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Churchill Draws Parallel British Navy, German Army

Splendid Optimism Pervades His Review on the Naval Situation

London, Feb. 15.—Winston Churchill save an interesting review of the naval situation, in introducing the Estimates. He said efficiency was the key note of the Admiralty's programme, and at the outbreak of the war the supplies of men, ammunition and oil were complete.

view, we have every right to be content with the results of our labors in making provision for the Navy. Referring to the naval battles of the Falkland Islands and in the North Sea, he said, one or two small cruisers and two armed merchantmen remain of all the German preparations to attack our trade routes, and these are in hiding.

WILL STOP FOOD STUFFS

London, Feb. 15.—In a statement in the Commons to-day, Mr. Churchill intimated that further action would be taken by the Allies to prevent the importation of food stuffs in neutral ships to Germany.

The Russians Fortify Czernowitz

London, Feb. 15.—The Russians are fortifying Czernowitz, capital of Bukovina according to Daily Mail despatch and adds that bridges over the Sereth River have been blown up.

E. P. WILL NOT FIGHT THE U.S.

New York, Feb. 15.—Rt. Hon. Sir E. P. Morris, Premier of Newfoundland, announced here to-day that he would confer with representatives of the State Department with a view to settling amicably the disputes arising out of the fisheries award at The Hague in 1910.

OPEN THE LEGISLATURE

The time has arrived for the opening of the Legislature. Thousands of the population are on the verge of starvation and no provision has been made to meet the necessities of the situation, etc.

REV. G. R. GODDEN LAID TO REST

On Sunday afternoon all that was mortal of this esteemed clergyman was laid to rest in the C. of E. cemetery. The funeral service was held at St. Thomas' Church at three o'clock, and long before the hour set a crowded audience was assembled in the sacred edifice.

This Paper Endorses The 'Herald's' Attitude

Goodridge Had Better Attend to the Duties of His Office

The protest of "The Herald" against Mr. Goodridge going to England in charge of the Naval Reservists we endorse, for the following reasons: (1) Mr. Goodridge was of no use or assistance to the men he went across with in the Franconia.

is in an office, attending to the work the Colony is paying him to perform. if he can go to England every six weeks on a picnic tour, under the pretence of looking after the transportation of naval men, then there is no need of such a Deputy of Fisheries, and Mr. Goodridge should resign the position.

MEAGRE REPORTS RUSSIA KEEPS UP HER END

London, Feb. 15.—The French Government reports artillery duels at various points, also engagements in Lorraine and Alsace. Results not yet known.

Enemy Subjects Liable to Detention

Washington, Feb. 15.—Britain notified the United States to-day, through the British Embassy here, that subjects of her enemies, whether crew or passengers of vessels entering principal British Colonial ports, will be liable, in future, to removal and detention.

Wilhelmina's Cargo For Belgium Distress

London, Feb. 15.—The Foreign Office announced to-day that if the cargo of the American ship, Wilhelmina, should be diverted for the relief of distress in Belgium, the decision to send her cargo to a British prize court would be reconsidered; otherwise her cargo must be submitted to the decision of the Court.

LAST NIGHT'S HOCKEY MATCH

Terra Novas Defeat St. Bon's—Score 5 to 3—Callahan of St. Bon's Severely Penalized, Thus Handicapping His Team

ST. BON'S SCORED THE FIRST GOAL

Three Minutes From the Start but the Terra Novas Talked Four Before Half

Second Contingent's Good Shooting

Since formed, the Second Contingent of the Newfoundland Volunteers has shown itself to be made up of the right stuff, and its men are all, almost without exception, good shots.

Desola Puts Back

The S.S. Desola, which ran into this port some three weeks ago to have her cargo re-stowed before continuing her voyage to Ardrossan, got away again at 10 o'clock Sunday morning, but had to put back to port yesterday.

YOUNG LADIES AT HOCKEY

Yesterday forenoon an interesting hockey match took place at the Prince's Rink between fourteen young ladies of the city—as follows: "Billingtons" "Kempies"

TOWARDS PATRIOTIC FUND

Collected for the Patriotic Fund by E. T. Gardner, school teacher, Petley, Smith's Sound. \$5.00—James T. Walters. \$3.00—Mr. and Mrs. Gardner. \$1.40—Church Collection (All Saint's), Petley.

MORE QUAKES IN ITALY

Rome, Feb. 16.—Renewed earthquake shocks occurred to-day in several parts of Central Italy. At Rocca Sinibaldi, the belfry of the Convent of Santa Maria fell upon several houses, burying ten persons.

FLEETLY LOST IN MID OCEAN THE CREW SAFE

Avonmouth, Feb. 16.—The crew of the Nova Scotian schooner Fleetly has been landed here by the steamer Mechanician. The men were taken from the sinking schooner in mid-ocean on February 4th.

BLOWN UP BY MINES

London, Feb. 16.—A despatch from Amsterdam says a report has been received there from Emden to the effect that at the end of last week a German special service boat, the duty of which was to precede torpedo boats in the mine fields struck three mines near Borkum Island, off the coast of Hanover, and was blown up.

Belgian Medical Fund

Amount already acknowledged \$37.00 Dr. T. Mitchell 5.00 Dr. F. R. Stafford 5.00 Dr. W. H. Parsons 5.00 Dr. J. J. Smith 5.00 Dr. C. Cron 5.00 Dr. A. A. Chisholm 5.00 Dr. A. H. Carnell 5.00 Dr. H. F. Donahue 5.00 Dr. Allan MacDonald 5.00 Dr. W. Roberts 5.00 Dr. M. C. Roberts 5.00 Total \$52.00 H. RENDELL, Hon. Treas.

