



Evening Telegram

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Time to Be Up and Doing.

We freely yield this column to-day to an esteemed contributor, who discusses the present situation in a manner that should prompt the Government to get immediately busy in working out plans for the relief of those who suffered so severely during the October storm. The article itself needs no comment, and we commend it to our readers in the same good faith with which the author indites it. Covering the whole existing situation, the writer puts it squarely up to the Government to redeem past errors and prove to the country that the best interests of the population will be considered and solidified by such methods as will commend themselves to the whole colony. It is within the power of the administration to perform good service. Let them see that no form of political expediency will militate against their future arrangements for the public weal, and let them further remember and cultivate the sentiment expressed in every issue of that one-time organ of the Fishermen's Union—but now no longer so—The Evening Advocate, "To every man his own."

It is now high time for serious consideration to be given to the conditions at present prevailing throughout the country and also to the very serious problems which we shall be compelled to face during the coming winter. I have no intention, when briefly discussing the situation in this article, of writing in a pessimistic strain, but I cannot see that there is to be gained by avoiding the truth. It is an unfortunate fact, and a well known one at that, that the economic status of our country is in a bad way. I am not one of those who are in a position to purchase fish will find themselves in a sounder state financially than they were last year, the lot of the individual fisherman has in many settlements become considerably worse. This particularly applies to those districts where no fish were obtained, or which were visited by the recent storm. The fishery this year was below the average. That this should have happened at this time was most unfortunate. But, if the catch in every settlement had been merely an average one, things would not be so bad. The trouble was that, whilst some settlements did well, others did not.

EXISTENT CONDITIONS.

While this year, those merchants who were in a position to purchase fish will find themselves in a sounder state financially than they were last year, the lot of the individual fisherman has in many settlements become considerably worse. This particularly applies to those districts where no fish were obtained, or which were visited by the recent storm. The fishery this year was below the average. That this should have happened at this time was most unfortunate. But, if the catch in every settlement had been merely an average one, things would not be so bad. The trouble was that, whilst some settlements did well, others did not.

see a sign of fish for the season. And now distress is abroad in some places whilst in others, the people are in fairly comfortable circumstances. As if conditions were not bad enough, the storm which raged on October 28th, made matters infinitely worse, and settlements which otherwise would have been all right, were devastated and many of the inhabitants were ruined. In many cases immediate relief is necessary, but there again there is a difficulty. Not so much because the money spent for relief purposes can ill be spared as because of the impracticability of reaching some of the outlying settlements. But there is a still more delicate question to be handled. As I have said, the lot of the fishermen is in some cases good, in others very bad. But what is to be done during the winter to provide relief for those men who have been doing relief work all the summer on the Barge and other roads instead of going to the fishery? A plan to provide work for these men is now under consideration by the Government, but it is going to be a by no means easy problem to find a solution. Logging at Grand Falls has been cut down to a minimum; the mines at Bell Island can only employ a few men, and there seems nothing else to be done but to have more Government pit props cut. That may be all very well, but it must be realized that this practically amounts to charity for the reason that those pit props cut last year for relief purposes, are still unsold.

And now, as to affairs in St. John's itself. The number of men lacking employment in the city to-day is enormous, but would not be so bad were it not for the fact that men are constantly pouring in from the outports in search of work. A fair amount of fish is being handled along the waterfront at present and this is providing a certain amount of employment but not enough. Factories are still closed, every business is being run with a minimum staff, and consequently hundreds are left to walk the streets. How these people are going to exist during the winter is a question to which an answer must soon be found. One thing is certain, and that is that we cannot have a repetition of the disturbances which occurred last year. There must be no necessity for parades of unemployed. Steps must be taken to obviate another siege of the Municipal Council. How this is to be accomplished is a problem which will not be decided in a moment, but the lessons learned last year should prove of value in solving it. If arrangements are made for relief work, then it must be seen that full value is obtained for all monies expended. We are not so wealthy that we can afford to give something for nothing.

A SERIOUS SITUATION.

Now it is useless to blind ourselves to the seriousness of the situation. I have merely given a brief sketch of existent conditions but they are too well known to require further elaboration. In painting this picture of affairs as they are at present, I have not, so far as I know, been guilty of any exaggeration. I am not a blue ruinist. I do not wish to be thought one, and what I have written has been done with sincerity of purpose. No matter what may be said to the contrary, the fact remains that conditions have in no way improved over those of last year. We are still facing a crisis. When, however, these problems are dealt with this year, different measures will have to be adopted to see us through.

There has been too much politics. The Government has been silent last year under a storm of hostile criticism and showed the weakness of their position by maintaining a story silence. On the other hand, the Opposition criticised the actions of the Government, in the majority of cases justifiably, but although they talked of all they would have done if they had been in power, they did not offer one valuable suggestion. This is not a time for party politics, and the nation's welfare is at stake. The quicker will we get on the road to financial recovery.

