



Evening Telegram

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Tuesday, April 26th, 1921.

A Word of Warning.

"Hard cases make bad law," says an ancient adage. "Hard times make bad bargains" is another rendering of the same idea. The meaning is, that when under pressure of great need, the needy ones are prone to grasp at solutions for present difficulties that entail great burdens ultimately. They mortgage the future for a price to be spent in the present. They are so short-sighted as to be unable to see beyond the now and here. They are children in the immaturity of their intellects.

There are disquieting rumors in circulation that a glittering scheme is being lobbied at present which proposes to provide labor at a cost in the future which staggers the imagination. It is said that promoters are amongst us now, seeking a guarantee for twenty-five million dollars (\$25,000,000), upon the credit of the Colony, to be used in acquiring and developing mineral lands and water-powers on the West Coast. The glittering bait is the prophecy that five thousand (5,000) men will be employed. The price is to be an addition to the public debt of the Colony, which will place a burden of one hundred dollars (\$100) per year upon the shoulders of every inhabitant of the Colony forever. Such an addition to our obligations would depreciate every bond in the Colony by fifty cents on the dollar, and largely destroy the security of depositors in the Government Savings Bank.

When the guarantee has been given, and the endorsed bonds issued, the promoters will, of course, get a generous share; the holders will be liberally paid for their properties, and the balance will be invested in a "Wild Cat" scheme for the mining and smelting of iron ore on the West Coast, meaning, by "Wild Cat," a scheme that is problematical as to its possibilities and its results, with only this certainty about the whole matter, that if the scheme fails, the taxpayers of this Colony will suffer for all time. The pioneers of this project have reached St. John's, and now the scheme has other supporters. The lobbying of members of the House of Assembly is going briskly on, in both Government and Opposition ranks, and there is grave danger that some men will commit themselves to favor it without due thought. The TELEGRAM lifts its warning voice. Newfoundland is not yet for sale at auction. Her patriotic sons and daughters will be heard from if any "job" is attempted along the lines indicated.

Don't forget the Sociable in the Presbyterian Hall on Wednesday, April 27th, at 8 p.m. A good programme has been arranged, in which the following artists will take part: Messrs. (Dr.) Murphy, Garland and Foster; Misses Mitchell, Ryan, Calvert, Barker and Oates; and Messrs. Moncrieff Mawer, Bulley, Courtenay, Stanfield, Irvine and Hanlon. —apr26,21

Miner's Lament for Burns, Etc.

Brotherhood Evangelism

The services now being held at Gower Street Church in the interest of Brotherhood Evangelism, were conducted last night by the Rev. I. V. Williamson, who is both preacher and singer, the subject of Mr. Williamson's discourse was taken from the gospel incidents when certain Greeks came to the disciples saying, "We would see Jesus." The central thought of the address was, that the world's workers must see Jesus for inspiration and get His viewpoint for the tasks and difficulties of to-day.

The life story of Billy Kinnear was told with great effect. A Western coal miner by reason of hard toil and evil surroundings, had become a leader in lawlessness and anarchy, was reclaimed through the influence of a simple hearted miner, Jim Eason. Mr. Williamson knew both men and used the incident with telling effect in proof of the power of the Gospel of Love to transform men in spite of environment.

Mr. Williamson conducted the musical part of the service, ably assisted by Mr. T. T. Beresford. As the meetings of this week are for organization work, all are free to attend, and so all are invited every evening at 8 o'clock in Gower Street Church.—Com.

Funeral Obsequies.

VENERABLE CANON SMITH.
The funeral obsequies of the late Canon Smith, took place at the Anglican Cathedral this morning. Owing to the absence of the Lord Bishop, the Rector, Rev. Canon Reeves, conducted the service. At about 10.30 the funeral cortege entered the church by the main entrance, and led by the choir and clergy headed by the cross bearer, the corpse was brought to the Chapel steps, while the Hymn, "Jesus Lover of my Soul" was sung. Rev. Canon Reeves read the opening sentences and the choir then sang the 90th Psalm. The lesson, 15 Chap. 1st epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians was read by Rev. Canon Field. The organ then played the Dead March in Saul, after which the cortege retired by the Western door. The funeral arrangements were conducted by Mr. S. G. Collier. A large number of mourners including all the C. of E. clergy in the city followed the remains to Cavendish Square, where the immediate relatives and friends took vehicles and drove to Portugal Cove, where the committal takes place.

