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Canada's Best Customer

The British Isles is now Canada's best customer, a distinction held for several years by the United States. In 1932, domestic exports to the British Isles totalled \$178,171,680 in value or \$15,540,901 more than to the United States; in 1931, similar exports to the United States amounted to \$256,942,-.045 or \$85,407,223 in value more than to Britain. Canadian exports to Britain in 1931 were valued at \$171,534,822 so that the 1932 value shows an increase of \$6,636,858. From June 1 to December 31, 1932, exports from Canada to the British market had a value of \$116,487,568, an increase of \$13,-953,759 over the corresponding six months of 1931

A Lesson to Learn Young

A noted educator who died a few years ago, at one time informed himself regarding the childhood of over four thousand American millionaires. He found that with the exception of twenty they began life as poor boys. He also investigated the lives of the sons of wealthy men and found that only one in seventeen died rich. The boy who never has much money, who has to choose between an entertainment No one thought for a moment that the banks in that which he wants. The impressive statistics given States but prefer to look to England. above, however, go to show that learning the value of money while you are young, even if the lesson is taught by the pinch of poverty, is almost essential to financial success.

Canada's Gold Mining Industry "More than 10,000 persons were engaged in the gold-mining industry in Canada in 1932 exclusive of over 5,000 who worked on placer deposits in British Columbia," stated Hon. W. A. Gordon, K. C., Canadian Minister of Mines, in a recent radio address entitled "What the Gold Mining Industry Means to Canada." The total annual payroll for those engaged in this industry is about \$17,000,000. Canada, next to South Africa, is the largest gold-producing country in the world. In 1932 the total production of gold from all sources in the Dominion was over 3,000,000 fine ounces, valued at more than \$63,000,-000, exclusive of an additional six million dollars paid to the producer on account of the exchange from thousands of feet underground. Last year, tion and \$52,701.16 for medical aid. Total benefits Canadian gold mines hoisted every day sufficient in January, 1933, were \$237,056.88. gold-bearing rock, or "gold ore" as it is called, to make up a train 31/2 miles long, each car carrying forty tons. After being brought to the surface the

Two of a Kind

The people who give grudgingly and reluctantly deserve to be paired off with those who receive with a critical attitude. There are some people, whose chief use for gifts, apparently, is finding fault with them. Their first reaction toward anything presented is to wonder why it is not something else, or at least a little larger or smaller, or of a different color. The reluctant giver, the one who grumbles over the necessity of giving, and does it only because he sees no way of getting out of it, does not deserve any gratitude. As ungracious as he, is the recipient who looks a gift over, and comments on its short-comings. It is a pity that it cannot somehow be arranged for the grudging givers to be paired off with the recipients who always criticize.

Senseless Destruction The other evening, before the skating carnival was over, the decorations which had taken a great deal of time and effort to put in place at the Arena, were torn down and a number of them destroyed. must first consider what footwear is sometimes seen on a small boy's neck Some of those who took pleasure in this destruction required by a family living in town. The when he has washed without supervision. were youngsters, and others were individuals who pair of shoes or Oxfords, and a second anything but walk from house to car. ought to have developed a great deal more judg- best pair besides the ones his wife can unless one wants the experience of one ment and a higher degree of common sense. ice was littered with the torn decorations and many of the flags, which were loaned the committee, were wife has light dress shoes and pumps for was horrified to see bits of straw sticking ruthlessly destroyed. During the past year we have placed two thermometers on the front of THE FREE but otherwise not needed and so last a Press building, for the convenience of citizens. Both long while. With slippers and Oxfords have been destroyed by putting matches to the for the house, her outfit is complete. bottom and breaking the bulbs. On the last occasion, in winter and running shoes most of the during the past week, the wood about the instrument summer. Footwear for the whole family was burned. All these individuals are in the same is rarely subjected to any rough wear; category and remind one of the story that used to when cleaned, stay clean. The only difbe in the old school readers about the Inchcape ference slushy weather makes to people Bell. A good sound spanking is the need of those a little more carefully in crossing the who think of nothing but senseless destruction, and street and they must not venture out the sooner a public example is made of some of these young folks the better it will be for the upbringing you could see our boot rack, then I of the rising generation. There might be other wouldn't need to say any more-you examples cited but these two happen to be the-most recent to come under our observation.

EDITORIAL NOTES

There seems to be several methods available for countries to go off the gold standard. Some announce it publicly and others go off in a roundabout

An experience no one wants to try is the indefinite banking holiday that our neighbors are having in the United States. Truly the established order is in rather a chaotic condition.

-The decrease in the Government sale of intoxicating liquor is truly alarming to the Moderation League-judging by the frantic appeals for freer sale they are putting through the mails these days.

The convention in Toronto last week showed that those interested in the promotion of temperance principles were awake to their duties to seek for greater restriction of the sale of intoxicating

and peanuts, but who cannot possibly have both, is Canada would not be open for business on Monday inclined to think himself unfortunate compared with morning. That's another place where Canadians are another boy who never is deterred by the cost of not willing to follow the example of the United

> Exports from Canada to the British Isles in the calendar year 1932 were valued at \$178,111,680, an increase of \$6,636,858 over the 1931 exports' value: The exports to Australia, Belgium, Netherlands, Spain, Honduras, Panama, Peru, Roumania, Sweden and Norway also were higher in value in 1932 than in the previous year.

