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ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND, TUESDAY, JULY 3, 1917.

WE are told by some that the next danger, and a very real one, will be the Yellow Peril, the invasion of the West by the East. Japan's outburst of wrath just lately, over the bogus message sent to the United States, is illuminating in this regard.

THE YELLOW PERIL

It appears as if the first thing the League of Peace will have to tackle after the war will be the attitude of Japan towards China, which is curiously Prussian in its manner. It is questionable whether her solicitude for China's welfare has any response from the hearts of the Chinese people. Taking advantage of China's disorganization and the world's pre-occupation, Japan seems to regard China as her natural field of expansion, and her divinely appointed place in the sun.

Japan's attitude on many questions shows a tendency on her part to rule China's millions and maybe enlist them to support her in her ambitions of a great empire in which she will be supreme. However, she is our Ally now, and we have to postpone saying much against her. Her assistance is and has been of first rate importance to us.

ONE of the very necessary reforms in this Country, and one of the methods by which the Colony's revenue will benefit by the wealth of her people, is the Income Tax. As we already have heavy taxes on imports, this income tax need not take in salaries, say below \$1200.00. Also there could be provisions, as in the United States, whereby those with families would not be called upon to pay in the same proportion as those without dependents. All this question of excess profits, and income taxes, which this Government refuses to consider, must be applied eventually. It may be said that it will not serve to lower prices. That may be so, but that is no reason why the Colony should not obtain some of the wealth that comes really from the people. It would be one way of reducing prices, if the amount obtained by an income tax or excess profits tax, would allow certain duties to be reduced or taken off altogether. These taxes are the only fair way to distribute the burdens of a country. The necessities of the many have too long been providing the wealth for the few, and it is high time that the position were reversed. There would be a more satisfied feeling if the people could know that a great proportion of ill-gotten gains were being collected by the State, and so would benefit the Colony. The people want a Government that will have the courage to enact this reform; and the wretched delay of such legislation during the three years of war is a black mark against the Colony.

INCOME TAX

OUR SOLDIERS IN HOSPITAL AND IN GERMANY

London, July 3rd, 1917.
To Colonial Secretary, St. John's.

The Association Visiting Committee report the condition of the following men in hospital:—

Progressing Favourably:—2300 Ryan; 1641 Pollett.

Improving:—1418 Evans 500 Houlihan, 1910 Gibbenhuck.

Mrs. Powscheck visiting 1940 Shortall reports slight improvement since operation, 22nd June for removal of stomach.

Additional list of Prisoners in care of Association

2972 Harris; 2781 Bradbury; 1381 Snow; 2756 Dennihay; 111-Hogan; 2675 Hallett; 2830 Callahan; 1737 Smith; 2280 Frampton; 2776 Joy.

2738 Quinton writes being well treated. Lieut Grace writes feeling pretty good. 2611 Martin says treated well in Hospital.

FRESH FISH IN

COLD STORAGE

Yesterday a considerable quantity of fresh fish caught on the local grounds was purchased by the Cold Storage Plant in the West End; the operations of cleaning and stowing the fish away in the storage rooms took up the best part of last night. This morning more fish is being delivered at the plant. The price paid yesterday and this morning was 2½ cents per pound. The fish is sold with the sound bone left in, but is gutted and headed. A floating stage is provided for the fishermen to head and gut their fish, and they save the labor, which is sold separately.

Weather up country to-day is calm and dull. Ther. 40 to 60 above.

Last week at some points there was a shortage of salt, which means a serious loss to the fishermen.

CAPTAIN OF THE PORT

We understand that Mr. Piccott, the Minister of Marine and Fisheries, has been appointed the Captain of the Port of St. John's, and responsible for the entire control of the port, shipping, etc. The position has come as a result of the war regulations and the necessity of having some central authority whom the masters of ships, particularly foreigners will have to recognize.

FISHERY REPORT

Harbor Grace—Codfish scarce, plenty of bait.

St. Mary's—Traps 30 to 70 quintals. Trawls doing fair, weather fine and smooth, caplin plentiful.

Dominion—Light south wind with dense fog, good fishing.

Vension Island—Calm, dense fog. Battle Harbor—Light east wind, dense fog. Jiggling fair.

