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NOT MUCH CHANGE IN MILITARY SITUATION

Russians Continue Progress in North Poland, and Are Repulsing With Heavy Losses German Attacks in the Carpathians

Huge Forces Still Oppose Them—Allied Fleets Make Greater Progress in Dardanelles Than Was Expected But Heaviest Fights Still to be Subdued—Germans Take a New Trench From the French North of Arras

London, March 5.—There has been very little change in the military and naval situation in the last twenty-four hours.

While the Russians continue their progress against the Germans in North Poland, they are, according to official reports pursuing and capturing many of the retreating Austrians in Eastern Galicia, and are repulsing with heavy losses the persistent day and night attacks of the German allies in the Carpathians. They have not, however, by any means, yet disposed of any of the forces opposed to them.

It is the same with the Allied fleets in the Dardanelles. In their bombardment the warships have made greater progress than was anticipated, but they still have the most strongly fortified part of the Straits to get through.

Along the Western front the French are continuing their attacks in Champagne and Argonne, but beyond there, the only movement of any consequence has been made North of Arras, where the Germans succeeded in capturing a newly-constructed French trench.

Will Brook No Interference Unless To Drive Germans From Belgium

Sir Edward Grey Drops Diplomatic Parley and Hits Out Straight—Tells Neutral Busy Bodies to Keep Out or Come in to Hammer the Germans

London, March 4.—"Unless neutral nations are prepared to assist in throwing the Germans out of Belgium, no suggestions from them in the matter of preventing the further devastation of that country are wanted," said Sir Edward Grey in the Commons to-day.

The statement was made in reply to enquiries whether the Government was willing to invite suggestions from neutrals, with a view to avoiding further devastation of Belgium by the Great Powers, which are contending for its mastery.

"The only solution of the question," Grey continued, "is the evacuation of Belgian territory by German troops, restoration of her independence, and reparation for the wrong done her. Unless the neutral powers are prepared to assist in securing this solution, I don't see what could be gained by the course suggested."

Poor China Again the Victim

National Parcel Department Busy Now Cutting Out and Wrapping up Big Slices

Washington, Feb. 28.—China has instructed her Ministers in the United States, Great Britain, France and Russia to deliver to these powers a memorandum of the demands originally made by Japan for concessions and provides in return for the restoration of the territory of Kiau-Chau to China.

Kai Fu Shah, the Chinese Minister here, has just presented the memorandum to the State Department. This, on comparison with the memorandum which the Japanese Foreign Office on Feb. 9 gave to the diplomatic representatives of Great Britain, France, Russia and the United States, contains several other demands about seven or eight in number.

Officials of the American Government had under consideration to-day the directing an informal enquiry to the American Ambassador at Tokio and the Minister at Peking to learn which of the two versions was the present basis of negotiation, but this plan, it is believed, would not be carried out because of the expectation that with the publicity already given to the Japanese demands a voluntary explanation of the differences in the two versions probably would be forthcoming. High officials here were disinclined to discuss the various demands, Secretary Bryan announcing that while the State Department had the matter "under consideration" no opinion could be given at this time. He denies published reports that a Note had been sent to Japan, however, and it was stated authoritatively to-day that the American Government had not since the beginning of the negotiations made any representations or taken any diplomatic steps beyond keeping itself informed along with the other powers.

WEATHER REPORT

Toronto (non)—Northerly winds, fair and cold to-day and on Saturday.

Roper's (noon)—Bar. 29.10.

Ther. 34.

READ THE MAIL AND ADVOCATE.

KEAN SHOULD NOT BE ALLOWED TO GO UNION MEN WILL STOP HIM BY FORCE

Point aux Gaul, via Lamaline, March 4.—Kean should not be allowed to go Master of sealer; Union men will stop him by force and stand the consequences.

Keep it up, Mr. President; you are right. We consider it one of the biggest insults ever offered to the people of Newfoundland to let Kean take charge of sealer.

F.P.U. LOCAL COUNCIL.

Bombardment Inner Forts Dardanelles

Ten Big Warships Engaged in the Operation

London, March 4.—The Allied fleets this (Thursday) morning resumed bombardment of the inner forts of the Dardanelles, according to a despatch received at Athens. The text of the despatch is as follows:—

"The bombardment of the inner forts of the Dardanelles resumed this morning (Thursday). Ten big warships took part in the operation, according to a British officer, and only two of the Turkish forts remained intact."

Japan Wants Dominate East

Tokio, Feb. 28.—Japan has explained the tenor of her demands upon China to certain friendly powers, including the United States, it was learned here to-day. It is assumed without authority that the Nipponese Government will seek to extend the sphere of her influence in China without disturbing the "open door" policy, the spheres of other nations or the integrity of the Celestial Empire. Japan feels that her position entitles her to a predominating influence in the development of that country.

Baltimore, Feb. 27.—Capt. J. W. White, who came into port in charge of the British steamship Overdale, says that he sank a German submarine off the coast of England on New Year's Day, colliding with it during a heavy storm. Captain on the crew of a warship the big freighter came down with full force on the deck of the undersea boat, which at once sank.

The Overdale had a blade of her propeller broken and made her way into Queenstown, where she remained in dry dock for three weeks undergoing repairs. Capt. White says he will put in a claim for the big reward offered in Britain to the first merchant captain who should sink a German submarine.

There is now on its way to London from Australia a new machine-gun calculated to do just twice the execution of the Maxim. Invented by one Cawwell, it is a double-barrelled shooter, lighter, cheaper, and simpler in design than the existing type of machine-gun. It is being sent in separate parts, under seals to be broken only by the War Office; and it proves all it is cracked up to be, several armament firms will soon be busy turning it out by the gross, among their other artillery groceries.

ANXIETY FELT CONCERNING CHINA

Foreign Secretary Grey Asked to Make Public Japan's Demands—Says it is Confidential

London, Feb. 28.—The anxiety felt here concerning the demands Japan made upon China in the course of the negotiations which almost immediately followed the occupation by Japan of the German concession of Kiau Chau, was exemplified in a request made in Parliament this afternoon for the publication of the text of these demands. Answering his questioner, Foreign Secretary Grey said: "I am not at present in a position to communicate to the House information on this subject, which has been given me confidentially by the Japanese Government."

Magistrate's Court

A drunk, engineer, was released on paying \$1.00.

A laborer, for stealing an oil cask from C. P. Eagan's, got a 30 days' sentence.

A loose and disorderly cripple was ordered to find two sureties of \$2.00 each or go down for 30 days.

A defaulting school boy, in for safe keeping, was discharged.

S.S. Portia left Placentia at 8.45 a.m. and is due here to-morrow afternoon.

BOER REBELS Ring Leaders To Be Tried

New York, March 4.—A news agency here has received the following despatch from Cape Town, South Africa, to-day:—

"Ten thousand Boer rebels were taken prisoners during the recent rebellion against the authorities of the Colony, and the losses on both sides totalled one thousand.

"The rebels will be imprisoned until the end of the European war, the Government announcing, owing to the impracticability of putting out adequate punishment at this time; 233 ring-leaders will be tried at once."

New Liner Tried Her Speed

C.P.R. Steamer Metagama Takes a Spin on the Clyde—Developed a Speed of 17½ Knots

London, March 4.—Danger from submarines did not deter the Canadian Pacific Railway from carrying out the usual trial of the new 13,000 ton liner Metagama yesterday. A large party was aboard for the trial on Fifth of Clyde.

