



## Evening Telegram

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### BAD FISH.

Many causes contribute to the making of bad fish, and the poor condition in which numerous cargoes turn out, when discharged, in European markets. No person engaged in the prosecution of the codfishery will deliberately make bad fish, but haste to get it off the flake before being properly cured in order to make a quick shipment, is something of which many a planter has been guilty, and will be, so long as buyers continue to be not over-particular, and fall to insist on a hard cured, well made product, when such is required for a particular market. Then again there is adverse weather. When fish have to remain in faggot or pile for weeks at a stretch, and this is by no means infrequent, it must necessarily follow that a prime article of commerce cannot be produced. The application of the pickle mop to the napes of fish thus prevented from being spread, that it might be preserved from being infested with maggots, does not tend to the making of No. 1 merchantable. Yet this process has to be adopted very often. The fish in such instances are saved, but cannot be made into any grade of quality other than No. 2 or West India. Government rules and regulations as to catching, splitting, curing and making are good measures, in their way, but they cannot overcome certain conditions, or bring about beneficial climatic changes, during the periods when the voyage is being made. But all agree that they are necessary, and that a marked improvement was shown in many instances last year. Given good fish making weather and close attention to the practical portion of the instructions, and even greater improvements in 1921 will be shown, because it is only now that the bulk of the fishermen have recognized that there are such rules and regulations.

The numerous claims made that inferior fish have been shipped to market recently, do not prove that the cargoes when laden were in bad condition. No exporter will take so expensive a chance as to load a vessel with poor fish in bulk, because his experience tells him that should a long passage ensue, the whole complement is inevitably rendered unfit for human consumption, and will not be permitted to land on arrival across. Therefore it stands to reason that shippers invariably endeavour to have their cargoes in first class condition when loading. After hatches are battened down they are helpless to prevent deterioration, and can only hope for favorable winds and a quick run to destination. Fish in bulk under hatches can go bad from many causes, the principal of which are heating, sweating, and contact with improperly cured lots which, no matter how much vigilance is exercised in the loading, often get mixed in through carelessness on some one's part, to the detriment of the whole cargo.

Another cause to which may be attributed the spoiling of fish in bulk is delays in loading. Every one with any knowledge of dry fish recognises that the more speedily a cargo is put on board the better it turns out, as the under lines do not suffer any undue shrinkage nor become subject to sweating, induced in many instances by the poor ventilation of the holds. Last year cargoes, from the West Coast were so long in the vessels before sailing—a result of the regulations forbidding clearance—and so long on the passage across, and to make matters worse were weeks and weeks outside Oporto, that it was a miracle indeed if they turned out anything but bad. But the shippers have had to carry the losses without hope of redress from those whose bungling and ignorance of conditions, precipitated financial disaster upon firms, the members of which had spent their lifetime in buying and exporting codfish, and making so fair a profit that they could afford to pay a higher price per quintal than was being offered anywhere in Newfoundland. Their early cargoes were always good, but 1920 regulations killed their trade, kept back their vessels from a waiting market and wrought confusion generally. Is it any wonder, under such conditions, that fish so long delayed between loading and discharging have gone bad?

### Died at New York.

Passing of Mr. A. E. Outerbridge. A message received recently from New York states that Alexander E. Outerbridge died on January 14th, of pneumonia. Mr. Outerbridge, who was a younger brother of Sir Joseph Outerbridge, of St. John's, was for some years with the firm of Harvey & Co. Whilst still a young man, he left Newfoundland and spent the greater part of his life in New York. Mr. Outerbridge was responsible for the inauguration and building up of the Bermuda West India Steamship services, and furthermore, his firm, A. E. Outerbridge & Co., became the agents of the Quebec Steamship Lines. Although he had reached the ripe age of 76 years, Mr. Outerbridge was an active and young looking man, and moreover, a keen sportsman. In fact it was he who caused the first skating rink to be built in St. John's. He is survived by his wife and two sons, to whom the Telegram expresses sincere sympathy.