LABRADOR REPORT

via Fogo (Wireless)
Holton—Light S.E. wind, cloudy, no ice in sight. Dense fog a sign of fish.

Grady—Light south wind dense fog, sign of fish.

American Tackle—Fine N.E. wind and clear, a sign of fish.

FISH IN THE STRAITS

Captain Goble, of the S.S. Ethie, reported to the Reid Nfld. Company from Curling yesterday as follows:—“Codfish plentiful in the Straits. Shore crews and ‘floaters’ doing well. From Red Bay to Battle Har. fish not yet to the land. Made every port of call going and returning; weather fine.”

In Canadian Lists

Wounded—Q. W. Penny, Fresh water Nfld.

YESTERDAY AT THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

Yesterday's session of the House was the shortest on record since opening day; the sitting occupied less than an hour and was taken entirely up with routine work.

Mr. Jennings presented a petition from his district on the subject of a road.

Bills to amend the law relating to the exportation of timber; to raise a loan for Military and Naval purposes; and an Act respecting retiring allowances were introduced.

The Act respecting the abolition of dogs in the District of St. George's was put through Committee and will be given a third reading today. An amendment suggested by Mr. Coaker that any farmer bona fide engaged on an extensive scale in sheep raising be licensed to keep a shepherd dog was accepted. The number of sheep in the herd is put down as one hundred.

The amendments of the Wreck and Salvage Act providing that salvage be given persons who pick up timber adrift from booms, such pit props, was passed and sent to the Upper House for concurrence.

The resolutions relative to the confirmation of an agreement with the Riverside Woolen Mills, Ltd. and the Newfoundland Knitting Mills, Ltd. were further deferred.

The estimates were voted on down to guagers, fletwaters and boatmen, and will likely be finished today.

When speaking on the question of light houses Mr. Stone, M.H.A. for Trinity, made the following comments which should prove interesting to his constituents:

While this work is open for discussion, I wish to draw the attention of the Minister to the manner in which the light house salaries are adjusted, and how much more it takes to run some of the Light House Stations than others, which are situated in a like manner. For instance take Cape Bonavista light station and compare with Catalina light station, and what do we find. Two of the same kind to operate exactly the same alarm, and near about the same light, the only difference, Bonavista Cape light is a revolving light, while Catalina's light is fixed.

Now then as to the number of men and salaries, Bonavista Cape has four men who get or will get according to the estimates \$1818.16, while at Green Island station, Catalina, there are only two men employed at a salary of \$998.52 altogether, what a vast difference between the two stations.

Now take Puffin Island, Grenspond, the fog alarm, and light there cost in salaries \$1144.00. I just mentioned this matter to point out how unfair the salaries are adjusted, therefore some good competent light house inspector should be appointed, who would know how to make some suggestions to the Department, which if reasonable should be accepted by the Government. I know that the Marine and Fisheries has nothing to do with the salaries, or they would be better adjusted, anyway the time is now ripe for something to be done.

I would like to express my gratitude to the Minister of Marine and Fisheries, in reference to the promise he has made in assuring me that a Light House will be erected on Hopeall Island, therefore, I hope that this important matter will not be overlooked.

The House adjourned at 4.30 o'clock.

Coastal Boats

The S.S. Argyle left Placentia 6.30 p.m. yesterday going west.

The S.S. Clyde left Twillingate 6.30 p.m. yesterday outward.

The S.S. Dundee left Musgrave 2.30 p.m. yesterday outward.

The S.S. Ethie arrived at Humbermouth 11.45 a.m. yesterday.

The S. S. Glencoe at St. John's.

The S.S. Home no report since leaving Lewisporte yesterday morning.

The S.S. Thetis north of Twillingate.

The S.S. Wren left Clarendville 11.35 a.m. yesterday.

The S.S. Portia left Burin early this morning going west.

The S. S. Prospero sails for northern ports at 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

MISS BANK FISHERMEN REACH BAY BULLS

The two men that strayed from the banking schooner, Mary of Marytown, Hodder master, on the Grand Banks last Saturday, arrived at Bay Bulls in their dory this morning.

HISTORY DAY BY DAY

JULY 3RD.

Battle of Gettysburg, 1863.

