



Evening Telegram

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BE ON GUARD.

The answer to the question asked by Sir John C. Crosbie in the House of Assembly yesterday, should be closely considered by the people of Newfoundland, and analyzed by them down to the last word. It is quite possible that an evasive reply may be given, or one unsatisfactory, but no matter which, its significance must not be winked out of sight. There is too much at stake. The question as asked in full by the member for Port-de-Grave is:

"To ask the Hon. the Prime Minister if any decision has been arrived at by the Government in connection with a Company to be formed here relative to working the Grand Lake and Humbermouth proposition; and to inform the House what policy they intended to pursue?"

"To ask the Hon. the Prime Minister if it is correct that this country is going to be asked to guarantee the principal and interest up to \$25,000,000, to carry on this work? If that is not correct to inform the House what are the actual facts and to lay on the table of the House all correspondence in connection with the same."

All who read the above question must be astounded at the magnitude of its scope. Yesterday we referred tentatively to this matter by uttering an initial word of warning, in order that readers might be prepared for what is about to be sprung on the country. To-day we make equally brief reference to the proposal, so that it will not be forgotten, and to-morrow and the days after we shall, if necessary in the public interest go further and further into the details of this gigantic scheme, the promoters of which have the audacity, according to report, and the question put to the Prime Minister, to ask Newfoundland, and the people of Newfoundland, to become guarantors for a sum which figures out at one hundred dollars per head for every man, woman and child in the Colony. A charge in perpetuity. A millstone around the necks of the whole population for ever. Surely the people who suggest this take us for the most simple and arcaid folk. The Reids have thrown their railway and coastal service, apparently, on the Government, or the Government have taken it over themselves, a distinction without a difference, and now the gentlemen who were interested in these adjuncts to their company are no longer so. They have other designs in view, and with the aid of a wholly inefficient Government they expect to be well-rewarded in the carrying out of a project, upon the future of which no report whatever has been made. Once we heard of National Products, Ltd. It came to nothing. The proposed working at Grand Lake and Humbermouth may be National Products, Ltd., in a new guise, with this difference that whereas the latter concern asked for

nothing beyond the usual concessions, the Reid, Greenwood, Blackstead, et al, Company want Newfoundland to become sponsor for the colossal sum of TWENTY-FIVE MILLION DOLLARS plus interest at 5 per cent. per annum. It is time to be on guard when such deals as these are made the subject of a question in the People's House.

Last Sad Rites.

The funeral cortege of the late Canon Smith, which proceeded from Cavendish Square yesterday forenoon, to the last resting place at Portugal Cove, was met along the route by many friends and parishioners of the deceased clergyman. The officers and members of St. Philip's L.O.L., of which the late Canon had been Honorary Chaplain, the officers and members of the Men's Club, and the Clergy in their robes joined the funeral procession. On the way to the cemetery the L.O.A. Band played a number of the favorite hymns of their late pastor. At the cemetery the casket was uncovered, and the people were given a last view of him who had labored so many years among them as clergyman and physician, the deceased being robed in surplice and cassock and wearing his Canon's stole. The service at the graveside was conducted by Rev. A. E. Legge, Rector of the Parish of Portugal Cove, assisted by Revs. Moulton and Pike. The hymn "Now the Labourer's Task is O'er" was sung and after the Benediction the Nunc Dimittis was chanted to a tune which Canon Smith himself had taught the congregation. The body was laid in a grave beside that of his wife, who was buried eleven years ago. Among the floral tributes of affection which adorned the casket were wreaths from Rev. Father Gough and the Roman Catholic congregation, and from Rev. A. E. Legge and the Church of England people of Portugal Cove.

Sealing Voyage Closed.

With the discharge of the S.S. Ranger yesterday, the 1921 sealing voyage closed. The total catch is 101,452. Last year the turnout was 23,985, the Viking closing the season on April 18th. Although the catch is three times greater than last year, the value is but slightly more. The following is the turnout by the different steamers:—

Diana	7,282
Eagle	7,270
Sagana	7,793
Seal	14,697
Neptune	10,424
Thetis	18,169
Viking	17,668
Terra Nova	10,754
Ranger	7,395
Total	101,452

Child Welfare Lecture.

On Thursday next at the Infant Welfare Centre, Public Health Office, 268 Duckworth Street, a health talk on Child Welfare will be given to mothers by Dr. Fallon. This health talk will be the first series to be rendered by various medical men of the City. As valuable advice will be given, it is hoped that all Mothers who have the welfare of their little ones at heart, will attend. At these meetings demonstrations will be given by the Community Nurses as to the proper preparation of foods, methods of feeding, etc., and bathing of infants.

\$45.00.

