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## THE TURKS FLEE IN DISORDER WITH THE RUSSIANS IN PURSUIT

Losses Suffered by Turks in Fighting Around Erzerum Were Terrible—Russians Capture Large Amount of Stores When Fortresses Fell—Also Many Prisoners—Russian Black Sea Fleet Continue Operations West of Trebizond With Good Results—Russians Also Make Progress in Caucasus Coast Region

Petrograd, Feb. 19.—A War Office communication as issued today says:

Completeness of the defeat sustained by the Turks and the terrible losses they suffered at Erzerum fighting is becoming more and more clear. The forts in the fortress itself and in surrounding country are full of Turkish dead. Remnants of Turkish army pressed by our troops are fleeing in disorder, many at points in different directions. A severe snowstorm has failed to cool the ardor of our men in pursuit who are close on the heels of the enemy and who are taking prisoners at the tail ends of the Turkish columns.

We captured at Erzerum the entire fortress artillery and a large part of the enemy's field artillery. Up to the present we have counted two hundred guns. We have taken a huge quantity of artillery, ammunition and arms, several dozen motor cars, wireless apparatus and pontoon park. A number of other troops taken with Turkish soldiers captured in vast regions of Erzerum are being tabulated.

The troops of the Caucasian army are now withstanding the supreme efforts, demanding of them ceaseless fighting over most difficult country and have suffered but slight losses and are ready for fresh exploits when the sovereign orders.

In the Black Sea our warships have continued their operations in the coast region of West Trebizond, permanent bridges have been demolished and 15 sailing ships destroyed.

In the Caucasus coast region our troops have dislodged the enemy from a series of positions and

### BRAND'S VISIT TO ITALY

PARIS, Feb. 18.—The Milan Stampa summarizing the results of Premier Briand's recent visit to Rome says besides being in accord upon political and military policies French and Italian governments have reached technical agreements concerning munitions under which expert Italian metal workers will be sent to French munition works. Agreements were also reaching says the newspaper concerning the exchange of products between the two countries and for arranging common facilities for transport. The Stampa adds decisions reached already have been approved by the Italian Cabinet and that they will be put into execution immediately.

## Derby Sounds Warning to Newspapers

Thinks Papers Have Alarmed People Over Air Raids—Says Airman May Lose Faith in Their Machines

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 19.—"I have always believed," said Lord Derby, "that sooner or later the Germans will attempt a great sea raid on this country, and that however well organized our navy it will not be able to stop it, but I believe the army and navy are now so co-ordinated that even if the raid comes it will be practically in-operative, and that those who come will be wiped out."

Discussing the air menace, Lord Derby appealed to newspapers not to unduly agitate the public mind regarding air raids because the effect of such agitation is likely to have on the British airman.

"It is not true British aeroplane commanders have sent up their men under atmospheric or other conditions of greatest danger," Lord Derby declared. "But if newspapers are not careful public opinion will force these commanders for fear that it might be a raid. Moreover if the public was decrying our aeroplanes, airmen will lose confidence in their machines."

Lord Derby made the above remarks at a working men's mass meeting held here to-night.

## Havana Cigar Makers Are Hard Hit by British Proclamation

All Factories Are Reducing Their Output and Discharging Workers—5000 Cigar Makers Will be Compelled to Seek Government Aid

HAVANA, Feb. 19.—The British proclamation prohibiting after March 1st, except under a Board of Trade license, the importation of manufactured and unmanufactured tobacco, including cigars and cigarettes, is causing much uneasiness in Havana. It is feared it will result in much distress among the cigar makers and great loss to manufacturers and planters. All factories the reducing their output and discharging workers.

### KING GEORGE AND CZAR NICHOLAS

LONDON, Feb. 18.—On receipt of the news of the capture of Erzerum by the Russians, King George despatched the following message to Emperor Nicholas:

"My heartfelt congratulations upon the splendid achievement of your gallant troops in capturing Erzerum, after such hard fighting, which I trust will have far-reaching effects."

## REPUBLICAN SENATORS THINK WILSON HAS DONE WRONG

Says He Should Not Have Met Germany's Request That All Armed Merchantmen Would be Sunk Without a Vigorous Protest—To Agree to This Policy Makes the States an Ally of Germany

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—Senator Lodge, ranking as minority member of the Foreign Relations Committee, made a speech in the Senate today declaring the abandonment by the States at this time of the principle that its citizens were free to travel upon merchantmen of belligerent nations armed solely for defence purposes, would be an unneutral act and a step toward war. He said it would make the States an ally of the belligerent whose merchant marine had been swept from the seas.

Senator Sterling, of South Dakota, spoke to his resolution to declare the Senate's concern over the recent German naval order to sink all enemy armed merchant ships. He said the issue brought the United States into its gravest national crisis. Instead of yielding to the claims of the German Admiralty, said he, their very mention should meet with vigorous protest. Instead of denying this old right of the seas, we should now, of all times, vie with Britain or any nation seeking to uphold it. It is possible some danger will be incurred, but I do not much fear that the dangers will be increased beyond what they are at present. But I do know that let another sea horror occur, in which American lives are involved, then this administration, and the world will know that real America is not supine, apathetic and hesitating, but strong and militant, and, if need be, ready to respond to those noble impulses of liberty and humanity which have been our heritage from the beginning.

Discussing the right of Britain to arm her merchantmen fleet for defence purposes, Senator Sterling said: "Of all peoples in the wide world, it is becoming to deny Britain that right now, or to spend one hour in diplomatic haggling to secure her ratification of it. Our export trade has been growing by leaps and bounds. Each month has been exceeding by many millions the last preceding month. Manufacturers of arms and munitions of war are not only the beneficiaries, but the products of the farm, forest and mine find foreign demand, and the market in the aggregate was never equalled. But with our own poor and inade-

## THE KURDS MASSACRE ARMENIANS

Turk Reinforcements Which Were Hastening to Aid of Erzerum Failed to Arrive in Time—Capture of Fortress Has Aroused Great Enthusiasm in Russia

PETROGRAD, Feb. 19.—A semi-official News Agency says, the exact number of Turkish troops captured by the fall of Erzerum is not known, but the greater part of the garrison got away, as the fortress was not invested, but was carried by assault. The number of guns captured reach 1,000. Before the evacuation the Kurds mercilessly massacred thousands of Armenians.

The city's defensive works were organized by German Commander Possel and were spoken of as admirable as embodying all resources of modern artillery engineering.

Latest advices indicated heavy Turkish reinforcements which had been hastening to the aid of Erzerum failed to arrive in time. The capture of Erzerum has aroused great enthusiasm throughout Russia. Towns, large and small, are scenes of demonstration, parades and drum celebrations. A most imposing demonstration took place in Tiflis where Grand Duke Nicholas, in person, announced the news of the fall of Erzerum. The whole town lavishly decorated. The Grand Duke appeared several times in response to acclamations of the crowds.

### MABEL D. HINES ABANDONED AT SEA CREW AT NEW YORK

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—The Dutch steamer Alphonse arrived here today with captain and crew of the schr. Mabel D. Hines, abandoned in a sinking condition after a losing battle of forty days with continuous gales.

### DEEP UNREST IN IRELAND

LONDON, Feb. 18.—With a freedom that is regarded as most unusual the censor has allowed the publication of certain facts pointing to deep unrest in Ireland. An anti-Government campaign apparently has its headquarters in Dublin, from which city activities are being directed. The police have raided a number of houses, and have suppressed at least ten newspapers within the last few weeks.

### SWEDEN'S DECISION

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—Sweden has informally advised the State Department that in consequence of the announced intention of Germany and Austria to sink armed merchantmen without warning after Feb. 23rd, she will notify her nationals not to travel on such ships.

WINNIPEG, Feb.—An American battalion, the 212th has been authorized to be raised in Winnipeg, Major Pittman now with the American Legion at Toronto will be in command according to advices received at headquarters this morning.

quate merchant marine, how would it have been if Britain were not Mistress of the Seas?

## Fall of Erzerum Has Caused Bulgar King Hurry Home

London, Feb. 19.—The Daily News has the following despatch from its Rome correspondent:

The sudden departure of King Ferdinand of Bulgaria from Vienna for Sofia is due to the news of the fall of Erzerum.

This defeat will likely compel the Turks to withdraw all these troops which were destined to cooperate with the Bulgarians in the defence of Danube and the coasts of Black Sea and Aegean Sea.

