

THE ATLANTIC'S KEY

BEREHAVEN, THE GIBRALTAR OF IRELAND, STRENGTHENS EMPIRE.

A Great Fortification on the West Coast of the Green Isle, Has Been Just About Completed—At the Mouth of Bantry Bay—Batteries on Bere Island Very Ingeniously Constructed.

After seven years' work the defences at Berehaven are almost complete.

Berehaven is in the mouth of Bantry Bay, and Bantry Bay has the only landing place for troops in 200 miles of iron-bound creeks between Shannon Mouth and Queenstown.

This channel, all the way up to Bantry and Glengarriff, where the piers and beaches are, is tormented by Atlantic storms. In the worst of these the warships of the whole world might ride commodiously at anchor behind Bere Island.

The island was treeless and rocky, but fir and pine trees planted by the Royal Engineers' Department will make the island some day picturesque. A spacious broken hollow, full of bog, has been drained out, levelled up with tipplings and laid with loam and green turf as a recreation ground for the garrison and the crews of visiting ships. Barracks and mess-rooms for all the troops that will be needed have been almost finished.

From each end of Bere Island two fine batteries look out across the bay. They have the best modern armament of any island batteries in the kingdom.

An approaching enemy would first be hampered by the western batteries, one above the other—three 6-in. guns and three 4.7's. Occasional big shells would greet the enemy, too, from the big 9.2 guns of the eastern batteries. But the others defend the western entrance to the harbor, which, moreover, is so narrow that it could easily be boomed.

The eastern batteries, commanding the bay where its channel contracts a little, would give a good account of any ships trying to run a gauntlet and get round the island. Besides the two guns of greatest calibre, for which five miles is hardly more than a point-blank range, there are here four 6-inch guns in pairs. Hidden quick-firing batteries along the shore keep watch for torpedo boats.

The big guns are so protected in front that only a long shot, dropping by extraordinary luck into the very magazine, could damage them. Shells an inch too high, or shells that struck the sloping concrete of their breast-works, would fly across the harbor or burst in the air harmlessly.

It is amazing to see the strength and perfection of their great case-mated magazines, with ample space for the gunners to work and to live. Major Speranza, who has just made an end of his labors there, may very well be satisfied.

Finally there is a rifle range, with 12 targets, 800 to 2,000 yards, where the men of the Channel Squadron will do their practice; and there is plenty of ground for skirmishing work.

Its value to the Empire will be mainly that of a great coal-station, where half a million tons of coal may be stored. This depot, so much nearer to North America than any other, will so increase the fighting range of the British navy that its cruisers and destroyers should be able to outrun those of any European power attacking our trans-Atlantic trade. Berehaven may then be called the key of the Atlantic, says The London Daily Mail.

The Isle of Man.

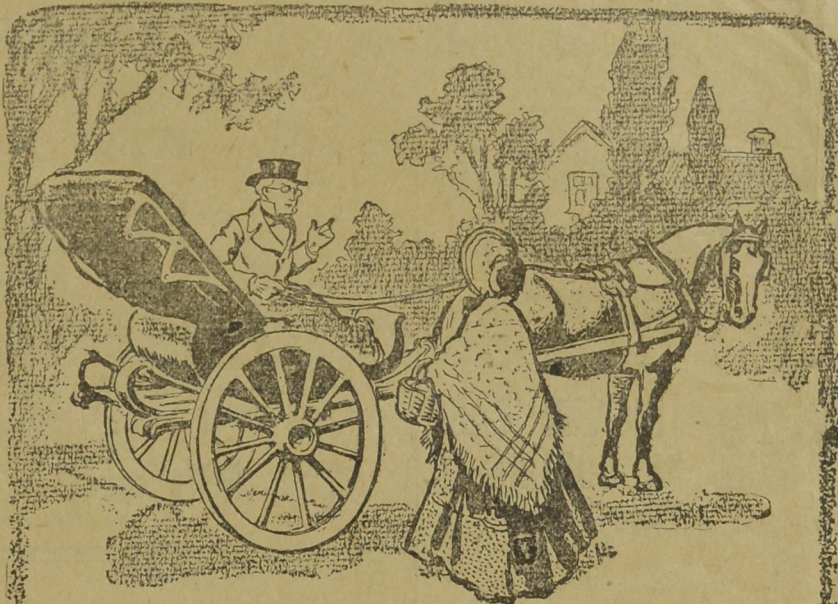
Discussing the recent visit of King Edward and Queen Alexandra to the Isle of Man, The London Daily Telegraph says:

