



during the month just ended. Mr. Harmon says that the demand for high grade watches continues to be exceptionally brisk and that he is still unable to fill orders as they are received. Mr. Harmon remembers many very busy times in the past, but no other period which equals the present in this respect.

Mr. J. C. Barlow, bookkeeper of the Waltham Watch Co., has joined the ranks of the golfers, and can now wallop the balls around with the what-do-you-call-'ems in great style. Mr. Barlow is developing a huge muscle on his strong right arm, and the scenery around Fletcher's Field is beginning to tremble in its boots. It has had its leafy bonnet knocked off already, but some charge the responsibility for this to the time of year. Our coming champion says that the beauty of golf is, it's partly a game and partly a walking match.

Mr. P. W. Ellis, of the influential firm of Messrs. P. W. Ellis, & Co., Toronto and Montreal, was in this city recently to make the final arrangements for the extension of the Montreal premises in the Canada Life Building, St. James Street. Mr. Ellis attended a meeting of Montreal manufacturers while here, as a representative of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, the object being to bring about an amalgamation of the interests of Dominion manufacturers.

Mr. T. P. Bowen, local representative of Mr. Jas. Eastwood, New Glasgow, N.S., in Toronto, was in Montreal recently in the interests of business.

Mr. H. W. Patterson, of the firm of Messrs. Smith, Patterson & Co., Boston, paid a welcome visit to Montreal with that celebrated body, the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Co., of Boston. It was Mr. Patterson's first visit to Montreal for a long time past, and he was welcomed by many old friends. Mr. Moses Cochenthaler, the popular St. James Street jeweler, was especially devoted in his endeavors to give the visitors pleasure. Mr. Patterson was born in Nova Scotia, and is one of the many successful Canadians who have moved across the border. Mr. Patterson is in the best of health and does not look a day older.

Mr. Geo. Ellis, representing Messrs. P. W. Ellis & Co., in fine jewelry and precious stones, was recently attending to his sparkling business in Montreal.

Mr. John Caswell, son-in-law of Mr. Royal E. Robbins, treasurer of the Waltham Watch Co., spent a few days last month at the Windsor Hotel, accompanied by Mrs. Caswell, and afterwards left for Boston. Mr. Caswell had just returned from a hunting expedition in the Restigouche district, where besides the regulation limit of deer, his party shot four black bears, and he himself shot one of the latter which was seven feet long. This is not a fish story, and don't you forget it!

Mr. Jacob Levy, of the Levy Bros Co., Hamilton, met with his usual business success upon his latest visit to Montreal.

Mr. Jas. A. Pitts, the well-known jobber of the Temple Building, and Canadian representative of *The Keystone*, Philadelphia, recently received a visit from Mr. Stevenson, a representative from *The Keystone* headquarters.

Mr. A. A. Abbott, has been suffering from rheumatism, and is still in the hands of the doctor.

Mr. R. A. Kettle, of the American Waltham Watch Co., passed through Montreal upon his return to his quarters in Chicago. Mr. Kettle is highly appreciative of the good service of the International Limited of the G.T.R.

Mr. R. J. E. Scott, chief time superintendent of the C.P.R., has just returned from a business trip over the Boston branch of the line.

Mr. C. H. A. Grant, manager of the Montreal Watch Case Co., returned to Montreal from a very profitable trip to the Pacific Coast last month.

Major W. J. Stewart, of the M. S. Brown Co., Montreal, was very happily engaged during the visit of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company, in providing entertainment for the officers and men.

Mr. Moses Michaelson, of Messrs. I. L. Michaelson & Sons, Montreal, has grown tired of single unblestness, and is busily engaged in helping to build a nest of his own. In a word, before this paragraph meets the eye of the gentle reader, he will probably have multiplied his family by a better half, the only way, we are told upon the best authority, that a man can become complete. Previously he is only a fraction.

Mr. "Tommy" Mackenzie, shipper of the American Waltham Watch Co., is making preparations to leave Mr. Harmon and go to the Waltham factory with the intention of learning the business. "Tommy" is the third of the family who has served faithfully and well in the Montreal office; "Thomas" has put in a service of six years, and he has the happiness to have gained the good opinion of his employer, who gives him the best of characters.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Birks and Mr. Gerald Birks who have spent the last three months at Westmount, are once more established at 299 University Street.

Mrs. Alfred Eaves will be at home to receive her friends every Wednesday at 501 Claremont Avenue.

Mr. Norman McLeod, son of Prof. McLeod, chief superintendent of the G.T.R. time service, spent a few days with his parents towards the close of last month.

HOCHELAGA.

PEARLS IN OYSTERS.—Pearls have been lately discovered in oysters at Bergen, Norway, among which was one valued at 300 crowns. In a restaurant in Berlin, Germany, two pearls have been found recently in oysters, valued at \$100 each.

THE DEMAND FOR SAPPHIRES—The continued rise in the price of rubies and emeralds has induced jewelers and the public in general to seek far less expensive stones to blend harmoniously with diamonds and pearls. Hence the demand for sapphires. For some time the light sapphires of Burmah and Ceylon have ranked foremost, but at present the darker shades are preferred. Some people, however, attach a greater value to the lighter shades by reason of their glittering properties at night. Lately the Montana sapphires have become of greater importance in consequence of their proportionately low prices and their brilliancy by day and night. Many of these have been shipped to Europe for polishing.