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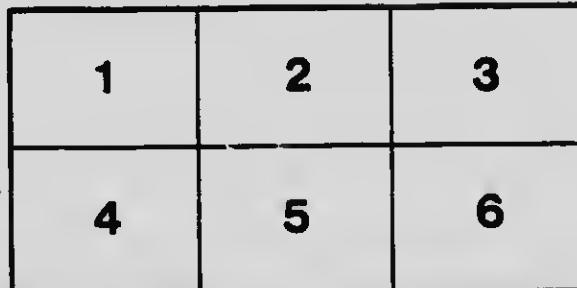
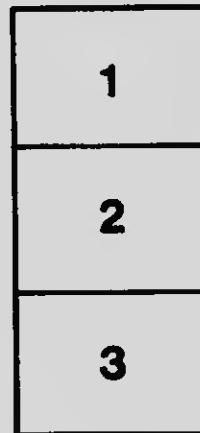
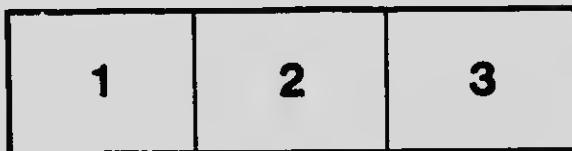
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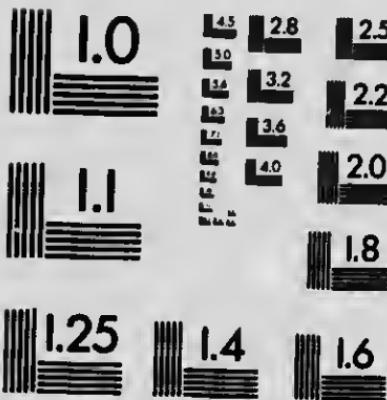
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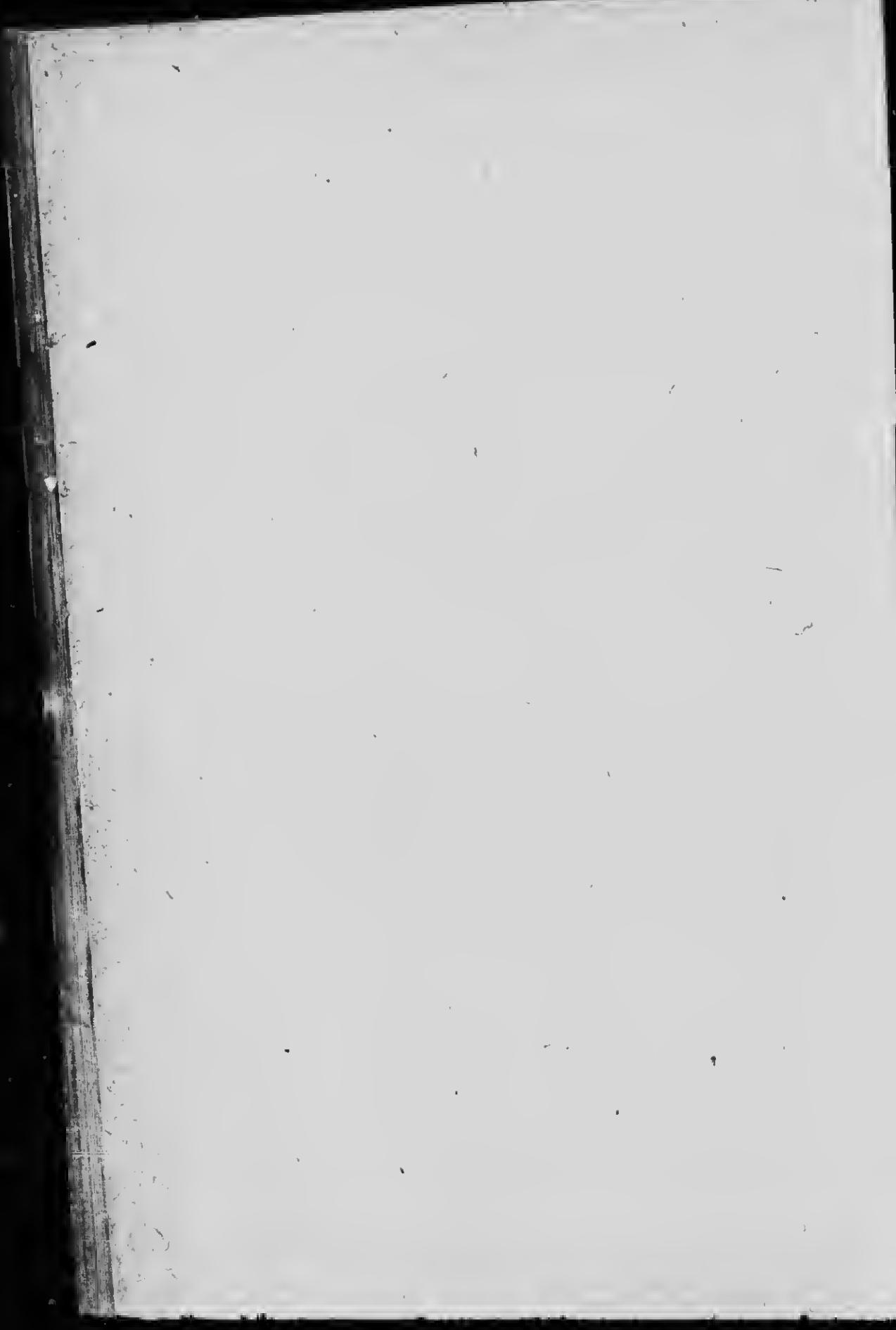
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# **A BIRDS-EYE VIEW OF CANADA'S PROGRESS**



## DO NOT FORGET.

**I**N these days of plenty and prosperity the people should not forget the causes that have had so much to do with the promotion and maintenance of good times, and should not forget their duty to themselves in seeing that nothing is done to interfere with a political party that in a brief administration has made the Dominion of Canada the leader of every other nation on earth in the matter of the percentage of increase in its trade.

