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The "Advocate" Indulges
in a Flood of Invective.

The intention of the Advocate to pose as the solitary champion of the fishermen is too obvious to deceive anyone. Undoubtedly already a copy of yesterday's issue has been sent to every individual who is still labouring under the deception constantly preached by the Advocate that every man's hand is against him, with the exception of that of our contemporary. This attitude has been voiced so loudly and so continuously that the fishermen, at first impressed, are now wearied by it, and would welcome by way of a change a concrete illustration of the champion's oft repeated assurances that he would destroy all their enemies, remove all their difficulties, and lead them into the land of promise.

If our contemporary were fair in comment, honest in criticism, and less inclined to fall back upon the childish practice of "calling names," we should have no objection to an occasional bout, but it recognizes no rules, makes use of any weapon, and does not even draw the line at poisonous gas. Penetrate its defence, and its attitude of a persecuted martyr.

Recently we were informed that we were the paid puppets of the merchants. Yesterday we were dubbed hypocrites, cowards and what not; we were "pleading the merchants' case," and were "stopping at half measures"; we were told to "cut out camouflage" and to stop licking the hand which held the knife that stabbed a sincere and genuine attempt," etc., etc. We are truly sorry for our contemporary. Such an expression as "cutting out the camouflage" is not exactly lucid, nor is it quite clear what is meant by "licking the hands that held the knife that stabbed an attempt." Is it a quotation from "the House that Jack Built," or is it that the metaphors became mixed in a fit of childish temper?

In order that our contemporary should no longer lie under any misapprehension, it may be as well to make our position clear. We are not controlled in our opinions by any person or corporation. Can our contemporary make a similar frank statement? Our comments are our own, prompted by no outside influence, and expressed without prejudice against any faction. Can our contemporary say likewise? Our criticisms have been candid, and they have been uttered without malice. If they have been lacking in the high flown phrases so often found in the Advocate, it is because we preferred fact to verbosity, and because our vocabulary in certain directions is extremely limited.

Under a plethora of words the main charge appears to be that we have exonerated the merchant and laid the blame on the fisherman for all the injury that has been done to the fishing industry. That is so far removed from the truth as to be a wilful perversion of facts. In so far as the exporters—including the President of the Union—are at fault, we have not hesitated to blame them. In so far as the blame rests with the fishermen, we have not hesitated to express our views. We are sufficiently familiar with the people of Newfoundland to feel certain that they prefer honesty to camouflage, that they will realize that what we have said has been prompted by one motive only, to let them know the truth.

The editorial in the Advocate concludes: "Accusations against the fishermen in the matter are nothing short of hypocrisy and cowardice on the part of merchants and newspapers." This would make an excellent Grand Finale in a political oration and would probably bring down the house at a gathering of fervid devotees, but this is not the time for electioneering catch cries, nor is anyone likely to be misled by such expressions.

The quotations from our editorials which appear below and which the Advocate appears to have overlooked, exonerate us of any charge of hypocrisy, and as for cowardice, we should advise our contemporary to wait awhile, and not to arrive at a hasty conclusion.

On July 16th we said: "We have allowed personal interests in the marketing of fish to interfere with plans, which have been agreed to and which, had they been carried out, would have benefited the exporter as well as the fisherman as a whole. We have continued to send an inferior quality of fish to markets which have long ago discovered that they could obtain elsewhere a superior article at no greater cost. In these respects at least we are to blame for the present condition of our staple industry."

Is there anything in this comment for which we might expect remuneration from the exporter?

Again, on July 21st appeared the following with reference to the marketing of our fish: "It will not be long before exactly the same problem will have to be considered with regard to our harvest—the harvest of the sea. What are we going to do about it? Are we going to do anything, or shall we just trust to luck? We do not lack hard hearted business men who have made the fish business a life study, who know what difficulties it presents, and what precautions must be taken to reduce the uncertainty of the venture to a minimum. Is it not possible for them to sink their differences, to use their combined experiences, and to apply to the marketing of the fish the wealth of knowledge which they possess? With a knowledge of the conditions in the foreign markets, a conservative estimate of the total catch, insistence upon a rigid grading of the fish, and a loyal attempt to co-operate in the marketing, our merchants can do much to make our chief industry, if not as successful as in the past, at least something more than a dismal failure."

