



Evening Telegram

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THURSDAY, March 27, 1919.

Militia Department Explains.

On Friday last the Telegram published a communication from a Carboner correspondent, in which it was alleged that an ex-soldier of the Regiment, a Military Medalist, belonging to that town, had been very shabbily treated by the Militia Authorities, and seriously reflecting on the neglect of those responsible for the care of our returned men, particularly those who were wounded. On Saturday the Departmental Head requested from us the name of the soldier in question, which was furnished, engaging to make enquiry into the circumstances set forth in the Carboner article.

The result of that enquiry has now been handed us, the report being signed by Capt. W. H. Parsons, R. A. M.C., Secretary of the Board of Pensions Commissioners of Newfoundland, and sets forth that:

About the first week in December, Capt. Parsons, whilst visiting Carboner, was asked to see the man, who is the subject of the present enquiry, and upon examination, found him to be in a much worse condition than at the time of his discharge, physical examination showing a condition in the lung, which was probably tubercular, and the sufferer was advised to come to St. John's and enter hospital, arrangements for his admission to the Naval and Military Institution being made. On December 9th, 1918, he was admitted and on January 18th, 1919, was transferred to the St. Thomas' Rectory Hospital, which place, however, he left the same day, explaining in a letter later that he did not consider the bed fit to sleep in. Subsequently other arrangements were made with Doctors Boyle and Stentford, Carboner, to have him boarded there. The Pension Board met on February 7th and reported condition of the man, recommending him for further treatment, which he agreed to take. His admission to the Rectory Hospital was approved by the D. M. S., and pension at the rate of \$50 per month was allowed while in Hospital, and he was communicated with accordingly on February 10th. The following day by letter he refused to come into Hospital, suggesting that he would receive better treatment at home. On receipt of a letter from Dr. Stentford, referring to this case, the Board Secretary replied stating that if the Carboner doctor would give a certificate that the sick soldier would be better at home, the case would be placed before the Board. Nothing more having been heard concerning the matter, the Pensions Board on March 10th, decided that, because of having refused treatment, they would have to deduct one-third from the man's total pension, according to regulations. Other efforts were made to get further information, but up to date of report, March 26th, nothing had been received from Carboner, although the member for the district had been approached by Doctor Parsons on the matter. Regarding pension the report shows that this man has been paid up to January 16.

On February 1st a cheque for \$10 was sent to the Rectory Hospital, which was returned, and it was thereupon held over until a final decision, as to whether he was going into hospital or not, was received. Another cheque was forwarded on March 1st, which is still outstanding. The regulation is that a man in Hospital is to receive \$10 per month, and the balance of his monthly pension at the end of his treatment, or if necessary, on application, he might get it before.

We have given this space to the report on the case, in order that everything may be made clear. Apparently the Pensions Board did everything compatible with the regulations for the care of the man involved. We make no comment on either the letter of our correspondent or the report of the Board, as if there is anything at variance between the two, our Carboner correspondent will return to the subject.

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

Demobilization of the R. N. R.

Department of Militia,
St. John's, March 26th, 1919.
B. B. Harris, Esq.,
Secretary Great War Veterans' Association.

Sir:—A short while ago a deputation of your Association waited on me and presented various suggestions, one of which was the matter of a more speedy demobilization of the Royal Naval Reservists. Although this particular matter in no way comes within the purview of the duties of this Department, I undertook to represent your case to the Government. The matter was considered by the Government, and I have now received a reply, copy of which I have the honour to attach herewith, for the information of your Association.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,
J. R. BENNETT,
Minister of Militia.

[COPY.]

March 11th, 1919.
Sir,—Referring to your letter of the 25th, February, respecting demobilization at the Royal Naval Reserve Men, I have the honour to intimate that I have received a report from Commander MacDermott, to whom the Government wrote respecting this matter. Commander MacDermott states that he has represented the same to the Admiralty, and every effort is being made by the authorities to discharge the men as quickly as possible and to have those on the other side returned to Newfoundland in time to take up the season's fishery. The authorities are in sympathy with this proposal, and every endeavour will be made to carry it out. The difficulty upon the other side is the matter of transports but it is hoped that as the weeks go by this will solve itself as ships are released from other services.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,
(Sgd.) W. W. HALFORD,
Colonial Secretary.

