

RECIPROCITY.

CANADIAN GOVERNMENT'S PROPOSALS TO AUSTRALIA.

Proposal That Negotiations for Reciprocity Be Formally Opened—Benefits to Both Countries—No Preference on Some Articles.

The Melbourne Argus announces that Mr. D. H. Ross, Canadian representative in Australia, upon cable instructions from Ottawa, has laid before Sir Wm. Lyne, Finance Minister of the Commonwealth, a letter proposing that negotiations for reciprocity between Canada and Australia be formally opened.

To give Canada a preference would, it is argued, tend to divert trade from the United States to Canada in many articles not produced in the Commonwealth. It is pointed out that Australia pays \$27,000 and Canada \$27,000 in subsidy to the Canadian-Australian Line of mail steamers—the only service across the Pacific—while later on the "magnificent" steamers of the all-red route will be seen in Australian waters, to the benefit of the export trade of this country.

Leading lines of both Australian and Canadian goods and products can be interchanged to the advantage of both countries, and a large and growing trade will be established.

Attached to the letter is a schedule of goods and products Canada can export to Australia on which preference is suggested on a "suggested understanding antecedent to the consideration of a reciprocal trade agreement between Australia and Canada." This understanding is divided into two parts, as follows:

A. The Australian preferential tariff on goods the produce or manufacture of the United Kingdom to be extended to all Canadian goods or products not included in the schedule of articles enumerated in the special reciprocal trade agreement between Australia and Canada.

B. The Canadian preferential tariff on goods the produce or manufacture of the United Kingdom to be extended to all Australian goods or products not included in the schedule of articles enumerated in the special reciprocal trade agreement between Australia and Canada.

The letter also asks that Sir William Lyne would make an appointment with the Canadian representative so that the matter may be fully discussed. Sir William, however, while quite prepared to discuss the question, will hear of no proposal in connection with the present tariff. "Some of the items on which preference is asked," he said, "are out of the question. Take harvesters, for instance, and agricultural machinery. I told Sir Wilfrid Laurier in London that preference on these items was impossible."

HALL OF SCIENCE.

BAPTISTS' FINELY EQUIPPED BUILDING NOW OPENED.

Autumn Convocation—Two New Professors Were Installed—Record Enrollment of Students—Presentation of Scholarships and Prizes.

Toronto, October 5.—The autumn convocation of the faculty and students of McMaster University, usually an interesting function, was made notable last night by what was virtually the opening of the new Science Hall, which has been erected at a cost of \$53,000, and also by the installation of two new professors, Dr. J. A. Gilmore, appointed to the chair of practical theology, and Dr. J. Bishop Tingle, to the chair of chemistry. Addresses were delivered by the Chancellor, who stated that the convocation of students this year was the largest in the history of the university, and by the two new professors, and the convocation lecture was delivered by Dr. Cross, Chancellor A. C. McKay, B.A., LL.D., president, and there was a large attendance of members of the faculty, students and friends, the chapel being well filled.

The Chancellor introduced Professor J. I. Gilmore (formerly pastor of James Street Baptist Church, Hamilton), who was appointed some time ago to the chair of practical theology, but who had been prevented by illness from taking up his duties last session.

Professor Gilmore briefly acknowledged the kindness and indulgence which had been shown him since his appointment, and promised to give to his task the very best he was capable of giving.

The following scholarships and prizes were then presented: Governor-General's medal, A. F. Smith; Crawford scholarship, T. M. Dodson, B.A. (1906); N. McNaughton, B.A. (1907); church history scholarship, H. R. Nobles, B.A.; D. E. Thomson scholarship, D. A. MacGibbon; William Craig prize, C. A. Curtis; Zenas Freeman prize, M. H. Long; Hunt prize, R. G. English; Shenstone scholarship, A. H. Hutchinson; Pratt scholarship, K. Clark; J. W. Knight prize, H. D. Smith; G. W. Langdon prize, W. L. Blackadar; Sanderson prize, R. W. Weaver; Elmore Harris prize in Latin, Elmore Harris prize in Greek, Miss L. J. Craig; John Firstbook prize in French, Joseph Wearing; James Ryrie prize in German, W. J. Donald.

This week's Canada Gazette announces that the Scott Act in Cape Breton County is now revoked in conformity with the recent vote of the electors.

