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AN EXCELLENT ARRANGEMENT

The announcement, last evening by Hon. J. D. Hazen, that the magnificent steamers Royal Edward and Royal George of the Canadian Northern Railway Company's steamship service will make St. John their Canadian terminus this winter, and will sail to and from this port direct, should prove satisfactory to everybody. The Standard regards it as the best possible arrangement that, under the circumstances, could have been made.

Possibly the comment may be heard today, "they are not as good as the Empresses." Well, why not? The steamers of the Canadian Northern line are the holders of all records both for winter and summer travel in the Canadian mail and passenger service. This is proof positive that they are even faster steamers than the Empresses. If the Board of Trade and citizens generally were sincere in their request that the open door should be a condition of the fast mail contract it certainly must have been their desire that the merits of St. John as a mail port should receive the most complete and thorough test.

Everyone was quite willing that this test should be made by the Empress steamers. Where then is there room for objection to the new plan whereby the steamers making the test are not only as good as, but considerably faster than the Empresses?

If St. John could be proved by the C. P. R. liners to be the best mail port in the world, it is logical to believe that faster steamers, such as those we are to receive, could make the proof even more conclusive.

Never before has St. John enjoyed an equality with Halifax as a mail port. Under the arrangement now definitely announced it will do so. The effect of the blow striking at St. John has been offset by the placing of the Canadian Northern steamers on this service. And there can be no complaint from Halifax. The arrangement is absolutely fair. Of the eight vessels performing the mail service, four, the Calaisian and Alsatian, which would not have come to St. John under any circumstances, will ply to Halifax, and the two C. N. R. steamers with the big turbines Victorian and Virginian will ply direct to St. John.

THE BOARD OF TRADE MEETING.

The members of the Board of Trade could not but have been impressed yesterday afternoon with the honest and businesslike fashion in which the visiting Cabinet Ministers, Hon. J. D. Hazen and Hon. Robert Rogers dealt with the questions brought before them. It was a distinct change from occasions in former days when Dr. Pugsley appeared before the Board, or other gatherings, representative of St. John's sanest business thought and heard requests for public works. In those days to ask was to receive a promise, not always followed by performance. Yesterday there was a difference. Hon. Mr. Hazen, the Board well knew, they did not require to be told that he would do his best for St. John, as his record proved it. Hon. Mr. Rogers was, however, to them, a stranger, and it must be admitted that the communication presented to him, embodying the desires of the Board of Trade, speaking for the citizens of St. John, did not omit anything. Possibly Board members gauged their demands from experience with the Laurier Minister of Public Works and asked for enough to allow a liberal discount from the face value of the promises.

But they were mistaken. They found Hon. Mr. Rogers not as prodigal of promises as other public men of their acquaintance. He did not pledge himself indiscriminately to support everything asked of him, but what he did promise will be done. The Board asked for two piers with accommodation for, probably, ten berths. Mr. Rogers guaranteed one pier and said he would recommend the other.

In reference to the work now in progress in Courtenay Bay and at West St. John, he gave assurance that the Government would use every effort to expedite it. His exact words in reference to Courtenay Bay we reprint. He said:

"Gentlemen I wish to say now, and I say it in the presence of Mr. Norton Griffiths, who is at this meeting, that if his company can complete the Courtenay Bay contract within twelve months, if his company can complete the contract within eighteen months, or two years, I, as Minister of Public Works, in the

"Government of the Dominion of Canada, will undertake on my own personal honor to guarantee that the money to pay for such work as may be accomplished will be forthcoming as the work is done."

No Minister of a Canadian Government ever made a fairer statement than that, and St. John believes the pledge will be kept.