### Men Paid Off.

The Prime Minister advises that he had received a telegram from Magistrate Fitzgerald, announcing, that between two and three hundred men had been paid off at Millertown and Badger and that it is of no avail for any person to go to either of these places looking for employment.

### Hit By Iron Bar.

The third engineer of S. S. Canadian Sapper, Mr. G. F. McRoberts, met with a serious accident, a number of days ago, which will prevent him from attending to his duties for some time to come. Owing to the frosty weather the ship's winches were kept running after the ship's arrival on Friday night in order to facilitate the discharging of her cargo on the following morning. During the night one of the after winches became slightly frozen and Engineer McRoberts was in the act of clearing it with the aid of a pinch bar, when the winch suddenly started and before he had time to spring clear, McRoberts was hit in the abdomen by the bar and seriously injured. First aid was immediately rendered and after the arrival of a doctor he was ordered to the Hospital where he was operated on during the morning. Whilst the injuries are dangerous, they are very painful and are sufficiently bad to cause Mr. McRoberts to be incapacitated for about a month.

### Newfoundland Elks.

Ladies' Auxiliary to be Formed. At 8 p.m., to-day the lady friends of the Elks will meet in the Society's Rooms for the purpose of forming a Ladies' Auxiliary. The ladies are very much interested in the Elks, as its objects appeal to them. Preparations are now being made for a grand ball to be held on January 27th in the C.C.C. Hall. Part of the proceeds will be devoted to charity, the cause of which is espoused by the Elks. It is here that the Ladies Auxiliary will be of great assistance to the organization.

The Parade Rink will NOT be open to-night.—Jan 17.

### Presentation to Capt. Chambers.

Commodore of Furness Line Honored By Officers, Engineers and Staff Aboard Steamer Digby.

An interesting ceremony took place on board the R.M.S. Digby, on Saturday afternoon, says the Halifax Morning Chronicle, of 10th inst., when the officers, engineers and staff presented Capt. F. W. Chambers, D.S.C., with a handsome pair of marine binoculars, which were suitably inscribed. The presentation was made by Mr. J. E. Whitford, Chief Engineer—who has known the Commander many years—and who spoke of the happy relations which existed between the Commander and those serving under him, a statement which was also endorsed by the Purser, Mr. A. Longmuir. The Captain expressed his appreciation of the gift, and declared his policy had always been to get his crew working together in harmony with himself, when the happiest results invariably ensued. He said he would always value the gift as a reminder of the harmony which he was so glad existed on board. Capt. Chambers is well known in Halifax and St. John's, Nfld., having had a long and successful career, sailing between England, Newfoundland and Nova Scotia for upwards of twenty years. His numerous friends on both sides of the Atlantic will appreciate the esteem in which he is held by those on board.

### Newfoundland Not a Dominion.

When the announcement was made in 1917 of a change of government for Newfoundland, it was also stated, that the statement also bore official completion, that this country had been raised to the status of a Dominion, and up to within a few months proclamations and other official documents were issued bearing the title. We now have it, however, from the highest authority in the land, "that the bare statement of fact is a misapprehension, the fact being that Newfoundland was made a first class colony for certain purposes, but this did not alter its political status, nor did it give it the fixed title of 'Dominion.'" We are very pleased to get this statement and to pass it on to our readers many of whom have never taken very kindly to the charge of titles, being jealous of that time-honored "Ye Ancient Colony,"—Western Star.