The trial was successful in every way, the new liner attaining a speed of 17½ knots.

S.S. Gratiana is ready to sail for Halifax.

The sealing steamers Bonaventure, Diana, Viking, Terra Nova, Erik and Godbound are now awaiting ice conditions permitting them to sail.

BRITISH HARBOR COUNCIL IN THE FIGHT FOR RIGHT AND JUSTICE

British Harbor, March 5.—British Harbor Council unanimously uphold your action re Kean-Bowring outrage. We are with you in the fight for Right and Justice.

COUNCIL.

TOTAL NAVAL LOSSES OF WARRING NATIONS

	GREAT BRITAIN.		
	Before War.	Losses.	Present Strength.
Super-Dreadnoughts	16	1	15
Dreadnoughts	16	0	16
Pre-Dreadnoughts	40	2	38
Cruisers	127	10	117
Gunboats	41	3	38
Destroyers	250	3	247
Torpedo Boats	70	0	70
Submarines	96	3	93
FRANCE.			
Dreadnoughts	7	0	7
Pre-Dreadnoughts	21	0	21
Cruisers	30	0	30
Gunboats	7	0	7
Destroyers	87	2	85
Torpedo Boats	153	1	152
Submarines	93	0	93
RUSSIA.			
Dreadnoughts	4	0	4
Pre-Dreadnoughts	12	0	12
Cruisers	22	4	18
Gunboats	5	1	4
Destroyers	141	0	141
Torpedo Boats	25	1	24
Submarines	43	0	43
GERMANY.			
Dreadnoughts	21	1	20
Pre-Dreadnoughts	27	0	27
Cruisers	45	18	27
Gunboats	7	2	5
Destroyers	152	8	144
Torpedo Boats	47	5	42
Submarines	39	6	33
AUSTRIA-HUNGARY.			
Dreadnoughts	4	0	4
Pre-Dreadnoughts	12	1	11
Cruisers	10	4	6
Gunboats	7	0	7
Destroyers	19	0	19
Torpedo Boats	85	2	83
Submarines	14	1	13
TURKEY.			
Dreadnoughts	2	0	2
Pre-Dreadnoughts	3	1	2
Cruisers	3	0	3
Gunboats	17	0	17
Destroyers	8	0	8
Torpedo Boats	16	0	16

*Including the Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse, auxiliary cruiser, and the Koenigin Louise, mine-layer, converted merchantman.

French Govt. Report Progress In Champagne

London, March 4.—The French Government reports progress in Champagne maintained and extended. The French hold German lines six kilometres long and one kilometre deep. The German Guards regiment has sustained enormous losses. Some further prisoners were captured.

The Russian Government reported further progress on the Northern front. The enemy's attempts to approach Osowiec fortress have been repulsed.

In the Carpathians, successes have been obtained against the Austrians and Germans. In Eastern Galicia on the River Lownica, near Stanislau, the Austrians suffered a very serious reverse, losing six thousand prisoners, guns and transports.—HAR-COURT.

Indians Again On The Warpath

Salt Lake, Utah, Feb. 28.—Two hundred men under United States Marshal Aquila Nebeker, of Utah, have been surrounded in Cow Canyon, in San Juan County, and the entire state is fearful lest the Plute Indians, will massacre the entire white population of the San Juan County. Two cowboys have already been shot.

The Indian fighting started early in the morning, when Marshal Nebeker demanded the surrender of Tse Nage, the Indian fugitive who killed a rancher in Colorado. His father, Old Polk, chief of the Plutes, refused to give him up and opened fire on the Marshal's forces.

Destroyers of Dover Flotilla Sink Submarine

Crew All Taken Prisoners—U.8 Was Sister Ship to Famous U.9, Which Sank Hogue, Aboukir, Cressy and Hawk

Paris, March 5.—The German submarine U.8 has been sunk by destroyers belonging to the Dover flotilla, according to an announcement by Ministry of Marine to-night.

The crew were taken prisoners. Submarine U.8 was built in 1905, was 200 tons displacement, she had a speed of 13 knots above water and 8 knots submerged. Her maximum radius of operations was 1,200 miles. The vessel carried three torpedo tubes, and its exports consist principally of fish and fishery products, and in this way the U.8 was a sister to the famous U.9, which early in the war sank the British cruisers Hogue, Aboukir and Cressy in the North Sea, and in October sent the British cruiser Hawk to the bottom. Wreckage picked up late in February off Christiansand was said to belong to the U.8, and it was said that submarine had also been lost.

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British Troops Landed In Turkey

London, March 4.—Britain has landed her first troops for land attack upon Constantinople. The military expedition not only relieves the sailors and marines, who were previously put ashore to aid the warships in their campaign against the Dardanelles, but provides a mobile force for the actual land operations, by which the taking of Turkey in Europe from the Sultan is expected to be accomplished rapidly. Military forces are being placed in possession on both sides of the Straits, the first landing having been made on the Asiatic side.

French Deputies Demand Crew Submarine U.8 Tried For Piracy

Paris, March 5.—Demands were served to-day by a number of Deputies that all members of the German submarine U.8, which was sunk by French destroyers in the Channel, be tried as pirates before a naval court, and executed if found guilty of making attacks without warning upon merchant vessels.

Officials of the Ministry of Marine refuse to reveal their plans as to the prisoners, but stated that they would be confined in a military prison until a decision as to their final disposition has been reached.

Every German Battery Reduced To Silence

FAMINE HANGS A PALL OVER GERMANY THE SULTAN QUILTS CONSTANTINOPLE

Boulogne, March 5.—Every German battery in the Lombaertz side this district has been completely reduced to silence, in addition, the enemy has lost all its batteries standing in the Grand Dune. All this ground, once a German stronghold, now lies between the two armies forming a neutral zone. Little by little the allies are repulsing Germans steadily. The latter have already been forced to retreat as far as the Lombaertz side. At the farm on the west end road certain portions heavily reinforced during the past twenty-four hours, and they seem determined to hold Ostend whatever may be the cost. During the past few days however, a great change in condition of the ground has proved of enormous help to the Allies in their advance. Ostend road, recently inundated, is now quite dry and the same is true of much of the surrounding country. This allows the allies to operate mass movements of their infantry.

Great unrest prevails through Stamboul, particularly among the lower classes of the population. Ministers of several countries are said to be urgently desirous of concluding peace to save the city from a bombardment by the warships of the Allies, which is generally regarded as inevitable.

2 German Submarines Sunk in British Waters

London, March 5.—Two German submarines have been sunk in British waters, according to an official announcement given out in London to-day.

