

ST. JOHN STAR. ST. JOHN, N. B., SEPT. 29, 1904.

Compare the records of the Conservative and Liberal governments, as shown in the following figures:—The Liberal administration has been generally charged with increasing the tax liability of the people of Canada. It is perfectly true that this has been done in so far as the total amount of revenue from taxation is concerned, but there has been a very material reduction in taxation per head of population since Mr. Fielding assumed control of the finances. The average rate of customs taxation in 1896, the last year of Conservative rule, was \$18.25, and the average rate for the year 1904 under Liberal rule, was \$15.66. In other words, the Conservatives in 1896 levied \$2.59 on every \$100 worth of goods imported into Canada, while the Liberals were able to reduce the taxation to \$15.66 on every \$100. This means that the Liberal reduction of the Conservative taxation is equivalent to 14 per cent.

On coming into power the Liberal party promised that they would design a tariff which would produce a much greater revenue without bearing any more heavily upon the people. During the period of Conservative rule, it had been found necessary to borrow money to pay the ordinary expenses of the country, and the debt was piling up at an alarming rate. The Liberals were able to keep their promise and in the past twelve years the revenue has increased from \$35,615,000 to \$50,500,000, and this has been done while taxes have been reduced. The national debt in 1895 was \$140,382,093. After eighteen years of Conservative rule it had grown to \$258,497,425, an increase of \$118,115,332, equalling an average increase of about six and a half millions per annum. In 1904, after twelve years of Liberal rule the national debt amounts to \$271,900,000, an increase of \$12,407,575, which is about an average annual increase of about a million and a half dollars. But during the last four years the Liberals have spent over \$70,000,000 towards the construction of the national transcontinental railway. If this capital expenditure had not occurred, the national debt would be some \$60,000,000 less than it is at present.

Canada's total foreign trade in 1896, the last year of Conservative rule, was \$229,045,300. In 1885 it had been \$185,174,841. Thus in twelve years the total trade had increased by \$43,870,459, or about an average of less than \$400,000. In 1904 Canada's total foreign trade amounts to \$490,738,200. The increase in twelve years under Liberal rule was \$261,692,899. The total foreign trade for the last twelve years of Conservative rule amounted to \$4,152,260,700. For the twelve years the Liberals have been in power the trade has reached the enormous figure of \$4,152,260,700.

Canada's total exports in 1896 were worth \$121,018,822, while for the twelve years of Conservative rule the total value was \$1,225,230,429. Last year's exports amounted to \$200,000,000, or two and a half times what they had been the last Conservative year. The total for the twelve years of Liberal administration was \$2,445,580,716. In 1894 the bank deposits in Canada's chartered banks and savings banks totalled \$135,522,442. In 1896 the amount was \$243,029,145. Under the conservative rule the increase in twelve years was \$107,506,703. In 1904 the bank deposits reached the enormous aggregate of \$450,126,232. Thus with Liberal administration the people had profited so much by good times that they were able to set apart for a rainy day \$405,097,089 more than they had done in 1894.

The total railway tonnage in 1873 was 5,533,612; in 1896 it was 24,206,225 tons, the increase during the eighteen years being 18,672,613 tons. In 1904 the total tonnage was 68,888,183, an increase in eleven years of \$39,599,358. So beneficial has the Fielding tariff been to manufacturers that the total capital invested in Canadian manufacturing establishments in 1904, which was \$446,916,437, has increased in five years to \$533,716,135. Wages paid in 1900 totalled \$112,240,350, and in 1903 \$162,156,278, an increase of \$49,915,928. Manufactured products in 1903 were worth \$708,456,378, an increase of \$28,392,251 over the total value in 1900.

The population of the three north-west provinces in 1891 was 419,512, and in 1904 it was 808,862, this remarkable increase being solely due to the admirable immigration policy adopted by the government. In these same provinces there were in 1900 only 24,622 farms taken up, while in 1904 the number had grown to 120,435. In the last five years of Liberal rule the total immigration of Canada has been 532,757. In the last five years of Conservative rule the total was only 112,984. The public debt per head of population when the Conservatives

gave up the reins of government in 1896 was \$50.32; at the present time it is \$40.25.

