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### SAGONA FROM LABRADOR

The S.S. Sagona, Capt. Burgess, which arrived from Labrador ports Friday brought the latest fishery news from the coast. The fishery as a whole is a poor one. Bad weather with gales of wind fog and rain have prevailed for several weeks past and Capt. Burgess says that already many traps have been taken in and owing to the S.E. and E.N.E. gales prevailing with rain and heavy sea, no traps have been put in the water since the 8th of the present month, though fish was reported to be plentiful and had it not been for the conditions prevailing a good fishery must have been recorded. Captain Burgess' official report is as follows:

Holton, Horse Hr. and Emily Hr.—Both landmen and footers have done well.  
White Bears—All crews did well, Smokey—Traps doing fair.  
Indian Hr. and Pack's Hr.—Nothing.

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Grady—No fish. McRae's traps have done nothing and crews have not had such a blank in years.  
Indian Tickle—Crews have average catches.  
Griffin's Hr., Domino and Spotted Islands—Fishery a blank.  
Black Tickle—Traps have done fair, others nothing.  
Battéau—Fair catches have been landed.  
Sandy Islands—Crews did well and all have good voyages ashore.  
Flat Islands—Munn's have done very poorly.  
Comfort Bight—Good catches have been landed; all crews doing well.  
Bolster Rock—Crews here have done practically nothing.  
Hawk's Hr., Venison Island and Styles—All crews did well and have good voyages ashore.  
Snug Harbor—There has been splendid fishing here all season. Thos Finn's crew of four men have 600 qts. ashore. Twelve vessels loaded there.  
Dead Islands and Square Islands—All crews did well.  
Occasional Harbor—All did well.  
Fishing Ship's Hr.—All did well.  
Spear Hr.—All did well.  
Battle Harbor—Not much doing with traps, but good hooking.  
Capt. Burgess also had news from the S.S. Senef giving an account of the fishery on Northern Labrador. She reports no fish north of the Farmyards, where there is fair fishing and a good sign at Cape Harrington, but nothing at Turnavick, Makovik and Iron Bound Islands, though good fishing prevails at Cape Harrison and Ragged Islands. The schooners in this section vary from 400 to 1,200 qts. The gold scare the ship reports is all off, and most of the prospectors and others returned on the Sagona, though at least three men will remain for the winter to prospect for the precious metal and platinum, which it is reported have been discovered.

popular employee of the Royal Stores. He was an ex-member of the C. L. B., and an active member of the Old Comrades. He is survived by a widow and two children.

### TRIBUTE TO MEMORY OF REV. DR. WHELAN

In a sermon in the R. C. Church here on Sunday last, Aug. 26th, Rev. Fr. Fitzgerald, speaking of "Charity in Practice," made special reference to the passing of Rev. Dr. Whelan as follows:

"If you would see a practical example of such love, you will find it demonstrated in the life of your beloved pastor, whose noble death has so recently struck sorrow into every home in this community, for 'facio' no less than 'credo' was the motto which he followed; and none know better than you among whom he worked that he was wont to DO as well as to BELIEVE. It was his oft repeated boast that you, his people, had ever been to him wholehearted, generous and loyal to a man; and your love for your dear dead pastor was only exceeded by his love for you.

"During his years of pastoring no favor did he ask of you in vain, and now, in death, I know to him you will be no less loyal. Nor will his wishes be held by you in less regard. And this is your pastor's wish—that you be ever true to the Christian principles he has labored to engrave upon your hearts, and emulate the example of practical love of God and whole-hearted charity towards man so eminently seen throughout his whole career. For his was the charity of a noble pastor's heart, than which there is no greater, 'Greater love than this no man hath,' etc.

"Above the surging of the angry waters, above the thunder of the

### SAD DROWNING AT TOPSAIL

On Wednesday, August 29th, a sad drowning accident occurred at Topsail, when Mr. Herbert Pike, an employee of the Royal Stores Ltd., St. John's, was seized with a cramp while swimming, and sank before a rescue party could reach him.

