

If True, Why Make Others Pay?

(Western Star.)

The Telegram on the 19th inst. editorially stated that a West Coast merchant refused to pay the extra charges demanded by the Food Control Board on a quantity of sugar he had imported from Canada. That "deadlock" ensued for some little time, which, however, was broken by threats of certain legal proceedings, and ultimately the sugar was released, and the consumers saved the "extra cost."

The public would like to have some further information on this matter. In the first place who was the merchant, and "are the consumers saved the additional cost?"

If one sugar importer was permitted to obtain his shipment of sugar without having to pay the extra charges, why should others be compelled to pay from two to three cents a pound extra, thus setting up an unfair competition or giving one merchant an opportunity to make a big rakeoff? We do not condemn the importer who put up the strong fight and won out, providing he is giving his customers the full benefit of the result; but rather we would congratulate him for the interest he has manifested in the behalf of those he is endeavoring to serve. But we do demand that, if privileges have been extended to one, they shall likewise be extended to all, and the trade owes it to those upon whom they depend to purchase their merchandise to see to it that their customers are not victimized.

(The Telegram can vouch for the truth of its statement, as quoted above, and begs to inform its Western contemporary that the consumers were saved the additional expense on the shipment of sugar referred to. The matter is now public property and it should not be difficult for the Western Star to discover the identity of the Port aux Basques importer who kicked against the decree of the Food Control Board and won out. Ed. Telegram.)

Port aux Basques.

TO BE PORT OF ENTRY FOR MAIL PARCELS.

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The Railway Commission, accompanied by Hon. H. J. Brownrigg, G. Shea and W. W. Halfyard, went west by special train on Wednesday evening and returned east again on Saturday morning. While west they visited the coal areas of the Reid and Co. at South Branch, and those of the St. George's Coal Fields at Robinson's, looked over the location for a railway from the latter property, and visited Port aux Basques for the purpose of selecting a site for the proposed new freight sheds at that place.

In conversation at Port aux Basques on Friday morning, we were told the new sheds would extend from the present old one to the railway office. That new quarters would be provided for the Customs and for the handling of express and baggage. And that provision is to be made for the examining and assessing of parcels by post for the West and South Coasts at Port aux Basques, instead of, as at present, being conveyed to St. John's for examination and assessment. This last announcement will be hailed with delight by the people of the West and South Coasts, who in the past, have often been placed to much inconvenience through the long delay in the transit of mail parcels from Canada. It was in the year 1900 that the present manager of the Western Star first took up the matter with the then Postmaster General. Since then we have repeatedly advocated this reform, and the late Postmaster General, Dr. Robinson, gave the project considerable support. We also took the matter up with the Customs Department, and were assured the support of that Department whenever the Executive Government choose to give the matter consideration. It has always appeared as needless expense and delay to transport mail parcels intended for this section of the country all the way across country and back again, incurring extra carriage of a thousand miles, besides the delay in going and coming, as well as that often caused by the congestion of the examination ends, while express packages come in and are delivered wherever there is an express office. And not only the South and West Coasts will benefit by the proposed innovation, for by putting it into operation will relieve the tax on space and officials at St. John's, and thus enable the handling of mail parcels with greater facility. We would also suggest that similar arrangements be made for mail parcels from this country to Canada. We fail to see any logical reason why these should be subjected to the delay of transmission first to St. John's. The same argument we have advanced time and again regarding incoming parcels apply equally to outgoing parcels.