Does this indicate—to use the Advocate's unusual editorial expression—that we were "licking the merchants' hands"?

We are unable to find anything but fair comment in our references to the merchant or fisherman in our remarks on Aug. 8th, which read: "There are men in the country who have made a life long study of our staple industry. It is of course impossible to expect all of them to agree on a policy in every particular, but if we could find a leader who, having given careful consideration to the various views held by those engaged in the fish business, merchant as well as fisherman, would introduce legislation enforcing under penalty the regulations which he felt would be the most effective, the energy expended at present in various directions would be directed towards one object, and success would follow."

There was a time when we thought that the President of the Fishermen's Union would achieve for the fishermen some lasting benefit. He had an opportunity such as few have been given, but he was weighed in the balance and was found wanting. Either the flesh-

pots of Egypt, or the attractions of office and emoluments; or the glitter of titles proved his undoing, or he was not strong enough to carry out the work that he undertook. Whatever may have been the cause, the result is the same, and like many another who has not succeeded in his purpose, he treats with suspicion and hostility all who appear within the range of his vision, and places the blame upon everyone but himself.

To "Observer" in the Advocate.

"Honi soit qui mal y pense."

A translation of the above may be found at the end of an English Dictionary.

The Flour Milling Proposition.

In a recent issue we exposed a scheme to erect flour mills at Port Union at the expense of the country generally. As we stated yesterday, and as the Daily News clearly puts the case this morning, no one can take exception to operations of this kind undertaken as private enterprise, but to expect assistance in the form of subsidies, to filch the money from the public to keep the wheels turning, is altogether a different matter. We do not pay our excessive taxes merely for the sake of providing funds for wild cat schemes.

We are however informed that a company known as the Newfoundland Milling Co., Ltd., has been incorporated to establish such an industry, and that the Executive have been approached in the matter. It is capitalized at \$1,000,000. The promoter is Mr. Roland Palmer, who has been engaged in the flour milling for many years. It is purely a private enterprise and the Government has not been asked for any subsidy or any special concessions beyond those invariably given to a new industry. They ask for twenty years exclusive rights in which to erect and operate the mills, and free importation of the raw material, equipment and machinery. This enterprise is said to be connected in no way with the scheme proposed formerly and that it is intended to be conducted as a regular private business. As such the promoters will undoubtedly receive public sympathy in their undertaking, and if it will be the means of providing the country with cheaper flour than we have at present, it will receive every encouragement.

Donation to Japanese Relief Fund.

24th Sept., 1923.

The Honorary Treasurer of the Japanese Relief Fund begs to acknowledge the following subscriptions:—
E. Collshaw, \$25.00
Anonymous, 10.00
Government House,
St. John's Newfoundland.

St. Andrew's Ladies' Auxiliary will hold a Special Meeting on Thursday, 27th inst. All members are requested to attend.—SECRETARY.—sept25,21

A Musical Treat.

Editor Evening Telegram.

Dear Sir,—I would like to congratulate the management of the Nickel Theatre upon giving its many patrons such a treat as last evening in song and picture, as it is seldom a St. John's audience ever has the opportunity of hearing such artists as Miss Loring and Miss Armstrong. Judging from the many curtain calls which both these artists received last evening it was quite evident that the large audience appreciated the management's choice.

Sincerely yours,

SPENCER BROWN.

"Mrs. Hooligan's Tent at the Races" advertised for St. Joseph's Hall, will take place at the Casino Theatre, Monday and Tuesday, October 1st, and 2nd. It's a howler—don't miss seeing it—sure cure for the blues. Tickets 75, 50, 30 and 20c. at the Royal Stationery.—sept25,21

Schooner Wrecked
at Cape Ballard.