## Rioting Breaks Out In Stamboul

Crowds Gather in Streets and Make Demonstrations Against War—German Police Guard Sultan's Palace—Alarming Rumors Regarding Turks at Trebizond

LONDON, Feb. 19.—The London Telegraph's correspondent says: According to despatches received here, serious trouble has broken out in Constantinople. On Thursday large crowds gathered in the streets and made demonstration, shouting against the war and the casualties of the young Turks. The German police attacked the manifestation. The German garrison is guarding the palace of the Sultan and Ministerial offices.

It is also declared that the Turkish troops ordered to proceed to Armenia have refused to comply. Disorder is reported to have broken out in Smyrna and Beirut. Alarming rumors are current in Turkey regarding the situation at Trebizond, where conditions are said to be worse than they were at Erzerum. It is impossible to send assistance to Trebizond.

## Appeal Made To the Banks In Britain

McKenna, Chancellor of Exchequer, Asks Banks to Urge Customers to Offer Treasury Their American Securities

LONDON, Feb. 18.—It is officially announced that Reginald McKenna, Chancellor of the Exchequer has sent an appeal to the banks throughout Great Britain asking that they urge customers to offer all available American securities to the treasury.

McKenna's statement follows: "You are acquainted with the government's scheme for acquiring American dollar securities in order to maintain a state of exchange with the States while expressing cordial thanks to those banks which already have urged customers holding suitable securities to offer them to the treasury. I invite all the banks to take similar action, and impress upon customers their paramount duty in assisting their country and her allies, by offering to the treasury such securities either for sale or as deposit loans, whether or not they are included in the published lists of the treasury. At an early date opportunity will be afforded for depositing securities on loans upon terms already published. I wish to emphasize the fact that by offering their dollar securities to the government of this juncture they will be performing a patriotic service in helping to pay for munitions and other supplies bought in America, and at the same time obtain full price for securities sold."

OTTAWA, Feb. 19.—Premier William Morris Hughes, of Australia, is now a member of Canadian Privy Council. He was sworn in to-day by H. R. H. Duke of Connaught.

## Huns Again Hands Out Peace Feelers

This Time France Approached Through Unofficial Sources—Rumors Are Frequent and Persistent—Germany's Internal Situation Not as Rosy as Painted

NEW YORK, Feb. 19.—Arthur Drapen, London correspondent for The Tribune, cables his paper, that unofficially, Germany is exceedingly busy just now sounding the sentiment regarding peace among the Allies, feelers are being sent out practically to all countries except Great Britain.

From a reliable source, he says, I learn that unofficial overtures have been made to France during the last fortnight, but these have led nowhere. It is said France has replied unofficially that she would make no separate peace under any circumstances, and that when the time came for peace, she would insist on Alsace Lorraine being turned over to her. Germany's unofficial offer, included the withdrawal from France and Belgium and the payment of an indemnity sufficient to repair all war damages. These rumors are frequent and persistent.

Rumors are exciting much speculation here, for they are taken to mean that Germany's internal situation is far from being as rosy as her military position would indicate and argues that her small military gains no longer serve to divert the popular mind from the financial and economic pinch; and unless the Government can encourage the people by some spectacular offensive of material advantage, it must openly announce that it wants to discuss the question of peace.

### OFFICIAL BRITISH

LONDON, Feb. 19.—A British official to-night says: Our artillery bombarded enemy positions north of Ypres and Comines Canal. Artillery on both sides generally have been active above Ypres front. On the rest of the front there has been minor artillery bombardment at various points.

## SWEDEN STILL FIGHTING FOR FREE PASSAGE OF MAIL MATTER

Count Wrangel, Swede Minister, and Col. House Have Conference—Nothing Definite is Known of the Result Except House Will Remain Indefinitely at London

LONDON, Feb. 19.—For some time Count Wrangel, Swedish Minister to Great Britain has been holding a series of conferences with Col. House, President Wilson's personal representative on the subject of the detention of neutral mails by belligerents. Incidentally the whole question of possible joint action by neutrals to protect their rights has been discussed at the first conference during which Count Wrangel and Col. House were closeted for several hours, arranged on the initiative of the Swedish Minister. The controversy between Sweden and Great Britain over the detentions of mail by both countries reached an impasse several weeks ago, neither country since then has made any concession. The question became serious when Sweden in retaliation for the seizure of the steamer Rotterdam, the sailing date of which steamer has been delayed, way to Russia, approximately fifty thousand parcels. This mail is now

## Turks Made a Successful Get-a-way

Teutons Now Have Durazzo Surrounded—Essad Pasha Escapes From Town and Puts Out in Adriatic on a Ship

LONDON, Feb. 19.—While full details of the capture of Erzerum, in Turkish Armenia, are still lacking, semi-official advices from Petrograd are to the effect that most of the Turkish garrison made its escape.

Austrians and Italians, at various points, are still engaged in artillery duels, here and there infantry manoeuvres, but no notable victories have been won by either side. Vienna reports less activity on the part of the Italian guns than usual.

In Albania the Austro-Hungarians are reinforced by the Albanians, presumably irregulars, who occupied Kavaya, which lies eight miles southwest of Durazzo, three miles from the Adriatic sea. By capturing this town it would seem the Teutons nearly have Durazzo surrounded. Gendarmes of Essad Pasha, Provisional President of Albania, who defended Kavaya made their escape from the town and put out into the Adriatic on a ship.

## Redmond Again Appeals To Ireland

Says "We Must Not and Will Not Tolerate Idea of Irish Regiments Being Reinforced by Any but Irish Soldiers"

LONDON, Feb. 19.—"We must not and will not tolerate the idea of our Irish Regiments being reinforced by any but Irish soldiers," said John Redmond, Irish leader, in a manifesto to the people of Ireland, in which he appeals to his countrymen, who were still available to join the reserve battalions in training, so that they may be ready, if needed, to fill every gap in the Irish army in the field. Our gallant fellow countrymen at the front have commissioned me to make this appeal in your name. I promised them in France and Flanders, that Ireland would stand by them, will you fulfil that promise? You are under no compulsion, save that of duty. North and South have vied with each other in springing to arms, and please God the sacrifices they have made side by side on the field of battle will form the sweet bond of a united Irish nation in the future.



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## Mr. M. E. Condon Writes On the Question of Bait Fishes for Our Fishermen

Says the Question is a National One and  
Must Be Taken Up Immediately.

(Editor Mail and Advocate)  
Mr. Editor.—I again ask the use of your valuable paper on the most important subject locally in the Colony—Bait Freezing and a plentiful supply of Bait Fishes, Squid and Herring to our fishermen.

First, I have to thank the Editors of The Evening Herald, Mail and Advocate, and The Daily News on behalf of the fishermen, merchants, artisans &c. for publishing same; but I do not agree with my learned friend, the Hon. J. Alex. Robinson, the Editor of the Daily News, in all he says in his editorial and his comments made on the said letter regarding our national issue, Bait Freezing and a plentiful supply of Bait Fishes to the fishermen of the Colony.

First he states that my letter has the merit of enthusiasm and the impress of sincerity and that I make big claims, and I am not at all bashful in estimating the value of my experience and skill. My reply is, why should I be bashful of same. Have I not given the best of my life, over 26 years, to personal study of same, and identified with our bait fishes, caplin, squid and herring, more so combined than any other individual in our Island Home in Newfoundland's greatest bait resort, Cape Broyle, and a part of the past 15 months in other sections of the country. With a good average education to the average fisherman of Newfoundland and after having had seven years commercial training at the Commission Brokerage Notary Public, and as an accountant in my native city, St. John's, I ought therefore to be master of my business. But I do not claim to know it all, as the gentleman in his capacity that he has given me the best of his life to, I would not dare insulate that I know as much as he does. Neither would I gloriate any individual in this Newfoundland of ours to know as much as I do all around about our fisheries, bait fishes &c. and I go farther, there are times a person in self defence must say, and go further than he would wish to. The learned gentleman must have forgotten a valuable part of Newfoundland history, and I therefore claim fellow countrymen of this Newfoundland of ours, Great Britain's oldest Colony, and lay claim to what neither the learned gentleman or any other individual cannot or dare take from me—to be the son of the late Daniel Condon and grandson on the mother's side of the late Michael Kearney, Newfoundland's two brightest and greatest sons. As geniuses, this may be necessary for the younger generation of Newfoundlanders, that Terra Nova have not produced their equals in their capacities before, during, or since their time, in this Newfoundland of ours.

