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PRES. COAKER REPORTS THE NORTHERN FISHERY WORST IN FIFTY YEARS

Says that the Whole Catch From Conception Bay to Change Islands Doesn't Exceed Thirty Thousand Quintals—Trap Fishing Poor—Hook and Line Fishing Practically Nil

Mr. Coaker's Summary of the Fishery North.

There are not 10,000 qtls. of fish ashore to date in the districts of Bay de Verde, Trinity and Bonavista. I am convinced that the whole catch of codfish from Conception Bay to Change Islands don't exceed 30,000 quintals up to date and prospects of an improvement during the caplin school are not bright. The lobster fishery is practically over, some having abandoned it many days ago. The whole catch north won't exceed 500 cases, or about one-fourth of last year's catch. The fishermen only hope now is a good squid school catch and fine weather in September. It is apparent that many scores of men will be seeking employment in October and unless it is forthcoming there will be considerable destitution. The Government may as well set to work at once to prepare for the employment of three or four thousand men at railway construction during the coming fall. The construction of Fortune Bay and Bonne Bay Branches will have to be pushed in order to afford employment to the fishermen who have fared so badly. Newfoundland needed a good fishery this year, but it will prove one of the worst for fifty years.

LOG OF THE F. P. U.

July 14.—Left Sockers, Flat Island, at 6 a.m. and arriving at Greenspond at 8 a.m. Found friends awaiting our arrival and hunting flying in all directions. Musketry also welcomed us. Conversed with most of the men assembled and inspected the store which I found well stocked and in good order. Arranged for the erection of a store for provisions and fish accommodation which will be a two storey flat building about 70 feet by 30. The wharf will also be added to in order to permit the Can't Lose to come alongside to discharge cargo. Proceeded to Newtown via Pound Cove, where we landed Rideout. Inspected the Union Store and arranged with Mr. John Barbour for the erection of a building to afford accommodation for a shop and store. Adjusted Walter Blackmore's motor engine and left for Cat Harbor. Passed several boats en route and saluted. Newtown and Greenspond fishery is about the same as at Keel's and Catalina. Hook-and-line and trawlers almost a blank, while traps averaged about 10 qtls. at Newtown and about 5 qtls. at Greenspond. There are not 10,000 qtls. of fish ashore to date in the district of Bay de Verde, Trinity and Bonavista. Arrived at Cat Harbor amidst musketry and cheering of men, women and children, which showed that their enthusiasm for the Union was as great as ever. Motor boats also accompanied us to the harbor. Held Union Meeting. A Union meeting was held at 9 p.m. A large number present. I spoke for two hours and meeting closed at midnight with expressions of trust and fidelity. The store is doing well under Arthur Winsor. The fishery at Cat Harbor is the best from Portugal Cove to this place. Some traps have taken but thirty qtls. while one crew with three traps has 300 qtls. The hook and line men average about 10 qtls. There is nothing like a good catch at Cat Harbor, but it is good in view of the catch to the north. At present there is nothing being taken. July 15.—Left Cat Harbor at 5 a.m. for Doting Cove. Wind, as usual, strong W.N.W., with rain. Arrived at Doting Cove at 8 a.m. Received with musketry, and bunting soon appeared in every direction. Inspected store. Visited Ralph Moulard, one of the suffering victims of the Newfoundland disaster. He is doing well and is happy and bright amidst his family. A few traps at Doting Cove have secured a hundred quintals, some as low as thirty quintals. Hook and line men have done nothing. Adjusted an engine here and another at Musgrave. At Musgrave a few traps fare fairly well, while the largest number average 30 qtls. Hook and line poor.

At Peckford's Island traps average about 50 qtls. Hook and line poor. Blank at Wadhams. At the Wadhams, where all are hook and line men, the fishery is a blank, although the men report a body of fish on the grounds. The fishery along the Strait shore, except at the Wadhams, is about the same as last year, but at the Wadhams it is far worse. The men were very anxious to have a meeting. I promised to call returning and remain over night if possible and if so the ladies will arrange a picnic to embrace the two Councils—Musgrave and Doting Cove. (Continued on page 4.)

