

LET'S GO SHOPPING

Typical Weekly Expenditure for a Family of Five Persons		
Commodities.	Quantities.	1910
	(1 lb. = .45 kg)	cents
Beef, sirloin steak	2 lb. (.9 kg)	37.6
Beef, chuck roast	2 "	26.
Veal, forequarters	1 "	12.8
Mutton, roast, hindquarters ...	1 "	16.8
Pork, roasting, fresh	"	18.
Pork salt	2 "	34.4
Bacon, best, smoked	1 "	24.5
Lard, pure leaf	2 "	40.6
Eggs, fresh	1 doz.	33.3
Eggs, packed	1 "	28.4
Milk	6 qts. (6.8 l)	48.
Butter, dairy, tub	2 lb.	52.
Butter, creamery prints	1 "	31.9
Cheese, Canadian, old	1 "	18.5
Cheese, Canadian, new	1 "	17.5
Bread, plain, white	15 "	66.
Flour, ordinary family	10 "	33.
Rolled oats	5 "	21.
Rice, good medium	2 "	10.4
Beans, handpicked	2 "	10.8
Apples, evaporated	1 "	11.5
Prunes, medium quality	1 "	9.9
Sugar, granulated	4 "	24.
Sugar, yellow	2 "	10.8
Tea, black	¼ "	8.7
Tea, green	¼ "	9.1
Coffee	¼ "	8.9
Potatoes	2 pks.	30.3
Vinegar, white wine	½ pt. (.6 l)	.7
All foods		\$6.954
Starch	½ lb.	3.1
Coal, anthracite	1/16 ton (56 kg)	48.1
Coal, bituminous	" "	35.
Wood, hard, best	" cord.	38.8
Wood, soft	" "	29.4
Coal oil	1 gal. (4.5 l)	24.4
Fuel and lighting		\$1.757
Rent		\$4.05
Grand Total		\$12.792-

Hamilton Firm Walk Out.
 Hamilton, May 6.—The Imperial Cotton Company shut down yesterday as the result of a strike, affecting between four and five hundred employees. A general increase of ten per cent was made by the company during the last wave of prosperity. Two years ago, when the business depression was felt, five per cent was cut off, and this was followed later by another reduction of a similar amount. Two weeks ago the employees demanded that the ten per cent be restored. The company refused, so the employees walked out in a body.
 The superintendent says the company is willing to grant the ten per cent as soon as conditions warrant it. He declares that on account of the high price of cotton the cotton manufacturers of the country are in worse shape than they have been for years. The mill has been running full time with its usual staff, while other mills have been working short hours with reduced staffs.

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Interior of clothing factory, London, Ontario

PAY TO THE ORDER OF ...	BRICKLAYERS		CARPENTERS		ELECTRICIANS		PAINTERS		COMMON LABOURERS IN FACTORIES	
	Wages Per Hour	Hours Per week	Wages Per Hour	Hours Per week	Wages Per Hour	Hours Per week	Wages Per Hour	Hours Per week	Wages Per Hour	Hours Per week
HALIFAX	.40	54	.30	54	.25	54	.35	54	.15	54
ST. JOHN	.45	54	.37	54	.25	54	.37	54	—	—
QUEBEC	.45	54	.37	54	.28	60	.35	54	—	—
HAMILTON	.50	44	.37	44	.30	54	.30	50	.17	50
WINNIPEG	.50	53	.45	54	.40	45	.30	53	.25	55
REGINA	.50	54	.35	50	.25	54	.30	60	—	—
EDMONTON	.50	48	.43	48	.40	48	.45	48	.25	50
VICTORIA	.70	44	.50	44	.50	44	.43	44	.17	50

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Trade or Industry.	No			
	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	A
Agriculture	7	8	6	
Fishing and hunting	2			
Lumbering	5	8	5	
Mining	16	9	8	
Building trades	2	1	3	
Metal trades	11	5	11	
Woodworking trades	1		2	
Printing trades				
Clothing trades	1			
Textile trades			1	
Food and tobacco preparation	2			
Leather trades				