Liner Kasenga In Field Drift Ice

Boston, Feb. 15.—Hemmed in by field drift ice close to the spot where the Titanic went down, the officers of the Bucknall liner Kasenga prepared, last evening, to abandon the vessel and lowered provisions and lifeboats over side.

Germany To War On Merchant Ships

Washington, Feb. 15.—Germany's intention of sowing mines in waters around British Isles as part of her submarine warfare against belligerent merchant ships, was announced in a note delivered to State Department to-day by Count Von Bernstok.

RUSSIA ON THE DEFENSIVE

Petrograd, Feb. 15.—Forced retirement of the Russian army from East Prussia is expected to result in reversion by Russians to their original plan of conducting a defensive campaign on their own territory.

SUPREME COURT

This forenoon before a full Bench the case of The King versus Stephen Ballard for rape was called. The prisoner pled guilty. M. P. Gibbs, K.C., for the Crown, moved for a day and special jury with an extra panel.

DIPHTHERIA AT PETTY HR.

Diphtheria has been prevalent in and about Petty Hr. lately and yesterday two more cases were reported from there. Those who were suffering from the disease lately, have now fully recovered, and this second outbreak being of a mild type, it is hoped that the epidemic will be completely stamped out in a little while.

Entertainment And Presentation To Naval Reservists

A most enjoyable event took place at the King George Institute last night when the Reservists were entertained. Lantern views of His Majesty the King, bombardment of Scarborough and Whitby were shown, and gramophone selections of a patriotic nature rendered.

THE AUSTRIAN FLEET ACTIVE

Cettinje, Montenegro, Feb. 15.—The Austrian fleet on Sunday morning, sortied from the Gulf of Cattaro, and commenced bombardment of the port of Antivari in Montenegro.

RESERVISTS PILING IN

One hundred and twenty-four of the young men who volunteered for the Navy came to the city by yesterday's train, and a finer and more manly type of Britishers could not easily be found.

GERMANS INVADE UGANDA BRITISH EAST AFRICA

Berlin, Feb. 14 (official).—German East Africa is now completely cleared of the enemy. German troops have entered Uganda in British East Africa. Nothing from any other quarter.

FRENCH PAPERS ARE PLEASED

Paris, Feb. 16.—America's reply to Germany's blockade notification has now brought forth a chorus of praise from the principal writers in the French press, even George S. Clemenceau who hitherto has been disposed to criticise President Wilson, says the paper has spoken the words American people expected, in such way that Germany has no alternative but to back down.

AMERICAN NOTE TO POWERS LEAVES GERMANY NO ALTERNATIVE

The Flagaro says American note to Germany in an act of high historic initiative and the first step toward inevitable participation of neutrals in the great events which are dividing the world. President Wilson was obliged to pass from discussion to action. What do the measures mentioned in the note mean but that American warships will fall upon German submarines attacking merchant ship in total disregard of America's sovereign rights.

REID'S GIFT TO VOLUNTEERS

Recently Pres. W. D. Reid of the Reid Newfoundland Co., presented two machine guns to the Newfoundland Regiment, the substantial gifts arriving in the city by one of the late trains.

WELL DONE, DR. CURTIS!

The Rev. Dr. Curtis, who reached town by Sunday's express, after his triumphant campaign at Bonavista and other settlements is, we were glad to note, looking just fine. The late effort must have reminded the Rev. gentleman of his "happy missionary days, and a like success has come therefrom. Such good work as Dr. Curtis has been engaged in the last few days, must—and will—bring its own reward.

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## LATE IN DAY TO WATCH SPIES

English Waiter Tells of His Observations of Germans on British Coast

"Spies! What is the use of looking for spies now! All we can watch for are signallers. The spies' work is done. The Germans know every inch of the coast from the Hebrides to the North, and have known it for years." The speaker was a waiter—one of the old school—who had worked all his life in this one town on the East Coast where I happened to be.

He was a quiet man, this waiter; never said two words where one would do.

"Spying," he said, "has been going on for years and years all over the East Coast, and we have done little to stop it."

"All the hotels in this town have been full of German waiters, who have had all their spare time to make plans or take photographs without any hindrance.

**Welcoming the Enemy.**  
"Every summer we have been flooded with German officers 'on holiday.' They have not been disguised as commercial travellers; they have come openly as German officers, been welcomed as such, and the whole coast has been before them to do what they liked with.

"German families with very enterprising daughters have been regular visitors. Every daughter carried a camera or a sketch-book. Sometimes they would be accompanied by German officers.

"Often, too, a party of German would hire a boat and go far out to sea, presumably to fish, but really to take soundings. They never took a local boatman with them on these excursions; the German naval officers in the party could do what was necessary. They made no secret that they were German naval officers. They not only took soundings of the sea, marked the direction and strength of the currents, made charts of the channels, but took photographs of the land from the sea.

**Nobody's Business.**  
"I know some Germans, because all my working colleagues were Germans; and as I waited on these people at table I got a very fair idea of what they had been doing. Everybody else had a good idea, too, but it was nobody's business to interfere, and the obvious answer to any complaint was that they were just ordinary visitors making sketches and taking photographs for their own amusement. But it does amuse me to hear the talk about spies now.

