RECORD OF BRITISH TRADE FOR HALF YEAR

Imports of Foreign and Colonial Produce Increased in Value by \$226,000,000

EXPORTS HAVE DECLINED

Are £71,834,000 Less Than Year Previous-In Each Instance Figures Are Afrected By the Higher Prices.

the United Kingdom for the past half-year is in deed a remarkable one, says the London Financier, in an article on Britain's foreign Cade.

years we receive about £48,000,000 of produce every six months. On the other hand, exports of British merchandise have declined by £71.834,000, or 27% per cent., and only a small part of that decline can be ascribed to the stoppage of shipments to enemy countries, our exports to which, under normal conlitions are worth under £27,000,000 per half-year.

Exports of foreign and Colonial merchandise have at the same time fallen off by £7.953.000, or over 13 per cent, and the shrinkage is largely, if not entirely, due to the cessation of shipments to enemy destina-tions, to which as a rule we send nearly £11,000,000 worth of such produce every six months. It need scarcely be said that in each instance the figures are affected to a very considerable extent by higher prices Thus the value of the imports is swollen by the increased cost of nearly all foodstuffs and of most ray Similarly, the export figures are swollen by the enhanced value of various classes of manu factures, and, but for higher prices, the falling off re corded would be much heavier than it actually is.

No doubt the imports showed a still larger expan sion than that recorded in the official returns, inasmuch as such returns take no account of our re-ceipts of arms and ammunition. However they be regarded, both the import and the export figures prove that the attempt of Germany seriously to in-

1913, the decrease in the exports is £9.603.000, but making it compulsory for young delinguents to

months' imports foodstuffs contributed no less than provision of the system now in vog

612,000, and was mainly the result of higher prices: achieved. thus imports of beef and mutton considerably declined | Early in the month of June Mr. Chadwick resigned

expansion in the imports of no was £5,465,000, the principal gains being in butter, for this important branch of social service.

In the first half of 1914 Britain exported abroad Du In the first half of 1914 Britain exported abroad over £201,000,000 worth of British manufactures. In the corresponding period of the present year the export of manufactures, despite higher prices, was worth only £140,000,000. The shrinkage is heavy, but it leaves the value of shipments at a still subwar has dislocated our export trade, it cannot be foreign and Colonial foodstuffs. Naturally, the in- normal years was a little over £60,000,000 for the

as chiefly due to declines of £6,270,000 and £1,833. as will be seen from the following table:-000 under coal and wool respectively. In oils and oil-seeds there was a gain of £898,000. The decrease in the export of food would have been Weavier but for a gain of £706,000 under grain and flour, due to Total imports .. 378.746,000 375,903,000 429,103,000 St. John, N.B., July 24.—The antimony mines at higher prices. In the exports of foreign and Colonial Total exports . 316,111,000 314,734,000 234,945,009 Lake George, which have been idle for some years. nerchandise there was a net decrease of £7,953,000.

Making Well Behaved Citizens Out of Youthful Delinquents in the Canadian West

Costs Much Less Than the Charge of Maintaining Them After the Court Has' Affixed its Brand --- Boys and Girls of the Country Constitute the **Dominions Most Precious Asset**

(BY GUY CATHCART PELTON)

It is well to begin with the child, for he presages cases lead to the conviction that environment is the to assist in winning the livelihood. Overwrought and he coming man. He is gigantic in possibilities, but Allowing for the existence of a state of war and dwarfed if without opportunity. He is the plastic the complete suspension of commercial relations with material than can be moulded to use and beauty, or enemy countries the record of the foreign trade of the repellant ugliness. Destiny hinges on the golden you may write what you will; when the life hardens, the writing becomes indehible. Society has been of love. "He is not a bad boy," said the Matron of ering land values and high rents have forced many ton contraband and the fact that it is known to a c n an article on Britain's foreign tade.

slow to learn the most obvious lessons. It has taken On the one hand, imports of foreign and Colonial it centuries to understand that to educate and train thing good."

