



Evening Telegram

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Excusing Himself.

The editor of the Advocate had a very vague article in the issue of his journal on Saturday, the burden of which was a camouflaged defence of his action when chairman of the Board of Sugar Control, where he is quoted as a measure of excuse for his own blundering in this connection, all the millions that had been lost in Great Britain by a similar commission. As an argument of excuse this prodigious attempt fails of its purpose. We are not interested in what the people of the British Isles lost through the bungling of their Food Boards. They can well look after that phase of the situation themselves, and we believe that the various Commissioners came in for more direct digs over their ignorance, than even the famous body of Newfoundland Food Commissioners. The London Times, from which our contemporary so copiously quotes, did not lessen its criticism because of the weak defence that the Sugar Commission over there put up. On the contrary it was more than severe on the lack of knowledge of the sugar markets, which caused such huge sums to be lost, and ultimately to have to be recouped by the people themselves, exactly as is happening in this colony to-day. In order to make up for the losses incurred by our talented commission who controlled the purchase and import of sugar, the people of Newfoundland are now, and have been, paying a sum of duty far in excess of the cost of sugar in New York. Over one hundred per cent. is being extracted from the pockets of consumers of sugar, the rate of duty being in the vicinity of five and one half cents per pound, the total revenue on this article, going toward paying or meeting the gross loss in which the famous Sugar Board involved the colony. Cheap Sugar, what! Not for so long as the present aggregation is in possession of the administration. The humorous genius of the Advocate, with a simulation of ponderous Mark Tapscottism, designates the Telegram's strictures on his sugar policy as cheap wit, and who is better qualified to be an exponent of cheap wit than the man whose splendid genius is responsible for the loss on sugar. This funny chap then carries on with his list of fishermen's necessities at the present per centum rate of duty. Let us tell the fishermen that 11 per cent. Pork works out at about Three dollars and fifty cents a barrel, a rate more than double that which was paid, under earlier tariffs, when One dollar and fifty cents was the duty. Other items in the Advocate's list in proportion. Anyone can figure out from the per centum rates given by the one and only friend of the fishermen, the actual revenue being exacted by the Customs on the articles given in the list which has caused so many brain wringings to our genial contemporary. The fishermen from the North are arriving in the city to-day. Their schooners are anchored in the harbor, and their crews themselves will give the editor of the Advocate and his scribal staff an opportunity to answer a few

questions on the price of fish and the rates of duty. When the big demonstration is carried out, our friend of Duckworth Street will no doubt be honored by a visit from the leaders touching some statements he has made in recent issues of his paper. Will he be at his office to receive the deputation? Will he also have the courage to tell the fishermen of Greenspond, Valleyfield and those other centres on the north side of Bonavista Bay that their meeting at Bonavista on Thursday night last was a failure? Will he dare face the indignation of these men with his threadbare stories of traitors and expulsion from the Union, when they demand an explanation and retraction of "Advocate falsifications?" "Hands off the Union" howls the "Suam Cuique" hack writers. The only people who are touching the Union to-day are those who have been long associated with it, and have at length discovered its true meaning and object. These are the men who will eventually smash the fishermen's Union as at present constituted, and out of its ruins will erect a greater and far more beneficial and lasting institution.

Reduced Taxation Means Profitable Fishery.

In 1897, fish sold for about two or three dollars per quintal. Destitution threatened. A considerable deficit occurred. Labor was scarce. The outlook was blue. The Whitehead-Bond government was defeated, and the Winter-Morine administration came into power. No classified tariff of customs duties, and no intelligible budget of expenditure existed. Under these circumstances, Mr. Morine was placed in charge of the Colony's finances. He classified customs schedules, made a suitable tariff rate, justified a complete budget, introduced the Customs and Audit Act, as they exist to-day; and as a result, when the Bond-Morine government came into power, in 1900, it succeeded to a surplus—the first actual one for years—and to an orderly condition in the public service. The author of this work has been talking to the Trade Review about Revenue and Expenditure, and his words call for consideration. He says, for instance, that under existing circumstances duties should be fixed with regard chiefly to the ability of the consumer to pay. Lower the rates, so that the fishery can be prosecuted with vigor, is, in effect, his proposal for a temporary deficit in the Colony's finances will not bother anybody very much if the people be busy and prosperous. Better, he says, incur a deficit by lowering customs duties, and so stimulating the fisheries, than by giving employment upon non-productive public works.