"One of my waiters, who was a German, suddenly blossomed into a wealthy man. He now owns houses, and is still residing at an East Coast resort.

"I got more money than he, and I was always a careful man, but I never could buy houses.

"We are a very funny people, we English, but the talk about spies now does amuse me."

## EARLY PASSING OF VERY POPULAR BRITISH LEADER

Mr. Percy Hillingworth, M.P., Chief Government Whip and Patronage Secretary to the Treasury, died last week from typhoid fever at the age of 45.

Mr. Hillingworth—who had represented the Shipley Division of Yorkshire since 1906—was created a Privy Councillor a few days ago on what turns out to have been his death-bed.

His death will be received with the utmost regret in political circles, not only at Westminster, but in all parts of the country, the late member having enjoyed a personal popularity which was not confined to one party.

He had held the position of Chief Liberal Whip since 1912, when he took over the duties from the then Master of Elibank. He unsuccessfully contested Shipley in 1900. He had been Parliamentary Secretary to the Secretary for Ireland—Mr. Birrell—and at the time of his death was chairman of the Yorkshire Liberal Federation. At the last two elections he was unopposed. In January, 1910, however, his majority over Mr. Hewins, the Liberal Unionist candidate, was 3,775.

Mr. Hillingworth leaves a widow and several children.

A few seasons ago Mr. Hillingworth's country residence was demolished by fire, and he and his family escaped from the building owing to a warning given by a retriever dog.

In his earlier years the late M.P. was a noted Rugby player.

**LOOK OUT NOW!**  
Everybody's doing it now? Doing what? Why, reading **The Mail and Advocate** of course, it's surely the house paper now! Without doubt the most widely circulated in the country.

## NARROW SHAVE OF SUBMARINE

Got Stuck While Raiding Enemy Harbor But Miraculously Escaped

A graphic story of the hairbreadth escape of a French submarine has been forwarded to the 'Petite Gironde' by one of the crew who was on board at the time.

He says:—  
"We left port and on the following morning at three o'clock we were within two miles of one of the enemy's ports.

"At 7.30 a.m., on drawing near to the dam protecting the harbour, we caught sight of several battleships, but we could not think of torpedoing them as the dam afforded them protection.

"The next moment, however, these and several other destroyers passed within a short distance of our craft, and in order to make our aim more accurate we drew near to them, but suddenly our submarine was caught. We could neither go forward nor astern, as the rudder was held tightly by steel cables. We were drawn upwards almost to the surface. Then the enemy's torpedoes came speeding towards us, and seemed to shave our hull. It was a miracle that we were not struck. The shells were disturbing the water all around us.

"We realised that we were done for, and we patiently awaited the explosion which would deliver us from this cruel suspense.

"Death," continued the writer, "seemed inexorably slow in coming to my comrades and myself. Meanwhile we did not give up all attempts to escape. We weighed our vessel and all pressed together on the steering wheel.

"Abruptly the cable gave way and we dived at full speed to a depth of sixteen yards.

"We then attempted to get away. Finally, two hours later we were completely free of our pursuers. We, however, only rose to the surface in the evening, after being submerged for twelve hours. Subsequently we sighted another of the enemy's ships and had to dive again."

## HOW "BLUCHER" WENT DOWN

Shells Came Thick and Fast, a Continual Explosion—Bursting Shells Create a Storm—Whirls Men About Like Straws

London, Feb. 8.—The following story of the destruction of the German battle-cruiser Blucher by Admiral Beatty's squadron is gathered from narratives of the survivors now prisoners in Britain:

"When the British warships had found the exact range, shells came thick and fast, with a horrible droning hum. Our electric plant was soon destroyed and the ship was plunged into a darkness that could be felt.

"Down below decks there was horror and confusion, mingled with gasping shouts and moans as the shells plunged through the decks. It was only later, when the range was shortened, that their trajectory flattened and they tore holes in the ship's sides and raked the deck.

"At first the shells came dropping from the sky, penetrating the decks and bored their way even to the stoke-hole. The coal in the bunkers was set on fire, and as the bunkers were half-empty, the fire burned fiercely.

"In the engine-room one shell licked up the oil and sprayed it around in flames of blue and green, scarring the victims and blazing where it fell. At first the shells came dropping in compartments where some of the men had taken refuge, but the shells sought them out, and death had a rich harvest.

"The terrific air-pressure resulting from an explosion in a confined space left a deep impression on the minds of the men of the Blucher. The air, expanding through every opening, forced its way through every weak spot, and all loose and insecure fittings were transformed into moving instruments of destruction.

**Bodies Were Whirled About**

"Open doors banged close, iron doors bent outward like tin plates, and through a trap-door, a shell burst near him. He was exactly half-way through the trap door when it closed on him with a terrific snap.

"In one engine room, where high velocity engines for ventilating and forced draughts were at work, men were picked up by that terrible air pressure of the exploding shell like a whirled drift at a street corner and tossed to a terrible death amidst the machinery. There were other hor-

## FRENCH PRINCE TO JOIN ALLIES

Prince Ferdinand Gives Himself and His Belongings To Liberty's Cause

Prince Ferdinand of France, Duke of Montpensier and only brother of the Duke of Orleans, pretender to the crown of France, is on his way from the Orient to serve with the British fleet in the North Sea or on the Mediterranean. By the laws of France, as a prince of a former reigning house of France, he is barred from her army or navy.

