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Asquith Replies to Recent Bitter Attacks On the Government

Referring to Attacks on the Government he Said "Turn up the Speeches Delivered During a Previous Crisis in the History of the Country and You Will Find Similar Charges Made"

OUTLINES WORK DONE SINCE AUGUST 1914

Premier Reviews the Controversy Over the Question of Recruiting—He Foreshadowed the Intention of the Government to Introduce a Bill Providing For the Immediate Compulsion For Men of Military Age

LONDON, May 2.—In addressing the Commons, Mr. Asquith said the public was naturally depressed by the deplorable incident of the surrender of the garrison at Kut-el-Amara, but that it was not an event of military importance.

to introduce a bill providing for the immediate compulsion for men of military age. The Premier reviewed the recent controversy over the question of recruiting, and gave some figures showing what the British Empire had done since the outbreak of war. He said that the Army, which at the beginning of the war consisted of 26 divisions, now amounted to 83, including the naval division and contributions from the Dominions, but excluding India. To obtain five million men for the Army and Navy, which had been done, involved prodigious effort both at home and throughout the Empire. Recruiting was still being maintained with some occasional lapses.

There were two limiting conditions, the Premier continued, in the matter of recruiting that applied to England, but not to either of the belligerents, namely, the maintenance of supremacy on the seas, both by means of the Navy and the mercantile marine, and the financing of the nations of the Allies.

The debate which followed the Premier's speech showed the bill was likely to have a speedy passage, as it met with general approval. A number of Liberal-Labor members, however, said the effect of the Bill was not justified. They contended the Government had been gradually driven from point to point by the Conscriptionist Press and that military necessities had nothing whatever to do with the Government's giving way.

The Bill will be introduced to-morrow, as it is understood to contain no suspensory clause.

Resignations May Follow As Result

LONDON, May 3.—The Daily Chronicle's Parliamentary correspondent says it was rumored last night that Augustine Birrell had tendered his resignation as Chief Secretary for Ireland, and that other resignations are expected, including those of Genl. Friend, commanding the forces in Ireland; Sir Matthew Nathan, Under-Secretary for Ireland; Sir Neville Chamberlain, Inspector-General of the Royal Irish Constabulary.

Other morning papers carry the same rumor. According to the Daily Telegraph, Thomas McKinnon Wood, Liberal Member of Parliament will succeed Birrell.

John Redmond and Sir Edward Carson held a conference yesterday regarding the fulfilment of the Ulster Leader's offer to co-operate in restoring peace in Ireland. Sir Henry Norman presented a motion in Commons yesterday for adopting a daylight saving plan in Great Britain. The Morning Post says the Government favors the suggestion.

Referring to the attacks on the Government in this and other connections he invited the House to turn to the speeches delivered during a previous crisis in the history of the country, and it would be found that charges of exactly the same nature were made. There had been the same charges and accusations of indecision, procrastination, half-heartedness and delay, exactly the same cry for a savior or combination of saviors. At one moment the people were told that the civilians in the cabinet had overruled their military and naval experts, as had been the charge with reference to Gallipoli. At another moment it was said that the civilians in the Cabinet were too subservient to their military advisers. My answer to all this, Asquith continued, is that if there have been mistakes or blunders, perhaps both of policy and strategy, our contribution to the United Kingdom and Empire has grown and is growing steadily, month by month, and is greater at this moment, and better directed than ever before. The naval and military situation of the Allies has never been so good as it is to-day. We have to put up with these things, the Premier said. He added that the Government would not be disturbed by them so long as it retained the confidence of the country.

After reviewing carefully the conditions under which recruiting had been carried out, the Premier said it had been decided that the men required could not, and would not be obtained in due time by existing methods.

Coming to the conclusion that the existing machinery would not provide the men required in the necessary time, Mr. Asquith said the Cabinet has decided to make provision for the men included in the bill brought in last week, which was withdrawn. An additional 200,000 unattested married men were essential for the maintenance of the armies in the field.



KAISER—"DON'T BOTHER ME WITH TRIFLES. I HAVE REAL TROUBLES" W. A. Rogers in New York Herald

Premier Asquith Introduces A Bill for General and Immediate Compulsion

LONDON, May 2.—Asquith declared in the Commons, this afternoon, that the Bill to be introduced to-morrow would be one of general and immediate compulsion, and said that he hoped to give an early opportunity for the discussion of the motion calling for the resignation of the Chief Secretary of Ireland. Immediate compulsion, the Prime Minister announced, and the whole recruiting problem would be dealt with in a single bill. Mr. Asquith said that while in August, 1914, the British Army at home and Overseas consisted of twenty-six divisions, there were now seventy-one divisions, including the naval division.

Hun Reply to U. S. Note Delayed

Von Jagow in Re-opening of Budget Committee in Reichstag Said No Decision Has Yet Been Reached—House Must Await Return of Imperial Chancellor

BERLIN, May 3.—Von Jagow, Foreign Minister, in re-opening the sitting of the Budget Committee in the Reichstag yesterday, said the Government had not reached a decision with regard to the situation that has arisen from the American Note to Germany regarding the German submarine campaign. As soon as the Imperial Chancellor returned from headquarters, he added, he would give the Committee definite information. The Foreign Minister said, the Government, in view of the importance of the American question, would have been glad to have made a statement regarding the status of the problem, but that for this reason, he stated, this was impossible.

Turk Chief Agrees To Exchange Sick and Wounded Prisoners

LONDON, May 3.—A British official communication issued this evening concerning operations against the Germans in East Africa says: "Lieutenant-General Smuts reports under date of May 1st, the rainy season has set in with great violence. The enemy are holding a strong position in the hills south-east of Kondoa Sragi. The movements of Belgian forces at Roanda are delayed by heavy rains."

Latest News From Various War Fronts

LONDON, May 3.—The German attack against the Belgians to the north of Dixmude is the only infantry engagement reported at any point along the Western Front.

The German attempt to assume the offensive against the Russians at Raggasen, near Riga, has been put down, but the Teutons continue their heavy artillery fire against the Iksernall bridgehead, and in the Lake Narocz and Lake Vischnovskoye regions. German aircraft have bombed several Russian positions in the Gulf of Riga. The Russians' air squadron has delivered an attack against the German naval base at Windau, in Courland.

Vienna reports the heavy fighting between the Austrians and Italians in the Adamello sector of the Austro-Italian line is still going on, and that the Italians' attacks against the various Austrian positions have been put down with heavy casualties.

The Russians are keeping up their pursuit of the Turks in the Diarbark region in Asia Minor. Numbers of Turkish infantry have been killed or captured by the Cossacks. Constantinople reports the driving ashore in the Black Sea by a Turkish submarine three Russian steamers and the sinking of three food-laden sailing ships.

Another Air Raid

LONDON, May 3.—Five hostile airships attacked the north-east coast of England and the south-east of Scotland last night.

The official announcement of the raid says the movement of the raiders appeared to be uncertain, adding that a few bombs had been dropped in Yorkshire, but there are no details yet regarding casualties or damage.

Many Bands Rebels Yet At Large

Situation is Improving in Dublin—Outside the City, However, it is Not so Satisfactory—Authorities, However, Expect to see Last of Uprising in Few Days

DUBLIN, May 2.—While the situation outside Dublin is not so satisfactory to-day as in the city itself, it is improving. The authorities expect that a few days should see the last of the armed rebellion in Ireland.

A flicker is still apparent, not far from Dublin, where a small group of adherents of James Larkin have escaped themselves further west of the capital.

There are still bands of insurgents in being. The rebels are sceptical of the assurances given them that their comrades in Dublin have surrendered, as the result of the prompt measures by the authorities.

A mobile force is moving into the mountains to-day, arresting the Sinn Fein leaders and preventing them from assembling.

LONDON, May 2 (Official).—"Dublin is gradually assuming normal conditions, the work of clearing some small districts around the Irish city is being carried out by an ever contracted cordon. In Cork all is quiet in the county, with the exception of an affray in the Fermoy district, where the police in attempting to arrest two men in a house, met with armed resistance, the head constable being shot dead. On arrival of reinforcements, the occupants of the house, two of whom were wounded, surrendered. Sinn Feiners in Cork City, where there has been no rising, are yielding up their arms."

Britain Buys Entire Output Norge Oil

LONDON, May 3.—The British Government has bought the entire output of Norwegian animal and fish oil, according to a reliable report in circulation here.

It will be recalled that during the first year of war, Germany was reported to have out-bid American and British buyers of the Norwegian output.

OFFICIAL BRITISH

LONDON, May 3.—The British Official Bureaux announces: "Lieut-General Lake, Commander of the British forces in Mesopotamia reported as follows: 'A small British force moved out of Bushire on April 29 and attacked a hostile force, which was strongly entrenched in the vicinity. The enemy were quickly driven off. We returned to Bushire unmolested. Our casualties were one British officer killed and one native Indian trooper wounded. A letter dated May 1st has been received from the Turkish Commander-in-Chief, Kpalli Pasha, which agrees to exchange General Townshend's sick and wounded, for an equivalent number of Mohammedan and Turkish prisoners in hospital, and other ships have been sent up to begin the evacuation.'"

