

# The Daily Mail

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## PINCHING THE WORKING MAN

The June issue of The Labor Gazette, containing under the authority of the minister of labor illuminative articles on the cost of living and conditions of unemployment in Canada, should be carefully studied by Hon. W. T. White, who is in charge of the government's fiscal policy.

The department's index number, showing the average wholesale prices of the 272 commodities entering into the cost of living, is given as 136.2 for the month of May. For the month of May last year, it was 135.4. There were some slight reductions during the month on dairy products which are, of course, abundant at this season of the year. Fuel and furs were also lower. But a lower level on these two commodities for the summer months will hardly bring much relief to the average man whose buying power has been greatly restricted by the trade depression of the past year or to the thousands who are now out of employment in practically every city in Canada.

The department's analysis of the cost of living during 1913 shows that the average weekly expenditure for the ordinary workingman's family, in order to meet the bare cost of living, was \$14.624. In 1912 it was \$13.788, and in 1911 it was \$13.002. Since the Laurier government went out of power in 1911 on a policy which made for a reduction in the cost of living, there has been an increase of at least \$1 per week in the workingman's budget of necessary expenses. Since 1910 there has been an increase of practically 10 per cent. in the cost of living. The trend is still upwards.

Compared with this increase in Canada there has been, during recent months, a marked decrease in free-trade Britain and in the United States where tariff revision downwards is now producing its logical effect. The index number, showing the cost of living in the United States, fell to 8.624 for last May as compared with 9.1394 for May of last year. In Great Britain it is down to 117.5 as compared with 122.4 in May of last year. In the United States there has been a reduction during the year of about five per cent. In Great Britain there has been a reduction of nearly four per cent. In Canada alone has there been an increase. And in Canada alone has the tariff restrictions both on consumers and on producers been increased.

Hon. Mr. White may draw the moral, but the Big Interest allies of the government will not let him apply them.

## THE MARKET AT OUR DOORS

Government trade statistics for the past fiscal year are decidedly encouraging to Conservative arguments in regard to the "No-truck-or-trade with the Yankees" propaganda. During the fiscal year, exports to the United States totalled \$200,459,373, a gain of no less than \$33,348,991, as compared with the preceding twelve months. Despite the refusal of the Conservatives to take advantage of the American effort to let down the tariff barriers and to give the Canadian farmer freer access to the market of 90,000,000 people, trade has continued to steadily increase even in a year of comparative depression. Even with the tariff barriers still up against Canadian wheat and oats and fish, Canada sent last year to the United States, wheat to the value of \$6,891,621, oats to the value of \$6,802,403 and fish to the value of \$6,644,365. Canada sent animals to the amount of \$8,518,015 across the line during the last fiscal year. The Canadian farmer and the Canadian fisherman may realize from figures like these what he lost when the reciprocity agreement was turned down.

## OFFICIAL STUPIDITY

Referring to a circular recently sent out by the Postmaster General the Ohtaham World, Conservative, says: The law is that newspapers and

periodicals sent to subscribers or news agents in Canada, within a distance of 300 miles, shall pay one quarter of a cent a pound or fraction of a pound weight, and this is interpreted to mean that much a copy! The man who makes such an absurd interpretation should be put in a glass case and carried around the country for exhibition as a human curiosity. It is no wonder that the newspaper men refused to consent to fixing of rates by such a man as this. It is an idiotic interpretation. It would be laughed out of any court of justice. It is unworthy of any brain that does not belong to an animal on all fours. There is no common sense or reason in it. It makes an ounce paper—the average country paper—pay as much as the ten to fourteen-ounce papers that are issued in the big cities.

The first year's operations under the Government's boasted reciprocal trade agreement with the West Indies did not justify the boasting press when the agreement first went through. The returns of the Department of Trade and Commerce for the fiscal year which ended March last show that Canadian trade with the West Indies amounted to \$4,354,849, a decrease of \$1,662,281 as compared with preceding twelve months. Exports totalled \$4,770,200, an increase of only \$41,998. With the reciprocal agreement in force, there has been an actual decrease in trade of over \$1,600,000!

