

TRADE CHAT.

AT their annual meeting the Montreal Cotton Co. elected the following officers: President, Mr. A. F. Gault; vice-president, Mr. Chas. Garth; Board of Directors, Messrs. J. K. Ward, E. K. Green, R. L. Gault, Jacques Grenier, and S. H. Ewing.

Truro, N.S., is to have a new \$12,000 block of stores.

D. Kilgour, dry goods, Morden, Man., was burned out on February 9.

Kingsville had a wicked fire on Feb. 5th. J. W. Shain was one of the sufferers.

James G. McKay, of McKay Bros., Hamilton, Ont., was married last week.

G. H. Cattle & Co., general store, Wycombe, Ont., have sold out to J. Pickersgill.

Hilton Greaves, the largest cotton manufacturer in the world, died at Oldham, Eng., on Feb. 11 from cancer.

Geo. Alan Kirk, of Victoria, has been admitted a partner in the mercantile firm of Turner, Beeton & Co., Victoria.

Shopbreakers entered the premises of J. J. Follett at 181 Yonge street, Toronto, on the 6th of February and carried away \$100 worth of goods.

Lanois' dry goods store, Mount Royal Avenue, Montreal, was damaged to the extent of \$3,000 last week. The building was damaged to the extent of \$1,600.

The tailor shop of H. J. Saunders, Thornhill, was broken into recently and a quantity of clothing, amounting to about \$100, together with trimmings, etc., were stolen.

In the little town of Napanee is a new company. Stock, \$9,000. Name, the Rose Importing Co., Ltd.; objects, importation and sale of Japanese, oriental and other foreign goods.

The latest use of wood pulp is to adulterate woolen yarn, and a process of spinning the mixture has been devised so that hosiery can be made of one part of wood to two parts of wool.

The Montreal Chambre de Commerce is trying to get the Dominion Government to establish a commercial museum in Montreal. The enterprise of any city's merchants is that city's gain.

The Rev. Mr. J. Savage, in a letter describing things seen in Wales, copies this advertisement: "Mr. and Mrs. Llewellyn Jones, having cast-off clothing of every description, invite personal inspection."

Mr. George B. Fraser, buying partner of S. Greenshields, Son & Co., Montreal, is away on his annual buying trip to European market centres. P. H. Burton, of Caldecott, Burton & Spence, is on a like mission.

The members of the Garment Workers' Association and the cutters employed in the wholesale clothing trade, met recently in Toronto, and decided to seek affiliation with the United Garment Workers of America.

Mr. John Slingsby, of the Slingsby Manufacturing Co., Brantford, Ont., has resigned his position as the superintendent of the mill. On Saturday the mill hands waited upon him and presented him with an address and gold watch and chain. Mr. Slingsby intends starting a manufacturing concern of his own.

Hyslop, Caulfeild & Co. have dissolved partnership. The men's furnishing business will be carried on by H. J. Caulfeild & Co., and the old travelers will remain. These are F. W.

Herring, A. E. Montgomery, W. A. Brophy and C. E. Urquhart. Hamilton and Toronto will be looked after by John McEllan and George Hyslop.

The John W. Eaton Co. will open in Jas. Eaton & Co.'s old stand, Toronto, this month. The stock of the old firm has been pretty well run off by Mr. Bosford, and an auction sale this week will nearly finish it.

A gentleman has been visiting Brantford from Philadelphia with the view of starting a Brussels carpet factory. Local capitalists are interested in the scheme, and the industry if started will employ between 40 and 50 hands—all men.

Japanese sealskins from Victoria, B.C., sold at 22s. 6d. in London, and Behring Sea skins at 31s. Deducting the cost of selling and transportation the net value in Victoria is about 6s. 6d. The middleman as usual gets nearly everything.

About two-thirds of the British Columbia sealing fleet have now left, most of the boats going, as was the case last season, to the Japanese coast. A successful season is expected on account of greater economy being exercised in the fitting out of vessels.

The Prince Albert, N.W.T., Board of Trade has addressed a circular letter to Territorial Boards of Trade, Town and City Councils and members of the Legislative Assembly and prominent men throughout the country asking expressions of opinion as to the feasibility of holding a convention at Regina on the subject of the Hudson's Bay railway.

The Toronto Board of Trade has the following officers for 1895:

President—Stapleton Caldecott.

First vice-president—E. B. Osler.

Second vice-president—Edward Gurney.

Treasurer—D. W. Alexander.

The following are the successful candidates for the Council: Hugh Blain, Wm. Christie, D. R. Wilkie, W. D. Matthews, H. N. Baird, John Donogh, M. McLaughlin, Elias Rogers, A. A. Allen, John Macdonald, W. G. Gooderman, M. C. Ellis, Peleg Howland, J. Herbert Mason and J. H. G. Hagarty.

Board of Arbitration—J. L. Spink, William Galbraith, R. S. Baird, Thomas Flynn, John Carrick, J. H. Sproule, Thos. McLaughlin, William Badenach, Robert McLean, James McIntosh, John Keith, Thomas Davies.

Industrial Exhibition representatives—Joseph Oliver, John D. Laidlaw, D. Gunn.

Harbor Commissioners—Captain Hall, George A. Chapman.

The Montreal Board of Trade has the following officers for 1895: President, James A. Cantlie; first vice-president, John Torrance; second vice-president, John McKergow; treasurer, Chas. F. Smith. The following gentlemen were elected members of the Council and of the Board of Arbitration respectively, as representing the various interests named: Council—Geo. Childs, groceries; James Currie, grain and feed; Geo. Hague, banks; John T. McBride, fruits; David Macfarlane, paper; Wm. McNally, cement and building supplies; W. H. Meredith, hardware; Henry Miles, drugs; Arch. Nicoll, marine insurance; Wm. Nivin, dairy produce; Jas. E. Rendell, Newfoundland trade; David Robertson, flour; G. F. C. Smith, fire insurance. Board of Arbitration—Robert Archer, John Baird, H. A. Budden, Chas. Chaput, Jas. P. Cleghorn, E. B. Greenshields, F. W. Henshaw, Edgar Judge, John B. McLean, Hugh McLennan, W. W. Ogilvie, Jas. Slessor.