Their works are world-renowned and will go down with the history of the Colony as brightest geniuses. Some of Michael Kearney's (master shipbuilder) works are—built the brigantine "Ida" in Charles Fox Bennett's (late merchant) ship-yard, where now stand the post office. He launched the Ida across Water Street and placed his watch on the corner of the stone building, amidst the applause of thousands, and sent her to the harbour successfully. She was christened by Mrs. Bennett, and the Ida was for three years the fastest ship of her size sailing out of London, Great Britain. She was built in 1853. He also built the "Thomas Ridley" for the Hon. John Rourke at Carboneau. He built the "gambler" yacht for John Johnston, of the firm of Hainig & Johnston, in the forties. This vessel was enrolled under the New York Yacht Club for her sailing qualities, and was built purposely to go to seek for the Cocoa Island treasure on the Pacific Coast. Also built the Arrabella, Yacht and other vessels for Panton & Mann and Riddleys of Har Grace. He built the Mary Housley in 1842 for Daniel Fowler. She was christened by the wife of the owner at St. John's, and the Governor, Sir John Harvey, sent a complimentary letter to Kearney on the construction of so fine a vessel.

He invented a patent for lacing seals. It could lace more seals in less time than three or four men. When the Exhibition of 1862 and other exhibitions were held at London and Paris, Kearney's models of boats and vessels received great praise. He invented a life-saving waiscoat. Fifteen years after he invented it, he saw a coast made after the same pattern in use in London made of indiarubber. He successfully floated the S.S. Diamond sunk in the Narrows,

and a large full-rigged sailing ship that had her keel damaged from getting ashore and there was no dry dock here to dock her. He had her cargo discharged, took topmasts, yards, etc., down to the lower mast, and turned her bottom up in the harbour of St. John's and repaired her keel, and turned her back again. He removed the Harbour Grace light-house, and when the S.S. Great Eastern broke down in the launching in her launchways, it was Kearney's plan given to the late Charles Fox Bennett, merchant, that launched her, and Kearney's last ship was the Shamrock, which he began for the Hon. John Rourke at Carboneau, but he did not live to see her completed. For four years he represented his native district, Ferryland. He (Kearney) was the greatest shipbuilder in all Newfoundland. He could build, rig, make a vessel, and then sail her.

The late Hon. John Harris, President of the Legislative Council, is a descendant of the same family, also Michael Kearney of the Water Co., John Kearney, of H. M. Customs, Capt. Richard Kearney, a brother, who made the record passage to and from Brazil. He went down in 18 days and back in twenty days, and one of our first volunteers to return from the front to fight for Britain's cause, wounded on the battle-field was Private William Kearney, son of Capt. Richard Kearney.

Now we will come to Daniel Condon, the inventor of the pontoon cofferdam, and he that forewent the concrete, age over forty years ago. Daniel Condon floated the S.S. Flavin of the Leyland Line, stranded at Great Island for thirty days with his own inventions, pontoons, and beat Lloyd's of London representative, Capt. Chisholm, that came here to float her, and failed, and had to make way for the Newfoundland (Condon) and then had a false bottom of wood and concrete placed in her and she reached Boston, U.S.A. successfully. Rear-Admiral Kennedy of the British Navy can certify to the same. He successfully repaired the S.S. Caspian after being in contact with the rocks in the Narrows and the S.S. Manitoban after striking Bell Island, both of those Allan liners. Also successfully floated the S.S. Plover and the S.S. Hercules after being under water all the winter at Twillingate and Fogo. S.S. Lisnard, S.S. European, S.S. Palmyra of the Cunard line, cofferdammed same and other ships after losing their propeller and being into collision, also Her Majesty's ship Flamingo after being in collision with an iceberg. Cofferdamed the said ship, and made permanent repairs to her and last but not least of all (as the learned Editor of the Daily News stated) that it was a long way from Newfoundland to Missouri.

About 27 years ago St. John's was not a long way from S. S. Arizona. When the S. S. Arizona of the Guion Line (the premier line of the world then) entered our narrows on a Sunday morning after being into collision with an iceberg, the S. S. Alaska of the same line being then the greyhound of the Atlantic, and in twenty days had her temporary repairs with a wooden and concrete bow, the owner, Mr. Guion and his nephew, also the late Walter Griewe, merchant, being passengers. She steamed through the Narrows bounds for Liverpool and reached there, the wonder of the world, and no dry dock here at St. John's then for any of those ships. Thousands upon thousands from all over Great Britain and France came to Liverpool to see the wonder of the world, and the meritorious work of Newfoundland's brightest son, Daniel Condon, whom the owner, Mr. Guion, wished to go across to Liverpool, and thence to New York in the S. S. Alaska and home to Terra Nova, his native land, free of all expenses. He, Mr. Guion, took the beautiful oil-painting of the S.S. Arizona from her saloon, and presented it to Daniel Condon, and the same is now in my sister's home at City Terrace (here in St. John's) and both of the above named, Daniel Condon and Michael Kearney, always did the possible, ten times in their meritorious work named by me and fellow-country-men. What has made the Mother Country, Great Britain, the greatest maritime country in the world? Is it not her shipping and her commerce?

As Britain rules the waves, and when the ships above named entered my native city, St. John's, in distress from collision with ice-bears and other damages, and no dry dock here to give them, either temporary or permanent repairs to send them back

with their passengers and crews to their destination and homes, the Mother Country &c. Therefore the shipping people of the said country &c., Lloyd's of London, The Guion Line, Leyland, Allan, Cunard, White Star and other lines will ever venerate his name.

The people in shipping circles &c., politicians, and all who may have their ups and downs, but to the man or men of genius that could devise a means of repairing their ships, and sending them safe home to their destinations, Liverpool, London, Glasgow and to ports in Canada and the United States. Are they not the undisputed and brightest genius, superior to all others in this Newfoundland of ours, and their meritorious work recognized by the Mother Country and the civilized world?

Daniel Condon being the son of a well-educated Waterford Irishman, and on the Mother's side of good English stock from Exeter, and from Carter and Saunders; the former, Carter, from which came the late Sir Frederick Carter, H. D. Carter of the Bank of Montreal and our esteemed Sheriff Carter, is a good mixture and all a credit to Newfoundland. The same applies to Michael Kearney, from Tipperary, an Irish descendant fused with Blackier of Exeter, England.

Now that you all know from whom I have the honour of descending, you see with the fusion of their blood, good broad-minded English Episcopalian, and good broad-minded Irish Catholic stock, it may meet with adversity, but with energy, sobriety and for a good and just cause it must win, and I now claim that on the Bait Freezing and Fishery Problem of the country I will go one better than the possible, the Daniel Condon, and Michael Kearney's ten times, and like the — do the eleven times, one more than the possible. The eleventh is my secret after a study of over twenty-five years, and now to come to the Bait Problem.

1. Which the learned gentleman states is a very pleasing one, there is no doubt.
2. He further states that it is only when there is a scarcity of bait that it is pressing.
3. That if it pressed continuously ordinary commercial methods would find a speedy solution. And to show our business men a good proposition, or one with reasonable prospects, and they seldom hesitate, he goes further and states:
4. That the bait business may pay well enough when bait is scarce, and the supply is difficult to get, but when it is abundant, demand would be absent, and the season's business a total loss to the Freezers. Now my reply to same and the learned gentleman: but, not learned in the fisheries of the country, or its bait fishes, trawls &c., as he never got the practical experience, only the hearsay from various fishermen of tentimes, know-nothings, and know-all.

First fellow-country men the Bait Problem, a plentiful supply of bait fishes, squid and herring to the Shore, Bank and Labrador fishermen is the problem of the day, and from a scarcity of bait for the above fishermen Newfoundland is losing annually from one to two, or more millions of dollars. Now I contend, and can prove to the learned gentleman that he is radically wrong in his statement viz: as to second—There has never been known in the history of the Colony for any year or season that there were an abundance of squid, and herring, day after day and week after week for the Labrador and Bank fishermen and West Coast Shore fishermen; and these are uncontradicted facts and, as it is well known, that the squid bait fish is the prime bait fish, after and before, the caplin school. We generally have squid rarely in July month) in August, September, October and November, and after that the squid go ashore, and that squid the premier baitfish for the season's named above, as there are none to be caught in our waters for December, January, February, March, April and May months; and the Banker and the West Coast fishermen have to use the inferior bait, salted squid, salted and frozen strangled herring.