LONDON, May 3.—A British official statement on the campaign in the Western zone, issued to-night, reads: "A German attack east of Ypres last night was preceded by hours of bombardment, but broke down under our fire without reaching our lines. Another attempt by the enemy to leave his lines northward of Albert was also stopped by our fire."

"To-day there has been some artillery activity near Montauban, Thiéval, between Carency and Vermelles, opposite Wyschaete and east of Ypres."

"As a result of combats in the air yesterday two hostile aeroplanes were driven down in a damaged condition. They were seen to land a short distance behind the German lines."

Hun Subs Still Active, 3 More Ships are Sunk

A Brazilian, a British and a Dutch Steamer Victims of Undersea Craft—Greek Steamer Grain-laden Posted as Missing

LONDON, May 2.—The Brazilian steamer Rio Branco is sunk.

The British steamer City of Rochester is sunk.

One fireman was lost. The remainder of the crew were saved.

A wireless despatch received to-day from North Foreland Station from the Dutch steamer Batavia announcing that the Fridland was sinking.

This Swedish vessel sailed from Portland on April 14th, for Rotterdam, and had 7,000 tons of wheat on board.

The British steamer Hendon Hall, which was yesterday reported as sunk while bound from Portland and Lousburg for Rotterdam, also had been chartered by the Belgian Relief Commission.

ATHENS, May 2.—It is assumed in shipping circles here that the Greek steamer Georgios, grain laden, which left New York two months ago with a crew of 25, has been lost at sea. The vessel had a cargo estimated to be worth \$600,000.

Several Hundred Turks Drowned When Transport Sinks

NEW YORK, May 2.—A Salonika despatch to the news agency here to-day says that a Turkish transport, the Chirksti Mairie, was sunk off Rodento in the Sea of Marmora, by a British submarine, according to an announcement made here to-day.

No details are available, but it is believed here several hundred Turkish troops on board were drowned.

Australia's Magnificent Response

Sir Douglas Mawson, Antarctic Explorer, Tells of Work Done in Australia—Has Left New York for London on Mission Connected With War Work

NEW YORK, May 3.—Sir Douglas Mawson, the Antarctic explorer, who recently arrived in the United States from Australia, sailed from this city today on the steamer Orduna for Liverpool. He said when he reached London he would offer his services to the expedition for the relief of Lieut. Sir Ernest Shackleton, if such expedition were organized. His direct mission to London, however, he said was in connection with the war work he has been conducting in Australia, the nature of which he declined to discuss. "I have been urging universal service in Australia," he said, "but I must say Australia has done nobly. She has sent to the front already, 250,000 men."

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Was Lipton's Yacht "Erin"

LONDON, May 2.—The British armed yacht Aegusa, the sinking of which by a mine was announced yesterday, was formerly the Erin, Sir Thomas Lipton's private yacht. She was taken over by the British Admiralty, and used as a patrol ship. Later she was armed. Before being sent to the Mediterranean, where she was sunk, she had been on patrol duty in the North Sea.

The Erin conveyed Shamrock IV to New York for the cup races, which were to have been held in 1914.



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Practical Speech of Mr. Jennings on Our Herring Fishery

With Thirty Years Experience Behind Him Mr. Jennings Deals With This Branch of Our Fisheries—Suggests the Appointment of an Inspector Who Would be Entirely Free of Either Buyer or Seller

APRIL 3th.

MR. JENNINGS—Mr. Chairman: I wish to thank the hon. member for Placentia and St. Mary's for the compliment he paid me with regard to my experience in the herring fishery. I think I can claim to have some knowledge of that industry, having been engaged in it more or less for thirty years. To get down to the practical point, this industry resolves itself into two systems, first, what is generally termed the Newfoundland cure, and secondly, the Scotch pack. We hear a great deal about the bad pack, and the bad packages, but there are other matters which are not dealt with at all. I contend that a large percentage of the barrels made on the south side of Notre Dame Bay are as good as any Scotch barrels made from soft wood, with the exception of the iron chime hoop, which we suggested last fall to the Fisheries Board it would be well to introduce, only giving reasonable time for the importation and introduction of the same. We also suggested an inspection of the barrels, which we believe would bring the small percentage not properly made up to the required standard. But I assert here to-day that no matter how well herring may be packed, if they are allowed to lie around wharves in the hot summer sun for five or six months, as a large quantity did the past summer, when they reach the market they will be only fit for manure, and then the poor packer gets the blame.

The Scotch Method of Putting up Herring.

I hear that several parties in Twillingate are starting this spring to put up herring according to the Scotch method. I am very much afraid that it is not going to be a success. They salt, under that method, two barrels for the same quantity of salt we use on our barrel, Newfoundland cure. They leave the gut and spawn in the fish, and the belly is not ripped. We clean it all out. Now, in my opinion, if these herring lie around for some months before they are shipped to market, we shall have the same old cry repeated over again: "Newfoundland herring unfit for human food. There was an attempt made some years ago by a Scotch firm, who located at Twillingate, to pack and market our herring after the Scotch plan; the venture proved a failure. There was a rumour they were paid to fail; for that I cannot vouch, but I know they handled our spring and summer herring, and that might have easily contributed to the failure. I have been told that the herring caught in Notre Dame Bay this fall, although cured, according to the Scotch plan, did not fetch near the price the herring coming from Scotland did. What is the reason for this? Our fall herring should be as good as is caught in any part of the world. It looks rather suspicious to me; is there some little secret that we have not yet learned and which the Scotch people intend to keep to themselves, fearing future competition in the American markets? I heard of one cargo of herring taken to Lewisporte this fall. I believe those herring lay in that vessel's hold for a month and were thus taken out in a frozen condition when salt would have no effect upon them packed and shipped to an American market. Who gets the blame if this is another black mark against Newfoundland herring?

The Best Herring in Newfoundland Are Found in Green Bay.

Again as to our Newfoundland cure I had the opportunity of speaking to the Halifax agent who first came to inspect a quantity of herring Messrs D. P. & L. Osmond were shipping to Halifax. I found that he was well satisfied with both the barrel and the cure of the herring, and with all due deference to the hon. member for Burgeo, Mr. Moulton, he told me he could buy herring much cheaper on the West Coast than he could get them at Moreton's Harbour, but they were no good. The barrels, he said, had no wood in them, and sometimes would burst abroad in the vessel's hold. The firm of D. P. & L. Osmond must have shipped nine or ten thousand barrels to Halifax and other ports this year, and they told me themselves that they did not have a complaint of one bad barrel in the whole shipment. This goes to prove that with a little painstaking and

carefulness we can both make the barrel and cure its contents fit for the requirements of the market. However, I believe the introduction of an inspection will meet all the conditions required and hasten the time when our herring shipped from Newfoundland will reach the markets in a first-class condition, and that prices will be realized second to no other country in the world.

Inspector Should be Independent of Both Buyer and Seller.

In looking through the Fishery Report to-day in regard to herring, I notice that reference is made to an old statute which provides that the inspectors should be paid by the firms who employ them. I think the Government should take up this matter, and appoint inspectors. I believe that they should be independent of both the buyer and the seller. To my mind, if the buyer of the herring has to pay the Inspector, it simply means so much of the price that he will pay the seller, and the producer stands to lose. I think the inspectors, if appointed, should be paid from the revenue of the country, and so be independent of all parties.

I listened carefully to the remarks of the Minister of Marine and Fisheries with regard to the production of barrels and the introduction of a barrel-making factory. Well, I don't think that would be altogether a blessing, that is, if it meant that the making of packages would be altogether confined to that factory. I know a great many poor men, who have no opportunity of earning anything in any other way, especially down North, who spend their winter months making barrels; and they make good barrels, too, as good, I think, as any barrel factory could make. But those barrels could be improved by the introduction of the wide iron hoop on the chime. I think that is a thing that should be done—that all barrels should have a wide iron hoop on them; it

would improve the barrel in every way. The herring industry is an important one, and every measure should be taken to make the article marketable and to see that it is well packed.

The Careful Packer Suffer for the Sin of the Careless One.

There are a few people engaged in this business who don't take the trouble that they should and who do their work badly, and it is those men that we almost always hear of. We hear very little about the people who do their work well, but if a man does it badly, it is advertised all over the place. Now, I don't stand here to defend the man who does his work badly. I think that inspection ought to be introduced, and the men who put up the bad article should not be allowed to sell it. Probably the introduction of inspectors would meet that requirement. But something should be done immediately. If you intend that there should be an improvement in the future, you will have to disturb the present.

Makes Few Suggestions as to Old Age Pensions.

There is one other little matter—not exactly connected with the vote that we are discussing to-day—that I would like to say a word about, and that is in connection with the Old Age Pension scheme; and it is a matter which I would suggest the Government take up. I understand that the Old Age Pension office has no particular means of finding out when a pensioner dies. Now, those pensioners are all very old men, and I think it is very important that some arrangement should be made in this respect.

HON. MINISTER FINANCE AND CUSTOMS—The Relieving Office is supposed to make it known.