The young Liberals of St. John will make their influence felt in the present campaign.

"Mr. Hatheway is a philosophical philanthropical theoretical fastidious Oh, Talcum Powder!

Even Dr. Macdonald's own personal friends are refusing to work for him, when such campaigning involves opposition to Dr. Pugsley.

The first meeting on the West Side, held last evening, was of a highly encouraging nature. Carleton knows what would happen to it if the Conservatives should gain control.

Mr. J. R. M. Baxter is disposed to ridicule the work which Dr. Pugsley is now doing for St. John. Yet Aid. Baxter is the first to run to the Minister of Public Works when this city is in urgent need of anything it cannot afford. And as yet Aid. Baxter's requests on behalf of the city have never been refused.

ALAS, POOR IRELAND!

The sun was shining brightly on the stadium that day. The king was there, the queen was there, when the word was given "Play!" All nashuns had assembled, their best brawn and muscle, too. From the shores of the Atlantic to the plains of Timbuctoo. There was white min, there was black min, there was Indians by the score. There was athletes claimin' countries that you never heard before. If you'll give me close attention, such-his machree, I'll tell you how they all won but the Irish, d'ye see.

In the hundred-methre hurdles the struggle was intense. It was Murphy, Slavin, Donahue in that order to the finish. A man back of them came Kerwin and Scollivan and Breen. McSorley and McNulty, McPetridge and Mulcahey. Striving out behind was Mulligan and Hennessey and O'Toole. Part av of the boozeh was Johnny Bull, while some owned Johnny Bull. They wound up as they started, and the thing that puzzles me, is why the English flag went up at the stadium, d'ye see.

The intruder for the hammer throw was Clancy, Cook and Shay. And Sheridan signed from Paris, and the others came from Spain. Such a battle, bechune giants, well, there was Dooley, from St. Peterburgh, and Pat McSwat from Greece. And Cassidy from Norway, a litfrant av polce. The latter hate the others by a rod or two or three. That's how poor Ireland lost the day at the stadium, d'ye see.

The pole vault was a hummer, it brought out some simple min. There was Haggerty from Dinnmark, from Aesthralia Mike O'Flynn. From far-away Asia Minor came McCormick and Kehoe. Siberia sent O'Loughlin and O'Loughlin wasn't slow. Sweden was there wid Horrigan, and from Cairo on the Nile a "coon" named Brian Casey, that topped the bar in style. The nagur won the contist, for he leped just like a fesa— Devil a mark did Ireland git at the stadium, d'ye see.

The Marathon called out the greatest runners iver known. Muldoon and Quirk and Savage, O'Brien and Maloney. All them from South America; Alaska, Sint Devine, White Germany responded with Con Corcoran from the Rhine. From Italy came Dorando this thrus name Doran, Dan. But Hayes, from Coney Island, was the wan that led the van. The Shtars and Shtripes were hoisted to tell av victorie. But the dear old Harp and Sunburst never flutthered, d'ye see.

EMANCIPATION OF THE FAT FOLKS

To have to sit through the hot weather quiet as a log, scarcely daring to breathe simply because one is so fat that the least exertion will start the perspiration in a stream, is not a very lively prospect. But it has been the lot of the fat since time began until now. Fat folks have been emancipated from hot weather misery at last, by a home mixture, 2 1/2 ounce Marmola, 3/4 ounce Fluid Extract Cascara Aromatic, and 4 1/2 ounce Sirup Simplex, of which they take a teaspoonful after meals and at bedtime until—which isn't a very long time—they have lost all the fat they care to. Simple and inexpensive (any druggist will fill it for a small sum) as this receipt, the results it obtains are unexcelled. Some folks have lost as much as a pound a day within a week after starting. Yet, radical and delightful as such an effect is, there is no aftermath of wrinkles or stomach trouble; the mixture is harmless except to the fat itself.