With a plentiful supply of frozen squid and herring to the fishermen of the Shore and Labrador I will do away with the curse of our fisheries, the logger, by which millions of quintals have been destroyed on the Shore and Labrador; but the frozen squid, the most palatable of our bait fishes, for our codfish must be imported for the fishery from Provincetown and Gloucester, Mass., U.S.A., and tens of thousands of dollars sent out of the country to pay for the said squid. Money which should and will be kept in the country, and that by the writer and others. The fishermen, both Shore and Bank, would prefer frozen squid every time to the salted squid or strangled, frozen and salted herring, and I would get a ready sale for all that I could get at good prices, and no more Provincetown squid for us. So fellow-country

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## Former South American Minister Denounces Germany

### Sees Danger for South America if Germany Wins. Says Monroe Doctrine Could Not Save South America from the Same Fate as Belgium

ONE of the most distinguished of South American citizens, Santiago Perez-Triana, formerly Colombian Minister Plenipotentiary to Great Britain and Spain, a member of the Permanent Court of Arbitration at The Hague, and the son of a former President of the republic, has written an eloquent and fervent denunciation of Prussianism. It is the first clear and authoritative voice from South America that has been heard since the war began, although that the sympathies of South Americans were generally with the Allies was already believed. Senor Perez-Triana's views are presented in an open letter to a young South American student of natural science in Europe. Apparently the young man had asked the views of his distinguished countryman upon the war, and there appears to be an inference that he was

America in his mind he says: "The law is the supreme protection for the weak" be they men or people. He who, as the son of a weak nation, accepts and applauds the violation of defenceless right, betrays his own people and accepts and glorifies slavery."

#### Broken Pledges.

Senor Perez-Triana then proceeds to mention some of the obligations that Germany undertook in time of war, and he shows how one after another of them was abandoned without apology. Germany, for example, was a part to The Hague Convention which prohibits "the pillage of a town or place, even when taken by assault." It enjoins that "family honors and rights, individual lives and private property, as well as religious convictions and liberty must be protected, and that private property cannot be confiscated." It establishes the principle that "no general penalty pecuniary or otherwise can be inflicted on the population on account of the acts of individuals for which it cannot be regarded as collectively responsible." But before the invasion of Belgium was a month old the Kaiser had issued this proclamation: "The only method of avoiding surprise attacks on the part of the civil population has been to interfere with merciless severity, and to create examples which by their very frightfulness shall serve as a warning to everyone in

#### Tyranny vs. Liberty.

Senor Perez-Triana believes that the questions at issue between the Central Empires and the Entente Powers are very simple. One group of combatants represents certain ideas, and opposing ideas are represented by the other. To his mind Germany stands for the theory that might is right; Britain for the theory that right is might. It is a plain battle between tyranny and liberty.

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Belgium."

#### The Crucifixion of Belgium.

On August 17, the Mayor of Hoesalt had to warn the citizens that in the event of them firing upon the Germans a third of the population would be executed. Five days later Gen. von Buelow notified the inhabitants of Liege that on his orders the town of Andenne had been burned down and about 100 persons executed because of an attack made by some of the inhabitants upon the Germans. Other official announcements from high German officers are presented to show the frightful severity of the punishment inflicted upon Belgium. Passages from The Hague Convention are also quoted which show that in cases not specifically covered by the treaty, the general rule of nations was to be observed, and the officers immediately in command were not to be left free to follow their personal inclinations. Every pledge implicit or explicit has been broken by Germany.

#### The Duty of South Americans.

The writer goes on to say, "I present to you the Prussian doctrine, the Prussian creed, which are much more ominous and overwhelming than the most terrible acts done by Prussian militarism, either inside or outside Germany, because the material fact, however horrible it may be, necessarily has its limits, whereas its pervasiveness and its iniquity are established as the supreme law these limits no longer exist either in the material world or in the men's consciences." In the event of a Teutonic triumph Senor Perez-Triana has no doubt that the rolling tide of German domination would sweep across the Atlantic, and that whatever was fairest and best in South America would be seized upon. He has no hallucination to the effect that the Monroe doctrine could save South America from the fate of Belgium if it resisted. Therefore he prays for the downfall of Prussia, and says that every loyal South American should pray with him.

### Ignatius Lincoln Has Some Nerve

NEW YORK, Feb. 10.—The new York American this morning, under a cable despatch from London, stating that Ignatius T. T. Lincoln is now on the Atlantic en route to Europe prints a letter from Lincoln dated from South Amboy, N.J., February 8, where the Dupont Powder Works are located.

The American says the letter bears its own evidence of being from Lincoln, and the handwriting is unmistakable.

The letter says in part:—"I came to South Amboy to look over the Dupont Powder Works. Don't get excited please. I have not come to blow them up. Not that this would be impossible. If Messrs. Bielaski and Offey doubt my ability, all they have to do is to declare so in your columns and I will immediately deposit in any convenient spot gun powder and dynamite in any desired quantity. I use plain gunpowder and dynamite without any bomb or other annoying apparatus at first."

"By the time this letter reaches you I shall be back in New York—to prove which I shall myself ring up Captain Offley on the telephone and call his attention to this statement in your columns."

"Let my visit to South Amboy be an inducement to the United States to extend to me justice and fair play and not listen to the British Government,—their evil genius."

#### COMMON SENSE WORDS OF SIR SAM HUGHES

OTTAWA, Ont., Feb. 16.—The minister of militia to-day made an emphatic deliverance on the question of salutes.

"A private is as much entitled to a salute from an officer as is an officer entitled to one from a private. Why, I salute scores of them every day. Complaints come from different parts of the country about a few young snobs, who persist in calling down men for not saluting them, when they themselves have not saluted. We are eliminating a few of those young gents from the service."

### M. RIBOT

SOMETHING OF THE FRENCH STATESMAN, WHO IS MINISTER OF FINANCE.

Alexander Felix Joseph Ribot, the French statesman, who is directing the finance of the war, is 74 years old to-day. For over forty years, he has been active in the political life of France and has held the most important offices in the Government. He has been Minister of Foreign Affairs, Prime Minister, Minister of the Interior, and Minister of Finance. The Franco-Russian alliance was brought about by him, and he had a large share in achieving the entente with England. M. Ribot was born at St. Omer, France, on Feb. 7, 1842. He became a lawyer, and attracted attention by his phenomenal success. He gave much of his attention to the upbuilding of the modern French nation, and no man in France is better versed in French diplomacy.

His experience has been so wide that he was called to the fore a year ago to handle the financial crisis of the republic. As a loyal, unselfish, and noble supporter of the Government, he is trusted as few men have ever been in public periods of unrest and danger. He was the dean of the financiers of the Allies who gathered in Paris a year ago and arranged for the financing of the war. M. Ribot has visited America several times, and he married an American woman, Miss Minnie Burch, daughter of a Chicago banker.

### Laurier was Loser in the Big Fire

OTTAWA, February 16.—Among the important losses in the Parliament Buildings fire, was the correspondence and private and public documents of Sir Wilfrid Laurier. His office in the west wing was fire-wrecked and scarcely any of his papers, accumulated during the past four years, as Leader of the Opposition, have been salvaged. The intimate documents, history of Liberalism and of parliamentary proceedings, as contained in the files of his office, have been lost. Apart from the inconvenience to the Liberal Leader himself of the loss of many of his papers of reference and his correspondence, there is undoubtedly a loss to the future history of Canada to whom such of Sir Wilfrid's papers as might have been published would have been of inestimable value.

Sir Wilfrid is now installed in a new office of the present quarters of Parliament. It has been appropriately fixed up for him with remarkable despatch, by the Public Works Department. New furniture, new rugs and nicely tinted walls, done overnight, give him one of the best of the "mushroom" offices of the new House of Parliament. An oil painting of Alexander Mackenzie, his predecessor as Prime Minister of Canada, salvaged from the fire, appropriately hangs above his desk.

The Church of the Holy Ghost, of Heidelberg, is the only one in the world in which both Protestant and Roman Catholic services are held at the same time. A partition wall in the centre separates the two congregations.

### Was Looking for Hun Recruiting Office

WINSOR, Ont., Feb. 11.—Speaking broken English and with an undoubted Teutonic accent, a man giving his name as Hans Schmidt and his home as Toledo, Ohio, landed in Windsor, yesterday, with the avowed intention of allying himself with the forces of the Kaiser, which, he had heard, were being mobilized here.

Schmidt confided to the government officials that he was looking for the German recruiting office, and was surprised when he was turned over to the military guard. He will be interned until the end of the war. Schmidt informed the authorities that he "loved the Kaiser."

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THE NEAR EAST

A WRITER in the February *Munsey* says that the so-called "Balkan Problem" is in reality not a "problem" at all but merely a natural and logical situation. We discuss this so-called problem with our really knowing just what we mean. The Balkan peoples are little understood; and we are led to believe that they are simply an agglomeration of barbarians who are a menace to civilization. They occupy one of the most important highways of the world—the pathway from Europe to the East; and their resistance to the aggressiveness of European Powers is set down as a menace to the thing we call western civilization. When they resist other Powers they are looked upon as a turbulent lot who are constantly making trouble for the greater nations.

