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ST. JOHN'S, Nfld., APRIL 24, 1914.

### THE HOLIDAY

A great deal of dissatisfaction is being expressed in the city over the decision of the Importers' Association to observe the whole holidays during the summer on Mondays.

Not only are our citizens generally objecting to this but the majority of the small business men are also dissenting.

All the arguments are against the observance of Monday as a whole holiday.

The decision of the Importers entails the loss of a day and a half on our business men whenever a whole holiday occurs.

The banks will continue to observe Saturday as a half holiday, which means that when a holiday is observed, no business can be done with them from Saturday noon to Tuesday.

More than this, religious bodies cannot fall to object to the Monday holiday arrangement, seeing that it sets a premium on Sabbath desecration.

The worker expects to get a little sport on his holiday, and if he takes it at all now he is forced by the decision of the Importers to do so on Sunday.

The new arrangement may suit the Importers! It certainly suits nobody else.

### WORST OF ALL

The Sagona's men bitterly complain of the food conditions on board the past spring. No beans, no brews, no canned beef, no fresh, no salt beef is the universal cry. Six sacks of beans, 4 sacks of potatoes, 6 sacks of peas and about 5 qts. of fish was the supply on board for the men. No salt beef was used. It was pork and duff three times each week.

Well this does not speak well for ships managed by a member of the Government and one who represents a district of Toilers. Then again the agent of those ships promised to send that portion of the crew belonging North to their destinations and they were led to believe the Fogota would be sent North with them, but again the men were coddled and no Fogota could be sent North.

The Sagona was about to sail in a couple of days and why not pay the passage rate on her and 70 or 100 men turn in three or four hundred dollars to the Company?

This is how it is done. Ain't it sickening? Is it any wonder every Toiler is disgusted and longing for the day of retribution to come.

Talk about sealing conditions, why the men on Crosbie's ships say they never experienced such in their life and some of them had been sealing 20 years.

The Fogota's crew also made bitter complaint, and stated much of the stores had been consumed 20 days after sailing.

### THE ADVOCATE.

The Advocate will be issued to-morrow morning and will contain the Court evidence of the disaster and the letters bearing upon the disaster which appeared during the past week in The Mail.

A thrilling account of the scenes witnessed previous to the death of poor Reuben Crève and his son Albert, as told by an eye witness, and the experience of one of the rescued who was picked up in an unconscious condition, will also appear, and the issue will be very suitable to send to friends abroad who are all anxious to know all about the details of the terrible catastrophe.

It will also be the last issue, as The Advocate for the next Saturday's issue will be The Mail and Advocate Weekly.

THE DAILY MAIL FOR ADVERTISING RESULTS

### THE SOUTHERN CROSS.

It is to be hoped that the owners of the ill-fated Southern Cross insured the men's share of seals on board as provided in the Sealing Agreement of 1912 made with Mr. Coaker. Under that agreement the owners were to insure the men's part of seals and deduct the cost from the men's share. The seals insured were to be the quantity on board at the time of the loss of the ship.

If the owners observed the agreement the relations of the men lost in the Southern Cross will receive something like \$70 as the insured share of the loved ones on board the Southern Cross who found a watery grave.

Will Baine Johnson & Co. please inform the public concerning this matter?

### UNION TRADING CO.

For the last 10 days the Trading Co.'s employees have been rushed handling new arrivals of goods, and for the next 30 days shipments will arrive daily. The Company's importation this spring exceed those of last spring by 100 per cent., the one drawback being lack of space to accommodate the new stocks.

Additional assistants in the dry goods department has been engaged. Mr. Geo. Soper, of the Royal Stores Clothing Department, has been engaged to take charge of the Clothing Department of the Trading Co. and will take up his duties next Monday. He is an experienced and energetic young man and will find full scope for his abilities with the fast progressing Union Trading Co.

