

MEN'S FURNISHINGS.

W D. LE BOUTILLIER, of Glover & Brais, returned last week from his European trip, and is now on the outskirts of his ground in the Maritime Provinces. He is showing the best range he has yet had in negligé and dress shirts for spring, 1896, and complete lines of Canadian and imported underwear and hosiery.

A new thing in hosiery is being offered this year by Glover & Brais a line of printed half-hose in fast colors. Designs are shown in imitation of heather effects, bandana scarf patterns and tartan stripes in lisle and cotton. There are a few lines with embroidered silk spots on printed designs that are very pretty, though they cost a little more than the others. There is also a combination of embroidered silk spots and stripes that can be retailed at 25c.

Perhaps the most popular, however, are a line of real classical white stripes in cotton on black, navy and tan grounds, ingrain dye, to be retailed at 25c.; the same in lisle to retail at 50c.; and same, but silk embroidered, to sell at 65c.; then come the same, but open ribs, in stripes and self-shades. For all these lines they have the exclusive control in Canada.

Fred. Cookson is in England buying scarfs and fancy goods for spring.

BUYERS IN BRITAIN.

Among the Canadian buyers whose arrivals in England have been noted by our English exchanges since the middle of August are: Mr. A. W. Grasett (Messrs. Wyld, Grasett & Darling, Toronto); Mr. C. S. Botsford, Toronto; Mr. C. J. Scott (Messrs. Alexander & Anderson, Toronto); Mr. R. L. Davidson (Messrs. John Macdonald & Co., Toronto); Mr. B. B. Cronin (Messrs. W. R. Brock & Co., Toronto); Mr. George M. Neild, Montreal; Mr. Sam Munro (Mr. John Marshall, London); Mr. W. A. Weeks (Messrs. Weeks & Co., Charlottetown, P.E.I.); Mr. W. W. Stanley (Messrs. Stanley Bros., Charlottetown); Mr. James Minnes, Kingston; Mr. F. Simard, Quebec; Mr. L. E. Prowse (Messrs. Prowse Bros., Charlottetown); Mr. Matthew Hicks, Montreal; Mr. J. Baird, St. John's; Mr. G. M. Smith (Messrs. G. M. Smith & Co., Halifax, N.S.); Mr. W. A. Dewar (Messrs. J. Macdonald & Co., Toronto); Mr. C. J. Catfo, Toronto; Mr. Charles Cockshutt, Toronto; Mr. H. J. Wellner (Messrs. Wellner, Moore & Co., Halifax, N.S.); Mr. B. Tooke, Montreal; Mr. Thomas Alison, Toronto; Mr. G. B. Fraser (Messrs. S. Greenshields, Son & Co., Montreal); Mr. J. K. Whiney (Messrs. Stobart, Sons & Co., Winnipeg); Mr. John Black (Messrs. Robert Linton & Co., Montreal); Mr. J. H. Cockburn (Messrs. Cockburn & Drake, Toronto); Mr. R. M. Bremner (Messrs. Hodgson, Sumner & Co., Montreal); Mr. Wm. Hyslop (Messrs. W. Hyslop & Co., Toronto); Mr. Blackie (Messrs. John Macdonald & Co., Toronto); Mr. W. Kennedy (Messrs. Samson, Kennedy & Co., Toronto).

YARNS SCARCE.

Importers find it difficult to get delivery of yarns as wanted. The manufacturers are overrun with orders, and in many instances refuse to accept any for prompt shipment. The rapid rise in prices has made the active demand. In some cases there is an advance of 150 per cent. Mohairs which could be bought at 1s. three months ago are now 2s. 6d.

A NUMBER OF SPECIAL LINES.

The announcement of Samson, Kennedy & Co., in another column, is supplemented by mention of a number of special lines which are now being offered to the trade. In the linen department there is shown the W. G. K. bleached huck toweling 24 x 44, at \$2.25; a satin-finished Irish damask tabling, 50 inches, at 23½c.; the No. S 108, 60-inch cream satin-faced damask tabling, Shamrock brand, at 37½c., the No. 201 Turkey roller towelling at 8c. per yard.

Dress buttons are being sold in quantities now. The ones in demand are of large size, the varieties including pearls, pearlletta, colored glass and jets. Jet gimps and fur gimps trimmed with jet are good sellers. Pointed jet gimps and ornaments are in demand, the ornaments for bodice and cape decoration.

In men's furnishings the scarce goods include the never equalled umbrella at \$9, \$12 and \$24; all wool bicycle sweaters, in white, black, navy and garnet, at \$9; a special line of white dress shirts at \$6.50; and derby and knot ties in the new bronze, myrtle and oriental shades from \$2.25 to \$4.

The hosiery and glove department is showing a line of ladies' skating gloves, in black, white and fancies, from \$2 to \$3.50 per dozen; a clearing line of top shirts, \$6.50 goods for \$4.50; cashmere gloves, in blacks and colors, colored stitchings and fleeced and silk-lined, from \$1.20 to \$4.50.

In the muslin and dress goods departments some of the lines for special mention are: A select range of Swiss embroidered handkerchiefs, from \$1.20 to \$6 per doz.; a large range of black and colored cashmeres, union and all wool, from 16c. to \$1 per yard; black and colored all-wool dress serges from 13c. up; a special line of black and colored double fold meltons, 42 inches, at 19c.; a 40-inch serge, No. H 210, in all colors, at 15½c. Merchants may send for samples of these goods.

GOLF JERSEYS.

The demand still continues. Brophy, Cains & Co. have several new styles coming. They are expected about the 15th October.

FLANNELETTES.

Imported flannelettes, self colors, medium priced goods, are being shown by Brophy, Cains & Co. Their stock of linen goods will be found very complete.

MR. CALDECOTT GOES TO ENGLAND.

Mr. Stapleton Caldecott, president of the Toronto Board of Trade, sailed for England by the Vancouver on Sept. 28th, accompanied by his daughter. The visit is not a business one.

WATERPROOFS.

Attention is directed to the new "Elite" waterproof garments advertised by Brophy, Cains & Co. for men and women. The makers guarantee them for five years.

A new veiling called Niniche, in white, cream, magpie, jackdaw and black, is one of the novelties in the lace and veiling department at Brock's.