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**Evening Telegram**

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WEDNESDAY, July 25, 1917.

**Government or Autocracy?**

Reading daily the reports of the proceedings in the House of Assembly, we are induced to wonder if the general public is really sensible of what is going on. German autocracy and high-handedness is a common theme of satire and denunciation, and artists are never tired of pointing out the absurdity of a system which gives the noisy Reichstag the shadow of power and leaves all the substance with the silent Bundesrat and its controller, the Kaiser. There is no need for us to look as far as Germany for a subject, not of satire but of the fiercest indignation. Our "National Government," by the simplest form of political corruption imaginable, have succeeded in turning the House of Assembly into a Reichstag and Bundesrat in one which might well provoke the envy of the Kaiser. It is not really legislation that is being enacted there. A few bills, initiated by one or two members, are being rushed through with the supine approval of the rest, who have already been rewarded for their acquiescence. They are not through their several stages before the public, or even most of the members themselves, have had time to grasp more than their bare outlines. Of course the public and public opinion don't matter. They are deeply affected by the Acts, but that is the proper function of the Acts and themselves.

We have already protested against their truculent aggressiveness. We have shown in a few instances, which we had time to discern before the occasion was past, how this evident haste—for which no single excuse has been preferred except the desire of the House to have a holiday—has led to inexact and slipshod legislation. The limit was fairly reached yesterday, when the Pensioners' Bill was forced through all its stages, with a couple of quite trifling amendments and a discussion which was confined to fulsome compliments of the framer. We are second to none in our appreciation of the value of this work, but it would have been a better and more sincere tribute to it to have taken the trouble to examine it a little fully. Here is an Act of more than fifty sections, conferring benefits upon those whom we should delight to honour, and imposing a tax for an indefinite time upon the whole country of a quarter of a million dollars. It is not worth discussing. It is not worth examining. Put it through in an afternoon! When it is

law will be time enough to inquire into its effect.

To prove that we are not talking at random but from a sense of the true seriousness of the matter, we may say that our attention has been drawn to one point (we have hardly found time to read the Act, for our own part). From the definition of "dependents" and the effect of Schedule B, a dependent already in receipt of \$384 per annum is entitled to no pension on the death of the soldier in the ranks who has hitherto supported him. If his income is only \$383, he is entitled to a pension which may (apparently at the discretion of the Commission) amount to \$384, or double that of the former case. Are we to understand from this that every dependent, in such case, will receive only \$384 per annum in all, which would be the only fair general rule? If so, it seems a very small maximum. If not, there is injustice somewhere. The matter is important, and we should like to be enlightened. Again, we do not like the look of section 6, which gives the Commission the fullest power without reference to the rest of the Act, with no right of appeal from its findings, or section 22, which is somewhat similar. That seems to us to signal certain trouble ahead.

We merely specify these points for the reason we have given. Had we been given time, we might have found many others, not to object to, for the Act is an admirable one, but to be made quite clear. It is not this Act or any other that we protest against, but the disgraceful practice of allowing no one, inside the House or out of it, a moment's time to examine them. This is responsible government!

But if the limit was reached in the case of this Act, it bids fair, to be guilty of a bull, to be exceeded this afternoon. The extraordinary procedure is to be adopted of suspending all the rules of the House from this onward, so that the remaining legislation can be handled exactly as the Government desires. If there remains a single member with backbone enough to protest, which is doubtful, his protests will be ineffectual and ruthlessly curtailed. We know why this is being done. There is coming before the House a bill giving concessions to a private business concern which, in any independent legislature, would raise a storm of indignation, and will do so in any case outside it. We have ascertained enough about the measure to be certain of what we say. It is perhaps the most important measure that has yet been preferred. If it is passed, it needs no gift of vision to prophesy the political extinction of all concerned in it. For the rest, the budget has not yet appeared and nothing has been done touching conscription. Yet these matters are simple enough to be handled under suspended rules. Perhaps it is just as well, and that no other obstacle be placed in the way of ending the burlesque of Parliament with all speed.

**Wilson Criticised.**

President Wilson has been severely criticised in the past, but what he has undergone in the past will be as a summer zephyr compared with the blasts that will rage about him as America gets deeper into the conflict, and the mistakes or incapacities of those about him are charged to his account.—"Was Davenport Whelpiey, on "War and Politics in America."

