

OCTOBER LABOR CONDITIONS

The labor conditions throughout Canada for the month of October as set out in The Labor Gazette, issued by authority of the Department of Labor, Ottawa, is briefly shown as follows:

NOVA SCOTIA.

Sydney.—Continued active all over the district. Prospects good until hard winter affects the building and outside trades.
Westville.—Greater demand during October than at any time in the past.
Truro.—All branches, skilled and unskilled, fully employed. Outside workers lost a good deal of time on account of wet weather.
Halifax.—General activity in building trades continued during October.
Amherst.—Labor market not so brisk as during September, or as during October of previous years.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

Charlottetown.—Conditions unchanged from previous month. Skilled and unskilled laborers well employed. All classes busy with no special activity in any one.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

Moncton.—Outside labor adversely affected by wet weather during latter half of October. Farmers most seriously affected harvesting being retarded.
Newcastle and Miramichi.—Active during October. Demand equal to supply. Very few men idle.
St. John.—Improved during October on account of millmen resuming work. Building trades well employed. Prospects good for some time.
Fredericton.—Labor market brisk during October. Building trades well employed.

QUEBEC.

Quebec.—Conditions good. Work commenced in transcontinental shops at St. Malo.
Three Rivers.—Labor generally well employed for this season of the year. Demand not so large as in previous months. Few idle men.
St. Hyacinthe.—General condition fairly satisfactory. Not quite so good as during corresponding month last year. Building trades quiet.
St. John's and Iberville.—Labor well employed during October.
Sorel and Richelieu.—Conditions generally good. Unskilled labor well employed.
Montreal.—Sufficient demand for unskilled labor.
Hull.—Conditions as good as during preceding month. Help getting scarce, particularly in saw mills. Many laborers have left for the lumbering camps.

ONTARIO.

Ottawa.—Labor market continued active. Building trades had an active summer, and considerable new work was begun in October.
Brockville.—A good month for employment generally, there being few unemployed.
Kingston.—Labor conditions same as in September, the supply exceeding the demand in almost all cases. Work generally points to an early close.
Belleville.—A busy month in labor circles, there being a good demand for skilled and unskilled labor.
Peterborough.—Demand for labor not as great as in September. Most trades, however, were active. The building trades were busy, and from present indications will continue so for the rest of the year.
Lakefield.—Cement works running full capacity, with long list of orders filed. There is every prospect for a busy winter.
Toronto.—Slight improvement in labor conditions, but the outlook for the winter is far from favorable, owing to a large number of working men being out of employment, including practically all branches of industry. Building was more active than during the summer and early fall.
Niagara Falls.—October was a prosperous month and closed with a good outlook for the remainder of the year.
St. Catharines.—Conditions during October were more satisfactory than during the previous month. The activity in the building trades was well maintained.
Hamilton.—Conditions during October showed improvement as far as civic laborers were concerned.
Guelph.—The general condition of the labor market was fairly active. The building trades had a good month, and from present indications will be busy for balance of season.
Berlin.—There was a falling off in October for unskilled labor compared with September, or with October of last year. For the 300 positions open in the Dominion Sugar factory, there were 500 applications. The supply is far greater than the demand.
Woodstock.—The local supply of labor is still able to find employment of some kind, though many of the factory hands are experiencing shorter hours and shorter pay. There is plenty of out-door work, and it is still practically impossible to find an idle man because of inability to find employment of some kind.
Stratford.—Labor market about the same as last month. Business brisk in the building trades and promises to be so as long as the weather permits.
London.—Labor not as well employed as during previous month, or same month of last year. A number of factories laid off hands

and a general depression of business is being experienced in about all lines.

St. Thomas.—The general condition of the labor market was quieter than during the preceding month. Opportunities for employment not so plentiful as usual.
Chatham.—Labor generally was well employed, and conditions compared favorably with the preceding month, while the building trades were very active.
Windsor.—Labor conditions were good. Building trades very active.
Owen Sound.—The labor market was brisk, although the building trade was quiet few men have been idle, in fact there has been a shortage in some departments. The town council has signed a contract with the Hydro-electric commission for 1,200 horse power, to be developed principally at Eugenia Falls.
Cobalt.—Labor was fairly well employed. The demand was not quite so great as in the previous month. No exceptional activity was evinced in any of the northern camps. The agricultural section enjoyed a profitable summer, and a good crop was general.
Sault Ste. Marie.—Greater demand for men in the building line than last month; also considerable demand for men for the lumber woods. No change in wages and no unrest in the labor market.
Port Arthur and Fort William.—The month on the whole was a good one for labor. The ports were busy; also the coal docks and elevators, while railway traffic was exceedingly active.

