

**IN STORE:**  
**500 Sax Pure WHITE HOMINY,**  
**840 Sax Best WHITE OATS.**  
**J. J. ROSSITER.**

Our Motto: "Suum Cuique."



("To Every Man His Own.")

**The Mail and Advocate**  
 Issued every day from the office of publication, 167 Water Street, St. John's, Newfoundland, Union Publishing Company Limited, Proprietors.

Editor and Business Manager: JOHN J. ST. JOHN.

ST. JOHN'S, N.F.L.D., NOV. 11th, 1916.

**Venezelos Not Side-Tracked**

FOR the time being, the Allied Governments may seem to have turned a cold shoulder toward M. Venezelos, but ultimate events will probably justify their course, and also bring him to victory. It should not be forgotten that, while the Venezelos party is strongly pro-Ally, and the only Greek group the Allies can really rely on as friends, the Entente is not engaged primarily in directing the course of Greek political affairs. They are engaged in warring on the Central Powers. If military necessities in the Balkans forbid further prolonged waiting for Greek policy to be settled, measures taken to enable immediate action are highly justified.

The Venezelos party is established at Saloniki, with military forces aggregating, according to reports, about 30,000. The Greek army, as demobilized by King Constantine, does not amount to more than 25,000 men. The Venezelos movement is, therefore, in no particular immediate danger if the Allies make a temporary agreement with King Constantine for such measures in the part of Greece he still controls as will liberate them from fear of a stab in the back from his forces. General Sarrail's army must move, and menaces behind it be removed. Only some kind of terms with King Constantine could achieve that object quickly, and these were made. As for the future of the Venezelos movement, only the future will decide. If the Allies are able to triumph in the Balkans, the ex-Premier will attain the support of the majority of Greeks, and the recognition of the Allies as the de facto authority. If his army, which is ostensibly anti-Bulgarian, but which has already clashed with Royalist troops, is about to put him into power, and the Greek people acquiesce, the course of the Allies is plain. The Allies would not suffer King Constantine to take action to snuff out the Venezelos movement, for it is one of their safeguards while they conduct operations in Macedonia against the Bulgars. But their policy has not been one of direct and needless interference in Greek internal politics. The many concessions piled out of King Constantine were for the purpose of protecting General Sarrail's army from treachery, putting an end to German intrigues, and preventing active assistance to the Germans. The King's course has been notoriously pro-German, and his wings have been well clipped.

There is nothing to prevent the Venezelos party from proceeding to oust King Constantine, if it wishes, and gain the support of the Greek people. There has been no real desertion of Venezelos by the Allies.

Schr. H. F. Wilson, Capt. Walter Brown, is ready to leave for King's Cove laden with supplies.

READ THE MAIL & ADVOCATE

**REVEILLE BY CALCAR**

DAIRYING is an industry capable of great development in this country. To certain portions of our agricultural people it is the principle industry of the farm. It might be truthfully asserted that dairying and potato growing are the staple industries of the Codroy Valley. Most of the people there are dependent entirely upon what success they can attain in those two branches of agricultural endeavour.

What has the Government done for those people? The obvious answer is nothing, unless we consider the introduction of seeds and live stock. But this is of so doubtful a character that it were just as well left out of our calculations. To give people seeds and stock is but a evanescent good that soon is lost to all computation when the methods of culture are left as they are without any attempt at improvement. Unless farmers be taught how to preserve by proper methods the value of the seeds and stocks given them it is but as laying a foundation on sand or making a pavement with some deliquescent substance, the house soon falls and the road soon sinks back into the original condition. You may succeed in making a good road of salt, nitrate of soda, or some such soluble substance, but nobody of any sense would try it. A road so constructed could not last, it would soon melt away.

The Morris Government as acted as the man who would build his roads with salt or his foundations of shifting sand. They have given seeds and stock to a people who have not been taught how to preserve them, and the influence is as transitory as a fire in the grass. The flame may warm for a while but soon is dead, past and forgotten.

We will say a farmer has been given a strain of high class milk producers. How long it may be asked will the strain be able to maintain itself against improper housing and feeding? How long under a system of semi-starvation, cold, poor water supply and bad housing will any cow keep up her reputation as a milk producer? No attempt has been made by the Government to have the system of looking after the animal keep pace with the distribution of animals, the result is of course that the animals have been sacrificed and not improved or kept up to standard. Those who know best are in a position to say that no permanent improvement is possible under existing conditions. The roads have been made of salt, the foundations of sand.

The great trouble is that the compilation of statistics is so unsatisfactory as to compel us to speak only in broad general terms, a condition of affairs to be greatly deplored, as good wholesome criticism acts always as a corrective to abuse and a stimulation to flagging energies. To point out the defects in a system is the first step towards having a correction of those defects. Is it another proof of governmental dishonesty of purpose or is it but further evidence of their stupidity that proper figures are not available?

We believe the aim of the Government is to stifle adverse criticism of their methods, and if this is their aim it manifests gross dishonesty, for a Government that is sincere would court any fair criticism, for only by this means can we discover faults or have improvement.

