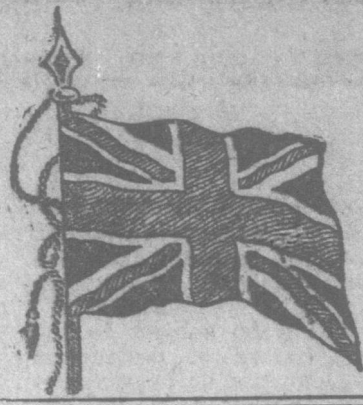




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Our Practical Responsibility

Guarded as the language used by the outside press has been in the comments made on the revelations contained in the Walker Report, no one can fail to understand their gentle suggestions or to realize fully that the general opinion is that our affairs are in a serious condition.

These journals, and particularly the Old Country publications do not as a rule indulge in criticism of matters which are none of their concern, and the fact that they have expressed their opinions of the domestic affairs in this country indicates that they consider the question of more than local importance. Without a doubt they are right to take that view, and if we will give the matter a moment's thought, we must admit that their strictures are not unwarranted nor without justification.

Apart from the fisheries and agriculture, practically all our industries—the Bell Island mines, the pulp and paper operations at Grand Falls, the Humber project, the limestone works at Aquathana, etc., are financed by outside capitalists, and we trust that the success of these enterprises will encourage others to invest their money in our undeveloped natural resources. Constantly it is pointed out that the future prosperity of the country depends upon our ability to induce the capitalist from abroad to harness our water power and to turn to account our mineral wealth. With this object in view, we do not even hesitate—not always wisely, it must be admitted—to offer valuable concessions in return for operations undertaken, but in spite of our liberality and in spite of our latent possibilities, it is useless to blind ourselves to the fact that the essential guarantees required by a prospective customer are political stability and national honesty.

In our individual transactions we prefer to do business with those who we feel can be trusted, and once our confidence is abused by a supplier we promptly transfer our business elsewhere. Honesty is not only the best policy; it is essentially the only policy, and the reputation of a Government which enters into a contract must be absolutely above suspicion. "Honesty," someone remarked recently, "is the best politics," but to what extent is that view held by those in the game?

We cannot delay in the measures taken to effect drastic changes in our political life for another and even more cogent reason. Both in Britain and in America enormous Newfoundland loans have been raised from time to time. For years we have been relying upon this outside help to carry us through our difficulties. What would be the effect upon these markets were we to display an utter indifference to profligacy on the part of our administrators, or to show ourselves incapable of cleaning up the scandals in which the country is involved?

Apart altogether from the moral aspect, let us consider the case from this practical point of view, and give it the same

earnest attention as we devote to our business and to our affairs in everyday life. The situation is critical and we cannot afford to default. By dint of sacrifice, hard work, and persistence our forefathers gained for us the privilege of home rule. Is it suggested that this generation is so weak-kneed that outside administrators must be called in to set our house in order? Have we already reached our second childhood? Is the oldest colony to be held up to ridicule because we do not trouble to bestir ourselves, or because schemers obstruct our path? Whatever else we have been robbed of, surely we still retain our pride, and our manhood!

Older Than We Thought

Yesterday we were in error—on the right side fortunately—in stating that *The Telegram* made its first appearance on April 29th, 1879. The early volumes belonging to this office were destroyed in the '92 fire, and in the only record of the event in our possession a typographical error gave the date which we quoted. Thanks to Miss Morris, the Government Librarian, we are able to rectify the mistake as she has in her possession the first volume of the paper, which shows that the first issue appeared on Thursday, April 3rd, 1879.

We wish to thank our contemporary, the Evening Advocate, for the congratulations extended to the *Telegram* on the occasion of its birthday.

Magistrate's Court.

Two ordinary drunks were allowed to go upon payment of cash hire. A motorist for driving a car without first having obtained a license, was ordered to pay costs. Hon. W. H. Cave, Minister Finance and Customs vs. George Bragg. This is a case in which the defendant is charged with leaving the port of St. John's in charge of the steamer *Senet* without having obtained a Customs clearance. A second charge is also laid against the captain at the instance of Mr. H. W. LeMessurier, Assistant Collector, for deporting in steamer *Senet* a number of passengers without having had the ship properly surveyed. Both cases were postponed until Tuesday next.

