

The Tragedy of The West Coast.

(From the Evening Telegram, Tuesday, October 5, 1920.)

The Fishery Regulations, we are told, cannot be blamed for the existing condition of affairs on the South and West Coasts. To what then are such conditions attributable? Never before in the history of that section of the dominion has there been such widespread dullness that is now prevailing. It is not confined particularly to one place but is seen everywhere. Business stagnation is in universal evidence and no improvement can yet be noticed. In other years and during the war even, the West Coast towns and fishing settlements were hives of industry. Every man was engaged at the fishery. There was no let up from January to December. Fish could be sold easily and at good prices. Provisions and outfits were comparatively cheap, and much money was being circulated. Prosperity shed its influence over all and merchant and fisherman alike enjoyed the benefits thereof. Now, change has taken place, a change of not quite a year ago, and the result of that change is most depressing. Few people are fishing and fewer still are buying fish, excepting that taken on account. Cargoes are going to market, but the sailings of these are not witnesses that any special progress is being made. These cargoes had to go. They are made up of the fall, winter and spring voyage and portage had to be exported, but their export is not an index of present conditions. They belong to the past season's catch, but the unfortunate part of it is that there is no immediate catch, consequently the plight of the West Coast is the plight of the people of Burin Islands, who directly charge that the Fish Regulations are the cause of the distress which prevails.

The story of Rose Blanche is almost identical with that of Burin Islands, both places having a community of interest in trade and business relations, and a great interchange of personal views is constantly being carried on between them; hence anything affecting the one place affects the other. The people of Rose Blanche are, as a unit, entirely fishermen, as also Harbor Le Cou, which is but a few miles over the hills to the northward, and connected by road. Rose Blanche and Harbor Le Cou are two of the most enterprising fishing places on the South West Coast. In winter and summer early and late, the hardy toilers continued their labors, and more fish in proportion to the population was brought in at these places than at any others. The Rose Blanche men bore the name of "fish killers," and right well they earned their title to that distinction. The fishing was to them the means of livelihood. There are not few gardens at Rose Blanche, the soil not lending itself kindly to agriculture, being mostly rock, but such few gardens as are cultivated have been made. That is, earth has been brought from elsewhere and mixed with the tuffaceous soil, which covers the rock formation. In these gardens are grown such few vegetables as shallow soil will nurture, but not in quantities by any means sufficient to form a year's supply for any one family. The consequence is that, in common with other parts of the District of Burgeo and LaPole, the bulk of vegetable supplies has to be brought in from Prince Edward Island and the Codroy Valley (every day, no matter what the cost). Fish was the mainstay of Rose Blanche and its contiguous settlement, but after years of prosperity and free as well as fair trade the shadow of hard times has been thrown over the people and this once busy fishing centre is busy no longer, its industry having been strangled.

Coaker Deserted by All Honorable Men, Says Squires' Paper.

The following was written by Dr. Modell, now Editor of Squires' Paper The Daily Mail:

"Coaker finds himself today opposed to men who once strongly supported him. Ask if those men hold their heads high in honor and respect among their fellow citizens. Ask if they have ever repudiated the principles they maintained when they stood on the same platform with Coaker. They have not. They stand by those principles as firmly to-day. Hence a natural inference that Coaker has been deserted. Coaker has fallen from the high estate of rectitude, if he ever held it. Perhaps it were more correct to say that time has stripped the mask from him, and he stands today revealed in his true proportions. The man had not the moral force back up his professions, hence he is deserted by all honorable men, save a few who have not yet come to a sense of the compromising position they hold."

at Mrs. STEWART'S Home
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WARD'S LINIMENT
FOR COUGHS & COLDS.

Apparel Tops the List for Easter at Baird's

The Longing for Something New to wear is widespread, and we are ready for it

WITH AN AGGREGATION OF VALUES WE ARE PROUD TO PROFFER

White Curtains

In two and a half yard size. Considering the price of certain lace to-day, they bring you a value out of the ordinary. Reg. \$2.20 pair. **\$1.75** Thursday, Saturday & Monday



Thursday, Sat. and Monday will be Busy Days for Easter Shoppers

BOYS' CAPS—New Caps for Spring time, smart, classy shapes, like the Men's caps, plain or pleated crowns. They're a Special lot at **75c.**

