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THE BUSINESS OUTLOOK.

The fall trade is now fairly opened, and our wholesale houses are doing a business of $3000 to $7000 daily.

In dry goods, trade is brisk, and promises well for the immediate future. The season's importations are all warehoused, with the exception of cable repeats and sorting up orders.

Millinery houses report a big business in felt and plush hats, fur capes and mantles. It is likely that the fall and winter trade will be the safest, if not the largest, for many years.

In groceries, the usual large shipments of Christmas goods are coming to hand, and will be all warehoused in another week. Travelers are taking heavy orders all over the province. Prices are firm, and remittances are promptly made. The general tone of the market is improving, and all anticipate an immense business.

The boot and shoe trade is steady and hopeful, but there is nothing in the shape of a boom imminent.

On the whole a good fall trade can fairly be counted on.

REDUCE THE SUGAR DUTIES.

These are the days of surplus revenue in Canada, and the finance minister is likely to be abundantly advised as to how best to reduce it. The Montreal Herald thinks it a good plan to knock off the whisky and tobacco duties; a proposal which Sir Leonard Tilley is not likely to favor, we should say. Of course the cry "free whisky advocate" is easily raised, and our contemporary is getting a good many hard raps for appearing in that character. Now let us contribute our mite to the discussion of surplus revenue and how to dispose of it.

One article there is of daily household use which *might*, without danger to the state, be taxed at a lower figure than at present—and that is sugar. Without going into any very close calculations, it may be stated in a rough way that sugar duties run to about forty-five or fifty per cent on the value. That is entirely too much on such a necessary article. If the production of beet-sugar be really a natural and profitable industry in Canada, then by all means let us have protection enough to develop it. But we greatly fear that it is not a bona fide natural industry in Canada, and never will be. We would not inconsiderately throw cold water on the enterprise of our friends in lower Canada who have spent money and effort in trying to establish here the manufacture of beet-sugar; but we think that by this time it must be allowed that the attempt has failed. And a good natural reason why is neither far to seek nor hard to find.

Over considerable sections of Canada the sugar beet grows well, and comes either to perfection or very near to it. But the production of the beet root, of good quality too, is not enough. Our winter comes too soon and is too cold for the easy and convenient handling of the beets and for going through with the various processes with the juice. That it a serious hindrance, and it is a permanent one too; it can never be removed. We have heard this story told: That a man who sank thousands trying to make beet sugar in Quebec, without success, afterwards tried the same thing in California, and made money. California has an open winter.

Now, if nature has put an interdict against the production of beet sugar in Canada to compete with that from the cane, the last shred of argument found on the idea of protection to native industry vanishes away, except as regards maple sugar, which does not count for much. The inference from all this is close at hand. Raw sugar should be admitted duty free as tropical product, not competing with anything that we can produce in Canada. At the same time refined sugar should pay a duty which would give to the refining business the same protection it has now.

It would be no great trick of finance at all to reduce the sugar duties from three to two cents all round, and still have the home refining business well protected. The protection of home refining should be continued for the reason that we have positively had made better sugar, for better value on the dollar's worth under protection than we had before. But why not admit raw sugar free, leaving the duties on refined sugar in proportion as now? The finance minister will make a popular move when he does this. Not only so, but he will knock clean off their feet lots of those free trade "arguers" who bracket protection and high price together. Protection and cheap sugar, a perfectly possible and even easy combination—would leave them not a single leg to stand upon.

There appears no doubt that some pretty crooked transactions took place in the Varennes election for the Manitoba legislature. The name of a person who was guilty of personating and perjury is given in two Winnipeg papers, and courageous swearing seems to have been the order of the day. That the alleged town of Whitemouth gave a majority of 100 for Miller is in itself extremely suspicious, and seems to point to the fact that the manufacture of votes is one of the rising industries of the disputed territory.

FORTY BILLION GERMS.

A Wonderful Theory that Concerns the Welfare, Happiness and Life of Everyone.

In his quiet and cosy library at the close of a busy day sat a gentleman and his wife, he absorbed in a new book and she in the newspaper. Quickly glancing toward her husband she asked, at a certain point in the article,

"John, what is the germ theory?"

"The germ theory—well—yes; just look in the encyclopedia under 'Germ,' that will explain it so much better than I can."

