

CHAMBERLAIN AT BIRMINGHAM

Appeals to Patriotism and Self-Interest for Support.

A London despatch says: Joseph Chamberlain made a speech on Wednesday evening to a gathering of 9,000 of his fellow-townsmen at Bingley Hall, Birmingham. It was by far the largest audience the former Colonial Secretary had faced during the fiscal campaign, and the enthusiasm naturally exceeded the remarkable scenes witnessed in the others, and was emphasized by the Chamberlainite victory at the previous municipal election in Birmingham.

Before Mr. Chamberlain arrived the vast audience kept shouting to Mrs. Chamberlain, "Where's Joe?" The speech was marked throughout by tumultuous enthusiasm, especially at the end, when with true dramatic instinct he drew from a piece of brown paper two enormous, equal-sized leaves of bread, representing the taxed and untaxed loaf, and holding them at arm's length, laughingly asked, "Which is which?"

LITTLE ENGLANDERS.
After dealing with conditions during the past fifty years under free trade, and quoting figures to sustain his argument, Mr. Chamberlain quoted Cobden as saying that the United States would eventually abandon manufacturing, and that their workmen would go back to the land and dig and delve for us. Americans, however, said Mr. Chamberlain had not conceived their national destiny. Behind the tariff wall they had built up their industries, until they had reached a stage where, unsatisfied with the extent of their own markets, they were invading those of the United Kingdom.

Reverting to the question of a preferential tariff for the colonies, Mr. Chamberlain charged those opposed to his plans with being "Little Englanders," lacking in the desire to bring the colonies closer to the Mother Country, and preferring to do more for strangers than for their own flesh and blood. Mr. Chamberlain spoke for nearly two hours, in the main repeating his

former arguments, and appealing to the patriotism and self-interest of the people of the United Kingdom to sustain his fiscal policy.

TIES WITH COLONIES.
The gist of the speech was an appeal to the English people to lose no time in binding closer the units of the Empire. If Britain were out of sympathy with the colonies and refused their offers, if she could not co-operate in sustaining the Empire, she would lose her opportunity, and it might never recur. Then there should never be the bond of commercial union which at one time was the ideal of Lord Rosebery, and with no commercial bond they could never secure that Imperial federation for which Lord Rosebery declared he was willing to die. A large party in the country regarded the colonies as a costly encumbrance. He was not quite sure whether the modern leaders of free trade shared those antiquated views, but at any rate, instead of appreciating the importance of Imperial unity, all they thought of was the unity of the British party. Continuing, Mr. Chamberlain said: "We reverence and gloried in those family ties with the colonies, and no politician should induce us to do anything which would cause us to sacrifice them. I am not presumptuous enough to predict beforehand exactly what all these great States will do in return. I have full confidence, however, that they will do right. In the meantime, while some facts are public property, we know that a preferential system has been asked for by all the colonies on three separate occasions, and asked for at two conferences over which I presided in London.

"When I remember how all the colonies responded to their allegiances and sent men by thousands, and paid out money during the recent war, I feel confident that these men, negotiate without any fear of the result, and that they will show great generosity and patriotism."

FRUIT OF GOOD QUALITY.

EXCELLENT ADVICE BY MR. G. HAROLD POWELL.

At the Meeting of the American Pomological Society, Held at Boston.

In an address at the recent annual meeting of the American Pomological Society, held at Boston, Mr. G. Harold Powell gave some excellent advice in regard to growing fruit of first-class quality. Many of the points which he brought out were met with approval by Mr. W. A. MacKinnon, Chief of the Dominion Fruit Division, and are given here for the benefit of Canadian fruit growers. Mr. Powell recommended as summer apples for the United States, Red Astrachan, Sweet Apple, Gravenstein and Alexander; for winter, the Greening, the Newton Pippin, which he stated had sometimes sold as high as \$20.00 a barrel, the King of the Spies, and the recommended top grafting, the King on two year old Spies, stating that in this way a vigorous tree bearing good crops would be obtained.

Regarding the Ben Davis, Mr. Powell made a very cutting criticism, declaring it had only one quality to recommend it, namely, its color; and stating that no fruit would take a prominent place in our markets or would continue to be a profitable one for growers, which depends upon a single virtue for its sale.

The Champion grape received a similar castigation. Its only virtue is its earliness, and this Mr. Powell makes made it one of the worst enemies of the grape grower, inasmuch as the price of the Champion at first very high, drops almost to nothing. The last price of the Champion, or what the public are willing to pay after they have become acquainted with its wretched quality, fixes the price for all other grape which follow, though they are infinitely

SUPERIOR IN QUALITY.
to the Champion. In other words, rack bottom prices having been once fixed it is impossible to get back to normal prices.

Mr. Powell spoke rather more kindly of the Elberta peach, but is of the opinion that it also is not an un-mixed blessing, to the fruit growers. It is a splendid shipper, but has no quality.