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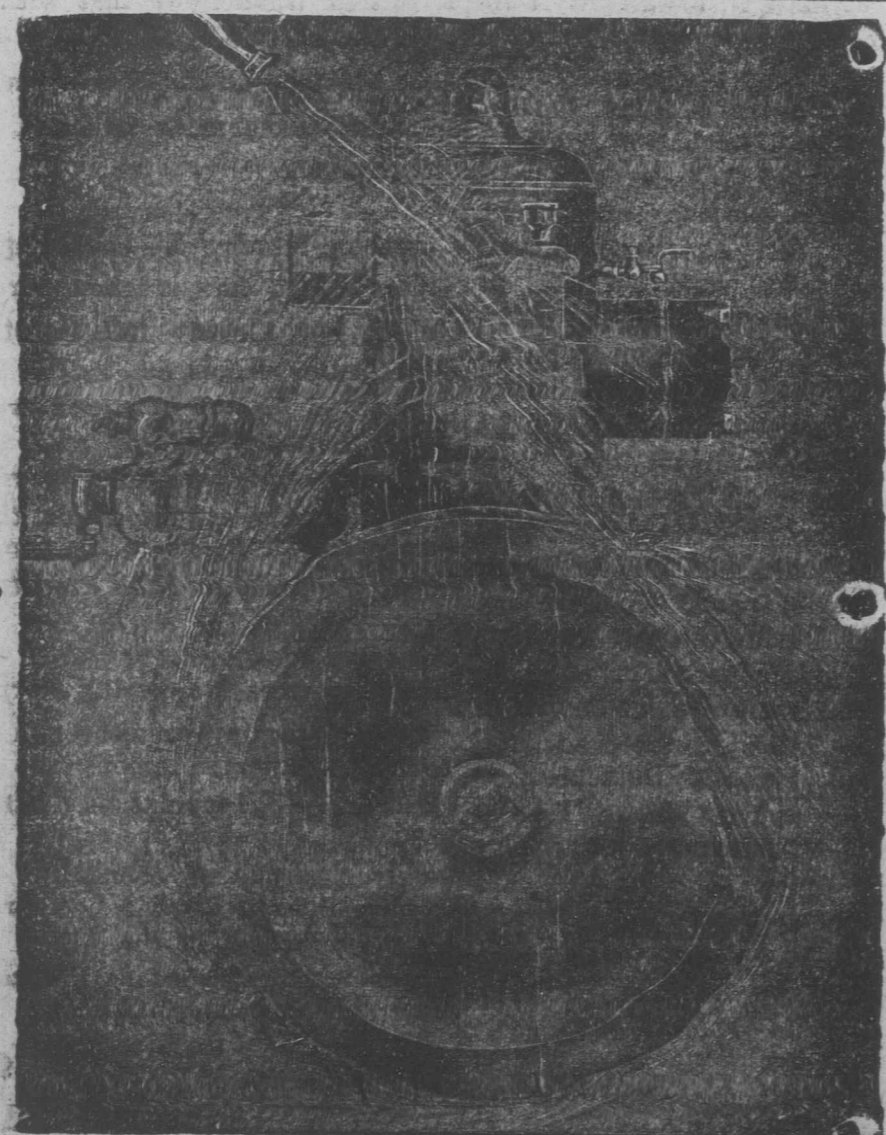
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Footprints on the Sands of Time

(Editor Mail and Advocate)
Dear Sir,—Just a few lines concerning the Kean-Bowring matter. We are doing pretty well this way to help Kean to stay ashore this spring, and not only this spring, but to make up his mind to give it up altogether and let better men prosecute the seal fishery. Uncle Abe is getting too old for that job now. Isn't there anything that he could do about town that would be harmless? Lecturing for instance, on the "Motives of Great Men." I should think that would be a fine job for him, and he would not be likely to cause as much sorrow and suffering as at the other job. I wonder if, before he gave that lecture, he read the little verse—
"Lives of great men all remind us
We can make our lives sublime,
And departing, leave behind us
Footprints on the sands of time."
He is making his footprints all right and they will be seen long after he has passed in his cheques. When a man is not able to run a job with credit to himself and his employers, I think it is high time for him to give it up and let someone else have a try. Now, sir, if you have any more petitions to be signed, send them along or let us know when you want anything else done to help him to stay ashore, and we will be there every time.

Before if close I would like to say a word about the Mail and Advocate. Do you notice the twaddle they put in the other dailies about the noise you are making and the injury your paper is doing? Keep it up, Mr. Editor, and if possible make it a little bit harder every day. Give Munn, Bowring & Kean their medicine and let it be strong, hot and bitter, and if they don't like it, let them comply with the request of the F.P.U. and be honorable men once more.
Now, Northern men, don't mind "Lady Observer" from Cole's Point. Ladies are queer things these days. I can tell you that all the ladies of Conception Bay are not of her type. They have more sympathy with their poor, bereaved Northern sisters than that; but there is an odd one like that in every place and it really cannot be helped. Now, Mr. Editor, give them the same peace that Jehu gave Jezebel and when this fight is over, we will be able to handle all such people as "Lady Observer."
Wishing you every success and praying that you may be given the language to use in your paper so that all your enemies will not be able to galsay or resist.
FLEECE 'EM.
Cupids, March 2, 1915.

Spaniard's Bay Has the Right Spirit

(Editor Mail and Advocate)
Dear Sir,—Will you kindly allow me space to say a few words in reference to the Spaniard's Bay Convention. First I must congratulate you upon the stand which you have taken in reference to the Kean matter and assure you that we stand shoulder to shoulder, as one man, in our efforts to uphold you in your efforts. We would like to let Kean and Bowring know that Spaniard's Bay men have the right kind of blood in them and that they will stand by President Coaker in this fight.
The people are asking why you did not make your meeting here a public one, as they all wanted to hear you speak. They are tired of old Kaiser Morris, who six years ago occupied the chair here, and said to the people

"Elect me to the House of Assembly and I will run the country in such a way that we will not know bad times, for we will open up branch railroads to different parts of the Island, and further than that, we shall have our fish done up in small packages and sent away to other countries to make quick sale of it," and then, after he had climbed to the top of the ladder, when the country was in one of its greatest times of need, fled to America. It is high time for the Government to make some provision whereby the poor people can earn an honest loaf. I must close my letter by wishing you and the Union every success.
LEFT TO WONDER.
Spaniard's Bay.
Feb. 28, 1915.

STEBAURMAN'S OINTMENT

To Whom it may Concern:—
I was a great sufferer for months with "Cancer" and during that time was treated by no less than six doctors; all failed to do me any good. I was advised to enter the General Hospital for treatment, and after spending one month there it was found that nothing could possibly be done for me, and I was suffering from Cancer on the liver, and was therefore discharged incurable.
I felt I could not live much longer in such a week and painful state. My husband learned that Mr. Stebaurman was successful in curing "Cancer," advised me to try him, which I did, with the result that I am perfectly cured of this dreadful disease, and I feel it is my duty to let all (sufferers, particularly of this ailment,) know, so that they may before it is too late, embrace the opportunity, and be restored to their former health.
Any persons doubting this statement may call at my home, 77 Flower Hill, where I shall be only too pleased to verify or give any further information necessary.
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In the early stages of the F.P.U.-Bowring-Kean controversy, the general public though understanding the particulars and data and facts of the case, did not fully grasp the great importance and significance which outlines it.

It was a question, so people agreed, that had in its debating very striking features, and the interest that any such question of the hour will evoke was therefore called forth. It remained however for the F.P.U. to show the real weight and expressive importance of the matter and to accurately define the position it claims in the public estimation.

We promised to begin an agitation that would have no compeer since the days of Responsible Government, but even knowing how great would be that agitation, and how far afield its powers would penetrate, we had no idea that in a few days it could excite such indignation, and arouse the public to the determined stand which is hourly being assumed, in the cause of Righteousness and Justice.

It was after all only necessary for the F.P.U. to again state the broad facts to the people, the resentment and aversion were already smouldering in obedience to any hasty measure or action, it but remained for us to tell the people, and to tell them truly that the Bowring firm that had heretofore possessed a universal confidence, was determined to overthrow the law of that people—and to make a law unto themselves."