"I was very sick in Japan," said the prince, "and have been taking my time convalescing en route to England. I spent a few days in the Maine woods, near Farmington. It is untrue that I went to the Maine woods to locate a wireless telegraph station. I did not even try to get any big game."

Prince Ferdinand is a commander in the Spanish navy and has taken part in several wars against the Moors. He was wounded in one campaign and invalided in another. He holds the Order of Marie Christine, bestowed for feats of heroism under fire.

The duke's mother, the Countess of Paris, is a Spanish Infanta, and her father, the Duke of Montpensier, whose title and fortune the present duke inherited, was an infante of Spain. The duke is heir to the rights of his brother, the pretender.

The prince is about six feet three inches tall and is of slight build. He has placed his large steam yacht, Me-long, equipped with a powerful wireless apparatus, at the disposal of France or England, and has given two airships and all of his automobiles to General Joffre, who uses the prince's racing motor in visiting various points of the 300-mile line of defence in France.

riors too fearful to record.

"It was appalling below deck, it was more than appalling above. The Blucher was under concentrated fire from so many British ships that there was one continuous explosion on her decks. The ship heeled over as the broadsides struck her, then righted herself, rocking like a cradle. The gun crews were so destroyed that stokers had to be requisitioned to carry ammunition. Men who lay flat or safety on decks presented only a tangled mass of bodies and scrapiron.

**End Came Very Suddenly**  
"In one case only one man was left alive. Two men continued to serve their gun and fired it as the ship listed, adapting the elevation to the new situation, yet through it all some never despaired; others from the beginning gave themselves up as lost.

"The end came so suddenly that few had time to anticipate their plight or realize it when it came.

"The Blucher had run her course and was lagging lame, with her steering gear gone, and was beginning slowly to circle. It was seen that she was doomed.

"The bell that rang the men to prayers on Sunda was tolled. Those able assembled on deck, helping their wounded comrades. Some had to creep out through shot holes. They gathered in groups on deck, awaiting the end.

"Cheers were given for the Blucher and three more for the Kaiser, the 'Wacht Am Rhein' was sung and permission given to leave the ship, but some had already gone.

"The British ships were now silent, but their torpedoes had done deadly work. A cruiser and some destroyers were at hand to rescue the survivors and wounded.

"The Blucher settled down, then suddenly turned over and disappeared in a whirl of water."



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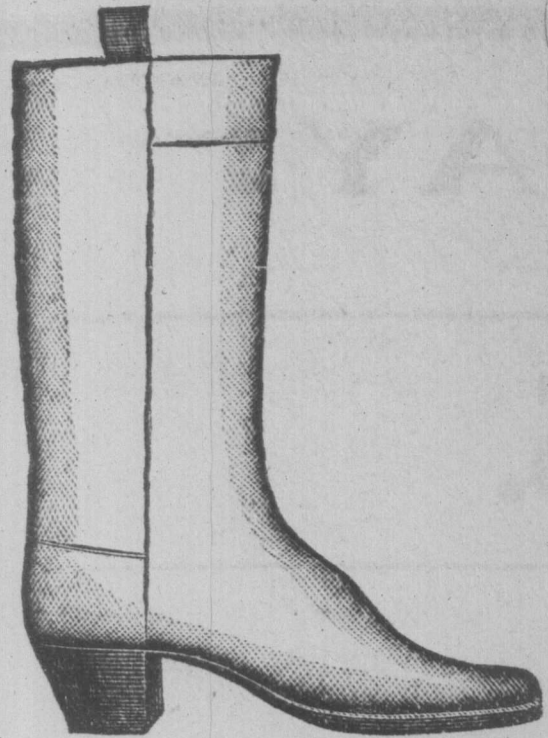
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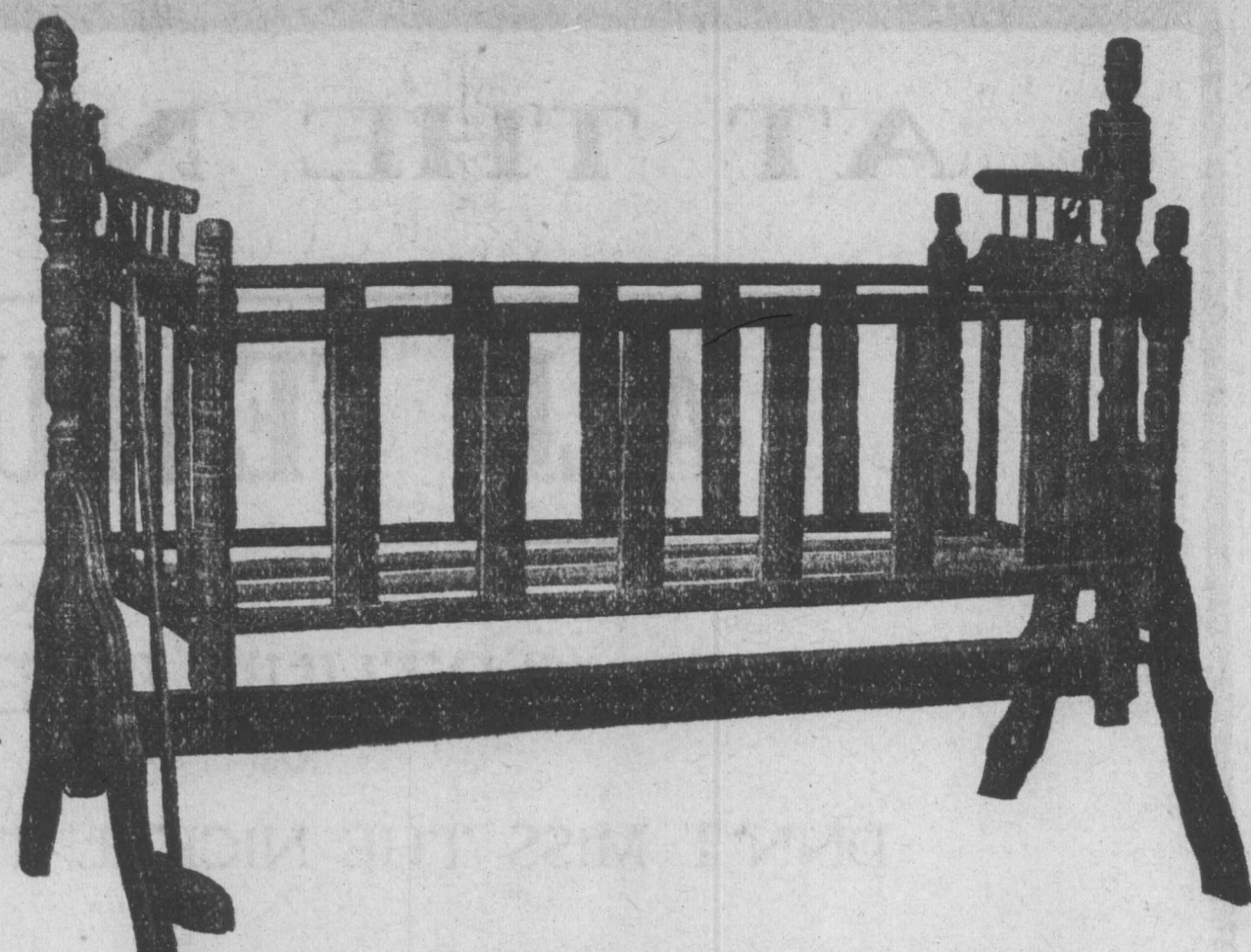
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(Editor Mail and Advocate)