The people of Canada are respectfully asked not to forget that percentage of taxation has been reduced thirteen per cent. by the Liberal Government.

DO NOT FORGET that despite this reduction in taxation the national debt has remained practically stationary.

DO NOT FORGET that from 1896 to 1903, under the Liberal Government, the trade of Canada has increased from \$239,025,360 to \$467,064,685.

DO NOT FORGET that in the eighteen years of Conservative rule this trade increased only \$66,000,000, and that in the seven years of Liberal rule it increased \$228,000,000.

DO NOT FORGET that the exports of Canada increased during the Conservative regime of eighteen years by only forty-two million dollars, and that they increased during the Liberal regime of seven years by one hundred and four million dollars.

DO NOT FORGET that the circulation of bank and Dominion notes increased during the eighteen years of Conservative rule by less than \$21,000,000, and increased in the seven years of Liberal rule by over \$47,000,000.

DO NOT FORGET that the country has been so prosperous under the Liberals that the assets of banks increased in the seven years of Liberal rule by \$325,862,666, and increased during the eighteen years of Conservative rule by only \$140,649,622.

DO NOT FORGET that the Liberal Government found a deficit of \$781,142 in the Post Office Department, and have turned this deficit into a surplus of \$292,702, while at the same time reducing the domestic postage rate from three cents to two cents, inaugurating penny postage to Britain, and increasing the number of post offices and the pay of country post-masters.

DO NOT FORGET that the Preferential tariff treatment given by the Liberal Government to Britain has been the means of causing an agitation in Britain for granting Canada and the other colonies preferential treatment in the British market.

DO NOT FORGET that the manufacturers of Canada are so busy that they cannot supply the demands made upon them, and that their agitation for a higher tariff which the Conservatives endorse has but one object, viz to permit them to charge the consumer higher prices.

DO NOT FORGET that in 1896, the last year of Conservative administration, the total immigration was only 16,835, and that in the fiscal year 1902-3, under the Liberals the immigration was 128,364.

DO NOT FORGET that in 1896, the last year of the Conservatives, the homestead entries in the West were only 1,888, and that in 1902-03, under the Liberals, they were 31,383.

DO NOT FORGET that in 1896, farm lands in the West were selling at from \$1.00 to \$2.00 per acre; and that now they are selling at from \$6.00 to \$20.00 per acre.

DO NOT FORGET that the Conservatives tied up the West with the C. P. R., and forced the settlers to farm on shares with that railway corporation; that the Liberal Government has been providing relief for the farmer by subsidizing other railways, which, however, get no land grants and no exemption from taxation, and which have to submit to Government control of their freight rates; and that the relief afforded the farmer is equivalent to more than enough to pay for the binding and threshing of his crops.

DO NOT FORGET that the Liberal Government has entered test cases in the courts to get an early decision as to when the C. P. R. tax exemption ends; and as to when the Government shall have control of C. P. R. freight rates.

DO NOT FORGET that the Liberal Government is bringing into the West a powerful competing railway, the Grand Trunk, which will force down railway rates. It is under Government control. This railway was bitterly opposed by the Conservatives.

DO NOT FORGET that the railway proposition of the leader of the Conservatives, Mr. Borden, was to buy up the most expensive and unproductive parts of the C. P. R.; that this scheme would open up no new country for colonization; would not increase the country's transportation facilities at all; but would simply mean the paying of millions of the people's money to the C. P. R. for the privilege of taking an unproductive portion of its railway line off its hands.

DO NOT FORGET that the Liberal railway policy opens up vast areas of new country, agricultural, mineral and forest lands; that it greatly increases the transportation facilities of the country; and that the money expended upon it will go into the pockets of the people, provide work for new settlers, and add to the general prosperity.

**DO NOT FORGET** the grain legislation passed by the Liberal Government to rescue the settlers of the West from the monopoly fastened upon them by the Conservatives.

**DO NOT FORGET** that the grant to the Government of the North-west Territories is over a million dollars a year; that the Dominion is constructing bridges and other public works in the West.

**DO NOT FORGET** that the land laws have been amended and administered by the Liberals in order that the settler may be helped in every way possible.

**DO NOT FORGET** that the Conservatives had two rebellions in the North-west on account of their bad administration of Western affairs.

**DO NOT FORGET** that the Government took effective steps to establish the dairy business in the West.

**DO NOT FORGET** that the land in the West has been kept for the settler, and a stop put to the Conservative policy of giving it away to rail-ways and other corporations.

**DO NOT FORGET** that the Government has passed legislation to establish a Railway Commission which will control railway rates and prevent discrimination.

**DO NOT FORGET** that the Government has appointed an inspector of binder twine to protect the farmer against short and inferior twine.

**DO NOT FORGET** that the Government secured the abolition of the cattle quarantine maintained by the United States, and that during the four and a half years the quarantine was in operation, Canadians exported to the United States only \$52,605 worth of cattle, while in the four and a half years succeeding the abolition, the sales totalled \$5,329,516.

**DO NOT FORGET** that the Liberal Government has spared no efforts to promote the interests of the farmer.

**DO NOT FORGET** the lean years of the Conservative regime, and the years of plenty and prosperity under the Liberals.

**DO NOT FORGET** to vote for a continuance of the fat years by marking your ballot for a supporter of the Liberal Government.

#### **PROSPERITY PICTURED BEFORE THE EYE.**

Diagrams which Show in Proportion as well as in Figures Canada's Progress under Liberal Rule.

