



Evening Telegram

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TUESDAY, Aug. 13th, 1918.

Let There Be Light.

If the unwillingness of the Minister of Finance and Customs to make public the report of the Auditor General on the alleged shortage of six thousand dollars in Cold Cash in the Customs House is due to a desire to shield some person or persons, then we feel that we are unable to compliment him on having that quality of courage which should be shown in a Minister of the Crown. There must be a great deal more than current reports suggest in this matter, and we are led to believe that there is just cause for condemnation of the manner and method by which the Customs Department is governed. For some days we have refrained from discussing this subject, hoping that official light would be thrown upon the darkness, but hopes have been vain and we are constrained to revert to this matter once more. It is too serious to let drop. Six thousand dollars of the public revenue have disappeared, not on I. O. U.'s as some of our outport contemporaries appear to imagine, but in actual cash, and so far from wishing to clear up the doubt, the authorities are deliberately suppressing any and all information, hoping thereby to have the affair forgotten, or at least wishing that such will be the case. But there is a measure of justice to be satisfied, and until the whole facts are revealed, every official in the Customs Department will rest under suspicion. It is a wonder that they do not demand that the whole report of the circumstances be published. If the Minister has not the moral backbone to condemn them, the initiative should be taken by themselves. Their honor and integrity demand it. Their positions as public servants demand it and their personal honor demands it. The public, too, have a say in this and judging by the unfavorable comments heard on every side, an opinion is manifesting itself which is distinctly hostile to the Cavalier way in which the taxpayers have been treated. Not so very many months ago a mail clerk was sent to the Penitentiary for two years, his offence being that of taking money from the mails, the whole sum of which did not amount to more than one-twentieth of the amount involved in the Customs shortage. The question might well be asked, is there discrimination? It looks like it. If an apparently unknown postal official was sentenced to hard labour for mail peculation, how is it that well known Government officials are permitted to embezzle (there is no other word for it) much larger sums from the revenue and no action be taken. We say it here and we shall continue to demand

that the guilty parties in the Customs Department be punished and the innocent cleared of the suspicion, which attaches to them. We want no invidious distinctions, neither do we want men occupying positions of trust, capable of betraying that trust. Let there be light.

Notes and Comments

The price of coal shows no devaluation, notwithstanding that the Reid Nfld. Co. sell it to their employees for \$19.50 per ton, plus cartage.

These two items Food and Fuel, must have preference. Other goods must take second place.

Perhaps you will find it easier to pronounce the name of the Gurdar River if you remember what you remarked repeatedly that time when you were so senile.

It is rumoured that the "Blue Puttees" who returned home last week after four years service "over there" will be allowed only one month's leave before being ordered to France again. We trust that this rumour, much repeated, is not correct.

"The Lord hath done great things unto us" is said to be a frequent quotation in the German press. He has—but not in the way the Huns mean.

It will take more than a "ood shortage to make some people eat their soup without disturbing the peace.

High grade whisky is becoming scarce in England. At a country fair the other day, a tidy sum was realised by charging a shilling a sniff at a bottle of pre-war Scotch. How much could be raised in St. John's for patriotic purposes at the same rate?

"What made the lobster blush?"
"He saw the salad dressing."

The Foodstuffs Situation.

Mr. H. B. Thomson, Chairman of the Canada Food Board, had a lengthy conference yesterday afternoon with the members of the local Food Control Board and the Committee of the Foodstuffs Importers, at which the situation in relation to Flour, Substitutes, Feed, Pork, Beef, Fresh Meat, Butter, Sugar, Cheese and other commodities was fully discussed, and a satisfactory understanding reached in relation to all of them. The result of the discussion briefly is that the position with regard to all these several matters was made very clear and we believe we are safe in saying that there is no reason to doubt that an adequate supply of all the main foodstuffs will be available for this Colony for the coming fall and winter. Another conference will be held this afternoon when it is hoped that as an outcome of this the entire foodstuff situation for Newfoundland will be satisfactorily arranged for the present season, barring of course any emergency that cannot be foreseen at the present time.

