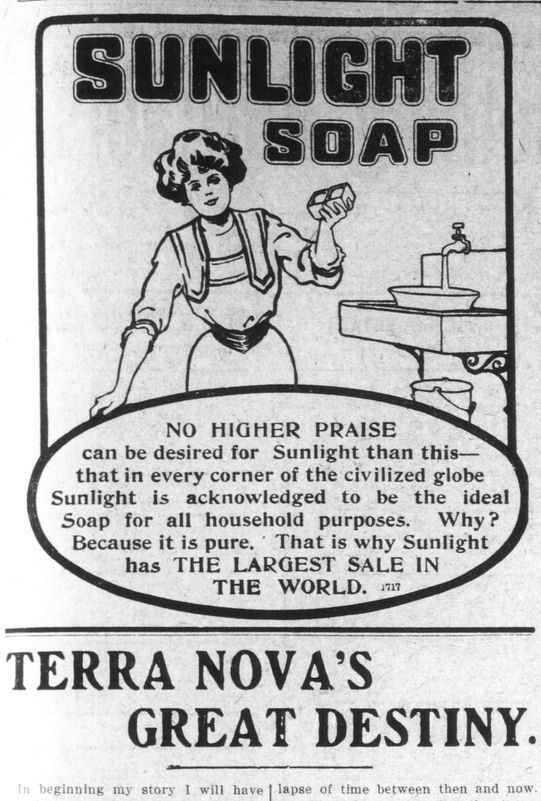

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TERRA NOVA'S GREAT DESTINY.

In beginning my story I will have to take my readers back to the year 1888, memorable to the people of Placentia and Fortune Bays, and to the whole southern coast, as the year of the enforcement of the Bait Act.

At this time the small craft were, I may say, innumerable, sizes 10 to 40 tons, though the greater number were in the neighborhood of 30 tons. The most of these craft were owned by the St. Pierre merchants; firstly, because they found the capital wherewith they were bought, and secondly, they somehow always managed to have the people indebted to them to the value of their schooners (that is, those who built their own schooners and afterwards did their business with the St. Pierre merchants). Small reason, then, that the people for whom they purchased schooners could ever pay for them.

Well, the Bait Act after a few years of strict vigilance on the part of "Bombarde Admiral" and the Nfld. ironclads put all these small craft out of commission, and they quickly died; some on the beaches of their homes, others were seized by the French merchants, while the capital invested in the whole rested comfortably on the profit and loss accounts of the French merchants' ledgers. Those were hard times that followed, but the steady perseverance and pluck of our people soon made itself manifest and we see several of the leading spirits again building vessels of a larger size, purposely for engaging in the codfishery. This proved a success and others followed in their wake, until we find our sharemen who made previous to the Bait Act ten pounds in the herring scull, five to ten pounds in the caplin scull, supplying bait to the French, now making thirty to thirty-five pounds from the middle of April to the last of September, and not spending half of it as formerly in St. Pierre rum, but having all good value during their service, with a cash balance at the end of a voyage to say nothing of a larger and more comfortable vessel, and in grub a great improvement on the hard French biscuit and "old hay" tea.

