

Dr. Whelan and the Star.

North River,
Dec. 17th, 1919.
Editor Evening Telegram
Dear Sir—Would you kindly give space in your columns to the enclosed copy of a letter which I have written to the Editor of the Daily Star, and oblige.

Your truly,
S. J. WHELAN.

Editor Daily Star,
St. John's.

Dear Sir—Presuming that you will square me with the Editor of the Advocate, and with Mr. Grimes, to whom I was just writing a reply to comments on my recent letter, I shall deal with your Editorial first. This seems to me, as of greater importance at the present juncture.

Your comments charge me with doing "a grievous and unjustifiable injury to the cause of the government" and that I have made "insinuations and half-veiled charges against Premier Squires and his colleagues."

These charges you base on what you call, three or four lines of my last letter to the Advocate, quoted by you in such a way as to make it possible to prefer these charges. Had you quoted in full instead of omitting that clause, which reads, "which I have seen recently outlined in your paper," the intelligent reader would more readily grasp the position set up by me. To place before the intelligent public my train of thought and to show at the same time, how you, for purposes best known to yourself, suppressed a principal clause I now quote in full. "I realize Sir, that when the new order of things, which I have seen recently outlined in your paper obtains; when clergymen are deprived by special Act of Parliament from spending any public monies; when by the creation of a special Department of Education, they are debarred from receiving or expending Educational monies; when in a word they are deprived of the civic rights that may be exercised by the most illiterate in the land—then no longer will they exercise the influence they do to-day."

My deductions on this particular point were based entirely on premises furnished by the Evening Advocate, of which paper, I have been a constant reader since its establishment. I referred therein solely to the Educational Policy as outlined in that paper, viz: the establishment of an Educational Department. If that Department was established on similar lines with the other Departments of the country, and I have no reason to think otherwise, then I was justified in concluding that its monies would be expended in the same manner as those of the other Departments.

I understand—if wrongly I am subject to correction—that the servants of these other Departments are under the direct control of the department and from it receive their salaries. Thus, collectors, tide-waiters, etc., are under the direct control of the Customs Department, Magistrates, Policemen, Bailiffs, etc., are under the direct control of the Justice Department. And in the "new order of things" Superintendents, Inspectors, Professors, and Teachers would be under the direct control of the Educational Department and from it receive their salaries. And therefore clergymen would be debarred from receiving or expending Educational monies, as they do under present conditions.

Neither Hon. R. A. Squires nor his government nor his Educational Policy as outlined in his manifesto, occurred to my mind when making these deductions. I was dealing solely with the Advocate and its Editor. As however, your Editorial comment, your suppression of a most important clause in my statement to the Advocate, your intemperate references to what you call my political attitude; your charges, thus far unfounded, of my doing grievous injury to Hon. R. A. Squires or his government, seem to express an ardent desire on your part to force me into a discussion on matters Educational as outlined in the manifesto of Hon. R. A. Squires, and its application by his Government to present-day Educational problems, I may state that I am prepared to do so only with the following proviso: I cannot enter into a discussion of this sort without the permission of my Ecclesiastical Superiors whom I regard as the Head of the R. C. Educational Department of this Dominion. This permission I am asking for. If I find that they are satisfied with the arrangements of the present Government and the manner in which these arrangements have been brought about I shall deal no further with the matter except perhaps to express regrets for any wrong I have unwittingly caused anyone by my three or four lines.

You will, I am certain understand that I am obliged to give a copy of this letter to the other city papers.

Yours truly,
(Sgt.) S. J. WHELAN.
North River, Dec 17th, 1919.

Danger Lurks in "Old Bill" Moustaches

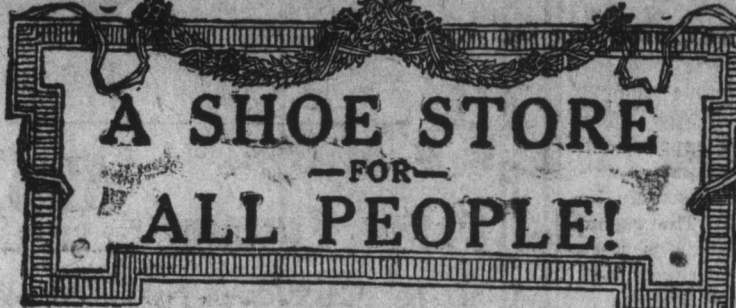
Wearers of thick moustaches should take warning, for the dangers of appendages lurk in every hair. When the appendix of a patient operated on in a London hospital was opened twenty-five hairs corresponding with those of a man's moustache were found in a

clump, forming a small brush. The man wore a moustache of the souping-straining species, but now described as "Old Bill's." He said his moustache had been falling out, and there is not the slightest doubt, his doctor says, that moustache hairs adhered to his food and had found their way to his appendix.

