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LONDON, CANADA.JOHN CAMERON,
Pres't and Managing Director.God's in His heaven,
All's right with the world.
—[BROWNING.]

London, Tuesday, January 29.

—The registration system worked like a charm in Kingston as well as in London. How infinitely superior it is to the Dominion Franchise Act and its inquisitorial iniquities!

—There will doubtless be a large attendance at the Young Liberal convention in Toronto on Feb. 5. Hon. Wilfrid Laurier and others will address a great mass meeting in the evening.

—Because he proposes to tax raw materials, Mr. Laurier is being roasted by the Conservative press.—[Toronto Mail.]

—The Conservative press is astray, for Mr. Laurier, at Montreal, distinctly declared in favor of free raw materials for our great industries.

—A telegram from Kingston to the Toronto News on Monday says: "From the outlook at noon Dr. Smyth will again be returned." But as the post says, things are not always what they seem. The same dispatch further said: "From the favorite one month ago Hon. Wm. Hartley has dropped back to second place and it will be a surprise if he is not beaten badly." The drop was a big one, but it was taken by Dr. Smyth.

—The great advantage to a city of possessing a first class water supply such as we in London have is once more exemplified in the case of Lawrence, Mass. Some time ago that city discovered that its death rate from typhoid fever was higher than of any other town in New England. After an investigation of the cause the water supply of the place was filtered through sand, and the mortality from the disease has fallen from 43 to 8 in six months.

—Allan & Co., the great steamship men, assert that Canada need not look for many immigrants from the old world while settlers already in the Dominion decline to advise their friends to follow their example. The contented settler is today not as plentiful as he would be under greater freedom to buy and to sell. Under the Government which is fast soon to succeed the men now in power at Ottawa, the settler will be better off, happier and a ready immigration agent. The change cannot too soon be brought about.

—The decision of the British Privy Council on the Manitoba school question, given today, settles the responsibility of the Dominion Government, which must now face the responsibility of giving or withholding remedial legislation, the Manitobans having already declared that they mean to uphold the law passed by them some years ago. The Dominion Administration hoped that by throwing the case into the courts it could stave off the necessity for action till after the general election, but the Privy Council has fooled the shirkers.

—Gen. Booth's address on "Darkest England" last night was intensely practical. It was that of a man with a life purpose. The Salvation Army leader has come to the conclusion that Christianity can never successfully fulfill its mission till it reaches down and lifts up the down-fallen and the down-trodden. It must find the idle something to do, knowing that idleness leads to crime and to vice. This is a right view. Gen. Booth follows closely the Great Exemplar. There is another side to the question, however. While it is the duty of all citizens to aid in lifting up the fallen, it is easier to prevent than to cure an evil once it is firmly engrafted on the body politic.

—At the recent meeting in South Oxford, Sir Richard Cartwright took occasion to deny the silly contention of a few unscrupulous opponents, who have been circulating totally unfounded reports to the effect that he is at variance with the Liberal leader in Parliament. The circulation of unfounded reports regarding a public man, with the object of injuring him in the estimation of those who do not know him well, is ever the resort of the coward. When a man semi-secretly traduces a neighbor, or retails a story intended to injure him, even with a statement that he doubts its truth, he is guilty of a grave wrongdoing that cannot be too strongly condemned. Such stories, indeed, are generally the concoction of baffled wire-pullers, who hope by that means to effect what they cannot accomplish in a fair, manly, open, above-board contest.

BOSTON'S SLOGAN.

The brain is mightier than the biceps.—[Boston Herald.]

INTEREST AND PROSPERITY.

Why can money be borrowed so cheaply now, compared with the rate of interest prevailing fifteen or twenty years ago? Because money is plentiful in Great Britain, the money market of the world. It is only a very foolish man, or one who takes his neighbors for fools, who argues that because the people of Canada have had their national taxes vastly increased, and because they have been made pay tribute to the millionaire monopolists, their national and civic credit has been improved. As well credit the fall in interest to the death of King Lobengula, the war between China and Japan, or the massacre in Armenia.

WHERE ARE THE VOTERS?