J. R. Bennett, Esq.,
Minister of Militia.

Two Boys Drowned.

Last evening Inspector General Hutchings was in receipt of the following message from Constable McMillan of Spaniard's Bay, which tells of two boys losing their lives by drowning on their way home from school, "John Jewer, aged 12, and Hector Gosse, aged 9½, drowned in Northern Cove Pond to-day, when returning from school."

(Sgd.) E. W. MIFFLIN.

Socony Wrecked.

The auxiliary schr. Socony, of the Standard Oil Co., is a total wreck on a reef off the Isle of Pines. The schr. was manned by Captain Vardy, and a crew of Newfoundlanders, and at the time of wrecking was on her way to New York from Jamaica. The Isle of Pines, one of the West Indian group, is south of Cuba. It is low and swampy and part hilly.

Casualty List.

RECEIVED MARCH 27th, 1919.
Previously Reported Wounded and Missing, now Reported Killed in Action on or After October 30th.
2675—Pte. Leonard Webb, Victoria Cove, Gander Bay.

Duchess Connaught's Canadian Red Cross Hospital, Taplow, England.
4899—Pte. Isaac Harding, Epworth, Burin; diphtheria.

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A Grand Success.

Wesley Bible Class concert and sociable held last night proved a grand success. Long before the opening of the programme the hall was packed to its utmost capacity. Rev. W. B. Bugden acted as chairman, the following taking part in the programme: Misses F. Pike, M. Joliffe, Kendall (2); Messrs. Bulley, Wheeler, Ruggles and King. During the evening candy was for sale and quite a nice sum was realized. At the conclusion of the programme refreshments were served by the Ladies' Aid. The officers and members of the class wish to thank all those who helped in any way to make the concert and sociable of 1919 the best in the history of the class.

Police Court.

Only one case came before Court this morning, that of assault, which was withdrawn, and the hallmaster of the Court room had to brave the biting cold of the street after spending but a few minutes in the comfortable warmth. Needless to state there were heard from all sides loud denunciations of the disgraceful condition of things in the city to-day—to think that only one case came up for hearing, and that to be withdrawn just as the wretches had settled down to a quiet nap. We trust that no further trouble of this nature will arise in future.

Sealing News.

BOWRING BROS.
March 26th.

From S. S. Eagle—Men have panned 500 to-day; seals very scattered.
From S. S. Terra Nova—Working scattered seals all day in space twenty miles; few hundred taken. No one can find any patch.
From S. S. Ranger—Nothing new to report.

To MIN. MARINE & FISHERIES.
S. S. Sable L.—Continued fog; crew all on board and well.
No messages received by Job Bros. to-day.

JAS. BAIRD, LTD.
S. S. Diana—Position 50 miles N.N.E. of the Funks; have on board 1,000 old and 2,000 young hoods. Ship in good condition, ice heavy, making slow progress.

CROSBIE'S.
S. S. Fogota is reported as being in company with S. S. Thetis and S. S. Eagle picking up scattered seals. All the crew are well.

BAINE JOHNSTON'S.
No reports were received from S. S. Seal to-day.

Norwegian Fishery.

Reports of the Norwegian fishery to date give
Lofoden 3,700,000
All other sources 5,300,000
Total 9,000,000
For a corresponding period in 1918:
Lofoden 3,200,000
All other sources 4,959,000
Total 8,159,000
While in 1914 for a similar time the catch was:—
Lofoden 5,600,000
All other sources 35,500,000
Total 41,100,000

McMurdo's Store News.

THURSDAY, March 27, 1919.
Saniflush is used for one purpose and for one purpose only—for cleaning toilet bowls. But it performs that purpose perfectly and thoroughly without any trouble and at very moderate cost. A tin of Saniflush should find a place in every home. Price (24 oz. tins) 35c. tin.
Nursery Hair Lotion has proved most successful in thoroughly cleansing the head of all vermin. It is non-poisonous and not at all messy or greasy. Mothers will find it a sure thing. Price 30c. a bottle.

Fined \$100.00.

