To-day's Messages.

STRIKE AVERTED.

LONDON, Friday, Aug. 15.

The threatened strike of locomotive engineers and firemen, which would have disorganized the railway system of the whole country, has been averted for the week end. The executive committee of the engineers and firemen to-day received from Sir Auckland Geddes, Minister of Reconstruction, a communication regretting that it was impossible to arrange a meeting to-day to consider the wage question. Sir Auckland promised to communicate to the men on Monday a new offer which the Government is preparing.

BRITAIN GETS INDEMNITY.

ROME, Friday, Aug. 15.

Newspapers announce that through a recent financial agreement between Italy and Great Britain, Italy may cede to the British Government part of the indemnity due her from Germany.

PRINCE EN ROUTE HALIFAX.

HALIFAX, N.S., Aug. 15.

The steamer Caronia, with General Currie, is due in Halifax at midnight Saturday. The Prince of Wales is due to arrive in Halifax on Sunday morning from St. John. He will attend divine service on board on that day and will leave at between 6 and 9.30 for Charlottetown, which will be reached at 10 o'clock Tuesday.

WILL RETAIN NAME.

BERLIN, Aug. 14.

President Fehrenbach announced to the National Assembly to-day that the Government had agreed unanimously to the recommendation of a committee that the assembly should continue to retain its name of the constituent German National Assembly. The rights and duties given the Reichstag by the constitution, however, would become those of the assembly.

AIDING BOLSHEVIKI.

OMASK, Aug. 15.

Anti-Bolshevik forces operating on the southern front of Russia are being aided by Peasants' revolts, it was stated here to-day by military authorities of the All-Russian-Government. Peasants who rose against the Soviet Government in the Tambov region, about three hundred miles south east of Moscow, joined the Don Cossacks forces.

PROFITEERS CONVICTED.

STRASSBURG, Aug. 15.

M. Stephane, Director of the Bank of Alsace; another official of the Bank, and Schoenferber, theatrical manager, convicted in the Correctional Court of illicit sugar dealings, were sentenced late yesterday. M. Stephane was given a jail sentence of six months, which was suspended, and was fined sixty thousand francs. The official of his Bank, involved in the case, was fined ten thousand francs; Schoenferber was sentenced to a year's imprisonment and a fine of sixty thousand francs was imposed upon him. The alleged illegal profits of 564,000 francs were ordered confiscated.

PRIZES FOR FLYING MACHINES.

LONDON, Aug. 16.

(Reuter's Despatch)—Major General Seely announced in the House of Commons yesterday that the Government intended to offer prizes, aggregating sixty-four thousand pounds sterling, for the best commercial types of seaplane and small and large airplanes. The paramount essential of the commercial aircraft will be safety, which will be the governing feature of the design of competing machines.

FRANCE'S AIR LOSSES.

PARIS, Aug. 15.

The French pilots and observers killed and wounded during the war aggregated sixty per cent. of the total flying personel of slightly less than thirteen thousand men. The percentage of loss was greater than that of any other branch of the French army.

FORD HAS BAD LUCK.

MOUNT CLEMENS, Mich, Aug. 15.

The amount of costs which Henry Ford may receive from the Chicago Daily Tribune, in addition to the six cents damages awarded him last night by a jury has answered his libel suit against the Chicago newspaper, will not exceed $60 under a Michagan law where nominal damages are awarded. Not more than $50 costs can be assessed against the losing party.

CAN'T IMPORT ARMS.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 15.

The Carraza Government will not be permitted to import further arms and munitions from the United States for the present, at least. This became known to-day, following the publication of the exchange of notes between the United States and Mexico, in which the American Government threatened a change of policy, unless Americans in Mexico are adequately protected.

BRITAIN'S HELP TO RUSSIA.

LONDON, Aug. 15.

(Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency.)—The total cost of British assistance to Russia, naval, military, aerial and otherwise, from the signing of the armistice until Aug. 13. 1919, is twenty million pounds sterling.

HEAT WAVE CONTINUES.

LONDON, Aug. 15.

(Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency.)—The heat wave over Britain and France continues. M. Molaux, the well known French astronomer, attributes the conditions to sun spots. Telegraph and cable lines in different parts of the globe have been affected by the upsetting of the world's tellurian currents, resulting in occasional delays on all routes.

BRITISH BUSINESS IN GERMANY.

LONDON, Aug. 15.

(Reuter's dispatch)—Replying to De F. Pennyfather, member for Liverpool, who in the House of Commons yesterday drew all London to the fact that only five hundred permits had been issued British business men to enter the occupied area of Germany during the three months ending in June, in comparision with five thousand issued during the same periods of foreign Governments, Hon. Cecil Harmsworth said that only a few more than five hundred Britishers had applied for permits.

NEGOTIATING RELEASE OF PRISONERS.

LONDON, Aug. 15.

(Reuter Despatch.)—In reply to a question by Commander Kenworth, Hon. Cecil Harmsworth stated in the House of Commons yesterday, that wireless negotiations were in progress for the release of British prisoners in Russia. No steps had been taken to invite, in this regard, the good offices of Governments in touch with Moscow, and no Mission either official or unofficial, had been sent to the Bolshevik Government during the past few weeks.

A BOLSHEVIKI DEFEAT.

ARCHANGEL, Aug. 15.

(Reuter's Ottawa Agency.)—An absolutely complete victory has been secured over the Bolsheviks on the Divna front. The attack was undertaken to stiffen the morale of the young Russian troops, among whom agitators recently had been busy. The enemy was taken completely by surprise. The attacking troops marched through forces on both banks of the river during the darkness of the night, capturing and avoiding the enemy positions, and took up a position at his rear and flanks. The first notice the enemy had of their presence was a hurricane bombardment of Russian and British batteries, gunboats and motor launches heavily armed, and machine guns co-operated, the mobility of the launches being most effective. All points of possible retreat were guarded by detachments of Russian cavalry. The enemy was completely surrounded and then the order to cease fire was given and the British troops charged all the villages with the bayonet. There was much hand to hand fighting though many surrendered immediately. Fifteen hundred prisoners were taken on the spot. Many were killed and practically none escaped. Most of the enemy guns and machine guns were captured. Our casualties are believed to have been of the lightest nature. All the objectives were reached. There are now no enemy troops north of the Kotlas. A further advance is not anticipated.

Will Be Extended.

We learn from the Hon. John Anderson that H. D. Reid Esq., President of the Reid Nfld. Co., has assured him, that as soon as the new town of St. John's has sufficiently been built up, the Street Railway will be extended, and special tickets at a reduced rate will be issued to workingmen. The Messrs. Reids are also interested as shareholders in the Building Association.

Police Court.

A breach of the Games' Act was heard and the defendant was fined $10 or 30 days.

A Prohibition case was postponed.

The defendant in an assault case failed to appear and a warrant for his arrest was ordered to be taken out.

The defendant in an assault case was fined $2 and had to give bonds for $100 for his future good behaviour.

McMurdo's Store News.

SATURDAY, Aug. 16.

It is now time to secure your Cabbage Seeds for the August sowing for winter plants. Our stock of these Cabbage Seeds is as usual pretty complete, and includes Succession, Early Jersey Wakefield, Charleston Wakefield, early summer and other favorite varieties of American Cabbage, as well as the most popular English varieties from Sutton's list, at usual prices.

McMurdo's Baby Cough Syrup is the most effective medicine of the kind for the little ones, and you can feel safe in using it, as it contains no narcotics whatever. Price 30c. a bottle.

Fishermen Astray.

The Lunenburg banker, Agnes D. Clashen, arrived in port this morning from the Banks. She reports the loss of two of her crew. They went astray aboout a month ago and no sign of them has been seen since. The men were Cook and Mercer of Lunenburg, and both were married men.

Nfld. Birdman Returning

Mr. A. H. Ayre is a passenger on the Cunard steamer "Coronia," due at Halifax to-day. Our readers will remember him as the first Newfoundland aviator to win distinction in France.