The deceased was a member of the Royal Stores Swimming Club, whose members were holding an outing at Topsail on Wednesday afternoon. A set programme had been arranged for the afternoon's entertainment, but shortly after arriving a number of them, including Pike, decided to go for a swim. There was a heavy lull and the water was quite chilly. The victim, despite the entreaties of his comrades, started to swim for a boat anchored a quarter of a mile distant. He reached the boat, swam round it, and was returning to the shore when he apparently was seized with a cramp. His cries for help were heard by those on the beach, who immediately set out in a boat toward the spot where he was last seen, but the body did not rise. Within half an hour a motor boat was procured and rushed to the scene of the accident, and with the aid of jiggers the body was recovered in four fathoms of water. All that medical skill could do was done for the man but to no avail. Dr. Burden, who rushed from Manuels, pronounced after examination that the vital spark had fled.

Deceased was well-known and a

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### W. W. HALFYARD,

Minister of Marine and Fisheries Department of Marine and Fisheries St. John's, Newfoundland, June 16th, 1923.

July 6, 1923

arctic ice that broke the brooding silence of the north, his attentive ear, ever sensitive to the cry of souls in distress, heard the plaintive pleading of a people that hungered for the Bread of Life and thirsted for the Word of God; and though his body burned with the fires of physical infirmity, his noble soul burned yet more strongly with the fire of Charity and a desire to spread the Word of God among the long-forgotten tribes of Northern Labrador.

"Sad, indeed, is the dawn of each succeeding morrow that brings with it the realization that our pastor is no more. Yet such is only partly true; for while his body rests among his well-beloved people on the green slopes of yonder hill, his memory and example will yet live, and, like the sea-shell that keeps ever murmuring the music of its native deeps, the muted chimes of sorrow will never cease in the souls of his people here for whom he lived, and the people of the frozen north for whom he died.

"The noble Apostle of the Montagnais was as strong as he was delicate; as tender as he was bold. Yet why say more? To you his well-beloved flock, the name of Dr. Whelan needs no panegyric, nor cease there of more, for on the tattered head of our dear dead pastor the deathless laurel, woven by the hand of gratitude and love, shall never cease to rest while these most fundamental aspirations find place in the human heart."

### VISIT OF COL. AND MRS. CLOUD, S.A.

Colonel and Mrs. Cloud, S.A., new Territorial Commanders for Newfoundland, visited this town and conducted services at the S.A. Citadel on Sunday, Aug. 26th. The Colonel is a fine musician, having composed several famous hymns, which are sung wherever the Salvation Army is known. They conducted a holiness meeting in the morning, free and easy meeting in the afternoon and a salvation meeting at night, all of which were largely attended. Both Colonel and Mrs. Cloud are good speakers and the audiences were given soul-stirring messages by sermon and song.

### FOOTBALL

In connection with the Meth. Garden Party, Clarke's Beach, on Wednesday, August 29th, a programme of sports was run off. A game of football five was played between Clarke's Beach and Bay Roberts resulting in a win for Bay Roberts by a score of 1 goal, 2 corners to 1 goal, 1 corner. The line-up was as follows: Clarke's Beach—H. Jerrett, W. Nicholls, Fitzpatrick, forwards; C. Filler, back; C. Williams, goal. Bay Roberts—J. Ploughman, W. J. Mercer, Max Dawe, forwards; Bert Hillyard, back; H. Russell, goal. After this game a second game was played between Bay Roberts and Mackinsons, which resulted in a win for Bay Roberts by 2 corners.

### LOCAL NEWS.

Mr. W. T. Bellamy and son Billie, arrived by Monday night's train. Mr. Bellamy has spent his holidays visiting relatives in England.

Mr. R. B. Wells, of the Bank of Nova Scotia, Kentville, N. S., is home spending a vacation with his parents, Sergt. R. J. and Mrs. Wells.

Mr. and Mrs. Chesley Hann and family, of Grand Falls, who have been visiting friends in this town, returned home on Thursday morning.

Mr. Harvey Pike and Miss Dorothy Gillingham, who have spent a vacation with Mrs. M. Barrett, Coley's Point, returned to the city by Monday evening's train.

