



Evening Telegram

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Still Unproductive.

The bituminous coal miners' strike in the United States is bringing serious results in its train and industrial collapses are becoming of daily occurrence. So severe have become conditions that shut-downs of less essential industries have been ordered, the consequence of which has been to throw two hundred thousand extra men out of work. These added to the already large number of unemployed will make a huge army, and will inevitably tend to add to the troubles and difficulties of an exceedingly complicated situation. The conservation of soft coal will not in any way assist in helping either the men, who have been put out of employment, or their families, and thus the problem of adequately providing for the hundreds of thousands of men, women and children, will be one of the most complex ever presented to the State or Federal Government. For it is obvious that these people cannot be allowed to starve to death. Their care thus becomes a first lien on the State.

But without production how is it possible for the State to look after and feed the armies of industry which are idle through no fault of theirs? With stilled machinery and silent factories, the manufacturing plants cannot turn out the articles of commerce which bring in the revenues necessary to prosperity. The coal mines being, at present, unproductive, have paralyzed every industry which requires steam to turn its engine wheels, and a coal famine stares the northern and border States in the face. Legislation appears to be powerless to arrange an adjustment of the trouble, and legal injunctions have no force, for the law cannot compel a man to work if he is unwilling. "The injunction," says the New York Times, commenting editorially on the matter, "may have ended the coal strike, but it has not produced coal: nor is it likely to, not even if the mandate be broadened to take in individual miners and operators as well. The miners cannot be forced to dig coal under conditions of employment unsatisfactory to them; neither can the mine operators be compelled to sell coal if they are dissatisfied with their costs and profits." And by reason of this the mines are tied up: the miners are unwilling to return to work at former rates of remuneration: a deadlock is brought about, and the public (as invariably) suffers. And yet with singular magnanimity are assisting the families of the dissatisfied men to keep alive.

There is a lesson in all this record of coal shortage which Newfoundland should consider and learn. Dependent absolutely on the Cape Breton mines for our stocks of bituminous fuel, we are apt to be restricted in our supplies coming from there, in the event of an increased demand from the United States being made. With winter now on us the prospects are

none too good for the laying in of sufficient quantities to tide over the cold months during which ship communication with the Sydneys or Louisburg is next to impossible. Even as it is local restrictions, which were thought to have vanished with the end of the war, have been reintroduced for the purpose of conserving the small stocks of coal available for domestic consumption, and lengthening them out in order that no undue suffering and inconvenience will ensue. A wise provision under the circumstances. And not only in this Dominion are these restrictions placed on coal consumption. The Canadian authorities have awakened to the unprecedented state of existing affairs and have placed the export of coal from Cape Breton under license. In other words, Canada will coal ration all other countries purchasing from the Cape Breton collieries. Newfoundland is included.

And yet there are hundreds of millions of tons of coal in this island. A hidden source of wealth undeveloped to any great extent, but one which would render the Dominion independent of outside supplies for countless years. True some little exploitation and attempts at development have been carried on, but the time has now arrived when every energy, every dollar that can be spared should be directed toward the opening up of the natural resources, in coal as in others, of Newfoundland. Development means progress: progress means wealth: wealth means prosperity and prosperity means independence. Why then should the coal areas of Newfoundland, with their value incalculable, remain so utterly unproductive? If encouragement or assistance or concessions are needed, let not any Government balk at lending the first, giving the second and granting the latter. The reward for such aid will come back tenfold in increased revenue and increased production. The coal fields of Newfoundland must be made of benefit to Newfoundland. The time has now come when we can no longer afford to neglect our opportunities.

Bye-Elections.

A Gazette Extraordinary issued yesterday, contains a proclamation for the holding of bye elections in the Districts of Twillingate, Bonavista, Trinity, Harbor Grace and Fortune. Nomination Day is set for Saturday, 20th, and Polling Day for Tuesday, 30th December. Such elections are being held for members to serve in the House of Assembly in place of Walter B. Jennings, Esq., Minister of Public Works; Hon. W. F. Coaker, Minister of Marine and Fisheries; Hon. W. W. Halfyard, Minister of Posts and

Knowling's Stationery.

New Books!

Sherry

By George Barr McCutcheon.

Secret of the Tower

By Anthony Hope.

Burned Bridges

By Bertrand W. Sinclair.

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By Israel Zangwill.

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By Ethel M. Dell.

N.B.—Are showing a line of Popular Fiction at 70c, 80c each.

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Telegraphs: Hon. Arthur Barnes, Minister of Education, and Hon. W. R. Warren, Minister of Justice, whose seats have become vacant, in the language of the proclamation, by reason of their having accepted offices of emolument from the Crown. It goes without saying that the gentlemen named will offer themselves to the districts they were elected to represent, for re-election, and that their acceptance of offices of emolument will be confirmed by their constituents.

