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Labor in England and other countries

British Board of Trade has recently published statistics which are most interesting as showing the labor conditions existing in various countries. We have, of course, full reports of the United States; indeed, no other government has covered so fully all matters relating to labor; but we need a comparison with other lands to determine just wherein conditions here are favorable and wherein bad.

The standard of pay is high in this country, the wages in nearly every line of trade being greater and, while the cost of life is also higher, the advantage is still in our favor—that is, the American workman is better off and gets more for his work than his brethren elsewhere.

On the other hand, we make an exceptionally bad showing in the matter of unemployment. The fluctuations in the number of men and women working and out of work is infinitely greater than anywhere else, and the average of persons out of jobs is high. The financial and industrial depressions to which the United States is so subject and the effect of immigrant labor in upsetting the labor market are shown in the changes in the number of these out of work from year to year. In 1906 conditions were at their best, and only 6.8 per cent of the workers were idles; they unemployed doubled for 1907, with a total of 13.6 per cent; and they more than doubled the next year, 1908, to 28 per cent—that is, more than a quarter of all the workers were idle. Compare this with Germany, where the percentage of unemployed in 1905—it was a worldwide year of prosperity—was only 1.1 per cent, and which has varied only in two years from that figure to 2.9 per cent, the maximum of labor depression. In 1908 there were proportionately ten men unemployed in the United States for every one in Germany. The figures are somewhat the same in Belgium, where the percentage of unemployment ranges from 1.8 to 5.3; and while in France there are more idle workmen, there is at the same time little fluctuation from year to year, conditions are more stable, although not as good as in Germany.

Under present conditions Lloyd-George's plan of government guaranty of employment, or pensioning the workmen who are without employment, could not be operated in this country and the French system of government employment agencies would have excessive work to do in years of depression. It would be too heavy a burden on the government and the workmen to have to provide pay for one-fourth or more of their number who are idle because there is nothing to do.

The British tables giving the proportion of laborers engaged in each line of industry shows that Hungary leads in agricultural labor, 70.15 per cent of its people working on the farms; the United States has 35.64 per cent of its population so employed, about the same percentage has Germany, but less than France. Great Britain has only 12 per cent on the farms. On the other hand, Great Britain leads in all com-

mercial lines, 11.59 per cent of its population being engaged in commercial occupation. It also leads in the percentage of those engaged in the metal trades and in the manufacture of textile fabrics.

In the matter of dress—that is, in these industries connected with the making of clothing, millinery and similar goods, France, as might be expected, leads, with 8.05 per cent of its workers being engaged in carrying out the dictates of fashion. Belgium stands second, then Great Britain, Italy and Germany. Apparently the people of the United States are not interested in fashions and dress, or it may be that they depend to a large extent on European tailors, milliners and dress makers to provide their "glad" raiment.

Ex-King Manuel

Ex-King Manuel of Portugal at his temporary home in the Richmond suburb of London, is receiving innumerable offers of service, not merely from ordinary soldiers of fortune and cosmopolitan adventurers, but also from retired officers of the English, French and German armies. All of them are anxious to place themselves under his orders and to organize themselves into a foreign legion for the recovery of his throne.

It may be recalled that his grand-mother, Queen Maria della Gloria, after having been deposed of her crown and driven out of Portugal by a revolution headed by her uncle, Don Miguel, was restored to her throne by a foreign legion organized in England, composed of a great extent of British subjects and headed by a half-pay officer of the British royal navy, Sir Charles Napier, who afterwards, as admiral, commanded the British naval forces in the Baltic during England's war with Russia.

Want with young King Manuel's inexperience, both of men and of statecraft, there would be much danger of his compromising his position in England, and it was his very greatest least prospect of restoration by some premature coup at the instigation of these volunteers for his cause, were it not for the advice of the marquis de Soveral, now a great extent of British subjects and headed by a half-pay officer of the British royal navy, Sir Charles Napier, who afterwards, as admiral, commanded the British naval forces in the Baltic during England's war with Russia.

Foreign legions have played an important role in Spain during the nineteenth century, as in Italian affairs, and it was a foreign legion fighting under the Serbian flag against Turkey in 1876 that virtually forced Russia into war upon the sultan in 1877. It is, therefore, quite on the cards that we may see a great deal of fighting to come to the aid of Don Manuel at the head of a foreign legion, which would quickly be joined by all those who have become disaffected and disgusted with that new republic, which promised so much and accomplished so little.

There will be no difficulty about getting financial backing for a coup of this kind in London in return for the promise of mining and other concessions.

If I were asked why Don Manuel and De Soveral delay, I would venture to suggest that it was in the first place due to the conviction that every day that passes increases the unpopularity of the present incompetent regimen at Lisbon, and, secondly, that the present English Cabinet, which contributed so much to assist the establishment of the republic, might place difficulties in the way of the departure of a foreign legion, on the strength of the laws that forbid an English subject to serve under a foreign flag, and, thirdly, that every day that passes against a country on terms of amity with Great Britain, The Englishmen who took part in the Jameson raid

against the Transvaal Republic in 1896 were all sent to jail when they got back to England for having violated what is known as the foreign enlistment act, and it is with administrative aid, probably, in view of its past friendship for the Portuguese Republican Party, be disposed to invoke these laws, whereas there would be less danger of any such interference were the Unionists once more in power. It is that for which King Manuel and the Marquis de Soveral are bidding their time.

