

The Freak of 1919 Not to Her Liking



MISS TERRA NOVA—I hate that old thing, I do; I don't believe the good Santa Claus ever intended that present (?) for me!

The Regulations and the Board.

Editor Evening Telegram.

Dear Sir.—Once a fortnight or so, W. F. Coaker, Minister of Marine and Fisheries, pays St. John's a visit and spits out a whole mouthful of venom against all and sundry who dare show spirit enough to oppose his Mad Mullah schemes, and try to earn their livelihood, independent of his wishes.

This time his personal attack has been directed against the newly formed Brokers' Association and Messrs. Hue and Stone in particular.

I am not going to say anything in defence of these gentlemen, as it appears they are well able to defend themselves, except to call the attention of the public to the fact that they have lived all their lives in Newfoundland, and both have large families, which they are anxious to bring up as good citizens. This is more than Coaker can say, and if he were to drop out of this mundane sphere to-morrow, no body would miss him, and few would care.

However, it is not Coaker either that I started to write about, but these obnoxious fishery regulations which he has foisted upon the Country, and which in my opinion, if persisted in, will mean the ruin of the Newfoundland fish markets of the world. Already there are unmistakable signs that our chief competitors—the Norwegians—are taking advantage of the situation, and are endeavouring to oust us from the Mediterranean markets. If we antagonize our customers there, this will be easily accomplished. So far as Codfish is concerned, we are not the "only pebbles on the beach." It is only a blind politician of the Coaker type, who would think this. There are other countries in the world that produce far more fish products than Newfoundland. Does the great Coaker know that after years of scientific study and research into the Western Methods of Catching and Curing fish, that the Japanese have taken up Codfishing into markets which we have had for hundreds of years. They are also curing it in the same manner that we are, and are exploiting it in the markets of the Pacific Coast of America. I say does Coaker know this? Then who is he, to think that

he can uproot the customs of centuries and compel the Italians, the Spaniards, the Greeks and the Portuguese to buy our fish on our terms and at our price. Out upon such a mountebank! The sooner he is put in his proper place and kept there, the better it will be for the Country in general.

I wish to say a word too about this Advisory Board—"Me and my Advisory Board." Who are they, and have they the confidence of the public? I opine not.

Mr. George M. Barr is, practically speaking, a young man, and up to a very few years ago was looked upon by the fishermen as a man more interested in Lobsters than in Codfish. Admitting that he has of late years been an exporter of fish to the Mediterranean, is he so wonderfully smart that he can teach older and better men what has taken them a life time to learn. Who is Mr. Joseph Sellars? Very few people know him as a fish exporter. In fact most people regard him even now as a Tea Vendor. Take them as a whole, Coaker (a farmer), Barr (a Lobster buyer), Sellars (a Tea Agent). Compare them with a board made up of say, Messrs. A. F. Goodridge, W. B. Grieve, and R. K. Bishop. If I say we had a fishery Board made up of experienced men, the Country would have confidence in them.

Perhaps this Coaker-appointed Advisory Board will explain why it is that fishermen find it very difficult to sell fish to-day, and if their new regulations are responsible for the drop in price of two dollars a quintal.

Yours truly,
A NEWFOUNDLANDER.
St. John's, Jan. 5, 1920.

Railway Partly Clear.

As far as Tor's Cove the Trepassy branch line is clear, though at Fourth Pond a drift is giving the trainmen some trouble.

The rotary was at work yesterday on the section between Munnels and Gambo, clearing the rails of a heavy drift, and owing to the presence of the latter the incoming train is held at Gambo, while another is at Bishop's Falls.

The Bay de Verde branch line is clear to Northern Bay.

President White Explains

Editor Evening Telegram.

Dear Sir.—In recent issues of the Star and Post, there appeared a letter charging Mr. J. Cadwell and others with using the Rooms of the N. I. W. A. in the interest of the Cashin Party. The inference to be drawn, or may be drawn, was that Mr. Cadwell and his associates were doing so without proper authority, and with a view to having the public believe that the N. I. W. A. were allied with said party.

If such were the intention, then it is unwarranted, untruthful. As he had no more to do with the transaction than any other member of the Executive. Sir M. P. Cashin made application for the use of the Rooms and accepted the price asked by the N. I. W. A. Executive. The transaction was a purely business one, and in no sense allies the Association with the said party.

It is also a matter of surprise to the Executive of the N. I. W. A. to find that a great number of persons are of the opinion that the N. I. W. A. were the prime movers in placing Mr. Linagar on the Cashin ticket. Such belief is entirely wrong. The N. I. W. A. had no hand, act, or part in doing so. Nor is the Association the least bit interested in the Election now pending. And the same applied to the general Election. The members cast their votes as they pleased, and there is no obligation to prevent them from doing so in the present contest.

This contribution is at the request of the Executive of the N. I. W. A. Respectfully yours,
T. M. WHITE,
President.

January 5, 1920.

Cadet Old

Comrades Meet.

Meeting in the armoury yesterday forenoon, some 150 old comrades of the Catholic Cadet Corps enrolled in the recently formed "Old Comrades" Association. Double as many as this are expected to have joined up by the end of the present month. Lord Morris, who for many years took an active part in the work of the Brigade, was elected Honorary President at yesterday's meeting, and he will be informed of the fact by the Secretary. The matters of opening club-rooms and of inaugurating a Ladies' Auxiliary were also discussed, and will receive further consideration. A card tournament for a prize of \$20 will tonight open the winter's programme.

Shipping Notes.