MR. JENNINGS—That may be, but in many cases the Relieving Officer may live twenty or thirty or forty miles from the place where the death occurs. A case came under my notice during the past year. An envelope was brought to me containing an old age pension cheque. The man to whom that letter was addressed had been dead six months; which, to my mind, shows that somebody did not do the square thing. Now, my suggestion is this: The Local Affairs Act, I think, included the possibility of the placing of matters of this kind in the hands of the Road Board. Why not arrange to have this matter looked after by the Chairman of the different Road Boards? They would not expect to be paid for it. It would merely be a matter of reporting to the Deputation when a death occurred, and I believe you could go further than that and let the Board recommend a person to fill the vacancy.

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I enlisted at Montreal in 1915 with the 24th Battalion Victoria Rifles, and when we arrived in France I was transferred to the 3rd Canadian Tunnelling Coy., and I am glad to say that they have done a noble part, such as will forever go down in history for their splendid work that they have accom-

plished on this Western Front. I am glad to see that the men of Terra Nova of military age and fitness were prompt in presenting themselves at the Call to the Colors and are now serving their King and Country in every emergency. They have also furnished without hesitation the material when necessary for a vigorous prosecution of the war, and to this end they have made sacrifices of which can hardly be realized in that country; they have denied themselves almost everything that savours of the luxuries of life in order to husband their resources for the country they serve.
But I am sorry to say the work is not yet completed and further sacrifices will have to be made and I firmly believe that the young men of old Terra Nova now serving their King and Country will maintain an excellent record. Thanking you for printing the above, I remain,
Yours truly,
SAPPER PETER MEADOWS,
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April 10th, 1916.
Some where in France.

"EXPERTS" JOE AND DICK

AMONGST all the Tory bluff, And God knows we've had enough, There is one that place all others in the shade; It's the Agriculture fad, Which has fleeced this country bad,
On a type of two-blade grass, And the "praties" they would grow to beat the band.

When Sir Edward came in power, Choicest blessings had to shower In an agricultural stream around the land; Flocks of sheep would fatten fast, On a type of two-blade grass, And the "praties" they would grow to beat the band.
So the big boss started in To secure two "expert" men, To buy bulls and rams and "bon-ifs" in galore; Applications poured in quick, But his choice were Joe and Dick; Did you ever hear of such a cod before.
First they spread a wild alarm, That Sir Robert's model farm, Would ruin the growth of spuds and other crops; But to meet the country's needs, They'd import the choicest seeds, And stand by to pocket all the easy coming sops.
Piles of money's been illused, And those experts introduced Scrub bulls and canker spuds on every hand. They started wrong at first, And it's gone from bad to worse; But they say now, that's "the custom of the land."
To this job Joe Downey sticks, And his pal Dick Devereaux, Drawing in their little boodle all the time. All their sheep and rams did die, Not a chucky can you spy, And the bulls was executed for the very slightest crime.
The weeds all grow up ranker, And the spuds was ruined with canker.

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The W.P.A. at Bay Bulls Arm

(Editor Mail and Advocate)
Dear Sir.—Please allow me space in your esteemed paper for a few words from here.
The W.P.A. was organized here a while ago, and on Easter Monday night they had a concert and tea in aid of getting wool to knit for the comforts of the soldiers at the front. The concert was got up by Miss B. Cook (C.H.E.) and Miss L. Taylor (Methodist) teach-

ers. The programme included solos, recitations, dialogues, etc. Rev. Mr. Milley acted as Chairman and gave short addresses at intervals; Mr. William Benson kindly lent his organ for the occasion. The weather was fine and the hall was filled, and did full justice to the tea. The amount raised was \$42.20. Thanks to the two teachers, who took such trouble in training the young people, and all who responded, and to the Orangemen for the loan of the hall.
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TRAIN NOTES

Monday's No. 1 arrived at Bishop's Falls at 8.35 a.m. to-day. Yesterday's No. 1 left Alexander Bay at 8.40 a.m.
Sunday's No. 2 arrived at St. John's at 8.45 a.m.; 6 cars.
To-day's No. 2 leaving Port aux Basques after arrival of Sagona.
And the turnips and the cabbage showed decrease; Did the hay increase a ton? No, by jingo, no not one; Still this cruel barefaced farce is not to cease.
Did you see the last report, It's a miserable barren sort, Of sad failures coming in on every hand; Still this is the kind of stuff, That's compiled to chuck a bluff, In accordance with "the custom of the land."
Down in the House last week, Mr. Coaker rose to speak, Of this farce we've suffered now for seven years; Uncle Ned and Dick grew mad, The reports were shown so bad, While the other Tory Graballs Was restless in their chairs.
Now I haven't time to-day, For one half I've got to say, But I'll come back to this subject once again; It's our duty for to show, What the country ought to know, Tho' I know 'twill give poor Joe and Richard pain.
Now I think we've had enough, Of this wilful Tory bluff, And exploiting of the lads who till the soil; So to-morrow I will prick That big bluff of Expert Dick In relation to the question of cod oil.
—TIM.



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LOCAL ITEMS

The S.S. Neptune, with a cargo of oil from this port arrived at New York Saturday morning, after a good run.
The S.S. Diana began landing her seals yesterday afternoon, and up to 6 p.m. had turned out 150 bedlamers and 294 old harps. She should finish this evening or to-night.
The S.S. Kasangee, which discharged salt at Morey's premises, sails to-morrow for Bell Island, and will take from there the first ore cargo for the season, sailing to Sydney with it.
The S.S. Kyle reached Skdney, the first time for the spring, at 4.30 this morning. The ice is now all cleared out of the Bight, and the ship will run there regularly hereafter.
Messrs. A. S. Rendell & Co. had a wire to-day, saying that the "Novelty" had arrived at Barbados, from Pernambuco, after a run of 11 days.
The S.S. Sagona is due this afternoon at Port aux Basques and will bring along several officers of "Ours," who are suffering from wounds or are invalided home through illness.
Mr. Geo. T. Kearney yesterday had a service card from Lieut. Gus O'Brien, out of the trenches. Gus says he is well in health and doing his bit, as well as all our boys, in giving the Huns a taste of British lead and in liberal losses.

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THE VIKING'S SEALS

YESTERDAY some of the S.S. Viking's crew approached Mr. Coaker in view of selling their seals to the highest bidder. Mr. Coaker intimated that if the Second Hand and Master Watches would give him a firm offer for the men's seals that he would secure \$6.25 for the young, and the old in proportion to the value of the young. The men were willing, but the officers were not. The result was, the men did not receive the \$6.25.

We trust the Viking's crew will not accept \$6.00. They should compel their officers to secure at least \$6.25 from Bowring's for those seals, as the loss will amount to \$2.50 per man, which is too much for those poor chaps, who have spent two months in connection with this trip, to lose.

Come, boys, this \$2.50 per man should be yours; and as your officers did not do their duty in protecting your interests in this respect, you should now see that they secure the extra 25 cents per cent. from the owners of the ship.

THE UPPER HOUSE

THIS session has seen two Joint Select Committees appointed to consider the Sealing Bill, and while the Lower House went back on the first recommendations and allowed the Florizel to engage in the fishery by one vote, the Upper House went back on much of the reported Bill and entirely cut out Clause 13, which was intended to prohibit the large steel ships from engaging in the seal fishery. The Upper House has amended the Bill, permitting the same conditions as prevailed in 1915, and allowed any steel ship to prosecute the fishery.

This action of the busy-bodies in the Legislative Council means the death knell of the wooden ships, as soon as the steel ships sold can be repurchased by local interests, and makes a return to motor vessels an impossibility. The F.P.U. will now be compelled to make the prohibition of steel ships over 450 tons a plank in its platform for next year's elections.

The Upper House has also done away with the proposal to deny the right of property in seals 24 hours after killing, as recommended by the Sealing Commission, and strongly supported by the Opposition Party. The steel ships can, as usual, clean up the patch at pleasure, and give only the crumbs to the wooden ships, as happened in 1911, 1912, 1913, and 1914.

It is hopeless for the fishermen to expect any legislation to pass the Upper House that springs from the F.P.U., as it has waged open war against Union proposals since the Union members took seats in the House. The Opposition Party will, therefore, be compelled to appeal to the Country with a platform containing a plank

that will either abolish or reform the Upper House. Anyway, its power to destroy legislation that passes the Lower House, must be taken from it, as soon as a new government comes into power. It is thought that a provision in the Constitution debarring the Upper House the right to reject any Bill that passes the Lower House two sessions in succession might sufficiently protect the people's wishes regarding legislation.

It is certain that the Country will not longer permit the fooling with Bills sent up by the Lower House for the approval of the Upper House.

During the past three years there has been no end to the hair-splitting propensities of some members of the Dumping Chamber, and all to no effect, as regards protecting the public interests. Every effort has been made to make ineffective the will of the People's Representatives. The Sealing Bill will pass, shorn of its chief proposals, to benefit the Country's best interests.

