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OUR POINT OF VIEW

Justice

THAT time would obliterate and cover up as in a mantle of soft floral grown the harsh and rough corners of the Newfoundland disaster, just as in nature we find rude and jagged rocks clothed with soft moss and flowering creepers, that at once relieves the eye and protects the foot of the traveller has been the hope of Kean's abettors. We are willing to recognize, and are thankful that it is so, nor would we rudely tear off the charitable mossy growth of time, but that we recognize the justice of it, and deem it essential to keep before the public the fact of the existence of a cruel and bitter sub-growth that not all the soothing influence of gentle time as she passes can make tender to the feet of those who have trod the painful path ere yet the hand of time had scattered her grief assuaging and eye-beguiling floral tribute.

Time is not discriminating in her bounty. She would hide all ugliness, and often she thwarts justice when the administration is unduly delayed. But it is our duty to keep bare the truth till justice shall have been accomplished, nor are our minds perturbed because of this. Who are to blame for the tardiness of justice, we would gladly have the ugly eye-sore covered up and forgotten, but we are not going to take sides against justice in order to save ourselves a little painful work. We are going to see this matter to a finish, and had we had our way the thing would have been over a year ago, and time left to accomplish her task of charity.

But the enemies of justice knew well the power of gentle time, and for that reason deliberately put off the exercise of public justice. They have upheld injustice by staving off enquiry till time had had opportunity to hide the gross and cruel features of the awful disaster.

Now, those very people who have thwarted justice with cunning intent, are, with the most disgusting hypocrisy, crying out against the friends of justice. In order that the aims of justice may not be thwarted, and in order to lay bare once again the cruel facts of the "Newfoundland" disaster, and not with any malice towards any-

one, we purpose to review in these columns the outstanding features of that awful disaster. We want people to judge for themselves whether we are friends or enemies to the cause of right.

GAME OF BLUFF

That our beloved local Kaiser's whole political life has been one of stratagem, clear disposing and adroit movement, who that has followed its every step shall doubt that he has, in other words "manoeuvred" is as clear as possible, and that his "manoeuvring" has succeeded is proved beyond doubt.

And how has it succeeded? What has been its guiding lights? Simply this—stratagem and bluff directed against the weaknesses and good will of the people, supreme "gall," and in delicate determination to prove the ethics of wrong to be the quintessence of the truthful, of the right.

In other words Kaiser Morris has succeeded by "cagolery" and simple bluff in blinding the people to their very own interests.

"Nothing venture, nothing have" is an item as old as the world, and strictly belongs to it too.

China Threatened Japan Mobilizing

**Has Declared State of War
in Korea China Hopes
United States Will Inter-
vene**

New York, Feb. 20.—The New York Staats-Zeitung today published the following wireless despatch from its Berlin Bureau:

"The relations between Japan and China are becoming more and more tense and the early outbreak of hostilities would now scarcely be surprising.

"Rome reports that the newspaper Corriere della Sera publishes the information that Japan is mobilizing against China, and has already called to the colors the reserves of the next three years' classes. In addition to this, it says, Japan has declared a state of war in Korea. The same news paper further adds that China has positively declined to install Japanese instructors in the Chinese army, and that China has declared that it cannot accede to the other demands of Japan without first obtaining the sanction of parliament.

"The Russian newspaper Rech reports that in many towns in China placards have been posted in public places calling on the population to defend the country against attacks by Japan. The hope is expressed, according to the Russian newspaper, that America will intervene in favor of China. In many towns in China the houses are covered with flags and everywhere there is the greatest excitement."

Berlin-Washington Negotiations A Deadlock

**American Colonies in Ger-
many Feel Much Appre-
hension**

London, Feb. 26.—A Berlin despatch to the Exchange Telegraph via Amsterdam, published here this afternoon, said:

"United States Ambassador Gerard had a long interview with the German Chancellor this morning with reference to the exchange of Notes. It is believed the negotiations have reached a deadlock. Both sides are adhering to their former views.

A grave incident involving a rupture between Berlin and Washington may happen at any minute. Everything depends upon the discretion of German submarine commanders. The

Letters of Interest

From Mail and Advocate Readers

Waiting Next General Election

(Editor Mail and Advocate.)

Dear Sir,—Kindly allow me space in your much-esteemed paper to make a few remarks.

On January 6th the combined L.O.L. No. 61 held their annual parade and tea. They left their Hall at 11 a.m. went to the Church for Divine Service, and the Rev. Walker preached a very impressive sermon, which pleased all present, and to which they all listened very attentively. After leaving Church they went back to their Hall again.

