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HIGH EVERYWHERE

It is not in the United States alone that the prices of merchandise and foods of all kinds have attained such advances as have increased seriously the burdens which have to be borne by large numbers of people. Throughout the world the prices have gone soaring. The National City Bank has had a thorough study of conditions made and in a circular published last week the results of the survey are given to the public. The alertness as to what is possible in the present unsettled condition of commerce is not limited to those portions of the world which are distinguished for commercial energy. We are told that the natives of Haiti and Jamaica, which furnish most of our logwood, are so fully "onto" the situation as to demand, and get, three times more per ton for logwood than they did before the war. The indigo growers and merchants of India, Java, and San Salvador are demanding and getting ten times as much per pound for indigo as they did before the war. Chinese and Japanese silk growers are getting double the prices prevailing prior to the war. A recent statement by the American imports of France in 1916 enter that country at prices about 90 per cent higher than in 1914, and the exports leave that country at prices about 50 per cent above those of 1914. Among advances taking place the past two years were India rubber, 50 per cent; goat skins, slightly more than 50 per cent; copper, from 14 cents to 32 cents per pound; pig iron, from \$34.50 to \$101.32 per ton; tin plate, from 3.2 cents to 11.2 cents per pound; raw silk \$2.73, now \$4.67 per pound; chemical wood pulp, unbleached, from \$36.95 to \$49.78 per ton, and bleached wood pulp, from \$49.20 to \$85.18 per ton; combing wool, 24.4 cents a pound in the month before the war, was 37.9 cents in July last. Among the food supplies named as coming in for stiff advances were macaroni, cocoa, currants, sugar, mackerel, cheese and eggs. The dependence of this country on China for eggs was shown by statistics prepared by the bank. The importation of eggs alone from China in the fiscal year 1915 was 2,035,861 dozen, and in 1914, 1,875,365 dozen. This did not include the yolks of eggs and frozen eggs, of which the importations from China in 1915 were 7,067,085 pounds, the total value of eggs imported from China and Hongkong in 1915 nearly \$1,000,000.—Ex.

GREATEST TEMPTATION.

A man ought to be big enough to live a decent life regardless of the temptations around him; but the average man is not. Woman gets the credit of being the cause of most of the extravagance and high cost of living, etc., etc. The following from the Salem Journal is suggestive of the opinion many have of how women make money fly for the world:

A New York paper has been trying to discover the greatest temptation to young men in the city. It took the method of asking various noted men and women. Jacob Schiff made the reply that "the greatest temptation to young men was young women." Each of the others gave a different answer. One said it was "idleness," another "desire for pleasures," incited by the glare of Broadway; another "high living and spending more than one's income;" "clothes," said another. From all of which it will be seen that the first man to answer gave the correct solution. He named the whole thing, the others being but the symptoms of the real disease. A little thought will convince anyone that the things named by all but Mr. Schiff are but the evidences of the real temptation, the young woman. His desire for pleasure, the wearing of fine clothes, the glare of Broadway, the spending above one's income, each and all are but the means to an end and the end is the one temptation—the girl.

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Mr. Hog recently had a pig sale in Portland.

Mr. Autoist be careful how you drive.

Where lives are at stake great caution should be exercised.

Best stocks holiday goods in Albany in the valley.

About the worst life is the one all for self.

A New York judge wants the privilege of living like other men off the bench.

However dignified a position a man may occupy he needs in his private life something different, a change which shall cause a let up on the nervous tension.

Don't stop giving thanks. Just the Thanksgiving Day thanks don't amount to much without a follow up.

Spasms are poor things along any line.

We're undecided whether to buy a new necktie now or wait until after Christmas.

A pretty evergreen tree has more of a Christmas look than almost anything else.

A couple at Gardiner have their second pair of twins.

LOADING FREIGHT CARS.

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Heavier loading of equipment to relieve the frequent car shortage is urged as one of the most effective methods of relief by General Agent J. W. McClymonds of the Pacific Fruit Express company.

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"A great deal of this shortage can be avoided if shippers will load their commodities more heavily. In many cases, of course, he is not to blame for shipments being loaded to the minimum weight, as a large number of receivers of perishable commodities in ordering a car, simply request a minimum car. If Eastern buyers in ordering will request shippers to furnish them with maximum instead of minimum cars, the benefit will be widespread."

"As an example, take the spud business. The minimum weight is 30,000 lbs. Spuds in refrigerator cars can be loaded to 35,000 or 40,000 lbs. without damage to the shipment. If this extra loading were indulged in, four cars could be made to do the work of five, or in other words, the potatoes could be handled in one-fifth less refrigerators than are now furnished."

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