



Evening Telegram

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FRIDAY, May 10, 1918.

The Surrender of Principle.

Very little is heard these days about the Regiment, and less concerning the dispatch of drafts abroad to bring up the depleted strength. But for the casualty lists coming in there would be no evidence to show that Newfoundland has any unit of representation with the Allied forces in France and Flanders. Since the withdrawal from the 29th Division was received, a feeling of apathy and indifference appears to pervade the department responsible for its maintenance, and a listlessness prevails in other quarters with regard to the future. Not an iota of response has apparently been made to demands for immediate and continued drafts, and though months have passed since this need existed, there is no effort so far as can be seen being put forward to meet it. We do not even know just what duties are being carried out by our men at General Headquarters: whether they have been turned into "hewers of wood and drawers of water" for the brass hats, or whether they are doing less menial work. And no person in Government circles seems to care. The Minister of Militia is occupied in explaining to the House of Assembly the reasons which called for a vote of \$3,000 salary, as head of this Department, and also why he is in receipt of an extra \$1,000 as Deputy Censor. That is about all that he has done. The other Ministers and Executive Members, find the Regiment of inestimable value to them in falling back on the necessity for its maintenance, as a pretext why they should hold power for another eighteen months. In other words they are making a "political football" of the men of the finest battalion in the Allied line—"The Royal Newfoundlanders." Not an attempt at notwithstanding the phenomenal work of the Soldiers' Association in securing the desired number, and more, of recruits for the first call to make up a draft for overseas. Not a move to "fill the gaps" caused by casualties, with five hundred men in uniform here. Fearing for their political lives, the Government hide behind a bulwark of subservience, and by promises on the one hand and inducements on the other, purchase openly and unashamedly, the support which they so badly need. The subversion of Parliament has been accomplished. The evils of Tammanyism have at length been imported into the Dominion, and to-day we witness the absolute degradation of the Legislature. The entire destruction of all Legislative honor and Constitutional Principle.

The country will not fail to compare the stand taken by certain members in the Legislative Council on the Extension Bill, with the attitude of the same members on the Profits Tax Bill, last year; neither will it fail to speculate on the reason for this unprecedented change of front. After being subjected to all manner of vilification and vituperation from the Government papers, then, they have, now sacrificed all principle, forfeited all semblance of honor, and are preparing to feed out of the hand that whipped them. Can any more complete back-down be imagined? Can any further respect be shown these individuals who have allowed themselves to be made political doormats, upon which the feet of their dictators will be wiped? The placemen and some others who voted for the second reading of the Extension Bill, simply did as they were told, but the others—! Their self-respect, and the respect in which they were held aforesaid have vanished.

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Pertinent Enquiries.

SUGGESTED AND OTHERWISE.

Did John Bennett know that "Barren" Morris was getting out of Nfld., and evading his duties, at a time of crisis, both to the Empire and our Dominion?

If he didn't know, why didn't he, and if he did know, why didn't he speak out?

As John was supposed to be "E. P.'s" close colleague does he know, where, how, or when "E. P." got all his money?

If all the money "E. P." obtained, if the Barony he got through having that money, if all the guff he has been allowed to get away with to date, are not sufficient for him?

If the said "E. P." is going to add further injury to insult by expecting the present Government to give him \$10,000 to \$15,000 yearly to misrepresent us in London?

If the present Govt. insult Nfld. by giving such a position to the said E. P. Morris, what do they expect to get later from a justly enraged Electorate?

Whether the Govt. have ever heard it said, so far may ye go and no further?

Whether they are not aware that the temper of the people of St. John's, at least, has reached breaking point?

Won't somebody get broken if we are further disgraced by having E. P. Morris as our representative in London?

Is the Upper House to be on a level with the Lower House?

Do certain men in the Upper House vote for the Extension Bill because they are controlled by considerations of business?

Is it not the Government's desire to make the Extension Bill one for indefinite extension of Parliament, perhaps till after the War, and the same noble twelve would hold the reins of power till then?

In this event if the war lasted a few more years, would it not be a case of—"God Help Us?"

If the Upper House for various business considerations, of knight-hoods to be, for mere mistaken Extension Bill, do they not consider they should give some heed to the opinions of a long suffering people?

Is it not the idea of the most intelligent of the long suffering, that it would be disastrous to put off having an election after next Spring?

If they are going to pass, or are compelled to pass this Bill for Bill Coaker, will they embody this as a resolution:—"Till May next but no longer!"

