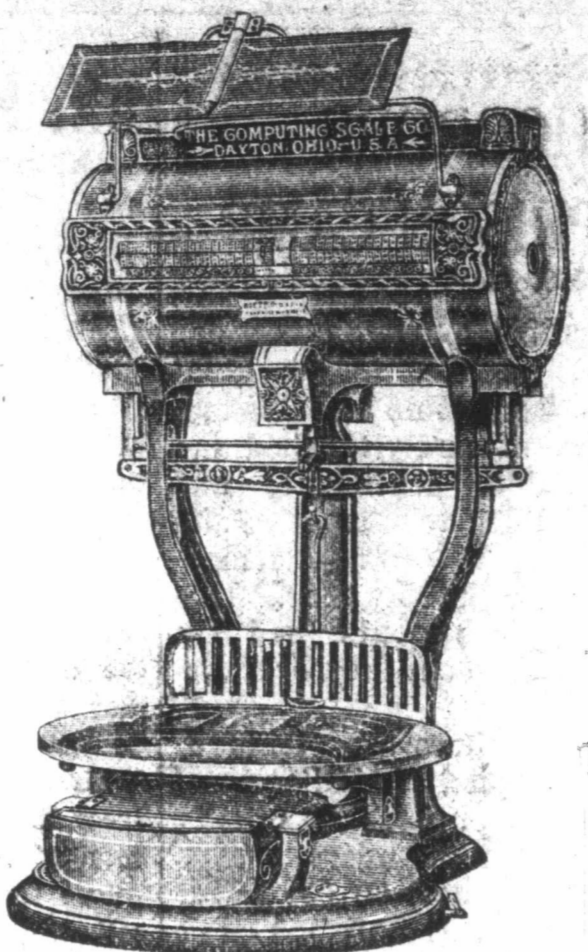


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**The Keeping of Dogs In the District of Fogo**

**The Following Proclamation Appears in the Royal Gazette and is Published For the Information of Those Concerned**

Whereas it is provided by Chapter 141 of the Consolidated Statutes of Newfoundland (Second Series), entitled "Of the Keeping of Dogs," and the Acts in amendment thereof, that—

"It shall be lawful for the duly qualified Electors resident within an area or District of this Colony, to present to the Governor in Council a petition of requisition in the form prescribed in the Schedule to this Act, or as near thereto as may be, setting forth the limits or boundaries within which such area or District is comprised, and the names of the towns, harbours or settlements included therein, and praying that a Proclamation be issued prohibiting the Keeping of Dogs in such area or District; and further, that upon receipt of any such petition or requisition containing the signatures of a majority of the Electors resident within such area or District, certified by the nearest Stipendiary Magistrate, as aforesaid, the Governor in Council shall have power to issue a Proclamation or Public Notice prohibiting the Keeping of Dogs within such area or District."

And whereas I have received a petition, certified in due form, from a majority of the Electors residing within that Section of the Electoral District of Fogo, extending from Little Seldom-Come-By to Wild Cove, and which Section includes the following settlements, namely, Seldom-Come-By, Little Seldom-Come-By, Cann Island and Wild Cove, praying that a Proclamation may be issued in accordance with the above-recited Acts, prohibiting the Keeping of Dogs within the said section:

I do, therefore, by this my Proclamation prohibit from the Sixth Day of June next, the Keeping of Dogs within the said Section of the Electoral District of Fogo, from and after which date it shall not be lawful for any person resident within the said Section to keep or have in his possession or under his control, any Dog within the said Section, provided this prohibition shall not apply to any person or persons passing through the said Section, and having a licensed Dog in his possession, charge or control, and not at large.

And all Constables are hereby notified that it shall be their duty to kill all Dogs found by them in the said Section of the Electoral District of Fogo, except Shepherd Dogs and Collies, and those before excepted.

**British Are Superior to Huns in Air**

The British papers just to hand contain long accounts of the controversy in Great Britain regarding the aerial services of Great Britain and Germany, and of the final squelching of Mr. Pemberton Billing, the new member of Parliament who maintained that the British aeroplanes were inferior in number and make, and resulted in needless sacrifice of men. It seems that Mr. Billing was given by the Government the opportunity of substantiating his charges before a judicial tribunal, but he declined to proceed, preferring rather to follow the example of Kyle and Carvell in Canada and make reckless charges in the House of Commons, to which hardly a soul stayed to listen. Various members who were in a position to speak authoritatively told of what the British air service had done and was capable of doing, and the case for the Government was ably summed up by Mr. Bonar Law. Some of his remarks are worth repeating. He said:

If the standard is a comparison either of engineer or aeroplane then I am prepared to say that our air service is unquestionably far better than that of the enemy, and is, I believe, equal to that of any of the combatants engaged in the war. From the beginning of the war we had a great superiority in the air, and it has continued down to the

present moment.

