

## TARIFF AND LIVING COSTS.

The cost of living is higher in the United States today than in any other country in the world. Notwithstanding that there is in the great republic an abundance of foodstuffs, it costs more to obtain a meal in an hotel or to provide it in the home than it is the case anywhere that we know of. Although their pockets bulge with money, the American people are crying out at the high costs.

Yet, as the London Free Press points out, there are free traders and near-free traders in Canada who would have us believe that were we to destroy the tariff which enables us to keep our Canadian workmen employed and to promote the independent growth of this country, that we should be striking a vital blow at the high cost of living as we experience it.

The question how we are to cheapen living costs by buying more foreign goods and producing less goods at home is not answered by these theories. Obviously, if food costs are to come down, as they say would be the fact with the removal of "tariff" on food, then the food producers, who are our farmers, will receive less for their portion.

But these free traders and near-free traders say to our farmers that they can make farming more profitable if they can gain access to the United States market. We must remember in this connection that if our farmers are admitted to a foreign market, the farmers of that country will expect admission to our own markets.

If this opening up of markets means more for the farmers, it means higher prices for the consumers to pay. If, on the other hand, it means cheaper living for the Canadian consumer, it must mean lower prices for the Canadian producer. Which is it?

Whatever happens, whether the consumer or the producer, either or neither, benefits, we can be certain of one thing, namely, that the astute political leaders of the United States look upon reciprocity upon this order as the entering wedge of domination of Canada from Washington.

Canada, if she would be true to herself, must go on with her building programme. We do not lack markets. The world is waiting out for our farm products. Our farmers are not dependent upon a competitive agricultural nation such as the United States to provide them with an outlet for their surplus.

A strong, vigorous, self-reliant Canada, independent of tariff changes at Washington or elsewhere, with a home market consuming 80 per cent. of the products of her farms—that is the Canada of today. Why change?

## A BUSINESS PROPOSITION.

When Sir Thomas White advocated the formation of a National Liberal-Conservative party in his speech the other evening, he probably had no such idea in his mind as attempting to "call spades from the nasty deep," as The Daily Telegraph suggests, or any other equally foolish notion. But what he did have in mind, and what he succeeded admirably in getting off his mind, was some very sound and sensible advice to business men, to whom he spoke as a business man himself. And quite a large proportion of the leading members of the Liberal party are pretty sound business men, who would appreciate the truth and importance of the advice he gave them.

No man, no matter what his political affiliation may be, is going to ruin his own business prospects just to keep any political party in power. With him his business comes first; and it is only the little men, the Kings and the Cops, the Turgeons and the Michaels and such like, who have no businesses to look after, and who wouldn't know big business if they saw it even through a magnifying glass, who can afford to play skittles with trade problems. Business men of Liberal affiliations know and realize perfectly well that to throw open the markets of Canada to the inroads of foreign competition, without any restrictions, would very soon result in financial ruin for themselves. The programme which Messrs. King and Cresser and those who think with them are offering does not provide much inducement for the business man, no matter what party he belongs to, to throw in his lot with them. The road to ruin is easily found of itself, and it is not necessary to join the personally conducted party of Messrs. King and Cresser in order to reach it.

In one breath Agrarian orators denounce protection as paternalism and in the next demand Government aid for western settlers. In the opinion of such men it is all right to help the western farmer, but when it comes to a Canadian trying to build up a Canadian industry and employing Canadian labor, the very mention of assistance is reprehensible. Mr. Labouchere used to say that he did not object to Mr. Gladstone having a trump card up his sleeve, but that he objected to his claiming that the Lord had put it there. In the same way the country, while having no right to object to the Farmers' point of view, has a right to object to their basing it upon purely anglic and altruistic motives.

Soft coal users are warned to get in their next winter's coal now. It is advice applicable to users of hard coal as well. What with railway rates going up, both in the United States and Canada, and anthracite mines demanding 60 per cent. wage increases and a 30-hour week, after April 3, the outlook for cheaper coal is as black as the coal itself.



SECRETARY LANSING  
PHOTOGRAPHED ON BOARD THE ROTTERDAM

## Loggieville

Loggieville, N. B., March 8.—The funeral of the late Mrs. Catherine Harrington, whose death occurred at the home of her son, George Harrington, last week, took place on Saturday; interment being made in St. Michael's Cemetery, Chatham.

The deceased had resided in town for many years, and had many friends who loved her quiet, unassuming manner. Sympathy is extended to the home from which she was taken.