A glance at the map of Europe will show that the Balkan Peninsula is like a hand outstretched towards Asia Minor; and it looks like a landing-place for expeditions to and from Asia. The very important point of the landing-stage is Saloniki (the ancient Thessalonica). The other points are Constantinople and the Serbian plain. Saloniki is said to be the most cosmopolitan city in the world; it belongs to all nations and to no nation. It even has a language of its own—Vladino—a sort of argot that is spoken by the majority of the population.

The key to the Near East, however, is Constantinople; it has been besieged more than thirty times. It has had more vicissitudes than any other city in the world. It was known of old as Byzantium; rebuilt by Constantine the Great in 330 A.D. (whence its name)—the "city of Constantinian." It was taken by the Turks on May 29th, 1453; and Mahomet II was its first Moslem ruler. Constantinople is called Stamboul by the Turks. The Turks then invaded the Plains of Thrace and became masters of a large part of what we now know as the Balkan States. The Turks have ever since been a menace to Europe in this direction.

This explains in a measure why none of the great European Powers has ever been willing to permit any other power gain a dominant position in the Balkans. For defensive reasons, Austria has felt that she must control the Serbian

MOSDELL'S BOOMERANGS!

HE (COAKER) comes from the backwoods, they said, and alleged this accident of birth as a reason for his failure, forgetting that such a one as Lincoln had his upbringing in a log-cabin. He (COAKER) is of the Toilers, alleged his enemies, a mere fisherman-farmer, overlooking the fact that most of the great enterprises that have benefited and uplifted humanity have been fathered by Sons of the so-called Common Folk. Birth and breeding and inexperience of public affairs seemed to the scoffers insuperable obstacles for the man COAKER to surmount, but their estimates were ill-calculated. For birth and breeding gave him an intimate knowledge of the life and needs of the men he set out to benefit and genius knows and admits no handicap from obscurity. — MOSDELL, in *The Advocate*, Dec. 20, 1913.

A PHILOSOPHER has said that the truly great man is him whose genius leads him to attempt and accomplish the apparently impossible and to act irrespective of contemporary opinion inasmuch as his ideas and plans are so much in advance of his age as to outrun sympathy. Such a man was W. F. COAKER—solitary, but confident; despised, but determined. — MOSDELL, in *The Advocate*, Dec. 20, 1913.

IT IS given to but few to see the accomplishment of the work they initiate but COAKER has lived to see his great movement start, gather way, sweep aside the many obstacles in its path and give promise of a future of wonderful success and incalculable benefit to Newfoundland's Forty Thousand Toilers of the Sea. — MOSDELL, in *The Advocate*, Dec. 20, 1913.

plateau. Russia has for more than a century aimed at Constantinople, because there is her natural gateway to the Mediterranean. England has been again both, because of the menace to Egypt and to India. Two Russian armies have been at the gate of Stamboul; and twice the cert of Europe has forced them back. Austria wooed Serbia to her side and egged her to attack Bulgaria in 1885. Russia immediately stiffened Bulgaria and Serbia was defeated. Austria did a right-about-face and courted Bulgaria with a German prince on the throne. Then she egged on Bulgaria to attack Serbia—and again she was backing the wrong horse. Finally, in June 1914, the murder of the Archduke Ferdinand gave her a pretext for taking over the job on her own account.

The recent harvest of slaughter, says the writer whom we have quoted grew directly from a seed planted in the Balkans thirty-eight years ago by the Congress of Berlin. At the close of the Russo-Turkish War of 1887-88 Russia had Constantinople in her grasp and her armies dominated the peninsula. Turkey had signed the Treaty of San Stefano, which elevated the doom of Turkish rule in Europe. But the other Powers instantly awoke; and at the Congress of Berlin Russia lost her opportunity of occupying Constantinople. It was at this Congress that the partitioning of the Balkan States actually occurred; but the people of these States were hardly consulted about it; and even Bismarck protested against the programme as outlined by Disraeli.

The people of the Balkan States are by no means barbarians as we have been led to believe. Take the Serbians as an example. It is not half a century since Serbia became free from the domination of Turkey. Yet it has made wonderful progress since. Since then the Serbians have managed their affairs so admirably that it is (or was) one of the most progressive little nations in the world. They are (or were) a race of small farmers with no aristocracy or no idle rich. Every man was a freeholder. No matter how badly a Serb might manage his affairs, a mortgage could never be taken on his holding, his home or his farm implements. Every man who pays three dollars a year in taxes and is over twenty-one years of age is entitled to vote for a member of the national assembly which has power to raise and appropriate funds, the king having a veto something like that of the President of the United States.

The Serbians live almost entirely on the surface of the land; though in the mountains to the

north are untouched treasures of coal and iron. They are an especially domestic people, physically a sturdy race, with an unusual sprightliness and a powerful and poetic imagination. It is very remarkable that there are fewer emigrants from Serbia than from any other country in Europe.

The Bulgarians are even a more remarkable people than the Serbians. They are more progressive. Like the Serbians they were long under Turkish rule; but after the Congress of Berlin they emerged as a principality; and a German prince, Alexander of Battenberg, became its ruler. Russia refused to recognize Alexander, and he was forced to abdicate. Then a delegation of Bulgars sought a ruler from court to court; and finally Ferdinand of Coburg accepted the task of ruling the principality as king. Russia again disapproved of this course. Yet Ferdinand hung on with the help of the famous Stambuloff who was later assassinated. Finally Ferdinand agreed to have his son baptized in the Greek Church and Russia "forgave" him. There is perhaps no country which has made such progress from an educational standpoint. When the country was first organized it was the most illiterate country in the world; to-day there are less than five per cent of the population who are illiterate. There are more than five thousand primary schools in the country, and the University of Sofia is slowly putting itself on the map as a famous institution.

The Bulgarians have been known as the "Peasant People"; and they are even more democratic than the Serbians. They have no aristocracy; are true children of the earth in which they dig and delve, unswerving of purpose, obstinate as the rock; sparing of speech and money, as practical as a plow; and as immovable as a rock. The Bulgarians are like the Serbs also in that they have no idle rich class and no paupers. Like the Serbs they are formidable fighters.

The Rumanians differ racially and otherwise from the Serbians and the Bulgarians; they are really a composite people, and the Slav element amongst them is almost a negligible quantity. What is now Rumania was formerly the old Province of Dacia which was conquered in the first century by the Roman Emperor Trajan; its language is Romanic.

In the early days its history was somewhat chequered. It was like the other Balkan States under the suzerainty of Turkey and was governed by hospodars or viceroys. The hospodar paid so much for the

privilege of ruling; and fleeced the peasantry to recoup him for his services. Then came the revolt; and Rumania, like the other Balkan States, sought for a ruler at European Courts. Charles of Hohenzollern-Sigmaringen, a prince of the non-regnant branch of the German Imperial House accepted the office. When he ascended the throne of Rumania, it was a roadless, chaotic, lawless land; but in fifty years it has made marvellous progress in the way of commerce, education and all that makes for progress in a modern state.

Its economic system differs from that of its neighbors. The land is owned by wealthy landlords; and this has been the source of serious difficulties. This explains the existence of what is termed the Agrarian party, and it also explains the truckling spirit which has become so evident in recent days in the negotiations which have been in progress for its entrance into the Great War on the side of the Allies. The Court party (German) and the landowners are in sympathy with the Central Powers, whilst the people are in sympathy with the Allies. It is only natural to suppose that a near relative of Wilhelm II should be in sympathy with the policy of the Hun.

Then there are boundary complications. Rumania holds a strip of land wrested from Bulgaria in the War of 1913; and the Bulgarians want to take it back. From Austria-Rumania wants Transylvania and the Crownland of Bukovina, both of which have a Rumanian population. From Russia she would like to receive part of Bessarabia, which was hers from 1856 to 1878. If Rumania could get possession of these areas she would become one of the most important minor states in Europe.

Besides the strip taken by Rumania three years ago, Bulgaria wants Thrace and Macedonia, contending that their inhabitants are chiefly Bulgarian. She wants Saloniki as a seaport. Serbia claims Macedonia on the same grounds as Bulgaria; and she wants Saloniki for the same reason. Greece, the present owner of Saloniki wants all the islands of the Aegean. (She has been offered Cyprus instead).

