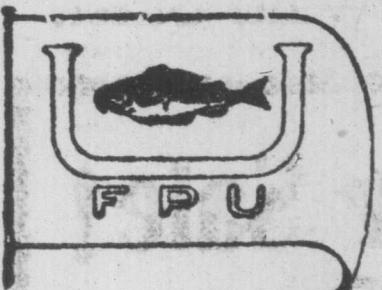


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**OUR POINT OF VIEW**

**The Beginning of the End**

THE official reports from France indicate that the Germans will very soon completely quit French soil and it is only a matter of a few hours when the French Government will be established in Paris and business will assume more normal conditions. When Paris again becomes the seat of the French Government and the Bank of France, Newfoundland will likely receive more encouraging news as regards exchange.

The end of the war is in sight, and the old maxim of the unexpected happening will hence more be verified, for the conditions of ten days ago that seemed to indicate a long war, are now almost completely changed and there can be no doubt as to the complete success of the Allied armies in this world struggle for supremacy.

Russia has well nigh completely crippled Austria and placed her in a position that will prevent her from aiding Germany.

The Russian armies in Germany are marching on from victory to victory. There is no reason for pessimistic mutterings here in connection with the conditions of the fish markets, for every day will bring news of a brighter nature.

The Norwegian fish have been cut off from Europe. The French banking fishery is only about half a usual catch. The markets are empty of fish and the demand is and will be large.

Our own fishery is at least 250,000 qtls. short of last year. The exports from the Labrador shore will be no more than half the usual quantity, for the catch was never worse. About 50 schooners in Bonavista Bay have secured good trips and the Bonavista Bay fleet will do about as well as last year. The Green Bay fleet has secured average catches.

Only a few of the fleet secured full fares. The Labrador catch for Bonavista and Green Bay will not exceed last year's quantity.

The banking fleet has met with poor success since August came in, and the result will not be more than two-thirds of last year's catch.

The export of salt bulk fish to the

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United States will be 100 per cent. larger than last year.

The turn of the tide in France, and the hope of an early termination of the war, are factors that will tend to restore freight and insurance rates to more normal conditions.

The prices of foodstuff will be higher rather than lower for the balance of this year and the first half of 1915, even though the war terminates by Xmas.

Present indications therefore point to very high prices for codfish and the exporters that possess good stocks in January will reap a rich harvest.

Fish being a staple article of food must advance in prices as other foods such as beef advance.

In every European war the price of fish advanced to abnormal prices as a result of the shortening of the food supply. The same thing will happen the coming winter and late fall, for in addition to the waste and shortening of the supply of articles of food owing to war conditions, the catch of France, Newfoundland and Nova Scotia is from one-fifth to one-fourth short of last year's supply, while Norway owing to the dangerous condition existing in the North Sea, cannot market her catch as she did last year.

A considerable quantity of Norwegian fish has been sold to Germany and it is likely more will follow, consequently there cannot be much risk in buying Newfoundland dry fish at even \$6.50 per qtl. for everything points to higher prices.

Some action should be taken by the Government looking to the appointment of a Commission under the "Combinés" Act passed last winter, for there is no question of a combine existing to-day to keep down the price of fish and to secure big prices abroad.

The price of fish in Europe is as high as it was anytime during 1914.

We learn from England that the exporters here are asking \$6.50 per qtl. for Labrador slopp fish delivered in Europe.

If such prices are secured there ought to be very little hesitation on the part of local buyers to pay \$4.50 for slopp fish.

The Premier should get to work and see if something cannot be done to round up the combines.

It will be too late to act in two or three weeks, now is the time to get to work.

**Labrador Timber Limits**

A number of interested parties are promoting an agitation for the permanent abolition of the law that prohibits exportation of pulp wood from the Labrador. The argument now advanced is, that nobody will ever start pulp mills on the Labrador, and consequently, that the prohibition of export a large amount of labor will be given.

The conversion of these propagandists is remarkably sudden. They are the same men who promoted the law against exportation, acquired all the timber limits on the Labrador, endeavored to sell them to speculators or pulp makers, and, having failed in that and now having the limits on their hands, seek to obtain their profit in another way by a sharp face about of policy.

It may be true that pulp mills cannot be established on the Labrador, though it is by no means certain. It may not be possible at present or in the near future, but not impossible in the course of a few years, and this Colony is not in such a hurry to use up all its resources that it cannot afford to wait, and while it is waiting those resources will grow more valuable.

Not many years ago nobody would have believed that pulp and paper mills would be established in Newfoundland. Increasing difficulty to procure raw material elsewhere has, however, resulted in such mills on this Island. Continually increasing difficulty will make the seemingly impossible now, possible in the course of a few years, and mills will be established on the Labrador, if the wood is not all skinned off in advance by interested speculators.

