

## WOOL PRICES ARE SOARING IN DOMINION

Scarcity of Dyestuffs Puts  
Quotations High For the  
Fall and Winter Goods of  
Quality

Prices of fall and winter under-  
wear and woollen goods of all kinds  
have already advanced in Canada  
from 25 to 60 per cent. and at that  
some of the mills cannot guarantee  
delivery of any line of underwear  
nor the delivery of yarns and wool-  
len goods.

The reason? The war. One manu-  
facturer of a well-known line of un-  
derwear has sent out a notice de-  
claring that the firm would not  
guarantee the delivery of any line  
of underwear made of part wool or  
all wool owing to the unsettled con-  
ditions in Europe.

Another firm engaged chiefly in  
the manufacture of sweater coats  
are sending out a notice to custom-  
ers stating that they will not guar-  
antee the uniform quality of any  
dye that is used in the manufacture  
of goods ordered from them for the  
simple reason that they themselves  
cannot be sure of the quality of the  
dye that they are able to secure now  
on the world's markets.

### Withdrawing Some Lines.

"The supply of wool and yarns  
and of dyes makes a double problem  
which is causing the knit goods mak-  
ers many an anxious moment," says  
a prominent Sparks street merchant.  
"Owing to the difficulty of securing  
yarns makers are withdrawing cer-  
tain lines of underwear and of hos-  
iery and certain of the fast colors  
are off the market entirely in sweat-  
er coats. Underwear in some cases  
has had three advances since early  
last winter and the fall goods were  
placed on the market and the major-  
ity of the sweater coat manufactur-  
ers are figuring out now just what  
they shall charge the retailer when  
late orders for fall goods come in.  
With some there is a disposition to  
allow those who placed orders early  
this year to secure repeats at the

same rate quoted them in the spring  
and to increase prices for those who  
failed to order early. Some, on the  
other hand, are making a general  
rule that all orders received from  
now on will be subject to a consid-  
erable increase."

### Much Higher Prices In 1916.

While prices on late orders for  
fall will be considerably higher than  
they were when placing orders last  
spring, there is unanimity in the  
opinion that goods for next year  
will be much higher. A fair number  
of the manufacturers have made  
contracts months ago and some over  
the year ago which are not yet run  
out and on this account are able to  
keep the trade supplied at a more  
or less medium figure when one  
considers the present price of yarn.  
Not one of them expects to be able  
to renew contracts at anything like  
the figure that has ruled for several  
years past.

### Dyes Scarce and Costly.

The cost of dyes has increased  
from 100 to 300 per cent. Before the  
war most of the dyes used in this  
country and all over the world came  
from Germany; now it is impossible  
to get this necessary product in the  
manufacture of colored woollen and  
knit goods from here, so Canadian  
chemists have had to try and pro-  
duce dyes that will meet the home  
demand. So far they have not yet  
attained the German standard of ex-  
cellency, and some manufacturers  
are notifying their customers that  
the dyes for certain colors may turn  
out to be streaky.

German dyes were aniline dyes,  
but Canadian dyes for the most part  
are known as logwood dyes, which  
are one-third or one-quarter the  
standard of the former. It is said  
by local clothiers, that most of the  
new sweater coats, as a result of  
the dye situation, will be plain  
greys, as it is now almost impossi-  
ble to make any other colors that will  
give satisfaction to a critical public.  
The day of the cheap sweater coat  
has gone until after the war.

When it comes to manual labor, the  
average man is a tramp at heart.

Many a girl catches a husband by  
baiting her hook with indifference.

But a small boy doesn't have to saw  
wood to develop his appetite.

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## AT THE NICKEL

## Adjustment of Exchange is Favorable

Government and Banking  
Committee Consider Sev-  
eral Plans—A Large De-  
posit of Bullion is Likely

London, Aug. 28.—Belief that a  
successful adjustment of the ex-  
change rate problem now is assured  
is expressed by the morning papers,  
although it is stated the government  
has not yet committed itself defini-  
tely to any particular plan. Various  
suggestions are being subjected to  
the most careful scrutiny by the gov-  
ernment and banking committees.  
Several conferences were held yes-  
terday but there were no formal  
meetings and the men in charge of  
the negotiations decline to make au-  
thoritative statements as to the pro-  
gress made. Presumably some delay  
will be necessary because of the de-  
cision to make whatever is done the  
joint action of the allies rather than  
of Great Britain alone.

"It is agreed that any adjustment  
scheme will provide, first of all, for  
a shipment of gold in an amount  
which possibly will surprise both the  
American and British publics, the  
idea being to effect such a complete  
restoration of confidence as to make  
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able terms.