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HON. C. W. CROSS. Attorney-General of Alberta. He is the father of

terfere with our seaborne trade has been quite futile, relation to childhood was never more tersely ex-Our imports and our exports are maintained at an pressed than by Mark Twain's "Tuckleberry Finn," imposing figure, in marked contrast to those of our, "A body that don't get started right when he's young

It ought to be added that the last month of the Early in the history of the Province, the Alberta half-year proved a comparatively favorable period. Government, with the view of giving every child a the increase in the imports being £17.836,000 and the reasonable apportunity in life, passed legislation decrease in the exports of British produce being limit- making provision for the organization of Children's The slightness of the shrink- Aid Societies: compelling cities with a population of age in our exports in June is due, however, to com- ten thousand or more to provide Children's Shelters parison with unfavorable figures in the correspond- giving authority to the proper agencies to take chiling month of last year. As compared with! June, dren from the homes of neglectful or vicious parents even that falling-off is small compared with those tried in properly constituted Juvenile Courts: and recorded in other months since the outbreak of war providing for the appointment of qualified proba-To the large increase of £53,200,000 in the six tion officers. It must not be supposed that every . On the other hand, an expansion of plated when the first ordinance was framed. £19,001,000 under raw materials was offset by a government of the day wisely recognized the fact falling off of £13,374,000 under manufactured goods, trat men are more important than methods and ap-In the last-named section the heaviest decreases were pointed as Superintendent of the Department, Mr. R. £4,759,000 in woollen fabrics, £3,425,000 in iron and B. Chadwick, a young man of recognized ability, steel, £3,252,000 in cotton tissues, and £3,053,000 in versed in the latest methods of dealing with child The and of peculiar aptitude for the service to which These decreases, however, were offset to some extent by gains of £5,502,000 in "other" metals. £1,- the right man, they gave him large discretionary 990,000 in chemicals and £1,377,000 in leather. Of the lowers, and have not been slow to crystallize into large increase in the value of imported food, £22, law many of the sugestions he made. It is a note-864,000 was in grain and flour, over £10,000,000 of this worthy fact that Alberta is the only Province that advance being in wheat alone It is noteworthy, as has put the Juvenile Delinquent Act into force showing the effect of higher prices, that, while the increase in the volume of all imported grain was only a little over 11 per cent, the increase in value was alled that important office the major portion of the a little over 11 per cent, the increase in value was almost 72 per cent. Imports of wheat from Russia, Australia and Canada more or less heavily declined, while receipts from the United States. Argentina and while receipts from the United States. Argentina and lindia showed a large increase.

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Australia and Canada more or less heavily declined, with such great care that nearly forty per cent. of content while seeds of immorality are sown broadcast in restaurants, theatres, and dance halls. So many girls mistake the tinsel for the reality.

Boys will be boys, and almost anything may be the high seas, it must have been run through the high seas, it must have been run through the high seas, it must have been run through the federal blockade and therefore was subject to settled.

there was an increase of £9,782,000, of which £1.
631,000 was in cocoa, £873,000 in coffee, over £4.
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among these is the belief that when a boy or girl has product be abolished from our civilization. In its 631,000 was in cocca, £818,000 in coffee, over £4. among these is the belief that when a boy or girl has product be abousined from our crystation. In its preventative work the department is battling with fiends who do not hesitate to make a prev of flesh might result if a drastic policy in regard increase in the imports of ray materials were £7.

583,000 in wool, £5,665,000 in oils and oil-seeds and v manhood. Environment counts. A frequent black or countries, and the larger centres of population. 3.424,000 in cotton.

Of the total shrinkage of £71,834,000 in the six care of the best efforts of parents and teachers to defective homes. Indeed, it is rare to find one of for an offence more cruel than murder. Bringing months' exports of British merchandise, £61,454,000 make a decent man out of a promising youth, have months' exports of British merchandise, £61,454,000 make a decent man out of a promising youth, have was in manufactured goods, £8,905,000 in raw material, and £2,160,000 in food. In the first-mentioned section some heavy declines (and not a solitary gain) are recorded. Thus the decrease in cotton goods was £21,764,000, that in machinery £9,668,000, that in iron and steel £7,397,000, that in woollen manufactures and the two products of the twig will persist in spite of any bending pressure that may be brought to bear on it. Experienced and steel £7,397,000, that in woollen manufactures against youth reproduced a race of skeptics concerning the power of are making serious onslaughts on the twentieth century home. In the average home the father is absorbed to twish the full penalty of the law upon this class of criminal.

