

# TOILERS FINAL FIGHT FOR LIBERTY

THE MAIL AND ADVOCATE, ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND, MARCH 9, 1915-7.

## SECOND WEEK OF WHITE SALE

Bargains in White Goods

Secure Your Share While They Last!

### CREAM DRESS GOODS

**Cream Serge**  
Regular 50c.  
White Sale Price 42c.  
**Cream Merino**  
Regular 60c.  
White Sale Price 52c.  
**Cream Striped Lustre**  
Regular 60c.  
White Sale Price 47c.  
**Cream Plain Lustre**  
Regular 70c.  
White Sale Price 63c.  
**Cream Nunsveiling**  
Regular 30c.  
White Sale Price 27c.  
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### CORSET BARGAINS

In the Latest Models, Long Hips, Low Bust, with Suspenders Attached

**"Empress" and "Modern"**  
Reg. 75c. White Sale Price 65c.

**"Rita" and "Queen"**  
Reg. \$1.00. White Sale Price 90c.

**"Princess"**  
Reg. \$1.50. White sale price \$1.30

**"American Model"**  
Reg. \$2. White Sale Price \$1.70

**"Stout Ladies"**  
Reg. \$1.75. White sale price \$1.45

### WHITE SKIRTS

**Pique, Jean and Lawn Costume Skirts**  
Regular \$2.00 to \$3.00.  
White Sale Price \$1.00.

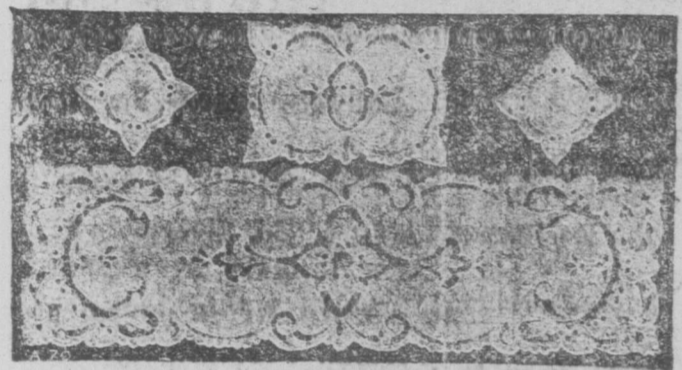
**American White Cambric Underskirts**  
Regular \$2.25.  
White Sale Price \$1.50.

**Princess Underskirts**  
Regular 75c.  
White Sale Price 50c.

**Regular \$1.00.**  
White Sale Price 75c.

**White Sale Price \$1.00.**  
Regular \$2.20.  
White Sale Price \$1.50.

DON'T FAIL TO SECURE ONE OF OUR EXTRA VALUE WHITE SATIN MARCELLES BED SPREADS. THEY ARE ASTONISHING VALUE FROM \$1.50 UP.



### SIDEBOARD and TRAY CLOTHS and BUREAU COVERS

We have a large variety of these, Hemstitched, Embroidered and Lace Trimmed.

Regular 35c. to 85c.  
White Sale Price 30c. to 70c.

A special lot American S.B. & Bureau Scarves, Tray Cloths & Pillow Shams, assorted designs.  
White Sale Price 29c.

### Shirtings,

Longcloths.

Table Linen,

Sheeting.

Lawns, Nainsooks.

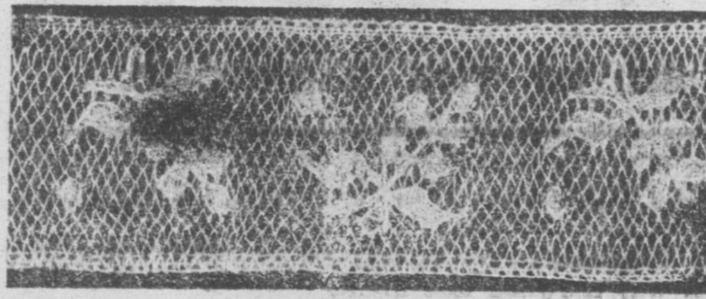
Circular Pillow Cotton.

Embroidery Linen.

Towelling, Curtain Nets

Etc., Etc.

All reduced for White Sale.



