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THE LOYAL TARIFF.

The government organs are now laboring to make it appear that the Fielding tariff is not less favorable to British trade than to trade with the United States.

1895-96—Canada bought from Great Britain for home consumption... 33,979,742

1896-97—Free goods from Great Britain... 1,325,477

It is not now a question what the government will do in a given case. Still less is it a question of the motive of the ministers in proposing this vote.

THE WINTER TRADE.

The Grand Trunk is making big preparations for the winter trade via Portland. The Allan, the Thomson, the Hamburg-American and the Elder-Demster have already been made.

HOW THE BRITISH DO IT.

The capture of Omdurman is the climax of a series of difficult operations. Compared to Kitchener's expedition the United States invasion of Cuba was child's play.

Good Words from Old Students.

Without the course of study which I took at your college I could not have accepted the position which was offered me here.

The Khalifa may now propose a general disbanding of the African armies.

SIR CHARLES IN CAPE BRETON.

The reception which Sir Charles Tupper has met among his Cape Breton constituents, and generally in eastern Nova Scotia, must have been highly gratifying to the veteran leader.

THE PLEBISCITE QUESTION.

The country will pay \$350,000 for the plebiscite which is to be taken this month. This outlay is not too much, in the opinion of the government and parliament, to pay for an expression of public opinion on the question of prohibition.

It seems probable that the trouble in China will be settled so far as Great Britain is concerned by the assignment of the Yangtze Valley as a sphere of British influence.

Various United States interests, notably those concerned with fish and lumber, have sent delegations to Quebec to urge the United States commissioners not to agree to a reduction of duties on Canadian goods.

The Detroit business men's convention, which passed a resolution asking that the Philippine Islands be exchanged with England for Canada appears to have been quite serious.

The United States growers of corn and manufacturers of binder twine have not asked their commissioners to secure them a free market in Canada by making some corresponding concession to the dominion.

Mr. Tarte is going to have his inspection boat enlarged to afford room for a larger party.

Head bookkeeper for Messrs. Macaulay, Bro. & Co., Wholesale and Retail Dry Goods.

The Latest System of Business Practice—Shortland.

Send for catalogues to S. KERR & SON.

BOSTON LETTER.

The Rev. Thompson in Trouble, This Time in British Columbia.

Formation of a Syndicate to Control the Fresh Fish Business of New England.

Suicide of a P. E. Islander—Exports to the Maritime Provinces—Very Hot Weather

The Fall Exhibitions—Condition of the Lumber and Fish Markets.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

BOSTON, Sept. 3.—This city and other parts of the Atlantic seaboard have experienced some of the hottest, driest and most unattractive weather of the summer this week.

The politicians are preparing for the state and congressional elections which occur this fall. The silver question, which has been overhauled every-where in sight, as they always do in the region of maple sugar, but a reduced majority is anticipated.

The body of a man who committed suicide in Cambridge last Sunday has been identified as that of Patrick M. Shea, formerly of Summerside, P. E. I., where his father and mother reside.

The following from the lower provinces were in this city this week: G. W. Cannon, St. Stephen; Fred S. Kent and Mrs. Kent, Fredericton; J. Mizler, John McL. Taylor, Halifax; Colin Fraser, Pictou.

The wheat crop is not quite up to expectations, according to reliable reports. The fact remains, however, that the crop is the largest on record, notwithstanding damage from rust in the east and other unfavorable conditions.

William Fielding of St. John has purchased the William A. Dyson farm about a further section in the province of the potato crop, the breaking of the drought in many potato sections not being followed by a recovery of condition.

Marie W. Carroll, formerly of Chatham, died at Crescent Beach, Revere, August 28, aged 59 years.

The steam yacht Albatross of Yarmouth in command of Capt. Edridge, was in the harbor this week on a cruise. She will be up here for some time.

The announcement of the formation of a syndicate to control the fresh fish business of the New England coast, does not cause much anxiety here. Most of the Boston dealers do not think the syndicate will be successful. It does not intend to begin operations before next spring.

The Boston Transcript a few days ago made an editorial attack on the Canadian government for its Klondike policy. Mr. Sifton came in for considerable criticism. Among other things, the Transcript says: "The golden-hued bubble has burst, and with its collapse will come much suffering. To relieve this is the immediate duty of the dominion government, not as a charity organizations, but as an atonement for its actions in permitting itself to be made the tool of unscrupulous persons."

Regarding the celebrated Ogilvie report, issued recently by the Hon. Mr. Sifton, the Transcript says: "It was issued broadcast by a private publishing establishment at Toronto, who obtained the right to do so from Mr. Sifton, and in connection with which was made an editorial attack on the Canadian government, not as a charity organizations, but as an atonement for its actions in permitting itself to be made the tool of unscrupulous persons."

