



## Evening Telegram

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### What Does it Mean?

Labrador fishermen will have read with mingled astonishment and indignation the Circular Letter from the Advisory Board to Exporters, published in Thursday's Telegram, for, as the introduction stated, the benefit of all concerned. A copy of this letter was handed us for perusal, whereupon we requested and received permission to give it space in our columns, in order that the fishermen themselves might note whom they had to thank for the difficulty they have experienced in disposing of their season's catch. Those who labored strenuously, late and early, on the rock-bound shore of Newfoundland's dependency during the summer, and brought home their voyage in anticipation of receiving better prices than if they had shipped from the coast, now have this latest instruction thrown in their face, and the result of it is a further slump in the current price of Labrador fish. Fishermen must now realize—if they did not previously—that promises made to them are going unfulfilled. It has been the sole protest of the organ of the Minister of Marine and Fisheries, in each succeeding issue since the operation of the Codfish Export Regulations, to deceive fishermen into the belief that had not these been put in force, prices would have dropped alarmingly and their pockets would have suffered commensurately. But it is now perfectly patent that the regulations have proven the bane of the Labradorers who did not ship off the coast, and who are to-day obliged to hawk their fish around St. John's, beseeching that it be taken off their hands, without any material result. Who or what is responsible? Not the newspapers opposed to the Government, whose sole idea is to present facts to the producers in an endeavour to convince them that their guardian friend has gone over to the enemy. The "Graballs" have absorbed Mr. Coaker and his protestations no longer appeal to the fishermen.

It is high time now that the fishermen of Newfoundland begin to realize who are their real friends, and who are doing them the best service. The Coaker organ daily declares that the President of the Fishermen's Protective Union, yclept Hon. W. F. Coaker, Acting Prime Minister and head of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, is the one and only friend of the fishermen, and that if his strong (?) hand were not on the helm of the ship of state to-day disaster would follow closely on the heels of depression. How much longer will the fishermen permit themselves to be fooled by this demagogue, this political wolf in sheep's clothing, this loud mouthed dictator, whose sole notion and idea is unrestricted and untrammelled rule. Are fishermen not already cognizant of the desires and wishes of this local Kaiser? If they are not aware of it, as a body, in the North, let those of their associates who have view-

ed conditions in St. John's at the moment, enlighten them when they get home again and prove to them by incontrovertible argument that the man Coaker is the greatest enemy of the fishermen toilers of Newfoundland. His autocratic dictates have left their impress upon both trade and commerce. His handling of affairs and his whimsical and out-of-date ideas have played havoc with foreign markets and have antagonized customs of century old repute and standing. Not only that but his regulations have sent the price of fish, locally down with a bang, and have made it next to an impossibility for Labradorers to get anything like a paying figure for their voyage. Only those merchants who are in entire disagreement with the Fish Regulations are buying fish at all, the members of the Advisory Board, who are exporters, and those others of the infamous ring, handling practically none whatever. The "White Nape Labrador" fad has ended disastrously for those who followed the instructions, and this grade of fish is now going a-begging for purchasers. On the whole then, there is ample evidence to support the claim that the friend of the "underdogs" is their friend no longer.

### Why Broken Faith?

The amended rules for sales of fish to Italy require that the sales shall be made through Hawes & Co. Ltd., exclusively. No sales through any other person will be permitted. No sales direct to would-be buyers may lawfully be made. During the Exporters' Convention, last September, in this city, existing rules to the above effect were vigorously assailed, and they were abandoned. On that occasion, Mr. W. A. Munn said, "We cannot carry on business with a man (Hawes) in whom we have no confidence." Mr. R. B. Job said, "the consensus of opinion was that Mr. Hawes should not, on any account, be asked to sell for any shippers who did not want him to do so." The Hon. Mr. Coaker (chairman), said, "It has been decided that Hawes is not to represent the Fisheries Department in Italy the coming season."

In face of these positive assurances, Hawes has again been made the sole selling agent in Italy, and the very men who outspokenly opposed him have been ordered to sell through him or not at all. It is pretty well understood too, that the Italian Consorzio will not on any account deal with or through Hawes, and that Italy is a closed market to our fish until he is removed from control of our sales. What is the secret at the bottom of this mystery? It is obvious that Hawes and certain export merchants in the city of St. John's have a working agreement. What is it? Who are the shareholders in the Hawes Company? Does anybody in St. John's share in the commissions earned by the Hawes concern on fish exported from Newfoundland? If so, who are they, and what is the share? Is there anything to cover up in this matter? If not, why not publish the Hawes agreement? Why does not the Minister of Marine and Fisheries use his powers to enlighten the public on this matter, and on the reason why the Hawes Company are the sole agents for selling to Italy. Why has his faith been broken with the exporters?