JAM POT COVERS.—We are showing Jam Pot Covers for one and two lb. crocks and jars, 40c. to 70 c. per doz. packages. G. KNOWLING, Ltd.

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Yesterday's Luncheon.

Yesterday, at one o'clock, for the purpose of meeting Messrs. H. B. Thomson, the Canadian Food Controller, Greenwood, of the Food Control Board, and Gossnell, of the Department of Public Information at Ottawa, the local Board of Trade held a luncheon at Wood's Restaurant. Mr. Gordon Winter, the President, presided, and introduced Mr. Thomson to the members. Mr. Thomson expressed his great pleasure in having the privilege of coming to the Dominion of Newfoundland, and examining for himself the existing conditions here, which, he admitted, were very different from those of Canada. In a very interesting manner he told of the problems confronting the Mother Country, and of those confronting Canada. England imports a large percentage of her foodstuffs, in fact, nearly all, while Canada produces nearly all her own food, and her (Canada's) problem was conservation, so as to be able to ship as large a quantity as possible overseas, to England and her allies. Very graphically he described the efforts of the Board of Food Control in Canada in dealing with conservation, production, and agricultural labor. Canada's wheat crop this year is 300 million bushels short, or in other words, a shortage in Canada's earnings of 650 million dollars. However, this shortage will be made up by America's enormous wheat crop, this year, which will reach the stupendous total of one billion bushels. Before the war, said Mr. Thomson, a large proportion of the beef consumed in Canada, was imported from Australia, but this year, they not only are producing all that they themselves need, but are conserving enough to supply 500,000 soldiers at the front. The F. C. B. is looking ahead now to conditions that will likely prevail in 1919, and are preparing for any eventualities that might arise. Mr. Thomson's address was very interesting, and at the finish Mayor Goetting proposed, and Mr. F. H. Steer seconded a vote of thanks to the speaker, and it was heartily carried. The general public will have the opportunity of hearing the visitor speak to-night at the Casino Theatre where he will lecture on Food Control matters.

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Cricket Revival.

Lovers of the game, and their name is legion, will attend on masse the match between the Shamrock and Nondescript elevens, which takes place to-morrow. A great game is promised as some of the best willow wielders in the country will play, and the bowlers of yore old time will put some fast ones down the pitch. The proceeds will be devoted to a very laudable purpose. The game of cricket should never have been permitted relegation to obscurity, and it is to be hoped that to-morrow's game will be the initiation of its revival in St. John's.

The following are the players in to-morrow's game:—
Nondescript.—Revs, Brinton, Clench and Fletcher, Messrs. R. F. Goodridge, J. S. Ayre, J. A. Winter, H. A. Winter, E. Taylor, C. F. Taylor, C. R. Duder and H. W. Dickinson.

Shamrock.—R. Wallace, T. Ryan, J. Savage, E. Berrigan, C. W. Ryan, E. Purlong, P. Berrigan, N. Vinnicombe, K. French and R. T. McGrath.
The game starts at 1.30 p.m.

To-Night's Lecture.

It is to be hoped that there will be a large gathering of citizens at the public meeting in the Casino Theatre this evening when Mr. H. B. Thomson, Chairman of the Canada Food Board, will deliver an address on the Food situation. Everybody who possibly can ought to attend, women as well as men, and especially those who have sent representatives to the front or those who have men in uniform preparing to go there. The bearing of the foodstuff situation on the future of the war is one of the most interesting aspects of the matter and it is this which Mr. Thomson will deal with especially, and we have no doubt he will make a presentation of the case which will strongly appeal to the patriotism of all those who are present, as well as the community in general.

Changing Premises.

The firm of Percie Johnson, Ltd., has taken over the premises lately occupied by the Direct Agencies, Ltd., in the Board of Trade Building, and will use them in addition to the store in the City Club Building, which latter is now too small for the business which is continually growing. The Direct Agencies are moving into the Wood's Block, they also having found their present quarters too small for their ever increasing trade.

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