Below are given a number of diagrams which illustrate much more effectively than the bare figures could, the remarkable results in Canada's business development that have coincided with Liberal administration. When figures are hurriedly read or spoken, the relative proportions between comparative statements are often not clearly grasped. But in the diagrams below, the relative proportions are made perfectly clear. The diagrams illustrate so strikingly the marvelous progress Canada is making that they cannot fail to prove eminently satisfactory, not only to those who support the Liberal administration, but to every loyal Canadian who is anxious to see his native land rapidly advance to the important position he is destined to occupy in the affairs of the world.

YEAR	PERCENTAGE OF TAXATION																		
	1%	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19%
1896																			
1903																			

## PERCENTAGE OF TAXATION.

Average rate of customs taxation in 1896,  
 LAST YEAR OF CONSERVATIVES - - - - - 18.28

Average rate of customs taxation in 1903,  
 UNDER LIBERALS - - - - - 16.88

This means that the LIBERAL REDUCTION of the  
 CONSERVATIVE TARIFF rates is equivalent  
 to - - - - - 18 PER CENT

YEAR	1878	1896	1903
INCREASE IN 18 YEARS UNDER CONSERVATIVES	\$118,135,363	\$261,609,720	\$258,497,432
INCREASE IN 7 YEARS UNDER LIBERALS	\$3,112,288		

## NATIONAL DEBT

1896	-	-	-	\$268,497,432
1878	-	-	-	<u>140,362,009</u>
Increase in 18 years under CONSERVATIVES				<u>\$118,135,363</u>

Equivalent to an average increase of about six and a half millions per annum.

1903	-	-	-	\$261,609,720
1896	-	-	-	<u>258,497,432</u>
Increase in 7 years under LIBERALS	-			<u>\$3,112,288</u>

Equivalent to an average annual increase of less than half a million dollars.

## **TOTAL FOREIGN TRADE OF CANADA.**

**Last 7 Years of Conservatives.**

1890.....	\$218,607,390
1891.....	218,384,934
1892.....	241,369,443
1893.....	247,638,620
1894.....	240,999,889
1895.....	224,420,485
1896.....	239,025,360

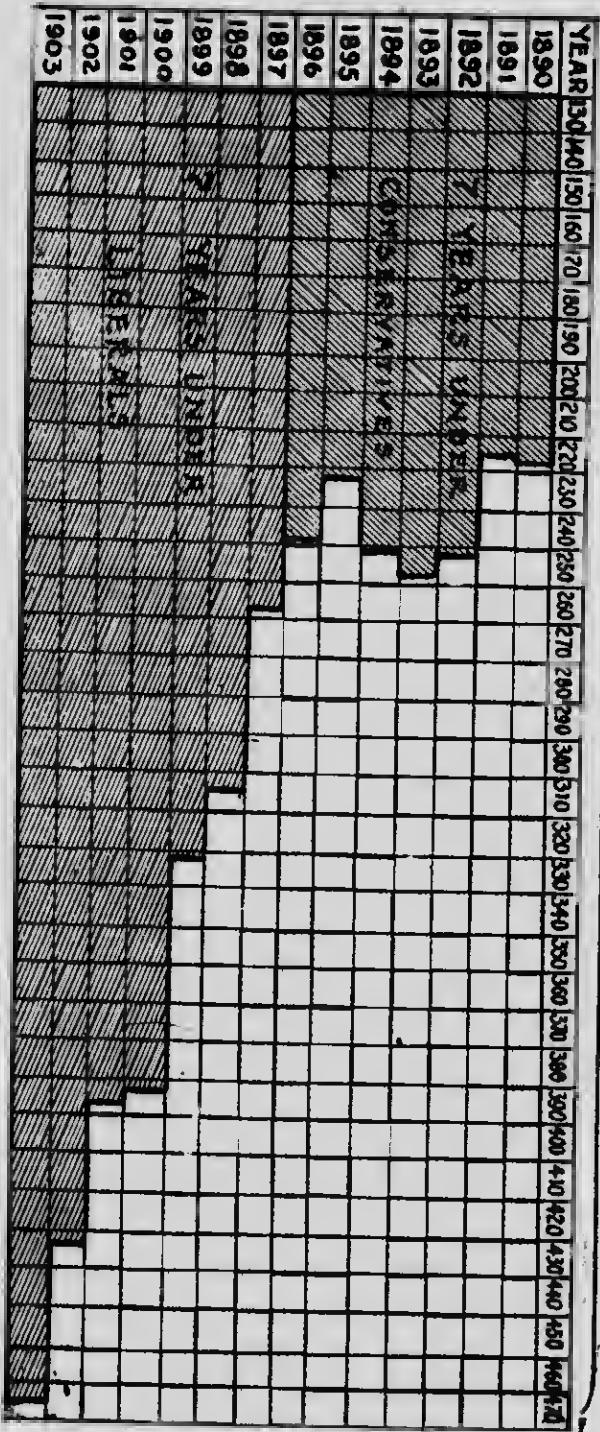
**Seven Years Under Liberals.**

1897.....	\$257,168,862
1898.....	304,475,736
1899.....	331,661,213
1900.....	381,517,236
1901.....	386,903,157
1902.....	423,910,444
1903.....	467,064,685

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# Total Foreign Trade of Canada.

MILLIONS OF DOLLARS



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ADA.

Liberals.

\$257,168,862  
304,475,736  
331,661,213  
381,517,236  
386,903,157  
423,910,444  
467,064,685

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## TOTAL EXPORTS OF CANADA.

