

# Boys' and Youths' TOPPER OVERCOATS

This time of year there is nothing in the way of clothing looks better than one of our TOPPERS.

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# IS THERE TOO MUCH GOLD IN THE WORLD?

That May be the Reason Why the Cost of Living is Now Going up Steadily—In Other Words, Your Dollar is Shrinking in Value and Will Buy Less Than It Would 15 Years Ago—Amazing Figures of Gold Production.

The most remarkable thing in the world at present is the "flood of gold" that every one has heard of and no one has seen. "Gold, gold, gold, hammered, beaten, moulded, rolled, source of many a crime untold, good or bad a thousand fold," it has broken the dam somewhere higher up, out of reach, and it is pouring into the "channels of trade and finance" now as it never poured before since man has been on earth. Nobody sees it pouring, not even the masters of the mints and the great financiers who after rejoicing over the beginnings of the flood are beginning to fear that it will swamp them unless the flooding stops. Still they struggle to control it and everybody struggles to get at it, though no one sees it.

It pours into vaults in ironbound packages and after they are once stamped and sealed, no one may see the gold in them again for years. It may cross the Atlantic three or four times and then circulate round the world back to the original vault without anyone seeing it glitter, or it may circulate all over the country in paper representing it and calling for it by the coin or the key without being seen at all. But seen or not, the flood rises higher and higher in the vaults. It has passed the highest watermark mark and it is still rising.

The question of what this sort of flood means to most people most people can answer for themselves by less mental arithmetic than it costs to work out the "Age of Anna." The number of kegs 30 people in every hundred have stored up in their cellars or subject to their order in their bank vaults, for expenses, after paying their living expenses for the last twelve months, is the question of their share in the flood. They do not "have to" see it. They can count their share, still unseen, as if they were directors of the mints whose reports show that the flood is no dream, but a golden reality.

**CHANCE TO GET THIS GOLD.**  
If ninety people in the hundred have not got and held onto a single original package out of the flood as it has been pouring during the last ten years, they are still as much interested as ever. The idea that they may get it, if it continues pouring, is as interesting as any idea is ever likely to be. As the prospect is that it will continue pouring, the next question is of what the chance is to get it and hold onto it.

This can be answered only by the answer to the question of what the flood of gold is and why it is a "flood." The answer for this country is that our production of gold rose from \$3,088,000 in 1896 to \$86,101,000 in 1906, while our production this year will be about three dollars for every dollar of the American production of 1897.

This means that this year and last we have dug out of the ground more than twice as much gold as we did in the year 1897. The "known world" in the year America was discovered. As nearly as the amount of gold then in the world has been estimated by statisticians, it was \$170,000,000 in 1492, when Columbus sailed. That is, all the gold known to be in existence then was between ten and twenty million dollars less than the product of our American diggings, washing and tunneling from June 29, 1896, to June 30, 1907.

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**WHAT DOES IT ALL MEAN?**  
The question of what it is to mean (Continued on Sixth Column.)

# CLASSIFIED ADS.

ONE CENT PER WORD per issue is all it costs to insert advertisements like those appearing below in the lively columns of THE SUN or ST. JOHN. This ensures them being read in 6,500 St. John homes every evening, and by nearly 8,000 people during the day. SUN and ST. JOHN Classified ads. are veritable little busybodies.

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## BUSINESS CARDS

Advertisements under this heading 1 cent a word each insertion, or 4 cents a word for six consecutive insertions. When answering advertisements under this heading, please mention The Star.

WE ARE PREPARED TO WAREHOUSE all kinds of goods and furniture in our brick warehouse at the foot of Union street. J. S. GIBSON & CO., Smythe street. Phone 576-Main.

JOE WHITELEY, expert Piano and Organ Tuner, 23 Waterloo street, St. John. Phone 1257.

IF YOU WANT male or female help or a better situation in St. John or Boston, try GIANT'S Employment Agency, 62 St. James street, West Side.

NOW LANDING—Good Hard Wood, \$1.75 a load. South Annapolis, Minuties and Scotch 200 Soft Coal. JAMES S. McIVER, Agent, 5 Mill St.