When a man or woman finds sickness coming on, such as indigestion, weak eyes, bowel complaint, kidney trouble, etc., it is time some attention is given to the subject of food and drink.

In practically all such cases where coffee or tea is the drink, one can obtain relief by quitting the coffee or tea and taking Postum for he leaves off a drink that is an active producer of disease and takes in its place a powerful liquid food that contains elements for rebuilding the nerve centres which have heretofore been torn down. "There's a Reason."

The Daily Fashion Hint.



TWO Dainty FROCKS.

These two dainty frocks are for parties and other dressy occasions. The larger is plain white-lawn trimmed with val. lace and insertion and having a yoke of baby Irish lace run with satin ribbons. The little girl's dress is also lawn and lace. The band over the shoulder is formed of beading, run with ribbon and edged with lace and insertion, and gives a dressy appearance to the frock.

A TALK ABOUT OLD MEXICO

Interesting Interview With Mr. J. C. Riach, An Old Dundas Boy.

Mr. J. C. Riach, of Mexico City, Mexico, an old Dundas boy, is in the city now visiting his father, Mr. George Riach. Mr. Riach has been in Mexico for the last six years, where he has been very successful in business, and comes back to Hamilton with many good things to say of his adopted country. For the last three years he has held the position of expert accountant with James F. MacNab & Co., accountants, Mexico City. His business has taken him pretty much all over the Republic, north, east, west and south, with the exception of that part lying on the Pacific Coast. The real business of the country is mining. Mexico being fabulously wealthy in minerals. The Spaniards worked a good many mines to the water level and then deserted them, but Englishmen and Americans have come in with up-to-date machinery and find more gold, silver and copper under than above the water level. However, he does not think very much of the sugar plantation companies on the Isthmus of Tehuantepec. He says they have as yet paid no dividends on the capital invested. Native labor is very scarce and dear, and these companies have to hire Japanese help. Among the mining camps attracting much attention is the El Oro, these are the most famous mining camps in Mexico. The Dos Estrellas mine is also a valuable proposition—it



PRESIDENT DIAZ, OF MEXICO.

stock selling at 100 per cent. above par. Mexico is now beginning to ship oranges in large lots from the orange growing districts in the State of Jalisco. One of the railroads has just completed a line to tap that district. The orange season comes between the California and the Florida season, and the oranges may be known in Canada by their sweetness. The climate, except on the coast, where it is very warm, is temperate. On the tableland the weather is never very hot nor very cold. Mexico City is up-to-date in every particular. The city government is good. A policeman is to be found on every corner, and no man would dare to resist arrest, or interfere with the police, as punishment would be swift and severe. There are more automobiles in the city than in any other city of its size, except it be Los Angeles, Cal. They have an excellent street car system with large, roomy cars, larger than the Dundas cars here. An electric car system is also being inaugurated in the city of Guadalajara. It has the most delightful climate of any city in Mexico. The Southern Pacific Railway is building a line down to the Pacific Coast from Guaymas, and will tap a very rich mineral and agricultural district.

The Isthmus of Tehuantepec has a railway extending from the Atlantic to the Pacific Ocean—over 130 miles long. Gen. Diaz, the President of the Republic, a few months ago touched the button that lifted a load of sugar bags from the hold of a ship which had arrived from the Hawaiian Islands on a trade. These bags were forwarded to the Atlantic seaboard and then shipped

to New York. Long before the Panama Canal is built, Mr. Riach says, there will be a double track clear across the isthmus. There is much capital going into Mexico, but like most other countries, money is tight. Business, however, is good. Real estate in the City of Mexico has increased in value greatly. What could be purchased six years ago for \$4 or \$6 a square meter is now worth from \$25 to \$30. But he thinks values won't go any higher.

Living is high and wages high in proportion. He would not now advise anybody to go down there looking for a job unless he can speak some Spanish. The teaching of English in the Public Schools is now made compulsory, and the rising generation is all learning to speak English. Mechanics who can talk Spanish can command from \$6 to \$8 a day Mexican money—equal to \$3 to \$4 a day Canadian money. The educated Mexican is very polite and nice to deal with, but particularly sharp in business affairs. The poorer class in the City of Mexico is illiterate, and not at all a desirable citizen. But in the villages the Indian is a very decent sort of fellow. The Mexicans are particular in a way. They make good enough neighbors, but they seldom allow a foreigner inside their houses. General Diaz is almost a full-blooded Indian, as are most of his State Governors. Mr. Riach speaks highly of him. The country has prospered under his guidance. The Republic is peaceful, and life and property are as safe there as they are in Canada. The Federal District Government, which includes the City of Mexico, is very efficient, and graft is unknown to it. Commercial and business manufactures are such now that in the event of Diaz's death little trouble is looked for, and a revolution is out of the question. The Mexicans have learned to value the benefit of stable government, and will do nothing to jeopardize it. The army controls the country.

