



## Evening Telegram

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Tuesday, November 16, 1920.

### Returned From Norway.

Among the passengers on s.s. Digby from Liverpool, reaching port on Sunday morning was His Honor the Speaker, W. F. Penney, member of the House of Assembly for Carbonear. Mr. Penney has been on an extended trip to Europe, principally journeying through Norway to study the Norwegian methods of curing and making codfish, and any other information he could pick up, incidentally, of course taking in the natural beauties of the fjords and fells, for which that country is famous, and also making note on the flora and fauna of the Scandinavian hills, for the benefit and intellectual advancement of those members of the Government interested in botany and natural history. Many people were aware that Mr. Penney had been given an expensive holiday jaunt at the public charge, but few knew the real purpose of his visit abroad. Carbonear will take advantage of his return to extend him a hearty welcome, and accord him such a reception as befits a Chief Fish Commissioner and Special Agent of the Government engaged on expert investigation of the methods and processes by which Norwegians catch, cure and market their codfish. Prodigious, is it not? For hundreds of years Newfoundlanders have been catching and marketing codfish in competition with Norway, and it has ever been the proud boast of Newfoundland exporters that Norwegian fish was not in the same class as that from this colony. In fact our codfish was *primus inter omnes* with that of other countries, and always commanded a better price and made a quicker sale. Yet after all these years it has been suddenly discovered that the Norwegians can give Newfoundlanders points on fish-making, and Mr. Penney being disengaged at the time and having a grouse—because of certain things—was sent across to investigate. His trip has lasted something over three months.

Reference was made above to the fact that but few people knew of the real object of the Speaker's picnic to Norway. There is a reason for that. The press was pledged to secrecy and put on its honor not to mention anything whatever about Mr. Penney and his special mission. Now that he has returned safely and in full possession of the whole secret of Norwegian methods of curing fish, the press naturally feels that it is no longer necessary to observe silence, having faithfully acceded to the request made it, and takes the position that it owes the public a duty in making known the return of the ambassador extraordinary, tho' for the result of his mission all will be obliged to wait until his report has been made. And even then we may not have access to its contents. The sum total of benefit wrought by the trip of Mr. Penney to Norway's fishing centres may not be

worth a tenth of the actual cost of his little jaunt, but of one thing there can be no two opinions. The public will have to pay. We hope, however, that Mr. Penney succeeded in getting into Norway without it becoming known to the Norwegian authorities that he had been sent to investigate their fishing methods, and that he acquired all the information without let or hindrance, while still preserving his incognito, for it is a well known fact that the Norwegians are a horribly jealous people and had Mr. Penney gone into that country advertising himself as a Fish Expert from Newfoundland, the chances are that the Norwegians would have withheld genuine information and instead supplied him with knowledge of little value. Be that as it may, Mr. Penney has had his little trip and it is to be hoped that he has received information which will have a future potential value in making our cod-fishing industry a whole lot better than the famous Fish Regulations have done. For the further information of the public—and we now dishonor no confidence in doing so—we append the communication re Mr. Penney's trip, received from the Department of Marine and Fisheries on August 2, 1920. It is some letter:

"Sir,—It is the intention of the Government to send Mr. W. F. Penney to Norway, sailing by s.s. Digby, on or about August 3, to obtain information respecting their methods of catching, curing and marketing fish, and to obtain full particulars of the subject as taught in their schools.

"I therefore respectfully ask that your paper make no reference to this fact, either as a news item or otherwise, and the reason in doing so is that Mr. Penney may go to Norway and obtain as much information as possible for the best interests of this dominion, with as little advertising as possible, for the jealousy of the Norwegians may be such that if it were known that he was going on this mission, they would not give any information or in fact may cause Regulations which would prohibit any information being obtained by him."

### Heard on the Street.

We are led to understand that a reward has been offered to any Government supporter who can prove that he has not been appointed an inspector of some sort. Up to the present there have been no applicants.

Not content with running away with itself, the Advocate has latterly been running two words into one or jumbling up letters which give rather funny, and in some cases, "shocking" effects. It is fairly evident that somebody is rattled in the Advocate office.

We've an acting Prime Minister named Coaker, who is any old thing but a croaker. Fish inspectors he makes. Who've we seen fish flakes. And then says "I'm a bit of a joker."

We have seen several members of the Government going about recently with their overcoat collars turned up. This is evidently to cover up their "White Napes."

According to last night's Advocate a "West End tailor was before His Honor charged with a breach of selling liquor." We may be excused for asking what the Advocate did really mean by the above statement.

### Personal.

Mr. W. J. Walsh, M.H.A., Placentia, left by to-day's express on a business trip across country.