The Making of a Neurasthenic

A mother was taking her small daughter for a street car ride. The child was abnormally alert, noticing every sound, responding to the constant change and motion.

"What! Interrupted, 'Not nine or ten weeks!'"

"No, aeroplanes," said he.

The car came to a standstill. The baby soon squirmed and kicked; the small face showed signs of anger and distress, and before long a wail rent the air. The mother trotted and jumped the disconcerted little one in vain, the drummed persistently on the window pane she shook a large silver rattle violently, she offered the charms of a highly ornamented slopping bag—all in vain. The crying continued until the grinding of the brakes and the ringing of the bell announced that the car was about to start. Then all was quiet with the baby. Noise and movement and change of air were what the child demanded. She had become so accustomed to them that without them she was restless and miserable.

The infant, as the case went to tell that young mother several things. She wanted to tell her that during the first years the brain develops as much as during all the rest of life; that overstimulation at this period will, in all likelihood, result in a precocious early childhood and serious nervous breakdown at some time during school years. After this prodigy usually settles into hopeless mediocrity, the over-taxed brain rebels and nature demands her dues. She wanted to tell her to take that wide-eyed, over-active little daughter where she would hear no sounds that were louder than bird songs, where the waving of the trees and the grass would teach her motion, and the only change of scene would be the shifting of the clouds.

That every little child cannot have the benefits and the pleasures of country life is a misfortune, says a writer in *Woman's World*. Mothers can minimize this loss to a considerable extent by giving the baby perfect peace and quiet during the first year of its life, by protecting it as far as possible from all excitement and loud noises, and by allowing no interference with the course that nature takes during the marvelous brain development of the first twelve months.

An Inhuman Sight

Gew Iberia, La.—A battle to the death between a gorilla and an English Bulldog in which the gorilla was victorious, was fought here early to-day with almost the entire population of New Iberia as spectators. Much money was wagered.

A pen of twelve feet square and eight feet high with seats on all sides, was arranged for the combat. The dog and the gorilla were placed in the pen at midnight and in two minutes the dog was dead.

The dog leaped at the gorilla immediately after being placed in the pen. The gorilla caught the dog just as a man catches a football, then bit quickly through the dog's skull into the brain, broke its back and tore it to pieces.

Nine or ten deposits

"It is expensive to learn to fly," said Chifford Harmon, at Mineola. "Your aeroplane costs more than \$5,000. You

must pay a fee of \$500 for tuition, and you must deposit, too, about \$500 more for damages. All the damage you do the machine you learn on must be paid for, and your deposit may easily be eaten up.

"I was talking one day at Nice to an English flyer.

"I learned to fly in a week," I said.

"How long did it take you to learn?"

"Oh, nine or ten—"

"What! Interrupted, 'Not nine or ten weeks!'"

"No, aeroplanes," said he.

Suggests Rider For Senate

New York.—Mayor Gaynor thinks Herman Ridder would make a good compromise senatorial candidate to break the deadlock at Albany. Mr. Ridder, who is publisher of the New York *Staats-Zeitung* and chairman of the paper committee of the American Newspaper Publishers' Association, received one vote in the balloting to-day, and when Mayor Gaynor saw the afternoon papers he scanned the list and said:

"Why not all join in and elect Ridder? That would be a good day's work."

Young Women Confess Perjury

Chicago.—Four young women and one young man confessed to Judge Landis in the United States District Court, that they had given perjured testimony in behalf of their employers, Peter K. & K. K. Brimie, who were charged with guilty of oleomargarine "moonshining."

Following the confessions of perjury, Judge Landis sentenced Peter K. Brimie to serve six years in prison and to pay a fine of \$18,000. K. K. Brimie was sentenced to four year's imprisonment and fined \$5,000.

Wireless Chief on Trial

New York.—George H. Munroe, under Federal indictment for alleged misuse of the mails in selling wireless stock which the government contends he failed to deliver, was placed on trial in the United States Circuit Court here.

Several witnesses called by the government testified to sending money for stock in answer to circulars promising rich dividends.

Port Limon, March 16, 1911 Editor "El Tiempo."

Dear Sir,—I noticed a news item in your journal of to day's date under the caption "Darkness still Prevails," and I would like to know what is meant by the writer when he says that "even in little Limon where we have no less than six or eight pseudo gospel pounders." I have counted the different religious sects in this town and I find that there is exactly six recognized religions with the exception of the "Mial Preacher" and the notorious demons "Millennial Dawnists" who have discarded the Old Testament and are expounding the doctrine of an ambitious American Graftier by the name of Russell, who, unlike the Bedward of Jamaica, possesses sufficient in-

telligence as to cause serious trouble among the people who happen to come in contact with his disgusting disciples who have read through his seven volumes of morbid rubbish on "The Divine Plan of the Ages." To refer to six or eight pseudo gospel pounders in Limon is to throw an unwarrantable insult in the face of the Holy Catholic church which has given a form and creed to the other recognized religions which we have to accept knowing the influence they hold in Christendom.

