



## Evening Telegram

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### Shall Woman Have the Franchise.

Why not? What is there different in the intelligence of woman from that of man, that the former should be deprived of her right to vote in the selection of those who should rule and govern over civic as well as national affairs? The suppression of woman from entry into affairs of government may have been perfectly all right during the middle ages or to come to a later date, the mid-Victorian era, when the zenith of women's desire was to do tatting at home, and be perfectly submissive to her grandmother, if unmarried—to her husband and his family if a wife. Life held no broad vistas for her. It was bounded by home on the one hand and the verdict of society on the other, and so her narrow existence was passed and she died as she lived, the negation of sex and all that it means. Emancipation from tradition was not for her thoughts. She was satisfied to live, move and have her being in the provincial or parochial circle of her forbears. Drably she entered life and drably she left it, none the better in the main for her short and uncolored sojourn upon earth. Some, of course, there were whose spirits soared above such a life, and these few daring souls have left their mark on the world's page.

Woman has worked for her right to take part in the affairs hitherto controlled solely by man. She has earned a title to enter upon a new phase of existence. The rolling tide can as easily be pushed back by human power, the mountains removed from their bases, as can woman be any longer denied of her will to enter the realms of politics and discuss equally with man matters of state. No more evidence of this right, as well as

privilege, is needed than woman's part in the Great War. The response made by the gentler sex when country called, was none the less heroic than that of the man. Woman made it possible for the war to be carried to a victorious end. She neither shirked nor evaded her duties or responsibilities. For no matter what service she was called upon, that service found her ready. No need to recapitulate all that was done by "weak woman" when the war cloud loomed darkly and forbiddingly. History, if written truthfully, will record her deeds and tell of her worth. There was no hesitation. Whether for home service or at the front; whether to till the land, make munitions, act as bus drivers and what not, or whether to adopt the role of V.A.D. or Red Cross Nurse at the front or in base hospitals, where the horrors of war were seen in all their hideousness, no matter what the duty, the women of Britain and her Dominions never once faltered, but endowed with heroism accepted cheerfully and bravely the work assigned and did it.

In recognition of these services then, if for nothing else, women deserve the franchise—the right to vote. But other factors are in her favor. She has proven herself capable of managing great organizations with as much success as she undertook and carried out other war work. Financially and with great credit to herself and sex she handled such national affairs as belonged to the Patriotic and other Associations with which she was identified, and all with as much ability and acumen as men in similar cases displayed. She became self-reliant; learned to depend more upon herself and associates and through this development brought to bear on the work, voluntarily taken up, a knowledge which was as surprising as it was original. Every intellectual power, every capacity for organization, every spirit of genius possessed by man was repeated and duplicated in woman when the necessity arose. Though her talents may have been latent, they were there. The psychological moment gave them development, and woman entered into man's sphere in friendly competition with him. She now asks for the right as well as the privilege of exercising the franchise in municipal and dominion affairs. Is there any valid reason why her request should be refused? Her intelligence is equal with that of man, her intuition sometimes greater. Altogether, with her new knowledge, woman will be a valuable aid in the proper governing of a city or a country, and man will be all the better

able to carry on with her effective and wise co-operation.

### An Abortion.

Chief Justice Horwood and Judge Kent have decided rightly not to give judgment upon any enquiry they make into the Woodford-Squires charges. Acting as Election Court Judges, or sitting as trial judges, in a criminal proceeding, they would be more embarrassed, perhaps disqualified, by the fact of previous findings having been made by them as Commissioners. But they would have acted more wisely still if at the outset they had refused to act as Commissioners, thus saving much waste of time. The high standing of our Supreme Court Judges in public opinion should not be prejudiced by their participation in matters essentially political, about which partisan feeling is bound to be high.

What will the Governor do now? In our opinion he should ask the Colonial Office to nominate a retired English or Colonial Judge to come here as Commissioner to enquire and report upon this matter. No local man will be above the suspicion of partisanship. Any man appointed by the Governor-in-Council will be regarded as a mere tool. The duty of ultimate action after verdict is upon His Excellency, and the evidence upon which to base that action should be taken, and report made, by a man of his own personal choosing. In the meantime, the delay has been scandalous, and should not be longer tolerated. The Opposition should move vigorously and immediately.

