



## Evening Telegram

W. J. HERDER, . . . . . Proprietor  
C. T. JAMES, . . . . . Editor

Wednesday, July 13, 1921.

### A Contemporary's Opinion.

The Harbor Grace Standard, in its current issue, carries a very able leading article, which is perhaps the best critique on the railway situation that has been written for some time. The Standard is not hostile to the Government, hence such criticism as it indulges in, comes with all the more force and gives it greater influence in the controversy now being waged around the railway problem and Newfoundland's share in it as being represented for the past year by Government Commissioners on the operating board. Harbor Grace is a railway town. It knows and appreciates the advantages of railway connection, having for many years been the terminus of the old Newfoundland Railway. The Standard believes that the Company should manage the railway and expresses itself in no uncertain manner on that point, as follows:

"Very little is known publicly about the arrangement effected between the Government and the Reid-Newfoundland Co., about the Railway management. The general report is that the Company will undertake it independent of the Government. That is as it should be—the Company assumed full responsibility when the whole system was given to it in 1898 for fifty years. If the burden proved too great let the Company default and the property revert to its rightful owners—the people. This would include the abrogation of all the other concessions given by the great deal of that year."

The black type is ours.

With such a sentiment there can be no conflict. Inability to operate should mean surrender of the whole road and the return of all the lands and other concessions made under the 1898 and not taken back by the 1901 contract. There is surely a penal clause somewhere in the latter agreement, which should be looked into. The policy of taking too much for granted is not a sensible one, nor one which any business man would accept. In a case of this sort all interested should adopt the Missouri motto, "You'll have to show me." Dig up the 1901 contract, and any subsequent amendments and let the legal minded and trained search through it and discover whether there is or not any protection for Newfoundland, or if all the benefits have been thrown into the scales of the Company. Surely it is unthinkable that such an omission could have been made, even accidentally. If there is no penal clause then we are doubtless up against it, but should there be, then let it be made operative at once. We have white elephants plenty on hand, without the addition to the pile of the railway. Yet if we have to take it over because of the Company's inability or disinclination to operate it excepting under a loss guarantee by way of the revenue of the Colony, then let the Company cut clear altogether and let the Government sell the whole thing lock, stock and barrel to some capable concern willing to undertake the job. There has been enough fooling and enough expense—too much of the latter for one brief twelve months, and Newfoundland does not need to be reminded that she is paying through the nose both ways.

The Standard advocates great and drastic reductions in respect of operation, and after naming these, continues:

"It may be said that the steps named would be a backward move in the progress of civilization, but in the face of stringent times and pressing needs economy is to be preferred to useless and extra-

gant notions. A prudent man will not have two horses when one will perform all the work he has to do, and so it is with the trains—there is no need of double service when one will fill all the requirements. The starting from St. John's on Sundays of a cross-country train is not in accordance with what the majority of our people consider a right and proper observance of the rest-day. It is better for us to be a little behind in the fast ways of the world than to be encouraged to do that which we hold is wrong. The public may please itself about travelling on Sunday, but a Company should not be permitted to have the power to compel its employees to work on Sundays contrary to their wishes and convictions.

There is need of attention to the rates both for passengers and freight. With the cutting out of "free passes" and the substantial advances in the rates the experimental period of the system under the commission's control should have added largely to the revenue. The user should have some consideration extended to him, as upon him falls the full burden. We are paying too much for passages and freights for such indifferent and unsatisfactory service, and it is time the public made a move to have its side of the question shown up, considered and fairly treated."

Hear, Hear to the above. The public have become so used to being kept in the dark by operators of the railway, that they had come to the conclusion that they were merely being favored by the running of it. Still they dug down and paid up for every extra cent a mile on passages or cent a hundred pounds on freights. We certainly are paying too much for both passage and freight, but notwithstanding the tariff increases in these rates, the Commission last year were short \$1,200,000, the excess of expenditure over revenue, and we are to be further mulcted of an additional \$1,500,000 during the succeeding year, unless there can be devised a plan to change the present system entirely and by rigid economy save the vast waste that is going on. On this particular point to-day, the hope and future of the country so far as the operation of the railway is concerned, is with the Opposition, and we believe these gentlemen will not be unfaithful to their trust.

