



## Evening Telegram

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Thursday, January 26, 1922.

### BEAVER PRICES.

We thoroughly and heartily agree with the Advocate when it declares editorially that some people enjoy being fooled. Of such a class is the trappers who disposed of their beaver skins to the department of Marine and Fisheries, the special act not permitting them to do otherwise, this said act having been passed for the sole purpose of controlling the whole purchase and sale of all beavers taken in accordance with its provisions. The Minister of Fur saw to it that all pelts taken had perforce to pass through his hands or those of his assistants, but did those who sold them, as per act, participate in the profits made over and above purchase and sale prices. The Advocate claims that they did, but with such ambiguity of phraseology that it is by no means convincing. Here are its exact words, "These beaver skins are sent in by the trappers, and they are disposed of by the Marine and Fisheries Department at the best prices possible, the trappers getting the full advantage of these prices." Let the trappers who shipped beaver pelts on consignment to the Marine and Fisheries Department, tell us exactly the prices they received from the Fur Minister. We will quote directly the prices fetched by beaver quite recently at Montreal, one of the greatest fur markets on this side the Atlantic. But the point is that if the trappers reaped the benefit of advantageous sales by the department, they either did not receive their money on receipt of their parcels, or if remittances were made at once, the pro rata of profit on sales has not yet been distributed. We are rather inclined to the belief that furriers were paid outright, and that if profits accrued from the sale of skins, it went into the Treasury, and the trappers themselves did not share in the excess.

The following excerpt from the Editorial Column of the Advocate of January 17, reads rather strangely, and is altogether unconvincing of the fact that trappers were participants in the profits made by the department on beaver sales. "The department of Marine and Fisheries courts the fullest enquiry into its actions, and will be only too pleased to show the thousands of dollars which have been circulated amongst the trappers by reason of the wise legislation put forward by Mr. Coaker, and also the thousands of dollars which have been obtained because of good judgment in disposing of the skins." Very attractive language indeed, but who shared in the extra thousands of dollars obtained by the good judgment of Mr. Coaker (we presume) in disposing of the skins? If the trappers were paid C.O.D. for skins, then they are owed their ratio of extra profits which according to the Advocate have been made. We are quite willing to await the corroboration of this by the trappers themselves and if they are shown in the gain, to give

due credit where it is deserving. If the thousands of dollars of extra profit went into the Treasury then the furriers have not been fairly or equitably dealt with, and they should at once demand their proportion. We do not know just what prices were paid these men by the Marine and Fisheries (Fur) Department, but we are in a position to give some prices for beavers at Montreal, as quoted in the report of the Canadian Fur Auction Sales Company Ltd. Out of a lot of 5,370 skins offered, realised prices were, No. 1 Extra Large \$33.50 to \$35; No's 1 and 2 Extra Large and Large \$21.50; No's 1 and 2 Large \$24.75; No's 1 and 2 Extra Large and Large \$31; Dark \$38.50; No's 1 and 2 Extra Large and Large \$33.50; other lots \$33.25; No's 1 and 2 Large \$25; 1 and 2 Medium \$20; 1 and 2 Small \$15.50 to \$15.75; Cubs \$10.75 to \$11.25; We have not given the whole Catalogue, but have taken several lots, in order that trappers who sold their peltries to the Marine and Fisheries Department, may obtain an idea of their value, and can compare the prices given above with those they received from the Ministry of Fur.

### Twenty Years Ago To-Day.

(Evening Telegram, Jan. 26th, 1902.)  
At the House of Assembly, Sir Robert Bond, Prime Minister, delivered an eloquent speech on the second reading of the Newfoundland French Treaties Act.  
A very large congregation attended the Mission given in the R. C. Cathedral by the Rev. Frs. O'Ryan, Devlin O'Doherty and Devine.  
A Newfoundland team was defeated in a hockey match at Sydney by a score of 9 goals to 3.  
Lord Rosebery, to test his strength amongst the Liberals authorized the formation of a new Liberal League, with himself President, and Asquith, Fowler and Sir Edward Grey Vice-Presidents to work in conjunction with the Opposition.

