



Evening Telegram

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The Fruits of Coaker's Policy.

The most alarming news in connection with this year's fishery is that the manager of a prominent fishing concern on Southern Labrador, after a series of consultations with his principal the past week or two, decided to abandon his annual cod fishing venture in that area because the head of the firm cannot guarantee that the price of fish would be anything more than five dollars a quintal, and the manager argued very reasonably that at the present price of outfits he would lose thousands of dollars, even if he had a good catch, because no man could fit out and carry on the codfishery this year with fish only five dollars a quintal. This is one of the first and most direct results of the tragic muddle into which the Squires-Coaker Party have got this country by their crazy attempts to control our foreign markets by the notorious fishery regulations. To-day it is not possible to sell a quintal of Newfoundland fish in any market in Europe, except at a loss of five to six dollars a quintal. In Portugal, in Spain, in Italy, and in Greece the situation is the same. These countries are so stocked with Norwegian, French and Iceland fish, and so disgusted with the Squires-Coaker attempts to take them by the throat, that they refuse to trade in Newfoundland fish at all, if they can avoid it, and the only sales that can now be made are at such a tremendous loss as indicated above. During the past week or two attempts have been made to effect sales in all of these countries, but nowhere is it possible to obtain more than about half what the fish regulations fixed as the lowest price at which fish sales could be made. For instance, the fish regulation prices in Greece were from \$2 1/2 to \$7 1/2, and to-day we understand it is only possible to get forty shillings to forty-five shillings. But for the blundering of the Squires-Coaker Party; but for the attempts to take the people of Greece by the throat, and compel them to pay what the Squires-Coaker crowd thought fit, the whole of the fish required for that market could have been sold at profitable rates all through the fall and winter, but now scarcely anything can be done. Lent is half through, and after Lent the demand will drop off and there will be a tremendous lot of our fish intended for that market, which cannot be sold under any circumstances.

In Italy, the position is even worse. No sales are being made there at all, but stocks of fish are being put in on consignment to be sold for whatever they will fetch. The Italian market is already stocked with fish from other countries, and it is not human nature to expect that the Italians will pay high prices for our fish when they know they have us in their own hands, through our own bungling and stupidity, and when they are

fully aware also that we have such stocks of fish here in Newfoundland that we cannot get rid of them. Consequently the prospect for profitable sales of our fish in Italy is out of the question altogether. The calculation to-day is that if this fish sold on consignment brings forty shillings, it will be doing very well, and yet the regulation prices for Italy were fixed at seventy-five to eighty shillings, or twice the figure that is now possible. The story is that Messrs. Hickman, Moore and Munn sold their fish in December at sixty to sixty-five shillings, but in three months since then the price has dropped to forty shillings, a drop due entirely to the Italian Consorzio having stocked up with other fish, because they refused to be bulldozed by Coaker & Company into paying the rates he demanded for the Newfoundland article. Everybody knows the situation now; just as the Government was compelled at the end of December to take off the regulations with regard to Italy and allow everybody to sell as best he could, the Government is now being called upon to take off the regulations with regard to Portugal and permit the same thing to be done. The reason is the same—the Government policy has been ruinous to the country, and to prevent a frightful smash altogether the Government is now being asked to allow the trade to do business along sensible lines again. Sales are said to have been made in Portugal last week at about 36 shillings for Labrador fish, a figure that will mean a loss of six dollars a quintal for the people who had that fish and shipped it there, and if the opinion of Water Street is to be considered, things will grow very much worse yet, because there are about eighty thousand quintals of fish in that market at present, and as much more to follow, and under present conditions it will take at least six months to consume this stock, and before that, new fish will be offered. In Spain the position is even worse. Here is a market that was free and never "regulated." Last fall fish was fetching the very best prices there, but as the Coaker policy prevented fish from getting into Portugal, Italy and Greece, all that fish was diverted to Spain, the result being that to-day it is worse than even the markets that were regulated. Labrador fish is to-day fetching only 35 shillings and Shore fish only 50 shillings, or just half what these grades brought in September last. "By their fruits ye shall know them," and by the fruits of the Coaker policy will the present Government be judged by the country now and in the future. The people of Harbor Main will have an opportunity to judge them on Saturday, and every elector in that District should make up his mind to give his judgment against the Government and mark his ballots for the Opposition candidates.