You can get at BOWRING'S a fancy Box, containing 6 Ladies' Embroidery Handkerchiefs assorted, for \$1.50 Box—dec17,21

Suggestions for Christmas Gifts

PARKER & MONROE
Limited.
The Shoe Men.



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Limited,
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MEN'S ARCTICS.
"Foot warmers",
only \$2.60 and \$2.70.
Ideal Christmas Gifts.

WOMEN'S FELT SLIPPERS.
Leather Soles and Heels,
\$2.30 to \$2.50.
In Blue, Black, Brown, Red, Grey, Wine and Purple, with Fur and Ribbon Trimming.

WOMEN'S KOZY SLIPPERS,
with soft padded insoles and crumple outsoles. In colors of Pink, Baby Blue, Grey, Red, Hedio, Purple, Old Rose, Navy Blue and Khaki,
\$3.00 the pair.
Extra Quality Slippers."

WOMEN'S BUTTON GAITERS,
\$2.60 and \$3.60.
Low Heel.

WOMEN'S HIGH BUTTON GAITERS,
High Heel,
\$3.60.

WOMEN'S EXTRA HIGH CUT,
15 buttons, \$4.20.

WOMEN'S 1 BUCKLE, 2 STRAP GAITERS, at \$3.60.

WOMEN'S 4 BUCKLE GAITERS, \$3.60.

A Merry Xmas

This store says Merry Christmas to all its Friends!

That means a lot of People, too!

Now here's a Christmas Suggestion that is a practical and sensible one—

Shoe up the entire Family for Christmas.

A far better proposition than wasting money on useless gifts!

For instance—
A pair of Warm Arctics for Grandpa — comfort Shoes for Grandma — House Slippers for Mother—Dress Slippers for Sister—Skating Boots for Brother, or Rubber Boots.

Splendid Suggestion!
Don't you think so?

WE MAKE ANY EXCHANGE AFTER CHRISTMAS.

ALL PURCHASES DELIVERED ON CHRISTMAS EVE.

We have a large range of seasonable and serviceable stock to select from.

Shop early while our stocks are complete.

Parker & Monroe, THE SHOE MEN.

SKATING BOOTS
make ideal Christmas Gifts. We have Women's Skating Boots in Black, Brown and Pearl Grey,
from \$8.00 to \$10.50.

LONG RUBBERS.
For girls, bright finish, water wave top,
from \$2.05 to \$2.70.

LONG RUBBERS.
For women, bright finish, water wave top,
\$3.00.

LONG RUBBERS.
For boys, heavy dull finish,
from \$2.90 to \$4.90.

CHILDREN'S EXTRA HIGH CUT LONG RUBBERS.
Bright finish,
from \$3.70 to \$3.90.

CHILDREN'S GAITERS,
from \$1.85 to \$2.35.

A Boy's Prayer.
God, who created me
Nimble and light of limb
In three elements free
To run, to ride, to swim;
Not when the sun is dim,
But now 'neath the heart of day,
I would remember him;
Take the thanks of a boy.

Jesus, King and Lord,
Whose are my foes to fight,
Gird me with Thy sword
Swift and sharp and bright;
These would I serve if I might—
And conquer if I can,
From day—dawn till night;
Take the strength of a man.

Spirit of Love and Truth,
Breathing in grosser clay,
The light and flame of youth,
Delight of men in the fray
Whom life's strength's decay,
From pain, strife, wrong be free
This best gift I pray,
Take Thy spirit to Thee.

Magnificent Quarters.

NEW CANADIAN BANK OF COMMERCE.
Work has commenced on the building of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, which is being erected on the south side of Water Street, between the premises occupied by Miller and Ellis & Co. An examination of the plans and elevations of the building which have been prepared by the Dominion Realty Co., Ltd., Toronto, gives us the impression that the Canadian Bank of Commerce chief Newfoundland Banking office in St. John's to be in keeping with the many handsome and commodious buildings throughout Canada and the United States.

The building, which is to be of the proof construction, will have three storeys and basement. The Water Street elevation will be architectural Terra Cotta and Cut Stone; the remaining walls will be of brick. The load will be carried on a structural steel frame and the floors will be of reinforced concrete.

The Banking Room, which will occupy the entire Water Street floor, is most conveniently laid out from the standpoint of the public as well as that of the staff. It will be finished in oak panelling with bronze windows and marble floor. Immediately to the right, after passing through the revolving door entrance into the Banking Room is the door leading to the Manager's Office, adjoining which are the Treasury Vault and a special booth where they may privately examine their securities. In this connection, special safety boxes will be installed for rent.

The Mezzanine floor will be laid out as a working space for the stenographers and a special rest-room with fireplace has been provided for their use. The Second floor has been planned with one object in view—the welfare of the staff. On this floor there will be a large number of bedrooms, which may also be availed of by out-of-town members of the staff visiting St. John's, a Den, Living Room, Billiard Room, Bathrooms and Lavatories arranged in a most satisfactory and comfortable manner. There will be a separate entrance from Water Street to the Staff quarters. The Bank's well-known policy of looking after the welfare of its staff is most commendable.

