

WEATHER FORECAST

Mod. winds; clearing.
Sunday: Fair and warm.

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HICKMAN LEADS LIBERALS!

Hon. Dr. Barnes Convenes Liberal Party Meeting To Choose Leader

Mr. A. E. Hickman Is Proposed By Hon. Mr. Cave, Seconded By Hon. W.W. Halfyard And Is Unanimous Choice Of Yesterday's Liberal Party Meeting

GERMANY'S COAL PRODUCTION IS JAPAN BUYS SUB-CRUISER PLANS NORMAL
BERLIN, May 2.—The pre-war production level has been reached in the German coal industry. The German coal industry, which is slightly under the pre-war figure, port quoted by the diplomatic correspondence of the Daily Telegraph, which the full weight of German mining energy has been thrown, since believed already to have ordered the the fifth occupation, shows an in-building of one of these craft dis-crease of more than 60 per cent. in placing 400 tons.
March the total bituminous coke and lignite production throughout Ger- many, exclusive of the Saar basin, was 260,000,000 tons, against 22,600, improvement in orders and sales, and for March 1913. Coincidence with but there is a complaint of scarcity in the coal industry machine- of credit facilities.

LATEST SIR WM. COAKER RETIRES FROM ACTIVE PUBLIC LIFE

TORONTO, May 3.—Considerable dissatisfaction exists among postal employees that no official information is yet forthcoming from Ottawa regarding reported offer of salary in-creases. Letter carriers had a meet- ing last night and it was announced that nothing definite would be known until after the Federation Executive had interviewed the Dominion Cab- inet to-day. Feeling ranked so high that a vote of want of confidence in E. V. Browning and J. Archer, rep- resentatives of the men on the Federa- tion, was carried by a practically unanimous vote. The general impres- sion is that there will be no strike.

Will Give Full Support to Liberal Forces in Forthcoming Election

To the Members and Friends of the Fishermen's Protective Union.

Dear Friends:
Three weeks ago I wrote the Councils intimating my intention of proposing at the next Annual Convention of the F. P. U. certain important changes in the Constitution, which in effect would mean a general re-organization of the Union, eliminating its political status, erasing the right of the President to be a candidate for election to House of Assembly, or to hold a seat in the Government, and making the President's sole work that of performing Union duties, and editing the Union paper to be published at Port Union.

I little thought when I forecasted these proposals, that a dissolution of Parliament was so near. Since then, cir- cumstances have developed which has precipitated a general election. These circumstances are such as to compel every lover of our country to do all possible to place in power a strong Government, determined to uphold right.

The testing time has now arrived. I believe the electorate will prove to the Country and the world that Newfoundlanders are zealous of their moral obligations and responsibilities, and I have determined to give Mr. A. E. Hickman, Leader of the Liberal Party, my loyal support, in forming an administration that will merit the confidence of the country. I announced from every platform in Bonavista district last Spring that I would not again be a candidate for election to the House of Assembly. I have heavy responsi- bilities to carry in connection with the business which I have managed for the past fourteen years. My energy is not what it was and I feel that it must be concentrated upon the business activities operated from Port Union. My throat has not recovered fully from the strain imposed by public speaking last Spring. The condition of my health will not permit me to carry the worries and responsibilities of public life.

The Port Union business has expanded so greatly that I can no longer divide my time between Port Union and

the Government in St. John's, and it is plain that if I cannot be in constant attendance at St. John's, I should not be able to shoulder my proper portion of responsibility as an Executive Member of the Government, or keep in touch with its decisions and proposals.

I shall continue my interest in your welfare and be as eager as ever to protect the fishermen's interests. I feel that

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HAVANA, Cuba, May 3.—The action of President Coolidge in forbid- ding the shipment of arms and am- munition to Cuba except such as may be authorized for sale to the Cuban government was declared by Pres- ident Zayas as a great aid in breaking up of the rebellious movement in Santa Clara Province, and he predi- cted the end of the movement within three or four days. He then referred to President Coolidge's action as an evidence of friendship for the Cuban government which is deeply appre- ciated.

LONDON, May 3.—Members of the Liberal Party to-day made no effort to conceal their mortification and anger over the rejection in the House of Commons yesterday of the propor- tional representation electoral bill which they declared was due to the vindictive action of about 80 Labor- ites. These members of the govern- ment party were declared by Liberals to have opposed the bill in resent- ment against what they regarded as the attempt of Mr. Asquith, Liberal Leader, to dictate to their party thru his recent "ultimatum" to Premier MacDonald. The Laborites made no secret of this resentment and were quoted by Liberal lobbyists as saying they did not vote on the merits of the bill, but for the purpose of hitting back at the Liberals.

To-morrow's express will make con- nections with the Malakoff at Port Union, and passengers for points in Bonavista Bay will sail by the boat on Monday.

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