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**WEATHER REPORT.**

Toronto (noon)—Fresh to strong south to west winds, generally fair to-day and on Sunday, with a little higher temperature.

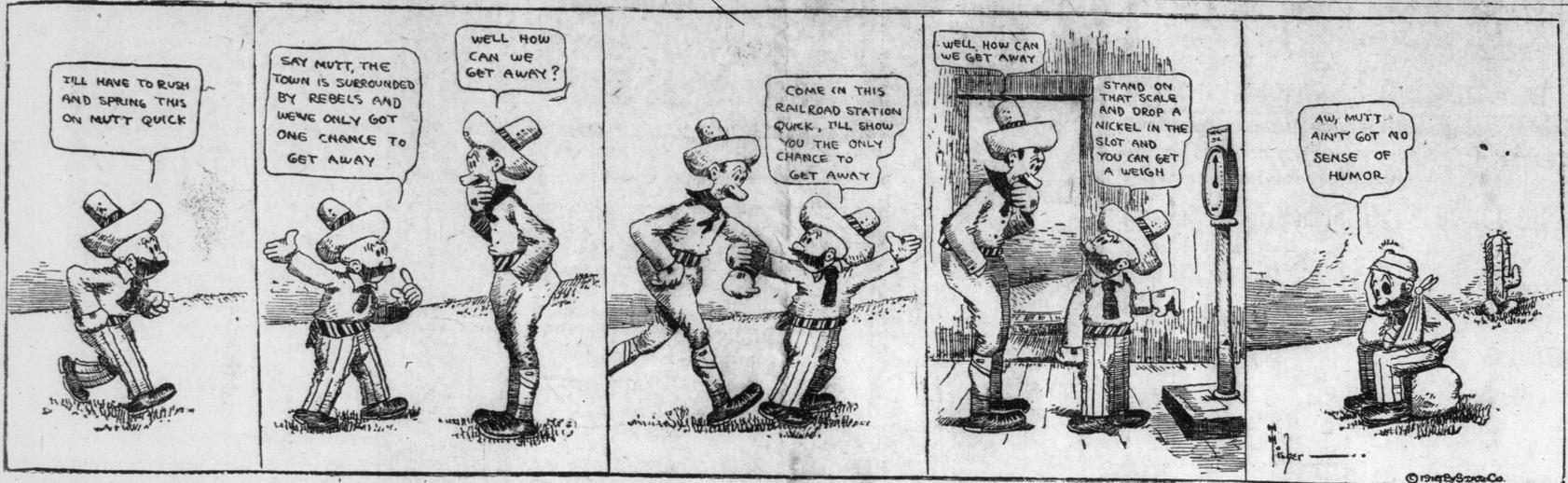
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## Mutt Never Had An Ounce of Humor.

By "Bull" Fisher



### A Project For The Exclusion Of The Four Ulster Counties From The Home Rule Bill.

Report says Down, Antrim, Derry and Armagh will be left out.

#### BITTER OPPOSITION THREATENS THE BILL

Unless the Protestant Counties are Excluded from the Bill.

#### ULSTER DETERMINED.

To take up Arms as a Means of Resisting it, if Necessary.

London, Feb. 27.—It is circumstantially stated that an agreement has been arrived at of the Ulster problem. There will be a partition of the Ulster counties. Down, Antrim, Derry and Armagh, with an area of 74,274 Protestants and 351,272 Roman Catholics, will be excluded from the operations of the Home Rule Bill; whilst Donegal, Tyrone, Fermanagh, Galway and Managh, with an area of 4,958 square miles and a population of 96,506 Protestants and 209,444 Roman Catholics, will be included in the rest of Ireland under the self-government plan.

#### Bitter Opposition Expected

The completion of the settlement of the terms depends upon the question of handling the customs and postal duties to the Parliament at Dublin. It is stated that a condition of the Unionist acceptance of the scheme will be a general election immediately the compromise bill is passed. This would kill the Welsh disestablishment and the plural voting bills, and consequently the bitterest opposition is anticipated from the advanced Radicals. This could doubtless be overcome, however, by a promise that these measures would be at once passed upon the return of the Government to power.

#### London Weary of Strife

London, Feb. 27.—Canvass of the London constituencies in which the by-elections are being held, by a representative of the Sunday Observer, the chief organ of the Ulsterites, reveals the fact that the question of Irish Home Rule is not a live question amongst the people in the north and east of London.

#### Premier Declines Gift From Czar

St. Petersburg, Feb. 19.—M. Kokosov, Premier of Russia, declined a gift of \$150,000 offered him by the Czar in recognition of his services as Premier, President of the Council and Minister of Finance.

#### FATHERS WIPE OUT TWO ENGLISH FAMILIES

London, Feb. 26.—Sudden outbreaks of insanity in two fathers were responsible for the complete obliteration of two families, consisting altogether of nine people at Harlesden, Northwest London, and at Tonbridge, Kent. In the first case, Walter Johnson first strangled his wife and three children and then hanged himself to a gas bracket. In the second case, James Standen shot his three children as they lay in bed, and then sent a bullet through his own head. In both instances neighbors informed the police that the relations of the families were of the happiest character.

The Observer admits that the best card for the Unionists to play is the unpopularity of the Insurance Act amongst the casual laborers. The investigation revealed an entire lack of interest in the possibility of civil war in Ireland, the east and north-landers being more interested in their daily bread than in possible happenings across the Irish Channel.

H. W. Lucy's Impression Mr. J. L. Garvin follows his recent article with another under the heading, "The Way Out," in which he advocates the exclusion of Ulster pending a federal arrangement. Sir Henry W. Lucy, the well known parliamentary writer, says that the impression left on Parliament by Mr. Asquith's speech was that the Premier was prepared to exclude Ulster. "Mr. Asquith," he says, "secured the advantage of six weeks before he will be obliged to lay his cards on the table. This leaves full opportunity for further 'conversations' which may be counted upon to overcome Mr. Redmond's scruples."

