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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

AUNT JANE'S XMAS LETTER

DEAR MR. EDITOR,—I was looking over some of my old papers and things last week and what do you think I found but last year's Advocate Christmas Number, and it seems only a short while since I sent you my last Christmas letter and here we are nearly up to Christmas again, but oh! what a difference.

Last year everything was quiet in this country—true most of the people to the North of St. John's were feeling bad because we lost the Government (which we never had), but then there was that quiet about Christmas that made us all feel like saying "Peace on earth, good will toward men," but this year our hearts are sore with the thought of so much misery from the great war which is causing so many happy homes to be broken up and so many brave men to be sent to their last reward through no fault of their own.

Remember the Poor.

When we are keeping up Christmas this year we mustn't forget the poor people around us who cannot have a good time because of trouble in their homes through losing some loved one or because of bad times.

Jim sez everybody in Newfoundland ought to be as happy as clams because they are so far away from the Germans; and nine times out of ten Jim is right when he sez anything like that, but I tell him he ought to be ashamed of himself because he is always growling because the English battleships can't get at the Germans, but sez I, it's alright for us to talk about the English Navy being slow but we mustn't forget it is better to be slow and sure than like Kyser Bill fast and sore.

Valiant Young Men.

I'm glad to see that our outport men are coming to the front and offering themselves to England. Jim sez that my last letter helped to get some of them on the move but I think they didn't need my help, for everyone knows that our men are not cowards. All you have to do is show them their duty and they'll be there every time like a crack at dinner time.

What would become of Newfoundland if the Germans got out of their hiding place? Would we be able to help ourselves then? I say no, and the time for our men to offer their help is NOW not when it is too late. I'm glad that Change Islands has done her part by sending men with the Volunteers and Naval Reserve.

If we didn't do something to help England I'd pack up and go away from here after the war is over, for I'd be ashamed to belong to a place that wouldn't answer England's call for help. Well done Flat Islands, Bonavista Bay, we are proud of the noble Volunteers from that place.

Will Santa Claus Come?

But I'm forgetting that it's a Christmas letter I'm writing and that we must be as bright and jolly as we can when Santa Claus comes around to visit the little boys and girls. I wonder will he come this year? I hope he will call on the poor little children of Belgium and cheer them up because the poor little things lost their homes and some of them lost their fathers and mothers. If I get time I'll write a Christmas letter to the Union boys and girls.

Mr. Editor, you will please excuse me if my letter doesn't read right, for I can't think of what to say now for the boys are in the kitchen talking to Jim and you'd die to hear what they are saying.

Great Xmas Box.

Slippery Bill was in last night and told us he was talking to a man that was on the Fogota and the man told him that Mr. Coaker gave the Greenspond chaps a great Christmas box. Jim and our fellows got a bit jealous and wanted to know what it was, then Bill said that Mr. Coaker bought Mr. Ryan's place at Greenspond, house, land, stores and wharfs and the Union storekeeper was going to move in shortly after the Xmas holidays.

You'd died to see our chaps, Jim, he hit Bill over the head with a boot jack and knocked him spinning, then they started a set to round the kitchen until I had to yell at them to stop for if I hadn't they'd a knocked down that old dish that Aunt Susan gave me on my wedding day and I think more of that dish than I do of anything else in the house, except Jim.

Wild Time.

Well sir! then the talking commenced, Bill wanted to talk but Jim and the boys wanted their say and between the whole of them I was nearly stunned, but if our boys were de-lighted with the news what happened in Greenspond when the news was known? I wish some one in Greenspond would write and let us know.

As business is so good with the Union Store here, Jim sez Mr. Coaker



Aunt Jane's Xmas Smile

said that Change Islands must have a better place to do business and we all look forward to the day when the Union will have a premises equal to the other merchants here.

Why shouldn't we'd like to know? The Union keeps down prices of provisions and keeps up the price of fish. Go ahead Mr. Coaker, the men here will back you up.

Always Asking Questions.

The boys are always asking questions about the Convention but owing to the war I haven't taken as much interest as I used to. Somehow or other I can't help thinking of the poor people in Belgium and France.

Our delegate Garland Taylor gave a great account of the doings of the Convention but Jim wouldn't tell me much about it for fear I'd tell Slippery Bill and the other spies in the camp, but he needn't fear, I know a good true Union man from a spy any time.

Hope the Union will build or hire a premises next year as they need it if they want to do the business. This year they paid more for fish than the other merchants and handled more provisions and goods than last year. The Alameda landed a load of coal here not long ago and the people here were delighted to get it.

The store keeper Tom Peckford was sick for several days and I suppose you heard that Captain Joe Elliott passed away since I wrote you last time.

Load of Union Fish.

The "Dorothy B." Scammell master, left here early in the month with a load of Union fish. The captain returned by the Fogota as they left the schooner in St. John's for the winter.

Mr. Hyde is running Hodge's business here and Mr. Cook has left for the West Coast.

When you are fixing up the letter for print fix it up in your own style as I can't write as well as I used to, I suppose it's because I haven't done much letter writing lately.

