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GOVERNMENT RANK AND FILE EXPRESS DISAPPOINTMENT AT EASY TREATMENT OF CARSON.

Threats to Arrest Ringleaders in Gun-running Operations Not Yet Put Into Effect.

ATTITUDE OF AUTHORITIES IS MARKEDLY PACIFIC

Liberals Welcome Introduction of the Budget As Offset to Home Rule Agitation.

London, May 3.—Although the front benches of the Opposition are distinguished to push the charges in regard to the "plot" any further in view of the more pacific attitude of the Government last week, attempts will be made by certain irrecconcilables to further horry Premier with questions.

To-day Asquith will be given the opportunity to change his expressed intention on answering questions on the recent movements of troops in Ulster. Questions will be put as to whether there is any time limit to his refusal and whether the immunity granted to Sir Arthur Paget will be extended to the other members of the civil and diplomatic service.

Wait for Overtures
So far as the Unionists are concerned, they await the overtures of the Government to which both Bonar Law and Lord Lansdowne have promised careful consideration. These had not been received up to the end of the week.

In the meantime the Government's threats to punish ringleaders in the gun-running affair, remain unfulfilled though it was rumored a few days ago that some members of Parliament and twenty in other positions will be proceeded against. The Government efforts in this direction will be as futile as with suffragettes and the War Minister recognizes this.

Are Disappointed
The rank and file of the Government is greatly disappointed that none of the Carsonites have been arrested.

The provincial campaign against Home Rule which opened at Coventry with Balfour and Lord Miller as chief speakers was launched at an unpromising time. Mr. Balfour, in a moving speech made a resolution which condemned military coercion in Ulster and also demanding a general election adopted an attitude manifesting doubt of the national rejection of Home Rule.

"I do not say," he stated, "the general election will not have a profound effect upon the Ulster position which even if in a moment of insanity, the people reversed their own verdict of 1892 they would have a position in Ulster which would make the Home Rule Bill practically unworkable."

Welcome Budget
The introduction of the Budget to-day will be welcomed by the Government as tending to divert public attention from Ireland for the moment and by the Democrats as looking for the extension of those principles which made Lloyd George famous in the people's Budget which was rejected in vain by the House of Lords.

It is anticipated that the social re-

Suffragettes Boat Parade Prevented

Authorities Moored All the Craft in Midstream But Swimmers Attempt to Get Them.

London, Eng., April 27.—The suffragettes made an attempt to-day to hold a boat parade in the Serpentine in Hyde Park, but were hauled by the authorities who moored all the boats in mid water. The militants then sent three women swimmers to try bring the boats to shore.

One of the women scrambled into a boat and waved a flag, the second woman cut some of the mooring ropes; both were seized by boatmen and handed over to the police. The third was dragged out of the water screaming at the top of her voice, while a thousand excited spectators watched the struggle.

British Papers On The Situation

Say That If It Comes to a Case of Actual Campaigning, Wilson Will Have a Hard Nut to Crack

London, April 26.—The alliance of the Constitutionalists and the Huertistas of Mexico to fight the United States is predicted by the leading London papers. The Pall Mall Gazette says:

"President Wilson's attempt to distinguish between war with Huerta and war with Mexico, is likely to be nullified by the unit of the Federalists and the Constitutionalists to oppose the invaders. Mr. Root showed that the true justification for action is the need to put an end to the murderous chaos of Mexico, but this takes the United States the whole way along the road to a war of conquest.

Simple Move—But Involved
The 'United States,' says the Westminster Gazette, "is for the moment content with having taken Vera Cruz, but that is a relatively simple move. That it may lead to much graver consequences is shown by the fact that the evacuation of that city is demanded by Carranza. Thus quickly is the action of the American Senate justified in cutting out of the authorizing resolutions all reference to Huerta."

The Globe and Evening Standard criticised the Washington Administration for attempting to individualize Huerta as the object of its action.

form proposals will be made permanent, including a State increase of Maternity benefit, and a further graduation of the income tax.

The national expenditure tax exceeds £205,059,000, of which £51,550,000 is for the Navy and £28,416,000 for the Army.

The Radicals look for the removal of the sugar tax but as this will cost over several million pounds, they are probably over sanguine.

DIANA, THE LAST OF THE FLEET, ARRIVES FROM THE ICEFIELDS;—TROUBLES AMONGST THE CREW

Ship Hails For 2,000 Young Harps and 3,400 Bedlamers and Old.—Weight of 8,000 Young.

STORMY WEATHER PREVENTED SECURING A GOOD VOYAGE

Bedlamers and Old Seals A-plenty Were Sighted, But Could Not Be Got After.

MANY OF CREW GO ON STRIKE

Refuse to Work and Demand That the Ship Give Up the Voyage.

Job's sealer Diana, Capt. Baxter Barbour, arrived from the icefields yesterday morning, bring in the key. The Diana hails for 2,000 young harps and 3,400 bedlamers and old, equal in weight to about 8,000 young. Early in the spring the Diana was jammed for 3 days off Twillingate, and when she got clear the main patch was cut up. Capt. Barbour got busy, however, and picked up 2,000 young harps.

During the first week of April she located the old ones, and on April 6th shot 700. It was a favorable day and the men worked with a will.

Weather Too Stormy
Unfortunately for the ship stormy

weather prevailed. Had the conditions been fine the Diana would have secured a bumper trip, as the captain says he never saw the bedlamers and old as plentiful before. As far as could be seen the seals were in thousands, but snow storms, gales of wind and dense fog made the work of killing them exceedingly difficult.

On April 15th, having heard that the Newfoundland's crew 'manused' and learning of the Newfoundland disaster, seventy-five of the crew refused to work. They brought their gaffs and hauling ropes aft to the captain and demanded to be brought home. A letter was presented to the captain with the formal request that the ship give up the voyage.

Wouldn't Listen
Capt. Barbour argued with the men, but to no purpose. He then read them their agreement, showing that they signed on until the end of the voyage, and pointed out that before the voyage started he had explained to them that if the Diana did not secure a load of young fat she would remain out until the first of May.

The strikers would not listen to reason and refused to work the ship. The captain asked the others to work her but they were afraid.

The wheelmen gave as their reason for not doing their duty that they

were afraid their heads would be split open.

Resumed Duty
Thinking they were returning to port some of the men resumed duty. The following morning Captain Barbour again addressed them, and stated that he was fully determined to remain out until the end of the voyage.

Those willing to work he told to go aft and the others to go forward and give their names.

Thirty still objected to work, but shortly after the steamer ran into some old ones and the men forgot their grievances and went after the fat. After that there was very little trouble. The majority apologized the captain and said they were sorry for annoying him. Five or six agitators were responsible for the whole trouble.

Few Complaints
Friday last she bore up for home. The steamer has ample provisions on board. A few complaints were made, but in each case Capt. Barbour investigated and found very little cause for complaint.

The crew are in good health; a few were sick but are now better. Ten of her men returned by other ships, leaving 145 on board. She is now discharging and will finish tomorrow evening.

MEDIATORS MAKE PROGRESS WITH THEIR DIFFICULT TASK OF STAVING OFF HOSTILITIES.

Take the Decisive Step of Asking Huerta and Carranza to Send Representatives.

AIM TO SECURE PEACE TO WAR-STRIKEN MEXICO

Huerta Wants An Arbitration Instead Of a Mediation Conference.

Washington, May 4.—The three South American envoys, who have undertaken the task of pacifying Mexico by diplomacy, to-day made another decisive move in their plan by requesting the United States Government and Huerta and Carranza to appoint representatives to confer with them at Washington.

The envoys felt confident that the step they had taken would meet with the favor of all concerned.

Not Been Clear
Thus far responses from Huerta and Carranza have not been clear as to whether the differences between the United States and Mexico, arising out of the Tampico incident alone would be considered by them, or whether they would consent to a general discussion of the Mexican problem by sending representatives here.

It is pointed out that all difficulties would be bridged over, for in an informal conference with the mediators, everything pertaining to Mexico could be discussed and even informally submitted before the stage of formal proposals was reached.

Try to Pacify Mexico
It is known that the mediators intend to concentrate their attention on the broad subject of pacifying Mexico. Official Washington and diplomatic circles are interested in the resignation of Senor Rojar, Minister of Foreign Affairs in the Huerta Cabinet. This was variously interpreted, some seeing in it an indication of Huerta's intention to brook to suggestion for his own retirement, as Portillo was active in the mediation preliminaries.

Others suggest that it might be the means of selecting the Mexican Cabinet officer as a special representative of Huerta to confer with the Washington mediators.

Wants An Arbitration
It was definitely known that as late as last Wednesday, after Rojar had given Huerta's acceptance of the mediation, Huerta held a conference with one of the European Powers to suggest some alternative plan. His main desire was that they should bring about arbitration binding on both parties, instead of mediation.

Duke of Argyll Is Dead At 69
Coves, May 3.—The Duke of Argyll, son-in-law of Queen Victoria and former Governor-General of Canada, is dead, aged 69.

ADVERTISE IN THE MAIL AND ADVOCATE FOR BEST RESULTS

Carranza Refuses To Call a Truce

Tells the Mediators He Intends to Continue Fight Against Huerta.

El Paso, May 3.—General Carranza has formally declined the suggestion of the mediators that he cease hostilities against Huerta, pending the outcome of the plan of mediation. His note was sent to Washington yesterday and made public to-day.

EXPECT HUERTA WILL GO

Persistent Reports That the Provisional President of Mexico Has Decided to Resign.

