

who dipped out of the cauldron the crystalizing syrup, and patting smooth and hard the top of a clean snow drift, poured on it slowly the partly cooled syrup. Aching stomachs followed as a rule, though we were always admonished by our elders, and sometimes, when we continued the gorging process too openly, we were sent to the house.

I wish I could remember the price of maple sugar then. It must have been inexpensive, for the children and pancake-eaters always liked it, it would not do for tea, and was not at all in favour with housewives for cooking. There was not much market for it then, but now we are told that the whole output of maple syrup in this country will not supply New York City alone. Yet you can buy "maple syrup" all over the world, nearly! What wonder that the genius of chemists and food purveyors for many years has grappled with the problem of supplying a substitute? But the delicious, distinctive flavour of the real maple product has never been produced until now when the Crescent Manufacturing Company of Seattle, Washington advertises their wonderful discovery, "Mapleine."

"Mapleine" is an original flavouring extract compounded solely from roots and herbs, and is guaranteed under all of the "Pure Food Laws" to be absolutely pure, wholesome, and healthful. A two-ounce bottle, which costs one only fifty cents, will upon being dissolved in the directed proportions of granulated sugar and hot water make two full gallons of smacking good table syrup which old Vermont and old Eastern Canadian judges pronounce an exact reproduction of the real maple.

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#### MADE IN VANCOUVER.

A resident of Vancouver for over 15 years of which the greater part of the time he has been actively identified with the tobacco trade, L. Wilke, the popular proprietor of The Success Cigar Factory, is building up a splendid business at 14 Cordova St., West. His principal brands are "The Very Best" and "Vancouver Belle," both being popular among western devotees of My Lady Nicotine.

#### INVENTIONS PERFECTED.

It will be welcome news to many civil engineers and surveyors to learn that they can now have their most delicate instruments repaired or adjusted in Vancouver by the B. C. Model Engineering Works, as hitherto transits, levels, etc., and all fine instruments have had to go to the East to be overhauled. This firm also makes a specialty of developing the ideas of inventors and designers, and models can be built in their Vancouver workshop at cheaper rates than if sent to the Eastern Provinces. The B. C. Model Engineering Works have a special department for intricate machine work and fittings. They employ only expert men, and are winning universal praise in their model department for their fine and accurate results. This firm have at their command not only the men, but the machinery to do any and all kinds of electrical or mechanical work, not only devoting their skill for repairs on small launches, armature winding and elevators, but are prepared to re-adjust, build or restore anything in mechanical or electrical engineering.

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#### A NEW FIRM.

Guaranteeing that their paper-hanging and painting is the best and cheapest that honest materials and labour permit, the new firm of Cross & Huestis, 437 Homer St., Vancouver, are gradually securing a fine business as dealers in wall paper, burlaps, mouldings, picture framing, etc. They have a new stock of Canadian, English, American and German wall papers which should be inspected by the home builder before placing his order.

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#### PATRONIZE HOME INDUSTRY.

For years it has been customary for Canadians to buy motor engines from the United States. Today Western people can obtain what they need for power launches right at home. Letson & Burpee, Ltd., of Vancouver, B.C., manufacturers of marine gasoline engines, publish an interesting illustrated catalogue, which should be in the hands of all intending to purchase an engine. But