Reids' Boats.

Argyle is not reported as leaving Placentia on Bay route.

Clyde left Twillingate 2.30 p.m. yesterday, outward.

Dundee left King's Cove 11.30 a.m. yesterday, outward.

Ethie leaving Humbermouth today.

Glencoe not reported as arriving at Port aux Basques.

Home arrived at Lewisporte 9.45 a.m. yesterday.

Kyle not reported as leaving Port aux Basques on account of wire trouble.

Meigle left Fortune 6.35 a.m. yesterday going to Port aux Basqques.

Sagona not reported since leaving Long Island on the 14th going north.

Petrel left Clarenville 5.10 a.m. yesterday.

Personal Mention.

Mr. T. A. Hall, Government Engineer, left on a trouting trip yesterday morning.

The marriage of Miss Gertrude Gibb and Major R. H. Tait, takes place on Saturday, 23rd inst.

Mrs. Leslie Rogers, of Boston, who has been spending a vacation with her sister, Mrs. P. O'Reilly, Smithville, accompanied by her son Roy, left by to-day's express for their home.

GOVERNMENT BOATS.—SS. Prospero left Fortune Harbor at 7 o'clock last evening.

SS. Portia not reported.

The Market.

CODFISH.—What will be our experience in this year's business is the question that all our exporters are considering.

Prices have started with a boom, but advices from our Foreign Agents all state "Beware!" "Beware!" You know what a slump happened last Fall, and something even worse is going to happen this Fall.

An advancing market is the only healthy one, but there can be no advance on present prices in Nfld.

As soon as the prices start to go down, the foreign markets will cease buying, and then our exporters will create the usual crisis by consigning anything and everything all at once.

When will our Board of Trade take proper control and regulate the shipments, according to the need of our different markets, and to keep up steady prices for all?

COD OIL.—Small quantities are arriving daily and meet with good demand at $225 per tun. Common Whale oil and Seal oil is almost neglected and no prospect of sale over $150 per tun.

COD LIVER OIL. — The United States buyers took almost all we had last year but are very pessimistic this season. If it wasn't that the English buyers have sent in a few orders there would be no chance of getting $2.00 per gallon.

LOBSTERS.—The competition in buying canned lobsters on the West and Southwest Coasts continues to be very keen between the Halifax and St. John's buyers. The reported shortness of the catch accentuates the situation. Most packers the past three weeks sold for $30 per case (48 one-lb. tins,) and the rise. Some few sold clean for $32, and several are holding to their pack for even a higher price.

MOLASSES.—No change in the molasses situation, 93 to 95 cents large and small puncheon lots respectively, 97 cents in tierces and $1 in barrels. It is not likely that prices will be cut any finer this season. Halifax dealers say it will be higher next month. St. John's has at least six cargoes to arrive.

PORK.—Last Monday Pork showed another considerable weakness in Chicago and New York, but re-acted again by Thursday. Some dealers think that this fluctuation is the harbinger of a bigger decline in a few weeks, when the product becomes more plentiful at the packing points as it generally does in October. Ham Butt in the local market is $61.50 to $62. Fat Back $62, Spare Ribs $37 to $37.50. Some Family Mess is due by next steamer from Montreal.

BEEF.—This week beef showed firmer indications in the U.S. markets. No change in local prices for what is in stock, but new arrivals will have an advance of 50 to 75 cents per barrel most likely. St. John's prices to-day run between $38 and $48 per barrel, with Boneless at $40 per barrel wholesale. The imports to date amount to 12,232 barrels as compared with 17,135 barrels this date in 1918.

FLOUR.—No change in prices. The U.S. Government has guaranteed the farmers $2.26 for wheat. Standard is selling here at $13.80 to $14.50, according to lots at one purchase. New white flour is due about the end of this month, and will likely be about 25 cents dearer than Standard per barrel. Imports to date 93,979 barrels, against 93,940 barrels for corresponding date last year.