Mr. Riach, who can speak and read Spanish like a Spaniard, will remain in this city and country for several weeks before he returns to Mexico, and is an expert accountant when he does return he will not return alone—a young Canadian bride accompanying him to his Mexican home.

OVER SUPPLY OF WHISKY.

There is Enough Scotch on Hand to Last Four Years.

London, Oct. 4.—It has been decided to call a meeting of the Highland whisky distillers to endeavor to come to an agreement with the view of advancing prices during the forthcoming distilling season.

Owing to the great increase in the price of coal, amounting all round to fully 100 per cent., and the higher price of barley as a result of the sunless summer, working costs have been raised to a point which leaves little or no margin of profit.

It is fully recognized that the difficulties in the way of advancing prices are very great, in view of the fact that there are too many producers and that the stocks already in bond are overwhelmingly large.

The number of distillers in Scotland is 164, of which 93 produce Highland malt whisky, and the stocks amount to 118 million proof gallons, equal to over four years' supply.

It is suggested that the distillers should be effectively organized and that certain distilleries should be closed down with the view of restricting production, those closing down being compensated out of a fund provided by those working.

HOW THE SCRAP STARTED.

Jones stepped on Smith's favorite corn, and of course there was trouble. What Smith needed was Putnam's Corn Extract, that painless remedy for corns and warts that cures in twenty-four hours. Putnam's is the old stand-by; try it.

FINE PARADE.

Thirteenth Had a Turnout of 455 Last Evening.

The 13th Regiment held a bumper parade last evening, there being over 450 men in uniform. The drills were gone through with a snap and ginger that greatly pleased Col. Moore and the officers of this old regiment. As the season advances, the regiment is rapidly coming to its true form, as the best marching regiment in Canada. Battalion and company drill was indulged in for a while, after which a short march out took place. On its return, Col. Moore spoke briefly to the men, complimenting them on the excellent turnout. He mentioned the fact that the McLaren shelter competition would take place on October 12th, and requested a full representation from each company.

The brass and bugle bands were out in full strength last evening, and that helped very much to put enthusiasm into the soldiers. The drummers of the bugle corps have had musical bells attached to their drums, which adds much to the music of this excellent corps. The parade state was: Lieut. Col. Moore, Major McWhurn and Rose, Capt. Donville, Adjutant, Major Griffin and Capt. Carter, surgeons; Major Herring, paymaster; Archdeacon Forrester, chaplain; staff-sergeants 12, A 38, B 47, C 39, D 38, E 32, F 25, G 35, H 33, buglers 45, band 32, bearers 16, Maxim 7, signallers 8, recruits 38, total 455.

Y. M. C. A. OPENING.

East End Association in New Quarters To-morrow.

As announced in another column, the Y. M. C. A. work in East Hamilton will be opened up on Sunday and Monday, Oct. 6th and 7th, at the building, corner of Barton street and Milton avenue, purchased from the Barton Street Methodist Church. It has been remodelled and equipped for the work and provides facilities for reading, recreation, noon lunch, bathing, light gymnastics, lawn bowling (indoors), religious services, educational classes, etc. The efforts put forth by the association to furnish such a place for the benefit of the employees of the many factories in that part of the city and others will be appreciated and liberally patronized. The services on Sunday should be well attended.

HOW FRUIT-GROWERS FLOURISH.

Ontario Has Unique System of Co-operation in Experiments.

New York, Oct. 4.—At the International Conference on Plant Hardiness and Acclimatization, held in this city yesterday under the auspices of the New York Horticultural Society, Professor H. H. Hutt, of the Ontario Agricultural College, gave an address on the "Co-operative Methods Adopted in Ontario to Ascertain Hardiness in Fruits and Vegetables." He outlined the work accomplished by the Ontario fruit experiment station, and described the plan of co-operations whereby 8,000 growers on tests of fruits and vegetables under the direction of the horticultural department of the college. In no other country in the world has the co-operative idea of helping the people to help themselves been so practically wrought out as in Ontario.

