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## THE RIGHT COURSE.

The Secretary of the Board of Trade should receive today the data on the I. C. R. C. P. R. agreement which Hon. J. D. Hazen said on Friday was being mailed. With the information before the Board no time should be lost in preparing the case to be submitted to the Railway Commission and St. John's strongest arguments must be brought out by an expert. The reference of the whole agreement to the Railway Commission will provide the opportunity for St. John to prove that unjust treatment has been dealt out to this port.

These gentlemen and newspapers who, at this stage, despise more time and effort to abuse Mr. Hazen than to a calm consideration of the case for St. John, will do well to pause in their condemnation of the Minister of Marine and think upon the newest evidence that Mr. Hazen is doing his utmost for us. The very fact that the agreement is to be submitted to the Railway Commission—aside from the judiciary, probably the most impartial and most competent tribunal in Canada, shows that Mr. Hazen has not been idle.

In the ordinary business of railways, the general manager of one road has power to make a traffic agreement with the general manager of a competing road, and Mr. Gutelius, of the I. C. R., evidently had this power to negotiate, and, if the negotiations proved satisfactory, to formulate an agreement with the Canadian Pacific to cover the haulage of freight trains from St. John to Halifax. If his action had to be approved and ratified by any higher authority the authority would naturally be the Minister of Railways.

If, as appears in the present case, the business is to be carried to an even higher authority, such as the Railway Commission, it must surely appear to sane men that Mr. Hazen has been at work in the interests of St. John.

The reference to the Railway Commission is an eminently fair way of dealing with a troublesome question, and that the better thinking Liberals agree in this is evidenced from an editorial in the Globe of Saturday which, under the heading, "The Right Course," says:

Any suggestion that it will be too late for the Railway Commission to pass on the I. C. R. C. P. R. agreement after it has been signed is unworthy a moment's consideration. In consenting to a reference to this competent and impartial tribunal, the Government is placing itself in regard to this particular matter in exactly the same position as others who must appear before the Board from time to time. While not legally bound by any opinion of decision, the Board may give the Government will be morally bound, and there need not be the slightest doubt that whatever the finding is it will have the same effect as a legal order of the Board. If the St. John expert and the St. John lawyer can make out a great case there need be no fear of the result; in fact the reference to the Railway Commission is a more satisfactory move than any yet made in this matter, for it opens a way to success if a sound argument can be raised against the railroad deal, and it establishes a precedent that should be made the basis of a demand for the I. C. R. C. P. R. being brought under the full control of the Railway Commission.

Since the first announcement of the withdrawal of the Empresses the situation as it developed has been discussed by the general public in a fair-minded manner. Political lines, with few exceptions, have been erased in the desire to secure fair play for this port. Fair, honest discussion or criticism is always helpful, but while it is one thing to criticize a man, even a political opponent, for cause, it is entirely another to abuse and condemn him, as Mr. Hazen has been abused and condemned, when he is daily affording evidence that he is putting forth his very best efforts in the interests of his constituency. The campaign of abuse and condemnation of the Minister of Marine as conducted by the Telegraph and the Times has already passed what fair-minded citizens will regard as the limits of decency. It can serve no purpose except to further illustrate to what depths of malicious vituperation the disgruntled and disgraceful Puglesy press can descend.

## DIARY OF EVENTS

**THE HUMAN PROCESSION**  
**BIRTHDAYS OF NOTABLES.**  
In a little hut on the shores of Lake Winnipeg, Manitoba, Vilhjalmur Stefansson was born thirty-four years ago today. The distinguished Canadian explorer, young as he is, has already added vastly to the world's knowledge of the Far North and its people, and the expedition on which he is now engaged may enable him to write the last important chapter in the story of geographical discovery. Whatever of hardships may be contrasted with Stefansson's, the hardships of the regions bordering on the north pole, they will hardly be worse than the hardships of the expedition which he is now engaged in. Stefansson was still a babe in arms when a famine swept over the bleak and sparsely settled Manitoba, and hundreds of people, especially children, succumbed to starvation. Among the victims were two of the Stefansson children. He lived through a winter when the temperature reached fifty below zero. With the coming of spring the Stefansson family emigrated to Manitoba from the northern wilds, in the course of which he discovered the tribe of blonde Eskimos. While his work has lacked the spectacular features of a dash for the pole, it has been of great benefit to humanity and science. If he should realize his hopes on his present expedition, the young Norseman will be entitled to rank as one of the foremost explorers in history.

Mehmed V., Sultan of Turkey, Khalif of the Moslems, Head of the Faithful, Supreme Commander of the Followers of the Prophet, and Direct and Only Lieutenant on Earth of Mohammed, was born in Constantinople eighty-nine years ago today. His reign has been a disastrous one for Turkey, and it is understood that the kindly and pious sovereign is anxious to abdicate and return to a seclusion from which he was dragged to succeed the deposed Abdul Hamid on the throne. Mehmed spends most of his time in piety, devotion, and religiously performs all the prayers and ceremonies of his faith.

Edward Donnelly White, Chief Justice of the United States Supreme Court, will celebrate his sixty-eighth birthday today. He was born in Louisiana and enlisted in the Confederate army at the age of sixteen. The Chief Justice was reared in a country inhabited principally by the descendants of Acadian exiles from Nova Scotia, and in his youth he spoke French more often than English, although he is of Irish and English descent. He has a career in law and in politics, and served as minister to Belgium several years, until appointed ambassador to Mexico in 1909.

