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God's in His heaven, All's right with the world. -Browning.

London, Saturday, January 11.

Canada's Business Progress.

A study of the Trade and Navigation returns, issued by the Dominion Government this week, shows that the total trade of Canada amounted last year to \$24,420,000, against \$24,000,000 in 1894, a decrease of over \$1,000,000.

Compared with 1893 the decrease was \$2,000,000. The exports and total imports compared with the two previous years were as follows:

Table with 4 columns: Year, Exports, Imports, Total. Rows for 1892, 1893, 1894.

The aggregate trade with our chief customers was for the past years as follows:

Table with 4 columns: Country, 1892, 1893, 1894. Rows for Great Britain, United States, Germany, France, etc.

Our aggregate trade with Great Britain was less in 1895 than in 1874 by \$15,000,000, and with the United States more by only \$5,000,000.

Imports for consumption by countries for the last three years were:

Table with 4 columns: Country, 1892, 1893, 1894. Rows for Great Britain, United States, Germany, France, etc.

Our purchases from Great Britain were less than one-half what they were in 1874, and with the United States they were just the same figures as in 1874.

The value of Canada's exports by countries for three years were:

Table with 4 columns: Country, 1892, 1893, 1894. Rows for Great Britain, United States, Germany, France, etc.

Our Government at Ottawa discriminates against the purchase of British goods.

While the average duty collected on British goods was over 22 per cent, the average tax on United States goods was only 12-1/2 per cent.

British importations to the value of \$1,131,000 paid \$7,096,000 in customs duty. United States goods imported to the value of \$54,634,000 paid \$8,897,000 in customs duty.

The revision of the Canadian tariff in 1894 has resulted in an enormous increase of discrimination against British products.

The average duty on all imports, both dutiable and free, was 15.1, and consequently British goods were made to pay 6 per cent more than the average, and American goods 4 per cent less than the average.

The average duty collected on dutiable imports was 30-1/2 per cent. The average in 1894 was 38.8, or with three-tenths of one per cent less. Here is the official proof that the cry for tariff reform was met with a revision of the tariff which did not reduce taxation nor did it raise a revenue.

To raise a revenue, Mr. Foster was compelled a year later to tax a free breakfast-table.

An Ottawa correspondent who has spent much time on these returns finds that according to these official returns carriages were taxed on an average 21 per cent; blacking, 25 per cent; suspenders, 35 per cent; clean rice, 75 per cent; tallow candles, 25 per cent; bugles, 41 per cent; pleasure carts or gigs, 35 and 40 per cent; children's carriages, 35 per cent; chicory, roasted or ground, 100 per cent; soft coal, 20 per cent; roasted or ground coffee, 70 per cent; linen or cotton collars, 50 per cent; combs, 35 per cent; cotton shirts, 35 and 40 per cent; bed comforters, 32-1/2 per cent; hosiery, 45 per cent; cotton and linen cuffs, 65 per cent; acetic acid in excess of proof, 165 per cent; currants, 50 per cent; gloves and mitts, 25 per cent; spades and shovels, 25 per cent; axes and springs, 40 per cent; cast iron scrap, 60 per cent; pig iron, 40 per cent; charcoal, 35 per cent; iron knifed, 60 per cent; cut nails and spikes, 40 per cent; wire nails, 45 per cent; railway fish plates, 42 per cent; iron or steel angles, 45 per cent; skates,

53 per cent; iron or steel tubes or pipes, 54 per cent; stereotypes, 50 per cent; stereotypes of newspaper columns, 60 per cent; coal oil or kerosene, 33 per cent; products of petroleum, over 100 per cent; lubricating oils, over 50 per cent; wall papers, 33, 35 and 40 per cent; school slates, 30 per cent; refined sugar, 36 per cent; sugar, not above No. 16, standard, 30 per cent; woolen goods, such as blankets and woollens, from 33 to 41 per cent; clothing, 35 per cent.

With free raw materials for our manufacturers and untaxed coal, it is apparent that the cost of many articles required by the consumers of Canada could be very much decreased, to the positive advantage of the overwhelming majority of the people.