Deputy Minister of Customs has received a message saying that Messrs. C. and D. Bartlett of Curling, were before the magistrate there charged with a breach of the Prohibition Act, in selling Florida Water. They were fined \$100 each and costs.

Engineer Breaks Leg.

At 5.30 yesterday, Mr. Walter Leseman, Marine engineer, fell on Water Street, near Springdale Street, breaking his leg just above the ankle. He slipped on the street car rail, falling heavily to the ground. Immediately a large crowd gathered, and an ambulance was quickly on the scene. Mr. Leseman was then conveyed to the General Hospital, where he is now doing fine.

Shipping Notes.

The schr. Jean Campbell, which put into Barbados, February 6th, for repairs, after being 80 days out from Cadiz, has discharged her salt cargo there and been docked. She loads molasses for this port and should soon be leaving.

The schr. Clintonia, Capt. Rogers, has put into Horta, Azores, for repairs. She left Lisbon on February 6th for this port, and after being 18 days out from Cadiz to here was obliged to put back. The captain and crew are all well.

The s.s. Wellington has cleared from Job Bros. Ltd., with 19,101½ qtls. of codfish for Lisbon.
The Gladys M. Hollett has arrived at Burin from Santa Pola with a cargo of salt consigned to W. T. Hollett. The s.s. Adolph left New York at 5 o'clock last evening for this port direct.

The s.s. Coban is due here when ice conditions permit.

Here and There.

When you want Steaks, Chops, Cutlets and Collops, try ELLIS'.
ROPER & THOMPSON—Bar. 29.54; Ther. 39.

The C. C. C. Band will meet for practice to-morrow (Friday) night, instead of to-night.—11

SHIPPING.—Schr. Armored arrived at Naples on March 24th; all well.

THE CITY'S DEPARTMENT STORE at Grace Building is to be entirely renovated after the show and sale—now in progress. We will continue to specialize in LADIES' HATS, SUITS, DRESSES and COATS, during the present season.—mar25,31

MEN'S CLOTHING BARGAIN

G. KNOWLING, Limited.

Read the following offerings and stop and consider what it costs for making and trimming a suit and it will then strike you what an opportunity it is to secure

Men's Suits at almost Half To-Day's Value.
These consist of well made and finished clothing, some odd clearing lines and others only just received, being nearly fifteen months on the way.

MEN'S TWEED SUIT BARGAIN	MEN'S BLACK VICUNA SUIT BARGAIN
This special purchase consists of well made and good cut and finish Dark Tweed Suits, for not much more than cost of making; all sizes.	We can only do these suits in sizes 3 and 4; being odd sizes we offer them at about half price, viz.:
\$10.50 and \$11.75	\$20.00 \$25.00
Per Suit.	Per Suit.
There is only a limited quantity, so would suggest an early inspection.	These are really worth from \$35.00 to \$45.00.

See Our Men's New Grey Cord Suits, \$24.50.

MEN'S WHITE SHIRT BARGAIN	MEN'S FANCY COLORED SHIRT BARGAIN
Consider this offering of a high grade, well made and finished white unlaundered shirt for	This is a big money saving bargain, nearly all sizes, in fancy colored dressed and colored Negligee, with collar attached to shirts.
60 cts.	70 cts.
White Dressed Shirt, slightly soiled,	Each.
50 cts.	These would be good value at \$1.00 and \$1.50.
Worth \$1.25 to \$1.50.	

Navy Serge Suits, Special Values, Well Made & Trimmed, \$11.75 and \$14.00

MEN'S TWEED COAT BARGAIN—Slightly soiled.	MEN'S BLACK VICUNA OVERCOAT BARGAIN
We therefore offer these at less than	—Sizes, 3, 4, 5 only, worth to-day about \$40.00.
Half Price, viz., \$3.75	We offer \$10.00
MEN'S TWEED SUIT BARGAIN—Sizes 3 and 4	MEN'S WOOL WAIST COAT BARGAIN—All sizes
only, worth from \$16.00 to \$20.00.	at present in stock; high class garment, Jaeger lined
Our Price \$10.00	lined \$2.90, \$3.50 to \$6.75

Men's Clothing Dept. **G. Knowling, Ltd.,** Clothing Dept.
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S. A. Hospital Campaign.