### Harry G. Hawker.

#### A TRIBUTE.

By the death of Harry G. Hawker, who was killed whilst flying over Hendon yesterday, the world loses its most daring and intrepid aviator. Hawker was one of the pioneers in aviation. When aeroplanes were but in the experimental stage, he again and again risked his life for the benefit of successful advancement. His crowning effort was his attempt to fly the Atlantic in May, 1919, in his tiny, two seater "plane." The story of that memorable flight, how he had to come down in mid-ocean after covering over half of the required distance, and how after being knocked about and buffeted by the waves he was rescued by the Danish tramp "Mary," is too well known to need repetition. It seems particularly sad that one who has undergone so many stirring adventures and has come safely out of them should go to his death in a short flight, but at least he died as he must have desired, in harness. To men like Hawker and Sir John Alcock the world owes a great debt, which it can never repay, for their names are enrolled upon the list of those gallant men who in war and peace have sacrificed themselves for its advancement.

### A Denial.

Messrs. Emanuel Pike, Ltd., of Port au Basques, desire us to say that this firm has not received any telegram or other communication from the Prime Minister, as stated in the House of Assembly debates and in our editorial column of 6th inst., re taking possession of 250 barrels flour on June 29th, despite Customs protest. Furthermore, Messrs. Pike wish it to be distinctly understood that they are determined to fight the Sales Tax in the interests of the people whom they supply, and will consistently refuse to pay it. Moreover, Messrs. Pike declare that whatever supplies they have issued have been on their own account, and not supported by any Government guarantee, notwithstanding the heavy losses they incurred by reason of the operation of the Fish Export Regulations. Messrs. Pike are to be congratulated on their enterprise in this carrying on, without soliciting assistance from the Government, and we trust that their independence in this respect will meet with its due reward. Some other portions of the letter of Messrs. Pike, received to-day, will be dealt with later.

The Red Taxi will run from Rawlins' Cross to St. Patrick's Garden Party this afternoon. Lester's Buckboards will start from West End Fire Hall and Railway Station. Fare 10 cents.

### Orangemen Commemorate "Boyne Day."

#### JOINT MEETING "ROYAL OAK" AND "LEEMING" LODGES.

Called to order by the sound of the gavel in the hands of W. Bro. F. Gordon Bradley, Worshipful Master of the senior Lodge in the City of St. John's, a joint meeting of the Brethren of "Royal Oak" and "Leeming" Lodges, Loyal Orange Association, was opened in Victoria Hall last night at 8.30 o'clock. The Worshipful Master of "Leeming" Lodge was in the Deputy Chair, and other officers in their respective places, whilst on the platform were the Grand Master of Newfoundland, R.W. Bro. W. H. Cave, and a number of Past Masters. The attendance was large, and one worthy the occasion. On three sides of the Lodge Room members were seated in triple tiers, the fourth side being taken up by the pedestal of the Worshipful Master, around which were the seats of those other brethren supporting him. The purpose of the meeting was explained by the presiding officer, which was to commemorate the 231st anniversary of the Battle of the Boyne, and the address from the Chair was a most scholarly exposition of the principles upon which the Orange Association is founded, the peroration being an eloquent charge to members to maintain and stand fast to those principles.

The Right Worshipful the Grand Master, next addressed the assembly, and in his well known felicitous style exhorted the brethren to be firm and true to their obligations. Other speeches were made by Past Masters C. T. James, Grand Secretary Milley, Parsons, Mark Peddister, T. F. Butt, W. J. Peet, R. Ivany and others. A most interesting communication was read by W. Bro. W. J. Peet from Past Grand Master D. Morison, who gave a brief history of the Order in Newfoundland, and concluded by regretting his inability to be present. A telegram from Grand Bank, signed by James M. Howell, on behalf of Orangemen at that place, expressed fraternal greetings and hopes for the success of the meeting.

