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#### A Few Prosperity Exhibits.

Here are some of the evidences of Canada's prosperity, gleaned from Mr. Fielding's budget speech:

The revenue this year will be \$46,632,-38 64, compared with \$40,555,238 in 1898, and \$37,829,778 in 1897.

The surplus this year will be \$4,600,-000, compared with a surplus of \$1,722,-712 in 1898, and a deficit of \$519,000 in The exports last year were \$164,152,-

689, compared with \$140,323,053 in 1897. The imports last year were \$140,323,-658, compared with \$119,218,609 in 1897. The mineral production last year was \$37,757,197, compared with \$28,661,430

The deposits in chartered banks last year were \$227,063,343, compared with

\$201,141,688 in 1897. The deposits in the government saving banks were \$50,111,118 last year, compared with \$48,934,975 in 1897.

The combined deposits in the government and chartered banks were \$297,-483,152 on March 81, of this year, compared with \$277,174,461 last year.

The clearing house returns were \$1,-890,019,314 last year, compared with \$1,-174,710,345 in 1897. An increase of over \$215,000,000. The note circulation of the govern-

ment and chartered banks was \$66,859,-434 last year, compared with \$66,332,860 in 1897, and \$57,562,703 in 1896. The net amount of insurance in force

in straight life companies was \$368,-517,074 in 1898, compared with \$344,012,-277 in 1897. The amount of new insurance effect-

ed in Canada in the straight life companies was \$54,270,775 in 1898, compared with \$48,267,665 4n 1897. The total number of commercial

failures in Canada in 1898 was 1,300, with habilities of \$9,821,233, compared with 1,809 caffures in 1897, representing nabilities of \$14,157,498. The earnings of the C. P. R. increas-

ed \$1,973,000, and those of the G. T. R. \$382,000, notwithstanding the rate war during the greater part of last year. The street railway earnings in Mont-

real, Toronto, Ottawa, London and Hamilton were \$3,149,504 in 1898, compared with \$2.860.167 in 1897.

The number of homesteads taken up from Government lands in Manitoba and the Northwest was 4.848 in 1898, as against 2,406 in 1897.

#### A Cheerful Briton.

Mr. Balfour's speech at the great Primrose League rally in old London | Advertiser takes note of the expanding on April 19, was notable for its cheer- enterprise of this capable firm as somefulness. It was in refreshing contrast thing that speaks well for London, and who take pleasure in decrying Great Britain because their selfish theories are confounded by British progress under free trade. Mr. Balfour alluded to a correspondence in 1845 between Sir Robert Peel, then Prime Minister, and the Duke of Wellington, then Commander-in-Chief. It was the opinion of the Duke that Great Britain at that date could not defend her own shores; that even a small landing of foreign troops to beleaguer British arsenals or to attack the Thames could not be successfully resisted, and that the ides of defending the colonies was practically hopeless. Sir Robert Peel was more confident than the Duke about Great Britain's capacity for home defense, but he frankly admitted that it was beyond her power to protect her colonies. The debt was then nearly £800,000,000, and though there had been 80 years of peace, little had been done to diminish it. The condition of the finances, Sir Robert wrote, was such as to absolutely prohibit the complete scheme of internal and external defense desired by the Duke. In this the Duke concurred. "Now, compare 1845 with 1899!" said Mr. Balfour. "I think we may say that not only are our shores above menace from any hostile power, but that our capacity to defend our colonies is equal to our will." This declaration was received with cheers.

