

they must get a grip on political power, truer and firmer than their fathers had, and a standing in commercial life sufficiently strong to protect them from the business intrigue under which their fathers suffered.

For long years, the producers had waited vainly for others to help them. Mr. Coaker, through the F.P.U.,

One cannot overestimate the good accruing from the Local Councils of the Union. Held every week, attended usually by the great majority of electors and young men of each settlement, these assemblies afford opportunity for debate on matters affecting local and general conditions, which debates are usually followed by wise recommenda-



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taught them they must serve themselves and, in this, was the very essence of democracy.

The Newfoundland of to-day is happily different from the Newfoundland, prior to 1908. Her people have awakened to a true sense of their right standing and responsibility in the social, commercial and political life.

tions or decisions. These Councils are great educators. The same may be said of the Annual District Councils, which combine every matter affecting the different localities, which are brought to the attention of the House of Assembly representatives, who are thereby drawn in direct contact with their constituents and are enabled to acquaint



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Her people are swinging unitedly forward on the road of Prosperity. The F.P.U. has been the impelling evolutionizing force but the F.P.U. has been the outcome of the energy, genius, personality and organizing ability of Mr. Coaker. Thus, to him, can be ascribed credit for the regeneration of Newfoundland conditions.

themselves with matters in a way impossible to representatives of the pre-1913 period.

The Supreme Convention of the F.P.U. is the most representative and democratic body of producers in this country. In no other assembly can matters affecting the producers and country be discussed so wisely and well.