When we commenced this agitation we, though we knew our own power, and were aware—fully aware—of the justice of our claims, had no thought or idea that thousands of our public would so quickly arise to back us up and give us so strong a support.

We knew how very indignant the masses were, and we knew how insulted the general people felt by the conduct of Bowring and Munn, but we could not imagine that the public spirit would break forth into such a maelstrom and conflagration, and which now threatens to destroy everything or anything that shall dare oppose it. What a horrible, and awe inspiring thing is the imagining of the freedom of an outraged and insulted public.

Just consider the united and unanimous voice of a people raised to demand JUSTICE? Imagine, if it is possible for us to imagine—the one loud call of say twenty thousand voices raised in demand, demanding too what is justly theirs Realize reader—if it is possible for any of us to grasp this horrible reality—the powerful unity of a long suppressed people breaking out at last, and demanding for the last time "So Help Their God," the justice that is justly theirs.

Place against that demand the wrong, and utterly wrong influence of THREE MINDS. Consider with this the knowledge that those three minds have, of the error of their contention. Place again with this, the violated words, and promises, and honour of those minds.

Again, think of the unbearable arrogance and conceit and vanity of those three minds which would destroy (if they could) the justifiable requirements of the people. To this, add the facts that the public have been most kind and considerate and magnanimous in their approaching those three egotistical persons, and laying before them proofs—absolute proofs of that, which the public would have righted and made just.

Going over all this again—thinking over every point and proof, viewing it from every aspect,—is there one fair minded and honest gentleman, in this Country which takes a pride in its honourable record, will say that Mr. John Munn, and Mr. Eric Bowring, and Capt. Abram Kean, are justified in the course they are claiming to be right? Is there any honest and honourable man in our midst who will stand out and say "that the Bowring House is doing right in allowing their Commander Kean to sail in this season's sealing fleet?"

We will once more ask any man—any honest white man from this dear old Terra Nova of ours—this question:

Is Captain Kean, who commanded the S.S. Stephano, at last year's sealing voyage, innocent of ANY wrong doing, ANY negligence, or ANY carelessness, when he ordered those poor unfortunate souls to leave his vessel?

We once again ask that question, we ask it impassionately, calmly, and in a straightforward manner,—we ask, IS CAPT. KEAN INNOCENT OR GUILTY? Did Capt. Kean act the humane part when he sent those men into the approaching storm? Did he act as a man and as a brother, and as a christian would act when he did this thing?

We will for the moment withdraw ourselves from the matter altogether, and leave the question between the Public on oneside and Bowring Bros. and Captain Kean on the other. Let Coaker and the F.P.U., and Coaker's associates, and the supporters of the F.P.U. be forgotten in this case altogether. Let Coaker be in this as if he never existed, or had never heard of Bowring Bros., Munn or Kean, and see if the outrage is less an outrage, or if the whole unhappy affair has less frightful features in its whole terrible conception?

Read again the correspondence that passed between President Coaker and Mr. J. S. Munn, only yesterday. Here again Mr. Munn has been even kindly and reasonably approached by Coaker, and asked if he will NOW withdraw Capt. Kean, if he will NOW (after the finding of a legal Commission) withdraw this man whom two legal gentlemen have declared GUILTY of utter neglect? Mr. J. S. Munn promised to do this if the Commission in question showed any stigma on the part of Capt. Kean. Mr. J. S. Munn now denies having made that agreement.

Mr. J. S. Munn says "I never said this, I never promised this."

JOHN S. MUNN AGAIN DEFILES HIS HONOUR. Once more, Mr. Munn, who had at least the confidence of honourable men forfeits his honourable name. The name of Munn, the word of Munn, the honour of Munn comes down, down into the dust.

Honourable men will shun him—Public opinion will blast his name and his faith, Gentlemen, whose WORD is their BOND will point the finger of scorn at him.

What are wealth, and power, and glory, and position, when HONOUR is gone? HONOUR, which is the most glorious thing in a man's life—for Public honour is security. A man may fall from power and from wealth, from position and from public greatness—but he is still a MAN when he can say with that fearless, brave, unconquerable front "All is lost SAVE HONOUR."

To-day or to-morrow men will shake the hand of Munn, they will speak to him and hob-nob with him as of yore, perhaps they will walk with him from one end of Water Street to the other—but in their secret hearts they will despise him—they will know that he has lost that which MAKES THE MAN, whether he be rich or poor—that sacred and grand thing called HONOUR.

A few weeks ago, and the vast public believed in John S. Munn—here, they said, is an honourable man—a man to whom any of us might go to seek the ethics of real and true honour—here is a citizen, a credit to us all, an honourable man in whom we should hold great pride. The good, old, honourable name of Munn, wealth and power and friends, and interest may pass—but HONOUR—NEVER. All is lost, everything is gone—and oh, good God—HONOUR! HONOUR!!—that which was ALL, and meant ALL—THAT is all now gone.

A few weeks ago, he might have stood amongst Princes and against the world, to-day there are none so poor—as to pay him ONE single mark of respect. He passed his word—THE WORD OF A MAN—the word that is a MAN'S BOND—an honourable promise.

HE VIOLATES THAT WORD—and the honour of his good name passes.

Where is the manhood in this? Where is the sacredness of a plighted promise in this? Where now is the boasted HONOUR? Where is the validity of character or of faith.

Why Coaker—Coaker whom the high, and haughty and the supposed noble—would pass by—NEVER YET BROKE HIS WORD OF HONOUR—Coaker who does not pretend to the blue blood of the mighty—NEVER YET WENT BACK ON HIS WORD—NEVER YET.

Did Coaker—who is only a fisherman, go back on his word when it had been once given—NEVER!

(To be continued from day to day)

"Now is the Time to Stop this Insurrection—an Insurrection Without Character—Remembering Always, That the Saddest Phrase of all Phrases is the One—"TOO LATE."

HALT! Then I Say, and to You, Who are in Power in This Land my Appeal and my Cry are To-day—Act Then Immediately—at once—NOW—There May be no To-morrow in This Case

Gentlemen:—Can the voice of an unbiased mind—cry HALT!—with an effect—from an awful pending danger, the equal of which this Country was never threatened with before, and for which no equivalent redress can ever be vouchsafed, once the tragedy is over—with regrets, desolation and perhaps murder staring us in the face.

We, a God fearing, and God loving people, to whom much has been given, to whom Divine Providence has lavished abundant blessing, with no unpropitious hand.

Now is the time to stop this insurrection—an insurrection without character—remembering always, that the saddest phrase of all phrases is the one—"Too Late."

Are we, gentlemen, as a people, at this stage of the world—while mighty Powers—and tottering Empires, are in deadly strife—are we while God's vengeance, manifests itself over nearly the whole universe—are we while our sons, and sires, and brothers under God are engaged in nefarious warfare—are we I say, a people—peaceable, and favoured—favoured as by kind heaven itself—are we I repeat to wage fight against each other so horrible in its uprise, so serious in its nature, that once begun, can only have, an unholy ending.

HALT! then I say, and to you, who are in power in this land my appeal, and my cry are to-day—act then immediately—at once—now—there may be no to-morrow in this case—one word from you will influence—then Gentlemen, for God's sake speak that word—and ward off forever—a threatening—dangerous evil.

