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THE OLD MAN AND THE OLD POLICY.

The old man and the old policy have very nearly run their course, and looking at the results of the last twelve years it is high time that they did. The supporters of the old man are boasting on many platforms of what great wonders the old policy has wrought, and they point to Toronto and one or two other places as evidence of the country's progress. But it is vain to talk of tall chimneys, any more when we see how colossal has been the failure of the old policy to build up the commerce and the industries of the country. Look at the following table and see what has been accomplished. It gives the population of 77 towns in Ontario for the years 1879 and 1889, as taken by the municipal assessors, and the gain or loss in each at the end of ten years of the old policy.

Towns.	1879.	1889.	Gain.	Loss.
Amherstburg.	2,229	2,158	....	71
Belle River...	603	614	11	....
Bothwell.....	1,021	915	....	106
Thamesville..	691	576	....	115
Port Stanley.	755	606	....	149
Springfield...	750	470	....	280
Vienna	520	351	....	169
Port Dover...	1,079	1,169	90	....
Caledonia....	1,153	936	....	217
Cayuga.....	801	838	37	....
Thorold.....	2,874	2,732	....	142
Welland.....	2,500	1,825	....	675
Chippewa....	718	507	....	211
Fort Erie....	766	774	8	....
Port Colborne	1,866	1,029	....	837
Arkona.....	686	489	....	197
Forest.....	1,460	1,490	30	....
Wyoming....	850	775	....	75
Goderich.....	4,432	3,871	....	561
Wingham....	2,083	1,936	....	147
Blyth.....	1,121	1,050	....	71
Brussels.....	1,429	1,209	....	220
Wroxeter....	634	446	....	188
Luckuow	1,117	1,127	10	....
Tiverton.....	850	680	....	170
Bradford.....	1,322	957	....	365
Strathroy....	3,500	3,386	....	114
Ailsa Craig...	923	785	....	138
Lucan	1,071	924	....	147
Newbury	560	462	....	98
Parkhill	1,604	1,557	....	47
Wardsville...	540	349	....	191
Ingersoll.....	5,157	5,120	....	37
Embro.....	600	587	....	13
Paris.....	3,103	3,133	30	....
Mitchell.....	2,307	2,223	....	84
St. Marys...	4,593	3,658	....	935
Arthur	1,273	1,203	....	70
Clifford.....	683	573	....	110
Elora.....	1,476	1,301	....	175
Fergus.....	1,688	1,642	....	46
Niagara.....	1,387	1,350	....	37
Merritton....	1,800	1,733	....	67
Pt. Dalhousie.	1,800	1,769	....	31
Dundas.....	3,536	3,897	361	....
Waterdown..	742	654	....	88
Milton.....	1,272	1,378	106	....
Oakville.....	1,764	1,634	....	130
Georgetown..	1,608	1,639	31	....
Brampton....	3,004	3,294	290	....
Bolton.....	781	686	....	95
Newmarket..	1,786	1,840	54	....
Holland Landing.....	584	421	....	163
Oshawa.....	4,475	4,155	....	320
Whitby	3,397	2,891	....	506
Port Perry...	1,869	1,672	....	197
Bowmanville.	3,237	3,664	427	....
Port Hope....	5,546	4,987	....	559
Newcastle.....	1,180	689	....	491
Cobourg.....	5,178	4,740	....	438
Brighton.....	1,557	1,522	....	35
Colborne.....	1,029	1,030	1	....
Picton.....	2,855	2,998	143	....
Wellington...	543	513	....	30
Napanee.....	3,101	3,074	....	27
Bath.....	550	481	....	69
Newburg.....	700	621	....	79
Garden Island	577	359	....	218
Portsmouth...	861	784	....	77
Prescott.....	2,872	2,896	24	....
Kemptville...	1,149	1,158	9	....
Morrisburg...	1,806	1,838	32	....
Hawkesville..	1,481	1,526	45	....
Omemee.....	821	622	....	199
Belleville.....	9,991	10,105	114	....
Guelph	10,072	10,413	341	....
St. Cath'ines.	10,475	10,080	....	395
Totals	158,774	149,546	2,194	11,422