Mexico City, May 3.—The situation in Mexico City to-day had the appearance of becoming serious for the Administration, and well informed circles expected that President Huerta might resign at any moment.

Vera Cruz, May 4.—Persistent reports continue to circulate here that Huerta intends to retire from the provisional Presidency of Mexico, on the condition that he be assured a safe conduct to a port and be placed on board a foreign warship.

Foreign Minister Rogar Resigns

Tells Newspaper Men That a Cessation of Hostilities Has Been Decided Upon.

Mexico City, May 3.—Foreign Minister Jos. Lopez Portillo Rogar resigned yesterday at President Huerta's request. Before quitting his post he told newspaper correspondents that a suspension of hostilities had been agreed upon.

Sub-Secretary Robert Ruse also resigned as soon as he was apprised of the enforced retirement of his chief.

THIRTY INCHES OF ICE

A gentleman who was fishing on one of the ponds on the Petty Harbor road Friday, says there was nearly thirty inches of ice on the pond.

WEATHER REPORT.

Toronto (noon)—Moderate to fresh winds, fair and mild in the west port, clearing in the east port. Tuesday—fair and mild.

MEXICAN ARMY WAITS RESULT OF CONFERENCE

Federal Forces Are Ready to Commence Hostilities Should Mediation Fail.—Deputation Asks Co-operation of Rebel Army in the Event of the United States Invading Mexico.—Maas' Big Force.

Mexico City, May 3.—The War Department to-night says that all the federal forces in the north await the result of the negotiations with the United States and Mexico. It is asserted that 17,000 men under command of General Maas, are in the interior. A report was current that a committee of citizens left last night on a special train bound for Saultillo for the purpose of influencing the rebels of the State of Chihuahua to join the federals in the event of an invasion.

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CANADA WINS MANY CLAIMS FOR DAMAGES.

Secured Judgment in Four Out of Five Cases Argued at Washington.

TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR ACCIDENTAL SHOOTING

Of Canadian Woman Several Years Ago.—Compensation in Several Marine Cases.

Ottawa, May 4.—Word has been received that Canada has won four out of the five cases recently argued before the Pecuniary Claims Commission at Washington, and in which judgment has been delivered. One was the Cadenhead case where damages were claimed by the estate of Miss Cadenhead; an innocent spectator shot at Fort Brady, Michigan, by a United States sentry many years ago.

The sentry had fired at a deserter and his shot accidentally struck the woman. The award is \$2,000.

Damaged by Gunboat
Another case is that of La Canadienne, a government boat damaged by collision in the River St. Lawrence with an American gunboat.

The Great North Western Telegraph Company in a third case secures damages for the carrying away of its

SUDDEN DEATH OF BRITISH M.P. ON BOARD SHIP

Rev. Sylvester Horne Falls Dead at Feet of His Wife While Crossing Lake Ontario to Toronto.—Was Booked for a Lecture at the Queen City.—Had Been Visiting the United States.

Toronto, May 4.—Within a short distance from Toronto, whither he was going to deliver an address to the Canadian Brotherhood at the Methodist Metropolitan Church, Rev. Sylvester Horne, member of the British Commons for Ipswich, fell dead on the deck of the Niagara steamer Corona on Saturday night at the feet of his wife.

On Lecture Tour
The distinguished visitor came to America to deliver a series of lectures at Yale University. These were concluded last week, and his visit to Toronto was the result of an invitation from the Canadian Brotherhood.

cable at Quebec by an American gunboat.

Other cases in which damages are awarded are for improper seizure of the fishing vessels Lord Nelson and Frederick Gerring.

That Son-in-Law of Pa's.—

By H. Wellington



A DAUGHTER OF THE STORM!

BY CAPT. FRANK H. SHAW.

CHAPTER XXIV.

Aileen Gains Clearer Sight.

(Continued)

He still swam vigorously, but the early vim had gone from his struggling, and a chill and deadly languor was obsessing his soul. He heard strange thunderings in his ears; he said the storm was gathering might, but when the thunder changed to softest music he realised with a shock that insensibility was hovering dangerously near. He swung himself breast-high out of the water and looked ahead. The wreck seemed as far distant as ever, and with a groan he flung himself on his back to gather strength for the renewed endeavour. Once more on his side, with the stout arm dipping handsomely; once more on his back, with his chest aching as though living fire burned within. The temptation to halt and throw off the down-dragging rope around him was almost more than he could bear—

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felt that his only hope was to turn and swim back to the Zoroaster, that his self-appointed task was hopeless. But the man who had feared to fight Long Jake knew no fear of death. All he feared now was failure—and degradation before Aileen.

"I'll get through yet," he said, and, diving it, he once more fixed his eyes on the wreck, and cleft his way through the water like a porpoise.

The edge where smooth met rough was near at hand. Borne high on a round-backed monster of a wave, Leigh saw it and shut his eyes. The hammering foam would knock the life from him—he knew that no man might fight past that mad commotion alive—but still he persevered. He was in the thick of it now—the oily patch was left behind. And then the struggle was renewed, but this time it was a struggle for mere life.

The rope that toyed astern of the swimmer was curved widely, and every rolling sea seemed to drag him bodily back. But those on board the Zoroaster were working cunningly, now slacking, now holding on, that the drag might not make itself too apparent, and thus check the swimmer's course.

His strength was leaving him fast now. Each stroke required long consideration before the aching arm was lifted. The chill was creeping in, too; it settled about his heart and seemed to stop its beating. He must give up, he half turned, with a groan of despair that was only a sigh, and looked with flaming eyes over the vast expanse of sea that he had crossed.

He must turn back. Already he was making back towards the Zoroaster when, dimly through the thunder in his ears, came a sweet, insistent voice, it struck through the hum of the gale; it triumphed over the of mad-dened water; it beat in upon his

numbing brain; it conveyed a message to his fainting soul.

"O, well done, Leigh!" It was Aileen's voice! The girl had been quick to note the faltering and the turning back. She said the man had done more than human being might ever hope to do, and yet the distance between rescuer and suffering was so infinitesimal as to be of practically no account. Aileen put her entire heart into the long, encouraging cry that swept down the wind, and Leigh heard it. The shackles of his weariness fell from him bodily—he rose to the stroke like a giant refreshed. Gone was the down-dragging incubus of the saving line, gone the chill foreboding of death at his heart. He would live, he would triumph. As the mettlesome racer quickens to the prick of the spur so did Leigh quicken to the voice of the woman he loved; and Aileen saw him turn, saw him strike out gallantly, overcoming the combined resistance of dragging rope and backward-beating sea as if they were non-existent.

But gradually—nay, only too swiftly, the fictitious strength, deserted him again. Every stroke became a nightmare, the foaming crest of a wave ten feet away was a distant goal which could only be reached by Titanic struggling. He measured his advance by heart-beats now, found himself expending his strength recklessly to gain a floating foam-wreath that seemed to afford a momentary resting-place, only to find it crumble away to nothingness in his clutching hand; and thus to be compelled to strike out again, with arms that felt like masses of lead, towards that vague, unreal thing that sturred and churned ahead. He could do no more.

Aileen's voice came down wind again, and spurred him to a fresh effort—he went ahead a few strokes, but then his head drooped and the restfulness of a great languor overpowered him. To rest, to lie at ease in this soft cradle of the wave-crest, lulled by the dying mutter of the storm, to sink slowly down into translucent grottoes of coral and shimmering green—ah! that were heaven indeed. And then—something stood out like fire behind his closing eyes—Aileen's face as it had been on that past day when she had witnessed his degradation. The scorn and loathing were there—he had failed.

No, by Neptune! not while his blood still pulsed through his veins. He struck out again and again, though the cutting horror at his chest made him shriek with agony; but still he struck out, fighting, fighting ever. What was that? Something smacked the water beside his ear, someone was crying aloud in a deep, stentorian voice. What? Aileen? No—her voice was sweetest music. And the rope he was towing, had somehow got foul of his arms. No; this rope was something thicker, something tangible. He looked up, and saw the low, black side of the wreck above him, felt the kindly grip of a deft-thrown rope, hung to it like a dying limpet, and so was pulled aboard the Madeleine to safety.



Someone thrust a bottle of brandy against his blue lips, some other one wrapped a great blanket about his numbed frame; and whilst they did this the others busied themselves in the work of rescue. A signal from the Zoroaster told them to haul in on the thin line which Leigh had towed across the space, and this being done a stout, capable rope was soon in

the hands of the wreck's shivering crew. They were almost at their last gasp; the ship's deck was practically under water; she quaked and squattered to every heave of the ravening sea. But now they were in touch with safety, life had been born out of immediate death, and they worked like slaves to bring about that which they had come to renounce—safety and life. In scant time a man was tied in the bight of the succouring rope, and the signal was given to the Zoroaster to draw aboard. Fourteen times did that strange perilous gangway pass from ship to ship, but ere the tenth man had gone Leigh was up and about, eager to complete the work which he had so gallantly begun. He dragged the quaking faint hearts from the rigging where they had flung themselves, and with his own hands tied them to the rope and launched them overboard, watching them as they disappeared in the foam, to emerge half-way betwixt ship and ship; and not until each man had passed up the Zoroaster's side did he turn to the next.

"Where's the captain?" he asked of one who seemed to carry some authority.

"Dead last night. Washed overboard in the gale. So was the mate. Only carried two officers—I was bosun. Your turn now, mister."