According to a message received yesterday by the Deputy Minister of Customs from Sub Collector O'Leary, of Renewa the schooner, Jacinth, with a load of cement, went ashore at Cape Ballard on Sunday night and became a total wreck. The Jacinth struck the cliff bow on and the crew were obliged to take to the small boats to make land. The vessel was bound to this port from Halifax.

Sugar.

Since last week Sugar in the New York market has advanced over \$2.00 per barrel making present landed cost here \$9.75. Sugar coming in next week will be worth \$10.25 wholesale, the additional half cent is estimated to cover cartage, interest, storage, insurance and wholesalers' profit.

Shipping.

S. S. Dagbald sailed yesterday from Bell Island taking 8,000 tons ore for Sydney.

Schar, Lief (Danish) entered yesterday at English Harbor to load fish for Oporto from J. Pettie.

Scott H. H. Macdonald has sailed from Sandy Point for Halifax taking 1,253 barrels herring and 250 qts. fish.

S. S. Alcanda arrived at Botwood this morning from Manchester with 400 tons general cargo and ballast to the A.N.D. Co.

Presbyterian School.

Yesterday, the formal re-opening of the Presbyterian School took place, at which the Rev. Robert J. Power, M.A., Presiding, Mr. Alex Robertson, on behalf of the Board, was very happy in his remarks, and gave some good sound and excellent advice to the young people. The complete teaching staff was present. Miss Hughes after a sad bereavement and Miss Dugan, after a trip to Scotland, were each given a hearty welcome back. The Principal also had a few words to say, and urged the necessity of starting right down to work straight away, and of making the best use of the two winter terms, for getting in the "hard" part of the work for the Examination next year. It is imperative that parents and guardians who have not yet sent their children back should do so at once. There are a few vacancies for this term, and the Principal will be glad to interview any parents between the hours of 2 and 4 p.m.

PRELIMINARY NOTICE.—St. John's T.A. & B. Society Fr. Mathew Celebration will be held Wednesday, October 10th. Look out for a good time. Particulars later.—sept25,21

McMurdo's Store News.

EVERY MOTOR CAR SHOULD CARRY A TIN.

Every owner of a car has had the annoying experience of a delayed start in cold weather due to his engine being "cold."

Gasoline, Kerosene, and similar products become less volatile in cold weather and in consequence it is more difficult to get an explosive mixture into the engine cylinders.

Winds Ethers, which is far more volatile than gasoline, is mixed with the latter in the proper proportions and readily explosive mixture is formed in the cylinder.

We have now a supply of this Special Motor Ether and every car should carry a tin. It is put up in a screw cap, leak proof tin, easy to open and close. It keeps the Motor Ether till the last drop is used. Price 80c. and 45c. a tin.

Exporting Pulpwood.

Considerable pilfering in the northern bays of the pulp wood cut on Government account has been going on for some time and recently on complaint of those who had made purchases from the Government a number of arrests were made, convictions and fines followed. The Government having disposed of practically all of last winter cut did not suffer any great loss, the total as far as known being about 70 cords. The export of pulp wood is being rushed now that navigation will shortly be closing and three large steamers are at present in the northern bays loading. To date 16,720 cords of pulp wood cut last winter have been shipped.

League Football.—St. George's Field, this evening at 6 sharp. B. I.S. vs. Cadets. Admission 10c. Ladies' free. Grandstand 10c. extra. Boys' free.—sept25,21

MINARD'S LINIMENT FOR RHEUMATISM.

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PORTUGUESE SAILOR THREATENS THE CAPTAIN OF THE BARQUE LUZO.