It remained for Dr. Pugsley to introduce the question of politics into the meeting. The Standard the other day intimated that Dr. Pugsley, at the previous meeting of the Board, had introduced the cheapest sort of political clap trap and the Times gasped in horror at the thought. What does the Times think of him today? How do members of the Board of Trade, in the light of yesterday's performance, regard him? Measured by the standard of the men with whom he is tempted to bandy words, Dr. Pugsley cuts out a poor spectacle. It was most regrettable that the President of the Board of Trade was forced to apologize to the Ministers and the meeting for Dr. Pugsley's mummery.

However, the meeting, followed by last night's splendid demonstration, proved an important feature of a successful day and from the announcements made during afternoon and evening it is safe to say that the atmosphere was considerably cleared. Men of St. John, who believe in St. John, now realize that the members of the Board Government are prepared to treat us both fairly in the matter of mail steamers and generously as regards port equipment.

A SPLENDID TRIBUTE.

Yesterday was not only a good day for St. John, but it must have been a particularly gratifying occasion for Hon. J. D. Hazen. The splendid demonstration in his honor, last evening, must have shown him that, despite the canvasses of the partisan opposition, he still retains a firm and established place in the esteem and regard of the people. The Minister of Marine and Fisheries has been subjected to the acid test during the past few weeks and he came through it like a man.

Not only was the solid Conservative party of St. John well represented at last evening's gathering, but the great representation from all parts of New Brunswick, including twenty-five members of the Legislative Assembly, afforded proof positive to every one that Hon. J. D. Hazen is stronger now than at any time in his career. It was unquestionably the greatest political gathering ever held in St. John. New Brunswick honors itself in honoring Hon. Mr. Hazen.

Several days ago the Times requested the Standard to make a noise like a mail steamer. This morning we take pleasure in complying with that request. At the same time we venture the suggestion that the Times should continue to do as it has been doing since the Empress situation first arose—make a noise like a nut.

Judging from the attendance at last evening's banquet, and the enthusiasm following the addresses of Hon. J. D. Hazen and Hon. Robert Rogers, the "Tory tag day," as the Times called it, was a pronounced success.

St. John gets the direct sailings of the two fastest mail steamers in the Canadian service, as well as the Victorian and the Virginian. They will form an excellent exchange for the Empresses.

The Pugsley organs, that knew all the time the report of the Canadian Northern steamers coming to St. John was merely "a Standard bluff," knew less today than they thought they did.

And how nicely Mr. Rogers called the Telegraph's bluff that the Courtenay Bay work was being delayed because of a shortage of money.

Hon. Robert Rogers' statements yesterday show that the Government has not been asleep regarding the needs of St. John.

Well! Dr. Pugsley went looking for trouble, and he certainly found it.

CURRENT COMMENT

Room for All.
 (Ottawa Free Press.)
 From the emigration figures published by the British board of trade, about half of the people who left the British Isles last year in search of new homes came to Canada. There is yet room for many more.

Some Men's Jobs.
 (Vancouver Province.)
 A perusal of the advertising pages of many of the magazines gives the reader the impression that a large portion of their time is spent in search of their underwear.

The Woman Candidate's Handicap.
 (Toledo Blade.)
 If women were running for office the those who wear the ridiculous long feathers that stick out behind would stand much show with a free-born electorate.

DIARY OF EVENTS

HISTORIC DAYS IN CANADA

On this date in 1775 General Richard Montcalm and his army of republicans entered Montreal, the city having been abandoned as untenable by Sir Guy Carleton. As the Americans approached, the brave Carleton, realizing the weakness of the fort, retreated to Quebec with the garrison. Many officers and soldiers were captured, but the Governor escaped. On the same day that Montgomery entered Montreal, without opposition, Col. Benedict Arnold, still a loyal adherent of the revolutionary cause, crossed the river and ascended to the historic Plains of Abraham. Arnold had led an expedition through a terrible wilderness to the banks of the St. Lawrence, and when he appeared before the ancient capital his 750 men were half naked and suffering severely from the hardships they had undergone. Nearly half of the men were unarmed, but Arnold demanded the surrender of the city. Intelligence of an intended sortie caused Arnold to turn twenty miles up the river, where he was later joined by Montgomery. Montgomery had written to the American Congress that the British were a true prophet, and Quebec remained untroubled, for in an assault on the city the invaders were repulsed and the gallant Montgomery was slain.