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## Poor Turkey As Scapegoat In the Conflict

Italy Says This is What Ger-  
many Will Hand Out to  
Ally—What is Germany's  
Real Plan?

Rome, Aug. 23.—The opinion  
prevails here that Germany is  
planning to make Turkey the  
scapegoat of the present Euro-  
pean conflict, as otherwise she  
would not have pushed her ally to  
such extremes as to render a de-  
claration of war from Italy in-  
evitable—a declaration which  
means at least half a million fresh  
troops and another powerful fleet  
sent against the Ottomans, be-  
sides the native troops from Ery-  
thra and Italian Somaliland,  
which have repeatedly asked to be  
allowed to join Italian troops in  
the fight against Austria, while  
during the Libyan campaign they  
proved themselves loyal even  
against an enemy of their own  
breed.

### To Distract Italy?

Others believe that the German  
idea in making a new Italo-Turk-  
ish war inevitable was to distract  
Italy from the operations on the  
Austrian frontier and to induce  
her to engage large contingents  
against Turkey, so that at the op-  
portune moment Germany might  
fall upon Italy with an overwhelm-  
ing army, repeating in Lombardy  
and Venetia what has already oc-  
curred in France, Belgium and  
Poland.

### Safe From Invasion

In this case military experts  
think that Germany is wrong, as  
Italy will always have on the Al-  
pine-Isonzo front more troops  
than are necessary to check any  
attempt at invasion. Besides, as  
the nature of the land prevented  
Austria from entering Serbia, for  
the same reason it would be al-  
most impossible to dislodge the  
Italians from the positions they  
have occupied on the Austrian front.

### Hatred and Distrust

Since the days when the Turk-  
ish pirates harried the Italian  
coasts and the great battle of Le-  
panto was fought, hatred and dis-  
trust of Turkey has been bred in  
Italians, while Turkey's machina-  
tions against Italy and the Italians  
throughout the Near East, Libya  
and Cyrenaica, and her contempt  
for the remonstrances of the Ital-  
ian government have aroused bitter  
feeling.

### FATE

Two shall be born the whole wide  
world apart;  
And speak in different tongues,  
And have no thought  
Each of the other's being, and no  
heed;  
And there o'er unknown seas to  
unknown lands  
Shall cross, escaping wreck, defy-  
ing death,  
And all unconsciously shape every  
act  
And bend each wandering step to  
this one end—  
That, one day, out of darkness,  
they shall meet  
And read life's meaning in each  
other's eyes  
And two shall walk some narrow  
way of life  
So nearly side by side, that should  
one turn  
Ever so little space to left or right  
They needs must stand acknow-  
ledged face to face.  
And yet, with wistful eyes that  
never meet,  
And with groping hands that  
never clasp, and lips  
Calling in vain to ears that never  
hear,  
They seek each other all their  
weary days,  
And die unsatisfied, and this is  
Fate!

—Susan Mary Spalding.

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### Indebtedness Small.

"The best judges believe," says the  
Telegraph, "that our present indebt-  
edness in America is comparatively  
small, but it will be heavier before  
long. What we are doing in con-  
junction with France and Russia is  
to send such an amount of gold as  
will provide for all requirements for  
some time to come. Gold is not  
wanted in the United States for their  
banks are full of it, but the sending  
of a large amount when it is so little  
wanted must surely operate in cheap-  
ening money and when that happens  
American investors will be all the  
more disposed to take British securi-  
ties. A big loan has got to come but  
it will be placed more readily when  
there is no longer any disparity in  
the exchange rate."

### Treasury Bills.

The Times endorses the proposal  
for "an immediate issue and sale to  
importers by the treasury of gold  
dollar treasury bills payable in Sep-  
tember, 1920, by British government  
agents in New York. These would  
be taken readily by American bank-  
ers and exporters at a discount not  
exceeding four and a half per cent.  
and this method of raising a gold  
credit would obviate the injury to the  
British war loan involved in the is-  
sue of a tax free five per cent  
loan in New York.

### Improvement in Rate.

The Post states emphatically that  
the allied governments have not yet  
reached an actual decision and "the  
whole developments of the past few  
days may be summed up in the fact  
that the British treasury and coun-  
try are completely united regarding  
the course of action necessary and  
it is this fact rather than agreement  
on the details of a plan which is re-  
sponsible for the sharp improvement  
in the exchange rate."

### All Allied To Help.

"A great part of the £50,000,000 to  
£100,000,000 gold which will be sent  
to America," says the Daily Mail,  
"will be contributed by France and  
Russia as much of the purchasing  
from the United States has been on  
their behalf."

Everybody's doin' it now.  
What? Selling Elastic Cement  
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