Subsequently, P.M. Bro. C. T. James (Royal William Lodge, Channel), moved the following resolution, which was seconded by the Grand Secretary, Bro. Jordan Milley, and carried by acclamation:

"That this meeting of Orangemen in the City of St. John's, offers its heartiest congratulations to Bro. Sir Richard Anderson Squires, Prime Minister, Past Grand Master, upon the honor conferred upon him by His Majesty the King in creating him a Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, an honor which redounds not only to the conferee, but is a distinction to the Loyalty of Orange Association and to Newfoundland."

Bro. Jordan Milley moved, seconded by Grand Master Cave and carried by acclamation:

"That the thanks of this meeting are due and are hereby tendered Bro. Donald Morison for his interesting communication, read by the Worshipful Master of 'Leeming' Lodge, with an expression of regret that the distinguished Brother was unable to be present at to-night's assembly."

Following some minor routine business the meeting was duly closed by singing the National Anthem.

### Careful Handling.

At the freight warehouse of Messrs. Harvey & Co., Ltd., yesterday, could be noticed five hundred cases "Sun-Kist" Oranges, all the way from California, across the whole North American continent to North Sydney, for shipment to St. John's by S.S. Sable I. The uniqueness of the consignment was that not one case was battered or broken and not one of the fruit was missing from either. The packages and their labels were just as originally shipped from the point of origin in the far Western States, and it speaks volumes for the careful handling they received in transit that they should have been landed in such excellent condition, after a rail and steamship voyage of thousands of miles. Stacked in the shed the piles of cases made a veritable picture of how to engage in the art of the carriage of fragile packages.

### WHERE TO GO THIS AFTER-NOON.

Where? To the Methodist College-Ayre Athletic Association Garden Party at Brookfield. Train leaves the station at 2.45 p.m. sharp, so we would advise your getting to the station early and securing a comfortable seat. A genuine companionable afternoon is assured. Is your appetite not feeling good? Well, a real tonic will be provided for at Brookfield, so now won't you be one of the party? Buses run all day. Returning train leaves Brookfield at 8.30 p.m. Return fare only 50 cents.

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### Commemorative Tablet.

There is now on exhibition at Muir's Marble Works, a tablet commemorating the deeds of Serg. T. R. Ricketts, V.C., D.C.M., C. de G., and which is to be placed in the church at Middle Arm, White Bay, the gallant soldier's birthplace. The tablet is an excellent work of art and bears the following inscription:—

"Erected by an admiring people in honour of No. 3102 Serg. Thomas Ricketts, V.C., C. de G., who was born and bred in Middle Arm, White Bay, and who enlisted in the Royal N. F. L. D. Regiment on September 2nd, 1916, and proceeding overseas to fight against the Central Powers of Europe, in the cause of honour and truth, was awarded the Victoria Cross, by His Majesty the King, for most conspicuous bravery and devotion to duty, near Ledeghem, Belgium, on October 14th, 1918."

### Still Negotiating.

Yesterday, a deputation of men from Reids visited the Prime Minister, and discussed with him the labor situation at the company's marine and railway works. The report of this meeting will be presented by the deputation at a meeting which will be held soon. In the meantime work proceeds without interruption.

### Assault Case.

The case of "Paddy Coughlan's eye" came up for hearing in the Police Court this morning when Paddy Coughlan, a well known farmer, charged his nephew with a brutal assault. Mr. G. W. Ayre acted for Coughlan and Hon. M. P. Gibbs for the defendant. The defendant's wife had to confirm her husband's statement or otherwise the defendant would be pressed home.

### The Veterans' Sports.

The G.W.V.A. are holding their sports this afternoon and a large and varied programme has been prepared, which should be greatly appreciated by all who attend. Some events unusual in local sports are on the programme, including a boat contest, wrestling exhibition and field regatta and crutch race. The St. John's Coon Band will discourse music during the day in the refreshment tent. As a fitting conclusion to Sports Day a dance will be held to-night in the C. C. Hall, which will no doubt be largely attended.

