



**Evening Telegram**

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**Fishermen Must Declare a New Independence.**

It must be apparent even to the least observant fishermen in Newfoundland that the hour has now struck when they should make a new Declaration of Independence, in order to obtain their free and inalienable rights. There was a time when it was thought by the toilers that they had arrived at a point in their lives, when those rights were being preserved, and for a brief period it did indeed look as though at last they were coming into their own. But the unfortunate part of it was that they were misled and duped. No longer is their own true Moses leading them out of mercantile bondage. On the contrary they are being driven further and further into it. Where is now the modern Joshua, who was to direct them into the riches and fertility of the Promised Land. Alas for the misplaced confidence of human nature the great one has gone over to the enemy and the view of the land flowing with milk and honey was all that the fishermen received. They were brought near enough to witness its beauties, and crave its boundless resources, but on the very borderland they were abandoned and left without the guiding genius of him to whom they gave all their allegiance, and in whom they had implicit trust. To-day fishermen are wandering in the wilderness of Fish Regulations and losing themselves in the maze of proclamations. Their former vision has been dissipated, their high hopes dashed to the ground and they flounder in the Slough of Despond, hopelessly and helplessly. Their immediate future has been darkened by the imposition of iniquitous and damnable legislation, and of redress, financially, they have none.

A famous Declaration of Independence subscribed to almost a hundred and fifty years ago, contained in its premises "that all men are created equal, that they are endowed with certain inalienable rights, among which are Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness. That to ensure these rights, Governments are instituted among men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed. That whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the right of the people to alter or abolish it, and to institute new Government." All Governments derive their just powers from the consent of the governed. That is an axiom of political economy, accepted in its most complete form in Anglo-Saxondom,—with one exception. The Government of Newfoundland, as it is administered to-day, does not derive the powers of which it is making use to the detriment and retrogression of the dominion, from the consent of the governed. The people—the majority of whom—voted the Liberal-Reform Party into power last fall, did not give their consent to the autocratic and extremist measures which the

Government passed and are enforcing. Moreover they have not consented to the operation of injurious and calamitous enactments. Such of these as have been made law in respect of the selling and marketing of fish, have brought down the just condemnation of the people—not of one class alone, but of all classes, because these laws in affecting and hampering the trade in fish, antagonising our best customers and creating chaos at home, strike at the roots of the domestic prosperity of the great bulk of the people in Newfoundland, from the merchant in his counting house to the humblest laborer who works on his premises. A blow struck at the fishing industry of Newfoundland cripples all trade, brings to a standstill all advance, places the toilers in straitened circumstances, stops labor, and halts the wheels of the chariot of progress. Why then must the fishermen any longer be subservient to the wishes and desires of one man? They have seen by now the inevitable result of his policy. His administration of affairs has become destructive of the rights of the fishermen, yes, of the people as a whole. Let them then exercise their God-given right and declare a new independence.

**Notes and Comments.**

Advocate publishes the weekly testimonial to our abilities in yesterday's issue.

The thought is occurring to many habitual strikers that if they run out of jobs they won't be able to strike.

"Charlie James" still continues to be the bete noir of Hon. W. F. Coaker and his henchmen. Wonder if the honourable gent has ever read Burns' poem "The Twa Dogs"?

Angry Diner: "Confound it, waiter, there's a trouser button in my soup!"

Grateful Waiter: "Oh, thank you, sir! I could not think what had become of it!"

The Advocate pays another glowing tribute to the verve of our leading articles and the effect they are having on the fishermen, by suggesting that they emanate from other pens. Thank you, brother. Even Theobald could not do any better.

This raving about the price of fish as per regulations, indulged in by the Coaker organ, is more than amusing, considering that fishermen are hawking about town yaffles of Labrador as samples, and cannot get any buyers. Could conditions be worse?

A seven-months-old American baby, says Searchlight in the Glasgow Weekly Herald, is reported to have grown a gold tooth, but I am frankly sceptical. I know a proud father who got a mouthful of gold teeth in America well over 25 years ago, and his wife's molars were also well studded with gold long before marriage. Yet of their nine children not even the luckiest has developed 'so much as a speck of gold dust among his ivories.