We will leave out the details of the lapse of time between then and now. It will suffice to say that there was a steady improvement all along, and to-day we find ourselves with vessels of from 90 to 120 tons prosecuting the Bank fishery; vessels built at home, giving thousands of dollars' worth of employment; vessels bought and built at Nova Scotia; vessels bought in America, which vessels would make our eyes water 20 years ago. For hard biscuit now we have good soft bread (not black, maggoty flour), and for everything else in our edible line we now have superior goods, with a cook at $40 a month wages to attend to our wants, and what we never heard of then we have now in addition, such things as sugar, coffee, canned milk evaporated apples, raisins, currants sauces, etc. And the French merchant does not supply one dollar's worth of it at all. Yet I will not say the understood owners of these vessels are all independent. I can say a good many of them are, while every owner has a good interest in his possessions. Yes, and some of the servants are independent too, and why not be, when we realize the fact that their earnings now are from $250 to $400 per year, against twenty-five pounds in 1888. This is 1911, and I am afraid that I must chronicle events that will not be so prosperous on the up-scale in the future, but rather on the down grade. This year the Government has entered into negotiations with an American concern for the establishment of cold storage plants (five in number, I believe) and in the autumn we will have one working at Bay of Islands. The fishermen are doing well, getting lots of herring and selling them at big prices. Why such high prices, we ask? Don't you see the outlay is $100,000 for this plant (cost maybe—well, who knows; but every one knows what 5 per cent on $100,000 is), and the Government is paying a 5 per cent. dividend; consequently the cold storage people to encourage men to catch fish for them will give a price that will make both ends meet; or in other words, will give the people the plants' profit and the Government will give them 5 per cent. Very good for the initial stage particularly if the plant cost $50,000 and was billed $100,000, which makes 10 per cent. But yet at the other end the plant will share the profits and wink the other eye. Year 1912. Another plant erected at Burgeo; same cost, same terms. Men giving up codfishery and old style curing; have all they can do to supply plant. Very good. Year 1913. Plant erected at Fortune Bay. Methods same as before. Complaints from Bay of Islands. Price for fresh fish gradually getting lower. Company have nearly every one under their thumbs, maybe this is the reason. Year 1914. Plant erected at Placentia Bay. Same methods. Slight unsatisfactory reports from Burgeo. Prices declining; vessel owners selling out; no men to prosecute fishery; bait from cold storage so high in price cannot carry on fishery any longer. Year 1915. Complaints from Fortune Bay similar to the others, with the exception that on account of having so many vessels in the beginning and making such good wages, the Bank fishery is still dragging along, though the high price of bait will soon make it prohibitive. Year 1916. Vessels all sold; cold storage paying only a starvation price for fish, just allowing the people to exist to work for them; men talk of going back to the Bank fishing. Such remarks as these are heard. Why, when we were Bank fishing we would commence in March and leave off in October with our $250 to $350 made, and spend our winter at leisure, and keep our boys and girls at school too. Now we have to work all the year for less than that and the children have to work too. I wish we never had cold storage controlled by American capital. Local capital with good and proper legislation might have been all right, but now we are—well, we are slaves of an American trust.

Yes, let us go back to the old trade and be free and independent again. But see where we are! Our vessels are no more, and we are not the same fearless Bank fishermen we were then; and our boys, they can do nothing only work on for the Cold Storage Trust. And even if we could go back, where are our markets? Have they while we weren't supplying substituted something else for fish, or do the Americans supply them with fish caught on our bait in a more palatable form, or have they during our lagging added sufficient vessels necessarily demanded to their growing fleet to catch enough fish for their use?

Year 1917. Cold storage plants making great success. Just paying expenses in Newfoundland, but Government paying 5 per cent. dividend. Fishermen doing badly. All sorts of fish scarce, but plenty supply for cold storage on account of every fisherman in the country engaged, and though not catching enough individually to keep body and soul together, yet combined get enough to keep plants very busy.

Nothing else for the fishermen to turn to. They must keep at this. Nothing better than serfdom, some will say; while others say things much worse and in worse language. Some remark, "We'll never see such good times as when we were independent of the Trust; when we were bank fishing; marketing our own herring, canning our own lobsters," etc.; while occasionally some old fogey will say, "Right you are, my boy. These are worse times now than when we carrying bait to the French. Why look at the prices were are charged for our goods now since the plants have started stores." And what can we do? If we don't buy from them they won't buy our fish; and not only that, but they will discharge our sons and brothers that are working in the plants too.

Year 1918. The latest news is that the managers of the Cold Storage Trust find that a much larger profit could be made on the other end if they could control the Government; and since in a fish country they have all the people between the upper and the nether millstone, they have formed a party called the United Party.

They will nominate candidates for each and every district. They have plants in all the districts now, and will win too, because they own the people and also have agents who know how to do the trick (old experience), and eventually the United Party will read United States of America and in local history will be read under the title of Terra Nova's Destiny.

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Lyle's Golden Syrup, 1's and 2's.
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Pan Cake Syrup, 25 cts. bottle.

C. P. EAGAN, Duckworth St. and Queen's Rd.

Trepassey Line Survey Finished

The survey of the Trepassey branch line railway has been finished after 5 months of work by the surveyors. It was under the direction of Engineers Powell and Joyce, and for the past two months the work has been retarded greatly by snow and heavy frost. Mr. Powell and his men arrived here on Saturday. But Mr. Joyce and his men who are at Trepassey must await the Prospero to come down.

Special to Evening Telegram.

LONDON, March 9.

Lord Kitchener of Khartoum will command all the troops assembled in England at the Coronation.

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Let Him Say So.

Editor Evening Telegram.