This view has been endorsed in recent legislative sessions in manufacturing communities, as well as in purely rural districts. The high tax plank is the weakest board in the shaky platform of the faction now in power at Ottawa.

By the Way. Mr. Tolton, Clifford, the Conservative nominee for the bye-election in West Wellington on the 24th inst., finding that there was no chance of his party winning, has retired from the contest.

Sir Mackenzie may patch up a Cabinet by promising safe berths to its members when it bursts.

The rank and file of the high tax party in the Commons are probably wondering where they are at.

Premier Bowell has a large quantity of sympathy which he would like to trade for a little support.

The seven Ottawa Ministers struck, but they have, evidently failed to score a hit.

Now that their salaries have been cut off, about the only thing the Ottawa boiters are earning is general contempt.

The Ottawa conspirators in decency might have given their chief notice to quit before trying to kick him out.

It is reported that Premier Bowell has asked Mr. Smith, of South Ontario, to become Minister of Agriculture. As Mr. Smith is a farmer, the rumor is too surprising to be believed without official confirmation.

It turns out that Gen. Joubert, the commander of the Boers in the fight with Dr. Jameson's invading party, was born in Pennsylvania. He went to Holland when he was a young man and later visited South Africa. When the civil war broke out he returned to America and served in both army and navy. After the war he went back to South Africa and was at the head of the Boers in the struggle against the British in 1880-1. He has seen enough of the world and of fighting to be a formidable general even against the best trained troops. As for the Boers they are among the crack shots of the world. They are hunters, every one of them.

The Hamilton Herald, which at last general election supported the high tax party, says of the proposed new deal: "If the Conservative party is willing to accept Sir Charles Tupper as Premier in view of the developments of the last few days, it is more of a fool party than anybody takes it for."

Evidently, before he started from Great Britain, Sir Charles Tupper was more interested in the fast steamship service to Canada than he has since been with the rate of speed of the return trip. He is still drawing several hundred dollars a week for loafing in Canada, while his office calls for work in Great Britain.

London is now a recognized center of population, in which persons retiring from business in other parts of the country can find health, good water, and pleasant society. Mr. Hutchins, partner of the well known wholesale firm of John Duncan & Co., Montreal, has announced his intention to come to this city to reside.

Some people do not like publicity in any matter of a semi-private character. If this view had prevailed in Boston last week, an invalid millionaire, who disappeared, might have been lost to his friends. The prompt publication of the story of his disappearance effected his return to his family.

Montreal's Canada is worrying along comfortably without this Government, which pretended to be the country's sole salvation.

Sir Mackenzie's Premiership may have been a bed of roses, but it had seven thorns.

PLEASURE AND ANTICIPATION. Shorties was kept in suspense while the Cabinet considered the question of suspending him, but the suspense has terminated pleasantly. With compensation comes the hope of ultimate release. -Mail-Express.

Unconsciously the Mail-Express has commented the action of its Government, or the Governor-General—whoever is responsible for the reprieve of the villain Shorties.

Do imagine man manifest pleasure and anxiety in such manner as Shorties is said to have done?

Would an insane man who was incarcerated entertain a hope of release?

Some of our men in high places have evidently been corrupted with English gold.—Canada Farmers' Sun.

UNCERTAINTY. Once more the mournful season comes when fitful winds are raw. And no one knows which to expect. A blizzard or a thaw. -Washington Star.

MRS. HESTER CURTIS, of Lafayette, Ind., who was murdered a few days ago, was the mother of 25 children, including seven pairs of twins.

Missing Links

Gossip From Every Land Summarized for Busy Readers.

ARIZONA was first in the market with this year's oranges, beating California by a week or so.

An old man and his wife, both over eighty, and paupers, were brought before a London police justice recently for habitual intoxication.

AT the Budapest millennial exhibition next year there will be another steel tower like the Eiffel Tower, but 1,625 feet high instead of 975.

CARDINAL MELCHERS' death, following closely on those of Cardinals Persico and Bonaparte, will keep alive the superstition that cardinals always die in threes.

LORD TENNYSON is going to publish in his life of his father a juvenile tale, called "Mungo, the American," written by Alfred Tennyson at the age of 14.