Cathedral Parish Meeting

The annual Easter meeting of the parishioners of the Church of England Cathedral, will be held this evening at 8.30 in the Synod Building. In addition to the routine business many matters of importance to the Parish will be discussed, and it is hoped that all who can will make an earnest effort to be present.

Body of Mail Courier Found in Waterlogged Boat

MAILS AND COMPANION MISSING. A message received yesterday afternoon by the Minister of Posts and Telegraphs, from Mr. Kenneth Manuel, Loo Bay, records the finding of a water logged boat, containing the body of Patrick Clair, mail courier, between Loo Bay and Boyd's Cove. The message reads as follows:—

"Found body of Patrick Clair of Boyd's Cove, one of the mail couriers between Boyd's Cove and here in water-logged boat in drift ice, about two miles from here, but no sign of other courier, Horatio Wells, or any mail. Nothing left in boat only body of Clair. Having men go in search of Horatio Wells and mail as soon as we get body of Clair to land. Would like any instructions from you."

Preliminary Hearing Postponed Until Tuesday

The preliminary hearing into the charge of larceny preferred against Mr. J. T. Meany, late Acting Liquor Controller, began in the Magistrate's Court at 10.30 a.m. before Judge Morris. Present were Mr. L. E. Emerson, Crown prosecutor, Mr. E. Watson, one member of the Auditing Staff, the Government Bond Storekeeper, and Mr. W. B. Howley. Mr. Meany, owing to the unavoidable absence of his counsel, asked that the proceedings be adjourned. The motion was granted and the hearing will be resumed on Tuesday next.

Instructions for Taking List of Voters

A Proclamation was issued in yesterday's Royal Gazette directing that a Voters' List should be taken and revised in the manner provided under the 1915 Election Act, and in accordance with the rules and regulations made thereunder. It is understood that instructions have been sent by telegraph to the various officials concerned to proceed forthwith in the matter.

Mail Courier Clair's Body Recovered

NO SIGN MISSING COMPANION.

A further message in reference to the loss of the mail couriers at Loo Bay, was received by Mr. Hawco this morning, stating that the body of the late mail courier, Clair, was landed at Loo Bay yesterday evening. A search party, which was immediately instituted after the alarm was raised made a diligent search for the mail courier named Wells, but saw no sign. The search was resumed this morning. It is understood that the mail supposed to have been lost was the incoming mail from Fogo District.

Personal.

Mr. A. Wareham, a prominent business man of Harbor Buffett, is in town on his usual Spring's business trip. He is accompanied by Mrs. Wareham, and both are guests at the White House.

The many friends of Mr. W. A. B. Slater, Military Road, will be delighted to learn that he had a very successful operation performed at the Hospital on Tuesday last, and is now on the high road to a rapid recovery.

Mr. Harold C. Hayward who was on a business trip North arrived in the city by train this morning.

PEPYS BEHIND THE SCENES.

April 29th.—By despatches out of England, a report of certain comment which the *Glasgow Herald* news sheet makes of the Walker Report, very scathing, and likens the morality of Newfoundland politicians to an American state in the lawless days of the past. And is, indeed, a bad thing for this country that our affairs should be discussed in this manner. Little news of politics to-day, and seems as if the public waits for newer developments, which are long in coming. At the office, the foan ringing, I find it is my wife, she in a great state, and is because her pipes are leaking, so tells me to fetch a plumber immediately. But Lord, how difficult it is to get one, and I in fear and trembling that the house will be afloat. Anon, coming home, greatly troubled in my mind, I learn how someone did turn on the tap of the radiator, and there is no leak at all. Going abroad at night, I meet with Povey who has strange news for me, that Mr. Monroe leaves the Higgins-Warren party, and the cause of it, he says, that Sir W. Coaker will have too many of his men in the field, albeit he himself retires. He talks also of a new party with a new leader, but knows not his name, nor what manner of man he be. So home, and to bed, puzzling my mind all the time of this new leader, who he may be, and what, also, whether there be truth in this tale of Povey's. But, indeed, little surprises me these days, when every hour is filled with something new.

Relieving Destitution

The work of visiting the families in the city, reported under the recent registration scheme, as in destitute circumstances, is now practically completed. Sir all about 400 homes have been visited. About 25 per cent of those reporting themselves in need have been found to be in a position to provide for themselves, and accordingly no relief was given. Some cases of absolute fraud were discovered and it is not unlikely that the guilty parties will be brought to book. On the other hand there are many cases of absolute want. Homes have been visited where there was neither fire nor food, and some distressing cases of mothers having nothing for the little ones to eat are recorded. On the whole it has been found that most families have some slight income either from a daughter working or an occasional job by the father and that with some slight assistance such as is now being distributed they can tide themselves along for a few weeks.

