

Evening Telegram

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FRIDAY, Feb. 15th, 1918.

The "Harlech."



The Herald attempts to answer our charges in the matter of the Harlech by the characteristic method of turning the tables and laughing the whole thing away, as if it were a storm in a teacup. Doubtless the Herald considers the loss of the vessel and her cargo and the narrow escape of her crew a most trifling affair, but we may perhaps be forgiven for taking an opposite view. It does not offer to deny the similarity, we may say identity, of its own and the Advocate's account, but insists that the only important question is whether the account is to the point or not. We entirely agree, but that question cannot be answered until the Government divulges all it knows about the matter, a thing which, for reasons of its own, it appears most reluctant to do. None of the information for which we have asked has been vouchsafed, nor is likely to be until the House meets, when it can be compelled. Meantime, the genuineness of the "explanation" can be fairly gauged by the little incident which we have pointed out. If the whole matter were so innocent and so easily defended, what necessity would there be for the editors of both papers to sit down with precisely written accounts of it before them, from which to devise the articles, in which they were careless enough not to disguise that fact? The answer is simple: since it was most necessary that the matter should be explained, it was also most necessary that one explanation only should be manufactured, not two or more, betraying discrepancies in essential details. We return to the subject again to-day merely to draw attention to the secret and devious methods of the Tonnage Committee, methods which have characterized its functions from the beginning. Its mouthpiece, the Advocate, has boasted loudly of its great services to the trade of the country. A body which is truly representative of that trade, the Board of Trade, has justified the boast by putting on record its opinion that the Tonnage Committee has been guilty of a breach of trust in its dealings, an official record which will be read in other countries and particularly in those with which we have the closest commercial relations. A fine thing to boast of, truly! This latest affair, the deliberate sacrifice of the Harlech and her cargo, will, we presume, be made the subject of similar vaunting. The benefit to the trade of the loss of another fish-carrier is obvious.

Cheer Up!



The cabled news that the Central Powers have effected peace with the Russians need not induce in us a feeling of despondency. True, we would much rather that it had not happened, but when we consider that Russia has been for nearly a year more of a hindrance than an aid to the Allies, we have at least a certain amount of satisfaction in the knowledge that at least the Entente Powers can now throw help from this Government out of the scale of their calculations. And perhaps it is better so. Germany is not all to the good yet. Treaties of peace with any other but established forms of Government are not worth the paper on which they are written, and we know that in Russia to-day there are numerous warring factions each at present against the other, but which eventually may unite in an attack on the Bolshevik element which has for the nonce usurped the functions of the legitimate rulers of the people. The prospect of this means civil war extending over an interminable period, to which will be added all the horrors of anarchy, nihilism and kindred organisations of violence, which ultimately will be likely to prove a thorn in the flesh of the Kaiser and his Junkers. Great rejoicing has been made by the Hun over the huge stores of wheat which will now be released from points in Russia for transportation to Germany and Austria, but there are many difficulties in the way of this wheat can be turned into German flour and then into German bread. Railway facilities

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are not nearly so perfect with the Hun as they are with the Hun and haulage from points of storage by land will be an obstacle over which it will take the enemy, with all his resources, some time to climb. And he must transport by land. By sea he has no chance. Therefore it will be sane to remember that the Russian peace may not prove to be altogether an unalloyed blessing for Wilhelm & Co. Nor must we be despondent because this, (and we think we are safe in so styling it) patched up peace of the enemy with our late ally, will release a vast number of troops which will be used against us in the other war theatres. The General Staffs have been expecting this for some time and we opine that they have made their dispositions to checkmate any move of this nature. The extensive organization and new alignment of allied forces on the Western Front is evidence that whenever the German offensive begins, it will be met and stopped. They shall not pass. No matter in what strength the enemy attacks we can be assured that he will be met and defeated. The time for peace, unhappily, is not yet. All Germany's proposals in that direction are mere camouflage, and so long as the Prussian armies remain in the field, with striking power, so long must the war continue: for Britain has in no wise relinquished her original declarations as to her aims. Restoration, reparation and security. These words sum up specifically all that she is fighting for, to the successful issue of which, the last man, the last shilling and all the resources of the Empire are pledged. Therefore with the sure hope of victory let us not be gloomy. There is no cause for it. To beat the Kaiser, and his deluded followers, and allies, we must put off every approach of depression and carry on.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

In addition to wheatless and meatless Canada has been having "heatless" days. Should this order of the Fuel Controller continue in effect, our Canadian friends will be wishing for the speedy exodus of Jack Frost.

