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ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND, SATURDAY, JANUARY 24, 1914.

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GEORGE KNOWLING.

GOVERNMENT FAIL IN ATTEMPT TO TAKE FROM PRES. COAKER CREDIT FOR HIGH PRICE OF FISH.

Opposition Prove That The Influence Of The F.P.U. Was The Determining Factor in The Local Markets.

COLONIAL SECRETARY PAYS HIGH TRIBUTE TO THE LEADER OF THE UNION PARTY.

CHARACTERISES HIM AS ABLE AND ENERGETIC.

Mr. Halfyard Deals with Question of Price of Fish—Shows Farical Nature of Agricultural Exhibitions.—Mr. Winsor Deprecates Cashin's Insult to Union Fishermen.—Opposition Give Good Account of Themselves all Through the Debates.

The growing attendance at the House each day since the beginning of the debate on the amendment to the address on reply is another indication of the interest aroused by the Union Party in the public affairs of the country.

The supporters of the Government who are present in good numbers are getting weaker in their applause each day. They had been looking forward to seeing the Union Party and its leader—to quote Mr. Phil Moore, the member for Ferryland—exhibit as a mere "theatrical troupe" to afford amusement to those in the gallery and outside the bar, but as the debate proceeds even those most antagonistic to Coaker and his Party are recognizing that their fellow-countrymen in the back row of the Opposition ranks are something more than mere performers in a show.

Instead, they are proving themselves men of thought, men who know their business in the House, acquitting themselves in a manner that merits the commendation and congratulations of such men as the Hon. J. R. Bennett and Mr. Downey who with the Premier are without doubt the best judges in the House; and Mr. Kent, Dr. Lloyd, Honest John Dwyer of the front row are fully satisfied that their allies of the back row are men of no mean ability in assisting to oust the present Government from power.

Mr. Halfyard's Speech.

Mr. Halfyard opened the debate of yesterday, continuing his argument re the cause of the increase in the price of fish. No one disputes, said he, that the law of supply and demand has to do with the prices in the foreign markets, but so far as the home market was concerned it was an incontrovertible fact that Coaker was able—through the Union standing as a unit—to regulate prices in Newfoundland. Why? The members of the Union controlled a certain output of fish which by withholding here and there when necessary, kept prices up to the highest mark the market would allow; while if there had been no Union there would have been thousands of men selling far below what they should get because they had no one to advise them as to the condition of the home market.

Mr. Halfyard then returned to the agricultural policy of the Government and reiterated his previous charge that it had not increased the average of cleared land over that which prevailed before the policy was adopted. Referring to the Agricultural Exhibition at Trinity he showed what a farce it was when prizes were distributed for fancy work instead of the money being spent for the purpose for which it was supposed to be used.

Was Disappointed.

Mr. Moore said Dr. Lloyd had proved to him a disappointment as the leading man in the Opposition theatrical show (although Moore proved to be the most theatrical of any in the House with his wild gesticulations and loud voice which signally failed in producing the slightest effect on the House). He resented the insult

to the members of the Government side that they were purchased men (shades of plumbing contracts come to view) and could only attribute the charge to jealousy. Referring to the conduct of the campaign in Ferryland District, he said it had been fought on the broad principles of policy, without catch cries of any kind (what is truth?) of which the branch railways had formed a part.

Mr. Parsons rose to his feet because he felt it his duty not to allow the debate to close without entering his protest to the claim made that Coaker or any other man had raised the price of fish and presented an interesting account of the increase in the number of codtraps used on Conception Bay as compared with former years. Just what the increase in traps has to do with the increase in price of fish is what Mr. Parsons failed to show by "his logic." He will better understand these things when he becomes acquainted with the F.P.U. in Harbor Grace proper.

Winsor's Splendid Effort.

Mr. Winsor then followed in a speech which for facts, sound reasoning and a bountiful supply of humor has been seldom excelled on the floors of the House.

He paid a high tribute to his leader—Mr. Coaker—and gave an abundance of information as to the great results the Union (which was the product of Coaker's brain) had accomplished in raising the price of fish in many Bonavista localities, gaining the fishermen from thirty to ninety cents a quintal and while the Finance Minister had charged that Unionists were ignorant and illiterate and mere cullage he was one of the 3400 in Bonavista Bay he would say that if a strict cull was put on both (Winsor and Cashin) then he (Winsor) thought that he would come out of the cull as good a man as he (Cashin) was.

Mr. Winsor then gave a humorous account of the manner in which the agricultural policy was carried out in the part of Bonavista district to which he belonged and its failure he attributed to the lack of knowledge of the requirements of the soil on the part of those in charge. Mr. Bennett congratulated the Speaker on his elevation to the chair and the unanimity behind it. He praised Bond for the industry and thought he put into every subject he dealt with. He said he believed Sir Robert to be honest in conviction, though it did not always prove the best for the country.

Bennett's Tribute to Coaker.

The price of fish had figured largely during the present debate and he was not prepared to say Mr. Coaker had nothing to do with it. He thought he may have effected it somewhat. It was just as possible for the Union to do it as the trusts and Corporations. Certain it was that Coaker was an energetic and capable leader. Unions have done much good and it would be a sorry day for the country were we to fall back to the conditions that existed before the formation of Unions.

He was glad the Union Trading Co. was selling coal below the current price but thought the coal dealers of the city were unable to sell at the same price owing to the great expense of handling.

He then read some figures which amply demonstrated that the Union could sell coal cheaper without any loss and pay the same rate of wages and cartage as on other steamers for handling coal from the ship's side.

CABLE NEWS.

EXPECTS HUERTA ADMINISTRATION TO COLLAPSE SOON

Washington, Jan. 24.—There is a conviction in administration circles that the Huerta regime in Mexico is rapidly approaching the collapse which has been persistently predicted, and has led to much discussion here. As to the nature of John Lind's frequent conference with the Mexican leaders the belief is freely expressed that President Wilson's representative is surveying the situation with a view to determining how events will shape themselves when the Huerta administration falls.

MUTINY IS CAUSED ON THE DEVONIAN BY LABOR DISPUTE

Liverpool, Jan. 23.—Mutiny broke out on board the steamer Devonian shortly after she left Liverpool, yesterday for Boston, and she was compelled to put back to Holyhead, where nineteen of her crew were arrested. The outbreak of the trouble was caused by a dispute between union and non-union seamen, a few hours after the vessel left port. The union sailors refused to obey the orders of the ship's officers until the non-union men had been put ashore. The captain decided to run back to Holyhead.

WANT MONEY SPENT ON UNEMPLOYED NOT ON WARSHIPS

Toronto, Jan. 23.—A meeting of unemployed men at the Labor Temple last night passed resolutions demanding that the \$35,000,000 to be voted for battleships be expended in relieving distress among the unemployed, and that the State banquet held at the opening of Parliament and similar functions be abolished for all time, the money thus saved to be devoted to the purposes of relief for unemployed workmen.

SCHOONER ABANDONED AND CREW TAKEN OFF

London, Jan. 24.—The Nova Scotia schr. Tobetic, which left Alicante on Dec 23 for Santa Pola, is reported abandoned at sea, according to a message received by wireless at Flores, in the Azores, from the steamer Leda, which reports that she saved the schooner's crew.

PROBABLE SUCCESSOR TO "HONEST" JOHN BURNS

London, Jan. 24.—The Daily Herald the labor newspaper, claims to have authority to state that Charles F. G. Masterman Financial Secretary of the Treasury, will be promoted to the Cabinet to succeed John Burns as President of the Local Government Board.

REVOLUTION TROUBLES IN HAITIEN REPUBLIC

Cape Haitien, Jan. 23.—Both Cape Haitien and Fort Liberte on the north coast, are in the hands of the revolutionist vanguard. The rebels under General Paul entered Cape Haitien to-day without resistance.

UNITED STATES PLAN NEW FORTIFICATIONS

Washington, Jan. 24.—An extensive system of land fortifications for the Hawaiian Islands are proposed in the annual Fortifications Appropriations Bill reported to the House to-day. The Bill would provide \$47,000 to build fortifications as a part of the War Department's plan to establish a strong military post supplemental to Hawaiian naval base.

Replying to Mr. Grimes, the member for Port de Grave, who said the Government represented a minority of the voters and the Opposition a majority of the same. Mr. Bennett read figures regarding the population of the districts represented on either side of the House and tried to extract comfort from them for the Government by saying that the Government districts represented a larger number of the population. Just what that had to do with the majority of the voters who stood by the Opposition, Mr. Bennett did not explain but it is self-evident that the Government is (Continued on page 5.)

ST. BONS. LOST TO FEILDANS LAST NIGHT.

Both Teams Gave Exhibitions of Rattling Good Play.

GAME MUCH BETTER THAN THURSDAY NIGHT'S.

Felidians Defeated the St. Bon's in Play-off, 6 Goals to 5.—A Good Exhibition of Play by Both Teams.

Table with columns: TEAM, Goals, Penalties. Rows include Godden, Winter, Callahan, Higgins, Pinsent, Strong, Parnell, Grant, Callahan, Pinsent, Shortall.