In prosperous countries, and in normal times, it is usual to arrange a scale of expenditures, and then provide a revenue to meet it. But this country is not prosperous, and these are not normal times, and Mr. Morine says that the proper method now is to decide how much the people can pay, yet live, and then reduce the expenditure to meet the revenue, if possible, and if it cannot be done, face a deficit with calmness while the country is recovering its stride.

The exclusive power and responsibility of the Government for the making of the customs tariff is insisted upon by Mr. Morine. It is, he says, a matter for statesmanship. The Government which appoints such a commission as is now sitting, to make a tariff, is shirking its plain duty. He points out, too, that the fishermen and laborers are not represented on that Committee, which is composed wholly of importers or manufacturers. The Assembly is elected to deal with the tariffs mainly. The Government exists in theory to administer the financial affairs of the Colony. Both Assembly and Government neglect their most obvious duties when they refer the making of a customs tariff to any other persons than themselves. This spirit of "let George do it" has been submitted to far too long, and the time has come when accountability should be insisted on.

L. O. A. at Broad Cove.

VISIT FROM GRAND LODGE OFFICERS.

The officers of Grand Lodge L.O.A. R. C. Bros. A. W. Piccott, G.M., Jordan Miller, G.S., and F. Gordon Bradley, G.D.M., held an official visit to the Primary Lodge at Broad Cove last night. The visiting officers received a hearty welcome, and were entertained at a banquet, served in excellent style, by the Ladies' Association. The reports received showed the Lodge to be in a flourishing condition. On Thursday night an official visit will be made to the Lodge at Kelligrewa.

Labor Delegation Unsuccessful.

WILL AWAIT RETURN OF PRIME MINISTER.

Up to a late hour last night nothing definite had been arranged in connection with relief work for the six hundred men now out of employment. Yesterday afternoon the committee of six selected by the unemployed on Saturday last, went back and informed the gathering that they had approached both the Acting Prime Minister and Hon. Dr. Campbell. Having stated their case to them, they were told that their only alternatives now, was the "Humbermouth Deal," which is alleged to have gone through, and they were given to understand it would be only a matter of time when operations would be commenced. The Acting Prime Minister, Hon. Gen. Shea, when interviewed by the delegation, could not understand how it was that a large body of men could be out of employment at this season of the year, when such a scene of activity as is at present being carried out along the various waterfront premises is in evidence. Hon. Mr. Shea informed the committee that he could not accede to their request, but pointed out to the delegation before their departure that the Prime Minister would be home within a week, when the time would be more opportune for the matter to be laid before him.

WHEN SQUIRES COMES BACK.

The chairman of the committee speaking to a Telegram reporter last night, stated that after he and his delegation had informed the men as to what had transpired with the executive heads, they were again asked if they would hold another interview, and try if possible to receive more definite arrangements for relief work, as some eighteen hundred mouths depended upon them for support. The select committee of six acceded to this request, forthwith, and made another such call—as formerly—yesterday afternoon, when nothing other than the same flat refusal was handed out to them. What steps the men will now take in the matter is not known.

THREE HUNDRED MARRIED MEN.

A member of the delegation, last night, stated that 300 of the men are married, with families, and that some form of relief work would have to be secured as quickly as possible. The suggestion was made that the Government could at least grant men employment for the next six months in breaking up alone. A large quantity of this material is now at the Government's disposal, which could very easily be placed on hand for road and building purposes next year. Sheds are already at the men's disposal for this form of work, in both the east and west ends of the city. He pointed out that the 375,000 of the \$1,000,000 granted by Sir R. A. Squires last May for relief work during the year was still on hand, and should operations have been commenced with in this way, \$180,000, plus the wages and some small contracts thrown in would be a big help in relieving the situation. He further stated, "You cannot expect the family man to go to Humbermouth," as pointed out by Hon. Dr. Campbell.

EMPLOYMENT DIFFICULT TO OBTAIN.

Avenues of employment would have to be looked for the balance of the men who are single, their ages ranging between twenty and thirty. Speaking of obtaining work along the waterfront, he said it was ridiculous for the Hon. George Shea to state that employment could be easily secured. Last year approximately five hundred men secured employment in this way, but that number are at work on the wharves at this period. A large number of the unemployed have made several attempts to secure work, but the handling of fish or cargoes, either inward or outward is nothing like it was other years. It is believed that the only solution now will be for the unemployed to await the return of the Prime Minister, when an amicable settlement may be arranged.