Ladies' Aprons.
Black Satene Aprons of dainty design, fitted bands at waist and fancy pocket. Reg. \$1.50 each for... **\$1.24**

Art Fringes.
All silk, 1 1/2 inches wide, in shades of Pink, Sky, Champagne, Fawn, Nigger Brown and Black; very popular for day and evening dress trimmings. Reg. 50c. yard for... **42c.**

New Neckwear.
Collar and Cuff Sets in Silk Muslin and Lawn, Navy and White, neatly embroidered and trimmed with insertion lace; also a lot of other designs; all selling at one price. Special, each... **72c.**

New Veilings.
Latest designs from the fashion centres; plain and fancy mesh; shades of Sage, Purple, Taupe, Fawn and Grey; silk finish. Reg. 45c. yard for... **38c.**

Trilby Lace.
In assorted widths, all White designs, with and without beading. Reg. 50c. yard for... **43c.**

A Clearance Sale of BLOUSES



Don't let this opportunity pass by. Our entire stock of Blouses, including the newest models in Voile, Jap Silk, Crepe de Chene and Georgette Crepe, are now selling at GREATLY REDUCED PRICES.

Ladies' Underskirts.
In finely woven White Cambric, smartly cut and finished with wide embroidery flounce; drawstring at waist; medium sizes only. Reg. \$2.40 each for... **\$2.05**

Ladies' Corsets.
Made of strong White Coutil; high and medium bust; lace trimmed tops; sizes from 20 to 30 inch; 4 elastic suspenders. Reg. \$1.50 pair for... **\$1.35**

Combinations.
Extra quality Jersey Knit Underwear; sizes 36 and 38 only; two styles, round neck and shoulder straps, finished with silk ribbon. Reg. \$1.30 pair for... **\$1.07**

The Royal Stores, Ltd.

Friday and Saturday will again offer many unusually striking opportunities for economy. Those who compare the prices of these typical Royal Store offers with everyday values will be astounded at the remarkable savings.

To Out of Town Customers.

Our Mail Order Department exists to give people living at a distance the same chances as people living here in St. John's. We guarantee to satisfy you and assure you the same courtesy and service by using our Mail Order Department as if you were actually buying here in the store.

Outfitting the School Girl and Boy

is a comparatively easy business at this Store. We are now making a special feature of Schoolwear for boys and girls. Here are a few typical examples. There are hundreds of others, of course, equally attractive in style and price.

SCHOOL STATIONERY.

- Exercise Books—40 Pages. Special each... **9c.**
- Exercise Books—30 Pages. Special each... **14c.**
- Scribblers—50 Pages. Special each... **8c.**
- Black Ink. Special per bottle... **9c.**
- Special Pencils—Wood covered. Special each... **3c.**
- Lead Pencils—Wood covered. Special each... **4c.**
- Lead Pencils—Wood covered. Special each... **5c.**

Boys' Sports Coats.

- Brown Tweeds, fine for school wear. Sizes 24 x 26 inch. Reg. \$6.10 each for... **\$5.50**
- Sizes 28 to 32 inch. Reg. \$7.20 each for... **\$6.50**
- Boys' Pants.**
Brown Cord; stout quality; lined all through; sizes 4 to 6 years. Special per pair... **\$2.75**
- BOYS' COLLARS**—Rubber; Eton. Reg. 35c. each for... **30c.**



Men's Trench Coats and Raglans.



New Arrivals. A full line of Smart Fawn Trench Coats in all sizes; with oiled silk interlining; full belted and arm straps; double breasted. Regular \$39.50 for... **\$35.75**

English Raglans.
Made of fine Waterproof Drill, in shades of Fawn and Green; sizes 34 to 44 inch; Silpear style; Raglan sleeve and long roll collar, loose back. Reg. \$33.50 each for... **\$30.25**

Boys' Light Overcoats.
In Fawns, Greens and Navy; velvet collar, Pinch back belts; to fit boys of 4 to 6 years. Reg. \$10.25 each for... **\$8.53**

Boys' Tweed Overcoats.
Light weight, in assorted checks; double breasted; Pinch back; sizes 4 to 6 years. Special each... **\$11.00**

A Clearance Sale of Child's Cotton Dresses.

These dresses for girls of 4 to 14 years are undoubtedly the latest styles in school girl fashions. Pretty check designs in Anderson Gingham and Plain Linen effects predominate in the assortment. Don't miss this opportunity to secure your little girl's dresses at

CLEARANCE SALE PRICES.