At 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon a scene was created in the office of the Hon. Tasker Cook, when a Portuguese sailor named Antonio Martinez of the barque Luzo, threatened to do bodily harm to the captain of the vessel. It appears that the crew grow impatient over their long stay in the city, and Martinez, who was spokesman for the others, went to the office of Hon. Tasker Cook to lodge a complaint against the Master, who with the cook and mate, were said to be selling part of the vessel's gear. While Martinez and others were waiting for the arrival of Hon. Mr. Cook, the Captain came along and a heated argument arose. Martinez and the captain soon came to blows, and had it not been for the promptitude of Mr. T. Redmond in the office, who separated them, a disastrous ending would probably have followed. The police were then called to the scene and arrested Martinez, and upon being brought to the police station he was formally charged by the Captain with threatening to stab him and using threatening language. Upon being searched at the lock-up, a weapon of his description was found on his person. The barque Luzo arrived from the banks about six weeks ago with damages to her rudder and hull. Since then the repairs were effected by a local shipwright, but no payment for the job has been forthcoming. Consequently the vessel is held in port. The men have no money and have grown very impatient over their enforced stay. It is understood the owners in Portugal will settle the claims made in a few days, when the vessel will be allowed to proceed and no more trouble ensue. Martinez, who was placed under arrest, came before the Magistrate this morning.

Here and There.

Keep the flies from your food by using Wire Dish Covers, selling at lowest prices. See our window. BOWRING BROS., LTD., Hardware Department.—JULY 25

ANNOUNCEMENT.—Mr. and Mrs. Heber Parsons of Belle Isle announce the marriage of their daughter, Gwendoline Currie to Charles B. Scott, of Prince in charge H.M. Wireless Station, Mount Pearl Road, and only son of Mrs. E. A. Scott, Hedges, Bourne End, Bucks, England. Wedding to take place on Oct. 11th.

Preliminary
Enquiry Opens.

The preliminary enquiry into the death of Michael Fewer of Chapel's Cove, which occurred at the General Hospital on Sept. 3rd, was proceeded with yesterday afternoon before Judge Morris. Anthony Hawco, who is charged with causing the death of Fewer was present, but not represented by Counsel. As he intimated he was too poor to retain a lawyer the court estimated that if he were committed to the Supreme Court on a murder charge, the Chief Justice would probably assign him one. The only witness called at yesterday's proceedings was Christopher Dryer. Following his evidence, the Crown, represented by H. A. Winter and H. Cramm asked for a postponement.

Susu From Northward.

S.S. Susu arrived at 3.30 last evening from the Porto Mail Service, bringing the following passengers:—Messrs. D. C. J. Whiteway, W. F. Herwood, J. Oake, P. Higgins, J. Spurrell, Messrs. J. Keen, C. M. Spurrell, A. Keen, W. Barefoot, J. Good-year, Misses P. Harvey, F. Payne, M. Adams, J. Payne, M. Butt, M. Barefoot, C. Penny and 11 second class. Capt. Roberts reports good fishing at Joe Batt's Arm, Fogo, Massacre Harbor, and Tilting. Boats at these places are getting up to 3 quintals daily and squid is plentiful. The S.S. Frank is at Fogo landing a part cargo coal, after which she will load codfish from the Labrador Export Co. and Earle & Sons. The Susu brought along 100 barrels whale oil and about 200 barrels partridge berries.

Fish Carriers Cleared.

The following steamers with fish cargoes for the Mediterranean markets have cleared to date:—
Haida 13,900
Isarum 2,900
Kriton 17,170
Lom 19,915
Belize 16,325
Kong Inge 16,617
Sif (not finished) 3,210
20,057

From Cape Race.

Special to Evening Telegram
CAPE RACE, Nfld., Sept. 24.—Wind north light, weather fine. A steamer passed in at 5 a.m. and a three-masted schooner at 10 a.m. Her 30.85; Thos. 25.

MINARD'S LINIMENT FOR RHEUMATISM.

Thomas Meighan
Scores in

CIVILIAN CLOTHES.

This talented star who made such a big hit in "Manila" scored another success in "Civilian Clothes," at the popular Star last evening; everyone being well pleased with the production, whilst the inimitable Harold Lloyd again created the laughs with the large audience. Mr. Tesori, the man with the soft silvery voice added new laurels to his well established reputation, being obliged at both performances to respond to encores. Everyone is eagerly looking forward to Miss Fawcette the high kick, who is due here by the Rosalind Thursday next. Miss Fawcette comes to the Star Movie after a careful selection of many applications and when it is mentioned that this lady has been selected by Miss Olivetti, before whom she appeared in private, and in writing to the Management of the Star, Miss Olivetti said in part: "I have selected Miss Fawcette after seeing her perform in private for my consideration, and unhesitatingly say she is a 'wonderful dancer,' then we can come what mudge for ourselves the class of a dancer this lady is, and no doubt 'all hands on deck' will be the slogan for her first appearance."