The conclusion to be drawn from Mr. Powell's remarks is that whatever transient advantages may be obtained by the grower from the production of inferior varieties, it is to his permanent advantage to produce his only wise policy to produce the highest quality in each sort of fruit, which he places on the market.

Striking testimony to the value of such advice is furnished by some reports of fruit sales just received by the Fruit Division from London, England. On Oct. 7th, there were sold a large number of half-cases of Californian and other American pears, including about a dozen varieties. The Scotch which is generally regarded as a pear of the highest quality, though small in size, sold for 12s; the Glout Moreau for 13s 6d; the Galabash (similar to our Bosc) for 11s; the Conice (one of the varieties recommended by the Fruit Division) for 11s to 12s. If we contrast these prices with those for fruit of inferior quality, we must conclude that the Englishman wants only the best fruit and that he is

DEATHS FROM CONSUMPTION

Statistics Show Falling Off in Mortality.

A despatch from Toronto says: The returns received at the Provincial Health Office show a largely decreased number of deaths from consumption for last year compared with some years past. The deaths from consumption last year, 2,694, show a decrease of 549, compared with 1901, and 890, compared with 1900, when the deaths totalled 3,484.

The figures for the past six years are as follows:

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| 1897 | 3,754 |
| 1898 | 3,491 |
| 1899 | 3,403 |
| 1900 | 3,494 |
| 1901 | 2,243 |
| 1902 | 2,694 |

The falling off is believed to be the result of sanitary measures, and better eating habits, and is not due to the fact that diphtheria has been kept from the figures of last year, though in this year a great increase in the number of scarlet fever cases for the Province as a whole.

MUTILATING CHILDREN.

Cruelly Treated by Greeks and Sent Out to Beg.

An Odessa despatch says: Revolting and revolting have been made here concerning the practices of a Greek organization which has engaged in the business of importing Greek children, mutilating them and sending them out to beg. Children have been lured in hundreds to North Carolina and East Russia by promises of remunerative occupations. The tongue, eyes, face, arms, and legs of the victims have been mutilated, and in this condition they have been compelled to seek alms on the pretext that they were sufferers from Turkish hardships in Macedonia. Printed circulars have been found on some of these children giving details of their cases. The police have made a number of arrests, and the public agitation is so great that soldiers are required to guard the prisoners.

ARMY OF IMMIGRANTS.

Arrivals for the Past Ten Months Number 121,115

An Ottawa despatch says: The German returns show that 121,115 immigrants entered Canada during the ten months up to the end of October. Of this number 47,541 were from the British Isles, 39,016 from the United States, and 35,528 from various countries of Europe. Only 7,000 only had reached Canada's shores.

The department is planning for even a more vigorous campaign in the United Kingdom next season, and among the rural population of France and Belgium as well. Special literature is being prepared to assist in the immigration work of the United Kingdom, and Mr. Wilson is taking charge of this mission. It is understood that Deputy Minister Smart will undertake the supervision of this work, and has of the special effort in the British Isles.

THE WORLD'S MARKETS.

REPORTS FROM THE LEADING TRADE CENTRES.

Prices of Cattle, Grain, Cheese, and Other Dairy Produce at Home and Abroad.

Toronto, Nov. 10.—Wheat—The market quiet with the feeling somewhat easier. No. 2 white and red Winter quoted at 78c low freight, and No. 2 Spring is quoted at 75c east. Manitoba wheat is easier. At upper lake ports No. 1 Northern is quoted at 77c, and No. 2 Northern at 82c. No. 1 hard nominal at 90c lake ports.

Wheat—The market is a little weaker, with offerings free. No. 2 white is quoted at 29 to 29 1/2 west, and at 21 1/2 low freight to New York. No. 1 white, 31 cent.

Wheat—The demand is moderate, with offerings fair. No. 2 quoted at 42 to 43c middle freight. No. 3 extra at 41c, and No. 3 at 39 to 40c middle freight.

Wheat—The market is quiet, with prices steady. No. 2 yellow American is quoted at 24 1/2, Toronto. No. 3 yellow at 23c, and No. 3 mixed at 22 1/2c Toronto.

Wheat—The market is firm, with quotations 41 to 42c at outside points.

Wheat—Ninety per cent. patents are firm, and 82c and 81c are in buyers' hands, for export. Straight lots of special brands for domestic trade quoted at \$3.45 to \$3.60 in bbls. Manitoba flour is steady; No. 1 patents, \$4.50 to \$4.75; No. 2 patents, \$4.20 to \$4.45; and strong straight, \$4.15 to \$4.30 on track Toronto.

Wheat—The market is quiet at \$2.50 per ton for car lots on track, with prices steady. Unbaked, \$1.75 a bush, and hand-picked, \$1.80 to \$2.10.