MANITOBA.

Winnipeg.—Work in the building trades not quite as plentiful as in the previous month. No marked change in other trades. There were few openings for unskilled workers and as a consequence hundreds of that class were in the ranks of the unemployed. The outlook for the coming winter is not at all hopeful, so far as the labor market is concerned.
Brandon.—There was no noticeable improvement in the demand for labor, especially apparent in civic work, and some branches of the building trade.

SASKATCHEWAN.

Regina.—Toward the end of the month the extent to which labor was employed was to a slight degree more favorable than the beginning of the month, although unemployment was still apparent.
Saskatoon.—There was no noticeable improvement over last month. Mechanics who have been harvesting are beginning to return to the city. As yet, however, there is no immediate problem of general unemployment, many men having left the city. It is reported that large numbers of homesteaders who have periodically migrated to the city, have gone back to the land.
Prince Albert.—Little change was noted in the general state of the labor market. Threshing operations employed a large number of men.

ALBERTA.

Medicine Hat.—Labor conditions not materially changed. Much building is going on, but quite a number of men connected with the building trades are unable to find steady employment.
Calgary.—No improvement in the building trades. A large number of stonecutters, bricklayers and masons, carpenters, painters and building laborers are unemployed.
Edmonton.—Conditions unchanged a large number of all classes being out of employment. During the same month last year, the labor market was very active.
Lethbridge.—Conditions not improved. Some of the work in hand last month is finished, causing an addition to the number of unemployed. The usual opportunity for employment in the bush at this time was curtailed owing to depression in the lumber trade. Coal mining is very active, giving employment to increasing numbers.

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Nelson.—Building trades reported dull. The supply of labor is greater than the demand. The mining industry alone maintained an average activity.
New Westminster.—The state of employment during October was much the same as in September, for although the building activities have been increased by alteration work on several city hotels.

MARKET REPORT

DURHAM, NOV. 26 1913

Fall Wheat	83 to 85
Spring Wheat	83 to 85
Milling Oats	38 to 38
Feed Oats	32 to 34
Peas	85 to 85
Barley	48 to 48
Hay	15 00 to 16 00
Butter	22 to 22
Eggs	30 to 30
Potatoes, per bag	1 00 to 1 00
Dried Apples	5 to 5
Flour, per cwt.	2 60 to 3 00
Oatmeal, per sack	2 50 to 2 50
Chop, per cwt.	1 10 to 1 25
Live Hogs, per cwt.	8 10 to 8 10
Hides, per lb.	9 to 10
Sheepskins	75 to 85
Wool	14 to 27
Tallow	5 to 5
Lard	16 to 16
LIVE POULTRY MARKET	
Turkeys	15 to 15
Geese	8 to 8
Ducks	8 to 8
Chickens	9 to 10
Roosters	5 to 5
Hens	6 to 6
DRESSED FOWL	
Turkeys	15 to 15
Geese	10 to 12
Ducks	10 to 12
Chickens	10 to 10
Roosters	7 to 8
Hens	7 to 7

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there has been slackening in other industries, for instance, the lumber mills have in most cases reduced their work hours to 40 or less a week. Many men have left the city and district during the month in search of employment elsewhere and there are still a large number of unemployed.
Victoria.—Conditions much less promising than they were in the spring. A large number of men were out of employment in all lines of industry and particularly so in the building trades where only about 60 per cent. of the available supply can find work.
Vancouver.—No improvement on previous three or four months. In almost all trades the supply of labor was much greater than the demand. From present indications there is not likely to be any decided change for the better during the next three or four months.
Nanaimo.—Little change. A large number of men out of employment owing to the strike among the coal miners, which is the principal industry of the district.

