

## Church Dedicated.

**GALA DAY AT TOPSAIL.**  
 Yesterday last was a gala day at Topsail when the visit of His Grace, Archbishop Roche, the occasion being the dedication of a new church and the anniversary of the Sacrament of Confirmation. His Grace was accompanied by Rev. Monsignor McDermott, who was assisted by the zealous pastor, Rev. Fr. Kelly, who was assisted by Mr. Pigg and Mr. Gough. Amongst the congregation, gathered from the surrounding villages was the Star Sea Society. The Choir, in addition to the regular music, rendered a welcome to his Grace, who in the early years of his mission was of the parish. In thanking the people for their reception, the Archbishop referred to the many memories of his early days in the ministry as he visited the parish evoked. He congratulated the pastor and the choir on the completion of their new church, which, he said, though simple and unpretentious in construction, was nevertheless slightly and well in appearance and in every way keeping with the needs of the parish. The new church was also a welcome to St. Thomas of Villa Nova, who recalled the memory of two past pastors, Father O'Connor, who was the old church and Father Morphy, who was the new church. An old stained glass window, the only relic of the old church at Villa Nova, that had been erected in memory of the late Father O'Connor, had been placed in the new church behind the High Altar and there to keep the names of two past pastors fresh in their memory. About one hundred candidates for the sacrament of Confirmation were present at the ceremony, which was held in the afternoon. The ceremony was presided over by his Grace, who, after the usual prayers, gave the benediction and the pronouncement of absolution.

## School Football.

**SENIORS WIN FIRST GAME.**  
 The seniors defeated the Methodists by 2 goals to 1 in the first of the Inter Collegiate soccer games played yesterday afternoon on the new field. There was a large number of spectators, chiefly pupils of the colleges interested. The rain made the field slippery and the game was quite a struggle. In the matter of combined play, the seniors gave the League a good lead. The next game will be played tomorrow, when the Field will meet St. Bon's, Champions of the past 8 years.

Come on Over!  
Goes Over Big.THE HOUSE WITNESS SHOW  
AT NICKEL.

Wholesome, breezy and rapid as a whirl, the screen has unfolded in the new Rupert Hughes picture "Come on Over," disclosed at the theatre last night and will be on view again to-night. Screen fun at its highest point, movement and the public should see Mr. Hughes, the Goldwyn comedian, the director and the excellent cast in an hour of pure fun. Mr. Hughes writes about his picture, "I have written about his picture, 'Come on Over,' and his picture, 'From the Hip,' and 'Scratch My Back,' and 'Old Nest.' Mr. Hughes gives his charming picture as he has ever given his screen career—and that is praise. Ralph Graves, remembered for his fine work in 'Dreams' is excellent as the Irish lad who comes to America to his fortune. The cast is excellent throughout and the picture ends with a jolly that will keep you good-humored for a long time."

## Gambo Notes.

Orleans, Capt. O'Brien, left on Wednesday for Boston. She has a cargo of lumber estimated to be seven hundred and fifty thousand, purchased by Mr. R. J. O'Brien on behalf of the Eastern Company.

Mr. Loder arrived by train yesterday and will preach in the Church of the Holy Spirit at Middle Brook tomorrow (Sunday).

All crops of potatoes have been harvested here, due to the presence of frost in the ground.

Delegates arrived from West and Greenspond on Wednesday morning and joined the East Express for St. John's Thursday morning—CON.

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 Men's Dress Shirts from 1.29 to 2.69  
 Men's Work Shirts, 98c. to 2.69  
 Men's Pants, assorted Serges and Tweeds. Bargain Sale from 1.89 to 8.69

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The Fish Market  
in Nova Scotia.

(From The Maritime Merchant.)

