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Judge Johnson Receives Some fhill Criticism

The findings of the Sealing Commission published yes

## terday by the Government papers, will open the eyes of the

necessts WVe must confess that the majority report places the facts before the public in a manner that must compel all
to recognize the great legal ability of those gentlemen That they very carefully followed the evidence of witnesses and exercised great care in connecting each link and e

We must confess that we did not believe it was possibl
for leal men to grasp the situation and circumstances suf or legal men to grasp the situation and circumstances sur-
ounding this great catastrophe as effectively as the find

We cannot endorse all the deductions, nor consider the proposals for future safeguards and legislation as sufficient, but much of what is proposed bears out some of the pro-
posals of the F.P.U. resolved at Catalina Convention last November. No sane man will believe that Chief Justice Horwood and Judge Emerson would feel friendly yispose
to the F.P.U.'s intentions or be infuenced by anything w have uttered respecting the matter, as we strongly criticized e procedings while sitting.
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We have followed the enquiry very closely. We watch
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nown to the Commision their findings would not be more hown to the Commission their findings would not be more
Gplicit or more severe in holding Capt. Kean responsible. It the finding of this hommission, appointed by Sir E. E.
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aw Courts or Judges any longer, and it will be just as wel return to what the Country was when the Merchant
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$\qquad$ scompelled to majority report and the minority report. One judges and judges, lawyers and lawyers, for the difference e in method, form, wording, observance, conclusions are glaring enough to cause men to ask how on earth CommisSioner Johnson could manage to put together such a scraw and where he showed his commion sense and legal intuitio When he penned his notorious conclusions-and what tuture sateguards
Well is it if for the Colony the Commission did not co sist entirely of Commissioner Johnsons for if that had been Very little benefit would have been derived from the sittings of the Commission and few indeed would be the proposed changes.
We will publish for the information of the 6000 out
Port subseribers of our paper the portion of the findings
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Fully weigh every word uttered. for grave lawyers like the
Chief Justice and Judge Emerson-weigh well every word Chief Justice and Judge Emerson-weigh well every word
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words. As for Judge Johnson we don't consider his report words. As for Judge Johnson we don't consider his report
requires much attention at our hands, for its perusal will readily convincea a sensible man of it its value and its motive. The fishermen from North, South, East and West will read
$\qquad$ Commissioner Why the great care for the safety of his own men Commisisioner Johnson states "I have had ample proof Surely he saw reasons for thinking a storm was coming on. of correct observation at the seal fishery are very remarl able. They account for his consistent and extraordinary
sutceess as s seal killer and they strongly recommend his suctess as seal titer and they strongly recommend his
testimony to me." He again states ${ }^{\prime \prime}$ II have no doutr what Core that when he told Tuff how the seals and the New foundand Way from the Stephano he knew perfectly wel
what he was talking about. $I$ am equally satisfed that thad rew's failure to reach the Newfoundand was in no degre Again, "Capt. Joe Kean hailed his father and aske hat about the Newfoundland's crev, in reply to which his
ther put up his hand and said "alright." Again hat so far from being guilty of any omission whatever, the him and displayed commendable care for the safety of thos Hor whom he was in no way responsible.
He further claims that Capt. Kean's enticing of
wfoundland's crew from their ship by signals prearrang. ere was ordinary precaution that led Kean to infer that when he put the Newfoundland's men on the ic? Did Kean err in judgment or did he display any of that ommendable zeal, so touchingly referred to by Judge Iohnson, when he caused the Newfoundland'swis
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Ir does not matter a bit the fetefulandas been wor matter a bit, the fateful and fearful resulas been the same, and whether Kean erred in judgment oailed to exercise judgment or exercising his judgmentudged so disasterously, there is very good grounds for themands we make that Kean be kept on shore. Even if here actuated by the very best motives that a kindly naturould suggest, that does not alter the position one bit. How-
Johnson's all astray.
When a man proves himself so utterly incapablee say with all the force at our command, that it is criminpermit him to go to the ice where errors of judgmen
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Captain Kean, if they believe that it was commendable

Was it commendable zeal or error of judgment or en-
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