There are certain delicacies that the British Indian troops particularly enjoy. The principal things are ghee, areca nut, betel, and Indian tobacco. To English readers ghee will be the most mysterious of these commodities. It is a kind of clarified butter, made from curdled milk—in India usually from buffalo milk. The curdled milk is churned into butter; then the butter stands for a few days until it begins to turn rancid. Then it is boiled and seasoned with dye—whatever that is—salt, or the leaf of the betel, which is a kind of pepper plant.

As most people know, the Hindoos use the areca nut as a kind of chewing gum. They chew it with betel leaf and a little shell lime. The nut is astringent and bitter, but it does not seem to have any particular effect on the user. The betel leaf adds a peppery flavour to the combination.

**The Very Latest.**

**WILL THE TRADE STAND FOR THIS OUTRAGE?**

We understand that some changes in the Civil Service have been ordered by Hon. W. F. Coaker, and that Mr. Warwick Smith, Asst. Statistical Clerk of the Customs Department is to be transferred to the Fisheries Department in the capacity of Statistical Clerk. The books of the Customs Department are to be transferred to the Fisheries, and the Minister will now be in a position to "scrutinize fully the whole export trade of the Dominion. The President of the Union Trading Company will be

thus enabled to discuss with the Minister of Marine and Fisheries the various problems arising in regard to exports, and keep the Prime Minister fully informed on all matters pertaining to trade exports. We wonder what the Board of Trade will have to say to the new "innovation." Will they pass further resolutions against the press for publishing this information to the department of trade, or protest as a body against the head of a corporate concern, doing business in competition with the trade, being possessed of information which should be the confidential business of the customs department.

**Nfld. Motor Association Meeting.**

The Newfoundland Motor Association held a general meeting in the Board of Trade Rooms yesterday afternoon. Quite a number of members attended and general business was discussed. The President, Mr. White, informed the meeting that all arrangements in connection with the dinner to be held at Donovan's on Nov. 10th had been completed. This is the Association's first reunion but it is hoped to make it an annual affair. It is to be an informal dress affair, and all members who can be expected to attend. Already 100 members have signified their intention of attending and it is expected that about 150 will take part. Arrangements have been made in connection with the parking of the cars on the night of the dinner and a man has been appointed to look after this matter so that there will be no confusion and members will have easy access to and from Donovan's. Special invitations have been sent the Acting Prime Minister Hon. W. F. Coaker, Mayor Gosling, the Acting Secy.-Treasurer of the Municipal Council and all members of the Road Commission as well as the press representatives. Mr. F. V. Coaker is in charge of the musical arrangements and an enjoyable evening is anticipated. The matter of the congestion along Water Street was discussed by the meeting and a committee was appointed who will take this matter up and arrange for a better system of parking cars and motors so as to remedy the present condition of affairs. Some other matters of minor importance were discussed after which the meeting adjourned.

**Baseball Players Dined.**

Enjoyable Evening at Donovan's. Donovan's hostelry was the scene of a very pleasant gathering last evening when the League Baseball representatives met at a dinner given in honor of the Inter-town Champions 1920. Covers had been laid for about sixty guests, most of whom went in by special car, attached to the 6 o'clock shore train, the managers, umpires and other officials arriving by motor car. After the menu had been discussed the Chairman, Mr. John B. Orr, proposed the toast of The King, which was responded to by singing the National Anthem. Next came that of the manager of the winning team Mr. J. B. Orr, proposed by Mr. P. J. Grace, with his usual felicity of expression, the Chairman making appropriate reply. The speaking then became informal and was participated in by Messrs. Jack Canning, Chris DeMers, T. V. Hartnett, Frank Donnelly, Robertson, Reg Dowden and the press representatives, J. Coffey (News), J. McGrath (Herald), C. T. James (Telegram). The closing toasts were (1) The Umpires, proposed by Mr. J. B. Orr and responded to by Messrs. Chasman and Hartnett, and The Chairman, proposed by Mr. James, and replied to by Mr. Orr. Songs by Messrs. Williams and Irvine were rapturously applauded and endorsed.

