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Codfish Standardization Commission

TO THE FISHERMEN OF NEWFOUNDLAND:

PROPOSAL REGARDING THE METHODS TO BE ADOPTED TO IMPROVE THE CURE OF NEWFOUNDLAND CODFISH.

1. That the position of the Newfoundland Fisheries in relation to those of Norway, Iceland and Britain be placed before the fishermen and the public through the Press, and in any other manner that will illustrate the necessity for improving our cure of fish if we are to successfully market our fish in competition without that from other countries.

2. That a full and complete statement of the essential features of curing that must be adopted by all fishermen if the cure is to be improved shall be published and circulated throughout Newfoundland and Labrador.

3. That Inspectors shall be appointed whose duty it shall be to examine and inspect all fishery and curing stages, boats, etc., throughout Newfoundland and the Labrador with a view to—

- Explaining the methods to be adopted to improve the cure;
- Bringing about an improvement in the construction of sanitary conditions of Fishing Stages;
- To collect and distribute information as to catch of fish or other matters affecting the interests of the fishermen and the country generally.

NOTE:—The Inspectors should eventually be given authority to condemn stages that are unfit for the sanitary curing of fish.

4. That fish purchased from the fishermen by exporters, whether in St. John's or in outports, shall be bought subject to a cull.

5. That all exports of fish from Newfoundland and the Labrador shall be inspected by duly qualified inspectors and certificates issued specifying the nature, style, cure and quality of the fish, and that specific standards shall, if possible, be laid down for the guidance of the Inspectors.

SUMMARISED, THE REQUIREMENTS MOST ESSENTIAL FOR IMPROVED CURING ARE:

- Clean boats, stages and splitting tables.
- Well split fish.
- Fish to be well washed from knife—all blood, liver and gut to be removed.
- Clean stage for curing fish.
- Regularity in salting.
- Fish to be washed thoroughly on back and face when taken from salt bulk.
- Fish to be bled as soon as taken from the water when possible.

LABRADOR.

Same qualities for all markets.

No. 1 FISH.

Fish to be split to the crux of the tail, washed from the knife, free from blood stains, clots, liver and gut. To be firm, thoroughly salted and well pressed. To be washed out of salt bulk by hand. All slub and slime removed from back. To be dried sufficiently to stand shipment without loss in weight. Fish not complying with these requirements to be classed as No. 2 quality and to be stowed in such a manner in the vessel as to form a distinct part of the cargo.

SHORE FISH CURED LABRADOR STYLE

To be known as Imitation Labrador. All Shore Fish cured Labrador style will be graded as such and not as Labrador, and must be cured as above. The making of this quality of Imitation Labrador is not encouraged as the demand will be very limited.

The black should be removed from the fins of Shore and Bank Fish from 18 inches up. Such fish when well cured will be classed Extra No. 1 and will command the highest price.

CURING OF FISH.

Fish is an article of food, and this fact must be kept clearly before all those who have the handling of it from the time it is caught until it reaches the consumers' table. Unfortunately, this fact is lost sight of by nearly all those who are occupied in the Fisheries of Newfoundland, whether they be the catchers, curers or exporters. There is not sufficient care exercised by any one of the several classes of handlers. The fishermen in their anxiety to get their catch under salt forget the fact that the fish they are curing is to be eaten by some person many thousands of miles away possibly many months hence. The exporters in their desire to, first: secure a large stock, and second: to send it to market quickly, also lose sight of the same fact. This must change, and in future all interested in the fisheries must always remember that they are handling an article of food, and treat it accordingly.

The first essential feature of all processes for handling food products is cleanliness. The boats into which the live fish are thrown from trap or hook must be clean, sweet and free from gurry of past catches. The stage upon which the fish are thrown from the boat must be clean. The splitting tables must be clean and kept clean throughout the whole time that the fish is passing over it. The curing stages must be thoroughly cleansed before the season opens, and kept clean during the whole season. Pound boards should be well washed frequently. Water is plentiful and cheap and should be used without stint. Stages should be limed at least once every year, inside and out.

With thoroughly clean boats, stage heads, splitting tables and stages, the first step towards good fish is secured. The next is cleanliness in handling the fish. All blood, livers and gut should be removed; all slime and gurry thoroughly washed off before the fish is put under salt. This can only be done by well washing the fish when split in plenty of clean water.

The fish should be split to the crux of the tail and laid open evenly without pockets. The sound bone should be removed to about half an inch beyond the end of the sound, to allow the blood in the bone to drain out. If this is done the fish, on going to salt, will have every chance of turning out of salt bulk or pickle a perfect fish.

Salting should be done with care. Much fish is spoiled by irregular salting and by careless packing in bulks. Salting should be completed without delay. Fish should not be laid away to be salted at convenience. Washing out from salt bulk should be done by hand—every fish being washed back and face separately. Eighteen hnds. Cadiz salt should be used in salting Labrador cure. Shore cure should not be bulked higher than three feet and from ten to twelve hnds. Cadiz salt to the hundred quintals.

