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## OUR VISITORS

The distinguished visitors who are in St. John today are welcome, and will find much in this vicinity to interest them. St. John and its suburbs are very interesting to the geologist, who finds here natural phenomena which date back to a very early period in geologic time. Indeed the whole province of New Brunswick is very interesting to the student of the record of the rocks, and of the story they tell of the earth's evolution. The province should derive little benefit from this visit by distinguished geologists from other countries. They were treated this morning to a mild sample of the fog which has been associated with the name of the Bay of Fundy, and they will at least be able to testify that they found the temperature in St. John at the end of July much cooler than any they had previously experienced during their stay in Canada. A warm welcome and a cool summer climate go well together at this season of the year, and our visitors are enjoying both.

## THE NAVAL RECORD

Resuming the consideration of the naval question at the point where it was left in Saturday's Times, we find that in 1907 Australia made it perfectly clear to the Admiralty that a policy of contribution was not satisfactory. The Commonwealth government decided to give up the system of contributions and to build a navy of their own. This action on their part was, we are told, the direct cause of the subsidiary Imperial conference on defence which was held in 1909. The author of the pamphlet, from which quotations were made in previous articles, says:—

"At that conference (1909) arrangements were made with the Admiralty under which both Australia and Canada should begin to build up navies of their own, and should have definitely delimited waters for the protection of which their forces should be primarily responsible. Provisions were of course made for co-operation with the Admiralty of precisely the same sort as had been made in the final solution of the question of military defence: standardization of armaments, standardization of discipline, interchange of officers, and the rest of it. That sort of co-operation had been accepted as an efficient and admissible method of increasing the military effectiveness of the colonial forces; the same conception was embodied with modification of nothing but details in the naval agreement."

The most important feature of the 1909 conference was a complete conversion of the Admiralty from their former views. In the Admiralty memorandum to the conference, Mr. McKenna, after saying that if the problem of Imperial naval defence was considered merely as a problem of strategy a single navy would be advisable, went on as follows:—

"It has, however, long been recognized that in defining the conditions under which the naval forces of the Empire should be developed, other considerations than those of strategy alone must be taken into account. Looking to the difficulties involved it is not to be expected that the discussion with the general defence ministers will result in a complete and final scheme of naval defence, but it is hoped that it will be found possible to formulate the broad principles upon which the growth of Colonial naval forces should be fostered. While laying the foundation of future Dominion navies to be maintained in different parts of the Empire, these forces would contribute immediately and materially to the requirements of Imperial defence."

It will be observed that the Admiralty here made an assertion declaring the immediate and material utility of Dominion navies. That was the view entertained in 1909, and our author quotes in connection with it an interesting article which appeared in the London Times on November 27 of that year. Speaking of an united Imperial fleet, the Times said:—

"It has long been evident that the maximum of power was not going to be gained in this way, because as the several parts of the Empire advanced in the progress towards nationhood, the idea of a mere money contribution towards the naval defence of the Empire became naturally enough more and more repugnant to them. It was evident, and perhaps it ought to have been foreseen by the Admiralty long before it was, that the further the several Dominions advanced towards nationhood the more certain they were, sooner or later, to insist upon having navies of their own, or, in Mr. McKenna's words again, while ready to provide local forces and to place them at the disposal of the crown in time of war, they would wish to lay the foundations upon which a future navy of their own could be raised. In point of fact that wish is already taking shape in Australia and in Canada, and we may well congratulate those great Dominions on their achievements in having at last educated the Admiralty up to their own point of view."

That is to say, at the end of the year 1909, it appeared definitely settled that

the policy of local navies had completely triumphed over the principle of contribution. It is true that New Zealand in 1909 offered a Dreadnought to the Imperial government, but the prime minister of New Zealand, Sir Jos. Ward, was also in favor of Imperial federation. At the conference in 1911 he proposed in definite form the federation by specific parliamentary machinery of the various autonomous parts of the Empire. This proposal was promptly rejected by the rest of the conference, and Sir Jos. Ward has said no more about the additional Dreadnought which he had declared New Zealand would build if necessary. That is to say, Sir Jos. Ward "believed in a united fleet as a result and concomitant of Imperial federation," and when it was found that the latter was impracticable, there were immediate suggestions of a change in New Zealand's naval policy. The New Zealand minister of defence not long since said:—

"We may in time acquire the trained personnel to man our own ships for the protection of our own coasts."

Thus, in 1911, when Mr. Borden came into power, the Admiralty had endorsed the principle of Dominion navies, and it had been adopted by Australia and Canada, and New Zealand and South Africa were moving in the same direction. That which Mr. Borden and Mr. Churchill devised was a complete reversal of the policy that had been endorsed by the home government and the over-sea Dominions. To give some colorable excuse for such action, the famous "emergency" was invented. The Admiralty was of course willing to adopt a centralizing policy, and Mr. Borden had to satisfy the Nationalists.

Secretary Duggett says we will not be able to do much in the way of sheep raising in New Brunswick until the province is rid of dogs. Why not secure legislation to that end?

Canadians of all parties will learn with regret that the health of Premier Borden does not improve as rapidly as had been expected. He should have "gone to the country" in a political sense, in which case he would ere this have been relieved of the burden which has caused him so much nervous strain.