FIREWOOD—MILL Wood cut to stove lengths. For big load in City \$2.25; in North End, \$1.60. Pay driver. This wood is just from the mill, MURRAY & GREGORY, LTD., Phone 233.

J. D. MCNEELY, dealer in hard and soft coals. Delivered promptly in the city. 72 Brussels street.

WM. L. WILLIAMS, successor to M. A. Finn, Wholesale and Retail Grocer and Spice Merchant, 120 and 122 Prince Wm. St. Established 1870. Write for family price list.

D. FITZGERALD, 25 Dock street, Boston. The discovery of America in 1492 and the year 1620, all the gold in Peru and Mexico and all other parts of America that could be "boiled" and then bottled and shipped to Europe. Pizzaro and Cortez, Drake and Hawkins and all the rest had immortalized themselves as the heroes of the greatest success in hunting gold in all the world's history. Yet according to the figures published by the United States government, the entire production of gold in Europe and the known world of America, added to all that was gained in America amounted to \$614,888,000 between 1492 and 1620, while the production of the opening years of the twentieth century more than doubled this total and nearly triples it. With all the gold in Europe at the discovery of America (\$170,000,000) added to all that was gained in America, the total production from America up to 1620, the total of \$784,888,000 is still less than half the total of the United States government reports as produced between 1901 and 1905, (\$1,610,369,000).

**SPURT OF THE TWENTIETH CENTURY.**  
The world's total production for the year, which ended June 30, 1907, is not yet reported by the government, though the director of the mint has said that for 20 years to come, it is not likely to average less than \$400,000,000 a year. But adding this year's production to the total reported for the bankers to the government reports, we can get the whole movement into a couple of sentences of facts. First we have the estimated total for 1906 and 1907 \$868,000,000 which is more than a fourth and nearly a third of the total production of \$2,794,226,000 between the discovery of America in 1492 and 1890, the beginning of the decade in which gold was discovered in California. Then we have a production from 1890 to 1907 of \$4,519,501,000 which for 17 years is nearly twice the total production of the world from 1492 to 1890.

The "spurt" of the twentieth century is shown by the fact that the production from 1890 to 1907 (\$4,519,501,000) is more than a third of the world's total production from the discovery of America to June 30, 1907, (\$12,484,640,000).

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**DOMESTICS WANTED**  
Advertisements under this heading 1 cent a word each insertion, or 4 cents a word for six consecutive insertions. When answering advertisements under this heading, please mention The Star.

WANTED—Girl for general housework. No washing. 27 Dorchester street. 2-4-1f.

WANTED—General girl in family of three. MRS. G. R. LINGLEY, 224 Duke street. 3-4-1f.

WANTED—A young woman, a nurse. Good wages. Apply MRS. J. ROYDEN THOMSON, 266 Prince Wm. street. 3-4-1f.

WANTED—A dining room girl. Apply by telephone or letter to Ithegay College, Ithegay, N. B. 3-4-1f.

WANTED—A young girl or middle-aged woman for general housework, by young married couple residing in Boston. References required. Apply to DR. E. J. BRODERICK, 97 Union street. 3-4-1f.

WANTED—Chambermaid at Wentworth Hall, 45 Elliott Row. 31-3-4.

WANTED—A girl for general housework. Apply 108 Waterloo street. 30-3-4.

WANTED—Capable general girl. No washing. Apply MRS. W. A. HARRISON, 187 Duke street, before September 10th, after that date 266 Prince Wm. street, Mrs. J. Royden Thomson. 3-4-1f.

WANTED—Girl for general housework—two in family. Apply MRS. E. G. SCOVILL, 41 Union street. 2-4-1f.

WANTED—Competent housemaid. Apply by telephone or letter to 33 Queen Square. 14-3-1f.

WANTED—Good capable girl. No washing. Good wages. Apply MISS LEITA WATERBURY, 220 King St. 10-3-1f.

WANTED—Kitchen girl at Bond's Restaurant, 151 Mill St. 2-3-1f.

WANTED—At once, general girl. Apply 75 King street, over Macaulay Bros. 2-4-1f.

WANTED—At once, Housemaid, willing to help with care of children. Apply, MRS. F. P. STARR, 51 Carleton street. 2-4-1f.

