

ing in satisfactorily. The lines which were submitted in the samples have met with great favor and the previous expectations of the manufacturers have been exceeded by the actual results. Favor is divided, too, and there will be no lack of variety in next year's offerings. This is a desirable feature, for while it makes the manufacturers spread their efforts over a wider field, yet the variety is conducive to greater retail sales.

COLOR SCIENCE.

CHILDREN under seven years of age almost invariably prefer yellow to all other colors, it is said.

Women, according to M. de Cnadolle, are more apt to have brown eyes than any other color, the proportion of that hue being 35 per cent.

Colors passing through a prism can be made to produce sounds. Green and red lights produce the loudest noises and blue and yellow the faintest.

It is said that dew will not form on some colors. While a yellow board will be covered with dew, a red or black one beside it will be perfectly dry.

Careful experimenting has shown that through a certain depth of water, where only 50 per cent. of the red rays passed through, there were 60 per cent. of orange; yellow, 80; green, 90; in to, 95.


A writer in Science says that in ordinary cases of partial color-blindness the color sensations that remain are blue and yellow, not blue and red or blue and green, as is generally assumed and stated in text-books.

There has been lately found on the Isthmus of Tehantepec a flower which roughly does the work of a clock. In the morning it is white, at noon red and at night blue, the changes of color being remarkably regular.

THE OFFICE APPLIANCE SHOW, NEW YORK.

THE second annual office appliance and business system show was held in Madison Square Garden, New York, October the 28th, until Saturday, November the 4th. Many Canadian business men and dealers in office supplies attended, and have returned with unbounded enthusiasm for the show which had upon exhibition over 1,000 different valuable and modern office appliances. The progressive commercial stationer is, perhaps, even more closely interested in the innumerable devices than the up-to-date business man. There was much of vital interest and real benefit to the retail stationer.

Bookseller and Stationer was in conversation with one of Montreal's progressive stationery leaders who was an eye witness of the exhibition, and his good words for the L. E. Waterman exhibit will be of interest to Canadian dealers. The Waterman exhibit drew attention to the L. E. Waterman Co., of Canada, Limited, in a creditable manner. This exhibit, according to our informant, was the centre of attraction, occupying, as it did, a prominent position on the Madison avenue side to the right of the main entrance. It was a veritable bureau of information for the visiting dealers, and the unfailing courtesy of those in charge was appreciated. Three huge pillars in the form of fountain pens, in imitation of their silver filigree, made up a triangular exhibit which overtopped the rest of the show. An interesting feature of this display was the actual operation of the Clip Cap machine. Pens designed for every conceivable office use were shown in display cases along the sides, and dealers' assortments were shown at the front in showcases. Pens for every system were, of course, included, and this firm once again proved themselves leaders in every respect.



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