£4,010,000, and that in new ships £3,198,000. These decreases are not alarming. Indeed, they are merely what might be expected in view of the diminished. expected in view of the diminished record. What hope is there in the belief? A great mother is burdened with a double responsibility that consuming powers of neutral markets and the exht morist once declared that if all went far enough nature never intended her to bear, and these chilCourts have put their brand upon them. The State

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determining factor. He would be a bloodless crea- anxious mothers give birth to weak children that ure who could witness without emotion the transformation that has been gradually wrought in these nor time to properly care for and nourish them. young lives, when taken from homes that were lit- Their absence from homes means the continued negyears of childhood. On the growing lad's character, the less than schools of crime, and placed amid con-Some months ago the officers of the Children's wick's 1913 report:

Aid Society in the City of Calgary, discovered two girls in their early teens working and living in a Chinese restaurant. They were the only female occupants of the place. Some time previous, owing to serious misunderstanding, their parents had separated. The home was broken up, and these girls were left to pit their frail strength up against a hard and cruel world. As was natural for children of their age, they followed the course of least resistance. Employment in the celestial joint was easily obtained and readily accepted. The details of their life in the service which was worse than bondage need not be described. When they were taken in charge the older girl presented a pitiable appearance Her teeth were gone; she was cross-eyed and her body was miserably diseased. Under the care of the society dental attention was provided, medical care was procured, the cross eye was straightened and the body that had been so cruelly sinned against was cleansed of its disease. A few months ago her pareits, now residing in Minneapolis, having re-estabhehed their home under circumstances that promse better things, sent for their girls, and they have been restored to them.

The system has been established long enough to edicate that it can be depended upon to produce permanent results. Some five or six years ago the Superintendent picked a group of five boys. Two Superintendent of Delinquent Children in Alberta. of them are brothers, members of a family abandoned by a dissolute father, and brought under influences of an unhealthy character by the subsective of Edmonton, fifteen persons were found sleepquent career of their mother. To-day they are the ing in bunks in one room, poorly lighted and with no dopted sons of a well to do farmer of Southern Alberta. They are making good and will fall heir to a der eight years of age, two were young girls aged very substantial property. The other lads in the respectively fourteen and sixteen, two others were Germany or Austria. That the British are payin group were taken from conditions so degraded that well known habitues of the underworld. Such con-

Another bed types principle upon which the De-pertment in Alberta lays great emphasis is the ne-cessity of home environment to the normal developexercises of home environment to the normal development of the child. Little faith is placed in what is wards which the heterogeneous mass of the foreign and confiscated without compensation on the groun known as institutional method. Not more than a have turned their footsteps. Ignorant of the Eng that it was contraband of war destined for the use score of the incorrigibles have been maintained at any tional life, with its rules for all actions and its sys- fall foul of the law, line of the most rigid character, has wrought irre-parable injury in the life of many a child. It has produced a type known as the "institutionalized" dull girl who once goes wrong finds it almost impossible advantageous, for it is doubtful whether it could ob-Children need love as flowers need sunshine. They year the department dealt with no less than six hunthrough neutral countries. This is largely due to the normal conditions. With this in view the authoriies of the Province have laid great stress upon the ties of the Province have an accountance of the placing out system. Applications for adopted chilplacing out system out system out system out of the chilplacing out system out system out of the chilplacing out system out system out of the chilplacing out system out of the chilplace of the chilplace out of the cher are carefully sifted. Reports concerning the character of the would-be foster parents are receivable as long as parents are disposed to smile at chance. The position of the United States. er from reliable sources. Their home is visited by flirtations while the youngster should be at home The expansion in meat imports amounted to £9, fected and the most gratifying results have been there is no hesitation in removing a child. No state expected of a boy from eating a fly to decapitating a feederal blockade and therefore was subject to

tensive diversion of our industrial activities to the back we would find a gallows rampant on the family dren suffer a distinct loss in opportunities for cliaris doing much to conserve its timber, mineral tree.

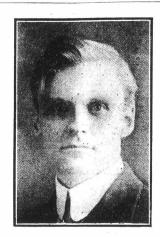
During the last four years some 2,700 children, tak-

said that it has paralyzed it, much less obliterated crease in the imports and the decrease in the export3 six months, was over £194,000,000 for the past half-The falling off in the exports of raw materials has had a marked effect upon the balance of trade, greater than formerly. The problem is to provide

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continue to suffer because they have neither strength Here is a paragraph from Superintendent Chad-



"In one instance, in a cheap rooming house in the ventilation. Of this number four were children unmany would have despaired of their secue. A ditions are rare, but not unknown by any means, change in environment has wrought wonders. These sturdy lads are now on the verge of manhood and whole family sleeping, dressing, cooking, and eating should the United States accept such a declaration