WANTED—General girls, cooks and housemaids can always get best places and highest pay. Apply Miss Hanson, Employment Office, 193 Charlotte St. 2-4-1f.

## SITUATIONS VACANT—FEMALE

Advertisements under this heading 1 cent a word each insertion, or 4 cents a word for six consecutive insertions. When answering advertisements under this heading, please mention The Star.

WANTED—Plain cook. Apply 75 Colburn street corner of Garden street. 4-4-1f.

WANTED—Office girl. DR. E. R. SEWELL, 163 Charlotte street. 4-4-1f.

WANTED—A few good machine sewers; also learners on shirt waives. Paid while learning. Apply 107 Prince William street, third floor. 3-4-1f.

GIRLS WANTED at the D. F. Brown Paper Box and Paper Co., Ltd. 20-3-4.

WANTED—Girl in bookbinding. R. HEANS, 109 Prince Wm. street. 2-3-1f.

WANTED—LADIES TO DO PLAIN and light sewing at home, whole or spare time; good pay; send stamp for full particulars. National Manufacturing Company, Montreal. 29-3-300.

WANTED—Two girls for factory work, one girl for shop also one man and one boy. Good pay guaranteed. Apply D. ASKINS & CO., 36 Dock street. 20-3-1mo.

WANTED—Paint and overall makers to take work home. Steady work and good pay. Apply D. ASKINS & CO., 36 Dock St. 20-3-2mos.

WANTED—Experienced cloakmakers, dressmakers and seamstresses. Good pay. Apply AMERICAN CLOAK, 60 Dock street. 19-3-1f.

GIRLS WANTED—Apply to A. I. Isaacs, Princess St. 12-3-1f.

WANTED—Two good fancy ironers. Apply GLOBE LAUNDRY. 24-7-1f.

**ROOMS AND BOARDING.**  
Advertisements under this heading 1 cent a word each insertion, or 4 cents a word for six consecutive insertions. When answering advertisements under this heading, please mention The Star.

WANTED—Four large rooms and two small rooms, 18 Princess street. 4-3-1mo.

WANTED—By man and wife, board, or rooms for light housekeeping, in the North End. Box 220, Star Office. 4-3-1f.

FURNISHED ROOMS TO LET—Apply 20 Horsfield street. 30-3-4.

NICE FURNISHED ROOMS, No. 34 Orange street. 30-3-4.

ROOMS AND BOARD for gentlemen. 15-3-1mo.

BOARDING AND ROOMS—MRS. SHANKS, 107½ Princess Street. 9-3-1mo.

TO LET—Nicely furnished rooms, 225 Duke street. 17-7-1f.

ROOM AND BOARD—143 Union street. 8-3-1mo.

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WANTED—A large, comfortable house in good locality, with modern conveniences. Long lease preferred. Apply Box 205, Star Office. 15-3-1f.

WANTED—West Side small cottage or flat, comfortably furnished, from middle November to first week in May. Address Box 219, Star Office. 31-3-7f.

WANTED—Three large bedrooms, suitable for gentlemen. Enquire 148 Gormain St. 5-3-1f.

**LOST AND FOUND**  
Advertisements under this heading 1 cent a word each insertion, or 4 cents a word for six consecutive insertions. When answering advertisements under this heading, please mention The Star.

FOUND DURING EXHIBITION, Time, 1906, brooch. Owner can have same by proving property the parcel post office and paying expenses. 31-3-1f.

**To Builders—Contractors.**  
For Sale, good condition, Terra Cotta Partition Bricks, 4 and 6 inch; also Planks and Boards. Apply CANADIAN WHITE CO. Ltd. New Royal Bank Bldg., St. John, N. B. 4-9-1f.

## SITUATIONS VACANT MALE

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ADVERTISERS ARE REMINDED that it is contrary to the provisions of the postal law to deliver letters addressed to initials only; an advertiser desiring to conceal his or her identity may economically do so by having replies directed to a box in this office; ten cents added to the price of the advertisement covers the forwarding of letters.

WANTED—Boy for office work. Apply R. G. ELKIN, 121 Prince Wm. street. 6-3-1f.

BAKER WANTED—Apply Hygienic Bakery. 2-3-1f.

WANTED—Strong boy to work in confectionery store. Apply 43 Charlotte street. 3-3-1f.