SUGAR.—To-day sugar is strong in the local market owing to scarcity. The U.S. Government is controlling their exports in the interests of their own people, an dthis reacting on the Newfoundland supply, and confining our trade almost exclusively to Canada. The S.S. Cerro Garde left Montreal Thursday with a big shipment for St. John's, which, we are informed will sell at $13.25 to $13.50 per 100 lbs. What is in the St. John's market meantime will likely keep going out at $13.00

OATS, HAY, POTATOES.—Oats are firm just now owing to local scarcity, $5 to $5.20 per sack. Hay is going off and is now $55 per ton to arrive, $10 lower than July price. Old potatoes are pretty well cleaned out; new due to arrive next week from Canada will sell at $8.50 to $9 per barrel of 180 lbs.—Trade Review.

Here and There.

AT THE CROSBIE.—The following guests have registered at the Crosbie: H. Beavely, Gloucester; G. Benning, Lawn; N. Laughton, Pilley's Island; D. Forbes, Curling.

Garden Party at "Ferndale", Petty Harbor, on Sunday, Aug. 17th. Sports, Boat Racing, etc. Also Teas and Refreshments will be served. Come along and spend an enjoyable afternoon. Train leaves St. John's at 2.30 p.m.

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Millionaires Reduced to Want.

In 1894 there died in Chicago a man named Robert Rathgerber, who at one time had great business interests in New York. His wife was a handsome woman, and their society was much sought after. He gave way to drink, however, and neglected his wife and his business. In the end, she sought and obtained a divorce. Their son, who had shown remarkable intelligence, and for whom a promising career was prophesied, unfortunately followed the bad example of his father, and went headlong to ruin at a breakneck pace. In the end he became utterly homeless and without a penny in the world.

One of the greatest of American dandies was Baron Schultz, who died some years ago. His wealth was at one time fabulous, and everything the world had to offer seemed to be his for the asking. But a financial blight set in, and he died in the direst poverty on Brother's Island.

Mr. Alexander de Vienne, a well-known milionaire of Napa City, California, was robbed whilst staying at Monte Carlo, of all his cash, jewels, letters of credit, and papers, and was left insensible by the roadside. He was thus found by the police, but they did not believe his story. He had to leave the place without a penny in his pockets. Reaching Marseilles in an unenviable state of mind and body, the United States Consul gave him a third-class passage to New York, where at last he found his friends and was soon able to resume his rightful position as a man of wealth.—Tit-Bits.

Motorcycles in the Air.

A motorcycle was recently carried on a cross-country flight over Inglewood and Los Angeles, California, in a fifty-horsepower tractor biplane, on a platform between the planes and alongside the fusilage. A motorcyclist was also carried as a passenger. Despite this extra weight, the great plane got off the ground with a run of two hundred and seventy feet and climbed to an altitude of two thousand feet and later to six thousand feet, without any apparent additional effort.

When the flight was finished members of the army and navy flying corps were unanimous in their belief that the combination of airplane and motorcycle marks the beginning of a new era in military airplane equipment.

In the test flight the motorcycle was secured with straps to the airplane in such a way that it could be quickly removed. The platform that held it in position was easily constructed. At one time the airplane landed because it was short of gasoline. This the motorcyclist quickly secured.

TRAPS TAKEN UP.—Nearly all the traps have been taken from the water in Ferryland district. Three or four of the more determined fishermen have their twine still there, and during the current week have been fairly successful, especially at Ferryland and Caplin Bay. The hook and line and trawls are doing fairly well.

Jam will never get mouldy if it is covered with parchment paper that has been soaked in vinegar. In writing the name of the jam upon the parchment, use a violet pencil instead of a pen, which is liable to penetrate the paper.

BORN.

On the 11th inst., a son to Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Robbins.

On August 14th, 1919, a son to Mr. and Mrs. Peter Power, 85 Hamilton Street.

On August 14th, 1919, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. S. Cosh, Monroe St.

DIED.

Suddenly, this morning, Annie Mildred, aged 13 years, darling child of William and Alice Jenkins, leaving father, mother, one brother, and a large circle of friends; funeral on Sunday, the 17th inst., at 2.30 p.m., from her late residence, 33 Duckworth Street.