The little island retains all its archaic customs. It keeps its House of Keys, and its separate laws are proclaimed annually from the Tynwald Hill in its ancient language, as well as in its modern speech. The legislation of the Mother of Parliaments does not extend to Manxland without special enactment, and, indeed, the little nation maintains that its constitution is older than our own. And, above all, the island enjoys the fortunate privilege of being totally exempt from Imperial taxation. In these quaint survivals of legendary usages there is something singularly characteristic of the irregular genius which has been always the inspiration and the salvation of our policy. France would have looked with horror upon the eccentricity of such a connection as has been preserved between the Manx Island and the greater countries which surround it. Our neighbors would have crushed the local liberties and distinctions of the Manxmen into one remorselessly Prussian model. The island petitioned for the protection of England, and received it in the reign of

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"The men make all of the laws, do they not?" mildly asked Mrs. Rohrer.

"Of course!"

"I see," she mused. "Men never like to hamper themselves."—Indianapolis News.

Superfluous.

Uncle George—Look at the bee, who improves each shining hour.

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7.45 a.m.—Mixed, Monday, Wednesday and Friday, for Woodstock, Presque Isle, Edmundston, etc., via Gibson Branch. Leaves St. Marys 8.15 a.m.

9.15 a.m.—Mixed, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, for Woodstock, Presque Isle, Edmundston, etc., via Gibson Branch. Leave St. Marys 9.41 a.m.

9.45 a.m.—Express, week days, for Fredericton Junction, connecting with Express for St. John and points east. Palace sleeper Fredericton Junction to Halifax, N.S.

6.00 p.m.—Accommodation for Fredericton Junction, connecting with Short Line Express for Montreal, Ottawa, Toronto, and with the Pacific Express from Montreal for the west. Northwest and Pacific Coast, also connects for Bangor, Portland, Boston, etc., St. Stephen, Houlton and Woodstock. Palace sleeper from Fredericton Junction to Montreal. Pullman sleeper Fredericton Junction to Boston.

9.00 p.m.—Express, week days, for St. John and points east.

ARRIVE AT FREDERICTON

9.05 a.m.—From St. John and points east.
11.35 a.m.—Week days, from Boston, Montreal, St. Stephen, St. Andrews, Woodstock and Houlton, etc.

6.20 p.m.—Monday, Wednesday and Friday from Woodstock and points north via Gibson Branch. Arrives at St. Marys 7.35 p.m.

8.00 p.m.—Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday from Woodstock and points north via Gibson Branch. Arrives St. Marys 7.35 p.m.

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No. 134 Express for Quebec and Montreal.	18.00
No. 26 Express for Point du Chene, Halifax and Pictou.	12.15
No. 8 Express for Sussex.	17.10
No. 4 Mixed for Point du Chene.	13.15
No. 10 Express for Halifax and Sydney.	23.25

TRAINS WILL ARRIVE AT ST. JOHN

No. 9 Express from Halifax and Sydney	6.20
No. 7 Express from Sussex.	9.00
No. 133 Express from Montreal and Quebec.	13.50
No. 25 Express from Halifax and Pictou.	17.40
No. 1 Express from Halifax.	18.40
No. 81 Express from Moncton, (Saturday only).	24.35
No. 3 Mixed from Point du Chene.	16.50

All trains are run by Atlantic Standard Time. Twenty-four o'clock is midnight.

Moncton, Oct. 10, 1902.