### Herring Fishery.

The fall herring fishery in Bay of Islands closed last week. All the returns are not in yet, but from information gathered so far, the pack by the "Scotch" method here is estimated at a little over fifteen thousand barrels. Of this quantity there are yet some two or three thousand barrels to be shipped. Some four or five cargoes of herring have been shipped in salt bulk and some firms put up big packs by the local method, and several thousand barrels have been shipped frozen. In all it is estimated the Bay of Islands herring catch this season has been something over forty thousand barrels. This, however, represents the major portion of the herring industry of Newfoundland this season; for in Green Bay only a few were engaged in the voyage and they provided only for small packs. In Trinity Bay there were some fish packed. In Placentia considerable preparations were made, but the herring were scarce, and at Bonne Bay there was very little done in the herring fishery this season. It is therefore believed that when all the returns are in it will be seen that the total Newfoundland herring pack this season by the "Scotch" method is considerably below that of last year or the year previous.

Norman Fisher had twelve hundred barrels spread at Corner Brook for the frost the first of the year and was very successful in getting them in good shape for the shipment. One of the finest cargoes of frozen herring shipped from here was taken away by the schooner Roxana Burton which sailed from Middle Arm the first of last week for New York. Capt. Norman Ross spent several weeks in curling, packing and shipping frozen herring to a New York firm. He sent away several carloads. A. M. Dunphy made several shipments of Kippers to New York. They were well cured and found ready sale.—Western Star.

### Shipping Notes.

The Danish schooner Energi is now loading codfish for Alicante from the Monroe Export Co.  
Schr. Robert J. Dale, 50 days from Pernambuco, arrived in Port Saturday to G. M. Barr.  
Schr. Bordello left Preston on Friday last for Povey where she loads china clay for Genoa, Italy.  
Schr. Elizabeth Fern from Pernambuco, the barque Madeline Constance from Bahia and the schooner from Torrevicena, are now due at this port.  
ELECTION OF OFFICERS.—St. Andrew's Society will meet in the Club Rooms to-night to elect officers for the ensuing year. All men of the parish are expected to attend.

### War Trophies Sent to Museum.

INTERESTING COLLECTION NOW ON EXHIBITION.

Through the initial efforts of Mr. H. F. Shortis the Museum has been presented with an interesting and valuable collection of war trophies. To-day Mr. Duggan is busy arranging the collection, which for some time has been at the Militia Department stores. Amongst the collection sent to the Museum to-day are the following: 10 Turkish rifles, 20 Turkish bayonets, 20 German bayonets (various), 2 granatenwerfers, 1 M. M. French mortar, 20 luminous pistols, 20 German helmets with visors, 2 German mess tins, 1 set German equipment, 2 10-German rifle grenade stands, 2 signal throwers, 5 German trench gloves, 10 German cartridges, 1 field telephone, 1 gas alarm thrower, 1 Austrian wire cutter, 1 German wire cutter. The trench mortar and granatenwerfers will be mounted in the lower vestibule, whilst the rest of the material will be disposed of in various places. All these trophies were secured by the High Commissioner, Sir Edgar Bowring, at considerable trouble, and will form an interesting souvenir of the great war.

### Supreme Court.

BEFORE CHIEF JUSTICE.  
S. S. Portia vs. S. S. Rasaan.  
Mr. Foote, K.C., appears for the plaintiff.  
The following witnesses were called, examined and cross examined, Arthur Smith, Archibald Noseworthy, Leonard Oliver. This closes the defendants case excepting the valuation of the cargo. The further hearing was postponed until Jan. 21st.

BEFORE JUSTICE JOHNSON.  
In the matter of the petition of the Imperial Oil Co., praying that Michael A. Duffy, grocer, St. John's be declared insolvent. Mr. E. Emerson appeared for the petitioner and moves for a declaration of insolvency, Mr. Hunt assents. Mr. Howley does not object. It is ordered that Michael A. Duffy be declared insolvent. Mr. Emerson moves that Mr. Oldfield be continued as interim trustee. Howley, K. C., opposes the motion and moves for the appointment of Mr. Emerson as trustee. Mr. Emerson moves for the petitioners cost. It is ordered accordingly.