THE East Indian ship-worm will in a few months destroy any vessel by eating out the interior of the beams and planks. They will be left a mere shell that can be shattered by the first blow.

ACCORDING to Galton, the patterns on the finger-tips are not only unchangeable through life, but the chance of the finger prints of two persons being alike is less than one chance in 64,000,000,000.

AN astronomer calculates that if the diameter of the sun is daily diminished two feet, over 3,000 years must elapse ere the astronomical instruments now in use could detect the diminution.

IN bidding for the new first-class cruisers for the British navy there was but one per cent difference between the bids of the three competing firms. About \$2,150,000 will be paid for each 11,000-ton vessel.

RUSKIN once wrote to Dante Gabriel Rossetti: "If you wanted to oblige me you would keep your room in order and go to bed at night. All your fine speeches go for nothing with me till you do that."

PRINCESS Christiana of Schleswig-Holstein, who is Queen Victoria's daughter Helena, and her daughter, Princess Victoria, are to sing solo parts in the "Messiah" at a church concert at Slough early in January.

A STRANGE story comes from the Gold Coast of a race of white men, with light hair and blue eyes, dwelling in caves in the northeast of the Komania country, through which the Anantee expedition is to march.

A HAIRLESS coon was caught in a trap on North Cox River, Kentucky, a few days ago. Such an odd freak had never been seen there before, and no satisfactory explanation of how the coon lost its hair was arrived at.

PARIS intends to revive the carnival and Mardi Gras festivities, this winter with a procession that shall be really artistic. A proposal to raise \$80,000 for the purpose by a lottery is under consideration by the municipal council.

WHEN horseless carriages come in full sanitation, the last points out, will be a simpler matter. There will be an end to the contagion from the stable pit and glanders, and other diseases derived from the horse will disappear.

IN Steppinik's last book he stated that Russia stands third among nations in the number of books published, surpassing Great Britain. As but little fiction is printed, the enormous output of serious literature is the more remarkable.

IT BRINGS back the days of the Algerine corsairs to read that the Cardinal Prefect of the Propaganda distributed 200,000 francs last year for the ransom of slaves from captivity. The money was spent by Catholic missionaries in the interior of Africa.

KAISER WILHELM, being nearly through with his 18th birthday celebration, is getting ready to celebrate the war against Napoleon. He has just sent 10,000 marks from his privy purse to the fund for a monument in commemoration of the battle of Leipzig in 1813.

SIR ARTHUR SULLIVAN recently asked Mascagni in which of the European capitals he would rather live. The composer replied: "I would live from 9 to 11 a.m. at London, from 11 to 5 at Paris, from 5 to 7 at Vienna, from 7 to 10 at Buda-Pesth, and after 10 at Berlin."

THE most valuable piece of water in the world is said to be the Thames below London bridge, for without it London, instead of being the capital of the British Empire, and the commercial metropolis of the world, would, if it even existed, have only been an insignificant inland town.

SARAH SIDDONS, the tragedy queen of England, is to have a monument over her grave in old Paddington churchyard, now a public garden. The statue will represent the great actress seated, attired in Grecian dress. It will be unveiled by Henry Irving when he returns to England.

QUEEN Victoria is in possession of a curious needle. It was made at the celebrated needle factory at Redditch, and represents the Trojan column in miniature. Scenes from the Queen's life are depicted on the needle, so finely cut that they are only discernible through a microscope.

CAPT. ROBOROVSKY, with the Russian expedition to Tibet, has returned to Russian territory. The expedition surveyed a route of 10,700 miles, determined the position of thirty points by astronomical observations, and brought back many thousands of natural history specimens.

MME. NELLY JACQUEMART, the artist who painted M. Thiers' portrait and later married a Paris banker, M. Edouard Arrand, has brought suit to get her husband before he marries. He left her 20,000,000 francs, but she wants 5,000,000 more.

THE fox's reputation for smartness was well sustained by a member of the tribe near Palmouth, Me., the other day. A couple of hounds and a hunter were after it, and they led the hounds to a frozen pond and out on the ice so thin that it just supported the fox, which escaped, while the hounds went through and were drowned.