Child's Combinations.
For girls of 5 to 14 years, White Jersey knit of fine quality, short sleeves, knee length, round neck and buttoned down front. Regular \$1.00 each for... **83c.**

Child's Hose.
Fine Ribbed Cotton Cashmere Hose in colors of Sky, Pink, Brown, Cream and Black; seamless feet. Sizes 4 to 6. Values to 70c. pr. for... **60c.**

Sizes 6 1/2 to 7 1/2. Values to 80c. pair for... **65c.**

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New Fall Tweeds.

English Costume Tweeds.
New season's Tweeds at Special Prices. These goods came in unexpectedly. By this fortunate happening you are enabled to have your choice of the newest fall materials at a great saving in money.

Handsome mixtures in Grey, Fawn, Brown; 40 inches wide. Regular \$3.75 yard for... **\$3.30**

Assorted checks in Blues, Greys, Browns and Fawns; 56 inches wide. Regular \$6.25 yard for... **\$5.65**

White Japanese Silk.
A desirable quality, greatly in demand for blouses and dresses; 36 inches wide. Reg. \$3.25 yard for... **\$2.80**

Colored Shantung.
Shades of Blue, Brown and Grey; 36 inches wide. Reg. \$2.50 yard for... **\$2.10**

ECONOMY SPECIALS FROM ALL OVER THE STORE.

Hearth Rugs of the right kind and color are indispensable to a well furnished home. We offer a nice assortment for Friday and Saturday.

TAPESTRY RUGS—27 x 53; plain hemmed ends. Reg. \$4.95 each for... **\$4.59**

AXMINSTER RUGS—27 x 53; pile finish. Reg. \$10.75 for... **\$9.55**

Travelling Rugs.
Wool and Cotton, Red and Green on dark ground; plaids and check designs; fringed ends; sizes 54 x 72. Reg. \$8.00 each for... **\$7.29**

Linen Table cloths.
Sizes 54 x 54; White fancy scroll and floral designs, hemmed ends. Reg. \$3.75 ea. **\$3.25**

Blay Turkish Towels.
Large size 21 x 43; fancy red stripes; hemmed ends. Reg. \$4.40 pr. **\$1.55**

Checked Glass Cloths.
White Cotton with red and blue checks; Lines finish; size 16 x 28. Reg. 30c. each for... **26c.**

White Crotchet Quilts.
American make, extra heavy Cotton; sizes 2 yds. by 3 yds.; fancy floral borders; hemmed ends. Reg. \$6.00 ea. **\$5.63**

White Lace Curtains.
3 yds. long; pretty scroll and floral designs. Reg. \$4.00 for... **\$4.05**



Ladies' Boots.

24 pairs Laced Boots, Black Gunmetal finish; sizes 3 to 7; Cuban heel, medium toe, felt tips. Reg. \$9.00 pair for... **\$8.50**

14 pairs only Brown Dongola Boots, sizes 3 to 6; pointed toes, French heel, high cut styles, invisible eyelets, metal heel protectors. Reg. \$12.70 pair for... **\$11.88**

Child's Button Boots.
Dark Tan Vel Kid Boots, sizes 6 to 8; spring heels; made on the well known "Com-fort" last. Reg. \$2.65 pair for... **\$2.45**

Ladies' Stockings.

Silk Hose.
10 dozen pairs fancy knit, lace fronted legs of pure silk, tops and feet of fine thread; in mixed colorings of Gold, Purple, Green, Navy & White; sizes 9 to 10 inch. The correct stockings for present season's wear. Values \$2.75 to \$2.95. **\$2.35**

Heather Hose.
All Wool Hose in Brown and Green mixtures; 41 ribs, plain feet; recommended for early fall wear. Reg. \$1.95 pair for... **\$1.78**

Fibre Silk Hose.
Lustrous shades of Grey, Pink, Rose and Sky; sizes 9 and 9 1/2; double soles. Reg. \$1.00 pair for... **85c.**

Men's Shirts.

