



## Evening Telegram

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### Direct Taxation Next

Reports from the District of Bay-de-Verde are all indicative that the day of the Government is done there, and that the Squires candidate, seeking re-election, will receive the small end of the vote. Last fall, carried away by specious promises, the men of Bay-de-Verde, in common with those of other northern districts, voted for a change, and secured a change. But now, having experienced the shallowness of the promises and of the men who made them, they are equally desirous of another change, and toward that end, Bay-de-Verde intends, on Thursday next, to strike the first blow. Realizing that they were both deceived and betrayed, the voters of that district are deeply resentful of the conduct of the men whom they elected to represent them, and have expressed their determination to show that they cannot be basely deceived any longer. Alive to the opportunity offered them of visiting the offences of the Squires Government upon the head of the Minister of Shipping, they will not be tardy in recording their disapproval of the administration when the hour strikes for the opening of the polls. The wall of the Government press to "Elect Cave and be on the Government side," shows that they have no confidence in the outcome. The exposures made by the Opposition members in the House of Assembly have effectually damned Mr. Cave's chance of receiving a majority of the support of the people of Bay-de-Verde.

Not one sound argument has been put forward by Government advocates to show that they are prepared to stand by the issue of the conduct of affairs since Messrs. Squires and Company took the helm. A fearful press screams wildly to the electorate to "Elect Cave and be on the Government side." It gives no reason but that one bald fact. There is no appeal to the intelligence of the voters, but day after day indulgence in the parrot cry, "Elect Cave and be on the Government side." That is all. Bay-de-Verde has had eight months of Cave's being on the Government side, and what has it profited? Fish, the one great industry of the district, drags on a falling market. The catch of last year has not been disposed of, or if it has at greatly reduced prices from those obtaining in November when the Cashin Government held the reins. The salt supply has been so bunglingly handled that only at this late hour is there any quantity to be had for the conduct and carrying on of the voyage. The salt cargoes in St. John's to-day should, had the department of shipping a business man as its head, now be in the holds of schooners with sails set for Labrador. To claim, at this late date, that there are ample stocks of salt as a proof of the capability of the Government of the hour, is to influence nobody with a knowledge of local conditions. And Bay-de-Verde will accept at their face value the appeals be-

ing made to its voting power. Eight months of a Prussianized form of Government is quite enough and there is not a man in that district who places any faith in the promises now being so freely made by Government platform speakers, that by electing Cave present conditions will assume a brighter shade.

The shadow of the cloud cast by the Government is too dark. It has no bright side whatever. The Estimates submitted by the Minister of Finance have, more than anything else, opened the eyes of Newfoundland to the political characters of the men to whom the Government has been entrusted. Such an array of figures on current expenditure were never before brought down to the House. The addition of TWO MILLION DOLLARS in departmental increases is something to which to give thought. Expenditure cannot be increased without a corresponding levelling up of taxation, and a vote of the sum named to cover estimated expenditure for the ensuing fiscal year, ending June 30th, 1921, can only mean that a larger customs tariff will have to be exacted from goods imported. To do this duties will have to be raised; or if not some other means of taxation will have to be adopted. The present Government has proven itself fertile in devising causes for expenditure. Should they be equally proficient in discovering new methods of taxation, the result of the Bay-de-Verde election will tell. The Customs tariff in use to-day cannot stand any extra boosts. The rates are even higher than they should be. But two million extra dollars have to be provided in some way and it is quite possible that if no other means suggest themselves, measures for directly taking money from the people will be sought. As a rule the consumer, under present tariff regulations, pays his revenue taxes indirectly the same being included in the selling price of the articles purchased. But a victory for the Government in Bay-de-Verde may be the means of the consumer having to pay a personally direct tax in addition to that which he always contributes. Therefore it is up to the voters of Bay-de-Verde to nip this plan in the bud on Thursday coming, by voting against the Government candidate.

