

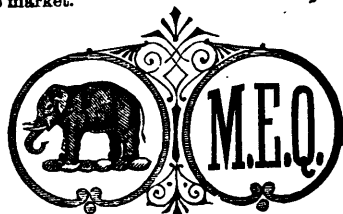
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Mercantile Summary.

THE death is announced of Mr. Francis Fry, the head of the firm of J. S. Fry & Sons, cocoa manufacturers. Mr. Fry had reached the age of 83 years.

THE chief dynamite manufacturing companies of Germany and Nobel's Explosive Co., of Glasgow, have formed a union for the purpose of regulating production and prices.

ACCORDING to the British Trade Journal, Scotch and German courts of law have recently decided that the employment of barbed wire on fences along the highway is illegal, because it endangers the safety of passers-by.

A CABLEGRAM from St. Petersburg states that the Russian government is advertising for tenders for supplying an enormous amount of war material, including 2,000,000 pairs of boots. The contracts have to be filled by April next, at the latest.

No less than \$600,000 has been paid to orchardists and apple dealers in the Annapolis Valley for the crop of 1886. Some enthusiastic apple growers predict that within a half dozen years the annual income of that far-famed valley will not fall short of a million dollars.

NINETY-SEVEN retail grocers, and all the wholesale grocers of Des Moines, Iowa, reinforced by the wholesale and retail druggists, have united in a protest against the action of the State Pharmacy Act in placing the sale of concentrated lye and potash exclusively in the hands of druggists. They set forth that the law does not warrant such a ruling.

It is stated by the Chicago Grocer that merchants in that city have sold more native wines this holiday season than they ever did before, and the quality of many of these wines is so superior that it is no wonder their sale is rapidly increasing. Owing to their good quality and cheapness, they are fast supplanting foreign wines. Good to choice native wines are sold at retail in Chicago at \$1.50 @ \$2.50 per gallon, and fair wines are sold at 75c. @ \$1.25.

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