A WHITE electric light of one candle

Sparks from the Wire.

The new Albert College, Belleville, was formally opened and dedicated on Friday. It cost \$23,000.

Judgment has been given in favor of the plaintiff in the suit of Sales and Halliday vs. the L. E. and D. R. R. Company for damages for loss by fire of goods.

Wm. Rose pleaded guilty before P. M. Denison at Toronto on the charge of personating Thos. Adair at a polling booth in ward 1, and was sentenced to 30 days in jail.

A Toronto evening paper says another mail robbery was committed at Sutton either Thursday night or Friday morning, but it is not known how much money was taken.

J. J. Cosgrove, who was dismissed from the Excise Department for signing a petition on behalf of Elgin Myers, an annexationist, has been reinstated by the Dominion Government.

The Nova Scotia Legislature has been opened. Gov. Daly, in his speech from the throne, stated that although the year just closed had not been one of marked prosperity, there had been a degree of progress in the Province.

The committee of the Lord's Day Alliance have instructed their solicitor to appeal from the decision of Mr. Justice Rose in the Sunday car case. The case will come up at the March sittings of the Court of Appeal.

William Cole, sen., of Strabane, 89 years of age, and who lived alone, was found dead in his house by neighbors on Friday. Death is supposed to have resulted from natural causes. Cole's wife left him some years ago while living in the States.

James A. Girard, a well known Montreal insurance adjuster, went to his home in Cherrier street Thursday night apparently in the best of spirits, and soon after was found lying apparently from the effects of taking Paris green. He expired at 9 next morning. No cause known for the rash act. He was 57 years old and leaves a widow and six grown-up children.

At the adjourned meeting of the shareholders of La Banque du Peuple in Montreal on Friday it was decided not to go into liquidation, but that the directors of the bank continue to administer the affairs of the bank, and to pay the liabilities as fast as collections will permit. The president, Mr. Grenier, declared that the directors were prepared to guarantee \$200,000.

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THE British ship Reliance had some notable experiences on an unusually tempestuous voyage which she finished at San Francisco last week. She started from Swansea, on 20 days previous, wrestled with four hurricanes, had her cargo shifted twice, lost several suits of sails, and after trying for a long time to beat her way around Cape Horn had to turn about and sail round the world in the opposite direction, by way of New Zealand, in order to reach San Francisco. The trip, after much delay, the hurricane had behind her and hustled her along at such a pace that she made an average of 6-1/2 knots for the entire passage, which covered 25,276 miles.

OLD ENGLAND FOR EVER. The war cloud threatens to disturb Old England's peaceful shores; Germany, France and Russia menacing at her door. To defend her name and colonies, British cannon have already spoken. And protection for her countrymen is all she asks or seeks. Then, shoulder to shoulder, stand Fight as your forefathers taught you to do; And be proud you are fighting for Old England.

Shall Englishmen be cruelly slain In a far-off distant land, And still our mighty ironclads In timid silence stand? No! Let them open wide their mouths, And though we are one to ten, We have still the same old British pluck To fight like Englishmen.

The name our fathers gained for us We do our best to keep, And hold our own against the world Abroad and on the deep. Though still in death are those brave hearts Who fought so long and true, We have Garnet Wolseley yet to show What Englishmen can do. The pocket, England's Trafalgar Lodge, S. O. E., South London.

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Peter Vanallen, L'Amable, Que., had the eczema for three years. He tried several doctors, but received no benefit. One box of Dr. Chase's Ointment and three boxes of Dr. Chase's Pills cured him completely. Large scales covered his legs and body, but the Ointment soon removed them. He will swear to these facts.

Chase's Ointment may be had from any dealer or from the manufacturers, Edman's, East & Co., 45 Lombard street, Toronto. Price, 50 cents.

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REMNANTS-One table Remnants of Dress Goods, worth 45c, 50c and 60c yard, your choice, Tonight 25c
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FLANNELS-All-Wool Flannel, very fine, plain or Twill, worth 30c, Tonight 20c
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MUSLIN-Check Muslin, very fine worth 20c, Tonight 10c
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SHEETING-Twill Sheet, 2 yards wide, worth 22c, Tonight 17c
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