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**In Good Union Style.**

Any way it doesn't much matter who opened the meeting but it was started in good style by a Union man who thinks he knows it all. He started on by saying that altho he was in the Union since it was started in Change Islands he couldn't see how Mr. Coaker could sell goods so cheap and still be able to pay 10 per cent. last year and the year before on the shares in the Trading Company and sez he, now that the war is on I suppose he'll tell us that we can't have any dividend this year, and the people won't expect it either.

You'd died to see Jim's face when the other fellow was talking. He had all he could do to keep from interrupting him but managed to do it and when the other fellow sat down, Jim threw out his chest, and looked wise.

He sez "Gentlemen, I have sat down quiet and peaceful while Mr. So and So was talking and now that I have the floor I intend to have my say."

**The Explanation.**

Mr. So and So sez that he can't see how Mr. Coaker can pay such large dividends and sell goods so cheap, well I figure it out this way: Firstly, as the person sez, we must look at the large amount of goods sold by the Company, which must amount to thousands of dollars worth each year.

"Think," sez Jim, "of all these goods and put a small profit on every article and then you will see where he gets some of his money for dividends. Think of all the flour he bought in 1913 and last year and dot down so much profit on every barrel and then think of the hundred and one things he can make money on and you have the secret of how to pay 10 per cent. Mr. Coaker does not buy goods to lie in the shelves, he turns his money over dozens of times in a year, and every turn means some profit."

**Got Warmed Up.**

Then Jim got warmed up to the subject and once more looking as wise as he knows how, he explained about the profit made by other merchants before the Union was started and how they could go away to England and America and sport around like fighting cocks, but now the most of them have to stay home and watch their business or in a few years time they will have no business to watch for the Union is buying up some of the outport places already and this year when the new Company is started they will do bigger things than they have ever done before.

Slippery Bill, who was sitting on an empty tobacco box in the corner, thought to start Jim, so he shouted "What about the dividend this year?" Instead of fighting Jim he only made him brighter up for Jim then started in to tell about the new Company and what good it would do the poor man, as the Union Export Co. will be able

**Obituary.**

**Joseph Sheppard.**  
Friend Joseph Sheppard, the oldest inhabitant of Catalina Harbor and the oldest member of the F.P.U., passed peacefully to rest on Saturday afternoon, Feb. 6th, at the ripe old age of 99 years.

Deceased was an enthusiastic supporter of the F.P.U. and one of Catalina's best fishermen in his time. The F.P.U. Council turned out in a body to the funeral. They also provided a splendid wreath.

He was buried on Tuesday last at the C. of E. Cemetery, the Rev. G. Chamberlain officiating.

He leaves behind four sons and two daughters. To all the relatives of the deceased The Mail and Advocate extends its deepest sympathy in their bereavement.

**Charles Elliott.**  
(Editor Mail and Advocate)

Dear Sir,—We record the death of Mr. Charles Elliott, who passed away at the St. John's Hospital. He leaves a wife, two daughters and three sons. He was a loyal member of the F.P.U. and was highly respected and esteemed by all friends at this little settlement of Bungoyne's Cove.

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—J. H. Burgoyne's Cove, Feb. 6, 1915.