Complaint has been made that while mail from the west for Halifax was forwarded at once from Moncton, the mail for St. John was held over until the next day. Evidently under the present government at Ottawa St. John is to be treated as if it were a place of no importance, located on a branch line.

Referring to the open door in civil affairs in Montreal the Herald says:—Alderman Mederic Martin's protest against the "closed door" method of doing business at the City Hall is well timed. There is no reason in the world why there should be so many sessions in camera if the city fathers are really doing their best to be open and above-board in the conduct of civic affairs.

The world cannot regard with indifference the struggle that is now going on in China. It is thought by some observers that a dismemberment of the republic will result from the struggle between Yuan Shi Kai and those who are opposed to his policy. It is suggested that complications may lead to the intervention of other powers, who would not be unwilling to profit by the dissensions among the people of China. It is extremely difficult to get a clear understanding of the situation, but the despatches from day to day make it clear that unrest prevails to the extent of armed resistance, and that the position of the government as at present constituted is very precarious.

## CANCELLATION OF WAGE SCHEDULE ALARMS EMPLOYEES

Halifax, July 29.—The sole development in the threatening strike situation of the I. C. R. today was the announcement that the management of the road proposes to abrogate the present schedule of wages and working conditions.

Official notification to this effect was received at the brotherhood headquarters this morning in a communication from General Manager Gutelius giving the required six months' notification of the railway's determination to end this schedule.

Whether this forecasts a reduction in the present wage schedule or an attempt on the part of the road to inaugurate a system independent of the brotherhood, is not known yet, but it is generally felt that the latter course is probably in contemplation.

Buried Yesterday.

At 2:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon the funeral of H. Percy Lee took place from his late residence, Germain street, to the Mission church, Paradise Row, where burial services were conducted by Rev. H. A. Collins. Interment took place in Fernhill.

The funeral of Burton A. Palmer, only child of George M. and Hattie S. Palmer, took place yesterday to Cedar Hill cemetery, on the arrival of the boat at Indian town. The services were conducted by Rev. Frederick Rose, pastor of Coburg street Christian church.

## BIRTHDAYS OF NOTABILITIES

WEDNESDAY, JULY 30

Hon. Simon Hugh Holmes, former premier of Nova Scotia, reaches his eighty-second birthday today. He was born at East River, Pictou county, and was educated for the bar. He was premier of the province from 1878-82.

## LIGHTER VEIN

MENTAL STRAIN  
Some brain must totter on the brink Of wild hallucinations, they drink Inventing names for things, they drink At ice cream soda stations.

THE INEXCUSABLE PERSON  
"Would you see a lady stand in a street car while you sat down?" "Never" replied the inexcusable person. "I hold my newspaper before my eyes."

EASY THING  
Indignant Wife—"I wonder what you would have done if you had lived when men were first compelled to earn their bread by the sweat of their brow?" Indolent Husband—"I should have started a little notion store and sold handkerchiefs."

THE WANING OF A HONEY-MOON  
The June brides, by now, have become callous enough to leave last night's dishes and come down in the morning in curl papers and kimono.

IT TALKS AND IS UNDERSTOOD  
Willie—"Paw, what is a universal language?" Paw—"Money, my son."

NUMBER ONE  
Young Doctor's Wife—"Oh, Jack, just fancy! there's a patient in the sitting room." "All right, dear, I won't be a moment. Just run and lock him in."

HOW TO DO IT  
If you want to keep a woman bright and smiling for a day, it isn't very difficult to do. For instance, if together you are strolling down the way, and another portly lady passes you. When she whispers, "Dearie, tell me, now am I as fat as that?" All you have to do is promptly answer, "No!" And with happiness her little heart will start to pit-a-pat. And a look of real contentment she will show.

If perchance a woman passes who is somewhat out of date, if her shawl slightly sags above her waist, if she looks as though she hadn't put her bonnet on just straight, and her costume shows decided lack of taste,

If your wife says—"Tell me, dearie, do I ever look like that?" Have I ever in my life been such a fright?" "I should say not," without a look you should answer off the bat, "And whatever happens after is all right."

If with wife you are strolling and a stunning girl appears in a silk skirt showing most expensive lines,

With a set of golf ball pendants gaily dangling from her ears, And a hat with all the latest furbelows!

When she asks you, "Dearie, do you think she looks as swell as I?" If I looked like that would you still care for me?

"No," is all you need to answer—even though you have to lie, And a very happy woman she will be.

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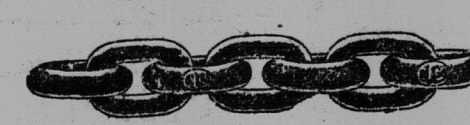
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## ORANGE CONVENTION OPENS AT ST. JOHN'S

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On arrival here they were officially welcomed by Mayor Ellis and Premier Morris, both of whom are Roman Catholics. This incident made a very favorable impression. During the afternoon the delegates motored and drove about the suburbs.

## NINE THOUSAND PHONES BURNED IN MONTREAL

Montreal, July 29.—The entire main exchange of the Bell telephone system in Montreal was put out of commission by a fire which started in the multiple switchboard late this afternoon. Only the main exchange is affected, the other branches and the long-distance system being undisturbed.

There are nearly 8,000 telephones affected.

## THE PLOT THAT FAILED

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