Hon. S. D. Blandford, who had been visiting Montreal and other Canadian cities, returned by yesterday's express.

Mrs. J. P. Carey, accompanied by her daughter, Miss Mary, and her niece, Miss N. Power, were passengers by the Digby yesterday evening for Halifax.

Miss Gwen Holmes, daughter of Rev. A. Holmes, pastor of Pouch Cove Methodist Church, left yesterday by the Digby for Halifax, from where she will proceed to Toronto to take up nursing.

Miss Daisy Andrews, daughter of Mr. N. Andrews, Superintendent of the St. John's Street Railway, has successfully passed the Probationary exam of the Homeopathic Hospital of Montreal, which we understand is equivalent to one year's study in the ordinary Hospital curriculum. Miss Andrews has been in Montreal since last spring.

His Excellency the Governor will open the Soldiers' and Sailors' Sale of Work in the Presbyterian Hall on Wednesday, Nov. 17th, at 3 o'clock. Teas served 30c.; admission 20c.—nov16,11

### Mr. Grieve's Interview.

Those who are interested in conditions abroad, so far as Newfoundland fish is concerned and the effect of the Regulations on foreign markets, can do no better to inform themselves of the actuality than by reading carefully an interview had by the Telegram with Hon. W. B. Grieve to-day. Mr. Grieve has only just returned from the other side, and his knowledge therefore is obtained at first hand. Clearly and concisely he makes the statements which our representative has set down and there can be no contradiction of his description of the situation in so far as it affects Newfoundland.

### Noblesse Oblige.

Have we already forgotten that a short time ago there was a terrible war? And have we forgotten that the Empire—including our own country—was in great danger? And have we forgotten that our men went forth ready to give their lives to defend us? And do we forget that there are today thousands in hospitals, crippled and maimed, suffering because they went to fight for us?

During the past six months efforts have been made to brighten hospital life for our wounded heroes by providing recreative employment for them. In each of our own hospitals ward aides have been at work, cheering the lads by their happy company and instructing them in various forms of work suited to their conditions. The men have responded to the efforts of the war aides right well and have proved themselves as apt pupils as they were gallant soldiers.

The work that they have done in carving, basket making, weaving embroidery, etc., is truly remarkable, and on Wednesday, the 17th inst., the public are to be afforded an opportunity of witnessing their handicraft in the Presbyterian Hall. On that day at 3 o'clock His Excellency the Governor will graciously open an exhibition of Ward Occupation Work and the public are cordially invited to attend. Most of the work exhibited will be for sale, the profits of which will be given to the men who made the articles. All purchasers, therefore, can have the comforting feeling that by buying an article they are brightening a soldier in hospital and perhaps a wife and children in a soldier's home. It is hoped that the number of visitors will be very large and not one article for sale left unsold.

It is two years now since the armistice was signed; let us not forget our manifest duty to those who still suffer disabilities consequent on the war.

### McMurdo's Store News.

TUESDAY, Nov. 16  
In November days, it is well to have something at hand to stop a cold at the very start. Most people find a good medicated lozenge the most suitable—it is certainly the most convenient—thing for this purpose. We have quite a variety of Lozenges and Pastilles for this purpose. Among others we note Prestons Antiseptic, Eucalyptus and Menthol Lozenges, (McM.), Antiseptic Throat Pastilles (McM.), Wampoles Paraffin Lozenges, Zymole Troques, Formoloid Throat Discs, Parke Davis' Medicated Throat Discs, and others. With all these at your service, there is no excuse for letting a cold run on. In our Bargain Window to-day: Colgate's Comfort Kits 95c. and \$1.10.

**Preliminary Announcement.**  
—Congregational Ladies' Aid Society will hold their annual Autumn Sale in the Lecture Hall of that Church Tuesday, December 7th. Particulars later.—nov16,17,19

### Knowling's China & Glass Dept.

Foot Warmers, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.80  
Vegetable Dishes, best white, \$1.60, \$1.80, \$2.25.  
Toilet Sets, 4 pieces, best white, \$5.90.  
Tea Sets, 21 pieces, \$5.00, \$5.75, \$7.00.

### Cups and Saucers, Job Lot, 18c.

Dinner Sets, 26 pieces, \$17.00.  
Dinner Sets, 32 pieces, \$20.00.  
Toilet Jugs, white, 95c., \$1.05, \$1.15.  
Egg Cups, gold band, \$1.50 doz.

### Brown Teapots, 45c., 50c., 55c.

Jugs, best white, 50c., 57c., 70c.  
Mugs, job lot, 25c.  
Meat Dishes, fluted white, 60c., 90c., \$1.20.  
Sauce Tureens, best white, \$2.50.  
Soup Tureens, best white, \$4.00.  
Tea Plates, 16c.  
Fudding Plates, 20c.  
Dinner Plates, 27c.  
Cups and Saucers, best white, 25c.

