

the West Coast of Scotland. It is as follows:—"In a great part of these northern lands we find the same set of conditions. The population is scattered, there is no market for fresh fish. Fish must therefore be dried or sold to the merchant which causes delay in payment, and that is often payment by truck. We have therefore the old fashioned 'peasant trade' as it is called, by barter with indebtedness for the fisherman and speculation for the trader." Fresh fish, cash payments, and free competition, are the knell of all that; they always mean freedom and the independence of the fishermen.

CONCLUSION.

In conclusion I would like to say how much I regret not having been able to go either to the Labrador or to the French Shore. My time has been so short I have not had time to do so, but in addition to Trinity and Placentia Bays, I have been able to visit Notre Dame Bay and obtain just a glimpse of Cape Broyle, Trepassey, St. Mary's, and Salmonier, as well as of the wonderful coast from Grand Bank to Channel and to spend also a day or two in that magnificent Bay, the Bay of Islands. I have been able, therefore, to form some idea of the greatness of your fisheries, and of the extent and grandeur of your coasts.

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Though a large number attended the reading on Friday at the Grenfell Institute, of a paper by Walter Duff, Esq., Fish Officer of Peterhead, Scotland, on the Fisheries of Newfoundland and their possible development, the gathering was not so large as the importance of the subject warranted. Minister of Marine and Fisheries Piccott presided, and on the platform were His Excellency the Governor, attended by Capt. Goodridge, A.D.C., also Rt. Hon. Sir E. P. Morris and Sir W. H. Horwood. Others present were Messrs J. R. Bennett, R. K. Bishop, P. Templeman, R. A. Squires, M. G. Winter, W. C. Job, Messrs. Lloyd, Hickman, Grimes, Devereaux, Halfyard, Currie and Higgins, M.H.A.'s, Insp. O'Reilly, W. A. Munn, J. F. Murphy, Dr. Burke, S. P. Whiteway, G. C. Fearn, A. McDougall, and H. C. Thomson. Introduced in a brief address by the Chairman, Mr. Duff read an interesting paper, in which all branches of the local fishery problems were discussed. The herring fishery received the greatest attention, but all the fisheries actual or potential were touched on. A verbatim report of his address on the her-

ring fishery is to be found in another column. The remainder of his paper will appear in to-morrow's issue. In proposing a vote of thanks the Governor said the address just delivered was of such extent and covered so much important ground that he could not adequately deal with it in the short time at his disposal. He thought the suggestions made were of importance. Though the codfishery had been practically only touched on, the subject of herring had been illuminated, and the development of this branch of our resources depends largely on standardization in the cure as pointed out. We should reap more benefit than Scotland from this fishery. By perseverance the Scotch have built up a great industry and we can do the same. Referring to fresh fish and its exportation, he thought he saw in the address the suggestions of Mr. H. C. Thomson, one of the best friends of Newfoundland. If such an industry could be started, the benefits would be great indeed. The supplies of all foods are short now and will be for some time, to all markets, and the introduction of fish, a cheaper article than meat, would result in good returns.