GOALS

Table with columns: 1st Half, 2nd Half, Penalties. Rows include Godden, Winter, Callahan, Higgins, Pinsent, Strong, Parnell, Grant, Callahan, Pinsent, Shortall.

THE GAME

The second league hockey match was played last night before a large gathering of spectators. The game was by far ahead of Wednesday's. The teams worked well together and some excellent combination work was performed by both.

At 7.30 Referee Tobin called the teams together.

The game opened with the St. Bon's team capturing the disc and with a neat dash of combination they took it to the eastern end of the rink and Hunt was called upon several times to save, which he did creditably.

The rubber was soon sent to mid-rink, but Strong forgetting the hockey rules, was sent to the fence for two minutes for fouling Higgins.

Godden took the puck and making a splendid run down the rink succeeded in scoring the first goal for his team.

Time, 6 min.

Good Exhibition

The puck being centered, Pinsent took control of it and gave every person present a good exhibition, but could not succeed in beating Walsh.

Callahan was then asked to take a seat on the fence for two minutes for fouling Rendell.

The Felidians began to work harder and Strong was seen making some fast runs, but to no advantage, as he was checked each time.

The referee saw he was working too hard, so he placed him in the witness box for two minutes for fouling Grant.

The play was then kept in the Felidians goal and Hunt was kept busy all the time preventing the puck from entering.

Pinsent and Winter began to work well together and after a little clever combination Winter landed the equalizer.

Some Excitement

The game began to get very exciting. (Continued on page 2.)

The Daily Mail Sporting Section

News Of Sport At Home And Abroad.

ST. BONS. LOST TO FEILDIAINS LAST NIGHT.

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citing; the Feildians put on a spurt and shot after shot was sent to Walsh until Callahan broke away and with a pretty shot from the wing scored No. 2 for St. Bon's.

After the second goal was scored the play was much interrupted owing to off-sides from both teams, until Higgins gave a grand exhibition of stick handling and with a dash towards the Feildians goal sent the rubber between the posts, making the score St. Bon's 3, Feildians 1.

The puck being centered Higgins tried hard again to add another to the St. Bon's number, but was sent to the fence for two minutes for fouling Strong.

Pinsent saw a fine opportunity and with one of his famous runs landed in the second goal for the Feildians. This made the Feildians "buck up" and the forward line began to show some good combination work and tried hard each time to score.

The St. Bon's boys began to lack combination and they each tried individual work, but it did not benefit them, and Strong capturing the disc made a fine run to the mouth of the St. Bon's goal, and when about to shoot the bell rang for half time, with the score St. Bon's 3, Feildians 2.

SECOND HALF

Excitement became intense when White and Parnell capturing the disc dashed off and when near their opponents goal passed to Winter, who missed a fine chance in scoring. The puck was soon back to the Feildians goal but Parnell was waiting for it and passed it over to Winter who shot and succeeded in equalizing again.

Score 3-3. The game was now one of the finest seen for a long while; both teams were evenly matched and it was a question as to who would win out.

A few minutes after, Parnell, with one of the prettiest runs for the night, brought the puck down the rink and passed to Strong, who banged it in, numbering No. 4 for the Feildians.

The St. Bon's seemed down-hearted and lost control of the play for a few minutes, when Winter added No. 5 for his team.

Bad stick handling was shown by both sides. Strang was sent to the fence for 3 minutes for fouling Callahan. Pinsent likewise was given a rest for the same offence, and was soon followed by Callahan.

Handled

The Feildians with two men off played well until Higgins captured the puck and dashed off at lightning speed, landing No. 4 for St. Bon's.

This set the "ball-rolling" again in good shape, and Higgins urged his team on and kept the puck wandering around the Feildians goal for about 5 minutes, until Pinsent sent it out of harm's way.

Owing to the game being so fast and furious the puck split in two and the game was delayed for a

short time while the referee went for another.

Play being resumed Edens sent in one to Hunt which was too much for him and landed the rubber safely between the posts, leaving the teams with 5 goals each.

Both teams now began to show their best skill and some fine stick-handling was witnessed.

St. Bon's worked in combination like machines and their opponents had all they could do to save themselves from defeat. When the bell sounded the score was 5 goals each.

PLAY-OFF

A few minutes rest followed and then the teams settled down to see who should win out. After about 3 minutes playing Winter scored the winning goal for his team.

NOTES ON THE GAME

Higgins and Godden played a splendid game for the St. Bon's.

Pinsent and Strong for the Feildians played in their usual good style. Hunt in goal saved the Feildians from defeat. His exhibition was as clever as we have ever seen.

The man with the trumpet was good value last night.

One of the Feildians goals was disputed by some, but the goal judge says there was no doubt about it at all.

Cannot these long delays caused by breaking skates, etc., be overcome. Players and spectators alike are complaining of the tiresome waits.

Mr. J. J. Tobin was referee last night and did well in this role.

FITZ ON STAND

New York, Jan. 17.—Bob Fitzsimmons, once the world's champion heavyweight boxer, now 51 years of age, grinned derisively yesterday as he listened to counsel for the State Athletic Commission argue that he was too old to re-enter the prize ring. He has appealed from the prohibition of the commission to the Supreme Court and Justice Seabury heard the concluding arguments in his case to-day. Fitzsimmons said the State had no more right to prevent his boxing than it had to keep a preacher of the same age out of the pulpit.

Decision was reserved.

ST. JOHN WON

St. John, N.B., Jan. 16.—In a very poor hockey game here to-night St. John defeated Sackville 18 to 1. The game was so one-sided that the spectators lost interest in it.

The play, at times, was very rough, and it kept the referee, R. H. L. Skinner busy warning the men on the ice. Several penalties were handed out to players on both teams. McDonald shot the one goal for Sackville.

CANADIAN BOXER IN JAIL FOR KILLING OPPONENT

Santa Rosa, Calif., Jan. 18.—Phil Shindler, known as "Sailor" Sharkey, a Santa Rosa pugilist, who was last night knocked out by Charles Kirby of Canada, a middleweight, died to-night. It is believed his neck was broken.

Kirby struck him an overhand chop

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RANDOM READINGS.

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HE WORE CORSETS

While searching Edward Mann, arrested for robbing a cigar store, New York, police discovered he was wearing corsets. Mann said he wore them to keep warm.

MILITANTS WILL GET HIM

Mayor Fordyce, of Paterson, N.J., refused to appoint women to the Board of Education, telling a feminine delegation they were "not the equal of man from an intelligence view-point."

MORAL—ADVERTISE

Mrs. Beatrice Gordon, widow, Burlington, N.J., put an "ad" in a paper for boarders. A man in Homesville, Neb., read it and Mrs. Gordon has been advised that she is the missing heir to an estate of several hundred thousand dollars.

SORRY HE SAID IT

Solicitor Folk, of the State Department, Washington, is paying the penalty of being advertised in the newspapers for having sworn off on cigars. His mail is cluttered with substitutes for tobacco.

ALL WANT THEIR \$35

Publication in a New York newspaper that the per capita wealth is \$35, have brought hundreds of pathetic letters to the Treasury Department from poor people asking for their \$35.

LONG DISTANCE MUSIC

Dr. William C. Carl in New York city played the march and other music for a wedding which was performed 700 miles away in Augusta, Ga. The music was transmitted by telephone and included a selection composed specially for the bride.

ORIGIN OF XMAS BOX

Seaman originated the Christmas box. In ancient days sailors were given to prayer, as witnessed by Jonah. Centuries ago prayers were offered when the ship left, and thanks giving if she returned. At Christmas-time if the ship was at sea, the sailors would fasten a box to the mast, into which they dropped their gifts for the Church—hence the "Christmas Box."

to the base of the brain, as he was reeling from a right upper cut to the jaw. Spectators and referee called it a clean fight. Kirby is in jail.

OLD COUNTRY FOOTBALL SATURDAY'S LEAGUE RESULTS

London, Jan. 18.—Saturday's football results were:

English League.—First Division.—Aston Villa, 5, Sunderland, 0; Burnley, 6, Bolton Wanderers, 2; Derby C., 2, Manchester City, 4; Liverpool, 1, Everton, 2, Manchester United, 0, Chelsea, 1, Middlesboro, 3, Blackburn Rovers, 0; Newcastle United, 3, West Bromwich, 3; Preston, North End, 5, Sheffield Wednesday, 0; Tottenham Hotspur, 3, Oldham Athletic, 1.

Division Two.—Bradford, 3, Leeds City, 1; Bury, 1, Blackpool, 0; Huddersfield, 2, Lincoln City, 1; Leicester Fosse, 0; Birmingham, 0; Notts County, 4, Bristol City, 0; Stockport C., 0, Clapton Orient, 1, Wolverhampton Wanderers, 4, Grimsby Town, 1.

Southern League.—Bristol Rovers, 1, Plymouth Argyle, 4; Southampton, 0, Swindon, 4; Cardiff, 1, Reading, 0; Exeter City, 1, Crystal Palace, 0; Millwall, 4, Coventry City, 1; Portsmouth, 1, Watford, 0; Brighton and Hove, 4, Norwich City, 2; Southend, 2, Gillingham, 3; Queens Park Rangers, 0; Northampton, 0.