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### Hon. Mr. Grieve Interviewed.

FOLLY OF FISH REGULATIONS ILLUSTRATED—THEIR CONTINUATION MEANS DISTRESS AND CHAOS.

Hon. W. B. Grieve, who returned from the Old Country by the last Digby, gave the Telegram the pleasure of an interview this morning, of which the following is most interesting, as it concerns the markets for our produce and first hand, unbiased information as to conditions existing. "During my sojourn abroad," said Mr. Grieve, "I spent the time in England and Scotland. I had intended to go to the Continent to look up market improvements, but this I found impossible, owing to chaotic conditions, which next to the control being exercised here, I thought it not worth while. However I saw enough of the folly of the regulations to satisfy me that a continuation of the regulations will bring dire distress on every class. Since arrival here, on Sunday last, I have ample evidence on every side of the impending serious injury which will fall on the fishermen and some of the merchants. Prior to my leaving St. John's, at a meeting of the Export Board I was informed that I might sell fish to Italy through our own agents, and customers of Hawes & Co. could sell through him, while those other exporters who wished could sell through the Marine and Fisheries Department. With this understanding I opened negotiations in Italy with three firms, having agents in Genoa, Leghorn and with the Consorzio itself. Everything was arranged to transact business, if the prices suited. However, I was informed by cable that Coaker and his satellites with customary vacillation had cancelled the leave to sell and were, and are now, back again with their old love, and nobody can sell except through him. I had to cancel negotiations which were maturing. These arrangements would be of benefit to me and of immeasurable benefit to the country at large.

The large quantity of old fish remaining over in Portugal and Spain has materially interfered with sales of new fish. Outright sales of Labrador fish in Spain could not be effected, but normal sales were made of a cargo for Valencia and one for Alicante. On arrival of the S. S. Snelfield, whose cargo was reported to be selling at 70s, the aspect of things was changed and since then the Snelfield has gone on to Greece with 8,000 qtls. of fish on board. There is a fair demand for shore fish in Spain, and for pickled quality good prices are being paid, one reason being that our choice fish is largely eaten by the wealthier classes, who do not, as has been alleged, like to have it a little slimy.

In Portugal consumption has been above normal, but prices are low. Fish being vendid in that country at under the regulation prices as fixed by the Export Board. What these prices are I cannot say, but ostensibly the fish is sold at regulations, but the shipper stands the loss if the regulation price is not realized and gets the advantage of excess profits over the regulation price. I read correspondence on this head, and containing an offer to extend the privilege to other firms than the one or two now availing of this method of getting rid of their fish.

With regard to the commercial conditions of these countries—they are very bad, and this is not to be wondered at when one considers what the Mother Country is passing through. In London many firms are doing practically no business. Bank credits cannot be obtained except for the most legitimate operation, and upon gift edge security. No banker would make advances for speculative purposes. Take Portuguese as an example, the escudo there is worth 9d. farthing for cheque on London, and when you come to cash your cheque you are met with a 90 days bill on a Portuguese Banker in London.

In view of the recent occurrences in Vienna, agents decline to endorse these bills, and in connection with the fish business the cash is not obtainable to the credit of shippers of this country until the 90 days are matured.

The Greek Market, always the safety valve, and to which many shipments have been directed, has been overcrowded. The defeat of Venizelos at the polls has brought all business there to a standstill. With this market over supplied, Spain fully supplied and the markets in Italy closed by reason of foolish regulations, the outlook for the Dominion is not bright. We have estranged many of our customers and lost their good will, and so long as Iceland, Norway, and Great Britain and other fish producing countries continue to undersell us, the result must be a large accumulation of fish in St. John's and other shipping centres, with a probable repetition later on in a minor form of the troubles which we faced last season.

During my visit I met the Attorney General, Mr. Warren, and from several conversations with him I gathered that the presentation of the case of the Labrador boundary was progressing satisfactory. He is now en route by the S.S. Melita, bound to St. John, N.B., and will likely reach here in a few days.

Public opinion in the Old Country is divided as to the wisdom of the coal settlement, and to the time that may pass before further agitation begins. Many think something approaching a revolution has been averted. There is much unemployment and during the winter hardships will have to be endured. Shipbuilding and engineering works have been forced to pay off some of their operatives for want of contracts. Railway travelling expenses and cost of living is high, and to get rooms in a hotel is a matter of great difficulty.

### Police Court.

A negro who stowed away on the S.S. Canadian Voyager, was arrested yesterday at the instance of the Captain of the ship, who will take him back. In the meantime he was remanded until the ship starts her return voyage.