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to buy the fish and ship it to foreign markets. All the time he was speaking he paid no attention to Slippery Bill's question, until Bill got excited and asked him again, then Jim looked wise, and lighting his old pipe once more he said that a message had come in to say that 8 per cent. would be paid on Trading Co. shares and 8 per cent. on Publishing Co. shares.

**Knocked Him Out.**

You should have seen Bill—he looked like a fish out of water and muttered something about "knowing it all," and sez he we'll wait and see what Coaker's paper says about it, and he would not believe it until he saw it in the paper a few days ago.

Just imagine—war times—8 per cent. for both Companies. In August everyone was saying the war would be the death of the Union and Coaker but instead of that happening, everything is looking bright for the Union and the Trading Co.

Slippery Bill first along would not believe that Mr. Coaker's life is insured for \$40,000. Now he knows. He sez that the Insurance Company must think Mr. Coaker is worth that amount to the Union or they wouldn't insure him. Just imagine Forty Thousand Dollars for the Union if Mr. Coaker was to die. The people of the Union would rather give one hundred thousand dollars and see him live for many years to continue the good work commenced by him only five or six years ago.

**Aunt Jane Tells How Pres. Coaker Manages To Do It**

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**Did Lots of Figuring.**

Jim spent an hour the other day figuring out if the twenty thousand fishermen wanted to raise a half a million dollars for to start the new Company, how many dollars would each man have to pay and he tells me that twenty-five dollars each from each Union man would be able to give Mr. Coaker enough money to handle all the fish and put the other merchants out of business.

When people talk about putting Mr. Coaker and the Union Trading Co. out of business they forget that an army of twenty thousand men and thirty thousand women and children have to say something before they can do that.

Talk about an army—Coaker's army in Newfoundland is able to keep the army of Graballs from overcharging the poor people and in this way help the whole Island.

We see by the papers that flour is going to be high in the Spring. Do your best, Mr. Coaker, to keep down the price and you will be a blessing to Newfoundland.

Wishing you and your readers good luck.

—AUNT JANE.  
Change Islds., Feb. 3, '15.

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(Editor Mail and Advocate)

Dear Advocate.—How familiar you seem! What a Welcome visitor each week! Coming to us, as you do, filled with lively news and important information, furnishes the reason why every mail that brings a new issue of you is eagerly longed for and gives you a reputation that others of your friends might well envy. It is to compliment not to flatter you that I write you tonight, for I believe in telling a fellow what I think of him.

It is only a few years since that which marked your birth, when you were sent forth to fill your mission, and to tell for good in old Terra Nova. Who will be so impudent as to assert you have not done it? Who can truthfully say that your mission has been a failure. Let him who thinks so prove his assertion.

I need not repeat the story of your growth. When issued in 8 x 10 in. form you were regarded as an insignificant article, but your advent marked the beginning of a new era and every week we see something indicating that you really are a tremendous power for good. Just here I wish to say that I have had confidence in you from the time when I first heard you. I saw that the substance of your utterances was this "Special favors to none, but equal rights to all." I thought: "that is right, and let the paper maintain those principles and it will record itself in the memories of generations yet unborn."

What do we find at the present time? We find that you have not forsaken your principles, and in defence of what is right and just, you have not bowed the knee to Baal, nor hesitated to fight the cause of the oppressed and helpless. You have not failed to sound an alarm at the sight of danger nor to expose wickedness in high places within the land neither have you cowered when the storm of opposition burst on you in all its fury; but unflinchingly you have stood at the post of duty, defying all the powers that be to harm you. I scan your pages today and your every line gives evidence of victory. What battles you have fought! what difficulties you have faced! What obstacles you have had to contend with! But you have surmounted the barriers and have won your laurels.

You have acted the part of being both the "guiding star" and the "searchlight" in the commercial as well as in the political life of the Colony; and in playing this part you have made many friends and—shall I say—"foes"? Yes. In the same manner as Justice finds his foe in the villain and the criminal.

Just one moment, please! Men of Newfoundland! It may have held views different from those held by us at times; but, taking all things into consideration, we must say "Hats off to The Mail and Advocate."

Oh, Advocate, fearless exponent of the cause of truth and righteousness! Advocate of principles and champion of justice, cease not to send forth thy message in like manner as thou hast in the past, and I predict for thee, a long, useful life in the service of humanity.

YOUR UNFAILING LOVER,  
Thoroughfare, Feb. 5, 15.

**Why Bread Prices Remain at Normal**

(Editor Mail and Advocate)

Dear Sir.—That the price of baker's bread has not advanced with the price of flour is a source of wonder to the many, it is right that the public should be made aware of the reason therefor, particularly as it shows that we have at least ONE conscientious man in our business community. As there is a black sheep in every flock, it follows that there can also be a white one in every flock where the prevailing colour is black.

On enquiry I have learned that the city bakeries are keeping down their prices in order to compete with McGuire's Bakery. It appears that McGuire laid in a six months' stock of flour when the market was easy; now they have decided to give their customers the benefit of their foresight and will keep bread at the old prices all through the winter. Their competitors are forced, in a way, to follow suit.

The poorer people of the city are now able to buy baker's bread just as cheaply as the home baked article made from flour purchased at 65 or 70 cents a stone.

Now readers, contrast the action of some Water Street firms. He could easily have squeezed a few thousand out of our dire necessities and then made a BIG MAN of himself by a large contribution to some published fund and the papers would have applauded "McGuire's Generosity" in large type and special articles. Such is our low standard of moral ethics that not many would have blamed him even though they knew he could have made a living profit by leaving prices where they were.

