



Evening Telegram

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Strangulation of Trade.

The letter from Capt. John H. Pike, of Channel, published in the Telegram yesterday, is additional proof of the unpopularity of the Fish Regulations, as they bear on the small dealer to the detriment of his trade and living. Captain Pike is one of many master mariners, who have spent the best years of their life in carrying cargoes from and to Newfoundland, at imminent risk, and as he says in his letter, he has now abandoned the sea and settled down to enjoy the pleasures of shore life, putting whatever money he made into a small trading venture, in order to give personal occupation during his remaining period on earth. In common with other men doing the same class of business, he necessarily has to take in the way of trade or barter, during the season small parcels of dry fish, which are bought in any quantities from fourteen pounds up to a quintal. These little lots gradually increase in complement and value, until they attain fair proportions to a limited business, a hundred quintals being considered a respectable collection. Having made this collection, representing a sum in the vicinity of one thousand dollars—at current prices—they are naturally desirous of converting the fish into cash to meet bills payable. But Mr. Coaker here intervenes and says, loudly and emphatically, NO!

What is the reason for this prohibition by the Minister of Marine and Fisheries? Is it because he thinks that these men are in direct competition with the large exporter and more influential trader? It must be so, because he deliberately sacrifices the smaller man on the altar of larger. "If you are a bona fide fisherman," runs his instruction, "you may export one hundred quintals without a license, but if you are a business man export of that quantity will not be allowed unless you take out a license." Seems absurd doesn't it to demand the purchase of a license at a cost of fifty dollars to cover the export of any shipment of fish up to one hundred quintals from men who have bartered goods for small lots up to this complement, and when their total collection for a whole year does not exceed this. It is not only bringing about the strangulation of the small business man, but it is putting him clean on the rocks. The cost of a license for the export of one hundred quintals would mean an extra fifty cents on the cost. For smaller lots the proportion would be greater. Thus the man who bartered in little lots, finds himself saddled with additional expense on account of license fee, and consequently cannot realize his original outlay. Should he desire to sell locally, he has perforce to accept the price offered by the big exporter, which may also entail

a loss. Therefore the small trader is between the devil of the regulations on the one hand and the deep sea of loss on the other. Is it any wonder then that the deepest anathemas are being hurled at the Fish Regulations by fishermen, planters, and small traders, alike?

A Retraction.

A contributed article in the Telegram of date September 22, page 7, under the caption, "The Effect of the Government Fishery Regulations on the Trade of Newfoundland," contains a statement reflecting upon the stability of Messrs. Hawes & Co., the words used being as follows:

"At times Hawes & Co. must have had acceptance running into hundreds of thousands of dollars, many of these drafts being extended after the expiration date."

In giving publicity to this we did not realize at the moment the financial injury it might have caused to Messrs. Hawes & Co., nor would we wish for a moment to publish anything calculated to damage the integrity of that firm, and we have no hesitation whatever in withdrawing the statement of our contributor, and offering our sincere regrets for the publication of such, particularly as we understand that our correspondent was misinformed. In addition we present our apologies to Messrs. Hawes & Co. for any inconvenience which might have been caused them by the expression of such a sentiment as contained in the article in question.

Notes and Comments.

"Jones is the finest after-dinner speaker I have ever heard."

"Indeed!"

"Yes," he always says, "Waiter, give that bill to me."

Why penalize the small trader by exacting a license for the export of one hundred quintals only? That is what the Coaker Fish Regulations have accomplished.

Probably the correct Passenger (Outwards and Inwards) Returns from the Custom House, would tell a different story, from that which the Advocate relates. Figures may be twisted to suit any purpose. Let the public have a sworn statement.

Isn't it great to know that because of the profound (ahem) knowledge of our Food Control Board, sugar prices are set at 32 cents per pound in the city, plus transportation and other charges in the outports, when it might to-day be imported and sold at about half that price?

Joseph Walker, parish vergier at Mill Hill, Haddon, Great Britain, and his wife, who have just celebrated their diamond wedding, were married in 1860, at Wilmington, Bedfordshire, by the Rev. Augustus Orlebar, who figures in "Tom Brown's School-days."

The Morning Chronicle, Halifax, asks if the refiners who piled up gigantic stocks of sugar which they expected to sell at top-notch prices are going to be protected against loss, every other kind of business, which misjudged the market and overstocked its wares, has a right to ask the Government for similar protection.

Mrs. Murphy: "Sure, and what is Ryan's girl learning at the boarding-house school at all?"

