

their foreign rivals in the past. We are glad to note however that a change is taking place and that goods made in our midst are finding home markets. In the *Toronto Star* some time ago a manufacturer, speaking on this subject, praised Canadian women. He said :—

“The Canadian women have saved the Canadian Manufacturing business in woollens. I can't give the ladies too much taffy on this point. Perhaps a man is a protectionist and talks loudly, and at the same time goes and buys an imported suit, while his wife buys the cloth for her dress on its merits and says nothing. And it is a fact that Canadian goods have almost supplanted imported women's dress goods in the last few years. The women's dress goods business stayed the manufacturer over a critical period, too, about eighteen months ago.

“The men are following suit. Our business has trebled in the last two and a half years, and I can tell you that the increase has been largely due to our Canadian lines, the increase in these being quite out of proportion to the increase in imported lines. We simply cannot give the Canadian goods their due. If we praised them as they deserved people wouldn't believe us. Dyeing, too, is as well done here as in Europe.

“I tell you that Canadian mills are turning out to-day intrinsically better values than are the foreign manufacturers in the same lines of goods. Canadian goods are being sold on their merits to-day in England and the United States.”



An interesting volume, lately to hand, is the story of the life of Rev. Donald McDonald, written by Murdoch Lamont, who tells us that his book is “an attempt to illustrate Mr. McDonald's character by giving, in narrative form, glimpses of his life and of his times. The author did not work with a pot of whitewash at his elbow to plaster over everything that was not saintly white in his subject.” And it is to be confessed that Mr. Lamont has faithfully given the ‘debit as well as the credit side’ of the life of his subject, who was at one time a force in the religious life of Prince Edward Island. He it was who founded the “McDonaldites” as they are called by some, and by the ignorant the “kickers.” But a study of the life of him to whose account may be laid the credit of those revivals during which were manifested the peculiar physical demonstrations that have marked his followers, will lead one to think very deeply ere dismissing the matter lightly out of mind. That Mr. McDonald must have been a man of peculiarly independent character seems apparent, even in his early life before he felt the call of the Spirit, when he differed very little from his fellow-clergymen of the time in the same station of life as himself. On reading the book we incline to the opinion that this trait of Mr. McDonald's character was eccentricity, as it is called to-day by those who deem themselves free from eccentricity. But this