Go ahead McGuire, you have chosen the better way. Your business will prosper all the better for it and your name will live when the names of big Grabballs and others have gone.

"Down to the vile dust from which they sprung,  
Unwept, unhonoured, and unused,"  
The laws of compensation are inexorable. Do you see the point, Grabball flour merchants? —T. O. BALD.

St. John's, Feb. 11, 1915.

**Flat Isld. Replies To The Free Press**

(Editor Mail and Advocate)

Dear Sir.—Will you kindly allow me to make a few remarks concerning a letter which appeared in a recent issue of The Free Press, from a correspondent at Gooseberry Islands, signed "Chip of the Old Block."

It appears to me, Mr. Editor, that the person who wrote this article is somewhat worried over the people of this place. He made it his business to contradict nearly everything that a gentleman belonging to here wrote to your paper in connection with the boys who have gone to the aid of our Empire.

So far we have let his slant go unheeded, but when he repeats his statements, we cannot let them pass unnoticed. He says that the readers of The Mail and Advocate may be inclined to boast of Flat Islands, but I think it would be far more manly of him if he was himself in the firing line to-day, provided of course that he is medically fit.

He says, Mr. Editor, that you must have had a severe headache when you said that Gooseberry Island contained 42 men between the ages of 19 and 30. I think "Chip of the Old Block" must have been delirious when he stated that Gooseberry Island was ahead of Flat Island. That statement certainly is false.

From a correct count, I find Flat Island has 55 men between the ages above named, 19 of whom are serving their King. "Chip" says Gooseberry Isld. has 26 men, seven of whom are gone on H.M. ships.

If figures are the same as they were when I went to school, that leaves us a fraction ahead of you yet, "Chip of the Old Block."

It is a wonder to me that "Chip" does not view things from a more common-sense standpoint before he sends an article to the public press for publication, and give the public facts, not fiction, as I believe he is doing. I sincerely hope "Chip" will lay down his pen and take a rest and not worry us with any more such writings.

I would also suggest that he should get a correct count of our land and sea forces, so that he may see how many we have sent from Newfoundland to the aid of the Emblem of Liberty, the dear old Union Jack.

—SECOND IN THE FIGHT,  
Flat Isld., B.B., Jan. 30, 15.

**PORT BLANDFORD BOY IS ADMIRER OF THE ADVOCATE**

(Editor Mail and Advocate)

Dear Sir.—Will you allow me space in your paper to write my first letter to the paper. So far this has been a cold winter; very little snow, not enough to make good sleighing. The weather has been good for skating, as the ice has been in good condition. I love to read the Advocate, and I am very much interested in the letters written by Aunt Jane, Aunt Sarah and Uncle Tom.

I read a great deal about the war, as we take the Motrial Witness and Advocate.

I have two Uncles over in England, they went away early in the fall; they are both on steamers. I hear from them at times, and hope to see them back again soon; all well.

I see by the last paper that the Trading Company has insured Pres. Coaker's life for \$40,000. Well done Trading Company.

President Coaker is a wonderful man; he has done and is doing much to help the poor toilers of the country. I hope he will live long; we need such a man more so to-day than ever before.

I have one sister; she loves to read the children's corner in the weekly witness. She is eight years of age.

Trusting that my letter is not too long and wishing you and all your readers a happy New Year.

ANDREW A. R. DALLEY,  
Port Blandford, Feb. 5, 15.

**Port Rexton Says Kean Should Never Again Command Sealing Ship**

(Editor Mail and Advocate)

Dear Sir.—Just a few lines to your columns if you think it worth the space it will occupy. Everyone here at the present time is pretty busy getting firewood and other material, needed for the fishing industry and so on, and having to go from six to eight miles for same, and in a great many cases only one or two dogs to help along the load, one feels somewhat weary on the return home in the evening. But if the F.P.U. flag happens to be flying for a meeting, all weariness is cast aside and a luncheon is made to get to the meeting, as everyone is anxious to hear what the President has sent along to be read at such meeting, and there is sure to be something of importance at every meeting. Yes, and we know it, and that's why we look forward to the F.P.U. meetings as being the most important of all meetings to us fishermen.

Well, I wish some of the readers of your paper had been present on Wednesday night last. Our energetic chairman called the meeting to order for the transaction of business. Minutes of last meeting were read and adopted and all correspondence from the President being read who should walk into our midst but the Hon. Member for Trinity District, Mr. J. G. Stone, in company with past chairman Guppy. I tell you they were welcome guests as the clapping and stamping, which was kept up for some time went to show. The Chairman invited the two members, Messrs. Stone and Guppy to the platform, after which he called on Mr. Stone to address the meeting. It was certainly worth listening to. Mr. Stone touched on different subjects, beginning with the prosperity of the Union since its organization, Government matters, and lastly the Great European War. This speech lasted for over an hour. After giving an opportunity for questions to be asked, he again addressed the meeting for half an hour or more, speaking on the war mostly.

Everyone seemed filled with glee to see that Trinity District had such an able speaker and one taking such interest in the fishermen's welfare. He represents us on the floor of the House of Assembly, and we of Trinity District should feel proud of such a man as Mr. Stone who has been appointed from amongst our toilers. Our heartiest congratulations goes to Mr. Stone and may he live to do the duty he is called upon to do for many years to come. I'm sure no one felt sorry for attending that meeting after all they had heard and learnt from Mr. Stone. Several of the Council members spoke on different subjects.