### The New Regulations.

The Honorable the Minister of Marine and Fisheries introduced the new Fish Export Regulations Bill in the House of Assembly yesterday afternoon and swanked quite a bit over it. He is evidently determined to have it go through, and being the real power behind the Government, there will be no hesitancy on the part of members on that side to vote as they are directed. Those of them who so strongly condemned the twenty cent export duty on dry fish last fall when soliciting votes, will now have to swallow and endorse an additional tax of ten cents per qt. on dry and five cents per quintal on salt codfish, as well as a license fee to be imposed on exporters of \$50.00 before certificate to ship will be issued. The state of mind of Western exporters can be well imagined when this intelligence reaches them. Government members, of course, have to fall in line, otherwise as Mr. Higgins put it a day or two ago, "they will not be fostered along." An outline of the resolutions follows. Readers may draw their own conclusions and make their own comments.

(1) For the establishment of a Codfish Export Board of five members, of which the Minister of Marine and Fisheries shall be the Chairman. Three members of the Board shall be appointed by the Governor-in-Council and one by the President of the Board of Trade.

(2) The duty of the Board shall be to advise the Governor-in-Council as to the exportation and marketing of salt codfish and more particularly to recommend rules to regulate

- The issuing, holding, suspension and cancellation, of licenses to exporters of salt codfish;
  - The conditions and terms of sale abroad;
  - The minimum prices for the sale of salt codfish in particular markets at particular times;
  - The maximum quantity of salt codfish which may be sold for or exported to any particular market at any particular time.
- (3) No salt codfish shall hereafter be exported without a license. A license fee of \$50.00 shall be charged, and an additional export tax of ten cents a quintal on salt codfish and five cents a quintal on green codfish, shall be imposed. The license shall be issued yearly and may be suspended for breach of the Act or any rules that may be made.
- (4) Trade Commissioners shall be appointed, and their salaries paid out of the moneys collected as above.

### Vital Statistics.

We thank the Registrar General for the Annual Report of his department, for the year ending December 31st, 1919, an early review of which will have attention.

### Facts About Newfoundland.

For the year ending June 30th, 1919, the following figures denoting the financial standing of the Dominion will prove interesting:

Value of Imports . . . . .	\$32,297,184
Value of Exports . . . . .	\$6,784,616
Amount of Current Annual Revenue collected . . . . .	9,535,725
Amount of Loans raised on Capital Account . . . . .	7,543,400
Expenditure on Current Account . . . . .	6,766,389
Amount of Public Funded Debt . . . . .	42,032,786

### Twenty-Nine Houses Being Built.

Some twenty-nine new dwelling houses are now under construction or having places for foundations digged. These are houses which were begun since January 1st, this year. In addition there is a big amount of carpentering being done in the way of enlargements and improvements on dwellings. Last year there were 104 dwelling houses constructed. These included the ones built by the City Council. Fifty-one of them were connected with water and sewerage.

### Is This Profiteering?

A man stated a day or two ago that a certain clothing factory, of which he was a shareholder, had declared in 1919 a dividend of 50 per cent. Up to now, 1920, there is a dividend of 30 per cent, which means, he stated, that this year's dividend will be at least 70 per cent. That would be 135 per cent profit in two years. The question which prompts itself is: Must THIS be called profiteering? Verily, the way of the clothes wearer is an expensive one.

### Police Court.

A business man of Water Street was fined \$10 for a breach of the street traffic regulations.

For cruelly treating a horse, a driver was fined \$5.

For careless and improper driving, the driver of a double team was fined \$2.00.

### Here and There.

Everybody's asking for Pure Gold Chocolate Pudding.—ap30,1m

FISHING SCHOONERS HERE SOON.—A large fleet of northern fishing schooners will arrive here soon for supplies with which to prosecute the Labrador voyage. At present they are detained by ice conditions.

WANDERERS WILL ENTER LEAGUE.—At the meeting of the Wanderers' Baseball Club it was decided to enter the League and a practice game was set for to-night. The rainy weather will of course prevent the game.