**Last 7 Years of Conservatives.**

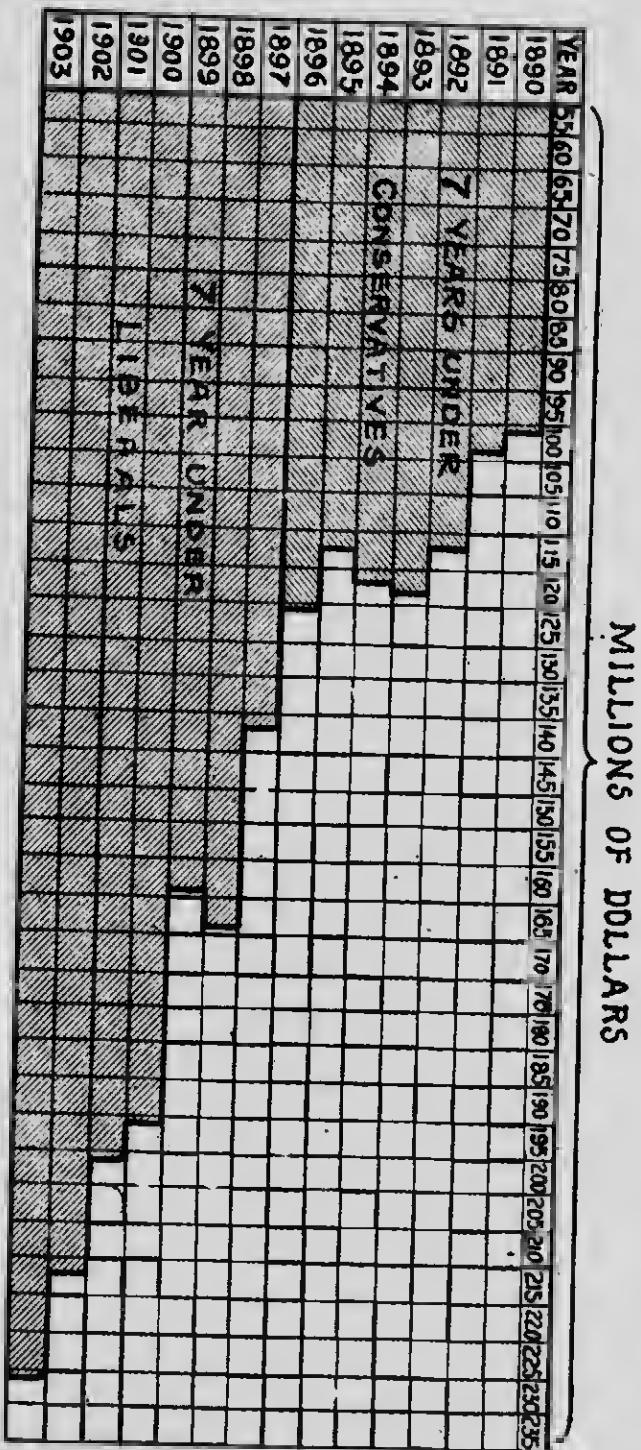
1890.....	\$ 96,749,149
1891.....	98,417,296
1892.....	113,963,375
1893.....	118,564,352
1894.....	117,524,949
1895.....	113,638,803
1896.....	121,013,852

**Seven Years of Liberals.**

1897 .....	\$ 137,950,253
1898.....	164,152,683
1899.....	158,896,905
1900.....	191,894,723
1901.....	196,487,632
1902.....	211,640,286
1903.....	225,849,724

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## Total Exports of Canada.



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## TOTAL EXPORTS OF FARM PRODUCTS

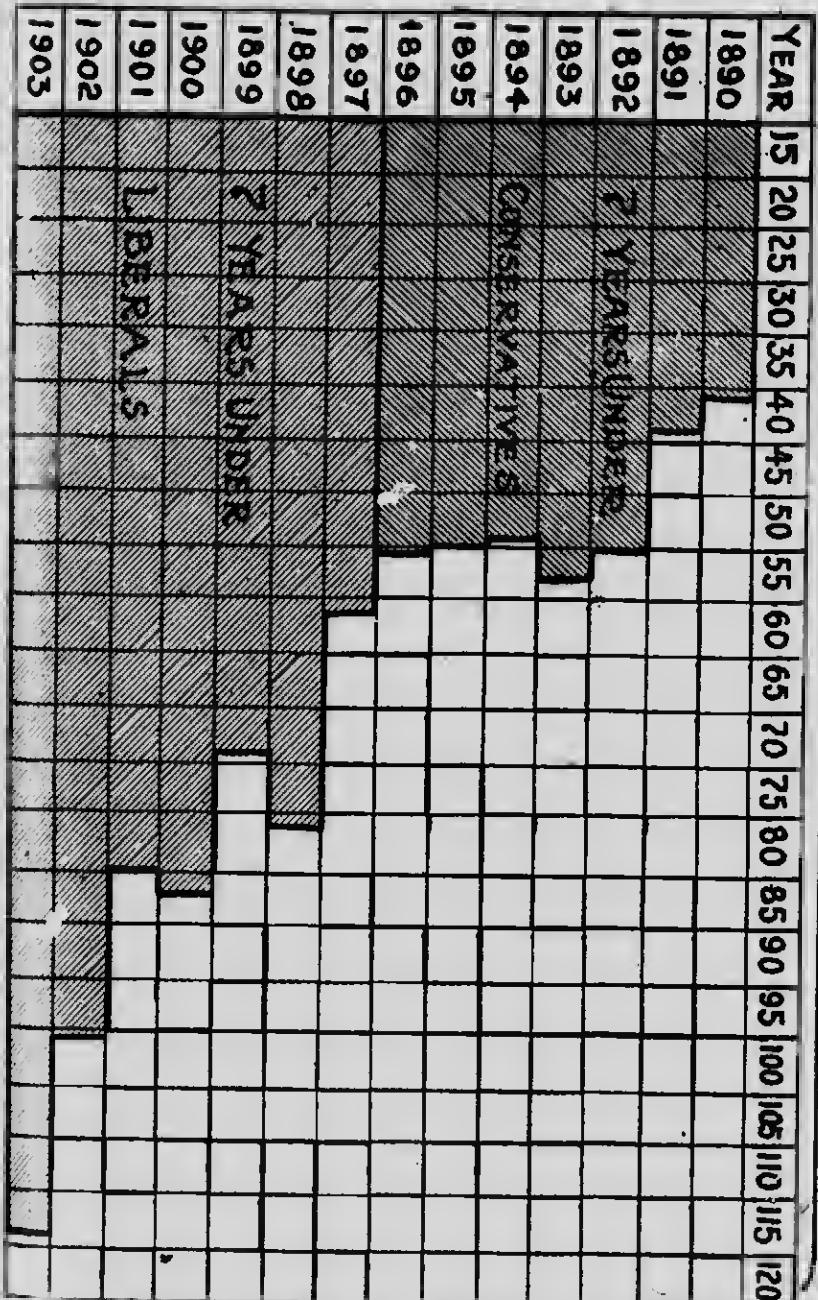
(Includes agricultural produce and animals and their produce.)

