

trophy to the gymnastic competition of the Montreal Diocesan Theological College, and has presented a communion set to the same institution.

Mr and Mrs. Affred Eaves and family have removed from the Windsor Hotel, where they have been living during the fall and winter on account of Mrs. Eaves's ill-health, to their home in Westmount. The many friends of Mrs. Eaves will be glad to learn that her health has much improved.

The jewelry stores of Messrs. A. Couture, W. F. Groulx, and E. Pommier were wiped out in the Hull fire. Miss Seguin, dealer in fancy goods and jewelers' sundries, was also one of the sufferers.

Among the many generous contributors to the Ottawa and Hull conflagration were Messrs. I. L. Michaelson & Sons, Bramley & Robertson, and the Montreal Optical Co.

Mr. Jules O. Jacot has registered as proprietor of the jewelry firm of Emile Jacot, Quebec.

The trade of this district learned with much regret of the demise, on April 30, of the infant son of Mr. Lazare Leclerc, jeweler, Terrebonne, P.Q.

Messrs. Simpson, Hall, Miller & Co. have made a very handsome silver trophy for the Montreal Chess and Checker Club, which will be held by the champion of the next competition.

The poet assures us that "things are not what they seem," and this is no doubt true—more or less. In a recent instance it was quite true, too true, and more, much more, than less. The case referred to is reported from Victoria, B.C., where on May 4 a box arrived from England which was supposed to contain a wedding present of plate for Mrs. C. B. Innes, formerly Miss Wolfenden of that city. Upon the box being opened, however, it was found to contain a bushel of wheat, which cereal, although precious to the dough-puncher, nay, to him indispensible, could by no stretch of the imagination be called precious metal. Where the substitution took place cannot be discovered, and the detectives do not pretend even to have a clue. Therefore they are disconsolate, as clues are their chiefest comfort.

The Montreal Board of Trade has appointed a committee for the purpose of inducing tourists to visit Montreal, and it is to be hoped that something tangible will result. Last year a tourist association was formed, but for some reason nothing came of it, and now it appears to be defunct. Montrealers are certainly very short-sighted if they do not use every legitimate means to advertise the manifold beauties of our city, as very considerable sums of money are spent by the touring public. It is stated that Milwaukee has added millions of dollars to her resources by catering for conventions and the touring visitors, and this has been brought about by a business league, which spent only \$6,500 each year for 1898 and 1899. Organizations of the same character have been formed in Cleveland, Cincinnati, Buffalo, St. Louis, and other large cities of the United States, and it is time that Montreal did something tangib' in the same direction.

In outbreak of smallpox in the Windsor Hotel was a most infortunate circumstance, as it will probably keep a good number of visitors away from the hotel and the city. The affair, however, has been very much exaggerated by the

Montreal correspondents of some of the United States journals, the number of cases having been stretched in one instance from four to forty. It is a lamentable commentary upon a certain kind of human nature that these penny a-liners should be willing to belie their own city and cause it an incalculable amount of harm for the sake of a few paltry dollars, and it is a pity that some way cannot be found to punish them as they deserve.

Henry Grant & Son, opticians, etc., have removed to newpremises, 2172 St. Catherine Street, Montreal, four doors east of Phillips Square.

Among the out-of-town jewelers recently in the city were: Messrs. F. Millot, St. Barnabe; J. Lachapelle, Johette, F. Spenard, Athabaskaville; G. P. Meunier, St. Johns; A. J. Bergeron, Three Rivers; Fred. Hitchins, Beauharnois, and Ed Johnson, Buckingham.

Mr. Arthur Liffiton, whose father and elder brother are so well and favorably known in Montreal jewelry circles, has accepted a position with the Montreal Watch Case Co.

Messrs. Saunders, Lorie & Co., the well known manufacturers of high-class jewelry, Toronto, have moved into handsome new premises at 67 Adelaide Street West.

Mr. C. H. A. Grant, Manager of the Montreal Watch Case Co., has left for a trip to Toronto and the west.

Mr. E. C. Fitch, president of the American Waltham Watch Co., accompanied by his daughter and her maid, will arrive in Montreal to-morrow (D.V.) and will afterwards leave for Quebec, where they will take the steamer "Campana" for Gaspe. At Quebec they will be joined by Mr. Augustus Sloan, of the A. K. Sloan Jewelry Co., and Mrs. Sloan and son and daughter, also by Mr. Hard, President of the Chatham Bank, and by Mr. Carroll, making up the regular party of four gentlemen who usually go for a month's salmon fishing each year on the Romaine River, coast of Labrador, leased by Mr. Fitch. The party lives on Mr. Fitch's yacht, also called the Romaine, after the river, during the trip, and the sport is generally of the very best. Miss Fitch and her companion will remain at Gaspe some time, as will also Mrs. Sloan and her son and daughter.

Mr John Eaves, of Edmund Eaves, jobber, and Mr. A. R. Harmon, of the Waltham Watch Co., have been a-fishing in the waters of the Laurentian mountains, where the speckled trout are so free from guile and so good natured that half a dozen struggle to be caught on one hook. As a consequence the piscatorial sports returned to the city suffering from overwork, and for several days afterwards speckled trout were three-a-penny in Montreal. Some of the fish landed were as big as "so-so," and one was actually as big as "that." These whoppers had lived a long while in the locality and ought to have known better, but it is popularly supposed that they paid a visit to the boat in the hope of being invited to a change of drink. Joking apart, the sport was good, the weather first rate and the company of the best.

Mrs. A. R. Harmon recently returned from Prout's Neck, Me., where she had been supervising the renovation of 'her cottage by the sea.' Mr. Harmon, who had been to Portland and Boston, accompanied Mrs. Harmon home. Mr.