My wife shall dance and I will sing
As merrily pass the day,
For I own it is one of the wisest things
To drive dull care away.
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Inspecting the Humber Project.

Mr. Blackstead and two other English capitalists, interested in the proposed pulp and nitrate works on the Humber, arrived by the Kyle on Sunday and came in by special train. They were accompanied by President H. D. Reid, General Superintendent J. P. Powell and Alex. Cobb. On Monday they looked over the Corns Brook site, the lime deposits and water power on the Humber, and proceeded to Grand Lake, where yesterday they inspected the Grand Lake waters and timber areas. The party proceeds to St. John's after having fully gone over the interested areas, where we understand final arrangements will be prepared and submitted to the Legislature for confirmation. Should the concessions required meet with the favourable views of Parliament, it is expected that work will begin in June or July employing a large number of men.—Western Star, April 26th.

Council Starts Work.

The Unemployment Bureau in the Council Chambers began to-day putting gangs of men to work on the city streets and up to noon over 150 men had been sent out. The men who went to work this morning were sent to the gravel pits and the new road from Freshwater to Merrymount Roads. The work of excavating the trench for the laying of 1,000 feet of pipes to Sudbury Street will be commenced either this afternoon or tomorrow morning and this will provide work for a larger number of men. This work will continue until the \$50,000 which the Council received as an advance payment on their proposed loan is exhausted. This would mean that if all the 150 men now registered at the Labor Bureau are sent to work, they will be employed for about four weeks. By that time it is hoped to have the entire amount of the \$150,000 loan. A committee of the men is assisting the Labor Bureau in keeping order and the most needy and family men are first put to work. All day long there is an immense crowd of men hanging round the Council Chambers and the work of registering is continuously going on, a large amount of extra work being thus thrown on the city officials.

MINARD'S LINIMENT BELIEVES NEURALGIA.

L.O.O.F. Anniversary Celebration.

PACKED LODGE ROOM—GREAT ENTHUSIASM.

The final event in the celebration of the 102nd anniversary of the founding of the Independent Order of Oddfellows took place last evening in the Oddfellows' Hall, Exchange Building, Atlantic Lodge, No. 1, was the host of the evening, and representatives from every Lodge in the Island were present. Colonial Lodge, No. 135, attending in force. Promptly at 8 o'clock, Bro. Geo. Soper, N.G. called a crowded Atlantic Lodge to order and after transmission of routine business, Colonial Lodge entered in form and were received with enthusiasm. Immediately afterwards the D.D.G.M., Bro. Ed. Spurrell and suite entered and was given the honors of the Order. The principal event of the evening was the presentation of Veterans' Jewels to twelve members of Atlantic Lodge, who have completed 25 years' loyal service to their Lodge and Order. The brothers who were accorded this honor are P. Skirving, G. T. Phillips, P.G., J. Roll, S. Butler, P.G., D.D.G.P., E. Gittleson, S. G. Collier, R. Young, P.G., N. Rowell, J. D. Ford, J. J. French, A. A. Martin and P. Thomas. The presentation was made by the D.D.G.M., who in well chosen words welcomed and congratulated the veterans and pinned the badge of honor on their breasts, the recipients in brief speeches expressing their appreciation.

The brethren then retired to the banquet hall where a splendid spread tempted the inner man, and a jolly, brotherly hour followed. The programme was as follows:
"The King"—Prop. The Chairman; Resp. National Anthem.
"The L.O.O.F. Its Aims and Ideals"—Prop. Bro. C. Noonan, P.G.; Resp. Bro. E. D. Spurrell, D.D.G.M.
"Our Veterans"—Prop. Bro. Geo. Barnes, V.G.; Resp. The Veterans.
"Sister Lodges"—Prop. Bro. G. T. Phillips, P.G.; Resp. Bro. Garland, Excelsior Lodge; Bro. Goodyear, P.G., Exploits, No. 2; C. O. Butler, P.G., Wabana, No. 138; R. H. Tait, V.G., Colonial, No. 135; Bro. Rowell, N.G., Cabot, No. 128, and Bro. (Rev.) I. Williamson, Fairview, No. 61, Vancouver.

