

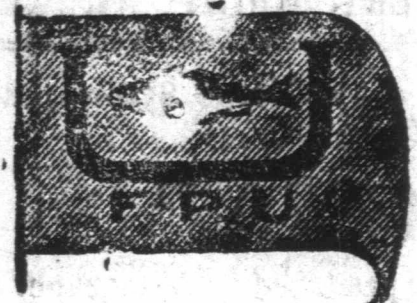
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**The Fishery**

LABRADOR soft fish reached a very high value last week which was caused by sharp competition in buying, and the small amount of fish offering. On Saturday the arrival of 50 schooners was more than enough to supply the demands and the slump yesterday of 20 cents was the natural outcome of an over supply at this time. Some sold below \$6.50 but chiefly because their fish was too wet. Properly cured Labrador soft fish at \$6.50 and is worth that figure. Those who bring soft fish here this fall should properly cure it. Soft fish not sufficiently dry will not be accepted at any figure during the balance of the fall, and if fishermen bring in green fish (as many have done this fall when the demand was brisk) will have to blame themselves if they find no market. All soft Labrador should be made as it was previous to last year; if this is done there is no reason why good prices will not be maintained. The cut to \$6.50 was justifiable, but any cut lower will cause no end of dissatisfaction and protest.

Outport schooner holders who have fish to bring along should endeavour to steer clear of coming with a large fleet, for the stuffing of the market by the arrival of 40 or 50 schooners in a fleet is sure to have an injurious effect upon the market; twenty schooners is plenty to arrive here at one offer. It would pay the fishermen to remain at Catalina when any large number of schooners are en route here. The price of shore fish should easily be maintained, as the supply is very short and there is no need to rush here with shore fish until conditions become normal and the effects of the Stephano scare has subsided.

There will be a large shortage in shore fish, and there will not be 10,000 qtls. of Labrador shore to offer here for the whole season.

Three fourths of the soft Labrador catch has been disposed of and the only soft fish to arrive is from St. Brendan's and Flat Island section of Bonavista Bay. There is not 3000 qtls. of soft fish now unsold on the north side of Bonavista Bay, while all the Trinity Bay Labrador catch has been disposed of. There is no need for fishermen with soft cured fish to rush here now; there is two months of the season for selling yet to come, and any who sells properly cured soft fish here at a lower price than \$6.50 will regret it later on.

The fish exporters held a meeting yesterday and formed a combine to fix prices, but before a week is over they will be breaking their necks to purchase their requirements far in advance of the combine prices, then all will wonder who broke the price; all will be guilty, yet pleading innocence.

Cod oil has reached a price that is purely a gamble and the probabilities are that a reaction is not far off. Flour is advancing more and more, and stocks are very short. Beef and pork is also advancing and will continue to advance. Molasses is also 2 cents higher. Sugar is a little lower. At present prices it would be cheaper for the outport people to buy sugar instead of molasses.

**The Patriotic Fund**

SECTION 9 of the Patriotic Fund Act passed during the session of 1915 says: "On and from the thirty-first day of December, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, the accounts of the corporation shall be audited by the Auditor General of Newfoundland, and a report of such Audit, with such further statement as seems proper, shall be published as the corporation directs; and the said auditor, or his successor in office, shall be the auditor of the corporation."

Now what has been done in connection with this audit? If anything has been done the Patriotic Association have been very slow in publishing same although the Act calls for such a procedure. Has the Auditor General audited the accounts? If so, why has not his report been published? Do the Patriotic Committee, or their Finance Committee, think that the people who have responded to all appeals of a patriotic nature have no desire to see where their moneys have been spent?

Is this money, we ask, devoted to the channels it was collected for? Is it being spent in accordance with the provisions of the Patriotic Fund Act? This high handed procedure of our "Patriotic" Committees which have been long on oratory, and short on work, has about reached the point where public opinion is bound sooner or later to make itself felt.

What about this audit? If the Auditor General has made his report why has not the same report been published for public information as the Act called for? If the report has not yet been made, when, we ask is it likely to be?