**Last 7 Years of Conservatives.**      **Seven Years Under Liberals.**

1890.....	\$37,015,025	1897.....	\$ 57,227,898
1891.....	39,634,599	1898.....	77,364,755
1892.....	50,708,134	1899.....	69,696,045
1893.....	53,785,989	1900.....	83,665,417
1894.....	49,559,622	1901.....	80,276,797
1895.....	50,106,898	1902.....	96,313,897
1896.....	50,591,002	1903.....	114,441,863

# Total Exports of Farm Products.

MILLIONS OF DOLLARS.



DUCTS

Liberals.

57,227,898  
77,364,755  
69,696,045  
83,665,41<sup>c</sup>  
80,276,797  
96,313,897  
114,441,863

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## EXPORTS OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

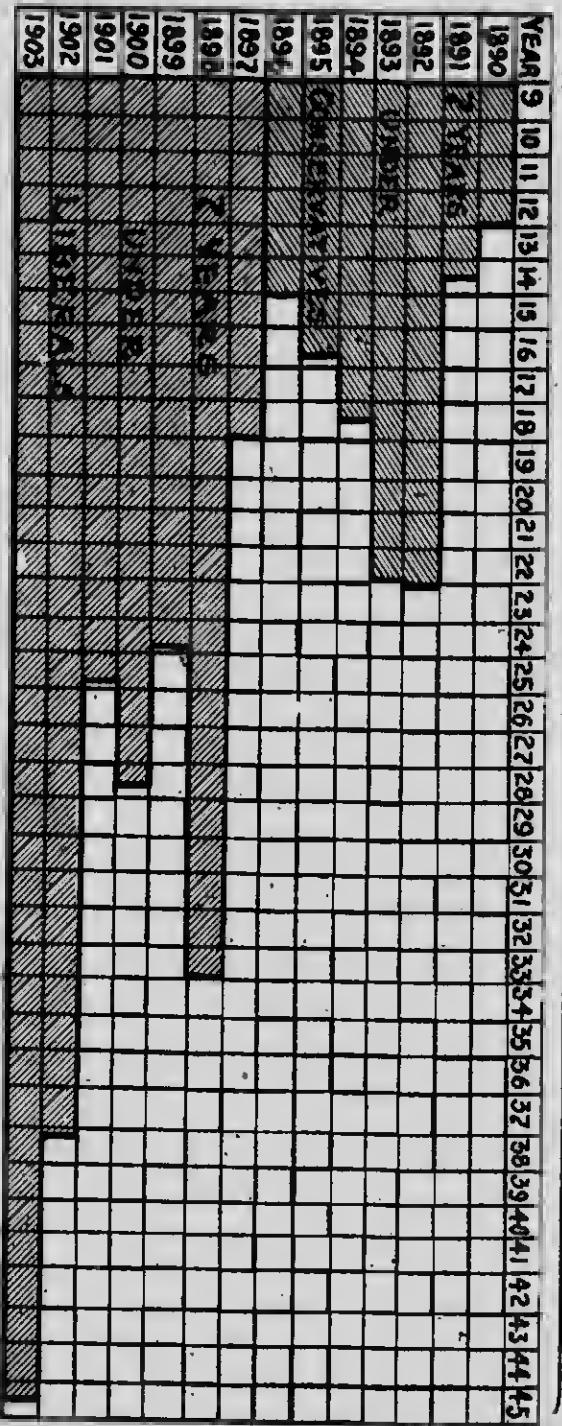
(The Produce of Canada.)

<b>Last 7 Years of Conservatives.</b>	<b>Seven Years of Liberals.</b>
1890..... \$11,908,030	1897..... \$17,952,646
1891..... 13,666,858	1898..... 33,063,285
1892..... 22,113,284	1899..... 22,952,915
1893..... 22,049,490	1900..... 27,516,609
1894..... 17,677,649	1901..... 24,781,486
1895..... 15,719,128	1902..... 37,152,688
1896..... 14,083,361	1903..... 44,624,331

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## Exports of Agricultural Products.

MILLIONS OF DOLLARS



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## EXPORT OF MANUFACTURES.