What Sir Edgar Bowring is going to think when he reads the statement of a correspondent in the Daily News that his \$100,000 gift of a Park to the City is a "charity and the cheapest advertisement Bowring Brothers ever had?"

And whether the letter in question should not have been signed "H.O.T. AIR?"

McMurdo's Store News.

FRIDAY, May 10, 1918.
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The Fogota left St. Jacques at 5:40 a.m. yesterday, going west. The Petrel is leaving Clarendville to-day.

MOTOR BOATS CONVEY MAILS.

The north side of Green Bay is again free of ice, and as the overland mail service had to be discontinued, the mail service is being carried out by means of motor boats.

To-Day's Messages.

10.00 A.M.

ABERDEEN GAINING NOTORIETY.

NEW YORK, To-day. After being questioned by District Attorney Swann, Lord Aberdeen, formerly Governor-General of Canada, and Lord Lieut. of Ireland, agreed to-day to abandon the collection of funds in this country for charitable purposes, unless directly connected with the war. He expects to sail shortly with his wife to England. Lord Aberdeen and his wife have been the active heads of an organization, known as the Child Welfare Association, with headquarters in New York, Boston and Philadelphia, which has been collecting funds for the benefit of poor children in Ireland. His Lordship's appearance before the District Attorney was due to the failure of a benefit entertainment at Carnegie Hall, under the auspices of Lord and Lady Aberdeen, at which star attractions which had been advertised failed to appear, and many in the audience demanded and received their money back.

SENT TO BOTTOM.

AN ATLANTIC PORT, To-day. The sinking of a German submarine by a U. S. warship, which with one shot lifted the boat completely out of water, and broke her in two, was reported by officers on the ship on arrival here. Because of the good work of the gunners, the crew of the ship was given an additional furlough of ten days.

ARTILLERY KEEPING AT IT.

ROME, To-day. Active artillery fighting at some points in the Asiago Basin, to the left of the Brenta, and in the Masrda district, is reported in today's official communication. In other sectors enemy troops were hampered by the Italian fire.

NEW NAVAL RAID.

LONDON, To-day. The German submarine base of Ostend on the Belgian coast has been blocked as the result of a new raid by British Naval forces. The Admiralty announces that the obsolete cruiser Vindictive, with concrete, has been sunk across the entrance to the harbor. The British lost one motor boat, and their casualties were slight. Apparently the British have carried out another raid on the German submarine bases on the Belgian coast, similar to the one on April 22nd, when so much damage was done to the harbor and works at Zeebrugge, in the raid on Zeebrugge and Ostend, April 23rd.

THIS FROM BERLIN.

AMSTERDAM, To-day. A strong Allied flying squadron bombed the Mole and the village of Zeebrugge, the German submarine base on the Belgian coast, at noon and in the evening on Thursday. No military damage was done according to an official statement issued in Berlin. Two of the hostile aeroplanes were shot down by German aircraft.

RUSSIANS ACCEPT GERMAN PROPOSALS.

LONDON, To-day. An official Russian wireless says Tcherin, Bolshevik Foreign Minister, has wired the German Government to accept the Russian proposal of German concerning peace negotiations with Ukraine at Kiev. The conditions include unlimited facilities for Russian exports to cross the frontier at Kurek, and the Russians to have a direct wire to Moscow.

WHERE DO THEY GET THEM?

LONDON, To-day. The Central News says that enemy agents are purchasing large quantities of U. S. Notes, for shipment to Austria, by way of Switzerland, to be used for the purchase of this year's crop from the Ukraine. Russian peasants, it is explained, will only accept American notes in payment for their produce.

OIL ON THE TROUBLED WATERS.

AMSTERDAM, To-day. On his return from England, former Minister of War, Colijn, said to the Nieuw Rotterdam Courant, when asked if he went in connection with reported peace missions, that his business in England was in the interest of an Oil Co., of which he is manager. Regarding the coupling of his name with peace rumours, he said he was in entire accord with what Foreign Secretary Balfour said in Parliament, Monday, when he said that there was no representative of a neutral nation in England for the purpose of making suggestions of peace negotiations. An Amsterdam despatch, dated April 30, said that it had been learned Foreign Minister of War Colijn, accompanied by a mission had gone to England aboard a Dutch torpedo ship, the object of the visit was to explain to the British Government, the difficult situation that had arisen in Holland, as a result of the demands upon that country by Germany.

OLD MEN ONLY.