I was pleased to see in one of your papers a letter from here giving us some news and the writer is pleased to hear from me. Well I must say I like to see my name in the paper now and then, and hope your readers like what I write.

Well and Happy.

Well time is passing and Christmas will soon be here and there is lots to do before the good time comes along, but before I close this letter I want all my friends to know that I'm still well and happy and looking forward to writing a few letters during the coming winter, as we must do our best to cheer up our non-union friends and help to spread the good news about what Mr. Coaker is doing for the fishermen of his native country.

As I write this Christmas letter I do it with the hope that every reader will have a Jolly Christmas and a Happy New Year and that we will all do our parts to make every one happy especially those who have had a lot of trouble during the past twelve months.

Aunt Jane's Advice.

Take Aunt Jane's advice: Smile as long as you can, don't go around talking bad times and what the Germans will do to us when they get out of the North Sea. They will never get away from their hiding place as long as Newfoundland and the other British places keep England supplied with men like our noble Volunteers. I say keep the Germans where they are and we needn't fear, but we must help to keep them there by sending England men to supply her ships.

I see by the papers that England will have more new ships next year and if she has the ships she must have men. We have some fine hardy men in Newfoundland who should go to the war to help defend Britain but they are satisfied to sit at home and jaw about what the British Navy should do, and groan about the Germans going to win, and grunt because the merchants couldn't give them all the credit they wanted because of bad times, and fret because they think times will be bad next year.

Must Beat Them.

If these young fellows would stop grumbling and do their best to beat

the Germans everyone would think more of them and besides it only does harm when people are always grumbling about hard times.

Isn't it strange how things get mixed when you're writing, I started out to write a Christmas letter and now I'm getting what some people call patriotic, but you will excuse the rambling remarks, for it is as I said before hard to write when your mind is on the war.

I've written a longer letter than I thought I would, but I cannot close this time without again wishing all the readers of **The Mail and Advocate** a Happy Christmas and a Bright and Prosperous New Year. May Peace soon come and may we live to see it is the wish of your old friend

—AUNT JANE.

Change Islds., Dec. 17, '14.

SIBLEY'S COVE NEW OFFICERS

(Editor Mail and Advocate)

Dear Sir,—Sibley's Cove Council is in the fight in good faith, and is winning all along the line. It may be said that we have the Grab-all Fleet bottled up, just as the British have the Germa. They tried the game on us, but our plans carried where theirs failed. They thought they had us cornered, but now they know better for we have turned at bay, and our turn has come.

We have one Dreadnought and she is worth the whole fleet of Grab-all vessels. Her name is F.P.U. The F.P.U. flag is flying top-mast high, while the Grab-all flag is a shade below half-mast. This means business for the F.P.U.

We held our annual meeting and elected our officers for the year 1915, as follows:—

Chairman, Thomas Sparks, re-elected;

Dpt-Chairman, Archibald Button, re-elected;

Secretary, Fleamon Button, re-elected;

Treasurer, James Sparks, re-elected.

Sibley's Cove Council wishes our worthy President every success and a complete victory over all his enemies.

OLD SPORT.

SCORES CITY HALL METHODS

(Editor Mail and Advocate)

Dear Sir,—If you will allow me a little space in your paper, the only paper, probably, that a person can voice his sentiments in a thoroughly open manner, and where you maintain the proper newspaper sentiment "un-awed by influence and unbribed by gain," I would like to draw attention to a matter that should not go unnoticed by the public. I refer now to the attitude Mr. Mullaly has taken in regard to the payment of our Municipal funds, as recorded in your paper a couple of days ago. The voters of St. John's should never forget or go back on Mr. Mullaly, as he stands out alone, among his brother Councilors as the only genuine representative of the taxpayers and of the taxes they contribute.

Run it as a Business.

I particularly refer to the way he voted on the matter regarding the extra pay for officials of the Council for "extra" work, and it is about time we had other men of the Mullaly type in the Council to see that that office is run as a business should be.

How many places on Water Street are there where the employees can have such extended holidays as the office staff enjoy from time to time? How many places are the hours from ten to four? How many places would the employees dare to ask for extra for the many long hours they work in the spring and fall of the year? Their answer would be the same as the officials of the Council should get.

Why the Difference.

Look at the difference between those men in the office and those poor men who are doing the hard work of the Council on the outside, and the treatment accorded both, then compare notes.

Right you are, Mr. Mullaly, those men should not get the extra pay, and less so the men who received it on a previous occasion, the desk staff, as if they are not satisfied with what they are getting, let them step out, and see how quickly their places can be filled with much better men who are not afraid of a couple of hours extra work.

If ever the Commission comes before the public for election, I will support you and work for you, Mr. Mullaly, as every conscientious taxpayer should do, as it has been proved to us time and again that you are not "afraid," the others have not got the courage of their convictions and do not like to displease so-and-so.

Stand to your guns, Mr. Mullaly, and the time will come when the public will show their appreciation of your actions.

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