Of all the many mistakes made by the Government, probably the most serious was that in connection with the Badger Road. The road may or may not be of value, but it is very doubtful if more than ten per cent. of the three hundred and fifty thousand dollars expended, was actually worked out. The men who worked on the road seemed to have the idea that because they were in the employ of the Government they need not work. Be that as it may, the fact to be faced now is that whilst these men earned enough to keep them for the time being, they were unable to save anything against the winter. If the Government had spent an equal sum of money in helping these men fit out for the fishery, the situation would not be so serious. Out of all the large amount expended, practically no benefit was derived.

professional community should be formed and they could give their attention to the matters in hand and possibly evolve a plan which would see us through the crisis. All hope of recovery is not gone. There is no need for any to take the extreme pessimistic view. The one thing that is necessary, however, is that a start should be immediately made towards defining some programme which will tide us over the winter and place us firmly on the highway which will lead to an improvement in our economic status.

VERITAS.

Supreme Court.

(Before Mr. Justice Johnson)
Steer Brothers vs. Andrew Lethbridge.
This is an application that the said Andrew Lethbridge be examined upon oath touching what assets he may have to answer the judgment in the above cause. Mr. McNeill ask for postponement until to-morrow.

(Before Chief Justice and Mr. Justice Kent.)
James R. Crumphy Plaintiff and Mary Crumphy Defendant.

Mt. J. Higgins for plaintiff. Morine, K.C. for defendant. Morine, K.C. reads affidavit of Mr. Bradley solicitor and opposes the motion of plaintiff to transfer the trial to circuit. Mr. J. Higgins is heard in reply. It is ordered that the hearing be at Carbonara on the first day of the term.

Andrew Connors and Richard Drunken.
Mr. Emerson for plaintiff states that the defendant consents to judgment entered for nominal damages, injunction and costs. Mr. Higgins, K.C. consents. It is ordered that judgment be entered for 20 cents for an injunction and costs.

Dr. Grenfell and the C. L. B.

It has recently transpired that the organizer of the C. L. B. in Newfoundland was Dr. W. T. Grenfell. In 1920 Dr. Grenfell was discussing at the home of Mr. W. C. Job the C. L. B. which had just been organized in England, and he recommended the starting of a branch here. Mr. Job was so impressed that he arranged for Dr. Grenfell to meet the Rev. Mr. Thompson and Captain Melville, so that the matter could be further discussed. As a result of this meeting Dr. Grenfell wrote to England for particulars concerning the organization and these he handed to Mr. Thompson. It was shortly after this that the Newfoundland Regiment of the C. L. B. was established.

Special Skirts for Fur Coats.

There is a new, Heavy Skirt just placed on the market, specially adapted to wear with Fur Coats. BISHOP'S are the first to have them in Newfoundland.

List Growing.

The list of candidates for Councilors in the forthcoming Municipal Election is growing daily. Already some twelve men, not including those of the present Commission, are seeking the votes of the municipality. The latest to offer himself is Mr. Edward Spurrell, Tailor.

Department Besieged.

Ever since the Department of Public Works announced that it required 1300 barrels of potatoes and 1000 barrels of turnips for the various public institutions, it has been besieged by farmers looking for orders. There has been a good crop of these vegetables this year and there seems to be considerable anxiety on the part of farmers to dispose of them. Nearly every minute of the day the Minister of Public Works has to deal with the many who apply for orders.

Civil Court.

Several civil cases occupied the attention of Judge Morris in the Central District Court to-day. The case of a captain of a vessel who is suing his owners for board money came up for hearing, but had not been concluded up to adjournment.

The case in which two motorists are concerned will be heard this afternoon and will likely be productive of considerable interest.

Relieving Districts.

The various representatives of districts ravaged by the storm of October 28th, are authorizing the rebuilding of roads so as to make them passable. In the district of Twillingate, only five or six settlements have reported and news is still awaited from other places in the district. The same applies to several other districts visited by the storm. The reason for this lack of news is unaccountable, but every settlement will report before long if all damaged.

Stafford's Phonograph for sale at Knowling's Stores, East, West and Central—nov14,21

Candidate for Mayor.

HON. TASKER COOK.
The large number of influential citizens who have been requesting Hon. Tasker Cook to offer himself as a candidate for Mayor in the forthcoming elections, have been successful and Mr. Cook has consented to their request. He has been promised the support of a strong committee which is now at work organizing for the campaign, and an announcement of a policy will be made public within a few days.

Trouble at Placentia.

MERCHANTS LOOKING FOR MONEY.
From reports recently received, Placentia merchants are putting in retainers against the money due men working on the Colinet Road. These retainers are being put in against old debts. Legally, this can be done under private contract although, under government contract, it would be illegal. Morally, this action is most unfair, as the men working on the Colinet Road are doing relief work. The Department of Public Works has asked for a list of the names of those tradesmen responsible for these retainers, and if they continue this practice, their names and the circumstances under which the money was collected, will be published. The work on the Colinet Road is progressing favourably.

