

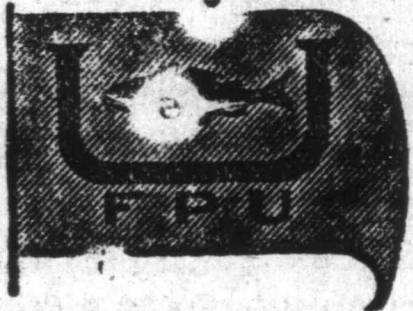
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**What Are You Going To Do About It?**

YESTERDAY we showed again as we did last week the difficulties Newfoundland is up against. We showed that the last War Loan would be spent within a few months, and we pointed out that the daily expense of the War is increasing as more men are put on the roll of the Newfoundland Regiment. It should be remembered the First Battalion is a young gallant band of heroes who are in the front rank of the fighting. It is not a middle aged battalion for garrison duty or even for lines of communication, but is meant for front line work, where vigor, virility and valour are essential. That is why the War Office is asking for 150 recruits a month. The pay roll of the Regiment is constantly increasing from the constant increase in the numbers of its ranks to keep a battalion at full strength at the front. Besides the thousand and odd men at the front there is the large number of men in hospital or on sick furlough or returned to the depot on light or full duty and the men in training who have not yet seen the front. All these men have to be paid. The War Loan is running short and a new loan must be raised to pay them.

We ask the Government: What are you going to do about it? We have already mentioned the War Office has asked for 150 recruits a month. The Governor has guaranteed that the men will be found. We do not think the Governor would do so without the authority of his Ministers. The recruiting during the past twenty months has not averaged for the Regiment 100 men a month. We ask the Government: What are you going to do about it? The longer the battalion is on front trench work the longer will be the Casualty List. Many of the gallant men who have made the supreme sacrifice have left old mothers and fathers and children without support. They have done their bit for King and Country. We now ask the Government: What are you going to do about it?

Many of the men have come back and will come back temporarily or permanently unfit to support themselves. They have given their health and strength for the Country. It is the Country's first and foremost duty to make good to them as far as money can do it the living impaired by loss of limb, health and strength. We ask the Government: What are you going to do about it? Many of the men who come back will be unable to follow their old trades and occupation. They will need some vocational training to give them a new start in life. We again ask the Government: What are you going to do about it?

To meet the obligations we have outlined will require new grants in supply of \$400,000 a year. How is the money to be raised? It must be raised. Whatever else is left undone. This must not be left undone. It will not be enough

## 8th Annual Convention of the F.P.U. Opened at Catalina Yesterday

(Special to The Mail and Advocate)

CATALINA, December 5.—President Coaker, accompanied by 100 delegates, arrived yesterday morning and were met by a large concourse of people.

At 10 a.m. Mr. Coaker with many friends visited the construction work which is progressing very favourably and is the wonder of the visitors and delegates to the Convention.

At 2.30 p.m. the Annual Meeting of the Trading Company was held and all Mr. Coaker's proposals were adopted and approved of.

At 4.30 the Export Company shareholders met and decided to start exporting fish next fall from Catalina and empowered Mr. Coaker to go ahead with the business as he deemed desirable. A manager will be selected and take up work here in June.

At 7.30 the Convention was opened. The President's address occupied over one hour and was the most interesting and important address ever delivered before a Union Convention. Committees were appointed to draft a reply and to consider changes in the Constitution.

The District Councils of Trinity and Bonavista Districts will hold Annual Meetings and select candidates. All the Union members of the Assembly are present and 150 delegates have been delayed by the long trip of the Prospero but many Green Bay delegates came via Lewisporte, and it was decided to proceed with business.

This afternoon Private Jensen will address the Convention and will leave by 6 p.m. train for St. John's.

The greatest enthusiasm prevails and much business of great importance was transacted yesterday.

The Oranged Hall is only large enough to contain the delegates. The hall is splendidly decorated and very artistic, and the walls are covered with Union mottoes. This Convention is easily the greatest yet held.

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to give the glad hand, flap flags, and shout Hurrah "When Tommy Comes Marching Home." The Country will have to put its hand deep in its pockets and give substantial aid to the heroes disabled and to the dependents of those who sleep under a foreign sod. We ask the Government again: What are you going to do about it?