In default of statistics let us speak then from personal observation and from knowledge gained at first hand and extending over a number of years.

In one of the greatest dairying sections of the country—the Codroy Valley—it is considered excellent for a cow to yield milk to produce one hundred pounds of butter a year. Consider this, ye agricultural commissioners, and ask yourselves if this is a very profitable business to engage in.

Let us figure out what this means to the farmer. Take the present rate at which the farmer is being paid for his butter which we believe is thirty-five cents a pound, and the highest price ever obtained.

One hundred pounds of butter at thirty-five cents means thirty-five dollars. A cow is able to consume at least two tons of hay in the run of the year. We must not consider other feeds, for the cattle do not as a rule get any other form of food, if she did it would make a much more unfavorable comparison.

Two tons of hay could not be

**Comforts for Our Soldier's**

Nfld. War Contingent, Association, 58 Victoria Street, Westminister, 27th October, 1916.

Dear Lady Davidson: I am informed that there is an impression abroad in Newfoundland that the Comforts made there are not reaching our own men.

How this idea gained credence I do not know but I have looked back upon the files and cannot find one article issued to any but our own men.

During the summer there were only two issues but that was due to the fact that the O.C. wrote that the Army Supply was more than ample and that any further consignments during the summer would be waste. As we were then expecting a 2nd. Battalion it was thought better to increase our stock than to waste their goods. Later the O.C. wrote in answer to our enquiry that a consignment would be welcomed and these were despatched in September. A further issue of Socks, Mittens, and Mufflers, with Chocolate, Stationery, Chewing Gum, Cigarettes, and Playing Cards, is now being packed and will leave before the 31st.

The Schedule attached to my letter of the 12th. October to the Women's Patriotic Association will show that the War Office issues includes all sorts of warm garments, but as one cannot be too warm the issue of our own goods will be kept up during the winter, even if the men have enough to throw away.

It has been stated that our men are envied by the whole Division in that they are so lavishly supplied with comforts and that they are able to give away some of the gifts we send them.

I therefore trust that these facts will remove any doubt as to our men receiving the comforts sent to us by the Women's Patriotic Association and being thoroughly well looked after at the front, in Hospital, or as Prisoners of War.

Yours sincerely,  
 (Signed) HENRY REEVE,  
 Hon. Secretary.

58 Victoria Street, Westminister, 12th Oct. 1916.

Dear Madam,—In reply to a cablegram from His Excellency the Governor Through the Pay & Record Office, requesting this Association to send monthly returns of comforts in the form of warm garments received from and issued on behalf of the Women's Patriotic Association.

There has been very little demand for these items during the summer months, as the War Office supply is now thoroughly organized in France, but during the winter we propose to issue Shirts and Socks periodically. A consignment of mufflers and mittens will be sent over this month when the Battalion, which is now on the move, reaches its winter quarters.

A return is attached showing stock in hand, with receipts and issues during September.

I am, dear Madam, Yours faithfully,  
 (Signed) HENRY REEVE,  
 Hon. Secretary.

The Secretary Women's Patriotic Assoc., St. John's, Nfld.

Stock of Woolen Comforts Stored at Hill Street From The W.P.A.

Balance 31st. August—7212 shirts, 9572 prs. socks, 599 mufflers, 2348 mittens, 4 vests, 3 sweaters. Received in September—250 shirts, 2880 prs. socks.

Issued to France in September—7462 shirts, 12,452 prs. socks, 599 mufflers, 2348 mittens, 4 vests, 3 sweaters. Balance—6456 shirts, 10,405 prs. socks, 599 mufflers, 2348 mittens, 4 vests, 3 sweaters.

Army Issue of Clothing to be Made on the 15th. October 1916.

- Body Band—woolen or flannel.
- 1 pair ankle boots.
- 1 pair inner soles.
- 1 pair laces.
- 1 cap, service dress.
- 1 waterproof cover for same.
- 1 cap comforter.
- 1 great coat.
- 1 pair woollen gloves.
- 2 pairs woollen drawers.
- 1 woollen vest.
- 1 pair puttees.

purchased for less than sixty dollars, or even let us suppose something lower and say forty dollars or twenty dollars a ton. If hay is worth to the farmer thirty dollars a ton, he gives to his cow sixty dollars worth of food and in return gets thirty-five dollars worth of butter.

If we accept the lowest figure for hay he gains by the transaction five dollars a year for each cow. Of course he has the manure, which is not worth much and is rendered almost worthless by careless handling. Not a very tempting proposition.

**GLEANINGS OF GONE BY DAYS**

NOVEMBER 11

St. Martinmas' Day. John Murphy's packet boat plying between Portugal Cove and north side of Conception Bay, lost this day with Skipper Murphy, Martin Casey, and several other passengers and crew, 1822.

Bazaar in aid of St. Patrick's Hall opened, 1879.

Public subscription started for relatives of crew of schr. Maggie, 1896.

Capt. Snow, wife, and two of crew lost at Cape St. Francis, 1890.