Scottish League.—St. Mirren, 0, Aberdeen, 2; Alderstonians, 0, Third Lanark, 0; Morton, 2, Ayr United, 1; Clyde, 2, Patrick Town, 1; Dumbarton, 2, Hearts, 1; Queen's Park, 3; Falkirk, 1; Hamilton A., 1, Raith Rovers, 0; Hibernians, 0, Kilmarnock, 1; Rangers, 0, Motherwell, 0.

Rugby Results.—Liverpool, 29, Moseley, 8; United Services, 34, London Irish, 7; Leicester, 3, Coventry, 0; Old Carthusians, 1, Oxford, 1; Gloucester, 5, Bristol, 0; Manchester, 5, Birkenhead, 5.

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"THE WHOLE TRUTH"—an every day comedy.
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 "BILLY'S SUICIDE"—a gigantic laugh producer.
 "THE ADVENTURES OF MR. PIFFLES"—being clever sketches by Hy. Meyer.
 "THE BURDEN BEARER"—featuring Louis Webber and Phillips Smalley in a stirring Rex Drama.
 MR. DAVE PARKS, Baritone, sings illustrated song "I wish to-day were yesterday and yesterday to-day."
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Here is the Incomplete Verse—Suggest a line to complete it.

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The Coupon Printed Below will Appear in Every Issue of The Daily Mail for a Week. Any reader may use it to Nominate his Particular Favorite. At the End of the Week the Time for Nominations Will Close and Voting Will Commence.

The Hockey Player Who, at the End of Five Weeks, has Received a Majority Vote from the Readers of this Paper will be

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Use the Coupon printed below as a Nomination Form. Voting Coupons will appear later.

I hereby nominate.....

As the most popular Hockey Player in St. John's.

Mark your Envelope "HOCKEY CONTEST."

BURNS' NIGHT.

The anniversary of the birth of Robert Burns is being celebrated by St. Andrew's Society in their new club rooms in Smallwood Building on Duckworth Street at the head of McMurdo's Lane on Monday night. All those who have Scotch blood in their veins are sure to be there. The memory of Scotland's Bard links together Scotchmen the world over.

We have to read his poems to learn something of his high-strung nature, which could become the soul of tenderness over the trampled daisy or the homeless mouse, or lash with stinging tongue the hypocrite, the crawler and the quack.

It was among the furrows of his father's farm that he was inspired with the perpetually quoted wish:

That I for poor Auld Scotland's sake
Some useful plain or book could make,
Or sing a sang at least.

Sir Walter Scott, his great contemporary, bears testimony to the dignified, simplicity and almost exaggerated independence of the poet during the height of his success. He says, I saw him once in Edinburgh when I was a lad of fifteen, and had sense enough to know even then the inspiring value of his poetry, and would have given the world to have shaken hands with him, but of course we youngsters sat silent, looked and listened. I remember seeing him shed tears over the picture of a soldier lying dead in the snow.

During Burns' life it was reserved for Wm. Pitt, the Prime Minister of England, to recognize his place as a great poet, but the more cautious critics of Scotland were satisfied to endorse him as a rustic prodigy, and it brought upon them a share of his satire. Genuine kindness was never wasted on Burns, who whatever his faults was never been accused of ingratitude. But in his city life there was an unnatural element. In some of his letters he appeared to be dancing minutes in hob-nailed boots.

Although he posed with gentlemen of literary reputation, and was welcomed, feasted and admired in the highest society of the Nation, he declined not to flatter them, feeling that he was only where he was entitled to be. He never stooped to beg for smiles or favors, preferring to lodge with a writer's apprentice in a garret room costing 3 shillings per week, for as Burns said, "The glorious cause of being independent."

This was Burns. Who to the illustrious of his native land, so properly did look for patronage, but what did he get? His first edition of poems brought the author £20., but now the descendants of these Scotchmen will put up for him monuments that cost thousands of pounds.

He was asked to contribute a book of songs for select Scottish airs. For this book he wrote about one hundred songs, the best of which will be ringing in the ears of every Scotchman the world over on Monday night. For these songs he received a shawl for his wife, a picture representing "Cottar's Saturday Night," and the magnificent sum of £5. The poet wrote an indignant letter, and never afterwards composed for money. Small wonder that this treatment broke his heart, and soured his temper, and plunged him more deeply into dissipation, shattering his "Rock of Independence" leaving him pre-

maturely old at the age of thirty-seven.

It was he who said, "I have only known existence by the pressure of sickness, and counted time by the repercussions of pain." But even at the last when he was asked to join a County ball, he shook his head, saying "That's all over now," but he added a verse for a lady friend's ballad:

"O were we young as we once hae been,
We sud hae been galloping down on you green
And linking it ower the lily-white lea,
But where na my heart light I wad dee."

When poor Burns had failed in every undertaking to make an honest living, he was left as he said, "Like a true poet, without a sixpence." What did his friends find for him, who has made his native land ring forever with his music? They led him only into further temptation instead of protecting him. He writes to Dr Blacklock on Oct. 21, 1789:

"What do you think my trusty fier,
I'm turned a gauger—peace be here!
Parnassian queans, I fear, I fear,
Ye'll now disdain me!
And then my fifty pounds a year
Will little gain me."

And in the same letter he declares that:

"Who does the utmost that he can
Will whiles do more."

Where can you get such expressions of passion that would instill the fire of patriotism into a poltroon as the following from:

"SCOTS WHA HAE."
"Lay the proud usurpers low,
Tyrants fall in every foe!
Liberty's in every blow!
Let us do or die!"

Burns writes of his early life:

"My indignation yet boils at the recollection of the insolent threatening letters of our landlord, that used to set our whole family in tears, trying to force the few pounds that we could not pay.

"This kind of life, the cheerless gloom of a hermit with the increasing moil of a galley slave brought me to my sixteenth year. You know the custom in our country of a man or woman working together during the harvest. My partner was a bewitching creature a year younger than myself. She altogether unwittingly to herself initiated me in that delicious passion of love, which I hold to be the first of human joys, our dearest blessing here below. How she caught the contagion I do not know, but I never expressly said I loved her. Indeed I did not know myself why I liked so much to loiter behind with her when returning in the evening from our labors. Why the tones of her voice made my heart strings thrill, and particularly why my pulse beat such a furious rattle when I looked and fingered over her little hand to pick out the cruel nettle stings and thistles. Among her other love inspiring qualities she sang sweetly, and I saw no reason why I might not rhyme and compose a song for her. Thus with me began love and poetry, which at times has been my only and highest enjoyment."

It was the same with Burns his whole life through, his own heart unfortunately took fire with every new face. He could turn the heads of the Duchess' in Edinburgh as easily as he could with many of his country friends. His whole being was wrapping up in his tender heart. At one time he tried his best to study mathematics, and grammar, but a charming girl, who lived next door, set him off at a tangent from the scene of his studies.

The poet was jilted, and he went to the depth of despair. But where will we ever find such anguish of regret as he recalls his "Highland Mary."

"Wi' mony a vow and locked embrace,
Our parting was fu' tender;
And pledging aft to meet again
We tore ourselves asunder;
But oh! fell Death's untimely frost
That nipt my flower sae early,
Now green's the sod, and cauds the clay,
That wraps my 'Highland Mary.'"

In ending let us repeat the expressions of his inmost soul to his noble benefactor, Lord Glencairn. Burns cares nothing for Lords and Titles, as he said himself:

"The rank is but the guinea-stamp,
The man's the gold for a' that."

But when we read his address to Lord Glencairn we can get some idea of what his genius might have expressed if he had been only appreciated as he should have been by his countrymen.

"Thou foundest me like the morning sun
That melts the logs in limpid air,
The friendless bard and rustic song
Became alike thy fostering care.
The mother may forget the child
That smiles so sweetly on her knee;
But I'll remember thee, Glencairn,
And a' that thou hast done for me.

Now good-bye until me meet at St. Andrew's Club rooms.

For auld lang syne my dear,
For auld lang syne;
We'll tak a cup o' kindness yet,
For auld syne."

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The giant flagstaff is held in place by guy cables set in concrete beds at each corner of the courthouse lawn, and will stand for many decades as an example of what the forests of British Columbia can produce in the way of tall timber.

MAIDEN TRIP OF ALSATIAN

Liverpool, Jan. 17.—The steamer Alsatian, built for the Canadian service of the Allan Line, sailed from here to-day on her maiden trip to Halifax. The Alsatian is a vessel of 18,000 tons and has a speed of 20 knots. A sister ship, the Calgarian, is practically completed and will be placed in the service between Liverpool and Halifax next month.

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OUR POINT OF VIEW.

THE PRICE OF FISH

The Government newspapers have had a great deal to say about the price of fish the last few days. Of course, they are very emphatic in their declarations that Mr. Coaker had nothing whatever to do with the high prices paid last fall. Supply and demand, they say, are exclusively the determining factors.

