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The Two Leaders and the Shadow.

Sir Charles Tupper, Mr. Foster and Hugh John Macdonald have appeared at Montreal for the purpose of beginning the Opposition campaign in the coming contest. It is not difficult to see why Hugh John Macdonald has been importuned to enter the list as a Dominion politician, as he was importuned in the contest of 1896, going down with the crowd. He is the son of his father. His father was the leader of the Conservative party from the confederation of the British North American Provinces until his death. He was a successful leader, and Hugh John, his son, has been invited to again take part in Dominion politics, to make the father's name a factor in the contest of today. We have no desire to say anything against Hon. Hugh John Macdonald. We hope that the people of this part of Canada will have an opportunity of hearing him, and they will be able to judge for themselves how far the welfare of this country could be entrusted to him. In our opinion he is wanting in all those qualities which Canada requires at the present time in a leading public man, and we think that the people, when they have heard him, will not differ from the conclusions which we have reached.

Mr. Foster, the ex-Finance Minister, professes to be sparring for a fight. Mr. Foster says that he is most anxious that the elections should be brought on at once. He is so very eager to relieve the country from the disasters of the extravagance which threaten it! Mr. Foster says that the Liberal party promised to reduce the expenditures to \$27,000,000, and that during the last year they increased it to \$33,000,000. Does Mr. Foster think that by statements of this kind he will succeed in misleading the public? Did Mr. Foster, while he was in power, include the expenses on capital account in the ordinary expenses chargeable to revenue? Did Mr. Foster, in 1895, when the rebellion in the Northwest took place, charge the money expended for the suppression of that outbreak against the ordinary expenditure of the year? Will he refer us to any instance during the whole period, since 1878 down to 1896, in which the expenditure on capital account was included as a part of the year's expenditure? If Mr. Foster felt that he had a strong case, why does he not make an honest statement? If he felt that the present Government is extravagant, why does he find it necessary to add in the cost of the contingent sent to South Africa in the expenditure for the year 1900, and leave out the expenditure for the suppression of the Northwest Rebellion in the records for the year 1895? It is clear that Mr. Foster does not feel that an honest statement of the facts would serve his purpose, and result to the injury of the present Government, and so he makes a dishonest one—one deliberately intended to mislead.

Sir Charles Tupper, if he is great on anything, is so on the question of preferential trade—at least, so he desires to have it understood. Sir Charles and his friends were in office for eighteen years. They had every opportunity for securing preferential trade, if this could have been done, but they retired from office without anything of the sort being accomplished. They have been told over and over again by statesmen of all parties in Great Britain that the thing is impossible, and while they were in power they did everything within their ability to put barriers in the way. They taxed the products of the English people highly, while all the products of Canada, whether manufactured or otherwise, were admitted into the English market free from duty, and now Sir Charles Tupper declares against the preference in favor of British goods which the Canadian Government have conceded. That preference has enormously increased our trade with the mother country. It has increased our revenue. It has secured the good will of both Government and people of the United Kingdom for Canada. We never stood as well with the English people as we do at this moment, and it is due entirely to the friendly and co-operative course that the Government and Parliament of Canada have adopted towards the Government and people of the Mother Country. Our manufacturers and mechanics are better off. They have a very much larger population at home to provide for. The policy of the present Government has given them 50,000 new settlers a year from abroad to provide for in their homes on the prairies, and this increased market is greater than it would be possible for them to obtain in any other way. Will anyone say that the 10,000 additional families, added to the population of the country from abroad, is not doing more for our manufacturers of agricultural implements, our manufacturers of stoves, our manufacturers of cotton and wool-

en goods, than would be possible in any other way?

The old talk of the National Policy can be no longer effective. That policy is dead as Julius Caesar, and those manufacturers whose markets remained stationary for nearly twenty years, are, along with their employees, as fully alive to this fact as any other class of the population of Canada.

It is gratifying to find that the candidates being nominated to support the Government policy are good men. That is right. A good policy deserves to have the support of able men, in whom the community have confidence.

Ontario promises to do much better for the Government in the ensuing elections than it did in 1896. Why not? Ontario has prospered as she has never done before in the last four years, and the Government policy has promoted that prosperity.