Have you strength enough to overcome the difficulties which face you? If not, how are you going to get the strength you need? Has the Country sufficient confidence in you to join hands with you in solving these problems? If not, how are you going to get that strength? Has the Country faith enough in you to put its hands deep in its pockets and provide the needful? If not, how are you going to inspire that faith? It is up to you. What are you going to do about it?

### Big Incomes

A WASHINGTON announcement that the year has seen the number of American citizens with incomes of a million and over doubled, is a striking evidence of the wonderful prosperity of the great republic is enjoying. According to the official charged with the collection of the income tax, there were only sixty Americans in 1915 with incomes over a million, while exactly double that number, one hundred and twenty, paid taxes in the year now closed. Of course there was a correspondingly large increase in the growth of smaller incomes, resulting in a total increase in revenue from income tax of \$45,000,000. Other increases in internal revenue collections principally from the manufacture of cigarettes and liquors, made the total \$97,000,000 greater than secured in 1915 through the department. Figures available do not disclose how much of the income increase is due to the war. However secured, those with a million dollar incomes have little cause to worry about increased living cost.

### Shop Early

SO many reasons for early Christmas shopping will suggest themselves to those who give the subject a moment's thought; that it seems almost superfluous to suggest the great advantages of making selections early in the season. One compelling patriotic reason for making Christmas purchases early is the fact that all business establishments are handicapped by the loss of efficient help in every department. Clerks familiar with the business and the wants of customers are in khaki. This condition obtains in every department of every business, and besides being a reason for early shopping it is a reason for consideration, for toleration on the part of the shopper. Because the new clerk does not understand your wants as well as did your old friend behind the counter, or because the delivery man makes mistakes and puts you to some inconvenience, do not forget that he is doing another's work while that other is defending your home, your liberty, perhaps your very

## The Scotsman

The Scottish race has had its influence for progress in nearly every country in the world. And, clannish though "Sandy" is said to be, he has never been accused of attempting collectively to supersede the loyalty of the realms away from Scotland in which he has taken up his abode, by any political segregation of a racial kind. History knows of hundreds of his race who have attained to the very highest status as statesmen, generals and capitalists, all of whom, like "Sandy" himself, were of their adopted country first and Scotsmen after. And no one has ever thought of begrudging clansmen or lowlanders a special day of the year on which to celebrate the patriotic affections of Auld Scotia, that have made her loved at home and revered abroad. Indeed, it was as far back as the sixteenth century that the English poet Chapman thought to eulogize, in his own English way, "the industrious Scots, who were even then to be found dispersed all over the earth to its advantage." Yes, in spite of the cynicism that is wont to cut its capers around the national traits of our co-citizens of Scottish birth and descent, it may safely be repeated that their love for the land of their forefathers has ever been, more or less, a fertilizing soil for the communal patriotism they take up with, in whatever country they have made for themselves and their families a permanent home.

The grace of courage garners (a)me Out on the battlefield;  
And Scotia's sickle weel may claim To share the awesome yield;  
O may some nearing harvest-gloom Bring rainbow-radiance to the gloom!  
This day emblams our fathers' pride And ours, in what is brave—  
In what runs urgent far and wide, Our liberties to save;  
And, come what may, we'd brook no stay,  
While standing by God's may or nay,  
Our fathers fought, and we must fight!  
Like them, 'tis ours to aid The nations one and all to smite  
The tyrant running raid,  
Against the gifts these forbears prized,  
And God himself hath solemnized.

Homeland to homeland we would stand,  
In line with what is right—  
Auld Scotia's creed at God's command,  
Whose right alone is might;  
And, though the day be full of fate,  
For what it stands we'd celebrate.

"There is no more loyal upholder of the cause of progress than the Scotsman abroad, unless it be the Scotsman at home."—The Toastmaster.

life. The conditions under which business is carried on to-day make it wise that this thought and a kindly consideration for the workers should be in every mind, while the difficulties these conditions create are reasons for doing your shopping early.

### Got His Lesson.

Brown—How is it you let your wife have her own way so entirely? Jones—Because I once tried to stop her.

## REVEILLE

BY CALCAR

MAJOR HUGH GREEN is coming to Newfoundland from Ottawa by kind permission of the Canadian Government, and at the request of Sir Edward Morris. Major Green is director of fish supplies and comes here to show us how we may introduce our fish into European, especially English markets. Sir Edward is overjoyed to see so much evidence that our tojosome hammering at the question of organization of our business is at length taking effect. We do not care who takes it up, the main idea is to have it so adopted.