MERRY DEL VAL IS TO BE FORGED TO RETIRE

ROME, Sept. 28.—According to the Avanti, Cardinal Merry Del Val, the Papal Secretary of State, is about to retire. This step is an outcome of the representations made to the Vatican by Americans and English prelates, but particularly Cardinal Gibbons and Pope of Ireland, who objected to the secretary's severe measure against Ireland.

PENSION LAW IN ENGLAND AND HOW IT WORKS OUT

The Regulations for the Granting of Pensions Have Been Issued.

The British Local Government Board has sent out copies of the regulations under which the Old Age Pension Act will be administered. With these regulations the Board have sent out a circular drawing attention to points under the Act. The amount of the pension will depend upon the yearly means of the pensioner as calculated under the Act, and will be as shown in the following table:—

Table with 2 columns: Where the yearly means of the pensioner, and Rate of Pension per Week. Rows include: Do not exceed £21, Exceed £21 but do not exceed £23 12s 6d, Exceed £23 12s 6d but do not exceed £25 5s, Exceed £25 5s but do not exceed £28 17s 6d, Exceed £28 17s 6d but do not exceed £31 10s, A person whose means exceed £31 10s will not be entitled to receive a pension.

The statutory conditions which have to be fulfilled to entitle a person to a pension include the following:—He must have attained the age of seventy and he must satisfy the pension authorities that for at least twenty years up to the date of the receipt of any sum on account of a pension he has been a British subject, and has had his residence, as defined by the regulations, in the United Kingdom. A claimant to a pension will in the first instance have to fill up a form of claim, which will be procurable, without charge, at any post office, and the postmaster will, on request, give assistance in filling it up. The form is designed to show primarily whether the claimant fulfils the statutory conditions. It is intended that pensions should be payable at a particular post office to be designated by the claimant. Forms may also be obtained from the pension officers. When filled up, the claimant must sign the form, in the presence of a witness, who will also sign it, and the form must then be delivered to the postmaster of the post office at which the claimant desires that the pension, if granted, should be payable, or to the pension officer.

Claims will first be investigated by the pension officer of the area in which the claimant resides, and after investigation he will report to the local committee for their decision. Provision is made for the examination of the Local Government Board by a pension officer or any person aggrieved against a decision of the Pension Committee, but there being no power under the Act to repay pensions incurred by claimants to pensions, such payments can in no circumstances be admitted for reimbursement. A local pension committee will be entitled to make a charge (except such charge as may be approved by the Treasury for heating, lighting, or cleaning) at all reasonable times and after reasonable notice, for the purpose of performing their duties, any office of any local authority situated in the area for which the committee is appointed.

For the purposes of the statutory conditions relating to residence, the total presence in the United States, uninterrupted otherwise than by temporary absence, of a person shall be deemed to have been temporarily absent if, before the absence, he was living in the United Kingdom, and throughout the absence was employed as a soldier, sailor or otherwise, or was in the service of any one employer, provided that a person shall not be deemed to be in the service of the crown unless his pension will be paid out of money provided by parliament; or if he was serving on board a vessel registered in the United Kingdom; or if throughout the absence his home was in the United Kingdom. A pensioner will not be deemed to have been temporarily absent if he is absent for any period not exceeding three months at any one time.

The circular states that "in determining claims the committee will not be largely guided by the investigations made by the post office. In some cases there may be supplemented by further information which they may themselves possess, but the committee will not be required to undertake independent investigations. They may, however, call upon the pension officer to procure further evidence if he can do so. Regard may be had not only so strictly legal evidence

such as would be admissible in a court of law, but to any such evidence as is in the opinion of the committee sufficient for the purpose, and the best information which it is reasonably possible to obtain."

Finally, it is pointed out that the functions of the committee do not extend to supervising the payment of the pensions, nor are they required to consider questions of the continuance of qualification for pension, unless such questions are brought before them by the pension officer for determination.

STARTLING OBJECT LESSON FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN. Marched Past the Bodies of Men Who Died During a Debauch.

