aging Director John Cameron

London, Friday, April 13.

In the matter of the circulation County of Middlesex. "The London Daily Advertiser." I, John Cameron, of the city of Lon-don, in the county of Middlesex, man-aging director of "The London Adver-

tiser," do solemnly declare: 'That the actual bona fide circulation of The London Advertiser for each and every day of the following dates was as follows:

March	1,	1900	9,957
March		1900	9,101
March	3,	1900	9,343
March	5,	1900	9,088
March	6,	1900	9,049
March	7.	1900	9,090
		1900	9,154
		1900	9,000
		1900	9,261
		1900	9,035
		1900	9,046
		1900	9,010
		1900	9,051
		1900	9,229
		1900	9,238
March	19,	1900	9,003
		1900	9,002
March	21,	1900	9,030
		1900	8,983
March	23,	1900	8,978
		1900	9,109
		1900	8,943
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Total......245,894 Or an average circulation for each day of 9,103

March 30, 1900..... 8,993

March 31, 1900..... 9,078

(Nine thousand one hundred and three copies.) This circulation is exclusive of all spoiled copies, being the actual circulation of mail list, sub-scribers, agents, carrier boys and

street sales.

And I make this solemn declaration, conscientiously believing it to be true, and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath and by virtue of the Canada Evidence Act, 1893. JOHN CAMERON.

Declared before me at the city of London, in the county of Middlesex, this seventh day of April, A. D. 1900. JAMES B. McKILLOP, A Commissioner, etc., H. C. J.

Two Leaders.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier has this to his credit-that, unlike his opponent, Sir Charles Tupper, he speaks with but one voice—the same in Quebec as in Ontario. Notably is this the case with regard to Canada's relations with the real objective of the imperial movethe Empire. Sir Wilfrid Laurier, holding fast to Canada's every right of self-government, so speaks and so acts as to increase the ties of loyal affection and the relationships of business with the dear Old Land.

What They Think of Us "at Home."

The British press, without exception, indulge in felicitations to the people-of Canada on the splendid advancement it is making, as shown in the model financial statement presented the other day to Parliament by Hon. Mr. Fielding, Finance Minister. The London Times, for example, says:

"Mr. Fielding's statement has many points of interest for the people of this country. But the one point of interest which transcends all others is the patriotic spirit of imperial solidarity in which his speech was conceived, de-livered and acclaimed. It was not the mere statement that the past year had been the most prosperous in the history of Canada which caused the speech to be punctuated with patriotic cheers and followed by the singing of the National Anthem. It was rather the common feeling that the past year of prosperity has also been one which has witnessed and sanctified the close affection which binds the Dominion to the Mother Country in a community of sacrifice, sorrow and achievement. These are the real 'cords of man,' these are the true bonds of empire—not a common felicitation in which we cordially join over a prosperous balance sheet, Lor even a new adjustment of fiscal relations, however advantageous

and desirable that may be in itself." The Standard, the chief Conservative newspaper in the United Kingdom, is

equally compliment by. It says:

"The account of the prosperous state
of Canadian finance, given by the
Minister of Finance in the Dominion House of Commons, is not only a very proper matter for satisfaction on the part of Sir Wilfrid Laurier's Government, but will also be a cause of un-mixed gratification throughout the em-pire. Mr. Fielding is to be congratulated on being able to announce that, change between them, and unites them while the fiscal year ending last June closer than could ever be possible unhad been the most prosperous in Canadian history, the current twelve months are estimated to show even better returns; and for the following year Mr. Fielding is able to declare that the outlook is, in all respects, favorable. Such has been the buoyancy of the revenue, that, in spite of the handsome contribution which Canada is making towards British military expenditure in the current year, not a dollar need be added either to the taxation or debt of the colony, and a larger surplus will remain than has ever yet been recorded. * * * The whole future of the colony, and its place in the empire, depend on its obtaining a considerable increase of population, so that its immense resources may at last be adequately developed. Of late years a marked advance in this respect has been ob-servable, and the stream of British immigration to the United States has been diverted more and more to Canada."

