

HORIZONTAL

1 Kind of cap
4 Having shoes
8 Sensed
11 Eggs
12 Office
13 At a distance
15 Non-metallic mineral
17 Molded metal
19 To depart
20 Electrified particle
21 Poker pool
22 Wheel track
23 Ran away
25 Domestic animal
26 To give medicine
27 Roman bronze
28 Wheel tooth
29 Goal
30 None
31 Pova in France
32 Siberian river
35 To poke
36 Isle
37 Article
38 Satellite
40 Emmet

VERTICAL

1 Mist
2 Girl in "Uncle Tom"
3 Foolish persons
4 Twirled
5 Garden tool
6 Conjunction
7 Station
8 Wit
9 Belonging to
10 Portuguese river
14 Repetition
16 Delty
18 Pronoun
21 Spectacle
22 Buzz
23 To winnow
24 Lion constellation
25 Mountain pass
26 Gaming cube
28 Vehicle
29 Part of play
31 Front
32 Insect egg
33 Electrical unit
34 Stinging insect
35 Least bit
37 Names
38 To debate
39 Musical instrument
40 Pertaining to ear
41 Hindu cymbals
43 Greek letter
44 Portent
46 Payment
47 Neck piece
48 Silk worm
49 Light brown
51 Pronoun
53 Earth, godd

Answer to Yesterday's Puzzle No. 4385

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Heralds of Empire

A Daily Column in Which is Related Little-Known Deeds of The Heroic Men Who Built The British Empire
By H. M. PAINT

"But when my son was killed, it went to my heart like a knife—indeed it did."

Who is it speaking in this anguished tone—it is Cromwell, Lord Protector of England, the man whom his enemies accuse of having a heart as hard as a stone.

The Great Protector, supreme at home and feared abroad, knew the bitterness common to all dictators—of having neither kith nor kin nor worthy successor to whom to bequeath his power or carry his great designs to fruition. For though Hal Cromwell had shown some signs of ability in Ireland, they were more the talents of a competent field officer than the qualities necessary to direct the destinies of a nation. While Richard—perhaps the clear-sighted Protector recalled the cynical Italian proverb—"So good, he is good for nothing." No, Richard would not do!

It was not only the heart-broken father but the man who loved England and wished to make her great, who mourned, refusing to be comforted, for that other son, cast in the same mould as his own, thrown away in an accidental skirmish in the early years of the Civil War. What unlucky fate had thrown the young man by chance into the path of some of Prince Rupert's Cavaliers returned from "beating up" the quarters of the Parliamentary train bands, in a night raid? Why had fortune, so oft his father's friend, caused him to fall to a chance pistol ball, amidst a mad confusion of flashing sabres, plunging horses, and cursing men, in a narrow, moonlit country lane?

Of what avail was it to him now, that Mazarin, the great Cardinal, wrote him in respectful terms to beg his friendship and alliance for France? What solace was it that he had humbled the Dutch, breaking their hold on the profitable mercantile carrying trade of Europe, so that England might grow great? What comfort could he wrest from the fact that Spain had been humbled by Blake, that the Algerian Corsairs had been chastized, that Britain had won an entrance into the Mediterranean, that Jamaica had been added to England's possessions, as a base for the trade of the New World, that his mere threat had been enough to halt the massacre of the Savoyards in their Alpine home? "It went to my heart like a knife—indeed it did."

So he was to die, and Richard to become his heir, while power melted from his hands, and the profligate succeeded the weak, and dishonor followed glory—because of a chance pistol ball fired in an English country lane.

WHOLESALE SALES VALUE DECREASE

The dollar value of Wholesale sales in November was down 3.3 per cent from October and 1.8 per cent lower than in November, 1937 according to reports received from some 200 wholesale firms representatives of nine different lines of trade throughout Canada. The index stood at 94.9 compared with 98.1 for October, 1937, for September and 96.6 for November, 1937. The cumulative index for the first eleven months of 1938 was 3.7 per cent below that for the corresponding period of 1937. The inventory value on November 30 for all lines of trade combined was 8.3 per cent below the stock value of the same date in 1937.

Retail sales in November, as reflected in the composite figures for twelve lines of retail trade, declined two per cent from October, but were practically on a par with November, 1937. The unadjusted indexes, on the base 1930-100, were 84.5 for November, 85.9 for October and 84.6 for November, 1937. The decline from October was less pronounced than usual, while the comparison with November, 1937, was more favourable than any corresponding month comparison since last February. Increased sales were recorded in four of the twelve groups, sales of hardware stores being up 8 per cent, drug 4, grocery and meat 4 and boot and shoe store sales one per cent. Retail sales to the end of November were two per cent lower than in the same period of 1937.

The raw rubber imports in November totalled 6,994,635 pounds as against 7,031,956 in October and 10,722,688 a year ago. The amount from the Straits Settlement direct was 6,098,940 pounds. There were small quantities from Ceylon and Liberia. Raw rubber imports this year have been running considerably less than last year.

The November imports of lumber and timber were of the value of \$268,120 compared with \$241,423 in October and \$522,507 in November a year ago. Most of the imports came from the United States and the chief item was oak at \$81.511.

CANADA'S WHEAT SUPPLY, EXPORTS

The visible supply of Canadian wheat on December 30 amounted to 169,086,599 bushels compared with 169,272,315 in the previous week and 57,377,677 in the corresponding week of 1937. The amount of Canadian wheat in the United States was 7,328,000 bushels compared with 8,137,000 the week before and 4,704,000 in 1937. Wheat in rail transit amounted to 693,890 bushels compared with 4,148,804 in the previous week and 3,448,074 for the same week in 1937. What receipts in the Prairie Provinces for the week ending December 30 amounted to 1,303,730 bushels compared with 2,058,449 in the previous week and 608,963 in the corresponding week of 1937. The amounts follow by provinces with figures for 1937 in brackets: Manitoba, 195,102 (49,791) bushels; Saskatchewan, 549,752 (174,901); Alberta 648,876 (351,271).

Marketings in the three provinces for the twenty-two weeks ending December 30 totalled 254,555,513 bushels compared with 98,275,246 in the corresponding period of the previous crop year. The totals follow by provinces: Manitoba, 41,068,338 (32,283,445) bushels; Saskatchewan, 101,199,446 (20,614,172); Alberta, 112,287,759 (45,332,629).

Overseas export clearances of wheat during the week ending December 30 amounted to 1,290,400 bushels compared with 1,975,300 the week before and 1,487,418 in the corresponding week of 1937. The amount of Canadian wheat imported into the United States for consumption and milling in bond for re-export amounted to 109,000 bushels compared with 40,000 the week before and 16,000 in 1937. The amounts by ports follow: Vancouver-New Westminster, 219,533 (141,443) bushels; United States ports, 274,767 (408,859); Victoria, 84,000 (nil); Saint John, 8,000 (599,989); Montreal, 4,040 (240); Prince Rupert nil (312,928); Halifax, nil (27,977).

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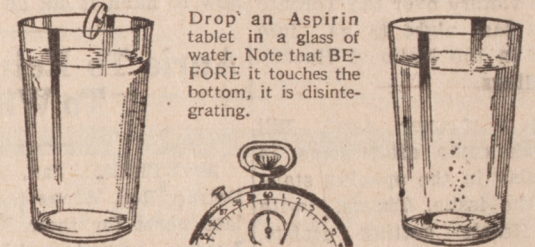
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