Henry Lane Wilson, who was the American ambassador to Mexico during the troubled period when Diaz and Madero were overthrown, was born in Cranston, Rhode Island, and will be fifty-six today. He was editor of the Lafayette, Ind., Journal, and afterward a lawyer and banker in Spokane, Wash., before he commenced his diplomatic career in 1897 as United States minister to Chile. He was minister to Belgium several years, until appointed ambassador to Mexico in 1909.

**THE PASSING DAY**  
**A PANAMA CELEBRATION.**  
Life in Spigoty-Land this week will be just one "glorious spree after another" for the Panamanian calendar the third of November is "dedicated" to the "memoria" of that historic day of revolution in 1903 when the Spigoty arose in his might and cast off the yoke of hated Colombia. Spigoty, by the way, is a native of Panama, so called because of his profound conviction that he is able to "spigoty" English.

As to true son of Latin-America could possibly give adequate expression to the patriotic enthusiasm that surges in his bosom within the circumscribed limits of twenty-four hours, the feasts of "la libertad" will extend over several days, and will cease only when the necessity arises for sleeping off the effects of a too free indulgence in the native "forty-rod" liquors.

This year's feasts will surpass all its predecessors in eclat and brilliancy, since it marks the completion of the Great Canal across the isthmus, as well as the rounding out of Panama's first decade as a free and independent nation—under the guidance of Uncle Sam.

A reckless, exuberant and alcoholic gaily characterizes the Spigoty celebration of independence day. Merry masquerades in the streets, the dancing of the "cumbia" in the plazas at night, ball bating, music, fireworks, processions and various other amusements and spectacles are included in the programme.

## IN LIGHTER VEIN

**Small At That.**  
Slowly—Doctor, I suppose you can recommend your tailor to me.  
Doctor—Certainly; but you will have to get someone else to recommend you to my tailor.

**There Certainly Would.**  
"There'd be fewer divorces if there were more men like Brown."  
"An ideal husband, I suppose."  
"Not at all; he's a bachelor."

**Man Of His Word.**  
Wife—You've changed dreadfully. Before we were married you said that you'd lay down your life for me.  
Hub—Well, I did—my life of single blessedness.

**A Remembrance.**  
He (to wife at the piano)—That new piece you are trying is pretty difficult, isn't it?  
She—Yes; I feel like an aviator.  
Hub—How so?  
She—I'm trying to conquer the air.

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**Protestant Organizations Celebrate Guy Fawkes Day.**  
**POLITICAL POWER OF ROMAN CHURCH**  
Orangemen, Prentice Boys and Sons of England attend Divine Service Main St. Baptist Church

"England today would be Roman Catholic and instead of King George there would be on the British throne a Roman Catholic sovereign. It would only be a matter of time before our forefathers could themselves custodians of the faith shed their blood in its defence." Rev. David Hutchinson, D. D., yesterday afternoon in the course of his sermon to members of the Sons of England, Prentice Boys and Orange at the annual service in Main St. Baptist church in celebration of Guy Fawkes Day.

"We have no feeling against the man Catholic, individually, but against the church of Rome, political factor," continued the speaker. "If the Roman Catholic Church were no more political than the Presbyterian or Methodist churches, it would be no opposition." Premier Asquith has promised connection with the Home Rule for Ireland with the Protestant. Protestants fear the Church of Rome as a political organization. "While in Belfast sometimes asked several people why they did not want Home Rule, for it seemed to be a good thing, for we had Canada. The reply was that 'we were pleased with Home Rule as it Ontario and New Brunswick but as it is in Quebec.' Dr. Hutchinson urged the need of defending the faith at the present and pointed out that the Orange society was established to suppress the practices of the Christian. "The incarnation and miracle Christ are facts, but they cannot be explained," continued the speaker, "but Christ gave health to the and life to the dead and quelled tempter. These facts may not be plausible, still they were true and possible one faith in Christ." In closing Rev. Dr. Hutchinson exhorted his hearers to stand for the and give it protection whenever necessary.

The service, which was in connection with the celebration of Guy Fawkes Day, took place at 8.30 o'clock yesterday. Members of the Sons of England, the Prentice Boys and Orange orders, attended in a body accompanied by the Carleton St. M. and Sons of England bands. The procession formed in Germain Street and marched through Prince Street, Kings, Decker Mill and to the church. After the service the procession returned to the street along the same route. The parade was made up of 1000 men. England band, members of P. A. F. B., Royal Black Knights, Ireland, Royal Scottish Knights, John County West Orangemen, John County Lodge, Loyal O. Lodge, 1, 2, 3, 7, 24, 27, Carleton Cornet band, the Orange St. M. and Sons of England band, Loyal O. Lodge No. 11, District Lodge of County Lodge officers, Grand I. O. officers.

The order of service was as follows: Hymn, "Our God, Our Help in Christ"; Scripture lesson, Matthew 23:23; selection by Carleton St. M. and Sons of England, "The Church is Foundation," sermon by Rev. D. Hutchinson, D.D., National An prayer and benediction.

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