Forty-five dollars will now buy Men's regular Seventy-four Dollar American Suits at BISHOP'S. The entire stock of Men's Suits has been marked down below replacement values. Nineteen Eighty will buy Thirty-three Dollar Suits, and Sixty-five dollars will buy your choice of those high class Suits, which at regular prices were from Ninety Dollars to One Hundred and Twenty-five Dollars. As there are only fifty-seven suits to be sold and sale prices are from only Thirty-five to Sixty-five Dollars, it will be wise to avoid delay. Many were sold immediately after the drastic mark down of prices on Friday afternoon.

Train Notes.

Yesterday's outgoing express reached Bishop's Falls at 8 a.m. to-day. The Caribouway local arrived at 1 p.m. A train left St. John's this morning for the Port of Spain. Sunday's outgoing express arrived at Port aux Basques late last night. The weather along the line this morning was fine; temperature average from 30 to 50 degrees above.

Coastal Boats.

GOVERNMENT. S. S. Portia is fog bound at Rose Blanche. GOVERNMENT RAILWAY COMMISSION. Home left Morantown at 2.40 p.m. yesterday, outward. Kyle left Port aux Basques at 5.15 a.m. to-day for North Sydney. Meigs left Fortune at 3.10 p.m. yesterday, going to Port aux Basques.

"What happened to Jones?"

A TRIBUTE

TO THE MEMORY OF THE HEROIC SONS OF NEWFOUNDLAND!

Following is copy of cablegram received by Hon. R. A. Squires, Prime Minister, on April 25th, from Lieut.-General Sir Aylmer Hunter-Weston, K.C.B., D.S.O., who is now at Chanak, Gallipoli, probably with Colonel Rev. Fr. Nangle in connection with the graves of deceased soldiers: "Prime Minister, St. John's, Newfoundland—To the survivors of those who fought 'at the Dardanelles on this the sixth anniversary of 'the original landing, and in the name of the sailors, 'soldiers and airmen of the Home Country who fought 'by your side, the old Commander of the 29th Division 'is laying on the site of your glorious achievement a 'wreath of wild flowers gathered from the soil made 'forever sacred to us by the blood shed in the Empire's 'cause. May we who have survived do our best to 'spread the spirit of cheerful self-sacrifice of devotion 'to duty and of comradeship, which they so gloriously 'exemplified, and so help to attain the ideals for which 'we fought."

AYLMER HUNTER-WESTON.

Football Notes.

The various football teams are now getting in trim for the coming season, which promises to be one of the most successful in the history of the game in this country.

Two teams have already elected their officers, to-wit, the B. I. S. and the Fieldians, and it is probable that all the other teams will do likewise within the course of the next few days.

The Fieldians have obtained a new practice ground and will probably hold their first practice on Saturday evening.

St. George's Field will require a considerable amount of attention before the games can begin, and it would give a great deal of satisfaction to all interested in the League games if a more satisfactory grandstand were built.

It is unfortunate, too, that baseball has to be played on St. George's Field, because it serves to tear up the turf and spoil it for football.

So far as can be ascertained at present, there will be ten teams in the League this year. All of last year's teams will remain in the League, and it is reported that the C. L. B. C. Old Comrades will also enter a team.

Both the Methodist and Bishop Field Colleges are now hard at "rigger" practice and the games this season promise to be quite exciting ones.

FULL BACK.

A DELIGHTFUL SURPRISE.

Comparisons are odious we know, but, speaking of musical events, the Concert given by the St. John's Octette on St. George's Night was a veritable oasis in a desert of common-places. The same programme will be repeated on Thursday night. Tickets at Chesman's. Get YOURS early.—apr27.11

McMurdo's Store News.

WEDNESDAY, April 27, '21. We notice among recent arrivals of stock the opening of a full consignment of Cuticura Soap and Ointment, articles which have not been easy to obtain of late in St. John's. The Soap sells for 40c. a cake; the Ointment (2 sizes) for 40c. and 75c. a box. Sutton's Seeds are selling fast these days, and we will soon be running short of some of them. If you want to be sure of getting Sutton's Seeds, let us have your requirements at once, or you may find that we are sold out of some of the items you need. Catalogues gratis and post free.

Personal.

Mr. Thos. Ashbourne, of Twillingate, who has been in Naples for the past nine months in connection with some fish cargoes, belonging to his father's firm, left here yesterday by express and will take motor boat from Lewisport for his home.

THE FINEST CONCERT IN YEARS.

This statement is not mere hyperbole but the exact truth. Everyone fortunate enough to hear the St. John's Octette at the College Hall on St. George's Night will tell you that it was, without exception, the best musical entertainment that has taken place in this city for years. The programme will be repeated to-morrow night. Secure your tickets early at Chesman's.—11

Ranger's Turnout.

