

TORONTO GOING.
Overtaking Montreal in the Matter of Imports.
HALIFAX COMES IN THIRD
In the List of Canadian Cities as Regards Inward Trade.

A New and Big Financial Institution Being Established in England in Which Canadian Take a Leading Hand—International Railway Has Gone Behind During Last Year—Mr. Sifton Will Need Stewards of War—The Alleged Smuggling of Coal 61—Ottawa News Generally.

A FAIR INSTITUTION.
Advice has just been received here of the formation in England of a great financial institution, the ramifications of which are to extend to the British Empire and the colonies. It is to be known as the British Empire Finance Corporation.

SINDERS OF WAR NEEDED.
If Mr. Sifton is going to introduce the vigorous immigration policy which he has outlined, he will require a somewhat larger appropriation than was allowed the department. Last year the total amount of the department's head was only \$120,199. This was the lowest amount since 1870, with the exception of 1890, when it was \$100,000.

CHINESE POLL TAX.
The total amount received by the Government last year for the Chinese immigration poll tax was \$88,600. This amount \$47,400 was secured at Vancouver and \$39,247 at Victoria. Under the statute in force, the amount is limited to one-fourth of the amount received on Chinese arrivals in that province. The total amount therefore payable to the Provincial Government being \$21,212.

HE DOESN'T DESERVE IT.
Mr. G. B. Burland of the British American Bank Note Company, has been in the capital since the beginning of the winter in connection with the Government contract for notes, was said last week the contract had been awarded to the American Bank Note Company. The public mind was not so easily deceived, however, and Mr. Burland has yet to hope that it may never be signed.

COAL AND THE RAIL.
Mr. H. M. Whitney Before the Commissioners.
SPEAKS FOR WORKINGMEN.
Coal Industry of Vital Importance to the People, He Says.

Increased Sales at Montreal Have Been at Lower Prices—Nova Scotia Could Not Sell Nova Scotia Coal in the Eastern Markets Would Remove the Duty—The Present Duty Supported by Several Witnesses—A Montrealer Says the Effect of the Duty Was to Lower Prices—Conflicting Statements.

SOCIAL REFORM.
An Able Address by Mr. Bolton Hall of New York in Y.M.C.A. Hall Last Night.

POOR OLD SLAVES.
One Born in 1782 is Dead—His Wife Still Lives at the Great Age of 100 Years.

SUCCESSOR TO LEO XIII.
Cardinal Savaio, Archbishop of Bologna, May be the Next Successor of the Vatican.

BIGGEST THING YET.
Algonas Has Discovered That It Claimed to Be the Largest in the World.

STATION AGENT MCKINLEY. When will it be clear through to Canada? Well, I dunno, Mr. Charlton; you see, that's only a branch, and we're more concerned about our main line.

PRIVATE BANK IN TROUBLE.
The Carleton Financial Company at Midway Suffer From the Measur Failure—There Was a Run on the Bank.

OUR ROSSLAND SPECIAL.
Another Rich Strike at Victory-Triumph—New War Eagle Company in Possession of the Mine.

IS THIS PALMER?
A Man Under Arrest at New York Who Said the Name of Nicholas Selva Held to be the Murderer.

LIQUOR GOVERNMENT.
Liquor Reports show That His Honor Has Approved Yesterday.

HOW THE SQUEEZE COMES.
Thirty-two thousand dollars of their paper is held by the Bank of Commerce and a considerable portion of the remainder of the assets is longed paper, so that at present they are unable to meet their obligations as they fall due, but claim their ability to do so if given time.



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CONFLICTING ARGUMENTS.
Representatives of agricultural interests made rather conflicting arguments before the tariff commission. Some of the farmers and others complained of the market being flooded with foreign products.

THE IRON TRADE.
The employees of the Lonsderry Iron Company, through their representative Daniel C. Sheehan, petitioned the commission to reduce their duties or to do anything else that would detrimentally affect the miners and other people depending on the iron industry.

THE THIRD ANNUAL SHOW.
The third annual Canada Horse Show will be held in the city of Toronto, and the Ontario Breeders' Association is making preliminary arrangements for it.

WILL HAVE TO WAIT.
\$4,000,000 FOR LE ROI.
A Big Mining Deal Now on the Stocks—Owners and Capitalists May Split the Difference.

2500 PERSONS KILLED.
Earthquake in the Island of Kishna Results in Terrible Loss of Life and Property.

MR. BELL IS BETTER.
The Well-known Head of the Bell Organ and Piano Makers Making Satisfactory Progress.

TO BE CLEARED OUT.
The Hat and Fur Stock of Dineen Has 150,000 Hats and Fur.

GRAND TON'S SHOPS.
If everybody knew what the copies of typewriting they could get in our Japanese Silk Copying Letter Books then everybody would use them. Some people say more for inferior goods because they do not read these things. If it is a sewing machine, it is a Grand & Toy, stoneware and printers, Wellington and Jordan-streets, Toronto.

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THINGS GOT CONSIDERABLY MIXED IN LONDON.
FITZPATRICK'S COMPANION
Is Mr. Charles Russell, the Celebrated London Barrister.

IT IS THOUGHT, HOWEVER, THAT THE HISTORY OF THE VATICAN ON THE MANITOBA SCHOOL QUESTION WILL BE AS FRUITFUL AS THAT OF ABBE PROUX AND MR. DROKE.
Bank of Montreal Contributes \$5000 to the Relief Fund for the Famine Sufferers in India.

THE STAR PUBLISHES THE FOLLOWING:
"Bank of Montreal, Montreal, Jan. 22, 1897. Right Hon. Sir, I beg to enclose herewith cheque for \$5000, being subscription to the relief fund for the famine sufferers in India, authorized by the directors to be given in the name of the bank. Yours truly, E. S. Clouston, General Manager."

TELEGRAPHIC BRIEFS.
Many Items Cited From the Despatches and Billed Down for Busy Readers.

THE BOSTON NEWS BUREAU SAYS:
The Boston News Bureau says that the Boston News Bureau is working for 25 per cent.

ON THURSDAY NIGHT THE SOPHOMORES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO
went over from Chalmers to break up the annual convocation of the freshmen at U.T. and as a result the Mayor of Toronto was arrested on the streets and taken to the police station. The cause of the trouble was a student who had been injured in the eyes by chemicals thrown by the students.

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