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SOME OF OUR EXPORTS TO THE STATES.

The statement sent out from Washington showing a lower average rate of duty levied by the United States on Canadian goods than by Canada on United States goods, needs a little explanation. Canadian exports to the United States amounted in 1909 to \$92,604,357, to the United States amounted in 1909 to \$92,604,357, to the United States are part of this were goods which cannot be classed with ordinary market commodities. For example, gold dust and nuggets represented a value of \$7,289, represented for specie. The United States market for pure gold is of no particular value to Canada. This is a commodity that goes duty free everywhere, and which can always be exchanged for specie. Silver metal represented \$9,937,995. This also is a commodity on which the collection of duty is impossible. Fine copper exported to the United States was valued at \$6,212,597. Nickel is a metal whereof Canada has a monopoly on this continent. The mines are largely owned by the United States, and the metal is needed for armor plate. A question has sometimes arisen whether Canada should impose an export duty, but the United States will certainly not be likely to levy an import duty which would be paid by themselves and would not affect Canada Nickel exports to the United States represent \$1,535,964. Here we have some \$25,000,000 of mineral products alone, which may be properly cut out of the total before the average is struck.

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THE KING CANNOT BE COERCED.

It is not yet clearly understood why Chancellon Lloyd-George took six weeks supply only when he could have got enough votes for six months. One result is that if the government should be outvoted, and have to resign, the succeeding Conservative ministry would not be able to do business without asking more supply from a hostile chamber. This would give the Liberals control of the situation and cran also the property of the situation a control of the situation, and even give them power to refuse the supply necessary to dissolve the House and appeal to the country. The assumption is that the Balfour government would have to give up after a short attempt, and that Mr. Asquith would not take office again without an undertaking from the King that the Lords will not throw out government legislation.

Talk like this was heard before the election. M

had some part in it, and it came to be expected that Mr. Asquith would, after the election, exact con-

The teachers' pension bill affords another instance on which all the opposition is in favor of greater expenditure. Some want a uniform pension regardless of the amount of salary. Some think the pension should be allowed on a shorter service than thirty-five years. Some would like to make the pension large enough to make that the make the pension in a few days. The Attorney General need not expect the amount of salary. Some think the pension should be allowed on a shorter service than thirty-five years. Some would like to make the pension large enough to make anti-Hazen politics out of it. The most he can taken by the teachers themselves. They desire such a pension as will give them a small income and thus assist in preserving them from want.

It must not be forgotten that these pensions are paid by the people of the province, who have no such allowances for themselves. The one farmer who has condemned the pension as a discrimination against his own demned the pension as a discrimination against his own demned the pension as a discrimination against his own demned the pension as a discrimination against his government organs have been entertaining themselves over their own stories of Conservative disagreement on the navy bill. Now they are reviling on the material province, and province, and province, and allowances for themselves. The one farmer who has condemned the pension as a discrimination against his own demned the pension as a discrimination against his own demned the pension as a discrimination against his own demned the pension as a discrimination against his own demned the pension as a discrimination against his own demned the pension as a discrimination against his own demned the pension as a discrimination against his own demned the pension as a discrimination against his own demned the pension as a discrimination against his own demned the pension as a discrimination against his own demned the pension as a discrimination against his own demned the pension as a discrimination against his own demned

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authorizes voluntary retirement at the prescribed age even though the teacher may be strong and in good health. It does not compel retirement at any age. It does not prevent the pensioned teacher engaging in any other work. It does not make it necessary for applicants to make proof of their poverty, or need of assistance. There is no loss of self-respect, no abrigement of personal liberty connected with these allowances. They are awarded as a matter of right and not as a charity.

A GREAT MOVEMENT BEGINS

Yesterday Great Britain, for the first time since the days of the Commonwealth, started in search of a constitution. The most sweeping changes in the House of Lords that previous history records are those caused by the slaughter of its members. Never before did the Peers set about the discussion of the basis of membership in their chamber.

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Yesterday was a great day for Lord Rosebery. For the first time in many years he came forward as a constructive statesman. The cabled report makes him go a little farther than the resolution of which he has given notice. This resolution affirmed that there must be two chambers, one to be the House of Lords modified, and that a peerage alone is not a sufficient qualification for membership.

or membership.

In his speech, Lord Rosebery developes the last eature. He favors an elective second chamber, but not one elected like the House of Commons. His other house must be elected by councils, associations, or some SAINT JOHN, TUESDAY MORNING, MARCH 15, 1910.

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other special constituencies or orders. Lord Rosebery's House of Lords would therefore be more like the senate of France than like any type to be found in British

\$1,535,964. Here we have some \$25,000,000 of mineral roducts alone, which may be properly cut out of the total before the average is struck.

In produce of the forest there is the article of pulpwood. This was admitted by the United States free of duty last year to the value of \$4,356,391, according to Canadian export returns. The values and the totals would probably be larger in the United States statistics. Canada does not value this free market. Two provinces are already preventing the export from crown lands, and there is a strong agitation against the export from any part of Canada on any terms of this raw material. If we add the item we have in all about one-third of our total exports to the United States belonging to classes in which the free market is of no special value to this country.