Dear Sir,—Quite a while ago I noticed a letter in your paper from this town signed "One Who Takes Notice," which to my mind was meant to be a criticism of the doings of the Government and actions of the member for this District.

Now, sir, with many straight Liberals I believe the writer of that letter to be one of the many disappointed supporters of the present Government and I would say to him, "don't write any more letters in that strain for the very people you want to reach don't understand your meaning." There is plenty to write about so let out and tell us all you know. How many poor people were fooled with promises no one can tell, but if you are really disgusted say so.

ADMIRER.

Carbonear, Feb. 28th, 1911.

Sealers Notice.

All men who intend leaving for the sealfishery should take with them one or more bottles of **"Stafford's Liniment," the Queen of Liniments (at 14 cents a bottle.)**

You will be surprised with its marvellous results. When rubbed to the wrists, and arms, ankles and legs, it will not only enable you to travel on the ice faster, yes, faster even than the seals themselves, but it will remove the tired muscular fatigue of the limbs, the result of excessive walking and hauling. Once you have applied it to your wrists and ankles you will never again think of proceeding to the fishery without a good supply. It is worth its weight in gold. It should always be in every household as it is also one of the best preparations for the following diseases: — Earache, Headache, Toothache, Faceache, Neuralgia, Wounds and all Skin Diseases, as Itch, Acne, Ringworm, Barber's Itch, Eczema, Hay Fever, Burns, Scalds, Excessive Sweating on body or feet, Diphtheria, Croup, Catarrh, Sore Throat, Laryngitis, Hoarseness, Quinsy, Mumps, Bronchitis, Pleurisy, Pneumonia, Asthma, Whooping Cough, Colic, Cramps, Wind, Diarrhoea, Fistula, Piles, Rheumatism, Lumbago, Sciatica, Strains, Bruises, Sprains, Corns, Warts, Tender Feet, Chilblains, Boils, Bites of Animals, Stings of Insects, Chapped Skin, Worms, Poisoned Wounds, Carbuncle, Swollen Muscles. This Liniment can be used Internally as well as Externally. Prepared only by **DR. F. STAFFORD & Son, St. John's, Nfld.**

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Chief of Police

Five Years in Virginia Town Proved to be a Murderer Who Escaped From Penitentiary.

Danville, Va., March 3.—The man who for five years has held the position of Chief of Police of Danville, and the official name of R. E. Morris, was shown to-day to be Edward Strupling, murderer, and an escaped prisoner from Hardis County, Georgia, who gained his liberty while serving a life term. Last night he was taken back to Georgia to begin again the sentence pronounced against him by the court 14 years ago. He has a wife and 10 children in Danville.

PILES

"I have suffered with piles for thirty-six years. One year ago last April I began taking Cascarets for constipation. In the course of a week I noticed the piles began to disappear and at the end of six weeks they did not trouble me at all. Cascarets have done wonders for me. I am entirely cured and feel like a new man."

CASCARETS 10c. a box for a week's treatment, all druggists. Biggest seller in the world. Million boxes a month.

To the Point.

Talking of the law courts: At a dinner given recently in his honour, some excellent stories were told of the wit of a leading member of the Paris Bar.

One day, in a rather dry case, the judge and the two assistant judges fell asleep during counsel's speech. Rather annoyed at this, he banged on the table suddenly, and as the three judges started back to consciousness, he went on calmly: "As I told you yesterday at about this time——"

For a second or two, before laughter broke out in the court, the judges stared at each other, wondering whether they had really been asleep for twenty-four hours!

The cream of his witticisms, however, was his reply to an impatient judge who asked him to cut short his speech for the defence. Counsel bowed gravely, and pointed first to himself, then to the judge, and then to the prisoner.

"Me right. You kind judge. He innocent." Then he sat down.

He won his case.

Nineteen Killed.

Special to Evening Telegram.

TIFLIS, Russia, March 9.

An avalanche crashed through a tenement house here and as a result 19 were killed and 16 injured.

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The Chief Engineers.

Editor Evening Telegram.