Hon. J. D. Hazen seems to be giving New Brunswick a wide berth these days. He is in need of a rest and therefore wishes to avoid the political buccanniers of the Tory party. And he knows that they are a lot of them laying for him.

It seems to be the general impression that the money exacted from the lumbermen by Mr. W. H. Berry, has not yet found its way into a campaign fund.

Under Flemming rule it is fashionable to collect campaign funds when there is no campaign in sight, and to get government officials to do the collecting.

It is now over a week since the sanctimonious Premier Flemming assured "our Conservative friends throughout Canada" that the Dugal charges are all moonshine.

Premier Flemming got his salary boosted during the session of 1913 but it didn't seem to make much difference.

Will the Flemming government muster up sufficient courage to appoint a Police Magistrate this term? And will a dark horse get the job?

What do the "small lumber operators" think about the Flemming government now?

"The biggest grafter in New Brunswick" appears to have dropped out of the limelight for the time being.

## MATRIMONIAL EVENT AT LINCOLN

A very pretty wedding was solemnized Tuesday afternoon at 4.15 o'clock at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Ludlow Smith, Lincoln, when their only daughter, Bertha Evelyn, was united in marriage to Mr. Artemus C. Young of Manguerville, N. B. The wedding took place on the lawn beneath an arch of ferns and roses, the ceremony being performed by Rev. J. Corey. The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was charmingly gowned in cream brocaded satin with shadow lace trimmings and wore a bridal veil and orange blossoms and carried a bouquet of bride's roses and maiden-hair fern. She was attended by her cousin, Miss Mabel C. Mott as bridesmaid, who wore a beautiful gown of white crepe de chene with lace trimmings and a bridesmaid's cap and carried a bouquet of pink carnations. The groom was supported by Mr. S. Randolph Noble of the head office of the Royal Bank of Montreal.

The wedding march Lohengrin was beautifully rendered by Mrs. M. T. Holdsworth of Lynn, Mass. The ushers were Messrs. Fred Conley and Harry Cole of Boston.

The groom's present to the bride was a substantial cheque. To the bridesmaid he gave a gold bar-pin set with pearls and to the groomsmen gold cuff-links.

The bride and groom, who were very popular among their friends, received many handsome and useful articles, including cut glass and silver. The groom is a valued employee of Fraser Limited.

After a dainty luncheon was served the happy couple left by automobile for Fredericton en route to St. John and will cross by boat to Digby and visit the Annapolis Valley.

The bride's going-away dress was of navy blue serge with fawn colored hat and blue plumes.

Their many friends join in wishing them a long and prosperous wedded life.

George J. Mullin, pitcher of the Indianapolis Federal League baseball team, thirty-four years old today.

## THIS DATE IN HISTORY

JULY 3.

1775—Washington took command of the Continental army at Cambridge.

1814—Americans captured Fort Erie from the British.

1839—First normal school in America opened at Lexington, Mass.

1866—Prussians defeated the Austrians at battle of Sadowa.

1878—Island of Cyprus ceded to Great Britain.

1890—Idaho admitted to the union.

1900—Kheive of Egypt visited the City of London.

JULY 4.

1776—Congress proclaimed the Declaration of Independence.

1807—Garibaldi, the Italian liberator, born. Died June 3, 1882.

1848—President Polk laid the cornerstone for the Washington monument.

1891—German emperor and empress visited Queen Victoria at Windsor.

1894—The Hawaiian republic was proclaimed.

1898—French liner La Bourgogne collided with the ship Cromartyshire and foundered, with loss of six hundred lives.

## SPECIAL OFFERINGS for TODAY and TOMORROW

**12c** Our windows will show WASH GOODS **12c** that are marked to sell at 12c. Values that cannot be duplicated. The price will move them quickly. Don't overlook this Phenomenal Bargain. First Selections Valuable.

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**20c and 25c. } Big Stock. The Place to Buy.**

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## BIRTHDAY CONGRATULATIONS

JULY 3.

Habibulla Khan, ameer of Afghanistan, forty-two years old today.

