

Iles de la Madeleine

24 Mai 1900

A L'IMPARTIAL Tignish

Dimanche dernier une effroyable tempête s'est déchaînée aux Iles de la Madeleine, causant d'immenses dommages aux pêcheurs. Le vent a commencé à souffler de l'Est, samedi soir et a fait rage jusqu'au lundi matin. Nombre d'embarcations de pêcheurs ont été perdues, et presque tous les agrès de pêche, tel que trappes à homard, trappes à hareng, etc. ont été complètement détruits.

Il n'est pas possible de calculer les dommages que ces pertes entraînent. La population des Iles qui est composée de pêcheurs se livre dans cette saison de l'année à la pêche du homard. Chaque pêcheur possède depuis cent à cent cinquante trappes ce qui représente une valeur d'environ cent dollars. Au moyen de ces trappes, chaque pêcheur peut, dans les bonnes années, durant les mois de Mai Juin et Juillet, réaliser depuis cent à deux cents dollars. Les trappes ayant été détruites, c'est donc une perte bien lourde pour la pauvre population des Iles, puisque la pêche ne faisait que commencer; et avant que les pêcheurs puissent renouveler leurs trappes, le homard aura en partie laissé nos côtes.

Ainsi les pêcheurs qui pendant les longs mois de l'hiver, ont travaillé à préparer ces agrès de pêche, sont-ils au désespoir. Ils étaient sur le point de recueillir les fruits de leurs labeurs, la pêche s'annonçait bonne; le temps jusqu'alors avait été beau, et tout leur souriait, mais voilà que d'un seul coup toutes leurs espérances sont détruites. O fortune, que ton sort est capricieux!

Depuis le temps s'est remis au beau, et les pêcheurs travaillent avec ardeur à sauver les débris que la mer a épargnés.

DOMINIQUE CORMIER, Cap Rouge.

O'EST UN FOU

Le meurtrier du Prinz Carl dit qu'il voulait se venger de l'humanité

Stockholm, 21—La confession du meurtrier du Prinz Carl a été connue hier, mais les détails n'ont pas été donnés avant aujourd'hui. Il a déclaré qu'il avait prémédité son crime, et qu'il acheta les revolvers avec l'intention de piller un autre navire à Orebro, après avoir tué les passagers, mais il changea d'idée et monta à bord du Prinz Carl.

Le prisonnier ajoute qu'il regrette de ne pas avoir reconnu les hommes de police qui l'ont arrêté, car il les aurait tués.

Il a aussi exprimé le regret de ne pas avoir tué tout le monde à bord du Prinz Carl; il prétend n'être pas fou et déclare avoir commis ces meurtres pour se venger de l'humanité.

MORT EPOUVANTABLE

Un illuminé Russe se fait brûler sur un bûcher

Un correspondant américain, à Saint-Petersbourg, fait un récit émouvant du suicide original d'un individu de Borissovo, district de Katérinow, âgé de 50 ans, qui fut pris d'un accès de folie soudaine, après avoir lu la bible et d'autres oeuvres religieuses. Il s'embûquina de l'idée que les souffrances physiques seules peuvent expédier les péchés des hommes et il résolut de s'infirmer les tortures du feu.

A l'issue de sa famille il éleva dans la cour de son habitation un bûcher fermé de branchages et de paille, au milieu duquel

il avait planté un poteau.

Puis, ce malheureux, qui se nommait Babenko, s'est attaché lui-même au poteau avec des cordes et a mis le feu à la paille avec une main demeurée libre.

Quelques instants après il flambait sur son bûcher, et lorsque sa famille, accourue à ses cris de douleur, eût éteint les flammes, il avait déjà les jambes toutes calcinées et le reste du corps horriblement brûlé.

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