Mr. Balfour pointed out that since Sir Robert Peel wrote that letter, the country had paid off all the financial obligations imposed by the Crimean War, and had, in addition, canceled £200,000,000 of debt-a legacy from generations now long gone by. The annual interest on the debt had diminished by more than £8,000,000 and the condition of every class in the community-most of all the working class—had improved by every test it was possible to apply. We quote Mr. Balfour in full:

"It is proved by the rate of wages, it is proved by the consumption per head of luxuries and of necessaries; it u proved by all the statistics which we can acquire with regard to the housing of the working classes; it is proved above all, by the diminution of pauperism. (Cheers.) Therefore, I say that we may, with confidence, consider that, vast as is the expenditure we are sked to bear to maintain the load of mpire, that expenditure is well within our resources, and in moments of stress and strain could, without difficulty, be augmented sufficiently to meet any conceivable emergency. (Cheers.) I say this, Heaven knows, in he spirit of boastfulness. My conin he spirit of boastfuiness. My con-fidence in the future is based upon a consideration of our past; it is based upon a view of the steady progress in wealth, in education, in population, which has gone on from year to year. It is based upon the diminution of our public charges, upon the great masses of the community. (Cheers.) I know no reason why these happy symptoms should change, why this serene sky hould in future be overcast; but, if evil times are to come, I am certain that we may look forward to the public spirit of the country rising to meet each danger as it comes upon us. (Cheers.) Let us, then, not under-rate the burden of empire; let us not prethat our expenditure is otherwise

and courage to the ability of this country, morally and financially, to bear any load of responsibility which the future may have in store. (Loud cheers.)" cheers.)"

#### The Asphalt Pavement.

The City Council, at Ald. Parnell's suggestion, has instructed the city clerk to ascertain from other large municipalities their methods of treating asphalt pavements. The pavement here is not in satisfactory shape, the top layer being worn through in spots, exposing the concrete bed. The Barber Company are under contract to keep it in repair for a term of years, at the expiration of which they are obliged to hand it over to the city in first-class condition. They attribute its present defects to the practice of continually saturating it. The surface is hardly ever dry in the daytime, and it is claimed the water soaks into and rots the asphalt. If this is so, the company are quite within their rights in protesting against the use of the street sprinkler. When the asphalt pavement was first haid here it was pronounced by experts to be of the highest grade, and there is no reason to doubt the statement. In fact, the Barber Company appear to have given special attention to the work in London, as they had future contracts in view. It is unfair to them and to the property owners who are paying for the pavement, if it is being deliberately destroyed by the present mode of drowning it several times a day. In Buffalo, where there is nearly 150 miles of asphalt, the usual plan is to wash and scour it every night, and then go over it with brooms. The watering cart is not used at all. Further information on this point will probably be forthcoming in reply to the queries sent out by the city clerk.

#### Creditable to London.

An illustration of the progress of London, the capital of Western Ontario, is to be found in the magnificent store of Messrs. Smallman & Ingram, whose well-written advertisements in this paper have made their name a household word. The store was spacious and handsome, even before its enlargement by taking in the large premises to the east. But now it looks truly metropolitan in its dimensions and appointments. It is not only spacious, but cheerful-looking, being flooded with light. This splendid business has not grown up by accident, but is the result of hard work, painstaking care, skill in buying, and the inculcation of alertness and unvarying courtesy behind every counter. Messrs. Smallman & Ingram not only have attractive goods, but, as experts and believers in advertising, they have always had the art of presenting their announcements in cheerful and attractive form. The mistic croaking of those is of interest to every part of Western

> About the only thing that shows a decline in Canada is bankruptcy.

Our foreign trade increased \$66,000,000 in the past two years, and \$57,000,000 in the eighteen years of the National

The rise of C. P. R. stock above par on the London Stock Exchange is one of the best advertisements Canada could have in the old country.

Governor Tanner of Illinois has vetoed a bill passed by the Legislature providing for the payment of bounties on sugar grown in the state. This is probably the most sensible thing that Tanner ever did.

The new Conservative organizer undertook to run the Montreal bar elections on party lines, with the result that all the candidates elected were Liberals excepting one. There is now moaning at the bar, but it comes from one section.

This is the day Mr. Foster is compelled to attack the budget. Mr. Foster, when he was Finance Minister, had the art of dressing up a weak budget, but he never had so hopeless a task as he has today in dressing down a strong

The British Government will grant no preference to the colonies in the matter of the wine duties. If the Australian wine-producing colonies had treated the mother country as fairly as Canada has done we venture to say the British Government would have given them different answer.