The same Gazette contains the appointment of Hon. W. W. Halfyard (Trinity), to be Minister of Posts and Telegraphs, and Hon. Arthur Barnes (Harbor Grace), to be Minister of Education. The new Board of Works is also appointed: The Minister, Chairman (ex-officio), Hons. W. F. Coaker, A. Campbell, W. W. Halfyard, M. Power, Lieut. H. Small, M.H.A., for Burgeo, and Mr. Albert H. Salter.

Returning Officers for the bye-elections are: Geo. Roberts, J.P., Twillingate; Isaac J. Mifflin, J.P., Bonavista; F. Somerton, J.P., Trinity; Allan Parsons, H.R. Grace, and W. F. Parsons, J.P., Fortune Bay.

A Denial.

Mr. Harry J. Crowe, called on the Telegram to-day, and asked us to correct an impression that might be created from reading the Toronto dispatch in the Morning papers that he was here as a Confederation advocate. Mr. Crowe, gave an interview to the Montreal Gazette, in which he made no reference whatever to Newfoundland Confederation with Canada. He did, however, discuss Canadian and West Indian union which has been garbled in a great degree. Mr. Crowe is now in Newfoundland in connection with a big commercial enterprise on the South Coast, where has now several engineers, particulars of which will be furnished later.

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Current Events Club.

Miss Kendall, one of the Community Nurses, will read a paper on "Child Welfare" at this evening's meeting of the Current Events Club. At the previous meeting Mr. J. Higgins, B.L., read a very interesting paper entitled "Womans' work during the War." He dealt with the Womans' organizations in Newfoundland and the Old Country. He was tendered a hearty vote of thanks by the ladies for his instructive and entertaining paper.

FINE FURNISHINGS.—Careful and fastidious dressers will find in our Furnishings every desirable quality that goes to make Shirts, Gloves, etc., both beautiful and comfortable. Our stock embraces the newest and best ideas in these lines, and if you are looking for high-class goods at reasonable prices you will find them here. BISHOP, SONS & CO., LTD., Xmas Gift Specialists.

Personal.

Miss Dewick, of Boston, who has been at the St. Anthony hospital nursing this past seven years, left for her home by a.s. Rosalind this morning.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Leach are at present in the city from Mr. Grace, and are registered at the Crosbie.

Rev. W. K. Gardner, Rector at Botwood, is at present in the city.

Mr. P. C. Mars is a passenger by the Digby. He goes to England on business.

In Halifax Hospital.

A St. John's, Newfoundland, woman, who was alleged to have been married to a Newfoundland soldier in Sydney, is now in a Halifax hospital where she is said to be undergoing treatment for serious diseases. Her second husband is a Canadian, who served in the Newfoundland forces, met the woman in St. John's and married her in this city last summer. Legal steps are being taken to prevent any further matrimonial adventures on the part of the alleged female bigamist, it is said.—Sydney Record.

CARD TOURNAMENT.—Members of St. Andrew's Club hold their weekly Card Tournament on Monday, at 8.15 p.m.

Here and There.

When you want Sausages, why—get ELLIS'; they're the best.

IMPORTING INSTRUMENTS.—The C. C. C. are importing instruments for a new life and drum band.

Jessop's Pastry at THE BEE-HIVE STORE, Charlton St. tu,th,s,tf

SERIOUSLY ILL.—Mr. R. Spry, cashier of G. Knowling, Ltd., is seriously ill at his home, and fears are entertained for his recovery.

When you want Roast Beef, Roast Veal, Roast Mutton, Roast Pork, try ELLIS'.

IN AID OF MOUNT CASHEL.—Miss Mary Ryan, will probably stage a light comedy, towards the end of January, in aid of Mt. Cashel.

Prince Albert Tobacco, 23 cts. a tin, at THE BEE-HIVE STORE, Charlton St. tu,th,s,tf

SMALLPOX AT GOULDS.—A case of smallpox was reported to the health authorities from the Goulde Road. The patient was sent to hospital for treatment.

Picture Postcards, great variety, at THE BEE-HIVE STORE, Charlton St. tu,th,s,tf

PTE. MALEY INTERRED.—The funeral of ex-Pte. Denis Mahey took place this afternoon from his residence, Nagle's Hill. A number of ex-soldiers, who were his pals "Over There," attended the obsequies.