Two Points to Remember.

When talking of the expenditures undertaken by the present Administration at Ottawa, two cardinal facts must be remembered.

1. The expenditure has either been for the purpose of clearing off heavy liabilities undertaken by the late Administration, or left as a legacy by it, or it has been undertaken to provide for the reasonable development of the country by works that will pay good interest on the investment.

2. When the expenditures were proposed in Parliament, not one of them, outside a paltry \$32,000, was voted against by the Opposition, which, as we all know, if there had been anything wrong or extravagant, would have been only too glad to have embraced the opportunity presented to condemn the Government.

Reasonable men will note these two facts, and refuse to be led away by pre-election misrepresentation of the facts which partisan critics seem to regard as necessary to the assault of the Administration.

It must not be forgotten that Sir Charles Tupper was hopelessly defeated in 1896, and that Hon. Hugh John Macdonald was then a member of his Government. History is about to repeat itself. Tupperism is distasteful to Canadians, no matter who aids to re-establish it. The country does not wish to go back to the old order of things.

Hon. Mr. Mulock, in a recent speech, rather neatly observed that under the Liberal Administration they had a growing time; under Sir Charles, a blowing time.

The European Concert.

During the last week there has been something wrong with the "concert," uncertainly as to the tune to be played, and whether all the performers would be willing to take a hand. The Russians proposed a new tune, which we were told the Americans were going to join in. The British did not like the tune. Others had their doubts, particularly the German band. And then before the week was over, the Americans seemed to find out that the tune was rather flat, or that they had made some mistake about the music; they had got a wrong copy, or some one had misunderstood them. The fact is, you cannot have a concert without a leader, and in this case those that want to lead and have the most right to lead are distrusted by their neighbors, and the danger is that the last state of China may be worse than the first, for lack of a clear, vigorous lead. The Chinaman, like the Turk, has learned the trick of playing off one power against another; and if Li Hung Chang can get the European armies out of China the old game will go on again pretty much as before. Altogether we must admit that it is one of the most difficult tasks that the European concert has ever taken in hand, and with the present feeling of mutual distrust, it is not likely that they can deal effectually with China. So far as the British people are concerned, there is a deep distrust of Russia; a feeling that though the troops may withdraw from Pekin, Russia will not give up the territory she has taken; and that she will support the present rulers in their weak condition until she is ready for another forward move. There are those both in England and America who think that it would not be a bad thing for Russia to control a large slice of territory in Northern China, but if this is to be done they want it arranged fairly and openly, under such conditions as shall secure that the territory is kept open for the trade of the world and not locked up worse than before. If, however, Russia lays hold of one part, other powers will demand compensation in other directions. If the powers could enter into a self-denying ordinance not to take Chinese territory, and in fact to give back some of what they have taken, they might get money compensation for their troubles, and lend a hand in restoring order and giving to China a strong native government. But that requires an amount of virtue and Christian magnanimity which the powers are not likely to possess or display, and so "the concert" will go on, groaning and squeaking until their attention is drawn in some other direction, and are compelled to do something hastily, which may soon after be undone.

We have considerable faith in the progress of the human race, and we believe that this terrible muddle will be overruled for good, and that the powers may build better than they

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FRIDAY BARGAINS

Visitors in town who do not know what our Friday Bargain Day means are invited to participate in the special offerings we make on that day. Tomorrow (Friday) we will have on sale the under-noted special values. Do not miss sharing in them while you have the opportunity.

Dress Goods.

5 pieces Figured Mohair Black, small, bright designs, regular 25c; special for Friday 18c
5 pieces Fancy Stripe Velvets, for waists, in garnet, cardinal, green, brown, raised stripes, regular 50c; Friday, per yard 18c
5 pieces Black Solid Dress Goods, guaranteed not to spot nor shrink, bright satin finish, regular value 45c; Friday per yard 29c
5 pieces Black Figured Satin Cloth, 44-inch, heavy satin finish, regular value 60c; Friday per yard 35c
300 yards Homespun Tweed Suitings, 34 inches wide, small check effects, regular 60c to 75c value; Friday per yard 42c

Flannelette Underwear.

