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WASTE NO MORE TIME

"A thorough and efficient equipment of St. John harbor is part of our policy. I desire to emphasize what I declared at St. John on the 8th of September, viz: that the defeat of the Laurier government will not retard, hinder or prevent in any way the construction of terminal facilities at St. John, or the equipment or the development of that port as one of the Atlantic national ports of Canada."

Who is responsible for the failure to provide for handling at St. John the traffic of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway in such manner that the terminals and the St. John Valley Railway connection would be ready as soon as the company may be ready to deliver the freight? So far as the St. John Valley Railway is concerned, the fault must be laid at the door of the provincial and federal governments.

The report which Mayor Frink brings from Montreal is quite different from that credited to him by the Montreal Star. He even says that it looks to him as if the Grand Trunk Pacific had an eye on Halifax rather than St. John.

The Standard this morning prints an interview with Premier Flemming in which he says it is the intention of the provincial government to have the Valley Railway completed as soon as possible. Why then has not the route of this railway from Gagetown to St. John been definitely announced, and the contracts entered into, especially for the bridges, which must be constructed if the rivers are to be crossed in the route chosen?

As the case now stands, the city council and the board of trade, which have already lost many months of valuable time through an apparent fear of hurting somebody's feelings, should direct their attention to the interests of the port of St. John, and be at least as patriotic in this matter as was the Borden Club, which forgot its politics and pointedly directed the attention of Mr. Hazen to the fact that the vital interests of this port were being sacrificed.

How much longer will Mr. Balfour, Mr. Bonar Law, Lord Lansdowne and other Unionist leaders in the United Kingdom tacitly encourage the shameful appeals of Sir Edward Carson to the religious prejudices of one section of the people of Ulster? How long will the Unionist press in the mother country tacitly encourage the Carsonian campaign? How long will Tory newspapers in Canada encourage as far as they dare an appeal to religious prejudice in this country? We are told in the despatches that Orange lodges in Canada have sent pledges of men and money to Sir Edward Carson, and that volunteers are ready to go from Chicago and other parts of the United States.

Heretofore the Protestant element, in

Canada at least, has professed to be the most loyal in the citizenship of the Empire. "God save the King" is never sung with greater fervor than at gatherings of members of the Orange order. Are those who have always declared themselves to be the strongest bulwark of the British throne about to rebel against the authority of the King and his constitutional advisors, and the parliament of the United Kingdom? If so, what shall be said of their loyalty? The liberties of the Protestants of Ulster are in no way endangered by the Home Rule bill. The British parliament may be safely relied on to guard the liberties of all the people. This is heartily conceded by the Protestants of Dublin, and other parts of Ireland outside of Ulster, who are not at all afraid of Home Rule. The majority of the people of Ulster are home rulers, and among them are some very eminent Protestants. If Sir Edward Carson and his fellow conspirators, who would willingly drench the country in blood, if by that means they could bring about a tory political triumph, are not restrained, they will do incalculable damage, since there is no warfare so bitter as that which is founded on religious differences. Surely these men are loading to prevent with infamy by attempting to prevent that pacification of Ireland which seemed to be within reach and which every loyal British subject has so long and so ardently desired. This is not the first time tories have threatened rebellion when they could not have their own way. The people of Canada had some experience of that sort of thing when the parliament buildings at Montreal were burned. In the face, however, of the Carsonian campaign, the duty of the British government is plain. Home Rule for Ireland must become an accomplished fact, and whoever stands in the way of the accomplishment of the will of the people, as expressed in this measure, must be treated as traitors to the King, and the enemies of that peace and harmony which should prevail within the Empire.

Is St. John to be side-tracked? If so, the responsibility rests with the Flemming and Borden governments.

Why should Mayor Frink or any member of the city council think that Grand Trunk Pacific freight via Moncton would go to Halifax rather than come to St. John? The distance to St. John is shorter and the grades are easier. If wharves and warehouses were available, why should not the company send its freight to tide water at the nearest point?

Over two years ago the solicitors of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company had prepared an agreement for the use by the company of terminals at Courtenay Bay. Why was not that agreement concluded by the Borden government and the work rushed on the terminals? Why has Mr. Hazen wasted two whole years at a time when the interests of the port of St. John required prompt action?

Mr. Borden when in opposition believed that by-elections, where several seats were vacant, should be held on the same day. Mr. Borden has changed his mind, in order that the whole strength of government influence may be thrown into the Liberal constituency of Chateaugay, in the hope of a government-victory. Of course, if the Liberals should win, this result will be used in the Ontario by-elections to stir up prejudice among the English speaking electors against Sir Wilfrid Laurier. Whether they win or fall in Chateaugay the government will try to use the result to bolster up the cause of their candidates in other constituencies.

Capt. William M. Otis, who died recently in Brunswick, Me., was not merely the oldest citizen of that city, but the oldest Freemason in the state. He would have been 100 years old next January.

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BIRTHDAYS OF NOTABILITIES

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 1

His Honor Judge Carleton, of Woodstock, N. B., was born in St. John, fifty-two years ago today. After practicing law for some years in his native city, he was raised to the bench as county judge for Charlotte, Victoria and Madawaska, in 1904. He is the author of several plays which have been produced in St. John.

The Hon. Horace Harvey, chief justice of Alberta, reaches his fiftieth birthday today. He is a native of Elgin county, Ontario, practiced law in Toronto and Calgary, and became a puisne judge of the supreme court of the N. W. T. in 1904. On the formation of the province of Alberta he entered its supreme court and became chief justice in 1910.

Charles Stanford Douglas, of Vancouver, who has had a long career as newspaper man, legislator and business man, was born on October 1, at Madison, Wis., sixty-one years ago.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 2

Lieut.-Col. Hon. Sir James Pliny Whitney, premier of Ontario, celebrates his seventieth birthday today. He was born in Williamsburg, Ont., and practiced law for many years at Morrisburg. He entered the legislature in 1886 and became Conservative leader in 1896. In 1905 he came into power and was knighted in 1908.

Hon. D. H. Wilson, of Vancouver, who at one time held office in the government of Manitoba as provincial secretary and minister of public works, was born in Huntley, Ont., on October 2, 1855.

LIGHTER VEIN

Probable Res.—Somebody took six hens an' a rooster from Pete Possum's coop yesterday?

Jess.—Does Pete suspect anybody? Res.—He thinks it will be de owner.

The Latter Kind

The Man.—What kind of a bungalow can you give me for \$8,000? Draftsman.—Do you want one to live in or just refer to?

Similar

For marriage and poker There runs an old saw; Of course you have heard it; "It's all in the draw."

Frequently

It frequently happens that a lady who thinks she is trying to "keep up with the times" is several blocks ahead.

Domestic Amieities

He was mumbled tough steak and cold coffee and making himself generally disagreeable. "Don't growl so over your food, John," said his wife, "nobody is going to take it away from you."—Exchange.

A genial-looking gentleman wanted an empty bottle in which to mix a solution, and went to a chemist's to purchase one that answered his purpose. He asked the shopman how much it cost.

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