S. S. Watuka with a cargo of coal from Sydney reached port yesterday. She is discharging at A. Harvey & Co.'s to-day.

The Glutha has cleared from G. M. Barr's. She takes 5682 qts. codfish to Gibraltar for orders.

Schooner Constellation has cleared from Wood's Island with 1660 barrels herring for Gloucester.

S. S. Rooke arrived from Bell Island yesterday. She will undergo general repairs here.

Capt. Kean's new schooner Little Princess, arrived in port yesterday morning from Halifax, with a cargo of coal. The vessel was launched about a month ago, since when she has been rigged, loaded and made her maiden voyage.

The tug Ingraham has gone to Sol-don to tow the Gordello to this port. A. H. Murray's vessel Falka, Capt. Hillier, has arrived at Patras, Greece. All well.

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No eating, destroying disease at its root,
No withering decline marred the promise of fruit.

No bruise, no mark, no violence shows
On the fair, pale form of our dead white Rose.

Oh, Rose, dearest Rose, thou art gone
From our tree
But thou'lt bloom in God's own conservatory.
Fairer and brighter than ever thou wert.

In the rough, dry soil of this sordid earth.
And we will look up and see thee there
Happy and bright and radiant fair.
Oh Rose! sweet Rose, may your perfume there
Be ever and ever, for us, a prayer.

It is hard to lose you, so sweet, so fresh;
The spirit is strong, but weak our poor flesh!
Yet, who would not give to God above
That which He loves with greater love.

Than if all the love this cold world could impart
Were gathered together in one big heart!
Our poor dead Rose! we must lay you away,
God grant that we meet you again some day.
But we'll never, never forget you, dear
Till by God's grace we see you again, up there.

J. A. Mc.

Juvenile T. A.'s Meet.

The T. A. Juvenile Society met yesterday, when the \$5 gold piece offered by President Ellis for the boy who had brought in the greatest number of new members was awarded to Master F. Fleming, who had succeeded in getting 23. The prize for the second biggest number went to Master James Bennett. A consolation prize was also given Master Richard Myron. Inspector O'Brien's prize of \$5 for hygiene was awarded Master R. Wilson. These prizes, with some new ones, will be offered for the ensuing year. The annual treat will be given in a couple of weeks, it was decided. Application for membership were received from six candidates.

Hungry People Scarce.

CHRISTMAS DINNERS WENT BEGGING AT NEW YORK.

New York, Dec. 25.—Christmas dinners went begging on the Bowery to-night. Roast turkey with all its trimmings, candy and minced pie, failed to attract half as many hungry men as were served in former years. This was attributed to prevalent prosperity and prohibition.

The famous Bowery mission served only 400 persons, where in former years they had been called upon to provide for at least 1500. Many missions did not serve the usual Christmas dinners because of the lack of applicants.

The usual Christmas noon hour dinner at the McAuley Water Street mission was postponed until to-night because of the lack of applicants. Not a man appeared at noon, although 400 pounds of turkey and many good things had been prepared. A few years ago it was not unusual for the mission to feed 1,500 but to-night less than 300 hungry men appeared.

Shot 2,000 Men to Give Indians Lesson.

The shooting of 2,000 Indian rioters last April, in order to terrify a threatening mob during the Punjab disturbances, is being investigated by a Commission of Inquiry in India. The facts are revealed in newspapers which have arrived from Calcutta. Evidence before the Commission was to the effect that the mob burned the National Bank premises at Amritsar, murdered the Manager and his assistant, and burned their bodies with kerosene. Railway lines were cut and villagers from outside arrived to help in the looting. General Dyer said he went round and through the city with a column consisting of 130 British troops, 330 Indian soldiers and two armoured cars. In one place the crowd numbered 5,000, and in order to disperse them, the General ordered rapid fire, 2,000 of the natives being killed.

Personal Mention.

Mr. J. A. McKenna, local manager of the "Imperial Life" left for Montreal by yesterday's express on business.

Mr. "Tom" Armstrong has resigned his position at Reid's and left for Canada by yesterday's express. He will while away study meet up-to-date methods of Vulcanizing, and when he returns will engage in this business.

Mr. N. Andrews, who suffered painful injury by falling on the Post Office steps, Saturday, is somewhat easier to-day, but is obliged to keep his bed.

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The origin of this unique almanack is very simple. Like a good many other people he thought not only that crime was more common during certain months of the year, but that certain crimes occurred more frequently in one month than in another. No one else, however, has taken the trouble to test the theory thoroughly and so the almanack was born.

The compiler found that most cases of murder occurred in January, June and August, and fewest in November, December and February. The favourite month with poisoners is May, while the month they like least is September. September, in fact, is one of the least "criminy" months in the whole calendar.

Just as murderers dislike November and December, it was just these months that burglars and thieves generally got busy. Forgers, as one might have expected, chose round about quarter days more frequently than any other times in the year to show their skill.

OLD TIME DANCE.—The Green Sprig Athletic Club will hold a Big Dance in the Blue Puttee Hall, Tuesday night, Jan. 6th. A big time for all. Tickets for sale by J. Kavanagh, J. Bell and C. Kent.—Jan 3, 21

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GLENCOE'S PASSENGERS.—The Parsons, Mrs. Player, S. Davis, R. G. following passengers landed at Port Bonnell, T. and Mrs. Penney, R. Moore, aux Basques from the Glencoe Saturday. R. Bagga, J. Poole, J. T. Keating, R. day and will arrive by express.—Roman, C. Dawe, Miss A. McDougall, Rev. G. H. Wewitt, H. Bannister, A. Hall.

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