The Road-de-Luxe.

MAY NOT PUBLISH REPORT.
"There is a probability of certain grave charges being brought, and I question the advisability of publishing the report of the commission of enquiry into the Road-de-Luxe, if legal proceedings are to be taken," said Mr. W. B. Jennings, Minister of Public Works, to the Telegram this morning. Mr. Jennings said he had not received any communication from the Municipal Council calling his attention to the report. This communication, when received, might have some bearing on the matter of publication. Up to the present he had not had a chance to read the report but would do so during the day and would then confer with the Justice Department concerning it. Mr. Jennings said that if in opinion the charges warranted legal proceedings, his department would ask that they should be taken.

Beautiful Gift Goods of rare excellence will be on sale Wednesday and Thursday next, at the Sale of Work in the K. of C. Memorial School. Admission 10c. Come one! Come all—nov12,31

Personal.

RA. Hon. Sir Robert Bond arrived in town by to-day's train.

Here and There.

Eat MRS. STEWART'S Home Made Bread.—oct18,smo

8 O'CLOCK.—Knights of Columbus are reminded that their meeting takes place at 8 o'clock to-night instead of 8.30.

Stafford's Ginger Wine for sale at Knowling's Stores, East, West and Central—nov14,21

LEAVES FOR RAHIA.—The schooner John W. Miller is now ready for sea, and may leave to-morrow for Bahia with a cargo of fish in drums and half drums. The Miller's sailing will depend on weather conditions.

DANCING.—Misses Miller's Class to-night, Tuesday, at 8.30 o'clock, C. C. C. Hall.—nov15,21

PROSPECTS GOOD.—A report to the Marine and Fisheries Department received yesterday states that there is good prospects for the herring fishery at Bonne Bay. The weather is fine and on Saturday about 500 barrels were taken from the nets.

Stafford's Pres. A., both sizes for sale at Knowling's Stores, East, West and Central—nov14,21

GLENCOE'S PASSENGERS.—The following passengers sailed by the Glencoe this morning for ports of call along the South West Coast—N. W. Camp, Mrs. and Miss J. Anderson, Miss Condy, Staff Capt. and Mrs. Thompson, S.A. Adjt. G. French, S.A. F. J. Murphy, L. Condy and Wm. Webb.

Mrs. Herbert G. Bastow will be "At Home" Wednesday and Thursday of this week, from 3 to 6, at Mrs. Stafford's residence, Allendale Road.—nov15,21

PREPARING ENTERTAINMENT.—The Holy Cross Dramatic Troupe are busy preparing for their annual entertainment. This year they will produce "The Hickory Farm," a play which has not been performed here for some eight years. There is a considerable amount of talent among the troupe, which consists of old boys of the Holy Cross school, and the play should therefore be a production worth seeing.

MINARD'S LINIMENT USED BY VETERINARIANS.

Closing Branch Lines.

RESIDENTS PROTEST.

The Reid N.B. Co. are closing down the Bonavista, Trepassay and Bay de Verde branch lines on January 8th, 1922. Mr. R. C. Morgan, General Manager, told the Telegram this morning that this decision was final and was necessitated by the Bury report, adopted in its entirety in the Railway Bill passed at the last session of the House.

Rumours were current that complaints had been made to the Railway Company, protesting against the closing down of these branch lines, as owing to the stringencies of the times, few people could afford to lay in winter supplies. Mr. Morgan said that no complaints or protests had been received by him, but that he had heard that an indignation meeting was likely to be held at Bonavista.

It appears that no matter how fine the weather conditions remain along the line, and despite the fact that there may be no impediment to operating these branch lines on schedule, the Railway Act must be adhered to and the branch lines must close down on the date fixed. Some method of helping those unable to obtain supplies through lack of means will have to be found or serious consequences may result.

You will miss a lot and your face will be missed if you do not come to the Sale of Fancy Work in the K. of C. Memorial School Wednesday and Thursday, Nov. 16th and 17th. Admission 10c.—nov12,31

Train Notes.

Sunday's outgoing express arrived at Port aux Basques at 2.10 a.m. It was about eight hours behind schedule, having been delayed by snow.

Yesterday's outgoing freight left Bishop's Falls at 8.35 a.m.

The incoming express with the Kyle's mails and passengers arrived at 2.45 a.m. It was delayed 12 hours by snow.

The Carbonara local arrived at 12.40 p.m.

The Trepassay local arrived at 11.45 a.m.

The weather along the line this morning was fine. The temperature ranged between 20 and 30 degrees.