Another instance of the brazen impudence of the Upper House is that of sending back a unanimous note, refusing to listen to the unanimous decision of the Lower House, regarding the age limit for C.H.E. examinations, the further consideration of which the Joint Committee yesterday agreed, should be deferred until next session. The whole matter is the thinskinnedness and dictatorial make up of two or three members of the Upper House, who would as easily be elected for the Lower House, as a camel would pass through the eye of a needle, and who were never in sympathy with democratic ideas.

Another instance of this spirit of defiance is that in reference to measuring pit props, where the Upper House defied the unanimous wish of the Lower House, and refused, for the second time, to accept the Lower House decisions. The Lower House wished to make the measuring of pit props by lumber surveyors, other than the purchasers, compulsory, while the Upper House said, "No; leave it optional"; and a Joint Select Committee had to be appointed to appease the whims of two or three hair-splitters in the Upper House.

This sort of treatment of the People's Representatives cannot be longer tolerated. The People's wishes must prevail, and if such cannot be attained, except by abolishing the Upper House, then by all means let it be abolished.

Last year the Upper House amended the Loggers' Bill out of shape to suit the whims of a couple of companies, who demanded that their business should not be interfered with. The result is we have a Loggers' Bill that cannot produce satisfactory results and is ineffective, because the main springs of the Bill were removed by the interested interests in the Upper House.

Another very useful Bill murdered by the Upper House, last year, was the Price of Labrador Fish Bill, which was cast out because the Lower House would not allow it to become a plaything to suit interested interests in the Upper House.

To-day the Pit Prop Bill will again come before the Lower House for concurrence in an amendment by the Lords, which cut down the price of unrinded pit props on the bank, from \$5.00 to \$4.50; some members endeavored to make the figure \$4.00, but, thanks to Mr. Gibbs, \$4.50 was accepted, which figure the Lower House will likely accept; but for Mr. Gibbs' assistance, it is likely \$4.00 would have been accepted by the Upper House; and another Joint Select Committee would have been necessary to settle something to save the Bill from total destruction.

The people will not longer tolerate such interference by an irresponsible Chamber, which has equal powers with the House of Assembly, except in financial measures. The Upper House is a useless ornament, and its usefulness—if it ever existed—has long since passed away. It must either be abolished or reformed; it is a dangerous menace to the public interests of the people, as it is at present constituted. The time has come for ending it or breaking its power to do harm, or to override the People's wishes, as expressed through the People's House.

SPLENDID STRATEGY

THE abandonment of Bethincourt by the French has caused much chagrin to the Hun leaders. The retirement was made without loss to the French retiring forces. The step was apparently necessary once the enemy had established their grip on points dominating the road out of Bethincourt. Germany had already paid dearly for

NOW, LOOK AT THIS!

Another Policy of Morris Which Has Proved a Failure.

Another Case of "Forgetting the Law" and "Following the Custom."

THE Government believed it would receive \$25,000 a year Royalty from lumber sawn by small mills. Apparently the lumber Royalty policy has been a failure, and the Government should collect the Royalty due, and repeal the clause. Out of \$9700 due as lumber Royalty for 1914-1915, only \$3000 was paid; 55 mills made no returns last year; 13 were not operated. Six Thousand Seven Hundred Dollars for Royalty on lumber is owed by big supporters of the Government, who has pulled enough to escape payments for the time being. Men such as Sam Collins, Hare Bay, B.B., \$158; Geo. Jennings, Green Bay, \$325; Birch Bay Co. (French's), \$404; A. S. Yates & Sons, Green Bay, \$261; John E. Lake, Fortune, \$142; Saunders & Howell, Carbonear, \$450; J. M. Jackman, Tilt Cove, \$635; Jas. Brown, Fair Island, \$135; J. W. Aitken, Botwood, \$340; Moses Drover, \$138.

We append the Official Statement tabled on Monday, in reply to a request by Mr. Coaker, and the Northern fishermen will be able to note those who have not lived up to the law, and who have escaped payments of Royalty that others have paid. It is surprising to find such a small amount paid in for 1915. The Department is apparently taking this matter very easy and is no doubt "following the Custom" in matters where taxes are due the Treasury by party friends.

In the statement below, where no figures are found opposite the name of the licensee, it means that no returns were sent in for the years named, although licenses had been issued.

ROYALTY PAID ON TIMEBER CUT 1913-14 AND 1914-15

	1913-14	1914-15
G. & S. Hender	\$150.00	\$100.00
Budden Brothers	74.60	
Willis Clark	59.00	37.60
J. E. Parsons	137.41	48.59
J. W. Hillier	12.19	
Henry E. Stone	199.57	
I. T. Currie	52.00	
Theo. George & Son	14.00	
Leander Drover (on account against \$115)	25.00	
Jesse Dewey	20.00	
Stephen Bowne	50.00	
H. B. Stroud	8.50	
French & Sons	540.50	
Israel Hicks	14.27	12.00
Jennings & Robbins	36.00	
Earle, Son & Co.	143.53	
F. B. Moore	22.00	22.00
Batstone Brothers	41.00	31.00
Patrick Hicks & Son	18.17	
Ed. J. Butler	30.75	22.22
W. Inkpen	46.43	40.00
George Miles	16.00	8.00
N. J. Jaddore	20.00	
J. & E. Farrell	19.00	58.43
Jas. Lorenze	5.50	
A. T. Woolfrey	50.00	50.00
M. Drover	170.00	
Vincent Nolan	36.00	
James Gover	33.00	
Robert Chambers	383.19	
Samuel Butt	13.58	
Francis Rideout		75.00
John Farrell, of M.		30.00
Michael Ryan		10.00
Jordan Simmons		30.00
Thomas Metcalf		10.00
Ken. Hicks		10.00
Ed. Bishop		35.00
John Upwards		2.00
	\$2441	\$632.00

ROYALTY DUE FOR LUMBER CUT SEASONS 1913-14 AND 1914-15

	1913-14	1914-15
Budden Bros., Jackson's Arm	\$ 11.40	\$ 78.00
Nath. Osmond, Hr. Deep, White Bay	8.00	
Aucoin & White, Stephenville	30.24	
White & O'Quinn, Stephenville	46.50	
W. Farlane, Stephenville	90.50	
F. Gabriel & Bro., Stephenville	26.00	
Sam Harsford, Adayton, T.B.	23.25	
W. N. Tavener & Bro., Middle Lance Cove, T.B.	86.00	
James Reid, South Dildo	70.00	15.00
William Pelley, George's Brook	15.00	
Jos. Bugden & Co., Middle Lance Cove	46.00	
F. Single, New Chelsea	62.27	
Bryant & Brown, Brownsdale	20.00	
Thos. George & Bro., Heart's Content	14.00	
F. & E. Reid, Heart's Delight	193.18	
James Reid, Heart's Delight	68.16	
Leander Drover, Whiteway	90.00	
Samuel Reid, South Dildo	18.10	
Alex. Ploughman, Port Rexton	11.25	
Robert Smith, Norman's Cove, T.B.	59.00	
Jesse Dewey, Alexander Bay	20.00	
S. J. Feltham, Indian Bay	175.00	
Samuel Collins, Hare Bay, B.B.	158.00	
James Blackwood, Alexander Bay, B.B.	60.00	
Patrick Walsh, Knight's Cove, B.B.	7.60	
Jos. Hodder & Son., Black Head Bay, B.B.	11.28	
R. B. Stroud, Alexander Bay, B.B.	63.38	
Ken. Hicks, Carmanville	8.70	

this apparent advantage, and the Hun forces are still far from the capture of any vital point. Verdun is still safe; and the retirement of Joffre's forces simply means that his line has been solidified by the withdrawal of the forces engaged in defending this dangerous salient which jutted into the German lines somewhat like a letter V.

It were the merest folly for us to deny that the Germans have made some gains in this region. But we learn that this notwithstanding the greatest optimism prevails in Paris; and the French know more about the situation than anybody else. The Germans themselves are bitterly disappointed at the slowness of their advance. They hoped to rush the fortresses; but they failed signal-

George Jennings, Burlington, N.D.B.	325.90
Elias Roberts, Burlington, N.D.B.	194.50
F. B. Moores, N.W. Arm, New Bay	22.00
Wm. and Selby White, N.W. Arm, New Bay	11.00
Adolph Yates, S.E. Arm, New Bay	12.00
Birchy Bay Lumber Co., N.D.B.	404.42
A. S. Yates & Sons, South Arm, Three Arms	261.15
Norman Crocker, Piper's Hole, T.B.	40.56
James Crocker, Piper's Hole, T.B.	24.00
Jos. Moulton, Loon Cove, Burin	65.00
John E. Lake, Fortune	1142.69
A. T. Woolfrey & Bro., Lewisporte	494.50
Saunders & Howell, Carbonear	450.00
W. J. Jackson, Cavendish, T.B.	10.00
James Gover, Tilt Cove, C. F. Bennett & Co.	635.00
Robert Chambers, Mortier Bay, Burin	33.00
James Brown, Fair Island, B.B.	383.19
Ken. Lush, Jackson's Arm, W.B.	135.36
J. W. Aitken, Botwood (Norris Arm)	17.40
J. W. Aitken, Botwood (Burnt Arm)	170.00
J. W. Aitken, Botwood (Hampten)	92.12
Moses Drover, Green's Harbor	88.00
Alfred Payne & Bro., St. Paul's Bay	
Fred Thistle, King's Point	
W. H. Baird, Peter's Arm, Exploits	
A. Tulk, Middle Arm, Carmanville	
John Cullinan, Cull's Harbor, B.B.	
Theo. Wells, Cat Bay, B.B.	
G. K. Burry, Glovertown, B.B.	
Ambrose James, Glovertown, B.B.	
James Brown, S.W. Arm, B.B.	
Gabriel & Gaden, Stephenville	
E. Bishop, Nardine's Crossing	
John W. Kendall, Morrisville	
Morgan Roberts, Bay D'Espoir	
McDonald & Dohmment, St. Joseph's, B. D'Espoir	
John Farrell, of M., Marystown	
Henry A. Collins, Paradise Sound	28.00
John Sparkes, Colinet	
J. J. Bonia, Deer Pond	
Earle & Parsons, Country Road	
Daniel Lewis, Holyrood	45.00
	\$6507.43
	\$211.03