The Death Angel visited the home of John McIntyre on Friday, removing the beloved wife and mother. The late Mrs. McIntyre was stricken with paralysis about ten days ago. Up to that time she enjoyed fairly good health. She had resided here for over thirty years, made friends, and retained their friendship. She is survived by her husband, three daughters, Mrs. Wade of St. John; Mrs. Knowles of Chatham; and Mrs. Duke of this town, and one son, Alex. of Maine. To the bereaved ones we extend sympathy. The funeral was held on Sunday; interment in Brookside Cemetery.

This town at the present time is undergoing a siege of gripe and colds. Mostly every home during the past few days has been more or less affected. Whole families have been laid aside. Dr. McKenzie has been ill for several days. Mrs. Losier and Marven of Chatham, have been busy among the citizens.

Miss Queenie Manderson has gone to Moncton to engage in work there. Miss Blanche O'Hearn arrived here from Massachusetts on Saturday, owing to the illness of her sister, Mrs. A. D. Gillie.

Miss Georgia McKay of Black River, is visiting her sisters, Mrs. William Archer and Mrs. James McLean.

Mr. and Mrs. William Russell are receiving congratulations over the arrival of a son in their home.

Miss O'Leary of Chatham, was a recent guest of Miss Annie Fraser.

Mrs. Allen McKenzie and little son of Nelson, are guests at the home of Mrs. Russell here.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Loggie have gone to England where they will spend the next two months.

Herbert McDonald has gone to Moncton to enter the employ of the C. N. Ry.

Mrs. Ken Grieve is visiting Burnt Church relatives.

Mrs. Dempsey, who has resided here for the past six years, has gone to Tabusac, where she will spend a couple of months, previous to moving to Moncton, where she will in future reside. A few evenings previous to her departure from this place, a number of her friends gathered at the home of her brother, Will Hestley, and presented her with a beautiful leather travelling bag. During the evening refreshments were served and several hours spent pleasantly with games and music.

On Monday evening of last week about twenty-five friends of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Noble met at their home to celebrate with them their marriage anniversary. The time was pleasantly spent in various amusements, and about midnight dainty refreshments were served.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Edwards and little son, Arthur, have moved into the Dempsey house.

Mrs. Keltie, who spent the winter with relatives in town, has returned to her home in Edgartown, Mass.

Fred Hersey has gone to Lynn, Mass., to engage in work there. His friends wish him success.

## BRINGING UP FATHER



## Sussex

Sussex, March 12.—Miss Jean Moore and Miss Dorothy Sutherland, who were guests of Mrs. W. H. Hyde, have returned to their home in St. John.

Mr. Harry H. Reid is on a business trip to Montreal.

Miss Lina Smith of Fort Lawrence, N. S., has returned home after a short visit to her aunt, Mrs. H. H. Reid.

Hon. James A. Murray and Miss Kathryn Murray were in St. John on Tuesday.

H. H. Dryden of Truro, N. S., was a visitor to Sussex friends for the week-end.

Mr. Kenneth Creed has returned from Fredericton, where he was the guest of friends.

Mr. E. Phalen of the Miss-Evelyn Co. is in Montreal this week on a business trip.

On Tuesday evening Mrs. W. B. McKay was hostess at an enjoyable bridge given in honor of Mrs. Gordon McKay. The guests were Mrs. Gordon McKay, Mrs. C. C. Flowering, Mrs. O. P. King, Misses Sara Byrne, Kate Kelly, Sybil McKim, Marion Kelly, Nettie Morrison, Mary Ratch, Marjory Willie, Grace Kirk, Messrs. Gordon McKay, Herbert Kirk, Clarence Flowering, M. Ross, Charles Upham, A. Perkins, A. C. Gorham, Hugh Morrison, G. Wilket and George Gould. The prize

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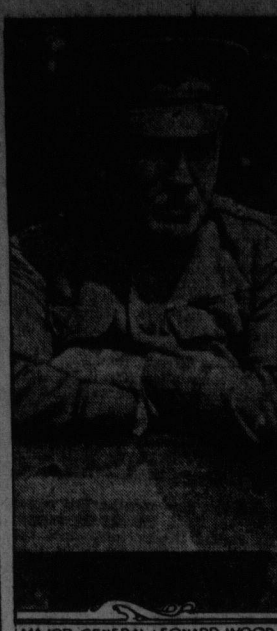
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Mrs. Frank Lanstowne returned last week from a visit to St. John.

Mr. Calvin Merriam of Parraboro, N. S., spent the week-end the guest of his aunt, Mrs. Ernest Jones.

Mrs. Hatfield White entertained Trinity Church Guild on Thursday evening at her home, Main street.

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