Election times are coming on apace and only one more session of the House intervenes. We have been wondering for a long time what new idea would shape itself in the fertile brain of Sir Edward for the edification of his people and the disarming of his opponents who hold that he has done nothing in the interest of the country. We are however glad to see an awakening among the gentry who comprise the Government of some interest in the country, even though it be at a late hour.

We do not suppose however that this latest idea of importing a gentleman from Ottawa to put something like business methods into our slow and slovenly system is going to work great wonders. We have been too long asleep to be easily roused. To go slowly, to let things drift has been too long part of our natures to be a style easily replaced by some up-to-date business system.

If this dreamed of awakening should come to pass within the span of our mortal days we will be more surprised than was that model slumberer Rip Van Winkle when he came back to find so many changes in the old village. We will be inclined to ask everyone we meet if he remember Rip Van Winkle.

We have been for four hundred years a fishing community, a fishing vessel moored in the midst of the greatest fishing waters in all the world devoted almost exclusively to fishing and marketing of fishery products, yet we have to send to Canada, a farming country, for a man to come down to show us how to sell our staple product.

Where do our supposedly business men stand now? Are they still prepared to hold their heads high as if they held all the brains of the country? These are the same men mind you who not only controlled the business of this country but up to a very short time the politics of the land as well, and would to-day, if they could. They have not developed their own business, is it any wonder they failed to develop the resources of the country.

Major Green hopes, according to the newspapers, to organize a weekly fish business to the value of a million dollars. Our sleepy business people must open their eyes wide at this announcement, that is if they can develop enough energy to lift their eye lids so far. It must seem to their backward ideas as if this were but the figment, the fantasy of a dream. May be Major Green will be able to show them how the fishery business of this country may be enhanced a hundred fold.

There are outside the fisheries altogether a hundred ways whereby the industry of this country may be so developed, ways that have not yet been attempted. Mr.

## GLEANINGS OF GONE BY DAYS

DECEMBER 5

A loan of ninety million dollars raised in London in sixteen hours, 1796.

Frank J. Morris born in St. John's, 1862.

The Corsair lost in Cuckold's Cove; crew saved, 1865.

Church of England Bazaar opened; first day's sales, \$420, 1876.

First railway engine arrived on steamer Merlin—one previously shipped was lost, 1831.

Hon. C. F. Bennett died, aged 90, 1883.

Gladstone's Franchise Bill passed, 1834.

Alan C. Goodridge appointed to Executive—youngest member ever appointed to the position here, 1899.

MacKay with his electric furnace is showing us one way. He takes the tailings and refuse from a worn-out mine and proves them immensely valuable. What might he do with the mines themselves, if he had them.

This is only one instance where the application of modern methods can effect a transformation from a worthless heap to a deposit worth many thousands of dollars. What Mr. MacKay is doing with

the slag and dumps from old mine workings remains for some business man to do for our fisheries, for our lumbering and farming industries, all of which are in the most primitive condition.

It is a reflection upon the business men of this community that after centuries of fishery business we had at length to go to Ottawa for a man to help put the affairs of the business in shape.

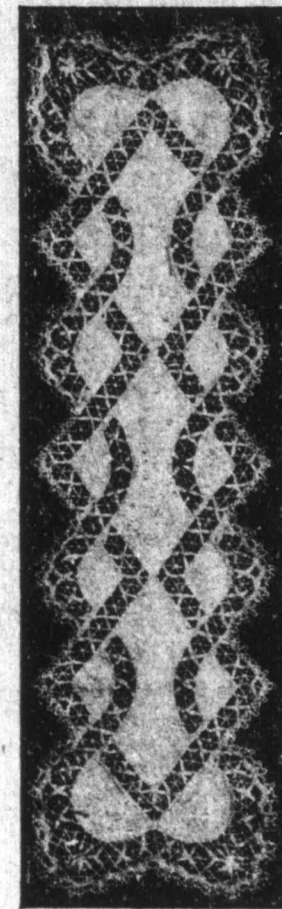
Sir Edward Morris hopes by

this latest innovation to reap some political reward by-and-by. Leave it to him to evolve a scheme whereby the people may be led to believe he is doing something big.

The carbide project fizzled out as everyone thought it would, but as every session must have its tale of glories to be, and wonderful things to come, the fish expert is to supply the dish of wonders for 1916.

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