It is hard to say what Russia needs; she certainly wants Constantinople; but all the Powers want the City of Constantine. Austria wants to keep Russia off the Balkan Peninsula. Germany wants to get through Serbia to Asia Minor and secure the highway to India; and for this she has built the Bagdad railway. Italy wants to get back her lost provinces—Italia Irredenta; she has not forgotten that the Mediterranean was once a Roman Lake. France, Britain, and Italy don't wish the Slav supremacy of the eastern Mediterranean.

So the contest goes on; and blood is being poured out in the near East almost as profusely as on the Western front. Where will it all end?

GLEANINGS OF GONE BY DAYS

FEBRUARY 19

THE first petition asking for poor relief, presented to the House of Assembly. It was sent from the inhabitants of the North Shore. It was presented by Mr. Pack and was signed by Messrs. Stephen Moores, John Thistle, Elijah Nofal, James English, W. Bussey, William Tilley, George Robbins, James Wareham, Elijah Prog, Thomas Fry and Peter Hogan, 1833.

Mr. Henley, of the Atlantic Telegraph Co., arrived to test finally the efficacy of the cable on this side of the ocean, 1859.

Nathaniel Hill's coöperage, Gower Street, burnt, 1861.

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William O'Brien, nationalist, sentenced to six months imprisonment, 1899.

The House of Assembly opened, 1899.

A number of hungry men from St. Barbe District, crossed into Nipper's Harbor in search of food, 1890.

Joseph Bigger, Irish M.P., died, 1890.

FEBRUARY 20

Steamship Hungarian lost with all hands, 150 miles from Cape Race, 1860.

William Sweetland, magistrate, Bonavista, died, 1864.

Sealing steamer Vanguard first arrived at Harbor Grace, 1873.

Thermometer 20 degrees below zero, 1875.

Leo XIII. elected Pope, 1878.

Edwin Düder, merchant, died, 1881.

Ralph C. Barnes, died, 1889.

Thomas Walsh, farmer, Nagle's Hill, died, 1887.

William Campbell, butcher, commenced business, 1888.

Sheriff Carter purchased Barnes' old homestead for \$6,000, 1888.

William J. Morrissey, ecclesiastical student, died, 1890.

Local option carried at Carbonade, 1882.

A BACHELOR'S WAIL

Jack Meredith in Table Talk

THERE are girls who are dark,

And girls who are fair,

And girls who have all sorts of looks;

There are girls who are serious,

Girls debonaire,

But where are the girls who are Cooks?

There are girls who are gay,

And girls who are pretty,

And girls who know much about books,

There are girls who are bright,

There are girls who are witty,

But how scarce are the girls who are cooks?

It's true there are many

Accomplished with art;

In music, expression, and such,

Seizure of kerosene oil—30 casks—from J. & W. Pitts for breach of the Inflammable Act, 1882.

T. J. Edens took over his father's business, 1889.

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They know everything  
But the way to a man's heart—  
Now doesn't it just beat the Dutch?

I dread to go hungry

For my appetite

Would scarce thrive on lobster and Shaw.

For all the good things

The garden provides.

Too few are to be eaten raw.

So, girls, take a tip

From a masculine friend

And learn that the old-fashioned art

Of good home-made cooking

Is surest to win

The way to a bachelor's heart.

DOLL SAVED DOLL

"You seem deeply attached to your little playmate."

"Her doll saved my doll's life; explained the doctor's daughter."

"How was that?"

"She consented to a transfusion of sawdust."

Those who are too lazy to scatter the good seed will have only empty bins when the harvest time arrives.

A broken promise can be repaired but it can never be made as good as new.

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### Uncle Dick Says Mosdell Good for Nothing

(Editor Mail and Advocate)  
Dear Sir.—I noticed by your paper, The Advocate, where you made some reference to a Doctor Mosdell, who now apparently writes for the Daily Star. If my memory serves me right, sir, I think I remember this fellow of a Mosdell, or a moss-eater, as a friend told it was him one day when he was showing me through the plant. So this is the same fellow, no doubt, who used to write such good things about the Union and our President. How quickly the scamp changed, to be sure. I suppose he must be getting well paid by the mounted rinks for this dirty work.  
A doctor eh, well to be sure. No wonder he couldn't hold his job.

Uncle Dick told me the other day that he heard this same "gutter snipe" was almost a minister too, and when I heard that I almost busted. Says I to Uncle Dick—Sure, and he certainly missed his calling, for instead of now trying to pose as a journalist, its a boot black he should have been. Then this ignorant would be in his right place. Then up jumped Uncle Dick, and says he to me: Why, the "Gutter Snipe," as you call him wouldn't do for the job at all, as he would be too expensive for the business and would use more blackening on himself than he would use on the boots. Then says I—What job would he be good for? To which Uncle Dick replied—"Good For Nothing."

Yours for ever,  
AN OLD SALT,  
Trinity East, Feb. 16, 1916.

### Mr. M.E. Condon Writes on Question of Bait Fishes for Our Fishermen

(Continued from page 2)  
men, have I not exploded the so-called abundance as to the 3rd and 4th remarks.  
Now, as I have said before, that I have located in different places where to get squid, and devised a patent trap to procure same, the like of which was never in our waters. The said trap is acknowledged to be the solver of the bait problem, and that there can be no total loss to the bait freezer, but the best investment in the country, direct and indirect. Moreover the Government will give a guarantee of five per cent on the capital invested for a period of fifteen years.

I am giving some of my ideas to both the business men and fishermen, and I may say that without an exception they agree with me. The supply for the Labrador, Shore, and West Coast never equalled the demand for squid, fresh and frozen. I say, stop importing about thirty thousand dollars worth of squid. It is money sent out of the country, and same only for the use of the Western, Bank and Shore fishermen, and only a small portion of the requirements for same would keep the money in the country, and do not send it out for us to be laughed at by the fishermen of the United States etc.  
Are you not almost abandoning the Labrador fishery, all for the want of a squid and herring bait. Squid cost about three cents per lb. in Gloucester, and we should be able to sell same here locally to the West Coast, Shore and Bank fishermen and local at said prices or less and have a good profit, as there are plenty of squid in our waters.

I will do more to prevent consumption etc than all the medical men in the country viz: By keeping the fishermen, old and young, off of the jigging grounds, night after night and before day in the morning, in all weathers, wet and cold, contracting colds, rheumatism and tuberculosis, all caused by the want of a plentiful supply of bait, squid and herring in freezers, bait freezer, cold storage cars &c. to convey same from place to place. Plenty of bait will give them their much-needed night's rest for themselves and families and add years to their lives, and prosperity to their families and country, and hundreds of thousands of quintals to the patch.

Compare the men: the fisherman with bait from freezer has his night's rest and the other man offentimes fail to procure squid and he is down-hearted. Did not our venerable Bishop on Jones, the Lord Bishop of Newfoundland, demonstrate at the Lord's Day Alliance, held in the College Hall, the great necessity of rest for man &c., amidst the applause of his audience with a packed hall. He stated that the human system demands it, and he was followed by the evd. Dr. Jones, the Rev. Mr. Guy and Rev. Dr. Curtis amidst applause.  
I must give great praise to the Hon. J. Alex. Robinson for agreeing with me, and helping to educate a large portion of Water Street, and a large percentage of the fishermen as to strangled fish for food and bait purposes—And fellow-country men I will be the prophet Norwegian &c., and solve the bait problem, and commence now to help to protect our 1916 and 1917 winter fishery.  
Hoping that I am not asking the readers of the above to give same due consideration and a square deal for the writer, self and Newfoundland.

I remain,  
Fellow-Country Men,  
Yours sincerely,  
M. E. CONDON.  
St. John's, February 18, 1916.

It is safer to fall by the wayside than in the middle of the road.

### Should Women Have the Vote?

Springdale St. Commercial School Debate the Question—Negative Side Wins by Majority—Interesting Debate for Monday Night.

The debate on "Women's Suffrage in Newfoundland," held in the Commercial Night School Monday evening, proved very instructive, interesting and quite exciting. About 35 of the students remained for the debate and those who took part acquitted themselves very creditably indeed.  
The affirmative side: Messrs. L. Erskine and R. Pelley, argued that the idea of no vote is militarism and German hate and this is the age of industrialism. A property and educational qualification would be more just and logical than a sex qualification. Women are equal to men as doctors, lawyers or in the class room. Her influence would purify politics, aid in solving the problems in which she is concerned as war, child labour, education, sanitation, pure food, saloons, etc. As experience proves in the United States of America she is capable, honest and intelligent; she would vote for right and do right and demand that war and all wrong should cease.

Therefore, for the sake of our loved ones, we should all vote for "Women's rights in Newfoundland."