The St. John's N.F., correspondent of the Montreal Daily Star asserts that the effective strength of the Royal Newfoundland Regiment is not above 250 bayonets, with but a small reserve force at Winchester. If this is correct, isn't it time for those in authority to sit up and take notice.

Old King Coal is a strong old soul. "All must help win the war," says he: "A little conservation is requested of the nation."

When some women cast their bread upon the waters, it comes back in the form of a bread pudding, and not bad stuff, either.

The schoolmaster had been giving a lesson on physical force. "Boys," he said, "can you tell me what force it is that moves people along in the street?" "Please, sir," replied the first boy, "it's the police force."

Board of Trade Meeting.

SERVICE OF EXPERT DECIDED ON.

Another meeting of fish exporters to consider means to cope with the reddening of codfish was held yesterday in the Board of Trade rooms, Mr. H. R. Brookes acting as Chairman. The meeting was well attended. The arguments followed along the same lines as those taken at the meeting which was adjourned some time ago. It was thought that the reddening of fish was due to lack of salt and that 20 lbs. were required to properly cure every 100 qts. The desire to get the fish to market first contributed largely to the improper cure. Every year sees a rush to get the first fish to market on the part of the exporters, and an equal effort on the part of the fishermen to dispose of their catches, with the result that the cure is given only secondary consideration with losses all round. All were agreed that something should be done in order to cope with this question which so closely affected the trade. A resolution was made to the effect that the services of an expert should be obtained whose salary would be paid by the fish exporters. This resolution was unanimously adopted. Hon. J. Harvey and Mr. A. W. Piccott were appointed as a committee to meet the experts and to arrange for financial assistance.

City Council.

At the Council Meeting held yesterday, the President of the T. P. U. wrote that owing to high prices of feeds, etc., the rates for hire of horses and men at city work had increased. This increase will be paid.

The police department will be asked to report on the number of lights out from 7 p.m. till daylight, the report to be submitted in time for consideration at each meeting.

Four cases of smallpox and one of diphtheria were reported for the week. The Assistant Health Officer complained that night soil from two houses quarantined with smallpox, had not been removed by the sanitary staff. The Sanitary Officer reported that the Magistrate's Court had decided that truckmen living outside the city, who were carting ice to town dealers were not liable to taxation. The meeting adjourned with the passing of the Engineer's report and the granting of requirements.

Casualty List.

RECEIVED FEBRUARY 14th, 1918.
Previously Reported Died of Skinned, In Enemy Lines, Sept. 25th, 1917.
Now Reported Died of Pulmonary Tuberculosis.
1535 — Private George Attwood, Jamestown, B.B.
Removed From Seriously Ill List, February 10th, 1918.
2773 — Private George Cooper, Norman's Cove, T.B. Previously reported.

J. R. BENNETT,
Acting Minister of Militia.

Judgment of the Court

Rehearing—Gibbs vs. Hiscock.

We are helped in construing the shipping-paper, which in part is illegible and at best is ill-drawn, by the construction which plaintiff and defendant alike attribute to it, namely, that Jerrett was defendant's fishery servant for the season of 1917 at wages not less than \$30 per month, but that, if one-twelfth of the fish caught should be found to exceed in value the total of the \$30 per month, Jerrett should receive as wages the \$30, plus the excess. The quantity of fish caught on Labrador (where Jerrett served) was ascertained before it was removed thence to St. John's, and it was sold in St. John's by Hiscock. Jerrett's services continued until that sale, and he became entitled to be paid wages based on the net price obtained at that sale.

Such wages are not assessable on the price or value of the fish at the date when it was shipped for St. John's from Labrador.

The appeal is therefore dismissed with costs.

Purchasing Abroad.

Mr. E. J. Russell, of the Royal Stores Department, who is visiting Canada and the States, is at present buying for that department, and reports cold weather in Canada, and very stormy weather since leaving home, making it difficult to travel. He has visited quite a number of factories, and found them all exceptionally busy making different lines of goods. Some very different to what the trade has been handling in former years. He has placed orders to his entire satisfaction and hopes to have early shipments made to St. John's. Mr. Russell expects to reach home about the second week in March.

Two Men Drowned.

The Assistant Collector, Mr. H. W. LeMessurier, C.M.G., received a message from the Sub-Collector at Rose Blanche, stating that William Simms, 43, married, of Moose Ambrose, and Samuel Tappin, 23, single, both of the crew of the fishing schooner Effie May, were drowned while pulling their trawls. The bodies have not been recovered.