### Seaman Drowned.

The Deputy Minister of Customs in receipt of the following message from the sub-collector at Bay of Islands:—"Schr. Gordon T. Tibbo returned to Wood's Island Saturday night and reported that one of her crew, George Trim of Grand Bank, had been washed overboard and drowned during a W.S.W. gale, about 40 miles N.N.W. from Bay of Islands. The schr. sailed again this morning."

### Colors Handed Over.

By recent English papers it is learned that the flags of the Newfoundland Regiment of Fencible Infantry have been handed over by the ecclesiastical authorities of St. Bretheds Church, Jersey. One of the flags is in such a decayed condition that it is necessary to have it mounted with wire reinforcement.

### McMurdo's Store News.

MONDAY, Jan. 17, '21.  
We have the testimony of a number of users of Daggett & Ramsdell's Shaving Cream that this fine cream really comes up to the ideas of what a Shaving Cream should be. It is certainly the blandest and least irritating Shaving Soap on the market—a strong point at this time of year. It will make a good lather with cold as well as warm water, and in use it is certainly economical. All these good qualities certainly make D. & R.'s Shaving Cream worth a trial and those who think it might be possible to obtain a better shaving soap than they are at present using might well try the Cream in question.

### Coastal Boats.

CROSBIE & CO.  
S.S. Sava will lie up at St. John's for the winter.  
GOVERNMENT.  
S.S. Prospero left Springdale at 9.45 a.m. to-day, going north.  
S.S. Portia sails to-morrow on the Western route.  
GOVT. RAILWAY COMMISSION.  
Argyle arrived at Placentia at 3 p.m. yesterday. Leaving to-morrow on Way route.  
Clyde arrived at Port Union at 8 p.m. yesterday.  
Glencoe arrived at Port aux Basques at 1.30 p.m. yesterday.  
Kyle at St. John's.  
Sagapon at Port aux Basques.  
ANNUAL TRIDUUM.—The annual Triduum in honor of the Holy Name, will be held in St. Patrick's Church on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday evenings of this week. All men of the parish are expected to attend.

### Police Court.

FULL DOCKET OF DRUNKS.—It a

fee were to be charged for seating accommodation in the Court House the revenue of the Government would undoubtedly go up to such an amount as would permit the duty on pork sausages to be also abolished. The crowd which thronged there to-day was sufficient to remind one of an old-time regatta and a small admission fee would have brought in untold wealth to the Department of Finance, to whom we pass on this idea which they may use without charge.

The first case was that of a girl who had been arrested for acting in a loose and disorderly manner. It was only a few days ago that she appeared before the Magistrate on a similar charge and she was sent down until the first of May.

A man, charged with being drunk and disorderly on the S. S. Rossland early this morning. Judging by his face he seemed to have been acting as Dempsey's sparring partner, for it could not be seen for blood. The second mate and the third engineer of the Rossland gave evidence. It appears that the defendant went on board the ship under the influence of liquor, went down in the engine room and kicked up such a row that he aroused almost the whole crew. He was escorted ashore by the third engineer, whom he tried to assault. The engineer pushed accused away from him, causing him to fall on his face, cutting it severely. Not satisfied with this, defendant returned to the ship and was this time taken in charge by the police. He was fined \$5 or 10 days.

A man who filled up on "balsam and honey", and felt rather sick as a consequence, was discharged.

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### The Fish Situation.

Consorzio to be Abandoned—A Story With a Moral.

It is stated that on Saturday evening, Mr. W. A. Munn sent a message to his firm here from Italy, saying that the Consorzio would be abandoned about the last of April. It is also rumored that a business man in the city has received a message from the Consorzio, saying that they had sufficient stocks to fill all their present requirements, but that they would be willing to store fish sent on consignment, but would not make any advance on it. An interesting insight on the helplessness of the Regulations to our neighbors in Canada is shown by the following story, which is authentic:

An exporter, in this city made a deal with a Halifax firm, whereby the former sold the latter 500 qts. of fish. The fish was to be of extra good quality and complying with this condition the Halifax firm would take another 500 qts. The exporter sent the fish and received an acknowledgment, which stated that the fish was extra good and fully up to expectations, but that owing to the regulations being lifted no further business could be done as the people who were buying our fish through Halifax dealers could now deal direct and save considerable commission.