I have carefully read, in their every particular—pro and con—the evidences of the Kean case, and also have I sifted minutely all the correspondence from time to time bearing on the points between Coaker and the Bowrings—I have weighed both sides, faithfully and justly (holding no brief from either) in the limelight of—HONEST WISDOM—conjured up. For the love of my Countrymen—for the love of God, and our homes—with the easy result that—IT IS A MILLION TIMES BETTER—that Captain Kean stay from the icefields this year—which assurance, would forever, put an end to this pending horror—than for Kean—because he is a Kean—to be allowed to go with, even the smallest RISK OF RIOT and BLOODSHED.

Before entering on this hurried letter, Gentlemen, I saw the true vision of what the result must point to, if Kean be disqualified this year from proceeding to the icefields—it would be a golden precedent, on our records—on the records of men's memory—if you will—for the future, and GREATER protection of our poor working toilers of the deep—For now that competition, on those vessels is so keen—and—Get Money Quick Craze so rife amongst us—a parcel of men, of another ship, is not, always desirable on board another vessel, whose Captain is ambitious, with schemes of a fatty Klondyke in the perspective.

In the front page, for all time to come, this case as a precedent—will be our poor sealers great safety and protection—and God knows—last year's tragedies show—that both those commodities—they sadly need.

Now, Gentlemen, you who can—cry HALT—right here. This is your warning—you are called upon to do no wrong—if you do not act—yours will be the GUILT—when the blow shall fall—you will stay an evil, of a most horrible nature—an evil which otherwise cannot be avoided—call Kean off, for this one season only—and gain the good will, and praise of ten thousand men, who are after all and undoubtedly, the ruling power of our good old peaceful land. —CATHOLICUS.

To you, Mr. Coaker, whether your efforts be crowned with success or not, you have done your share, with true earnestness, in good faith and above board. The hard worked and the poor of this Country, have much to place to your credit, and your fight in their behalf, in the columns of The Mail and Advocate will not be without its merit.—C.

To His Excellency the Governor in Council:—

The petitions of the undersigned residents of Holyrood and electors of the electoral district of Harbour Main, humbly sheweth that on March 31st and April 1st last, seventy-eight sealers of the crew of the sealing steamer "Newfoundland" died on the icefloe from exposure, and that in the opinion of your petitioners, Captain A. Kean, Master of the "Stephano," was guilty of criminal negligence in relation to the said men, wherefore your petitioners humbly pray that Your Excellency be pleased to test before the Courts the liability or otherwise of Captain Kean. And as in duty bound they will ever pray.

- JOSEPH G. MURPHY
- PATK. HEALEY of JOHN
- JAMES CORBETT
- RICHARD McKAY
- FRANCIS HEALEY
- JOHN HEALEY
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Twenty Thousand Freemen Take Up Challenge

THE MAIL AND ADVOCATE, ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND, MARCH 5, 1915-4.

Petitions Asking Kean's Arrest

Riverhead St. Mary's

To His Excellency the Governor in Council:—

The Petition of the undersigned residents of Riverhead St. Mary's and electors of the electoral district of Placentia and St. Mary's, humbly sheweth that on March 31 and April 1 last, 78 sealers of the Crew of the sealing steamer "Newfoundland" died on the ice from exposure, and that in the opinion of your Petitioners, Captain Abram Kean, Master of the "Stephano," was guilty of criminal negligence in relation to the said men, wherefore your Petitioners humbly pray that Your Excellency be pleased to direct the Law Officers of the Crown to take the necessary steps to test before the Courts the liability or otherwise of Captain Kean. And as in duty bound they will ever pray.

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Question of Judgement or Criminal Negligence

"Captain Kean so far from being guilty of any omission, went beyond what was incumbent on him and displayed commendable care for the safety of these men, for whom he was in no way responsible."—Mr. Justice Johnson's Report.

It must be very gratifying to the friends of Captain Abram Kean to find that a great legal light such as Justice Johnson holding such views as are expressed in the above words quoted from his report on the sealing disaster enquiry.

It may be that Captain Kean did not commit any error in judgment, we say it may be so, but the only reasonable ground on which such an assumption could be founded is that Captain Kean did not exercise any judgment whatever.

If he used judgment he erred, if he used no judgment he is guilty of criminal negligence. In either case the demand that Captain Kean should not go to the ice in charge of a steamer is well justified.

Captain Kean and his friends may impale themselves on either horn of the difficulty they may select for themselves. If Captain Kean erred not in judgment, he certainly displayed a most lamentable want of that degree of intelligence that one placed in charge of men should possess, especially when a wrong move or inertia for that matter may involve loss of life. As did the error of or lack of judgment on the part of A. Kean last year.

Let us for the moment acquit Captain Kean of having committed an error of judgment which is the positive side of the charge against him, and examine his conduct on the negative charge of having used no judgment at all.

The first thought that should naturally present itself to any person in Kean's position would be the thought of how the men were to be looked after or where they were to spend the night. He would want to ascertain if it were possible for them to make their own ship. Captain Kean knew that these men had to find shelter that night or run the risk of losing their lives from exhaustion. There were two ports of shelter possible for them, one, their own ship, the other: the Stephano.

Did Captain Kean consider how they were to get to their own ship, then he used no judgment, for the one most necessary factor in the calculation, he utterly failed to acquaint himself of, and that is how long it took the men to reach the Stephano. He claims that he thought they had left at nine o'clock, when as a matter of fact, they had started at seven or two hours earlier.

One question of Tuff or of any of the poor fellows who followed him that fateful morning would have settled that point for him, and that question he failed to ask. Therefore evincing not an error of judgment, but utter callousness or else complete absence of intelligence, or as we are inclined to think a want of interest in the welfare of the men.

It was most important before figuring on the return journey to know how long it had taken the men to make the journey out. Had Kean but asked that one question, he would have discovered that it took the men four and a half hours to make the journey. It was past midday when he put them out again and sent them off, not in the direction of their ship, but away from their ship.

They were expected to kill and pan seals enough to have made their day's journey worth while, and afterwards to walk back to their own ship.

Now where did Kean's judgment come in here. It is to be feared that not even the best supporter Kean has, not even Judge Johnson himself can find anything in Kean's conduct in this one particular, that bears even the least semblance of having been founded on judgment, on judgment that was tempered by a "commendable zeal for the welfare of the men."

Was it commendable zeal for the welfare of the men that drove them from the shelter of ship to the bleakness of a frozen ocean, in the face of a coming storm, and that expected those men to kill seals, and afterwards make their way back to their own ship?

Was it commendable zeal that caused Kean to overlook the fact that those men had been travelling half a day, before they reached his ship?

Was it commendable zeal for them that turned them out without a chance to take a moment's rest or to get even a drink of tea?

Was it commendable zeal that caused Kean to overlook the fact that men cannot travel as rapidly, in the evening as they could in the morning, especially after having been fasting all day, or at best with only a mouthful of hard tack to eat?

(To be continued)

KEAN MUST STAY ASHORE

(Editor Mail and Advocate)

Dear Sir,—Please accept a few lines from this Local Council re the Bowring-Kean question. This Council strongly protests against Capt. Abram Kean commanding a sealing ship to the ice this spring, or any other spring. We are of unanimous opinion that Capt. Kean was no person to be blamed for the loss of the seventy-eight heroes who died on the ice-fields last spring.