Although it will be fully six weeks before Mr. Asquith's statement on the Home Rule compromise is made, there are growing signs of revolt in the Liberal ranks. It is suggested Court influences have made themselves felt, and there will be much suspense in Liberal circles until Mr. Asquith makes his declaration. He who has no taste for order will be often wrong in his judgment, and seldom considerate or conscientious in his actions.—Lavater.

Whenever nature leaves a hole in a person's mind she generally plasters it over with a thick coat of self-conceit.—Longfellow.

### CITIZEN'S PETITIONS DEBATED.

House of Assembly Considers the Prayer of the Citizens.

#### PREMIER SUPPORTS IT.

But Mr. Coaker thinks that the Council should not be Superseded.

The time of the House was occupied yesterday afternoon with the speech making on the petitions presented to the House by the Prime Minister and the Leader of the Opposition on behalf of the Citizen's Committee. The prayer of the petition is that the Legislature suspend the Charter of the City for a year and in the meantime hand the management of our civic affairs over to a Citizen's Committee or Commission to be appointed by the Governor-in-Council.

The petitions presented contain in all about three thousand signatures. The Prime Minister said that he felt sure the petition would find in the Legislature a friendly and sympathetic audience, and then dealt with the conditions which obtain in the City at the present time. He described the conditions as most undesirable; garbage thrown around and the snow black with filth and dirt—the water supply was known to be inadequate; our system of sewerage in no way met the present requirements and the antiquated system of collecting refuse, &c., were all matters which called for serious consideration.

#### INDISCREET SPEECH OF BRITISH OFFICER

Makes Peculiar Reference to the Impending Trouble in Ulster.

London, Feb. 27.—General Sir Arthur Paget made what the Independent calls an amazing speech at a non-political dinner at Dublin last night. He recalled his command of the very distinguished fighting regiment, the Munster Fusiliers, during the South African war.

He said, "I have been here now two years, and have inspected twelve or fourteen regiments of very fine men. It is unthinkable I should ever be asked to concentrate my men to move against forces that are, I believe, in being in the North of Ireland; but, however distasteful it may be to them, men who understand the meaning of work and discipline, will carry out the King's orders."

"It may be, God forbid that it should be, my lot to be ordered to move to the North. I should regret it. Many officers are my friends. You all would hate the idea of moving a mile north of Dublin."

"I don't for a moment believe that there can be any question of such a movement being made, but if an order comes, that order must be obeyed."

The Independent says that the speech is tantamount to this high military officer saying to the King's Government, whose servant he is—"You had better take care and give to these Ulster men what they want."

### U.S.A. INSISTS ON RETURN OF BODY

Makes Demand of Mexico that It be Delivered to a Widow.

Washington, Feb. 27.—The circumstances surrounding the death of Benton were discussed in the cabinet council to-day. Wilson and Bryan were able to lay before the meeting General Villa's promise that a complete examination of Benton's body would be permitted by a commission consisting of two Americans, two British representatives and the national medical examiner.

To the request to surrender Benton's body no satisfactory reply has been received, Villa asserting that it would be improper to remove the body from Chihuahua, where it had been removed on a special train, the day Benton's death was officially announced at Juarez.

That the States will insist on the delivery of the body to the widow has been clearly emphasized by the President and Mr. Bryan, though for the present it is believed that the opportunity for medical examination will be the most important phase of the investigation.

There is a feeling among some officials that when Carranza and his friends get into closer touch with Villa, they may convince him of the necessity of abandoning what sentimental or religious reasons he may have for retaining the body.

His own idea was that a public meeting should appoint a Selecting Committee of fifty or any number to be agreed upon and from the number thus selected, the Commissioners who were to act as City Fathers should be chosen and recommended for appointment to the Governor-in-Council.

In presenting his bunch of petitions, the Leader of the Opposition said that the conditions set forth in them were only too true and the movement inaugurated a little while ago he believed to be genuine and that it was made with a view of making St. John's a better and a more healthy City; but whether the work of carrying on the City Government and finding a remedy by the same body in one year would have the desired result, he held considerable doubt.

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McKenzie	Right
Spares—H. Anderson (Halifax); T. Winter (City).	

Officials	
Referee—W. J. Higgins.	
Timers—H. Brennan, (Halifax); C. Ellis (City).	
Penalty—J. Vinnicombe.	
Goal Judges—E. Collier (City); N. Vinnicombe (Halifax).	

Goals	
<b>1st Period</b>	
City (Higgins) . . . . .	5.00 m.
City (Shortall) . . . . .	7.30 m.
Halifax (McKenzie) . . . . .	13.00 m.
Halifax (C. Reardon) . . . . .	18.00 m.
City (Hutchings) . . . . .	18.30 m.

<b>2nd Period</b>	
Halifax (C. Reardon) . . . . .	10.00 m.
<b>3rd Period</b>	
Halifax (McKenzie) . . . . .	2.30 m.
Halifax (C. Reardon) . . . . .	2.50 m.
City (Shortall) . . . . .	11.30 m.

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City stock went up but Halifax was not the least discouraged. They played for all they were worth and at five minute intervals added a goal until the score was equal.  
Thirty seconds after the second Halifax goal Hutchings found the net.

**Second Period.**  
The second spasm was fast and interesting. Halifax scored once; C. Reardon being responsible for it after 10 minutes of playing.  
The net guardians were called upon for many stop and saved them smartly. Players fell repeatedly and indiscriminately, and McKenzie who collid-

Penalties	
<b>1st Period</b>	
Stick (City) . . . . .	2 m.
<b>2nd Period</b>	
Stick (City) . . . . .	2 m.
Higgins (City) . . . . .	2 m.
M. Kenzie (Halifax) . . . . .	2 m.
Cogswell (Halifax) . . . . .	2 m.
Shortall (City) . . . . .	3 m.
Parsons (City) . . . . .	2 m.