The revision of the Bothwell voters' list, which has just been completed, shows a remarkable decrease in the number of voters in the constituency since 1891, when the last revision took place. Below we give a comparative statement:

	1891.	1894.
Thamesville.....	255	261
Bothwell.....	290	262
Camden.....	1,118	1,027
Zone.....	524	494
Dresden.....	714	714
Wallaceburg.....	949	856
Sombra.....	1,458	1,348
Dawn.....	1,237	1,162
Chatham.....	2,283	2,147
Walpole Island.....	9	9

Total.....8,857 8,280
From this it will be seen that there is a falling off in the voting population in almost every town, village and township, the total being 577. It is not surprising that the feeling in favor of a change of men and methods at Ottawa is strong in Bothwell and all over the west. The Indians on Walpole Island, it will be observed, almost unanimously decline to exercise the franchise.

LONDON'S PROGRESS.

The following table of the population of London at various dates is taken from the Dominion census returns:

	Population.	Increase.
Population in 1871.....	15,828	
Population in 1881.....	26,266	9,560
Population in 1891.....	31,977	5,711

From this official record it will be observed that while the population of the city increased 9,560 in the decade when a revenue tariff was in force it only increased 5,711 in the ten years of the high tax policy.

By the best possible test, therefore, the city prospered more under a low tariff than under a high. And it stands to reason that it should do so. Under a low tariff the customers of London factories and stores contributed less to the monopolists than under the system which has for its object the collection of a compulsory assessment not only for the purposes of government, but for the purposes of "encouraging" the millionaire manipulators of the Government who desire to have business centralized in Montreal and Toronto.

That London has held its own against such a combination may surprise some, but not those of us who are fully seized of the excellent advantages possessed by this fair city. The high tax policy has undoubtedly injured London. It has injured the best customers of the city, and thereby impaired their spending power, upon the extent of which depends the prosperity of this commercial center. Despite these drawbacks, however, the situation of London is so favorable that it could not be permanently injured by even long-continued unnecessary taxation. It has, as we have shown, kept moving ahead, though at a slower gait than in the decade of low tariff, and we affirm that when trade is still further unshackled, when our manufacturers' coal and iron and other raw material are further relieved from unnecessary impediments, when the farming community—our best customers—are no longer subjected to taxes that go largely into the pockets of members of combines, there will be a marked increase in the prosperity of London.

We have faith in the city, and faith in this fine country. What they require is not trade restriction, but trade development—the emancipation of industry from every tax that is not necessary to the support of an Administration economically conducted.

TAFFY.

Intelligent chaps these London and Kingston electors.—[Toronto Globe.]

LET US HAVE THE BEST.

If under a revenue tariff, Canada's increase in population in ten years was 18.97 per cent, and under a protective tariff it was only 11.74 per cent in the same period, it is not a very difficult matter to determine which policy is in the best interests, not only of the manufacturers, but of all other classes in Canada.—[Brandon Expositor.]

BRITISH FAIRNESS NEEDED.

Some of the papers are still whacking away at Prof. Smith, the fact that he changed his mind and decided to speak at the C. P. A. banquet after all, having set them off into a fresh fit of hysterics. In an enlightened country like this, it is a bit odd to find newspaper men, of all people, wanting to chase everybody off the face of the earth who does not think as they do.—[Hamilton Herald.]

PAUL PEEL AND CHILDREN.

"How did my husband come to be a painter of children, and when?" says Mrs. Peel quietly. "Until then he had painted along different ways, but had no speciality. When his own children came and he saw their little cunning ways, their unconscious poses, their constant charm, he was filled with a desire to paint them. You know how well he succeeded. Often he would seize a sketch-book and catch a pose which would serve him in good stead for the developing of a composition. So it was all very sweet and natural, and this little girl posed often as his model." And the mother stroked the silky dark head of the little Marguerite, who withdrew herself softly to a diminutive rocking chair, where she discoursed in French to a gray kitten and a rag doll. A dignified and unobtrusive as a well-bred little Parisian could be.—[From an interview with his widow in the Chicago Post.]

Crime in London.

The Record of 1894 Presented to the Police Commissioners.

An Increase Due to the Growth of the Tramp Army.

Three Hundred and Twenty Store Doors and Windows Found Insecure—Good Detective Work—Most of the Stolen Goods Recovered.