PARIS, To-day. The agreement for the exchange of prisoners of war between France and Germany, reached at Berne, has been officially ratified by the German Government. The agreement will become effective May 15th, after which prisoners of war will be exchanged.

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REVIEW OF EVENTS.

The Lloyd George Ministry has won vindication in the British Parliament, at a time when defeat would have meant a Government crisis. A motion by former Premier Asquith asking for the appointment of a special committee to investigate sensational charges made by Major General E. B. Macleod, published earlier in the week, was voted down by a vote of 285 to 106. The Allied defence on the Flanders front to the southwest of Ypres, has again been tested by the Germans and has been found adequate. There is a constant rumble of heavy artillery fire along the Somme front, but here the British have again improved their position by local attacks. The Canadian forces from New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, have engaged in a successful local attack, south of Arras. On the south sector of the Somme salient, as well as in Lorraine, and other sectors farther south, there have been no combats of a notable character. The artillery of the contending armies continues very active. In the Asiago basin region of the Italian front, and the Breno and Masrda sections have also been centres of heavy bombardments. The city of Amiens is being systematically destroyed by German artillery fire, in spite of the fact that there are no Allied troops in that place, and it is of no military value, since the Allies have constructed lines of communication outside of that city. The venerable Cathedral, one of the finest of Europe, is said to be in peril of destruction.

The Reform Bill in England.

Editor Evening Telegram. Dear Sir:—In yesterday's debate in the Council on the Extension Bill Hon. (?) P. T. McGrath let his imagination run amuck as usual. I have no brief to stand up in defence of Hon. M. P. Gibbs, who appears well able to defend himself, but I wish to bring this political twister McGrath to order in his reference to the late W. E. Gladstone and the Reform Bill. In 1868 Mr. Gladstone was Premier of the House of Commons, Earl Russell being Prime Minister. The latter insisted on bringing in a Reform Bill. The Commons threw it out and the Ministry resigned. Mr. Disraeli became Prime Minister and in 1869 carried through the Reform Bill. Gladstone was in the original draft which had been introduced by Mr. Gladstone in 1866. This is the Reform Bill referred to by Hon. Mr. Gibbs, but as usual P. T. twists it to suit his own arguments. Thanking you in anticipation. Yours truly, HISTORICUS. St. John's, May 10, 1918.

TRANSFORMERS CAUSE TROUBLE.

BLE. The transformers that supply motive power to the Newfoundland Clothing Co., at the Police Station, are causing trouble. The transformers are causing trouble to the supports giving out. The wire attachments prevented from functioning in the ground. As a result of the mishap 180 employees were unable to work for the evening.

NOTE OF THANKS.

Chas. Newbury desires to publicly thank the hospital staff for all that was done for him when he was a patient at that institution; especially does he wish to sincerely thank Drs. Keegan and Campbell who in their professional duties did much to bring about his speedy complete recovery. He would also thank Miss Taylor (Matron), Miss Scott (Head Nurse), and Sisters Larner and Millin for their kindly interest at all times in his condition; and would express his appreciation for the prompt and efficient attendance of Nurses Moores (2), Tibbs, Scott, Greenleaf, Hampton, Milfin, Ellis and Doyle, and desires to thank all kind friends who visited him during his illness.—adv.

DIED.

On March 12th, at the 3rd Australian Clearing Station, France, of wounds received the previous day, Corporal Herbert J. Belbin, aged 26 years, leaving a father and mother and two brothers to mourn the loss of a dearly loved son and brother. As a tribute to his memory a Memorial Service will be held in St. Philip's Church, St. John's, St. John's West, on Sunday, May 12th, at 3 p.m.

Passed peacefully away, on the 9th inst., Thomas J. Vavasour, aged 47 years, leaving a wife, 8 children and 1 brother to mourn their sad loss; funeral on Saturday, at 2:30 p.m., from his late residence, 37 Plymouth Road.



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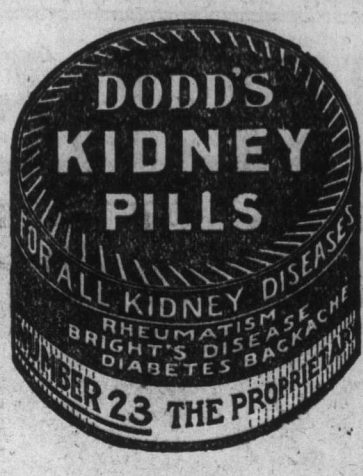
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