### Burns' Night.

GRAND DANCE TO BE HELD.  
The St. Andrew's Society intend celebrating the birthday (January 25) of Rabbe Burns, Scotland's National poet, by holding a dance, which bids fair to outlive any of their previous efforts. Great preparations are being made for this dance, which is an annual affair, and the C.C.C. Hall and Band have been engaged for the occasion. The Social Committee of St. Andrew's Society, the convenor of which is Mr. R. G. Ross, is looking after the preparations, whilst the Ladies' Auxiliary is seeing to the catering, a fact which is sufficient guarantee of a splendid supper. Mr. J. McFarlane will again superintend the management of the floor, a position in which he has proved himself thoroughly efficient. A concert, comprising all the best known local artists, will also be given, and in which Scotch songs will feature. This will precede the dance. Tickets may be had from members of the Social Committee.

### Shipping Notes.

S.S. Thetis sailed this morning for Sydney to load coal.  
S.S. Storgborg is still in port waiting orders.  
Schooner Mollie Fearn cleared for Oporto with 3712 qts. codfish from the Union Export Co.  
Schooner Eileen Lake has entered at Port Union to load codfish for Oporto.

GRAND DANCE, in connection with Juvenile Society Treat, Thursday, January 20th, T. A. Armoury. Tickets: Gent's, 70c; Lady's, 40c. Music by full brass band. Dancing at 10.30. JAS. L. JACKMAN, Secretary of Juvenile Society.—Jan 17/21

### C. M. B. C.

The C.M.B.C. met yesterday at 3 p.m. in the Synod Hall and was largely attended, all available space being occupied. The address was the second of the series of studies of the History of the Church in connection with inter-communication and re-union, and was entitled "Internal divisions and their causes." The subject of the previous week's address was "Preparation for the Church."

### Exchange Rates.

STERLING RATES.			
(To-day)			
	60 days.	Sight.	
Buying	4.15	4.21½	
Selling	4.23	4.27½	
Buying	4.17	4.23	
Selling	4.23	4.31½	
AMERICAN EXCHANGE.			
(To-day)			
Selling	14½		
Buying	13		



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INSOLVENCY ASSETS.—In the insolvency case of Mr. M. A. Duffy, Grocer declared in Court to-day, the assets are stated at \$31,000 and the liabilities at \$25,000, which the creditors thought was too narrow a margin.

### Floral Tributes to the Departed

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Tessier Brothers.

DIED.

Called to rest at Harbor Grace on January 10th, Frances Mary Collins, relict of Edwin Collins, of Trinity aged 66 years.—R.I.E. Interment at Trinity.

Passed peacefully away on Sunday, after a long illness, James Dunst, a native of Great Yarmouth, England, leaving a wife and sister at Hull, Yorkshire. Funeral to-morrow Tuesday, at 2 p.m., from his late residence, 100 Duckworth Street.

Passed peacefully away, after a long illness, Joseph J. Reid, Funeral takes place at 2.30 p.m. Tuesday afternoon from his late residence, 73 Pleasant Street.

"Gone but not forgotten."

IN LOVING MEMORY

of my dear brother James Ivey, who lost his life on the "Ethel" four years ago to-day.

"We miss thee from thy home dear. The shadow o'er your home is cast. We miss the sunshine of your face. We miss your kind and willing hand. Your fond and earnest care. Your home is dark without you. You are missed both everywhere. Heartbroken is your mother. As she views your vacant place And mourns to think its four years to-day. Since she saw your smiling face. Inserted by his sister Mrs. J. Ivey."