But Leigh held back, and compelled the Madeleine's boatswain to take premier place. He steadied the man through the foam, slacked away gradually as he felt the drag of the Zoroaster's men, and then, when the sea lashed fotsam was safely under control, Leigh walked aft. It occurred to him that there might be papers to be saved, matters of great import to those who owned the ship. She was an Austrian—he had seen that from her flag—but Austrian ship-owners would need proof of their vessel's doom just as would British. He threw open the door of the cabin, and—started back with a cry on his lips. For there on the cabin floor lay two grim-faced men, and a long-hafted knife stuck upwards in a

grotesque fashion from each man's breast. Both lay dead in their own blood.

Leigh summoned up his courage and entered that grim charnel-house, wondering vaguely at the tragedy that had been enacted there. The boatswain had lied, then? He had said both officers were flung overboard by a sea; but here they were, unless he was very much mistaken, murdered. What was the truth of it all. He dare not venture to surmise. He walked past the grim, blackish pools that sullied the floor, gained the captain's room, found nothing there, and went out again on deck. There was nothing more to be done. He tied the saving rope about

him, threw up one in signal to the waiting men, and plunged into the sea.

Aileen had watched the good work progress, with tears in her eyes and a mad exultation in her heart. Dimly she perceived that she had wronged Leigh, that he was composed of fiercer mettle than any she had ever known, but through the dimness came a wave of great cheerfulness, in that he had proved himself worthy of her regard. As yet she put no name to the feelings of her soul; she welcomed the man's self-reliance and courage, as that made him free of the sea's great brotherhood, which could tolerate no cowards.

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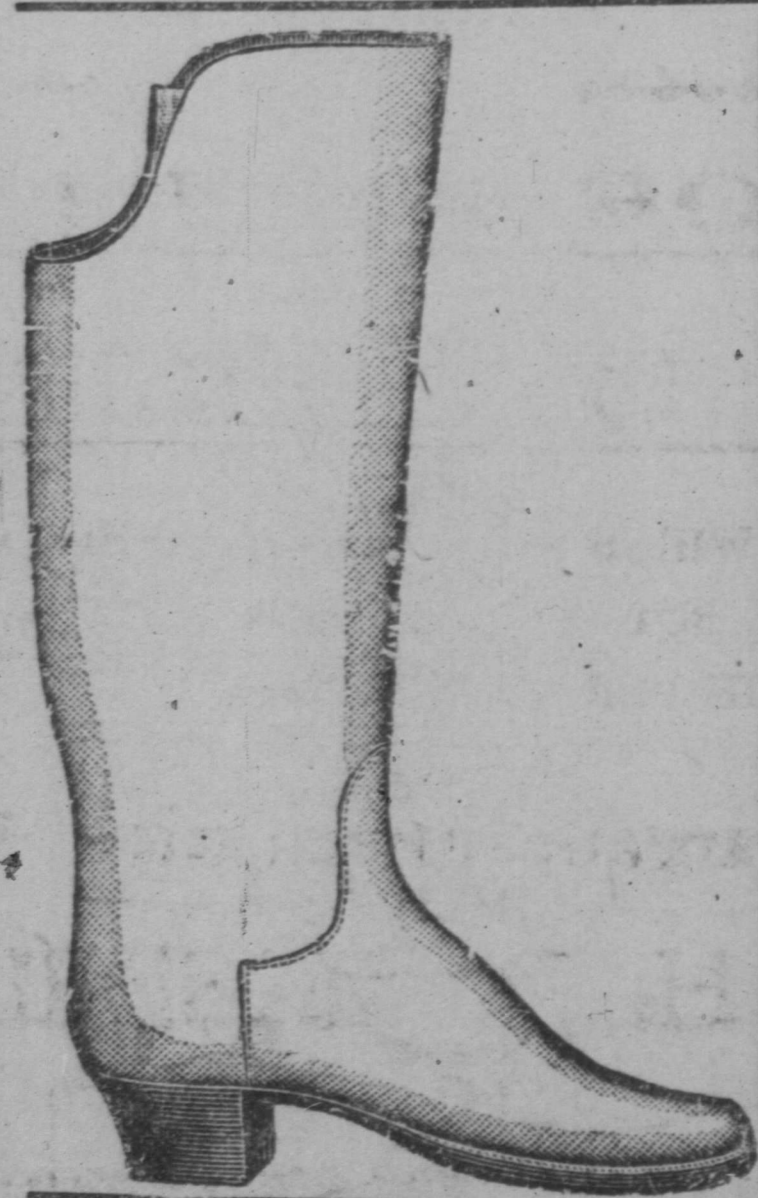
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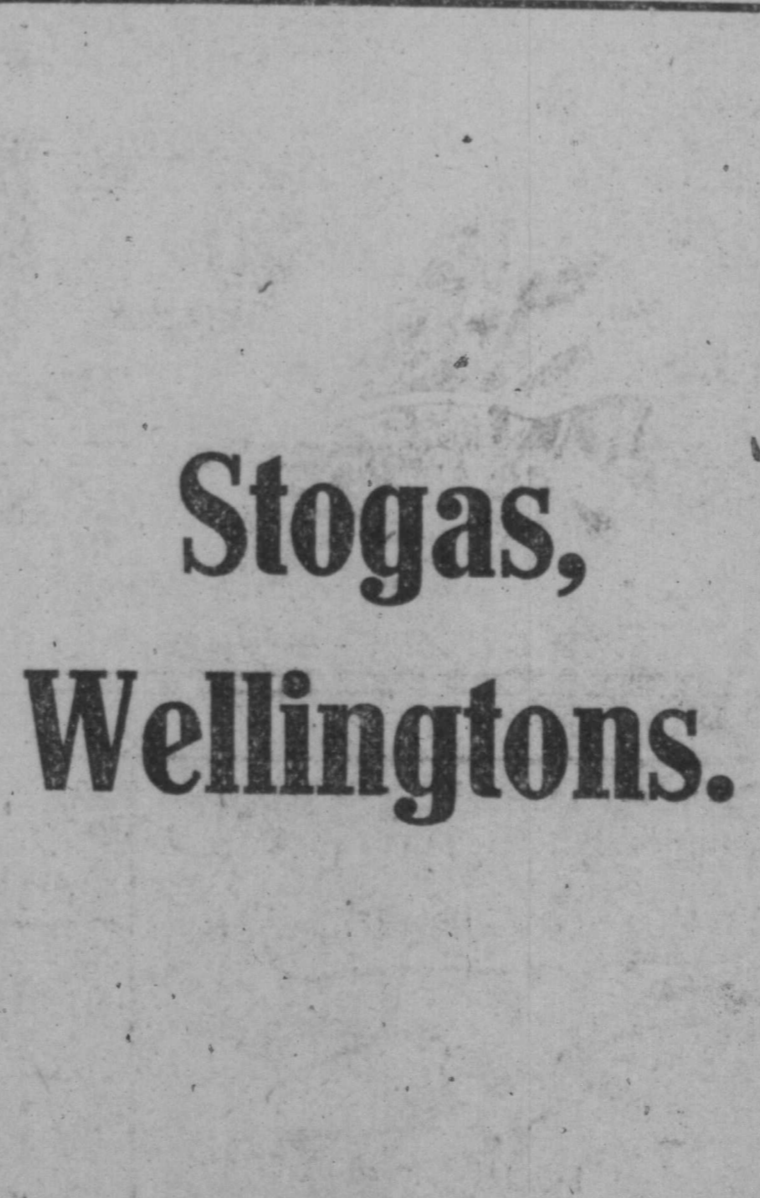
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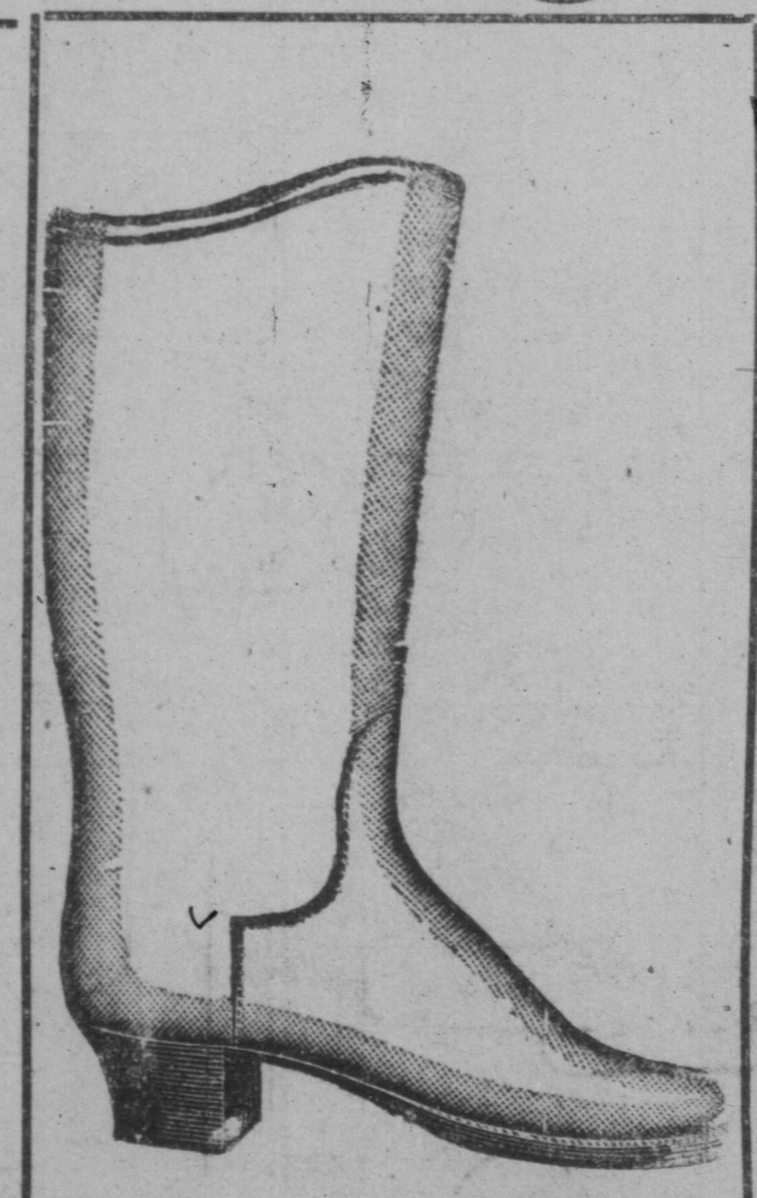
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OUR POINT OF VIEW.