**From Cape Race.**

CAPE RACE To-Day. Wind west, light, dull. The latest report from the Kristianiafjord is that a trial is to be made to refloat her to-day. Bar. 29.75, ther. 58.

**Here and There.**

**KIRK CONGREGATION TO VISIT HIGHLANDERS.**—All the members of St. Andrew's Church were given an invitation to spend to-day with the Nfld. Highlanders at Mount Pearl. Quite a number have signified their intention to spend the day with the lads and are leaving by the 12.30 p.m. train.

Buy a bottle of Stafford's Boratone Cough Cure for 25c. and receive a numbered ticket. See advertisement.—may1,tf

**Summer School Notes.**

**TUESDAY, July 24th.**  
Morning Session (St. Bon's College) 9 to 11.45.—During the first period, 9 to 9.45, Mr. Morehouse gave a lecture to group B on Civics, and Dr. Brunt to group A in English. From 9.45 to 10.30 Dr. Brunt took group B in the best methods of teaching Composition and Mr. Morehouse gave a lecture on the teaching of History to group A.

When the class reassembled after recess, lectures were given by Dr. Brunt on English and by Mr. Morehouse on Arithmetic. Then at 11.45 both groups went to the Methodist College Hall where Dr. Campbell lectured on Hygiene.

**Afternoon Session (St. Bon's College), 2.15 to 4.15.**—From 2.15 to 3 Dr. Brunt explained to group B how best to take an advanced class in English Literature. He illustrated his method by taking a lesson on "Bacon's Essay on Studies." During the same period group A was taken by Mr. Morehouse in best method of teaching Arithmetic.

The teachers then lined up on the College Campus and were taken in Physical Culture under the respective division instructors—Miss Worrell, Miss Curtis and Sergt. Major Hussey.

For the last period of the afternoon session group B was divided into two divisions and were taken in Art, the ladies under Miss Kelly and the men under Mr. Murdock, while group A attended a lecture on Nature Study.

**Evening Session (Synod Building), 7.30 to 9.**—Instruction was given in the following subjects: Navigation by Mr. Doyle; Latin by Miss Mansfield; History and Geography by Mr. Whiteway, and Arithmetic, in two phases, by Mr. Goodman and Mr. House.

CORRESPONDENT.

**Here and There.**

**LEFT BY TRAIN.**—Quite a large number of passengers left by this morning's train to spend the day in the country.

**GUESTS AT BALSAM PLACE.**—Rev. Father McGuire, St. Bride's; Mrs. F. P. Murphy, Placentia; James Murphy, Placentia; G. A. Monro, New Glasgow; W. Vey, Cupids; J. W. Parsons, Freshwater.

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**DROWNING INQUIRY.**—At the Magistrate's Court yesterday afternoon an inquiry began into the drowning of the young man George Holland, in Quidi Vidi Lake. The evidence was taken of two witnesses, namely, Geo. Vavasour and John Earles.

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**DID REMARKABLY WELL.**—Upwards of fifteen northern schooners who have been fishing out of St. John's this season have done remarkably well with the fish and will be leaving shortly to land their voyages at their home ports.

**The ladies of Bay Bulls are making special preparation for their Garden Party which will take place the second week in August. It will be a big affair. The men are busy getting their New Hall ready for the occasion.**—jly25,21,w,s

**N. I. W. A.**—At last night's meeting of the Executive Committee of the Nfld. Industrial Workers' Association the constitution was again discussed. Considerable progress was made and it is expected the charter will be completed about the first meeting in August.

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**Forester M. Collins Heard From.**

By the last English mail, Mrs. Collins, of the Battery, received a letter from her husband, No. 55 Forester Martin Collins, from Scotland. The letter, which was highly interesting, described the manner of work in which he was then engaged. Forester Collins left here with the second draft of Foresters some time ago and has been hard at work ever since his arrival in the Old Country. On Aug. 15th next he will celebrate his 60th birthday, and despite his many years is as active as a man of forty. Mr. Collins, who for a long time has been accustomed to smoking Mont Bernard tobacco, misses his favorite weed and requests that a supply be sent him. He wishes to be remembered to his many friends.