The length of time for remaining in salt bulk or pickle is a matter for the judgment of the person in charge of the curing, as also in the curing once the fish has been washed out of bulk.

In some cases it is thought advisable that hook and line men should throat their fish immediately they are removed from the hook. This permits the fish to bleed, and not only insure a whiter fish but retards decay of the fish.

The foregoing approved by the Standardization Commission.

W. F. COAKER,
Minister Marine and Fisheries.

Marine and Fisheries Department
June 28th, 1920.

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Hill Climbing Extraordinary.

The feats of the La France Fire Motor Truck in so successfully climbing the steep hills of the city slopes yesterday, followed by the demonstration of the Overland up Market House Hill, has led others to test the powers of their cars similarly. Last evening Messrs. Silverlock and Cullen, each taking some passengers, the former in a Studebaker Touring Car, the latter in a Big 6, tackled the South Side Hill and notwithstanding the difficulties presented and the primeval condition of the track, the climb was made without a stop by both cars and return by same route safely accomplished. At 11 o'clock last night a daring chauffeur, the make and number of whose car could not be ascertained, made the trip from Water Street to Duckworth Street, via Market House Hill, and there turning his car came down very slowly, thus showing that he had his machine under perfect control, and displaying much coolheadedness. It was a pity that there were no more spectators to witness this feat; though perhaps the driver desired to do his stunt away from the gaze of the public, but the ubiquitous reporter happened along at the time and took it all in, admiring vastly the nerve and steadiness of the night climber. To give the reason why the number of the car could not be determined might get the chauffeur or owner into trouble with the authorities, and we have too much regard for the man at the wheel, though unknown, to give the secret away. Here's luck to you, old man, and may all your future ascents be equally as successful as that over Market House Hill last night.

Motor Association Meeting.

At a meeting of the Nfld. Motor Association held in the Board of Trade rooms last evening, the report of the Secretary, Mr. Collishaw, showed the finances to be in a healthy state, a substantial balance being on hand. After reading his report, Mr. Collishaw tendered his resignation and expressed his thanks to the President and other officers for their assistance and co-operation with him in the carrying out of his work. A vote of thanks was passed Mr. P. E. Outerbridge for his services as Secretary during the absence of Mr. Collishaw, last year. It was decided to defer the election of officers till next week and in the meantime a committee consisting of Messrs. H. E. Cowan, E. Collishaw, J. L. Slattery, W. White and Reg. Harvey will consider nominations and report. Messrs. P. Brehm, J. L. Slattery and E. Collishaw were appointed as a delegation to interview the Government Commission as to the machinery necessary for the roads improvement undertaking. The deputation will report at the next meeting. The equipment outlined by Secretary Collishaw will cost about \$9,600. With the funds already in hand, their share of the motor taxes collected by the Municipal Council and the grant from the Government under the new legislation, the Association will have about \$25,000 with which to carry on their work.

To-Morrow's Attraction.

C.C.C. SPORTS.

The attraction for to-morrow will be the C. C. C. Sports, which take place at 2.30 p.m. on St. George's Field. Some 16 sport items are listed on the programme, the most interesting being the Inter-School Relay Race, Football Fives, Physical Exercises by a squad of boys from the Fifth School, St. Patrick's Hall, and the Baseball Relay Race. During the afternoon the C.C.C. band will play selections, and refreshments will be sold by the ladies' committee. The sports are being held under the patronage of His Excellency the Governor and His Grace the Archbishop.

Gift to St. Anthony.

While Dr. Grenfell was at Twillingate on his way north, the local Hospital committee took the opportunity to consult with him regarding the site of the proposed new hospital, and generally in relation to the erection and operation. During his visit a concert was held at Alexandra Hall, and the proceeds (\$70.00), to Dr. Grenfell, the proceeds (\$70.00), to Dr. Grenfell for his hospital at St. Anthony. The presentation was made by Mr. Arthur Mannel, J.P., secretary of the Twillingate Hospital Committee, who in his letter to the doctor refers to the donation as a "sight recognition of his valuable services."

G. F. S. Entertainment.

At the Synod Hall, last evening, a delightful entertainment was given by the candidates of the G.F.S. The programme which consisted of songs, dances and recitations, concluded with an amusing sketch by Mrs. Herbert Outerbridge and Miss Ruth Emerson. The meetings have now closed for the summer, but the girls are looking forward to some picnics in the country. On Thursday evening the quarterly meeting for members will be held in the Synod Hall.

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A Modern Joshua.

The frequency of the discovery of illicit stills recalls the story of a negro who was apprehended in Kentucky for making whiskey. When he appeared in court the judge asked his name. The reply was "Joshua Smith, sah." "Oh," said the judge facetiously, "are you the Joshua that made the sun stand still?" "No, sah," replied the darkey, "I'm the Joshua dat made the moon shine."

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