The people ask for immediate work but are told to wait till "SQUIRES COMES BACK," what a tragedy!

Extending the Pilgrimage.

NOT LEFT ENGLAND YET.

A gentleman closely in touch with affairs in the homeland, informed us this forenoon that our political peripatetics, the Prime Minister and Minister of Justice Lee still doing London. The time of departure of the former for Newfoundland is uncertain. The latter is not on the Digby which left Liverpool on Saturday, but may be along via another route some time later. This does not look as though the Humber Deal were the last accomplishment boasted of by these ministers who were not fortunate enough to accompany the duo who have been so long sojourning in the English capital at the expense of the Colony. Probably both of them are afraid to face the wrath of the Northern fishermen, the vanguard of whom has now arrived in port.

Portuguese Importers and Dealers.

LATTERS DEMANDS PARALYZE SALES.

The following report from Esplanada and Co., Ltd., Oporto, dated Oct. 13, was received yesterday by the Board of Trade:—"For some days back dealers here advised importers that they intended to suspend all purchases of codfish until certain demands, which they have made of importers were conceded. These demands being: 1st. An increase in the bonus which they have been accustomed to receive in the act of purchase at the warehouses, and 2nd: the cessation of the direct sale of fish to the provinces, and the passing of this business over to the dealers." Sales were already dull, but this strike paralyzed them completely. However, at a meeting held to-day, this matter has been settled, and it is hoped sales will resume their normal course. The first cargo of Portuguese fish has now arrived at St. John's in the North of Portugal. Exchange was quoted at 25.

Afternoon and High Teas served in the Supper Room in the C.C.C. Hall, at the Presentation Convent Sale of Work this afternoon.—Oct.31.

Magistrates Court.

Two boys of tender age, arrested on the charge of petty larceny, were sentenced to the Penitentiary to receive a lash of the birch.

The case of indecent assault on a young lady, preferred against a public official, was postponed until tomorrow at 12 o'clock. Mr. J. A. Barron for the accused received the consent of the Court to have the hearing held in camera.

The unfortunate woman who attempted suicide last night, later being taken in charge by the police, was remanded to the Penitentiary this morning, pending further investigation by the police in the matter.

Several civil cases occupied the attention of the Court up to noon hour.

NOTICE.—There will be no Dancing Class this week until Friday night. DONNA LAMB, Oct.31.

Supreme Court.

(Before Chief Justice.)
J. T. Meahan, Trustee of the Estate of Michael J. Malone, late of St. John's, Shopkeeper, deceased, and Michael Malone.

This is an application on the part of the plaintiff for leave to administer the estate of the defendant on a bill of sale, and the costs of an incidental to this application be costs in the cause. L. E. Emerson for plaintiff is heard in support of the motion. Higgins, K.C., for defendant, consents. It is ordered accordingly.

Hallowe'en Sociable.

SALE OF WORK.

The members of St. Andrew's Young Ladies' Guild have holding a sale of work in the Presbyterian Hall this afternoon. The young ladies anticipate that a large attendance will be present. For some time past they have busied themselves in making the necessary preparations for this sale. The goods on display consists of hand bags, cushions, handkerchiefs, table covers, pin cushions, embroidered, etc. A handsome sum will no doubt be realized. The sale of work will be followed by a concert, the which includes several of our well-known artists. Caud Cannon will be served during the evening, while candy and ice-cream will be on sale during the programme interval.

Personal.

Miss Kathleen Murphy leaves by S.S. Sylvia on Saturday for Boston, on a visit to her aunt, Mrs. T. Cashman.

Mr. Cyril Carter, of James Baird Ltd., leaves by the Portia to-day on a business trip to the West Coast.

Their Lordships the Bishops of H. Grace and St. George's came across country by yesterday's express. Bishop March detained at Brigus Junction and Bishop Renout came on to the city.

Mr. Peter Cashin was a passenger by to-day's outgoing express to Humbermouth, where he will spend a few days.

Sgt. Sheppard, of Bell Island, arrived in the city this morning on business connected with the Constabulary Department. He returns to his station to-morrow.

Rev. J. Stead, wife and family left Bell Island by S.S. Dagblid yesterday for Sydney, enroute to Upper Canada. The Rev. gentleman has been for the past eight years connected with the Anglican Church at Bell Island, and only recently resigned that parish to take up similar duties in Canada.

Underwood Typewriter, \$155.00. Oct.31.

First of Fleet Arrive.