## DRIED FISH.

It is now impossible to fairly well estimate the available supplies of dry fish. The total catches are fully up to the average of pre-war figures. This includes all fish producing countries, with the exception of Norway, where the catch was somewhat under the average. The Lunenburg catch has been the largest in the history of the trade, totalling 300,000 quintals—about 35,000 quintals over 1921. The Nova Scotia Shore catch, as dried for export, has been very disappointing—probably the smallest on record. This catch, however, in recent years is a small factor, as the bulk of the Codfish caught on our shores for some ten years has been pickle-cured and sold in a green state to the United States.

There has been much confusion in connection with the prices paid for dry fish. The Lunenburg heavy salted Bank Codfish, usually considered inferior to Newfoundland cure, have up to the present sold at prices ruling \$1.50 per qtl. above St. John's, Nfld., prices on shore cure, and owing to the fact that there has been a good demand in markets requiring the heavy salted article, and also owing to bad weather conditions preventing any large supplies being put on the market at one time, exporters have been able to market practically all of the 120,000 quintals, representing the catch of the Lunenburg fleet, with a fair margin of profit. There is now left in exporters' hands about 20,000 quintals of the catches just referred to, and in the hands of the Lunenburg fish makers the entire summer catch of about 180,000 quintals. In the face of lower prices in Newfoundland, and the fact that conditions in the consuming countries of Europe and South America have gone from bad to worse, it would appear that the price of Lunenburg cure would have to materially decline. The market opened at \$8.00 delivered Lunenburg and last reported sales were at \$7.65, whereas Newfoundland bank fish is now being offered delivered Halifax at \$8.50 per qtl. It is thought that the price of Lunenburg cure will have to come down to this figure, if not to \$6.00.

The Gaspe Coast catch of codfish will be a good average, estimated at 100,000 quintals, a considerable proportion of which has been marketed in Naples with a good profit. The price to the fishermen on the Gaspe Coast for good quality has been \$7.00 per qtl., or 50c. to \$1.00 per qtl. over Newfoundland prices. The buying price on the Gaspe Coast has recently been reduced \$1.00 per qtl.

Newfoundland has had a good average catch, but the quality is much under the average owing mostly to bad weather conditions. Owing to adverse exchange and the poverty of the people in the consuming markets of Europe and South America, the outlook for Newfoundland's dried fish is decidedly discouraging. Greece, which usually takes 100,000 to 150,000 qtls., is not likely to take anything. In Portugal conditions are extremely adverse. There is a big demand for Codfish, but the ruinous rate of exchange makes the business almost impossible. As a result many Oporto cargoes are being offered on the Halifax market. The very low exchange in Brazil prevents any profitable business in that country. In view of the bad outlook, prices in Newfoundland have recently fallen 50c per qtl., or from \$6.00 and \$6.50 to \$5.50 and \$6.00 paid to the fishermen in the outports, with the same reduction in St. John's, Nfld. It is considered that Nova Scotia exporters are in a better position than Newfoundland, as it is thought that there will be a continued good demand in the West India markets for Lunenburg cure, as well as for large and medium Shore quality. It must be admitted that the rather encouraging outlook of last spring for a normal dry fish export trade, has quite disappeared. Very little improvement can be looked for until the extremely adverse exchanges in Portugal, Italy, Spain and South America considerably improve.

## PICKLED FISH.

Never in the history of the trade has there been such a stagnation in the marketing of pickled fish as during this season. Notwithstanding extremely low prices, the West India demand is very limited. Herring are selling below the cost of production. The West Indies are being supplied with Newfoundland cure. Owing to the low value very few Herring are being packed in N.S. Prices are also low in Spring Mackerel. It would appear that consumers are giving up the use of pickled fish. This notwithstanding an improvement in packages and quality.

## NEW AMERICAN TARIFF.

The new U.S. tariff imposed 1 1/2 c. per lb. on dry and pickled fish not in barrels, and \$3.00 per bbl. on Mackerel, Herring, etc. It is considered that the American consumer will pay practically all of this with the exception of the duty on pickle-cured Codfish as used for the home fish trade, which must result in part, at least, of the duty being paid by the producer.

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