**Last 7 Years of Conservatives.**

1890.....	\$5,743,184
1891.....	6,296,249
1892.....	7,040,988
1893.....	7,693,959
1894.....	7,692,755
1895.....	7,768,875
1896.....	9,365,384

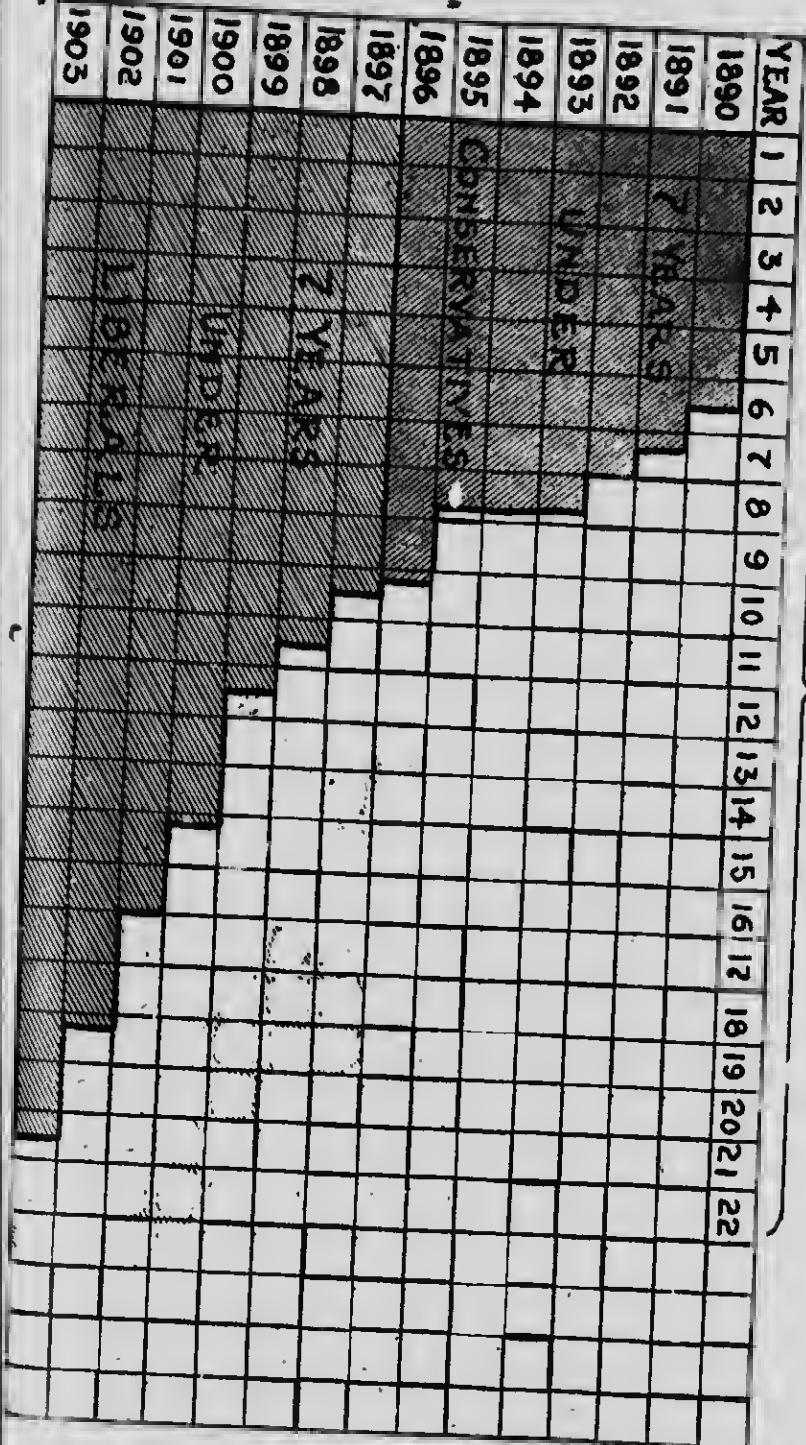
**Seven Years of Liberals.**

1897.....	\$ 9,522,014
1898.....	10,678,316
1899.....	11,706,707
1900.....	14,224,287
1901.....	16,012,208
1902.....	18,462,970
1903.....	20,624,961

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## Exports of Manufactures.

MILLIONS OF DOLLARS



Liberals.

\$ 9,522,014  
10,678,316  
11,706,707  
14,224,287  
16,012,208  
18,462,970  
20,624,967

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## GROWTH OF TRADE.

Relative percentage thereof of a number of the leading countries of the world during a period of seven years :—

Country.	1895.	1902.	Increase.	Percentage of Growth.
Canada .....	\$ 211,739,913	\$ 439,212,303	\$ 227,472,389	107.43 per cent.
Japan .....	133,084,033	262,443,341	129,359,208	97.20 "
Cape Colony .....	146,281,249	233,312,649	87,931,400	59.50 "
United States (a) .....	1,642,925,161	2,417,933,175	775,058,014	47.13 "
Italy .....	439,474,191	666,933,133	197,465,942	45.90 "
Germany .....	1,770,379,422	2,453,491,000	683,111,578	38.59 "
Belgium .....	591,708,471	797,746,000	206,937,529	34.84 "
Argentine Republic .....	207,633,480	272,637,574	65,004,094	31.31 "
Switzerland .....	304,788,030	386,543,454	81,755,424	26.83 "
Great Britain .....	3,126,380,466	3,950,834,168	822,453,702	26.29 "
France .....	1,369,084,100	1,669,960,000	300,875,900	21.98 "

Note.—Imports for consumption and exports of domestic produce unless otherwise stated.

(a) Includes total imports not "imports for consumption only."

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## Growth of Trade.

A Comparison of the Percentage of Growth shown by Canada and Other Countries.

COUNTRY	1895 TO 1902												PERCENTAGE OF GROWTH
	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	55	60	65	
CANADA	107.43												
JAPAN													
CAPE COLONY													
UNITED STATES	97.20												
ITALY													
GERMANY													
BELGIUM													
ARGENTINE REP.													
SWITZERLAND													
GREAT BRITAIN													
FRANCE													

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Note.—Imports for consumption and exports  
(a) Includes total imports not "imports for consumption only."