The Basement, of which the walls and floor will be water and gas proof, contains a store room for stationery, a large vault for books and records—in connection with which there will be a plunger elevator for transferring books, etc., to and from the Banking Room, also a filing space, coal room, and Boiler Room in conjunction with the Boiler Room an ash-handling apparatus of the most modern type will be installed.

The building will be a valuable asset to the city, and we feel sure it will be of great assistance in taking care of the ever-increasing volume of the Bank's business.

Published by Authority.

MILITIA ORDERS—No. 63.
By Lieut.-Colonel W. F. Rendell, Chief Staff Officer.

1—Honours and Awards:
The King has been graciously pleased to give orders for the following appointments to the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, in recognition of valuable services rendered in connection with the War:
To be Commanders of the Military Division of the said Most Excellent Order.

ROYAL RED CROSS CLASS II.
Miss Mary Mahoney, Nurse-in-Charge Military Infectious Diseases Hospital, Miss Daisy Stirling, V.A.D. Military Infectious Diseases Hospital. (Authority: Supp. London Gazette 13129.)

2—Promotions:
Second Lieut. H. H. Batoon to be Lieutenant, with effect from December 1st, 1919; Second Lieut. R. R. Crawford to be Lieutenant, with effect from December 1st, 1919.

3—Retirements:
Lieut. H. H. Batoon is retired with effect from December 3rd, and is placed on the Reserve of Officers. W. F. RENDELL, Chief Staff Officer.
December 17th, 1919.

Christmas

There is
itude as the
Gifts and of

Dressed Dolls
Air Ships,

Union Jack
only a few

Side by Ruth

VALUE vs. PRICE.
Once upon a time there was a very talented confectioner in a certain big city in this country who made the most delicious candy you could imagine, and by keeping down the cost of production managed to sell it at the modest price of sixty cents a pound. By reason of its deliciousness and reasonable price, the candy ought to have been a great success, but it was not. And for many years the confectioner's business went from bad to worse until finally a young man came into the establishment and reorganized the business. And what do you think was the very first thing he did? He put the price of that candy up a dollar and a half a pound.

Judging by the Cost.
The old candy-maker was horrified at that. "We might as well shut up shop at once," he said, "if that candy wasn't good enough to sell for sixty cents a pound, it certainly isn't good enough to bring a dollar and a half."

"It isn't a question of the value of the candy," said the young man calmly. "It's merely a question of the price people like to pay. The general run of people don't judge a thing by its value, they judge it by its price. You wait and see."

He waited, and sure enough the sales of that candy began to take an upward curve and they've been skyrocketing ever since.

You see the young man was a good student of the weakness of human nature.

He knew that whatever costs us dear, we prize highly.

He knew that whatever we can buy for little, we value how great it is.

DON'T FORGET CHRISTMAS

Now is the time to buy
Geeze and Ch...

Almond Cakes, 20c, 30c and 40c.
Grape Fruit.
Dessert Apples.
Molina Lemons.
Cranberries, 10c. per gal.

MAPLE BUTTER—16c
ing. Cheaper than
MOIR'S CHOCOLATES
also in 1/2's and 1's
sorted.

Skipper Sardines.
Norwegian Sardines.
Almond Clams.
Peaches.
M. P. Sausages.
Xmas Stockings, various sizes

LEA & PERRIN'S WOR
MOIR'S PURE FRUIT
A. T. WOOD'S ASS'D S
MARVEN FANCY BIS

C. P. B
Dackworth Street

Warnings for Airmen.
There has just been completed a new weather office which will be one of the most important weather offices in the world, for it is the British office for telling air pilots all about the weather.

Till the War began the weather experts did not worry very much about the state of the weather two or three miles high, but aeroplanes nowadays are so constantly flying at that height

that it is important to find out what is happening up there. It is likely, in fact, that aeroplanes along the big aerial routes will always fly fairly high, because the winds at that height are far more regular than they are near the ground.

The new weather office will forecast what the weather will be like not only, say, at London and Rome for a pilot who is flying between those two places, but all along the route, near the ground and high up.

It will tell pilots when they may expect to run into a storm, how fast the wind will blow, and in what direction, and warn them against fogs or low-flying clouds which may prove dangerous.

Whatever direction a pilot may want to go he will be given the very latest information about the weather, not only at the moment he starts, but what it is likely to be for the next day in case he gets delayed.

Though forecasting the weather is

important to many people besides pilots, yet it is realized that in the future it is really more important to those flying in the air than to anybody else, and for that reason all the weather forecasts of the future will be sent out by the Air Ministry.

You can depend upon Reliable Batteries and Flashlights at all times. They're made to stand all weather conditions.
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