At the end of last year for the first time our airmen, who up to that time had made reconnaissances with comparative impunity, found Fokker machines waiting for them, and there were many casualties. We did not invent a new machine to meet the Fokker. We sent up machines we had which were suited for fighting and since then our reconnaissances have continued with a piety, regularly and success which is not even attempted by the Germans.

Our aeroplanes cross the German lines many times often than the enemy crosses our lines. Of 478 combats which have taken place in a given period, only sixty-three have occurred on the British side of the line, and in the latter thirteen German machines were brought down and not a single British machine was lost.

Mr. Bonar Law went further, and declared that so far from the Fokker machines being superior to the British, the British had at least two types that were distinctly superior to the Fokker, and other types that were at least as good. It is satisfactory to know from such a source that the British aerial service shows up so favorably compared with those of the enemy.

**IN ONE GULF.**

Mrs. Bill El Rod—"That dreadful Ross Block invited you to take a drink, did he? I should think you'd felt insulted."

Bill—"I did; but I thought it best to swallow the insult."

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**HUTS WITHIN DANGER ZONE Are "Strafed" Every Day But Manage to Escape High Explosives**

Hot cocoa for the wounded just where they fell and other on-the-spot services to fighting men are the common daily tasks of Y.M.C.A. secretaries. These things are told in the following letter written within rifle distance of the enemy and just arrived from the front:

**Hot Cocoa for Wounded.**

"Well, this is a warm corner they have put us in now, and some day soon it will likely be even warmer. I have now four places—one two miles from the storm centre, one a mile away, one a thousand yards and a fourth between three and four hundred yards.

"The two latter are decidedly interesting, the last can only be worked at night, and then it is always wisest to stick to the dugout. This branch is within easy shooting distance with a rifle, and it is pie for a shell. But we are extremely careful and there is never a light showing or anything to indicate our presence. As soon as day threatens to break we beat it for civilization by the ambulance route.

"You will be interested to know what we are able to accomplish at this place. Well, it is a sort of 'Gunga Din' stunt. I have a cocoa urn and Primus lamp, and we provide hot cocoa for the wounded as they lie waiting their turn to be moved. At this place the stretcher bearers deposit their wounded and wait for darkness, the grave digger plays his trade by stealth, and the parson, in the cover of night, whispers his prayers over the last resting-place of the men who have died for us. Sometimes the chaplain stands up to his task, and sometimes he is prone on his face, but he sticks and does his duty—all honor to him.

**"Strafed" Every Day.**

"At this dug-out, then, in addition to the wounded, we are able to serve the stretcher-bearers and grave diggers. If they have a penny and want to pay, all right. If they haven't a penny, all right just the same! Of course, you will understand that with my other places on my hands during the day, I cannot burn the candle at both ends and take the night shift in this advanced post, too. But I take my turn, and one of the chaplains helps, and we will arrange for men who have to be there anyway to serve at this post. It is truly a great work, and there is more grateful thanks expressed in one night than there would be in a week outside.

"The thousand yard hut is surrounded by something which attracts the German shells and every day we get strafed. The place is built of sand bags and has a corrugated steel roof, and only a direct hit will turn the trick. They have put a few thousand shells in the vicinity recently and the best they could do was to hit the road six feet away, and splash a half-ton of paving stones in over the protecting bags at the front door. Besides making a mess, they scratched my man slightly on the cheek. My Y.M.C.A. sign is a sight, with about seven holes in it made by pieces of bursting shell on several occasions! I am going to have it made into a cushion cover and presented to the man who has the grit to stay with the job."

**And the Yankee Added Some More**

Once upon a time, so the story goes, a Frenchman visiting the tomb of Napoleon wrote on a convenient wall the lines:

"Bony was a great man, a soldier brave and true."

An Englishman coming along a little later read this and added:

"But Wellington did beat him at the battle of Waterloo."

The next visitor was an American, who seeing the foregoing contributions, rushed into the competition with all of the restraint that characterizes the members of that great nation. He wrote:

"But brave still, and truer far, and tougher far than shoe leather. Was Washington, the man who could have licked them both together."