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(Continued)

Wednesday, Jan. 28.

Mr. Speaker, I agree with the Government in their policy of securing a dredge; but I do not consider the dredge which they have secured is suitable for the work. The boat may suit St. John's alright. It is able to take up soft mud; but the most of the northern harbors have bottoms of hard sand. The boat has been tried in these places and I have reason to say that the result has been very unsatisfactory.

I sent an experienced man who had spent several years in connection with this work, on board of that dredge. He reported that it was the kind of boat that was used for taking clams. I should like to see the Government secure a better boat. The need for the dredge is apparent, and there are hundreds of harbors all over the Island that require the use of a good dredge.

#### Great Benefit

It would be a great benefit to the fishermen to deepen the entrances to the harbors. Obtain a dredge that can do blasting work. Some of the dredges used in the United States cost about \$200,000. This is a large amount; but it would be money well spent, if you bought a dredge that would do the kind of work needed in this Colony.

This boat of yours could be used very well as a tug-boat here in the harbor. It could be used as a distress boat to go to the assistance of schooners driven off the coast. There are plenty of uses for this boat. I am afraid we will not get good results considering what the dredge now costs for maintenance. It would be better for the Government to spend the money to maintain a boat that would do good work.

I see here a payment of \$650 for a colter; but I thought the boat was fully equipped when purchased. Mr. Pearcey has received quite a sum, likewise Mr. Duffett. The Newfoundland Produce Company received \$800 in June and Mr. Foote got \$228 on June 30th.

#### Numerous Hauls

Other amounts are:—S. Pearcey, \$452; P. J. Lake, 189; W. H. Burr, \$100; M. Duffett, \$375 in Sept.; P. J. Fitzgerald, \$50; Mr. Cashin, \$256; P. J. Fitzgerald, \$61.69; P. J. Fitzgerald, \$890 in Oct.; J. & W. Winsor, \$296; Nfld. Produce Co., \$52.

I find that the Nfld. Produce Co. received in June, 1912, to Nov., 1913, \$14,172 as payments for insurance. I have not the slightest doubt that the gentlemen who received those splendid payments are delighted.

Now we had to-day tabled the expenses for about 12 months in connection with Prevention of Consumption. Mr. R. White received \$2,000 for a site for a sanatorium. I have no objection to some expenditure for the Prevention of Consumption, but a great deal of money has been voted for that purpose during the last 5 years and I fear little has been accomplished.

I wish to make special reference to the conditions prevailing in the lumber camps. We find men going to these camps from remote outports. They are often compelled to eat and sleep in a small room about 30 feet by 20 feet. In such a room some 20 or 30 men have to eat and sleep. These men go to their quarters, from their daily work, with wet clothes, and with no means of drying them. They put them on next morning in about the same condition as when taken off the evening before. In some cases they sleep on beds of boughs, and this year there are a number who have no mattresses.

#### Inspection Necessary

It would be worth while for the Association for the Prevention of Consumption to send someone to report upon the conditions of the logging camps. Some men are there a couple of weeks and the first thing their friends know is that they are seriously ill of pneumonia. I have known many cases in Green Bay where young men after a month's logging returned home to die.

Three thousand men are working under these conditions. If we want to look out for their health, we must certainly take some means to ensure better conditions. We must see that they get suitable accommodation and means of drying their sweaty clothes. I am not over-drawing this picture. I hope that something will soon be done

to relieve such conditions. It may not have been brought to the notice of this House before; but now that it has been I hope such miserable conditions will be remedied.

With regard to the exhibitions, I note from the returns that the exhibitions which were held during October cost \$7,500. This is not all the expenses. We have not all the accounts in from Harbor Main. Would it not have benefitted agriculture much more if this \$7,500 had been expended in clearing land? I notice that the R.N. Co. has taken \$2,500 for freight. That is a large item out of the \$40,000. Mr. M. A. Devine gets \$174 and Mr. Devereaux \$200 for expenses; Mr. Downey \$150 for expenses, in addition to \$125 per month received as salary by each.

#### Lobster Inspection and Cull

Now as to the Lobster Fishery, here is our Resolution:

There shall be a Lobster Inspector for St. John's to have control of the

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For instance 10 or 20 cases of lobsters are sent on here and out of that a case and 24 cans say, are condemned and in many cases the packers does not know why. It is often found that the cans condemned are not to be

for sampling. I am told that it frequently happens that someone takes away those samples and makes a meal of them. Of course it is necessary to sample lobsters. But there is a tremendous loss in connection with this sampling and testing. I should think that as much as \$4,000 worth is lost to the packers in this way every year.

Nothing has been done to meet our requests and I do not suppose anything will be done until the power comes to us.

Meanwhile the fishery is dwindling away. It decreased last year 10,000 cases. The year before last it amounted to 26,000 cases, last year it was only 15,000. That is a serious thing for the Country to consider. That is one of the shortages upon which the Minister of Finance did not reckon last year. That is where his estimate may be out—10,000 cases at \$22 is quite a sum of money and the Minister of Finance lost his one-third of the \$220,000 short in the value of lobsters.

I have had something to do with the lobsters, especially during the last 25 years. I believe the only cure for this fishery is to close down one part of the coast one year and close down on another section the following year. At present a tremendous lot of small lobsters are being canned. I know that as many as 25 are put in

out to fishery wardens and that there was no way they could waste it better. I say the same now and I know what I am talking about after twenty years experience. Fishery wardens are no use to carry out the law.

#### How To Do It

If you want to protect this fishery you must do something more than has ever been done. I see that it is not fair to ask the Government to do everything but I suggest that they pass a law to close down this fishery on the North East Coast for two years. I would not like to see the whole fishery closed down for two reasons.

In the first place we would lose our connection with the markets. We have control of the markets now and if we close down for any length of time we would not only lose control but probably we would lose all connection with them.