Miss Emmie Snow, who for a number of years had charge of the Meth. Day School at Coley's Point, left by Thursday morning's train for Gambo, where she will teach for the coming year.

A wise man never despairs.

### ORDERED HOME

S.S. Watchful, stationed at Stag Bay, Labrador, since June last, has, we understand, been ordered home. The squad of police and Government officials who went along will be returning by the steamer almost immediately. Indications are that no gold has been found, prospectors have been few, and that the whole upshot has been nothing but a mere frizzle.

Mr. L. Edwards, an experienced authority on minerals, who has travelled from Alaska to the Antipodes, also returned by the Silvia II. Early this season, Mr. Edwards came from Montreal and went to Labrador by the Malakoff and immediately began operations. Colour was found in two or three places but there were no prospects worth while.

### 'LITTLE STEPHANO SAFE'

During the week much anxiety was felt for the safety of the schooner "Little Stephano," which was on her way from New York to Beaverton, N.D.B., with a load of coal. She was a week overdue but on Monday last Capt. A. Kean received word that the schooner had reached her destination in safety.

### NEWS OF THE WORLD.

Rome, Aug. 29.—The Italian Government has demanded a formal apology from the Greek Government and an indemnity of fifty thousand lire, and that full honors be paid by the Greek to the Italian fleet at Piræus, because of the assassination of five Italian members of the Greco-Albanian boundary mission last Monday.

Rome, August 29.—It is officially announced that the entire Italian mission assigned the task of establishing an Albanian-Greek frontier has been massacred by Greeks. Mussolini has advised the Italian Minister in Athens to demand from the Greek Government full reparations and prompt apology for the assassination as well as prompt apprehension and punishment of the assassins. Intense feeling has been aroused in Italy over the tragedy.

London, August 29.—The Times gives the following standing of parties in the Irish elections, Government, 18; Republicans, 3; Farmers, 2; Independents, 6; Labour 1. This was given out on Tuesday at midnight.

### LOCAL NEWS.

Mr. James Burke, of the Western Union Cable Staff, who spent his holidays on a trip to Labrador, returned by the S.S. Sagona.

Misses Daisy and May Oake, who have been visiting friends at Greenspond, returned home last week.

Mr. T. Sheppard, was here on Monday last, in the interest of the Martin Senour Co.

Miss Myrtle Wilcox will leave on Saturday for Port de Grave, where she will take charge of the Methodist School.

Mr. Stephen Earle, light-keeper at Winsor's Harbor Point, Labrador returned home by the Sagona, feeling unwell. A man named Anderson, a native of Labrador, takes his position.

### DIED.

On Monday, August 27th, Frances wife of Jacob Morgan, Coley's Pt. She leaves to mourn one son, Walter now residing in Boston, Mass., and one daughter, Mrs. Abram Newell, Dock, and six grandchildren. Funeral took place on Wednesday to the C. of E. cemetery, Rev. E. M. Bishop officiating.

On Thursday, August 30th, after a short illness, Jane, wife of William Russell, Coley's Point. She leaves to mourn a loving husband, one son, Arthur, one brother, father and mother.

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W. W. HALFYARD,  
Colonial Secretary  
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DAVID STOTT,  
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June 22, 21

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### House of Assembly

OFFICIAL SYNOPSIS OF PROCEEDINGS

(Continued.)

TUESDAY, July 10, 1923.

The House met at 12.15 pursuant to adjournment.  
 Mr. Speaker informed the House that His Excellency would receive the address in reply presently.  
 Mr. Speaker and the House proceeded to Government House and being returned to the House Mr. Speaker informed the House that His Excellency had received the address of Thanks and had been pleased to reply as follows:

Government House,  
 St. John's Nfld.  
 Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Honourable House of Assembly: I thank you for your Address in Reply to the Speech with which your present Session was opened.  
 (Sgd.) W. L. Allardyce,  
 Governor.