Napanee is rejoiced at the escape of the self-confessed criminals, Pare and Holden. It is another proof that the abstract principles of law and justice are often outweighed in the popular mind by some fleeting sentiment or prejudice. Under other circumstances the town of Napanee might rejoice to see Pare and Holden hanged for the same offense.

The Montreal Witness says that the new fourteen-foot channel by the St. Lawrence route should be tested during at least one season before the Government undertakes to assist rival routes of transportation. The Witness is right. The deepening of some of the harbors on the lakes and the Georgian Bay is all the Government can reasonably be expected to do in Ontario this year towards the great scheme of transportation, apart from the canal work not

In 1896 our national debt increased \$3,041,163; in 1897 the increase was \$2,417,802, and this year the increase will be \$1,700,000. Much of the money than indeed enormous—such as our than indeed enormous—such as our the state of the such as our than indeed enormous—such as our that should have been make this admission, let us look forward on the whole with confidence completed by the previous Government.

Henceforth we may look for a reduction of the debt. Seeing that the average annual increase was \$6,000,000 under Conservative rule the charge of extravagance against the present Administration cannot be made by a modest opponent.

Exports of Canadian flour to Britain have been almost annihilated; while, as is well known, our Dominion trade is largely disturbed by American imports despite the 60 cents per barrel protection.-London Free Press.

This is sheer misrepresentation. The increase in the exports of Canadian flour last year was one of the most remarkable features of our foreign trade. In 1898 we sold abroad 1,249,438 barrels valued at \$5,425,760. In 1897 our sales were only 421,758 barrels, valued at \$1 .-540,851. These figures refer exclusively to Canadian-made flour. Great Britain last year took \$3,954,049 worth of Canadian flour, as against \$809,434 worth in 1897. There is no ground here for urging an increase of the duty on flour.

The full horror of the Georgia crime was not brought out in the dispatches. Accounts by eye-witnesses, published in the southern papers, are almost too awful for belief. The Charleston Evening Post describes the scene which followed the burning of the negro Hose as follows:

"Before the body was cool it was cut to pieces, the bones were crushed into small bits, and even the tree upon which the wretch met his fate was torn up and disposed of as souvenirs. The negro's heart was cut in several pieces, as was also his liver. Those unable to obtain these ghastly relics direct paid their more fortunate possessors extravagant sums for them. Small pieces of bone went for 25 cents and a bit of the liver crisply cooked for 10 cents. The crowd fought for places about the smouldering tree, and with knives secured such pieces of his carcass as did not fall to pieces. The chain was severed by hammers, the tree chopped down, and with such pieces of the firewood as had not burned, were carried away as souvenirs."

### Observations.

Rev. J. A. R. Dickson, now of Galt, is more than a successful preacher and pastor-though that is a good deal to say of any man-but he has the distinction of having written a book which is now circulated more or less all over the

"Working for Jesus" was written by Dr. Dickson 28 years ago or more, while he was pastor of the London Congregational Church. It originated in a very simple way. He had been asked to prepare a paper for a ministerial assoclation, and he took up this suggestive theme. The paper when read was highly approved of, and the opinion was expressed by all who were there that it ought to be printed. Mr. F. E. Grafton, of Montreal, arranged to have it published by Partridge & Co., of London, England as a fournenny book. When it was issued it had not a few typographical errors. Dr. Dickson corrected these and offered it to the Religious Tract Society of London, who accepted it, and purchased the copyright. It was shortly after published by the American Tract Society. That was over 26

years ago. When it had been so long on the market, a living book still, the author thought of revising and slightly enlarging it, and dedicating it to the host of Christian Endeavorers, in whose ranks he had all along been an active worker. He did this, and offered the revised

work to the American Tract Society. And they accepted it, and gave him handsome consideration for his revicion. Shortly after this, when the same society was issuing another book written by Dr. Dickson, entitled,"The Truth That Saves, and How to Present It,' Dr. Rand, the secretary of the society, wrote to him saying that the committee had awarded him the George Wood premium, for the tract or book best illustrating the glory of Christ, the Son

