

The Weekly Times

Victoria, Friday, May 31.

FACTS AND FIGURES.

The manipulation of figures to show that Canada's foreign trade is in the leap-and-bound stage while that of Britain is at a standstill is both weak and foolish. The trick might deceive the Patagonians, but it will not go down in an intelligent community.

"Did the raising of duties from 1 1/2 per cent. to 30 per cent. tend to increase our imports, or was it intended to do so? Did our grain grow better or was our cheese more easily manufactured because the farmer had his taxes more than doubled? Every one can see how taking the fetters off trade will be likely to increase its activity, but only a protectionist editor could imagine that binding trade in chains, and adding to its burdens, would stimulate its growth.

Table with 2 columns: Year, Total trade of Canada. Rows for 1873, 1874, 1880, 1881, 1882, 1883, 1884, 1885, 1886, 1887, 1888, 1889.

It will be seen from the above figures that the trade of Canada in 1889, after ten years of protection, was still far below the figures embracing the tariff-free revenue years of 1873 and 1874. Since 1889 there has been an increase, it is true, but that increase has been largely confined to exports, and therefore really represents a loss, since in exchanging commodities with the world at large Canada has had to give several million dollars in value in excess of what she received.

In 1890 our imports amounted to \$121,855,241. In 1894 they had only risen to \$123,474,940, while our exports, which in 1890 were \$96,740,149, had advanced to \$117,524,949 in 1894, showing an adverse balance of over \$20,000,000.

Railway managers have their own ways of conducting business, and perhaps it is presumptuous for an outsider to criticize them. It may be permissible, however, to offer the remark that the policy of the killing off traffic by maintaining prohibitive freight rates strikes the ordinary mind as a ridiculous one. This policy as applied by the C. P. R. to the inland districts of this province has more than once been commented on by the Times, and has naturally been the cause of grave discontent in the region affected.

Dear Sir.—At a meeting of a committee appointed to look into the matter of finding an outside market for and shipping produce generally from our district, it was decided to submit the following to your notice, and we would request a reply at your earliest convenience.

Whereas at the present rate of freight we find it impossible to ship out any kind of produce at a living price, if such rates should be continued the result will be so disastrous to the settlers that ere long they will be unable to earn the requirements of life, and will be compelled to abandon their farms and move elsewhere, as some are already doing—as at present there is really no produce being shipped—but with a reasonable freight rate to all markets within shipping distance, we could, during the coming season, send out a large quantity—say, not less than 100 carloads this year—which amount would

LATE CANADIAN DISPATCHES

Five Men Injured by an Explosion of a Dynamite Cartridge at Niagara.

Presbyterian Church Appointments to the Foreign Mission Fields.

Niagara, May 24.—By the explosion of a dynamite cartridge yesterday afternoon five men were seriously injured. James Gray had both arms and both legs broken and his eyes blown out, and Harry McDonald, of Thorold, had his arms broken. The other three men were not so seriously hurt. McDonald will recover.

Winnipeg, May 24.—The Manitoba Christian Endeavor convention is in session at Portage La Prairie, Canon Richardson, of London, Ont., extended the greetings of Ontario.

Two men were reported dead at a Fort Francis hotel by eating poisoned ham. Two hundred immigrants arrived from the east yesterday en route for Edmonton.

Norman Brock, eldest son of J. H. Brock, and a popular young citizen, died of typhoid yesterday afternoon.

Toronto, May 24.—The foreign mission committee of the Presbyterian church made a number of appointments on Wednesday to the foreign mission stations. J. Menzies, M.D., and R. A. Mitchell, B.A., graduates of Knox college and Toronto University were appointed to Honan, China. A. P. Ledingham and J. J. Thompson, M.D., will be sent to central India. Miss J. Dow, M.D., a Ferguson graduate of the Women's Medical College, Toronto, has been appointed to Honan, China, in place of the late Miss Lou Graham, M.D.

Montreal, May 24.—The C.P.R. traffic receipts for the week ending May 21 were \$225,000. Same week last year they amounted to \$222,000.

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Arva, May 24.—Two months ago the greater part of the business portion of the place was destroyed by fire, and early yesterday morning another fire completed the destruction. The village presents a forlorn appearance.

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Montreal, May 25.—The business portion of Bedford, Que., was nearly all destroyed by fire yesterday. Loss \$15,000.

New York, May 25.—J. Fred Carver, his boy and Wm. Graham, all of Windsor, were drowned yesterday at Stillwater by the upsetting of their canoe.

ST. VITUS DANCE.

A MALADY THAT HAS LONG BAFLED MEDICAL SKILL.

A Speedy Cure for the Trouble at Last Discovered—The Particulars of the Cure of a Little Girl who was a Severe Sufferer.

In a handsome brick residence on the 10th line of Goulbourn township, Carleton Co., lives Mr. Thomas Bradley, one of Goulbourn's most successful farmers. In Mr. Bradley's family is a bright little daughter, 8 years of age, who had been a severe sufferer from St. Vitus' dance, and who had been treated by physicians without any beneficial results.

Having learned that the little one had been fully restored to health by the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills a correspondent of the Journal called at the family residence for the purpose of ascertaining the facts, and found the little girl a picture of brightness and good health.

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are an unfailing specific for such diseases as locomotor ataxia, partial paralysis, St. Vitus' dance, sciatica, neuralgia, rheumatism, nervous headache, the after-effects of a grippé, palpitation of the heart, pale and sallow complexion, all forms of weakness either in male or female. Pink Pills are sold by all dealers, or will be sent postpaid on receipt of price, 50 cents per box, or six boxes for \$2.50, by addressing Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont., or Schenectady, N. Y.

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Cure yourself in fifteen days. I will send free (sealed), the prescription and full particulars of a new and positive remedy for all weaknesses in young or old men. Cures lost manhood, nervous weakness, impotency in fifteen days. I will also furnish remedies if desired. Enclose stamp and address P.O. Box 578, Toronto, Ont.

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The futures this week have been 207 in the United States, against 188 last year, and 22 in Canada, against 28 last year.

New York, May 24.—Breadstuffs tomorrow will say: "The moderate reaction in the stock market last week and this week, caused primarily by frosts and the prospect of a crop to cereal crops and other farm products, was followed in part by a corresponding check to the movement in general trade. Our special telegraphic advices from the most important wheat and corn markets and the following data telegraphed from London are the most bullish made public since the upward turn began, on or about May 1st.

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LATE CABLE

Collector Milne M. His Services Cease.

The Recent Deeds of the Earthquake in California.

London, May 24.—Of Valkyrie 3rd, the challenger for the 2nd, has been published and essential details which her waterline length, her length of her beam is about 27 feet, her keel is about 12 feet, her draught is about 10 feet. According to the cable the challenger square feet of canvas Geo. L. Watson, is that she will be seen by the Britannia of America.

According to the cable Watson has had 20,000 feet of canvas and 20,000 feet of rigging. The following are the names of the principal officers:—The commanding officer, Mr. J. C. S. Manibato; the acting, Mr. G. M. Milne at Victoria, Mr. G. M. Milne at Victoria, Mr. G. M. Milne at Victoria, Mr. G. M. Milne at Victoria.

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