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MILLIONS OF DOLLARS

YEAR	5	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	55	60	65	70	75	80
1878 TO 1896																
1896 TO 1903																
	INCREASE DURING 7 YEARS LIBERAL															

## CIRCULATION OF DOMINION AND BANK NOTES.

1896	-	-	-	-	\$50,709,059
1878	-	-	-	-	29,811,843

Increase in 18 years under CONSERVATIVES \$20,897,216

1903	-	-	-	-	\$97,872,046
1896	-	-	-	-	50,709,059

Increase in 7 years under LIBERALS - \$47,162,987

YEAR	MILLIONS OF DOLLARS																		
	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	110	120	130	140	150	160	170	180	190
1873 To 1876																			
1896 To 1898																			
	INCREASE	DURING	7	YEARS	LATER														

## BANK DISCOUNTS.

1896	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$224,507,301
1878	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	<u>122,913,778</u>
Increase in 18 years under CONSERVATIVES																		<u>\$101,593,523</u>
1903,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$406,184,783
1896,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	<u>224,507,301</u>
Increase in 7 years under LIBERALS																		<u>\$181,677,432</u>

**MILLIONS OF DOLLARS**

YEAR	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	110	120	130	140	150	160	170	180	190	200	210	220
1970 to 1980	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
1980 to 1990	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
1990 to 2000	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22

## **BANK DEPOSITS MADE BY THE PEOPLE IN CHARTERED BANKS AND SAVINGS BANKS.**

**1896** - - - - **\$245,029,143**

**1878** - - - - - **79,197,512**

Increase in 18 years under CONSERVATIVES \$165,881,631

1903. - - - - \$460,950,579

**1896.** - - - - - **245,029,143**

Increase in 7 years under LIBERALS - \$215,921,436

## MILLIONS OF DOLLARS



## ASSETS OF BANKS.

1896	-	-	\$316,122,708
1878	-	-	<u>175,473,084</u>
Increase in 18 years under CONSERVATIVES			\$140,849,622
1896	-	-	3841,985,972
896,	-	-	<u>316,122,706</u>
Increase in 7 years under LIBERALS			\$325,862,866

YEARS	MILLIONS OF TONS CARRIED																							
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	
1878 to 1896																								
1896 to 1903																								

## TONNAGE CARRIED BY RAILWAYS.

1896 - - - - - 24,266,825 TONS

1878 - - - - - 7,883,472 "

Increase during 18 years under  
CONSERVATIVES - - - - - 16,383,353 TONS

1903, - - - - - 47,373,417 TONS

1896, - - - - - 24,266,825 "

Increase in 7 years under LIBERALS 23,106,592 TONS

MILLIONS OF LETTERS

YEARS	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	110	120
1878 to 1896	INCREASE	IN 18 YEARS	UNDER CONSERVATIVES									
1896 to 1903	INCREASE	IN 7 YEARS	UNDER LIBERALS									

## LETTERS POSTED IN CANADA.

1878	-	-	44,000,000
472 "	-	-	116,028,000

Increase in 18 years under CONSERVATIVES  
72,000,000

1896,	-	-	116,028,000
1903,	-	-	284,991,000

Increase in 7 years under LIBERALS  
118,963,000

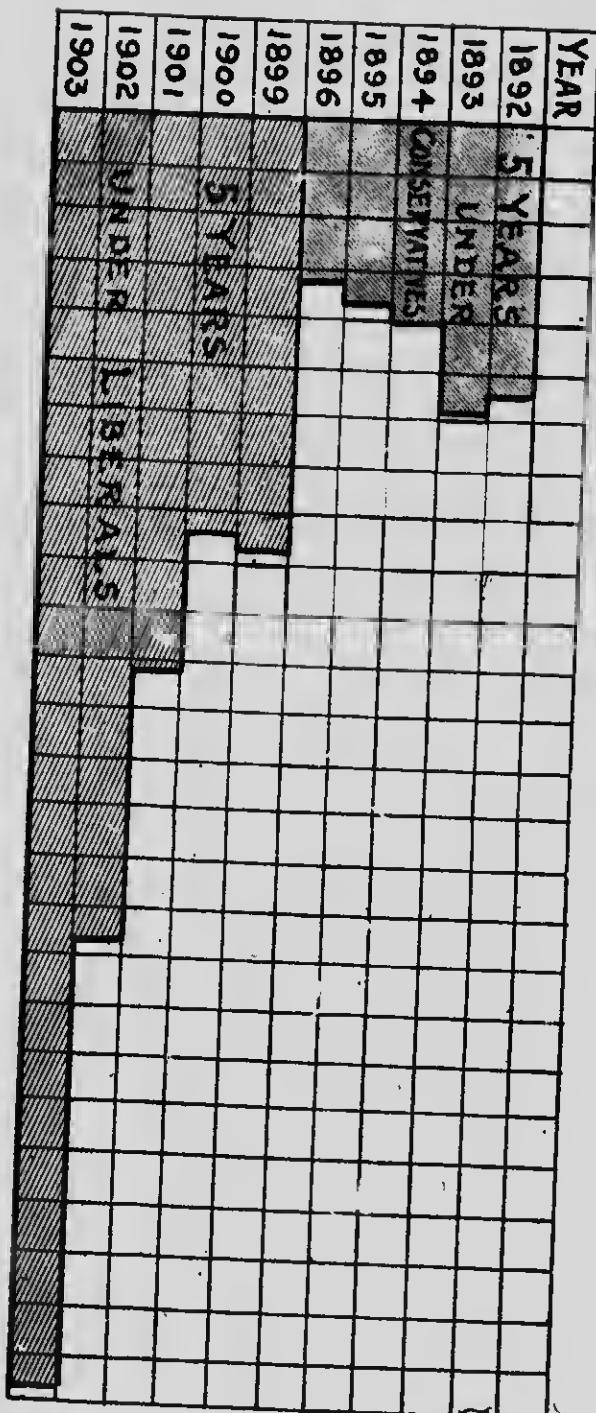
## IMMIGRATION.