THE SOUTHERN CROSS

We learn that the Southern Cross was insured for \$25,000, and her cargo was also insured. Her cargo, estimating 18,000 seals, would be worth \$25,000—or a total of \$50,000. Her crew would therefore have shared about \$70,000 each. We trust the owners insured the men's part, as provided by the 1912 Agreement. If so the friends of each poor chap that went down with that ship will receive about \$70,000.

ANOTHER RESULT OF INCREASED TAXATION.

The Longshoremen's Union has notified the employers of an increase in pay of about 20 per cent.

The price of common labor is now to be \$1.70 per day. Handling fish, 20c per hour. Labor on Sundays, \$1.00 per hour. Handling fish after midnight, 50c per hour. Culling shore fish, 3c per qt. Culling Labrador, 2c per qt.

Two years ago an increase of 10 per cent was made because of the high cost of living and now the demand is the result of the increase in taxation made by Morris the past session of the Legislature.

It rum that cost 5c, is now 10c., or whiskey that cost 10c. is now 15c., someone will have to find the extra cost, and as the workingman won't give up his glass of stuff someone must pay for the increase, and consequently up goes the price of labor.

It is the outport man—the Fisherman—the producer that must find this increase in the cost of labor. The laboring man may bear a small proportion of the increase by having to pay more for flour or coal, but the producer will have to find the extra \$75,000 that this increase will mean.

It is one of the direct results of the waste and reckless expenditure going on under the Morris Government for the last five years.

It will tend to dishearten our young men. This in addition to the terrible catastrophe of the sealing voyage of 1914 and the \$750,000 taken from the people in the shape of an increased tax on butter, lumber, tobacco, liquor and 10 per cent surtax on every article used that paid any duty, will mean the emigration of hundreds of young men from the outports whose confidence in the future has been shaken.

We fear this increase will prevent further expansion in St. John's and thereby retard the growth of the city. It will tend to the transferring of more trade to the outports where labor is cheaper, and taxes and rent are charges unheard of.

The laboring men are not to blame. It is the direct result of the policy of the Government during the last five years.

The outport Fisherman must bear the greater part of the burden, and they will never again be coddled into voting for candidates of a party which secured its support by using catch cries and sectarian prejudices that always eventually brought overwhelm-

ing ruin on the heads of those unprincipled enough to use such despicable means to secure political power.

The day of reckoning has come and the curse of God is now upon our country.

The wrongdoing started when Ralph Williams accepted as truth what he knew to be a falsehood and thereby destroyed the standards of political morality that is essential to the progress of a country if progress, contentment and prosperity are to be expected.

That falsehood—brazen and barefaced as it was—was endorsed by Sir Edward Morris as Prime Minister, and that was the first step to political degeneracy in poor old Terra Nova.

Things are going from bad to worse and will continue to do so, until serious political changes are accomplished.

THE PLAINDEALER

Below we copy a portion of an editorial appearing in Saturday's Plaindealer. The fishermen may judge from the cutting what sympathy and support they may expect from the new owners of that dispicable sheet.

Its first owners killed its circulation, and in spite of tens of thousands of public boodles they had to whitewash their paper by changing the ownership, and it is now supposed to be owned by one Mr. W. O'Neill, a relative of M. P. Gibbs. Possibly Mr. Gibbs has a large interest in it, as he once held a mortgage for a large sum upon the paper, and it may be his interest in that mortgage has caused the transfer. Anyway, no matter who owns or controls it the fishermen will find it a bitter enemy, judging from the following article—

"The recriminations that have characterized a section of the daily and weekly press in its discussion of the unfortunate happening has not done any credit to the authors of it and tended to hamper instead of assist the proper investigation."

"making it a topic of partisan controversy and an occasion of violent personal assaults upon Captain Abram Kean and others implicated. The campaign carried on by President Coaker since he set foot on shore after his picnic to the ice has tended to inflame men's minds and make impartial, cool and unprejudiced testimony of the friends and sympathizers of the victims well nigh impossible. Instead of assisting the authorities in ascertaining all that could be ascertained before the present tribunal he was availed of the most reprehensible methods to add to the difficulties which confronted all concerned. Like a bull in a china shop he plunged into the arena and mistaking the echoing of his own bellowing for applause of the people he charged with blind fury till in the interest of justice and common decency the Supreme Court had to muzzle him by injunctions."

"It always has been our opinion that there is nothing too sacred, no misfortune too horrible, no human suffering too deep and burdensome for William Coaker to respect if it offers him an opportunity to parade himself in the limelight of public notoriety. While the widows and orphans, the bereaved fathers and mothers, were weeping over the unburied bodies of their dear departed husbands, fathers, sons and brothers, he was taking advantage of the disaster that brought upon them great sorrows to advertise himself and make political capital out of the country's and the people's grief."

POEMS OLD AND NEW.

BY THE SEA

Why does the sea moan evermore? Shut out from heaven it makes its moan,

It frets against the boundary shore; All earth's full rivers cannot fill The sea, that drinking thirsteth still.

Sheer miracles of loveliness Lie hid in its unlooked-on bed; Anemones, salt, passionless, Blow flower-like; just enough alive To blow and multiply and thrive.

Shells quaint with curve, or spot, or spike, Encrusted live-things argus-eyed, All fair alike, yet all unlike, Are born without a pang, and die Without a pang, and so pass by.—Christina Rossetti.

A THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY

I trust only him perfectly who is occasionally capable of laughing at himself.—Heine.

ADVERTISE IN THE MAIL AND ADVOCATE FOR BEST RESULTS

ALMOST INCREDIBLE.

The Herald of April 3rd last published the following in an editorial dealing with the Newfoundland disaster:

"At 4:30 p.m. the Acting Premier, Hon. Mr. Bennett, called the Executive together and invited Hon. J. Harvey, Mr. G. Harvey, and Mr. A. D. Brown, directors of the Bellaventure S.S. Co., to be present to discuss the possibility of the ship returning here with the survivors, as it was felt that these must be in dire physical distress owing to frostbites, and with the dead so that they might be buried as early as possible and that the anxiety of the relatives of both living and dead might be allayed."

"The owners of the ship agreed to 'order her in, BUT SUGGESTED THAT SHE MIGHT BE ALLOWED TO PROCEED TO THE SEAL FISHERY AGUAY AFTER SHE HAD DONE HER WORK OF MERCY; and although this would be a technical breach of the Law, the Government agreed to it in view of the extraordinary circumstances of the case."

At the time the public did not notice the outrageous request of the owners of the Bellaventure, as all were thinking more of relieving the sufferers and preparing for the dead than they did of the grasping longing of the owners of the Bellaventure for more gold.

Here was 78 dead sealers who had perished on the ice floe from exposure to a forty-eight hour blizzard and forty-six who had survived the terrible onslaught of the elements of nature. A ship carrying the same flag as the Bellaventure and represented by the same agents was the unfortunate carrier of those 124 men. The Bellaventure's crew had been fortunate enough to be in a position to rescue the most of the living and collect nearly all of the massacred martyrs.

Any captain in the fleet or any crew of the fleet would have been proud to partake in the work of mercy.

All the young seals had been slaughtered. The time had come for returning to port, as nothing could be gained by remaining out for young seals on April 4th.

The country from end to end was in mourning. The world was hastening to condole with poor Terra Nova's bereaved and suffering.

From scores of towns and cities came offers of money to aid the bereaved and suffering. President Coaker, who was then at the graveyard of the massacred martyrs and who heard the lamentations of the comrades of those slaughtered sealers, on behalf of those comrades, asked the owners of the steel ships to recall them to port as the voyage was over, the crews were all grief stricken, and it would be but human and decent to respect the 77 dead martyrs and to demonstrate to the world the lessons of the terrible catastrophe, and awaken world wide sympathy and respect, by having the ship bearing the 69 bodies and the 46 survivors, accompanied to port in funeral array by the other six ships.

But what was happening at St. John's at a meeting of the Executive Government?

Why, countrymen, the owners of the Bellaventure were bargaining with the Government for the conveyance to port of the bodies of the 69 bread winners, the 46 frostbitten and dying Tollers. Their thoughts were not of the bereaved fathers, broken-hearted mothers, or of the widows and orphans, or of the sufferings of those 46 men who had triumphed over the forces of nature, and lived out a 48 hour wintry blizzard on the bosom of the angry North Atlantic.