### Notes and Comments.

What price "White Nape" Labrador?

Are the fishermen now satisfied that Coaker has gone over to the "Graballs" and "Bloodsuckers," he once so roundly condemned?

Read Coaker's petulant and offensive reply to the Board of Trade, re S.S. Clyde. No third form schoolboy but would put up a better argument. The Union first and to hades with all

others, is the sentiment of the Big Chief.

The confusing of the various grades of fish by Royal Proclamation is well emphasized in yesterday's Herald. The lampoon in that paper on the explanation of the exporter is very clever. Our congratulations to the writer. Blatantly a certain nameless personage in the dark has nothing on the building of the fishermen by the Advisory Board.

That Faustus contributor to the Advocate is certainly some scribe, but he, in common with other Advocate writers, dispenses the truth with penurious frugality. How much Cash is being paid for fish at Port Union, Faustus? Don't hedge now! The Northern fishermen who "shipped off" there know, and you know also that Faustus is a very sinister nom de plume.

Isn't it wonderful what weird stuff the Dal-lie Star unloads on its numerous readers. Yesterday it "whined" like a whipped canine, beseeching the Telegram to drop its criticisms of Mr. Coaker and the Fish Regulations. Time was when the acting editor of the Star had a few things to say about Mr. Coaker also. Have you been financially converted, brother?

The Prince of Wales was forced to refuse all requests for autographs whilst on his tour. The story goes that just before he left Queensland a girl begged for his autograph. "I'm sorry," said the Prince, "but it wouldn't be fair to others to make an exception." "Oh, but I've got your sister's; can't I have yours?" pleaded the girl. The Prince was interested. "Well, how did you get that?" he inquired. Then the girl explained that she was English, had been in the girl guides at home, and Princess Mary had signed her book. So with a smile the good-natured Prince gave way.

### International Schooner Race.

DELAWANA OF LUNenburg; ESPERANTO OF GLOUCESTER; CONTESTING VESSELS.

HALIFAX, Oct. 30. The International Fishing Schooner Race between the Delawana of the Lunenburg fleet and the Esperanto of the Gloucester fleet started this morning, with a fresh south west by westerly wind, Delawana leading over the line by 32 seconds, at 9 o'clock. At 9.31 Delawana was still slightly in the lead.

ESPERANTO AHEAD. HALIFAX, 12.20 p.m. With twenty three miles of the forty mile course covered, the Gloucester schooner Esperanto was leading the Lunenburg Delawana by three minutes and four seconds.

### Police Court.

A carman for not having a pritchett under his cart had to pay costs, and for not having his name on the vehicle he had also to pay further costs.

In a breach of the Street Traffic Regulations, a carman was fined \$5 or 10 days; in another breach of the same regulations a carman had to pay a fine of \$2.00.

A laborer belonging to Port au Port was sentenced to 30 days imprisonment for loose and disorderly conduct. Two boys aged 9 years were brought in the Magistrate's Room and in the presence of their mothers were charged with the larceny of the kits and inner tyres from the motor cars left stalling near the Post Office on Monday night last. The kits were recovered but the lads could not remember what they did with the tubes. After a reprimand from the Judge the boys were allowed to go on the mothers paying the cost of the tubes.

### Episcopal Consecration.

It has been announced that the Consecration of the Right Rev. H. T. Renouf, D.D., Bishop-elect of St. George's will take place in the Cathedral on the 8th December. His Grace Archbishop Roche will be the Consecrator, with Bishop Morrison of Antigonish, and Bishop March of St. John's, as Assistant Bishops. His Lordship Bishop Morrison will be the preacher on the occasion.

### Wolvin in Montreal.

STEEL MAGNATE HAS SATISFACTORY REPORTS FROM N.F.L.D.

MONTREAL.—R. M. Wolvin, president of the Dominion Steel Corporation, has returned to Montreal after a two weeks' trip of the company's properties in Nova Scotia, etc. The steel industry, Mr. Wolvin stated, was in a satisfactory condition, and he had been successful in arriving at an agreement with the Government of Newfoundland, whereby the export of iron ore would be carried out under conditions favorable to the corporation and along the lines desired by those who had conceived the British Empire Steel Corporation—Financial Post.

### Fell Off Lumber Pile.

Yesterday evening Mr. E. Soper, Manager of an East End Lumber Yard met with a nasty fall but luckily escaped serious injury. He was up some 10 or 12 feet on a lumber pile and in grasping a piece of scantling to support himself it tipped and he fell backwards to the ground.

### Dedication of New Church.

At Caplin Bay, Ferryland District.