Sample Falsehood.

Last night's Star had some reference to the election campaign in Harbor Main, in the course of which it was stated that Mr. Peter Cashin was at Topsail, Saturday, and openly stated that he had enough money to buy five hundred South Shore votes. This is a concoction for which there is absolutely no foundation whatever. Mr. Peter Cashin left here on Friday by the tug Ingraham to search for the missing schooner Tipperary, reported abandoned by her crew off Cape Race, and on Saturday, when the Star has him at Topsail looking to buy votes, he was actually in Trepassey Bay on the Ingraham, and did not arrive back here until Sunday. This is a sample of the sort of stuff the Star is putting out in the present campaign, and will enable the intelligent people of St. John's and of Harbor Main District to judge what reliance is to be put on anything it says.

Reliable Dry Batteries and Flashlights last longer, give better service, but cost no more than ordinary make.

Jan 2, 4, 5, Feb 3, 10, Mar 7, 8

Harbor Main Will Do Well to Observe.

The current issue of the Harbor Grace Standard (the Conception Bay organ of the Squires-Coaker Party), publishes a list of the prices of general commodities for the year 1918, and in the report makes an opinion that the present rates are coming down—but slowly. In order to give our readers an idea of the difference, we print below a comparative table of the prices of certain articles which obtained in the year named and are ruling in 1921. A glance will show how much more is being paid to-day under the Squires-Coaker-Food-Control-Board-Government, and in 1918, when the war was at its height:

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Items include Flour (Five Roses), Flour (Victory), Pork, Beef, Molasses, Hard Oil, Hard Bread, Coal (Spencey), Butter, Cheese, Ham, Sugar, Raisins.

McMurdo's Store News.

On our special Display Counter, just inside our western door, we are to-day showing our line of Acme Toilet Products, and their appearance is certainly calculated to make a good impression on anyone who has an eye to distinctness in goods of this sort—as most people have. These goods put up under our trade mark, are the manufacture of one of the largest and most famous soap makers and manufacturers of toilet goods generally in the United Kingdom. We can vouch for the quality of these goods, which are in every way up to the standard we have long set for goods sold under our trade mark; and the list includes Soap, Toilet Powders, Hair Preparations, Shampoo Powders, Dentifrice, Sachet Powders, etc. We invite your attention to this display.

Pointers.

Saturday, March 12th. Dr. Jones and Capt. Lewis. Squires and Coaker—the hoodoo leaders. Everything the Liberal Reform (save the mark) Party touches goes wrong. What opinion does the Colony hold after sixteen months of their administration? Fishery Regulations resulted in the loss of all our foreign markets, and to-day no one can sell Newfoundland Fish. Trade Commissioners appointed costing the revenue \$5000 per year each, plus expense, and no sales being made. Fish Inspectors given jobs all round the coast, to standardize cargoes for export, with the result that qualities sent to market were worse than ever.

Supreme Court.

(Before Chief Justice and Justice Kest). Frank A. Cutler vs. The Great Northern Copper Co. On motion of F. G. Bradley for the plaintiff and by consent of J. A. W. McNelly, for the defendant, it is ordered that the matter be adjourned until Monday the 14th March at 11 a.m. Alfred Moore vs. Theodore Moore. On motion of C. E. Hunt for the plaintiff and by consent of C. J. Fox for the defendant, it is ordered that the matter be adjourned until Monday the 14th March at 11 a.m. The Court adjourned until tomorrow.

Bay Dies From Exhaustion.

Two boys named Williams and Bragg, aged 10 years of age, fell into the river at Pouch Cove yesterday evening. They were taken out in an exhausted condition and first aid was rendered by Rev. A. A. Holmes and Rev. Mr. Turk. Bragg recovered but Williams, after an hour, succumbed, having retained about a quart of water. Full particulars will probably reach the Inspector General later, the above information having been received by him over the telephone.

