

Our English Exchanges.

TRUE WORTH. True worth is in being, not seeming— In doing each day that goes by...

DARKEST ENGLAND. "General" Booth is taking a new departure. The 30,000 a year which he required to carry on his "Darkest England" experiment does not come in...

LABOUR ECHOES. Information was promulgated at the Royal Arsenal, Woolwich, that the new eight hours Government day will come into operation shortly.

A LADY AS MAYOR. The first lady mayor of the British Empire is Mrs. Yates, who was duly installed at Onchange, New Zealand, recently.

THE LOSS OF THE VICTORIA. A parliamentary paper just published gives particulars of sums handed over to the Patriotic Fund for the relief of widows and orphans of men who lost their lives through the foundering of the Victoria...

THE ILL-FATED PORTALS. The memory of the two gallant young Hampshire men, Sir Gerald and Captain Raymond Portal, is to be perpetuated in a monument in Winchester Cathedral.

prime of life, and with a brilliant future before them, these two young Hampshire men have sacrificed their lives in the performance of the task entrusted to them by the Crown.

A COLONIAL VISITOR. Sir Thos. Mollwraith, the ex-Premier of Queensland, was lately in Canada, having travelled over the Canadian Pacific Railway line from Vancouver to Ottawa for the first time.

Hostile to England.

AN ANNEXATION ORGAN'S DISPLAY OF BAD TEMPER.

New York, March 2.—The Sun, which professes to be so anxious to annex Canada to the United States, has a most malignant editorial on Sir G. S. Clarke's article in the North American Review, advocating a naval union for mutual self-protection between Great Britain and the United States.

At present Englishmen have much to lose, and Americans have much to gain, by a war between Great Britain on the one hand and one or more of the continental powers upon the other.

Canada and England.

DEAR SIR—So rapidly do we build up history in these latter days that it may not be out of place, at the close of this fourth centennial year of the Columbian era, to cast our eyes in the direction of a forecast of events to come, in as far as Canada and Great Britain are concerned.

It is the view of a great many well informed people in Canada that our "proximity" renders reciprocal trade relations between this country and the United States absolute and imperative.

By the same rule, if these are the correct premises, then must trade with the Orient be ours also, for in spite of a short and direct route through our territory, England, as compared with ourselves, must forever remain heavily handicapped by distance.

Admitting the foregoing statement to be in the main correct, it becomes obvious that the costly shipment to England of goods from the East by land route through Canada must enable us who are on the spot to furnish the products from that market to our own and contiguous people at lower rates and with greater profit than can now be done by any European country.

The favourite axiom in British commercial parlance is that "Trade follows the Flag." Is that proverb soon to admit another interpretation? Is the perennial Eastern question to at last receive its quietus at the hands of Canada?

But it must be remembered, even if we so desired, it is not an easy thing to get the advantage of England either in war, diplomacy or commerce.

The free trade of England must be looked at from another point of view than that of its enabling her to supply her immense hive of workers with cheap food and other necessities.

the development of our natural resources, and the greater variety and numbers of our articles of manufacture, we shall not only find it possible but absolutely necessary to adopt the policy of free trade.

Then does it seem that our proximity, to the Orient would be apt to strike a more disastrous blow to Britain's consumers than could the hostile allied fleets of the Old World?

But while we are thus congratulating ourselves on our own future, and in a perfunctory manner sympathising with poor old England on her consequent approaching decadence, let us not forget that she has her proximity for trade also.

The geographical position now, as of yore, renders her the toll-gate of Europe. Ages of experience in continental demands, and requirements of trade, render her merchants far better able to fill them than could be possible for those of a new country.

Yes, we may rest content so far as the future of England is concerned. There are yet no signs of decadence about the fine old tree of which we, her colonies, are the fruit.

T. C. A. Winnipeg, January, 1894.

A Loyal Son of England's Indignation.

DEAR SIR,—Wednesday night's Times brings us the intelligence that Lord Aberdeen and family attended the concert given by the world's great singer, Patti, in a Montreal theatre on the evening of the 27th ult.

S. O. E. St. Thomas, Ont., Thursday, March 1st, 1894.

[The above letter convey the spirit of the Order.—Ed.]

Morden, Man.

Anglo-Saxon Lodge, of Morden, contemplate celebrating their anniversary, which occurs on March 23, with a laughable farce; a concert and dance to follow.

F. H. MARTELOCK, Baker, Confectioner and General Crocer, 177 Creighton St., NEW EDINBURGH

FLOUR AND FEED OF ALL KINDS KEPT IN STOCK.

Merry Sons of England.

Bowmanville, Ont.

The annual entertainment and supper of Wellington Lodge, No 19, held in the S. of E. Hall of Bowmanville, Feb. 20th, was a grand success. There was a large attendance of brethren from the Lodges at Hampton, Newcastle and Whitby and a very good attendance of our own.

Lachine, P.Q.

On Wednesday evening the 7th inst., Supreme Grand Vice-president Bro. J. A. Edwards, made one of his official visits to Royal Rose Lodge, Lachine. He was accompanied by 30 members of the Order from the city lodges.

Halifax, N. S.

After the regular meeting of Lodge Halifax, No. 150, on Friday, the 23rd February, a social was held in their fine hall, to which each member invited his wife, or other friend.

Our worthy president, Bro. Thos. Ibsen, followed with an address which was much appreciated by members and friends.

With music, song and toast, Halifax lodge brought their social to a conclusion about 2 o'clock, a.m.

There is every reason to believe that Halifax lodge will more than double its number during the present year.

Woodstock, Ont.

Lodge Bedford, No. 21, held their regular meeting in Imperial Hall, on Thursday, Feb. 15th. The meeting was called to Order by Bro. Brett, president. The regular business of the lodge was disposed of until we came to general business, when brother Pittman was presented with a P. P.'s jewel by the officers and members of Lodge Bedford.

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