

## MEN'S FURNISHINGS.

**S**PEAKING with Mr. Fisher, furnishings buyer for Wyld, Grasett & Darling, he remarked that as the season advances the demand for new shapes and patterns in men's neckwear increases, doubtless owing largely to the fact that the wide derby and large knot have so long been favorites that the time is now ripe for "something new." Following the styles of both English and American markets the tendency is for a smaller scarf, and while the ordinary derby still has many friends it is being called for in narrow widths,  $2\frac{1}{2}$ -inch taking the place of 3-inch formerly worn. The graduated derby, which, when tied forms a very small knot with wide ends, is also shown by all men's furnishers, and it is predicted by many that this shape will to a certain extent crowd out all others.

As is always the case, the "made up" scarf is an imitation of the loose scarf when tied, and following this invariable rule, the style for the coming season is a small knot with wide ends, which is starting in a warm favorite, and will doubtless be found in all the best shops throughout Canada. Bows will be worn somewhat smaller than last year, and are being shown principally in small, neat figures, pin spots and hair line stripes.

Wyld, Grasett & Darling have already received for Xmas trade a large assortment of novelties in neckwear, and expect in a few days to reinforce their stock with another shipment of nobby and desirable goods. They have a shipment of two-inch Grandees, which are now stocked in all sizes. Their new collars are stamped "Wyld's Grandee" and "Wyld's Glendowe," to distinguish them from others of the same name.

W. R. Brock & Co. have passed into stock six cases of latest novelties in men's neckwear, suitable for the Christmas and holiday trade, comprising light, medium, and dark effects in knot, graduated Derby, and other new shapes.

A practical present and one that is always acceptable for lady or gentleman is a silk umbrella. Retailers should lay in a small, well assorted stock of fancy handles, good coverings, at moderate prices for the Xmas trade. Gordon, Mackay & Co. show an attractive range in this line.

## CURRENT HISTORY.

**D**RY GOODS merchants as a rule have little time for reading beyond the daily papers and the trade journal, but the man who has a desire to know what is going on in the world without spending many hours will find a useful quarterly magazine in the Cyclopedic Review of Current History. Four issues a year are not too many to read, and the cost—\$1.50—is not too high. The third quarter of 1893 has been published and a glance at its contents shows the scope of the magazine. The leading topics of the quarter are first taken up, such as the Monetary question, the Bering Sea dispute, the Siamese question. Then follow articles on International affairs. After this come affairs in America, affairs in Europe, affairs in Asia, affairs in Africa, and the issue closes with notes on Science, Literature and general topics.

Canadian affairs are very impartially but fully and critically treated, and in a most interesting manner. This splendid Review is published by Garretson, Cox & Co., Buffalo, but can be procured, no doubt, through any Canadian bookseller or news-dealer.

It might be mentioned that each issue is illustrated. In the Canadian department of the current issue are splendid photographs of W. R. Meredith and Goldwin Smith.

## RAW FURS IN MONTREAL.

**T**HERE is no improvement in the position of raw furs, and values still have the same easy tone noted in these columns some time ago. In fact, many of the dealers in raw furs here positively decline to stock up beyond actual wants. The general and confident expectation is for a big slump in values at the spring sales in London. Sellers of domestic raw furs, therefore, who come here to market their catch this fall and winter have not met an encouraging reception. One of them complained to a well known St. Paul street buyer the other day in the presence of the correspondent of THE REVIEW that no one wanted his furs at all, and that beyond selling a few muskrat, etc., to the manufacturing furriers, who actually need them, he could find no buyers at all. At present the prices on staple skins are about as follows: Bear, \$4 to \$15, according to quality; mink, 75c. to \$1; muskrat, 10c.; otter, \$9 to \$12, and coon, 25 to 75c.

## MONTREAL WOOL MARKET.

**T**HE wool market here is a waiting one as regards Cape, none of the woolen mill representatives showing any marked desire to stock up to any great extent, only a few small samples being sent to the mills during the month. Holders are firm, however, calculating on the effects of changes in the United States tariff. At the London wool sales, which opened at the commencement of the month, good selections were offered and the competition was rather active, although there seemed to be a disposition to hold back until the effect and exact changes in the United States tariff were apparent. At present prices on spot are: Greasy Cape, 14 to 17c.; Canadian fleece, 18 to 20c.; Ba scoured, 30 to 35c. In pulled wool 20 to 22c. is quoted for supers, extra 23 to 26c., and Northwest 11 to 14c. as to grade.



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