Officer—Why do you think he wouldn't make a good corporal?  
 Sergeant (indicating sentry)—I'm a corporal? Lor humme! Why 'is name's Clarence.

**Present War Must End at Verdun, Says Kaiser**

It is reported that the German Emperor, addressing his soldiers besieging Verdun, said: The war of 1870 was decided at Paris. The present war must end at Verdun.

Verdun has been compared to Friedland, says the Mail and Empire; Napoleon forced the Russian army to battle at Friedland in 1807, with its back to the river, with the object of occupying the bridges which would thus cut off retreat. Mackensen would follow Napoleon's manoeuvre in 1870, by forcing the French army to fight its back to the Meuse, while Mackensen, attacking from the north, east and south simultaneously would occupy the bridges of Verdun.

The difference between Napoleon's manoeuvre and that of Mackensen is manifest. Ney took the bridges of Friedland, while the Kronprinz has not taken the bridges of Verdun, nor is there probability that they can be taken.

Verdun was first mentioned in the "Itinerary of Antonius (44 B. C.)" under the name of Verodunum. After 1870, Verdun was created a first-class fortress, in the centre of a vast entrenched camp, destined to bar the Champagne road to an enemy coming from Metz. A line of intercepting forts connects the entrenchments of Verdun on the Meuse with Toul on the Moselle to the south-east.

It was at Verdun in 843 the sons of Louis the Pious signed the treaty of division of the Carolingian Empire. Louis of Bavaria took Germania, Charles le Chauve, France, and west of the Meuse, Lothaire, Italy and the region between the Meuse and the Rhine. The latter finally was prey to Germans and French ambitions. Louis d'Autremere took Verdun, 979; Othon the Great recaptured it, Verdun was created the property of bishops in 1247.

From the fourteenth century French influence prevailed in the valleys of the Meuse and Moselle; the inhabitants of Verdun claimed the protection of Philip IV "the Good," son of Philip III King of France, and signed with him a treaty of protection, and Philip IV gave to Verdun a French governor 1310-1330.

The annexation of Verdun to the royal domain was one of the consequences of the rivalry between Austria and France. Charles V prepared to invade France in 1551, and imposed a garrison on Verdun. Henry II King of France, captured Verdun, also Toul and Metz, and the treaty of Cateau-Cambresis (1559) confirmed the possession.

Dun is a Celtic suffix common to a number of ancient places: London,

**THE SONG YOU CAN'T FORGET**

Lives there a man with soul so dead That music cannot charm? From whom all joy of life has fled, Whose coldness naught can warm? That one is fit for treason, spoils, Nature herself would shun Such a foul blot, whose presence soils Friendship with anyone.

methinks that all some music love, Some song that casts a spell Over the heart, to gently prove Its power o'er sense and will. Mid peaceful scenes comes "Home Sweet Home."

And "Annie Laurie" sweet; "Old Oaken Bucket" holds for some A draught that is a treat.

On balm Southern breezes floats Song of "The Mocking Bird"; From Northern fields the sad'ning notes

Of "Whip-poor-Will" are heard; In passing perchance we hear "My Country," "Tis of Thee." That song to ev'ry heart so dear. In this land of the free.

"Star Spangled Banner" wakens thought Of war on land and sea. And hero lives, which dearly bought Our hard-won liberty. In sadness plunged, some soul is drawn,

"Nearer, My God to Thee." "Lead, Kindly Light," until the dawn Of brighter days to be.

"Down on the Swannee River," hark! We hear the banjo's ring. In cabins roofed o'erhead with bark You hear the darkies sing; "Way Down in Dixie," once again, "Mid cottonwood and pine; In 'Old Virginia's' forest glen, Where sweet magnolias twine.

But "Massa's in the Cold, Cold, Cold Ground." And slay'ry days no more, Yet still we hear the old songs sound From out the cabin door. Ah, yes, some song of by-gone days, Methinks, can touch us yet; Deep down in memory it stays, The song you can't forget.

Issoudun, Chateaudun, Sivrindun. The Latins converted dun into dunum to indicate a fortified castle. Verdun in the time of the Gauls was then as now an obstacle in the way of an enemy approaching from the Woivre.

A great number of names of place names thus: "Bois-vert," "Bois-noir," "Bois-enhache"—greenwood, blackwood, chopped wood. Bois-noir in the Roman epoch was called "Niger-lucus."

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