Practically every remark made by these subsidised papers and by the mouthpieces of the Government in the House is entirely beside the question. The game, apparently, is the old, old one of bluff and dust-throwing. The familiar "red-herring" has been so often drawn across this trail that it is worn almost to shreds.

We have yet to learn that any member or adherent of the Union Party ever allowed his enthusiasm to influence him to the extent of making the ridiculous claim that Mr. Coaker directly or indirectly, controls the foreign markets or regulates conditions there. Such a contention would be too absurd and unreasonable to withstand for one moment the facts of the case, and Mr. Coaker has never, in all his public career, made such a claim, nor has it been made for him by any responsible follower of his.

But Mr. Coaker has had a great deal to do with the high prices paid for fish in this country. We assert that it was practically entirely owing to his influence that such high figures were paid for fish the last four years.

The situation is so plain that the most casual observer can easily understand it. Low prices in the market would, of course, prevent Mr. Coaker or anybody else from buying fish in this country at a high price and making a profit thereon when marketing. But it is a fact of common knowledge that while low prices in the market influenced the local prices, before the F.P.U. was organized, it was not until the Union movement was started that the high prices in the market were followed by correspondingly high prices locally.

In other words when there was a loss to be sustained, it was saddled by buyers on the fishermen; when there were high profits to be made, the cream of them went to local fish dealers.

And the reason is quite plain. The fishermen were absolutely ignorant of market conditions. In fact he was familiar only with such a term as used by fish buyers to conjure his catch from him at a price that would net the purchaser the greatest possible profit when it was marketed abroad.

As far as the local dealers were concerned, this, of course, was business, pure and simple. They were in the fish trade to make the most possible out of it and while the fishermen were getting high prices they could not possibly make big profits. Hence, the fisherman usually got low prices—the market conditions, as a rule, benefiting him but little, even when they should have done so.

Now it is quite plain that there were times when market conditions justified much higher prices than fishermen obtained from local dealers. In all probability, too, had they been aware of actual conditions and prices ruling in the markets they would have demanded, and obtained, higher prices at home. But they were without this information and, lacking the knowledge to assess their fish at its true local value, they had to sell it at a valuation assessed by dealers whose interest it was to buy as cheaply as possible.

And it is just here that the work and influence of Mr. Coaker has made for a higher price for our fish locally. It has been one of the aims and practices of the F.P.U., by circular letters, to keep the members of Local Councils posted as to market conditions and prices and to point out to them that being worth a certain figure abroad their fish should bring a certain figure in the local market the estimated local figure being less than the foreign market figure by legitimate expenses of handling and marketing and by a fair percentage of profit for the dealer.

Of late years the fishermen have been acting on this information and advice and, hence, have profited enormously through the medium of the F.P.U.

It is plain, therefore, that Mr. Coaker has exercised a big influence on the price of fish and that it is through his efforts that the fishermen have obtained such high figures.

Such cavilling as is published by the Government papers comes with very ill-grace from the trumpet-blowers of a party that solemnly pledged itself to post the fishermen on the vital subject of prevailing market prices. This party has broken these solemn pledges and has betrayed the confidence of the people. For it is amazingly instructive to the average man to be told that fish at some place or other is worth so many milraes.

Mr. Coaker has done the work. No fair-minded man will deny him credit for what he has accomplished.

OBSERVATIONS.

When is a People's Party not the Popular Party? When is the Morris Party.

What, under the Bond regime, was dubbed as "the Fog Free Zone" and characterized a hair-brained scheme becomes, when adopted by the Morris party, "a car ferry service," and a triumph of far-seeing statecraft.

Man-on-the-street—"Say, Constable, what's the meaning of this rush to the Court House? Is there a fire in the building?"

Patient Policeman—"Not at all. That's a bunch who have been reading the Premier's statement in the House yesterday that there's one vacancy in the Legislative Council."

The Premier bragged in the House that if he went to Bonavista District 1700 would listen to him. We doubt very much, however, whether he would obtain an audience of any length if he went there endorsing the pronouncement of the Minister of Finance that the men who voted for the Union are "ignorant" and "illiterate."

The Government organs show conveniently short memories at times. Hence the fact that the remarks of the Minister of Finance regarding the fishermen who voted for the Union Party are carefully omitted from the reports of the proceedings of the House as published by the Morris papers.

A Morris newspaper is our authority for saying that, in an Assembly debate, Mr. Cashin stated that Mr. Coaker used Sir Robert Bond's support to attain his present position. Well, now, there are very few of us who dreamed of crediting Sir Robert's influence with that majority of 2600 rolled up by Mr. Coaker in Bonavista District.

"If Mr. Coaker could raise the price of fish, he could also lower the price of other articles," asserted the Minister of Finance in the House on Thursday, and went on to declare that he had not done so.

It is evident from this statement that Mr. Cashin does not hold a membership ticket entitling him to trade at Union Stores. What about the price of salt—and still more recently—the price of coal?

Our morning and evening contemporaries who work overtime eulogising the present Government are strongly in favor of the publication of the debates—in their own columns. Giving these two papers—at a very generous estimate—a combined circulation of ten thousand, it is difficult to discover the justice or advisability of taxing the whole country to the extent of thousands of dollars that these two newspapers might be subsidised.

Judging from his remarks in the House of Assembly, the Minister of Finance regards the members of the Opposition as undesirable. After listening to a speech by one of these gentlemen, he suggested that it would be a good idea for him to emigrate. There are also in this country almost 20,000 fishermen, the great majority of whom voted for the Leader of the Union Party and his candidates. This the Minister of Finance regards as sufficient cause for terming these voters "ignorant" and "illiterate." Well, now, if all these "undesirables" are to be sent packing his next budget will reach a dead low-water mark.

How pitiable a spectacle a public man presents when he permits his temper to gain the upper hand; and too, how completely he usually gives himself away. Thus, carried away by what looked much like violent passion, the Minister of Finance, from his place in the House, charged the people of Bonavista Bay with ingratitude in voting against the Government after the latter had spent \$150,000 in their district on public works.

And, just think, some of us were innocent enough to believe that these expenditures were made because of necessity and to benefit the country generally. But we guessed wrong for Mr. Cashin very frankly admits that the Government expected these expenditures to gain them votes.

The member of Burgeo in championing the Branch Railroad project of the Morris party, declared that "the cost did not frighten him, it is this country would benefit from it and he did not doubt that all the branches would be paying well after a few years. Yet the returns of the Reid-Newfoundland Co. show a deficit every year. Thus does theory conflict with fact.

Mr. Moulton's inspiration was doubtless the Premier, whose dictum of this matter we refuse to accept. If he knew so little about railroad construction business as to underestimate the cost of the branches by four million dollars, he can hardly be quoted as a reliable authority on the possibility of their operation turning out profitable to the country. And as for the Minister of Finance, he very cleverly made a mistake of \$280,000 in our estimates.

TO THE EDITOR.

CONCERNING DETECTIVES

(Editor Daily Mail)

Dear Sir.—It is not often that you hear from this part of the country, although we may be able to boast of very many more great things here than there are in some other far more pretentious places. Not being of a very serious turn of mind the present writer could only be induced to commit himself to print on something that would put Puck or some other comic paper in the shade. Ye gods, if we only had a cartoonist to properly picture our latest addition of Sherlock Holmes.

What an Awakening!

We all went to bed in our usual quiet and slow way the other night; and woke up in the morning to discover that we had in our midst—a detective, one Thos. Hooper. Said Thos had been a game-fish warden here for the past two or three years; a very modest man indeed was Thos, not dreaming for a moment that he had any such qualification. He was truly the uncut diamond.

But a "master mind" (?) in St. John's, one Alex. McDougall, the convener of a meeting of the prosecuting committee of that very desirable body known as the Game and Inland Fisheries Board (better known here as the "Game Cod") discovered in our local Thomas the qualifications of a detective.

But Thomas being of a doubting nature, like his celebrated namesake, had to be assured by his friend McDougall of his great capabilities, with the result that he was appointed a

detective by A. McDougall, under the supervision of that worthy Constable Cramm.

Wael of Woe.

The writer had the pleasure of seeing that Thomas' appointment and listening to his wail of woe, since it appears that Mr. McDougall had power to appoint and instruct Thomas, also to give certain instructions to Const. Cramm, but had no power to pay the bill.

So now that we have the one man that we were all proud of, put into a humiliating position of not being paid for the work performed, and having to let out the whole show as public property for the simple reason that Thomas can neither read or write, and must get another person to make his demands for payment.

Who is McDougall? Who are the Game Board? Who are in charge of the police of this country, and what are the people to be subject to?

Is this a repetition of an account I read in The Advocate of one Stephen French being engaged by this same McDougall, to do detective work in St. Barbe District? Have the Government created a new department to be known as a local Scotland Yard with A. McDougall as its chief?

Wants Information.

Not being very well posted on these matters in this out-of-the-way place I would thank you, Mr. Editor, for some light on the subject.