SILK GLOVES—In handsome shades, Greys, Covert, Mode and Black and White, 2 Dome wrist, distinctive. Gloves for Easter and Spring. Special time. **\$1.10**

BOYS' SHIRTS—Pretty Striped Percal Shirts, with collar attached. **\$1.39**

BOYS' NORFOLK SUITS—Really good looking Suits, to fit from 7 to 12 years; Light and Dark Tweeds; value to \$2.50. **Thursday, Saturday \$7.49** and Monday **\$7.49**

SCRIM CURTAINS—Your choice of White or Cream Scrim Curtains, showing imitation wide hemstitched borders and fancy lace motif in corner; neat looking. Wore \$2.25 pair. **Thursday, Saturday and Monday \$2.49**

Distinctive Jumpers in Crepe-de-Chene and Silk

On the crest of the wave for popularity and all round serviceability; those we offer are really splendid examples, short sleeves, pretty shade range: Henna, Peach, Jade, Flank, Biscuit, Copenhagen Blue, Navy, and Sage etc. Sizes to 48. Regular \$5.50. **Thursday, Saturday and Monday, \$4.49**

EASTER WHITE LINENS

TABLE CLOTHS—White Damask Table Cloths with hemstitched border, nice convenient size for family use. Regular \$2.50. **Thursday, Saturday and Monday \$2.29**

TABLE NAPKINS—Dozens upon dozens of beautiful quality Damask Table Napkins go on sale underpriced. Regular 38c. each. **29c.** Thursday, Saturday and Monday

CIRCULAR TABLE COVERS—We have here a few of these. They are made for large circular shape dining tables, pure White Damask, 62 inches in diameter, and all scalloped and finished edge. Special **\$2.49**

TEA CLOTHS—Hemstitched and embroidered White Linen Tea Cloths, rare value at 90c. **Thursday, Saturday and Monday 78c.**

PILLOW SHAMS—These are beautiful, both in their texture and the unusual amount of beautiful embroiderings upon them; wide hemstitched border. Reg. \$1.50. **Thursday, Saturday and Monday \$1.48**

SLIGHTLY SOILED TEA CLOTHS—You will find here some specially good Cloths, elaborately embroidered with wide hemstitched borders, slightly soiled from handling; less than HALF PRICE! See them anyway. Values to \$2.50. Special **98c.**



Beautiful SILK Hosiery SPECIAL 39c

All silk Hosiery and they are certainly stunning value; shades of Nigger, Putty, Coating, Mole, Champagne, White and Black; classed as seconds, but they are seconds of good. **39c.** Special

BLACK HOSE—Ladies' seamless Black Lisle Hosiery, applied heel and toe. These are one of our Special Values for Easter. **49c.**

SILK HOSIERY—The newest and they are classy, plain or embroidered ankle, clock face, handsome shades, Silver Grey, Champagne, Black, with lisle tops. Reg. \$1.50. **Thursday, Saturday and Monday \$1.48**

LISEE HOSIERY—Plain Hosiery in two popular shades for Spring: Putty and Navy. **65c.** Special value at

EASTER SALE

A Real EASTER STORE FOR MEN

Come and get acquainted with our New
Quarters TO-DAY

MEN'S BOOTS—Dark Tan, Blucher Cut Laced Boots, perforated lines, good looking and a most sensible shape for any foot. Reg. \$3.00. They're special at **\$5.39**

SILK SHIRTS—Pure Silk Shirts, in nifty pin stripe patterns, double turn-over cuffs, the peak of shirt perfection. Special **\$6.35**

PIJAMAS—New arrivals, look like Shantung in soft marcelized Chambray, low collar, silk frogs, the season is coming for them. Special. The Suit **\$4.35**

SOFT COLLARS—The newest shape in Soft White Silk Collars, try their suitability for **70c.** Easter. Special each

MEN'S CAPS—Have a look over the New Caps showing here to-day, they bring you the classiest yet in one piece or quartered crowns, pleated back, banded back or plain, light, medium and dark tweed mixtures. Special lines at **\$1.70 and \$2.00**

Seen Our New TAILORED SPRING SUITS Yet?