On to-morrow (Sunday), October 31st, the new and beautiful church at Caplin Bay will be blessed and dedicated to Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception, by His Grace Archbishop Roche, who together with a number of the city clergy and priests of the neighbouring parishes, will arrive in that settlement about 10 a.m., when a High Mass will be celebrated by the energetic parish priest of Ferryland, the Rev. A. Mahar and assistant clergy. Great and extensive preparations have been made by an enthusiastic people, who have looked forward to the opening of this church as a long prayed for and ardently desired blessing. That the whole Parish, from Admiral's Cove to Cappahayden will attend, goes without saying; but many of the prominent Catholic laity of the city are also expected to put in an appearance on this day of rejoicing in Caplin Bay. The church in itself will delight the visitor, as it is unquestionably the most handsome on the Shore.

### Dry Goods Importations Will Be Curtailed.

A leading dry goods merchant in speaking to the Trade Review this week on the dry goods situation, said: "You need not look for any considerable importation of dry goods till next Spring. Water Street houses are well stocked in most lines, and whilst they might be induced to replenish on the few lines that show depletion under ordinary conditions, they will not as a rule do so this fall, but will hold off and try to get along the best way they can without adding to their obligations."

"Buying was heavy in 1919 and the early part of 1920, and now there will be a full of several months' all hands waiting for improved Exchange Rates and market conditions generally. Stores meantime are buying from one another in those lines, in which they are short."

"The general tightness of money and the realization that there will be short buying amongst Newfoundland consumers this fall, is also a strong factor making for caution in laying in stocks, as it is believed that nine-tenths of the cash realized from the summer's operations of the people especially the fishermen will be spent in the absolute necessities of life."

"You may be absolutely safe in saying that there will be less revenue derived from import of dry goods into Newfoundland the coming six months than in any corresponding period the past forty years."—Trade Review.

### New Company Incorporated.

We learn that the Newfoundland Cement Company, Limited, has now been incorporated, the capitalization being \$500,000. Hon. J. J. Murphy is President and General Manager. The property acquired by the Company is that owned by Mr. M. L. Parrell.

### Seal From Labrador.

S.S. Seal arrived in port at 9 o'clock last night from Labrador, bringing a full freight of fish, oil, and salmon. On the trip North the ship met very stormy weather, being for 3 days anchored under Cape Bauld, and a delay of nearly a week was made before the ship could cross the Straits. On the return trip summer weather was met up to arriving in St. John's. The Seal brought about 300 fishermen and landed them at their various home ports. Any fishermen remaining on the coast will be picked up by S.S. Neptune.

Light Suppers, Coffee, Sandwiches, Lemonade, Cakes, Toast, Biscuits, Tea, Chocolate will be served till 11.30 during the theatrical season at the Blue Puttee; also Ice Cream, Ice Cream Cakes, etc.—Oct 25, 26.



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### Hunting for Treasure.

"What I like to do when I go shopping," said a lady friend of mine the other day, "is to encourage the sense of the unexpected—Give myself a pleasant surprise."

"Yes?" I queried.

"What I mean," she went on to explain, "is that instead of mapping out a cut and dried program to which I must stick to, whatever happens, I like to be guided by what I see when I arrive at my favorite shopping centre. To me such a course adds just that touch of adventure, almost romance, to my day's outing which I need every now and again to save me from boredom, in fact it changes the word 'shopping' into 'treasure hunt'."

"I see exactly what you mean," I said, "but does the joyousness which you experience by following out this little plan of yours lessen in any way the physical weariness which even you must feel in going from store to store for the best part of a day?" This was said by way of a trap—I had my reasons.

"Oh, but," she resumed, eagerly, "I don't go from shop to shop! I know much better than that—and you know I do, too, which just reminds me, I'm going on a 'treasure hunt' next week, could you—could you just hint at something I might find?"

"Well, what would you say if, for instance, you were suddenly to find yourself in the midst of beautiful dress fabrics—Silk and Woolen—Heavy Coatings, Silks, etc., in an array of dazzling colors that delight the eye."

"I know I should be very much tempted to buy—if only the price," she paused. "Nothing much to fear there," said I, all things considered, but you should really see them—and then—I waited purposely before proceeding—"then I know of some beautiful Blouses in Crepe de Chine, Georgette, Silk Nets, etc.,—the last word in good style, which if I were a woman and could describe as they deserve . . . but I'm not. I do know, however, that the prices are amazingly low. All the Blouses are marked down for next week's selling. Then again I know of some Sports' Coats and Separate Skirts."

"That's enough to be going on with surely," said she. "I know I should have enjoyed my 'treasure hunt' if only you had remembered to say where I should find these things."

"There is only one place possible, surely," I concluded; "It's the Royal—"

"The Royal Stores—of course!" she exclaimed.

THE GLEANER.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.—Promoted—Thanks for your contribution, but wouldn't it be well to give the "other fellow" a chance to come back, if he desires it? If not, then the incident is closed, so far as the Telegram is concerned.

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