We are a very quiet and retiring class of people down here, and perhaps needlessly alarmed; but when A. McDougall starts to convert Thos. Hooper into a detective we get upset, fearing that the said Mr. McDougall, being a ladies man, may next start a suffragette movement in our midst. Then Heaven help us with such an able champion of their cause behind such a movement.

PULP-WOOD.
Campbellton, Jan. 12, 1914.

TOPICS OF THE TIMES.

THE PANAMA CANAL

A cable message a few days ago called attention to the fact that the Panama Canal has so far neared completion that it is now possible for large ocean-going steamers to pass through it.

There is an eventful history behind the project to unite the Atlantic and Pacific oceans by a canal across the isthmus of Panama. In 1881 an undertaking of this kind was commenced by a French engineer named De Lesseps and the work was continued until 1889. At the end of this time it was abandoned for lack of funds although \$260,000,000.00 had been spent on it during the eight years.

Five years later, in 1894, a new company was formed with the intention of resuming the work but it accomplished very little. Finally, in 1903, the United States made a treaty with the Republic of Panama, and started the canal which is now nearing completion.

Length of the Canal

The distance, in a straight line, from Colon, on the Atlantic, to Panama, on the Pacific, is twenty-two miles, but the route chosen for the Canal is fifty miles long from deep water to deep water.

The excavation for the Canal portion is forty miles long, the additional ten miles being accounted for by cuttings through the shallows at each end.

The Canal bed is not level, rising eighty-five feet at one place, called Gatun, where a great dam has been built. Between this dam and the Atlantic port there are three double locks by means of which vessels are raised to the level of the Gatun Lake midway between the Atlantic and Pacific oceans. By using this lake a water course of six and three quarter miles is obtained.

The Gatun dam is 7500 feet long, is 100 feet wide at the top and 2100 feet wide at the base.

The Channel of the Panama Canal varies in width from 300 feet to 1000 feet and is of sufficient depth to permit the passage of the largest ships afloat.

The Canal will be well equipped in every way. There is to be a very complete system of electric lighting which will make it as easy for ships to use the channel by night as by day. A big wireless station is also to be constructed on the Canal and the intention is to put up three masts each 600 feet high, giving the instruments a radius of 3000 miles.

The actual cost of the Panama Canal is very much in excess of the early estimates. In 1901 the engineers reckoned that it could be constructed for \$140,000,000.00. A slightly lower estimate was made in 1906, but up to June, 1913, the cost had been \$222,000,000. The final total will hardly be less than \$350,000,000.00. Of this amount almost \$40,000,000.00 was paid for the original French interests in the Canal.

The work throughout has been done by the Government of the United States, the engineer in charge being Colonel Goethals.

Apart from the difficulties of excavation and the various other engineering obstacles to be surmounted one of the greatest problems that the constructors had to solve was that of rendering the Canal zone healthy.

During the period in which the French engineers were constructing the Canal there was a frightful loss of life from various tropical diseases. To provide for sanitation and thus prevent this excessive mortality the American Government spent a sum of almost \$15,000,000.00.

THE AWFUL RECORD OF 1913.

The year 1913 goes down to history with an unenviable record of a long list of storms and floods, earthquakes and other natural disturbances, which took a heavy toll in human lives.

Early in January of last year tremendous storms were reported from all over the North Atlantic and the steamship "Carmania" completed a trip across the herring pond in three days longer than her ordinary time after experiencing "the roughest passage she had ever known." Towards the middle of this month terrible floods took place in the Ohio Valley of the United States as a result of which 3000 persons were rendered homeless.

Stormy weather still continued on the ocean and its terrors are evidenced by the fact that the steamship "Snowdon Range" arrived at Queens-town from Philadelphia having made a passage of fifty days across the Atlantic, the longest time ever taken by a modern steamship to make this trip.

Heavy Storms.

At the beginning of February there were heavy wind and snow storms in Germany which stopped all train traffic, and at one time 2000 men were employed in Berlin, the capital of the Empire, clearing the tracks for the street cars.

On the 20th of February there was a terrible fire in Tokio, the capital of Japan. Four thousand buildings were destroyed in this awful conflagration which rendered 15,000 persons homeless and did damage to the extent of almost \$8,000,000.

This terrible record of disaster was continued in March, towards the middle of which month severe storms occurred in the United States, causing much loss of life and doing big damage to shipping and to railways. In Chicago alone the damage done by these storms was estimated at upwards of \$1,000,000.

On the 23rd a violent tornado occurred in Omaha, U.S.A., causing the death of 200 persons, and on the 26th there were great gales and floods in the Southern Ohio Valley, as a result of which two thousand families were rendered homeless in Indianapolis.

250,000 Homeless.

During this storm the Mississippi River rose 37 feet above its normal height, rendering 250,000 persons homeless and causing the death, by drowning and otherwise, of upwards of four thousand. The Legislature voted \$250,000.00 for relief works.

Destructive floods occurred in New Zealand on the 30th of this month doing damage to the extent of half a million dollars.

During April there were minor storms and floods in various countries but few fatalities were recorded and the damage done to property was small as compared with that done during the preceding months of the year.

Towards the end of May the steamship "Haverford" went ashore at Cork Island in a dense fog. She had 1200 passengers on board but, fortunately, there were no lives lost.

On the 12th of this month there were disastrous floods in India. At one place called Politana sixteen inches of rain fell in six hours causing terrible inundations which led to the loss of 250 lives and did damage estimated at over a quarter of a million dollars.

On the first day of July there were extensive forest fires in Canada. One of these burnt a path through the trees two hundred and fifty miles wide, causing an incalculable loss of timber.

Big Typhoon.

The month of August passed comparatively quietly until the 18th of the month when a typhoon was recorded in Hong Kong, China, during which the wind attained a velocity of 105 miles per hour. During this storm one hundred and fifty lives were lost at Macao, a Chinese town. On the 24th there was a violent hurricane in Missouri, U.S.A., and much damage was done.

One of the worst fires of the year occurred at Hot Springs, Arkansas, U.S.A., on the 7th of September. The disaster was a frightful one, rendering two thousand people homeless and causing damages amounting up to \$5,000,000.00.

On the 30th of this month disastrous thunder storms in South France

caused the death of quite a number of people and seventy lives were lost in floods which occurred at Constantinople, the capital of the Turkish Empire.

The closing months of the year were also made remarkable by floods and storms. In a flood which occurred in Texas, U.S.A., the rice crop was damaged to the extent of \$1,250,000.00. During October month also a terrific storm occurred at Nome, Alaska, demolishing five hundred houses.

"Have you got a very nice room?" inquired the little girl of her suburban visitor. "Why do you ask, dear?" "Because papa said your room is better than your company."

WHAT WOULD YOU DO IF YOU WERE PREMIER?

With the House of Assembly in session, things political and legislative are very much to the fore. Now anybody and everybody can perform a job better than the chap who holds it down. What would you do if you were in Sir Edward Morris's place? We'll be glad to hear from you and publish in The Daily Mail your ideas of what the Premier should undertake. Get busy and drop us a note.

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BIG GERMAN STEAMER LOST WITH ALL HANDS.

Fate of Passengers and Crew of the *Acilia*, Regarded as Sealed.

Hamburg, Germany, Jan. 17.—The fate of the crew of forty-eight officers and fifty passengers on board the German steamer *Acilia*, is regarded as sealed, according to a telegram from Punta Arenas, Chile, received here to-day.

The bodies of two of her officers were picked up to-day among a mass of wreckage in Moat Channel, north of Pictou Island, Tierra Del Fuego, and Indians in the vicinity declare that a big steamer sank there some time ago.

The *Acilia* was a vessel of 3,616 tons net, built in 1900, and chartered by the Kosmos Line. She left Corral, Chile, on October 27, and was due at Montevideo on November 10 on her way to Hamburg.

SITUATION IN SOUTH AFRICA

Railway Strike at an End and Miners Preparing to Return to Work
Capetown, Jan. 18.—The railway strike practically ended to-night with the decision of the operating force to resume work immediately. The strike

GOVERNMENT FAIL TO TAKE CREDIT FOR HIGH FISH.

(Continued from page 1.)
cognize their unenviable position and try as they will they cannot release themselves from it.

Second to None.

Mr. Abbott.—Replying to Sir Edward Morris he would say there were as intelligent men found supporting the F.P.U. as there were found supporting the Government; that they were just as wise and knew what they were doing as well as the Government supporters. No amount of bluster from the other side of the House would get over what are established facts, i.e., that when fish was quoted at \$5.00 they got \$6.30 and \$6.50 by listening to the advice of Mr. Coaker to hold back their fish until the more satisfactory price was obtained.

The same applied to oil and no amount of twisting the law of supply and demand by the Government side can convince the fishermen of anything different from what they have experienced.

Mr. Abbott made a good hit when he said that wisdom was oftener clothed in rags than in the head of learned boobies.

Mr. Woodford made a campaign speech which seemed to show that he was preparing himself for another election. His assertion (thrown at Mr. Coaker) that he (Coaker) would have to get up earlier in the morning before he would accomplish what he was seeking to do produced some amusement to the galleries as by the manner in which he got it off, he only exhibited a huge bluff.