If not, drop in to-day and let's show you the snappiest thing seen here for some time, in real honest-to-goodness Classy Tailored Suits, at prices pleasant to pay. You will admire their lines, their graceful fit and neat patterns. They stand peerless to-day at **\$30.00 and \$39.00**

Jersey Cloth Costumes

Handsome Heather mixture Jersey Cloth Spring Costumes, some with plain skirts, others Guamp style dress; the assortment is splendid; the value above what you would expect to find to-day. Regular \$15.00. **Thursday, Saturday and Monday, \$9.98**

Bed Spreads

BED SPREADS—Summer weight White Marcella patterned Quilts, easy to wash and do up again, hemmed. Regular \$2.20. **Thursday, Saturday and Monday \$1.79**

WINDOW SHADES—36 inch width, 6 feet long, Cream shade with colored insertion ends. Reg. \$1.10. **Thursday, Saturday and Monday 98c.**

SASH RODS—Extension Brass finish neat and easy to attach. Special Complete **11c.**

GLOVES

WHITE KID GLOVES—Particularly good quality White Kid Gloves, 2 Dome wrist, the particular glove for Easter Sunday. Reg. \$3.00. **Thursday, Saturday and Monday \$2.68**

DOE SKIN SUEDE GLOVES—Elbow length Gloves, showing handsome openwork wrist and embroidered; Beige and Covert shades, almost undistinguishable from real Suede. Reg. \$4.25. **Thursday, Saturday and Monday \$3.95**

for EASTER

COLOURED KID GLOVES—Greys, Tans and Black, in extra fine French Kid, 2 Dome wrist, match up with your costume for Easter. Reg. \$1.60. **Thursday, Saturday and Monday \$1.35**

GIRLS' CHAMOIS—Dent's Washable Chamolins Gloves, real good grade, 2 pearl button wrist, all sizes. Reg. \$1.70 value. **\$1.30** Special

SUEDE GLOVES—Chamois Suede Gloves in beautiful soft shades; 2 dome wrist, wide silk points; assorted Greys, Biscuit, Sand, New Covert. Reg. \$1.20. **Thursday, Saturday and Monday \$1.08**



CROSS STRAP SHOES—Inviting footwear for Spring and Summer wear, very dainty, in dark Tan or Black Viad Kid. Cuban heel, rubber tipped sole and course and pointed toe. Reg. \$3.20. **Thursday, Saturday and Monday \$2.78**

MISSIE BOOTS—High Cut Black Gun Metal Leather Boots. **Thursday, Saturday and Monday \$2.39**



The
Men's
Easter
Store

Your NEW HAT, SIR!



SOFT FELTS—In the new narrow leaf style, nobby Pearl shade with corded Black band; looks smart and attractive. Special **\$3.90**

SOFT FELTS—This line brings a range of popular shades in assorted Browns, Mid Grey and Spruce; silk lined, light weight. Special **\$4.75**

PRESIDENT HATS—Another new shade for Spring wear in the popular President Hat—Champagne shade, showing broad corded band. A Distinctive Hat. Special **\$6.50**

Children's Lovely White Dresses

CHILDREN'S DRESSES—Style elegance in white embroidery Dresses and some dainty models in white voile as well, short sleeves, square neck, Valenciennes lace trimmings, to fit 8 to 14 years. Reg. \$2.20. **Thursday, Saturday and Monday \$1.69**

BATH ROBES—Ladies' Blanket Bath Robes, in shades of Navy, Fawn, Rose, Sage and Lavender, sizes 38 to 44. Reg. \$6.00. **Thursday, Saturday and Monday \$5.65**

"MIDDY" SCARFS—Silk, in plain shades of Cordial and Navy, as well as Black. Reg. 85c. **Thursday, Saturday and Monday 78c.**

DRESS GIRDLES—36 inch Dress Girdles, a wide range of all the newest shades, very handsome designs, in large bead effects. Reg. \$1.10. **Thursday, Saturday and Monday 89c.**

HANDKERCHIEFS—Ladies' Silk Kerchiefs, in plain shades, Sky, Cerise, Sage, Emerald, Peach and Purple, scalloped edge. Reg. 15c. **Thursday, Saturday and Monday 25c.**

HAT FLOWERS—Colourful artificial flowers, in profusion as well as popular fruit ornaments, values to 35c. **Thursday, Saturday and Monday 18c.**

HAT PINS—Neat little silver finished Hat Pins, small heads, sold in pairs at 25c. **Thursday, Saturday and Monday 18c.** The pair

Easter Footwear