LICENSES ISSUED 1915

	1913-14	1914-15
Will Antle, Botwood		
William Drover, Brown's Arm		
O. Stuckless & Bro., S.W. Arm, New Bay		
Albert Penney, Sopp's Arm		
William Budgell, Badger Brook Bay		
John Keen, N.W. Arm, P. Island		
James Blundon, S.W. Arm, Goose Bay		
G. W. Pynn, Gambo		
William Churchill, Bunyan's Cove		
W. K. Anguin, Curling, Bay of Islands		
Hoskins & Walsh, Conne River		
L. H. Simmons, Colinet		
Jordan Simmons, Colinet	169.00	
J. J. Nolan, Salmonier		
Edward Murry, Salmonier, North Side	9.00	
Patrick Murphy, Mitchell's Brook	36.00	
William Dave, Bay Roberts	8.00	
John Bishop, Bay Roberts		
William B. Belbin, Clarke's Beach		
Harold Clark, Avondale	45.00	
Thomas Metcalf, Salmonier Road		
	\$267.00	

GLEANINGS OF GONE BY DAYS

MAY 3
FOUNDATION stone of Custom House laid by Governor LeMarchant, 1847.
An old lady named Mrs. Walsh, died, aged 105 years, 1869.
Hon. Edward Morris appointed President Legislative Council, 1870.
Hon. Thomas Talbot appointed to Legislative Council, 1870.
Hon. Edward Morris resigned the Presidency of the B.I.S., 1874.
Steamer John Knox lost, with all hands, at Channel, 1887.
James Coffee killed at Spaniard's Bay, by Richard Singleton and his two sons, 1873.
Peter P. LeMessurier, died, aged 73, 1884.
Steamer Nevada collided with and sank the steamer Romana off this coast; crew saved, 1884.

THE LEGISLATURE COUNCIL

The past five weeks the Legislative Council has been very busy in connection with the legislation sent up from the lower house, and each afternoon in that period interesting debates occurred on the various measures up for discussion, and a large volume of business was disposed of. There were nine matters on the Order Paper yesterday and the deliberations of the Council did not conclude until near 11 o'clock last night.

The following bills were put through their various stages and sent to the lower chamber:—Public Service Bill, Prohibition Bill, Exportation of Timber Bill, Saw Mills, Operation Bill, Loan Bill, Death Duties Bill, Censor of Moving Pictures Bill. The Joint Committee on the Sealing Bill having come to an agreement on the measure, it will be put through to-day. The Exportation of Timber Bill caused much debating, participated in by Hon. Messrs. Murphy, Gibbs, the President, Harvey, Robinson, Blandford, Bishop, Angel, Fowler, and others, and several amendments were adopted, one being the placing of \$4.50 as the price of unrinded timber as a minimum. The Council will meet again at 3.30 p.m. to-day, when the Revenue, Municipal Council, Cod Oil Refining, and Assembly's Amendments to the Weights and Measures Bills will be finalized, and prorogation will occur to-morrow afternoon.

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Notre Dame Bay Service, 1916.

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Leaving Lewisporte MONDAYS
Campbellton
Comfort Cove
Farmer's Arm
Moreton's Harbor
Twillingate
Herring Neck
Change Islands.
Fogo.

RETURNING

Change Islands
Horwood
Beaverton
Boyd's Cove
Herring Neck
Twillingate
Tizzard's Harbor
Moreton's Harbor
Exploits
Botwood
Kite Cove
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Fortune Harbor
Cottle's Cove
Leading Tickle West
Triton West
Pille's Island
Port Anson
Boot Harbor
Springdale
Lush's Bight
Little Bay Islands
Little Bay
Three Arms
Harry's Harbor
Nipper's Harbor
Indian Burying Place
Snook's Arm
Tilt Cove
Shoe Cove.

Leaving Lewisporte FRIDAYS

Exploits
Fortune Harbor
Cottle's Cove
Point Leamington
Leading Tickle East
Triton East
Pille's Island
Cutwell Harbor
Little Bay Islands
Little Bay
Three Arms
Jackson's Cove
King's Point
Rattling Brook
Burlington
Nipper's Harbor.

RETURNING CALL AT

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Sailing Dates
to be
announced later.

Mr. Coaker's Speech on Pit Prop Industry

Explains Fully the Stand Taken by the F.P.U. on the Matter—Is Strongly Opposed to the Exportation of Pit Props From Newfoundland—But in View of Information Given the Opposition by the Government all Opposition Will be Raised to the Exporting of Pit Props Till the End of 1917

MR. COAKER—The explanations of the Leader of the Opposition fully suffice to inform the House as to why we are going to permit that clause to pass. It is very much to be regretted that this information was not supplied to the Leader of the Opposition before the introduction of the Bill, and I trust that in future, in such matters, the Government will take the Leader of this side of the House into its confidence. The Leader of the Opposition has pointed out that the Members of this side of the House resolved to oppose any measure having for its object the establishment of the pit prop industry in Newfoundland. The reason that we have come to this conclusion and have resolved on this policy is, because, we believe that the timber remaining in Newfoundland should be manufactured in the Colony. I mean by this that the wood that would be used for pit props would be in greater profits if utilized as pulp wood. I have every confidence that in eight or ten years we will see in the interior three established industries such as Grand Falls, if we can possibly conserve the timber resource to give these industries a sufficient supply of wood. If, as I say, we can hold on to this timber, in eight or ten years we ought to have two more establishments one of which would be at Glenwood, and another at Bishop Falls. It is madness on the part of the Government to allow the export of timber as pit props. Grand Falls is worth half a million dollars to the Colony as a revenue producer. Two more industries of similar magnitude would mean one and a half million for the Government's coffers from the paper industry.

If Present Policy is Continued Our Timber Will Be Destroyed.
If the Government make up their minds to allow pit props to be exported as the promoters of the industry from the other side of the water would like, then in eight or ten years from now we are going to have a barren country. It is useless for anyone to say that there is no harm done, and that by cutting the pit props you allow the remaining timber a better opportunity to grow because only small timber is cut for pit props. When cutting pit props they take everything in the shape of timber out of the land. They take trees up to seven and eight inches in the top and down as low as two and a half

Asks For An Assurance From The Premier Regarding The Three Miles Limit.

I trust now that the Premier will be able to give us a promise that the law we propose passing here now with regard to the cutting of timber on the three-mile limit will not be altered during the year, and that he will not listen to any coming forward and coaxing the Government to allow them to cut green timber on the three-mile limit. I feel sure that what has been done formerly in connection with this matter has not been done with full knowledge of the consequence, and that the Government has not given the matter of cutting green timber on the three-mile limit that full consideration they should have given the matter. We know the facts in connection with those matters; and as has been advanced by the Minister some representations were made last fall with regard to the shortage of the fisheries and the necessity of providing labour for the people; but I defy him to show that we suggested cutting green timber on the three-mile limit. I feel sure that the Premier will give us his promise that this permission to cut on the three-mile limit will not be given again. If he gives us that assurance we will not oppose the Bill for cutting another year.

A Case Of Locking The Stable Door When The Horse Is Stolen.

Now, there is another matter, the matter of providing a Board. The great pity about that is that the Government did not wake up before the horse was stolen. We have had cut in two years about three hundred thousand cords of wood and we have lost on that three dollars a cord, or \$900,000. When the companies were buying this wood first they were willing to pay \$8 or \$8.50 a cord for it on board the steamers; and the first steamer load that went from Newfoundland was paid at the rate of \$8.25 or \$8.50. Then the small men in this country, middlemen, came forward and said to these companies if you give us contracts we will supply this wood for you for \$5.50. Of course the companies would be foolish not to accept such a proposal. It was our own people, these middlemen that brought down the price and allowed those men to reduce the value of pit props one hundred per cent.

