

**THE CHARLOTTETOWN GUARDIAN**

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**THE BRITISH POSTAL AND TELEGRAPH SYSTEM.**

Years ago the Government purchased the telegraphs in the United Kingdom and since operates them and a telephone service as well in connection with the post office. The accounts for each branch are kept separate, and these being published, the people are enabled to know where the gains or losses are made. The general result is that the three services taken together yield a surplus, but when analysed it is found that the telegraph and telephone services are operated at a loss. Last year the postal service proper—that is the mail service—gave a revenue of \$90,625,000, while the expenditure was \$66,865,000. This left a surplus income of \$23,755,000. The telegraph revenue was \$15,495,000 and the expenditure \$21,090,000, leaving a shortage of five and a half million dollars. But in the expenditure was included interest on \$54,000,000 paid as the purchase price of the telegraph lines and property. The receipts from the Government telephones amounting to over seven millions of dollars, did not quite pay the cost of operation. And yet the three services properly belong together. Each does the same thing in a different way, carrying messages from one person to another. The saving in office expenses and in the number of employees is important. Under one control the three services are auxiliary to each other, while

under separate management they are competitive. The prime object of Government control of the three services is that the people may be well served at moderate cost, and this is the result in England. The important thing is not to make money or roll up a big surplus. The three services taken together pay handsomely, and it is a matter of small consequence that for one of them the people pay a little more and for the others a little less than cost. A very large proportion of the people at one time or another use the telegraph and telephone as well as the mails. No one would think of transferring the postal service to a corporate company, and if all are to be under one control, it must be that of the Government.

The mere handful of Conservatives in the Nova Scotia Legislature was not increased in the three by-elections of Wednesday last.

**HANDY IN THE HOUSE** says a clock. Davis Menthol Salve cures quickly a great many people of the simple ailments such as cuts, skin injuries, insect bites and stings. 25c a tin at druggists.

**PREPARATIONS FOR WAR ON SEA, LAND AND AIR.**

The war vessels of Great Britain, the United States, Germany, France, Japan, Russia, Italy and other powers collectively, are 261 battleships, and make daily returns. As the 145 armored cruisers, 187 protected cruisers, 110 torpedo gunboats, 468 destroyers, 978 torpedo boats and 177 submarines, a total of 2,326 war vessels of all sorts and sizes.

The seven naval powers above named are now building 41 more battleships and 372 smaller war craft, all on the principle that "preparation for war affords the best security for peace." When the new ships are completed the total number of war vessels great and small will be 2,742.

Of new battleships now under construction Britain is building 4, the United States 6, Japan 6, France 6, Germany 10, Russia 6 and Italy 3.

Meanwhile the enormous land forces of the great powers are being increased and equipped with more and more deadly weapons, while they are beginning to prepare flying navies to carry on warfare in the air.

What would a world at war on land and sea and air, mean under these

conditions? Very like the Apocalyptic plagues. "And the first angel poured out his vial upon the earth. . . . And the second angel poured out his vial upon the sea, and it became as the blood of a dead man. . . . And the seventh angel poured out his vial into the air."

The St John Telegraph speaks good words for the Tunnel, pointing out that the new steamer, while necessary and costly, cannot be hoped to provide continuous communication. "The cost of the existing service must go on increasing until it reaches—if it has not already reached—an outlay sufficient to pay interest on a Tunnel. . . . A Tunnel would make the Island, for purposes of transportation, a part of the mainland. The Island Railway is a losing part of the I. C. R. The Tunnel would make it a paying part and would materially swell the traffic on the main line."

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**LORD ROSEBERRY SPEAKS.**

LONDON, Nov. 25.—Lord Rosebery, the former Prime Minister, raised the historic struggle between Lords and Commons to a new plane by one of the finest speeches he ever delivered, in which he warned the Lords of the grave risks they were running if they adopted Lansdowne's resolution to reject the Budget.

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**At 4c a yard 5 yds for 18c**

Fancy cotton rollerings full width soft and durable sold everywhere for 6c yd

**At 7c a yd 5 yds for 32c**

Strong full width scotch crash towelings—also fine blue check glass towelings would be good value at 10c elsewhere.

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