IMPENDING STORM MAY DELAY OTHERS.

Last evening some ten or more schooners, the advance guard of the fleet from Bonavista Bay arrived in port. The vessels left their home ports some days ago, and harbored at Port Union, leaving there yesterday morning on the run to port. Owing to the barometer showing indications of an impending storm, it is not likely that the main body of the fleet will arrive for a couple of days. To-day's report from Labrador states that an easterly gale with rain and heavy sea is raging at Grady, Battle Harbor and Domino. Toronto also reports the approach of a storm and No. 3 signal has been ordered up. In connection with the arrival of the fleet it is stated that two other warships in addition to the Wishart which is still in port have been ordered here. All the vessels being anchored well out in the stream, it was not possible to board them, hence no information as to the intention of the crews can be ascertained, but it is known that no action will be taken until the arrival of the whole fleet, which is an interesting day so far as St. John's will be the outcome. It is said that the Advocate has prepared iron shutters for the windows of its office buildings and will reinforce the main entry doors.

B. E. Exhibition has New Chairman.

LORD MORRIS RESIGNS.

Recent press despatches state that Lord Morris has resigned the Chairmanship of the British Empire Exhibition, and has been appointed as Vice-President. Since 1919 Lord Morris has been at the head of the movement to hold an Overseas Exhibition, and his work has been so successful that it has developed into an exhibition to include the whole Empire. The new chairman of the British Exhibition is the Duke of Devonshire now Secretary of State for the Colonies. On the resignation of Lord Morris a vote of thanks for his valuable services was moved by Lord Southborough and carried unanimously by a large gathering.

Boy Scouts Active.

DISTRIBUTING FIRE WEEK LITERATURE.

In connection with Fire Prevention Week, the local Boy Scouts have given valuable service. During the past couple of days they have been engaged distributing circulars calling attention to this particular affair. Their work has been accomplished with dispatch, and since Saturday last Scouts have practically covered the city.

McMurdo's Store News.

TUESDAY, Oct. 31.

Not only is it true that many losses by fire are preventable and that a Fire Prevention Week is a civic necessity, but loss by vermin is also to a great extent, preventable. And this loss by vermin, though by no means as great as our fire losses, cannot be insured against, and must run into some thousands of dollars yearly. Common Sense Rat Exterminator, used judiciously, will destroy vermin and save your vegetables. Why not get a tin at once and use it as a preventive measure. We have it. Price 35c. If out of town, ask your dealer for it. He has it, or can obtain it.

Will Not Dock.

RED CROSS BOATS CONTINUE SCHEDULE.

Messrs. Harvey & Co., agents of the Red Cross Line, have been advised that it has been decided not to dock S. S. Silvia and Rosalind for a clean up, as was contemplated. The ships will therefore continue the regular schedule.

Dated at St. John's this 31st day of October, 1922.

MOIRNE & BRADLEY,
Oct.31, Tues. Solicitors for Executors.

Shipping Notes.

Schr. Cyril T. 42 days from Lisbon, arrived in port to-day from Malaga in ballast.

Schr. Nina W. Corkum, 4 days from Lunenburg, arrived in port this morning in ballast. The vessel is just off the stocks and will load fast for Hickman & Co. for the West Indies.

S. S. Lon, 2 days from North Sydney, arrived in port this a.m. with a cargo of coal to Morey & Co.

S. S. Sabie I. sailed this morning for North Sydney, taking a small outward freight.

Reid's Boats.

Argyle left Argentina 11.30 a.m. yesterday on bay route.

Clyde left Lewisport 12.30 p.m. yesterday.

Glancee left Pookthrough 9 a.m. yesterday, going west.

Home arrived at Humbermouth 10.10 a.m. yesterday.

Malakoff arrived at Clarendville 11.45 p.m. yesterday in ward.

Kyle arrived North Sydney this a.m.

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STATUTORY NOTICE.

In the matter of the Estate of Henry Miles, of Openhall, in the Electoral District of Bonavista, Merchant, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against the Estate of Henry Miles, late of Openhall, in the Electoral District of Bonavista, Merchant, Deceased, are requested to furnish particulars of the same, duly attested, to Reverend S. A. Dawich, of King's Cove, in the Electoral District of Bonavista, Executor of the will of the said Henry Miles, on or before the 7th day of December, 1922, and that after that date the said Executor will proceed to distribute the estate of the said deceased, having regard only to the claims of which he shall then have had notice.

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Oct.31, Tues.

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