Now, this Board has come and we are not going to oppose its formation. If we can do anything to benefit the fishermen by increasing the value of pit props we shall give it our hearty support. We cannot accept that clause as you have it, but in all probability when we come to it later, we shall be able to show you how to make it more effective. I feel sure that the promise I suggested we might get from the Prime Minister will be very gladly given, and if that is done, any objections we had to offer to the Bill will be overcome.

Supports Amendment Fixing Minimum Price Per Cord And Rate Of Wages Per Month.

MR. COAKER—I rise to support the proposed amendment of Dr. Lloyd regarding a minimum price for pit props and wages cutting pit props, and in doing so I do not point out that

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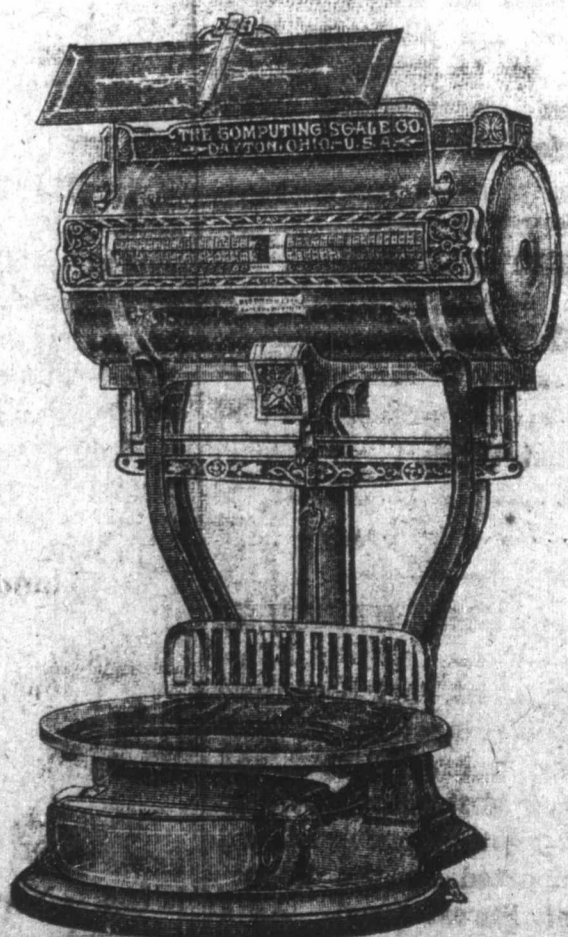
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In all probability you will find next year that a great proportion of the men will be engaged by the month, because the green timber being exhausted, and no wood being allowed to be cut along the water-front, it will mean that the timber area holders who have inside areas will ship the men by the month and will not pay them by the cord. Quite a number of men were engaged that way this year. For that reason we think that if you place a clause in the bill fixing the minimum price per cord at \$5 and do not provide a rate per month, that the employers of these men will take advantage of the fact that you are fixing \$5 as the minimum rate per cord and they will hire the men at their own prices, from \$20 to \$25 per month. There have been some men hired at these prices this year. Another thing is that the prices paid will largely depend on the result of the fishery. If the fishery is a good one there will, in a great many cases, be no urgent reason for the men to flock to the lumber camps seeking employment, in fact there may be a scarcity of laborers for that purpose, and consequently the rate of wages will be increased; but if we have a bad fishery next year, it will mean that men will be abundant and the prices as wages per month that will be quoted them, will be in proportion to the number of men who present themselves. In view of the fact that you are fixing minimum prices per cord, if you do not fix a minimum rate per month, employers will avail of the opportunity of hiring men and paying them any rates they wish. If you adopt the suggestion fixing wages at \$20 per month then any man engaged in cutting pit props will receive a value for his labor which we consider only a fair remuneration.

READ THE MAIL & ADVOCATE

THE GOODISON WHITEWASHING.

Another Writer From Victoria Village Takes Exception to Mr. Goodison's Plea of "Following the Custom"

Editor Mail and Advocate)
Dear Sir:—The general topic around here now is, the Goodison affair, even the school children can be heard day after day, since the exposure of Mr. Goodison's wrong doing, expressing their little opinions as to what they think of the Crabbell Government for upholding the Speaker of the House. However, this is nothing unusual for children to talk like this, as they are only "following the custom" of their parents in this respect. In fact, even the Government's own strong supporters are deadly opposed to the "whitewashing" of a man, especially in Mr. Goodison's position, who has used the public moneys in order to get elected.

It is too ridiculous altogether, and, although I have always been a staunch Morris man, I must surely confess that the sooner some of this clique of Government members are sent into oblivion the better. The idea of the Acting Judge of the District Court having the audacity to stand up in the honorable House of Assembly and uphold Goodison in what he had done. Well I should smile after hearing the Judge excuse me, I mean to say the learned Judge, who, of course, "followed the custom," in explaining to the House how innocent Mr. Speaker was, while in some of the evidence Mr. Goodison remarked, "Why, boys, if the public knew this, what would become of me?" Isn't this then, Mr. Editor, enough to con-

vince any sane person that Mr. Goodison knew he was doing wrong and not "following the custom."
But last, but not by any means least, the member for Fortune Bay, Mr. Emerson, admits that he did the same thing 500 times, and apparently the learned judge will also content himself that Mr. Emerson, as well as Mr. Goodison, was only "following the custom." What's the use in making laws, anyway, they are never carried out, only on poor people.

Yours truly,
Z Y Z.
Victoria Village,
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Contractor Kelly Must Face Trial

WASHINGTON, April 26.—Thomas Kelly, a contractor, wanted in Winnipeg, in connection with alleged frauds in construction of the Parliament Buildings there, today lost his fight against extradition in the Supreme Court. The High Court affirmed the decision of the Federal Court in Chicago which refused to release Kelly on Habeas Corpus.

Canada asked for Kelly's extradition that he might be tried on a charge of obtaining \$1,250,000 by false pretences on the Parliament Building contract. His case was argued only a few days ago, and the court at special request gave speedy consideration. Apparently no legal process now is available to prevent his extradition to Manitoba.

MR. MURPHY HOT AFTER SCALPS OF HIS CRITICS

Refutes the Charges That His Poems Are Undesirable—Produces Extracts From Letters of Governors, Clergymen and Journalists to Show That His Work is Appreciated—Feels That he Can Stand up With the Best of 'em—Denies the Statement That he "Ran With the Hare and Hunted With the Hounds"

(Editor Mail and Advocate)

Dear Sir,—In the words of Genesis Slattery alias "Flannel Mouth Jack" may sadly exclaim "my punishment is greater than I can bear." There's an old axiom which says "No man can serve two masters." "Veritas" is and the T. A. & B. man are serving slander, and Slattery "kith after kind," as the old folks say, they're scurvey calculators of innocence.

In your paper this afternoon there's two columns of the most abusive drivel which has ever emanated from the brain of one calling himself a human being and a Christian.

"The rank is but the guinea stamp. A man is a man for a' that."

Beauty, my friend, never made the pot boil, nor clothes the man. What constitutes a gentleman, this was answered in an English newspaper a few years ago, and here is a verse written on the occasion in relation thereto:

"It means if a meaning definite Can be fixed to the thing at all; A well cut coat, a faultless boot, A hand that's white and small, A head well brushed, and a shirt well washed, A lazy, heartless stare, Some Sterling pounds and a name that sounds With the true Patrician air. Those are all you want, deny it who can. To attain to the rank of a "gentleman."

The plainest dressed man in all England, and one of the richest, is the Duke of Norfolk. The "over dressed" so-called men are fellows who art not worth the price of a stick of chewing gum, who possess not the brains of a jackass, but who get galled enough to float an zeppelin, and enough brass in their jowls to make a cannon. The mania for grandeur, inherited or begotten by those of the class I write on, have driven more men and women to destruction than the commitment of any other crime in the calendar, and if Slattery's "Man Friday" is not a born fool he should know what I say is true.

As I daily walk through Water St. I meet with individuals dressed like "fools" in the Christmas season, in our fathers' days, the "cerme de la cerme" of silliness, but if they "ponied up" what they owe they would be liken unto "Adam in the garden of Eden," bereft of their tinsel, and clothed to hide their nakedness with fig leaves. So much for style and for the sauce of the top, who accused me of not possessing it!

He next says "that my various contributions are perturbed with an undesired stench that is unbearable to a mortal who may have any sense of cleanliness to live up to." What presumption, what gall, was there ever such nonsense made public before, "unbearable to a mortal who may have any sense of cleanliness to live up to." Ah, you coward, you nincompoop, listen, the good book tells us "that fools rush in where angels fear to tread." You're a skunk, for none other but one with the nature of that filthy animal would be guilty of expressing himself such. Now, Sir, here's a dose for you that will convince the most prejudiced enemy of mine that you're a foul-mouthed liar. It has never been made manifest, so far as I'm aware, that the gubernatorial

residence was fumigated, because my songs were received there, praised and appreciated by the chief representatives in this country of His Majesty the King. I have had invitations from the Governors of this country on more than one occasion to visit them, as I did so, and I wore no "cut away" or "shiny behaviour" hat, yet their Excellencies gave me as much attention as if I wore the King's Livery" for is not "a man a man for a' that."