He praised the agricultural policy on the one hand and decried it on the other and heaped encomiums of praise on the Liberal-Union policy of bonuses for land (though he gave them no credit.)

He wished also to include a bonus for keeping young cattle longer than is done by farmers at present.

Mr. Dwyer who asked him (Woodford) if a little too much sugar had not been mixed with the last suggestion and thought he should make a little addition of water as it was quite evident he did not know what he was talking about, to which Mr. Woodford replied that such a charge from Mr. Dwyer was because he (Mr. Dwyer) was disappointed in not getting the job of looking after the Agriculture Department.

Mr. Dwyer.—I have got along without it up till now and can do so for the future.

Mr. Grimes.—To ask the Minister of Marine and Fisheries to lay on the table of the House a statement showing in detail all amounts paid or allocated in the Electoral District of Port de Grave out of ordinary, special and surplus trust grants during the year 1913, giving the dates of such allocations, the names of the parties to whom allocated, also the purpose for which allocations were made.

The same question was asked by Mr. Grimes of the Minister of Public Works in connection with his department.

of the miners also is rapidly nearing its end.
It is estimated that the mobilization of the burghers will cost the government between \$1,250,000 and \$2,500,000.

A proclamation was issued to Pretoria to-day demobilizing all the commands and regiments except those in the Rand and the Pretoria and Fauresmith districts.

This means that thirty thousand men will still be retained in the field.

32 CONSERVATIVES AND 54 LIBERALS IN SENATE

When the Borden government assumed office in October, 1911, there were sixty-two Liberal senators and nineteen Conservative senators, with six vacancies. Since then there has been 18 deaths, ten among the Liberals and eight among the Conservatives.

The twenty-four senatorial appointments made by the Borden government have naturally been given to the Conservatives. The nine additional senatorial representatives from Western Canada, to be provided for this year by the passing through both houses of the Premier's bill, providing for increased senatorial representatives from the west, the liberal majority in the senate will be reduced to twelve, not taking into account any further changes through the death of

the present members of the Upper House.

The death of Senator Cox leaves the Liberals in the Senate still with a majority of twenty-two in the house composed of eighty-seven members. When the vacancy is filled the respective standing of the parties in the senate will be fifty-four Liberals and thirty-two, Conservatives.

TORONTO'S IDLE NUMBER 25,000

A leading labor man in Toronto, in daily touch with industrial conditions, says that the number of men and women who are now out of employment in Toronto will reach 25,000. During one week he estimates that 2,500 men and women employed in the big stores have been laid off for at least a month, and one evening 800 were laid off for a month's holiday.

A big edition to the unemployed this winter are the railroad employees. The movement of freight was never so small and freight handlers and teamsters have nothing to do.

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Mr. Halfyard.—To give notice that on to-morrow I will ask the Minister of Agriculture and Mines to lay upon the table of the House a detailed statement showing the amounts paid by his department for printing each year from 1909 to 1913.

Mr. Stone.—To ask the Minister of Finance and Customs to lay upon the table of the House a detailed statement showing the amounts paid by his department for printing each year from 1909 to 1913.

Mr. Stone.—To ask the Minister of Marine and Fisheries to lay upon the table of the House a detailed statement of—

(a) Contingencies account for 1912 and 1913;

(b) Statement of expenditures under heading of general Light Houses, general repairs and upkeeping Light Houses;

(c) Also statement of expenditure under heading Vote for Fiona, travelling expenses for his department, Lobster Labels, Cold Storage for bait, enforcement of bait laws, propagation of lobsters, bonus for ship building for years 1912 and 1913.

Mr. Stone.—To ask the Minister of Public Works to lay upon the table of the House copies of returns for special and local grants expended at New Perlican in the District of Trinity for the year 1912 and 1913.

Mr. Kent.—To ask the Rt. Hon. the Prime Minister to lay on the table of the House a copy of all correspondence with His Excellency the Governor and other documents in relation to the tenure by the Hon. D. Morrison and the Hon. S. D. Blandford, of the offices of Minister of Justice and Minister of Agriculture and Mines respectively, since the date of their retirement from the said offices.

Mr. Kent.—To ask the Rt. Hon. the Prime Minister to lay upon the table of the House a detailed statement showing all amounts paid for awards for lands taken under the Railway Extension Act, 1910, and the amendment thereof; also, of all monies paid for arbitration fees, travelling expenses or other expenses connected with the arbitrations arising out of the said Act, giving in each case the names of parties, amounts and date of each payment.

Mr. Kent.—To ask the Hon. Minister of Finance and Customs to lay on the table of the House a statement showing the Banks in this Colony with which the Government has had financial dealings in the year ending Dec. 31st, 1913, and whether any balance sheet showing the condition of the various accounts between the Government and each such bank has been furnished to the Government by these Banks; if so, to lay on the table of the House a copy of such statement showing all and every account.

Mr. Coaker.—To ask the Rt. Hon. the Prime Minister under what circumstances, and for what price £100,000 face value of India 2½ per cent. stock were purchased by the Savings Bank, and what is the value of the said stock scrip at the present market price; also, whether the difference, if any, between the price paid and the face value of the scrip was carried by the Savings Bank into Profit and Loss; also, whether the sum of \$940,500 for Colonial Debentures, included in the statement of

Assets of the Savings Bank at the end of 1912, was face value or contained an allowance for depreciation; also, what provision, if any, has been made by the Savings Bank for the difference between the current value of Colonial Debentures and India stock scrip, and the face value of the same.

Mr. Halfyard.—To ask the Minister of Marine and Fisheries to lay on the table of the House a statement showing, in detail, all amounts paid or allocated in the Electoral District of Fogo, out of ordinary, special and surplus trust grants during the year 1913, giving the dates of such allocation, the names of the parties to whom allocated, and also the purpose for which allocations were made.

Mr. Halfyard.—To ask the Hon. Colonial Secretary to lay on the table of the House a statement showing (1) the number of couriers engaged in the Winter Mail Service in Fogo District, their routes, amount paid for each route and to whom paid.

Mr. Winsor.—To ask the Minister of Marine and Fisheries to lay on the table of the House a detailed statement of the Inland Fisheries Board expenditures for 1913.

Mr. Abbott.—To ask the Hon. Colonial Secretary to lay on the table of the House a detailed statement of expenditure on account of Fire-sufferers in Bonavista District in the year 1912.

A PRAYER FOR THE NEW YEAR.

(By Nellie L. McClung)

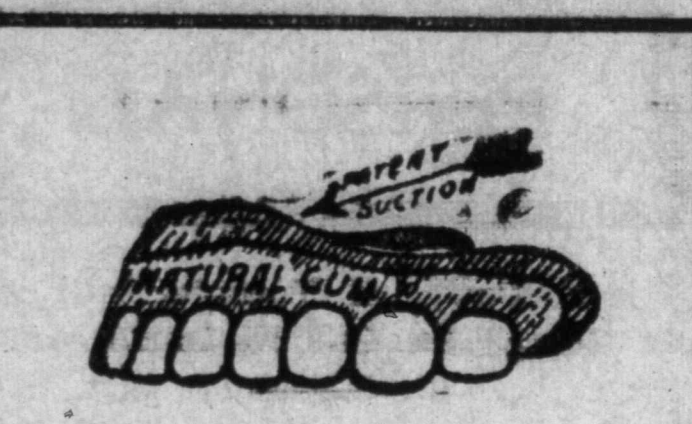
Lord, let me live while I can see
The message in the blossoming tree;
The beauty in the wayside flower
And love it for its one short hour;
While morning song of lark and jay
Can scatter all my doubts away
And lift my poor heart from the sod
And tell me I am born of God!
While I can feel I'm linked with all
The burdened ones, who halt and fall;
While I can feel my share of blame
In every cheek that's dyed with shame
While I can feel life's burdens sweep
Across my breast, and drive out
sleep;

—While I can hunger, suffer, strive,
Lord, let me live—for I'm alive—

But if the time shall come when I
Forget to seek for love divine,
Or seek it but for me and mine;
When my dim eyes shall fail to trace
Thy image in each human face;
When lulled by comfort, ease or pride,
I find my soul is satisfied
To build its house of wood and hay
And let the old world go its way
Content to preen before a glass
While wounded ones, barefooted, pass,
Easing my conscience, when I must,
By throwing hungry dogs a crust!
—Then Lord thy crowning mercy shed
And let me die—for I am dead.

THE EMBEZZLEMENT CASE

The preliminary hearing into the case of Mr. George Nicholl, charged with the embezzlement of postal monies, took place before Judge Knight yesterday. Messrs J. McCarthy and G. B. Lloyd were examined.



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Jan 23, 24, 26, 27

Newfoundland Board of Trade.

The ANNUAL MEETING of the NEWFOUNDLAND BOARD OF TRADE will be held in their ROOMS on Monday, January 26th, at 4 p.m.
ERNEST A. PAVN,
Secretary.
Jan 24, 11

The Committee of the NFLD. ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY

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News of the City and the Outports

SHIPPING

SEAMAN BURSEY LOST FROM 'ATTILA'

Was Washed Overboard on the Trip to Pernambuco.