Shipping Notes.

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Carbonear Selected.

The competition will be held at Carbonear on Thursday, April 7th, and the reasons for holding it in this progressive town are obvious for it must now be considered the hub of Conception Bay—being the terminus for the Heart's Content, Bad de Verde, and Shore branches of the railway—thus ensuring all entries in the competition being received in a fresh and satisfactory condition.

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Fish Situation.

ELIZEN LAKE STILL IN PORT. So far as can be learned, nothing new has developed regarding the schooner Elizen, excepting that the vessel is detained in port to-day, and is in charge of a Customs official. What it is required that the master can sell his schooner, under the clearance given him by the Customs officials at Port Union, it is possible that he may be induced to remain for the present, so as to prevent open defiance of the regulations by all the fish exporters. The Brazilian market received the consideration of exporters at a meeting held yesterday afternoon, when it was decided to reduce the price of fish for that market to 80 shillings. The original price was 102 shillings, which was later reduced to 90 shillings. Whether the reduction to 80 shillings will induce the Brazilians to buy more of our produce is doubtful. It would seem that the conditions of sale would affect them more than price, and in this connection it was reported that a West Coast firm had negotiated a contract for 20,000 quintals of fish, but were not permitted to ship the cargo because the buyers were giving 90 day notes instead of paying cash. Documents as to the regulations provide. In Italy the outlook is hopeless and a cable received on Saturday that the Norwegian steamer Venus 2, which was likely to further depress the price there and exporters fear that the large quantity of fish now in Godhavn, Greenland, will realize very little more than will pay for freight, demurrage and other charges. The whole outlook is of the bleakest.

Hockey Notes.

The St. Bon's and Fieldians clash to-night in their play-off game. This game is under the auspices of the G.W.V.A. and only qualified ex-pupils of the two colleges can be played. Arrangements are being made by the rink management for the ice-men's benefit night. According to a note left on our desk this morning, the Fieldians and St. Bon's will be contesting teams on that night, but as these two teams are playing for the G.W.V.A. to-night, that cannot be. A match, however, will be arranged later, and there will also be an excellent programme of races, including relay races, in some of which the college teams will take part. We heard that after the general skating this evening, a game will be played between two teams of the Stove League. They are as follows: A. Doc Power, Goal. H. Thomas, Defence. Hal Walsh, Defence. J. I. Whinnicombe, Centre. G. Martin, Right. H. Peddigrew, Left. W. Gosse, Left. C. DeMars, Left. J. Bell, Referee—Jack Canning.

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Horse Cove Solid for Opposition.

Jones and Lewis the Favorites. Special to Evening Telegram. The most successful political meeting ever held in the history of Horse Cove was presided over by Edward Stapleton and addressed by Messrs. Jones and Lewis and Walsh last night. The enthusiastic audience present cheered the echo as well as the speaker, and the vote to Jones and Lewis. The Minister of Agriculture had been present last night he would have been a sick camel. ED. STAPLETON, Chairman. Richard Stapleton, Patrick Lawlor, John Gully, Peter Pico, John Lawlor, James Lawlor, Felix Lawlor, James Lawlor, John Kennedy, Terence O'Brien, Pat Lawlor, Michael Stapleton, John Lawlor, Ambrose Squires, Robert Squires, Phil Pico, Peter Lawlor, Charles Belbin, Clarence Tucker, Wm. Squires, Thos. Traversa, Edward Stapleton, Jr., Pierce O'Brien, John Whelan, James Whelan, Paul Whelan, William Clarke, Roland Clarke, Mike Druken, Thos. O'Brien, Thos. Druken, Pat Bulger, Ambrose Squires, James Stapleton, Walter Squires, James Quilty, Edgar Clark, Chris Hynes, Jas. Lawlor, Jr., Heber Jones, Paul Whelan, John Hynes, Ed. Squires, Herbert Squires, William Lambwood, Thos. Traversa, William Whelan, Wm. Neary.

Police Court.