In any case, if export from the Labrador has to be allowed at any time, why should not the wood be brought to this Colony for the use of mills here instead of being taken to

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**German Atrocities**

(Montreal Herald)

Having given two or three "explanations" of the destruction of Louvain, Germany has now given another, and promises still another as soon as an inquiry ordered by the military authorities has been completed. The latest explanation emanating from Berlin officialdom is a choice example of the tongue-in-the-cheek methods of German diplomacy. This official statement says that the destruction of Louvain was the outcome of "the barbarous behaviour of the Belgians in nearly all the country occupied by the Germans."

Now the Germans themselves have not only put themselves outside the pale of civilization by invading a country with which they had no quarrel, but their whole campaign in that country has been carried out with a view to terrorizing the population by the violation of every law of God or man.

The Belgian Foreign Minister has furnished the Governments of other nations with particulars of German crimes, giving places, dates, names and eye-witnesses. These show that wounded Belgians have been shot or hacked to death with swords; that Red Cross doctors and nurses have been fired upon repeatedly; that German troops have advanced under the Belgian flag; that they have used Red Cross wagons to carry machine guns into the ranks of the Belgians; that in the village of Neerhespen, on Aug. 12, they hung an old man up by the feet over a slow fire and roasted him to death; that young girls have been ravished by German soldiers; that the bodies of villagers have been mutilated; that German troops have forced Belgian women, some even with babies in their arms, to march before them into battle; that they have thus gained positions because the Belgian soldiers withheld fire, and after gaining positions have opened fire on the women with machine guns; that they have stripped women naked and driven them into the open as targets for their guns; that they have compelled women to be witnesses to the execution of the husbands and sons; and that they have dropped bombs on sleeping women and children, and even on hospitals.

After atrocities like these, every one of which the Belgian Government declares it can verify, the Germans assume a pious attitude, and talk of "the barbarous behavior of the Belgians." But that is not all. The "explanation" from Berlin adds that the full responsibility for the destruction of Louvain "rests with the Belgian Government, which, with criminal levity, has given the people instructions contrary to international law, and has not done anything to urge the people to peaceful behaviour."

Think of Germany expressing indignation of a violation of international law—Germany whose very presence in Belgium is the most cynical, cold-blooded, and inhuman violation of international law that the history of the world has ever seen!

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German Reinforcements Failed to Arrive in Time to Help Their Allies

London, Sept. 13.—A despatch from Rome says, a telegram received there by messenger from Petrograd says the second battle in Galicia resulted even more satisfactorily to the Russians than the first. The losses by the Austrians are estimated at one hundred and thirty thousand, of whom ninety thousand are prisoners.

**Smashing Defeat**  
 Paris, Sept. 13.—A Havas Agency despatch from Petrograd says the news of the defeat of the Austrians' left wing is confirmed.

The Austrians were surrounded in a triangle formed by the Vistula River and a tributary and were crushed before the arrival of the Germans, who came by forced marches to the aid of the Austrians. Poor bridges delayed the Germans and made the defeat of their allies inevitable.

The Russians followed up the victory by pursuing the retreating Austrians twenty miles and taking up positions in fortified locations.

The Russians suffered heavy casualties in taking Tomaszow.

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**Vigorously Pursue Fleeing Enemy**

London, Sept. 11.—The following is from the Press Bureau, regarding the position in France: The general retreat of the enemy continued yesterday.

Between prisoners and wounded the British force captured fifteen hundred, besides several guns, maxims and a large quantity of transport.

The enemy is retiring very rapidly east of Soissons in some disorder. A later telegram states that yesterday's captures were larger than stated above.

Considerable bodies of infantry are being found hiding in the woods, having been left behind owing to rapid retirement. They surrender at sight.

This and the riding of villages and evidences of drunkenness point to the demoralization of the routed enemy.

The pursuit is being vigorously pressed. (Sgd.) HARCOURT.

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Avalon Battalion C.L.B. paraded at headquarters, Harvey Road, yesterday morning at 8.30, for the purpose of attending divine service at St. Michael's Church.

Headed by Lt.-Col. Rendell and the full brass band they proceeded along LeMarchant Road to the Church. About 280 were on parade, including the Old Comrades.

Rev. Canon White, Battalion Chaplain, addressed the lads, taking for his text the 1st and 4th verses of the 15th Psalm. The Rev. gentlemen spoke on the war and its cause, pointing out to the lads the promise which England had made and means to fulfil it, and light till the bitter end. The address was listened to with interest by the large gathering and the Rev. gentleman in ending said to the lads that when England makes a promise she intends to hold to it, and that an Englishman's word is as good as his bond. The service ended by the singing of God Save the King.

The Battalion were then formed up and marched back to the armoury. They did not parade around the town as other times owing to the Band having to meet the First Newfoundland Regiment at King's Bridge at 10.30.

Before the Battalion were dismissed the Colonel congratulated the Old Comrades on their excellent appearance. A large number of C.L.B. lads and officers are under canvas with the regiment and the Colonel spoke of them and congratulated them on the C.L.B. showing in the regiment. The Battalion were dismissed and the band proceeded to King's Bridge.

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