Messrs. Baine Johnston & Co. have received a message that the Attila, Capt. Marshall, has arrived at Pernambuco.

On the passage one of the sailors named Burse, was washed overboard and drowned.

ANOTHER FISH CARRIER ABANDONED AT SEA.

Tobatic Abandoned.—Crew Picked Up By German Oil Tanker.

Mr. A. S. Rendell received a cablegram from London this morning that the schr. Tobatic had been abandoned at sea and the crew saved.

He also had a message from Hamburg that the crew were picked up by the Leda, which is due at New Orleans in a fortnight's time.

By Wireless.
The Leda must have reported by wireless.

The Tobatic took fish from Gaultois to Alicante and then proceeded to Santa Paul to load salt for Job Bros.

She left Santa Paul on Dec. 24th, and must have been near this coast and driven off by the gales of the last few weeks.

This is the third vessel of our local fleet reported lost during the last ten days. The Mayflower, the Annie Banks and the Tobatic, while the fish carrier Banshee also went down, and the Checkers is 100 days out.

Was 99 Tons.
The Tobatic was built in 1908, and was 99 tons. She was owned by Henry Petites, of Mose Ambrose.

Capt. Petites commanded her up to this trip but remained home on a voyage on account of being married, and the mate, John White, took charge. The vessel is only partly insured.

SCHR. CANADA 60 DAYS OUT

The schr. Canada is out over sixty days on the passage from Brazil here. She is under charter to the Monroe Export Co., Ltd. The Canada is a fine vessel, in charge of a good captain, which makes the long passage an unusual happening, unless she turns up within the next few days.

At 5 a.m. the Sardinian was 110 miles west of Malin Head.

Schr. Hilda R. left Carbonear yesterday for Valencia with 4000 qtls. fish, shipped by W. Duff & Sons.

The Mary Duff arrived in port this morning having been towed from Aquaforte by the tug.

Schr. Artizan which was loading at Goodridge's for the West Indies, has berthed at Baine Johnston's, where she will finish.

OPORTO MARKET.

The Fisheries Department had a cablegram from Oporto, yesterday, that there was no change in the price of fish since last report.

COASTAL BOATS.

BOWRINGS.
Florida left Placentia at 8.30 a.m. and is due here to-morrow morning. The Prospero is still storm bound at Wesleyville. At noon to-day Capt. Keah wired:

"Ice conditions unchanged, but wind veering. Hope for change to-morrow."

RED CROSS SAILINGS
Messrs. Harvey & Co. had a cablegram from New York this morning, altering the last sailings from New York. Morwenna leaves 28th, Florida leave Feb. 2nd direct, Stephano Feb. 4th, and the City of Sydney Feb. 14th, which means that the Stephano makes another trip beside the present.

Flonzel arrived at Halifax at 6 last evening.

SOCIETY FOR PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS.

Held Successful Meeting Last Night. Reports Show the Excellent Work Done During the Past Year.

The annual meeting of the S.P.A. was held yesterday afternoon. Justice Johnston presided and among those present were: Rev. Dr. Curtis, Mr. R. Watson, Rev. Dr. Greene, Rev. Canon Bolt, Hon. J. Harris, I. C. Morris, R. A. Squires, Miss Morris, Geo. J. Adams, N. A. Outerbridge, Mrs. W. G. Gosling, Mrs. G. Knowling, Jr., Miss Johnson, Mrs. J. B. Mitchell and Mrs. Schurig. In the absence of Mr. Dunfield, Mr. Geo. J. Adams was appointed as Secretary.

Reports.
The reports presented were favorable.

Hon. J. Harris proposed and Rev. Dr. Greene seconded, that last year's officers be re-elected, as follows:

President—M. Justice Johnson.
Secretary—B. Dunfield, B.A.

Treasurer—N. A. Outerbridge.
Directors—Rev. Canon Bolt, Mrs. W. G. Gosling, G. T. Carty, R. R. Wood, Dr. Macpherson and Geo. J. Adams.

A vote of thanks to the officers and directors for their excellent work of the past year was proposed by Hon. R. Watson, seconded by Mr. I. C. Morris and heartily accorded.

President Thanked Meeting.
The President then thanked the meeting on behalf of the officers and directors for the appreciation of their efforts as evidenced by their vote, after which Mrs. Gosling asked for assistance in the particular work which she has taken up on behalf of the Society. She has undertaken to train the children of the various schools in the proper care and usage of all dumb animals and has been aided in doing so by Miss Johnson.

Mrs. Mitchell volunteered her services which were gladly accepted. These ladies will visit the schools as frequently as possible and instruct the pupils as to their duty as regards kindness to animals.

The meeting closed at 5.45.

A MARVELLOUS STORY AT THE NICKEL THEATRE

The Nickel Theatre was crowded last evening, everyone being anxious to see the thrilling picture entitled "Foul Play," and hear Mr. Koch sing "When Other..."

"Foul play" is a feature film in three reels and is one of the most remarkable and sensational ever presented there. The scenes are numerous and from the commencement until the finish there is not a dull or uninteresting moment.

Everyone was delighted with it and Manager Kieley was complimented on being able to secure it.

"The Artist and the Brute" is also a thrilling story, which pleased all. Mr. Koch's singing of "When Other Lips" was very pleasing and he was well applauded.

To-day the programme will be repeated and no one should miss it.

THE AVALONIAN

The second number of the new monthly magazine, The Avalonian, is for sale to-day. The publisher, Mr. Penney, has our thanks for an advanced copy. It is a splendid production, of which the young publisher can justly feel proud.

There are several interesting local as well as foreign articles, which are profusely illustrated.

The story of Southern Mexico and the Panama Canal is of especial interest at the present moment.

The interesting stories "From Across the Bar," of local concern, and "The Influence," both conclude in this issue, but the authors, "Joy O' Lynn" and "Midas" will be heard from again next month; the issue for which will also contain an article on "Imperial Federation," by J. A. Barron, son of Mr. T. J. Barron.

The present issue is a creditable one indeed, and the magazine is of such merit that we think the edition will be quickly bought up.

L.S.P.U. NIGHT SCHOOL

The night school conducted by the Longshoremen's Union at their Hall, is meeting with great success.

Over ninety are attending at the present time, varying in age from 15 years up to 30 years.

Mr. F. W. James is the principal in charge, with an able assistant in the person of Mr. I. C. Morris, our respected townsman. The three R's comprise the chief form of instruction, but the intention is to bring in other subjects as necessity demands.

At last night's meeting of the School, Mr. I. C. Morris was enrolled as a teacher.

IS MR. SQUIRES THE NEW MINISTER?

Said to Have Been Appointed to the Department of Justice.

The rumor is going the round of the street to-day that R. A. Squires is to be appointed Minister of Justice.

The story runs that he will fill the existing vacancy in the Legislative Council and so will avoid the necessity of contesting a bye-election.

NOMINATIONS TO BE ANNOUNCED IN MONDAY'S PAPER.

See Monday's Daily Mail for Announcement of Nominations in Hockey Contest and for the First of the Voting Coupons.

COCHRANE ST. MEMBERS TO MEET IN COLLEGE HALL

The members of the congregation of the above church will assemble on Sunday at the College Hall morning and evening at the usual hours for public worship. The scholars of the Sunday School will meet in the Hall at 2.30 Sunday afternoon. All members of the choir are asked to meet in the room behind the organ five minutes before time of service.

It is specially requested that every member of the congregation, young and old, be present at the evening service, when reference will be made to the present condition of affairs and to the steps which have been taken by the Trustee Board up to the present.

The Board desire the sympathy and co-operation of every member of the congregation. Please bring your hymn books. The regular ushers and collectors will kindly attend as usual. Entrance to Hall from both Harvey Road and Long's Hill.

C. L. B. BAND DANCE

C.L.B. Band Dance in the British Hall, Feb. 23rd, is the talk of the town. A good time is assured all who attend. Particulars later.—I

PRACTICAL APPRECIATION.

The Dominion Volunteer Fire Dept., Bell Island.

Gentlemen,—Herewith I beg to hand you cheque for the sum of Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) as a small token of appreciation of the services performed by your Volunteer Brigade in connection with the recent fire at my premises.

I fully appreciate the good work of your Brigade on that occasion, and I regret that—owing to illness—I have not been able to give more adequate expression to my feelings of gratitude before this date. Suffice it to say, however, that I cannot forget the prompt manner in which your organization rendered assistance; and the hearty manner in which they worked on the scene is an excellent indication of the broad minded spirit of the members.

Again thanking you and with best wishes for the future success of the Dominion Volunteer Fire Brigade.

—R. T. KENT.
East Wabana, Bell Island, C.B., January 13th, 1914.

BIBLE CLASS TEA

The annual tea and entertainment under the auspices of St. Thomas's Men's Bible Class takes place in Canon Wood Hall on Tuesday, Feb. 17th.

A committee has been formed to look after the arrangements and, as in the past, a good time is assured all who attend. An attractive program is being arranged.

MASONIC CLUB.

The members of the Masonic Club hold a smoking concert on Tuesday evening.

