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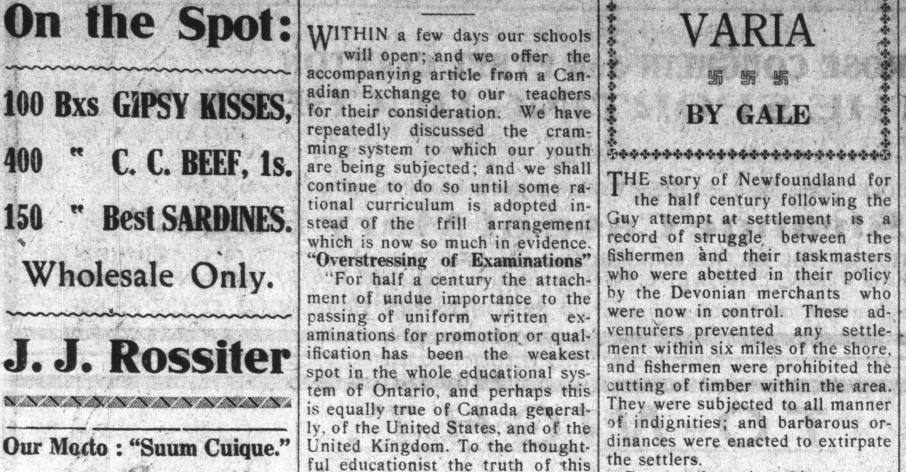
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statement is quite obvious from the very nature of "education," which ought to be a process resulting in the sort of power connected by the term "culture," and the ordinary written examination is very ill-adapted to ascertain whether the candidate under examination is really "cultured" or not, in the ("To Every Man His Own.") only useful sense of that expres-

statesman."

up to within recent days.

sent at Christmas!"

through the "office."

oblivion.

ng a political campaign he was

dragooned into voting for the

firm's candidate; and woe betide

the unfortunate who dared to con-

travene 'the "instructions" from

the "boss." Schools, except in

some of the larger centres were

unknown; and even the church in

some instances, at least, was sub-

servient to the "views" of the

local Croesus. Doctors' fees and

clergymen's tithes were collected

Happily these "good old days!"

are passed into the realms of deep

To-day the Toilers of the Sea

"Most people who read or hear such a statement as the one above made feel prompted to object that written examinations serve a useful purpose as a means of testing Street, St. John's, Newfound- the ability of a student or pupil to state clearly, what he knows about a specified subject. That is quite true, but not germane to the contention. One might safely go

much farther and say that as

means of increasing their culture

all pupils and students should be

REVEILLE VARIA BY GALE

"SOMETHING will have to be

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BY CALCAR

done immediately to prevent Guy attempt at settlement is a the wholesale slaughter (of deer) record of struggle between the going on in certain sections of the fishermen and their taskmasters country" says the Report of the who were abetted in their policy Game and Inland Fisheries Board by the Devonian merchants who for 1915. Must this be taken as a were now in control. These ad- cry of impotency to deal with a venturers prevented any settle- question which is plainly the duty ment within six miles of the shore, of the Board to deal with. It seems like a cry of despair; a

cutting of timber within the area. confession of failure, and a pititake up the burden.

On whom do they call, the Gov- port was 1883, and this does not ernment obviously, and what do nearly represent the total. Can Prowse discussing this phase of they ask the Government to do, _ the Board tell us why it believes our history says: "We can hardly something. Here is the most ab- this does not even approximate credit human beings with the pro- ject acknowledgement of inability the number killed? But this duction of these barbarous ordin- to grapple with a question that it might be a "letting of the cat out, ances for the extirpation of Brit- has ever been our lot to witness. of the bag" for the Board very ish colonists, and their still more Of what use to the public is a body clearly (?) tells us that there is absurd restrictions; they read like of men who so pitifully fall down wholesale slaughter going on in the production of some mischiev; at so puny an obstruction. "Will certain sections of the country. ous demon-the grotesque laws somebody come and do some- Now as there is wholesale for some Gargantuan island or the thing" hear the miserable plea. Ah, if it were a question of get- known to the Board, it should be territory of the Yahoos-than the

there would be little cry for help.