Of the above 77 towns, 21 show a gain in ten years of 2,194, while 56 show a loss of 11,422, and the net loss of population in the ten years is 9,228. But it has been in reality very much greater, for population increases by the excess of births over deaths at the rate of 22½ per 1,000 every year, which is the rate of natural increase. On the total population of 158,774 in 1879 the natural increase in ten years should therefore be 40,000; but it is shown to be 9,228 less in 1889 than in 1879, so that the aggregate loss of population in the 77 towns has been very nearly 50,000. And this appears without any account being taken of the immigrants who have come into the country and settled in those towns during the ten years, or of the farmers and others who have moved into them from outside districts. It is such glaring facts as these that have sickened Canada of the old man and the old policy.

THE WHOLESALE TRADE.

Seventy per cent. of the wholesale men in this city are supporting Mr. Hyman and the policy of Reciprocity with the United States.

The London Free Press says these shrewd business men do not know what is good for them.

Enough said.

The same oracle tells the business men that the tariff is not a tax.

A leading wholesaler told us the other day that for the month previous his firm had been paying $1,000 a day taxes on goods required from abroad by the Canadian people.

"THE PEOPLE PAY THESE TAXES TOO," he said. "We add them to the price of the goods every time."

The Free Press says "No." But one ounce of proof from the merchants is worth a ton of denial from the men interested in maintaining the present system of class legislation.

To secure unlimited trade reciprocity with Canada would mean to settle permanently all the vexatious problems which are constantly straining the amicable relations between the two countries: The fisheries question, the Behring Sea embroglio, the transportation problem and all other trade corollaries of the artificially strained trade relations between the two countries will naturally disappear when the customs barrier is broken down.—[Chicago Times.

A GOOD OMEN.

Hon. Wilfrid Laurier, the Liberal leader, has been elected by acclamation in Quebec East. This is a splendid omen of coming victory. From the same Province also comes intelligence that other two straight Liberals and one Independent Conservative, who is sound on the great trade question, have secured their seats without a contest. While this has been going on, the Conservative leader has been fighting for his political life in Kingston, handicapped by very [illegible] health. He was only elected by a [illegible] of 14 last time, and Mr. G[illegible] known manufacturer, wh[illegible] candidate against him, [illegible]al nominee. There see[illegible] that Kingston will be r[illegible]t as goes Kingston so go[illegible]

The country is ri[illegible]e for the better.

THE HAMILTON VICTORY.

A prominent Hamilton Tory, talking two days before the great Liberal victory in Hamilton, thus expressed himself at a public meeting:

"If Mr. Stinson is returned, as he is sure to be, the other campaign will be a walk over; but if the Conservative forces are routed in the Local it will be hard to rally them to effective work a week later."

It does seem very hard. Advices from Hamilton are to the effect that the "landslide," as the Spectator calls it, has thoroughly demoralized the Combines crowd, and canvasser after canvasser has come in and thrown up the sponge. With vigorous work from now till election day, Hamilton will send two Liberal M.P.s to Ottawa.

We cannot remember a case in which free trade has led to annexation. War, on the contrary, has often led to it.—[London (England) Spectator.

THE FACTORY HANDS.

Here in Canada our (cotton) mill hands are fairly paid, and are as a rule a contented and happy class of people.—[London Free Press.

What a whopper! Go ask the cotton factory operatives of Dundas, who for months past have walked the streets of that town. They have had no such experience as the organ of the Combines makes out. They know what it is to be working in a factory dependent upon a restricted market. They know what it is to be out of work for many months, to be practically starving, and finally to be dependent on civic charity for support.

What mockery to say that the high tax system has made factory operatives contented and happy!

The country needs a change. Hundreds of manufacturers and many thousands of operatives are working to bring it about on March 5.

