

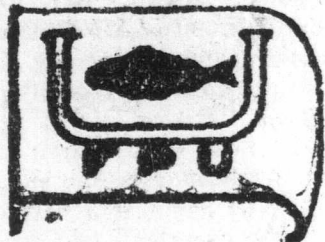
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ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND, MONDAY MARCH 31, 1919.

An interesting paper is that we give to-day on page 5 on Fish Scale Studies. This paper was read on March 6th. in the Board of Trade Rooms by Mr. D. J. Davies, Government Analyst, and it is very suggestive in its scope. The fishermen may have found a way to find out the age of fish, just as there are various ways of finding out the ages of animals, and they will be interested in the subject. Of special interest is the chart showing the homes of the various fish in the Gulf of St. Lawrence. By this chart, cod is found in the middle layer in very cold water. A further investigation into these matters should certainly prove profitable.

As we have already announced, the Eighth Session of the Twenty-third General Assembly will open on Wednesday at 3 p.m. We understand that two new appointees to the Legislative Council will take their seats on that occasion. They are W. B. Grieve, Esq., C.B.E., and Jesse Whiteway, Esq. The appointment of Mr. Grieve is a most popular one. The head of the oldest, we think, business firm, there are few who do not know him and respect him for his courteous personality, exceptional business capacity and broad views. A polished speaker, he will add considerably to the debating power of the Council, and his experience in all branches of the country's trade fits him as an authority on all questions that will come before that body. During the war he has undertaken arduous work on several committees, his health eventually being seriously impaired a year ago, and for this service he has already been decorated as C. B. E. Mr. Whiteway has proven successful on Water Street for many years, and is well known also. To both gentlemen we offer our congratulations. They take seats held formerly by Hon. S. D. Blandford and the late Hon. James Angel. The position of Clerk to the Legislative Council, held by the late Hugh H. Carter for 45 years, is to be taken by Capt. R. H. Tait, M.C., who recently passed his solicitor's examination, to whom we offer our felicitations also.

\$8.00 And The Rise The Price of Fat

The price, we learn today, at which the crew of the Sable I. have agreed to sell their voyage is \$8.00 for young fat and \$6.00 for old harps and hoods with the rise. The masters of watch visited the various firms interested in the purchase of seals this morning, and after considerable negotiations the price as noted above was agreed upon as a start, which is satisfactory to the men.

Later

Negotiations are still going on in an endeavor to get \$9.00 for young fat.

NEW YORK, Mar. 30.—The start of the United States navy's attempt to cross the Atlantic ocean in a heavier than air machine will take place on the first clear day in May or as soon thereafter as the fog belt which now envelops the Newfoundland coast shows signs of clearing. According to a statement issued last night by the Manufacturers Air Craft Association, which claims to have definite information from Washington. Each of the two or more N.C. type of boats with which the flight will be attempted will carry a crew of five men consisting of pilots, mechanics, a wireless operator and possibly an aerographer.

Diana's Crew Have 'Flu'

Forty of the crew of the Diana have been attacked with flu. The latest news from the ship, which is supposed to be 15 miles off this port, is that 15 of the cases are bad ones, but that the other 25 are only slight. All preparations have been made to put the men in the Fever Hospital on the arrival of the ship, which has been instructed to make the nearest port as soon as possible. The balance of the crew will be quarantined in the new wing of the Fever Hospital for observation. Dr. Campbell has wired necessary instructions to Mr. Wm. Howell, who is the doctor on board the ship. Before the ship left port she was well stocked with medicines and it is hoped that no deaths will occur.

Geneva Will Be Seat of League of Nations

PARIS, March 29.—Indications today are that Geneva would be recommended as the official seat of the league of nations. The committee which is considering the subject met today, and although no announcement was made it appeared that the tendency of the members was clearly in favor of Geneva on the ground of the neutral position of Switzerland.

NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS

The publication of the F. P. U. History Book which will be sent to all who send in 50c., has been delayed owing to some cuts not having arrived. Every subscriber who sends us 50c. will receive book as soon as completed.

POLICE COURT

A Topsail farmer, drunk while in charge of a horse, was before Judge Morris this morning. He was fined the board bill for himself and his outfit.

A railroader was arrested by Head Byrne last night on a charge of larceny. He went through the clothes of three boarders and abstracted therefrom several amounts. The men complained to Detective Byrne and a trap was laid with marked money. Yesterday morning another touch took place and the marked money found in a West End pool room. The accused this morning tried to blame a Danish sailor but His Honor was satisfied that the right man had been captured and fined him \$20.00 or 30 days.

SHIPPING NOTES

The schooner "Dazzle," Capt. St. Clair, arrived at St. Mary's Saturday after a 3 days run, all well.

