

CONSERVATIVE FIGHT BRINGS RESULTS.

In summing up it can be said that the records show that the Conservative party were the first to advocate closer trade relations with the Motherland. That party stood for a closer commercial alliance with Britain when the Liberal party stood for commercial union with the United States. It stood for the British preference when Sir Wilfrid Laurier sneeringly declared that he preferred the "Yankee dollar to the British shilling." It stood for the British preference when the Liberals introduced a measure that offered no more to Britain than it offered to Spain. It stood for British trade when the Liberals sought to sell the commercial independence of Canada for American gold. To-day in spite of Liberal opposition it has increased the British preference by two and one-half per cent. and created a new preference for British goods on what was formerly the free list.

