



**Evening Telegram**

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C. T. JAMES, Editor  
TUESDAY, September 10, 1918.

**The Result.**

Having announced on Saturday that we purposed instituting enquiries into the matters alleged against the Harbor Grace Shipbuilding Co., we are now in possession of some facts which have been elicited from persons who are in a position to speak with assurance, and we therefore have no hesitation in making them public. In the meantime we have received several letters condemning the unjust and wholly unwarranted suspicions which have arisen, and still perhaps, surround this concern, but as the matter at our disposal, to-day covers most of these, no further details are needed. We give the fullest publicity to the information received in order that our readers may learn for themselves from authoritative sources, something of the bona fides of this new Company recently established at Harbor Grace. Nothing, however, should prevent the Government from investigating anything they think proper, and this should be done at once in justice to both the community and the Company, and in the public interest. Furthermore the result of any investigation of this nature, held should be given to the press, without deletion unless such deletion was in the national interest. Following are some of the facts which enquiry has elicited:

The schooner referred to by a contemporary a few days ago is obviously the "Marne," owned by Christoffer Hannovig of New York, which came to Harbor Grace with a cargo for the Shipbuilding Company. Afterwards she was sent to St. John's with a view to her purchase by the Government, which, however, was not finalized owing to the difficulty of getting the Register changed. The crew of this vessel were articulated in the United States and the company has not heard anything against them. They may be foreigners, but so are many of the officers and men of the Bell Island ore boats. The proper authorities are supposed to keep a record of all crews, which no doubt has been done in the present case.

Certain employees of the Company at Harbor Grace were said to be unable to give explanations of conduct, alleged to be questionable by the military authorities and were thereupon deported. The number of Norwegians on the managing staff were six, including the manager and assistant manager. Their names are in our possession and can be given if necessary. Nothing has been alleged directly against the managing officers, though the conduct of some of the employees has not, in the opinion of the Company, been in its interests. Hence they have been either discharged or sent back to New York. Those under warrant for debt, were discharged from the employ some months ago, hence with these, as with others who have accepted employment elsewhere, the Company's control does not exist. The records of the men discharged or resigned are before us, but we do not consider that their personal affairs warrant publicity.

Operations of the whalers "Hawk" and "Port Saunders" have also been noted upon with suspicion, because of certain baseless allegations. At Cape Broyle where the Whaling Factory is situated, the manager is a foreigner, and there is but one man of that nationality aboard each of the teams, viz., the captains. The crews are all Newfoundlanders, and a addition the Government has a man on each boat, as a further measure of precaution. Therefore it is obvious that no "funny" work can be done by these boats, even if such were intended, and an accusation of that nature is ridiculous. The main enterprise of the Company is the Shipbuilding plant at Harbor Grace, where some three hundred men from superstitious and bosses, down, all of whom being practically local men, are employed. Further comment is unnecessary. The Company desires the strictest and most searching investigation into its affairs in every direction, by the proper authorities, at all times, so that if any reasonable ground of suspicion is found it may be dealt with. The concern is owned by Christoffer Hannovig, Inc., of Broadway, New York. It operates five large shipbuilding plants in the United

States and two at Toronto, Canada, and is not to be believed subjected to any of the annoyances and troubles which the local company is meeting. The controllers of the company are well known in London, England, and have a banking institution there. It is to be thought that enquiry of the Governments of the United Kingdom, the United States and Canada would produce satisfactory information concerning the standing of this company, and it would surprise the local management if the authorities had not already directed an enquiry to these Governments. The Harbor Grace staff is not only willing but anxious to give all the information the local authorities might desire. They naturally are hurt and indignant over the absurd stories which have been circulated without the shadow of foundation. Being foreigners they feel more acutely the baseless aspersions on their loyalty to the country to which they have come for the purpose of carrying on an industry of supreme importance to a maritime people. We might further add that those who represent the Shipbuilding Company locally have their honor impugned by the reports being put abroad and we think it only proper to say that there is not a representative in this town who would not deem it his first duty, as a citizen of this country, if he saw anything, or became acquainted with anything, of a suspicious or treasonable nature, to report it to the authorities, and such duty would over-ride all business relationships.

There are some other circumstances in connection with certain matters which could be published, but we think that enough has been written to prove that so far as Christoffer Hannovig, Inc. is concerned, that corporation in Newfoundland and elsewhere is not in communication with the enemy.

**Returning From Africa.**

By the express which left Port aux Basques this morning, Capt. J. B. O'Reilly, R.A.M.C., is a passenger. Capt. O'Reilly, who is a son of Inspector O'Reilly, I. S. O., has been for over a year with the British Forces operating in German East Africa and is now on a short furlough home. During his service with the German East Africa B. E. F. he contracted several of the diseases peculiar to that territory, but has fully recovered from the effects. His many friends will give him a hearty welcome.