Since the Boy Scout movement was inaugurated in Canada 24 years ago, 400,000 boys have enrolled. The present enrolment is 62,000. The Boy Scout movement was introduced into the British Isles by Lord Baden-Powell of Gilwell 25 years ago. The Girl Guides, a sister organization, has over 30,000 members in Canada.

During the month of February there were 2,733 situation. The 1932 output was 13 per cent. greater accidents reported to The Workmen's Compensation than that of 1931, 65 per cent. greater than that of Board, as compared with 4,023 for the same month 1927, and 142 per cent. greater than that of 1922. last year, and 4,643 in January, 1933. The fatal About \$8 worth of gold, or less than half an ounce, cases numbered 13, as compared with 27 last Februis produced in Canada from 2,000 pounds of rock. ary. The total benefits awarded amounted to This rock must be broken and hoisted in many cases \$295,771.11, of which \$243,069.95 was for compensa-

Of the 10,362,833 persons who form the populaore is ground or milled to about the fineness of tion of Canada, exclusive of the Yukon and the table salt, or in some cases to the finest of pastry Northwest Territories, only 3,289,507, or 31.7 per flour. The gold is then dissolved from this fine cent. live on farms. The rural population of Canada powder by means of cyanide of sodium solution, at the last census numbered 4,792,135 of which 3;-When metallic zinc is thrown into the gold-bearing 289,507 or 67.2 per cent. lived on farms and were solution, the gold is precipitated and sinks to the presumably engaged in farming. The remainder, bottom of the vat as a dark, greyish black sludge, 1,502,628, or 32.8 per cent., represented the rural which is further treated and refined to obtain the population which did not live on farms—usually in small hamlets or other unincorporated villages.

Chronicles of Ginger Farm

Written Booolally for The Free Press by GWENDOLINE P. CLARKE

Since I started comparing living excarry on the good work.

are such a mighty item in themselves, have a second pair to change into. never persuade him to part with. With lady I know who looked inside the henthese, a pair of slippers and some rubbers, | house one day before going to town, and he is well set up for a year at least. His later, when sitting in the dentist's chair, isiting and street wear, goloshes or out from the sole of her golosh. rubbers for warmth in extreme weather, in town is that they must pick their way without rubbers-or without a car! But in the country . . . well, I wish

would surely think you had walked into a cobbler's repair shop. For Partner there is one pair of long rubber boots, which cost about \$5.00, two pairs of work boots at \$5.00 per pair-no good buying cheap ones, they don't last any time. Then there are rubbers, overshoes and

Then there is my footwear. To feed hens and go to the barn, I, too, must have rubber boots. Then there are Oxfords and slippers for the house-it is poor economy to wear down at heel dress shoes for housework, but of course every woman needs one or two pairs of dress shoes for going out and goloshus penses on a farm with those in town, I and rubbers are indispensable. The list have been expecting a few brick-bats to may be about the same length as for come my way but up to the present they anyone living in town-the difference have not arrived, so I think I may safety this-a woman in the country has to go to an awful lot of trouble to get into This week I want to write about town with anything like respectable foot "Shoes," and if you who read think I wear, because a farm lane belongs to one cannot make up a whole column on the of three possible degrees dirty, dirtier, subject of shoes, it just shows wherein or dirtiest. Impossible to get from house to car and keep rubbers and goloshes Shoes simply cannot be counted in with clean. To look at all decent one mus fordinary clothing expenses because they either leave one's rubbers in the car especially on a farm, and more especially for goloshes-walk through the mud with if all the family are the owners of big them about twice and they have a perfeet! To make a fair comparison we manent high water mark like I have

slippers, also dress boots, because even a farmer has occasion to wear dress section or to high school in town, and shoes once in a while. New long rubbers the shoes they wear out is appalling. will generally last for a year, but work How can it be otherwise, when they have boots are usually done for in a season.

some little distance to the school in their to walk three or four miles, over rough, stony roads? Very often they start out with footwear that is quite unsuitable by the time they get to town-gum rubbers when kiddles in town are wearing Oxfords, often without rubbers. Children grow out of shoes so quickly yet they must have footwear for every kind of weather. Shoes and goloshes for cold weather, Oxfords and rubbers for early spring days, oiled leather boots or gum of these don't last any time at all, and the feet of the children-I declare they grow faster than any other part of their body. There is hardly a week goes by but what someone has scuffled out a toe, worn a of shoes that need soles and heels-and father has to sell two bushels of wheat

It is impossible to economize on footwear. If necessity demands it, one can make Junior's school pants out of father's old ones, when the darns and patches have become too conspicuous, or make daughter a skirt from Aunt Mary's coat, but you can't send Junior to school ih father's old boots or daughter in Auni Mary's high heeled pumps. It just isn't

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