Wheat—The market is quiet at 6 to 6 1/2c per lb. for bulk, and at \$1.25 to \$1.50 for comb. Choice clover hay, 75c to 77c per lb.

Wheat—The market is fair, with receipts only moderate. No. 1 timothy quoted at \$9.50 to \$10 on track, Toronto and mixed at \$7 to \$7.50.

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Potatoes—The offerings are fair, with little change in prices. Caus of good quality offered to-day at 53c per bag on track, and interior at 50c.

Poultry—The market continues dull and weak, with sales difficult to make. Dry plucked turkeys quoted at 10c per lb., geese at 6 to 6 1/2c, ducks at 7 to 8c, chickens at 7 to 8c, and fowls at 6c per lb.

TICKS FROM THE WIRE

HAPPENINGS FROM ALL OVER THE GLOBE

Telegraphic Briefs From Our Own and Other Countries of Recent Events.

Canada.
Milk is scarce in Winnipeg. The Dominion Government will institute a naval reserve depot at Kingston.

A colony of five Canadian will be exhibited at the Exposition. The Arcola Hotel and other buildings at Arcola, Man., were burned on Saturday, causing a loss of \$20,000.

The Hudson Bay Company's ship, Lady Head, was wrecked off Gasket shoals in Hudson Bay. No one was lost.

John Davis was sentenced at Winnipeg to seven years in Stony Mountain penitentiary for shooting at Mary Spence with intent.

The Toronto Board of Trade adopted a resolution favoring the commercial policy of the empire, as defined by Mr. Chamberlain in his Glasgow speech.

Dr. Moore, Dominion Veterinary expert, says that the disease among the horses on Wolfe Island and Pittsburg, near Kingston, is typhoid influenza.

A Kingston company has secured control of Mississippi, 53 miles from Kingston, from which coal can be obtained.

Two new guns have arrived at Quebec, one of which will be conveyed to the citadel. They are two six-inch rifle guns weighing seven and eight tons, and are 25 calibre.

Jack Barpe, of 25 Beaufort street, Montreal, has been arrested for stealing letters from the mails. Over 2,000 letters were found in his possession, 100 being returned.

It is reported that the Grand Trunk Railway Company hope to locate extensive areas of coal north of Lake Abitibi. The Grand Trunk Railway has been developing large areas of coal in the Skeena River district, in British Columbia. It is expected that boxes of copper will be found in the region between Lake Abitibi and Quebec.

CATTLE MARKET.

Toronto, Nov. 10.—To-day's receipts at the City Cattle Market...

Receipts at the City Cattle Market, consisting of 1,300 head of cattle, 1,797 sheep and lambs, 1,736 hogs and calves. The run was heavy, but of the cattle, light stockers and feeders, and rough mixed butchers' cattle, were too many in proportion to the market. It was altogether rather a ragged kind of a market, with business a little slow, and no very choice stock offerings.

ACTIVITY IN MINING.

Inspector Carter Reports That Industry is Flourishing.

A Toronto despatch says: The Provincial Inspector of Mines, Mr. E. J. Carter, who has been on a tour of inspection throughout the Ontario, returned on Wednesday. He reports that the copper industry is flourishing.

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POLICE ON ARCTIC ISLANDS.

Most Established to Watch American Whalers.

An Ottawa despatch says: A party of Mounted Police, under the command of Constable J. J. Macdonald, has been sent to the Arctic islands to watch American whalers. The party consists of 10 men, and is expected to be in the Arctic Sea in the next few days.

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GREAT BRITAIN.

Colonial Secretary Lytton Hopes That He May Soon Be Able to Visit the Colonies.

The War Office has adopted a new pattern of cartridge bullet, and the London Outlook says Lord Alton's silence emphasizes Canadian claims to believe that he has been in agreement with the War Office.

EAST SHIPS DON'T PAY.

North German Lloyd Declares Dividend.

A despatch from Berlin says: The North German Lloyd has declared a dividend of 10 per cent. on its profits for the year ending in 1902. The dividend is payable on November 15th.

MADE THE DUMB SPEAK.

Man Cuts Tongue, Recovered Lost Power to Talk.

A Detroit despatch says: For seven years a man known as "Silent" had been dumb. He had lost his voice when he was a boy, and had never been able to speak since.

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EARTHQUAKES AT ST. LOUIS.

Series Felt in World's Fair City This Afternoon.

A despatch from St. Louis says: This city and vicinity experienced a series of earth shocks at 12:18 o'clock on Wednesday. The earthquake was felt all over the city and was most felt in the high buildings.

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CANADA'S FUTURE.

Secretary Murray is Very Enthusiastic.

A despatch from London says: The Secretary of the London Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Murray, in his address to the Canadian delegates at the London conference, was very enthusiastic in regard to the future of the Empire.

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