BOSTON FOOD FAIR FORMALLY OPENED. BOSTON, Mass., Sept. 28.—Preceded by a street parade of some length, the Boston Food Fair, under the auspices of the Boston Retail Grocers Association, was opened today at the Park Square Coliseum. The fair will continue throughout the month of October, with numerous attractive features, including Sousa's Band, vaudeville shows and a large exhibit of food products. The opening was conducted with some formality, Mayor Hibbard participating in the exercises, as well as the officials of the Association.

WARM WESTERN WELCOME FOR TAFT YESTERDAY. FARGO, N. D., Sept. 28.—Big crowds, manifesting both interest and enthusiasm surrounded the Taft party wherever it stopped today in its course over the great Northern R. R. through Minnesota and North Dakota. The sixteen speeches which Taft delivered during the day and evening worked havoc with the splendid voice he started out with this morning and tonight it is again in full command. The day had two features, the Grand Forks, N. D., meeting, and the Fargo rally tonight. In both places tremendous crowds were out and in each city the candidate had to make three speeches.

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BIRTHS. ROBERTSON—In this city, Sept. 27, to the wife of Charles S. E. Robertson, a daughter. COLEMAN—To the wife of Mr. Frank Coleman, 28 Paddock street, a daughter. BLAKNEY—In this city, Sept. 28, to the wife of Charles L. Blakney, a daughter.

MARRIAGES. COLLINS-HANLON—At the residence of Joe. Collins, Alma, N. B., by the Rev. J. Edward Shanklin, Murray Collins to Eva Hanlon, both of Alma, N. B. COLLINS-BARTON—At Cox's Point, Queens county, on Sept. 22, by the Rev. D. McD. Clark, Lewis Collins and Vera Barton, both of Cox's Point.

DEATHS. ROBERTSON—In this city, on Monday, Sept. 28, Margaret Lawrence, infant daughter of Charles S. E. and Gertrude A. K. Robertson. FUNERAL PRIVATE. EWING—At McLearen's Beach, on 28th Sept., 1904, Annie Ewing, widow of William Ewing, in the 72nd year of her age. Funeral from her late residence, 202 Douglas avenue, on Wednesday, 29th inst. Service at 2 30 p. m. Friends will please omit flowers. DUNLAP—Suddenly, at Stellarton, N. S., on Sept. 28, Thomas J. Dunlop, a Socialist and a Catholic.

IN MEMORIAM. WORDEN—In memory of Doris Gertrude Worden. Died Sept. 20, 1904.

EVENING CLASSES. Short-hand, typewriting, book-keeping, arithmetic, penmanship are some of the subjects taught at the evening classes of the St. John Business College, beginning Wednesday evening. Many competent bookkeepers and stenographers received their training at these classes.

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MARITIME PHONOGRAPH COMPANY, - - 32 DOCK STREET SOCIALISM AND ATHEISM. ing majority, the figures being 1,433,000 for the resolution, 131,000 against. A HUGE STAFF. BERLIN, Sept. 28.—The annual report of the Krupp Works, Essen, states that the firm now employs 78,000 persons, including the members of the design-employer of labor. The total is made up of 41,000 workmen and 4,000 engineers, including the members of the design-employer of labor. The total is made up of 41,000 workmen and 4,000 engineers, including the members of the design-employer of labor. The total is made up of 41,000 workmen and 4,000 engineers, including the members of the design-employer of labor.

NOTTINGHAM, Sept. 28.—The Trades Congress here carried by a large majority a resolution in favor of a national system of education under full popular control, free and secular, from the primary school to the university. The State maintenance of school children, and scientific physical training with skilled medical attendance for children resulting if Mr. Thorne, who put the motion, denied that a secular education was a Socialist or a secular educationist he was an atheist. Speaking to the resolution on secular education, Mr. Sexton agreed that Socialists were not atheists. He was a Socialist and a Catholic. It was not what Mr. Thorne said, it was what others did. Atheists were taking themselves on to the secular education business. "When St. Patrick banished all venomous reptiles from Ireland and drove them into the sea, shouted the indignant Irishman, 'they were not all drowned, some of them seem to have found their way across the Channel and found a home in the bodies of men like these atheists.' Some very strong protests were made against the introduction of religious matters into Labor politics, but proceeding to a vote, the Congress carried the resolution by an overwhelming

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