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THE SITUATION AT OTTAWA—ELECTION TALK.

It is the weakness of our representative system, running upon party lines as it does, that more talent is expended, more consideration given and more time occupied in manoeuvring and planning for party advantage than is devoted to the real business of the country.

True, they have made proposals to vote supplies enough to carry on the public services until fall, and so enable Sir Wilfrid Laurier to attend the Imperial Conference and the Coronation, if only the Government will consent to drop the further consideration of the agreement till the autumn.

It looks as if this ground had been quite artfully chosen. It is true, that it would be quite in vain for the Ottawa Parliament to sanction the agreement, if it should be afterwards rejected by the Senate at Washington.

But in several ways the present position of the Government is by no means a bed of roses. Mr. Borden's proposals must needs have been rejected, as they were, but what of the immediate future? To blame the Opposition.

HON. MR. OLIVER.

One good thing for the time in regard to the reciprocity agreement was that it served to divert the discussions in Parliament from personal and party scandals to matters of higher national import.

Some of the statements made by Mr. Oliver are in the meantime flatly contradicted by the Toronto Globe.

ADVERSE BALANCE OF TRADE.

The total trade of Canada for the fiscal year ended with March last was \$759,084,389, being an increase of \$82,000,000 over the previous year. This volume of trade was made up as follows:

Imports... \$461,898,024
Exports... 274,316,000

The imports showed an increase over the previous year of \$86,000,000 in round figures, while the exports show a decrease of nearly \$5,000,000 as compared with the previous year.

The balance of trade against the Dominion is almost the largest in Canadian history. Without making too much of this adverse balance, it is still proper to point out that conditions in Canada are quite different from what they are in the Mother Country, where there is usually an excess of imports over exports.

The United States census shows very large gains in the population. There is good reason to believe that Canada's gains have also been unusually large, but not so great as some sanguine statisticians have supposed.

The reverse of this is true in regard to Canada. Ours is a borrowing instead of a lending country. Our federal and provincial Governments, our large cities and municipalities, our railways, our mining and other industrial corporations together owe collectively an enormous debt, large-

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CONFAGRATION IN BANGOR, ME. BANGOR, May 1.—Property valued at upwards of \$6,000,000 was destroyed, hundreds of people were made homeless, and almost the entire business section of the city was devastated during a fire of six hours, which is still raging though the firemen are making some headway.

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NATIONS PLAN FOR WARS IN AIR LONDON, May 1.—An English representative of the aeroplane purchasing committee of the Russian government, which has decided to spend \$4,500,000 without delay upon military armaments, visited the aero exhibition at Olympia, accompanied by two of the Russian government airmen.

two-seated military machines for reconnoitring work for the next five months. An extensive order for Breguet biplanes, as seen at the show, has been given by the French Government. These machines, constructed almost entirely of steel, can be taken to pieces in half an hour for expeditious military transport.

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Conditions Improved in Famine District. SHANGHAI, May 3.—A correspondent who returned from the famine-stricken districts of Northern China says that he found the conditions improved as a result of the relief work; but they are still very bad. The daily death-rate has decreased from several thousand in the middle of March to a few hundred. Many houses stand deserted, only the mud walls indicating that they were once tenanted.

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FOR PENSIONS FOR TEACHERS TORONTO, May 1.—A firm determination on the part of the teachers of the province to bring to a successful issue the movement inaugurated some time ago to establish a superannuation fund for those who through old age or other causes are compelled to retire from active work in their profession was shown at the general meeting of the Ontario Educational Association held in Convocation hall.

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