SUFFRAGETTE ACTIVITIES

Militants Have Fired 146 Buildings During the Past Year, Caused 43 Explosions and Done Damage Generally to the Extent of \$1,920,000

London, July 18.—The morning Post publishes statistics of the damage wrought by the militant suffragettes since the beginning of 1913. According to that paper the militants have set fire to or have attempted to set fire to 146 public buildings, churches, houses and other structures, and have exploded or attempted to explode 43 bombs. The material damage is estimated at \$1,920,000, excluding the damage to works of art, which cannot be measured.

FRENCH PRES'T VISITS RUSSIA

Se. Petersburg, July 21.—President Poincare, of France, was welcomed on his arrival off Kronstadt with full naval honors by the Emperor of Russia. The President is accompanied by Premier Viviani.

Oporto Market Small Quantity of Our Fish Arrives

The following letter dated June 30 was received yesterday by the Board of Trade from Lind & Couto, of Oporto: "After being without Newfoundland fish for over a month a small supply has now arrived per the Fabricius, which is going rapidly into consumption. The market is being well supplied with Norwegian, Scotch and German cures."

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BIG PROGRESS IN S.S. WORK

Will be Reported to the General Conference of the Methodist Church

Toronto, Ont., July 18.—When the general conference of the Methodist Church meets in Ottawa the report of the general secretary of the Sunday schools and young people's societies will show remarkable progress. The increase in the membership of Sunday schools is about 35,000 for the year, making the total of the Sunday school members of the dominion belonging to the Methodist Church 453,000. In quadrennial period 77,000 have been added. The increase in the Epworth league and young people's societies for the year is 7,000.

KING GEORGE TAKES A HAND IN QUESTION

Calls a Round Table Conference of the Leaders of All the Parties

FOR DISCUSSION OF HOME RULE BILL

And it is Hoped that Some Satisfactory Settlement Will Be Reached

London, July 20.—The news that King George had called a Round Table conference of the leaders of all political parties in the United Kingdom to discuss the Ulster crisis, caused a pleasant surprise to-day. In political circles here it was said that the conference, under the auspices of King George, would result in a settlement, which even the extremists on both sides in Ireland would be compelled to accept.

King's Move Premier Asquith at the opening of the House of Commons to-day announced that in view of the grave political situation King George had considered it right to summon a conference of the representatives of political parties, both British and Irish, to discuss the outstanding points in the problem of Irish government.

He added that Rt. Hon. the Speaker, Sir J. W. Lowther, would, at His Majesty's request, preside over the conference. In view of this development Mr. Asquith said that he would not ask the House to-day to discuss the Amending Bill.

Invitations to the conference have been accepted by two representatives of the regular opposition, Ulster Unionists and Nationalists, and the Government, he said, hoped that the meeting of the conference would begin to-morrow.

Accepted Command Mr. Bonar Law, Leader of the Opposition, remarked that he had loyally accepted the command of His Majesty.

Mr. John Redmond appeared to regard the proposed conference as attractive. He said,—"My colleagues and myself take no responsibility for the policy calling this convention. I do not think I am called to express an opinion as whether the result will prove useful or the contrary. The invitation came to Mr. Dillon and myself in the form of a command from the King, and as such we at once obeyed it."

HAITIEN REBS ARE REPULSED

In Their Attack on the Capital City of the Republic

Cape Haitien, July 20.—A strong attack was made by the rebels on the city to-day, but the assaulting force was repulsed by the Government troops. A large number on both sides were killed and wounded, whilst several rebels were taken prisoners.

Mr. J. L. Crewe, of the Church of England High School, Bonavista, left by the Digby for Dorchester, Oxford, England, where he will study for the Church.

Duke To Make Western Trip.



H. R. H. The Duke of Connaught, With the Duchess, Princess Patricia and the Duke's Private Secretary, Who Leave This Week for a Two Months Tour of Western Canada.

DUKE LEAVING FOR FAR WEST

Starts Thursday for a Tour of Western Canada which Will Take Him at Least Two Months to Complete—Family Go With Him

Ottawa, July 18.—The itinerary of the Duke of Connaught's western trip has been announced from government house. The Duke will leave for the west on July 23, but will not arrive at Victoria, B.C., until August 20, because of stops to be made en route west.