The Chairman—Prop. Bro. N. A. McLeod, P.G.; Resp. Bro. Geo. Soper, N.G.
The speeches were of a very high order, and considerable enthusiasm aroused for the good of the Order. Rev. Bro. Williamson's song was encored, and when responding on behalf of his far-off Lodge, made a telling appeal to all present in the interests of Brotherhood and Fraternity.

Supreme Court.

BEFORE JUSTICE JOHNSON.
John J. St. John vs. Northmer Green. John O'Driscoll, agent of Garnabee for the Estate of A. D. O'Driscoll.
This is a garnishee proceedings Wood, K.C. for plaintiff is heard and puts in acknowledgment of the garnishee as holding the sum of \$492.47 property of the above defendant. It is ordered that the sum of \$492.47 be paid into court.

McMurdo's Store News.

TUESDAY, April 26.
You can make your last years straw hat up-to-date—so far at least as color is concerned by the judicious use of Colorette, the modern hat color. A very wide range of colors; combinations easily managed. Price 40 cents a bottle. Vapo Cresolene Outfit—the most valuable aid to mothers in cases of whooping cough; also the liquid to use with same. A full consignment just in.

Shipping Notes.

Schooner Electric Flash has arrived from the Banks to S. Harris Ltd., Grand Bank, and reports for 400 qts. fish.
S.S. Sable I. leaves Halifax tomorrow for here via Louisburg.
Schooner Granite has arrived at Hr. Breton from the Banks with 200 qts. salt bulk.
S.S. Cranley sailed to-day from Breton, for London with a cargo paper and pulp.

Oporto Stocks.

British	April 25	April 18
Consumption	60,628	57,486
Consumption	6,857	5,843
Norwegian	9,143	11,800
Consumption	2,857	3,429

OPORTO MARKET.
Sent to Naples—Max Horton. Waiting Orders—Nina Lee.

Wanted—An Independent Journal.

Of newspapers we have in the city of St. John's a good supply. Of papers independent of politics and free from political influence, we are not sure of one, and this we regard a serious deficiency. And in taking this position we mean no particular reflection upon our party, press any more than upon party papers in general. England owes very much indeed to the "Manchester Guardian," and Canada is deeply indebted to the "Montreal Witness." In the United States also there is a very limited number of independent journals; and Newfoundland needs a paper to do for her citizens what these papers are doing for the citizens of their respective countries. At present indeed it is quite impossible for our people to be sure of the real merits of any question which becomes the subject for political controversy. Even if credit be given for sincerity on either side, or both sides, the uncertainty remains. To begin with there is the ever present tendency to take a partial attitude respecting any question in which one's political party is involved. It may indeed be unintentional, even unconscious, but none the less real. And even were it possible for the editor of a party paper to be absolutely impartial in his judgment, he is not free from suspicion by the average reader, and his opinion loses weight on that account.

Take for instance, the much discussed fish regulations. As is well known, the most diverse opinions are expressed by the daily press. On the one side the regulations are given credit for saving a large number of consumers from hunger, and of business men from bankruptcy. On the other side the same regulations are held responsible for many, if not all, of our financial difficulties. Now as between these two extremes, wherein lies the truth? And how is the man in the street to discover it? He knows no way of discovering it and is left to decide according to what seems to be his personal gain or loss, irrespective of the merits of the case in its broad aspects. It is in just such a case as this then that an absolutely unbiased opinion would be welcome. Granted that such a sheet be sane, intelligent, impartial; let it become known that the editor is quite unpartisan, and even though he make no claim to infallibility or infallibility, his opinion would carry immense weight in the community.

Can Newfoundland discover such a man? And would adequate support be given to such a journal? That must remain an open question; but of the need of such a journal, and of the value of the service it could render to the country, we have not the slightest doubt.—Methodist Greeting.

Coastal Boats.

GOVERNMENT.
S.S. Fortia left Channel at 5.30 p.m. yesterday, coming east.
GOVT. RAILWAY COMMISSION.
Home leaving Placentia to-day on Bay route.
Kyle leaving Port aux Basques this afternoon.
McGie left Placentia at 4.40 p.m. yesterday for Southwest Coast, ports.

FOR SALE.

Ford Touring Car.
1 Ford 5-Passenger Touring Car, second hand, in good condition; recently overhauled. All worn parts replaced new. Will be sold at a bargain.