IN January, 1861, the great struggle known as the American Civil War began. At first success seemed to favour the South, but the Battle of Gettysburg was the turning point of the war. At this battle the Southerners, under General Lee, were defeated by the Federals, under General Meade. This battle decided the British Government against recognising the Southern Confederacy.

A Battle Scene At Gettysburg

The fusillade became appalling in its intensity. Hundreds of murderous daggers of red flame leapt out of the dun clouds of smoke in front of us. The din had reached a climax of fury, and began to tell on the most iron nerves. To the shatter of rifles the roar of distant batteries formed, as it were, a background of thunder; and the bullets that swept overhead and past our ears added their deadly hum to the volume of this diabolical symphony. Men fell to the right and left; death takes them suddenly; they collapse in every conceivable posture; one lurches forward with outstretched hands, as though making a grab at some invisible antagonist. Another spins round and drops all of a heap, like an exhausted dancing dervish, his limbs hideously twisted under him. Death puts an ungrammatical full stop to the sentence a soldier throws at his comrade; the mouth that spoke now tears the grass. You see the laugh on a man's face disappear with his jaw; he stands for a moment as though astounded, leering horribly at the enemy. Hands fling up the rifle to clutch at breast and throat. They rarely fall backwards, these sudden favourites of death—always forward. Perhaps in their death agonies they may roll round and take a last look at the sky. They seldom scream; the man mortally wounded has no time to scream. He grunts and falls. In the fighting line sounds of distress are rarely heard. They belong to the hospital in the rear.

(From Wood's "Survivors' Tales").

JULY 4TH.

Declaration of American Independence, 1776.

IN 1765 the Stamp Act was passed—an Act raising taxes from our colonists in North America without their consent. Owing to the opposition of the colonists the Act was repealed the same year, the Home Government, however, still maintaining its right to tax the colonists. This was really the great point of dispute. In 1767 an Act was passed imposing duties in America on tea, glass, paper, and painter's colours. This awakened fresh opposition. In 1773 the first open resistance took place. In 1775 the War of American Independence broke out. On July 4th the Declaration of Independence was signed, and the United States sprang into being. By the Peace of Versailles in 1783, England recognised the United of America as an independent Power.

What the Declaration of Independence Was.

The famous Declaration of Independence, penned by Thomas Jefferson, of Virginia, declared that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights; that to secure these rights Governments are instituted among men, deriving their ever just powers from the consent of the governed; that when any other form of government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the right of the people to alter or to abolish it, and to institute a new government. It recounted the petitions for redress which had been presented, the appeals to the native justice and magnanimity of our "British brethren," and concluded as follows:—

"We therefore, the representatives of the United States of America, in General Congress assembled, appealing to the Supreme Judge of the World for the rectitude of our intentions, do, in the name and by the authority of the good people of these Colonies, solemnly publish and declare that the United Colonies are, and of right ought to be, free and independent States; that they are absolved from all allegiance to the British Crown, and that, as free and independent States, they have full power to levy war, conclude peace, contract alliances, establish commerce, and to do all other acts

Methodist Conference

Stations of Ministers and Probationers

1917-1918.

Jabez R. Saint, B. D.—President of Conference.

C. Almer Whitmarsh, M.A., B.D.—Secretary of Conference.

Mark Fenwick, D.D.—Superintendent of Missions.

W. Henry Browning—Secretary Stationing Committee.

ST. JOHN'S DISTRICT

St. John's (Gower Street)—Douglas B. Hemmison, B.A.; Mark Fenwick, D.D., Supt. of Missions (11 Church Hill); Thomas B. Darby, M.A. Chaplain and Guardian of the College Home; Samuel H. Soper, B.A., Missionary in China; Humphrey P. Cowperthwaite, D.D., Supernumerary, 241 Duckworth Street.

St. John's, George Street.—Norman M. Guy, M.A., (117 Hamilton Street), having pastoral oversight of the Methodist Naval Reservists in St. John's, James Pincock, Supernumerary, with permission to reside in Canada (718 Asbolme Street, Winnipeg, Manitoba); Louis G. Hudson, Leave of absence.