Parliamentary Reminiscences

An interesting program was rendered Monday night in the basement of the Presbyterian church by the Young People's Guild. Amongst the numbers were instrumental by Miss Kelsey and Miss Marguerite Hutton, a solo by Mrs. A. W. H. Lauder and a duet by Mrs. Stonehouse and Miss Vaddie Caldwell.
The special feature of the program, however, was an address by Dr. Jamieson on "Parliamentary Reminiscences." He reviewed the situation since the "parliamentary bee" began to buzz in his honnet about 25 years ago, and told a number of interesting stories of incidents in his different campaigns. Friendships at election times don't seem to cross political boundaries, and in one of his first election campaigns the Dr. asked a man for his vote when the man, who was a friend generally, had no hesitation in telling him he would sooner vote for the devil than vote for him. Undaunted at his failure, the Dr. suggested that he might see his way clear to vote for the Conservative candidate, and he thinks he did so.
At Hopeville on one occasion a meeting instead of a prayer-meeting. He was a Liberal, and he knew the political meeting was in the interest of the Conservative candidate. The man could neither see nor hear well, and trying of the exercises he returned to the local store and eased his conscience by saying he couldn't listen to the darn lies they were telling over there at the Conservative meeting. The people of Hopeville may guess who the man was.
These and other stories gave spice to the address and kept up the interest of the audience, but the address was not all in the lighter vein. It contained a great deal of useful information about parliamentary customs and other matters. Some time was spent in sizing up Canadian parliamentarians of the past and present, and interesting impressions were given of such men as Sir Oliver Mowat, Sir George Ross, Laurier, Sir John Macdonald and a number of the lesser luminaries. The meeting was interesting and instructive from start to finish, and at the close a hearty vote of thanks was tendered to Dr. Jamieson for his able address.
Conservatives in Chateaugay, Que., claim that the Liberal pretext is irregular, and that there are no specific charges, as required by law.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Lesson IX.—Fourth Quarter, For Nov. 30, 1913.

THE INTERNATIONAL SERIES.

Text of the Lesson, Josh. iii, 7-17. Memory Verses, 12, 13—Golden Text, Isa. xli, 10—Commentary by Rev. D. M. Stearns.

In our last lesson we saw Joshua specially commissioned and encouraged as Israel's new leader. The remainder of the chapter told of his reminder to the Benjaminites, the Gadites and the half tribe of Manasseh, who had received their inheritance under Moses on the east of Jordan, that they should leave their wives, their families and their cattle and cross the Jordan with their brethren until they, too, should receive their inheritance.

The two and a half tribes stood by their agreement and encouraged Joshua with good words. It is worth noting that the oft quoted text, "Be sure your sin will find you out" (Num. xxxii, 23), is in connection with the possible failure of the two and a half tribes to help their brethren to find rest. It may well apply to believers who fail to carry the Bread of Life to those who have never heard of Him. Chapter ii tells us of Rahab, her faith in the God of Israel, her kindness to the two spies, her desire for the safety of her household and her promptness in binding the scarlet line in her window (ii, 11-13, 18, 21). Honorable mention of her is found in Heb. xi, 31; Jas. ii, 23-25. She became the mother of Boaz, who married Ruth, and therefore the great-grandmother of David (Matt. i, 5; Ruth iv, 21, 22).

It is possible that Salmon, her husband, may have been one of the two spies whom she hid. She certainly lied, and her sin is not excused or overlooked, but she truly repented, and there is forgiveness for all such.

Josh iii tells of the passing through Jordan, and chapter iv tells of the twelve stones set up in the bed of Jordan and at Gilgal. We must ever keep in mind the reason why of all God's dealings with Israel, "That all the people of the earth might know the hand of the Lord, that it is mighty, and that they might fear the Lord God of Israel" (Josh. iv, 24; see also I Kings, vii, 43; II Kings, xix, 19; Ps. cvi, 8).

If believers were living to honor the Lord more would testify as Rahab did. "I know, * * * for we have heard, * * * the Lord your God; He is God in heaven above and in the earth beneath" chapter ii, 8, 11. The central object of our two lesson chapters today is "the ark of the covenant of the Lord of all the earth" (ii, 11), mentioned ten times in chapter iii and seven times in chapter iv. The central person is the living God (ii, 10), who is called by that name at least seven times (Deut. v, 26; I Sam. xvii, 26; II Kings xix, 4; Hos. i, 10; Matt. xvi, 16; I Thess. i, 9, and in our lesson).

The great event is the crossing through Jordan on dry land. The great human instrument is Joshua, concerning whom the Lord said, "This day will I begin to magnify thee in the sight of all Israel, that they may know that as I was with Moses so I will be with thee" (iii, 7). Those who honor the Lord He will honor.

