

The Fallacy of "Free Food" Exposed

of the tariff hearing some slight relation to the high price of food-stuffs, we are still in the dark as to the value of his policy, for we cannot perceive how he is going to snap his fingers at the natural laws of trade, and world-wide conditions, and huy, and import cheap food into Canada, **when there is no cheap food outside Canada to buy.** The high cost of living is not confined to Canada alone. It obtains in every clime, and beneath every flag.

Where then, will Sir Wilfrid get low priced food?

Not from the United States, for the people of that country are not going to huy food-stuffs from us at high prices, and ship them hack to us at low prices. They aholished the tariff to get cheap food. They cannot be in a position to sell it.

Not from England, or from Scotland, or Ireland, for the British Isles import their food, and it is heavily taxed even under "Free Trade."

Not from New Zealand, for there too, they have a high cost of living proplem.

Not from Australia, for the cost of living is high throughout the Antipodes.

Not from the South American Republics for Uncle Sam has found to his sorrow that "Free Food" has not enahled him to huy cheap food there, and he is more advantageously situated to trade with South America than we are.

Not from the "Favored Nations," for did not Sir Wilfrid solemnly assure us in 1911 that these nations could not sell us anything that could possibly compete with anything produced by the Canadian farmer?

From whence, then, would Sir Wilfrid draw his supply of cheap food for the workingman's dinner table?

Great is "Free Food." And great is the credulity of him who would helieve that "free food" would give us cheaper food.