Newfoundland Year Book, 1920, just published; enlarged edition, 420 pages. Supply limited. Get your copy now. No business can afford to be without it, 64c. post paid. GARLAND'S Bookstore.—may6,4l,1b,m

NEW NOTARY PUBLIC.—Tuesday's Royal Gazette contains notice of the appointment of Mr. Richard Green Ash to be a Notary Public for the Colony. The Gazette has not yet got down to the use of "Dominion," notwithstanding the Royal Proclamation to that effect.

The C. L. B. Women's Memorial Association are having an Entertainment at Canon Wood Hall Thursday, May 20th, at 8 o'clock. There will be an attractive programme. The following have very kindly consented to help: Mrs. B. Dunfield, Mrs. Warren, Misses Keegan and Dunfield, and Messrs. Woods and Williams. There will also be a novel dance by four mysterious young ladies; a farce, entitled "The Backward Child," by Mrs. H. Outerbridge and Miss Ruth Emerson. Tea and cake will be served after the concert. All this for 50c. Remember it is to help the orphans, so please come if you possibly can.—may17,4l

### DIED.

Passed away, at 7 o'clock last evening, Wm. S. Godden, late of Reid & Co., leaving a widow and 1 daughter to mourn their sad loss. Funeral Friday, at 2.30 p.m., from his late residence, 156 Hamilton Street.

On May 20th, after a short illness, Agnes Fowles, wife of the late Patrick Peddle, aged 63 years, leaving two daughters, Mrs. Geo. Ennis and Mrs. Thomas Ryall, and also four brothers to mourn their sad loss. Funeral on Saturday at 2.30 p.m. from her late residence, 181 New Gower Street. Friends and acquaintances please attend without further notice. R.I.P.

This morning, at 10.30, Frederick J. Chislett, aged 47 years, eldest son of John and Alfred Chislett. Funeral at 2.30 p.m. on Sunday from his late residence, 80 Duckworth Street.

### C. C. C. BATTALION ORDERS.

(By Lt.-Col. C. O'N. Conroy, O.B.E., Commanding.)

The Battalion and Band will parade at the Armoury to-morrow (Thursday), at 8 p.m.

W. J. CLARE, Capt. & Adjt.

WANTED TO PURCHASE.—A Second-hand 5, 3½ or 4 Horsepower Stationary Gasoline Engine. Address ALEX. GALE, Millville, Codroy. apr17,3m

### FOR SALE.

UP-TO-DATE STORE WITH DWELLING.

Overhead fitted in modern style and all conveniences, situated at Norris' Arm. Also stock of Dry Goods, Provisions and Groceries. Will sell all or separate. Building built in 1918, freehold. Owner moving to city for health's sake. A paying business has always been done on this site; a bonanza for the right man; a bargain if purchased before June 1st. Apply to W. J. SPURRELL, Norris' Arm, or

R. K. Holden & Son,  
P. O. Box 301. St. John's.  
may18,4l

### Sale Condemned Naval Stores.

Tenders are asked for purchase of above. Goods can be inspected on application to Commanding Officer. Tenders which should be addressed to Commanding Officer, H.M.S. Briton, will close noon, 21st May.

C. D. FENN,  
Lieut. Commander R.N.,  
Senior Naval Officer.  
may18,3l

### FOR SALE.

At St. Joseph's,  
A Large Motor Boat,  
ready for fishing. Apply to  
RICHARD GOUGH,  
St. Joseph's,  
or  
STEER BROTHERS,  
St. John's.  
may17,4l

### FOR SALE.

Schr. "Ella M. Rudolph,"  
built in 1912.  
Built of oak and fitted with 36 H.P. Engine; 54 tons. For further particulars apply to  
STEER BROTHERS.  
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### FOR SALE.

MOTOR BOAT—About 16 tons, equipped with 36 H.P. Bridgeport Engine. Boat has two masts and four sails, chains and anchors.