Their thoughts were of gold. They were willing to some extent to permit their ship to come to port with its freight of dead and dying, because it would be brazenly inhuman to order their ships to transfer its freight to the Newfoundland, but if they consented to do what no black or Turk would ever refuse, they were to be allowed to trample upon the laws of the land and the feelings of the crew of noble rescuers.

Their bargain was that as soon as the human freight that was piled high on the top deck and the 46 survivors with frostbitten toes, feet and hands were landed, they were to send their ship off once more in quest of gold—seals—seals—was their one all absorbing cry.

Who in this land which is said to be the sport of historic misfortune, would believe that three men could be found within its borders that were heartless enough to go before a Government of a country and attempt to make a bargain of such a nature under such heart-rending circumstances? Can men's hearts be after all as hard as stones and so unfeeling, indifferent, and regardless of the feelings of others?

Probably no people under the sun ever heard of such a request at such a time. We are surprised to find the Hon. John Harvey being a party to such a proposal.

Surely The Herald has lied. Surely the Hon. John Harvey can explain this awful matter in a manner that will satisfy his fellow countrymen that

he was no party to such an inhuman bargain. As for Mr. G. Harvey, he is young, but no one ever imagined he could be so heartless.

The other party is A. D. Brown, who we presume is the Manager of the Reid Nfd. Co. engineer works. He is a Scotchman, but few would believe that a Scotchman as hard as they are known to be could be a party to such a request.

We demand an explanation. We will publish any fair explanation they may have to offer, but we will in the absence of a satisfactory explanation see that this fact is known to every Fisherman in the Colony.

BONAVISTA DISTRICT GRANTS.

Mr. Coaker recently endeavored to ascertain what grants were available for Bonavista District and the following correspondence will explain matters so far as the Marine Grants are concerned.

It will be observed that Mr. Coaker absolutely refuses to have anything to do with allocating such a paltry sum as \$1439—for 1914-1915—while nothing remains of 1913-1914 grant.

Some \$10,000 was spent in the district last year by the graballs. They are welcome to the other \$1400, and Sidney Blandford who robbed the position of Minister of Agriculture from the public, can do with this \$1400 as he did with the \$50,000 he handled the past five years.

Union members will be no party to hurling such an outrageous insult—as foreshadowed by this letter—in the face of the electors of Bonavista District.

Only \$750,000 more taxation. Yet Marine Grants are only one-third of last year's givings out.

The following letter explain the matter.

April 25th.

Dear Sir,—

Will you kindly let me know what Grant for the balance of the fiscal year is due Bonavista District, and oblige.

Yours very truly,

W. F. COAKER, M.H.A.

A. W. Piccott, Esq., Minister of Marine & Fisheries, City.

Reply to Mr. Coaker's Enquiry.

28th April, 1914.

Sir,—

In reply to your letter of the 25th instant, on the subject of Marine Grants for Bonavista District, I beg to say: there is at present nothing to its credit in this Department.

The new Grant for Marine Works (1914-15), \$1439.00, is due on 1st of July, but may possibly be available at an earlier date, in which case I shall have pleasure in letting you know.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

ALAN GOODRIDGE, Deputy Minister.

W. F. Coaker, Esq., M.H.A., City.

Mr. Coaker's Reply to the Dept. of Marine and Fisheries.

May 1st.

Dear Sir,—

In reply to yours of the 28th ult., wherein you state that Marine Grant for Bonavista District for 1913-1914 is all expended, but that \$1439.00 will be spent during 1914-1915.

I wish to say that as far as I am concerned, I absolutely refuse to make any recommendations or assume any responsibility for the allocation of such a miserable pittance. The whole would not build one wharf for a small harbour.

Yours truly,

W. F. COAKER, M.H.A.

A. Goodridge, Esq., Deputy Minister Marine & Fisheries, City.

Elective Road Boards.

Dept. of Public Works,

St. John's, Nfd.,

2nd May, 1914.

Sir,—In reply to your communication of the 29th ult., addressed to the Minister of Public Works, re petition from King's Point, Twillingate District, I am instructed to inform you that in accordance with instructions from this Department an election has been held at King's Point, and the names of the Board elected are now on their way by post to this Department. A telegram has been received to this effect.

I may state further that instructions have been sent to have new Road Boards elected in Bonavista District following the custom of the last three or four years.

In reference to other Districts in every case immediately upon receipt of a petition the Magistrate, Justice of the Peace, or other person has been promptly authorized to hold meetings and mail us copy of minutes so that the elected Board may be duly gazetted by the Government.

I am, your obedient servant,

JAMES HARRIS, Secretary.

W. F. Coaker, Esq., President F.P.U., City.

The above letter contains a state-

ment that is amazing. A few days ago the Public Works Department sent Mr. Coaker a letter stating no Board could be appointed except conditions laid down by the Department were recognized.

Now Mr. Coaker is informed that Bonavista District has been empowered to select Boards following the custom of the last three years.

Now we ask, who gave the Public Works authority to issue instructions re Road Boards in reference to Bonavista District?

Mr. Coaker was not consulted. Mr. Coaker only learnt of it when he received the above letter on Saturday.

Upon whose advice was Bonavista singled out and empowered to elect Boards on lines different from those which guide the elections in other districts?

Did Sidney Blandford interfere? Was it upon his advice the Department issued instructions?

We want to know.

INVESTIGATIONS.

A Plea for the Safeguarding of Human Life.

(By Roberts Guardian.)

In our opinion there has not been in Newfoundland the regard for human life that there should be. And consequently when fatal or non-fatal accidents have occurred there has appeared to be to the public mind a mere formal investigation into the cause of the accident.

Very seldom, if ever, has anyone been held responsible, and we fear that in many cases human lives on land and on sea, have been sacrificed because of carelessness on the part of those who should be held responsible.

For instance, how many men have been washed overboard and drowned from the jibboom of a vessel, when, with a little thought, their lives could have been saved by the simple precaution of having a rope fastened around their waist.

Only a few days ago on a schooner at a wharf in St. John's a young lad, 18 years of age, was sent up the foremast in a 'bosun's chair'. The usual precaution, it seems, of having a rope around the mast and his waist was not taken, and the halyards breaking, the young man was precipitated to the deck below. He received such injuries that he died shortly afterwards.

That's only one instance among many where an accident could have been avoided if proper care had been taken, either on the part of the poor young fellow himself or the other men who, no doubt, were more experienced than he.

The lad was 'somebody's boy'. His life was just as precious to him and his loved ones as though he was the son of a millionaire. And the same interest should be taken in placid the blame, if any, where it properly belongs, as would be taken if he was a rich man's son.

Husbands, fathers, sons, brothers, are reported from time to time as being washed overboard and drowned while on their way to Pernambuco or some other place in our foreign-going vessels. The matter is merely recorded in the public press, and because he was 'only a sailor', and his friends poor, the accident is usually forgotten in a little while.

But if he were a Astor, a Hay, a Stead, a Straus or some other wealthy or prominent individual it is likely we would scarcely ever hear the end of it.

We are glad that public opinion is becoming aroused in connection with these matters. The Press is endeavoring to do its part, and if the public will support the Press we believe that investigations, open to the Press at least, will be the rule not the exception. Then the public will learn, as they are learning now of the sealing disaster, the details of the case, and when we arrive at the point when all perjury and bearing false witness will be eliminated we shall be able the more correctly to render our verdict according to the facts elicited and place the blame where it belongs.

In Canada it is quite a common thing, after a coroner's inquest has been held, to hold a person on a charge of manslaughter or criminal negligence. And even if, as very often happens, the charge is not proven against the accused, the fact that the authorities have investigated the cause of the accident and made an endeavor to bring those responsible to justice, has a tendency to make those who hold responsible positions more careful than they would otherwise be.

Besides, it has a strong tendency to place a great value on human life, and this in itself, outside of the punishment or the liability, has a very salutary effect. May we not hope that the work commenced in connection with the recent sealing disaster will continue, and that like investigations, complete in every detail, will be held in every case where an accident, fatal or otherwise, has occurred.

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TO THE EDITOR.

IS IT A RED HERRING?

(Editor Mail and Advocate)

Dear Sir,—Your editorial of Saturday moots the idea that the Government is seeking to draw a red herring across the trail of the awful Newfoundland disaster, by instituting an enquiry into the squabble among the nursing staff at the General Hospital. If the Government could afford to allow the trouble to go unchecked for months, then I think they may permit the ladies to fight it out among themselves for a week or two longer, until we will have disposed of the sealing disaster enquiry.

Must Be Appointed

The Commission of Enquiry demanded by Mr. Coaker must be appointed. The country is clamouring for it, and our self respect demands it. Are we to permit the sacrifice of 250 of our best and bravest without a murmur? Must we allow the matter to drop out of sight, because Captain So-and-So or owners So-and-So are involved in the blame?

Upwards of 80 men were sent to their painful and tragic death through the ignorance, incapacity, or indifference of some one, and misery and grief have laid their blighting hand upon us, children have been made orphans, wives have been widowed and parents bereft of noble sons and we are going to allow those responsible for so much sorrow and distress to go Scot free, and at liberty to repeat their act.

Mute But Eloquent Appeal

Our martyred fellow countrymen appeal to us from their cold and silent graves to have the cause of their sacrifice made plain, as a warning to others, and they must be vindicated.

Must sorrow and regret live but a day among us and then give way to unmanly apathy? I say no, and the warm heart of Terra Nova says the same.