### Here and There.

**B. I. S. WEEKLY OUTING—**Every Thursday during summer, commencing July 7th, special train leaves St. John's at 7.30 p.m., returning leaves Donovan's at 11.30 p.m. Tickets, including train fare and dancing, 75 cents each. Refreshments extra at Donovan's.—July 13, W.H.T.

**FROM ST. MARY'S—**A report to the Marine and Fisheries Department from St. Mary's says: "Traps average five to ten qts.; trawls doing nothing; caplin plentiful."

### Everything About Cuticura Soap Suggests Efficiency

St. Andrew's Sunday School Picnic is to take place to-morrow, Thursday, at Cowan's Farm, corner of Brookfield and Toppin Roads. The children will leave town by train at 11.30 and return at 8.30 p.m. Adults can secure tickets for the train from Mr. Oke at 40c. return. All children belonging to the congregation are expected to attend.

**Red Taxi Cars and Lester's Buckboards** will run to St. Patrick's Garden Party, July 13th, Lester's Field, Cornwall Avenue. Cars start from Railway Station and West End Fire Hall.—July 13.

**NOTICE**  
**NEWFOUNDLAND GOVERNMENT COASTAL MAIL SERVICE.**

**S.S. PROSPERO** will sail for usual Northern Ports of Call on Thursday, 14th inst., at 10 a.m. Freight received from 10 o'clock Wednesday morning.

**W. H. CAVE,**  
Minister of Shipping.

### TO-DAY'S MESSAGES.

#### IS CRAIG IRRECONCILABLE?

HALF-PAST, July 12. In the largest demonstration in many years, Orangemen to the number of forty thousand paraded here to-day in celebration of anniversary of Battle of Boyne. The demonstration passed off calmly, although quiet was not attributed to the truce. Hospitals were kept busy all day as result of clashes and the death roll was added to by the shooting of a youth in the Falls District by snipers. York Street, where rival forces intermingled, simmered with excitement until a late hour. To-day the parade required three hours to pass a given point. The keynote of the speeches delivered afterward, was, "What we have we hold." Sir James Craig speaking at Finaghy, gave his reasons for accepting the invitation of Mr. Lloyd George, "first," he declared, "if we did not go to the Conference we would be misrepresented behind our backs. We would have nobody to say a word for us." "Second, we are still a community on the face of the earth, and foreign countries, as well as our own dominions, would misconstrue Ulster if she stepped aside. She would be condemned in her absence, and told, 'You would not go to the Conference' therefore you must be ruled out of court." "Third, it gets into the mind, even of some of our friends that we have something to give away. While I and my colleagues are there, there will be nothing to give away. Therefore while it is distasteful to many of us, we are not going to flinch from what we consider our duty to the wellbeing of our own people in the North." Pointing out that the whole situation has changed since June 22, Sir James declared, "I no longer am James Craig, except to my friends, but to those who would tamper with Ulster's rights I am the Prime Minister of Northern Ireland. The way of peace is in our own hands, and in our own hands only. The way of peace is impossible without these murderers first coming to their senses, and stopping murder. All the onus lies upon them."

#### TWO CONFERENCE.

LONDON, July 12. (By Gratton O'Leary, Canadian Press staff correspondent.) In consequence of official conversations, which took place here to-day, it is not improbable the British Government will make an effort to have a separate Conference, on Pacific problems, held in London before the Washington Conference on disarmament takes place. President Harding's idea, and the original idea held here, was that both Conferences should be held in Washington, the first dealing with disarmament, and embracing all of the Great Powers, and the second, arising out of the first, to be confined to nations having special interests in the Pacific.

### Poor Rod Fishing.

American tourists and others returning from the ancient colony by this morning's trip of the steamer Kyle, says last Saturday's North Sydney Herald, tell that the drought in the various places visited was the worst in years. The different pools, famous for their excellent salmon, are almost dry, and fishing is practically out of the question. Salmon are plentiful, but the water is so low that they remain on the bottom and refuse to leave the muddy nests. One American returning this morning said that not in the seventeen years he has regularly visited the colony were the pools so low and the fishing so poor.

