

Injustice.

Editor Evening Telegram.

Dear Sir,—I wish to point out the injustice of the proposed profit sharing Legislation now before the House. I am not against raising all the money possible, and have no objection to the Mercants and Manufacturers paying all, the proposed Bill will call on them to pay, if all others are treated the same. In this Colony there are 50,000 voters, we can therefore count on 50,000 who are earning, why should 49,900 go free, and 100 be the "scape goats", to pay the penalty of a sentiment largely raised by political tricksters, to make themselves appear large in the eyes of those to whom they are catering for votes. Not more than 50 concerns in St. John's are making over \$2,000.00, yearly, about the same number may be found outside the city, as Fishermen who make \$2,000.00 do not come under the act. This leaves the entire contribution of one quarter of a million dollars which the Government expect to raise by the tax to be paid by 50 City and 50 Outport people. This I would submit is most unjust—let all feel the burden of raising this money, let every man in the Colony pay his share. The Fisherman earning \$500.00 has as much right to pay say \$10.00 or \$20.00 as the Merchant making \$2,100 has to pay 25 per cent. or \$525.00. If everyone does his part and fairness and equality is meted out to all, then no one will kick, but to falch the "pound of flesh" from a class of earners numbering about one hundred, and allowing 49,900 to go free is a crime. Outside of this, there are numerous other cases of injustice in the proposed bill, which might be cited, for instance, many business men who risk their money and give employment have to go to their place of business at 8 a.m. and remain at it until 10 to 11 p.m. to make \$2,000.00 yearly, one quarter of this they must hand over to the Government, whilst the Banker getting \$5,000.00 yearly working from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. pays nothing—along with the latter, go Lawyers earning up to \$20,000 yearly absolutely free. Doctors make \$5,000.00 to \$10,000.00 yearly, Insurance Managers and others all earning good money pay absolutely nothing. Let the parties who have this matter in hand tear up such a foolish piece of Legislation and get down to something sensible, which will put an equal burden on every earner in the Colony then no matter how large the amount we are called to pay (if necessary) will be paid cheerfully, more money will be raised, all will pull together, no one will have cause to complain and the "bill" will cement citizens together instead of pulling them apart.

A great many other points could be enlarged on. Merchants and Manufacturers must have a certain percentage of profit, everything which tends to raise prices must come out of the Consumer, as will this tax, if you put it into effect, it will raise the price of every commodity sold in Newfoundland. A great many argue that we should have no tax at all outside of our Tariff; we are now taxed to death—we are not a producing country as Canada and United States, whose citizens are not taxed as we are on all commodities which we import from these countries, our dollar is only worth 60c. compared with citizens of Canada and United States owing to our taxes in Tariff.

This Tax Bill should not be railroaded through, and made law by the present bunch of incapable vampires in the Lower House, who are

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now all "scratching each other's back." If the leader of either party proposed building a railroad to the moon the entire crowd would agree in order to get something just as ridiculous put through for their benefit next day.

It is to be hoped the sound judgment of the members of the Upper House will prevail, and throw out this farce which would never pass the Lower House if debated there, as the Woolen Mills Bill was debated. Mr. Coaker's voice is not heard now demanding fair play and justice to all.

Yours very truly,
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To-Day's Messages.

10.00 A.M.

STORM CUTS OFF TELEGRAPHS.

HALIFAX, To-Day.
An electrical storm of unusual violence over Quebec and Maine cut Halifax off from telegraphic service all night. Both the Western Union and C. P. R. lines are demoralized.

LINER SINKS AMERICAN TRANSPORT.

AN ATLANTIC PORT, To-Day.
An American transport at anchor waiting sailing orders was rammed by an inbound American steamer here to-day. The ship was headed toward the beach in a sinking condition. A later report said that all her 1400 men aboard were taken off. The American troops on board halted the panic as the liner rammed the transport. A misunderstanding in the steamer Panama's engine room was the cause of the accident. The transport in a sinking condition made a thrilling race until safety finally was reached. The soldiers faced the danger fearlessly.

SONMINO IN LONDON.

LONDON, To-Day.
Foreign Minister Sonnino of Italy arrived to-day for a conference with the British Foreign Office.

THE ONLY WAY.

LONDON, To-Day.
Fifty German spies wearing Russian soldiers' uniforms have been shot on the Romanian front during the past week, according to word received here to-day.

AIR RAIDS ON GERMAN BASES.

LONDON, To-Day.
Successful air raids on Bruges and throughout Middlekerke and Chelstello, German bases in Belgium, were announced in the Admiralty statement to-day.

RUSSIANS RALLYING AT LAST.

LONDON, To-Day.
Apparently the turn in the tide of the retreat of the Russians in East Galicia is beginning. On several sectors the loyal troops have halted and are now facing the Austro-Germans, offering resistance as best they can with their badly depleted forces. Although the stands they have made have as yet been unsuccessful in holding back to any great extent the numerically superior Austro-German armies, they serve to show that the spirit of loyalty is still alive in many men of General Korniloff's regiments, and that it is not their purpose to surrender further terrain without a contest. One of the main attempts of the Russians to hold back the enemy has been on the heights east of the river Zbroez, which flows along the border between Galicia and Russia; but despite the resistance offered they have been compelled by overwhelming numbers to cede ground. The Austro-Germans have crossed the stream and the Teutons also have crossed the Galician frontier and are now invading Bukovina by way of the Suchawa Valley, their immediate objective being the town of Seletyn, while the force that recently was a successful unit in the operation against the Russians in the region of Kerilaba has reached the territory lying to the east of the upper Moldavia Valley.

Here and There.

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CAPE RACE, To-day.
Wind W.S.W. light, foggy off shore. Bar. 29.45; ther. 58.