The St. James' Gazette, a Liberal journal of eminence, joins in the chorus of congratulation to the people of the

at the close of Hon, Mr. Fielding's

"It would be satisfactory at any time to know that the commercial prosperity of Canada is increasing; but it was not that knowledge alone which evoked the patriotic cheers and the singing of the National Anthem at the conclusion of Mr. Fielding's budget speech in sion of Mr. Fielding's budget speech in the Canadian Parliament. Rather it was felt that the past year was not only one which showed a prosperous balance sheet, but one which had drawn Canada and the Mother Coun-try together by the closest of ties— the bonds of a common sacrifice and a common achievement. Those cheers were called forth no less in memory of Paardeberg than in recognition of the Paardeberg than in recognition of the fact that by means of a preferential tariff in favor of the United Kingdom the past year proved to be the most prosperous in the history of the Dominion. The general tariff was reduced in favor of this country by 25 per cent in 1898; it is further to be reduced to 33½ per cent in 1900. That this reduction will further increase Canada's prosperity is confidently to be ada's prosperity is confidently to be hoped; that the bonds of empire have bound her to the Mother Country more closely than before is a subject for even more profound congratulation."

As to the influence of Canadian policy in promoting trade with Great

Britain, the London Globe says: "The splendid results of the preferential principle afford a complete answer to those Canadians who object to reducing import duties unless the Mother Country is prepared to reci-procate. As the Finance Minister observes, reciprocity cannot be expected at present. It may possible come hereafter, and if it does it will come as a development of the imperial spirit to which recent events have given such a powerful impetus. The Canadian Parliament had the courage to take what looked much like a leap in the dark, but the seeming temerity has been more than justified by the position in which the colony finds itself

The Outlook holds out no hope for the establishment of British discrimination in favor of colonial products. The "open door," in its opinion, must remain. These are its views:

"The zeal of the tariff imperialists of Canada commands British sympathy and the admiration of all, the more because a British tariff discrimina-tion in favor of colonial products is as impossible today as ever. One pillar of the Empire's strength is its free trade; it must remain the Empire of the open door so far as home markets are con-

The Westminster Gazette, a journal with a wide circulation and influence, holds out no hope that Britain will return to the system of taxing the food of its people, even to promote closer unity with the colonies. Mr. James Lowther is an English politician who has argued in favor of taxatian of breadstuffs entering Great Britain from all countries outside British possessions, but he has very few followers. The Westminster Gazette says of him that he is a prophet who finds favor with some persons in Canada, but this tribute to him "only shows that a prophet must look for real honor and recognition in some country other than his own." Our contemporary adds: ment is the taxation of breadstuffs. Here at last is a definition of imperlalism that ought to unite the Liberal party; on this basis the L. L. A. A. M. and the I. L. C. ought to join forces. We are all anti-imperialists if to protect out Empire means to protect our food. We are grateful to Canada for her preferential treatment—it is con-clusive evidence of the friendly feel-ing of Daughter Colony towards Mother Country. But Canada will do well to recognize that few of us are imper-

ialists so long as the imperial move-ment is personified in Mr. Lowther." The fame of Canadian progress and achievement has also extended north of the Tweed, for we find the following reference to the standing of the country in that representative Scottish

newspaper, the Edinburgh Scotsman: "In spite of large capital expendi-ture at home, and in spite of the ex-penditure incurred in rendering assistance to the British Empire in South Africa, the buoyancy of her revenue has enabled Canada to make both ends meet without adding a penny to the debt of the country. The most gratifying feature of the trade returns of the year has been the great increase in trade with the mother country. From 1893 to 1897 British imports dropped from forty-three millions to twentynine millions, but under the preferential tariff they rose to thirty-seven millions again in 1899, and the partial returns for the present year show a still further increase. . . The happy experience of Canada will encourage the Australians to persevere in the at-tempt, and it may be hoped that like

success may attend them.' These are the views of independent outside critics. They cannot be gainsaid. Not all the detraction of the political pessimists in the Canadian Opposition ranks can injure an Administration which is guiding the Dominion in achievements that call forth encomiums from every source of independent criticism. Yet the time of Parliament, in the past two weeks, has been wasted in the endeavor to befog the electorate, and to lead them to the belief that the preferential tariff is at one and the same time a fraud on the British people and an injury to the Canadian public. The fact is, it is a benefit to both the Motherland and to Canada, as it promotes profitable excloser than could ever be possible under a tariff that regarded increased trade with Great Britain as an injury to be avoided by the imposition of vexatiously high taxes. One is not astonished to find that the British press, without respect to political affinities, so regard it, and rejoice in the prosperity

and progress of the West. We believe our own people, with the exception of a few politically-blinded partisans, entertain the same views, and that they will not consent to return to the old order of things, and the withdrawal of the preferential tariff, which is the avowed policy of the Opposition in Parliament.

Feeling blue? Take LAXA-CARA cathartic tablets and have the impurities drained out of your system, your blood cleared, your stomach settled. Then watch your spirits rise! At druggists price 25 cants gists, price 25 cents.

Dominion on the success which has attended the new era in Canada, and it thus refers to the scene witnessed Give Holloway's Corn Cure a trial. It removed ten corns from one pair of feet without any pain. What it has done it will do again.