### 700 Men Employed

#### SNOW SHOVELLING ONLY.

A large crowd of unemployed assembled at the Militia Building this morning seeking work. Tickets were distributed to about 100 and these will be sent shovelling snow from around the various Government Institutions along the waterfront. On the Southside Road about 170 men are at work shovelling snow. The road from the Long Bridge to the Imperial Oil Co's premises was made passable during the past few days but yesterday's drift filled the cuts, which are, on an average, four feet deep and this morning the men were again sent to make a clearance. Owing to the depth of snow, work on widening the Southside Road West, has not yet started. Nor is the quarry work, on Signal Hill, however, a number of men are employed clearing away the snow drifts and in a day or two it is expected that quarrying will begin. There are over seven hundred men from the city now on relief works.

### Talented Caste in "Under the Gaslight."

#### AT CASINO ON MONDAY NIGHT.

Ray Trafford . . . Capt. J. J. O'Grady  
Pearl Courtland . . .  
Miss Angela McGrath  
Martin . . . Mr. Geo. Jackman  
Laura Courtland . . .  
Miss Mary McCarthy  
Shorkey . . . Mr. P. Moore  
Byke . . . Mr. P. Grace  
Mrs. Van Dam . . . Miss Anna Murphy  
Demitt . . . Mr. F. Edens  
Sue Earle . . . Miss Mildred O'Reilly  
De Vere . . . Mr. Frank Connolly  
Anita . . . Miss Alice Galway  
Bubbles . . . Miss Eileen Kielly  
Feach Blossom . . . Miss Gerlie Ryan  
Old Judas . . . Miss Molly Horan  
Bernudas . . . Mr. Percy Jardine  
Peasuts . . . Master Jim Bradshaw  
Keystone . . . Master Ed. Kennedy  
Justice Bowling . . . Mr. Gordon Muir  
Police Officer . . .  
Mr. J. Nurse  
Snooks, the Lawyer, Mr. Eddie Phelan  
Rafferty . . . Mr. Mike McDonald  
Gem . . . Mr. Gerald Edens  
Pete . . . Master Basil Hutton  
Steve . . . Master Willie Hand  
Signal Man . . . Mr. Max Channing  
Tickets are on sale at the Royal Stationery at 50 and 75 cents, or phone 342 and reservations will be cheerfully made by Mr. Will Meehan.

WEEKLY MEETING.—The regular weekly meeting of the Municipal Council takes place this afternoon. Matters in connection with complaints of neglect on the part of the Sanitary staff will be dealt with at the meeting.

MINARD'S LINIMENT USED BY VETERINARIANS.

### Mr. Coaker Charges Libel.

The following letter has been received from the Hon. W. F. Coaker. We should very much like to know where the libel complained of in our items, on fish sales occurred. In any case we do not withdraw our statements.

"Editor Evening Telegram.  
Dear Sir.—Your paper of yesterday's date again refers to the Export Company and Mr. Murrell and quotes cables in an attempt to prove that the Advocate article is untrue. Your article of last night is false from beginning to end and contains a libel upon the Company's business. No matter who sent you the cable, its contents are absolutely untrue. The assertion that Mr. Murrell is offering 550 casks in Spain has no bearing upon the broad statement that he has broken prices from \$65. to \$52. You obtain information locally from someone which is borne out by your reference to 3000 casks. I must ask you to withdraw the article of last night, or I shall be compelled to take proceedings for libel in order to protect the business of the Company. Yours truly,  
W. F. COAKER."  
Jan. 26th, 1922.

### Requiem High Mass.

Requiem High Mass for the repose of the Soul of the late Pope was sung at the R.C. Cathedral this morning. Rev. Monsignor McDermott, was celebrant with Rev. Fr. Flynn deacon and Rev. Fr. McGrath, Sub-Deacon. Rev. Dr. Greene was Master of Ceremonies. Representatives of all the Catholic Societies and a Guard of Honour from the C.C.C. were seated near the Sanctuary. Amongst the other representatives were Hon. W. R. Warren, Minister of Justice, Sir Patrick McGrath, Legislative Council; and Sir Michael Cashin, leader of the Opposition.