### The Revenue Pays.

In our leading article of yesterday reference was made to salt at eight dollars per hoghead. This is, roughly, the actual cost of that commodity as landed under Government control. Though the fishermen are not being charged that price—\$5.25, we believe being the maximum rate—the difference will have to be made up out of the general revenue and to cover this an appropriation of Fifty Thousand Dollars has been made out of Government funds. But even FIVE DOLLAR AND TWENTY-FIVE CENT SALT against FIVE DOLLAR FISH is not any recommendation of the Government's ability to cope with the situation as at present existing and the men of Bay-de-Verde will do well to remember that on Thursday.

BUYING GREEN—Two dollars and twenty-five cents per one hundred pounds seems to be the best offer fishermen can obtain for codfish from the knife, from local buyers.

There's a Rich  
Snappy Flavor  
to  
**INSTANT  
POSTUM**  
that coffee  
drinkers like,  
and it's more  
healthful.

There's a Reason

### "Iolanthe."

Those who were fortunate enough to attend the first production of Gilbert and Sullivan's charming opera "Iolanthe" by a St. John's amateur company under the direction of Professor Moncrieff-Mawer, at the Casino Theatre last night, were amply rewarded and thoroughly delighted. The curtain rose on a scene of rich gorgeousness enhanced by the splendid multicolored costumes of the performers. The fairy band was exceptionally fine, their movements and placing being perfectly timed. The peers were "to the manor born," and their robes of office were a revelation in stage costuming. So much has already been written about this opera that there is little else to be said regarding the scenes, the plot or the climax. But of the dramatic personae a whole lot could be set down, for one and all carried through difficult roles in a manner that would do credit to professionals, and established a new record for St. John's artists. The performance of Capt. J. J. O'Grady, as the Lord Chancellor, was most clever and realistic, his singing and acting being beyond criticism. The characters of the Earl of Mountararat and Lord Tolliver, suitors for the hand of Phyllis, were portrayed by Lt. W. L. Wood and Mr. Leo Price. Strephon was cast to Mr. A. Lawrence, who made a capital Shepherd lad and eventually married Phyllis, the Arcadian Shepherdess and Ward in Chancery. This part was played by Miss Ida Howlett in her usual catchy and typical style, the talented actress receiving much applause. Miss Mollie Ellis, as "Iolanthe," mother of Strephon, contributed largely to the success of the opera, her acting taking the house by storm. The Queen of the Fairies (Miss Elsie Herder), was a difficult role to sustain, but it was played by Miss Herder with capital verve and realism, her singing evoking much applause. Private Willis, of the Grenadier Guards (Mr. A. R. Stansfield), was the soldier par excellence and contributed in no small measure to the evening's entertainment. The trio of Fairies, Lelia, Celia, and Fleta (Misses Tilly Moncrieff-Mawer, Frances Gibb and Mrs. C. F. Garland), was graceful perfection. Miss Maud Hutchings as Page, and Masters George Crosbie and Douglas Cook as Heralds, sustained their characters very capably indeed. Of the orchestra the least that can be said is that it was the best ever heard in St. John's. The names of the instrumentalists are in themselves guarantee of the quality of the music which captivated all. The opera is being produced under the auspices of the G.W.V.A., and will run through the week, with, it is hoped, larger attendances than appeared at last night's performance.

### Members' Indemnity.

(From an Exchange.)  
The discretion with which members of Parliament speak of the proposal to increase their Parliamentary indemnity goes to show that the interested parties are embarrassed because their desires have been brought into the light of day. Their embarrassment is to be explained by the nature of the services for which increased indemnity is demanded, and by present day conditions. The position occupied by a representative of the people is very honorable and for that reason is justly envied. It is not a calling upon which one may rely as a means of earning a living. A member of Parliament, who fulfills his duty—that is to say, who never loses sight of the high principles which should be his guide in public life, and who guards with jealous care the interests of his country and those of his constituents—can never receive a salary commensurate with the services he renders. On the other hand, a member who enters Parliament to advance first his own interests, is overpaid, even if the country allows him only a few dollars a year. Having said this, it becomes plain that members do not receive a 'salary,' but an 'indemnity,' and that indemnity is measured not by the value of the services rendered, but rather by the country's means. These means to-day are particularly deplorable. Economy is essential, and if Parliament does not set an example in this regard, the effect will be disastrous on the mind of the public who will take note, compare, and judge. It is more than ever necessary that the constituents should have full confidence in their representatives if the latter would not break the last bond that has long controlled public anger. The burden of taxation, already heavy, has just been increased, and we consider that even those who were most opposed to the actions which have contributed to make the debt of this young country what it is to-day, should willingly sacrifice themselves to the exigencies of the hour, in view of the necessity to bridge the gulf that has been delved. We shall be less certain of their good faith if the members of Parliament improve their position after having aggravated that of their constituents. The perspective is one the members will do well to ponder over.