And secondly, if we closed down the whole fishery for a couple of years you would probably have a number of people rushing into the business at the end of that time hoping to make a lot of money out of the high price and you would soon again have the industry ruined and the last state would be worse than the first. So that the only remedy is to close down each part alternately for a couple of years.

This policy of taking lobsters and breeding them in ponds is only good to the men you employ to run round in motor boats collecting them. The incubators used years ago hatched the fish all right but to be a success the little fish when taken from the incubators should be protected.

#### Outport Hospitals.

I now come to outport hospitals.

We strongly urge the Government to make a start in connection with their promises in this respect, and are of opinion that Twillingate, Fogo and Bonavista should be considered the coming session, as great suffering and even loss of lives are caused owing to the want of those most beneficial institutions.

I am a believer in cottage hospitals as proposed by the F.P.U. resolutions. I do not see why a dying man or an injured man should be brought on here from Bonavista or Trinity or Green Bay. There are in Bonavista three or four good doctors who are able to look after such an institution as a cottage hospital with ten or a dozen beds.

At present a man is very often taken and put on board the train and then a journey of a couple of hundred miles in our easy going trains. No wonder they are nearly dead when they arrive.

I know that the Government has a great deal to expend more money than they have, but I think that in places like Bonavista and Twillingate, where there are two or three good doctors and in similar places on the West Coast we ought to have cottage hospitals. I believe that if the Government went the right way to work they would get the fishermen to subscribe to the upkeep of such institutions. I am sure I could get the F.P.U. to give \$1.00 a man to support a cottage hospital in their own town.

#### People Should Help

I do not see why the Government should have to pay for everything and I think that if the Government showed interest in the right and proper way they would find the fisherman a very reasonable person where such matters are concerned. You are not going to bull dose and force him but there is no man more reasonable than a fisherman, if taken in the right way and I believe they would pay \$1.00 a head for the support of cottage hospitals.

Dr. Grenfell had a hospital at Pilleys Island which failed, but Dr. Grenfell is not the Government and not the F.P.U. The fishermen don't take to Americans easily. The Americans do not know our people. They are a little distant and stand-offish. The fisherman likes to feel comfortable and happy and intimate with those with whom he comes in contact. Dr. Grenfell's hospital has not been a success at Pilleys Island for that reason.

While on this subject there is a matter should like to mention. We ought to have a dispensary in connection with the hospital here. I do not know why we have not got one. We ought to have one, it ought to be every man's right to go there and be examined and find out what is wrong with him.

#### High Cost

At present a poor man has to go to a doctor or get one to come to him. It costs him \$1.00 or \$2.00 and so he puts off having one as long as possible, so that a matter which if dealt with at the initial stages would succumb to treatment, a week later very often takes six weeks to cure, because the sufferer failed at the right time to receive proper medical treatment. So that we ought to have a dispensary and everyone ought to have a right to go there and be examined and prescribed for and if the doctor in charge thinks it necessary to send him to the hospital let him send him there. I

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**A WORD TO THE WISE!**

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testing and grading of canned Lobsters. He shall provide sufficient subordinates to supply firms purchasing lobsters. These subordinates shall pass an examination of qualification and be licensed by the Inspector, they shall test all cans purchased by the firm or firms allotted to each, and grade the quality of the lobster. They shall see that no lobster is graded lower than No. 1 is mixed with No. 1, or that lobsters bought at less than No. 1 price is mixed or shipped abroad with No. 1.

The Inspector shall brand all cases exported when his agent can vouch for their contents. Severe punishment should be provided after passing the test of the culler. The Inspector and his agents to be dismissed for first breach of duty, and the license cancelled for the future. The Government shall pay the salaries of Inspector and his agents, and receive the said payments by placing an export tax of 10c per case. The cullers shall only be engaged by the Inspector for the season requiring the testing and grading of lobsters from about June to October.

Now this is a very important matter and we had packers at the convention who seemed to think that a great deal of wrong is being done in the assorting of lobsters in St. John's.

be found. Often they have been unfairly condemned.

There should be inspectors to look after the packer's interest here. These packers are in the hands of the buyers at St. John's. The merchants themselves may not be responsible. Some assistant on the wharf is probably the one to blame.

A large number of cans are used

a can. A legal lobster measures eight inches. Of these there ought to be no more than five in a can.

#### Changing Averages

The average when I began to pack was three and when we got down to putting in five we thought they were small lobsters. This is a most serious question. We now sell them at \$24.00 a case. Next year they will be \$25.00.

We need not talk about the Nova Scotia fishery. It is no longer important to us. Most of the Nova Scotia catch is sent fresh into the States and I dare say when the Fog Free Zone railway is established we will do the same.

But the Government ought to take up the matter seriously. A commission of lobster experts should be appointed to gather all the information possible so that laws may be passed that will be stringent and that will be strictly adhered to. Never mind appointing fishery wardens. They do not carry out the law. They are only a waste of money.

I was a fishery warden many years ago. I visited my section three or four times and I was paid \$100 and when I made my report to the Government I said that if they wanted to waste money they should go on paying it

### King George The Fifth Seamen's Institute.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Girls' Department

#### NOTICE

Classes for reading and writing will be held in the Girls' Department of the King George the Fifth Seamen's Institute every Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock from March 3rd. Any girls who do not know how to read and wish to learn will be welcome. Everything will be free of charge.

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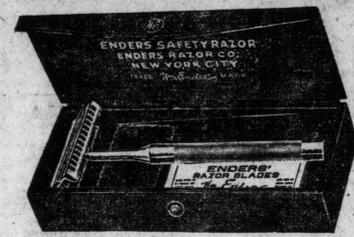
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ST. JOHN'S, N.F.L.D., FEB. 28, 1914.

OUR POINT OF VIEW.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Includes entries like 'On Wednesday last Mr. Cashin explained the expenditures in connection with new Public Buildings...' and a list of names and amounts such as 'Levi Barnes, foreman carpenter \$1,394.25'.