### Commercial Travellers' Dinner.

The annual dinner of the Newfoundland Commercial Travellers' Association will be held on Thursday next in the Grenfell Hall. This was decided at a meeting which took place this morning in the office of R. E. Innes & Co. Preparations are being made on a most elaborate scale, and this dinner promises to be the most successful in the history of an association which has been noted for events of this kind. Covers for 120 will be laid, and the guests will include several of the most prominent men in the public and commercial life of the community. Mr. R. G. Ross, president of the Association, will occupy the chair.

### Clearing the Line.

The work of clearing the railway line began to-day. No trains are moving to-day but a plow special left for Carbonear and it is expected that this line will be clear to-day and that the regular shore train will be able to leave here to-morrow.  
Last night was one of the stormiest ever known along the line. Strong N.W. gales raged with heavy snow drifts. The cold was severe and averaged from 8 to 10 degrees below zero. All over the line the snow lies, in many cases, to a depth of 10 feet. The storm had abated this morning.

### Shipping Notes.

S.S. Watuka arrived in port this afternoon from Bell Island where she landed some explosives. The ship has berthed at Harvey's pier where her coal cargo will be discharged.  
S.S. Berit sailed, which arrived here a few days ago short of coal, sailed this morning at 11 o'clock for New York.  
S.S. Digby sailed this morning at 10.30 for Halifax and Boston.  
S.S. Rosalind is due in port this evening and is expected to berth at 3 p.m.  
S.S. Sable I. was set to sail to-night for Halifax. The sailing has now been postponed until to-morrow at 10 a.m. The ship is taking a foreign mail which closes at 8 a.m.

### Coastal Boats.

S.S. Fortia no report leaving Argentina.  
S.S. Prospero ice bound at Ex-ports.  
Argyle leaving Argentina to-day on Bell Island route.  
Genoa storm bound at English Hr. Sagona at Argentina.

### Weather Report.

Gander Bay.—Wind N.W., clear and mild.  
Nipper's Harbor.—Wind N.E., snowing; unable to see far; a well heaving in.  
Seal Cove.—Wind East with snow; Bay full of ice.  
Westport.—Wind S.W., thick snow; Harbor still ice bound.

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### TO-DAY'S MESSAGES.

ENTOMBMENT OF POPE.  
ROME, Jan. 26.  
Final preparations went forward this morning for the entombment of Pope Benedict XV. The ceremony was to begin at three o'clock in the afternoon, and at noon the huge bronze doors of St. Peter's swung shut, excluding the public from the vast Basilica, until after the funeral. All the morning a seemingly endless stream of humanity flowed past the bier. High Masses were planned in virtually all the churches of Rome, simultaneously with a solemn and impressive service in St. Peter's, which will be held in the strictest privacy. Those attending are limited to Cardinals, members of the Pontifical household, diplomats accredited to the Vatican, and members of the Papal nobility. Benedict will be buried in the crypt beneath the floor of the Basilica, near the right of the entrance to the cathedral, the body being enclosed in three caskets, the inner of cypress, the middle of lead and the outer of polished hardwood.

### GRAVELY APPREHENSIVE.

DUBLIN, Jan. 25.  
The Executive Committee of the Irish Unionist Alliance has adopted a resolution, declaring, "viewing with alarm the increasing anarchy prevailing in Ireland, we are gravely apprehensive that when the Crown Forces have been withdrawn, there will be no reliable protection for life and property."

### BIG FIRE IN GOTHAM.

NEW YORK, Jan. 26.  
A fire, which broke out at six-twenty this morning in the plant of the Morse Dry Dock and Repair Company in Brooklyn, threatened a section of the water front covered by the Company's structures. At that time four big ships and a ship in dry dock were burning, and the fire had spread to a nearby building occupied by a contracting firm. Property owned by the Brooklyn Union Gas Company was menaced. The Morse Company's plant is one of the largest of its kind in the East. Fire originated in a garage, and exploded a large acetylene tank, which spread the fire over a large area. An oil tanker owned by the Standard Oil Company caught fire shortly before seven o'clock.

