

The mills of the Montreal Cotton Co., at Valleyfield, are closed for a week. There was a big stock of raw material on hand at this mill when the market was cornered. The company is now putting up an \$80,000 building.

The shipping clerk of the Gibson Cotton Mill, at Marysville, N.B., informs the Fredericton Gleaner that the mill's output of manufactured cotton for the months of June and July has been a record breaker, having amounted to the sum of three hundred and fifty thousand dollars. The goods have been shipped to all parts of Canada, from Halifax to Vancouver. There is not a mill in Canada with a better record than the Gibson cotton mill.

The Canadian Cordage & Manufacturing Company's factory at Peterboro resumed operations August 31st, after having been closed two weeks for the purpose of cleaning up and making necessary repairs to the machinery after the year's run. The entire output has been disposed of, and none carried over to next season. The company is considerably behind in filling its orders for rope. Thomas F. Connor, of the Boston Rope and Twine Company, Boston, Mass., has succeeded C. F. Holmes as superintendent. It is proposed to enlarge the plant to meet the demand.

The T. Eaton Co.'s new manufactory at Oshawa was formally opened on September 7th. The building is a handsome three-story structure, built entirely of pressed brick, lighted throughout by electricity, and heated by steam. The floors are all hardwood, and the ceilings fancy metal. It contains a waterworks system of its own, and affords bright, cheery and healthful workshops for its occupants. The firm will manufacture whitewear exclusively, and the factory is supplied with the newest and best machinery, operated by electric motors. As yet only part of the machines are installed, and only about twenty women have commenced work, but more will be taken on as fast as machines can be installed. Fifty hands will be employed this winter, and next spring one hundred more.

Voting will take place at Orillia on September 21st, on the by-law to aid in the establishment of a linen factory in that town. The principal items in the agreement are: 1. The town agrees to guarantee the company's bonds for a third of the amount expended on the plant, provided that no guarantee is to be given until \$100,000 has been spent, and that the total guarantee is not to exceed \$50,000. 2. The town gives a free site of five acres. 3. The town gives a fixed assessment of \$10,000 for ten years, dating from Jan. 1st, 1904. 4. The town to supply electric energy at \$16 a horse-power, guaranteeing the price for five years. 5. The company to have the privilege of using water from the lake. 6. The company agrees to expend at least \$100,000 on plant and machinery, to employ not fewer than a hundred hands, and to begin work within six months of the time the by-law is passed. The Dominion Linen Mills Co., of which E. J. Pauley, who has been carrying on the negotiations, is president, is composed of Nova Scotia capitalists, who are coming to Ontario to manufacture because it is more central. They believe there is an opening in Canada for manufacturing linen, of which all that is used in this country is now imported. They will manufacture from the raw flax to the finished article, and will bring the flax from the west if necessary, though it is expected that the establishment of the mill will result in considerable being grown round Orillia. While they bind themselves to expend only \$100,000 and to employ only a hundred hands, the company anticipates a much larger outlay, and a staff of five or six hundred when in full working order. The factory, for which plans have been made, will have a frontage of three hundred and eighty feet.

BUSINESS NOTES.

The Star Mantle Manufacturing Co. has commenced the making of mantles, cloaks, etc., in Montreal. A. Loeb is manager.

The Excelsior Clothing Co., is the name of a new clothing manufacturing firm in Montreal. S. Fels is head of the concern.

The ratepayers of Cayuga, Ont., have agreed by a vote of 118 to 12 to give a loan of \$8,000 to a tannery, glove and suspender factory.

Richard Jones Dawson, carrying on business under the name of the Capital Laundry, at Ottawa, has assigned to E. A. Larmonth.

The Montreal Cotton Company has declared a quarterly dividend of $2\frac{1}{4}$ per cent., being at the rate of 9 per cent. per annum, to be paid September 15th.

J. F. Munnis, a large wholesale clothing dealer, of Halifax, has assigned. Several Toronto houses are interested. The liabilities are placed at \$30,000.

A syndicate has been formed in Boston, Mass., under the name of the United States Cotton Co., with a capital of \$40,000,000, for the purpose of manufacturing cotton goods.

The statement of the liquidator in the matter of the Strathcona Rubber Co., of Montreal, shows the merchandise liabilities to be about \$29,300, and privileged claims \$2,400. Apparent assets are shown to the amount of \$36,147.

It has been decided to liquidate the Northrop Iron Works, of Valleyfield, Que. The company was incorporated as the Northrop Loom Co., in May, 1898, with a capital of \$100,000, but the capital was afterwards increased to \$200,000 and the style changed as above. The intention was first to manufacture looms and textile machinery.

The Standard Last Co. is the name of the new company which takes up the business of the Granby Last Co. The principals are J. R. Libby and J. T. Hart. The former learned the business in one of the leading United States factories, and for a number of years was designer and last maker for the Canadian Rubber Company in Montreal. The new company has secured the work of the Granby Rubber Company and the Canadian Rubber Company, and is negotiating with other factories.

The Brantford Cordage Company has been authorized to increase its capital from \$100,000 to \$250,000, and will install new machinery for the manufacture of binder twine. It makes the following brands: Gilt Edge, 650 feet; Gold Leaf, 600 feet; Silver Leaf, 550 feet; Maple Leaf, 500 feet. The present officers of the company are: S. G. Kitchen, president; Fred. Chalcraft, vice-president and general manager; C. E. Birkett, secretary-treasurer; C. L. Messecar, general sales agent. The Brandon Binder Twine Co. will also increase its capital from \$100,000 to \$200,000.

At a meeting of the shareholders of the Dominion Carpet Company, held at their head office in London, on the 14th of August, the following resolutions were passed: 1. That it has been proved to the satisfaction of the Company that it cannot, by reason of its liabilities, continue its business, and that it is advisable to wind up the same, and that the Company be wound up accordingly. 2. That Mr. Hugh C. Rabbidge, Chartered Accountant, of 32 Poultry, London, E.C., be appointed to carry out the winding up. A meeting of the creditors, contributories and shareholders has been ordered to be held at Sherbrooke, September 15th, for the purpose of appointing a liquidator.