apron trade is almost dead, and white croydon aprons are in more limited demand than in former seasons. Fink and fancy aprous are in good request, but the union holland demand above alluded to has prevented these branches being worked to any considerable extent this season in some of the largest factories here. The large demand of last season for woven colored cotton aprons has not repeated itself this year in anything approaching the same magni tude, but neatly-got-up garments made from several qualities of dyed cottons are selling freely. Belfast seems to be attracting a rapidly increasing proportion of the linen and union apron business. In the other making-up branches business is increasing, notably in the shirt and collar trades, as compared with last year. Business in the shirt factories continues to be in an active condition Early spring deliveries have been completed, but further deliveries already arranged for and fresh repeats arriving keep the hands in full employment. White shirts are selling in still increasing quantities, and French print shirts are still being ordered in moderate quantities for the provincial trade. In the coarser end the main demand is still for grandrill shirts of various qualities. The principal factories are now completing their arrangements for woolen goods for the coming winter. In the collar and front trade there is an improving demand for collars made from the finer setts of white linens; collars and fronts made from medium setts of bleached power-loom linens are also in brisk request. Bleached unions are being extensively cut up for low-priced fronts, as well as for linings and fittings generally, and complaints are still occasionally heard that garments having one portion made of all linen, and the remainder of union or all cotton, have "warranted all pure linen" stamped on the all linen portion, "the same with intent to deceive." The natural inference of the ultimate purchaser—the consumer—will be that the entire article is composed of pure linen only, even if no deception be practised on any section of the trade through whose hands it may pass.

DEATH OF LADY MOUNT-STEPHEN.

Lady Mount-Stephen died on the 10th inst., succumbing to the painful operation she recently underwent. The sad event causes widespread regret in society, where Lord and Lady Mount-Stephen were very much esteemed. Since they came from Montreal to make their home in London they have entertained lavishly, and Lady Mount-Stephen's parlors were frequented by the men and women most esteemed in London society. The late Lady Mount-Stephen, nee Annie Charlotte Kane, was born in England, her father being the late Mr. Benjamin Kane. In 1853 she was married in England to Mr. George Stephen, now Lord Mount-Stephen. Until about five years ago she lived almost continuously in Montreal from the time of her marriage. She had no children of her own, but Lady Northcote, one of the most distinguished ornaments of London society, was her adopted daughter. Deceased was of a very kindly disposition, contributed generously to public charities, and endeared herself to many people by kindly acts of unostentatious generosity. Lord Mount-Stephen, who was formerly in the dry goods business in Montreal, is known all over the world through his connection with the C. P. R. and other undertakings of magnitude and success.

DEATH OF JAMES WATSON.

The death of James Watson, Hamilton, will be learned with much regret in the textile trades, among which he was well and widely known. Mr. Watson passed away on the 8th April, at his residence, Duke street, Hamilton, after an illness of five months. He had suffered from Bright's disease for some years, but latterly it took a severe form and he wer confined to bed during the period mentioned. The deceased was born in Glasgow, Scotland, in 1831, his father being manager of the Bank of Scotland in that city. He came to Canada in 1857, and lived in Montreal for a time, after which he came to Hamilton, and was connected with the late Hon. Isaac Buchanan's business. He subsequently became proprietor of the Ancaster Knitting Company, in Ancaster, and when the factory

was burned down he organized the Strathsoy Knitting Company, of this city, which was also burnt down a few years ago. Since that he had been manager of the Hamilton Fowder Company a business here.

In an obituary notice the Speciator says he was a prominent Conservative and took a warm interest in politics. He was also connected with several charitable and benevolent institutions, and was a past president of the Y.M.C.A. and the Hamilton auxillary of the Bible Society, and an elder of St. Paul's Presbyterian church. After the burning of the Strathroy Knitting Co's premises three or four years ago. Mr. Watson withdrew from the knitting trade, but his two sons, who had had a thorough training In the business, started a new factory on their own account, and have well main tained the reputation their father had gained in the trade. Mr. Watson had a social, cheerful disposition, and was a good writer and debater

Textile Design

No. 1, Dasign.

Warp:

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2 Black worsted, 2/40.
1 "woolen, 29 skeins.
2 "worsted.
1 "woolen
2 Brown worsted.
1 "woolen.
2 "worsted.
1 "woolen.
12 ends and picks.
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5,040 ends.

',4 picks per inch.

6 ends in each split.

12's reed.

70 inches wide in the loom.

56 "when finished.

No. 2.

Warp:		
1 Black, self twist,	12 skeins	
I Olive, "	**	+4
r Black and Crimson,	••	**
I Black, self twist,	•	**
ı Olive. "	**	**
1 Olive and Orange,	••	**
G ends.		

35	pick	s per.in in cach	ch. split.
10'	s ree	d.	
70 56	1D. W	n at sour when	he loom finished

Woft;

I Black, self twist, 12 skeins.

I Brown, """

I Black and Green, """

ј picks.



Repeat to 46 ends and picks.

Instead of Blue and Orange silk

place Crimson and Green.

Warp:

I Black worsted, 2/50.
I Brown " , "
I Black back, 21 skeins.
I Brown " 2/50.
I Black " "
I Back, 21 skeins.
2 Black back, 2/50.
I Back.
2 Black.
I Back.
I Back.
I Black.
I Black.
I Black.
I Bluc silk.

5.474 ends.
100 picks per inch.
3 dent with 6 ends.
1 " 5 "
14's reed.
68 inches wide in the loom
56 " when finished.

1 Back.
2 Black.
1 Back.
2 Black.
1 Back.

Back. Orange silk

Black.

THE aggregate catch of the Newfoundland sealing fleet is now placed at 150,000 seals, an unusually low figure. Further arrivals of steamers with moderate catches have brought the number up to the figure named, a previous estimate having been 120,000.