Dear Sir,—When the big "Ventures" start on Monday evening next for their race to the icefields, there will be one man on each ship whose position is no sinecure, and on whom depends to a great extent the success of the voyage. Although the skipper can point out on the chart the exact position of the seals, and he is never more than a hundred miles out of his reckoning, if the engineer is not up to the mark all this knowledge goes for nought, and in proof of this, when a ship arrives home clean the engineer has to walk the plank, for of course the blame must be laid on him. During the past month each chief engineer has been exercising all his knowledge and skill to get the machinery under his charge tuned up so that it will develop every pound of power that is in it, from the steam heater in the forecastle to the dynamo to work the wireless; he has had to see it is all in good order, and woe betide him if he has been slack and allowed the little things to escape his notice, with the engines flying round at top speed the least hitch may send the ship back to port for days. The chief engineers who are in charge on the big ships are: Florizel, Mr. J. Reader; Adventure, Mr. K. MacDonald; Bonaventure, Mr. J. Forbes; Bellaventure, Mr. T. Lumsden; Beothic, Mr. J. Ledingham. We take pride in the fact that the latter four gentlemen are natives of Newfoundland. They received the foundation of their engineering education in St. John's, and having made a study of modern machinery and secured certificates of competency, they can hold their own with men from the other side. The introduction of high powered ships into the sealfishery has called for men who have served with, and made a study of, this class of machinery, but the remuneration has not increased in ratio; the engineer of to-day is paid the same wages as those of 20 years ago, in some cases less. If a ship is successful in getting a load of seals the skipper will draw his percentage, amounting to from $3,000.00 upwards, while the chief engineer, on whom falls the most arduous part of the work, will receive at the most $150.00. This state of affairs, I may say, the engineers have to thank themselves for, as the owners are well aware of the important position held by the chief engineer, and demand the best for their engine rooms, recognizing that a break-down during any part of the voyage may cost them thousands of dollars. Wishing the chiefs every success and trusting to see their worth recognized in the near future, when we cheer the ships as they stea mthrough the Narrows on Monday, let us remember the men below in whose hands rest the success of the voyage.

Yours truly,
ENERGY.

St. John's, March 9th, 1911.

Tribute to Rev. Canon Dunfield.

When the routine of the regular weekly parade had been gone through in the C. L. B. Armoury last night, the commanding officer, Lieut.-Col. Rendell, in touching terms referred to the loss sustained by the Brigade in the death of the late Rev. Canon Dunfield, who was Corps Chaplain for a lengthy period. The speech of the Lieut.-Colonel was listened to with much attention and at its conclusion the band rendered the Dead March in Saul.

Minard's Liniment Co., Limited.

Gentlemen, — Theodore Dorais, a customer of mine, was completely cured of rheumatism after five years of suffering by the judicious use of MINARD'S LINIMENT.

The above facts can be verified by writing to him, to the Parish Priest or any of his neighbors.

A COTE, Merchant.

St. Isidore, Que., 12 May, '98.

Another Fatal Accident

Hon. D. Morison had the following message from Mr. J. L. Murphy, of Trepassey, last evening: "To-day at the Drook, Trepassey Bay, James St. Croix, son of James St. Croix, went gunning for sea birds and walked over a snow bank overhanging a cliff 100 feet high. The snow foundered and he and his dog were carried over the cliff. The dog swam ashore and ran home barking. A search party was organized and started, tracing the boy's footsteps to this place, but no tidings of the body were discovered. He was the only support of his father, who had only one hand and whose wife died two months ago."

Ask your friends if STAFFORD'S Liniment cured them from Rheumatism, Lumbago, etc., at 14 cts. bottle mar. 4.

Evening Telegram Fashion Plates.

The Home Dressmaker should keep a Catalogue Scrap Book of our Pattern Cuts. These will be found very useful to refer to from time to time.

8603—LADIES' CORSET COVER AND DRAWERS.

A popular and quickly made corset cover model is here illustrated; it is appropriate for lawn, batiste, all-over embroidery, nainsook or other similar fabrics. The drawers pattern, which is also appropriate for all lingerie materials, is cut without any fulness at the waist. It is lengthened by a ruffle that may be made of the material or embroidery edging. The pattern for these two desirable designs is cut in 3 sizes—Small, Medium and Large. The Medium size requires 3½ yards of 36 inch material.

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Boy's Russian Suit with Knickerbockers.

A patent leather belt will add a smart touch to this design, which is suitable for serge, cheviot, homespun, velvet or corduroy. Wash fabrics such as linen, galatea, or chambrey are also appropriate. The double-breasted effect of the front is especially neat, and the "knickers" are of the prevailing popular style. The patern is cut in 3 sizes—2, 4, 6 years. It requires 2⅞ yards of 44 inch material for the 4 year size.

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