M.C.L.I.

"RESOLVED—That the granting of bounties on Codfish would retard the economic recovery of Newfoundland." A splendid audience greeted the speakers last night at the Institute hall in the College Hall, when the M. L. I. debated the above question. The appointed speakers were as follows:—the affirmative Captain Kean, J. Smith and C. Newbury. The negative Messrs. Geo. Soper, P. H. Cowan and D. E. Pelley.

With such an able speaker and practical man as Capt. Kean to open on this question, it was but to be expected that a logical address should be given, and so it proved the case, for Capt. Kean did honor to the moment, and justice to the debate, and his successors measured well up to him. In opening, Capt. Kean explained the debate in detail, and was very careful to impart to the institute the correct meaning of the question. It was not a question as to whether a bounty should, or should not, be paid; but rather was it a question as to the economic restoration of the finances of the country which would be brought about by a bonus. The Captain quoted the population of the Island as approximately two hundred and sixty thousand people, with a fishing population of one fifth the number, or somewhere over fifty-one thousand, and he maintained that a bonus on codfish would not be beneficial to the entire population; nor even to the fishing portion of the population; but rather would it prove a case of "unto him that hath shall be given." The principle could not be applied in general, inasmuch as it meant borrowing more money upon the country's credit, it was merely a case of taking funds from one account and putting them to the credit of another, or as the Captain aptly put it, "out of one pocket into another." Captain Kean maintained that even if this principle were sound and produced sound, economic results, that only a few would benefit, and they would do so at the expense of the total population, and the farmers, who would not be successful in getting a good voyage, would be forced to give to those who had. The proposition it was claimed, was a dangerous one, and was not likely to develop a strong manhood, nor independent principles. It rather had a tendency to pauperise the fishermen, and savoured of getting something for nothing, and at best when all is said and done, the fact of a bonus on the catch of fish would not establish the economic condition of the country. It was not good business—it defeated itself, and could not claim to be a remedy for present conditions. The rate of exchange and the conditions in the foreign markets, and the matter of cure, and of supplying, were reviewed by the affirmative, and the whole argument clearly proved that while economy is desirable and necessary, and the fisheries are our mainstay, at the same time to subsidize them, would not be sound business. The entire speaking of the affirmative was good, and some excellent logic was displayed.

In the affirmative so well established Mr. George Soper, the leader of the negative had no small task to reinforce his case, and establish his side of the debate. But Mr. Soper, like a good captain, was also well prepared, and it was surprising how many strong points were adduced on either side of the debate. Mr. Soper spoke of fishermen as being the best product of the land, and of their great value to the country as such, and he referred to the present state of the country as being in need of help, and stimulation, and he claimed that improvement is necessary to restore what we have lost as a fishing country, and to put heart into the fishermen, and to assure them of greater success than they have had of late. He maintained could be largely accomplished by granting a bounty on codfish. He did not specify any particular bounty, he did not claim a dollar per quintal, but he claimed that a bonus, according to the quality of fish would improve the situation, and would cause more fish to be caught, which would result in greater industry and larger returns, so that whatever the bonus might be, it would come back to the revenue in the increased purchasing power of the people, and thus benefit the bounty. Mr. Soper was ably supported by his seconders, and when the debate proper was opened the interest was very keen. The general discussion then followed, and for the remaining hour not one moment was lost. Each member contributed some excellent points both for and against.

On the vote being taken the victory was in favor of the affirmative, and won by a sweeping majority. The debate was a timely one, and showed well versed our people are on the current topics of the day. Amongst the visitors last night the following gentlemen spoke, and all lended excellent help: Mr. Archibald of Harbour Grace, gave a considered speech in favor of the negative. Commander Howley gave some good advice; but would not express himself upon the debate. Mr. Pelley spoke a few words, and Mr. J. Baird gave some convincing facts upon his experience in the Mediterranean markets where he had for years visiting all the fish markets of the world to which Newfoundland exports her produce. Messrs. Keen and Blackmore also spoke and expressed their appreciation of being present. Mr. Milley presided at the debate, and we feel assured that President Hearder must feel encouraged, both at the attendence and at the deep interest manifested all the time, for he seems to be having a record session.

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Royal Oak Lodge Social

A very pleasant and enjoyable time was spent last Wednesday night in Victoria Hall, where a Concert and Sociable was held under the auspices of Royal Oak Lodge for their benevolent purposes, and was largely patronized. Long before the hour for commencement made its appearance the hall was filled to its utmost capacity, and scores had to go away, not being able to gain admittance. The following is a list of the programme:—

Chairman's Remarks.
Selection—C.L.B. Band.
Piano Solo—Arthur Walker.
Recitation—Miss Osmond.
Dumb Bells—Miss A. Churchill.
Song—F. J. King.
Recitation—Miss Mildred Milley.
Reading—Mrs. E. Courtenay.
Recitation—L. Cullen.
Address—P.G.M., F. G. Bradley.
Dialogue—Misses Smith and Mrs. Hefferton.
Recitation—Miss Eva LeGrow.
" Mas. T. Noseworthy.
" Miss Noseworthy.
" J. Bonnell.
Song—T. Noseworthy, Jr.

Between the different items the C. L.B. Band under the direction of Capt. A. Morris, rendered some old-time Orange and other music, which was a pleasure to listen to, and which was well appreciated by all present. The different performers had to respond to several encores, and were received with great applause. After the programme had been gone through, a vote of thanks was moved by R. Dawe and seconded by J. Wiseman to the performers of the evening and the Band; also to the gathering who so nobly responded to the worthy cause. Tea was then served and all present did ample justice to satisfy the inner man. The chairman of the evening was Mr. R. J. Ivany, W.M. of Royal Oak Lodge. The proceeds of the evening was a substantial amount, and as it is for a worthy cause—in helping widows and orphans—it is something the committee in charge feels proud of. The happy gathering dispersed at 11 o'clock after the rendition of the National Anthem by the Band.

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