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RE LABOR RATES.

Editor Evening Telegram Dear Sir,-I send you herewith copy of further correspondence that has been exchanged with the L.S.P.U. regarding the above, and shall be pleased if you can find space for same in the Telegram, as it is a quesof prime importance to the whole country and particularly to the citi- ment.

no reply from the L.S.P.U. to For the information of the public the rates at present in force are: For steamboat labor, 58 1-2 cents For wharf labor, packers and bar-

rowmen, 37 4-5 cents per hour.

Ordinary labor, yaffing fish, etc., 3 The argeement made with the L.S August 25, 1921.

> For steamboat labor, 50 cents per For wharf labor, packers and bor-owmen, 35 cents per hour.

Ordinary labor, yaffling fish, etc., 29 The employers are merely insisting upon the carrying out of this agree

zens of St. John's. We have so far had The agreement contained the fol our lowing provision:-"That it must be understood that "the cost of living between July 1921 "and May 1922, either party shall be

at liberty to ask a reconsideration of

As a matter of fact there has been

Recording Secretary, L.S.P.U., City. Dear Sir,—With reference to our etter of 6th inst., and to our suggestion for a meeting with the delegation from your body, we have heard from your delegate, Mr. Coady, that it is not convenient for you to send a deputation to-day, and we think that under the circumstances it is just as P.U. in May last provided that the well for us to write you to express rates on and after 1st July should be: the views of the members of our Association so that you can place same first before your Executive for consideration. If after they have considered same they wish to meet a deputation from our body for further information we can no doubt arrange a meeting some evening in the near future. Otherwise we assume you will call a meeting of your body and place our etter before them.

The main point we wish to place beere you is that the members of our Association are very firm in their be-lief that a reduction of wages to the cale existing between May 1921 and proved by independent parties, if nec-proved by independent parties, essary. Apart, altogether, however, from the question of the reduced cost of living, the truth is that the business of the country as it exists to-day cannot stand the present high rates of labor in St. John's; this is applicable ployed, the consequences must be both to the question of steamers and serious and disastrous for those mem tain that unless wages are reduced the quantity of fish handled in St. John's will be very much reduced and essary commodities must be imported

reduced wages, but the fish handling for doing the work, all this work will season is now commencing, and it is go to others.

ion by next Tuesday.

August 16th, 1921.

Protective Associa-Dear Sirs,-I am directed by the remen's Protective Union to cknowledge the receipt of your comnunication of the 9th inst. The subject matter of the communication has until this matter is settled and wage had the attention of the members. sideration the Union has decided that most desirable in the interests of your t cannot agree to any reduction in the present scale of wages. The question f the cost of living cannot be taken sideration in dealing with the ent. of the members of the Union do not earn enough under the present scale to keep body ad soul together. Were it not for the fact that the wives and children of the members supplement the earnings of the household. a very large majority of the members would be compelled to seek able-

bodied pauper relief. out to the Association that in very, very many homes of members, the 27th, to the limited number monest necessaries of life wanting; the reason being, as you are from you by Wednesday next we pro well aware, scarcity of employment.
To ask under these circumstances a the public who are so largely inte eduction of the wage scales is, the ested in this question, all the corres Union submits, not just and reason-

(Sgd.) JAMES CAUL, Recording Sec-

St. John's, Newfoundland, August 19th, 1921.

Mr, James Caul, Recording Secretary, L.S.P.U., City Dear Sir,—We have before us your etter of 16th inst., and are very much surprised at the position taken in this letter which shows an entirely new attitude to any you have previously taken. As you are aware the large increase in wages claimed by you and me, have been justified by you and cknowledged by ourselves entirely on the grounds of the increased cost of medical attention. living, and your representatives have over and over again during your negotiations with us, intimated that you were quite prepared to reduce wages whenever the cost of living was proportionately reduced.