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1 Fraser 2 Cylinder, 2 Cycle, 8 H.P. Marine Motor Engine. Jump spark ignition. Complete with gas-line tank, coil, stuffing box, propeller and shaft, and salt water strainer. This engine is new but will be sold at price of second-hand engine.

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MINARD'S LINIMENT BELIEVES DISTEMPER.

Horrible Tragedy.

ATTEMPTED SUICIDE AT PORT AUX BASQUES.

On the morning of Monday, April 18th, Mrs. Harris, the proprietress of a boarding house in Port aux Basques, was attracted by strange sounds in the room of a young man named Frank Martin, who had arrived from Sydney on the previous day. Upon entering the room she found Martin lying on the bed in a pool of blood, which flowed from gashes which he had made in his throat, wrists and head with a razor. A doctor was immediately summoned and the unfortunate man has been under his care ever since and is still in a precarious condition. Martin is about 27 years of age and is the son of Mr. Fred Martin of Harbor Grace. For the last five months he was employed in Child's restaurant at Montreal. For the past seven years he has been in delicate health and this combined with domestic worries must have caused him to make an attempt on his own life in such a terrible manner. Martin married an English girl who was at the time a domestic servant in Montreal, and two years afterwards they separated by mutual consent, as he could not support her. He landed destitute at Port aux Basques, from which place he had intended to go to Harbor Grace. As soon as he is well enough to travel he will be taken to that town.

Here and There.

Eat Mrs. Stewart's Home-made Bread.—apr18,20s

DRUNK IN RESTAURANT.—A man was charged with being drunk and disorderly in the European Cafe last night. He did damage there to the extent of \$5. He was fined \$5.00, the fine to go to recompense the proprietor of the cafe.

"Laugh and grow fat" is an old axiom. We advise the use of a good tonic, named "Brick's Tasteless." Price \$1.00; postage 20c. extra.—apr26,t

WILL DOCK FOR SURVEY.—A survey of the wrecked schooner Huntley has not yet been held although several examinations of the exposed parts of the hull have taken place. It is likely that in a day or so the vessel will go on dock where a thorough examination can be held.

Stafford's Prescription "A" will cure that uncomfortable feeling caused by indigestion and dyspepsia. Price 35 and 70c. Postage 10c and 20c. extra.—apr26,t

OLD FELIDIAN DINNER.—The Old Felidian Dinner takes place in Wood's Restaurant to-night and promises to be a most successful affair as only a few tickets now remain unsold. Quite a number of guests will be present including the Felidian Hockey team who are the guests of honour.

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Here and There.

AN INDUSTRIOUS CITIZEN.—An industrious resident of Georgetown may be seen daily in Rennie's River, from where he procures stone, which he later breaks up for concrete work. He has already made several large piles of this material and a number of loads have been sold at remunerative prices.

Have you seen this issue of the "Veteran" Magazine? If not, do not delay in purchasing one, as only a limited number are on sale at all bookstores. Price 25c.—apr26,21

NEW MINING COMPANY.—An American Company, under the name of the Conception Bay Iron Ore Co., have taken over the mineral property held by Messrs. J. C. Parsons, Edward Parsons, and Nathaniel Pike. This Company is capitalized at \$1,000,000, and their experts are due in the city in two weeks to make all arrangements to work the property.

NOTICE.—A meeting of the Farmers' Union will be held in the British Hall on Thursday next, at 11.30 a.m. Full attendance requested. Business important. E. J. COWAN, Sec'y. apr26,21

BORN.

On the 26th, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Jackson.
An April 25th, 1921, to Mr. and Mrs. J. Downey, 109 Hamilton Street, a daughter.

DETH.

This morning, after a short illness, Algebrun H. Prowse, aged 52 years. Funeral on Wednesday, at 3 p.m. from his late residence, LeMarchant Road.

IN MEMORY.

In fond and loving memory of John Kennedy, who was drowned at Bridgetown, Barbados, on April 29, 1920, from the schr. Admiral Drake, son of James and the late Ellen Kennedy, of Mobile, R.I.P. Though the time flies swiftly onward, And friends may think the wound is healed; But they little know what sorrow Lies within our hearts concealed. —inserted by his brother.

NOTICE.

MR. I. LEVITZ begs to announce that he has removed from his premises, 236 Theatre Hill, to 252 Water Street, where all communications should be addressed. apr26,21

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