The people are indignant over the way in which the Bowring-Kean matter is being handled so serious a matter in connection with the people in attempting to put Capt. Kean in the Florida as master this spring. After the Liverpool Era informing President Coaker by wire they would withdraw Capt. Kean from the ice-fields this spring and a few hours after to take such a turn, this thing has caused the greatest uproar among the people that has taken place since the F.P.C. started. Perhaps they may imagine it is only President Coaker that is after this thing, but we can assure them it is the people who is driving at the back of President Coaker to see the question carried through in regards to Kean commanding a ship to the icefield this spring. This Council again protests through the columns of your paper that Capt. Abram Kean should not command a ship to the ice in defiance of the people.

PORT REXTON LOCAL COUNCIL, F.P.C.

Per Walter Randall, Secy.

PORT REXTON,
Feb. 27, 1915.

BAY-DE-VERDE

COMPLIMENTS PRES. COAKER

(Editor Mail and Advocate)

Dear Sir,—Will you kindly allow me space in your valuable paper to make a few remarks regarding the way President Coaker is handling the Sealing Disaster.

It is astonishing to the whole world to say that any man could come forth to take such interest in the working classes. Why is it that mostly all the moneyed men of this country are working hand in hand against this one lone man? Do they imagine for one moment that he has beaten him his twenty thousand of Newfoundland's bread-winners, whose determination will be for nothing but the three loving letters, "F.P.C." as long as they can find a man as worthy as President Coaker to fill the position of President, as he is a man that gives every man his due.

Some people imagine that he is trying to oust Captain Abram Kean as a sealing captain, but I say no, he is only trying to protect the lives of those that have to go from home in mid-winter, to try and keep the wind from the door, which is blowing around so many homes in Newfoundland today.

They say British laws are the laws in the world, if that is so, they would be the laws of the world, but they are not, and any man with common sense can't deny this.

No matter what a certain class of men do in this country, no law will interfere. But there is another class that have to keep themselves upright and straight. If not they will soon be brought before the bar of Justice to answer for their behaviour. Do these ruling lords think that we can't see further than our eye can reach to-day. Yes, the time is not far distant when there will be a ruling power in our country that will treat each according to his deeds. Any man with brains can see the way we have been treated the last hundred years. Where did all these mess with their thousands of dollars get their money if not from our hard toil. They never earned it any other way. Much of it came from the men that are lying in their graves. Woe be to him that robbed them of their hard earnings.

Trusting that our President will come out victorious. M.P.

Bay de Verde,
Feb. 27, 1915.

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OUR POINT OF VIEW

SEALERS MEET

THE S.F.U. Sealers' Meeting last night at the Mechanics' Hall was crowded, the passages being also packed. President Coaker delivered the opening address, which occupied one hour. Messrs. Grimes, Stone, Halford, Dwyer and A. English also addressed the meeting at length. Resolutions, to be found on another page were unanimously passed by the Standing Vote of the audience. The sealers are unanimous in their determination to oust Kean from the Florizel, and to stand by the Union. The Resolution regarding the price of seals is of utmost importance to the country, as it will be taken up in a more concrete form by the meetings to be held next week. The Chairman gave any sealers opposed to the Resolution an opportunity to express any opinions they wished respecting the subject of the Resolutions, but not one man of the 500 present attempted to offer a word in favour of Kean. The speakers were continually applauded and when Mr. Coaker entered the Hall he received a grand reception and was heartily cheered, as he was also at the close of the meeting. Excellent speeches were made by all the speakers, and the first Union meeting for Gulf sealers was indeed a grand success. The serious condition of affairs respecting Kean going as master of

the Florizel caused all to be very serious and when Mr. Coaker asked what would happen if Kean was not taken ashore from the Florizel the audience responded immediately, and it would have been an eye-opener for Munn and Sir E. P. Morris if they had heard the reply.

FOR SEALERS' GUIDANCE

2. The following Regulations shall apply to all steamers prosecuting the Seal Fishery:

- (a) In addition to the food usually supplied, not less than one pound of soft bread shall be served to each member of the crew three times each week.
- (b) Beef, pork, potatoes and pudding shall be supplied for dinner three times each week.
- (c) For breakfast stewed beans and fish brewse shall be supplied alternately.
- (d) Onions, potatoes and turnips shall be ingredients in the soup supplied on Saturdays.
- (e) Fresh beef shall be supplied to each member of the crew once each week, and when fresh beef is not available, through circumstances over which the owners, or master of the ship has no control, canned beef shall be substituted therefor.
- (f) No person employed as cook shall be required by the captain to do any other work except such as is incidental to the work of cooking, if
 - (a) he shall personally object to performing other work; or
 - (a) any five of the members of the crew shall so object;

Provided that this regulation shall not be held to, in any way, take from or impair the general authority of the captain over the cooks as members of the crew, nor prevent him from ordering the said cooks to perform such work as, in his opinion, is necessary in the saving of life or for the safety of the ship.

3. It shall be the duty of the owner or person on whose account any steamer shall prosecute the Seal Fishery, in any year, to observe, or cause to be observed, the regulations set forth in the two preceding sections, but the owners shall not be liable for any default for which he is not personally responsible.

4. The owner or master or any steamer offending against any of the regulations set forth in Sections 1 and 2, shall be liable, for every offence against Section 2, where such offence shall arise from any act, neglect or default of such owner, or master, after his attention has been called to such offence, to a penalty of not less than \$25 and not exceeding \$500, to be recovered, in each case, in a summary manner, by any member of the crew of such steamer who shall sue for the same before a Stipendiary Magistrate, provided it shall be proved that complain-

of any such offence against Section 2, was made to the master at the time it occurred; provided that written notice of such suit shall be given to the said owner or master within seven days after the arrival of the steamer at port of discharge. One half of any fine imposed under this section shall be paid over to the person or persons taking suit, and the one half to the Minister of Finance for the use of the Colony.

5. Sick and disabled men on wooden ships shall be transferred, when possible, to a ship carrying a physician. No master shall refuse to accept such sick or disabled men on board his ship under a penalty not exceeding \$100, unless such persons are suffering from contagious disease.

11. The owners of steamers shall be liable in the case of the crew of any steamer being paid off at the end of the voyage with a balance insufficient in amount to pay the fares of the crew to their respective homes, to contribute a sum not exceeding four dollars, which when added to the amount paid the crew will be sufficient for the payment of the said fares.

S.U.F.

St. John's Lodge, S.U.F., gave a farewell banquet to a number of their brethren in the Volunteers and Naval Reserve in the British Hall last night. Grand Master J. A. Clift presided, and addresses were delivered by Bros. R. A. Squires, G. Langmaid, W. H. Goodland, C. E. Hunt, George Home and J. C. Phillips, as well as several of our soldiers and sailors. A choice musical programme added to the pleasures of the evening which was most enjoyably spent by all.

The eighteenth century entertainment—for the benefit of the poor—given last night at the Casino was a distinct success, and Mrs. Colville, with these ladies and gentlemen who assisted, are to be congratulated on their efforts to help the poor.

LOCAL ITEMS

S.S. Tabasco is to leave Liverpool to-morrow for this port.

Fireman O'Neill of the West End Fire Station is ill at his home.

Weather along the line to-day—Snowing a little in places; wind N.E. Temperature 10 to 28 above.

The Erik is now cleared for this season's sealfishery, and will get away as soon as ice conditions will allow.