### MILLIONS STARVING.

GENEVA, Jan. 26.  
Nineteen million persons are suffering intensely for want of food in Russia, and fifteen million will certainly die, unless succored, Dr. Mansen told the League of Nations International Committee on relief in Russia here. He declared that the total population affected was 33,000,000 and it is now too late to save all.

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### Burns' Night Celebration

MANY NOVELTIES INTRODUCED.  
Many novelties were introduced into the Burns' Night celebrations held by St. Andrew's Society in the C.C.C. Hall last night. Chief among these was the supper room, which by the expenditure of considerable time and care, was transformed into a creditable representation of a cafe-taria. Instead of the usual long tables several small ones, which seated four people, were installed, and these were gaily decorated with flowers. The ceiling, too, was floridly adorned and at the end of the room, a palm garden had been arranged and comfortably furnished. An Edison gramophone over which Mr. A. R. Stansfield presided, furnished music during supper. The supper room was open from 8.30 p.m. to 1 a.m., and thus prevented the congestion, too often found at local public dances. An open buffet, presided over by Ladies of the Auxiliary, provided light refreshments free of charge. The ballroom was nicely decorated and a portrait of Bobbie Burns and flags of the Society were prominently displayed. Over 150 couples attended, despite the stormy weather. Another innovation was the continuity of the dances. This obviated the long supper interval which is usually so tedious. The C.C.C. Band provided the music and had several of the latest dance selections in their repertoire. Every dance was encored several times. During the evening, a net containing multi-colored balloons, floated down upon the dancers, and presented a very pretty spectacle. The dances were interspersed by Scotch songs rendered by Miss Margaret Mitchell, Mrs. C. F. Garland and Mr. A. Lawrence. These were very well sung and were greatly appreciated, judging by the vociferous applause which greeted these vocal efforts. To St. Andrew's Social Committee and the Ladies' Auxiliary is the credit due for the splendid success of Burns' Night, and the ultimate result and the enjoyment so plainly apparent on the faces of all present, should be sufficient reward for their efforts.

### Streets Want Clearing.

A SERIOUS MENACE.  
The condition of the higher levels at present is such as to make them absolutely impassable for horses and residents of that section of the city have the greatest difficulty in leaving their horses owing to the great height of the snow drifts. Several horses were bogged on LeMarchant Road this morning and had to be untacked and left to get out of the snow as best they could. This snow should be immediately removed, as it constitutes a serious menace to the whole section of the city, inasmuch that if a fire should break out it would be impossible to get the fire engines on the streets in time to prevent the conflagration from assuming serious proportions. There are hundreds of unemployed in the city, and they could be put to no more useful work than the clearing of these streets. The City Council is not in a position to do anything as it is handicapped by lack of funds.

### Smuggling Jewels in Lunch.

Sandwiches spread with gold pieces or diamonds and eggs spread with uncut gems have been successfully used by international smugglers to get such valuables out of Germany until in two recent cases the customs officials became suspicious of these travel lunch-cases and discovered the deception. Now all "snacks" are carefully examined at the frontier.

A German merchant, whose lunch basket attracted the attention of the Polish customs officials at the frontier station of Konitz, was found to have a layer of gold coins interlayered between the layers of every sandwich and covered with a thick coating of butter, while each egg nestled a valuable diamond. The total of his confiscated hoard was estimated at 18 million Polish marks.

His fellow smuggler, a Dutch merchant, was intercepted at about the same time at the Holland frontier. While the officials were vainly searching his baggage, they were struck by the fact that he was ostentatiously but rather nervously devoting himself to a huge sandwich. They found embedded in the bread and butter three diamond rings, a diamond brooch and a number of loose diamonds. Further search disclosed forty-four unset diamonds concealed in a cigar lighter.

### Here and There.

M. C. L. I. meets to-night at 7.45 sharp. Debate: Resolved.—That the Nationalization of the Fishing Industry of this Country is both feasible and advisable. Leaders: Messrs. Geo. Soper and Wm. Dwyer.—Jan 26, 31

MEIGLE PUTS BACK.—S.S. Meigle left North Sunday at 7 a.m. yesterday with foreign mails and passengers for this port, direct, but was compelled to put back on account of the storm. She will probably get away for St. John's to-day.

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