Governor Boyle, in 1904, at my request, composed the ode of welcome for "Old Home week," "Avalon is calling," and on two other occasions His Excellency presented me with money to assist me in my collection of "songs and ballads of Terra Nova" which I dedicated to the Rt. Hon. Sir E. P. Morris.

In 1914, Sir Cavendish wrote me from England saying "I am delighted to have your letter and to read your patriotic and stirring poems."

Governor MacGregor wrote me and sent me his photo with his autograph appended on his departure from Newfoundland in 1909, and inscribed on the photo was the following: "For James Murphy, Esq., with compliments and expressions of high appreciation of his verses."

The present Governor has said of my songs "The Governor presents his compliments to Mr. James Murphy and congratulates him on the issue of his brochure, entitled 'New generations of Royalty visit Newfoundland,' and on his verses which were presented to Prince Albert, to whom they gave much pleasure. The Governor reads always Mr. Murphy's poems with enjoyment and felicitates him on his poetical gifts."

From some of the Bluest Blood of Europe and America I have received notes of congratulations, and yet a lick spittle, yes one of the first water, has the audacity in the face of these ecumenisms bestowed upon me, with unblemishable cheek, tells the public that my songs are unbearable.

His Grace, the late Archbishop Howley, respected in his day by all classes and creeds, and who was second to none as a lover of Terra Nova, and as a poet as well, though not seeing eye to eye with me in my political creed, wrote me encouragingly as follows "I am sorry, said His Grace, that you should prostitute the talent which you undoubtedly possess."

This assaian, this, a T. A. & B. man, lies like Annias when he states that my publications are ridiculous. Here is what Hon. J. A. Robinson says of one of them "My old sealing days," "Mr. Murphy has the passion of the Antiquarian and delves deeply into the pages of the musty past. These researches are to him a labour of love and given to the public from time to time in printed form they supply information that will prove of increasing value as the years roll on. Mr. Murphy's efforts to keep alive the memories of the Long Ago meet public appreciation."

The cur who shoots from behind the hedge is disliked by all men and a T. A. & B. Man is a spawn of that kind. He further says, "I was a supporter of your policy at the last election, and at the same time bringing news to the camp of the enemy." I never "ran with the hare and hunted with the hounds." I am prepared to stand forth before the world as an imposter of the basest kind if this buzzard can bring one tittle of evidence to show that I wore two masks on that occasion.

The fishermen of the North will take my word before they take his. When he and others of his kidney were declaring that your party would drive the nuns out of the convents if you were returned to power I was to your back like a man. From the throats of your supporters, both on land and sea, the words of my song "Forty Thousand Strong" were sung, and the Orange band at Catalina set to music the words of my song "The P. P. U. For Ever." On two auspicious occasions it was played through the streets of St. John's, all of which I have never denied; but on the contrary I feel proud that the bone and sinew appreciate my talent.

Look at the last award I received for ability, a handsome gold watch and chain, presented to me by the sealing captains. Talk about Slattery. Why he isn't in it with me; a gold watch and chain. Some style about that eh, Mr. T. A. & B. Man.

I don't need to say more in defense of the attack made upon me by a callous poltroon. My honesty, my sobriety, my morals and ability can stand the test of carrion attacks from such sycophants. "Good wine need no bush." My character stands as high in the estimation of both Catholic and Protestant as does the reputation of a T. A. & B. Man, "Veritas," and "Flannel Mouth Jack."

OUR VOLUNTEERS

Yesterday the volunteers went through various drills in the Armory. The following entered for enlistment:

- Arch Underhay, Heart's Content. Wm. James, Winterton, T. B. J. Croucher, Point Verde, Placentia. Jas. Penny, Avondale. Frank James, St. John's. Ml. Martin, Torbay.

HOUSE STRUCK BY LANDSLIDE

The big rain storm of Sunday night loosened up a lot of clay, rock and debris at the North Battery and when the "slide" occurred it struck a horse there, throwing it out of plump for several feet, but doing little material damage to it. It is an unoccupied building, being only used in summer as a residence.

POLICE COURT NEWS

Mr. F. J. Morris, K.C., presided today and discharged a disorderly, while fining three drunks \$1 or 5 days each. The principal in the affiliation case gave bonds to appear when called on in the case of F. Glynn vs. the Shipwrights' Society, was further postponed to enable the Judge to review the appeals of the Counsel engaged.

Private Jensen lectures at Middle Bight

A very successful patriotic meeting was held at the Church of England school room at Middle Bight on Saturday night past, when Private Phil Jensen, the popular hero of Ypres lectured to a large audience. He was introduced by the Rev. Canon Colley, and for an hour and a half Mr. Jensen vividly described the awful struggle at Ypres, surrounded as their regiment were by superior numbers, their supports cut off and the noble effort of the gallant Canadians to extricate the remnant of their forces.

His address while told with characteristic modesty had an inspiring affect upon all present. A pleasing and appropriate feature of the event was the patriotic songs, "Britain Rules the Waves" by Miss Bessie Craig and Miss Molly Nugent; and "God Bless You Tommy Atkins" by Alexander Snow. Sandy's has quite a reputation as a singer, but he excelled all previous efforts by his dramatic allusion to Pte. Jensen in the roll of Tommy Atkins.

Mr. S. L. Coley, in his usual able style, proposed a vote of thanks to the lecturer, which was seconded by Mr. Edward Andrews, and heartily responded to by all. The promoters are to be congratulated, as such lectures delivered by such men as Private Jensen, are not only instructive, but have awakening and inspiring affect calculated to encourage a still greater effort to assist in the greatest of all struggles.

With thanks for your kindness in publishing my letter.

Yours truly, JAMES MURPHY.

St. John's, May 2nd, 1916.

[Mr. Murphy now has had an opportunity to reply to his critics, and this controversy cannot be further discussed in our columns.—Ed.]

Gulf Sealers Back to Port

"Ranger" Brings in the Key For 1916—All Three Ships Met Stormy Weather and Very Heavy Ice—Many Pans Are Lost Through Ice Breaking Up

S. S. VIKING

At 1.30 p.m. yesterday the S.S. Viking, Capt. Wm. Bartlett Sr., arrived here from the Gulf seal fishery reporting for about 10,000 old and young seals, the weight of between 14,000 and 15,000 young harps. She reports very stormy weather during March month particularly, and the ship, like the others, could not get about. The harps were struck near Grindstone Island and were very scattered, so that only some 12,000 were killed, but the ice opening they could not all be secured, many were driven ashore and secured by the residents of the Magdalen. During the past month old seals were plentiful, but the weather was bad, the ice open and more could not be secured.

S. S. DIANA

S.S. Diana, Capt. D. Martin, arrived early yesterday afternoon from the Gulf seal fishery. She hails for about 7,500 seals, some 1,200 of which are old. During the greater part of the voyage the ship was jammed in heavy ice and when she worked clear the young seals had taken to the water, so that only the old could be secured and a cut to N.W. was made for them. In the vicinity of P. E. I. a patch was struck, but owing to ice and weather conditions very little could be done with them and only about 1200 were killed. On Thursday last the ship bore up for home and after calling at Codroy to land part of her crew, arrived at the time mentioned. Early in the season as previously referred to, the ship was caught in rafting ice and for a time her position was so dangerous that the crew prepared to leave her but she "stood the squeeze" splendidly and sustained no damage. Capt. Martin and crew are well after the voyage.

S. S. RANGER

S.S. Ranger, Capt. W. Bartlett, Jr., arrived before midnight bringing the key of the fishery. As with the others of the Gulf fleet the Ranger met with hard luck during the spring and was jammed for several weeks. Her crew killed about 9,000 seals, but only about 3,000 were picked up, the remaining pans drifting ashore when ice broke up. The steamer during the last ten days of the voyage was on the hunt for old ones, but very few were taken, and on Saturday last she bore up for home. The Captain and crew are all well.

For the past two weeks measles has been prevalent among the members of our Regiment. Donovan's, where the German prisoners had been interned, is now being transformed into an hospital and yesterday a squad of Volunteers, in command of Inspector Hussey, and directed by Miss Southcott, put 12 cots there, and others will be set up to-day for the use of those affected.

The S.S. Bloodhound arrived at Louisburg yesterday and will return with a cargo of coal.

OUR THEATRES

THE NICKEL

"The Exploits of Elaine" will be continued at the Nickel theatre today. The episode is entitled "Shadows of War" and is one of the most sensational of this thrilling serial. "Sultana of the Desert" is a most exciting wild animal story produced in two acts and featuring the famous actress Kathlyn Williams. "Rags and the Giry" is a drama by the Vitagraph Company in which Maurice Costello stars. "The Widow's breezy Suit" is a comedy different to all others by the Edison Co. It is sure to please. Then there will be ragtime songs by Bert Stanley and popular ballads by Jack Lane.

THE CRESCENT

The Crescent Picture Palace is showing a three-reel Diamond special feature to-day, "When Love is Mocked." This wonderfully appealing drama is produced by the Selig Company. Another fine drama is "The Deception," produced by the Lubin Company featuring Ethel Clayton and Thurston Hall. "Wally Van" features in "The Serpents Tooth," a class Vitagraph comedy. Mr. Frank DeGroot sings a new ballad to-day. The Crescent doors open at ten minutes to seven. Go early and get a good seat.