Government Boats

Argyle left Petite Pointe 2.35 p.m. yesterday, outward.

Glencoe leaving Argente this afternoon.

Kyle left Port aux Basques 10.10 p.m. yesterday.

Prospero leaving St. John's 3 p.m. to-morrow.

Labour Budget Non Sectional and is Heartily Endorsed

Corner Brook a Port of Call for Canadian Merchant Marine—French Airman's Record—Jamaica Legislators Resent Governor's Action.

A BUDGET WHICH APPEALS TO ALL.

LONDON, April 29. The first budget prepared for the Government of Great Britain by a Socialist, was presented in the House of Commons this afternoon by Philip Snowden, Chancellor of the Exchequer. There was very little obvious Socialism in it, if any. Indeed the Liberals hailed it as "a free trade budget," and H. Asquith, head of the Liberal party, informed the House there was nothing in the budget to which a single one of Liberals could not heartily subscribe so far as the great bulk of the people is concerned. The big thing about the budget is the appeal to the heart of every Britisher through his stomach as well as his pocket book. The duty on tea, the great daily beverage of the rich and poor alike is cut in half, to figure three and one-third pence per pound less than before the war. The duty on sugar is reduced from 28 to 16 pence per pound, the Chancellor pointing out that it is now being taxed fourteen times as heavily as before the war. Tea dealers have already announced that prices will drop to-morrow. On August first the McKenna duties imposed as a war revenue measure on imported automobiles, foreign films, motor cycles, clocks, watches, and other manufactured goods, will disappear. Mr. Snowden made but one gesture towards accommodating capitalism by the absolute abolition of corporations' profits tax which means a loss of £12,000,000 yearly by the Exchequer.

NEWSPAPERS AGREEABLY SURPRISED BY THE BUDGET.

LONDON, April 30. This morning the London newspapers of all shades of political opinion generally concede that the Budget, introduced in the House of Commons yesterday by Chancellor of the Exchequer, Philip Snowden, is very clever, and which, on the whole, is bound to be distinctly popular throughout the country. The Conservatives do not conceal surprise at the Chancellor's moderation. They have feared increases in death duties and the super tax and their relief that neither was altered is accompanied by satisfaction at the abolition of the Corporation Profits Tax, but they regard these favors as intended for propaganda purposes to disarm suspicions of the Socialist party of the Community. The Times carried the following criticism: "The chief fault with the Budget from a purely financial viewpoint, is its excessive optimism. It was upon the assumption that his estimate of £23,100,000 pounds revenue is correct that he made an exceptionally liberal reduction in certain kinds of taxation, but should the estimate be uncorrected, it's hard to see how he can avoid a raid upon the Sinking Fund."

CORNER BROOK A PORT OF CALL.

MONTREAL, April 29. Corner Brook, Newfoundland, will henceforth be a port of call on Canadian Government Merchant Marine Service between Montreal and St. John's, was announced here to-day. Officials said that the extension is made to provide for the expected movement of cargo to Corner Brook which is the port of call for the Humber River district where the Armstrong Import Company is carrying out extensive operations, and improvements. The first sailing on this service will be by the Canadian Sapper from Montreal May 17th, with the next departure scheduled for June 19th.

83 1/2 HOURS FROM EUROPE TO INDIA.

KARACHI, India, April 29. Lieut. Pettit Doley, the French Airman on a trip to Tokio from Paris arrived here this afternoon after having flown about 750 miles from Bender, Abbas, on the Persian Gulf, whence he started this morning. Doley thus far has made a record of 83 1/2 actual flying hours on the trip from Europe to India.

LOOT OF VARIOUS RAIDS RECOVERED.

EDMONTON, April 29. Bonds and securities valued at \$86,000 representing the bulk of valuables stolen from Canadian banks at Dolard, Sask., Mathers, Man., Foremost, Alta., and Ladner, B.C. in 1922 and 1923 have been recovered by the Alberta Provincial police through the assistance of "Smiling" John Reid, who was released on suspended sentence as Lethbridge last year. Most of the loot was recovered in the vicinity of Havre, Montana. The police say the robberies were all carried out by the same gang operating in two sections.