Mayor Little was appointed chairman of the police commission at their annual meeting today. The other commissioners present were E. Jones Parke and Judge William Elliot. A resolution was passed expressing satisfaction with the experience of last year with the exception of Chief Williams reported that the two candidates appointed at the last meeting of the board had failed to pass the medical examination. The chief reported the appointments. The chief presented the annual reports of the police department. While there was an increase of general police court business during the year, there was a decrease in the number of drunks arrested. In 1890 the number of drunks reached the extraordinary figure of 602; in 1892 there were 602; in 1893 there were 602; and for 1894 the total was 582. The vagrant class is increasing. In 1890 there were six arrested for stealing rides on the railway. In 1891 there were 13; in 1892 the number increased to 14; in 1893 it was 16, and last year the number swelled to 40. Again in the matter of liquor license infractions the number is on the increase. In 1891 the number was 33; in 1892 it increased to 37; in 1893 it had decreased to 31, and last year there were only 13 cases, of which 10 resulted in convictions.

THE ANNUAL REPORT.
Chief Williams presented the annual returns, dealing in a classified form with the number of offenses reported, the amount stolen and the amount of stolen goods recovered. Of 123 cases reported to the police, in 88 cases, or 61 per cent, have the offenders been arrested and brought to justice; and of the amount reported stolen, 65 per cent has been recovered and returned to the owners.

It will be seen that the value of property stolen was \$2,289 75. Of this \$1,494 was recovered. The fact which speaks volumes of the ability of Detectives and of the police, is that of the 114 persons charged 54 were convicted, 55 cases were withdrawn and in 5 cases the prisoners were discharged. Eighty-eight cases were detected and 40 undetected. The nationality of the prisoners arrested for theft was entered as follows: England, 23; Ireland, 11; Scotland, 1; Canada, 68; United States, 9; other nationalities not enumerated, 4.

The following table will be found to be of interest:

Offense.	No.	Value of Property Stolen.	Value Recovered.
Burglary.....	4	\$ 50 00	\$ 40 00
Highway robbery.....	2	275 00	275 00
Housebreaking.....	12	397 00	135 00
Stealing.....	56	1,495 75	938 00
Receiving stolen goods.....	2	7 00	7 00
Shop breaking.....	3	75 00	25 00
Total.....	123	\$2,289 75	\$1,494 00

There were 114 persons charged with the above offenses, 4 of them women. Of these 54 were convicted or sent for trial. Eighty-eight cases were detected and 40 undetected.

The following return, which deal with the Police Court proceedings other than those detailed above, shows an INCREASE OF ABOUT 16 PER CENT.

Offense.	Proceeded Against.	Male.	Fem.	Convicted.
Abusive language.....	1	1	12	1
Assault on constable.....	1	1	4	1
Assault or wounding.....	13	3	25	2
Assault, common.....	47	3	25	2
Breach of the Peace Act.....	4	1	1	1
Breach by law.....	316	4	1	1
Breach of the Peace Act.....	13	1	10	1
Breach of the Peace Act.....	3	1	1	1
Breach of the Peace Act.....	2	1	1	1
Breach of the Peace Act.....	2	1	1	1
Bringing stolen goods into Canada.....	2	1	2	1
Carrying a dangerous weapon.....	1	1	1	1
Cruelty to animals.....	16	1	7	1
Contempt of court.....	125	6	56	2
Drunk.....	627	64	202	15
Insane.....	4	3	3	3
Keeping a disorderly house.....	2	2	1	2
Inmates disorderly house.....	4	1	1	1
Keeping house in disrepair.....	5	1	1	1
Malicious damage to property.....	5	1	3	1
Non-payment wages.....	19	1	1	1
Persuasion.....	3	1	1	1
Perjury.....	2	1	1	1
Sedition.....	1	1	1	1
Smuggling.....	2	1	1	1
Trespass.....	192	29	78	7
Vagrancy.....	122	122	532	46
Totals.....	1,368	122	532	46

*Not disposed of.

THE TRAMP NUISANCE.

Continuing, Mr. Williams said in his report: "In addition to the above, 740 persons have been provided with temporary shelter at the police station during the year. This class, known as tramps, are increasing yearly to an alarming extent, and are composed mostly of able bodied men, who for the most part are going out in the spring and south in the fall, where they find a more comfortable climate. Many old faces appear from year to year as regularly as the seasons come and go."

SHOULD REPORT THEFTS.

"I would also call the attention of the citizens to the necessity of reporting losses by theft, etc., as quickly as possible after the occurrence. It often happens that offenses are reported to the police station days, and in some cases weeks, after they have been committed, and the parties aggrieved feel annoyed, and charge the police with being lax in their duty. If the offenders are not detected, when in fact, the fault is mostly their own. If they had done their duty, not only to themselves but to all law-abiding citizens, by giving information promptly, the chances are ten to one that the thieves would not have recovered their property, but have been the means of putting the offenders where they could not practice their calling, for a season at least."