A number of civil cases occupied the court for some time. This afternoon the preliminary enquiry into the Hodder case will be held. This case is to go before the Supreme Court.

The report of the enquiry into the beef case will be found in another column.

### Establishing Connections.

Mr. C. A. Proverbs, who arrived here on Saturday from Barbados, will likely be leaving here again next week. He is a partner in the firm of W. H. Bryan & Co., having establishments in Barbados, British Guiana and Grenada, with headquarters at Barbados. The firm trades principally in fish, herring, etc., and Mr. Proverbs is establishing connections with consignors of these commodities.

### Not So Sanguine.

It is said that at a meeting of the Advisory Board held yesterday, the engines did not run as smoothly as on previous occasions. The Hawes men are reported as being frightened at the Italian situation and are clinging closer together than ever for support. Evidently the machinery requires lubrication.

### Draining the Barrels.

There were lively doings on the King's wharf to-day and there will probably be a full docket at the Magistrate's Court to-morrow as a consequence. The reason for this is that all the empty casks from the Controllers Dept. were deposited on the wharf to-day, and men and boys were simply falling over one another in an attempt to get the few drops still remaining in the casks. They brought down all sorts of utensils from tomato tins to buckets in which to carry home what drops of the fiery liquid they could save. We have even heard of one man who lay down with his head in one of the casks, and went to sleep, evidently hoping that he might dream of what used to be inspired by the aromatic odor of his pillow. We cannot, however, vouch for the truth of this statement.

### Nothing Doing With Fish.

All was quiet as usual along the water front to-day. Very few fish were being handled and the usual sight of fishermen parading Water Street trying to sell their cargoes could be seen. Several schooners loaded down with fish, made port to-day but whether they will sell their cargoes or not is another matter.

**Fresh Smoked Kippers at ELLIS'.**—nov10,11

**VESSEL TOWED IN.**—A schooner of the knockabout type was towed in to port at 1.30 to-day.

**FISHERMEN TO HOLD MEETING.**—The outport fishermen now in St. John's have completed arrangements to hold a mass meeting to-morrow night, particulars of which will appear in to-morrow's paper.

**DOMINION SPORTS.**—Entries for Dominion Sports can be made with the undersigned. Intending Competitors please take notice that all entries will close on Friday, Nov. 9th, at 5 o'clock p.m. J. M. TOBIN, Sec. Sports Committee.—nov16,11

### MARRIED.

At St. Patrick's Church, St. John's, Sunday Nov. 7th, by Rev. Fr. Wilson, Mr. Frank O'Rourke to Miss Sadie Timmons, both of Holyrood.

### DIED.

Last night, Fanny, wife of James Lawrence, leaving husband, 2 daughters and one son. Funeral at 2.30 Wednesday, from her late residence, 35 Hayward Avenue.

Last evening, after a long illness, Mary Ellen, beloved wife of Joseph Healey, aged 48 years, leaving a husband, 6 daughters and 6 sons to mourn their sad loss. Funeral Wednesday, from her late residence, Blackhead.—R.I.P.

On October 15th, at Philadelphia, after a short illness, James William Urbane Willis, eldest son of the late Louisa and J. W. U. Willis (architect) formerly of St. John's.

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OUR ENTIRE STOCK WILL BE SOLD AT A REDUCTION OF 10 PER CENT. OFF THE REGULAR WHOLESALE PRICES.

While we admit there is no drop in Woollens or General Dry Goods in the foreign markets, we are making this reduction to help the wholesale buyers and trade in general.

This reduction will bring our prices down to practically cost. Our stocks to arrive will be sold at regular market prices. Our present stock consists of:—

Overcoatings, Tweed, Serge, Lining, Padding Canvas, Silks and Twists, Collar Velvets, Etc.	Flats, Calico, Sheetings, Shirtings, Casements, Apron Checks, Towels, Etc.	Men's Blue Jerseys, Men's Winter Caps, Boys' Winter Caps, Ladies' Blouses, Ladies' Skirts, Quilts, Hosiery, Gloves, Hdkfs., Etc.
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Overcoatings and Tweeds are all very pretty patterns. Those wishing to take advantage of this Sale better come early.

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### Enquiry Into Beef Case.

The three men implicated in the theft of four barrels of beef, from the premises of Thos. Smythe, were before Judge Morris yesterday, for a preliminary enquiry. The evidence of Constable Pitcher, Joseph Nugent and

Thos. Smythe was taken. The Court then adjourned until to-day. Mr. Leo Carter is appearing for the prosecution, and Mr. W. J. Higgins, K.C., for defendant.

**Finnan Haddies and Fillets at ELLIS'.**—nov10,11