Schr. Rosalie Belliveau, 5 days from Sydney, arrived yesterday with a cargo of coal to A. H. Murray.

### The Labrador Steamer.

(Daily News.)  
There is intense indignation owing to the outrageous delay in the sailing of the Labrador steamer. That it is being held over deliberately until after the Bay de Verde election is matter of common knowledge. There are supposed to be a number of Cave supporters going by her, and the steamer is being held back in order to secure their votes. The season is already later than for many years. The Labrador voyage has been handicapped through the salt situation, due to the incompetency and apathy of Mr. Cave and his colleagues, and now it is to be further delayed and handicapped for electioneering purposes. But why marvel? Is not the whole machinery of government to-day prostituted to personal ends, and personal ends only?

Yesterday Sir Michael Cashin received a telegram from Clarke's Beach a copy of which, with Sir Michael's reply, is attached:—

TELEGRAM.  
CLARKE'S BEACH, June 21.  
Sir M. P. Cashin.  
Understand Government have held over Edmund Donald for after election. Three hundred people of the district awaiting her. Planters demand immediate removal to Labrador.  
WM. TAYLOR  
FRED HUSSEY  
AZ. SNOW  
JOS. BOONE  
PAT. NEVILLE  
LEONARD SMITH,  
JAMES TAYLOR,  
J. B. SMITH.  
REPLY.  
Wm. Taylor and others,  
Clarke's Beach.  
Understand it is correct "Edmund Donald" being held over till after Bay de Verde election, although it is reported she is costing government one thousand dollars per day. Will bring matter up in Assembly to-morrow. Accept sympathy.  
M. P. CASHIN.

Pebeco Tooth Paste gives a pleasant, agreeable, wholesome feeling to the mouth.—jns8,eod,tf

### Methodist Conference.

#### EPWORTH LEAGUE AND SUNDAY SCHOOL GATHERING.

Last evening the first of the Conference Meetings was held at Wesley Church.  
The Rev. Mr. Forbes presided. The meeting opened by singing hymn 81, "Ye Fair Green Hills of Galilee." The Chairman's remarks were brief. Having announced the object of the meeting he called upon the Rev. Oliver Jackson of Briggs, to give the report of the Sunday Schools and Epworth League of the Conference.  
The report was incomplete, owing to lack of details from the various circuits and Missions.  
The speaker of the evening was the Rev. Hugh Pedley, D.D., who delivered a very practical and forceful address.

The speaker humorously referred to the fact that he had spoken on Sunday to the Methodist people, also again to-night, and had been scheduled for four noon day addresses to the Conference. He thought he might wear out his welcome.  
He gave some tests of Christianity. A Christian must get all he can, save all he can and give all he can. The speaker said he knew John Wesley's rules, and he certainly did as was evidenced by the enlargement of his subject. The follower of Jesus Christ must not love money. If he makes money he will make it honestly. If he makes it honestly he will spend it generously.  
The word for the Church was advance. It will be a long time before the Church will be able to say I have done my share.

He emphasized the necessity of the Church making evident in all her activities the evangelistic note. The new Hymn Book was teaching them the unity of the Churches.  
Here he illustrated his point by the unity of the nations who won the war.

The speaker waxed eloquent at various parts of his address.  
At the close Mr. A. W. Martin moved a hearty vote of thanks to the speaker. He was reminiscent in referring to

the boy-hood of Dr. Pedley and his two brothers, whom he knew intimately.

Mr. J. C. Pratt presided at the organ and the meeting was very enjoyable. The Conference Sessions will be open to all, and the noon day addresses by Dr. Pedley should be appreciated by those who will attend these noon day exercises. Several Canadian Departmental Officers of the Church are expected to take part in the Conference deliberations.