GOVERNOR'S ACTION RAISES A PROTEST.

KINGSTON, Jamaica, April 29. A political crisis developed here this afternoon when the majority of the members of the Legislative Council voted to strike out from the Budget the salary of the director of railways in protest against the alleged unpopular management and favoritism toward a Canadian construction company in connection with railway extensions. Sir Leslie Probyn, governor of the colony, declared the matter was of paramount importance and the votes of nine Council members under the constitution were overridden. The selected members then retired from the Council Chamber and sent a request to the Secretary of State for the colonies in London that the governor be recalled.

DAMAGES WILL DELAY MACLAREN ALLAHABAD, INDIA, April 29.

The Pioneer says it learns that the damage done to the machine of Stuart MacLaren, the British Airman, attempting the world flight, when he was forced to land at Parli, India, last week, is more serious than at first reported. It is stated MacLaren will be delayed at least a fortnight.

JAPAN AND JUGO SLAVIA APPROVE.

PARIS, April 30. Replies to the Jugo Slavia and Japanese Governments to Reparations Commission communication of April 17th, regarding the Experts' report, have been received, and were made public last evening. Japan states she is prepared to adopt the conclusions in their entirety. The Jugo Slavia Government expresses approval of the plans and its willingness to collaborate with other Allied Governments in the measures necessary to facilitate the putting of the final decision of the Reparation Commission into operation.

ORDER RESTORED IN HONDURAS.

NEW YORK, April 30. The capture of Tegucigalpa, capital of Honduras by revolutionary forces has ended the revolution and order now prevails throughout the country, according to a cablegram received to-day at the Honduran Consulate, here from Fausto Davila, the provisional President of Honduras.

MARTIAL LAW IN ROMANIA.

BUCHAREST, April 30. Martial law which was declared by the Rumanian government during the recent anti-Jewish outbreaks will be continued until the new university term begins in August. The ministry of the interior decided to-day. This action the government feels to be necessary for the prevention of any further anti-semitic disorders on the part of Rumanian students. Cities under martial law include Bucharest, Jassy and Czernowitz.

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His Excellency the Governor-in-Council has been pleased to appoint Drs. C. Howlett, W. T. Reay, W. Roberts, and J. J. Murphy to be members of "The Dental Board of Newfoundland," under the provisions of Chapter 42, Consolidated Statutes, Third Series, in place of Dr. A. B. Lehr, deceased; Dr. T. E. Ballard, left the country; Dr. W. T. Scully, deceased; and Dr. J. G. Duncan, left the country; Mr. Herbert Mitchell (Benoit's Cove, Bay of Islands,) to be a Surveyor of Lumber; Mr. Alexander Dalton (White Rock), to be a member of the Methodist Board of Education for the District of Random North, in place of Mr. Louis Dalton, resigned; Messrs. Dorman Blandford (Herring Neck) and Caleb Tizzard (Salt Pans), to be members of the Methodist Board of Education for the District of Herring Neck, in place of Messrs. Dorman Fudge and Alexander Sansome, left the District. Dept. of the Colonial Secretary, April 29th, 1924.

Taking a Hike

The man Warren who strayed away last week from the Poor Asylum and was located later near Chamberlains, disappeared again yesterday. The police have been apprised that the man was seen early this morning proceeding west, on foot, through Kelligrews instructions have been issued to apprehend him and he will be brought back this evening.

SEALING NEWS

A message was received from the Viking last night, stating that at 7 o'clock the total on board for the day was 800 bedlamers and old harps. The ice is still in bad condition but the captain hopes for better luck later. Up to 1 p.m. to-day the Terra Nova had landed 12,000 seals, the average weight of which was 47 1/2 lbs. The ship should finish early to-morrow. The crew of the Stella Maria boarded the train for their homes at Argente at 6 o'clock this morning. It is not known whether the ship will come on to St. John's or not.

East End Post Office Removing

The East End Post Office is being transferred to-day to the Stout Building, formerly occupied by the Militia Department. Although work of fitting up the new office is not yet completed, the old office on Duckworth Street, which has been occupied for the past quarter of a century had to be vacated to-day. The public however, will be put to little or no inconvenience as practically only the finishing remains to be completed. The office, admirably well lighted, is well lighted and spacious. The walls are paneled with hard pine and wall board, and a splendid maple floor has been laid. Practically four hundred boxes have been installed and others will be added within a short time. The workmanship reflects credit on Messrs. Thomas Bros. contractor and his staff of assistants.