THE CITIZENS' PETITION

Yesterday the Premier and Mr. Kent presented several petitions on behalf of the citizens of St. John's, praying for the abolition of the St. John's Municipal Council. These petitions were signed by 3,000 people.

The total list of voters in St. John's is about 8,000, so only a little over one-third have signed these petitions. The Premier and Mr. Kent spoke at length on the matter, while Messrs. Bennett, Higgins, Dwyer and Kennedy expressed favorable opinions in eloquent language.

Mr. Coaker believed that reform was badly needed, but if forthcoming all must be ready to pay for the reform as much more money would have to be raised. His suggested taxation of absentee landlords and thus to procure much revenue from a source from which nothing is now forthcoming.

We believe that the proper course to adopt would be to go ahead with the municipal election next June, and if any of the Citizens' Committee wish to enter the field, by all means let them do so, and appeal to the electors for support.

Meanwhile let a commission be appointed to fully investigate municipal affairs, and draft reform proposals to be submitted to the Legislature next session. Let the commission be given all the power it wishes, and let it be understood that when the new laws come into operation next year, a new election will take place, in order to introduce the reforms which the Legislature endorses.

THE F. P. U. SEALERS' MEETING

Next Wednesday night the F.P.U. will start its series of meetings. F.P.U. members in town who are sailing in the wooden ships, are invited to a moving picture show, which will occupy the evening from 7.30 to 8.30, after which Mr. Coaker will occupy the Chair and conduct an open meeting at which any member will be afforded an opportunity to ask questions or speak on matters outlined in the announcement a few days ago.

MORE F. P. U. COUNCILS

Messrs. Grimes and Jennings left by train this morning for Witless Bay. The people of this place have invited President Coaker to establish a branch of the F.P.U., and the above gentlemen have been appointed to establish Councils. A meeting will be held this afternoon, and they will return to town to-night.

VAGARIES OF LENT ARE EXPLAINED

Why the Festival of Easter May Come Early or a Month Later. ON ANY OF THE 35 DAYS. The Anniversary of Christ's Death Varies, But Not Of His Birth.

Lent began this year three weeks later than last year, being, of course, based upon the date of Easter, which is April 12 this year, as against March 23 in 1913. Very few people can tell why Lent varies so from year to year, and why Easter may come as early as March 22 or as late as April 25.

It is something of an anomaly from the religious point of view that the anniversary of Christ's death may fall on any one of 35 dates, while the anniversary of his birth is always on the same. It is no less of an anomaly from the astronomical standpoint, for there seems no reason why we, having adopted the solar year as the basis of our calendar, should cling to the lunar year merely for the establishment of one date.

It is a mystery why, when the date of Christ's birth was fixed as December 25, some dates in April were not at the same time settled upon as those of His death and resurrection. That would have been logical and would have banished from the calendar a lunar cycle that has long been abandoned by all civilized peoples.

It should not be difficult to fix the rational date for Easter. If Christ was crucified on the 14th day of the March moon, astronomers ought to be able to calculate up what date this fell. They say that in all probability it fell on April 7 of the year 30 of the Christian era. Why, then, not fix Easter once and for all as the first Sunday after April 7?

It is to the Council of Nicea that we owe the perpetuation of our anachronistic method of reckoning Easter. This council decreed that it should be the first Sunday after the first full moon that occurs after the vernal equinox. March 21, Pope Gregory XIII. undertook at that time to reform the Julian calendar, which had been in use ever since Julius Caesar, in 46 B.C., had prescribed that a year should consist of 365 days, every fourth year having 366.

When Pope Gregory undertook to reform the Julian calendar, that had by that time become incorrect by about 10 days, the revolution of the earth around the sun was not yet fully understood, so instead of making a change that would be thoroughly scientific, the present form of year was adopted by calling October 5, 1582, October 15, and by making all terminal years of centuries, 1700, 1800, 1900, etc., common years of 365 days, except when the year was a multiple of 400, as 1600, 2000, etc., which should be leap years.

COAKER'S CRITICISMS NUMEROUS BLUNDERS OF MORRIS PARTY.

A Dredge That is Useless, And Yet Cost Us a Mint of Money. PRESSING EDUCATIONAL NEEDS. Undesirable Features of Old Age Pensions in This Country.

feel sure my hon. friend Mr. Higgins would support such a proposal. The next matter I wish to speak about is night schools. The Government were going to have a commission appointed to consider this matter and this commission was going to report at this session of the Legislature. I presume the commission never met. We ought to have night schools. We have one or two here in St. John's and we find they are doing a lot of good among those who had not a chance to learn when they were young. I believe in night schools.

Did Much Good. When I was at Herring Neck I opened a night school in the fall months and I found it did a lot of good. I found the young men appreciated it. It did not cost them anything. They were only too glad to come and the only difficulty I found was that too many came. One finds that boys of 9 and 10 years of age are taken away from school. They are a little use in the boat or schooner and their father takes them fishing, intending to send them back to school in the winter. Then when the winter comes the father wants to build or repair a boat and Tommy has to stay home to help. He is in fact too useful to go to school. He is now twelve or thirteen and he has to work. He has no time in the day to learn anything and he has no facilities for learning anything at all.

Nothing Done. I thought something would be done in this direction when \$20,000 was voted for teachers some few years ago, but nothing was done. The three or four teachers in a harbor could come together and hold regular classes for work and a great deal could be done in this way. There are numbers of boys who never get a chance to learn anything.

The Excess. The Government said they could not find enough money. But last year they took off \$380,000 in duties. Every year since they have been in power they have had a surplus. They should have provided for every man in the Country at 75 years of age. All that is necessary is to put 20 cents a barrel on flour. I told the Government before that if they put on 20 cents a barrel on flour to go for pensions for aged toilers they would derive enough from this source. They ought not to pay the few a pension and let the others go without it.