For the Negative side Messrs. H. Harnett, H. G. Hawkins and C. Barnes contended that the suffrage was not a right, but a privilege, and expediency. They said men should vote. There is no need for Women Suffrage as women are getting their rights now. The lower class of women would be bribed and the higher class would not bother about it, as experience has shown in America, therefore, it would be a failure. It has proved so in Chicago where boys are forced to learn needlework in school. We love womanhood too much to drag it into politics and manhood too much to make it effeminate. It is becoming that now by so many women teachers, so that the sterner or sterling qualities in the rising generation are lacking already, and why complete the danger?

It's man's place to protect, and the Government is a protection, therefore it belongs to man, the stronger sex and not the fairer. God made her a helpmate for man and endowed her with Nature's charms and made man stronger to protect and admire her, but not fight her, which he would have to do in politics. Her work is in the home and a man loves her and her home in proportion to her ability in making it what it ought to be. He loves to save and to build up a home for her, but let her once dishonor marriage and the trust he reposes in her by fighting in politics, and the happiness, home and its love will cease to exist and quarrels and wars will take its place.

The better class of women don't want the suffrage. They trust their husbands, so do not spoil their lives for the sake of a few fanatical suffragettes, who are less desiring. Everyone must admit that there is a danger here, therefore, give Newfoundland the benefit of the doubt. Don't Americanize us as weaklings or effeminate, for we are British and we are brave, therefore, the women prefer seeing us in politics and besides this what right have we to decide for the whole of Newfoundland; rather we should trust the different districts to decide separately for themselves. Therefore, no one should vote for women suffrage for the whole country.

The result was the Negative won by a large majority, but the chairman and judge, Mr. P. G. Butler, principal of the School, decided that the honours were equally divided, as both sides had done so well.

Next Monday evening's debate will be on "Confederation with Canada," and it will be a good one. Visitors are welcome. The leaders are Messrs. H. G. Hawkins and C. Barnes. The teachers will also take part and the Principal has promised to speak on the side of the Negative.

#### FLEETING

Broad—"By the way, old man, do you remember borrowing ten dollars from me six months ago?"  
Short—"Yes."  
Broad—"But you said you only wanted it for a short time."  
Short—"And I told you the truth, I didn't keep it twenty minutes."

#### A LITTLE KNOWLEDGE

Teacher—"Tommy, can you spell 'fur'?"  
Tommy—"Yes, sir, F-U-R."  
Teacher—"That's right. Now can you tell me what fur is?"  
Tommy—"Yes, sir, Fur is an awful long way."

Massachusetts man has started a worm farm, to supply fishermen. Fresh young men delight to get pickled.

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### More Prizes for Energetic Clerks

During the past couple of weeks we have published the names of the winners of the prizes offered last season. This year we offer the following prizes:  
First Prize... \$30.00  
Second Prize... 20.00  
Third Prize... 15.00  
Fourth Prize... 10.00  
Five \$5.00 Prizes.  
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## OUR ANNUAL February FURNITURE Sale

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This Sale will bring you into touch with the very best values ever heard of in reliable, substantial, modern furniture. The values this February will be the very climax of all our Bargain Giving. Genuine reductions from 25 to 50 per cent. See our West Windows for specials in Bedding. We list a few of same, many others offered.

**Our Combination Lath and Spring Bed**, with Wool Top Mattress, only \$6.95 complete. **Our 731 Bed**, with Woven Wire Spring and Wool Top Mattress, only \$7.50.

**Our New Idea Spring**, built right into the bed, is the latest out. No wood whatever, perfectly sanitary, and sells \$1.00 cheaper than with wood. We can fit it to your own bed, as we have the machines to do it with. See sample in window.

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Our **New Health Mattress**, 6 inch bands, are perfectly sanitary. Well made by skilled workmen. We have them in 3 grades from \$5.00 up. Other Mattresses from \$2.00 up.

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### The F.P.U. at Burnt Head Pleased with Coaker's Work

#### Sound Warning Note to Mosdell and Remind Him of Dressing Down He Got at Brigus Some Years Ago.

(Editor Mail and Advocate)  
Dear Sir.—A few lines regarding the doings at Burnt Head local counsel may be of interest to your numerous readers. The first matter of interest I should like to record is, that at the given date and appointed place of meeting we elected our union road board. I tell you, Sir, the outsiders were not in when the balloting for Union men was going on. It was an eye-opener to some present.

But the event of the year so far was a visit from our Conception Bay agent for the Export Union Trading Co. on Wednesday the 8th inst. At our place and on our regular night of meeting Mr. R. Hibbs delivered a stirring speech of two hours on union matters, especially on that part which refers to the export and trading business, in which he had the closest attention of every member present. The meeting was greeted with a record attendance, as several friends of Cupids Council took advantage of the treat offered.

To my mind, Mr. Editor, it is a splendid opportunity, and we ought to feel very grateful to our worthy President, Mr. Coaker, for the brighter side, which is opening up before us and we shall show our appreciation of his activities in the matter by subscribing to the utmost of our means to make the Export Company a success, that is in so far as the necessary capital is concerned.

A special word of praise is due Mr. Hibbs for the excellent way in which he presented the matter. It is only fair to him to say that he is a fluent speaker possessed of an abundance of material and is naturally endowed in the delivery. Mr. Hibbs left on Thursday to visit Brigus Counsel.

In conclusion, Mr. Editor, I wish to place on record my approval of the way in which you are handling Mosdell of the Daily Star, you can feel assured sir that you have the big majority with you. And I might tell Mosdell that if he only knew with what disgust we read his puerile attempts to injure President Coaker and the F. P. U. he would alter his course quickly. I can tell him also that very few in this neighborhood take him seriously, also some of us were slightly acquainted with him before he attempted preaching for a livelihood, and also the dressing down he re-

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**Cathedral of St. John the Baptist**—Holy Communion at 8 a.m.; also on the first Sunday of the month at 7 and 12.15. Other services at 11 a.m. and 6.30 p.m.

**St. Michael's Mission Church, Casey Street**—Holy Communion at 8 and 11 on the 3rd Sunday of the month; and at 8 on other Sundays. Other services, 11 a.m. and 6.30 p.m.

**St. Thomas's**—Holy Communion at 8 a.m.; Morning Prayer, 10 a.m.; Intercession Service, 11 a.m.; Preacher, Rev. W. E. R. Cracknell. Children's Service, 3.45 p.m.; Evensong and Sermon, 6.30 p.m.; Preacher, The Rector; subject: "Play: The Essence of Good Sport."

**Christ Church, Quidi Vidi**—1st Sunday in month, Matins at 11 a.m.; 2nd Sunday in month, Holy Communion, 8 a.m.; 3rd Sunday in month, Evensong at 6.30 p.m.; 4th Sunday in month, Matins at 11 a.m.; Evensong at 3.30 p.m. on the 1st, 2nd and 4th Sundays in the month.

**Virginia School Chapel**—Evening Prayer every Sunday at 3.30 p.m.

**PARISH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN, ST. JOHN'S WEST.**

**Sundays**—Holy Communion every Sunday at 8 a.m.; also on the first and third Sundays in each month at noon.

**Wednesdays**—Holy Communion and Intercessions on behalf of the War at 10.30 a.m.

**Fridays**—Evensong and Intercessions on behalf of the War at 7.30 p.m.

**Holy Baptism**—Every Sunday at 3.30 p.m.

**Public Catechizing**—The third Sunday in each month at 3 p.m.

**Churching of Women**—Before any Service.

**Sunday School**—At 2.30 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

**Young Women's Bible Class**—Every Sunday at 2.45 p.m. in the Parish Room.

**Brookfield School Chapel**—Evening—Every Sunday at 3 p.m.

**Sunday School**—Every Sunday at 4 p.m.

**St. Matthew's Church, The Goules**—Evensong—Every Sunday at 3 p.m.

**Asylum for the Poor**—Holy Communion—The first Sunday in each month at 9 a.m.

**Matins**—Every Sunday at 9 a.m.

**METHODIST**

**OWER ST.—11 and 6.30.** Rev. D. B. Hemmeon.

**GEORGE ST.—11 and 6.30.** Rev. N. M. Guy.

**COCHRANE ST.—11 and 6.30.** Rev. C. A. Whitemarsh.

**WESLEY—11 and 6.30.** Rev. H. Royle.

**PRESBYTERIAN—11 and 6.30.** Rev. J. S. Sutherland.

**CONGREGATIONAL—11 and 6.30.** Rev. W. H. Thomas.

**ST. THOMAS'S**—There will be the usual monthly service of Intercession and Holy Communion at 11 a.m. At the evening service the fourth of the series of special sermons on "What Men Live By" will be delivered by the Rector, the subject being "The Essence of Good Sport."