Louis Napoleon once said to Mr. Cobden: "Yes, there are a good many free traders in my country, but you must remember that the masses are not organized. A 'vested interest' is organized and always organized. The free traders have interest, prejudice and ignorance against them, but they must ultimately win, as they have right on their side."

A WORD WITH A FEARFUL MAN

Dear Mr. Carling,—Keep your mind easy. Annexation is not before the people of Canada in this election. If it ever does become a question, the people of the Dominion will have votes, and they will see to it that their interests as a Nation are not jeopardized. You are indeed in sore straits when you ignore the great questions of the day, and take up a subject that only such men as Sol. White, M.P.P., Mr. Meredith's chosen lieutenant, are bothering themselves about. The people want to trade, not to annex, Mr. Carling. Why do you persist in misrepresenting and traducing more than one-half the population of this fair city and of this splendid Dominion?

IF IN MICHIGAN, WHY NOT IN ONTARIO?

All the London furniture manufacturers but one favor Unrestricted Reciprocity with the United States, and its controlling spirit is a member of the Oil Combine.

To hear him talk, to hear the other beneficiaries of the class law, known as the "N. P.," talk, some people may be inclined to believe that in a fair field and with no favor the Canadian furniture workers would be hurt. They tell us that the big concerns in the United States would squeeze them to the wall.

This is all very well as a threat to hold over the heads of ignorant men, but it will not go down with independent, monopoly-hating mechanics such as the majority of the workingmen of London are. Why, over the border in the State of Michigan, in cities with no better natural advantages than London, new industries are being started every day. They have to do business in competition with the factories in the older States, yet they survive. They prosper, and bring their owners wealth. Why should legitimate enterprises in Ontario, conducted by men of independence and energy, not prosper under like conditions and with an enlarged market for the purchase of raw material and the sale of manufactured goods? This is a question which the members and defenders of the Canadian Combines steer clear of.

Take this item of news from Saginaw, contained in a dispatch to the Detroit Free Press:

"The 'Saginaw Furniture Company' is the title of a concern which is about to be organized here for the manufacture and sale of medium grade furniture. G. W. Burr, of this city, and John Gately, of Chicago, are the gentlemen principally interested, and the capital is placed at $15,000. The site for the plant has not yet been decided upon."

These men will have to compete with the larger factories in Grand Rapids, Mich., but do they sit down and whine and threaten to button up their money in their breeches pockets unless they are "protected" against the competition of the Grand Rapids firms and the furniture manufacturers in other States? If they held the opinions of the London apologists for the Combines that would be their tactics; but they are not foolish enough to believe that their fellow-citizens would for one moment listen to their plea for a Government-collected bonus to assist them in making a living. No; they see a good point to start a factory. They get together a moderate capital and they take their chance, no doubt believing that with an ever-growing demand for their products they will find a market for what they have to sell, and will make a profit from their trade even in competition with the larger manufactories.

In view of these facts, little reliance should be placed on the anonymous letters, breathing "threatenings of slaughter" which the candidate of the Combines read at the nomination in London yesterday.

The threats from men interested in keeping up the present system of class legislation have, so far, fallen very flat. Nor can Mr. Carling score a point by reading anonymous letters, purporting to be sent from the States. The dodge is too thin.

Let no Tory in the Dominion be alarmed. Annexation is never seriously discussed on on this side of the border.—[Buffalo Express.

AN ESTEEMED CONTEMPORARY UNDER PRESSURE.

Our esteemed local contemporary finds room for particulars of civil disturbance in Buenos Ayres, fire in Minneapolis, political complications in Norway, with Professor Liebreich's remedy in cases of lupus of the head and tuberculosis of the larynx thrown in. The pressure on our contemporary's space thus caused may account for omission of all reference to Hon. J. M. Gibson's majority of 704 in Hamilton.