.Not a hint from the Board as to | Supervisor Pennell reports that The period from 1750 to the early days of the last century, if what course to pursue in order to at Sandy Crossing 707 deer were less strenuous, was none the less prevent the threatened extermina- killed in 1915. Is this the wholedoleful as far as the Toilers of the tion of our caribou. Now the ex- sale slaughter the Board refers Sea were concerned. Government tinction of those animals means a to? If it is we cannot see how it gradually became more stable, it very serious thing for this coun- is that the Warden permits it, or is true; but yet the status of the try. It is too serious a question that it cannot be prevented. But fishermen improved but little. It to be dealt with in such a loose we hardly think this is the wholewas a case of passing from "the fashion as the Board deals with it. sale slaughter going on that the It is time that the Board, an in- Board complains of, as Sandy frying pan into the fire." Large mercantile establishments grew stitution foisted on us by Morris Crossing is quite a favorite place up in the outports; and with them, and that has never been popular

serving the game resources of the for hundreds of local hunters! This setting the country afire from Bay of Islands and else- with the fox ranching craze withcountry. After this ignominious confes- where, out making sufficient provision sion of failure what is there left. For our part we repudiate this before hand for the protection of for them to do but to resign, and idea of wholesale slaughter. It is the deer was little short of crimif they possess a vestage of de- the steady, constant killing, one inal. It was a madness from becency this is what they will do, here one there, that is telling on ginning to end. Though the end is Never in the history of the coun- the herds, and we believe that the not yet. There will be slaughter I try has there been such slaughter craze for live foxes which the of deer for fox bait yet, and as far

stupid inactivity.

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witnessed, especially since the fox sible for the death of thousands of now, while the Board sits in its craze was started by the Game deer annually.

Board. "The list of caribou reported killed as found in Appendix III, must not be taken as nearly representing the total killed, as the Board is unable, with the means at its disposal, to place sufficient Wardens to obtain anything like a complete list of Caribou killed on the Island.



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"Save, Save, Save!"

THIS article has no reference to the "wrecks" along the south coast. The Minister of Wrcekage is taking care of these apparently We refer to the appeal for national saving sent out by the British professional, commercial, or in-National Committee on savingan appeal which should be strongly instrumental in bringing home to all parts of the Empire a keener realization of the part which fin ance will play in bringing the war to a successful conclusion.

Sir Thomas White, the Cana dian Finance Minister, in a recent interview said: "It is more than ever necessary for the people to save their money for the support of war expenditure. This is a national duty, not even second in importance to the duty of recruit ing and sending forward men.

"The military effort must be measured by the financial, and in this fact lies the greatest assurance of the success of the Allies, provided that their unquestionably superior strength can be brought to bear.

"Save! Save! Save! will be the watchword as the war proceeds to its closing stage.

Now where do we stand? Have we not been told by Premier Morris (who has been trotting around foreign parts for months) that ECONOMY IS A CRIME? To demonstrate it, the Premier is having a delightful vacation; but who pays the piper?

The literary henchman is also en tour; and who pays the expenses? The Government of ficials are having a gay time at somebody's expense; and the Revenue cutter "Fiona" is off the protection' service "somewhere to the northward.