**Reids Boats.**

The Argyle left Burin at 8.30 a.m. yesterday. The Argyle left Campbellton at 9 a.m. yesterday. The Dundee left Bonavista at 9.55 a.m. yesterday. The Ethie was not reported since leaving Humbermouth on the 7th. The Home left Exploits at 10.25 a.m. yesterday, outward. The Fogota leaves St. John's today for Placentia. The Sagona reached Hopedale on the 7th.

**Here and There.**

**When you want Steaks, Chops, Cutlets and Collops, try ELLIS'.**

**WEATHER REPORT.**—The weather across country is calm and fine on west coast; S. E. winds and foggy on east coast; temperature 40 to 52 above.

**Stafford's Drug Store, Theatre Hill, will be open every night till 9.30.—sep7,1f**

**FOR THE WEST.**—Passengers who intend going west by the "Pocota" can make connections at Placentia by leaving by the 8.45 train to-morrow morning.

**WANTED.**—A Vest Maker; apply to SPURRELL the Tailor, 365 Water Street.—sep10,eod,1f

**FISHING SEASON ENDS.**—On the 15th of this month, the trout and salmon fishery season will end, and on the 20th, the shooting season for game birds and rabbits, will begin.

**FOOTBALL NOTICE.**—Owing to weather conditions tonight's football match is postponed until Friday evening.—11

**RE-BUILDING ROOF.**—Messrs. J. & F. Davey have a number of carpenters engaged re-building the roof of Messrs. Nicholls, Inkpen and Chafe's dry goods store. The building which is one of the oldest on Water Street, will when the new roof is completed be quite modern in every respect.

**To-Day's Messages.**

1.00 P. M.

**SUCCESSFUL ATTACK.**

**BRITISH ARMY HEADQUARTERS** Sept. 9 (Canadian Press to Reuter's, Ltd.)—This morning's attack between Goussencourt and Epheys is completely successful. Considerable resistance was encountered from strong pockets of Germans with machine guns. The attack partook of the character of a reconnaissance in force by strong skirmishing patrols, as a result of which we carried Goussencourt Wood, which lies on high ground to the northwest of the town.

**SEISMIC DISTURBANCE.**

**OTTAWA, Sept. 9.** A severe earthquake was registered at the Dominion Observatory on Saturday afternoon. The officials at the Observatory report that the quake is one of the most severe registered in years. The first preliminary tremors occurred at 1 h. 28 mins. and 24 secs. p.m. local summer time, and the disturbance continued for over five hours. The distance to the origin was 7,000 kilometres, or 4,500 miles.

**DEVONSHIRE'S DECLARATION.**

**CHICAGO, Sept. 9.** "We will not negotiate terms of peace, but will dictate them," the Duke of Devonshire, Governor General of Canada, declared in a speech at a banquet given in his honor tonight. "The war will end, it may be in months or may be in years, only when we have certain assurances that the menace of Prussian autocracy and militarism is not only defeated but stamped out for all time," he said.

**SOME GERMAN STATEMENTS.**

**WITH THE BRITISH ARMY IN FRANCE, Sept. 9.** (By the A.P.)—The German command has discovered that its troops are unable to emerge from deep dugouts in time to meet infantry attacks, following on bombardments, so quickly do the Allied soldiers co-operating with the tanks move these days. Thus it would seem that the Hindenburg line may be in considerable alteration at various places along the front, including Douai. Further corroboration of the enemy's shortage of ammunition has been obtained from German prisoners, who said they had been receiving only limited allotments daily. Some idea of the state of the German morale may be had from the following quotations picked at random from captured German documents and letters. One German wrote home, but did not get a chance to post the letter: "I have been in the line for fourteen weeks. Johann is being well looked after. I wish I too was a prisoner of war." Another letter reads: "When we retired two Alsatians remained behind. If they had only said they were going to desert, many more would have stayed with them." Another message says, "Our men are completely exhausted, and can hardly stand upright." Another says, "The men cannot keep their eyes open, owing to fatigue. They must have relief." Still another soldier says, "We hear that the Bavarians and Saxons no longer wish to fight. How is it going to end?" Captured orders indicate that the German air service is being well combed out, and that airplane machines, much to their disgust, are being drafted into the infantry. One mechanic wrote to his brother in great detail what he should do in order not to be removed from the air forces. It appears that even the anti-aircraft batteries are parting with as much as ten per cent of their effectiveness so that more men may be had for the infantry.