St. John's, Cochrane Street, Centennial.—George J. Bond, L.L.D., (Meth. Parsonage, Cochrane Street); Levi Curtis, D.D., Supt. of Education by permission of Conference, (18 Gower Street); H. Gordon Hatcher, B.A., B.D., Leave of absence; T. Whitfield Atkinson, (117 Quidi Vidi Road), Supernumerary; James Wilson, (Jubilee Cottage, Forest Road).

St. John's, Wesley.—Harry Royle, (119 Hamilton Street), having pastoral oversight of the Methodist Volunteers in training at St. John's; Edgar Taylor, Supernumerary, with permission to reside in Canada; Fred M. Seilars with H. M. F.

Pouch Cove.—W. Henry Browning, Bell Island and Portugal Cove.—Chairman's Supply, William Swann, Supernumerary, postal address, Bell Island.

Topsail.—Chairman's Supply, James Nurse, Supernumerary.

Brigus.—C. Almer Whitmarsh, M.A., B.D., Secretary of Conference.

Cupids.—Walter Vey, Under superintendence of C. A. Whitmarsh.

Clarke's Beach.—Richard Gosse, Under Superintendence of S. Bennett.

Bay Roberts.—Sidney Bennett.

Bay Bulls Arm.—George Butt, Under superintendence of Chairman of district; John Reay, Supernumerary, postal address, Whitbourne.

Sound Island.—Cater Windsor, Under the superintendence of the Chairman of the district.

Haystack.—One wanted.

Flower's Cove.—Supply.

Red Bay.—Supply (A. Brett).

Hamilton Inlet and Sandwich Bay.—Supply.

Students at College

At Mount Allison.—Ira F. Curtis, Eli Anthony, Thomas M. Gillingham, Joseph G. Joyce, leave of absence.

Wesleyan, (Montreal).—Edgar Mercer, Oliver Jackson, A. F. Marsh, Thomas J. Pitt, H. C. Suter, C. F. Davis, Baxter Warr and John W. Baggis, leave of absence with H. M. F.

Victoria, (Toronto).—Elijah Colish, B.A., Levi Halfyard, W. S. Day, M. A., F. Gordon Weir, Nathaniel Cole and S. J. Hillier, leave of absence with H. M. F.

W. HENRY BROWNING, Chairman.

and things which independent States may of right do. And for the support of this declaration, with a firm reliance on the protection of Divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our lives, our fortunes, and our sacred honour."

(From Ludlow's "War of American Independence").

C. A. WHITEMARSH, M.A.B.D., Fin. Secretary.

NORMAN M. GUY, M.A., S. S. Secretary.

CARBONAR DISTRICT

Carbonar.—Frederick R. Matthews, B.A. One wanted. Stephen J. Pike, leave of absence; Francis G. Willey, Supernumerary.

Harbor Grace.—Albert A. Holmes, Thomas F. James, D.D., Supernumerary.

Victoria.—George Pickering, Freshwater.—Ezra Broughton, John T. Clarke, leave of absence.

Blackhead.—Elijah C. French, Geo. Wilkinson.

Western Bay.—Robert H. Mercer, Lower Island Cove.—Charles R. Blount.

Old Perlican.—Edwin Moore, Hant's Harbor.—Robert H. Maddock, Supply (R. S. Cooper).

Heart's Content.—Jabez R. Saint, B.D., President of Conference; Henry Godfrey, leave of absence.

Green's Harbor.—Robert H. Smith, Random South.—Supply (D. Freake) Shoal Harbor.—E. Pollett Ward.

Britannia and Foster's Point.—Thomas Pitcher. One wanted.

N.B.—The former boundaries of Shoal Harbor and Britannia Missions shall be re-established until such time as a Supply be sent to Foster's Point, Britannia Mission.

Students to Attend College

At Wesleyan, Montreal.—G. Spurgeon Curtis, Isaac Davis, Albert Johnson leave of absence, with H. M. F.

JABEZ R. SAINT, B.D., Chairman.

ALBERT A. HOLMES, Financial Secretary.

E. POLLETT WARD, S. S. Secretary.

BONAVISTA DISTRICT

Bonavista.—Charles Lench, J. Harold Way, leave of absence, with H. M. F.

Elliston.—William H. Dotchon, Catalina.—William B. Bugden, Trinity.—Uriah Laite, Under superintendence of W. B. Bugden.

Musgrave Town.—Arminius Young, Port Blandford.—Stanley Edgecombe, under superintendence of A. Young.