The turnout of the S.S. Ranger, the last arrival from the sealing voyage, is as follows:—6112 young harp; net weight 2,647 cwt., 1 qr., 10 lbs.; 1 young hood, 645 bedlamers, weight 467 cwt., 21 lbs.; 127 old harp, weight 138 cwt., 8 qrs., 5 lbs.; total 7,285. Gross value \$12,479.65. Less damaged skins \$290.00 and 1 full share \$7.69. The crew of 139 men share \$23.02. Average weight of young harp 456 lbs.

"Live and Let Live"—Buy the Goods Manufactured in your own Home Town.—apr27.51

Railway Complications.

Company is said to be consulting in misery. It may therefore solve a few that, under Government management, railways in other countries have been no more fortunate than in ours. It is said that last year's deficit on German railways amounted to as much as their original cost of construction, and that it was due mainly to overmanning and high wages. The American railways sunk money at the rate of over a million dollars a day under Government control. They are financially handicapped at present under restored private management by the political legacies transferred with them. In Canada the admitted outstanding deficits is greater than was the whole annual revenue of the Dominion a few years ago. And it is doubtful if the half has yet been told.

Better things might have been expected in Great Britain, but to seek them is to meet disappointment. Public management there has been quite as disappointing and costly as elsewhere. High wages and the high cost of necessities, due largely to high wages, with the weaknesses inherent in political management, are at the root of the trouble there as elsewhere. Next to operating wages, fuel is the chief item in railway expenditure. The price of coal has been forced up in Britain by the action of the miners' unions until it is almost prohibitive of industry. The net cost of producing a ton of coal in the Old Country is 34 shillings and eight pence. For its production, wages cost 26 shillings and three pence. Other fixed charges make up the difference. The selling price is 39 shillings and seven pence. So the operators only have a credit balance of four shillings and eleven pence out of which to meet depreciation, interest, etc., and the fixed profits of the owners. This enhanced price of coal is helping materially to swell the expenses of railway operating.

But the wage bills of the railways themselves have all gone up beyond all reasonable measure. Traders are complaining that commerce and industry are being strangled by the consequent increase of railway rates. Under explicit Government orders railway wages have gone up even more rapidly and higher than those of miners. It has been recently shown officially that on the North Eastern Railway the wage bill has increased from £3,000,000 in 1914 to £12,115,038 in 1920, while the number of men has risen from 42,252 to 47,157. In 1912 the average wage of men of all grades on the N.E.R. was £73; it is now £257. In 1912 the average mining wage was £70.19.3; it is now £219.18.0.

But there is another side of the railway story. The tonnage carried by British railways has fallen from 375,595,465 tons in 1913 to 340,000,000 in 1920. The eight hours day, applied rigidly to all employments however light, and all localities however insignificant or remote, has enormously increased working expenses. Evidence was given before the Rates Advisory Committee that, whereas, before the war, a signal station on the Highland Railway was worked by one man at 21 shillings a week, to-day, by reason of the fact that the last train passes the station some ten or eight hours after the first, two men are required each at 70 shillings a week. That signal station is now costing the railway £27 a week in wages as against 21 shillings eight years ago. Similarly a level crossing which before the war cost £5 a year now costs £500.

What is the use of complaining of unemployment in such conditions? Employment simply cannot be given because it cannot be made profitable to the employer. Only unrestricted access to public treasuries has enabled the railways to carry on so far. The limit has been reached. The public are not going to pay out of their own pockets increasing deficits for the sole benefit of the railways. Nor will they much longer submit to railway rates which are not only impoverishing them, but ruining the country.

If workmen are wise they will recognize that such an artificial state of affairs must come to a speedy end. If they are well advised they will aid instead of opposing a return to more natural conditions. The wages which they are receiving are largely nominal. They are little better off than they were before, and the common interests are suffering alarmingly through high prices and under-production. There must be reasonable concessions on all sides before we can hope to get back again to the normal.—Morning Chronicle.

Only \$28.00.

Ladies' Costumes from high class London and New York, salons are now showing at BISHOP'S from Twenty-eight Dollars to Sixty-five Dollars. The former prices of these costumes ranged from Forty to one Hundred and Fifty-five Dollars each. We have gone over our whole stock of Ladies' Costumes, Coats, Skirts, Raglans and Dresses and re-marked every article, regardless of cost, at prices that will clear the entire lot during this week. Sale starts Tuesday morning.

Stafford's Prescription "A" will cure that uncomfortable feeling caused by Indigestion and Dyspepsia. Price 35 and 70c. Postage 10 and 20c. extra.—apr27.51

Carpentier Says Fight Will Last But Twelve Rounds.