The professor's address was an eye-opener for those who had not before heard of the magnitude of this work carried on by our Canadian cousins.

WIRELESS WORKING WELL.

Marconi Sends Message Every Day Over Atlantic.

Sydney, N. S., Oct. 4.—"Wireless telegraphy will be a commercial success within the time I have mentioned," said Signor Marconi to the press. "Every day I am talking with Clifden, and receiving replies."

"Everything is working most satisfactorily, and I have no complaint to make," were the words of the inventor.

He expressed himself as being much pleased over the recent success of Marconi's system, which is now quoted at £1 8s. 3d., an increase of 30 per cent. within the last three weeks.

WIFE ASKED SALARY.

Left Husband Because He Refused to Pay It.

Ottawa, Oct. 4.—One of the most peculiar cases which have ever been dealt with by the Hull Superior Court has just been disposed of by Judge Robidoux. Joseph Dubois, of Aylmer, Que., was brought before the court charged with the non-support of his wife.

In the evidence it was shown that Mrs. Dubois had refused to live with her husband or keep house for him unless he paid her \$2 a day for her services. He therefore refused, and his wife left him.

The judge held that the wife's claims were absurd, and dismissed the case.

TO DEPORT WHITE SLAVES.

Washington, Oct. 4.—Secretary Strauss, of the Department of Commerce and Labor, and Frank P. Sargent, Commissioner-General of Immigration, have determined to eliminate the "white slave" traffic from the United States, if possible. They have determined to round up all alien immoral women in large cities, and those who have not been in the United States three years and were brought here illegally will be deported, and, if possible, those responsible for their presence punished.

MONTREAL MAN ASPHYXIATED.

Joseph Brossard, Commercial Traveller, Found Dead in Bed.

Montreal, Oct. 4.—Joseph Brossard, about forty years of age, was found at 10 o'clock this morning dead in bed, having been asphyxiated by gas. He was a commercial traveller living at 4 St. Louis square, was a widower and leaves three small children. An inquest will be held to-morrow.

COLLISION AT FORT FRANCES.

Fort Frances, Oct. 4.—A head-on collision occurred here last night at 10.30 between east and west bound freights. The eastbound train was derailed and the tender smashed. The engineer was the only one seriously injured, the remainder getting off with a few bruises.

London, Ont., millers advanced the price of what ten cents owing to the local scarcity.

L. O. G. T.

International Lodge Gave Good Concert and Farce.

The entertainment given by International Lodge last evening was a great success, the C. O. O. F. Hall being crowded to the doors. A. Lawson, Chief Templar, occupied the chair, and gave a brief address, after which the following programme was presented: Piano solo, "Dreamland Waltz," Miss Lizzie Smith; comic song, "Travelling," Scott Morrison; song, "Lullaby," Mrs. Kingden; duet, "Pilot Brave," G. C. and J. Porteous; recitation, "Thirty Years With a Shave," Mrs. F. Skeddien; song, "Ashore," G. C. Porteous; song, "Once Again in Bonnie Scotland," Mrs. Kingden; comic song, "Let It Alone," Scott Morrison; duet, "Larboard Watch," G. C. and J. Porteous; piano solo, "Visions of Rest," Miss Lizzie Smith. All the numbers were well received, every selection being given to the accompaniment of her usual skill and taste. The entertainment concluded with the farce, "Who's Who, or, All in a Fog," with the following cast: Bloomfield Brambleton... F. S. Morrison; Simonides Swanblipper... A. H. Lyle; Lawrence Lavender... Scott Morrison; Cicely Brambleton... Miss Lily Boniface; Matilda Jane... Miss Mary Morrison. All the parts were well taken, and the farce went off without a hitch, creating roars of laughter.

FIELDING-BRODEUR.

Welcomed Home at Quebec the French Treaty.

Quebec, Oct. 4.—The Board of Trade, the oldest institution of its kind in Canada, presented an address of welcome to Messrs. Fielding and Brodeur on their return, as the address stated, "from a memorable trip abroad, in which they contributed to the development of foreign trade and helped the country in a most important and complete commercial emancipation."