The profiteerers are raking in Union Party comes back triumphpices? It looks very much like it. boodle without let or restraint: ant (as it certainly will) after the Naturally when the people con-Raincoats and we have daily evidence of the next General Election. sider the wanton extravagance of effect of Premier Morris' advice. The status which the fishermen the individuals who constitute it One can hardly move on our Shirts Caps enjoy at the present time is due to they ask themselves; Which is the streets to-day without being in their indomitable leader, Mr. better, a live horse or a dead dread of being run over by an au-Coaker, who, just seven years ago, mule? tomobile; social functions are in a little northern outport, in-The sooner E. P. Morris realmore elaborate than ever: individaugurated the largest fishermen's zes that the people have grown uals with small government salorginization within the British tired of being buncoed, the better aries are clothed in the most up-Empire. for the interests of the Colony to-date style, and live in palatial Never before in our Island's and the people. Meanwhile we Hardware Department. homes. story have the Toilers of the Sea say to every reader: "Save! Save! Is it not time that we began to held such a place as the present Save!!!" practise a little public economy. hour, not only locally but through-The Governmetn sets the pace for out the length and breadth of the Fishery Supplies, Manilla Rope, Coir Rope, FRIEND FLYNN, OF CONCHE, PASSextravagance; and the revenues of Empire. Nearly six thousand of ES AWAY. best selected stock of the Colony are being squandered Hemp Rope, Marlin, Fish Hooks, Patent Logs Terra Nova's sons are now enrolled under the Standard of Emunsparingly. Costumes Ship Side Lights, Steering Wheels, Anchors. We regret to chronicle the death of By the time that the next sespire, either as soldiers or naval rewell-known and respected resident sion of the Assembly is convened servists. The story of their valor Motor Ignition Batteries, Spirit Compasses Underclothing of Conche, in the person of Mr. Edwe shall again be perilously near has been told "in many a neek and ward Flynn, who passed away at that Dory Compasses, Motor Engine Oil and Skirts the rocks of insolvency; and we inlet." place on the 12th. ult. Mr. Flynn was shall doubtless be asked to kindly Among the first victims of the Grease, Washing Machines, Wringing Mai staunch supporter of the F. P. U Raincoats bear the burdens of another loan. war were our naval reservists who He leaves a wife and one son and By the way,-how much of that chines, Garden and Farm Tools, Carpenters went down in the "Viknor," the laughter to mourn a good father. He last loan was subscribed for by 'Clan MacNaughton," and the Tools, Fish Beams and Weights, Electric had reached the advanced age of 73 "Bayano." But the gaps in their people in this Colony? It was a zears. The Mail and Advocate ex very attractive proposition; and, done on premises. ranks have been filled; and the Lanterns, Pocket Flash Lights, Oil Cooking tends its sympathy. if we are to believe the Finance stream of vigorous manhood will Stoves, Office Safes Minister's statement that we have not cease while Britain needs a sailor or a soldier in her struggle \$12,000,000 (TWELVE MIL-LIONS) on deposit in the charter-The Hettie A. Heckman left St. Pierre for Catalina last night, with the Hun. ed banks, surely we ought to have having called there from St. The sons of our soil and sea have won an undying place upon been able to raise the amount John's for a deck load of lumber. without going into the foreign She is loaded under deck with the honor roll of the Empire; and markets, and, in addition to the lour for Union stores in Fogo the Old Colony, so long neglected, cost of the loan (which will ulri- district. and so often blighted, has emerg-

frequently required to practise this means of developing a power and facility of accurate expression which no other practice can so effectually produce. But that has nothing to do with the fallaciousness of written examinations as a means of ascertaining the fitness of a candidate for entering on a

dustrial career. "The taught pupil really knows, in any true sense, only what he has wholly or partially found out for himself: what he has merely memorized he may not know at all. Knowledge" is based on observational experience, and true culture results from the application of the

results of observation to some practical purpose. The meaning of the term "knowledge" should in fact be expanded by saying that the pupil really knows only what he has wholly or partially put into practice. For some purposes it is necessary to ascertain whether a candidate has a prescribed minimum of memorized knowledge of facts; but the ordinary written examination is an untrustworthy way of finding out even this. The

element of chance is always present, and quite frequently the active-minded candidate makes a better showing than a better scholar does whose mental faculties work more slowly. For this reason the tendency to substitute the recommendation of a teaching

staff for a written examination test is or should be welcome to all teachers who have confidence in themselves and their methods.

are no longer dependents; and they have cast off the shackles of mately work out at about 6%) we thraldom. They have become must, as a matter of duty, defray economically independent; and the expenses of our financial mispolitically they are greatest power sionary to foreign fields. in the land. Their representatives Have the people such little confidence in our present rulers that in the Assembly are a formidable body; and they will be even more they will not risk an investment formidable when the Liberalunder present Government aus-

the truck system which prevailed or useful, should step out and so allow more wide awake and earn-Fishermen were entirely de- est men to take up the task of conpendent upon the "room" for an

existence, and they had no redress ed from obscurity into the full for their economic grievances. light of national appreciation. "The fisher lads" as they have Their annual harvest was garnerbeen termed by a prominent Enged by obsequious agents, and lish journal, are second to none when the settling-up time came, amongst the millions who have rethe fishermen's balances were sponded to "call of the King." "credited." Money payment for their products were rare; and the May we at home now learn to apcondition of the toiler was simply preciate their worth, and estimate at their proper valuation the Toil-ers of the Sea. that of a feudal retainer; but unike the serfs of old, they were

never guests at "the big house." If they ever reached the domicile of the local mogul, it was by the

rear door, and the business be-Mr. Coaker and Dr. Lloyd reween the toiler and "the master' turned from Conception Bay by was conducted by a grimvisaged last night's train. Both left town domestic whose emoluments were by Saturday evening's train. Mr. four pounds a-year and a pre-Coaker visited Port-de-Grave, Bareneed, Bay Roberts and Hr. Politically and socially the fishrman was an absolute cypher. Dur Grace.

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