

## TRADE WITH CANADA

We Are Selling Her More Than Britain Sends

TWENTY-ONE MILLION THE FIGURE

Principal Goods Imported by Canada Were Breadstuffs, Machinery and Implements.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 30.

An official report, just issued by the Canadian government, and forwarded to the state department at Washington by the American consul at St. John's, Quebec, shows that during the last fiscal year Canada bought from the United States dutiable goods to the value of \$21,048,350, and from Great Britain goods to the value of only \$8,942,900. This wide difference between Canada's trade with the United States and with the mother country, notwithstanding the trade preferential in favor of the latter and the tariff restrictions against the former, will form the basis of a good deal of argument for those on both sides of the line who think that a reciprocity treaty between the two countries ought to be formulated at the earliest moment. If the trade of Canada with the United States is almost three times as large as with Great Britain, despite the handicaps, what would it be if the handicaps were removed? The principal goods imported by Canada from the United States were breadstuffs, machinery, manufactures of iron and steel, leather goods, paper goods and agricultural implements. The total for each of these lines is upwards of \$1,000,000, and for some of them it is upwards of \$3,000,000, notably agricultural implements.

Canada, for various reasons, among them loyalty to the British empire, has been trying for years to discourage trade with the United States. As one means of discouragement, she gave Great Britain a preferential of 33 1-3 per cent on certain goods, and as another, she erected a tariff wall against this country. But, in spite of these things, American trade has steadily increased in Canada, and is increasing.

This leads naturally to the question of when the joint high commission is

likely to meet for the drafting of a reciprocity treaty. The answer is probably not until after the presidential campaign in this country, if then. The president, while standing for reciprocity on principle, and favoring a treaty with Canada for special reasons, does not want anything done in the coming sessions of congress, that will give the democrats any larger opportunity than they will normally have to emphasize the fact that the existing tariff is too high. As it is, the indications point to a red hot tariff debate during the whole of the special session, practically, and if the joint high commission were to be called for a sitting in the winter, for the preparation of another treaty to be put alongside those which have for so long a time been slumbering in the senate committee on foreign relations, the democrats might almost be able to make the tariff an issue in the presidential campaign. So, for tactical reasons, the president and his chief advisers do not want the joint high commission to meet within the next twelve-month.

Whether it will be possible to accomplish anything after that, is one of the uncertainties of the future. Meanwhile, Senator Fairbanks, of Indiana, chairman of the American branch of the "high joints," is perfectly willing to proceed. He understands that if he could secure the preparation and ratification of a satisfactory trade treaty with Canada, he would send his stock up a good many notches, and possibly make himself available as a presidential candidate in 1908; but he is too good a politician to urge the matter at a time when the other leaders of his party are against it.

But meanwhile trade between the two countries will continue to increase. With a proper trade arrangement, Canada would soon be far and away our best customer. The western part of that country is filling up with former American citizens, who have taken to their new home a fondness for American institutions and wares. Reciprocity would probably double our trade with that country in a single year, in the opinion of experts here, and in ten years would bring the two countries so close together, commercially, as to make the political gulf separating them insignificantly narrow.

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## AMUSEMENTS

Lulu Glaser.

Since Miss Lulu Glaser has scored such a big hit in "Dolly Varden" the comic opera in which she is to appear at Walla Walla, Wednesday evening, December 2d, there has been quite a revival in the fad which was so great a few years ago for naming feminine garments after that fictitious character. A number of these articles of adornment are now known as the Dolly Varden this or that. The "Dolly Varden" dress proper, however, according to the Glaser idea is worn by the vivacious young comedienne in



LULU GLASER—in—"DOLLY VARDEN"

the second act of the opera. It is made of some white material with bouquets of pink roses which are embroidered into the specially imported fabric. The trimming is elaborate also of white material. The hat is a soft affair trimmed with pink roses and steel buckles and has a long velvet ribbon. This is the costume that Miss Glaser calls her Dolly Varden dress, but she wears a number of other dazzling creations that will delight the feminine eye and in the scene she even appears in male attire when she is supposed to be disguised as a midshipman.

The "Toreador" Tonight.  
Sam S. Shubert and Nixon and Zimmerman will present the Jefferson De Angelis Opera Co., at the Walla Walla theater, in "The Toreador."

The opera is unquestionably the best medium that Jefferson De Angelis, who is one of the most popular of comic opera comedians, has ever had. It enables him to be seen in a character that is admirably adapted to his quaint style and method and there is continuous laughter while he is on the stage. The company is described as exceptionally strong. Edgar Norton, it is said, scores an unmistakable hit as Sir Archibald, as does Margaret McKinney in her dainty performance of Nancy Staunton, in which it becomes necessary for her to disguise herself as a boy. Other decided hits are made by John Dudley, Edward Metcalfe, Norma Bell, Bertha Ricci, Edna Burd, William Blaisdell and Adine Bouvier. The large chorus is seen to splendid advantage as flower girls, bridesmaids, pleaders, matadors and Spanish gentlemen. The scenic production is magnificent and the costumes beautiful to behold.

### The Mystic Midgets.

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### MOVED TO CANADA.

SEATTLE, Wash., Nov. 29.—With his cannery located in British territory and his fishing grounds in American waters, J. S. Churchill, of New York, is compelled to choose between seeking a new location and doing business at a heavy sacrifice of time and money.

Mr. Churchill is located on Prince of Wales island, which was given to Canada by the Alaskan boundary commission. His cannery is the only building save those of the United States government, located on either Wales or Pearce islands, and he is the only one seriously affected by the result of the settlement of the fight.

The cannery packed 25,000 cases of salmon, mostly pinks, last year. It was planned to increase the capacity to 50,000 cases next season, and even after the location is changed this may be done. It would be impossible to continue operations in British Columbia on the scale that has been undertaken in the past, and Mr. Churchill is now looking for a new location.

There is practically no sale for pinks in Canada, and the price is hammered down so low that the salmon cannot pay the duty that would entitle them to entrance into the United States. The foreign market is not sufficient inducement to keep Mr. Churchill on Wales island.

"We have not decided where to move, but I think we shall find a new location for our cannery within a few weeks," said Mr. Churchill. "We will not continue operations as a Canadian institution, and could not, anyway, with our fishing grounds located in American waters."

"The principal value of Wales and Pearce islands lies in the extensive timber that covers the ground. There is excellent hemlock, spruce and yellow cedar on the islands that have never been touched. The Indians will not cut any trees that cannot be felled into the water. As a result, the timber back from the water has not been touched."

"It would be a difficult matter to place any estimate of value on timber on the two islands. A small mill could not work up the supply to advantage, and it is doubtful whether large milling interests would undertake the problem at present. The yellow cedar is the most valuable wood on the islands. I do not know whether the spruce and hemlock would find a ready market, but the cedar is certain to be taken up at some time."

"There is no harbor on Pearce island and only one on Wales. This fact has probably given rise to the impression that the islands are not valuable. The government has erected stone store buildings on both islands, which will now have to be abandoned. It is not yet known whether there exists any valuable mineral properties on the islands. The two are mineralized, but no effort has been made to ascertain the extent of the values."

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