

shall weld the British Empire and colonies into an endless chain to girdle the world as with a belt of massive brass, multiplying and intensifying Britain's powers for good, and consolidating the empire as the leading star of hope to all oppressed people.

The visit to Victoria of the Commander-in-Chief of the Salvation Army, General Booth, will be beneficial, if, nothing else, it instructs a good many people in the methods pursued by the Salvationists. It should also enlighten people as the practical results attained by the Salvation Army, compared with the other religious denominations. The Army, although it has been only in existence for about eighteen years, has really done more in the direction of rescuing perishing souls than all other agencies combined. General Booth is the greatest benefactor of the age, and as such it was fitting indeed that he should be shown the greatest honor which it is possible for civic fathers to bestow upon distinguished visitors.

ACCORDING to the official returns issued from Ottawa, the total imports of Canada for the first five months of the fiscal year, amounted to \$42,113,727, a decline of \$7,219,817 on the corresponding period of 1893, when they reached \$50,333,544. The total exports during the same period were \$64,616,750, being a decrease of \$2,314,758 on the same months in 1893. This, as will be seen, means a falling off of \$9,534,575 in the total trade of Canada. If as concerns the imports the decrease is due to a greater consumption of articles of home production, so much the better for the country, which has retained in circulation at home a considerable amount that otherwise would have benefited outside countries. Then, as to the decrease in the value of exports, it has been suggested that it is probably due to the decline in values, for the volume of our principal exports has been much the same as during previous years.

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