Much has been said of the boy problem growing out produced a type known as the instrumentation of the personality. It gain her self-respect in the community. In one ject to the seizure of cotton designed for shipments children need love as howers need success that the German Government is understood to not treated as criminals, but were gently mothered have taken control of all cotton supplies in German sibly eighty per cent, are living straight lives. The force that cotton, as contraband, being sent into Ger

there is no hesitation in removing a cinid. No state can be deemed as worthy of a first class place among civilized communities that fails to absorb the children of the distribution of the control of the distribution of the control of the distribution of the control of the co in volume while appreciably increasing in value. The total quantity of dead meat imported in the half-year total quantity of dead meat imported in the half-year to with one of the great film companies, out short y home life of its people.

An ounce of prevention is better than a pound of the experience of the Department probation has been this Government could expect in contending ton should never be regarded as contraband.

British officials have recently indicates total quantity of dead meat imported in the half-year ton with one of the great than a pound of was at 12500,000 cwts. over 300,000 cwts. less than after passed away with tragic suddenness. Is a feel in the corresponding period, but its value was just been succeeded by A. M. McDonald, who has for cure. It is beautiful to carry flowers to a fever palexies of the cases. Supervised blaverounds and properly conducted boys, cluse etc. the Department, and tient, but it is better to find out why there is a pol-pals and enthusiasm tient, but it is better to find out why there is a pol-pals and enthusiasm tient, but it is better to find out why there is a pol-pals and enthusiasm tient, but it is better to find out why there is a pol-pals and enthusiasm tient, but it is better to find out why there is a pol-pals and enthusiasm tient, but it is better to find out why there is a pol-pals and enthusiasm tient, but it is better to find out why there is a pol-pals and enthusiasm tient, but it is better to find out why there is a pol-pals and enthusiasm tient, but it is better to find out why there is a pol-pals and enthusiasm tient, but it is better to find out why there is a pol-pals and enthusiasm tient, but it is better to find out why there is a pol-pals and enthusiasm tient. care for the poor drab, the scarlet girl, but it is more otherwise would lead many a bright youth astray. There is no reason to doubt this, as there have cheese, lard and margarine. In the dutiable foods Much of the success has been due to the recogni-

LEFT ESTATE OF \$4,160,000.

Toronto, Ont., July 24.-The late E. Chandler Walker, president of the Hiram Walker Company, Walkerville, who died on March 11 last in Washington. D.C., left an estate of \$4,160,000.

To his widow \$200,000 in cash and an annuity of (3%) per annum on the Common Stock of the \$75,000 a year is left, along with the homestead, the Traction Company has been declared for the quarter St. John, N.B., July 24.—The antimony mines at furniture and its pictures, which are valued at \$180.

declines of £8,281,000 and £3,657,000 under raw materials and manufactured goods respectively being offset by an increase of £4,095,000 in the exports of the excess of imports, which in Montreal company.

SHOULD COTTON

Agitation in Britain to Have This Accomplished But Asquith Wont Yield

U. S. ATTITUDE

The Interference With American Cotton Cargoes By Britain is Receiving Serious Considera tion at Washington.

Washington, July 24.-The growing agitation England in favor of placing cotton on the British contraband list is attracting considerable attention pelled to yield to the strong pressure being brought bear upon if at home.

fomented in England, the Washington adm s also perceiving that it soon will have to far revived campaign about cotton in this count therefore more than likely that within the next fer weeks the cotton question will be very much of a sue for the President and his advise The cotton question is being called up anew by

men representing Southern interests who are poir out that while the world cotton market Germany and Austria, is now overstocked to the e tent of nearly 3,000,000 bales, there is already in sigh another large crop in this country. The desire of the cotton interests is, of course, for the United State trian markets, which is declared would just about take up the surplus from last year's crop.