"Another matter I would like to call the attention of the citizens to is the manner in which some of them leave their places of business at night. No

fewer than 320 doors and windows have been found open and insecure by the police during the past year. The wonder is, seeing that thieves have been furnished with such an easy means of ingress to stores and other places, that more property has not been missed than has been reported. This carelessness in many instances causes great inconvenience to careful citizens and to members of the force, who have to neglect the other parts of their beats and watch or guard the few units of the owner can be communicated with, frequently several hours thereafter.

A BIG ONE.

The Balmoral Club's Carnival at the Westminster Rink—Prize Winners and Those in Costume.

The Balmoral Club, Sons of Scotland, could not have had their carnival last night under more favorable circumstances. The weather was brisk and cold, the least the Westminster Rink was glassy and the crowd was exceedingly large. The headquarters of the club are at the corner of Dundas and Richmond streets, and at 7:45 a brass band marched down Richmond street to York, and thence west to the rink, while two artists on the bagpipes struck westward, and furnished enlivening music.

The scene at the rink has never been equaled. The attendance reached nearly 900, and of these fully 350 were in costume. The characters represented were innumerable. They included the usually large number of colored swells, clowns, dukes, tramps and the like, but in the majority of the outfits a marked degree of artistic taste was shown. The members of the Balmoral were especially noticeable in their gay get-ups and earnestly endeavored to make their guests enjoy themselves. The judges awarded the prizes as follows: Gentlemen—1, W. Scarellie, Winter; 2, Wm. Templeton, a Man from Gaiety. Ladies—1, Laura Hodgins, a Norman Peasant; 2, Miss Maud Yates, Old Mother Hubbard. The club's committee of management composed of D. Donaldson, president; E. Wallace, vice-president; W. McIlwain, treasurer; H. Turner, secretary; W. Templeton, T. Powers, Wm. McLean, J. Deacon, J. Rattray, W. Morrison and T. Hodgins.

A partial list of those in costume is appended: Miss Mary Ann; C. Baker, Knight of Golden Cross; C. Bernard and W. Martin, Colored Gentlemen; H. Lovette, Irish Gentleman; W. Scarellie, Winter; F. A. Smith, D. S. Perrin; Biscuits; R. Egerton, tramp; Miss M. Yates, Old Mother Hubbard; C. Haskins, Mary Ann; P. Howe and W. Rumball, Sailors; P. Taff, Colored Gentleman; Miss Nellie McLeod, Evening Star; Miss Nellie Shortt, Queen of Roses; Miss E. Jackson, Summer; C. Murray, Texas Jack; J. Fortner, Gentleman; T. Egerton, Uncle Rastus; R. Walsh, Mexican Prince; Frank Sweeney, Highlander; W. Wise, Gen. Coxey; W. Kingsnorth, Colored Gentleman; W. Barnes, Black Knight; Geo. Fox, Bowery Boy; C. McLaren, Dutchman; S. Evans, Tramp; A. Evans, Boy Police; W. Pugsley, Uncle Tom's Son; H. Sutherland, Colored Gentleman; E. Norton, Artilleryman; P. Jarvis, Bicycle Bloomer; Geo. Striton, Colored Duke; R. Kemp, Irish Policeman; W. Neely, H. Emerson, H. Howard, Highlanders; C. Crozier, Total Wreck; J. Jellerson, Cowboy; J. Smith, Tramp; F. Cox, Mephisto; W. McQueen, Irish Postman; W. Pearce, Knight of Sherwood; W. Crabbe and C. Wilson, Two Little Girls in Blue; W. Dunn, Hooded; H. Parry, Cow Boy; H. Wright, Othello; E. Richardson and Jack Rattray, Sailors; F. J. Wallace, Spook; Miss Susie Taff, Chariot Girl; Laura Hodgins, a Normandy Peasant; Miss Tilly Gleason, Spring; Miss Hannigan, Wild West Girl; Miss Sutherland, House Maid; Miss T. McKay, Highland Lassie; Norman Galtman, Dutchman; Geo. Glass, Bertha Dude; Chester O'Neill, Colored Lieutenant; Miss Annie Beaton, Night; Clarence Galbraith, Courtier; Norman Keene, Colored Waiter; Cora Crabbe, May Queen; Wm. Martin and J. A. Hodgins, Colored Swells; E. Ford, Neapolitan; E. J. Hardey, Colored Cook; R. Penock, Colored Swell; W. Latimer, Knight of the Nineteenth Century.