DOCKET OF DRUNKS.—A man who came in for the scabbard and got drunk was discharged. Two Norwegian seamen who got gloriously drunk and attempted to take the town by storm, were each fined \$5.00 or 10 days. A man who came in from an outpost with a script and got drunk was discharged. Another foreign seaman was charged with being drunk and disorderly. He was fined \$5 or 10 days. A NEARFARIOUS TRADE.—Augustus Snow was charged with loose and disorderly conduct on the public street, and with disobeying a summons. To the first charge he pleaded guilty and to the second he said that he over-slept himself. Evidence was given which proved the defendant to be engaged in a most nefarious and bestial trade. After some strong comment on the case, His Honor sent the man down for three months without the option of a fine.

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Important Notice! The only stipulation in the Big Bread Baking Competition to be held at Carbonear on Thursday, April 7th, is that the loaf must be baked from "Windsor Patent" flour. Entries from all over the Island will be gladly welcomed, and there is no entrance fee charged. The prizes will be as follows:— First \$20.00, Second \$10.00, Third \$5.00 for the three best loaves of bread exhibited. The competition will be confined to genuine home-made bread.

Lioness on Ship. Quite a crowd of people visited the Norwegian steamer Venus 2, now discharging coal at Morey's, yesterday to-day to see the lion cub which was brought out on the steamer from West Africa. The cub, which is at present the ship's mascot, though a months old. It is attached by a chain to the smokestack and is anything but friendly at times, frequently requiring a good licking. A member of the crew showed our reporter a scar on his hand which the animal had recently inflicted. The captain intends to take the first opportunity to sell the brute. What a great opportunity for Mr. Coaker's many admirers to present him with a substitute for "Mutt". The C. C. C. Committee are requested to meet this evening at 8.30 o'clock in the C. C. C. Hall (Mechanics' Building). Important business. E. T. FURLONG, Secretary.—mar8,11

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Day's Mess. L. CONVOY. SYDNEY. Capt. L. Convoys body, the Captain McDonough to-day in company Sable Island, which is under Union Steel Company's management. On Sunday, in her bow by running, she can leave Sydney. GEORGE IN HIS... that the German... acceptable, said, "I... having to come... in the interest of... it is likely to... attention in our... made an effort to... standing and it is... and discussion of... announce, on behalf... failure to come to... approximate under...". BOARDING KN... HELSINGFOR... volunteers and... and Soviet be... Revonnans and... also boarding Kn... from Viborg. THE POWER OF... PAR... decision of the... to impose statu... was received... in French... it always has... sonor or later fo... resorted to, in o... to a proper app... as a vanquishe... expressed by offic... Allies will have... collecting the ind... with armies well... story, than they... high long drawn... SIMONS' HYPO... LOND... Simons, in his re... regretted that... had been misco... as for you," he... stage of provision... doubt. But we... such provision... the pressure of... proposals. We... to put before... arrangement, a p... which were original... STILL STUDY... PAR... Havas correspond... morning, says that... continue to study... which will be pres... to-day. ITALY BACKS... LOND... Rome correspond... quotes the Epoc... the Italian cabinet... approved the attit... the pressure of... proposals. We... to put before... arrangement, a p... which were original... TROTSKY IN CO... STOCKHOLM... Trotsky, Soviet War... and of Soviet... tionaries around... to a Helsinki... bombardment... "but" being... al forts and is ans... CALMLY WAIT... DUISBURG, Germ... coming of the ar... being awaited... the effect of the occup... PEASANTS REV... DUBLIN... Times despatch sa... of unusual p... ing in the Gov... Voronov, and... leadership of Ant... Regimental comma... FOUR KILLED IN... DUBLIN... persons were sho... in an engage... and Sinn... in Southern Irela... VALERA'S MAN... DUBLIN... Valera is believ... manifesto to last... takes the form... representatives of For... charges against... and Tans and Br... concludes with "I... people have been... PROMPT RE... this acid-distressed... for three... KI-MOI... these meals, disolv... keep your... KI-MOI... MADE BY SCOTT &... HALL'S OF SCOTT'S E...