of God, the Saviour of sinners." When this was received it was found to be \$50 in cash and a handsome gold medal valued at \$40, bearing on one side this inscription: "The George Wood Medal, for the Premium Tract on the Glory of Christ;" and on the other side, "Awarded to Rev. J. A. R. Dickson, Ph. D., Galt, Ont, author of

warm shampoos with CUTICURA SOAP. followed by light dressings with Curroura, purest of emollient skin cures. This treatment will clear the scalp and hair of crusts, scales, and dandruff, allay itching, soothe irritation, heal cruptions, stimulate the hair follicles, and supply the roots with nourishment and energy, thus producing a clean, wholesome scalp, with luxuriant, lustrous hair.

Hair Came Out Freely. I had the typhoid fever after which my hair came out freely. My mother suggested that I use CUTICURA remedies. I did so, meeting with untold success. My hair grew in thicker than at first, after use of CUTICURA SOAP and CUTICURA (Ointment). H. J. PATTERSON, 1906 W St., N. W., Washington, D. C.

Bad Scalp Humor Cured. I had a bad scalp humor, and thought I would go frantic with itching. I lest considerable of my hair (of which I had an abundance, and was very proud). I tried several remedies but they all proved a failure. I tried CUTIGURA SOAP, found immediate relief, and the itching is all gone. Mrs. M. JUDAN, 246 Halliday St., Jersey City.

Bad Dandruff Cured. Dandruff made my hair fall out so bad I gos discouraged. I rubbed Curicura (cintment) well into the scalp twice a week, and shampooed with warm water and a good lather of CUTICURA BOAP once a week. My hair is growing out thick once more, and free from dandruff. Miss ADA JAYES, Chelses, Mass. Bold throughout the world. POTTER D. AND C. CORP., Props., Boston. "How to Have Luxuriant Hair," free. SAVE YOUR SKIN Hands and Hair by CUTICUEA SOAP.

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Friday ..... 75c 10 dozen Extra Fine Quality 22-inch Paragon Frame, satin de chine cloth, fancy and plain handles, very special, Friday, each, .....\$1 00 manufacturer's sample lot, beautiful assortment of handles, no two alike. We offer them at one-third off regular price, from \$1 up to .. \$5 00

#### Carpets and Housefurnishings

Best five-frame Brussels Carpets, newest coloring and designs, reg-ular price, \$1, for Friday only.. 79c Finest Tapestry Carpets, all the best shadings, worth 50c and 60c, for day ..... 22c Best Union Ingrain Carpet, regular

Lace Curtains, extra fine quality, 31/2 yards long, special at .....\$1 00 Finest Nottingham Lace Curtains, special at \$1 75 and ...... \$2 00 Fine Sash Muslins, 15c and ......18c Fine White Quilts, new goods, very special, at 79c, 95c and ......\$1 19 White Marseilles Quilts, regular \$1 75, special for Friday ......\$1 25 15 dozen Window Shades, complete, very special, at ...... 25c 300 Window Shades, trimmed with

deep laces or fringes, regular price 50c, to clear Friday ...... 380 100 Curtain Poles, in oak, cherry or walnut, complete with wood trimmings to match, special at .....20c +000000000000000000000000000000000000

#### Extra Special.

7 patterns best \$1 to \$1 15 Brus sels Carpets, new goods, to clear out Friday we offer them at 79c the +00000000000000000000000

#### Parasols -- Extra Special Friday Bargains in Our Shoe Department

This Friday there are 36 pairs Misses' and Women's Dongola, machine sewed, some plain, some tipped, some were 85c, some were \$1 50 per pair, sizes 11 to 31/2, while they last, Friday, pair ...... 50c

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+ 11 pairs Women's Chocolate Vici Kid, ventilated, cloth top, turn soles; new coin toes; sizes 21/2 to 6, regular price \$2 50; and 13 pairs Women's Tan Dongolas, turn soles, good shape, made by J. D. King & Co., sizes 3 to 6. regular price \$2 25; your choice of either line on Friday ..... \$1 25 +

# 36 pairs Misses' Glove Dongola,

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sewed soles, patent tip button boots, sizes 11 to 2, regular \$1 25, Friday ..... Very special—Men's Dark Brown Calfskin Bicycle Boots, sewed

soles, good shape, regular \$2, Fri-Foxed, Goodyear Welt, Laced Boots, regular \$3, Friday, special Tables.