Quick—certain—powerful—Reliable Batteries guaranteed satisfaction in all capacities. oct31,nov1,3,dec5,6,8,jan2,3

NO COAL TEAMS.—Owing to a rush of other work, coal dealers are unable to procure teams to deliver coal. Teams are not struck on coal hauling although good money is to be made out of the job.

The Running Match will take place on Monday, Dec. 8th, at 8.15 p.m. C.C.C. Band in attendance.—dec4,3i

SPECIAL MEETING.—The T.A. and B. Society will hold a special meeting to-morrow for the purpose of nominating officers for the ensuing year. Election will take place at the regular meeting on Sunday, Dec. 14th.

Try Phorotone for that nasty Cough and Cold you have. Price 30c., at STAFFORD'S Drug Store.—oct5,tf

SAGONA'S PASSENGERS.—The Sagona left Placentia at 3.30 yesterday morning, going west. She took the following passengers:—Messrs. Winter, Butler, H. Small, M. Slaney, Hodder, Mrs. Ash, Mrs. Nell, Mrs. Winter, Mrs. Butler Mrs. Johnson and 20 second class.

School Children by the scores profit by getting their School Supplies at THE BEE-HIVE STORE, Charlton St. tu,th,s,tf

WILL COMPLETE CATHEDRAL TOWER.—It has been decided to complete the tower of the Church of England Cathedral. This move is a popular one, and the parishioners of the Cathedral are highly pleased over the decision.

When you want something in a hurry for tea, go to ELLIS'—Head Cheese, Ox Tongue, Balled Ham, Cooked Corned Beef, Bologna Sausage.

MUSKRAT COATS.—Favored by discriminating buyers because of their style, wearing qualities and attractive prices. Most desirable for wear when motoring or driving, and ideal for Xmas Gifts. BISHOP, SONS & CO., LTD.

TAG DAY POSTPONED.—Owing to the very inclement weather to-day, Mrs. Adby and the committee in charge of the Maternity Hospital Tag Day, wisely decided to postpone it until Monday. The taggers took their stands at an early hour this morning, but as soon as was possible word was sent to them to discontinue.

Every member of the Royal Newfoundland Regiment knows that all British Troops were supplied with pure wool. Millions therefore have proved that the use of pure wool is Safest and Best for the good health of the nation. "Alpha," the brand of Men's Pure Wool Underwear stocked by BISHOP, SONS & CO., LTD., is made from the pick of pure wool and is put up in sizes to fit all. A huge stock now open.

Under the distinguished patronage of His Excellency the Governor and Lady Harris, the Annual Xmas Sale of the Khaki Guild will open in the Presbyterian Hall on Wednesday afternoon at 3.30. Plain and Fancy Work, Jams and Jellies for sale; Mince Meat a specialty. Afternoon Teas served. Admission 25c.—dec3,3i

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On Ladies' & Children's Coats, Hats,
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Regular \$19.00.	Now only...\$14.00
Regular \$20.00.	Now only...\$14.50
Regular \$21.00.	Now only...\$15.00
Regular \$22.00.	Now only...\$15.50
Regular \$23.00.	Now only...\$17.00
Regular \$35.00.	Now only...\$23.50
Regular \$42.50.	Now only...\$30.50

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Good heavy cloth, to fit from 4 to 10 years. Regular \$6.50 to \$12.50. Now selling for \$4.95 to \$10.80.

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Reg. \$2.50. Now only...\$1.25	Regular \$3.00.
Reg. \$3.00. Now only...\$1.75	Selling now for \$1.50
Reg. \$3.50. Now only...\$1.95	Regular \$3.50.
Reg. \$3.75. Now only...\$2.70	Selling now for \$1.95
Reg. \$4.00. Now only...\$2.50	Regular \$3.65.
Reg. \$5.00. Now only...\$2.50	Selling now for \$2.70
Reg. \$7.00. Now only...\$4.75	Regular \$4.00.
Reg. \$7.50. Now only...\$5.00	Selling now for \$2.45

SILK SWEATER COATS

in Rose, Coral, Canary, Sage, Sand, Purple, Emerald, Mauve, Black.

Regular \$10.00.	Now only...\$7.00
Regular \$12.00.	Now only...\$8.50
Regular \$20.00.	Now only...\$14.00
Regular \$25.00.	Now only...\$16.00

DRESSES—Ladies' Fine Navy Serge.

Regular \$24.00.	Now only...\$17.00
Regular \$31.00.	Now only...\$23.00
Regular \$35.00.	Now only...\$34.00

STEER Brothers.

The Price of Fish.

We hear of very little change in the market, but there is certainly a very strong under-tone, and we would not be surprised to see a steady improvement.

ENGLISH MARKETS.—Telegrams to hand state that there has been an advance of ten shillings per quintal, c.i.f. Liverpool.