Protect your arm by using a Vaccination Shield, only 20c. ea. at STAFFORD'S Drug Stores.

From Cape Race

CAPE RACE, To-day.
Wind S.W. fresh, weather dull; a barst. showing J. Baird & Co.'s flag, passed in at 7 a.m. Bar. 29.80; ther. 37.

Here and There.

288 Vaccination Shields have just arrived for STAFFORD'S Drug Stores, only 20c. ea.—Feb. 15.

CONFINED TO HIS HOME.—Mr. F. W. Hayward, who is confined to his home, suffering from a quinsy throat, will be compelled to remain in doors for several days.

When you want Roast Beef, Roast Veal, Roast Mutton, Roast Pork, try ELLIS.

WILL HOLD CARNIVALS.—During the last week of this month it is hoped to run off a carnival in each of the towns when suitable prizes will be offered for those wearing the most elaborate costumes.

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PARISH MEETING.—A business meeting of the congregation of St. Mary's Parish was held in the Parish Room last night. The Rector presided. Matters of importance were discussed, and it is the hope of all that great benefits will accrue from the decisions arrived at.

Just opened, a nice assortment of Pocket Knives, Scissors and Razors. BOWRING BROS., Ltd., Hardware.—Feb. 15, 1918.

DID REMARKABLY WELL.—The sale of tickets by the ladies of the W. P. A. for Curling Day amounted to approximately \$2,000. The prospects of gathering in another \$1,000 are bright.

Colds Cause Headache and Grip. LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE Tablets remove the cause. There is only one "Bromo Quinine." E. W. GROVE'S signature on box. 50c.

NIGHT SCHOOL.—The winter night school classes under Dr. Greene opened last night in the T. A. Armory. Several interested teachers with Mr. V. F. Treleagan and Mr. W. O'D. Kelly as leaders are giving their services to improve the poor boys of the city. There was a large attendance last night and much improvement is hoped for.

Every Saturday evening after 7 o'clock, Choice Ends of Beef, Mutton, Lamb, Pork will be sold at cost. ELLIS & CO., LTD., 203 Water Street.—Nov. 29.

THIRD WEEK

KNOWLING'S

GREAT ANNUAL CASH SALE!

SPOT CASH, NO GOODS CHARGED OR SENT ON APPROVAL.

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The goods offered cannot be replaced for anything near the prices asked, quantities of some are limited, therefore suggest early inspection.

ART COVERING, SATEEN FINISH, Dainty Patterns, make strong.

White Table Damask Bargain

A good, sound, lustrous finish Damask.

30c. & 75c.

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We cannot repeat these goods near these prices.

CURTAIN SCRIM BARGAIN

Splendid quality Curtain Scrim in Cream and White, hemstitched and crocheted borders.

20c.

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36 inches wide. Good value

Child's Got Blanket Bargain.

Dainty warm fancy Cot Blankets in Blue and Pink grounds.

\$1.10

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Size 30 inches by 40 inches. Worth to-day \$1.50.

2 Yards wide FLOOR COVERING, slight imperfections, 85c. yard.

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A wonderful bargain in Fancy Table Covers, assorted colorings and designs.

75c., 90c.,

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Marcella Grib Quilt Bargain.

A wonderfully fine Satin finish White Marcella Quilt.

\$1.10, 1.25,

1.50

Worth from \$1.50 to \$3.00.

Crochet Bed Cover Bargain.

Marvellous values in White Honeycomb or Crochet Quilts.

\$2.25, 2.50

up to

\$2.95

Full size. Worth to-day from \$3.20 to \$4.50.

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This is a fine strong fabric and hard to procure. We offer this at

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per yard.

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CURTAIN SCRIM BARGAIN, in plain, white and cream, 30 to 36 inches wide, 10c. yard.

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Thoughts Upon the Times.

(By PATRIOT.)

Last week, a correspondent of the Evening Telegram, signing himself "Watchman," called attention to the large profits which were made last fall by fish exporters on all fish sent to Italy and other European countries. He pointed out that if Mr. Crocker and the members of the P.P.U. Party were in Opposition the fishermen would have obtained a higher price for their fish last fall in the local market.