Mr. Fielding, in reply, said that, while not at liberty, for diplomatic reasons, to at present make public the details of the treaty just negotiated with France, yet he was able to indicate the general principles on which it had been made. A good bargain was one in which both sides profited. The present treaty was not the first negotiated by Canadian statesmen, instancing the treaty with France fourteen years ago. That treaty, however, was small and unequal. They were given full power to enter into the negotiations, with the understanding that whatever was done by them would be ratified. There was no interference whatever, and the Ministers were clothed with full powers as plenipotentiaries.

Mr. Brodeur also replied at length, and Sir Wilfrid and the other Ministers spoke briefly.

BIG LINER SWEEP BY WAVE.

Cedric's Passengers Bring Story of Disaster to the Umbria.

New York, Oct. 4.—Passengers on the steamship Cedric, which arrived to-day, say that on Wednesday a wireless message was received from New York to Liver, Umbria, bound from New York to Liver, saying the ship had encountered very heavy weather. One great wave, the message stated, had carried away the ship's bridge, and several passengers had lost their lives and many more were injured.

The Cedric passengers say that there was a severe storm the day the message was received and that the Umbria got the worst of it.

At the Cunard Line no credence was given to the report. The Umbria had 126 cabin and 400 steerage passengers.

AROUSSED OVER BLASTING.

Cobalt Citizens Go About in Danger of Their Lives.

Cobalt, Oct. 4.—The citizens of Cobalt have become aroused over the reckless blasting that is being done about the camp. A number of them say that they have narrowly escaped being struck by flying rocks from the blasting done on the railway to the south end of the town. A petition is now in circulation which has been signed by the Mayor of the town, two of the aldermen, and between two and three hundred citizens, and this will be presented to the Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario, with a view to having legislation passed that will ensure the people protection.

An information has been sworn out against the Italian foreman by one of the citizens of the town.

KIDNAPPED HEIR.

Canadian Telegrapher in Chicago With Story of Adventure.

Chicago, Oct. 4.—There is a sensational story in the recounted adventures of Fred Dornay, a Canadian telegraph operator.

He claims he was bequeathed \$180,000 by a New York woman two years ago, was kidnapped at Montreal by a relative of the woman, was taken to Vera Cruz, Mexico, where he was thrown in jail.

He secured his release, and is here on his way to New York.

"White Canada," the Cry.

Vancouver, B. C., Oct. 4.—"White Canada!" is now the city's slogan. A gay ribbon, carrying these words, flutters in everybody's buttonhole. The labor unions have taken it up, and a month's notice has been given to every employer of Chinese and Japanese cooks and waiters in the city that all must be replaced by white labor, which will be furnished by the union.

TO ACCOMPANY LEMIEUX.

Vancouver, Oct. 4.—The Provincial Liberals at the closing of their convention, passed resolutions urging the Dominion Government to appoint a British Columbian to accompany Hon. Rudolph Lemieux on his immigration mission to Japan.

John A. Whyte, assistant inspector of gas and electric light at Toronto, has been appointed general Dominion inspector.

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Dr. Chase's Ointment is a certain and guaranteed cure for each and every case of itching, bleeding and protruding piles. See testimonials in the press and get your money back if it does not cure you. Write to Dr. Chase's Ointment, 1001 Broadway, New York, N. Y.

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SEALED TENDERS

addressed to the undersigned, and endorsed "Tender for Public Building at Kincardine, Ont.," will be received at this office until Tuesday, October 22, 1907, inclusively, for the construction of a Public Building at Kincardine, Ont. Plans and specifications can be seen and forms of tender obtained at this Department and on application to the Postmaster at Kincardine.

Persons tendering are notified that tenders will not be considered unless made on the printed form supplied, and signed with their actual signatures.

Each tender must be accompanied by an accepted cheque on a chartered bank, made payable to the order of the Honourable the Minister of Public Works, equal to ten per cent. (10 p. c.) of the amount of the tender, which will be forfeited if the person tendering declines to enter into a contract when called upon to do so, or if he fails to complete the work contracted for. If the tender is not accepted, the cheque will be returned. The Department does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

By Order, FRED GELINAS, Secretary.

Department of Public Works, Ottawa, September 30, 1907.

Newspapers will not be paid for this advertisement without authority from the Department.

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