### LACES

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Reduced

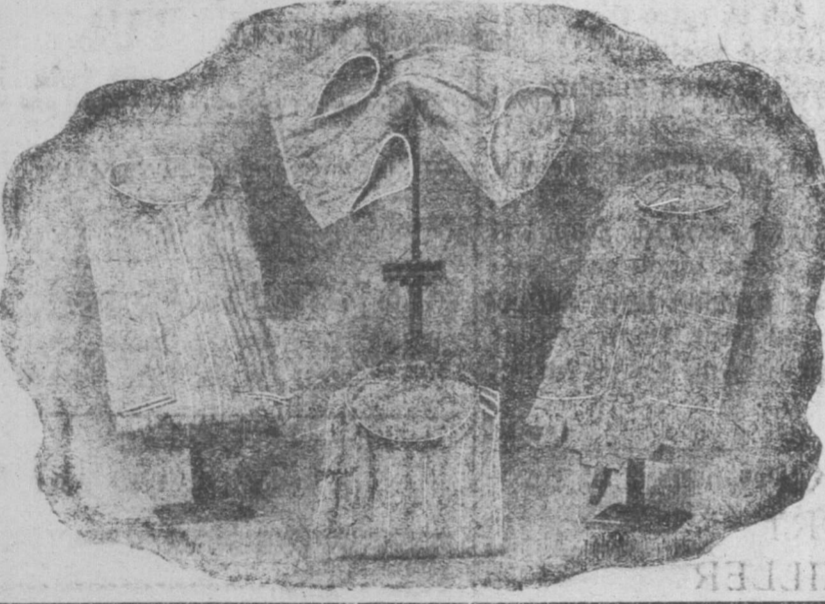
### FINE AMERICAN LAWN

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White Linen Breakfast Cloths, Satin Finish, with red or blue border.

Regular \$1.30.

White Sale Price \$1.10.



### GENT'S SHIRTS

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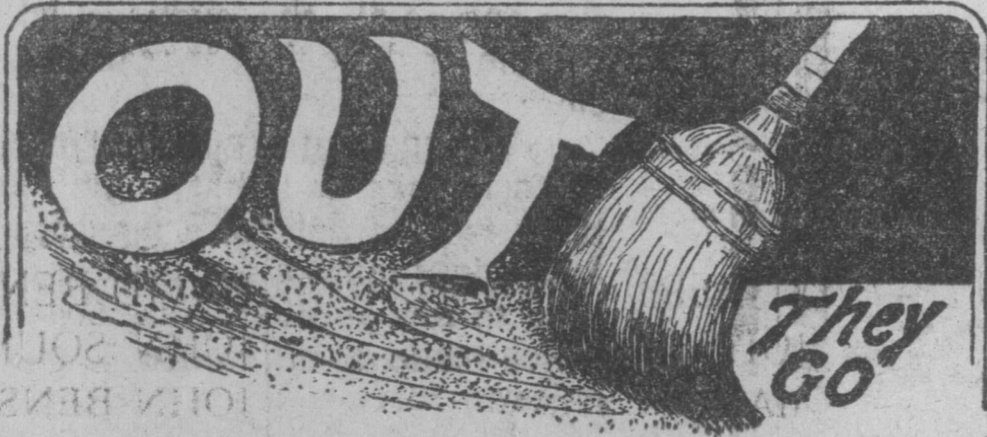
Regular \$1.25.

White Sale Price \$1.00.

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## Letters of Interest From Mail and Advocate Readers

### "Justice" Raises Some Questions as to Kean's Fitness

If a ship's master loses a vessel, or a vessel on shore, damages his vessel, or in any other way errs from a nautical point of view, the man is arraigned, an enquiry follows, and he forfeits his certificate of competency for such time as the Court may judge sufficient for the error.

In other words his legal capacity or former right has been cancelled, and that man dare not assume his forfeited position until the termination of the period so set down by the enquiry board. Such castigations are common to the smallest and most insignificant causes or errors, where no life has been sacrificed or lost, where simply error in judgment has led to some immaterial catastrophe, and where trivial results have marked such errors. These things have led to suspension of Masters' certificates accompanied by that act of temporary insufficiency the culprit has ever been severely censured for his negligence which had led to some small error.

This is the ruling of all Nautical Boards over the world. It only remained for St. John's to make an exception, and a big exception, in the case of Capt. Kean and his glaring misconduct.

Capt. Kean, whose conduct led to the death of seventy-eight men, and charged by the voice of the people, is permitted to still hold his certificate, and to again pursue his course heedless as of yore. Capt. Kean in any other part of the civilized world would be arraigned before the bar of justice. Capt. Kean in St. John's, Nfld. is held innocent—because he is under the protection of Messrs. Bowring, Munn and Morris. To put it plainer still, there is no such thing as the sanctity of human life when Capt. Kean errs in connection with it. If Capt. Kean did not know Bowring and Munn, and was not under their saintly protection, he would no doubt have lost his captaincy long ere this. If he was some poor fisherman, who did not shine in the face of the Munn sunshine, he would without doubt be down in the Penitentiary now.

A sealer who will come to town and take a few drinks and get a little unruly, is quickly rounded up and imprisoned. The man whose conduct is the cause of the death of seventy-eight of God's creatures is applauded. Many a seafaring man has made a mistake, and the most mitigating circumstances have surrounded it, yet Boards of Enquiry have not hesitated to find a verdict of guilty. What, we wonder, would a conscientious Board have to say to the case of Capt. Kean had it been laid before them?