The longest stop will be at Banff, where the Duke and his party, which will include her Royal Highness the Duchess of Connaught, and the Princess Patricia, will remain from July 29 to August 16. The Duke will not be back in Ottawa until September 6.

JAPS IMPRISON AN ENGLISHMAN

Andrew M. Pooley, a Journalist, Gets a Two-Year Sentence for Receiving Stolen Navy Documents And Using Them For Blackmailing

Tokio, July 18.—Andrew M. Pooley, an English journalist, has been sentenced to two years imprisonment and a fine of \$100 on a charge of receiving stolen documents in connection with the recent Japanese navy scandals, involving officers in the receipt of illicit commissions for influencing the allotment of contracts.

Pooley received the documents from Carl Richter, an employee of a German armament firm who had stolen them, and was alleged to have used them for blackmailing purposes. Two other prisoners were also convicted in the same case. V. Herrmann, the Tokio representative of the German armament firm, being sentenced to one year in jail, and George Blundell, connected with English journalism, to ten months imprisonment.

The sentences on these two men were, however, suspended for three years.

His Grace Archbishop Howley, Rt. Rev. Mgr. St. John and Rt. Rev. Mgr. Reardon, after visiting Rome, Ireland and American cities, return by the Stephano to-morrow.

SAILOR KING LEADS FLEET

King George Reviews a Great Fleet of Two Hundred Fighting Ships of the British Navy Off Portsmouth

Portsmouth, July 20.—The British Home fleet, composed of over 200 fighting ships and an equal number of auxiliaries, including submarines and torpedo boat destroyers, was led out to sea by King George this morning.

His Majesty was on board the Royal yacht, accompanied by the Prince of Wales, the Rt. Hon. Winston Churchill and other Lords of the Admiralty. At the entrance of the English Channel the yacht dropped anchor, and the ships in line were reviewed by the King, while a fleet of seaplanes from Calshot Airship Station flew in pairs above the Royal yacht, and circled about the slowly moving ships.

It took the fleet two hours to pass before His Majesty.

LIPTON'S YACHT IS STORMBOUND

Shamrock IV. Making Very Slow Progress On Her Long Voyage

Falmouth, July 20.—Shamrock IV. is making slow progress on her voyage to the United States. Lipton's challenger for the America's cup and the steam yacht Erin which is convoying her, were obliged to-day to seek shelter from an Easterly gale in Harbor here.

MAD MULLAH OUT ON THE RAMPAGE

Aden, July 18.—The Mad Mullah is collecting all his forces for a determined attack on Burao. The garrison, which is composed of Indian troops, is being strengthened to withstand a siege. Burao is in British Somaliland, and is situated 80 miles south of Berber on the coast.

WEATHER REPORT

Toronto (noon) Moderate to fresh westerly to south-westerly winds, mostly fair and warm today, and on Wednesday local showers.

START FOR HERE ON AUGUST FIRST

Porte Getting His Boat Ready for Shipment—Optimistic About Trip

Hammondsport, New York, July 20.—Lieut. Porte, pilot of the Rodman-Wannamaker Flying Boat, expects to start for Newfoundland not later than August 1st.

Porte hopes to make the Azores from 17 to 20 hours after leaving Newfoundland, and believes a 24 hour supply to be a reasonably safe margin.

Messrs. Shea & Co. received a wireless from the Pomeranian last night, despatched at 4 p.m. The steamer was then 230 miles east of St. John's, in a dense fog, with the engines stopped.

MANY OFFER OPPOSITION TO CONFERENCE

Suspect Asquith of Ulterior Motives in Making the Proposal

SAY HE'S SIMPLY MARKING TIME

With the Object of Eventually Wearing Out His Opponents

London, July 20.—There were some extremely heated criticisms to-day in the Unionist Clubs on the contemplated conference at Buckingham Palace between King George and the leaders of the Liberal, Unionist, Nationalist and Ulsterite parties on the Home Rule Bill.

Members of the Unionist party expressed the view that their party had in all things been outmanoeuvred by Asquith, and at this moment when through the House of Lords there was a reconstruction of the Amendment Bill to the Home Rule Bill, they were in a better position than for a long time.