Take an instance. Two men, both 75 years old. Both have gone to the fishery for 60 years. They raised their families. They have paid their accounts. They have been exemplary citizens and now when they are pasted work, when they are worn out, they expect the Government to provide some small pension for them.

The Government provided for 400 out of the 1400, because that is about the number that there are in the Island at the age of 75. They provided four hundred and the other thousand are thrown aside. All had an equal claim. I wanted the Government to make the age limit 70 years and the

BRIBERY CHARGES AGAINST JAPANESE

Two Officers Are Ordered Before Court-Martial for Alleged Corruption. AND OTHERS ARE SUSPECTED. The Naval Scandal is Being Used As a Weapon to Hammer the Ministry.

Tokio, Monday, Feb. 25.—Vice-Admiral Koichi Fujii, formerly Japanese naval attaché at Berlin, and Captain Kawasaki have been ordered before a court-martial on a charge of bribery in connection with the alleged naval corruption. Admiral Baron Saito, Minister of Marine, made this announcement in the Japanese House of Peers. Allegations have been made that Admiral Fujii and other officers received illicit commissions for influencing the allotment of Admiralty contracts in favor of a German firm.

Both the public prosecutor and a naval commission, headed by Admiral Baron Sigeoto Dewa, have been conducting enquiries along this line since February 1. As a result of their investigations several other naval officers have been isolated, although definite charges against them have not yet been formulated. The naval scandal has been used as a weapon by certain opposition groups in an effort to discredit and overthrow the Ministry. Many mass meetings have been held in protest against the Government, and riotous scenes have occurred on the floor of the Lower House.

NAVAL MANOEUVRES HAVE BEEN ABANDONED

Great Britain Will Save the 2,500,000 Which They Would Cost. London, Feb. 26.—The Daily Mail says the British naval manoeuvres for 1914 have been abandoned, ostensibly on the ground that there is nothing more to be learned from naval manoeuvres, all that was necessary having been ascertained in 1913. The paper adds that the real reason is a desire for economy in the Admiralty, to save the \$2,500,000, which the manoeuvres would cost. It is recalled that the manoeuvres of 1907 were abandoned for the sake of economy.

BIG RAILWAY STRIKES TROUBLE PORTUGAL

Stations Burned, Trains Dynamited, and Telegraph Wires Cut. London, Feb. 27.—It is reported from Madrid that the railway strike in Portugal has led to a dangerous situation. It is stated that the Central Railway station at Lisbon is burning, and two trains have been dynamited. No one has been killed, but mobs hold some of the streets. The telegraph wires are cut so that there is nothing direct from the Portuguese capital.

B. I. S.

The adjourned annual meeting of the Benevolent Irish Society will be held on to-morrow (Sunday) immediately after last Mass. By order, T. P. HALLEY, Secretary. Feb 28, 11

HOCKEY VOTING CONTEST.

Here is an Excellent Chance for all Interested in the Lively and Strenuous Game of Hockey to Record Their Votes as to Who is the Most Popular of Our City Players. The Coupon Printed Below Will Appear in Every Issue of THE DAILY MAIL for Two Weeks. Any Reader May Use it to Vote for His Particular Favorite.

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# News of the City and the Outports

## SHIPPING

**'SYDNEY' DUE TO-MORROW**  
S.S. City of Sydney left Halifax at noon yesterday and is due here to-morrow.

**LINTROSE AT NORTH-SYDNEY**  
S.S. Lintrose reached North Sydney at 9 a.m. yesterday, after a run of 38 hours. She steamed through 100 miles of ice.

**'CROWELL' OUT OF SIGHT.**  
The schr. Archie Crowell which was jammed in the ice for a couple of days is now out of sight.  
She may have found an opening in the ice and made her way through.

**JESSIE M. REPAIRING**  
Bishop's schr. Jessie M., which ran ashore at Burin and was badly damaged, will undergo repairs at her home port. The job will be rushed so that she may be ready for her spring work.

**STILL AT BARBADOS.**  
The schr. Success, Capt. Churchill, which put into Barbados damaged on her way to Brazil, has not left yet.  
Capt. Jolliffe who left by the Stephano a fortnight ago is now there in connection with her cargo.

**STILL NO WORD OF THE ALMERIANA.**  
There is no word of the Almeriana up to press hour. The ice is heavy on the coast and no doubt prevents her making port.

**HAD FEET FROZEN**  
Second Officer W. J. Morgan of the steamer Cape Breton, is at the V. G. Hospital, Halifax, undergoing treatment for frozen feet. He suffered the frost bite some days before the steamer arrived there.

**PROSPERO TOWED OFF THE BANKER MARION.**  
The Prospero last evening towed off Burke's banker Marion and conveyed her to Barbados where she will undergo repairs.  
This is the third vessel that the Prospero has saved this trip.

**ENQUIRIES FOR B. CURRY**  
Several enquires have been made from the Old Country as to the whereabouts of the Blanche Curry, but there is no news of her. While many believe that she has driven off and may soon be heard from at her home port or Barbados, some are of the opinion that she is outside in the ice.

**NEW PARTS ON DIGBY**  
The new parts for the Parthenia, which the Tritonia was bringing out are coming by the Digby.  
She left last Saturday and should soon put in an appearance.

**AURORA TAKES PART IN ANOTHER ANTARCTIC TRIP.**  
It was thought that Sir Ernest Shackleton would purchase a Newfoundland sealing steamer for his proposed Antarctic trip, but he has bought the Polar, of 650 tons, built in Norway. She will be renamed Endeavour.

The sealer Aurora, bought from Messrs. Bowring Brothers, will likely be employed also, but if she is not available, Sir Ernest has the offer of Peary's steamer Roosevelt.

**LATEST FROM 'CANADA' WILL NOT COME HERE.**  
Word has been received from the Captain of the schr. Canada that the vessel will proceed to her home port, Lunenburg, and will not visit St. John's as was first intended.  
The captain and crew who were afflicted with beri beri are fully recovered.

