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THE POLICY OF REPROACH.

Should this constituency allow a member of the government an election by acclamation it will not be open to St. John men hereafter to reproach any other county which shall give the government an unopposed, by-election.—The Sun.

Nor will any "reproaching" appear necessary to the electors at large. True, the small element for whom the Sun editor speaks, the folk who have sworn to reproach any and every Liberal government and all who lend countenance and support to such, will go on reproaching.

As a matter of fact "it is not open" to the editor of the Sun to reproach this or any other constituency which chose the government as opposed to the opposition candidates, and his attitude under the circumstances amounts to an impertinence, since the people's choice is their own affair.

THE CHANCES WE ARE TAKING. If the earth keeps on its present course we are likely to strike something and a smash of no little importance will be the result.

It is a plunging flight that carries us more than forty-three thousand miles straight through the ether every hour of the day and night.

In truth, we never get back to the same place. Every new year comes in with the globe at a point more than three hundred million miles nearer to a very bright northern star, named Vega, than it was a year earlier.

It is the strange voyage of the sun and its worlds through the unexplored ocean of immensity that the Californian astronomers have gone to South America to investigate.

We can mark this flight of the solar system, the astronomer says, only by watching the counter motions of the stars. He compares us to a ship passing through a crowded harbor.

The hopeful thing is that the Professor does not seem to regard the chance of collision as very great, and we shall continue to hope for the best.

A VOICE FROM MAINE. As the St. John Telegraph puts it, the question is very simple. "Why should the Fredericton and St. John millowners and mill workmen?"

FOR CANADIAN PORTS. The report printed in another column regarding the meeting of the railway committee at Ottawa Friday, embraces a very important matter.

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His idea was that he ought to "do something" so he wrote to the Albert County Journal. As it is useless to inform the public that any statement is false unless the public knows what statement one is talking about, the defender of slandered innocence began his communication by taking the public into his confidence to some extent.

Whether or not his belief is shared by those most poignantly interested in the affair is more than this newspaper can tell. Yet the opinion may be offered that to give renewed publicity to such a matter for the purpose of correcting it is a course the wisdom of which is open to question.

AN ENGLISH VIEW. Those good Americans who resented some of Paul Bourget's views of the United States, will now be turning their guns upon Mr. Beckles Wilson, another of The New Americans. Said M. Bouquet: "There are only two absolute monarchies in the modern world—Russia and America."

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MAKE IT A GOOD SHOW, AND ADVERTISE IT.

Prominent citizens representing the Board of Trade, the Exhibition Association, and the Tourist Association have decided that an autumn carnival or other attraction should be held in St. John this year.

THE SPIRIT OF HENRY WARD BEECHER. When a man of the standing of the Rev. I. K. Funk, head of the publishing house of Funk & Wagnalls, rises in his place and solemnly asserts that he believes he has communicated with the spirit of Henry Ward Beecher, it makes a noise in this world, at least, and doubtless it makes a commotion for spiritualism.

NOTE AND COMMENT. The Tories are opposing Maritime Province estimates, as usual.

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NOTE AND COMMENT. Did anyone say anything about winter lingering in the lap of spring?

NOTE AND COMMENT. Hon. Mr. Tweedie and Mr. Hazen had some small understanding Friday as to the work accomplished by the latter gentleman while he was at Ottawa.

ORDERS POURING IN! A few weeks ago we announced the issue of our Sample Book of Men's and Boys' Clothing, for Spring and Summer, 1903. Immediately applications for copies began to pour in from all over the country.

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