"Cherries are ripe, give the baby some." "By and by, baked in a pie," made with Dr. Price's Baking Powder.

THE PRICE OF PEACE.

As Offered by China—Will Japan Accept.

VICTORIA, B. C., Jan. 29.—Advices from Tokio, dated Jan. 13, state that the basis of peace mapped out by the Chinese Government for the guidance of its envoys is an indemnity of from \$35,000,000 to \$50,000,000; a solatium of \$10,000,000 to the families of the Japanese officers, and soldiers who were killed in the war; a formal acknowledgment of the independence of Korea and an exchange of prisoners, but no cessation of Chinese territory. China offered these terms two months ago through the non-official channel of communication, and they were rejected.

NO STRIKERS NEED APPLY.

The Brooklyn Companies Will Not Take Them Back—Application to Wind Up a Company.

BROOKLYN, N. Y., Jan. 29.—An electric sweeper, followed by a salt car, was attacked at Nostrand and Flushing avenues at 3 a.m. There were six men on the salt car. A gang of 75 strikers set upon them, dragged them from the car, clubbed them with baseball bats and maltreated them in a terrible manner.

President Norton has announced that under no circumstances will he engage any of his old men. Former application was made to Attorney-General Hancock yesterday asking him to begin proceedings to dissolve the Brooklyn Heights Company and to appoint a receiver to wind up its affairs. The attorney-general served notice on Mr. Lewis by wire last night, and today Wm. Sulzer arrived from Albany with the formal papers. The application was based upon affidavits by John Giblin and A. A. Brest, members of the executive committee of the K. of L. Brooklyn, N. Y., Jan. 29.—Wire-cutting and acts of petty violence were resumed with a will this morning. The troops bagged three men. The police expelled all former records and caught sixteen men—twelve of them in one bunch.

Steamers Arrived.

Jan. 28.	At.	From.
Berlin.....	New York.....	Southampton
Massachusetts.....	New York.....	London

How to Cure All Skin Diseases.

Simply apply "Swayne's Ointment." No internal medicine required. Cures tetter, eczema, itch, all eruptions on the face, hands, nose, etc., leaving the skin clean, white and healthy. Its great healing and curative powers are possessed by no other remedy. Ask your druggist for "Swayne's Ointment." Lyman, Sons & Co., Montreal, wholesale agents.

CHAPMAN

It is very amusing the jealousy with which our competitors watch the ever-increasing popularity of our store. One says: "We will remind them of what great people we were twenty years ago." Another says: "We will try and do just as Chapman does." It reminds one of the historic frog who wanted to become as big as the ox. You know what happened him? Nor can the latest move on the checkerboard save them from the consequences of their folly.

We Announce

Neither humbug nor misrepresentation, but that we will continue to sell the best value in the land of all kinds of reliable Drygoods, Clothing, Mantles and Millinery.

Cotton Snaps

This week we sell a very heavy 36-inch Unbleached Cotton, such as you have been in the habit of paying 7c for at 5c per yard, for one or fifty yards. We think it, has no equal.

Another

Very special line worth 8c, we place at the wonderfully low figure 6c, or 16 yards of this heavy Sheeting Cotton for \$1.

Two More

Lines of Unbleached Cotton deserve particular notice. These are bleached makes of Cotton and measure full 40 inches in width. They sell for 6c and 8c. Be sure to see them.

In Bleached Cottons

We have many very attractive lines, but call particular attention to one line of beautiful uniform Cotton, full yard wide, at 8c. We ask a comparison of this line with anything you can find at 10c.

Have You Seen

Our extra value in Victoria Lawn, 39 inches wide, for 10c?

Very Special

Is our fine Victoria Lawn, which measures full 45 inches wide and sells at the wonderfully low price 12c.

Prints

Our new stock is selling rapidly, every one choice patterns, crimson grounds, in stripes, spots and figures, also navies in all the designs for early spring wear. See these lovely prints.

Like a Swelling

Is the rush of business in every part of enthusiasm that came with the New Year fused into every department.

CHAPMAN