Glovertown.—Herbert Moores, under superintendence of A. Young.

Deer Island.—Supply, (Rowland Moore).

Greenspond.—John C. Elliott, Wesleyville.—Charles Howse, Newtown and Lumsden.—Samuel Baggis, On wanted. Walter W. Cotton, leave of absence, with H. M. F.

Musgrave Harbor.—John W. Windsor.

Sarmanville.—Stanley Williams, Horwood.—Supply, (F. Moulton), Fogo Island.—Henry Scott.

Change Islands and Indian Islands.—John A. Wilkinson, Albert A. Waterman, leave of absence, with H. M. F.

To attend College.—Reginald C. White.

N.B.—Carmanville Mission shall consist of Carmanville and all places to Man Point exclusive Horwood Mission to include all places from Man Point inclusive to Coakerville inclusive.

C. HOWSE, Chairman.

WILLIAM DOTCHON, Financial Secretary.

CHARLES LENCH, S. S. Secretary.

TWILLINGATE DISTRICT

Twillingate.—Alexander V. Robb, Cyril M. Curtis.

Herring Neck.—Wesley Moores, Morten's Harbor and Summerford.—William Harris, S. Scott Milley, Campbellton.—Supply, (E. E. Rideout).

Lewisporte.—William J. Wilson, Wilfred W. Woolfrey, leave of absence with H. M. F.

Grand Falls.—Walter T. D. Dunn, Millertown.—Alfred T. Nofal.

Notre Arm.—One wanted. William T. Eddy and Capt. Wilfred D. Stenlake leave of absence with H. M. F.

NFLD. REGIMENT CASUALTY LIST.

RECEIVED JULY 3RD, 1917.

Admitted to Wardsworth—Wounded Accidentally in Forearm.

969 Private James J. Brace, 26 Leslie Street.

At Tooting Military Hospital, London.—Tuberculosis in Lung, Severe.

1122 Sergt. William H. Lench, Bonavista.

J. R. BENNETT, Colonial Secretary.

Magistrates' Court

An action for damages taken by Mr. E. Kennedy against Dr. T. Andersen which the plaintiff alleged were caused to his buggy by reason of the negligence of the medical man in handling his motor car, when starting up the car on Waterford Bridge Road, was heard before Mr. Morris, K.C. this morning. Having heard the evidence the court decided the affair was purely accidental and dismissed the case.

Mr. J. M. Devine, who has been at Bell Island on a business trip, returned to the city this morning.

Mr. James Miller, of the D. I. & S. Co., Bell Island, is in the city on a brief visit.

Botwood and Lawrence town.—Harry E. Coppins, Watson Boyes, Exploits and New Bay.—Isaac French, Eugene Vaters.

Little Bay Island, Long Island, and Pilley's Island.—Ernest Davis, William S. Howell, Ernest W. Moulton, Springdale.—Warwick F. Kelloway, King's Point.—Elijah Mercer.

Nipper's Hr.—Frank D. Cotton, who shall give every third Sunday to Burlington.

La Scie.—Herbert H. Gillingham, under the superintendence of the chairman of the district.

Pacquet.—Supply, (B. Crewe), Englee.—Supply.

St. Anthony.—Howard W. Martin, under superintendence of the chairman of the district.

To Attend College

Wesleyan Montreal.—T. G. Secler, Walter Barnes.

Victoria Toronto.—J. N. Sceviour, Alberta.—Albert S. Francis.

N.B.—Springdale Mission shall include Springdale, Boot Harbor, and all appointments on Sunday Cove Island.

W. T. D. DUNN, Chairman.

HARRY S. COPPIN, Financial Secretary.

WILLIAM WILSON, Sunday School Secretary.

BURIN DISTRICT

Burin.—John T. Newman, Wm. M. Grandy, B.A., leave of absence.

Epworth.—A. Norman Jones, Under the superintendence of J. T. Newman.

Flat Islands.—Francis H. Philipson, Fortune.—Allan S. Adams.

Grand Bank.—William Grimes, B.A., Chester Harris, B.A., M.A., leave of absence with H. M. F.

Garnish.—Supply (William Reid), Burgeo.—Samuel J. Murley, Under the superintendence of S. Mercer.