McMurdo's Store News.

OUR PRESCRIPTION DEPT. Our Dispensing Department is fitted up to give you the best services in prescription work. Our Drugs and Chemicals are as pure as can be had, as we buy only from first class houses. Only qualified Druggists dispense and strict adherence to the Doctor's orders is our motto. We have telephone connection with this department and our messengers are at your service. Give us a trial our prices are reasonable and we guarantee prompt service.

Scamps at Large

Sunday night last three ladies proceeding along Allandale Road were accosted and insulted by a scamp wearing riding breeches and evidently disguised. On the evening previous a young girl had a somewhat similar experience and was badly scared. She reported the matter to the police and a man answering the description was placed under arrest. When placed for identification with a number of other men the girl pointed the man out as the guilty party but on further investigation by the police an alibi which he set up was proven correct.

Shipping.

S.S. Silvia is due at daylight to-morrow from Halifax. The ship has about two-thirds general cargo. S.S. Dagblid arrived at Bell Island yesterday and sails to-day for Emden, Germany, with a cargo of 11,000 tons iron ore.

From Cape Race

Special to Evening Telegram. CAPE RACE, to-day. Wind north, light, weather fine. Several schooners are in sight, all bound inward. A large number of whales were seen off here. Bar. 29.02; Ther. 48.

FREIGHT FOR WEST COAST.

Considerable freight is being handled at the Government Dock premises to-day for shipment along the S.W. Coast. The Prospero is expected to sail about 3 p.m. to-morrow.

DIED.

Passed peacefully away, at 8 o'clock this morning, after a short illness, Solomon Martin, aged 76 years, leaving a wife, 1 daughter, 2 sons, 2 sisters, 1 brother, 14 grandchildren and a host of friends to mourn their sad loss. Funeral on Friday at 2.30 p.m. from his late residence, 20 Duggan Street.

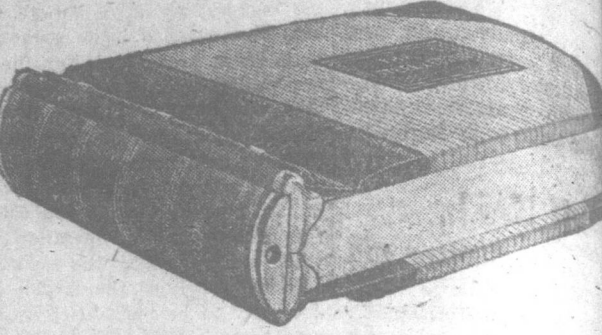
IN LOVING MEMORY

of Ronald Chesley Martin, died April 30th, 1922. Great judge to thee our prayers we pour. In deep abasement bending; O, shield us through that last dread hour. Thy wondrous love extending. May we in this our trial day. With faithful hearts thy will obey. And thus prepare to meet thee. —Inserted by his Wife and Children

IN LOVING MEMORY

of my dear husband, John Boone, who died April 30th, 1923. I miss thee from thy home, dear. I miss thee from thy place. A shadow o'er my life is cast. I miss thy smiling face. I miss thy kind and helping hand. Thy fond and tender care. My home is dark without thee. I miss thee everywhere. Gone beyond this vale of sorrow. Gone to that bright world so fair; Gone from all earthly sorrow. The husband that I loved so dear. —Inserted by his Wife

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Personal

W. R. Cheshire, wife, and daughter left Barbados yesterday by S. S. Ingomana for London direct.
 Capt. Wm. Winsor of Westleyville is a guest at the Brownsdale Hotel.

Here and There.

"Rosewood Dandruff Cure" has arrived. For sale at W. H. BARTLETT, LTD.—apr30.2f

RANGER DUE TO-NIGHT.

Messrs. Bowring Bros. received word from the operator at Catalina at noon to-day, stating that the steamer Ranger passed South at 11 a.m. The Ranger which is the last ship to arrive from the Northern seal fishery, is expected to make port about 10 o'clock to-night.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Rev. Dr. Kitchen begs to acknowledge the receipt of four dollars (\$4.00) a conscience money.—apr30.1f

MECHANICS ACCEPT OFFER.

An amicable settlement has been arrived at between the mechanics employed at the Machine Shops and the Management of the Government Railway in connection with an increase in wages. The men agreed to accept an increase of 3% per cent.

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