The express due into the city to-morrow afternoon is expected to bring along another large mail, and possibly a part English one.

There is now an ocean of ice outside and some 350 miles extends north of Cape Race.

Michael Murphy, a well known citizen and a resident of Alexander St., died at his home this morning. Mr. Murphy had not been well of late but his demise was unexpected.

SHIPPING NEWS

The Gulf steamer Kyle left Port aux Basques at 10 a.m. yesterday for North Sydney.

The Ethie arrived at Placentia at 7 p.m. yesterday and sailed again this afternoon on Merasheen route.

The steamers Bruce, Glencoe and Home are still at Trepassay.

The sealing steamers which were about to sail to-day could not get away owing to the heavy ice blockade.

S.S. Tobasco sails from Liverpool on the ninth instead of on the sixth as previously announced.

A Goodly Amount Must Be Realized! Take In Every Show!

The Week-End Programme:—

MUTUAL WEEKLY—Interesting events.

LITTLE BREECHES—A Lubin comedy drama.

THE RIGHT OF WAY.

A strong social drama in two parts. Through a young girl a bunch of swindlers are foiled in their plot. She saves a poor man from ruin and gains a rich reward. Van Dyke Brooke, Norma Talmadge, Leo Delaney and Harry Northrup are the leads in this high-class Vitagraph production.

THE INDEPENDENCE OF SUSAN—A breezy Western story of homesteaders. Trials and tribulations.

THE BOWERY BOYS—An excruciating funny Keystone comedy.

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ENLISTED

Four names were placed on the roll of the Second Contingent last evening:—

St. John's.—Edgar M. Belbin, Wm. Fortune; Pouch Cove.—Eric Martin; Port Rexton, T.B.—McL. Power, which now makes the list 1237 in number.

The local via Broad Cove arrived into the city at 12.30, bringing a large number of sealers.

Attention of the proper authorities is directed to the present condition of the water tanks for cattle, as the truckmen generally are complaining of throat trouble among their horses.

The woodwork on the deck of the Desola caught fire last night, and the firemen were again called out.

The ship is now practically a total wreck. Her wood-work has all been consumed, and as the acid has eaten its way through the iron work, the steamer is practically doomed. This morning the West End fire brigade were again at work on the steamer. Report has it that the ship will be towed out to sea and sunk, the possibility of saving her being practically nil.

It was rumored to-day that some German-Americans had worked on the Desola's cargo when the ship was being freighted at New York, and that some of the steel drums in which the acid is stored, had been tampered with.

AS the acid was intended for the making of explosives in England, the story sounds as if it were within the degree of possibility, and may be taken for what it is worth.

C.C.C.—The Battalion will parade at the Armory to-night at 8.15 p.m. By order, O.C. J. C. PEREZ, Lieut. Adjt.—11

THE NICKEL

The programme at the Nickel to-night will be up to the usual standard, that is "high class," interesting and entertaining.

Here is the bill:—"Mutual Weekly"; "Little Breeches"; "The Right of Way"; "The Independence of Susan"; "The Bowery Boys." Isn't that a good programme, and isn't it worth seeing? Remember the Nickel Theatre is helping out the poor of the city. Why not give them a hand? To-morrow the matinee for the children will be a feature of the afternoon, and they ought to attend.

OBITUARY

Joseph Francis, a well-known and respected citizen passed to the Great Unknown yesterday in the person of Mr. Joseph Francis of H. M. Customs.

"Joe," as he was familiarly called, had a large circle of friends which he had gathered round him in the early seventies when he was very popular in connection with the postal service, then performed by the steamships "Plover" and "Curlew."

For the past 20 years Joseph Francis had been connected with the Customs Department, proving himself a most efficient and obliging servant, and the Mail and Advocate joins in condolence with his many friends and relatives.

Mr. Joseph Butt

It is with regret that we record the death of one of the members of Cat Harbor Local Council, Mr. Joseph Butt, who passed away on the 6th of January, at the age of 67 years, leaving a wife and four sons to mourn their sad loss.

A sleep in Jesus, blessed sleep, from which none ever wakes to weep. —W. J. BUTT. Cat Har., Feb. 9.

"That the war has presented justification for Britain adopting conscription" was carried by a majority vote of one by the M.C.C.I. last evening. The speakers for the affirmative were Messrs. H. E. Cowan, C. C. Pratt and W. Joyce, and for the negative Revd. Dr. Fenwick, Messrs. A. E. Parkins and W. Scott.

"Urry, Protection, Fishermen." The Gulf sealers meeting last night in Mechanics' Hall proved conclusively that united action on the part of the fishermen of the Colony will now be made in order to protect themselves from Water Street Graballs and incompetents.

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THE MAIL AND ADVOCATE, ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND, MARCH 5, 1915-6.

Resolutions Adopted By Unanimous Voice of 500 Sealers at Last Night's Meeting

Sealers at Present in St. John's en Route to the Gulf Pass Resolution Demanding the Arrest of Captain Abraham Kean on the Charge of Criminal Negligence

WHEREAS the Sealing Commission appointed by the Government has reported finding Capt. Abraham Kean guilty of a grave error of judgment in connection with the loss of seventy-eight of the Newfoundland's crew last Spring;

AND WHEREAS the Supreme Council and Conception Bay District Council of the F.P.U. have unanimously resolved that Capt. Kean should not again proceed to the Seal Fishery as Captain;

AND WHEREAS the firm of Bowring Brothers has been guilty of dishonourable conduct towards the F.P.U. regarding this matter, and has determined to send Capt. Kean to the icefields as Commander of the S.S. "Florizel," in defiance of the Sealing Commission's findings against Capt. Kean, and of the F.P.U.'s requests;

AND WHEREAS the F.P.U. of Conception Bay decided at Spaniard's Bay Convention to demand Capt. Kean's arrest upon a charge of criminal negligence;

AND WHEREAS fifteen hundred electors have so far sent in petitions to the Government asking for Capt. Kean's arrest;

BE IT RESOLVED that this meeting of sealers, en route to the Gulf icefields, endorse all that has been done by the F.P.U. to date respecting this matter, and call upon the Government to arrest Capt. Kean forthwith, in compliance with the universal wish of the sealers, who regard him as unfit and unsafe to be trusted with the lives of the crew and the responsibilities of the Master of a sealing steamer; and that in event of no action being taken by the Government to arrest Capt. Kean, we will stand by any action which the sealers may take at their meetings next week to prevent Capt. Kean from sailing as Captain of the "Florizel," and in that event, will in future boycott the firm of Bowring Bros. in business.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Governor, the Premier, and the Press.

WHEREAS the price of seals has been reduced by the seal buyers from \$4.75 to \$3.75, without consulting the men or anyone on their behalf;

AND WHEREAS the men not being under wages and sharing in the result of the voyage, are partners in the venture and are entitled to be consulted in the matter of price;

BE IT RESOLVED that the sealers represented at this meeting refuse to accept \$3.75 and demand last year's price, but record our willingness to submit the question of price to a Commission of Arbitration consisting of three men, one to be appointed by the F.P.U., one to be appointed by the buyers of seals, and a third to be selected by the two Commissioners;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that President Coaker be hereby authorized to immediately forward these resolutions to the Hon. W. C. Job, to request an immediate reply from him on behalf of the seal buyers, to make all arrangements on our behalf regarding the formation of the Commission of Arbitration above resolved, and to submit the result to a meeting of sealers next Monday or Tuesday night.