Reserve Nov. 30th and Dec. 1st for the Ladies' College Aid Sale. Afternoon Tea, High Tea, Plain and Fancy Work, all at reasonable prices. Tickets for Tea, \$1.00; Children's, 30c. LOUISE WYATT, Secretary.—nov12,31

Coastal Boats.

CROSBIE'S.
S.S. Sulu left Fogo yesterday.

GOVERNMENT.
S.S. Prospero due this afternoon.

S.S. Portia left Pushbottom at 3 a.m. going West.

REIDS.
Argyle left Burin at 2 p.m. yesterday, outward.

Clyde left Lewisporte at 1.30 p.m. yesterday.

Glencoe left Placentia at 1 a.m. to-day.

Home at Humbermouth.

Kyle left Port aux Basques at 3.10 a.m.

Meigle left St. Anthony yesterday, going North.

Sagons at Sydney.

Malakoff left Clarendville at 1.15 a.m. to-day, outward.

Come! see and be seen at the Sale of Work in the K. of C. Memorial School, Wednesday and Thursday next. Suppers and Teas bound to appease, and Fancy Goods spread in galore. The price of admission is only a dime and the opening hour is at 4.—nov12,31

Resumed Duties.

This morning Mr. Allan Goodridge resumed the duties of Deputy Minister of Marine and Fisheries, which position has been vacated by Mr. Hal Frithings, who will in a few days take up his new duties with the Assistant Collector of Customs, H. W. LeMessurier, Esq., C.M.G.

If you want the best in High Class Engraving on Gold, Silver, or French Ivory, bring your work to KARL S. THAPNEL, 307 Water Street.—nov14,21

The Congregational Annual Autumn Sale of Work, Plain and Fancy; Handkerchiefs, Vegetables, Candy, Afternoon and High Teas, will be held in the Lecture Hall of Queen's Road Church on Wednesday, November 23rd.—nov15,21

Floral Tributes to the Departed.

Nothing so nice as Flowers in time of sorrow. We can supply Wreaths and Crosses on short notice, and guarantee satisfaction. We will endeavour to meet the humblest purse. "Say it with flowers."
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BORN.

On Nov. 14, a son to Mr. and Mrs. F. M. O'Neill, 1 Patrick Street.

"At Pouch Cove, Nov. 12th, a son to Mr. and Mrs. W. A. French.

MARRIED.

At All Saints Church, N. Z. Robt. British East Africa, August 8th by the Rev. W. P. Low, Mr. Murray, third daughter of Colonel W. H. Franklin, D.S.O., and Mrs. Franklin, to Capt. Hugh C. Nightingale, M.C., of Kenya, B.E.A.

DIED.

This morning, of bronchitis, Robert Joseph, darling child of Geo. and Bessie Blyde, aged 4 months.

On Nov. 12th at Middle Cove, Thomas Kelly, aged 92 years, leaving two sons and three daughters and a large number of grandchildren to mourn their loss.—R.I.P.—American papers please copy.

Suddenly, on Monday morning, Cecilia, widow of the late John Rose, leaving one son and two sisters to mourn their sad loss. Funeral on Wednesday at 2.30 p.m., from her late residence, 224 Water St. West.—R.I.P.

There passed peacefully away at Middle Cove, on Sunday, after a long and tedious illness, fortified by the rites of the Roman Catholic Church, Thomas Kelly, aged 92 years; left to mourn are 2 sons and 3 daughters. May the Sacred Heart of Jesus have mercy on his soul.

Last evening after a brief illness, John P. Gleeson, only son of the late Jas. P. Gleeson, (Hardware Merchant), leaving one son, one daughter and two sisters to mourn their sad loss. Funeral on Wednesday, from his late residence, 53 Freshwater Road, at 2.30 p.m. Friends and acquaintances please accept this the only intimation.

IN LOVING MEMORY
of my dear daughter Maria Bennett, who passed away Nov. 15th, 1915. "Her home on earth she loved so dear. Which naught but death could sever. But now she is gone home to live with God."

And dwell with him forever. Inserted by her mother and sister.

IN LOVING MEMORY
of our dear son, Francis, who was drowned on Oct. 21st, 1920. Days of sadness will come o'er us—Years in silence often flow. For memory keeps you ever near us. Though you were drowned one year ago.

Time will pass and years roll by, what ever be our lot. As long as life and memory last, you will never be forgot.

No pen can write, no tongue can tell. Our sad and bitter loss. But God alone has helped us well. To bear our bitter cross.—R.I.P.

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Mate Injured.

The mate of the schooner Andrea Roca, slipped and fell on deck yesterday while his vessel was entering the Narrows, and broke his leg. First aid was rendered and upon arrival in port, the injured man was immediately taken to the General Hospital. The Andrea Roca is a Spanish schooner and was 37 days out from Cadix, with a part cargo of salt. She will load ash for Seattle from this port.