**PUBLIC HEALTH REPORT—**Last week five cases of diphtheria were reported to the Public Health Department. This morning another case was reported.

**SCORE BY INNINGS.**  
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#### LIONS HAVE EASY WIN.

In their clash last night the Lions played with the C.E.I. in the first frame for 3 runs, mauling them in the second for 6, and devoured them altogether for 9 in the fourth. The Lions were reverent for scoring, and when the Institute lads fell down on their fielding the kings of the forest stretched 1 ply wallops into full circuits. Some of the C.E.I. players had about as much kick in them as a chorus girl with broken knees, and certainly not more than is contained in Hag's Ale. Even at that they had some excellent chances, having the sacks soused on four occasions, but Callahan kept them well in hand. If St. John's fans like plenty of hard hitting then they had it to their heart's content last night with the murderous wallops of Hiltz, Robertson, Callahan, Munn and Cahill. Some of the C.E.I. players should get a good disciplining as their too apparent apathy and lack of interest after the score had crept up a bit, made the spectators weary, and it should be remembered that it is hardly fair to them to have to pay perfectly good money to see players stroll after a battered ball like a one legged man with water on the knee. Waiting for the first hop, and then studying the monogram on the ball, is not baseball in any sense of the word, and players like Winter, Martin, the two Churchills, Alderdice, Windsor and Gabriel, who finished like Trojans in spite of their overwhelming defeat, showed the good sporting blood that is in them. The Institute lads are long in material, if short in experience, and good stiff continuous practices will eventually take the kink out of them. The Lions are in excellent form, good hitters, and apparently in excellent condition to defend their title. However, to compensate the fans for the rather one sided show last night a good exhibition is assured on to-morrow night when the B.I.S. and C.E.I. will try conclusions.

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#### THE BELL-CYR CONTEST.

Editor Diamond Dust.

Dear Sir,—With regard to the proposed race between Jack Bell and me as announced in your column, I beg to state that no agreement will be officially entered into until something more of a definite character has been received from Montreal. Should the man's category resemble that of Bell then our sporting public will have something interesting to look forward to, and the details can be quite arranged. Your suggestion that I should hold under the auspices of the Amateur Athletic Association is a good one, an elaborate Sports programme could be prepared as a championship card, while the proceeds, if agreeable would help defray expenses in some one or more runners to compete at Halifax in the fall.

I would like to inform citizens of Bell is absolutely in the pink of condition. He stood the test of the 5 mile race well, considering he ran a strained calf muscle, which was placed through running over a piece of road when training. He is not being that extra care was taken in running as lightly as possible upon the injured limb, together with a good treatment received, and the judgment displayed, and not forced throughout the entire race, helped materially in not showing any apparent effect.

For the next few weeks he will be down to easy training, just enough to keep in shape, while later on we see him in a neighbouring town en route to Halifax conditioning for the race which he contemplates entering in for October.

Bell has very wisely decided in view of the importance of the Halifax Race not to participate in the Regatta as otherwise stated and resigned from Mr. Jack Tobin's amateur crew.

Yours truly,  
A. HARVEY THOMAS.  
(Manager for Jack Bell)

**Lower Canada College,**  
**MONTREAL.**  
**C. S. FOSBERY, M. A.**  
Head Master.

Term Commences Sept. 14th, 1921.  
9 a.m.

**METHODIST COLLEGE AYRE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION GARDEN PARTY.**  
The train leaves the Station at 2.45 p.m. Wednesday afternoon, July 13th, for Brookfield, near Bowring Park, with passengers for the Methodist College-Ayre Athletic Association Garden Party. Return fare only 50c. Get to the Station early and secure a good seat. Busses running all day.—July 12.

**BORN.**  
At Aberdeen, Monday, July 11th, Major and Mrs. J. W. March, a son.

**DIED.**  
On July 12, at 2.30 a.m., at New Sydney, Nathaniel W. Rowe, of Western Union Cable Staff, formerly Heart's Content, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Mary Rowe, aged 23 years.

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