Yesterday we had an article in the Daily Star stating that the fish exported to "Italy" by the steamer Eutenjet, about which there have been so many serious rumors, and in connection with which the Board of Trade charged the members of the Tonnage Committee with a "breach of trust," sold for \$26.50 sterling or \$30.40 per qt., and further that the price paid the fishermen for this fish ran from \$7 to \$9 per qt. If this statement can be supported by facts, then the fishermen have been robbed of at least \$4 per qt., not only on the fish which made up the Eutenjet's cargo, but on all fish sold here last year. And the claim put forward by the Tonnage Committee that they kept the price of fish up to \$10 per qt. is absurd. They should have insisted that the price paid to the fishermen be not less than \$14 per qt. for No. 1 fish. Let every intelligent young fisherman who may happen to read this article get busy and figure out what profit their President and his new-found friends made on this cargo of fish. We will assume that the price paid the fishermen for the whole

cargo was \$9 per qt., and that the freight amounted to \$3 per qt., and insurance and other charges came to \$3-per qt. A simple process of addition and subtraction will give the result in dollars and cents. Thus \$9 x 48 x \$3—\$30 which would be the cost of the fish F.O.B. to Italy.

Selling price of 1 qt. fish in Italy—\$30.40. Cost of 1 qt. fish to Italy—\$20.00. Net profit to exporters per qt. \$10.40. Who would not be a politician and an exporter of codfish if he could make such a nice little profit like this on 1 qt. of codfish? Think it over fishermen friends, especially you who have no money to invest in the Union Trading Company. Think it over careful fishermen friends in St. Barbe, Trillington, Fogo, Bonaville and Trinity Districts, and ask yourselves whether you received proper value for your fish when your President, and his friends Mr. Crocker, and possibly Mr. Reid, received a clear profit of at least \$10

per qt. You will lose nothing by giving it a little serious thought. If after you have considered the matter well and you are disposed not to believe it, why just insist on your own Premier, Dr. Lloyd, who holds the key to the whole matter, publishing the despatch which he holds, but which he claims is "confidential." Its contents, it has been stated, were disclosed to Messrs. Crocker, Crocker and Reid, why not to you? Are you not more interested in the price of your own products than, say, Mr. Reid? During the long winter evenings when you meet in your meeting places to talk over matters which concern yourselves and your country, just give this matter which concerns you immensely, a little consideration. Of course you could follow your President's example, if you choose, and figure up how much 22,000 fishermen would lose on their season's catch of fish at say \$4 a qt.

These are days when a ready smile and a cheerful disposition are needed to lighten one's work and brace him for the tasks which he has to face in the battle of life. It is no use to be sad and gloomy. It only saps our physical and mental powers.

"It's easy enough to be pleasant When the whole world goes like a song, But the man worth while is the man who can smile, When the whole d—n world goes wrong."

The man who persists in looking on the dark side of everything becomes a nuisance to himself as well as to his neighbors.

Major Sullivan's scathing criticism of the Government for their failure to stand by the Royal Nfld. Regiment is to the point and the gallant Major will be backed up by all intelligent

people in the country. This reminds one that the Editor of the Herald promised in December to give the public some "inside facts" in reference to the Regiment beginning shortly after New Year, but so far nothing has resulted. But was it not nothing to the Herald's promise? The Herald now has no political axe to grind. St. John's, Feb. 14th, 1918.

Ugh! Acid Stomach, Sourness, Heartburn, Gas, Or Indigestion.

The moment "Pape's Diapepsin" reaches the stomach all distress goes.

Do some foods you eat hit back—sour, gas, heartburn, indigestion, sour, gassy stomach? Now, Mr. or Mrs. Dyspeptic, get this down: Pape's Diapepsin digests everything. It does nothing to sour and upset you. There never was anything so safely quick, so certainly effective, no difference how badly your stomach is distressed as you will get happy relief in five minutes, but what pleases you most is that it strengthens and regulates your stomach, so you can eat your favorite foods without fear.

Most remedies give you relief sometimes—they are slow, but sure. "Pape's Diapepsin" is quick, positive and puts your stomach in a happy condition so the misery won't come back.

You feel different as soon as "Pape's Diapepsin" comes in contact with the stomach—distress just vanishes—your stomach gets sweet, no gases, no belching, no eructations, no undigested food, your head clears and you feel fine.

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Fawn, Brown and
Regular \$1.85 each. Sale Price 1.60
Myrtle, Light Green, Fawn
Regular \$2.00 each. Sale Price 1.75

Regular \$2.20 each. Sale Price 1.90

Regular \$3.50 each. Sale Price 3.00
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Regular \$1.50 each. Sale Price 1.25
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