Mrs. Brown: "Oh, music, drawing, wood-carving, and poker-work—and such-like."

Mrs. Murphy: "Poker-work is it? Well, now, if her old mother had been alive it's herself that could have shown her the way; and well old Ryan knew it."

A portion of a bursting fly-wheel sailed through the roof of the electric light plant at Richmond, Ky., early one morning recently to the home of Wallace Hunter, 600 yards away, where it killed his young daughter, Fanny, and clipped the braids from the head of her sleeping woman companion. The missile crashed through the floor and side of the dwelling and was found in the yard two feet under ground.

St. George's Coal Fields.

EXPERTS PLEASED WITH PROSPECTS.

Mr. Thomas Freeman, who for the past week has been at St. George's in connection with the St. George's Coal Fields property, returned to the city by last evening's express. He reports that during the summer considerable development work has been done and several new sections of known seams have been uncovered. The new seam lately opened up has been further developed and the coal has proved to be of excellent quality. As the work of uncovering the seams progresses the property is seen to be ever so much more valuable than at first realized. A party of coal mine owners and engineers from Philadelphia has recently inspected the property and they expressed themselves as highly pleased with what they have seen. They were, however, at a loss to know why Newfoundland has to import coal.

Sable I. Here and Gone.

S.S. Sable I. arrived in port at 1 o'clock this morning from North Sydney, bringing the following passengers: F. J. Conaughton, Miss M. Ball, Mr. L. Levanje, G. E. Ottor, Stephen West, P. Ring. The captain reports that on Saturday a fierce storm raged at Sydney, and the sea was mountainous, and for the day Sable I. could not leave port. This storm delayed the sailing of the Sable I. and she did not get away before Sunday morning. She left here at 2 p.m. to-day for Sydney, taking the following passengers: C. R. Drayton, J. G. Rennie, Mrs. A. Hayes, C. Connors, Miss M. Richards, T. Mally, L. S. Fraser, D. M. Stewart, S. L. Storkeson, Mrs. S. Maloney, F. Melton, A. L. Fleming, Miss Campbell, J. T. Crome, Jack Furneaux, Mrs. Mary North, M. Walsh, D. C. Patmore, Jno. T. Maloney, Mrs. K. Breen.

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Telephone Company Doing Good Work.

The Avalon Telephone Co. are making great progress with their work of installing the new phone system. Already the aerial cables, some 60,000 feet, have been strung and two thirds of the splicing have been completed. The new station on Duckworth Street is nearing completion, the outside being practically finished, and in the course of 5 or 6 weeks the inside will be ready for occupancy. The new switchboard is being shipped from Rochester, N., and should be here in a week or two. This switchboard is of the latest type being semi-automatic, that is when a subscriber has been put on the connection required, the operator need not further trouble with, "did you get them yet," as the phone bell will ring until the number wanted answers. The person ringing up will hear the bell sounding so that the vexation of not knowing if the number has been called is obviated. The laying of the underground cables from Prescott to Waldegrave Streets has begun and the whole system will be ready to cut over about the end of the year. Of late subscribers have been much annoyed by cutting in of conversation and losing the lines, etc. This we are informed can hardly be avoided while the men are working amongst the wires.

Coastal Boats.

CROSBIE & CO.
S. S. Susan arrived in port from the Fogo service this morning. She brought practically no freight and few passengers.

GOVERNMENT.
S. S. Prospero left Conche at 2.40 p.m. yesterday, coming south.
S. S. Portia left Grand Bank at 8.45 p.m. yesterday, going west.

REIDS.
Argyle is leaving Placentia this p.m. on Bay route.

Clyde—No report since leaving Lewisporte on 16th, inward.

Diana—No report since leaving Humbermouth.

Glencoe left Fortune at 8.50 a.m. yesterday, coming to Placentia.

Home left Nipper's Harbor at 1.10 p.m. yesterday, inward.

Kyle at North Sydney.

Petrel left Clarendville at 12.15 p.m. yesterday, going north.

Saguna left Harbor Grace at 8.15 p.m. yesterday, going north.

Senet arrived at Lewisporte at 10.45 p.m. yesterday.

Watchful arrived at Port Union at 4.40 p.m. yesterday.

Sebastopol left Lark Harbor at 11.15 a.m. yesterday, coming to Humbermouth.

Earl of Devon left Exploits at 6 a.m. yesterday, outward.

Shipping Notes.

S. S. Rosalind left Halifax at 4 p.m. yesterday for this port and is due here at noon to-morrow.

Schr. Marion Elizabeth arrived in port this morning, 4 days from Port Hastings, with a load of coal to A. Harvey & Co.