Paris—"Jack" got nothing on me, I too, expect to win before the twelfth round." Georges Carpentier, French pugilist, thus declared himself to the United Press to-day. On his return from a triumphant swing around Europe, Carpentier had been shown a clipping quoting Jack Dempsey as saying he expected to win their fight July 2 within twelve rounds.

Georges will sail for New York May 7 on the Savoie. He will begin training for their fight on board the liner. "In the meantime," he said "I'm going to loaf. I'm just going to have a good time."

He left to-day for his old training camp at Yagrybhe. His long exhibition trip left him worn down to 173, a good fighting weight, and his greatest anxiety now is to add a few pounds to be worked off during the training grind in the United States.

Here and There.

JUST ARRIVED—Plain English Gold Leaf, 22 carat. G. KNOWLING, Ltd.—apr27.11

See the window displays of Local-Made Goods in the different Stores this week.—apr27.51

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The Local-Made Goods shown in the Water Street Store windows this week are well worth seeing.—apr27.51

St. Andrew's Society and Ladies' Auxiliary Card Party and Dance in Club Rooms, Tuesday, April 26th. Cards 8.15.—apr25.21

G.N.S. ANNUAL FESTIVAL.—The annual festival of the Girls' Friendly Society will be observed on Thursday next, and there will be Holy Communion held in the Cathedral at 7 a.m. on that day.

B. I. S.—There will be a meeting of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the B. I. S. in the Club Rooms on Wednesday, April 27th, at 8.30 p.m. ELIZABETH H. PEDIGREW, Sec'y.—apr26.21

A WORTHY AIM.—St. Michael's congregation are meeting to-night at 8 o'clock in the Lecture Room of the Church. The meeting is for the purpose of considering means whereby the mission can be made self-supporting. It is hoped that a large attendance will show the congregation's interest in this worthy aim.

NOTICE.—A meeting of the Farmers' Union will be held in the British Hall on Thursday next, at 11.30 a.m. Full attendance requested. Business important. E. J. COWAN, Sec'y.—apr26.21

NOTE OF THANKS.—Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Burton, Glorietown, wish to sincerely thank all those who so kindly helped during their daughter's (Mrs. Moore) long illness; especially those who were so kind and did so much at the time of her death, also those who sent wreaths to adorn the casket and for letters of sympathy received.—adv.

BORN.

On the 26th, a son to Mr. and Mrs. Stanfield Foster, Allendale Road. On April 22nd, to Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Barnes, 14 Young Street, a son. At the Women's Maternity Hospital, Montreal, on April 14th, a son to Walton H. and Mrs. Martin.

MARRIED.

On April 26th at St. Patrick's Church by the Rev. Dr. Kitchen, James Maher to Miss Nellie Griffin.

DIED.

At Harbor Grace, on Saturday forenoon, April 23rd, Orestes Davis, aged 69 years.

IN LOVING MEMORY

Of John J. Kennedy, drowned in Barbados April 25th, 1920.

Oh the cruel angry waves have taken him away. The raging billows bore him down in the oceans foaming spray; No more will he come to his loved one home or clasp his father's hand. No more on earth will he see his boy amongst his comrades stand. Short and sudden was the call by one so dearly loved by all. But God's own angels they were there to bear his soul on high. To share the joys of Heaven it was God's will for him to die.

However long our lives may last, What ever lands we view; What ever griefs or joys be ours, We will remember you.

Friends may think that we forget you. When at times they see us smile; But they little know the sorrow That those smiles hide all the while. May his soul rest in peace.

M. J. A.

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\$3.50.

Kearney's.



Rioting Among Striking Miners.

In most districts of the South Wales coal fields the extremists are winning the day. In one colliery after another the officials are being compelled to abandon the pumps. Unless something is done to save the mines from the rushing water the damage will be so extensive that 70,000 miners will be deprived of the opportunity of employment for months. In practically every mining area throughout Lanarkshire the menacing attitude is shown by the miners and their wives to the volunteers who are working pumps. There have been demonstrations and scuffings at several pits, necessitating police intervention. At some places there has been much wanton damage, accompanied by looting.

Chicago Loses Radium.

Fifty milligrams of radium, valued at \$5,000, and the joint property of a group of physicians, is lost somewhere in Chicago, a constant menace to its finder. It was contained in a golden capsule. Miss Lillian Brown, the custodian of the treasure, had been sent to a hospital to get it for use elsewhere, and placed the precious box on a window sill of an elevated train car. There was some confusion in the car and when she alighted she forgot the radium for a moment. The train was searched later, but the box had disappeared. This capsule represents practically all the radium owned in Chicago. Physicians have issued warnings to the finder that he is dealing with a living death, and that even in the hands of an expert radium is a dangerous element. The effects are lasting and may be quickly fatal.

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