

HOUSE

Founded

75 De Choisy



MEUNIER

in 1860

Avenue, Paris

LOMBART CHOCOLATE

In 1760, under Louis XV, Mr. Meunier took up his residence on *Vieilles Eues Saint-Honoré Street*, near the Du Trahoir Cross, now known as the *Fontaine de l'Arbre-Sec*.

This locality was the birth-place of the Chocolate Industry; for it was there that, some years earlier, an officer of Maria-Theresa, wife of Louis XIV, obtained, through the influence of the Queen, the monopoly of its manufacture and introduced it in France.

In 1789, King Louis XVI made MEUNIER purveyor by appointment to Her Royal Highness Victoire de France.

In 1804, Grimod de la Reynière perpetuates, in his *Almanach des Gourmands*, the high reputation acquired by the "HOUSE MEUNIER"; he declares that he considers it "as one of the two or three which alone make good chocolate"; and in his edition of the same *Almanac* for the year 1807, he states "that the Chocolate Meunier is much superior to that made in Florence and other Italian Cities.

In 1814, Her Royal Highness the Duchess of Angoulême selected Meunier as her purveyor by appointment.

The prosperity of the Firm thence continually increased.

It was in 1852, that the *Gazette des Hôpitaux* called attention to Meunier by quoting a report of the Directors of the Medical Faculty, which ends as follows: "We do not judge of the value of the chocolate of the House Meunier, but by the results which we have obtained from it and we do not recommend any other, &c."

Finally, from 1849 to 1880, the following awards were granted to the Firm:

- PARIS EXHIBITIONS, 1849, 1855, and 1873, Bronze, Silver & Gold Medals.
- 1873, Vienna Exhibition, Medal of Merit. — 1874, Marseilles Exhibition, Gold Medal. — 1876, Medal, Philadelphia Centennial Exhibition. — 1876, Gold Medal of the First Class National Academy. — 1878, Class 52, Two Medals for Patent Machines for the weighing and systematic cooling of Chocolate. — 1878, Class 74, Out of competition, Member of the Jury. — 1876, Grand Diploma of Honor, National Academy. — 1880, Melbourne (Australia) Exhibition, Two First Medals, and the Cross of the Legion of Honour.

Such are the points which recommend the use of Lombart Chocolate, to the confidence of the public.

Mr. Lombart, for twenty-five years the proprietor of the Meunier Manufacture, has ever followed in the steps of his predecessor and has added to his industry all the improvements which his long experience aided by the advance of science has suggested.

The Manufacture, now working at No. 75 De Choisy Avenue, is the most extensive in Paris

The House Lombart imports Teas direct from China. It only sells black teas carefully selected and of extra quality.

Black Teas are the only ones, according to the Medical Faculty which are wholesome. See in reference hereto the reports of Doctors TROUSTEAU and PAYEN.