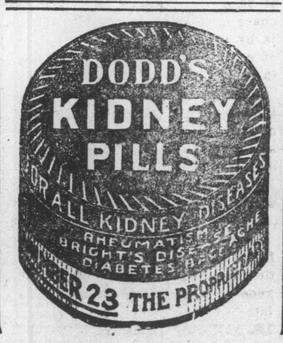
IN MEMORIAM.

In fond and loving memory of No. 66 Corporal, Frank Richardson, who was killed in action at Belgian Ridge, Stenebeeke, Flanders, Aug 16th 1917.

"You are gone but not forgotten,
Never shall your memory fade.
Loving thoughts shall always linger,
Around the place where you are laid."—R. I. P.

IN MEMORY

of Pte. George A. Brocklehurst, Killed in Action, August 16th, 1917, at Steenbeeke, Belgium Ridge.—R.I.P.



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Soft front Negligee Shirts, made of strong American Percale and Silk Stripe Madras, in a wide range of patterns,

$1.30, 1.50, 2.00.

FANCY STRIPE PERCALE SHIRTS, with Collars attached,

$1.00, $1.30, $1.50.

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Fancy wide end. A choice selection in plain and fancy colors,

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All White, in the newest shapes,

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SPECIAL JOB LINE, Cream only,

20c. each.

FINE HALF HOSE.

Fine gauge thread, Black and Natural,

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In plain and fancy colors,

75c. to $1.25.

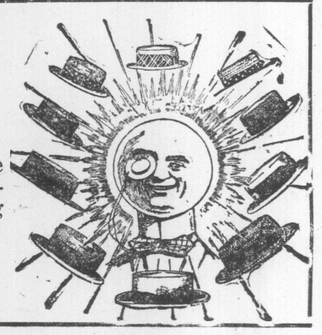
STRAW HATS.

Stiff Plaited Straw Boaters,

90c. to $1.80.

English Make Fine Plaited Straw Boaters, with easy fitting cushion band,

$2.00, $2.50, $3.00.



Soft Panama Hats,

$2.00, $2.50, $2.75.

STEER Brothers.

B. I. S.

The Quarterly Meeting of the Benevolent Irish Society will be held on **Sunday next, 17th inst.**, immediately after Last Mass. By order,

T. P. HALLEY,
Hon. Sec'y.

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FOR SALE.

1 HANDSOME BEACH WAGGON, Rubber Tired.
1 CAB—Victoria.
1 Nice BEVERLY WAGGON—Natural Wood, in oak, 2 seats, leather lined.
2 CANOPY TOP CARRYALLS, Rubber Tired.
2 LIGHT DEMOCRAT WAGGONS.
1 Nice TOP STANHOPE BUGGY, Rubber Tired.
1 Nice CUTUNDER ROAD BUGGY, light, upholstered in White Corduroy.
1 TWO-WHEELED ROAD CART, floppy, in yellow gear black body.
1 Nice Light 2-MAN SURREY, Rubber Tired, and 2 FANCY SADDLES.

American Harness Co.,
AGRICULTURAL STABLES,
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CARD — Marmaduke H. Findlater, Graduate of the Faust School of Tuning, Boston, wishes to announce that he is soliciting orders for piano-tuning, player-pianos and reed-organ, repairing and regulation. Address: Ordnance St.
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Harbour Grace	King's Cove
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Trinity	Twillingate
Catalina	St. Anthony

and the usual Labrador Ports.

For freight and passage apply to

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Freight received on Monday, 18th.
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Shipping Notes.

The schooner Muriel H. is loading general cargo at Ayre & Son's wharf for Change Islands.

The schooner Falka will sail on Monday for Indian Tickles, Labrador, with a cargo of salt.

The schooner J. Miller is discharging a cargo of salt at A. H. Murray and Coy's wharf.

SS. Adolph is expected to sail on Tuesday for New York direct.

The schooner Springdale is loading salt at Crosbie's wharf for west Turnavik, Labrador.

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