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MONDAY'S CONTEST.

The Herald was on the winning side in the majority election on Monday, and naturally takes some credit to itself for the decisive victory of Mr. Beckwith over Mr. Jordan. As Herman Pitts, in a laudatory notice of the contest, has said, the members of the Toronto board of trade endeavor to make their annual banquet a national affair, and generally succeed in giving it a very strong tory complexion, by giving first place in the program of speeches to the cabinet ministers from Ottawa. The other night the affair came off, however, very unsatisfactorily to at least one member of the cabinet, Hon. Geo. E. Foster, minister of finance. This gentleman went to the banquet, loaded to the muzzle with a protectionist speech, but he did not get an opportunity of delivering it. He was placed so far down on the program, that when called, he declined, evidently with much show of pique, to address the assemblage at length, adding that he would save his oration for next year; if they would bring him in earlier. But this evident sign of the only indignity to which Mr. Foster was subjected during the evening. Among the guests was Hon. George Raines, of the New York chamber of commerce, who was heard before Mr. Foster in a straight free trade speech, in which he told them that when the Wilson bill, which contained many advantages for Canada, was adopted, the Ottawa government would find it incumbent on them to meet out to the United States as liberal a measure as the United States was meting out to Canada. To hear the gospel of a tariff for revenue, preached to conservatives in conservative Toronto, by an American, was not a palatable thing to the minister of finance, who actually took Mr. Raines to task for declaring that with extended commercial intercourse between Canada and the United States, there would be no need to build up walls of defense or any armaments. Mr. Foster declared that commercial unity is no certain guarantee against a rupture of peace. The visitor brought a message of peace and good will, but Mr. Foster breathed war, and refused to believe in perpetual peace except 'under one flag.'

AUSTRALIA'S PESTS.

Rabbits have been the bane of Australia ever since three pairs of the interesting little animals were taken to that country some years ago as pets. They thrived well in that country, and multiplied so rapidly that in a short time their descendants overran 100,000 acres with a population of wild rabbits. The rabbits, like the Egyptian locusts, ate up every green thing. Hydrophobia was tried as a means of getting rid of them, but the inoculated rabbits turned round on their heels and died. When it was found impossible to dislodge the animals, tight and close barbed wire fences, costing \$410 per mile, were built, and the plague was stayed. Hydrophobia was tried as a means of getting rid of them, but the inoculated rabbits turned round on their heels and died. When it was found impossible to dislodge the animals, tight and close barbed wire fences, costing \$410 per mile, were built, and the plague was stayed. Hydrophobia was tried as a means of getting rid of them, but the inoculated rabbits turned round on their heels and died. When it was found impossible to dislodge the animals, tight and close barbed wire fences, costing \$410 per mile, were built, and the plague was stayed.

THE LIBERAL POLICY.

At the recent Quebec banquet in honor of the Federal opposition leader, Hon. Mr. Laurier laid down, in unmistakable terms, the platform of the liberal party, which was proud to say stands on the broad ground of a common Canadian nationality and a united country. Their desire was to develop the power of confederation, and to unite the different and conflicting factions which may exist within our borders. We are a people composed of several races, and to form one common nation, it was of the most absolute necessity that racial and religious prejudices should be kept outside the arena of politics.

THE LUMBER BUSINESS.

In his annual circular on the lumber trade for 1893, Senator J. B. Snowball, of Chatham, says the winter of 1892-93 proved the most favorable for log-getting of any we have had in recent years, consequently we had a much larger output for the force employed, than was anticipated. Spring freshets were poor and driving expensive. About ten millions superficial feet of logs were left in the brooks. Notwithstanding the favorable season, the export from Chatham fell to twelve millions superficial feet from last year. And while the exports from St. John were ten millions more than in 1892, still the exports from the province show a decrease of thirteen millions. The total trans-Atlantic shipments from New Brunswick in 1893 compared with 1892 were as follows:

1892.	1893.
Superficial feet, dealt.....	3,300,000 355,149,811
A decrease of.....	12,968,255
Tons, timber.....	5,737 11,307
A decrease of.....	5,570
Exported in round.....	496 485
A decrease of.....	11
Of a tonnage of.....	34,208 317,718
A decrease of.....	8,987

LADY ABERDEEN.

An interesting sketch of her early life. Lady Aberdeen is the daughter of Sir Dudley Coutts Marjoribanks, since created Lord Tweedmouth, of a staunch old whig border family, and who himself represented the "good town of Berwick-on-Tweed" for thirty years as a Liberal. The family seat is in Berwickshire, but little Isabel's home was in Gussachan in Ivernesshire. It was a wild and romantic spot. The country seat nestled at the head of a lovely mountain strath twenty-three miles from the nearest railway station or telegraph office. In this mountain solitude the young girl grew up a strong and sturdy Scotch lassie, passionately fond of reading and of the "vigorous outdoor life of the mountain child."

1891 THE CULTIVATOR 1894

Country Gentleman. THE BEST OF THE AGRICULTURAL WEEKLIES. DEVOTED TO Farm Crops and Processes, Horticulture & Fruit Growing, Live Stock and Dairying. While it also includes all minor departments of rural interest, such as the Foultry Yard, Entomology, Bee Keeping, Greenhouses and Grapes, Veterinary Medicine, Farm Questions and Answers, Fire-side Reading, Domestic Economy, and a summary of the News of the Week. Its Market Reports are unusually complete, and much attention is given to the Prospects of the Crops, as showing light upon one of the most important of all questions—When to Buy and When to Sell. It is liberally illustrated and by recent arrangement, contains more reading matter than ever before. The subscription price is \$2.00 per year, but we offer a special reduction in our Club Rates for 1894.

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