Schr. Amy B. Silver sailed from Hr. Buffett on the 17th for Oporto with 3,219 qtls. of codfish, shipped by Thos. Wakely & Son.

Schr. Gordon Hollett has sailed from Burin for Oporto with 2,546 qtls. of codfish, shipped by W. & T. Hollett.

Schr. General Maud has cleared from Marytown for Oporto with 4,276 qtls. of codfish.

Schr. Jude has cleared from Bonne Bay for Parquhar & Co.

Schr. Innovation has cleared from Port Union for Bahia with 4,944 packages codfish, shipped by Union Trading Co.

Schr. Rita has entered at Marytown to load codfish for Oporto.

The repairs to S. S. Volunda were finished yesterday morning and the ship sailed at noon for Bell Island to load ore for Sydney.

Schr. Sordello sailed to-day for Botwood taking a full cargo for the A. N. D. Co. It is likely that after discharging the Sordello will take a load of pulp and paper to England.

Grape-Nuts for breakfast

A dish of this delicious wheat and malted barley food starts the day right.

A Sugar Saver

Supreme Court.

(Before Chief Justice.)
The King vs. Robert Whitten.
The prisoner was arraigned and pleaded guilty. Higgins, K.C., was heard in mitigation of punishment. Sentence was deferred till this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

In Chambers.
(Before Justice Kent.)

In the matter of the petition of T. & M. Winter of St. John's, praying that Donald McKenzie of Heart's Content be declared insolvent. On motion of Higgins, K.C., for the petitioner, it is ordered that the hearing be adjourned until Wednesday, 27th inst., at 10.30 a.m.

(Before Justice Johnson.)

In the matter of the alleged insolvency of Remie Langlois of Stephenville Crossing, general dealer, where in the latter seeks to be declared insolvent. Gibbs, K.C., calls Remie Langlois, Wood, K.C., appeared for Farquhar Trading Co. and cross-examined witness. Mr. Hunt appeared for D. Feder & Co. and cross-examined witness. Gibbs, K.C., moves that the petitioner, Remie Langlois, be declared insolvent and that Mr. Templeman be appointed trustee and that the petitioner's costs be allowed. It is ordered accordingly.

Here and There.

Just arrived for Stafford's, two thousand bottles of Brick's Tasteless Cod Liver Oil. Price \$1.20 bottle. Postage 20c. extra

NEPTUNE SAILS.—S.S. Neptune sails for the Labrador this afternoon, going as far as Holton, where she will bring up a number of fishermen.

The Young Man's Boot! Men's Dark Tan Laced Boots with rubber heels; makes an excellent Fall Boot, for \$13.50 at SMALL-WOOD'S,—sep25,tf

SCHOONER ASHORE.—A message was received in the city yesterday saying that the schooner Huron had gone ashore at White Point, Fogo District. No further particulars were sent.

SPATS only \$2.20 the pair, for ladies in Black, Brown, Fawn and Grey. Extra high cut, 11 buttons, extra heavy felt, with leather straps. Only \$2.20 pair. PARKER & MONROE, LTD. oct16,61

BAND DID PLAY.—We have been requested to state that the Jazzola Band did play at the Frehlich-Wylian wedding at Smithville, other newspaper reports to the contrary notwithstanding.

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TERRA NOVA'S REPAIRS.—Repairs to Terra Nova will finish at the dock to-day. Since going on the stocks the ship has had a thorough overhauling, having had new stern, bow plates, and inside planking put in place. Some further repairs will be made at Bowring's Southside pier when the ship will then be in first-class condition.

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DIED.

Last night after a lingering illness, Thomas Grant (shoemaker), leaving a wife, two sons (in New York) and three daughters to mourn the loss of a kind husband and loving father. Funeral on Wednesday, at 2.30 p.m., from his late residence, 301 Water St. West.—R.I.P.

Last evening after a short illness, Thomas J. Walsh, aged 59 years, leaving a wife, two sons and six daughters. Funeral on Wednesday at 2.30 p.m., from his late residence, 59 Pleasant Street.

IN LOVING MEMORY
of Victoria Garland, died Oct. 19th, 1919.

Softly at night the stars are shining,
On a lonely silent grave,
Where thou lie'st my dearest mother,
Whom we loved but could not save.
But your chair stands alone and empty,
In the home you loved so well,
And how we miss you mother,
God alone can only tell.
—Inserted by her daughter, Mabel.

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