Ladies' Flannelette Gowns, in pink and gray stripes, good quality; special Friday, each 50c
Ladies' Flannelette Gowns, in stripes, trimmed with frills of self, good sizes; to sell Friday 75c
Ladies' Flannelette Gowns, in plain pink, blue or white, special quality and make; Friday 89c
Ladies' Gowns, Ceylon Flannelette, Empire style, trimmed with braid, very special, Friday \$1.00
Ladies' Gowns, Ceylon Flannelette, in pink, blue or white, Empire style, trimmed with Trench insertion; special, Friday \$1.25
Ladies' Flannelette Gowns, plain colors, trimmed with linen lace and insertion, Empire style, extra quality and make; special each \$1.85
Ladies' Flannelette Drawers, in assorted colors and stripes, good quality; to sell, special Friday 25c
Ladies' Drawers, heavy quality flannelette, all sizes, special on Friday per pair 35c
Ladies' Drawers, Ceylon Flannelette, extra heavy quality, trimmed with silk embroidery; special Friday 50c
Ladies' Flannelette Drawers, in plain pink, blue or white, trimmed with silk embroidery, extra fine; special Friday 65c

Kid Gloves.

Special line of Kid Gloves, in brown, tan, mode, red and gray shades, also black with white and self points and two clasps; all sizes, at 75c
Perrin's Capitol at \$1, in all new fall shades, two dome fasteners and pretty stitching, guaranteed fine French Kid.

EXTRA SPECIAL.

Men's Fall Top Coats, new shade whipcord, French facings, fine Italian linings; all sizes, 33 to 40; former value \$10.00, Friday \$6.85

Novelties

Dainty Gifts and Souvenirs from London, in Japanese Fern Pots, Chic Match Holders, African Novelties, Leather Purses, Glove and Handkerchief Cases, from 25c up

Purses

OLD SPECIAL LINE FOR FAIR WEEK.
Fancy Oxidized and Gilt-trimmed Book and Bag Purses; worth 35c and 50c; special for 25c
Finger Purses, black seal, extra good value, for 60c
Purses our specialty—We are showing all styles and colors in seal, monkey, walrus and alligator, from 25c to \$5.00

Belts.

Patent leather is still the most stylish belt. The "Queen Marquise" is the belt. For this week we are going to sell 6 dozen only at 25c

Staple Department.

White Terry Bath Towels, fair size, special, per pair 15c
White Terry Bath Towels, good size, special, per pair 20c
Blue and white, gold and white, cardinal and white Checked Linen, for cushion covers, extra quality and good width, special, per yard 15c
Large size, half-bleached, All-India Towels; plain and fancy borders; worth regularly 35c, special, per pair 25c
6 dozen only Unbleached Linen Towels, size 12x33, very special, per pair 15c
240 yards Brown All-India Toweling, 18 inches wide; regular 74c, special, per yard 50c
255 yards Brown All-India Toweling, extra quality, regular 80c, special, per yard 64c
120 yards only extra heavy Hygiene Crash Toweling, 24 inches wide; regular 18c, special, per yard 12 1/2c
Our extra special Plain and Twill-bleached Sheeting, two yards, regular 25c, special, per yard 20c
4 pieces Gray Flannel, in twill and plain, light and dark shades, good weight; regular 15c, special, per yard 12 1/2c

Hosiery.

Extra quality Ladies' Plain Cashmere Hose, spliced sole, seamless feet; sizes 8 1/2, 9, 9 1/2; Friday, special, per pair 25c
Ladies' Broad Ribbed Cashmere Hose, double heel and toe; worth 35c pair, special Friday 25c
Boys' Ribbed Cashmere Hose, six-fold knee, double heel and toe; sizes 4 1/2 to 8; special, per pair 35c
Ladies' Plain Cashmere Hose, full-fashioned, spliced feet; sizes 8 1/2, 9, 9 1/2; regular price 25c pair; Friday, 2 pairs for 35c
Ladies' fine quality Plain Cashmere Hose, seamless feet, full-fashioned; regular 50c quality; Friday, special, per pair 40c

