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Britain. Ottawa, Ont., May 12.-The Canadian

Commercial Agent at Leeds quotes the opinion of a large bacon dealer in that district that apparently United States bacon is losing its hold on the English trade, and Canadian bacon is taking its place. Just the same thing happened in the cheese trade a few years ago. In the Bradford and Leeds districts a great deal of dissatisfaction is caused by the large shipments of stale and overkept bacon from the States, whilst the Canadian bacon is steadily gaining ground. The English trade requires regular weekly shipments of well-cured and well selected bacon, and trade prospects for Canadian bacon are very

MR. CHAMBERLAIN IS A SICK MAN. Tariff Reform Leader has to Abandon his Work.

The gravest apprehensions are felt as to the physical condition of Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, who broke down after a political speech at Birmingham on the first of the month, and had to cancel an engagement to preside at the ceremonies in connection with the reopening of Queen's College, Birmingham. To those who heard his speech it was noticeable that there was no fire or energy in his delivery, and that he constantly lost the thread of his argument. He commenced sentences which he finished tamely or left unfinished. Many times he had to be prompt ed by his wife, who, as has often been noticed. seemed to be thoroughly cognizant of the contents of his notes and frequently gave him the word which he could not hit upon.

At the ceremony at Queen's College Mr. Ebenezer Parkes, M. P. for the Central Division of Birmingham, announced that Mr. Chamberlain's illness was only temporary, and that he will soon be about again in his usual health, but the general public fear that this is a case where the wish is father to the thought.

His illness comes at an especially inopportune time. The Weekly Despatch, the Sunday paper owned by Sir Alfred Harmsworth of The Daily Mail, which is often chosen as the medium for semi-official announcements by the Unionist party, states that there will be a dissolution and a general election five weeks hence. Should this prove true the position of the tariff reformers would be pitiable without the leadership of Mr. Chamberlain.

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Nearly a Thousand Immigrants in Two Days.

English and Scotch immigrants to the number of about 1,000 arrived in Toronto Sunday and Monday. The great majority went on west, and of those that remained over in Toronto many were picked up by farmers who came in person to the city. Twenty five of the hundred odd lot of Londoners were engaged for railroad word at Acton, and another lot for the C. P. R. at Erindate. Every one who had any experience at all in farming got a place, and many inexperienced men were sent out to farms. The wages offered were \$10 and \$12 a month for inexperienced and \$20 for experienced help, and in cases a trifle above.

The Scotchmen and those from the north of England went on to Hamilton. The Londoners were not up to the standard of the others in the party, and were for the most part unskilled labor. The Salvation Army looked after many of the families.

Three steamers left Glasgow on Saturday for Canadian ports with 1,550 emigrants; four hundred are young men, and all of them are experienced agriculturists. All are bound for Winnipeg and the North-West. These parties are exclusively Scotch. - Weekly Sun

Don't set fire to a birch tree for the fun of the thing.

WOODSTOCK, N. B., MAY 24, 1905.

Will Adams.

(On April 12, 1600, a Dutch ship piloted by one William Adams, an Englishman, reached Japan. As the price of permission to build a factory at Firando, they were compelled to hand over Adams to the Tycoon, for whom he built the first Japanese fleet. He was treated with full honor, but never allowed to return to England. He was the founder of Japanese shipbuilding, and after his death was made a god by them. He is buried on the hillside of Hemimuria, above the naval arsenal of Yokosuka.)

On the hill of Hemimura, looking out across the O'er the docks of Yokosuka and the warships sail-

ing free.
'Midst the Shinto pennons streaming,
Lies Will Adams, still a-dreaming

Of the busy parts o' London and the Kentish wood and lea.

He forgets the fleets he builded and the decks that once he trod, That his grave's afar from England and his pall is alien sod,

That the incense-sticks are burning And the praying-wheels a-turning To the name of William Adams, Kentish sailor-

man and god. So he drowses till the screaming of the sirens once Calls him back to where beneath him, like mailed

barons of the main,
Ride the warships, while the rattle of Dai Nippon's seaward battle Rings and mingles through his.dreaming like a distant song's refrain:

For when as the great grey battleships roll down upon the foe, when Togo's lean torpedo boats charge shoreward through the snow,

When the giant steels are crashing And the league-long searchlights flashing, Then Will Adams sees the triumph of his toil of

-J. H. Knight-Adkin, in London Spectator.

High-Class Blackmail.

The Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company has no cause to be dissatisfied with the public assistance which it has been guaranteed in the construction of a transcontinental railway. Canada's public credit has been, or will be, mortgaged for a very large amount to assist the enterprise, and the unprofitable half of the road is to be built wholly at the expense of the Canadian people.

But the company is not satisfied. Probably it would not be satisfied with anything short of what it is possible to get. Its general manag " has attempted to "hold up" the British Colomora Government for a huge land grant by inreatening to postpone con. struction in the Pacific Province unless the grant is made. So far, the attempt has failed. Now, the company, which has been granted by the Ontario Government a tract of territory as large as a European principality for building a branch line to Thunder Bay (which would have to be built in any event) is trying to coerce the town of Fort William as it tried to coerce British Columbia. Fort William is the best terminus of the branch line: but the company threatens to sidetrack the town unless it grants aid.

Probably these cases indicate the course which is to be pursued by the company in its dealings with Provinces and municipalities. It is a policy which is hardly to be distinguished from blackmail. It would be interesting to know whether Sir Charles Rivers Wilson and the G. T. R. directorate have authorized this policy, whether the person solely responsible for it is Mr. Morse, the General Manager of the G. T. Pacific, or whether Mr. Morse is doing as General Manager Hays bids him. Mr. Morse is one of the numerous American railway men imported by Mr. Hays. He seems to have imbibed the spirit of that other American railway man who gave to the world the immortal epigram: 'The public be damned !" -Hamilton Herald.

The late Bishop B.ck with of Georgia was fond of his gun, and spent much of his time hunting, says Representative Adamson. One day the bishop was out with his dog and gun, and met a member of his parish, whom he reproved for his inattention to his religious duties. "You should attend church and read your Bible," said the bishop. "I do read my Bible, B shop" was the answer, "and I don't find any mention of the Apostles going a-shooting." "No," replied the bishop "the shooting was very had in Palestine, so they went fishing instead."



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