**F.P.U. Notes**

Schr. Petunia, Capt. Bannister of Port Rexton, is taking supplies at the Trading Co.'s wharf.  
Schr. J. E. Greening is loading supplies at the Trading Co.'s wharf for Champneys.  
Schr. Lucinda, Capt. Harris, is loading supplies for New Chelsea and Winterton at the Trading Co.'s wharf.  
The schr. Cathrine Parr has arrived at Catalina from Groat's Islds. with 540 qtls. fish.

**REVEILLE BY CALCAR**

In our article of Monday when speaking of how the introduction of the Threshing Machines has effected the raising of grain, we in order to be perfectly fair and to give the Government full credit where credit is due admitted that in all likelihood the easier method of threshing consequent on the introduction of machinery has reflected itself in an increased acreage sown to grain. Of this we are no wise sure, and failing reliable statistics are willing to give the Government benefit of the doubt. As far as statistics are concerned we are compelled to take them, in the matter of agriculture, as we take our beliefs in the stories of travellers from distant regions, with a great deal of reservation, so much depending on our mental attitude and inclination.

For our part we accept those figures as published in the Report of the Agricultural Board without any reservation whatever, we accept them for what we positively know them to be worth, and this is nothing. In one respect they are worth something, and that is in the matter of how they furnish us with proof positive of how little the Government reckons with the intelligence of its auditors. The Government, if any respect was felt for the people, would never have inflicted such a flimsy pretext to a report upon the country, but as we are coming by-and-by to the figures contained in this report we must continue our talk about the growing of oats and the threshing of them. "Experience is a dear school, and fools will learn in no other" it is said, and, it might be added even some fools may not learn there.

How long does it take a fool to learn a lesson in the school of experience? How long must the water of knowledge be allowed to drench his poor atom of a brain before the germ of intelligence begins to bust? In how many cases will the bursting seed continue to develop beyond the cotyledon stage?

We ask these questions because we wish to point out that not just one sudden application of experience if it be not long protracted is not sufficient in all cases to develop learning in the craniums of some dull people. The Morris Government has been at school under the old master "Experience" eight years now and learning does not seem to have developed among its members yet.

In regard to these threshing machines the seed of knowledge was to all appearances good, but febrile tendencies in the brain caused it to expand too soon with the consequence that it shrivelled in the cotyledon stage. The germ of an idea was there but the soil was poor. The threshing machines are good in so far as they lift the drudgery of hand threshing off the shoulders of the farmer and thus are calculated to encourage the raising of grain, but the idea is an abortion when it is not following rather than preceding knowledge of how to grow grain economically.

If the Government would but publish the truth and all the truth, give us all the data that should accompany a report of grain growing people would see for themselves what we mean without putting us to the necessity of supplying from our own observation what the agricultural policy of the Morris Government has accomplished in the direction of grain growing. They would see that the introduction of a threshing

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Already acknowledged	\$32,941.34
New Bay, per Mrs. P. Moors	8.00
Placentia, Jerseyside and Southeast (2 instalments)	40.00
Point Verde (2 instalments)	10.00
Collected at Sound Island, per E. W. Beck	15.40
John Reddy, Red Island	5.00
Millertown, account upkeep	44.00
Miss Emma B. Ayre account upkeep	65.00
Bell Island, account upkeep	300.00
Freemasons of Newfoundland, account upkeep	1,300.00
Collection in St. Barnabas Church, Bay de Verde	93.04
Harbour Grace, additional	500.00
Seldom and Wild Cove	150.88
Fogo	260.00
Knights of Columbus, additional	50.00
Hr. Breton	169.08
Tilting, Fogo District	260.00
Channel, additional	50.00
P. J. Bryan, J.P., Tilting	10.00
Lawn	70.00
Shoal Hr., W.P.A. (three instalments)	25.00
Change Islands, additional	179.00
Grand Falls, additional	50.00
Port Blandford, (2 amounts)	44.00
Tea at Mrs. Gillingham's	
Golf Ave., per Misses Gillingham, Brown and Dooling	14.00
Employees Job Bros & Co. account upkeep	15.00

**Port au Choix and Garganels:**

\$5.00 each—A. S. Darby, A. J. Walsh.
\$4.00—Wibbert Farwell.
\$2.50—J. H. Badcock.
\$2.00 each—Francis House, Joseph Kelly, Vincent Lee.
\$1.50 each—Joseph North, Harold Hallett, Michael Kennedy, Frank Eastman, Thos. Gould, Cyrus Hamlin.
\$1.00 each—Joseph Wentzell, John Humber, Matthew Lundrigan, Henry Billard, Joseph Maher, Frank Hillary, Com. Wood, John Ryan, Frank Cornick.
Small amounts, \$11.93. Total \$51.43.