In the Provision Store several loads of supplies have already been sent out for Union Cash Stores North. The first schooner load of supplies to sail for the North was sent by the Trading Co. per schr. Progress, Capt. Blackwood, who took supplies for Greenspond and Newtown Stores and arrived at her destination last Friday morning. The schr. Sunflower is now loading supplies for Port Rexton Store and another schooner will load immediately with supplies for Catalina Store.

In the Motor Engine Department the rush of orders is amazing. Car load after carload are arriving and still more are required to fill orders. Two car loads of engines were ordered this week with a request that they be shipped immediately. "The Coaker" engine which is installed on the premises for examination is becoming a favorite and will prove a popular engine and have a large sale.

The Kintail is now being painted and made ready for the season's work and will leave for Sydney to load coal for Conception Bay about the 1st of May. Her funnel will be painted light blue, which is the ground color of the Union flag, which will be easily recognized by our outport friends when the ship is passing along from time to time.

### NEW COUNCILS.

Recently Plate Cove, B.B. St. Jacques and Riverhead St. Mary's have established Councils of the F.P.U. and numerous applications await action.

The trouble now is to establish the Councils as fast as applied for. The whole Country is demanding Councils, for the people realize that if the North is benefiting by the Union so should other portions of the Colony.

Mr. Coaker cannot find time to visit every settlement requiring a Council as he did in the early days of the Union, but he will tour Burin and Fortune Bay Districts during the coming Fall.

The large increase in the number of Councils, the growing demands of the business of the Trading Co., which include a Clothing Factory, a Motor Engine Department, Management of the Kintail, Management of 30 Outport Stores, the Management of the Publishing Co. and the issuing of a daily paper has considerably added to the work Mr. Coaker had to do as President of the F.P.U. and to all this he has now to shoulder the responsibilities of a public man and leader of a Political Party.

If some man belonging to the South actuated by the same motives and intentions as Mr. Coaker would come forward and help the work on the South and West Coast it would take but a short time to fully organize the whole Country in view of the splendid position the F.P.U. now occupy in the Country, both politically, socially, commercially and financially.

### FOR PUBLIC INFORMATION.

The following letter may prove interesting and we publish for general information:

To W. F. Coaker, Esq., M.H.A., City.  
Sir—There exists at present a very serious state of affairs in relation to the arrival, at various times, on all trains and steamers, of patients for the General Hospital from the outports. These people come on without giving proper notice and without any authority from anyone here.

The seriousness of the position may be realized from the fact that though the Hospital is overcrowded, as many as twenty-five patients at a time are waiting around town for an opportunity to enter. Not only is great expense incurred, but also great inconvenience and risk to sick people who render themselves subject to conditions that it is quite possible may have fatal effects in some cases and that are, undoubtedly, detrimental to their condition.

It has been decided to put an end to this serious condition of affairs. You will please, therefore, take care that no cases shall be sent henceforth, unless a doctor has seen the patient and has certified that such case is fit for the Hospital. Where no doctor can be procured, then you (as Magistrate or J.P., as the case may be), must limit the cases sent on as far as possible to those which, in your judgment, require immediate hospital treatment.

The Department, therefore, in issuing this warning, desires to impress strongly upon all concerned that no patients shall be sent forward at any time without first communicating with Mr. Eli Whiteaway at the Public Health Office.

Mr. Whiteaway has been instructed to attend only to such patients as shall have received this authority, and will not be responsible, nor will he make provision for any persons arriving without such permission.

This decision will be rigidly enforced henceforth.

Further you will please give public notification of the foregoing in the localities under your jurisdiction and do your utmost to spread broadcast the information contained in this communication.

I have the honor, to be, Sir,  
Your obedient servant,  
JAMES HARRIS, Secretary.

Department of Public Works,  
St. John's, Nfld., April 3, 1914.

### TO THE EDITOR.

### COMPLAINS OF THE GRUB

Several of the crew of the S. S. Fogota complain of the food supplied to them this spring at the ice, saying that the Sealing Bill was not carried out in anyway like what the Bill called for. Had no fresh beef whatever, and beans a very scattered time. The soup could have been much better.