We do not doubt that there is at least some truth in your claim that in many of the houses of your mem-bers, even the necessaries of life are wanting, owing to lack of employ-ment, but this is unfortunately a world wide condition of affairs, which is all the time being made worse by the very fact that efforts are made to maintain wages beyond the point at which em-players are able to engage laborers freely. The only way in which an article that is not very much wanted can be forced into consumption is by reducing its price and thus tempting purchasers. Similarly when the cost of labor is at too high a figure to war-rant Employers utilizing it freely, the only remedy is to reduce its value and thus induce Employers to use i more freely. The economic law of supply and demand works exactly the same in the case of labor rates as in the case of commodity prices, but it is unfortunately the case that the laboring population do not appear to

appreciate this.

We feel that our previous correspondence must have convinced your Executive, and probably your body, of the undoubted fact that the cost of living to-day is actually much less than it was between May 1919 and May 1920, as otherwise you would not May 1920, as otherwise you would not change the stand you have previously taken, and put forward an entirely new reason for refusing to accept the reduction already positively agreed to in writing, so long ago as May 10th. The Employers' Association have always treated your Union as a reasonable body, and would very much regret to have to treat it in any other way, but if, as it appears, matters have reached a dead-lock between us,

open, but to take an entirely different stand with regard to the laborers

creased duties.

Yours truly,
AVALON T. GOODRIDGE, Secretary.

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St. John's. try can stand, and that the ing industry, and every other industry in the Country, as well as the public generally, are suffering from this fact. Employers allowed matters to remain largely handled in the Outharbours and shipped from there direct to the be seriously affected by this, the Em-

situation, as they duty, not only to themselves and the large population of St. John's (who trade would very seriously suffer from the absence or reduction of fish claim to this on the ground that the cost of living at the present time is important importations by steamer. If cost between May 1919 and May 1919 cost of living at the present time is actually considerably less than the cost between May 1919 and May 1920. We have never been very clear as to they will find that the reduced whether the cost between the cos hether you admitted this fact or will in the long run be a blessing to ot, but it is certainly one that can be them and their families, and not, as

tend to sit down and accept/such

ment now existing. forces Employers to seek other laborthat the conditions of unemployment and that if the wages demanded by here will in consequence become even members of your Union are unreason worse than they are at present. We ably high in relation to values, as they think you will agree that we have been very considerate in temporising with your Union over this question of your Union) are prepared to accept Superior Quality.

absolutely necessary for employers to know how they stand with regard to the future cost of handling fish. We hope therefore, that you will be able call a meeting of your body at an than the rates in force in May 1919, early date, say lot later than next and that if members of your Union are Monday evening, and we shall hope to not prepared to work on such terms ear from you definitely on the ques- steps will be taken to secure employees. If you have anything fur-ther to discuss with us in relation to Yours very truly,

AVALON T. GOODRIDGE, Secretary. ther to discuss with us in relation to day 27th inst., we shall be pleased to meet you. We would like to impress upon you that owing to the high rates of wages and the fact that these rates are altogether out of proportion t

number of men they can employ, and hem that a reduction must come. (as certainly must), you ivery in St. John's, until the questio lay in settlement is only adding to the difficulties already facing the com-

munity as the result of unemployment We shall hope to have an answer from you by Wednesday next, although we are prepared to go on paying pr sent wages up to Saturday, Augus whom we employ. If we do not hear pose to publish, for the information of pondence we have had with you. As a matter of courtesy to your Union, we are withholding publication in the newspapers until then, in order to give your members time to consider this

VALON T. GOODRIDGE, Secretary Employer's Protective Association

fall on the pavement near Knowling's halves, Brown, Elton, Clouston; for-West End premises yesterday shortly wards, Young, McNeil, Munn, Maitland, after one o'clock. The little fellow Sawyers. As the evenings are now granted by Employers from time to was picked up by Constable Ptcher, getting short, it is hoped all players who had him conveyed to a doctor for will be on the field and have the game

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