**GERMANY NOT STARVING.**

**WASHINGTON, D.C., Sept. 9.** Germany is not on the verge of starvation, ira Nelson Morris, American Minister to Sweden, said to-day in reminding the American people that every energy must be put into the war. Mr. Morris said his statements regarding the food situation were based on many reports from reliable sources, which had reached him at Stockholm. It was prompted by many published reports regarding conditions in the German Empire, which had come to his attention, since he recently returned to the United States. There can be no question, the Minister said, that there is a shortage of most of the essentials of life, but to state that this borders on the verge of starvation is erroneous and misleading.

**THE SUPREME SACRIFICE.**

**OTTAWA, Ont., Sept. 9.** Casualties, Nfld. names: Infantry killed in action: G. C. Garland, Lower Island Cove, Conception Bay; died of wounds, E. Martin, Nfld.

**UNCLE SAM'S TROUBLES.**

**NEW YORK, Sept. 9.** A strike of garment workers, affiliated with the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America, which it effected, would make speedy equipment of the new army, which registers Thursday, practically impossible, is threatened for October, in accordance to a statement issued here to-night by

Leon Mann, Managing Director of the American Clothing Mfg. Association.

**ENEMY OPPOSITION OVERCOME.**

**WITH THE FRENCH ARMY IN FRANCE, Sept. 9** (by the A. P.)—French troops forced the crossing of the Crosses Canal to-day, overcoming strong opposition, and occupied positions in the triangle formed by the two branches of the Canal and the road from Lafere to St. Quentin. They also advanced north of the Oise, taking the Lys fort, and north of the Oise, capturing Etreviller and Neuple. Though these were only operations of details, they tightened the lines around both St. Quentin and Lafere, greatly facilitating future operations against both towns. General Humbert's forces now command the entire region west of the river, and the Canal from Lafere north, and beyond a single track railroad, that crossed the river at Messieres, they command all of the approaches to St. Quentin from the northwest, and south are within a few miles of the town. Occupation of Fort Lys gives the French command, not only of the entire country around Lafere, but of the valley of the Oise, to a considerable distance northward, the valley of the Sere eastward, and the railroad line leading to the Laon Citadel, which is visible from the height. General Mangin's army south of the Oise took German clothing in one Laferre from the south, while they improved their position north of Lafere. Both the third and tenth French armies are now practically on the line where the pursuit of the Germans stopped in the spring of 1917. German prisoners say that orders recently issued are to fight to the last man to hold the present positions. There are indications, however, that the Germans have less confidence than last year in the invincibility of this line as they make more sacrifices to hold their position in front of it without avail, and the burning of Lafere betrays the fear that the line is not entirely safe there.

**WAR ENTERS ON NEW PERIOD.**

**PARIS, Sept. 9.** The Allies are now almost back to the line they occupied before the German offensive, after six weeks of unbroken victory, and the war has entered a period not of calm but of precaution, with the promise of just as wonderful things to follow. The dry, and on the whole, fine weather which helped Marshal Foch to turn the tables on the Germans so fast, has now ended, and a warm, stormy spell has set in. The fighting yesterday centred south of Cambrai, south of St. Quentin, and to the heights north of Soissons, three vital spots for the Germans, who resisted desperately but unsuccessfully the Allied forward thrust. The German heavy artillery is becoming active from Arras to Rheims, indicating that General Ludendorff fears further removal will be forced upon him. Military critics here are guessing what Foch will do next. Critics credited with having inside information are displaying much ingenuity and variety in their descriptions of the coming moves on the different parts of the front, but the belief is fixed and confident throughout France that there is little danger of General Ludendorff being allowed to buttress himself again.

**A Nice Young Man.**

In these days of Hindenburg's Eastern glory, Belgian massacres and the Hymn of Hate, the figure of the German Crown Prince, adorned with a ghastly head-dress bearing a skull, flamed the flame of enemy ambition. Germans everywhere, unleashed at last for battle or conspiracy, hailed the childless strippling as the incarnation of the Fatherland's lust, and built up their rosy dreams of the Prussian future mainly upon the ardent nature and savage character they knew him to possess.

By throwing the whole weight of his influence into play to glorify German war, the Crown Prince was a prime factor in stimulating the national egotism that made the attack on civilization in 1914 seem natural and fitting as a process for the punishment of supposedly weaker breeds of men. When war began and extended strangely beyond the limits set by the plotters of the Wilhelmstrasse, party leaders in Germany, still drunk with pan-German liquor, rallied to his name and made effective use of his personality and ideas in dangling the world prize ever before a maddened people.