A few cold-blooded and indifferent beings may try to quell the spirit which calls on avenging justice to do that one act of respect which yet remains to be done to our noble dead, but the degraded tools they will not succeed this time, as too often they have done in the past.

We must know why those brave fellows died, and we must make sure that such a terrible crime will never be enacted again. We must probe the awful affair through all its bearings, and settle the blame on whoever is responsible regardless of who he may be.

No Trifling!

There must be no more trifling with this grave question, and if the Government is not prepared to grapple with it, we must see if we can bring them to a sense of their duty to the people.

The poor fellows who died must be avenged, it devolves upon us to avenge them. The living must be safeguarded. Those who may yet go to the ice-fields, must go there with the assurance that their country is throwing such protection about them as will make their hazardous undertaking as free from danger as it is possible for human foresight to make it. If we fail to make a rigid enquiry into the recent fearful holocaust and learn its lesson thoroughly we are not true to our dead, to ourselves, or to those who are lending us their aid. We owe it to ourselves to see to it that the whole affair is sifted out.

Outside Opinion

What must be thought of us in outside world if we fail in such a palpable duty. People outside will regard us as a pack of fools who do not know how to look after themselves, but who, when disaster, induced by folly, overtakes them, must go begging aid abroad.

A full and proper enquiry can do no wrong to any one. To visit justice upon wrong doers is no act of injustice. There is no desire on my part or on that of any one I know to do a wrong to any one.

That a proper enquiry is necessary, my partial review of the evidence given before Judge Knight, makes very plain. I have only touched upon the tangle yet, but I intend to keep up the writing till some action will have been taken to vindicate our fellow countrymen, whose precious lives have been sacrificed on the altar of some person's greed, stupidity, indifference or whatever it may be named.

I call upon our champion, Mr. Coaker, to throw down the gauntlet to the Government and demand that they appoint the Commission at once. If they fail to act then we must see what the people themselves can do. There is no question whatever about it, there is a popular clamour for an investigation, that no government can resist.

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MARSHALL BROS.

MR. COAKER ON FOOD INSPECTION; MAKES TELLING REPLY TO ATTACKS MADE ON FISHERMEN'S ADVOCATE

(Continued)

Mr. Halfyard.—Mr. Chairman, in his remarks the hon. member for Burgeo referred to me as having spoken of newspapers, but I must remind the House that it was in the course of the Rt. Hon. Prime Minister's speech that the first mention of The Advocate was made. I merely replied to his argument that the hon. member for Bonavista, Mr. Coaker, was responsible for a certain matter that was written in it, and I said that it was ridiculous to blame my hon. friend for that article, for he had nothing to do with it.

It was the Prime Minister who first brought the newspapers into the House and anybody who reads the debates will know that this is correct for it must have been taken down by the reporters.

However, I cannot see why the matter should be brought in here at the present time at all for it certainly has nothing whatever to do with the Bill now before us.

Behind Time.

I am in accord with the principle of this Bill and I agree with other hon. gentlemen who have said that it should have been brought in long ago. I am especially pleased to know that we shall have inspection of meat and other articles of food, and I am also strongly in favor of pork and salt beef being included. I trust that every section of the Bill will be closely considered for the matter to which it relates is one of much importance to the people.

However, I think we are all stomach and no head for, while we do not look forward to any difficulty in carrying out this Bill to improve our food, we are told that it will be impossible to have compulsory education, which will tend to improve the minds of coming generations, because of the obstacles in the way.

Education Neglected.

Therefore, compulsory education I brushed aside and we take up a measure that promises to build us up physically. While I am in favor of any measure that will improve our bodies I do not think that we should give our attention to our bodies and forget the mental side.

To return to the subject of the news papers, we state that we think it unfair to misrepresent a statement in the papers. The publication of such misrepresented articles should be pro-

hibited. What has caused the greatest amount of dissatisfaction is the statement which originated in The Daily News, and was afterwards copied by The Herald. It was founded on a letter published in The Advocate during the absence of Mr. Coaker. I was responsible—if anyone—for this letter. I was discussing the educational question. I said among other things that undermunicipal schools must come.

False Cry Raised.

The sentence was cut out and kept for a long time, and the cry was raised that we advocated Godless Schools. This was done to poison the minds of the electorate in every newspaper in the Colony. Because we refer to that thing, we are said to be suspicious. We have right to be suspicious.

The fishermen would ever look up on the merchants as rogues if the F.

P.U. did not mend matters. They are getting a little knowledge of merchants and fishermen. Don't think we are fools altogether because we are new to the business. We will throw back anything we don't like. Patriotism is the last refuge of scoundrels. Don't think we will swallow any insults, because we are green horns. We are not educated in the intricacies of party politics as well as are the old hands.

Can't Help Seeing.

We cannot close our eyes to what is going on in the country. Take the Civil Service for instance. We do not find the officials appointed according to their abilities; on the contrary they are appointed because of their political pull, because of their influence with the person in authority.

This question brings to my mind what the Premier said the other day with reference to a competitive sys-

tem. He referred to our lack of education, and said that there were Universities in England one thousand years before Newfoundland was discovered. I think he did not mean that.

We could have a competitive examination for the Civil Service organized on similar lines to those of the C.H.E. I think there would be hundreds of applicants from the boys of the outports. Those who have put in a number of years should be rewarded for their long and faithful service.

No Chance For Outport Boys.

The only thing that the boys of the outports have to look forward to is to get a smattering of education and then come to St. John's and enter as Pupil Teachers. There is no chance of entering the Civil Service.

I want to say, Mr. Chairman, that The Advocate in all its writings did not cause such bitter feeling and prejudice as that utterance with regard to Godless schools that was enlarged upon in every possible way.

The cry of Socialism was also raised. These catch cries were kept up The Herald for all it was worth. I am only defending our position in connection with The Advocate. I had nothing to do with the editorials except in this case, and that was because Mr. Coaker was away.

Asked For It.

Mr. Coaker.—Yesterday some remarks were made in connection with The Advocate. The Premier stated he would lay upon the table of the House a paper in connection with the statement made yesterday.

Rt. Hon. Prime Minister.—Mr. Chairman, I have that paper here. The discussion arose in relation to a statement that was published in The Herald last August. The hon. member has Mr. Halfyard. The hon. member has the quotation and it would be more correct to read from that. His point was that the quotation was not the same as The Advocate. My point was that the wording was practically the same. The wording in The Herald was:

"From your earnings Bishops, Priests and Ministers derive their income. You are five to one yet you have always permitted the one to do with you as it liked. Take the power lying dormant in you and shake those rascals as you would a dog found worrying sheep," etc.

Sir Edward's Contentions.

These are the words published by the Herald and he claimed that that was not the correct copy of what had originally been written in The Advocate. Now I have the original paper and I think it will be found that they are practically the same.

The words are taken from the Fishermen's Advocate of Feb. 6th, 1910. This is the whole article. I will read the whole of it. The hon. member would, I feel sure, like to hear it all:

"This country has been maintained always by you. You pay the salaries of the hosts of employees at St. John's and in the outports. From your earnings, Bishops, Priests, Ministers, Doctors, Lawyers, Politicians, Bookkeepers, Storekeepers, Clerks, Tradesmen of all description derive their incomes. You are five to one, yet you have always permitted the one to do with you as it would. Out of the 50,000 voters in the Colony, you number 40,000. Why then do you permit the 10,000 to handle you as though you were something or nothing? Be men, you have been fools long enough. Take the power lying dormant within you and shake those rascals as you would a dog if discovered killing sheep."

Questioned It.

It will be found that the whole quotation is published verbatim. The hon. member shakes his head, but I put it to the Committee whether the words are not the same as quoted here.

The only point in which a difference lies is in the fact that the Herald did not quote the whole article. This is merely a quotation from an article and a correct quotation. That is what the hon. members asked for and I produced it. The quotation is correct.

Mr. Coaker.—Mr. Chairman, I am sorry that the Prime Minister was not manly enough to say that the Herald had quoted something from The Advocate and had left out important parts of the quotation that would have impressed the reader. But he actually gets on his feet and justifies what the paper said when any fair and reasonable man who compares the two articles knows that what the Herald said was false and untrue.

When It Was Written.

That article was written on a very stormy night at Coakerville, and little did I think at that time that it would become the subject of discussion in the House of Assembly. I am very pleased with that little article. I am proud of it. If it was sent broadcast through the country there is not one man but would say it was fair and just. It speaks well for my friend the member for Placentia. I had followed his speeches up to that time and I knew he was a fair and reasonable man. I hope he will now

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The loss of the two sealing vessels with over two hundred lives off the coast of Newfoundland gives cause for sadness to the whole Orange Association. Dozens of the brave men who died on the ice floes and in the chilly waters of the Atlantic were enrolled in our Order. Many of them, doubtless, were at the meeting of the Grand Lodge of British America, held in St. John's last summer. Nearly all had loved ones depending on their arduous toil for a livelihood.

We know the members of our Association sympathize deeply with the bereaved families in Newfoundland, many of which lost two or more bread winners in this disaster. We feel sure they will do all they can to swell the fund being raised to provide for the temporal wants of those left behind by the simple, earnest men who were overwhelmed.

—Orange Sentinel.

handle you as if you were something or nothing?"

Peculiar Omission.

That is all left out. He did not trouble to put that in. He left it out and simply took here and there what would injure me. He makes out that I believe that bishops, priest and ministers should be shot or killed as you would a dog after sheep. No such thing was intended and nothing of the kind was said.