Buyers in England have been altogether too low, and we are not surprised to see the first advance there.

PORTUGUESE MARKETS.—Have been completely over stocked, and have had a bad attack of indigestion. Their supplies will be regulated from this out, and give them a chance to recover.

SPANISH MARKETS.—Our predictions in last issue have come true quicker than we anticipated. This market now offers the most attractive inducements of any European country, and we look for still higher prices if we had proper control of all.

ITALIAN MARKET.—The Consorzio will have to hurry up if they expect to get any choice lots of genuine Labrador codfish this year.

The catch was a very short one and so many cargoes have been lost that there will be very little to be had after this. Instead of fighting the Consorzio tooth and nail we should endeavour

to get some badly needed reforms inaugurated.

We must remember that Italy was a strong ally in the late war and she is terribly hard up financially at present. We should try and meet them amicably.

GREECE.—The Greek market was the bright spot in the Mediterranean all summer.

Everybody was racing to get first shipments there with results that have been disappointing. It will take some little time to recover, but with judicious shipments to agents who can command good prices, we will soon hear of advancing values.—Trade Review.

In a Nutshell.

Like the sun, the modern gas fire warms solid objects—such as the furniture of a room or its occupants—without appreciably raising the temperature of the intervening air. At the same time the products of combustion in their passage up the chimney flue keep the atmosphere in healthy motion.

That is gas fire science and gas fire hygiene in a nutshell.

Nothing more appropriate than one of BOWRING'S Velvet File Table Covers for Xmas Gift. See them.—dec6,3i

From Cape Race.

Special to Evening Telegram. CAPE RACE, To-day. Wind E, blowing strong with rain and fog; nothing sighted to-day; 39.95; Ther. 38.

BORN.

On Dec. 4th, a daughter to Mr. Mrs. Andrew Chapter, Pleasant St.

DIED.

At 1.15 p.m., to-day, at the residence of his parents, 8 Barnes Road, E. R. J. and Mrs. J. Thomas, aged 38 years. Funeral notice later.

On Dec. 4th, at his residence, Nagle's Hill, ex-Pte. D. Mealey, Nfld. Regt., aged 29 years, father, mother, 3 brothers and 4 sisters to mourn their sad loss; funeral on Saturday at 2.30 p.m.—21

At the General Hospital, Dec. 4th, Elizabeth Bryant, aged 48 years, wife of John Bryant, leaving husband and two sons to mourn their sad loss; funeral residence, Tessler Place.

IN LOVING MEMORY of my dear husband, Harry Chapman, who was killed on the morning of the Halifax explosion, Dec. 6th, aged 35 years. May his soul rest in peace. Inserted by his wife.

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Women's P Association

At the annual meeting of the Women's Patriotic Association, held in the Presbyterian Hall on Thursday, Dec. 4th, Mrs. W. G. Gosling resigned the position of Hon. Secretary, the duties of which office were faithfully performed for a period of over three years. Prior to tendering her resignation Mrs. Gosling read the following:

Hon. Secretary's Report. Lady Harris: Ladies—Shortly after the last Annual Meeting (held on Dec. 30th, 1918), the Great War, with many urgent calls on our time and energies, came abruptly and rather unexpectedly to an end. But the work of the Association went on for some time afterwards. The Outposts and City Branches knitted and made the wool and materials they had on hand, and supplies of comforts for hospital necessities continued to be sent overseas, until we were notified that our contributions were no longer needed. But we still continued to supply the soldier and sailors in the Military Hospitals with comforts, even with fruit, sweets and cigars. No reports have been submitted from the various Departments for this year, as the work done has been a desultory nature, but Mrs. J. B. Fenwick of the Central Work Room, has come to say that the Room reopened last year on Oct. 1st and worked as usual, closing at the end of May, 1919, made during that time 1230 pairs of socks, 90 pairs of mittens, and a number of garments for refugees. When our Headquarters were removed to the Colonial Building, we were not sufficient accommodation for all our workers, and they were obliged to take the work home. At the beginning of this year our members hurried themselves to relief work—to providing and making clothing out of the large quantity of material on hand, for the destitute populations of the invaded countries. Belgium, France and Serbia, among others, received such help as we could give them. This accomplished, the sense of our stock of material and hospital gauze and cotton was diminished of partly by tender and partly by action. In March last the W. P. A. moved its Headquarters to the Colonial Building, where an Office had been provided for us, and there the business of the Association has been transacted ever since. Last Spring we elected our new President, Lady Harris, whose arrival in Newfoundland had hitherto been delayed. Al-

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Cream of Wheat.
Barley Kernels.
Scotch Oatmeal.
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