CHAS. LENCH,  
Conference Reporter.

### McMurdo's Store News.

TUESDAY, June 22, '20.  
Science has at last solved the problem of getting rid of superfluous hair in giving us an antiseptic cream lotion, known commercially as Meel, which will positively and easily remove superfluous hair from any part of the body without in any way injuring or even irritating the skin. Meel is quite distinct and different from the ordinary "deplatory" which is often crude and always ill smelling. It is more certain in operation, easier to use, and more thorough in its results than any other preparation yet discovered. Two sizes: 75c. and \$1.50 a bit.

### Woman Not Found.

Despite our item of yesterday's date to the effect that Mrs. Bartlett, missing since Saturday morning, had been found, we regretfully state to-day that, so far, no trace of her has been discovered. The information published in this paper yesterday was that furnished us just before press hour by a man who came into this office, the same being given in good faith.

### From Cape Race.

CAPE RACE, To-Day.  
Wind southwest, light, dense fog; raining; nothing heard passing. Bar. 29.80, ther. 45.

Everybody wants it. BLOSSOM TEA.—jns22,11



We have received a shipment of  
**PURE GOLD JELLY—**  
Raspberry,  
Strawberry,  
Assorted,  
and while it lasts can supply same promptly to the trade from stock.  
We cannot supply less than five gross, and if you do not require as much as that please order through your jobber.  
**P. E. Outerbridge,**  
King's Rd., cor. Gower St.  
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**Freezone.**

Cures in a short time.  
Price 45c.

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CLEANLINESS — and BEAUTY.  
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There's no doubt but that more Women will wear WHITE BOOTS and SHOES this Season than ever before!

No Woman should be without WHITE BOOTS or SHOES; they are so dainty and so cool!

### Ladies' White Canvas Button Boots

Cuban heels, McKay sewn, toe cap, leather soles and heels, high cut. Only

**\$3.00 the pair**

### Ladies' White Canvas Laced Boots

Spool heels, plain toe, white soles and heels, McKay sewn, 9 inch high cut.

**\$3.50 the pair**

### Ladies' White Canvas Laced Boots

Military heels, Goodyear welt, Recede toe, white soles and heels. Value for \$4.50. Our price

**\$3.70**

Ladies' White Canvas Laced Shoes, Military heel, toe cap, Recede toe . . . . . \$2.70  
Ladies' White Canvas 2-Strap Shoes, Spool and low heels with bows . . . . . \$2.80 and \$2.90  
Ladies' White Canvas Cross Strap Shoes, Spool heels, fancy ornaments . . . . . \$3.00  
Ladies' White Canvas Pumps, Military heel, Recede toe, white soles and heels . . . . . \$3.20

Ladies' White Canvas Blucher Oxfords, wide toe, medium heel, toe cap, white soles and heels, \$3.50

Ladies' White Canvas Laced Shoes, pointed toe, spool heels, a very dainty shoe and a good fitter, \$2.90

### Ladies' White Kid Laced Boots

Recede toe, spool heels, oak turn soles, beautifully soft and flexible. This boot is really worth to-day

**\$4.00**

### Girls' White Canvas High Cut Laced Boots.

Sizes 5 to 8, \$2.60; 8½ to 11, \$2.90;

11½ to 2, \$3.10; 2½ to 5, \$3.60.

### Girls' White Canvas Button Boots.

Sizes 5 to 8, \$2.90; 8½ to 11, \$3.00;

11 to 2, \$3.20; 2½ to 6, \$3.00.

### Ladies' White Kid Laced Boots

Recede toe, washable kid, spool heels; a splendid fitter and very dainty in appearance. Our price

**\$7.50**

### GIRLS' WHITE CANVAS 2 STRAP SHOES—

Sizes 5 to 8 . . . . . \$2.15

Sizes 8½ to 11 . . . . . \$2.45

Sizes 2½ to 5 . . . . . \$2.90

### GIRLS' WHITE CANVAS LACED OXFORDS—

Sizes 5 to 8 . . . . . \$2.30

Sizes 8½ to 11 . . . . . \$2.65

Sizes 11½ to 2 . . . . . \$2.80

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