**Port Saunders:**

\$5.00—L. O. Crane.
\$2.00 each—Wm. Garland, Michael Caines, J. P. Case, Chas. Pike, Sr.
\$1.50—Abraham House.
\$1.20—D. Fei.
\$1.00 each—John Parsons, Wm. Douglas, M. Erskine, Friend, Mrs. Garland, W. F. Suley, Miss F. C. Lewis, Miss F. Caines, Mrs. George Cole, Miss L. Cole, Capt. Abbott, Ephraim Stickland.
Small amounts \$16.20. Total \$43.90.

**Sound Island:**

Colin Beck \$4.00, Walter S. Beck \$2.50, W. H. Beck \$2.50, Ernest W. Beck \$2.50, Rev. C. Winsor \$1.00, Allan Stacey \$1.00, small amounts 90c.
Bay de Verde amount of \$2.00, given by Andrew Moore (of T.) was included in the small amounts.
Southside account upkeep 15.00
Sibley's Cove 4.00
Bishop's Falls, additional 66.90
Clareville W.P.A., additional 2.55
Mrs. Ambrose Power, Branch 50
Ellistown 58.79
St. Mary's Women's Association 116.89
Bale Verte, additional 26.05
Grand Falls, additional 50.00
Moreton's Harbour 20.50
Cape Cove, Fogo District 29.00
Women of Indian Islands 31.45
Sir William Horwood, account upkeep 21.65
Presque, additional 38.00
Ladle Cove 15.00
Employees of Ayre & Sons Ltd account upkeep 54.17
Received at Daily News Office:
Firemen's Union 20.00
W.M.S., George's Brook 15.03
Society United Fishermen, Amherst Cove 5.00
Bazaar per Misses Rennie.

machine was a beginning at the wrong end, that the problem was attacked in the most unintelligent manner. But in this matter it is only on terms of equality with all the other unintelligent endeavours of the Government. We have said before that what is really wanted is education—vocational education for the farmer. This is just as essential to a proper development of agriculture, as plowing, and pulverizing of the soil is necessary to the raising of a good crop. The man who denies this is a simplification.

The Morris Government must place themselves in the category of imbeciles for they have by their attitude towards the agricultural policy repudiated entirely the necessity of education as a beginning for all agricultural endeavour. They have reversed the natural order and sown the seed before any plowing has been attempted. The result of course has been failure. Whatever successes they may claim they have no right to for they are not real and have been achieved at too great a cost.

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**GLEANINGS OF GONE BY DAYS**

**OCTOBER 10**

Battle of Camperdown, 1798. President Kruger born, 1825. Father Matthew born, 1790. Rev. Jacob Mountain, C. of E. minister, died, 1856. Cardinal McClusky died, 1885. Alan C. Goodridge and Don Jose Perez, Fishery Commissioners to Mediterranean, arrived, 1898. J. M. Byrnes' theatrical company opened in T. A. Hall, 1898. Shea & Co.'s office burglarized; \$400 stolen, 1877.

**MORE FISHERY REPORTS**

Oct. 7th. From W. White, English Hr. to Spantard's Cove)—The catch to date is 26,450 qtls. with 540 for last week. About 100 boats are fishing and some of them on the western end of this division have taken from 6 to 10 qtls this week. There is only one schooner now to arrive from Labrador and she is reported with 950 qtls. Prospects are good and there is plenty bait.

Oct. 7th. From R. Brown, (Upper Amherst Cove to Cape L'Argent)—Prospects are good and squid is very plentiful. All the fish taken this week was got on trawls. The total catch is 15,600 qtls. with 600 for the week. Eighty dories and skiffs are fishing.

## New Goods Now Opening

We have received during the week, the following:—

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