The meeting closed near midnight by the singing of the National Anthem. Mr. Stone left for his home at Catalina by Saturday's train.

Now, Mr. Editor and readers, I wish to ask you a question. Do you think if there was no Union to-day we would have the privilege of seeing our Honourable Members amongst us after they were elected to office? I feel sure we would not see them until their term of office had expired. Then you would see them around asking for votes and saying they were going to do this, that and the other thing, if you elected them to power again.

As soon as they get the votes, that's all you would know of them until such time came round again. If you would call to see them at their office in St. John's, ten chances to one if they would recognize you at all. That's the way it has been formerly. But now, thank God, we have men we can see and talk to at any time if required. When one goes to St. John's he can see President Coaker any time, from early morn till late at night, utilizing all his energies for the laboring class. This is what was never done for us before. He is ready to give us all information as to price of fish, provisions, and so on.

This is the man we must back up. Why shouldn't we? I say we can never repay President Coaker for what he has done for us poor toilers who have been trodden under foot all our life time, and generations before us who have gone beyond recall, but they will reap their reward in the Great Hereafter. But what of those who have had the power and have seen our people naked, and clothed them not; hungry and gave them no food, as we understand such conditions exist in the Colony to-day, and still no steps are taken to respond to the needed call of hunger and starvation.

Why doesn't Sir E. P. Morris bear in mind that he has the power, and why doesn't he call the House in Session and consider the needy requirements of the Colony? If it was decided that nothing could be done, it would be some credit to the Premier to know that he didn't fail to open the House at such a time. But if he does fail to open the House of Assembly at such an important time as the present, it will still increase the indignation of the people to such an extent that it won't be easy to get over.

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The time will soon come round when those who are going to prosecute the seal fishery will be on the move and still nothing has been done to suit the people in the said case.

As there are lots of people who think that Capt. Kean has blundered, those who were eye-witnesses are the best judges, and who have had experience at the seal fishery. Everyone you get in conversation with in the outports will say Capt. Kean should never command another sealing ship, and I think they are a very kind-hearted lot of men to ask for such a modest punishment. If it is such as has been stated regarding Capt. Kean in last Spring's disaster I should say something should be done, and by appointing a Commission of Inquiry such as has been already stated in the Mail and Advocate will be the way to find out.

Stick to it, President Coaker, the people are with you. Right will conquer. We are out for right and fair-play and nothing more. The old saying is a true one, "A worm will turn if trodden on." Now, I asked the men in power not to nip us much closer or else we will have to be like the worm.

In conclusion, Mr. Editor, I must have a word or two for our brave Volunteers who have gone to fight our battles. We have six gone from our midst to answer their country's call, namely—Eloial Randall, Ralph Randall, Richard Randall, Wilfield Bannister, John Plovman and George Mate. Others offered their services, but failed to pass the doctor's examination.

I also see by the Press that Capt. John Thor, Randall, who served in the Boer War, has a commission in the British Navy since the Boer War. Capt. Randall has been residing in some part of England. He was formerly a resident of this place, son of Capt. John Randall of this place and a brother of Capt. J. R. Randall, who commanded the Bellaventure at the ice-fields last spring.

We can say we have seven in all from this little settlement who have responded to the call of King and Country and our hearts go out with them, and may the Great King of all Kings be their guiding star and bring them safely through, may victory be on their side and may we all live to enjoy the meeting on their return, is the prayer of

LEDNAR RETLAW,  
Port Rexton,  
Feb. 8th, 1915.

**Interesting Notes From Port Rexton**

Port Rexton, Feb. 8.—The C.U.S. of this place held their annual parade on Saturday, Feb. 6th.

They gathered in their Hall at one o'clock p.m. The brethren clothing themselves in their regalia proceeded on their line of march.

The procession was headed by music consisting of two accordions, one tin whistle and a kettle drum.

Leaving their Hall they proceeded out on the Harbor Ice, countermarching and went back to their Hall where an enjoyable time was held, consisting of games and dancing.

We wish this young Society every success under its able President, Mr. Ralph Cook, and his noble staff of officers. No doubt this young Society is unknown to many readers of The Mail and Advocate.

It is made up of the young boys from eight to twelve years old. It was formed twelve months ago and is working in the name of the "Central Union Society."

The Church Lads' Brigade of Port Rexton and Trinity East paraded Sunday, Feb. 7th, and attended Divine Service at Trinity West, where a special address was given by the Rev. Mr. Whitehouse, Rector of Trinity West.

This Brigade is doing noble work under its worthy Captain, Dr. C. T. Fitzgerald and its most worthy Chaplain, the Rev. Arthur Pitman.

We trust this Brigade will always take its stand and live up to what is expected from it.

We had the pleasure at our last Union meeting of having our worthy member with us, J. Stone. The L.O.A. Hall was packed with Union men. Our honourable member spoke for about an hour on the good work the Union had done and was doing and gave us good information on the Sporting Company and also spoke for quite a while on the present war that is raging and taking away so many of our young.

Port Rexton feels proud to-day of having six sons fighting for our good old England and her Colonies and our earnest prayer is that our dear old flag will long remain to float and England hold supremacy of the seas.

Several questions were asked our member by those present to which he gave satisfactory answers. After which the meeting closed.

—NICHOLAS.

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