

Fabrics and Colors For Gentlemen

EXCEPT for day and evening dress grey mixtures predominate. Browns, greens and blues are not popular—though they will be correct in subdued shades and mixtures. Nearly everything that has a pattern, such as a modest stripe, or check, or plaid, with odd effects in mixtures and weaves, but very quiet, is very popular. Hard finished materials are much more favored than the soft, hairy fabrics which have been so long popular; and, as a consequence, edges will be more frequently bound than for years. HENRY A. TAYLOR, Draper, the Rossin Block, Toronto, is showing a very exclusive range, which includes all these fashionable mixtures and fabrics, and he will be pleased to show you examples of stylish garments made up from them.

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ONTARIO authority has been given incorporating half a dozen Americans, oil refiners, of Warren, Pennsylvania, and Edward Hull, of Hamilton, Ont., as the Sun Oil Refining Company of Hamilton, Ltd.; capital, \$15,000. We observe too, that the Kensington Dairy Company, Ltd., is incorporated with a capital of \$20,000; head office at Toronto. Messrs. W. B. Varley, L. W. Eaton and others buy up the dairy business of Robt. Worth and Wm. J. Palmer, and give it this name.

ACCORDING to a despatch of Saturday last from Sydney, Cape Breton, 1,539 vessels of all classes entered at that harbor, from July 1st to November 15. There were 824 of these which arrived at North Sydney and the remaining 685 at Sydney, 308 of the latter being sailing craft and 260 steamers. This is probably the largest number of vessels arriving at any one harbor during this period in the maritime provinces. Since the opening of navigation the total arrivals have numbered no less than 2,620 of all classes.

RECENT patents granted to Canadians are thus reported by Fetherstonhaugh & Co.: Canadian patents—Driving gear for velocipedes, B. D. Harris; can washing machine, J. Des Brisay; self-sealing bottles, jars and pots, H. Harding and T. O. Harding; covers for kitchen vessels, T. E. Hough; sole cutting machines, F. J. Freese; mechanism for imparting successive or alternating movements, E. Moore; folding seats for counters, S. Clarke; sectional elastic sheet, J. Jamieson; pneumatic tires, L. W. Cockburn; self-sealing cans, D. Macdonald and W. T. Tassie. United States patents—Fire alarm, J. Casavello; reclining folding and table chair, J. W. Cummins; tailor's stove, A. Lundstrom; optometer, T. B. Jebb.

SEVERAL weeks ago, a Sarnia firm, Messrs. Geddes Brothers, had reproduced in The Observer an article on buying and selling for cash, which appeared in The Monetary Times last month, and which in their opinion was well worth reading, marking and inwardly digesting. The firm say: "This store opened its doors for business on the 22nd day of September, 1896, its policy was announced in one sentence: 'Goods sold on their merits for cash only and at one price.' Many said we could not carry it out, that it was simply courting disaster. Sarnia never had a strictly cash store, and its citizens would not do business that way. We had the courage of our convictions, stood by our policy, would not be cajoled or coerced into changing it—and have yet to make the first exception to it. We are abundantly satisfied with the results."

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