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men do not get the return—5279. Canadians spend more money in foreign travel than foreigners spend in Canada—5280. Regarding borrowing, Canada is a borrowing not a lending country—5281. Lack of knowledge of our home trade—5282. How to deal with the rapid increase in the unfavourable balance of trade—5283. That balance must be met in goods or gold—5284. The Crow's Nest Pass business—5285. The Drummond County Railway purchase—5286. I. C. R. deficits—5287. The Grand Trunk Pacific. Quotes the Premier—5288. The government has created an absolute paradise for middlemen—5289. éentville rifle range, the referee and the lawyer—5290. Mr. Pearson and the Minister of Finance—5291. Let us take Merwin—5292. The Falconer case; Saskatchewan Land Valley sale—5293. Theodore Burrows, M.P., inside the globele—5294. Archibald McNeé and his James Bay lease—5295.

*Guthrie, Hugh (South Wellington)—6011.*

Difficult for rank and file to obtain any but brief notices in the press—6011. 'The Deeds of the Other Fellows,' published by the Conservative Association—6012. A gigantic fraud, the Pacific Scandal perpetrated by the Conservatives in 1872—6013. Borden held out special inducements to a single section of the country—6014. The Department of Agriculture administered for the first time by a practical farmer—6015. Wide latitude allowed in a budget debate—6016. Foster occupies a unique position in the House—6017. Why Foster selected for trade comparisons figures from 1890 to 1894—6018. Deposits in chartered banks since 1896—6019. From 1890 to 1894 an absolute decrease in freight tonnage—6020. Growth of exports of manufactures; Foster avoided the lean year—6021. Foster quoted David A. Wells, of Connecticut, in his figures—6022. Foster's testimony is in the nature of an accessory and an accomplice—6023. Financial review 1896 and now—6024. Capital expenditure—6025. Bounties and binder twine—6026. The net debt; Foster's solicitude about maturing obligations—6027. Imports and exports; more revenue because the people have more money—6028. The theory of the modern school of high protectionists—6029. Balance of trade examined—6030. Conditions of trade in other countries—6031-2. Foster differs in opinion from some economists of repute—6033. The question of the export of scenery—6034. Trade may fluctuate, but it will settle itself, and trade will balance trade—6035. Comparative figures, railways and banks—6036. Growth in factories, wages, employees; the Post Office Department—6037. Free rural mail delivery—6038. Foster's speech in Guelph in 1896; he said trade was prosperous—6039. Compares trade increase under Conservative and under

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Liberal rule—6040. Foster's speech a manual of field drill for the election armouries of the Conservative party—6041. The Merwin purchases; denies in toto that there was any extravagance—6042. Likes to hear Foster argue, particularly when he pretends to argue—6043. Looks upon him as sort of political Jeckyll and Hyde; been guilty of some attempted political assassination in his time—6044. Would not infer wrong-doing unless he had more facts—6045. Satisfied the people of Canada would not entrust Foster with any further responsibility—6046.

*Hughes, J. J. (Kings, P.E.I.)—6097.*

Some of the speakers wandered far afield—6097. Conservative campaign of exaggeration, misrepresentation, vilification, insinuation, innuendo, scandal and abuse—6098. Unsavory pot when the Conservative party held power in this country—6099. The Conservative party and government fell in 1896 like Milton's angels overwhelmed—6100. Mr. Tarte's charges in 1891; and Mr. Foster's charges against Mr. Haggart—6101. An investigation was refused by the Conservative government of that day—6102. British public opinion excited over the condition then shown to exist—6103. The taxation on necessary and useful things reduced 14 to 20 per cent—6104. They must surely give the people credit for having less intelligence than children—6105. Considers the estimated expenditure for this year—6106-7. A unique record, the public debt has actually been reduced—6108. The question of the balance of trade—6109. Imports in progressive European countries exceed the exports—6110. We can safely presume that we are doing a profitable business 6011. The C.P.R. and G.T.P. R. bargains—6012. The latter will contribute to the greatness of this noble country—6013.

*Lake, R. S. (Qu'Appelle)—5605.*

The boasted surpluses have all been spent; and the G. T. P. R. bonds to be guaranteed—5605. Will the country ask itself, 'Whither are we drifting?'—5606. Have had the usual boasting as to the prosperity of the country—5607. Increase in price accounts for a large portion of the increase in trade—5608. The bounty system is the worst form of protection—5609. Conservatives last session supported cutting in half the duty on agricultural implements—5610. Every effort should be made to secure the best class of immigrants—5611. Much to criticise in what the government have done, and more in what they have not done—5612. Timber and coal lands placed in the hands of speculators—5613. Must not forget the sins of omission—5614. For five years no progressive legislation in the interests of the grain growers—5615. The present mutual preferential tariff not in the interest of the country—5616.