirit glow,  
Part of our life's unalterable good,  
Of all our saintlier aspiration;  
They come transfused back,  
Secure from change in their high-hearted ways,  
Beautiful evermore, and with the rays  
Of morn on their white Shields of Expectation!  
—Lowell's Commemoration Ode.

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Forest Fire Destroys Houses.

All yesterday a forest fire of large proportions raged in the vicinity of Tor's Cove and Mobile. Several houses and a large patch of timber were destroyed. The following message was received last night by Inspector General Hutchings from Constable Fahy of Bay Bulls: "Have returned home, fire under control, house and barn burnt at Mobile." The Reid Mfg. Co. had a wire at 6.30 from the operator at Tor's Cove, as follows: "Settlement still surrounded, station not burnt yet, think out of danger, section house and some others burnt at Mobile, fire coming down South Side of Tor's Cove; not much danger." The church at Tor's Cove was in danger, but it was expected would be saved. Rev. Father Maher on his way to Ferryland in his motor car, could not get beyond Witless Bay. Rev. Father Coady and Hon. Dr. Campbell were also held up at this point.

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Scouts Sports' Day.

The Gower Street Troop of Boy Scouts will hold a sports day at St. George's Field on to-morrow at 2.30 p.m. The following comprises the items of the programme:—100 yards Senior, 100 yards Junior, Broad Jump, Sr.; Broad Jump, Jr.; 1/4 mile, Jr.; 1/4 mile, Sr.; Bicycle Race, Sr.; Sack Race, Jr.; Centipede Race, Sr.; Wheel-Barrow race, Jr.; Signalling, Fire-lighting, First Aid, Three-legged Race, Jr.; Relay Race, Jr.; Relay Race, Sr.; Back and Front Race, Sr.; Back and Front Race, Jr.; Football Fives, Sr.; Tag-of-War between A. and B. Co's. The Scouts have been practicing and hope to put up a good afternoon's sport. His Excellency the Governor has extended his patronage. The proceeds will be in aid of the camp funds, and the boys deserve a good attendance to reward their efforts. Refreshments will be sold on the grounds. Directly behind Sir Michael Cashin's residence you will have a good time July 1st. —jue28.3f

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Memorial Services.

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I want another bottle of "Brick's Tasteless," it is the best preparation I have ever taken to give me an appetite. —apr28.1f

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