There is no prospect of this being accomplished ac ording to statements made in responsible quarter In fact, the Administration is not even attempting t secure direct access to these markets as it does feel that it has any ground on which to make sur The right of the British to blockad Germany and Austria is conceded, and this Govern ment has even conceded that a blockade may posibly be legal even if not maintained under precisely the same conditions that were held requibefore the advent of submarines as important e-

All that the United States is the cotton issue is the right of Americans to ship a ton to neutral countries without interference. It has refused to recognize the right of the British author on the ground that they were ultimately destined for

Should Great Britain declare cotton contraband, an in the same room. Here the natural reserves of life to cotton, the situation would be much less satisfaction. Another bed rock principle upon which the De- are broken and growing boys and girls are easily initory from the point of view of both the cotton ship not surprising that many of their boys and girls perty whereas now, though unable to make deliveries at the points desired in many cases, they are bei compensated for their shipments when taken by the

> The position of the State Department would be less The position of the United States in regard to cot-

British efficials have recently indicated that

heen repeated evidences that the British authoriti fully appreciated the importance of cotton in American can economic and political life and the dangers which should arouse the entire South against Great Bris

This view is being met by those behind the campaign to make cotton contraband with the statement that the British are suffering in the war by this con sideration for American interests and that therefore the necessities of the occasion require that the gov ernment discard the policy which is hampering the success of the British measures against Germany.

HOME WITH "SUPERIOR" PEOPLE London, July 24.—The following advertisement ap-

pears in the "Personal" column of The Times Cultured, agreeable young Canadian officer desired nome with absolutely superior people in West End distinctive references; telephone; motor car not of jected to; absolutely confidential.

CANADIAN BANK OF COMMERCE. The Canadian Bank of Commerce has declared egular quarterly dividend of 21/2 per cent., payabl

to shareholders of record August 16

ILLINOIS TRACTION COMPANY

Dividend Notice. quarterly dividend at the rate of three per cen

holders of record of July 26th, 1915.

ending July 31st, 1915, payable August 16th, to share By Order of the Board, GEO, M. MATTIS, Treasurer.

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RASH SPECULA

vative People Look With the Spectacular Performance in Far as Trading in So-called is Concerned.

New York, July 24.—Apart from of further labor controversies, the naintains its favorable aspects. ment of the troubes in the build rest has been followed by the adj cal clothing strike, but fresh distu en here and elsewhere, notably at Differences between em arners, however, are not yet suff seriously interfere with the proure and distribution, although th ons make for increased conservat ions, not the least significant of list of 322 quotations regularly com riew having outnumbered decline ound the middle of May.

Most products are gaining in va urgent foreign demands, except weather merchandise, recent high the usual effect of retarding the re ink clearings at outside cities thi slightly larger than last year's, wh cluded the gain was 8.5 per cent road carnings do not make the sa parison. But these are gradually rom the uneasiness caused by the industrial developments are mainl

Stability of prices and vigorous p the mills testify to the wholesa iron and steel trade. Quotations a ing, yet producers maintain a conse is regard. Though staple cotton land have been quieter than in som the mills show no mateiral cor A new feature in the financial sit neement that arrangements have oan of \$40,000,000, to the Canadia first transaction of the kind eve Each week witnessed a f and steel both in respect to product er of prices. Another encouraging lication of improvement in the st which has been disappointing for so

teel for munitions are said to be Although there has been a large orimary dry goods markets, forwa servative character. Owing to raw material, buyers of cotton goo values, but sellers look for only

Ekfrid, July 22nd:-Some evish article about the bugs that age in the orchard and on the life in the country was degenera fight and commented gloomily or extent of a column or so. My out that a scientist of authority who e quoted wrote me a reassuring that I may have sown the seeds in other minds I am going to que

rom his letter: "With the exception of the Sa can scarcely speak of any other a great pest. It is true that from ve a local outbreak of some in not very well control, for the tim utbreaks are rare. I feel moder in a few years even the San Jos ich less important pest than it no tists of the Department of Agricu' ing parasites and others are comi cord. In some parts of the Unite have already reduced the number

wonderful extent." Regarding the Buffalo Tree He me to lift up my voice and send f

"The Buffalo Tree Hopper is a It attacks many kinds of It seldom, or comparati serious damage, though many trees oung trees, are attacked from t avages are uniformly worse in unc his is because the nymphs or ye feed scarcely at all upon the foli out on weeds on the ground. The he season (May and June) so the hatch and the nymphs drop to the

Every once in a while Sheppy omething that shows a surprising igence, even though he has a w general worthlessness. No one ev skill to train him, but I am incline he had received the proper attention puppy he would now be a valual ing the spoiled pet of the child before how he went down the road age and brought home a parcel 't after one of the boys had been to for it. He had never carried a he has not carried one since. W and get that one is a mystery. another thing to-day that was ev A Guinea-hen that had had f chicks was given half a doze been hatched out by a barnyard not seem to follow their new but began to stray away. The some of them. An hour after the ped Sheppy came to the door and loorstep one of the chicks that he carried it in his mouth w