THE HUMAN PROCESSION

MONACO'S PRINCE.

His Royal Highness, Albert Honore Charles, Prince of Monaco, who recently returned to his own little country after an extensive tour of America, will celebrate his sixty-third birthday today. The prince is immensely wealthy, his vast income being derived from the gilded gambling "palace" of Monte Carlo. He is a true prophet, and Quebec remained untroubled, for in an assault on the city the invaders were repulsed and the gallant Montgomery was slain.

A NOTED ACTOR.

John Drew, long the idolized hero of matinee girls, will celebrate his sixtieth birthday today. He is a native of Philadelphia, and the son of a famous comedian and an almost equally celebrated actress. The "Funnel of the American stage" made his debut forty years ago at the Arch Street Theatre in Philadelphia, playing a minor role in the farce "Cool as a Cucumber." It is almost impossible to conceive of Mr. Drew in anything but the most illustrious of roles. He is a man of the theatre, and he has been a man of the theatre ever since he was a child.

THE DUKE OF MARLBOROUGH

The Duke of Marlborough, who will pass his forty-second milestone today, has beaten the duke's record in the role of farmer. He hopes to demonstrate that a private landlord can administer his land more efficiently than a government, and has put the plough to a thousand acres of his famous Blenheim Park estate. The duke, who was Captain Vander-Duchess, is alienated from her husband, and to ward off any possibility of gossip has made herself the most carefully chaperoned woman in Europe.

FIRST THINGS

SEATTLE.

The first settlement on the site of the present city of Seattle, the young metropolis of the Northwest, was made sixty-two years ago today. Arthur and David Smith, headed the party of immigrants from Oregon who laid the foundation of the future great municipality, which now remains the most powerful Indian chief of the Puget Sound region. The redskins welcomed the paleface players, not alone because of terms of close friendship with the chief until his death fourteen years later. The growth of Seattle was at first very slow, but in 1880 it had a population of only 3,000. In 1900 the population was 80,671, and in 1910 it had increased to nearly a quarter of a million. Explored by George Vancouver in 1792, for many years the country was jointly occupied by the United States and Great Britain. Port Stella-States and Great Britain. Port Stella-States and Great Britain. Port Stella-States and Great Britain.

THE PASSING DAY

ST. BRICE'S FESTIVAL.

Today is the festival of St. Brice, who may be called the patron saint of football players, not alone because his feast-day comes during the season for the gridiron game, but for quite another reason. St. Brice's day was first observed in England, and in the year 1002 the celebration took the form of a general massacre of the Danes. It was on that day, according to tradition, that the English game of football was invented, with the head of a Dane as the ball. St. Brice, of course, was not responsible for the massacre, or the football game, having died some six centuries before. He was a bishop of Tours, and lived in the fifth century.

For about two centuries the people of Bristol, England's ancient seaport, have celebrated the anniversary of the "Colston Day." It commemorates the name and fame of Edward Colston, who gave the town its first free public school, and its first hospital.

French artistic societies will celebrate today the centenary of the birth of the painter and engraver, Charles Bricot, who was the most eminent art critic and authority of his generation.

IN LIGHTER VEIN

Reason
 "Why do these reporters give such highly colored accounts of things?"
 "So they will keep on being read."

Usually
 "What is frowned finance?"
 "Financing your friends."

No Let Up
 Knicker—"Life is hard."
 Dicker—"Yes, by the time your mother stops forbidding you to eat jam, the doctor begins."

Well Posted
 "You seem to be very intimate with the Digby. I didn't know you had met them."
 "I haven't met them. I patronize their dressmaker."