And this nice young man who is quoted now as saying temperate, dispassionate things about the war, and who had suddenly decided to take the interest of a normal being in what had been going on. Victory, he says, means only safeguarding the Fatherland. The moment England entered the war, he knew it.

The Crown Prince is not the only German personage who may be expected to get lightning changes from rage to reason, as the new peace offensive opens. What a relief it must be to these swashbucklers, after their ungenerous parts are spoken out on the stage to get back behind the scenes again with the beer and the bottles.—Montreal Daily Star.

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*James Baird*

**Narrow Escape Along the Waterfront.**

**FROM DROWNING—GALLANT RESCUE.**

Saturday afternoon Pouch Cove was the scene of what very nearly amounted to a tragedy but for the bravery of one man. Two men named John Sullivan and Walter Gould, were driven out shore in their motor boat. The engine of which broke down. They were drifting away to sea when a man in another motor boat who was passing threw them a line and attempted to tow them to shore. However, his engine being a small one, and the seas raging furiously, he had to abandon the attempt and severed the tow line as he did not wish to be drowned himself. In the meantime the entire population of Pouch Cove were assembled on the shore watching with anxious hearts the tragedy that was being enacted before their very eyes. It seemed that nothing could be done, and the castaways fate seemed to be black indeed, when a man named Reginald Sullivan, who is a fish buying agent of Bowring Bros., called for volunteers to man a large skiff, and within a few minutes had ten. Then he asked if anyone else would command another skiff, and accompany him out. Another man whose name is Diamond quickly volunteered, and within a few minutes two large skiffs, each manned by ten stalwarts, were plunging through the seas in the gallant endeavor to save the two men. They soon reached the helpless motor boat and trying on tow ropes towed her safely to shore. The two men had nearly succumbed when their rescuers arrived, and the people scattered along the shore were praying for their safety. The man Reginald Sullivan, assuredly deserves some recognition for his initiative and dauntless courage, and the Telegram very cheerfully speaks his due.

The Mable H. Hickman's Harbour, John Penney, Master, arrived here a few days ago with a cargo of lumber, billets, etc., for Steer Bros. She will leave about the end of the week. The schooner Chips, John Roberts, Master, from Valleyfield, B.B., arrived here recently and went on dock. She leaves port to-morrow with a full cargo of salt for La Scie and Till Cove, and will bring back a cargo of salt fish.

Crosbie's Earl of Devon is at the wharf of the Produce Co. The sear, E. A. Woodman, Harry Morgan master, from New Hr., T.R., got in here a few days ago. She is now at Godridge's wharf. The Woodman brought fish, hoops, etc., which she has not yet unloaded.

The S. S. Portia left Grand Bank at 7.30 this morning. She is due here Thursday morning. The Mary Cashin, formerly owned by Hon. M. P. Cashin, Walter G. Cull, master, from Caplin Cove, C.B., got in last night with a cargo of fish for Bowring Bros. She will unload when the weather permits. When discharged she will take a general cargo, and will then bring back fish again.

M. E. Martin's new 450 ton vessel, built by Mannes, Norris Arm, will be captained by Capt. Doyle, and will be used in the foreign fish trade. The Lunenburg banker Itaska, I. Ritcey, master, arrived here this morning from Grand Banks, where she has been fishing for a 7 weeks' stretch. The Itaska which reports for 3,000 qts, came in here for salt. She reports fish plentiful, squid scarce, and weather fine. She will sail in a day or two.

The Allan F. Rose, Belleoram, Clere, master, arrived here last evening from St. Lawrence, on her way to Labrador. She is now at Harvey's wharf.

**PERSONAL.**—The Misses Sheila Conroy, Pauline Campbell and Harris (2) leave by the express to-morrow to resume their studies at the Sacred Heart Convent, Halifax.

**MISSING MEN SAFE.**—The following message from John Abbott, Bonavista, was received by the Minister of Marine and Fisheries this morning: "Three men, Geo. Dyke, Samuel Soper, Walter Soper, driven off here on Saturday, 7th, got back safely about midnight."

**MINARD'S LINDNET CURE.**—MAN'S FRIEND.

**THIS IS THE HOOK TO CATCH 'EM.**

Fishermen, you see by the reports from Norway how they catch such enormous quantities of fish. Well, the Mustad's Key Brand Hook is used exclusively in that country. See that you get the Key Brand. *Mustad's*

A child's hat may be small, gray and faced with dull green angora. It is calculated that in large towns steamers more than 3,000 articles of glass and china are broken on every voyage.