The Sable I. which arrived last evening was the first ship to enter port since March 17th, owing to the ice blockade.

The Reid Mtd. Co. had a marconigram from the Sagana at 10 a.m. today which said the ship was then 30 miles west of St. Pierre with a strong breeze E. S. E. with fog and rain occasionally.

The s.s. Portia has been ordered by the government to proceed to Louisbourg for mails and passengers. We understand there are 100 passengers at the Cape Breton port awaiting passage to Newfoundland.

Steamer Report

The Ethie left Placentia for the west last midnight.

The Glencoe is leaving Placentia after the arrival of today's train.

The following marconigram from the Kyle at 8 p.m. yesterday: "Light east wind; dense fog; very little change in position. Butting at intervals, but very little progress."

The Meigle is at St. John's. The Sagana left Louisbourg at 4 p.m. yesterday.

A Good Costume

Among the costumes worn at the skating carnival, one of the best was that of "Uncle Sam," which was worn by Mr. E. A. Barker, chief machinist of the U. S. war tug "Troquois." In "get-up" it was original and complete in every particular, and combined with his splendid figure-skating, Mr. Barker was a conspicuous skater at the Prince's Rink.

PERSONAL

Mrs. Bugden, wife of the pastor of Wesley Church, who not long since went to hospital and underwent an operation is improved very much and will leave the institution the latter part of the week.

Mrs. A. E. Eriksen and Miss Phyllis Eriksen, of Trinity, arrived in town by a local express yesterday.

LATEST

Warning to Bedoins

CAIRO, Mar. 30. (Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency)—The western Bedouin tribes have been warned that they must remain in their own locality and will be punished if they move eastwards. A general warning has also been issued that if the railway line be damaged the neighbouring village will be burned.

Some Furs Here!

LONDON, Mar. 30. (Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency)—Reuter's learns that telegrams by Siberia report the following results for the fur season just ended: In the Omsk Government, ten million squirrel skins, ten thousand skins each of fox and blue fox, one thousand of sable, thirty thousand ermine and fifty thousand of hare.

Australia's Ship

MELBOURNE, Australia, Mar. 30. (Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency)—Acting Premier Watt, Customs Minister Poynton, and other commonwealth shipping officials have had an important conference regarding the future policy of the Government in respect to the commonwealth merchantmen. The result has not transpired but it is understood that the question of selling ships was discussed.

Business men who want profitable results advertise in THE ADVOCATE.

RETURN OF PRESIDENT COAKER!

Mr. Coaker, accompanied by Capt. John Lewis and Mr. C. J. Bryant, arrived from Liverpool on Saturday afternoon. Mr. Coaker went as far as Italy, where he visited the important cities which purchase Newfoundland cod. While in Italy he visited the famous ruins of Pompeii and the so-called burning mountain of Vesuvius. He spent several days at Rome seeing that great city and the ruins of old Rome. The diary of his visit will be published in the F. P. U. Book, but he intends to hand us extracts of it for publication in this paper from time to time. He also visited Grimbsy and spent a day with Sir Thos. Robinson, the great fish dealer. He spent several days at Paris with Sir W. F. Lloyd and met many of the British Delegates at the Majestic Hotel, where the British Staff reside. He spent some time with Lord Morris at London and heard him speak in the House of Lords. He saw the King and Queen, was at the House of Lords when Parliament opened, and sitting in the House of Commons that same afternoon with Sir W. F. Lloyd and Sir Joseph Cook of Australia, he heard the Prime Minister's reply to the speech of Mr. Adamson, Leader of the Labor Party and Official Leader of the Opposition Party. He met several of the Labor Leaders. He says that the labour trouble in England will be settled without any big strikes, as the British Prime Minister has determined to create a new Britain, as one result of the great war, and the Labor Leader, Mr. Thomas, who is thought will be the next British Prime Minister, is in close touch with him and they are working together fairly well. Mr. Thomas flew to Paris on the 14th. of March at the request of Premier Lloyd George, remained all the afternoon and returned in the evening to London, where he addressed a Council of Labour respecting the attitude of the railroad engineers and miners on terms they had demanded. The British Prime Minister sent him back with an assurance that the Government would nationalize the mines and probably the railroads, which is the great aim of Labour. This concession will in itself mean no national strike. Mr. Coaker says the Labour Leaders are Constitutionalists and firm believers in evolution. Not more than 10 per cent of Labour have any use for Bolshevism. The fact that several statesmen travel by the air from London to Paris to interview colleagues and return the same evening to address Parliament or Labour Congress is sufficient to show what progress the world is making. Mr. Coaker had a three hours' conference with the officials of the Italian Government at Rome regarding the Newfoundland fish situation. Mr. Coaker believes Great Britain to be the first nation of the world, and without an equal in any way. He believes the British Prime Minister to be the ablest statesman alive, and the greatest England has produced. At Paris Mr. Lloyd George is the King of the Bunch, and is looked up to as such even by President Wilson. President Wilson is not popular with the Allied delegates at Paris, but he is immensely popular with the masses in France and Italy. The whole of Europe has been staggered by the war and it will take four or five years to get back near normal. Prices of goods in England will not be much cheaper before 1920. For twenty years prices will be high all over the world. The great burden of taxation will have to be met and living will never again be as reasonable as it was in 1914. The finances of France and Italy cannot be worse, and it will take Britain many years to reach a safe financial position. Those who believe the world will recover quickly from the stunning blow administered by the war will not take long in discovering their mistake. The peoples of the nations will be very free and mighty changes will result enabling the honest toilers to live more comfortable and make life happier, as a result of the war, but taxation will be twice that of 1914. Food is still scarce in France and Italy, and in England sugar, butter and fresh foods are still considerably less than the requirements. In France and Italy black bread is still being used. Great unrest prevails in England as well as all European countries and is chiefly caused by the high cost of living and scarcity of food. England will pull through, thanks to Mr. Lloyd George's great energy and ability. As for France and Italy their troubles will increase and not diminish.