#### Mantle and Millinery Department

11 only Black Luster Skirts, full sweep, lined with linenette and faced with velvet, regular \$3 50, Friday .....\$2 45 Spring Coats, 7 only, Friday 

med in the latest styles, regular \$3 50 and \$4, Friday, each, .....\$2 29 10 boxes Flowers, Roses, Sprays and Foliage, worth 40c, 50c and 65c bunch, Friday, bunch ...... 25e Another lot of Ladies' Sailor Hats, white, black and fancy, worth 25c, 35c and 40c each, Friday, each, only.12c

### Friday Only

23 pounds Redpath's Granulated and two pounds of Imperial Blend Black or Mixed Tea for ..\$1 50 20 dozen of Rivington's Table Knives and Forks, regular \$1 50 and \$2 goods, for, per dozen .. \$1 00 20 only Bread Knives, saw edge,

for, each ...... 20 dozen Assorted Gilt Salt and Peppers, worth 20c, for, per pair .... 10c pounds of Redpath's Granulated Sugar and one pound of our Imperial Blend, Black, Mixed or Ja-

Baked Beans, with tomato sauce, regular 20c, Friday only, two for.. 25c The last of the Wall Paper, 150 odd rolls, regular 5c to 25c, clear at 1c per roll. Borders just as cheap. 2 barrels of Bright Crisp Ginger Snaps Friday at, per lb ......

#### Skirts

Ladies' Skirts, metallic stripe, in black and white, black and colors, regular \$1 75, special Friday ....\$1 35 Ladies' Skirts, metallic stripe, in black, with white stripe and polka dot, regular \$1 75, Friday .....\$1 50 Ladies' Skirts, in black and fancy stripes, in light weight moire sateen, Friday at half-price.

#### Hosiery

10 dozens Ladies' Fancy Drop-Stitch extra heavy, special Friday at 10c 

dorf dye, double heels and toes, seamless, regular 15c, Friday ....10c Children's Ribbed Hose, odd sizes, in plain and rib, two pairs for .. 50 **+00000000000000000000000** 

#### Hats.

Five dozen Men's Fine Fur Felt Fedora Hats, black, latest style, silk band and binding, Russian leather perspiration band; regular \$1 50, extra special \$1.

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'Working for Jesus,' by the American Tract Society, 1897." The book in its new dress is a neat volume, costing 50 cents. In its former shilling edition, Dr. J. Hood Wilson, of the Barclay Church, Edinburgh, told the author, on learning from him that he had written it: "Why, I have sent them all over the world. I sent one off yesterday to the Falkland Islands."

# What Others Say.

Shut the Flood Gates. [Pittsburg Chronicle.] Germany complains of an overproduction of language on the part of Americans.

> Encouraging Thrist. [Brantford Expositor.]

Winnipeg has decided to introduce the school savings banks system immediately. The probability is that within a few years school banks will be in general operation throughout Canada.

Petrolia's Narrow Escape.

[Toronto Telegram.] The Liberals of Lambton county will use coal oil as a beverage and drink themselves to death on kerosene cocktails if Hon. W. S. Fielding reduces the petroleum duties.

> Shakespeare's Rivals, [Cleveland Plaindealer.]

The revival of Shakespeare in New York proved a failure. It is awfully lucky that William lived at a time

when there were no educated dogs, nor flipflap turners, nor knockabout comedians to discourage him.

Farmers and Trusts. [Springfield, Mass., Republican.]