The men say that there's no blame to the cooks, but the steward was to blame, as he seemed to be running the whole show.

Cabbage was put on board at Harbour Grace. The crew got the pot liquor and the officers the cabbage. —ONE OF THE CULLAGE.  
April 24, 1914.

### CHANCE TO EXPLAIN.

(Editor The Daily Mail)  
Dear Sir—Was St. Andrew the Apostle the Patron Saint of Scotland? Nov. 30th is St. Andrew's Day according to the calendar. Perhaps one of your many Scotch readers might give a little of the history of St. Andrew.

—ENQUIRER.

### CATALINA CONTRIBUTES

(Editor The Daily Mail)  
Dear Sir—At a meeting of Catalina Local Council of the F.P.U., held April 20th. The following Resolutions were unanimously passed and ordered to be sent to The Daily Mail and Advocate for publication:

WHEREAS the members of this Local Council having heard of the terrible disaster which has befallen so many of our brave sealers while engaged at their hazardous calling on the ice;

BE IT RESOLVED That this Catalina Council of the F.P.U. tender its sincerest sympathy to the relatives and friends who mourn the loss of their loved one;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED That this Local Council give a donation of Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) to the Marine Disaster Fund. The amount to be passed over to Mr. Coaker.

By publishing the above in your esteemed paper and passing same over to The Advocate for insertion you will oblige Catalina Local Council F.P.U.

D. WHITE, Chairman.  
JOS. TIPPETT, Secretary.  
Catalina, April 20th, 1914.

### NOTICE.

The Annual Meeting of the C.L.B. BOAT CLUB will take place at the Armoury, Harvey Road, on MONDAY, APRIL 27th.  
Members should make a special effort to attend.

H. BARNES,  
Hon. Sec.

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## FOREIGNERS LEAVE MEXICO IN ALL HASTE

Villa Offers to Send Forty-Eight Thousand Troops to Scene of Conflict.

BRAZIL ACTS FOR THE U. S. A.

In Mexico City.—This Regarded as a Significant Move.—Teach Gringos Lesson.

El Paso, Texas, April 24.—Foreigners are flocking to the railroads in Mexico on the way to the States. Carranza's reply to Secretary Bryan has caused greater excitement here than did the taking of Vera Cruz, for it was interpreted to mean war between Mexico and the United States.

Villa, it is understood, was influential in shaping Carranza's reply. The conqueror of Torreón with fifteen thousand victory-flushed veterans, according to reports from Chihuahua, declared he could land twelve thousand men in El Paso in forty-eight hours and that it might be wise to teach the Gringos a lesson at the start.

### Asked to Act

Secretary Bryan asked the Brazilian Government if it would act for the United States in Mexico, which after a conference with Ambassador Degama, announced that complete arrangements have been made.

The choice of Brazil instead of a European Power is regarded as very significant. Not only has Brazil, like Argentina and Chile, refused to recognize the Huerta Government, but the fact that the United States considered its friend in the crisis a South American nation emphasized the Pan-American solidarity. This is the first time that a South American country has ever been asked to act in such a capacity for the United States.

It was announced that the affairs of the Mexican Embassy at Washington have been entrusted to the French Ambassador.

## Countess Regains Her Birthright

Son of Watchman Substituted in Her Place Immediately After Birth.—Disinherited for Years.

Frankfort, April 20.—A law case, which has been going on for seven years, has just been decided against the state. The story is romantic. The birth of the Countess was a disappointment to her parents, who desired an heir to their vast estates, and the child's nurse, it is alleged, substituted for her the son of a night watchman.

The Countess was brought up in a private family, and she afterwards married a Count Skorzewski. The nurse long afterwards told the young Countess about the exchange of children by which she had been deprived of her birthright, and the Countess appealed to the Courts, but she was declared to be acting under a delusion and placed under guardianship. Ever since, through seven years, she has fought against the Court's decision, and now at last she has won her case, and the whole question of the inheritance is to be settled in the High Court.