Before closing, I wish to make reference to our long-promised Postal Telegraph Office. This public convenience would be greatly appreciated, especially this year, as the war is on, and everyone is anxious to get news daily, but, sir, we have to wait until the mail comes to get the war news, and it is then a week old. So you see if the "Kaiser" should happen to be taken prisoner, it would be almost too late to celebrate the victory when we hear of it.

The wires for this telegraph office had been landed here about eighteen months ago, and since then are lying in some person's store here, and we should expect this gentleman to charge storage for same. I have been thinking if the proper authorities have

forgotten the wires were landed here. Surely it would be just as well to have those wires put to use so as it would be adding some little income to the credit of the Colony. If the wires were not here we wouldn't be so much amazed to know why they are not put up, but as it is dead stock, then it is very nearly as cheap for the Government to have them put up so as we could derive some benefit from them.

As regards to having those wires extending to their connecting stations, I venture to say there is not a place in the country where the wires could be put up at less cost than here, the country being very level, and the poles could be cut as you proceed, within a very short distance where each has to be put up. Now, this is an advantage over most places, as I know where on Telegraph Post Office has been put, the poles were cut in the winter, and put on the bank, and a schooner had to be employed to get them to their destination. Now, this extra expense would be cut off if the wires were put up here.

There is a few other things I would like to speak of, but as your valuable space is most limited, I shall detain it for this time.

CORRESPONDENT.

Carmanville, Feb. 7, '15.

UNIONISTS OF MUSGRAVE HR. HOLD PARADE

(Editor Mail and Advocate.)

Dear Sir,—I wish to say a few words about the parade at Musgrave Harbor. The procession started under the leadership of our worthy Chairman, Mr. Jas. J. Whiteway, and among the ranks were to be found such staunch Unionists as H. G. King, and the loyal Friends of Doting Cove, Mr. King gave us a splendid address when we returned to the Hall. He expressed his delight in seeing the older men taking such an active interest in the work of the F.P.U., and said that the boys of seven and eight, whom we had passed as we marched through the place, would one day be glad that their fathers had paraded as Unionists in Musgrave Harbor. The Advocate, he said, was the Light of Newfoundland.

Musgrave Harbor should be proud of the officers of its Council. The Chairman, Mr. Whiteway, is a worthy one, and all the members should do all possible to assist him in his work. After he had finished speaking, we joined in singing the National Anthem, and our Parade Day came to a close, showing that we had reached another milestone in the history of Musgrave Harbor Council.

A FRIEND.

Feb. 16, 1915.

DOTING COVE READY TO DO ITS PART

(Editor Mail and Advocate.)

Dear Sir,—Just a few words concerning Unionism here at Doting Cove. We held our Annual Parade on the 17th. Leaving the Hall at 2 p.m. we proceeded to the Salvation Army Barracks, where a forceful address was given us by Ensign Woolfrey. After singing the National Anthem, we marched back to our own Hall in good style. Since our last parade, many of our members have passed away, a good many of them in the "Newfoundland" Disaster. We miss them from our ranks here, but hope that they are enrolled in the ranks above.

People are indignant here over the action of the Government in not opening the House and not having laws passed to prevent Captain Kean from sailing again as master of a steamer. We are at your back in this fight, Mr. Coaker, and you will find us ready to be called upon when you need us.

Wishing prosperity to the Union

MULLOWNEY.

Doting Cove,

Feb. 17, 1915.

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Obituary--Hy. Squires

(Editor Mail and Advocate.)

Dear Sir,—Will you kindly allow me space in the columns of your valuable paper to make a few remarks concerning the death of our late Bro.

American colonies in Berlin, Munich and Dresden are most anxious. It is understood that Ambassador Gerard handed the American reply to the German Chancellor at this morning interview. The Chancellor had several audiences with the Kaiser yesterday concerning the American negotiations."

URIAH BURSEY.

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HY. W. TORRAVILLE.
Herring Neck,
Feb. 20, 1915.

MANLY WORDS OF BRITISH SUBJECT Joseph Martin Writes Home

London, Feb. 1, 1915.

H.M.S. Diana.

Dear Father and Mother,—Just a few lines to let you know I am well, hoping you are the same. Everyone is well here. Now, mother, I haven't anything strange to tell you. I would like to see grandmother and sister and Eli John and all the friends. I suppose that you have good prayers. Don't be uneasy about me mother. I am all right. There is the same God in this part of the world as there is at home. I pray for the Blessed Lord to give peace. I haven't received a letter from you I would like to get one. I am not allowed to tell you where we are or what we are doing. Good bye and God bless you till we meet again. From your son,

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