Only two escaped the disease. Mate White and the cook.

S.S. Stephano berthed at Bowring's Southside premises to-day, where she will receive her full attention before going to the icefields.

S.S. Nascopie left Halifax Thursday night for Louisburg. Word of her arrival at the latter place has not yet been received.

## COASTAL BOATS.

### REIDS.

Bruce arrived at Basques at 8.15 a.m.  
Lintrose leaves North Sydney Sunday night.

### BOWRING'S.

S.S. Prospero was at Harbor Breton this morning, on her way home.

### FURNESS

S.S. Durango sailed for Halifax at 9 a.m.  
Schr. Adriatic has cleared for Bahia with 3049 qtls fish from the Smith Co., Ltd.

### ICE PATROLS

The United States revenue cutter Seneca, Captain C. E. Johnson, is ready for the observation duty recommended by the International Conference on safety at sea, following the Titanic disaster.  
Stores and coal have been taken aboard the Seneca, engines overhauled and everything in ship-shape for a three months' battle with the ice which threatens the steamship lane between New York and European ports.  
She will make Halifax her headquarters.  
The U. S. revenue cutter Miami will assist in the work.  
As reported by The Mail some time ago, the Scotia, which acted as an ice ship last season will not be so employed this year.

**HELLO CENTRAL**—The Stephano and Durango have arrived, tell S. E. GARLAND to send me some late Magazines and Newspapers and one or two good Novels. He knows just what I like.

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### REJOINED THE FORCE.

E-Const. Power of Trinity, who was whaling on the Pacific Coast, has rejoined the police force.

### FEILDIA'S VICTORIOUS

The hockey match this morning between the Methodists and Feildians, was won by the latter by 5 goals to 2.

### TO-NIGHT'S DINNER

The Halifax and City hockeyists will dine at Wood's Restaurant this evening at 8 o'clock.

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### PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION.

Our Catholic friends are reminded of the "Peter's Pence Collection" on Sunday next.  
It is now over 10 years since such a collection was taken here. It is only done on certain occasions when an Archbishop or Bishop visits Rome.

### NEW SCHOOL AT QUIDI VIDI

Rev. G. R. Godden is now making arrangements for a new school at Quidi Vidi. The present building is entirely too small for the number of children attending.  
The work will start shortly, and it is hoped to have the building ready after the summer holidays.

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL ANNUAL MEETING

Society Again Faces a Deficit and Appoints Collectors.—Officers Elected.

The annual meeting of St Vincent de Paul Society took place on Thursday evening. After the reports were read and adopted the election of officers took place as follows:  
President—C. W. Ryan.  
Vice-President—J. T. Martin.  
Asst. V.P.—W. F. Kieley.  
Treasurer—W. F. Trelegan.  
Secretary—M. M. Walsh.  
A hearty vote of thanks was tendered the retiring Treasurer, Inspector O'Brien, for his valuable services.  
The Society faces the obnoxious year with a deficit and will have again to appeal to a generous public for their support. The report of the society and list of contributions will be laid before the public at the earliest opportunity.

The following gentlemen have been appointed collectors:  
Ward 1. Messrs. C. W. Ryan, Inspector General Sullivan, Hon. M. P. Gibbs, J. J. Mullaly.  
Ward. Messrs. John Malone, M. J. James.  
Ward 3. Messrs. Geo. Shea, P. Hanley.  
Ward 4. Messrs. W. F. Kieley, Geo. Wills.  
Ward 5. J. T. Martin, W. F. Kieley, W. F. Trelegan, Inspector O'Brien.

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### REMAINS OF MR. MARSHALL LEFT LIVERPOOL YESTERDAY.

The remains of the late Mr. W. Marshall left Liverpool yesterday by the Allan liner Hesperian and are due at Halifax to-morrow week.  
They may be sent from there by the Movenna or Durango.

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### ASSAULTED AN OFFICER.

The man Cunningham who has often appeared in police circles was up again last evening, charged with being drunk and disorderly, and assaulting Const. McGrath—biting his finger.  
He pleaded guilty to-day and was sent to jail for 6 months.

### PROPOSED TRIP CALLED OFF PROFESSIONALS WON'T COME.

The proposed trip of the Professional hockeyists has been called off. They were offered \$1600 and pay their own expenses but would not come for less than \$2000.

The only dates suitable to them are March 10th, 11th and 12th. This is considered too late and the negotiations have been called off.

The express left Basques at 9.25 a.m. It is due to-morrow night.

**BUSY TODAY**—But not too busy to get the latest British and American Magazines just received at GARLAND'S.

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## KING GEORGE THE FIFTH SEAMEN'S INSTITUTE!

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Thursday, March 5.—Moving Pictures and Variety Concert.  
Friday, March 6.—Moving Pictures and Variety Concert.  
Saturday, March 7.—Moving Pictures and Variety Concert.  
Sunday, March 8.—Moving Pictures and Variety Concert.  
Monday, March 9.—Moving Pictures and H.M.S. "Calypso" Concert Party.  
Tuesday, March 10.—Moving Pictures and Variety Concert.  
Wednesday, March 11.—Moving Pictures and Variety Concert.  
Thursday, March 12.—Moving Pictures and Variety Concert.  
Friday, March 13.—Moving Pictures and Instrumental Concert.  
Admission Free to all Sealers, Fishermen and Sailors.

## Citizens' Petitions Debated.

House of Assembly Considers the Prayer of the Citizens.

### PREMIER MORRIS SUPPORTS IT.

But Mr. Coaker Thinks That the Council Should Not be Superseded.

(Continued from page 1)

In handing over the government of the City to a Commission we were making a serious step, and we ought to go cautiously in dealing with the petitions.

### Spoke From Experience.

The Hon. J. R. Bennett, an old time Councillor, who had spoke of the difficulties that the present and all preceding Councils had had to contend with because of lack of money to meet the requirements of the Municipality.