**GEORGE ST. CHURCH**—The pastor will occupy the pulpit morning and evening. At the morning service a special sermon for the young will be preached; subject: "The Writing Copy." It is hoped the whole Sunday School Force will be present. The subject of the evening discourse will be: "Christianity in Action." All will be welcomed.

**COCHRANE ST.**—The morning service at the College Hall will be devoted largely to the boys and girls of the congregation. Why not have a great rally of parents and children at this service? The topic of the evening service will be "Factors in Spiritual Architecture."

**WESLEY**—You will be made to feel welcome if you attend Wesley on Sunday. Subject for the evening service: "Why was Jesus scourged?"

**GEORGE ST. A.B.C.**—To-morrow being Temperance Sunday, a special service has been prepared. Capt. Kean will give a Temperance address, and Mr. C. Trappell will render a solo. Members are asked to attend in large numbers, and visitors will receive a hearty welcome. Service starts at 2.45 p.m. sharp.

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**Felldians Win From St. Bon's**

**Good Game Played Last Night—Changes on St. Bon's Team Had Good Results—Nix Vinnicombe Again in Harness**

In last night's hockey game the Felldians defeated the St. Bon's by 4 goals to 3. Play was very good all through, both sides working well, though the St. Bon's forward line was weak. Shortall for the latter put up a great game, and N. Vinnicombe also did well, but Crawford's work, though good, was not up to his usual standard; evidently because he was in a new position. Both goal keepers gave a splendid exhibition, and Winter, Pearce and Bennett were of great assistance to their side. Mr. G. Herder was referee, Mr. P. J. Grace timekeeper, and the players were:

St. Bon's	Felldians
Hearn	Stain
N. Vinnicombe	Wilson
Shortall	Coover
Callahan	rover
Crawford	centre
Barnes	left
Quinn	right
Bugden	

Following is the list of goals and penalties:

**FIRST HALF.**  
Goals—1. Callahan (S.B.), 7 mins.; 2. Bugden (F.) 18 mins.

**PENALTIES.**  
1. Callahan (S.B.) 3 mins.

**SECOND HALF.**  
1. Bennett (F.) 9 mins.; 2. Winter (F.) 17 mins.; 3. Bennett (F.) 19 mins.; 4. Quinn (S.B.) 22 mins.; 5. Callahan (S.B.) 24 mins.

**PENALTIES.**  
1. Pearce (F.) 3 mins.

**Under the distinguished patronage of His Excellency and Lady Davidson and Right Rev. Monsignor McDermott, V. G.,—The Annual Entertainment in aid of Mount Cashel Orphanage will be held in the Casino Theatre on Wednesday, March 1st, 1916. Plan at Atlantic Bookstore (Saturday) morning, 19th Feb. A splendid programme has been prepared. Several prominent and popular entertainers will appear—full particulars later. Reserved Seats 50c; Gallery, 30c; Pk. 20c.—Feb 19, 16**

**COAL CARGO FOR REID CO.**

S.S. Corona, 50 hours from Louisburg, arrived last night to the Reid Newfoundland Co. with a full cargo of coal. The steamer after leaving Louisburg managed to get on the outside of the ice, along the Cape Breton coast, and made a fine run to Cape Race. Coming down the shore some aloft ice was steamed through, none of which was very heavy, and she succeeded in forcing her way into port. The Corona brought along the stern frame to be used in repairing the S.S. Coban.

**W.P.A.**

Change Islands—5 prs. socks, 3 prs. mitts.  
Millertown, Mrs. Goodyear—Three scarves.  
Flat Island, Bonavista Bay—18 prs. socks.  
Grand Falls—32 shirts, 87 prs. socks, 19 prs. mitts, 2 scarves.  
Fortune—28 prs. socks.  
Woody Point—65 prs. socks.  
Millertown—12 scarves, 33 prs. mitts, 2 shirts.  
Bonavista—20 shirts, 70 prs. socks, 1 pr. mitts.  
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The Florizel is finishing her coal cargo to-day and should leave Louisburg for here to-night.

The schr. Nellie M. is loading codfish at the Monroe Export Co.'s premises for Greece.

The schr. Earl Kitchener is now about 22 days out for Portugal and should soon be reported at her destination.

James Baird, Ltd., is now loading the schr. Eddie Thierout for Brazil and she should get away next week.

The work of coaling the S.S. Ontonida from the Susu finished yesterday. She arrived here short of coal three weeks ago.

The schr. Annie E. Larder, laden by P. Templeman, is delayed at Catalina by the ice blockade. She is bound for Europe and will likely go to Greece.

The S.S. Loch Tay, which coaled here a couple of days ago, is detained by the ice blockade and can not get away to New York until it is raised.

**Patriotic Concert at Whiteway, T. B.**

(Editor Mail and Advocate)

On Wednesday, Feb. 2nd, a concert in aid of our soldiers and sailors, was held in the School Hall. Although the weather was disagreeable, a goodly number attended. Rev. R. S. Smith, having met with an accident, was unable to attend and Mr. Moses George acted as chairman. The program consisted of gramophone selections, dialogues, recitations, etc. The children who rendered the different items performed their parts well. Lily Drover, who impersonated the Fairy Queen, looked quite fairylike in her spankled dress, gauze wings and crown, with her fairy subjects grouped around her. The dialogues performed by the young ladies and young men were very interesting, as well as amusing. A sale of home-made candy was a very successful event of the evening. Every bag was sold. The school was nicely decorated for the occasion with pictures and garlands. Thanks are due Mr. Leander Drover, who so singly loaded the material for the platform and helped in many ways to make the event a success. The concert was brought to a close by a short address by Mr. Drover, after which the National Anthem was sung.

Miss Oldford was highly praised for the way she had trained the young children who performed during the evening.

Miss Oldford left on Saturday, Feb. 5th for Cavendish, where she will be engaged teaching for the remainder of the school year. We wish her every success in her work.

Word was received during the past week saying that Lance-Corporal Aaron Bryant had been admitted to the Fourth Scottish Hospital, Stob Hill, Glasgow. He is suffering from frostbite. We are hoping next report will be of his convalescence. L.-Corp. A. Bryant had been on active service in the Dardanelles since September.

**MR. HICKMAN COMING BACK**

Yesterday when Mr. A. E. Hickman had been advised by telegraph of the new developments in the Roberts barraty case, he left New York immediately for this city and should arrive about the middle of next week. Mr. Bartlett, his accountant, will go to New York by the Stephano to attend to any unfinished business of Mr. Hickman. Mr. J. W. Kent, K.C., is representing Mr. Hickman.

**STEPHANO SAILS TO-MORROW**

The S.S. Stephano will sail to-morrow afternoon from the premises of Messrs. Shea & Co. for Halifax and New York. She will take a freight of fish and oil, etc. equal to 12,000 barrels and the men will work loading this all to-night and until she is finished to-morrow, Sunday. Her passengers will be C. R. Steer, Hon. James and Mrs. Ryan, Miss F. Cron, H. Larkin, S. Satone, Miss S. Penny, Miss Lavern Francis, F. W. Bradshaw, J. L. Slatery, M. Batley, H. White, H. E. Cowan, R. Wright, A. McKean, F. Smallwood, H. Blair, Mrs. P. H. Knowling, G. M. March, Miss J. Strang and several second class.

**ARCHBISHOPS 43rd BIRTHDAY.**

To-day His Grace Archbishop Roche celebrates his 43rd birthday. In honour of the event the towers of the R.C. Cathedral are decorated with bunting. In common with His Grace's host of friends and ardent admirers the Mail and Advocate wishes the distinguished prelate many happy returns of the occasion.

**READ THE MAIL & ADVOCATE**

**Civic Commission Weekly Meeting**

Mr. P. C. O'Driscoll Seeks Information re Longley's Pipes—Old Employee of 40 Years Service Gets a Pension of \$3.00 per Week

At last night's meeting of the Civic Commission Chairman Gosling presided.

The Col. Secy for the Governor, acknowledged receipt of \$80.00 rent of land held by the city in lease and which amount His Excellency offered to devote the improvement of Bannerman Park. A letter of thanks will be sent His Excellency.

Mr. P. C. O'Driscoll asked the Board to give him answers to the following queries:

- (1) How many water pipes, and what sizes, were condemned from shipments in 1915?
- (2) Who or what firms of engineers inspected said pipes before they were shipped?
- (3) What commission did the Board pay Mr. Longley for the purchase of said pipes?
- (4) Has the Purchasing Department power to buy without consulting the Board?
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