Grocery and Crockery Department

1 bottle Lemon, 1 bottle Vanilla 25c
1 bottle Almond Extracts for 25c
3 pounds of Pure Icing Sugar for 25c
1 pound of Crosse & Blackwell's Mixed Peels, Orange, Citron and Lemon, for 25c
2 ounces Cloves, 2 ounces Ginger, 2 ounces Cinnamon, 2 ounces Pickling Spice and 2 ounces Turmeric for 25c
1 gallon of White Wine Vinegar for 25c
1 pound of our Imperial Blend, black or mixed, 40c Tea for 25c
10 1/2 pounds of McIntosh's Roller Oats for 25c
2 packages of McIntosh's Swiss Food for 25c
2 packages of Granose Flakes for 25c
5 pounds of No. 1 Rice Starch for 25c
5 packages of Challenge Brand Cornstarch 25c
3 pounds of Aracan Rice and 2 pounds of Pearl Tapioca for 25c
8 1/2 pounds of Redpath's Granulated Sugar for 50c
15 only 97-piece Dinner Sets, gilt edge, in assorted shades and decorations \$8.50 to \$11.00
15 only 97-piece Dinner Sets, in blue and pink, regular \$8 goods, for \$6.00
\$2.50 Printed 10-piece Toilet Sets for \$1.95
1 table of Fancy China Cups and Saucers, Plates, Salads, Fruit, Spoon Trays and Celery Dishes, ranging from 10c to \$1.00
1 cask of Fancy Jardinieres and Fern Pots.
600 Glass Tumblers for, each 3c

SHOE BARGAIN EXTRA

Ladies' Select Vici Kid Lace and Button Boots, turn and welt soles, all sizes, assorted lot; regular \$3 and \$2.50. Friday extra special \$1.98

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know; but in the meantime we do not think that the "concert" will produce any very sweet music.

Lumbermen complain that in order to get men to work in the woods they have to pay high wages. The men, however, do not complain. Neither do the workers generally. It is an indication that work is plentiful, and wages tending upwards. And that helps to make good times. No reasonable person wishes to disturb this condition of affairs.

Western Ontario.

Mr. Letta, principal of the Alvinston public school, has handed in his resignation, to take effect Oct. 1.

David Barr, of Sarnia, has been appointed license commissioner in West Lambton, as successor to J. S. Symington, deceased.

George Farwell, the Detroit man who, it is charged, destroyed a cornet at Walkerville Saturday, settled the case out of court.

Excavation was commenced Monday on the site of the new drill shed at Windsor. Thomas Chick has secured the contract of making the excavation.

A farm of 57 acres, southeast half of lot 33, con. 14, East Nissouri, belonging to the McMillan estate, was sold at Woodstock on Thursday to Mrs. Catharine McMillan, who is residing on the farm. Price, \$2,400.

The death is announced of Rev. John Philpot Curran, who was for some years rector of All Saints' Church at Mount Pleasant. Six years ago he resigned the rectorship of the church, and since that time he had resided in Brantford.

House was in the 66th year of his age. He leaves a widow and five children—Mrs. McGill, St. Thomas; Mrs. Robert Francis, New St. Thomas; Mrs. W. F. Charlton, Ashtaburgh; Mrs. (Dr.) Butchart, of Iowa, and Miss Bessie, at home.

James Brennan, of St. Thomas, son-in-law of John Clark, has mysteriously disappeared from his home in Buffalo. Nine days ago he left home as usual in the morning to go to work, but since that time nothing has been heard of him. He was formerly a railroad man and is well known in St. Thomas.

Canada at Paris.

[The Westminster, Toronto.] Canada has been able to make an effective stand for the Sabbath in the closing of its exhibit during the day of rest. Some time ago it was stated that as a result of the threats of the management of the exposition, the Canadian commissioners would be compelled to open their doors on the



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Lord's Day. The department at Ottawa, however, received this week a letter from Dr. Saunders, of the Experimental Farm, which states that on a recent Sabbath, although there were fully two hundred thousand visitors present, the Canadian exhibit was closed. We are proud of the moral courage displayed in taking this stand in the face of opposing influences so strong.

The exhibit of Canadian fruits and agricultural products is such as to attract great attention and to call forth unsolicited praise.

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