THE RUNIANS, GRAY, CARRIE CO. THE RUNIANS, GRAY, CARRIE CO.

SATURDAY WILL BE BARGAIN DAY THIS WEEK

Today being Good Friday, the store will be closed all day and shoppers and salespeople alike will rest from business. On Saturday morning at 8 o'clock we'll be ready with the following extraordinary bargain list, the best we have provided yet. The earlier you come the better chance you'll stand to get some of the good ones.

Dress Goods

Dress Goods, at, per yard 250
30 pieces Plain and Fancy Dress
Goods, 42 and 44 inches wide, were sold at 40c to 75c per yard, Saturday and until sold, per yard25c Black and Navy Serge, per yard 35c 7 pieces 44-inch All-Wool Black and

day special at, per yard \$1 Homespun, 65c-5 pieces only, Plaid Homespuns, shades of blue, red, green, gray and terra cotta combination, 90c goods, special Satur-Homespun, brown, gray, fawn and blue, mixtures, 75c and 85c goods, Saturday, per yard50c

Laces and Veilings

,600 yards of Val. Lace and Insertion; regular 3c, 5c and 7c yard; special Saturday1c, 2c and 3c 10 pieces only White All-over Lace, suitable for yokes or waists, stripes, bow-knot and other pat-terns, 18 inches wide; special Sat-urday, per yard40c and 60 53 Cards Torchon Lace, regular 15c, 20c and 25c per card; special Sat-urday, per card of 12 yds..10c and 15c 30 pieces Fancy Net and Spot Veil-

ings, in black and colors; regular 15c, 20c and 25c a yard; special Saturday 100 27 pieces Plain and Spot Veiling, in colors; regular 5c and 10c yard; special Saturday, 2 for bo

Kid Gloves

See our \$1 00 Glove, in all the new shades, with two large clasps and heavy black or white points.

Fine French Kid Gloves, in tans, and blacks, sizes 5%, 6, 6%, 7, 7%, 7% only, regular \$1 25, Saturday 55e

Hosiery

Plain Cashmere Hose, bed Cashmere Hose, seamless feet, double heels and toes, spe-

House-Furnishings

Lace Curtains at \$1-3½ yards long, taped edge, fine patterns, Nottingham goods, special per pair..\$1 00 Lace Curtains, 3½ yards long, scal-loped and taped, special.......\$1 50 Lace Curtains, handsome new patterns, extra special value.....\$2 00 17 only Rugs, 27x60, all wanted colors, fringed ends, regular \$2, size, good assortment of pat-terns, regular \$3, Saturday, 27 inches wide, good patterns, new designs, regular 45c, Saturday and until sold, per yard 356 Saturday will be the last day to buy \$1 Brussels carpets for, per per yard....20c, 25c, 371/2c, 47c and 75c

Staple Department.

Best Standard Shirtings, 121/2c

and Green Tabling, from 54 to 72

\$2 75 goods, for, per dozen\$2 00
31-inch Heavy Sateen Skirtings, in
black and white, blue and gold,
green and gold, heliotrope and
black, special price, per yard 25c
Heavy Cottonades, the 20c quality,
Saturday

and clean, special Saturday, per

Millinery Special

a yard, Saturday 30

64 Untrimmed Hats, sailors, turbans, flats, etc., were 50c, 60c, 75c, \$1 00, Saturday and until sold,

Boots and Shoes

We have special bargains for Sat-urday for farmers' spring wear:

den's heavy sized kip, Blucher-cut, Congress Shoes, pegged soles, Sat-urday \$1 25 and \$1 25 Women's Strong Shoes, for spring wear, all sizes, pegged and rivet-ed soles, regular \$1 00 and \$1 25, caps, new spring style, all sizes, Saturday \$1 See our new Spring Oxford Shoes,

Men's Furnishings

many styles, all new, biggest as-sortment and best value yet,

Men's Top Shirts, fine Oxford shirting, dark stripes, blue and white, sizes 14% to 16, regular 50c, Sat-linen cuffs and bosom, continuous facings, all sizes; special Satur-knots, strings and bows, Satur-day 25c and 50c

Corsets and Skirts

Ladies' Corsets, long waist, solid steel filling and cork protection under front steel, Saturday\$1 00 Ladies' Heavy Jean Corded Corsets, regular 50c, special Saturday ... 35c
Ladies' Silk Skirts, in pinks, purple,
black and white, or black, size
38-inch only, were \$6 00 to \$8 00. sook yoke, of fine tucks and tor-chon insertion, edged with lace, embroidery and insertion, very of deep embroidery, good width,

Ribbons

Saturday

47 pieces Silk Taffeta Ribbon, 4 inches wide, in black, white, and all the new shades; regular 25c Stripes and Checked Ribbons, worth 20c, 25c and 30c a yard;

Handkerchiefs

chiefs, hemstitched, embroidered, new patterns: also embroidered edge handkerchiefs, regular 20c and 25c each; very special, 15c each or 2 for 25c

Parasols

Ladies' Black Umbrellas, with silk and wool cover, strong steel frame, fancy handles; very spe-special

Glassware.