WANTED—AT ONCE—For a general retail business a young man as clerk and salesman. Address in own handwriting, giving age and experience, stating salary expected, give references. J. H. Hickman & Co., Dorchester, N. B. 21-3-1f.

WANTED—A first class chef. Wages no object. Apply BOSTON RESTAURANT, 20 Charlotte street. 4-3-1f.

WANTED—I have a newly patented device, having big sales through agents, ready for use, glass front coach, new trimmings, well painted, a first-class coach very cheap; also three outdoor carriages. Best place in the city for painting and greatest facilities for carriage repairing. A. G. EDGECOMBE, 115 and 129 City Road. 6-12-1f.

WANTED—At once, a bell boy. Apply New Victoria Hotel, Prince William street. 30-3-4.

WANTED—Smart boy, about 15 or 16, to work in clothing store. Must be well recommended. One who can speak French preferred. Apply C. Magnusson & Co., 70 Dock street. 30-3-4.

WANTED—Boys for skate boys in Queen's Rinkway. Apply 15-3-1f.

WANTED—At Home For Incubators immediately, a cock and housemaid. Apply to the Marlon. 21-3-1f.

WANTED—A Machinist. Apply W. F. and J. W. MYERS, Waterloo street. 15-3-1f.

WANTED—We want at once, for both wholesale and retail departments, several bright, intelligent boys from 14½ years of age, who have a desire to learn the dry goods business. Apply at once, Manchester Robertson Allison, Limited. 27-3-1f.

WANTED—Young man having two or three years' experience at type setting. Apply SUN PRINTING CO. LTD. 12-3-1f.

**Wanted at Once**  
Carpenters, \$2.00 to \$2.25; Brass moulder, \$2.25 to \$2.50; Rough painter, \$1.75; Machinists, \$2.25 to \$2.75; Laborers, \$1.75; Teamsters, \$3.00 and board. Apply, McRae's Employment Bureau, Globe building, St. John, N. B.

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TO LET—A new flat at 80 Chapel street. 21-3-4.

TO LET—Furnished rooms for gentlemen, 20 Brussels street, near Union. 29-3-4.

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**Oriental Restaurant.**  
The Oriental Restaurant has engaged the services of an expert cook from Montreal—an experienced chef. Chop Suey in its delectable originality will be served at all times. Chinese dishes and every real Oriental effect. 105 Charlotte. Opp. Dufferin Hotel.

**Clifton House**  
ST. JOHN, N. B.

W. ALLAN BLACK. Prop.

To cure headache in ten minutes use Kumfort Headache Powders, 10 cents.

# Fresh Mackerel

SMITH'S FISH MARKET  
TELEPHONE 1704. 25 SYDNEY ST.

## ARTICLES FOR SALE

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FOR SALE—3 Horses, Sloven Harness and Rubber Tired Buggy. Apply to E. S. DIBBLE, 20 Ford street. 20-3-1f.

FOR SALE—English Setter Puppies (Laveracks) of the world's best breed—E. J. MITCHELL, 30 Clarence St. 20-3-1mo.

FOR SALE—Good sized butcher's refrigerator in good condition, recently remodelled. For sale cheaply. Apply to R. N. DEAN, 72 St. James street, Telephone 712. 19-3-1f.

FOR SALE—One Bay Mare. Weight 1000 to 1100 lbs. 12 years old. Kind and afraid of nothing. Will sell cheap as owner has no further use for her. Woman can drive her. Apply R. W. CARSON, 569 Main street. 10-3-1f.

FOR SALE—Light Furniture—cassess, also one sled. Enquire of George E. Smith, King street. 6-3-1f.

FOR SALE—Well established and good paying grocery business for sale in a first class locality. Terms cash. Apply to Dealer in Groceries, Box No. 196, care Star Office. 27-7-1f.

FOR SALE—A set of short-hand instruction books, (Isaac Pitman system). Only in use in the year to put up prices for the necessities of life as far as it can prevent the supply from increasing from abroad.

While this is operating, the increase year by year in the gold supply also operates to increase prices in this country and Europe. If population increased naturally and with it, the supply of necessities of life increased naturally and the supply of money also increased naturally, then the result would be the use of the increasing supply of money to distribute and increasing supply of the necessities of life to an increasing number of people.