A Just Complaint from Portugal Cove Road

(Editor Mail and Advocate)

Dear Sir,—Now that the spring is opening up and the repairing of the roads will soon begin I hope a square deal will be given to every man in connection with the expenditure of public monies. The usual custom pursued by Mr. Parsons is to give the job of repairing the Portugal Cove road to two or three favoured friends. Now, I do not think this is fair to the men who live on that road for men belonging to other sections to be sent to repair the main line across a man's door, while he is refused a day's work. It is time for this system of favouritism to end. One man has as much claim upon the revenue as another, why then this discrimination?

This may appear to be a very small matter to Sir Edward Morris, but it is important enough to disgust a great number of his supporters, and I have no hesitation in stating that the writer is among that class. There is no justification for this system of paying up a few party heaters. The principle is not a sound one, and will reflect unfavourably upon the Morris party if ever they have gall enough to face the country again. Why does not Inspector Parsons, who knows the circumstances, rise above these paltry political methods and do justice to his fellow man by giving each man a square deal.

Sincerely yours,

ONCE A MORRIS MAN.

Portugal Cove Road, May 2nd, 1916.

MAN SERIOUSLY HURT.

Fell in Hold of 'Lady Sybil'. Last night while working at the discharging of the S. S. Lady Sybil, at Crosbie & Co's a man named Osmond of Carbonair tripped and fell into the hold of the ship, a considerable distance. He was badly cut about the face and head, it was feared was hurt internally, and the ambulance was called after a doctor had attended him, and he was driven to the Hospital, Mr. Eli Whiteaway looking after him up to Press hour it had not been ascertained what internal injuries if any, he had suffered.

OPORTO MARKET

This Week Nfld. Stocks 18,740 Consumption 832 Last Week Nfld. Stocks 19,563 Consumption 2,350

RAIN STORM CAUSES WASHOUTS

A few miles west of Port Blandford as a result of the rain storm of Sunday and Monday, a broadslide and washout occurred yesterday morning. Near Shoal Hr. another occurred and a third was reported on the Trepassey branch near Forest Pond. As a result traffic was impeded for a while, the incoming express being delayed for several hours and a transfer of passengers was made on the Trepassey branch, so that very little delay was occasioned there. The Reid Co. have large gangs of men at work clearing away the debris at each place and traffic will be resumed to-day.

MARSEILLES, May 2.—A further contingent of Russian troops arrived at this Mediterranean port to-day.

MR. GOSLING AND HIS "RED CROSS" MARKERS

IN TORPEDOED SHIP

Word was recently received that Mr. Lyal Mann of Bell Island was on a destroyer recently torpedoed by the Huns. He was in the water 30 minutes before being picked up. He is a son of John Hann and has been several years a Naval Reservist.

OLD ENGINE DRIVER DEAD

Mr. D. Stone, one of the oldest, if not the oldest driver on the Reid Nfld Co.'s line, died at Port Blandford yesterday of measles. He was out on the road only Friday last and the company loses a good and faithful servant. He leaves a wife and six children.

BASEMENTS FLOODED, DAMAGE DONE

In the heavy rain storm of Sunday night and Monday the sewer became choked on Water Street West and the water backing up flooded the basements and cellars of Messrs H. Brownrigg and Fredk. Rose, and a lot of stock was spoiled. The owners intend holding the Civic Commission accountable for the damage.

OLD FRENCH RELICS UNCOVERED

The landslide which occurred at the North Battery demolished the residence of Mrs. Edgecombe, Monday, and she barely escaped with her two children. It also demolished several flakes and stages, and when the earth slid away it laid bare a lot of old relics of the French occupation of the city, including cannon balls, old ropes &c., which are interesting reminders of the past.

REID CO'S STEAMER REPORT

Argyle left Marystown at 6 p.m. yesterday, going West. Dundee left Bonavista at 9.40 a.m., inward.

Glencoe arrived at Grank Bank at 8.10 p.m. yesterday, coming East. Kyle left Port aux Basques at 6.40 p.m. yesterday. Sagona is due at Port aux Basques to-day.

"BLANDFORD" GETS AWAY.

The S.S. Sam Blandford sailed yesterday for New York where she will be given considerable repairs, and returning Capt. Meikle will leave and go into the service of the N. S. Steel and Coal Co. again. Capt. Wilson late of the Adventure will replace him.

OFFICIAL CASUALTY LIST FIRST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

MAY 3rd, 1916. 1587 Private George Robert Curnew, Curling, Bay of Islands. Killed in action, April 24. 1568 Private Howard Hulan, Robinson's Station, St. George's. Died in Scotland, May 2; particulars not yet known.

J. R. BENNETT, Colonial Secretary.

French Official

PARIS, via St. Pierre, May 2.—(Official).—In Argonne a strong German reconnoitering party was dispersed north of Harasse. Later reports show that the attacks launched by us on the 29th and 30th of April on the slopes of Mort Homme, enabled us to capture a thousand yards of front, ranging from three to six hundred metres in depth. East of the Meuse a spirited attack against the enemy's position S.E. of Donnamont fort, and which fully succeeded, enabled us to capture a German trench of the first line on a length of 500 metres, together with the capture of 100 prisoners.

The Ada Peard arrived here today from Barbados, molasses laden, after a good run.

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Tom and Fitz Discuss the Pipe Question and How Longley Got the Order From Gosling—Fitz Says We Must Swallow Gosling's Pills Like Good Children—Tom Hears That There Are Hundreds of Pipes With Red X's on 'em Laying Everywhere—The Taxpayers Will Have to Pay For Them all the Same

"Hello, Tom!" "Hello, Fitz. What do you think of the New Charter?"

Here's the conversation which followed between two old gents, when they met a few days ago, in the vicinity of a water cut, where the new service is being laid.

"Say, Fitz, what are them fellows doing there cutting off ends of the pipes with the red X's on 'em?" "Well, now Tom, is that all that you know about it? Why, man, sure the goats know all about them red X's. These are the pipes that Longley sold the Council that time they turned down P. C. O'Driscoll's."

"Is that so now?" "Yes, that is so, and if you are not in a hurry I'll tell you the whole thing from A to Z. Although I am not a very bright scholar I can take in plan facts when they are put before me all the same."

"Alright, alright, go on Fitz. I am in no hurry, old man. When a fellow gets up for seventy it's about time his hurrying days were over."

"Well, then, these cracked pipes all have red X's on 'em, and if you will take the trouble of walking from one end of this town to the other and in around the country roads as far as two miles, you will see piles and piles of pipes with red X's on 'em, all of which means damaged. There are hundreds of 'em, so I am told, but the Council would not tell O'Driscoll when he asked them the straight answer was "in an average condition," and one old fellow said O'Driscoll's question was impertinent, and they had no right to answer such a question."

"Is that a fact, Fitz?" "Yes, Tom, that's a fact, and you and me have to take our medicine just the same as O'Driscoll, and swallow Gosling's pills, and pay our extra taxes like little men when the Council comes in power in June."

"Oh, no, Fitz, the City Commission is going to stop the extra tax." "Stop the devil man, how can they stop 'em. Gosling and Company are after piling up about two hundred thousand dollars more to the City debt during their term of office, although they were only appointed to enquire into the affairs of the City, and make suggestions as to what would be most necessary, but the first thing they did was to throw off their coats and start right in to do what THEY thought should be done, and even got Morris to advance them the money. So now, like McGrath, he says, 'Let Gosling finish his work,' and there you are. Well, I won't be damned if that's not gall."

"You won't be damned Tom, I hope, but you may bet you'll be jammed alright, just as sure as you are looking at that fellow trying to know off the end of that damaged pipe. I saw two men to or three days working on one last year, so by the time they get through a couple of hundred I think Isaac Morris' statement in the Council about Longley getting the business over O'Driscoll's head will come true."

"What did Isaac say, Fitz?" "He said if the Council came out even at Longley's price, which was only a few dollars under O'Driscoll's, he would be well pleased. And finally asked Gosling at that same meeting if the same specification was given to Longley as that given O'Driscoll and Gosling replied he was not in a position to say whether it was or not, but Longley's price was lower than O'Driscoll's and he got the business. Now take it this way, just for argument sake—if you wanted to build a house, say a bungalow, or the like, would you give John Davy a different plan from the one you would give Thomas Brothers? I don't think so, because one man may figure on pine board and the other on hardwood, so it looks like this—O'Driscoll figured on sound pipes and Longley on cracked ones."

"I hope I haven't kept you too long Tom, but it's just as well for you to know that these red X's don't mean they are for a Red Cross Hospital."

"From what you say Fitz I think there must be a nigger in 'em."

"Well, Tom be that as it may, you and I and every other taxpayer in this town must take off our hats to Messrs. Gosling and Longley and pay up like little men when Johnny Grace appears with his smiling countenance. I will tell you a lot more the next time we meet. So long, old man."

"So long, Tom."

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