The agricultural classes cannot but view the spread of monopoly in mining and manufacturing and transportation with the gravest apprehensions. It seems to be impossible that they can effectively organize by way of protection or retaliation. The trust issue is certain to stir American politics to the depths, and a tariff which protects trusts, but cannot possibly protect the farmer in his staple lines of production, will not pass without question.

Who Wrote "Hamlet?" [Revue Bleu, Paris.]

There has just been discovered among the archives of Kilkenny the following play-bill: "Theater Royal of Kilkenny-By His Majesty's Troupe of Comedians-Next Saturday, 14 of May, 1793, will be represented, at the request of several respectable inhabitants of this learned metropolis, for the benefit of M. Kearns, The Tragedy of Hamletoriginally written and composed by the celebrated Day Hayes, of Limerick, and inserted in the works of Shakespeare.

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# Light and Shade.

Not Always Rainy, Either. "Life is not all sunshine, Harriet." "Yes, I know that; but you know very well, Julius, there are lots of days when I could carry a chiffon parasol if I had it."

Passing the Time. Tired Mamma-What on earth are you crying about now, Willie? Tired Willie (between sobs)-Well, what else is there to do?-Yonkers Statesman.

Self-Respect.

When people do not respect us we are sharply offended; yet deep down in his private heart no man much respects himself .- Pudd'nhead Wilson.

The First Slip.

When some one shall say to thee, "Thou knowest naught," and it bites thee not, then know that thou hast begun the work .- Epictetus.

Point of View. "Henry, we'd get along better together if you had more will power."
"No, Martha; we'd get along better if you didn't have quite so much."

# TRUSTFUL

Alleged Steel Combine To Be Capital ized at \$525,000,000.

New York, May 4.- The combination of the Carnegie works, the Rockefeller Mesaba iron interests, Federal Steel, American Steel and Wire, National Steel and American Tin Plate, according to a financial news bureau, will probably be concluded on a basis of \$525,000,000 capitalization. The understanding was said to be that the new combination would be drapped by I combination would be financed by J. S. Seligman & Co, the National City Bank and J. P. Morgan & Co.

The Republic Steel and Iron Company, whose capital is \$55,000,000, has filed incorporation papers in the county clerk's office, in Jersey City. The California Packers' Association has been incorporated with a capital stock of \$2,500,000. The object is to control the canned fruit trade. Formal announcement of the organization of the American Hide and Leather Company was made today. The company will soon be incorporated with a capital of \$70,000,000.

## WEEK'S SNOWSTORM

Has Blocked the Railroads in Colorado

-Big Fleet Icebound. Breckinridge, Col., May 3.—Railroads are blocked as a result of a week's snowstorm. No train or mail has ar-

rived since last Saturday.

Duluth, Minn., May 3. — The fleet began to arrive at midnight, and today the Senator, Selwyn Eddy, Rosedale, America, Fayette Brown, Mohawk, Superior City and Chile are lined up in the ice field, two miles from the harbor. The ice and wind show no change from yesterday. The steamer Troy is still fast in the ice field, but two tugs are cutting a way for her, and the big boat will be brought into the harbor before night. The steamer Gilbert tried to get out of natural en-try, but stuck fast, and is there yet.

## LUCKY MISTAKE

A Montreal Broking Firm Makes \$118,

000 on a Clerk's Error. Mistakes often come high, but there was one made in L. J. Forget & Co.'s office in Montreal, which resulted in making a fortune. It is in connection with the recent boom in Anaconda

shares. It seems a client of the firm went into the office and left an order to buy 500 shares of Anaconda in London. The order was entered by one of the clerks, and in making out the cable the order was given for 5,000 shares instead of 500. The stock was purchased. Mr. Forget was naturally not a little astonished when he found out the mistake in the returns which

were made to him.

He received a cable to the effect that 4,500 shares had been realized in London, and that the profit placed to his credit was just \$113,000. The stock had almost a continuous advance from the time the shares were bought, and the sale was made at pretty close to the

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