Belying Appearance
 Editor—"Did you say you evolved this joke yourself?"
 "I did, sir."
 Editor—"Hm, and yet you don't look more than thirty years of age."

Regularly
 "Your air's getting thin, sir. Let me sell you—"
 "That's all right. I put something on it every morning."
 "May I ask what you put on it, sir?"
 "My hat!" (Operation finished in silence.)

No Mechanical Influence
 "Was it a case of love at first sight?"
 "I would hardly call it that. He did not get the auto until a month after they met."

Too Costly
 "I absolutely don't know what to give my wife for a wedding present."
 "Then simply give her money."
 "Oh no! It mustn't cost as much as that."

Unfailing Remedy
 Mrs. Neward (to dear friend)—
 "What's the secret of getting a new frock out of hubby after he refuses to buy one?"
 Mrs. Wiley—"If at first you don't succeed, cry again!"

At Least One
 "Everyone has some secret sorrow," says a philosophizing friend. "Even the fattest and jolliest of us has a skeleton in his midst."

Stretched Him Some
 "Why is the dachshund so elongated?"
 "I've heard a tradition to the effect that the ark pulled out with his front legs on board and his hind legs on shore."

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Natural Questions
 Mother—"Don't ask so many questions, child. Curiosity killed the cat."
 Willie—"What did the cat want to know, ma?"

Always in It
 Mr. Fuss (furiously)—"It's mighty strange you can't look after things a little better! Here I want to shave, and there isn't a drop of hot water here."

Mrs. Fuss (icily)—"It is strange! Why, that's the one thing I've never been out of since I married you."

The Old Car
 "Still have two cars?"
 "Yes."
 "I thought you intended to sell the older one?"

"My son and his high school friends keep the old car busy."
 "I see. You get the use of the new car yourself?"
 "No, I don't. It keeps the new car hustling to tow the old car home."

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(Continued from page 1.)
 I leave it to the good judgment of the people of St. John if that policy would be in keeping with the policy of the country.

We did well to refuse any sub-provision. We found in every act of the Liberal party that they refused to do anything to help him in a closer union the parts of the Empire.

The Minister referred to the action of the Liberal prime minister when the call came for to fight in South Africa, and it was not till Sir Charles Tupper called upon the Liberal government to send him a contingent sent and then it was improper, equipped without ration.

The people of Canada are back of R. L. Borden and his policy in regard to Canada and the Empire.

The Liberals have distorted the policy of the Conservatives almost beyond recognition. R. L. Borden asked for contribution to provide scholarships to help protect the Empire. In concluding I wish to say that I believe we are only on the threshold of a greater future. No matter how opponents go up and down the country crying blue ruin and destruction, these wheels of progress will widen the way will be incapable of being stopped by calls of the Liberal greater advantage than to citizens of St. John.

We have a greater future and a part of the country will have greater advantages than the citizens of St. John. (Applause.)

Hon. J. D. Hazen
 Senator Thorne then introduced Hon. J. D. Hazen, Minister of Marine and Fisheries. The full text of whose address is published on page three of this issue.

Hon. J. K. Flemming.

Hon. J. K. Flemming, when called upon by the chairman, was greeted by a magnificent reception, and at intervals during his address was greeted with applause. Premier Flemming paid a glowing tribute to Hon. Mr. Hazen, reviewing the record of the Minister of Marine and Fisheries while representing this city in the legislature of New Brunswick. In opening his remarks he expressed his pleasure in being present at the gathering in honor of the federal ministers. The sentiments which he heard expressed by Hon. Mr. Rogers and Hon. Mr. Hazen, he said, were such as indicated sincere hearts, alive to the interests of the country, which they represented, and which they were serving so creditably. He said he was glad to add words of welcome to Hon. Mr. Rogers on this occasion of his first visit to New Brunswick.

It afforded him pleasure, the premier said, to add a word of praise for Mr. Hazen. For many years he had been associated with