When citizens come to consider the whole question, they are appalled at the daring of Munn, of young Bowring and of Capt. Kean. It seems almost brutal to the right-thinking, that those men should still wish to pursue their course of action in the face of the fact of wrecked human life. The tragedy of last year seems to be repeated in all but its fatal issues in Kean being permitted to again go to the ice-fields. The same incompetency prevails, the same carelessness exists, the same odds to be taken, and the same inhumanity to assist itself.

There is no protection against it, no opposition to it, no defence of human life against its rufing powers. If we get through alive it will be all five hundred lives may now be sacrificed with impunity, for there is no law, moral or legal to act against the conduct of such men as Kean.

Why all this fuss about such a poor thing as the sacrifice of seventy-eight fishermen's lives? Better that 7800 such humble lives should pass, than that Mr. J. S. Munn should have one unhappy moment on his friend Kean's account. This is what our country has come to. 'Tis at the merciless mercy of such men that the unhappy poor must be content to submit. 'Tis our rule, and our precedent and our standard, and no mercy, no hope, no humanity to the broken wretch who will oppose that power and ask for justice.

But despite all this, the F.P.U. is going to oppose those mighty powers. The F.P.U. whilst it has a dollar to spare is going to pursue those human buffoons and demand certain public concessions of them.

The F.P.U. is a Union to protect the fishermen, and it is going to do it, in spite of all the Bowrings and Keans and Munns in old Newfoundland. The Union has been formed for such purposes, and to meet such contingencies as the present one, and this one it is going to fight to the bitter end. The F.P.U. is not afraid of either Munn or a hundred of his associates. Such like calibre will go down before the strength of this body.

The F.P.U. is the United Fishermen's Union, and there is going to be always something doing when the interest of the fishermen is at stake. The F.P.U. has won out against better men than Munn or the featherweight Eric Bowring can ever hope to be, and when people ask each other "how the Coaker-Kean business is going to pan out?" they synonymously enquire "how the Fishermen-Kean business is going to pan out?"

The matter of Captain Kean's going or not going to the ice this season is not so much an issue now. In the future, the fishermen of the country have the handling of this situation, and they shall handle it despite the arrogance of a hundred Munns or Keans, or the childish wiles of another hundred Eric Bowrings.

So the F.P.U. has sent its message of warning all over Newfoundland. It has told the toilers of the broad country just what place they hold in the estimation of Water Street, St. John's upstarts. That same F.P.U. is now warring with those local vultures who would make prey on the poor and the down-trodden and the under-dog. Think you, that the haughty ones of the city like the F.P.U. are one with its platform? Are they pleased that

the F.P.U. should dare show them up to the public at large? How many seconds would they hesitate to destroy the Fishermen's Protective Union, if such a movement could lie in their power?

The truth is bitter and is as worm-wood to the Bowring and Munn coterie. We have told them all some truths the last few days, and they like us not for it. As long as the fishermen and the toilers of the country could be deceived, cajoled, and hoodwinked, everything went lovely. As long as the suppressed could be kept for ever in that position and their efforts to rise were met by the scourge of the taskmasters, life to the Bowrings and to the Munns and others of their set was sweet. As long as the poor could be kept poor, and in a position to elave for the mighty, so long were those great ones happy.

But the F.P.U. sprung up, and took a hand in, and 'tis this same F.P.U. that is now going to fight this whole matter to a finish. The people are with us, the Fishermen of the Country are with us, the fishermen who are the props and stays of the country's whole commercial life and welfare. Whilst we have that support, and find our quarrel just, in the interest of humanity, and of life, we again go into the fight with renewed vigor.

Let Messrs. Bowring and Munn and Kean recognize this fact, that in the future they are up against the wishes of the People.

JUSTICE

### Burgoyne's Cove Union Parade

(Editor Mail and Advocate.)  
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BURGOWNES COVE.  
Feb. 28, 1915.

### When This Cruel War Is Over

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The following letter has been received by Mrs. Henry Jerritt, of Cavendish, from her son.

Dear Mother,—Just a line to say that I am well and enjoying splendid health. It is Sunday evening and my watch on board. The Chief has given me permission to write you a few lines. Well, mother, I would like some of you to be able to come to England on a pleasure trip. It is not all a pleasure trip that we are on, but if we get through alive it will be all right. One thing is certain, we cannot all come back and some of our fellow have already gone down.

I have heard that the war will be over by June, but nobody knows. If God spares me till it is over I shall be very glad to come home and see you all again. We are having rainy weather now. I am living in hope to see you all again some day.

JOHN  
England, Feb. 7, 1915.

### A Harsh Wish.

(Editor Mail and Advocate.)

Dear Sir,—A few weeks ago there was a Committee visiting the different Harbours calling together young men for the Army. One of our young chaps who volunteered was Abraham Tavernor. He was wished the worst kind of luck by one of our leading ladies, and all because three or four years ago this young man's brother killed her little dog, for it was against the law to keep dogs in Heart's Content. This lady, therefore, expressed the hope that he would feel the smart of

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