### SAILORS MAROONED NINETY-EIGHT DAYS

London, April 17.—How he and his crew spent ninety-eight days on an uninhabited island is told by Captain Ducos.

His barque, the Tour d'Auvergne, of 3,000 tons, struck an uncharted reef 800 miles from Tahiti. He and the crew had to take to the boats, and landed eventually on the uninhabited island.

Fifteen days later an Australian sailing ship hailed them, but as it could only take fifteen of the twenty-three shipwrecked men it was decided to wait for help which the Australian boat should send.

By the time the cruiser Zedee, which had been sent to search for them, came to their relief, they had spent ninety-eight days on the island and had to live for a greater part of the time on coconuts, fish and roots.

## \$2,000 Raised At N. Sydney.

Cape Breton Townspeople Make a Generous Response to Appeal For Fund.

North Sydney, C.B., April 16.—The collectors for the various wards appointed last week at the meeting held in the interests of the sufferers from

the recent Newfoundland sealing disaster, are meeting with considerable success, and already in the neighborhood of a thousand dollars has been collected.

About four hundred dollars have been contributed by the residents of ward two, where many former Newfoundlanders reside, while in the other wards the collectors are meeting with good success.

It is expected that the total collections for North Sydney will total between \$1500 and \$2000 before the lists are closed.

## Says Empire Demands It

Argument With Which British Newspaper Backs Up Home Rule.

London, April 20.—"One of the strongest Imperial reasons for setting up Irish Home Rule," says The Manchester Guardian, "is that the Empire as a whole strongly wishes us to set it up. The Canadian Parliament has five times over passed resolutions in sympathy with the Irish request for Home Rule. The Australian Senate and House of Representatives have both petitioned the Crown in the same sense. Every colonial Premier who attended the last Imperial Conference was in favor of Home Rule for Ireland. The colonies and their statesmen are naturally for Home Rule because they have tried it. Here and there you may find a leading colonial politician who, being perhaps of Orange descent, is against Home Rule."

**Reply to Carson's Reminder.**  
This remarkable statement by the Radical organ of Cottonopolis is a reply to Sir Edward Carson's reminder to his volunteers that the whole Empire was watching with good will their opposition to Home Rule. An extraordinary feeling of suspense now marks the political atmosphere.

The Pall Mall Gazette, while pressing for a general election before the bill receives its final sanction, admits that the Opposition have gone as far as they can possibly go, and farther even than many expected.

The budget will probably be introduced at the end of the month.

## Insult Was Only Useful Pretext

French Paper Says United States Was Waiting For a Chance to But In.

Paris, April 20.—The Journal Des Debats in an editorial on what it calls "The Pretended insult to the American manifestation of the Washington Government" in absolute conformity with the traditions of the White House since the middle of the last century.

It charges that the United States Government never allowed Mexico to develop or live in peace.

It goes on to say that the United States supported the opposition to Maximilian (the Austrian, who with the soldiers of Napoleon III., tried to establish an empire in Mexico), lest he should establish a strong government, and that it supported Porfirio Diaz until Diaz welcomed Zelaya, of Nicaragua, when the United States feared that a Nicaraguan canal might be built.

The Debats retells the story of the Pearson concessions and the building of the Tehuantepec railroad by the British syndicate. It declares that these are the grievances of the United States against Huerta, and that the Tampico incident is only a miserable pretext.

Washington, it says, prefers Carranza and Villa because it hopes to be able to use them.

"The United States," says the Debats, in conclusion, "has assumed a grave responsibility before the world."

### GIVE THIS YOUR ATTENTION

A. I. C. Relieves a Starving Woman  
Bay Roberts,  
March 10th, 1914

I have been troubled with indigestion for a number of years. In fact I have been so bad I couldn't eat a half meal of anything.

A friend advised me to try A.I.C. and one half pint bottle cured me. I couldn't believe I could be cured in such a short time and now I can eat anything and food does not trouble me in the least.

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