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Right here we would like to say that these cannot be equalled to-day
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TO-NIGHT,

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For Returned Soldiers Only.

BUSINESS: To receive Reports of work
done and consider Constitution and Bye-Laws
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Returned Soldiers
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Thoughts Upon the Times.

(By PATRIOT.)

In no country in the world do the
people risk more in the struggle to
live than in Newfoundland. The
spirit of adventure is in their blood.
Take the case of a successful planter.
He requires men to man his schooner
for the Labrador. No matter what
wages he may offer in reason he will
find it easier to get men to go on the
share system, or as "sharemen," ra-
ther than as shipped men. Men pre-
fer to take the risk. They would ra-
ther the uncertainty than the cer-
tainty. It is the same with the mer-
chant in supplying for the fisheries.
The whole thing has more or less of
the gambling spirit about it. The
very nature of the industry makes it
so. Without this adventurous spirit
our fisheries could not be success-
fully exploited. But it is a different
thing altogether to apply the same
principle to the Government. As I
pointed out in my last article, every-
thing depends this year on the fish-
ery more than ever before. It is our
only hope, and that hope is expressed
in His Excellency the Governor's ad-
dress at the closing of the Legisla-
ture. But not even a successful fish-
ery, backed up by every conceivable
method of taxation, new and old, will
save us unless the fishermen are pre-
pared to dig down into their pockets
and their bank accounts and lend to
the Government. If the Loan of six
million dollars is to be a success, and
it must be, the fishermen will have
to make it so. There is no other al-
ternative, because it is they who own
the money. The position should be
clearly understood by everyone.
Without a good fishery and the six
million dollar loan the coming year
will be a year of suffering. Domi-
nion. One of two things must hap-
pen. Either we become a Crown Col-
ony again or accept Confederation
with Canada. With regard to the lat-
ter, Mr. Morine's views as expressed
in your columns a few days ago do
not appear to the writer to be either
sound or logical. They appear more
like the views of the politician than
the level headed statesman. He tells
us that his views have recently un-
dergone a change. A year or two
ago (since the war started) he was
a Confederate. To-day he is anti-
Confederate. He tells us he has un-
dergone this change because he con-
siders Canada is no longer a country
desirable to confederate with. He
implies that Newfoundland to-day is
in a more prosperous condition than
Canada. Let us examine this care-
fully and see if it is so. If we suc-
ceed in floating the six million dol-
lar loan, Newfoundland's public debt
will amount to a little over forty mil-
lion dollars. This means about \$170
per capita, or \$50 for every family of
five persons in the country. The
cost of carrying this debt is about \$10
per capita, or \$5 for every family of
five persons per annum. Against this
we have practically nothing in the
shape of assets. We have no popula-
tion worth anything. We are likely af-
ter the war that emigrants will be
attracted to our shores in preference
to the broad and rich lands of Can-
ada. Even our raw materials, such
as iron ore is sent to Canada to be
manufactured.

To-day Canada is a nation, and
since the war has taken her place
among the nations of the world. In
a hundred years from now she will
be one of the largest and wealthiest
countries in the world. Her wheat
fields are boundless as the ocean.
She has hundreds of millions of dol-
lars invested in manufactures, min-
ing, railways, fruit growing, etc. In
short she has a magnificent future
before her. Although Canada, in pro-
portion to her population, has done
much better than Newfoundland in
man power to carry on the war, yet
we find her public debt amounts to
\$125 per capita, or \$325 per family
of five persons. This is a much bet-
ter showing than ours. Against her
public debt she has her wheat fields,
her mines, her cattle, her hog ranch-
es, her railways and manufactures.
We have nothing but our uncertain
but probable fisheries. I therefore
before to agree with the reasons set
forth by Mr. Morine for his change
of views. Without using vulgar flat-
tery, the writer would like to say he
has always had a high opinion of Mr.
Morine's abilities. He is looked upon
as one of the old school, in the same
class as Sir Robert Bond and the late
Sir William Whiteway and Sir James
Winter—men as high above the pres-
ent class of political parasites as the
British are above the Germans. Mr.
Morine's reasons therefore do not ap-
peal to the writer as coming from the
pen of a statesman. I would rather say
with foresight as he undoubtedly is,
he can see into the future more than
any other public man in our midst
to-day. He can see what the reckless
waste and borrowing of Morris mean
to Newfoundland. He knows what
the criminal negligence and malad-
ministration of the present govern-
ment will lead to. If not, then I am
greatly disappointed in him.

Here and There.

When you want Roast Beef,
Roast Veal, Roast Mutton, Roast
Pork, try ELLIS.

RECRUITS COMING IN.—Over 50
volunteers from various outposts
reached the city by Saturday's express.
To-day and to-morrow a larger num-
ber is expected.

CHEAP OYSTER STEWS.—
To clear our stock of Oysters,
we are serving Oyster Stews at
25c. WOOD'S West End Res-
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FOR THE LABRADOR.—The S. S.
Kite which recently came of Oysters,
being made ready to proceed to the
Labrador in the interest of her owners
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WANTED—A Girl for re-
pairing clothes; one with a
knowledge of tailoring prefer-
red. Also a Vest Maker; apply
to SPURRELL the Tailor, 365
Water Street.—cod,tf

Hit the Trail of the Caribou,
And make your people proud
of you!



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YOU LADIES

Who Were Careful Shoppers,

could wander down Water Street, or perhaps up the Middle Street

AND GET A BARGAIN

in a Remnant or in perhaps

A BIT OF POUND COTTON.

With housewifely vision and foresight you could see how these purchases
would make up satisfactorily and economically. Even on the ordinary
piece goods you could often see your way clear to save money in the
making up, rather than buying readymade goods.

"But Them Happy Days is Past."

Now 'tis a strain on one's brain to know how to make ends meet, and on
one's purse 'tis worse. For that reason we are going to let you in on a
secret. Possibly some ladies know it already. However, the secret is,—

YOU CAN BUY

Ladies' Readymade Wear

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far cheaper than it can be made up or purchased elsewhere.

There are various reasons for this. The most important is, that these
goods were booked before the last great rise in prices, and the materials
with which they are made, before the other big rise previously. The next
important reason is our conscience. As you are aware, the White Shirt-
ing that we used to sell at about 12c. per yard has, on late purchases, to
be retailed at about 35c. to 40c. yard, and we hate to mention the price.

But the Prices of Our Ladies' White Wear

we feel we can mention with pride to any customer. We have at the mo-
ment for the early purchaser a large stock of

Ladies' White Embroidered Cambric Camisoles and Chemises.
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ALL THESE GOODS WE ALSO HAVE IN QUANTITY

IN FLANNELETTE MAKES.

Some of the Flette Gods were last season's, and some we imported
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We are getting a Name and a Fame for Ladies' Blouses, for we sell
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