[In the Basement.]

and gold, each 25c. 30c and 35c

Hats

100 Men's and Youths' Soft Felt Hats, black, brown and gray shades, sizes 61/4 to 71/3, regular price 50c to \$1 50; come early if you want one: Saturday

100 Boys' Tweed and Serge Caps,
new spring styles and shapes, ..19c special Saturday

Men's Fine Fur Felt Stiff Hats,
black, brown and Vera shades, ..10c also new colors and shapes in Soft Hats; very fine stock; reg-ular \$2 50 and \$3 00; Saturday bar-

children's Cloth Tams, some plain, some gilt trimmed; special Saturday 25c and 35c

Spring Jackets and Coats

Late arrivals marked down. Shades of fawn, gray, brown. Saturday we

\$5 00 Coats for \$4 00 Our Children's Jackets are up-todate in every particular. Nobby, new and low in price.

Ready-to-Wear Clothing

Men's Spring Overcoats, fine Clay worsted, dark gray shade, Italian linings, three-quarter length, re-gular price, \$8,50. Saturday bar-all-wool Canadian tweed, neat check pattern, in brown and gray; regular price, \$6 and \$6 50. class; regular price \$4 95 to \$5 50. Saturday bargain \$3.35

Boys' Two-Piece Sults, all-wool tweed, new patterns, light and medium shades; regular, \$2.50 to \$3. Saturday bargain\$198
Men's Trousers, good West of England worsted, and herring-bone whipeords. Special value, Sat-Men's Trousers, all-wool tweeds, stripe and check patterns, stylish cut, all sizes, serviceable and good to wear for workingmen.

Saturday......\$1 25 and \$1 50 SPECIAL

Men's Overalls, blue denim, with bibs, and cottonade, all sizes; regular 45c and 47c. Saturday bar-

Stationery

1,000 Pads, ruled or plain, from International Pad, fine linen paper, laid note, 100 sheets. Extra special 10c Royal Fine Cream-Laid Vellum, Our Special Leader Scribbler. Saturday, 2 for 5c

Soaps

Boquet Violet, special per box.... 10c
Hyacinth, 3 cakes for 15c
Golden State Beauty, 3 cakes for ... 15c
Brown Windsor, per cake...1c, 2c, 3c
Lana Oil, per box (3 cakes in box) 25c

Smallwares

Special values in Dress Shields, extra heavy. Saturday, 2 pairs Good White Elastic, 34 and 38 inch, worth 7c a yard; 2 yards for.... 5c Special line of Steel Hairpins, crimped or plain. Saturday per package Crystal Hatpins, special each..... Our New Belt Pin Book, 60 pins, assorted sizes, jet tops, per book. 50-Children's Hose Supporters, per

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RISKED HIS LIFE

Heroic Cabin Boy Jumped Into the Lake to Save a Newsboy Cornetist From Drowning.

Detroit, April 22-At Cleveland yesterday morning when the Detroit Newsboys band was borading the steamer City of Detroit for the return trip, a little cornetist, named of Homer Greiner fell off the dock into the water.

Dennis Weiss, of 695 Concord avenue, Detroit, an employe on the vessel who takes care of the officers' cabin jumped in after him. For a few minutes the cold water had the hetter of him, and his face, almost purple, appeared above the surface. It looked as if the sudden chill was too much for him, and the alarmed crowd held their breath, fearing that the lad had lost his life in the attempt to save the young

Homer's body was sinking for the third time when Dennis saw it and made a strong dive. It seemed an age to the crowd before he appeared again, but Homer was on his arm when he at last came up.

Both boys were in a few minutes under warm blankets, and Dennis revived quickly

and was about, working over the inanimate body of Homer Greiner. For several hours it looked as if life was gone from the latter, but yielding to the exertions of several experienced men he slowly but surely revived and by the time the boat was in Detroit he was almost as well as before the accident.

The Newsboys are thinking of doing something for Dennis.
"But," one of them remarked, "we hain't got no lucre to do der crack t'ing you know. P'raps some rich guy'll help us out."

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