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WEATHER REPORT.—The weather across country is calm and fine; temperature 46 to 69 above.

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CABMAN FINED.—A cabman was before court to-day for obstructing the Cruelty to Animals Inspector in the performance of his duty and fined \$5 or 14 days.

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TO-MORROW IN THE COUNTRY.
—Those who desire to spend to-morrow at points along the railway may do so by connecting with the following outgoing trains: At 8.45 a.m. local; 12.30 p.m. cross country; 2.30 p.m. excursion to Kelligrewa, by special request; 6 p.m. Trepansey, and at 6 o'clock Carbonsar train.

MINARD'S LINIMENT CURES DIPHTHERIA.

New Inspector of Lighthouses.

There is a rumor about the city that Mr. Thos. Cornick, Assistant Inspector and Engineer of the Lighthouse Department, has been placed in charge of the Lighthouse service. The Inspector of Lighthouses, Mr. R. White, has for nearly two years been unable to attend to his duties, consequently the main part, especially the mechanical work, has devolved upon Mr. Cornick. There can be no doubt that Mr. Stone, the present Minister of Marine and Fisheries upon assuming office, at once grasped the position of affairs, and seeing that there was no official head to that Department was at once convinced that things could not be run in a proper manner without some responsible head in charge. Mr. Cornick is a man well known in the community, and is a man of sterling worth and thoroughly capable of assuming the duties required as head of the Lighthouse Department. There is no more suitable man within the colony that could be chosen to fill the position so completely; his many years as foreman with the Anglo Engineering Co. together with his 30 years experience in Lighthouse work should eminently fit him to assume the duties as head of the Lighthouse Department. Mr. Cornick joined the service under the late Mr. J. T. Nevill, and has been associated with Mr. White in the office for some fifteen years.

Hr. Grace Notes.

One hundred and forty dollars was the amount realised by the ladies of St. Paul's Church at their Strawberry Festival on Thursday last.

Christ Church Women's Guild will hold their annual Strawberry Festival on Thursday of this week. A pleasant evening is in store for all.

Mrs. (Serg.) James Kent of Placentia is in town on a visit to her sisters and other relatives and friends.

Mrs. William Pike, after an absence of 12 years, which has been spent with her daughter, Mrs. Geo. Apsey, at Buffalo, arrived in town on Tuesday last and is the guest of her son-in-law and her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Ross. Mrs. Pike's host of friends are pleased to meet her again. Her visit cannot fail to be a very pleasant one to both herself and friends.

Mrs. L. Parmiter, accompanied by Mr. Parmiter, also arrived from Buffalo on Tuesday last. The popular young couple have also a very large number of friends who are pleased to welcome them.

Some of the traps secured a trifle of fish last week but on the whole the voyage is a poor one about here.

Rev. S. M. Stewart, missionary of Ungava, was in town yesterday, the guest of Rev. Mr. Andrews. Mr. Stewart occupied the pulpit of St. Peter's Church, Southside yesterday forenoon and that of Christ Church in the evening. Large congregations attended both services.

The members of "Diamond Jubilee" Lodge, S.O.E.S. held their annual Decoration Service yesterday afternoon. Visiting the different cemeteries they decorated the graves of their departed brethren with flowers and also placed on each an ensign, the flag that we all love. A large number of citizens were also present.

Flags are flying to-day in honor of the marriage last night of Mr. George E. Stevenson to Miss Zela Watts. Your correspondent joins with all their other friends in wishing the newly married couple much happiness.

News has just been received of the death at Sydney of a former resident of this town, Mr. William Verge, hair dresser. Deceased had lived at Sydney for a number of years. He leaves a widow and seven children to mourn their loss.

—COR.

SHIPWRECKED CREW.—The Grenfell Hall in the Seaman's Institute is temporarily converted into a dormitory for the large shipwrecked crew of the ill-fated liner Kristianiafjord. The seamen are delighted with their eating and sleeping quarters and speak in glowing terms of the officials of the Institute.

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Artic Explorer Heard From Direct.

Donald B. MacMillan Expects to Reach Home by September 15, After Four Years in the Polar Country.

Boston, July 27.—Donald S. MacMillan, the Arctic explorer, who has been in the Polar country for the past four years, expects to return home by September 15th next, according to a letter to P. F. Parker, of this city, manager of his personal affairs, made public to-day. The letter was dated at Etah on November 6th last, and is believed to be the first direct word from MacMillan this year, although advices have been received indirectly.

"If our relief ship does not fail us a third time," the explorer writes, "I should reach home about September 15, 1917. Although I have had, or will have had, four years in the Arctic, yet I am not a bit tired of it, and have planned for further work. As you know, we failed to find Crocker Land. I am sorry for Peary, who was, without doubt, sincere in his belief that it lay some 120 miles due northwest of Cape Thomas Hubbard. We went 151 miles to make sure, and then were rewarded with nothing but a clear horizon.

"Last year I reached my objective point, King Christian Land, the 'Pine Land' of some sixty years ago, which has never been visited, as far as I know. Returning, I headed for North Cornwall, which also has never been

explored. En route six new islands were discovered and many miles of coast line mapped. Incidentally we picked up about fifty musk oxen and twenty polar bears. Am now planning another long trip in the spring, which, when completed, will net me about 8,000 miles of dog team work. We have enough food for the year, such as it is.



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BUSINESS PROFITS TAX.—It was currently reported around town this morning that the Business Profits Tax is going to be given six months' hold; in other words that the measure is to be deferred until the next session of the Legislature. We cannot vouch for the truth of the rumor.

DIED.

This morning, after a short illness, Thomas, son of the late Michael and Alice Farrell; funeral on Thursday next, at 2.30 p.m., from the residence of Mr. Thos. O'Neill, 168 Water Street. Friends will please accept this, as the only intimation.

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