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ORIENTAL AND EASTERN EMBROIDERIES, CHOICE FRENCH BRONZES, FANCY CHINA, &c. TODAY AT 2.30 P.M. C. J. TOWNSEND & CO., Auctioneers.

Australians Are Taking Hundreds of Tons of It. SHIPMENTS GO A LONG WAY From Vancouver to Hong Kong, Thence to Sydney and Queensland.

FOSTER IS CONFIDENT. Representatives Will Beat the Lib- of Their Very Boots in all and Movement.

FREE TRADE WOULD KISS THE HAND THAT SMOTE CANADIANS. SIR RICHARD AN EMISSARY With Minister Fisher He Will Go to Uncle Sam's Capital

DEPENDING UPON THE WAYFARER.

THE HARVEY CASE. Twenty-seven More Charges are to be Laid Against the Ex-Treasurer of Guelph.

IRON MEN WANT As Stated Before the Tariff Tinkers at Montreal. NO FREE TRADERS CAME UP Almost Everyone Heard Wanted an Increase of Protection.

Spain Goes to Open Sound to Investigate a Little Collusion—Rate de Chateaux Not Taken Over, But it is Being Put in Shape All the Same for Winter Service—Consensus Money Received—Movements of the Governor-General, the Premier and Other—General Ottawa News.

OUR ROSSLAND SPECIAL. An Offer of Sixty cents a Share for the Control of Deer Park Has Been Refused—Freight Blockade.

And Arrange if Possible, With Premier Laurier's Authority, to Take Down the Customs Walls Between the Dominion of Canada and the United States—The Canadian Farmers Might Object, But the Free Trade Principles of the Liberal Leader Would be Carried Out.

Chicago, Dec. 16.—The Washington correspondent of The Chicago Record says: We had notice a few days ago, in a telegram from Ottawa, that Sir Richard Cartwright, the Minister of Commerce of the new Canadian Government, was soon to visit Washington and Canton for the purpose of discussing reciprocity and kindred topics with the President-elect and the members of the Committee on Ways and Means; and now we have an announcement from the same source that the Hon. Sydney Fisher, Minister of Agriculture, will leave Tuesday next for Washington, where he will remain for several weeks. It is possible that the Canadian Government will soon arrange to have a permanent representative in Washington, although he would not be required to dip his hands in an official capacity without leave of absence from His Majesty's Queen.

Office of the Toronto News. We have received a great number of letters from you who have been friends of the postmaster. To-day we received one from you which was very interesting about you, and wanting to know if you were among the list of those postmasters who are going to be dismissed. Of course, I did not know whether you had written to our Ottawa manager, and will write a reply to you at once, as it may be an enemy of yours, who is making application himself for your place.

Mr. Richard Cartwright was polite, but Mr. Fisher appeared to be a Little Out of Sorts—Pittsburg Competition Hit Canadian Hard Wire Manufacturers—Herd—Mr. Crathern Gave a Clear Explanation of the Position of Hardware Men.

GOING TO THE SOUND. Captain Spain, R.N., will leave tomorrow for Owen Sound to conduct an investigation into a collision which took place last summer between the cutter Petrolina and a merchant vessel in the St. Clair Canal. The damage resulting from the collision was considerable, but the Minister considered that an enquiry was desirable under the circumstances.

RE. A. M. PHILLIPS DEAD. The Well-Known Methodist Minister Passed Away Last Evening—Sketch of His Career.

WANTS RESIDENCY. Canada seeks an agent or commissioner constantly in London to look after the interests of the colony with the British Government. This has been found necessary in order to secure the attention and legislation that is desired by the Canadian Government, and who may, therefore, be required to attend to the business of the Dominion and to be in possession of the interests of Canada that their growing importance. It has been proposed several times in Canada to send a resident agent to London, and Mr. Laurier, the present Prime Minister, considers it quite important that they should have a similar agent at Washington, where the British Government is required to attend to the business of the Dominion and to be in possession of the interests of Canada that their growing importance. It has been proposed several times in Canada to send a resident agent to London, and Mr. Laurier, the present Prime Minister, considers it quite important that they should have a similar agent at Washington, where the British Government is required to attend to the business of the Dominion and to be in possession of the interests of Canada that their growing importance.

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IRON MEN WANT. Mr. James Crathern, the millionaire hardware importer, said: "I have been actively engaged since 1854 as an importer of iron and steel, and I can state that although the National Pig Iron has operated since the change made in the tariff on iron, I have never been able to sell a ton of pig iron at a profit. The present duty on pig-iron of \$4 per net ton is charged to \$2 per gross ton. That cast iron scrap be placed on the free list. The tariff on manufactured articles, the product of cast iron, remains as at present."

MAKE WORK FOR LIBERALS. So far no formal transfer of the Sale of the Chateaux to the Dominion. He has been making a tour of the country, and is putting the road in condition to be operated by the Dominion. The Chateaux has been put in shape for the winter season, and the Minister considered that an enquiry was desirable under the circumstances.

CONFISCATION MONEY. Six dollars and thirty cents in confiscated money reached the Controller of Customs to-day through the usual channels. The money was accompanied by a cash remittance of the department that represented the duty on the wine imported on a consignment of "seven reviewers at \$150 each." The duty was really figured out at \$20, and the balance of the statement were the simple words, "Confiscation money."

MUDDLED IDEALS ALL GOLDEN. "Sir Albert Eastman" Endeavors to Have a "Cheque for \$500,000 Cash" by Police.

SWALLOWED CARBOLIC ACID. Ernle Butler, Formerly of Toronto, Killed Himself. A QUARREL WITH HIS WIFE. So Upset Him That He Deliberately Took the Fatal Dose.

STOREKEEPERS ARE PLEASED. The Pleasant Weather Has Caused a Boom in the Retail Trade.

CRESCO CALLS IN GUNS. Venezuela's President is Apparently in Fear of a Revolution.

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