Ten pounds reward offered for apprehension of parties having stolen knockers from hall doors on Water Street. The Governor's son, Frank Harvey, was supposed to be leader of the gang. No information given and no arrests made, 1851.

Lance Cove ballot box did not arrive till 6.20 this morning, 1899.

Poll declared in St. John's East election at 7 o'clock this evening by Returning Officer Rawlins at the rooms in the house of John P. Marnell, head of Cochrane Street. Result: Dwyer, 1,514; White, 1,075; 1899.

NOVEMBER 12

Hon. John Cowan born in St. John's, 1847.

Mathew W. Walbank, Registrar Supreme Court, died, 1874.

Temperance Journal registered, Ebenezzer Brace, proprietor, 1875.

Heavy fall of snow in St. John's, 1881.

Sir James Winter returned for Burin, 1892.

Rev. J. J. St. John (Torbay) appointed P.P. for Little Placentia (Argentina), 1895.

Schr. Marian, Waddy, master, from St. John's to Change Islands, lost with crew—15 in all, 1859.

- 1 jacket, service dress.
- 1 pair trousers.
- 1 cardigan waistcoat.
- 1 set shoulder titles.
- 1 cap badge.
- 1 pair braces.
- 1 shaving brush.
- 1 tooth brush.
- 1 hair comb.
- 1 set identity discs.
- 1 field dressing.
- 1 fork.
- 1 holdall.
- 1 housewife.
- 1 clasp knife.
- 1 razor.
- 2 flannel shirts.
- 3 pairs socks.
- 1 piece of soap.
- 1 towel.
- 1 paybook.
- 1 table knife.

**STAR THEATRE RE-OPENS.**

The Star Theatre will re-open on Monday night with a first-class series of the best and most up-to-date moving pictures possible to secure. The new management have spared no expense to present to the public a first class show in every particular. They have made arrangements for a continuous shipment of the best films from the leading American and Canadian centres. The admission fee will be five cents and all who will visit the Star will enjoy a good clear hour's enjoyment. Every attention will be given patrons and the aim of the management is to give a show that will ensure liberal patronage from the movie lovers of St. John's. All new pictures, clear, up-to-date and instructive.

The following advertisement was published to-day by James Neary, of Portugal Cove: The packet boat Lively sails twice a week from Portugal Cove to Hr. Grace. Ladies and gentlemen 5s. each; tradesmen and laborers, 4s. each; hire of boat, 30s.; letters, 9d. each; 1822.

News confirmed of loss of Mr. Howley's "May" and crew, 1851.

Polling day Confederation Election. Returned for East End: W. P. Walsh, James A. Jordan, and Robert J. Parsons, sr.; W. T. Parsons, watchmaker, defeated, 1887.

Sir Ambrose Shea defeated in Placentia and St. Mary's, on Confederation ticket, 1897.

Result of Fortune bye-election announced at seven o'clock this morning; Way, 776; Furaxaux, 659, 1899.

READ THE MAIL & ADVOCATE

**CHISLETT'S MARBLE WORKS**  
 (Opp. Baine Johnston's, Water Street)  
 P. O. Box 86.

If you want a Headstone or Monument visit our store and inspect our stock. We have the most up-to-date finished work in the City. Write for DESIGN BOOKS and actual PHOTOS of our work. PRICES to suit everybody. FIRST CLASS SOCKET given free with each Headstone. Outport orders especially attended to. LOCAL CEMETERY work done cheaply.

When next you require Roofing think of

**CROWN BRAND ROOFING**

Quality first. Costs a little more than the cheap kinds, but The Value is there.

THE DIRECT AGENCIES, LTD., SOLE DISTRIBUTORS.

**Reid-Newfoundland Co.**

**POULTRY EXHIBITION AND SHOPPING EXCURSION**

Excursion return tickets will be sold from all Railway and Steamship points to St. John's for the above exhibition at ONE WAY FIRST CLASS FARE, good going from MONDAY, November 27th, to THURSDAY, November 30th, and good returning up to MONDAY, December 4th.

**Reid-Newfoundland Co.**

**Men's Heavy Dull Finish Rubber Boots,**  
 Wool Lined, Jersey Brand, \$3.10.

**Men's Woonsocket Rubber Boots,**  
 This Boot is made with the Tap running to Heel and has been the Standard Boot for more than a generation.  
 Our Price \$3.70.

**MEN'S MALTESE CROSS DULL FINISH BOOTS,**  
 Red Top, Natural Grey Sole, a good First Grade Boot at a Medium Price. Only \$4.50.

**Men's Red and White Patent Pressure Process Rubber Boots,**  
 These are famed the country over and are made from the finest Gum, specially constructed by skilled workmen.  
 Our Price for all Red is \$4.50; for all White \$5.20.

**Men's Black Pure Gum Rubber Boots,**  
 White Sole, Reinforced, Red Foxing, Felt Lined. We recommend it as the Best Fishing Boot made. There is none better.  
 Our Price, \$5.25.

People who have bought this Boot tell us that they get from Twelve to Eighteen months wear out of them.

**GEORGE KNOWLING.**