Mr. Speaker informed the House that the Legislative Council had passed the Bills sent up entitled "An Act further to Amend the Act Geo. V. (1915) Cap. 4 entitled "An Act for the Confirmation of a Contract with the Newfoundland Products Corporation" and "An Act for the Settlement of Certain Disputes relating to the Newfoundland Railway and other matters" — without amendment.  
 The House then adjourned until Thursday next at 3 p.m.

Thursday, July 12, 1923.

The House met at 3.1 p.m. pursuant to adjournment.  
 Following questions the House went into Committee of the whole on Supply pending further information re expenditure, and at the request of the Leader of the Opposition, Supply was deferred until Tuesday next when the Minister of Finance will be ready with his Budget speech.

Hon. the Prime Minister stated no supplies or guarantees for supplies had been given by the Government this year.

Hon. the Prime Minister gave notice of a bill entitled "An Act respecting certain rights privileges and franchises connected with the supply of Electric Light and Power to St. John's for street Railway and other purposes."

The House then adjourned until Tuesday next at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

Friday, July 13, 1923.

The House met at 3.15 p.m. at the call of the Speaker.

A message from His Excellency the Governor was received commanding the attendance of the House in the Council Chamber.

Mr. Speaker and the House attended His Excellency in the Council Chamber where His Excellency was pleased to assent to the following Bills:

"An Act further to Amend the Act Geo. V. (1915) Cap. 4 entitled "An Act for the Confirmation of a Contract with the Newfoundland Products Corporation Ltd." and "An Act for the Settlement of Certain Disputes relating to the Newfoundland Railway and other matters."

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Act for the Settlement of Certain Disputes Relating to the Newfoundland Railway and other matters."  
 The House then adjourned until Tuesday next at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

Tuesday, July 17, 1923  
 Hon. the Prime Minister tabled Annual Report of Newfoundland Patriotic Fund, Dec. 31, 1922.

Hon. the Minister of Education tabled reports of the Council of Higher Education, and the Department of Education for the year 1923.  
 An Act respecting certain rights, privileges and franchises connected with the supply of Electric Power and Light to St. John's for Street Railway and other purposes, was introduced and read a first time.

Hon. the Prime Minister moved that ways and means be deferred until Tuesday next. The Budget was ready but there were some provisions arising out of the Spanish Treaty and treaty arrangements with Jamaica necessitating certain tariff changes for which resolutions had to be brought down.

On motion of the Prime Minister the House adjourned until Monday the 23rd inst. at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

MONDAY, July 23, 1923.

The House met at 3.15 p.m. pursuant to adjournment, and there being no quorum present Mr. Speaker adjourned the House until tomorrow at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

TUESDAY, July 24, 1923.

The House met at 3.15 p.m. pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Higgins (St. John's East) presented a petition from the residents of Bauline on the subject of a Breakwater. Mr. Fox and Mr. Vinicombe gave the petition their hearty support.

In moving the adjournment of the House, the Hon. W. R. Warren made the following statement:

"Mr. Speaker, in moving the adjournment of the House I desire to say that since the House last met, the Government as a Government has gone out of office. The resignation of Sir R. A. Squires as Prime Minister automatically carried with it the resignation of all of the members of the Executive Government. As His Excellency the Governor has pointed out to me, Ministers are still retaining office as the King's Government must go on, and the constitutional practice is for them to retain office until they are succeeded or the positions are otherwise filled. His Excellency sent for me yesterday afternoon and asked me to form an administration and, while realizing the magnitude of the task, I told him that I was prepared to make the attempt."

Sir, the Government is primarily formed by the people and can only function while it has the confidence of the House. In fact I go so far as to say it can only function at times when it has the confidence of the people.  
 Last evening I was unanimously elected the Leader of those who sit this side of the House, but that does not necessarily mean that I have become Prime Minister.  
 I have to form a Government, and in that undertaking and in view of what I have said, I propose to attempt to form what in my opinion will be an administration of strength and stability and one which will possess the confidence of the country at large. In view of the situation and of general conditions, I want to ask here and now every member of the House, whether sitting on this side or on that, and, in fact, every member of the community to make any little sacrifice that may be necessary for the welfare of our common country. If this is impossible, and I cannot form such a Government, then I am quite ready to go back to His Excellency and, while telling him of my failure, ask him to send for someone who may be more successful. It will take some little time to make the necessary arrangements, and I therefore move that at its rising this House adjourn until Tuesday next at three o'clock in the afternoon."

