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THE YEAR OF THE CENTURY WAS CANADA'S BEST ONE.

Returns Now Nearly Sixty Millions More Than Last Year--It Has Grown Over a Hundred and Forty Million Since the Liberal Government Was Placed in Power.

Ottawa, Jan. 3.—(Special)—The trade returns of the dominion all in the hands of the printer will be ready for presentation to parliament in the early days of the session. The official figures show that the trade of the dominion increased for the year 1900 by \$20,855,925 as against 1898-1899.

The total trade for 1900 was \$21,001,213, as against \$81,517,238 in 1899. The exports were \$10,622,515, as against \$10,504,723 last year, a decrease of \$117,792.

SIX THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED SOUTH AFRICAN IRREGULARS

Have Been Enlisted in Cape Colony—Military Authorities Are Preparing for Contingencies—Guns Landed From the Monarch Will Be Taken Up Country—Great Reception to Lord Roberts in England.

Cape Town, Jan. 3.—The military authorities are preparing for all contingencies. It has been decided to transfer the Boer prisoners from the camps to transport.

Committees to send out agents to the Boer commandos, explaining that they could communicate through the central committee and the military governor and could also come to see him personally if necessary.

the public buildings were illuminated this evening. The fireworks were unusually crowded, the holiday spirit was evident, but there was little of the disorder and drunkenness of the previous year's celebrations.

THE COAL MINERS OF SPRINGHILL HAVE WON FROM THE OWNER

And There Will Be No Strike—Work Will Go on Today as Usual, the Men Being Given an Advance of Twelve Per Cent—Drummond Miners Get a Similar Increase.

Amherst, N. S., Jan. 3.—(Special)—The men at Springhill will go to work tomorrow morning as usual, the management having agreed to accede to their demands for an advance of 12 per cent. to take effect from January 1st.

Drummond miners will also get a similar increase. The other Pictou mines will come to an agreement tomorrow morning.

WEDDINGS ON THE ST. CROIX.

Five Marriages Solemnized at St. Shen, Calais and Milltown.

St. Stephen, Jan. 3.—(Special)—The dawn of the new century couples to be busy on the St. Croix.

VICTIMS OF FIRE DAMP.

Terrible Occurrence at a Pennsylvania Colliery.

DROP IN SUGAR.

Montreal Refiners Have Lowered Prices.

SIR WILFRID LAURIER TO THE PREMIER OF CAPE COLONY.

CAPE TOWN, Jan. 3.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the Canadian premier, replying to Sir John Gordon Sprigg, cables the Cape Colony premier.

SCHOONER LILY ASHORE.

Bound from Perth Amboy for St. John—Likely a Total Loss—The Crew Rescued.

ST. JOHN NAIL MAKERS

Attending a Meeting at Toronto—Prosperous Year Reported.

FIRE AT QUINCY.

George Washington's Gold Headed Cane Among the Property Lost.

Another Election Protest.

Winnipeg, Jan. 3.—(Special)—A petition was presented today against the return of Valentine Winkler, member of the legislature for Rhineland.

A Policeman's Death.

New York, Jan. 3.—Policeman James P. O'Flaherty died at Hudson street hospital tonight from a pistol shot wound through the brain.

LORD ROBERTS' GREAT RECEPTION.

Luncheon at Buckingham Palace Followed Other Ceremonies.

PEACE COMMISSION AT PRETORIA.

Press Censor Just Releases News of Such a Committee Which Met Lord Kitchener.

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HALIFAX CLERGYMAN SELECTED

Rev. C. F. Johnson of Halifax Receives a Call to Montreal.

Tobacco Strikers Back to Work.

Louisville, Ky., Jan. 3.—The 1500 striking employees of the Louisville steamship of the Continental Tobacco Company, decided tonight to go back to work tomorrow.

Jefferson Buying Property.

Chicago, Jan. 3.—Joseph Jefferson, the actor, today purchased real estate in this city valued at \$57,000.

BRITISH UNDERWORLD FORMATION OF

MONTREAL, Jan. 3.—London says: "British cabled announcement—Financier said to be in caution in discretion with Canadian profits of the Fin"

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