Magistrate's Court.

Three ordinary drunks were discharged. Anthony Martini, a Portuguese sailor from on board the barque Luzo, was charged with using threatening language towards the captain of the vessel. The accused, who was arrested yesterday under warrant at the instance of the captain, denied all knowledge of threatening his master. A Spaniard of the same crew acted as interpreter. The captain told the court how he had been attacked in Hon. T. Cook's office by the accused. He used abusive language towards him besides attempting to stab him with a knife. He did not wish to press the charge against his assailant, but preferred that the man be placed under lock and key until the vessel was ready to sail. This the court was not satisfied to do unless expenses were paid. An arrangement was then entered into to acquit the prisoner, and should he cause further trouble he will be arrested and sent to jail.

A cooer of the higher levels was given in charge by a resident of Pleasant Street for being drunk and using threatening language towards him while on his premises. The accused was bound over to keep the peace in the sum of \$50.00.

Personal.

Mr. G. L. Lloyd, Vice-President and Secretary of the Globe Indemnity Co. of Canada, of whom Messrs. Bowring Bros. are the local agents, is at present in the city on business and pleasure combined. Mr. Lloyd during his stay is a guest at the Cochrane House, 187 South Side.

Oporto Stocks.

	Sept. 24	Sept. 17
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DIED.

Passed peacefully away on Sept. 24, Bertha Georgina, beloved wife of Archibald Harvey, and third daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Kirkland, aged 35 years, leaving a husband and 4 children, mother, father, 1 sister and 8 brothers to mourn their sad loss. Funeral on Thursday, at 2.30 p.m. from the residence of J. R. Harvey, 187 South Side.

On Monday night, September 24th, at 11 o'clock, Alfred Russell Simmonds, darling child of Moses and Annie Simmonds, aged 3 years and 6 months, leaving to mourn their sad loss, father, mother, four brothers, one sister. Funeral on Wednesday, at 2.30 p.m. from Pearce Ave., off Mundy Pond Road. Sadly at night the stars are shining. On your lonely silent grave: Where thou sleepest our little darling, Whom we loved but could not save. On the 24th inst., after a long and painful illness, Charles Hopgood, aged 36 years, leaving a wife, six children, brother and sister. Funeral on Wednesday, at 2.30 p.m. from his late residence, 47 Cook Street. Friends please accept this the only intimation.

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Movie Film.

Mr. R. O. Ash, Secretary to the Fire Underwriters Assurance Co., is in receipt of a letter from the National Board of Fire Underwriters, U.S.A. to the effect that they are forwarding by next mail a film to be used in connection with their Fire Prevention Week, which takes place in this city the week commencing October 7th. The film referred to has already been used throughout the States and Canada, and has done much good to lessen the continuous outbreaks of fire which have become so noticeable in the past. It is the intention of the local committee of the Fire Prevention campaign to show the film publicly in the various theatres. It is also hoped that the citizens of St. John's will turn out en masse to view the pictures, screened because considerable benefit can be derived therefrom.

Coastal Boats.

Argyle left Argentia 3.30 p.m. yesterday, bound for St. John's. Clyde, No. 2, left since last evening. Gloucester left Port aux Basques 5 a.m. to-day, for St. John's. Board left Humbermouth 6.30 p.m. yesterday. Kyle left Port aux Basques 11.30 p.m. yesterday. Meigle was reported on Monday at 2.40 p.m. as anchored at Smoky. Sagona at St. John's. Mainkoff left Princeton 2 p.m. yesterday, outward. Prospero arrived at St. Anthony 1 p.m. yesterday, going North. Watchful arrived at Greensport yesterday afternoon. Fogla is expected to sail for the Labrador on Saturday next to bring the fishing crews home.

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