King Moved

The initiative for the conference was taken by Asquith and not by the King, and according to these Unionists the Premier's one and only object was to gain time to prevent the Provisional Government of Ulster being constituted until after Parliament adjourned, thus avoiding the criticism of his followers and a possible defeat on a division.

"If the Premier can carry out this plan," a prominent Unionist said, "he probably can safely weather the political storm until Parliament is dissolved in its natural course in 1915.

"Ulsterites," he said, "are running short of money, the organization of the volunteers having cost a tremendous sum. Ulster business men, whose trade has been badly organized by the crisis are unable to subscribe any more, but he won't succeed," added this Unionist.

No Delay

Bonar Law, the Leader of the Opposition in the Commons, has been given to understand he must brook no delay in negotiations. He will tell his conferees that the conference must not last more than a week.

Carson, the Leader of the Ulsterites, took the calling of the conference calmly, told his colleagues it could make no difference in his attitude, and added he had yet to hear an answer to the challenge to the Cabinet to "Give us clean cut or come fight us."

Accept Nothing Less

He said that under no circumstances would he accept less than the exclusion of Ulster from the provisions of the Home Rule Bill. Sir Edward added he could do nothing else, as he had given his promise to the covenanters and he intended to stand by that promise.

The Parliamentary Labor Party strongly disapproved of King George's intervention in a political controversy even with the laudable object of settling the Irish question, and have asked Asquith to inform the King what they think of his action.

MAY ABANDON 'PLANE FLIGHT ROUND WORLD

All the Difficulty is With the Bank Where Prize Money Is Deposited

WON'T COMPLY WITH THE RULES

Very Soon There Will Not Be Time Enough to Prepare For Flight

New York, July 18.—The aeroplane flight around the world planned as one of the features of the Panama-Pacific Exposition has not yet received the sanction of the Aero Club of America, and may have to be abandoned altogether unless the bank where the exposition authorities deposited \$150,000 in prize money complies with the requirements for the sanction very soon. The bank has not yet guaranteed to pay the prizes to the winners of the proposed race upon the notification of the Contest Committee of the Aero Club. The Royal Aero Club of Great Britain sent the following cable to the Aero Club of America: "Have you sanctioned around-the-world aero race? Is prize money deposited? Cable to-day. Aerodrom."

Wouldn't Comply

Allan R. Hawley, president of the Aero Club here, promptly replied that, inasmuch as the bank had not complied with the tentative rules laid down for the contest and guaranteed to deliver to the winners the prize money when notified to do so by the Contest Committee, the club could not sanction the race. The clubs of the two countries are closely affiliated, but without the sanction of the Aero Club of America the race cannot be held.

All the aviators who would compete in the globe-circling contest would have to be licensed by the International Aeronautical Federation, of which the Aero Club of America is the representative. If they competed in a race that had not been sanctioned they would be disqualified and their flying licenses revoked. For the same reasons sportsmen and constructors would not dare to enter the contest, it was said to-day.

Time Getting Short

The fear that the race may be called off entirely was emphasized by the statement by the Aero Club in reference to its cable to the Royal Aero Club that the success of so gigantic an undertaking as the flight around the world depends altogether upon the time available to organize it properly so that the safety of the aviators who compete may be guarded as much as possible. The preparations for the flight will take months, it is estimated, and unless the conditions are complied with in a short time it is felt that it will be too late to organize the venture.

CHARGE HUERTA WITH MURDER

And Wherever He Takes Refuge the Constitutionals Will Seek His Extradition so That He May Be Put On Trial In Mexico

Mexico City, July 21.—The extradition of General Victoriano Huerta and other members of his Government from whatever country in which they seek refuge will be asked by the Constitutionalist Government, in order that they may be tried on the charges of murdering President Madero and Vice-President Suarez. This will be one of the first acts of the new Government of Mexico, when General Carranza takes charge, according to statements made by the Constitutionalist.

The Constitutionalist believe that extradition is possible under the existing Mexican treaties.

The C.L.B. parade at Headquarters at 8 a.m. to-morrow preparatory for leaving for camp. It is the intention to get on the road earlier this year than in the past.

ADVERTISE IN THE MAIL AND ADVOCATE FOR BEST RESULTS