The House accordingly was adjourned until 3 o'clock on Tuesday next 31st inst.

Tuesday, July 31, 1923.

The House met at 3.15 p.m. pursuant to adjournment.  
 Before proceeding to routine business

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ness the new Prime Minister, Hon. W. R. Warren, K.C., arose in his place and reviewed the political situation during the interregnum. The Prime Minister said:

Mr. Speaker:—Before the orders of the day are proceeded with I beg leave to say a few words, with the permission of you and the House. Since I last addressed the House I have succeeded in forming an administration and in carrying out the task imposed upon me by His Excellency. When called upon to form a Government in view of the conditions in the country and in order to make the Government a more representative one, I approached the Hon. and learned Leader of the Opposition and requested the co-operation of that party. In the interests of the Colony they were prepared to assist but in negotiating the details of an amalgamation we came to a deadlock and negotiations came to an end. I must express my regret that I failed but I take this opportunity of saying how I appreciate the personal tribute of confidence they paid me in preparing to co-operate under my leadership. Accordingly, Sir, I have formed a Government from the material I had at my disposal on this side of the House, and I am glad to say I have a united party behind me. The history and experience of previous Prime Ministers are not such as to encourage me to undertake the responsibilities of the position and I am further discouraged by the legacy left me. It cannot be denied that the party and the Government have sustained a severe blow by reason of recent happenings. Undoubtedly public confidence has been shaken. Then Sir, I have to ask myself the question "How can I restore that confidence?" My answer is, first, by an impartial and immediate investigation into the departments concerned. The commission of enquiry must have carte blanche. It must have an absolutely free hand. The commission must be one in which the public will have confidence, and I will even go so far as to submit the names to the Leader of the Opposition before the commission is appointed. I owe it to the country, to my party, and to myself to have this investigation and to make it as thorough as possible. We all want to start with a clean slate. Secondly, we think we can restore confidence by adhering to the path of rectitude and by seeing that no charges can be levelled against my administration, and thirdly, by prudent honest administration to merit the approbation of the country. I make no pretensions to statesmanship. I do not profess to be one, but by these simple means it may be possible to restore confidence. I count upon the healthy and helpful criticism of the Opposition towards this end. We shall of course come in for criticisms, harsh criticism, but I think I am safe in saying—to use a common expression—they will not hit me "below the belt." And Sir, by the time a general election is upon us, if I have not inspired the confidence and trust I have anticipated I shall gladly and willingly transfer the burden to more capable shoulders.

The Prime Minister was followed by the Leader of the Opposition who spoke as follows:—  
 Mr. Higgins—Mr. Speaker, following the example of the Hon. the Prime Minister, I have to ask the permission of yourself and the House for saying just a word or two. At the outset I desire to thank the Leader of the House for the very open manner in which he has just addressed us, and for his frank admission that the desire to form a Coalition government emanated from himself and those who supported him. I think in making this admission publicly he has done himself credit. I go further and say that in his desire to avail of the recent and unexpected political development to change the lines of demarcation which unfortunately are at present existing in this Assembly he has set an example in liberality of thought that should not quickly be forgotten. Every right-thinking man must deplore the present unnatural division which exists in this House. An so, when an opportunity was offered to alter this situation, and the offer was made from a majority of the House, it may be wondered why this proposal was not accepted. Well, Mr. Speaker, the answer is simple. It was not a question where we were masters of our own destiny. To me personally, the matter of associating with the new Prime Minister would have been a pleasure. As a lifelong friend I have had especial opportunities to confirm the statement I now make as to his honesty of purpose and absolute trustworthiness. It will be a great disappointment to me if in his new office he fails to live up to the high opinion I have always

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- (b) on entering or leaving any foreign port and
- (c) if of fifty tons gross tonnage or upwards, on entering or leaving any British Port.

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