	Last 5 Years Under Conservatives.	Last 5 Years Under Liberals.
1892.....	27,898	1899..... 44,543
1893.....	29,632	1900..... 42,493
1894.....	20,829	1901..... 56,076
1895.....	18,790	1902..... 84,035
1896.....	16,835	1903..... 128,980
Total.....	113,984	Total..... 356,127

NOTE.—The comparison of immigration figures is made for periods of five years because no fair comparison can be made in regard to figures of years previous to 1892. Previous to the Census of 1891, the Conservative immigration figures were grossly padded and unreliable. This was brought out in evidence before the Committee of Agriculture and Colonization of the House of Commons at the last session. The Census of 1891 also showed up these figures so badly that the Conservative Government itself adopted a new method of tabulation, beginning with 1892.

The figures in the above tables are for calendar years. The figures issued since 1900 are for fiscal years, and this fact will explain any apparent discrepancy between the above figures and those ordinarily published in blue books. All the immigration figures published by the Conservatives were for calendar years, and it is now impossible to get at them for fiscal years. Therefore, to make the above comparison fair it was necessary all should be calendar years. Accordingly, the monthly returns since 1900 were added together to get at the figures for the calendar years.

## Immigration.



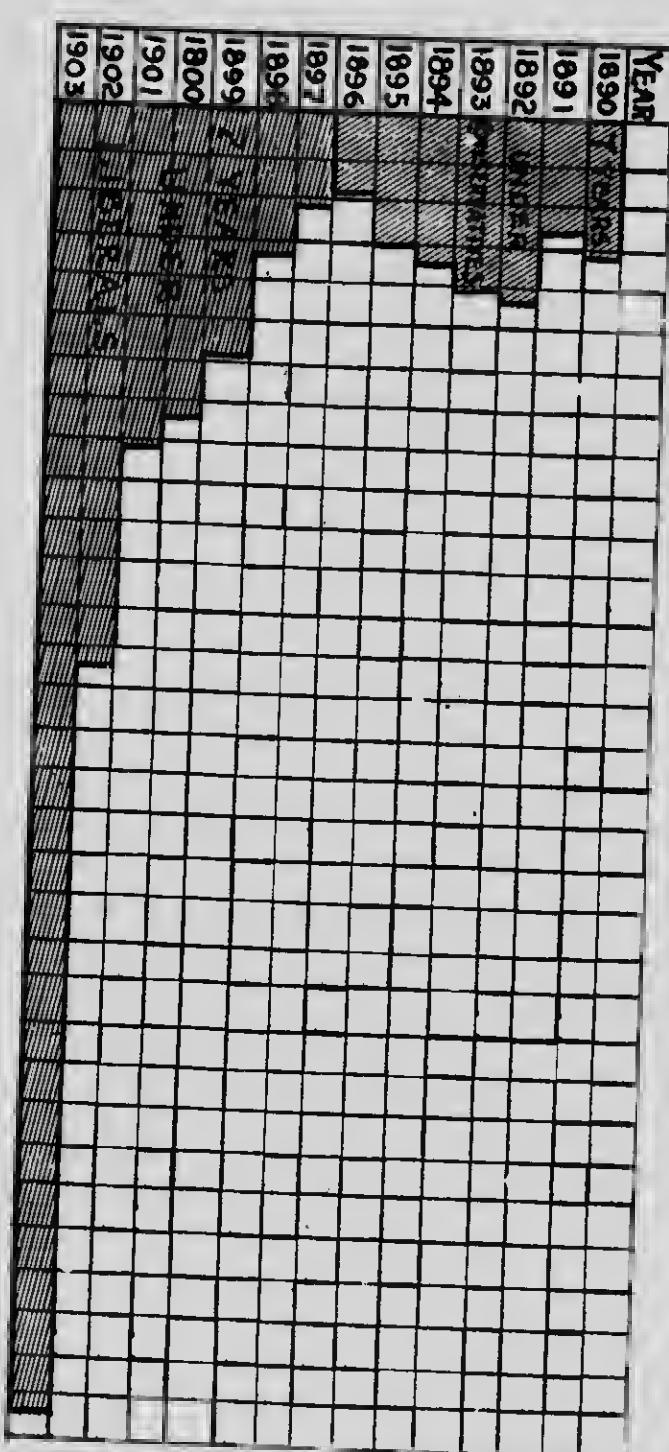
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## HOMESTEAD ENTRIES.

1889-90.....	3,165	1896-97.....	2,1
1890-91.....	2,676	1897-98.....	3.5
1891-92.....	4,571	1898-99.....	5.9
1892-93.....	4,131	1899-1900.....	7.4
1893-94.....	3,568	1900-01.....	8.1
1894-95.....	3,030	1901-02.....	14.5
1895-96.....	1,888	1902-03.....	31.3
Total.....	23,029	Total.....	73.1

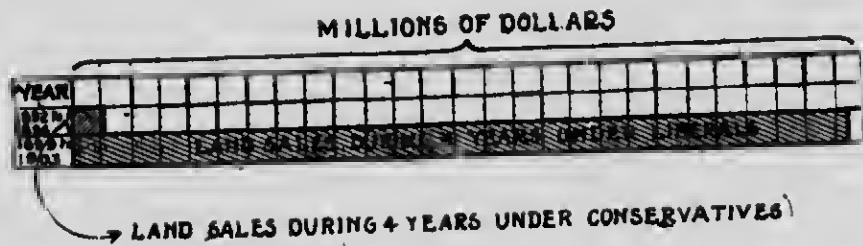
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## LAND SALES

Figures of land sales made by the Hudson Bay Company and Railways holding land grants. The figures for 1892 are the earliest available, hence the four-year comparison.

### UNDER CONSERVATIVES

	VALUE.
1892-1896	- - - \$1,144,530

### UNDER LIBERALS

	VALUE.
1899-1903	- - - \$26,632,130



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