AIR MEN HERE

Making Ready For Atlantic Flight

Mr. Harry Hawker, the holder of many aviation records and who has been an airman for more than seven years, arrived in this city by train from Placentia early yesterday morning and is a guest at the Cochrane House. He is accompanied by Lieut. Commander Green, and Messrs. F. Green, of Nottingham, Eng., and C. N. Hall, of London, Eng., the last two named being mechanics of repute in the construction of airplanes. We understand that the machines in which the attempt will be made to cross the Herring Pond is a specially designed Sopwith biplane. The machine in a two seater, built for high speed and has large fuel capacity. It is driven by a Rolls-Eagle engine of 360 h.p., and its "economical" speed with the engine throttled down and giving about 250 horse power, is calculated to make over a hundred miles an hour in calm air. Lieut. Commander Greene will be the navigator and a wireless operator will also be on board for sending out messages for help in the event of any mishap during the flight, which is expected to take place within three weeks, provided favorable weather conditions offer. Favorable westerly winds are necessary for the start. Today the machines, which weigh about four tons, are being moved from the railway station to Mount Pearl by Lester's teams. Owing to the bad condition of the roads this is not an easy task. Several dates have been mentioned as to the probable time of starting, but as airmen refused to be officially interviewed, we are unable to give our readers more definite information on this important piece of news. From fellow-passengers on the Digby we gather that the aviator has a firm conviction that he can do the trick. The following facts relative to Mr. Hawker's previous mastery of air will prove interesting. "He has lately proved his capacity for long-duration flights, although, for that matter, as long as October, 1912, he won a Michelin prize for a flight of 8 hours, 23 minutes. He has made many high altitude flights, and until the new record made recently by Captain Lang, was the holder of the world's record. In the Round Britain Race of August, 1913, Mr. Hawker flew from Southampton, via Yarmouth, Scarborough, Inverness, and Oban, to Dublin, where he had an unfortunate accident which resulted in an injury to his machine. He completed 1,043 miles of the course of 1,540 miles. An Australian by birth, of Cornish descent, he has for some years been the chief test pilot of the Sopwith machines."

Wesley Church
Prospering

Under the pastorate of Rev. Mr. Bugden, Wesley Church is forging ahead and its congregation is increasing to such an extent that enlargement of the structure will be one of the possibilities of the not distant future. The services each Sunday are attended by large and earnest congregations and the pastor and church authorities will always cordially welcome people here from the outports.

Mr. T. Godden, who made a trip to the ice fields in the Sable I., enjoyed the trip very much and returns in excellent health.

Fogota Has 6,000

Hon. J. C. Crosbie had a wireless went as far as Bishop's Falls. Yesterday's express left Benton at 7.30 a.m. today. A local express from Port aux Basques left Badger at 6.55 a.m. today.

TRAIN NOTES

Saturday's west bound express went as far as Bishop's Falls. Yesterday's express left Benton at 7.30 a.m. today. A local express from Port aux Basques left Badger at 6.55 a.m. today.

Flying Machines Here

The two flying machines which were transferred last week from the s.s. Digby to the Portia and taken to Placentia, arrived here yesterday morning by special freight train. They are enclosed in large, house-like packages, which weigh with their contents over 5 tons each, and today they were transferred to the largest trucks Mr. Chas. Lester has in service. They were viewed by several hundred people at the railway station today and will be sent to Mount Pearl this afternoon. Ten horses will be required to draw each, and a difficult job is in prospect for the drivers, the roads being very soft.

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