shape of a beautiful gasoline lamp, has been donated to the Karnak Church by John Wicks This will surely be appreciated by every one

John Elvig Writes on Conditions in Norway

The Enterprise has received a letter from John Elvig, a former resident of Hannaford, who left with his family for Norway early thin dall. In the letter dated Nevember 13th, Mr. Elvig gives his impression of his native land, and describes conditions there as very bad. The people, he says, have gone insane in their desire to spend, and everybody is trying to outdo the others in living beyond their means. Prices on essentials of life have reached undreamt of altitudes, and now that industries are being_closed down employment is hard to obtain. Thousands of people are out of employment and the working classes are entering upon exceedingly hard times, according to Mr. Elvig

In his letter Mr. Elvig gives prices on some of the more common articles. Butter is 4.20 kroner per klogram meat kr. 5.60, fish kr. 0.80 to kr. 1.00, milk kr. 0.60 per liter, bread kr. 0.90 per Kg. coal kr. 160.0 per ton and of poor quality; a suit of clothes cost kr. 250.00; a hat kr. 20.00; a suit of underwear kr. 70.00; shoes kr. 30.00 to kr. 20.00 a pair; a shirt kr. 8.00 to 10.00. Houses are practically unobtainable at any price in the cities. Cows sell for about kr. 1700.00 apiece and horses for kr. 1800.00 to kroner

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To better understand these prices compared with prices asked for goods here it might be stated that a "krone" at present time equals approximately 14c; when exchange is normal a "krone" is worth 27.2c. A Kilo, the most commonly used unit in the metric system, equals 2.25 pounds.

When these figures are considered it will be seen that after all the amount of money paid for articles in Norway is no larger than here. But comparing them with pre-war prices there when a pair of shoes cost kr. 6.00, one can understand that price increases are keenly felt.

Mr. Elvig went to Norway intending to make his future home there,
but writes that probabilities are now
that he will return to good old U. S.
A. in the spring. He advises those
who might be planning on a trip to
their native land to be in no particular rush as the country is sure to
see some exceedingly hard times in
the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. Elvig and family send their regards to their many friends here who are readers of the Enterprise.

Just pretending to be rich keeps some people poor.