Percale Shirts.
Negligee style, 1 y 1 1/2 coat front; sizes 14 1/2 to 16; double cuffs; handsome wide and narrow stripes on white ground. Reg. \$3.75 each for... **\$3.47**

MEN'S SHIRTS—Fine White Cotton Shirts, with pin stripes, laundered cuffs, coat shaped fronts; sizes 13 1/2 to 16 1/2. Reg. \$2.90 each for... **\$2.74**

SILK FRONTED SHIRTS—In assorted striped patterns; heavy Jap Silk fronts and cuffs; sizes 14 1/2 to 16 1/2. Reg. \$3.80 each for... **\$3.15**

BOYS' NIGHT ROBES—Striped Fletto. Sizes 4 & 5. Reg. \$1.85 each for... **\$1.58**

Sizes 6 & 7. Reg. \$2.00 each for... **\$1.82**

MEN'S NIGHT ROBES—White Shirting, well made and roomy; braided fronts. Reg. \$2.25 each for... **\$1.98**



You Save Time and Money at the Man's Store.

Cashmere Socks.
In Black, Tan and Navy; extra fine quality. Reg. \$2.70 pr. for... **\$2.40**

Lisle Socks.
Silk finished; sizes 10 to 11; assorted colours. Reg. \$1.30 pair for... **\$1.10**

Poplin Ties.
Narrow ends; good patterns; silk finish. Reg. \$2.00 ea. for... **\$1.68**

Wide End Ties.
In high grade Silk; smart new patterns. Reg. \$2.50 ea. for... **\$2.15**

Elastic Web Braces.
Strong leather fasteners. Regular 95c. pair for... **82c.**

Lisle Socks.
In Black, Navy and White. Regular 85c. pair for... **72c.**

Pullover Sweaters.
Dark Heather mixtures; sleeveless; values \$2.00 each. Special **95c.**

Men's Boots.
Tan Calt; Blucher cut; sizes 6 to 9. Reg. \$17.00 pair for... **\$15.82**

Men's Boots.
Black Gunmetal Bluchers; sizes 6 to 9. Rubber soles. Reg. \$12.00 pair for... **\$11.25**

Boys' Boots.
Gunmetal, Blucher shapes; sizes 1 to 5. Reg. \$5.80 pair for... **\$5.40**

Youths' Boots.
Dark Tan Calt; sizes 9 to 13. Reg. \$6.00 pair for... **\$5.63**



Tweed Caps.

For Men and Boys; assorted patterns in mixed Tweeds; all sizes. Reg. \$1.45 ea. for... **\$1.20**

Men's Hats.
Smart new styles in Green, Brown, Grey and Fawn shades; all sizes. Reg. \$7.65 ea. for... **\$6.70**

Fruit Jars.

- FRUIT JARS—1 pint size; screw top. Special each... **14c.**
- FRUIT JARS—Security Seal Top. Special each... **24c.**
- MILK BOTTLES—1 pint size. Special each... **17c.**
- MILK BOTTLES—2 pint size. Special each... **22c.**
- MILK DISCS—Double wax. Special per 100... **7c.**

Toilet Goods.

- Vinolia Tooth Paste. Reg. 45c. tube for... **40c.**
- Kirk's Shaving Stick. Reg. 30c. stick for... **27c.**
- Vinolia Talcum Powder; assorted perfumes. Reg. 35c. tin for... **30c.**
- Transparent Rose Toilet Soap; 3 cakes in box. Reg. \$1.10 box for... **95c.**
- Vaseline Hair Tonic. Reg. 60c. bottle for... **52c.**
- Aladdin Soap Dyes; all shades. Reg. 15c. package for... **13c.**
- Dyala Hat Dyes; all colors. Special per bottle... **25c.**
- Paper Lunch Sets. Reg. \$1.25 set for... **\$1.05**
- Rubber Balls; extra large size. Reg. \$1.20 each for... **\$1.20**
- Serviette Rings. "Galathia". Reg. 40c. each for... **32c.**

Cuticura Soap
The Safety Razor
Shaving Soap

MINARD'S LINDMENT CURES COLDS, Etc.