There is no one who has more respect for clergymen than I have, and no man with more respect for religion. I am a religious man. I have been President of the F. P. U. for five years, and if the Archangel Gabriel were to come down and examine every action of mine during that period he would certainly say: "You have certainly done well Coaker. Your services have been well performed. Keep on."

There is not a single act of mine during the last five years which I would be ashamed for any man to see. It is not that I think anyone else cannot say the same, but I say it in justification for myself.

(To be continued)

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News of the City and the Outports

Pomeranian Here Had Long Voyage

Was Fourteen Days Making the Trip From Liverpool—Ice the Cause of Delay.

The Alan steamer Pomeranian, Capt. J. McDonald, 14 days from Liverpool, arrived at 6.30 p.m. Saturday. The long passage was due to ice which impeded her progress and which caused her to go south to get round.

The Pomeranian left Liverpool on the 18th ult., and had fine weather. Monday last she met the first ice and from that day up to the time port was reached, she was skirting ice.

The weather was very foggy so that the captain had to be extremely careful, and repeatedly she stopped.

Many Passengers

The Pomeranian brought the following passengers: Hon. J. Anderson, W. H. Cass, Joseph Cocker, Bertram Cocker, W. J. Edgar, S. O. Favcett, G. C. Fearn, Miss H. Graham, T. E. Hurst-Hodgson, Mrs. F. Morris, Miss Morris, W. Payne, Mrs. Payne, two children and infant, Leon Poirier, Mrs. N. Wigh and infant, and 7 steerage. She also brought 13 bags and 19 baskets mail matter and 1013 tons general cargo.

The Pomeranian's chief officers are Chief Officer, J. McCall; Purser, W. Neil Mathison; Surgeon, H. Caplan; Chief Engineer, J. Pearson; Chief Steward, D. Cameron; Stewards, Miss Peacock.

STORES OPEN TO-NIGHT

The stores will remain open until 9 this evening.

OLD COMRADES

The C. L. B. Old Comrades Association will meet at the armoury this evening at 9.15.

DIPHTHERIA

A young lady of Water Street East was reported suffering from diphtheria on Saturday. She is being treated at home.

C. E. T. S.

Illustrated Lantern Lecture, in aid Marine Disasters Fund, Synod Hall, Monday, May 4th, at 8 p.m. Lecturer, Mr. W. H. Jones, of Grenfell Hall. Admission 10 cents.—may4th

AN EXPLANATION

Mr. and Mrs. Jonas Moakler, of Pleasant Street, wish us to state that it is not their daughter who is concerned in the charge against Dr. Tait.

EDITOR OF "THE GUARDIAN" PLEADS "NOT GUILTY."

We wish to say that it was not the Editor of the Guardian who assaulted a city editor, as reported in The Daily Mail recently. We are kept busy "hammering" other problems.—Guardian.

FINED TEN DOLLARS

The Talisman's sailor, a man named Anderson, who stole the cheese from the cargo, as reported by the paper Saturday, was before Judge Knight in the afternoon and fined \$10.00. The amount was paid by the mate.

"A TALE OF OLD TAHITI"

At the Nickel Theatre this evening there will be presented a very interesting two reel feature entitled "A Tale of Old Tahiti," a famous old story.

While the stores are open after tea there will be three shows each evening, commencing at 7.10, 8.20 and 9.30.

FISHERY REPORTS

From T. Soper, April 28th (Channel to Port aux Basques)—No dorries skiffs or boats were fishing last week and no bankers have yet arrived. One schooner is in from the grounds. Prospects are very good at present and frozen herring is being used for bait. Last week it was very stormy the prevailing winds being N and N.W. On the 24th a strong N. wind raised the ice embargo and to-day was an ideal one. The skiffs after being retarded since the 7th by ice conditions hid away to the fishing grounds and we are glad to say met with success. Many lights were gleaming in the stages on the 25th, which is a grand sight in a fishing settlement. The total catch is 3,150 quintals, and 140 for the past week.

PERSONAL.

Mrs. F. J. Morris and Miss Morris arrived from England by the Pomeranian.

Hon. John Anderson, who was purchasing goods in the Old Country, returned by the Pomeranian Saturday.

Mr. Joseph Cocker, who spent the winter in England, returned by the Pomeranian. His brother, Bertram, also arrived.

Messrs. M. W. Furlong and J. M. Kent, who were visiting New York in connection with the Commercial Cable Co.'s case against the Government will arrive by to-morrow's express.

THE MAIL AND ADVOCATE.

The weekly edition of The Mail and Advocate will be sent to any address in Newfoundland and Canada for the balance of 1914 for the small sum of 30c, and the daily for the balance of 1914 for the sum of \$1.00. Send along your names and stamps to cover.

SEAL PELTS AT CHETICAMP.

It was reported yesterday that over 160 seal pelts were found on pans at Pleasant Bay, Cape Breton, near Cheticamp, C.B.

There was also noticed floating near the shore another larger pile but these were too far off to reach with safety.

It is the theory that these may have possibly come from the Steamer Newfoundland or some other sealer which had to abandon them during the disastrous storm of a few weeks ago.—Sydney Record.

C. M. B. C.

The Cathedral Men's Bible Class commenced its harbor mission work yesterday morning.

At 7 there was a celebration of the Holy Communion at the Cathedral, and an hour later there was a launching service at Messrs. Ayre & Son's wharf. Rev. J. Brinton officiated at both.

The work of distributing tracts and literature to outport schooners and other vessels will continue throughout the summer.

OBITUARY

Mr. Patrick D. Burke

Mr. Patrick D. Burke, of H. M. Customs, died at his residence, Monks-town Road, Saturday afternoon, after a very brief illness.

Deceased was 56 years old and lived at St. Jacques for many years. In 1886 he married Miss Ellen Whelan, sister of Rev. J. Whelan, formerly parish priest at St. Lawrence.

A widow and three sons and two daughters are left to mourn and to them The Mail and Advocate extends sympathy.

SHIPPING

S.S. Sardinian left Philadelphia at 10 a.m. Saturday.

S.S. Nascopie sailed for Bell Island yesterday to load ore for Sydney.

S.S. Easington passed the narrows Saturday, for Bell Island with a cargo of coal.

S.S. Hump has arrived at Dublin Cove and will start whaling as soon as weather permits.

S.S. Craigendoran berthed at Job's premises Saturday to finish discharging salt.

BRUCE PASSENGERS

The Bruce arrived at Port aux Basques at 4.50 p.m. Saturday with the following passengers: Dr. M. Little, P. J. Connors, G. F. Kearney, D. J. Cron, J. S. Ross, Miss W. Mogridge, D. Forsey, W. J. Ellis, Miss M. Quinn, Miss C. A. Bayley, H. J. Bruett, J. Colbourne, C. R. Murphy, M. Way, J. S. Brake.

NORTHERN SERVICE OPENS

The northern mail and passenger service by the Bowring coaster Prospero, Capt. A. Kean, will open on Wednesday next, when the steamer will leave St. John's, going as far as Quirpon, if conditions permit.

During the last six weeks the steamer has undergone extensive renovations.

Dr. Hal Chaplin Has Unique Record

Makes Splendid Showing in His Examination and Wins Gold Medal.

The Pomeranian brought further news of Mr. Hal Chaplin, who recently was announced as gold medalist at St. Thomas's Hospital, London.

He is now a fully qualified doctor, having passed the L.R.C.P. (London) and M.R.C.S. (England) exams very creditably.

Successful All Round

He was the only candidate from St. Thomas's Hospital who took medicine, surgery and midwifery at the same time, and was successful in all. In the hospital examination he carried off the gold medal awarded for the highest aggregate. There were seven subjects, and he won a first-class in five of them.

In midwifery and gynaecology he took first place, and a £10 bursary; in pathology, first place and £5 bursary; and first place and a £5 bursary in public health.

In forensic medicine he took second place, and in surgery third—a record that he may well be proud of.

More Exams

To-day the examinations for the M.B., B.S., commence, but his friends in St. John's believe that he will do as well as in the former.

His record is a unique one and The Mail and Advocate extends congratulations to the young doctor on his brilliant success.

Such honors were not won without hard and diligent study. We also join with others in congratulating the doctor's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Chaplin.

FEILD-SPENCER ASSOCIATION HOLD ANNUAL MEETING

Have Raised \$7,000 For Work of Enlarging Bishop Feild College.

The annual meeting of the Feild-Spencer Association was held Saturday afternoon at the college. There was a large attendance and interest was keen.

Rev. G. R. Godden was moved to the chair. The reports of the secretary and treasurer, Messrs. C. Clift and J. A. Winter, were favorable.

Good Work

The Association is not yet in a position to begin the work of enlarging Bishop Feild College. The Association now has \$7,000 to its credit in bank with several large donations promised as soon as the building starts.

Election of Officers

The election of officers resulted as follows: President—Hon. R. Watson.

Vice-President—Mrs. T. Winter and Mr. H. Outerbridge.

Secretary—Mr. C. Clift. Treasurer—Mr. J. A. Winter.

The Council were re-elected with power to add to their numbers. The Chairman referred at some length to the work and needs of both colleges and heartily thanked those interested for their efforts after which the meeting adjourned.

THE TAIT ASSAULT CASE

The charge against Dr. Tait will be heard on Wednesday before Judge Knight. Messrs. M. Connors and J. Roper are the bondsmen.

TELLUS SAILS THURSDAY

The ore carrier Tellus will be ready to sail again for Bell Island on Thursday.