**DIED.**  
Saturday, Sept. 7th, of whooping cough, pneumonia, Kathleen, second child of John and Elizabeth Power, aged 2 years.  
Passed peacefully away on August 28th, at 1244 De La Roche Street, Albert Park, John Cook, beloved husband of Olivia Cummins, age 64 years of St. John's, Newfoundland. Interment took place August 28th at Mount Royal Cemetery, Montreal.  
This morning after a short illness, Matthew Dillon, aged 19 years and 8 months, leaving father, mother, four brothers and three sisters to mourn their loss; funeral on Thursday, 2.30 p.m., from his late residence, Signal Hill Road.

Passed peacefully away, last night at Ferryland, of heart failure, after a lingering illness, fortified by rites of Holy Church, William Michael Patrick, son of Patrick and Winifred Patrick, and brother of the late Pte. Patrick Farrell of the Royal Nfld. Regiment, in his 23rd year, leaving father, mother, one brother and three sisters to mourn their sad loss.—R.L.P.  
At 1 p.m. to-day, Alexander Brown, aged 63 years, a native of Dundee, Scotland, leaving a wife and one daughter to mourn their sad loss. Funeral on Thursday at 3 o'clock from his late residence, 128 Hamilton Street.

**NOTE OF THANKS.**—Mr. and Mrs. John Ryan desire to express their sincere thanks to all who sympathized with them in their sad bereavement on the death of their dear daughter Florence, and the following friends who sent wreaths to adorn the casket of the deceased: Miss Gertrude Phoenix, Mrs. and Mrs. J. P. Kiley, Mr. and Mrs. Brophy, Mrs. Canning, Mr. John Canning, Mrs. John Bailey, and all other, one brother and three sisters to mourn their loss.—R.L.P.  
Mrs. Kennedy and Mrs. Sami-son, for their kind care and attention during her long illness.

**When you want Sausages, get ELLIS'; they're the best.**

**Our Baseba**  
**PLAGIARISED AN**  
TO-MORROW'S BIG BASEBALL EVENT.

If you want to see the class brand of baseball that Newfoundland can produce; if you want to have fun, thrill, good-natured repartee and victory attend either one or both of the baseball games to-morrow morning at afternoon at St. George's Field. For the morning, Major Montgomerie (the manager of the City team) has arranged a game between the first and second choice players of this will be the final tryout of the home team. On the floor of play will select those who are to journey forth the next day to meet the Grand Falls team to decide the resting place of the coveted R. G. Reid trophy for the next year. Mr. Geo. W. B. Ayer is sponsoring the "A" team; and, by desiring to win against his aggregation, is that ardent and astute manager of athletic events, Mr. Jim Vincombe. This being so, "a barrel of fun" is assured those who attend the morning session. The line-ups will be: Ayer's Chickens: Vinnicombe's Pitches: Catcher... Canning; First Base... Clouston; Second Base... Dugan; Third Base... Quill; Short-stop... McCrindle; Right Field... Doyle; Centre Field... Grace; Left Field... Phelan; Spares... Thomas.

**Grand Falls Memorialise Govt.**

**FOR RETENTION OF MAGISTRATE FITZGERALD.**  
Special to Evening Telegram.  
GRAND FALLS, Sept. 9, 1918. Memorial asking for retention of Magistrate Fitzgerald being submitted for signatures of citizens and will be forwarded to His Excellency the Governor in due course. Public are of opinion that judicial requirements of this community during past ten years have been impartially performed by Magistrate Fitzgerald, and his services in other respects are fully appreciated, and any change under present circumstances is both unjust and inexpedient.  
FRED W. WILLS.  
G. J. McPHERSON.  
M. J. SHALLOW.  
A. C. RAINES.

**Hospital Report.**

Editor Evening Telegram.  
Dear Sir,—The Visiting Committee of the Newfoundland War Contingent Association reports the condition of the following men in Hospital:—  
Progressing favourably.—2578 Martin Chate, 3579 Pte. Willis Harris, 5331 Pte. James Hardy, 2472 Pte. James Garford, 2669 Pte. Gordon Harris. —  
Favorable of War Health Report.—240 Lt.-Col. Arthur Jesseau writes he is in good health.  
Yours faithfully,  
J. R. BENNETT,  
Minister of Militia.

**Casualty List.**

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Improving.  
4073—Pte. James White, Catalina, Nfld. Previously reported.  
At King George Hospital, London.  
4081—Pte. Peter Bishop, Long Point, Manitoba, C.B. Injury to fingers left hand. Amputation of first joint second finger.  
At King George Hospital, London, "Hospitalized Prisoners of War."  
2740—Pte. Andrew Shaw, Little Hart's Base, C.B. G.S.W. left hip, severe.  
3000—Pte. Philip Oliver, 29 Field Coy., City, G.S.W. right shoulder, severe.