The catering was done in that style for which Donovan's is noted. At 11.30 the proceedings terminated, return to the city being made by special train. The Dinner was given by the Trustees of the League, to mark the close of the Baseball season.

**McMurdo's Store News.**

WEDNESDAY, Nov. 3.

Daggett & Ramsdell's Cold Cream is a Skin cleaner, skin softener and a good protection for the Skin against the effects of our cold wet fall and winter weather.

This Cold Cream is the best to be had and will be found all that a Cold Cream should be. This is their specialty, and they stand behind this production and we can assure you it is the best made.

It is daintily perfumed and put up in tubes 40c. each. Pots 50c. and 80c. each. These packages are of generous size and of very pretty design expressing quality which is in keeping with the contents.—nov.3f.

**Shipping Notes.**

S.S. Corunna left Montreal last night for this port.

S.S. Mapledene, 9 days from Montreal, arrived in port this morning with a general cargo.

Schooner Jean and May, 4 days from North Sydney, with a cargo of coal to A. S. Darby, arrived in port today.

S.S. Rosalind was to leave New York to-day for here via Halifax.

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These are of a nice soft Vici Kid, Blucher and Bal. shape, perforated toe caps, medium weight soles, Cuban and Military heels, Kid top and front facings; a good serviceable Boot for wearing in Rubbers; an ideal Boot for the growing school girl; all sizes. Regular value \$8.00.

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**Sale Price, \$6.00**

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**Express Passengers.**

S.S. Kyle arrived at Port aux Basques this a.m. and landed the following passengers who are on the incoming express:—Thos LeSeigneur, Rev. F. S. Coffin, Mrs. K. Simpson and daughter, E. L. Dennison, Miss C. Cappey, Mr. and Mrs. Devereaux, Thos. Bruce, H. J. and Mrs. Russell, T. and Mrs. Horwood, Geo. and Mrs. Horwood, H. Taylor, A. C. Carew, W. Keeping, Mrs. C. White, H. G. and Mrs. Grant.

**Mortgages the Cow.**

A cattle buyer, who had been on the Southern Shore, reports that at St. Mary's he visited the premises of one fisherman planter, hearing that he had a cow to sell. On enquiry the butcher learned that the cow had been mortgaged to a shopkeeper in exchange for a barrel of flour and some provisions. A piece of the fact that the fisherman planter had some hundreds of dollars worth of fish in his stage for which he could not sell.

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**Civic Authorities Will Remove House.**

Some time ago a resident of the city named Robins, who with his family were unable to obtain a suitable dwelling, decided to secure a site and build a home. He was not long in selecting a piece of land, which was situated on Battery Road, and forthwith started building operations. He, however, failed to get permission from the City Council, and his house was being erected, when the city officials discovered that the building regulations had been violated and he was brought before the court to answer for his act. The court decided that the laws of the city had been broken, and the owner was ordered to remove the building. This, however, has not been done, and to-day the Civic authorities are moving to have the judgment of the court carried out.

Special to Evening Telegram.

CAPE RACE, To-day.

Wind S.W. strong. Weather fine; the S.S. Portia passed in; at 3 and steamer British Maple west at 11 a.m. to-day. Bar 30; Ther. 46.

**Passengers and Freight to and From North Sydney.**

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**Police Court.**

A Chauffeur was fined \$10 or 20 days for a breach of the Street Traffic Regulations.

Two young men for fighting on the public street were each fined \$2.

A young man of Nagle's Hill charged with disorderly conduct, the nature of which was assault on an inmate of the Poor Asylum, was fined \$10.00.

**Portia's Passengers.**

S.S. Portia arrived from the Westward via Sydney at 10 a.m., bringing the following passengers:—Messrs. J. Kennedy, W. Hogan, W. Hurley, C. Nolan; Mesdames Heilner, Keeping, Antie, Hogan; Misses Horrey, Keeping, Dobbin.

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