Previously acknowledged—\$16,609.24
\$25.00 each—Clarence Taylor, Wm. Thompson.

\$20.00—J. R. Robertson.
\$10.00 each—Saxon & Co., Acadia Gas Engines, Ltd., T. J. Edens, Percie Johnson, J. W. Morris.

\$5.00 each—M. Moors, Joseph Bages, Geo. W. Rabbitts, Mrs. C. Buckley, Mrs. Thos. Carnell, Kenneth Burden, Mrs. Hareman, Capt. Wm. Snow, Mrs. Thos. Driscoll, A. E. Worrall.

\$4.00 each—Friend, Messrs McDougall.

\$3.00—R. S. Pearcey.

\$2.50—Friend.
\$2.00—Ex-Lieut. W. J. Clare, Mrs. John Earl, M. G. Hastings, Mrs. J. Hawvermale, G. H. Badcock, Friend, Mrs. Edward Roberts, T.M.H. Miss Janet Stewart, W. Lidstone, Mrs. J. M. Brown.

\$1.50—Mr. E. Milley.
\$1.00 each—Mrs. H. Carter, Jas. J. Whelan, J. W. Rosemary, Elinor O'Neill, Wm. T. Pippy, Mrs. W. F. Pippy, A. Abbott, Mrs. Albert Omand, B. MacGregor, Mrs. Chafe, Isabel Buckley, Mrs. Samuel Peaver, Friend, Friend, Rev. J. Brinton, Gladys Baird, Mrs. Lankin, A.G. & S.G., Mrs. L. James, Friend, Mrs. A. Fraser, Wm. Barrett, F. Pynn, Friend, Gladys M. Grant, Wm. O'Brien, John Fowler, Mrs. Hiscock, W.W.P., C. Quick, A. E. Pitcher, Sarah Hillier, Dockman, M. Sinnott, B. Peach, B. E. Hallyard, S. Butler, Mrs. S. G. Cullen, John Morecombe, Nellie Osborne, Mrs. E. Shaw.

From Cape Race.
Special to Evening Telegram.
CAPT. RACE, To-day.

Wind east, light, weather clear; ice packing on land; a three-master schooner was in sight at 8 a.m. about ten miles southwest, outside of ice. Bar. 29.60; Ther. 44.

M. C. L. L.—To-night at 7.45. Resolved: That Newfoundland should demand Compulsory Education to be passed at the first session of the Legislature following the next general election, and that excess wealth be taxed to meet the extra cost. The question of the annual dinner will also be further considered.—mar27,11

MINARD'S LINIMENT CURES DISTEMPER.

St. John's and New York.

"Faster than aeroplanes," remarked a fan of the L. N. & P. Assn., "only a few minutes from the city to New York by way of Grace Building." Come in and let us show you how. The L. N. & P. Assn.—mar25,31

BORN.
On March 25th, a daughter to T. W. and Mrs. Sparkes, 114 Springdale St.

DIED.
On March 13th, at Little Bay, Mrs. Agnes Walker, leaving a husband, 1 daughter, 2 sons, 3 sisters and 3 brothers to mourn their sad loss.

On the 26th inst., after a short illness, Walter, darling child of William and Eleanor Reid, aged 1 year and 10 months.—Asleep in Jesus.

Suddenly, at 10.30 a.m. yesterday, of epilepsy, Frank Walsh, aged 27 years, son of Patrick and Mary Walsh, leaving to mourn him wife, 3 children and five brothers. Funeral at 2.30 p.m. Friday, from his late residence, No. 11 Sheehan Street.

This morning, Nathaniel Sparkes, aged 81 years, leaving a wife and nine children.

Suddenly, at her daughter's residence, 93 Springdale Street, of heart failure, Emma, beloved wife of Joseph Miller (Angel), aged 93 years, leaving husband and four daughters to mourn the loss of a kind and loving wife and mother. Funeral at Topsail, on Saturday, at 2.30 p.m.

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A soft, non-irritable quality in suitable weight for spring wear; with garter tops; seamless feet. Regular \$1.00 pair. Friday and Saturday 85c.

WOMEN'S DONGOLA BOOTS.

In a most comfortably fitting shape made from a very fine quality Dongola Kid in high cut. Full