Lintrose leaves North Sydney to-night.
Bruce leaves Basque this afternoon.

MASONS RETURN

The thirty city Masons, who were visiting Carbonear and Harbor Grace for the installation of W. M. Goodson at Carbonear, and W. M. Ford Harbor Grace, returned last night.

They had a very pleasant time. D.G.M.'s Cliff and Duder were in the party.

THE TRAINS

Friday's express is due this evening at 6; and to-day's at midnight.

PERSONAL.

Mrs. Dawe, of Toronto, will sing at George St. Church to-morrow.

The wedding of Miss A. Dawe, and Mr. Burley, of R. G. Reid's employ, takes place at St. Thomas's Church next Tuesday.

Mr. J. Stick, buyer for the Royal Stores, leaves for England by the Digby next week, to select new goods for his firm.

Miss Stick has booked passage for England by the Digby next week, to purchase new goods. She will visit the fashionable millinery stores of Paris as well as London.

Mr. John Williams, the efficient manager of Messrs. Bowring Brother's hardware department, leaves for the Old Country next week on a business and pleasure trip of several weeks.

Mrs. Godden is now in a sanatorium where she will undergo treatment for some little time, when the doctors hope to make a complete cure. The last news of her is that her health has greatly improved.

Mrs. C. J. Cantwell, who left at Christmas for Western Canada to visit her sister, Mrs. Godden, who was seriously ill, has left for home and is due next week.

Mr. J. W. Grant, who visited the Mediterranean in the Nascope, on a health trip, was much improved by the sea voyage. He left the steamer at Naples and is now in London with Mr. H. D. Reid.

He will visit the premises of the large hardware concerns and will select a large and more varied stock than the firm has ever carried before. The Mail hopes that the trip will prove a beneficial one to his health.

Word has been received that Miss Harkins, daughter of 'W. S.', is still very ill at her home, Yonkers, N.Y. Her father intends taking her to the West Indies with him, when he leaves for there next month.

Mr. W. Taylor, who rowed with the C.L.B. at last year's regatta, is dangerously ill at his home on the South Side. He has been unwell since last September. His many friends hope he will soon recover and enjoy good health again.

Mr. Williams is one of our best known citizens, who since assuming the management of this branch of the Messrs. Bowring's extensive business, has met with considerable success, the sales during the year exceeding all previous records.

Miss Elsie Doyle, niece of Hon. J. Harris, and Miss D'Alberti, sister of Mrs. C. Hutton, who are nursing at the King's County Hospital, Brooklyn, New York, have made many friends since taking up the work. Both are doing well in their profession.

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

The weekly meeting of the Municipal Council was held yesterday. Full Board present.

The minutes of previous meeting were read.

Councillor Myrick criticized the action of the Citizens' Committee in exhibiting corroded pipes at Board of Trade. Placing the pipes on exhibit, he said, could have no other effect than to terrify the people, suggest to the insurance companies the necessity of increasing rates; and if not create a more serious aspect in that of exciting the dishonest to incendiarism.

Mayor Ellis and Couns. Mullaly and Ryan agreed with him.

Rev. C. A. Whitmarsh, Pastor of Cochrane St. Church, wrote thanking the Council for its expression of sympathy.

Waste Water
The Solicitor wrote that he had had an interview with Vice-President Reid and Solicitor Farlong, re the matter of waste water on the dry dock premises. The report of Insp. Rooney was repudiated and the Company asked that the Council visit the dock during working hours to see for themselves. They will do so on Monday, in company with Mr. Rooney.

F. W. Knight asked that the Council consider appointing him as inspector of buildings, in view of the many fires and their origins. He had every qualification, which could be endorsed by the Board of Underwriters. The matter will be considered at a special meeting.

The Secretary tabled amounts of receipts for 1913, and 1914, to date, from all theatrical houses in the city; Councillor Mullaly gave notice that at the next meeting he would move to have the present system of taxation changed.

RATINES

The Leading WASH FABRIC For 1914.

RATINES proved such a satisfactory fabric last season that it is no wonder that costumiers everywhere are adopting it as the leading material for wash dresses this season.

RATINE is a soft, spongy fabric, in a basketweave, and comes in beautiful shades.

Dresses made of RATINE do not require ironing; do not crease; have excellent wearing qualities, and are fast in color.

The new shades we are showing include Cactus, Bamboo, Minart, Ciel Blue, Egg Blue, Pink; also in White. 70c. and \$1.10.
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White Sale--Special Notice.

As many of our patrons are anxious to know when our WHITE SALE will take place, we beg to state that we purpose having it early in March. At this showing we will specially feature goods from England, America, France and Switzerland. Our assortment of Embroideries will surpass in style and designs anything ever shown in St. John's.

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Coun. Ryan then brought up the matter of firemen's pay. The motion was seconded by Coun. Martin, but was refused by the Mayor on the grounds that the Council had no power to act.

The street lighting was again discussed. Impounder Duffett must attend to this work in future.

At 5.30 the meeting adjourned.

MEETS TO-DAY

The hockey meeting asked for last evening did not take place. It will be held this evening.

ST. XAVIER'S CANNOT COME

Secretary Tobin of the Hockey League, had a message from Chairman Doherty, of St. Francis Xavier College yesterday, that their team could not visit St. John's this winter, having entered the Eastern section of the inter-collegiate union.

An effort will now be made to bring along some other Nova Scotian team.

GREINER CUP

The Greiner Cup was competed for by the Greens and Blues yesterday. The former won by 7 points.

The scores are:
Green
S. J. Foote
J. Baxter
P. C. O'Driscoll
J. Peters, 16 (sk.)

Blue
W. Campbell
W. C. Job
R. B. Job
D. Duff, 11

Green
A. Macpherson
G. Knowling
F. Donnelly
T. Winter, 16 (sk.)

Blue
G. B. Tuff
C. Carter
H. Foster
H. Duder, 19

Green
A. Hayword
J. Chalker
G. Harvey
W. R. Warren, 10 (sk.)
C. F. Taylor 16

Blue
D. Baird
C. Carter
J. Chalker
J. H. Jardine 14

Green
W. McNeily
J. Kelt
A. S. Rendell
E. W. Rowe 15 (sk.)
F. V. Chesman 11

Blue
W. Harvey
J. B. Mitchell
R. Strang
J. C. Jardine 12 (sk.)
A. Robertson

T. O'Neil
D. Eaton
Dr. Murphy
T. J. Duley 16 sk. A. Montgomerye 13
Total for Greens, 94.
Total for Blues, 101.

IF I WERE PREMIER.

(Editor The Daily Mail.)
Dear Sir,—In yours of yesterday you requested the public to write suggesting proposals for the improvement of an public welfare.

I may say that if I was Sir Edward I would grant the fishermen motor boats on easy payments. I would allow the people to have full control over all expenditure in their localities.

I would give a bonus of \$20 per acre for clearing land. I would erect Bait Depots to supply the fishermen with bait.

I would do all possible to secure the good will of the F.P.U. in view of preventing internal friction between the North and South as must follow unless the South become Union.

I would dismiss J. C. Crosbie, A. W. Piccott, W. Woodford from the position and offices they occupy.

I would make Devereaux Minister of Fisheries; I would make Moulton Minister of Agriculture and Mines and give him and Devereaux seats in the Executive.

I would turn out Gibbs from the Executive as he is useless and only in the way of good practical men.

I would take the position of Minister of Justice myself. I would pension Judge Emerson and give the job to Frank Morris, one of the most decent chaps on the Government side.

I would build no more railways for two years and then only finish the present contracts.

I would cut out the \$40,000 wasted on the agricultural policy; reorganize the Fisheries Department; turn out half the loafers in Government departments; pension Judge Conroy and give the job to Judge Knight, and last of all keep the Reid Nfd. Co. in their proper place, and allow them to make no interference in public matters and then say my prayers three times a day in order to appease Providence for all the bad things I have committed in the past and ask for truer, honest, squarer guidance in the future.

—A TORY.

St. John's, Jan. 24, 1914.

WHEN THE JOKE WAS ON THEM.

In response to our invitation several of our readers have already sent in accounts of embarrassing situations in which they have found themselves and of occasions on which the joke was "on them." To-day we publish two of these very interesting stories.

We shall be pleased to receive other letters along the same line and, as in the case of these published below, will, where desired, suppress the real name and publish only initials or a nom-de-plume.

OBVIOUSLY EMBARRASSING.

The most embarrassing moment of my life was when a young man, with whom I was going to a dance, left me waiting outside a barber shop while he went in for a shave.

—MRS. M.K.B.

IT TURNED OUT ALL RIGHT.

The most embarrassing moment in my life was when my hostess introduced me to a young woman whom I secretly disliked and had snubbed on several occasions and asked me to be her luncheon partner and afterward instruct her in a card game.

I hesitated and blushed and replied that "I would be delighted," while my true feelings were much the reverse. As the afternoon passed pleasantly, and we got better acquainted she seemed very charming and invited me to call. This time when I replied that "I would be delighted," I really meant it.

—M.M.B.

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