A Correction

In our report of the meeting held on Monday night to arrange the ice sports next week (for the benefit of the city poor) and contained in Tuesday's issue, we inadvertently omitted the St. Vincent de Paul Society as one of the beneficiaries. This we regret and hasten to correct ourselves. The net proceeds of the ice sports as suggested will be equally divided between the Dorecas, St. Vincent de Paul and Salvation Army.

The present ice blockade of our shores recalls to mind that at this date thirty-six years ago, the steamers Neptune and Panther both left for the seal fishery and got jammed in Freshwater Bay.

The Neptune was bound for Catalina and the Panther for Channel. The weather was very thick and foggy and next day the pilots saw the two ships in the ice and driving in on the land.

We have numerous enquirers about the 1st Newfoundland Regiment—where they are, where to address letters, parcels, etc.? How is it that nothing of an official nature has been given out by those in authority?

Painters and decorators are now busy at the Colonial Building getting the House in order for the opening of the Legislature.

The gentlemen of the St. Vincent de Paul Society, who are now collecting in the city for the Society, are meeting with exceptional success, as those who possibly can are helping out the cause in which the St. Vincent people are so nobly working.

CHARITY ICE SPORTS (under the distinguished patronage of His Excellency the Governor) Prince's Rink, Monday, 8th March, at 8 p.m. Proceeds for the City Poor. G.C.C. Band will be present and render special selections under Bandmaster Bulley; Inter-League Hockey—Feldians v. City; Inter-Collegiate Hockey—Collegians v. Others; Special Ladies' Hockey Match; Boys' Race (one mile)—for boys under 16; One Mile Race—All Comers. General Skating at close till 11 p.m. General Admission Tickets on Sale at Various Stores, Reserved Seat Tickets (numbered) on Sale at the 1st Newfoundland Regiment—where Special Prizes for the Races are exhibited. Secure Tickets early and Help the Poor. J. M. TOBIN, Hon. Sec.

BREAKING ROCKS FOR GOSLING

Oh, you've heard the latest news that's goin' round the town, Those men that had been breakin' rocks they threw their hammers down; Sure they'd sooner join the Germans, they'd get better pay. Than breaking rocks for Gosling at Ninety Cents a day.

If Gosling has no other work than breaking rocks to give Unto each honest laborer to help him for to live, Let him get out of where he's at—let others take the sway, And then we won't be breaking rocks at Ninety Cents a day. JAMES MURPHY.

SHIPPING

S.S. Durango arrived at Halifax last night.

The Portia is due here from the westward to-morrow afternoon.

The Kyle's express, with passengers and mail, arrived into the city this morning.

Lake Simcoe got away from Per-nambuco on Wednesday last for St. John's.

The Diana will clear for the fishery to-day, and will sail as soon as possible for Channel.

The Nascopie ought to reach here about Tuesday next and will be hurriedly made ready for the seal fishery.

PERSONALS

Rev. Dr. Whealan, P.P., North River, went out by last evening's train.

Mr. T. R. McGrath, of H.M. Customs, was removed to the Hospital yesterday, and is reported very ill.

Capt. Bastor Barbour, of the Non-Com, came to the city yesterday.

Mr. W. Pierce, of Heart's Content, is in the city on a visit to his son Wm. of Jas. Baird, Ltd.

American Consul Offers Protest

Mr. Benjamin Morel, American Consul at Dunblair, has sent a protest concerning the recent air-raid upon American Ambassador at Paris, in the following terms:

"One of the bombs thrown last Friday on Dunkirk fell at a distance of two yards from my house, killing and inflicting serious injuries on several persons. My son and myself, who entered our house at that moment, just escaped being killed. I was hurt on the head by falling glass. The number of bombs thrown by the Germans, and the height, about 2,000 metres, at which the aeroplanes were, seems to prove that the missiles were thrown at hazard."

The Regimental Paymaster's office has been transferred to the Treasury Department at H.M. Custom House, where Paymaster Bursell and his aid will pass out allotment cheques on and after Saturday, 6th inst.

GOOD MEN AND TRUE

The Mail and Advocate had a talk to-day with Mr. Thomas Wadleton who is one of the four young men who arrived by the Graciana, discharged from the Naval Reserve. Mr. Wadleton, who belongs to Avondale, was amongst our Naval Reserve boys who went in the second contingent on the Graciana. He found us very well acquainted with the subject of our countrymen who were on any of the big battle ships, most of them are on armed liners, in trawlers, and aboard cruisers, and are all proving themselves good men and true. Mine trawling or looking for submerged mines, is a very dangerous work, and Mr. Wadleton was for a short time engaged at this, though he does not think that any of our boys are engaged at this work now. He was on board the Graciana and describes her as having been a very large steamer and modernly equipped. He was present when the Graciana brought a large prize into London some time ago. Mr. Wadleton will leave for his home at Avondale this afternoon.

Feelings of Revolt

(Editor Mail and Advocate.) Dear Sir,—Words cannot express the feelings of revolt that the Morris Government has aroused in my breast through the defiance of the wishes of the people in this Kean case. From going to and fro among the people of this city I hear and know enough of their minds and if required, the working men of St. John's will fall in line with the Union men in a public demonstration. SIGNAL. March 4th, 1915.

THE GOVERNOR ACKNOWLEDGES PETITIONS RE KEAN'S ARREST

Government House, St. John's, Nfld., 3 March, 1915. Sir,—I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 2nd instant with enclosed petitions from Clarke Beach, Island Cove, Cupido, Charstown, Port de Grave and Bay St. George. I have referred these Petitions to my Ministers for consideration. I have the honour to be, Sir, Your obedient servant, W. E. DAVIDSON, Governor. W. F. Coaker, Esq., M.H.A., President F.P.U.

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There have been 2000 packages of the Desola's cargo of sulphuric acid taken from the ship and shipped to Irvine's station. Some 6000 drums have been consumed on board.

The annual entertainments given to the sealers, fishermen and seamen in the Greenfell Hall have been arranged for the following evenings, commencing at 8 p.m. Tuesday, 2nd; Wednesday, 3rd; Thursday, 4th; Friday, 5th; Saturday, 6th; Monday, 8th; Tuesday, 9th; Wednesday, 10th; Thursday, 11th; Friday, 12th March. The entertainments will consist of moving pictures and as many naval and military films as available, relating to the war will be shown. Admission is free to all sealers, fishermen and seamen.



NOTICE

Whereas it appears some misunderstanding has arisen with respect to the free delivery of Parcels mailed to our Volunteers in Great Britain the Public will please take notice that such Parcels cannot be delivered free of postage. I have been notified that the Postmaster General of the United Kingdom could not undertake the delivery without charge of unpaid or insufficiently paid parcels to the troops on active service in Great Britain. Consequently all parcels mailed to members of the Newfoundland Contingent must be stamped according to the established rates. H. B. WOODS, Postmaster General. mar5,2w,eod

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NOTICE TO SEALERS!

The F. P. U. has secured the Casino Theatre (T. A. HALL) for Sealers Meetings, on Monday 8th, Tuesday 9th, Wednesday 10th, Thursday 11th and Friday, the 12th March.

The meetings will be addressed by various speakers, and all will be open to F. P. U. Members. Two meetings will be open to all Sealers. President Coaker will preside at all meetings.

Particulars will be announced later.

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