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from those parts is because of the overbearing way in which they were commenced to be carried out by the Fishery Regulations. The Government costs nothing and men with the interest that men of S. Harris, G. & E. Buffett, Hollett Bros., who are only the agents of the fishery, have been fishermen, and are to-day the fishermen around them to become shareholders in their vessels, owners of the fish traps and motor boats, owners of their own fish, and the earnings powers are away above the average salaried man. Believe should be interfered with while trying to dispose of the fish. The Government, the world, but should be encouraged and assisted in the marketing and putting into consumption all the fish that are produced. The Government is concerned. Therefore, while I agree in part with the Regulations, I feel that the fishermen will be the greatest sufferers. I am not a fisherman, but according to Standardization of catch and the outcome of that will be very little No. 1, the greater part No. 2 and No. 3. In the spring this is the case. No. 1 will be a better fish than No. 2 and No. 3. The men who can ill afford to bear it. The merchants on the West Coast are prepared to pay within a narrow margin for No. 1 or No. 2 or No. 3. They are allowed to operate their own

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from the fisheries. There is a Portuguese vessel, the *Albatross*, which has been taken from the war many of them prosecuted the fisheries on this side off our shores, and they are going to do the same again. I am sure there was a Portuguese colored man, called Cod. To-day there are only two or three vessels operating out of there, and the Portuguese are returning to their own country, and they will obtain better prices and conditions there.

**MR. HEPUENU.**—I look on this matter as shutting out consignment as one of the weak points of the Regulations. I fail to see how you will regulate consignment if we have to stick to the Regulations. I am sure that there will be no arrangement whereby we can sell fish as in the past; that is why a minimum guarantee from Portland is necessary. I would like the Board before we made the shipment to give them the minimum guarantee of the cargo we intend to ship, and by that way we would be able to get our fish out of Newfoundland. It appears to me that by holding our fish back in Newfoundland, our commission will be able to come to step in and take the market from us, and we will be overcome by a minimum guarantee. I think it will help out the fishermen very considerably. In the golden days we would have had a profit of 80%. Now if we can get cash for

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