**The Wrecked Liner.**

The wrecking tugs and divers are making strenuous efforts to refloat the stranded liner Kristianiafjord. Conditions are moderate and it is expected that she will come off the rocks soon. More cargo is being salvaged from the ship to lighten her, and the schr. Mary Cashin took a load from the Kristianiafjord yesterday.

**Little Sister Wounded.**

"Coloney Peyron is never mentioned in the despatches of General Petain, and although he wears a uniform, no soldier of France salutes him," says Harold Begbie in Lloyd's. "He is, you must understand, a Salvationist. To the French democracy and the French tax-collector he is plain M. Peyron; but to the gallant little host of French Salvationists he is an adored child, a most veritable colonel, and a man whom they would gladly follow even to the death.

"One is almost the most beautiful of all the war stories I have heard. It concerns a little Sister of Mercy.

"This little Sister of Mercy had such tenderness in her ministrations to the wounded that everybody in the hospital adored her.

"Well, one day a shell brought death and new wounds to the hospital and among the wounded was this little Sister of Mercy who was like an angel. She was smashed about the legs so that she could not move, and lay among the wreckage of the hospital with her blood streaming away from her.

"When she had been rescued, you may imagine with what care she was carried to a bed, and with what haste the best surgeon was sent for, and with what love and devotion everybody stood round her, helping her to bear her pain with words of sympathy.

"The surgeon made a long and patient examination. At last he spoke to the little Sister of Mercy, who lay back as white as her pillows, watching his face.

"You are going to get well," said he.

"Her eyes smiled and brightened.

"Quite well and strong," he said, with assurance; "but I am afraid—here he looked aside for a moment—'that we shall have to find a crutch for you.'

"She seemed puzzled.

"When the surgeon stooped nearer to her, and explained very gently that to save her life he must needs amputate one of her poor, shattered legs.

"She made a little movement of the head, as though she was bowing to fate, and whispered, 'Well, the will of God be done.'

"Some days afterwards the surgeon and the nurses came once more to her bedside, and were very loving and tender to this little one-legged Sister of Mercy. It seemed as if everybody in the hospital wanted to pay their respects to her. At last the truth came out.

"To make you quite well again," said the surgeon, "it is also necessary that I should take off your other leg."

"The little Sister of Mercy smiled into his face for a moment, showing neither fear nor sorrow. Then she closed her eyes. "Prevent me, O Lord," she whispered, "from being proud of my wounds."

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"Colonel Peyron told me this story as an example of a religious heroism which, in his opinion, is breathing a new spirit into the life of France. Something, he says, is happening to France. And there he is inclined to leave it. What it is that is happening, he does not know. It is spiritual, that is clear."

**Evening Telegram Fashion Plates**

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**War News**

**Messages Received**

**GERMANS RECALLED.**

Two German attacks from north west of Moscow last night were repulsed. War Office announced between Cerny and Albstadt also attacked without success.

Following is to-day on the Belgian front: prisoners in succession night West of Saveren, Vermeles and West.

**TRYING TO CUT OFF.**

**COPELAND.**

The Austro-German front in Galicia has been in endeavour to get Russian armies between the Dniester, Austrians at the front reported three newspapers declares engaged in the force, have reached ten miles east of Tarnopol Railway station. In several places forecast the stand behind the German front reported in flames.

**BLOOD AND IRON.**

A blood and iron into effect, if needed by the Government, has been granted. In a day, the Premier of the army, the Government and Russian iron if argument and conscience are in situation at the front and demands become convinced that state is sufficiently cared without a

**ARTILLERY BATTAL.**

An artillery battalion which was never captured, is raging day after day, the war office

**GERMANS EXERCISE.**

The German exercises in all the several times observed heavy artillery, the bombardment nearly last stage of the blow is struck. It is British would have been made. The offensive may be hard pressed

**KERENSKY.**

Premier Kerensky the constitution of his Government, his predecessor's met in coalition members. From the Socialist to the non-Socialist offices of state ministers but by of departments of the cabinet.

**CONFERENCE.**

A conference