Switzerland's greatest industry, the enterprising of tourists, has been officially computed to bring in 115,000,000 francs a year, 5,000,000 more than the whole revenue of the confederacy.

STEEL CEILING FOR CHURCHES. HALLS, THEATRES, PUBLIC BUILDINGS, PRIVATE RESIDENCES, SCHOOLS, LODGE ROOMS, STORES. Not a Substitute but superior to lath and plaster, will not crack and fall off, absolutely fire-proof, handsome in appearance.

The Highland Cadets of Montreal are in the city. They will parade with the Scottish Clans on Monday (Labor Day).

The following were among the exports to the lower provinces this week: 210 barrels oil, 24,486 feet pine, to Dorchester, per schooner Victory; 106 barrels flour, 28 barrels oatmeal, 220 barrels cornmeal, 40 sacks middlings, to Bear River, per schooner E. Norris; 600 barrels flour, to Halifax and Charlottetown, per steamer Halifax; 250 sacks oats, 150 barrels flour, to Yarmouth, per steamer Farmington; 150 barrels flour, to Bear River, per schooner Muriel; 75 barrels flour, 75 barrels cornmeal, to Meteghan and Tuakoe, per schooner Lavine; 150 barrels flour, 650 sacks mill feed, 250 sacks oats, 250 bags corn, 300 sacks cornmeal, to Shedburn, Jordan Bay, Bridgeville and Liverpool, per schooner Narcissus; 80 barrels beef, to St. John, per steamer St. Croix; 150 barrels flour, 600 barrels cornmeal, 400 bags corn, to Port Williams and Cabot, N. S., per schooner Ethel B.; 485 barrels flour, 25 half barrels do., 205 sacks bran, 150 bags corn, 200 bags cornmeal, to Windsor, per schooner Josephine.

The demand for lumber continues to improve slowly, but as yet prices are not much higher than they have been all summer. Shippers and mill men in the east are insisting on more money, and their efforts may be successful before long.

Spruce—Random cargo lumber, \$4.50 to 10.50; frames by car, 10 inches and under, \$13; 12 inch frames, \$13.50 to 14; 14 inch frames and wider, \$14 to 14.50; yard randoms, \$9 to 11; boards, planed one side, \$10 all; kiln dried Timbers, clear, \$16 to 19; No. 1 white pine, \$18 to 20; No. 2, \$15 to 16; extra, clapboards, \$27 to 28; clear, \$25 to 26; second clear, \$23 to 24; laths, 1.5-8 in., \$1.30 to 1.50; 1-2 in., \$1.60 to 1.75.

Hemlock, etc.—Eastern hemlock, No. 1, \$9.50 to 10.50; Eastern pine, coarse No. 2, nominal, \$15 to 17; extra, pine clapboards, \$38 to 40; clear, \$35 to 36; second clear, \$30 to 35; extra cedar shingles, best brands, \$2.00 to 2.55; other brands, 10 to 15 cents less; second clear, \$1.75 to 2.

Trade is still very quiet in the local fish market. Over 200 barrels of mackerel have arrived from the provinces this week, and have sold at from \$12 to 17 per barrel, as to quality. Codfish are easy at \$4.50 to 4.75 for large dry fish, \$4.25 to 4.75 for large pickled fish, and \$3.75 to \$4.25 for large shore and Georges. Nova Scotia split herring are quiet at \$6 to 6.50. The sardine market is firmer, \$2.40 to 2.70 for quarter oils and \$2.20 to 2.60 for three-quarter mustards. Canned lobsters are in short supply and very firm at \$2.75 to 3 for flats, and \$2.60 to 2.85 for tails. Live lobsters the worth 14 and boiled 16c.

THE EXHIBITION.

Exhibitors at the exhibition should bear in mind that all industrial exhibits in the main building must be in place on Monday, 12th inst., in readiness for the opening on the 13th. Live stock and farm produce will be received up to 9 a. m. on Wednesday, the 14th, and goods arriving later except under unavoidable circumstances cannot be placed in competition.

IN HONOR OF MINISTER BLAIR.

At a large and enthusiastic meeting of the liberal executive last night the chief details in connection with the picnic to be held at Gagstown on Monday, 12th inst., were arranged. It was decided to engage two steamboats, the David Weston and the Green, and to secure the services of the City Cornet and Artillery bands. All the maritime ministers and possibly Sir Wilfrid Laurier, will be present.

THE OLIVE GOLD MINE.

