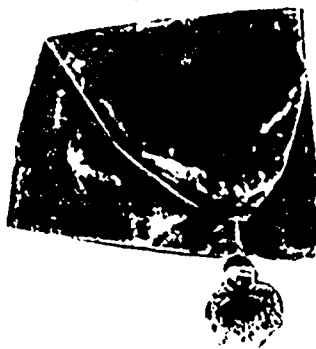


SILK TOQUES.

The silk toques for children's wear are in high favor in the United States just now, and the trade is pretty certain to be general in Canada. They are shown in solid colors and fancies, creams, blacks, navies, etc. The toque adapts itself comfortably to the season of cool weather before the advent of the straw sailor. A shipment of the Roman striped toques, German goods, are daily expected here by A. A. Allan & Co.



SILK TOQUE.—A. A. Allan & Co.

NEW LINE OF DOWN QUILTS.

Owing to the great demand for the "Swan" brand down goods in pillows and quilts last season the Toronto Feather & Down Co. were compelled to withdraw their samples long before the close of the season. They are now preparing for this largely-increased business by enlarging their premises and plant, and by April will be in a position to double their output of 1895. Their manager is now in the foreign markets and writes that he has been very successful in securing many new and tasty ideas. Among these they are going to make a new line of quilts under the name of "Snow Flake," which in lightness closely resembles the down and at prices that will interest all buyers. Those who have seen the above bespeak for it a ready

sale in this market. Messrs. Boulter & Stewart are sole selling agents and their travelers will soon be able to show a complete line of their goods for fall.

A WELL-KNOWN TRAVELER DEAD.

William C. McGuire was found dead in bed at the Russell House, Ottawa, Feb. 24. Few commercial travelers were better known in the Ottawa Valley and the Province of Quebec than Mr. McGuire, who had many friends who will hear of his death with regret. He had suffered for years from a heart trouble, which was the cause of his sudden demise. Mr. McGuire was 63 years old. Early in life he was in the grocery business, but latterly represented wholesale firms in Montreal and Toronto in men's furnishings.

GOODS ON THE SIDEWALK.

The merchants of Uxbridge, says an Uxbridge contemporary, like the Simpsons and Murrys and Sutcliffes, of Toronto, occasionally have to leave their new arrivals of goods on the sidewalks for a day or two until they can make room in their stores, and pass them into stock. On complaint of Chief Wright a few days ago Messrs. W. A. Broddy and J. F. Brownscombe were fined for obstructing the sidewalk in this way. The merchants naturally resent this treatment, while the public are divided on the subject. Some think these men are not only enterprising, but public benefactors in their enterprise, while others say there is no necessity for boxes to the number of forty, fifty or more being ranged along the side of the walk, and that the town would be liable for damages should these boxes fall on any person or frighten horses into running away.



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