This is another third day story (verse 2; see also ii, 16, 22). It may not appeal to some, but to me all safety and victory are associated with the greatest third day event in all history, the resurrection of our Lord from the dead, for if He be not risen all is vain. Jordan signifies river of judgment. The twelve stones of Gilgal suggest risen with Christ, all reproach rolled away (v, 9). The ark of the covenant was the most remarkable type of Christ in the whole tabernacle, although every whit of it spoke of Him. What could be more suggestive of all safety depending upon Christ than the ark upon the shoulders of the priests in the midst of Jordan until everything was finished and all the people were clean passed over? (iv, 10, 11).

The priests who bore the ark had to step into the water before the waters stood up upon a heap on the one side and ran off to the Dead Sea on the other (verses 15-17). This must have been a trial of their faith, unlike the dividing of the Red sea, which seems to have divided before the people came actually to it.

As we go in life's journey our faith should be ever increasing, but He always deals with us as we are able, saying long oftentimes that we might have greater faith and grieved by our little faith, as He often was with His disciples (Matt. vi, 30; viii, 26; xiv, 31; xvi, 8), while the only two who pleased Him by great faith were the Roman centurion and the woman of Tyre and Sidon, both gentiles. It is profitable to notice that they were to watch the ark that they might know the way by which they should go (iii, 3, 4), and we are reminded of our instructions in Heb. xii, 1, 2, to run with patience, looking unto Jesus and to consider Him who endured. In the summer of 1873 I heard a sermon on the last clause of verse 4 at St. Catharines, Canada, "For we have not passed this way heretofore," which has been a blessing to me ever since.

It is certainly good for a new year or any new departure, but it is equally good for every day of life, for every day is an untrodden way, and we never know the way and need to acknowledge Him in all our ways that He may direct our paths, for it is not in man that walketh to direct his steps (Prov. iii, 9; Jer. x, 23).

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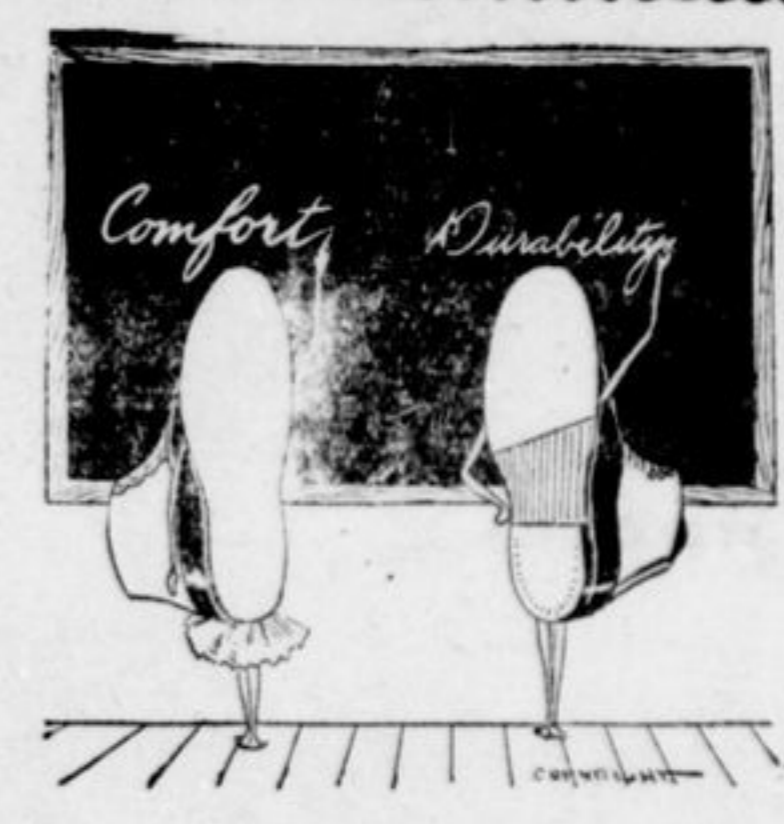
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PERSONAL

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Mr. E. W. Limin returned Saturday from the west.
Mrs. Thos. McGirr was in Toronto last week as delegate at the convention of the Women's Institute. About 700 delegates were in attendance, being the largest number at any convention up to date.
Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Green, of Toronto, are visiting the latter's father, Mr. Alex. Bell, who has recently taken a turn for the worse, and is very ill at present.
MARRIED.
McGillivray-Binnie.—On Wednesday, November 26, at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Binnie, by Rev. Dr. Parquharson, Mr. James McGillivray to Miss Mary Binnie, both of Glenelg.
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