Accordingly his wife opened the book at the word named and read: Germ Theory of Disease—A theory advanced by the ablest and best investigators and scientists of the times. It supposes the surface of the earth, the air and water to be inhabited to a greater or less extent with a peculiar growth of the lowest form of fungi—commonly termed bacteria, whose power of reproduction, under favorable conditions, is so great that a single germ will increase to 15,000,000 in twenty-four hours' time, and unchecked in its increase would grow to a mass of eight hundred tons, in three days' time, if space and food be furnished. There is no condition under which it can be said to be absent, unless it be from fire or air filtered through cotton batting in numerous layers. A single drop of water containing a germ, put into water boiled, filtered and thus freed from bacteria, will grow murky in a day or two from the development of new germs. When it is considered that it requires about forty billions to weigh one grain, some remote idea can be had of the capacity of germ reproduction. Professor John Tyndall, in a late work, elaborately treats of the influence of germs in the propagation of diseases and charges upon this cause the inception and development of very many of the ailments most injurious to man. Professor Pasteur, an eminent French savant, has carried his original and beautiful experiments so far, and from them deduced such practical results, as very greatly to diminish the number of cases of anthrax among sheep and chicken cholera among fowls—proving his theory that these are essentially and actually germ diseases. These germs are carried into the system through the lungs, the stomach, and possibly the skin, but through the lungs chiefly. Once in the system, they begin to develop, poisoning the blood, invading the nerve centres, disturbing the functional activity of the great organs of the body, and introducing a general impairment of the vital processes. They are the cause of fevers, rheumatism, Bright's disease of the kidneys, pneumonia, blood poisoning, liver disease, diphtheria and many other ailments. Lately Professor Koch, a famous German physician, has proved that consumption of the lungs is due to this cause—the presence of a peculiar germ.

When the circulation is bounding, the nerves elastic and the system all aglow with life and energy, the germs seems to develop poorly, if at all. But with weakened nerves, poor digestion or mal-assimilation of food or a lowering of vitality from any cause, a change occurs, and in this impoverished and weakened fluid the germ finds a genial home and develops until symptoms of disease are distinctly manifested. This is seen in the everyday experience of all. The healthy man resists the influences around him and does not take cold, while those whose systems have become weak from any cause readily contract colds. This is on the same principle as the germ theory. The germs attack any weakened spot in the body, and fixing themselves upon it, begin this propagation. It is plain therefore that it is only by fortifying the weak portions of the body that the germs of disease can be resisted and driven from the system. But this has proved almost an impossibility heretofore, and it has been the study of physicians for years how best to accomplish it. Within the past few years, however, a preparation has been attracting great attention, not only throughout the entire land, but among the medical profession and scientists generally, which is based upon this theory, and it may safely be said no remedy has ever been found which can so successfully place the system in a condition to resist the germs of disease as Warner's Safe Cure. This article is unquestionably the best and most efficient that has ever been discovered for this purpose, and—

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However the facts above stated may be, the truth remains that the germ theory of disease is the correct one, and that the great remedy mentioned is the only one which has ever been found that can put the system in a condition to kill these germs before they obtain a hold upon the body and undermine the life.

THE BANK NOTE SYSTEM.

To the Editor of The World.

SIR: The question of government controlling the whole currency of the realm has been discussed *ad nauseam* on platform and in newspapers, but nothing has come out of it yet, in consequence of a number of statesmen and rich persons connected with banking institutions arraying determined, selfish opposition against what they pretend would cause national disaster, but in reality would merely lessen their pecuniary jobbing gains in business affairs.

Monetary theories are voluminous, contradictory, antiquated, confusing and misleading to the great mass of the people, but still the difficulty would soon disappear if approached in a simple, true and correct way. The whole thing, stripped of its absurdities, would be quite plain enough to the most illiterate man, (woman or child) if explained that a government dollar bill is valuable as a bank bill or gold, because they could buy provisions, calico or plaything with it, and not be required to pay in gold or banker's paper. If proper agitation were made avoiding all abstruse, worn out problems and selfish ideas, the public would readily understand quite sufficient, at any rate, to enable them at the first opportunity to bestow not a single vote to any candidate for parliament unless he will pledge himself to support a bill doing away with private bank notes in twelve months after passing the measure.

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