—ALSO—  
COD TRAP—60 fathoms on the round and 14 fathoms deep; 6 anchors, 200 to 300 lbs. each; Trap Kegs, Rope and Chain Moorings. Apply to NEWFOUNDLAND PACKING CO., INC., Bay Bulls, or HOWLEY & FOX, St. John's. apr20,1f

### FOR SALE.

SMALL BUNGALOW,  
near Mundy Pond.  
Together with plot of land 50 x 225, at a reduced price. Immediate occupation.

FRED. J. ROIL & CO.,  
Real Estate Auctioneers,  
Smallwood Bldg., Duckworth St.  
may14,1f

### FOR SALE.

Schr. VILLAGE BELLE,  
99 tons nett register.  
Built Maitland, N.S., 1907. Vessel well found and now here. For further particulars apply to  
T. H. CARTER & CO'Y.  
apr19,1f

### FOR SALE.

Schr. "Winnie Pearce,"  
71 Tons.  
New and good for twenty years' service. Sails in good condition. For particulars apply to  
ALPHEUS BARBOUR,  
or Leslie Street,  
GEO. KNOWLING, LTD.  
may12,6l

### FOR SALE!

Schr. Jane Anderson  
53 Tons.  
Built in Nova Scotia 1910. Can be inspected at our wharf.  
Harris & Elliott, Ltd.  
apr27,1f

### PASTURE

For a limited number of cattle is now available on land between Carpasian Road and Rennie's Mill Road. A brook runs through this property and the grazing is good. For terms apply to  
W. H. RENNIE,  
Oke Bldg., Agent.  
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## POULTRY KEEPERS!

Knowling's

have just received

## 500 Sacks

of the celebrated Ralston Purina

## Poultry Feeds,

which they are selling at the following low prices:

PURINA SCRATCH FOOD, 10 lbs. for . . . . .65c.

PURINA SCRATCH FOOD JUNIOR, 10 lbs. for . . . . .67c.

PURINA CHICK FEED, 10 lbs. for . . . . .75c.

PURINA CHICKEN CHOWDER, 10 lbs. for . . . . .67c.

This is an opportunity for poultry keepers to reduce the cost of keeping fowls.

Purina Feeds will give you more eggs and better eggs, and stronger and better birds.

GET OUR PRICES BY THE SACK.

## G. KNOWLING, Ltd.

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# NITRATE OF SODA.

Our last shipment for the season,

## 120--200 lb. Sacks,

of this great Fertilizer arrived by S. S. Sachem from Liverpool and we are prepared to sell this lot at low prices for prompt delivery from steamer's wharf, and would advise our customers to secure their requirements without delay and avoid the risk of likely disappointment.

## F. McNamara, QUEEN STREET.

cod,4f

## GRAND!

A cup of Vi-Cocoa first thing in the morning, and as nutritious as it is pleasing.

## VI-COCOA

## TENDERS!

TENDERS are invited for the construction of the School Building for the Presbyterian Church on Patrick Street.

Plans and specifications may be seen at the office of Robert Templeton, Water Street.

Tenders to be opened by June 4th. Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

Tenders to be accompanied by a certified cheque for 10 per cent. of the estimated cost of building.  
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### Hardware Dept.

RUBBER HOUSEHOLD GLOVES . . . . .	\$1.00 pair
LINOLEUM FLOOR POLISH . . . . .	40c. & 80c. tin
O'CEDAR MOPS . . . . .	\$1.50
BRASS POLISH . . . . .	13c. & 20c. tin
GODDARD'S PLATE POWDER . . . . .	20c. pkt.
KALSOMINE and WALL COLOR . . . . .	70c. pkt.
MILL WHITE for Walls and Ceilings . . . . .	11c. lb.
WHITENASH BRUSHES . . . . .	25c., 40c., 50c.
WALL BRUSHES . . . . .	25c., 30c., 35c., 40c. up
ALUMINIUM GLAZE . . . . .	70c. tin
FLOOR BROOMS . . . . .	\$1.75 each
SCRUB BRUSHES . . . . .	18c., 25c., 30c., 35c. each
STOVE BRUSHES . . . . .	25c., 28c., 50c. each
RADIO POLISHING CLOTHS . . . . .	25c.
ADAMS' FURNITURE POLISH . . . . .	33c.

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