Says Friday's Toronto World: Hon. Geo. E. Foster, ex-minister of finance, is president of a company of Winnipeg which has been organized to develop the Olive gold mine, near Mine Centre in the Seine River district of Ontario. According to all accounts this property is a wonder, the ore being so rich that in eight or nine months the little two-stamp mill upon it has pounded out over \$13,000 in gold. The quartz is said to run 340 to the ton, free-milling. Mr. Foster recently left Rat Portage to look at the mine upon which he is having erected a ten-stamp mill. With the increased capacity the Olive is expected to do wonders.

STRUCK BY LIGHTNING.

During the progress of Sunday night's thunder storm, the residence of Philip Palmer at Hampton was struck by lightning. The bolt struck the roof above the attic window on the east side of the house, and ran along towards the front, ripping up the shingles and making at least two holes in the roof. At this corner, an iron rod that connects the chimney with the roof, attracted the lightning, with the result that the chimney was split for a distance of some three or four feet. The destructive force of the lightning may be judged from the manner in which pieces of shingles and boards and fragments of the bricks were scattered around, some being thrown several rods distant from the house. As the lightning fortunately followed the rod upwards, the damage was confined to the top of the building. Mr. and Mrs. Palmer and a number of friends who were in the house during the storm were greatly startled by the shock, and the ladies were for a time almost terror-stricken.

Those Tired Kidneys.

Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills help tired kidneys to do what they must do if you are to be a healthy man or woman.

Switzerland's greatest industry, the enterprising of tourists, has been officially computed to bring in 115,000,000 francs a year, 5,000,000 more than the whole revenue of the confederacy.

MANCHESTER'S TONIC Condition Powder. A Preparation put up by qualified Veterinary Surgeons and Chemists. It is the most powerful and reliable remedy for all ailments of the horse, dog, cat, pig, and poultry.

INTERNATIONAL EXHIBITION, ST. JOHN, N. B.

Opens Sept. 13th, Closes Sept. 23rd, 1898.

Live stock and farm and dairy produce must be on the grounds at 10 o'clock, a. m., Wednesday, 14th September, and live stock may leave after 6 p. m. Wednesday, 21st September. All other exhibits must be in place not later than 10 p. m. Monday, 12th September.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY ARRANGEMENTS.

THE C. P. R. will carry exhibits from all points in New Brunswick and Maine stations, north and east of Vanceboro, on prepayment of one fare, which fare will be refunded when the exhibits are returned to starting point the property of original shipper.

Excursion tickets will be sold at all stations on the Atlantic Division from 12th to 21st September at Single First-Class Fare, good to return until 24th September.

CHEAP SPECIAL FARES:

Saint Stephen, Saint Andrews, Barber Dam. Tickets will be sold from Sept. 12th to 21st, good to return until Sept. 24th, at \$1.50 each.

From Stations Fredericton to Westfield.

Tickets will be sold on Sept. 20th only, good to return till 22nd at: Fredericton to Westfield, \$1.50; Fredericton Junction, \$1.10; Hoyt, 95; Westfield, 70.

All Stations on the Gibson Branch.

Havelock to St. Mary's inclusive, on Sept. 19th, only good to return until Sept. 21. Carleton and all stations above, \$2.00; Keswick, \$1.90; St. Mary's, \$1.60.

On September 15th, only Good for Return September 20th:

Caribou, Presque Isle, Grand Falls, St. Leonards, Green River, Edmundston, \$3.00; Fort Fairfield, \$2.75; Aroostook Junction, \$2.75; Perth, \$2.50.

W. C. PITFIELD, President.

HALIFAX.

Smuggled Cigars at Kentville Seized—Wedding Bells—Newfoundland Governor.

HALIFAX, Sept. 5.—Inland Revenue Officer Grant has seized a quantity of smuggled cigars at Kentville.

W. H. Goss, well known liveryman of Dartmouth, is dead.

William A. Curry, a billing clerk in the I. C. R. freight office of this city, was married to Miss Madeline Horner of New York, who has been in this city for some years, and is a favorite vocalist.

DOCKYARD SCANDAL AT MALTA.

Defalcations Had Been Going On for a Period of Seven Years.

MALTA, Sept. 2.—The prosecution of Henry Vella, late cashier to the admiralty dockyard here, was begun today.

The accused is charged with three indictments, setting forth that he converted to his own use, by means of false signatures, in 1891, \$14,432; between 1893 and 1894, \$10,600; and in 1897, \$1,800. The total defalcations amounting to over \$26,800.

The crown advocates asks for periods of imprisonment varying from seven months to two years in each of the indictments.

Magistrate—What is the charge against this prisoner? Officer—Having an infernal machine in his possession. Magistrate Anarchist or bicyclist?

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