Freedom of trade and free intercourse are the best safeguards against war; high tariffs and exclusiveness promote discord and ultimately end in bad feeling and war. This being the case, we should go in for the widest measure of Free Trade consistent with our honor and the control of our fiscal policy. You may call this Unrestricted Reciprocity or whatever name you please, but this is what the Liberal party mean, and that on no account would we lose control of our fiscal affairs and be subject to interference by the Congress of the United States.—[Ald. Hallam, Toronto.

FARM MORTGAGES IN DALTON M'CARTHY'S COUNTY.

Speaking in North Simcoe a few days ago Dalton McCarthy said that only 9 per cent. of the farms in Canada were mortgaged, and he gave figures to show that in Ohio and other States of the American Union the percentage was much higher. Mr. McCarthy did not give the source of his information as regards farm mortgages in the United States; but as regards Canada, he possesses no information, because none has been gathered. His statement, however, has led to an inquiry being made in the county of Simcoe, and for this purpose the three richest and most populous townships in the whole county have been selected, viz., Tecumseh, Nottawasaga and Oro. Here are the facts concerning these townships:

Tecumseh is divided into 647 parcels or lots as held under patents from the Crown, and of these 432 are mortgaged, being nearly 67 per cent. of the whole.

Nottawasaga is divided into 623 patented parcels, of which 490 are mortgaged, or 78 per cent. of the whole.

Oro is divided into 569 patented lots, and 399 of them are mortgaged, being 70 per cent. of the whole.

So it appears that in the three richest and most populous townships in Mr. McCarthy's own county, out of a total of 1,839 farm lots as patented from the Crown, 1,321 are mortgaged, being at the rate of 72 out of every 100. And this is what the Old Policy has done for Canada.

PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

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—The St. John's Sun (Conservative) informs its readers that Mr. Gibson, of Hamilton, was elected by a small majority. Yes, 708 was a trifle small, as Liberal majorities are likely to go next week, but it will do.

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—The British Government has refused to aid in subsidizing a line of steamships to run between the West Indies and Canada. Its reason is that it cannot grant to one colony what it would not give to another, as, in these circumstances, there would be no telling how the demand for subsidies would end.

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—The official majority of Hon. J. M. Gibson in Hamilton is 704. It is two less than the original count, but the Liberals can stand that. The extent of the popular revulsion against the high tax party is made evident by the fact that the total number of votes counted by the sheriff was just two less than that of last June, when Hon. Mr. Gibson was, through corrupt means, defeated by a majority of 85.

COMBINES VS. PEOPLE.

Some of the Alleged "Luxuries" That Canadians Use.

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Sugar—Price of white sugar in Liverpool, 2½ cents per pound; duty, 1½ cents per pound, and 35 per cent. and 7½ per cent.; in all 99½ per cent.

One dollar's worth of sugar will cost the workingman of London $1 99½.

AN ACTUAL EXAMPLE.

In June, 1890, 86 bags yellow sugar costing 10s 6d per 112 pounds in England, amounting to £91 3s 9d, or.....	$443 75
Duty on same, 19,264 pounds, at 1½ cent per pound.....	$288 96
35 per cent. on cost.....($443 75)	155 40
7½ per cent. on duty.....(443 75)	33 32
Total duty.....	$477 68

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The Fighting in Egypt.

SUAKIM, Feb. 27.—An advance post of dervishes stationed at Alabama has surrendered to the Egyptian forces. The friendly tribes have sent word to the Egptian headquarters that they will not allow Osman Digna to take refuge in their country.

LONDON, Feb. 27.—Sir James Fergusson in the House of Commons yesterday said an Egyptian garrison would be maintained at Tokar.

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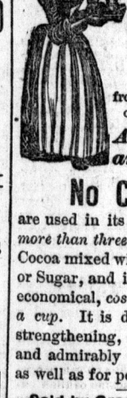

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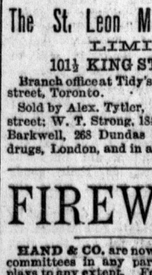

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