The Church of God is as visible to-day as when the Divine Reformer laid its foundation, and I can't but raise my voice against any attempt to belittle "this glorious institution."

I am afraid the writer has made an awful blunder or a bold attempt which he could not have carried out in other countries without becoming an object of ridicule by press and people who recognize the claims of Christianity on the civilization of our day. The pseudo-gospel pounders are very easily distinguished and there are not as many as six in Limon.

Thanking you for space,
Yours truly,
MARCUS M. GARVEY

[As we are not responsible for the views of correspondents we publish the above communication, and will in no way issue comment on it.—Ed. "El Tiempo"]

Current News.

The s.s. "Sibiria" of the United Fruit Company Line is expected here direct from Jamaica this morning with mails and passengers.

Mr. Mullins, the General Manager of the Northern Railroad Company who left here recently for Colon is looked for today. A couple of the staff was busy yesterday cleaning his special coach.

The "Manistee" of the United Fruit Company Line arrived here yesterday from Manchester with the following passengers: Mrs. B. Till, Miss B. Davies, Mr. S. Shieske, J. Hogg, F. C. Riddle, A. G. Faulkner, G. R. Farrell.

The following passengers sailed for Colon on the s.s. "Heredia" of the U. F. C. Line: Miss Zenia Baber, C. English, E. H. Underwood, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Honey, L. E. Clare, Anny James. For New York: L. Lachew and 3 deckers for Colon.

In another column will be found an advertisement of Mr. L. W. Merrill calling the attention of persons to his GOLFING CIGARS. We have personally tried his cigars and find them to be of an exquisite flavor and they bear a favorable comparison with other brands. Lovers of the good will do well to give this firm a trial.

SPECIAL ATTORNEY

By Executive Decree on 15th of the 19th instant, Mr. Alberto Monge Keyes has been appointed Fiscal Attorney for the collection of rents due the State on both side of the Atlantic Railway.

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A. R. Méndez

American Intervention

Great Britain, France and Germany

Forced Uncle Sam to Act

Threatened forcible measures by Great Britain, France and Germany to protect forcing interests in Mexico caused the United States to move large bodies of American troops to the Mexican frontier, is the statement made here by the active manager of a large corporation with extensive interests in Mexico and other Latin-American republics. According to this gentleman, who will not consent to the publication of his name on account of the interests of his company in Mexico, the situation in the Mexican republic is bordering on anarchy. Millions of dollars worth of forcing property is in jeopardy. Nothing short of American intervention, he says, will save the foreigners in Mexico from ruin. The situation, he says, is beyond the control of President Díaz. This gentleman held a long conference a few days ago with an official who is high in the American diplomatic service in Mexico, and this American official informed him that American intervention in Mexico was coming, and in a very short time.

"My diplomatic friend told me" he said, "that the governments of Great Britain, France and Germany had given the United States formal and official notice that unless the lives and property of their subjects in Mexico are protected, that those governments would use forcible measures to give their citizens the protection to which they are entitled. The British Government, he said, was particularly insistent upon the protection of English subjects and English interests. The British embassies at Washington and Mexico City gave notice to both the United States and Mexico that unless speedy steps were taken to put an end to the anarchistic conditions that exist that

British warships would be ordered to Mexican waters. This notice from the British Government was given in no uncertain language, and in a way that indicated that the London Foreign Office meant business. Of course, forcing intervention in Mexico could not be tolerated by the United States, unless the American Government abandoned the Monroe doctrine, and there is only one thing to do, and that is for Uncle Sam to intervene. My diplomatic friend told me that he believed American troops would be on Mexican soil within about thirty days."

Fattest Man Dead

Alabama Giant Six-Hundred-Pounder

The body of W. M. Thomas, of Salm, Ala., the death occurring at the Charity Hospital, will be forwarded to the Alabama town, Mr. Thomas was a giant in all proportions. He weighed about 600 pounds and stood fully six feet high. The body was prepared for burial at the undertaking parlors of Thomas E. Lynch.

Mr. Thomas was an engineer and was suffering to the hospital on January 4, suffering with kidney trouble. At the hospital it was said that Mr. Thomas' weight was 325 pounds.

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(By D.W.J. Cable Co.)

London.—The Rt. Hon. Lewis Harcourt, Secretary of State for the Colonies, replying to Mr. Mitchell-Thompson in the House of Commons, said there had been no proposals for the re-establishment of the direct mail services to Jamaica received, and that he saw no prospect of a renewal thereof, on the basis of the payment of a subsidy equally between Jamaica and the Imperial Treasury.

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