WAGES INCREASE COMES LAST. Under natural conditions, this distribution would cause an increase of salaries and wages, or rather the increase in salaries and wages comes last, if it comes at all.

The average head of a family, educated well enough to earn \$1000 a year ten years ago, was at about the average age of 45 years then. He is forty-five years old now. He has a family for him, as an uncombined average man with no means of forcing up his salary through unions is of how much more it will buy now or how much less now, than ten years ago, provided it has not been cut down in the mean time after he passed the "Older age-limit."

**WHAT MONEY WILL BUY NOW.**  
The other question is of how much the average wage-worker's day's work or year's work will buy now in comparison with what it bought ten years ago or five years ago. We get this answer from the United States Government tables, and it is not satisfactory any other way it is at least official.

Dividing the total amount of wages reported paid in 1900 in all the factories of the United States by the total number of wage-workers reported as receiving it, the average annual income of each wage-worker appears as \$126.25. The census of manufactures taken by the Government in 1905 shows an increase in this average up to \$177.50.

This is the result of combination forcing up the price of labor for five years. Another Government report answers the question of what increase it means in bread and clothing, in meat, milk and vegetables—if any cost.

**THE PRESENT HIGH COST OF LIVING.**  
In getting results for this report, the price of each article for the year is multiplied by the average amount of that article "consumed" by the average person in that year.

It shows that between Jan. 1, 1897, and Jan. 1, 1907, the price of an average amount of clothing increased from \$12.40 to \$15.67; the price of an average amount of breadstuffs increased from \$11.72 to \$16.07; meat from \$7.32 to \$9.35; food from garden and dairy from \$10.45 to \$14.95; other food from \$8.17 to \$9.75; other necessities from \$25.40 to \$37.46.

This does not include the increase in rent or in anything except "goods." The average increase in wages in five years is reported as \$51.25 a year for "organized labor." The increase in the price of living per head is reported as follows: From \$15.50 in 1897 to \$107.26 in 1907. This increase of \$131.76 per head in cost of living, exclusive of rent, etc., means an increase of \$158.30 a year in the living expense of the average family of five persons. And this is to be set against \$11.25 reported as the average increase in a year's income after five years.

**LIVING "WON'T WORK OUT."**  
Even for those who can combine and force up the price of a year's work, this means that a year's work buys less food, less clothing, less meat, less butter, less of everything now than in 1907. The total shows that the income of the father of a family of five will not buy a living for them in 1907 at the rate of increase in the expenses of living compared with the rate of increase in wages.

The living problem "won't work out" on the official figures. The general wages will not buy the year's living. But it works outside of them. The answer in real life is that when the average family of five has its supply of food and clothing cut down steadily as it has been during the last five years, the oldest boy and the oldest girl must stop school and go to work in the mill. Then the younger boy and the younger girl stop school and go to work in the mill. As the number of these increase they work out the problem of the Alton household, can find the mathematical effect of increasing the number of people in the desert island or "home market" without changing the ratio. And those who please can imagine another picture of another desert island with these two men on it, one with all the gold other with all the biscuit and the revolver. Then add a number of old men with stomachs operating to increase the demand for both gold and biscuit, but with no gold, no biscuit and no revolver.

## AUCTIONS.

Freehold Properties By Auction.

I am instructed by Mrs. Mount to sell by Auction at Chubb's Corner, Saturday, Sept. 7, at 12 o'clock, the freehold property, corner Queen and Wentworth streets, with building thereon, lot 40 by 100 feet. Also, 2 choice building lots in Carleton, one on St. John street facing Queen Square, 50x100 feet, one on St. George street 50x100 feet. These lots are nicely situated, and as Carleton is building up fast this offers a splendid chance for investment. For particulars enquire of WALTER S. POTTS, North Market St. Auctioneer. Phone 291.

**HOME MARKET FAVORITES.**  
The facts in the United States in 1907 are that the Dingley tariff law intended to give the control of clothing and other supplies in the "home market" to its home market favorites, works steadily every day in the year to put up prices for the necessities of life as far as it can prevent the supply from increasing from abroad.

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