He was glad to note the class of men who were taking part in the present movement but he also had to observe that these were in the some of the very men who showed apathy and indifference to matters civic and to such an extent that they did not even go to the booths to poll their votes.

Mr. Clift took a decidedly different view from the previous speakers. He represented an outport district but spoke as a citizen of St. John's.

To his mind municipal reform was merely a matter of money. If the present Council were given full power to levy taxes and had a full measure of incorporation they would probably accomplish as much as any other body. But he doubted if handing over the government of the City to a Commission for a year would be of any practical value; and he doubted very much if the question of increased taxation was put to a plebiscite vote whether or not the citizens would favor such increased expenditure.

He was of the opinion that the Council could bring about reforms just as well as a Commission.

### Favored the Petitions.

Mr. Higgins, as a representative of a city constituency, gave the petitions his unqualified support. From the nature of the petitions presented that afternoon it appeared to him as an "uprising" for better civic government, and a refusal to grant it would give a black eye to that public spirit so happily aroused and so desirable to encourage.

Mr. Kennedy contended that we had a good water supply. How was it that all our fires are kept under control on the premises where the fire breaks out? Lack of means was the chief difficulty with the present and past Councils.

He spoke from an experience of two terms in the Council. He was glad to note the class of men who had signed the petitions, as he recognized amongst them those who in the past had objected to the appraisements on their property and paid little or no attention to civic matters.

Mr. Dwyer supported the petitions; but he had a kindly word for our City Fathers. Their rewards came more in the shape of abuse than in dollars and cents. They did as much as they were able to do.

What was wanted was practical men who understood their business.

He did not think the work of the new Commission would be easy and he did not envy them their jobs; but if they wanted any advice from an old man they might call upon him.

Mr. Hickman supported the petitions. He had lived in a section of the city which brought him through filthy streets on his way to business every day and he contended that we owe to the infants and little children who were forced to live in such localities to give them clean surroundings.

### Would Help Out.

He was prepared to pay his share of any tax which might be imposed and was pleased to see the stand taken by the Government and hoped the necessary legislation would be forthcoming.

Mr. Coaker had a few words to say.

### TO-MORROW'S PREACHERS IN THE C.E. CHURCHES.

Cathedral.  
Matins, Rev. G. H. Hewitt, M.A.  
Evensong, Rev. Canon White.  
St. Michael's.  
Matins, Rev. A. G. Stamp, M.A.  
Evensong, Rev. H. Uphill.  
St. Thomas's.  
Matins, Rev. G. R. Godden, M.A.  
Evensong, Rev. J. Brinton.  
St. Mary's.  
Matins, Rev. H. Uphill.  
Evensong, Rev. A. Clayton.

### 'DRINKS' GO UP

The saloon keepers met last night and decided to put up the price of drinks owing to increased duty. Whisky and brandy which cost 10c per glass will now be 15c. Five cent rums are cut out. Ten cents will be charged for rum, but it will be of a better quality. This comes into effect on Monday.

## GREAT BARGAINS

## Week-End Offerings!

Shoppers should take advantage of our Special Offerings of this week-end.

### These Bargain Prices are for Cash Only.

### Cream Jersey Ribbed Underwear

Vests are high neck, long sleeves, nicely finished, fleeced. Sizes 4, 5, 6. Great value at our week-end price

**30c.**  
the garment.

### White Jersey Ribbed Underwear

High neck, long sleeves, fleeced, beautifully finished. One of our best sellers. Sizes 4, 5, 6. Week-end price

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### Hose Bargains.

Ladies' Black Ribbed Hose—Special, **15c.**  
Ladies' Black Ribbed Hose—Job, **20c**  
Ladies' Tan Hose, Week-end price, **30c.**

### Glove Bargains.

Ladies' Reindeer Finish Gloves, all sizes. Colors are Navy and Brown—**20c.**  
Ladies' Ringwood Gloves, all sizes. Colors Navy & Brown. Week-end Price—**20c.**

### WOOL CAPS.

White and Fancy... **25c.**

### Wool Sweater Mufflers

**35c.**

### Men's Regatta Shirts,

Neat patterns, laundered fronts and cuffs, **80c.**

### MEN'S WEAR

Men's Neckwear, different styles, **30c.**  
Gloves, Scotch knit, grey and heather... **50c.**  
Socks, Black and self-colors, **20c.**  
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It was not his intention to speak at all. Representing as he did an outport district, the discussion might properly be left with representatives of city constituencies; but he wanted it understood the Colony as a whole must not be expected to share any additional taxation in any form for the purposes of improving the City of St. John's.

It was his opinion that the City should have a full measure of incorporation, with the borrowing power controlled by the Legislature.

He was not altogether wedded to the presented idea. The gentlemen who are asking for a temporary measure of civic home rule were all busy men and it would demand a great deal of time to do the work outlined in the petition and run the City as well.

He thought they "bit off too much." If however this legislation is enacted the very first thing the Commission ought to do is get after absentee landlords and make them pay their proportionate share of taxation on the properties now held by them.

This finished the first round for Municipal Reform. The petitions were referred to the Department of the Colonial Secretary.

### Other Petitions.

Other petitions were presented by Mr. Downey, from Codroy for a road; Mr. Woodford, from North Arm for a public wharf; by Mr. Clift, for a wharf at Jones' Cove; and by Mr. Jennings, from Chance Harbor, District of Twillingate, for a wharf.

The Prime Minister moved the House into Committee of the Whole on the subject of the Newfoundland Railway and Train Ferry Service. This is a god-child of the Fog Free Zone legislation, which was the subject of such bitter attacks by the Morris Press and campaign orators in the general election of 1908. The resolutions are quite lengthy and were spoken to by the Prime Minister in a most sympathetic manner.

The following Bills were read a third time and sent for concurrence to the Legislative Council:

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"An Act in Amendment of the Crown Lands Act;  
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