STEAM YACHT COMING

Capt. Kendrick and Sam Noseworthy, mate of the D. P. Ingraham, leave by the next Allan boat for Glasgow, to bring out the steam yacht Tinto, which is bound to Canada. The yacht will likely call at St. John's to replenish her bunkers.

DEATHS

PARSONS—At Bay Roberts, yesterday, Sunday, Capt. Stephen Parsons, aged 96. Funeral to-morrow (Tuesday) afternoon.

BURKE—On May 2nd, after a short illness, Patrick D. Burke, formerly of St. Jacques, aged 56 years, leaving a widow, three sons and two daughters to mourn. Funeral 2.30 p.m. to-day (Monday) from his late residence 48 Monkstown Road.—Gloucester papers please copy.

MANY ACTIVITIES MARK THE OPENING OF A BUSY SEASON.

Union Trading Company Preparing to Handle a Record Volume of Business.—Kintail Improved For Re-clasling.—Schooner Movements.—New Store for Scilly Cove.—"Coaker" Engine a Favorite.—Personal News Notes.

Mr. A. Winsor, of Wesleyville, is now manager of Cat Harbor store.

Mr. Alex. Coffin, of Joe Batt's Arm, is now in charge of Joe Batt's Arm store.

The schr. Sunflower, Capt. Day, is loaded with supplies for Port Rexton store, and is awaiting a time.

Arrangements are being made to establish a Union store at Scilly Cove which is expected to be opened shortly.

Mr. Wallace Abbott, assistant clerk at Bonavista Store, is now in town selecting goods for Bonavista store.

Mr. Alex. King, of Catalina, who was in charge of Cat Harbor store last year, has been appointed manager of Seidon-Come-By store.

The schr. E. M. Owen, Capt. Thos. Roberts, of Valleyfield, is now loading supplies for Newtown and Cat Harbor stores and will sail the first opportunity.

Mr. Dan. Devine, of King's Cove store, has been transferred to Keels' store, and Mr. Stephen Hancock, of King's Cove, has been placed in charge of King's Cove store.

Mr. Jacob Bishop has been awarded the contract of repairing the Union wharf and work will start as soon as the timber arrives from Bonavista Bay.

A large shipment of Goodyear oil clothing has been received from Gloucester, U.S.A. The black quality seem to be the most popular. The Trading Co. will handle about 4,000 suits this spring.

The clothing factory has been working to its fullest capacity all the winter and spring, and a fairly good stock of readymades is now ready for shipment to the outport stores. All Union members coming to town and wanting a suit of clothes will find a large stock to select from at the Trading Co.'s store.

The Kintail will shortly leave for Sydney to load coal for Brigus and Carbonar. The ship has been refitted and greatly improved during the past spring, and has undergone inspection for reclassing at Lloyd's. She is now well suited for the work she will have to perform, and when coasting will have accommodation for a dozen passengers.

The Union office in this city has been fitted up in good shape by the Horwood Lumber Co., and is now one of the most up-to-date offices in town. The office staff consist of D. Thistle, accountant; W. W. Halfyard, cashier; Lewis Crumme, assistant accountant and Miss Kendall, stenographer. As the work is continually growing another assistant will be added in a few days.

Mr. Jas. L. Tenholm, of Amherst, N.S., the motor engine expert, who is installing the Coaker engine, returned from Presque, P.E., on Saturday, where he had been installing a Coaker engine for the Messrs. Sullivan. The owners were delighted with the boat and engine, as when tested the boat made a speed of ten miles per hour. Mr. Tenholm will leave for Cupids this evening to install some Coaker engines there. Any purchaser of the Coaker engine can avail of the services of the Coaker engine expert by paying travelling and boarding expenses.

Although the spring trade has not yet opened chiefly because of the backward weather, the Trading Co.'s provisions department has been kept busy and already 1,000 barrels of flour has been shipped away. Large stocks of provisions will be kept in stock and the company expect to sell \$500,000 worth of provisions during this year. \$50,000 worth of motor engines has been sold by the Trading Co. since the new year, and about five engines are now being sold every day.

The Mail and Advocate is read by 50,000 persons and cannot be excelled as an advertising medium, and those who avail of the pages of this paper to get in touch with the city and outports will be well repaid for so doing, for on Saturday those who advertised were given an opportunity

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To be attired attractively when engaged in the duties of the house, seems impossible until you see our fine showing of the newest designs of

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- ¶ They are made from good qualities of wash goods, guaranteed fast colors.
- ¶ They can be worn to "run to the store," or for a morning trip "down town."
- ¶ You couldn't make half as good dresses at home, for double the price.
- ¶ They are priced at from \$1.60 to \$3.80.
- ¶ When you see these new ideas in house dresses, you'll have some new ideas about house dressing.

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Impressive Sermon By Rev. Glen Lloyd.

Big Congregation at St. Mary's Hear Excellent Discourse From Narrative Preacher.

Rev. Glen Lloyd, son of G. B. Lloyd, Esq., of the Post Office, was the preacher at St. Mary's Church last evening.

There was a large congregation and the service was most impressive.

The Rector officiated, the Rev. Lloyd reading the Lessons and preaching.

In opening he expressed his great pleasure at being able to take part in the service at St. Mary's, the church where he worshipped in his boyhood days and where he was confirmed.

Eloquent Speaker.

He then announced his text and delivered an impressive sermon dealing with the Lord's words to the doubting disciple, St. Thomas. The Rev. gentleman had the strictest attention of the large congregation, as he drew forth lessons from the text.

He is an impressive speaker, and promises to become a pulpit orator of note.

At present he is in Deacon's Orders, but he hopes shortly to be advanced to the Priesthood.

His discourse last night was an exceptionally brilliant one, and his friends in St. John's hope to have the pleasure of hearing him again.

Rev. Lloyd is stationed near Kingston, Ontario, and is here on a brief vacation.

If the ice keeps on the land as at present the Prospero will not go north Wednesday.

EMPLOYERS PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION MEETING

The Water Street merchants met at the Board of Trade rooms, Saturday, to consider the increase of wages asked by the Longshoremen.

An Employers' Protective Association was formed, the executive consisting of Hons. W. C. Job, J. C. Crosbie, J. Harris, J. Harvey, Messrs. W. B. Grieve, G. Shea and A. Montgomery.

A couple of meetings have been held since but nothing definite has been decided on.

The Mail and Advocate learns that the employers of labor are against giving the increase.

It is certain that the consumer will have to pay, and the thousands of citizens not protected by Unions will be the sufferers.

L.S.P.U. NEW SCALE OF WAGES

The L.S.P.U. on Thursday issued circulars to employers of labor, giving them details of the new scale of wages.

The new scale is: Steamboat work:—Loading and discharging general cargo boats—25 cents an hour; after 6 p.m. to midnight 35 cents an hour; after midnight, 75 cents an hour. Loading and discharging coal cargoes—day, 30 cents an hour; after 6 p.m. to midnight 40 cents an hour; after midnight 75 cents an hour.

Cleaning sealing steamers:—Day, 25 cents an hour; after 6 p.m. to midnight 35 cents an hour. During meal hours at any of above work, 50 cents an hour.

Fish wharves:—Packing and screwing fish—day, 20 cents an hour; after 6 p.m. to midnight, 50 cents an hour. Any after handling fish at the same rates.

General work:—Day, 17 cents an hour; after 6 p.m. to midnight, 20 cents an hour; after midnight 50 cents an hour; tallymen \$12 per week; after 6 p.m. time and all.

Cullers:—Shore fish (board and barrow) 3 cents a quintal; ordinary Labrador (board and barrow) 2 cents a quintal.

Sundays and holidays:—Work on Sundays, Christmas Day and Good Friday, \$1.00 an hour—though this latter work and after midnight, the Union asks to have discontinued.

Mr. G. C. Fearn, who was on a holiday in England, returned by the Pomeranian.

BOY DROWNED AT BONAVISTA

Bonavista, May 2.—A sad accident occurred this afternoon at 2 o'clock, when Garland Sweetland, aged 11, was drowned in harbor pond. The little fellow was crossing a temporary bridge leading from the railway station to Martin's lane and fell in the water. The river was swollen and no person near. The body was recovered half hour afterwards.

Do you suffer from Rheumatism or other acute painful afflictions? Then "PAIN REMOVER" will give you ease and will cure the trouble. One Dollar per bottle up, according to size.

Made only by John Holmes, Shearstown, Conception Bay. ap30,31

BANNS ANNOUNCED.

At St. Thomas's Church yesterday the banns were announced for the wedding of Mr. David Murray of St. John's and Miss Lovegreen of Newcastle, England.

The wedding will take place in England shortly.

EXPRESS DUE 3 A.M. TO-MORROW

The next express is due at 3 a.m. to-morrow.

VERY INTERESTING

Everybody should read The Mail and Advocate's correspondence, it's so interesting.

S.S. Pomeranian sails again to-morrow afternoon.

Portia left Placentia at 3.15 p.m. yesterday.

Lintrose arrived at Basques at 1.45 p.m. yesterday.

Bruce left Basques at 2.30 p.m. Saturday. At 8 a.m. to-day Bruce was 10 miles East Low Point, making very little progress.

PREPARE FOR THE WORST.

Are you prepared for a fire? Most folk are not! One of my liberal policies will make the calamity easier to bear. It will cost you nothing to ask for a low rate and very little to be perfectly secure with Percie Johnson's insurance agency.

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