Marquis of Cholmondeley, who holds the hereditary office of Lord Great Chamberlain of England, fifty-six years old today.

Clifton G. Curtis, formerly well known as a major league baseball pitcher, thirty-two years old today.

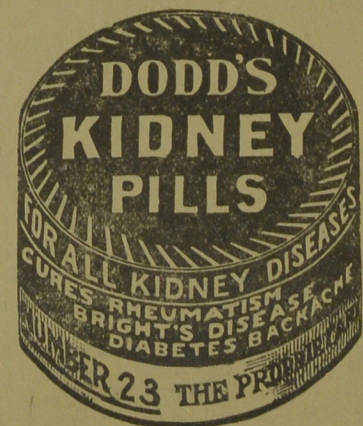
JULY 4.

Felix Agnus, Baltimore newspaper publisher, seventy-five years old today.

Walter L. Fisher, former secretary of the Interior, fifty-two years old today.

George M. Cohan, comedian and playwright, thirty-six years old today.

Dr. John C. Branner, president of Leland Stanford, Jr., University, sixty-four years old today.



## Why Be Bit By Mosquitoes?

Do not let the mosquitoes trouble you. Keep them away. Prevent not only their annoyance but possible infection.

## RED CROSS FLY PASTE

is a preventive preparation. Through its odour it keeps off Mosquitoes and serves as a protection. Take a tube with you on that fishing trip. **25c a tube.**

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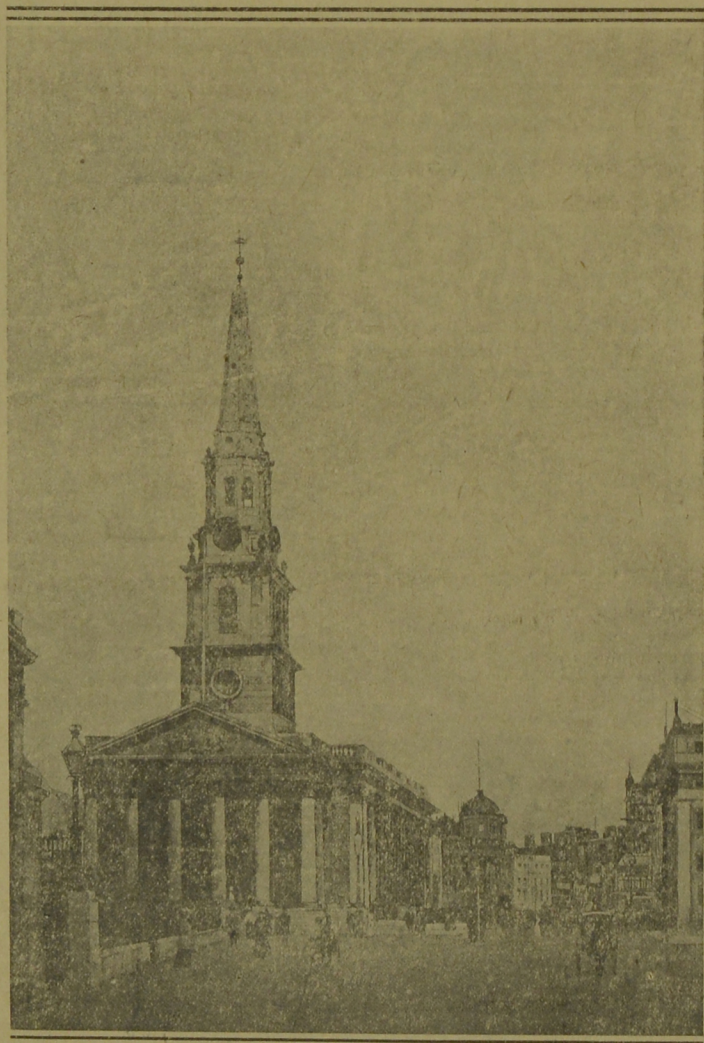
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Still continues the most popular Shoe for Ladies' Summer Wear.

We sell them in all the different kinds of leathers and also in Satin and Canvas.

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