The naval programme speech of Mr. McKenna, first Lord of the Admiralty, contains references which first Lord of the Admiralty, contains re

Many Canadians would like to have heard their own untry mentioned in this connection.

Certain public men in the United States are cultivating a Japanese scare. Hon. Leslie Shaw, a former cabinet minister, was reported to have said in a recent address, "Japan proposes to dominate the Pacific, fand to "make it run red." He denies having used these exact words, but still admits that he "did cite certain well "it."

"Known facts that spell war." Then Mr. Shaw explains: "I called attention to the fact that Japan can (I did not "say she will, but she can) put two hundred thousand "soldiers in Hawaii in thirty days without firing a shot," and, being then at war, we could not put a hundred "thousand over there to contest the territory in two "yèars. We have no ships with which to do it, and "in the event of war we could neither hire nor buy."

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that Mr. Asquith would, after the election, exact conditions of His Majesty. It is not supposed that this was attempted. It it was, King Edward must have given in his own wise and gracious way an intimation that he was an older soldier, and abler than Mr. Asquith to make conditions.

Whatever administrations may come or go it may be taken for granted that the King will not assume any part of the responsibility which belongs to his ministers or to either house of parliament. The King will not and cannot give an undertaking covering what the Lords will do or refrain from doing. His Majesty has no more constitutional right to issue orders to the Lords than to the Commons.

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The British constitution places the responsibility for every financial and political situation with ministers and their parliament. It cannot be shifted to the King, and if he were ready to accept it there would be a loss of the right of self-government. The King it for \$35,000. Perhaps others might complain of the cannot be coerced into an invasion of the rights of either chamber and if such coercion were possible, the nation would not allow it.

THE TEACHERS' PENSION BILL.

The Toronto Globe complains that the Ontario government sold by auction a twenty acre claim in Cobalt for \$10,500 and that the purchasing company, after spending a few thousands on the property, was able to sell to \$350,000. Perhaps others might complain of the government's sale of another Cobalt property by auction a twenty acre claim in Cobalt for \$35,000. Perhaps others might complain of the its for \$350,000. Perhaps others might compla

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Josh Wise Says

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Mrs. Green—How do you get your little boy to behave so nicely at table before visitors?

Mrs. Wise—Easily enough. You see I give him plenty of cake before we sit down.

SURVIVAL OF UNFITTEST

What the Fredericton Gleane Has To Say of the Recent

IN NEWSPAPERDON

Amalgamation of the Local Liberal Organs.

(Fredericton Gleaner.)

The St. John Sun has come under the control of the dredging grafters, and today it was put out of business, the announcement being made with its going out that its interests had been transferred to the Telegraph. Mr. Pugsley, the Minister of Public Works, himself secured the option on the Sun, and Mr. John E. Moore and Mr. Geo. McAyity, acting on the minister's Sun, and Mr. John E. Moore and Mi Geo. McAvity, acting on the minister' advice, completed the purchase. Bot papers were heavily losing properties and the one had been "digging in for Federal Government printing pa ronage at the expense of the other, the one abusing the other, the measur of abuse depending altogether on the measure of disappointment of the one

Mind ifficult to Chaucer.
With Browning o'er you'll like it
Moore
Than Campbell eaten raw, sir.
—Chicago Record-Herald.
Perhaps Crabbe's Tales will please your taste—
Beware of Burns when fired;
If poorly cooked you're surely booked
To get an Akenside.
—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Singular.

Wife—That ceaseless piano in the flat upstairs will drive me crazy.
Hub (puffing smoke)—Isn't it funy that with all the keys a piano has not one of them locks it up.

Woman's Queer Mind.
Mr. Hub—H see by the paper that acase of bubonic plague has arrived in San Francisco.

Mrs. Hub—Mercy Peter! They are surely not importing it in cases.

Mrs. Green—How do you get your

DEAD IN NEW YORK

Fredericton, N. B., March 14.—May or Chestnut recived a telegram from New York this morning announcing the death of H. Percy Chestnut, for merly of this city. The news came as a great shock to relatives and friends as it was not known here that he had been ill.

He was a control of the cont

Trier, Germany, Mar. 14.—An immense air cruiser to carry from 50 to 60 persons and intended to travel from 45 to 50 miles an hour will be launched early this spring by its inventor, Anton Bisor. It introduces a new departure as it is built of iron. The skeleton of the balloon is formed of rolled iron piping. The central hollow shaft is 400 feet in length.

The gas is contained in 12 ring balloon nets, in the same manner as in the Expeptim craft. These balloon nets are just over 27 feet long by nearly 40 feet in diameter and they lie end to end along the body of the airship. The vessel is provided with five motors, developing altogether 490 horsepower. The propeller is fitted at the bows. The entire weight is 30 tons.

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