THE DRY GOODS TRADE.

Canadian Spring Lines

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number of spring orders so far
matherably ahead of those bookthe same time in any previous
. Canadian goods have sold in
proportion to the whole volof trade done than ever before,
mount of Canadian woollen goods
and employed almost entirely
ment's garments is larger than men's garments is larger than fore in the history of the trade. rease in the demand for do-goods has been achieved en-n the merits of the goods. It n a hard fight to overcome the which Canadians have to the goods manufactured in n country. But it has been of prejudice to overcome. sful fight. There is still some of prejudice to overcome, but such a difficult matter now as been in the past. Canadians re largely recognizing than ore the merits of the domestic Friezes and homespuns better now than ever, and the range of colorings shown than heretofore sales are sth-made in blacks and greys for skirts will be even a great reserving to skirts will be even a great-feature in the coming spring than has been in the past. Ladies will appreciate this statement. The single properties the statement are statement as been in such a variety that any size as to style or quality can be suit-i. In addition to friezes and home-man made in Camada, there has been chetine effects, which in quality and yet is superior to the German made-sing, which shows that our manu-ment of the consumers of the consumers of the consumers at home. Canadian dosi in this line are more suitable for the consumers at mome. Canadians goods in this line are more suitable for the style of garment for which the Zebeline is used by Canadian women. The Canadian goods are not one of the canadian goods are not one of the canadian goods are not one of the canadian goods. They are of greater width than the import of the goods, and consequently offer better goods, and consequently offer better goods. value. The imported goods to be cut in width in order to all The imported goods have to be cut in width in order to allow their makers to compete with the Canadian goods. In imported stuff the goods of French manufacture are much more largely adaptable for the Canadian trade than the German goods. Cashmeres, nune' veiling and Amazions are doing better than ever. Canadian trade broadcioths lead at its description of the control of the day are asked for in preference, to the imported men's woollens.—Toronto

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Dry Goods Trade Notes.

Linen trade at large buying centres promises to be very active this month and values will be firmly held. and values will be firmly held.
Tweed cloths are going to be popuar in Canada for next sensors wear.
The popular colors will be bronze,
zowan and bronze green. Scripe effests will be greatly worm.
Canadian manufacturers are well
beased with the prospects for business this year in distinctively Cana-

dees vian year in distinctively Cana-dian lines. They say that home manu-lactures are steadily growing in favor and that much of the prejudice which once existed in favor of imported goods has been overcome. Canadian made weellens are especially popular with the warmer

with the women. The wholesake dry goods people regard the prospects for spring business with them as being very bright. They say that retail stocks everywhere are very low as a result of the large fail where demand and as very few and whiter demand and as very few and the stock of the stock

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Notwichstanding the recent duliness in the English market, says the Montreal Trade Bulletin, exporters have been picking up a few fols of choice winter eveniency; but this quality is source and takes a lot of selecting and hunting around to secure the "just cipht" article. When found however, "Mill to Office and eyen 216. 20% to 20%; and even 21c paid. Local buyers have 20% to 20%; about 1,200 paid. Local buyers have meldeling up a few bots in 20%; about 1,200 paid; about 1,200 paid; about 1,200 paid; about 1,200 paid; about 1,000 paid; about 1,000 paid; about 1,000 paid ages with

Grocery Trade Notes.

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of sugar. Your reapplement that superior the say
probably open about February next.
During the fortnight we have had
some good rains, very favorable for
doing very well, and part cames are
doing very well, and part cames are
have also Improved, although low for
has time of the year. The weather
is now much cooler."

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packers.

Figures just at hand, under date
of November 30, show the total shipments of currants for the seasor
from Greece to be about \$2,000 tons
as against about 46,000 tons last from Greece to be about 92,000 tons, as against about 46,000 tons last year and about 96,000 tons the year previous. Since November 30 it appears that about 90,000 tons have been loaded for England and the continent, and a further 10,000 tons have been booked for export for shipment during December. Even with these large engagements. been booked for export for shipment during December. Even with these large engagements, it is estimated that the carry-over in Greece on January 1 availatile for the corresponding to the correspondi

Hardware Trade Notes

Staple hardware lines hold strong in price in nearby United States mar kets and there is but little indication of weakness anywhere. The reason for this is not hard to fix if the to the unbending firmness of the raw materials market and the assurance of continued large demand during 1902.

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In the United States the market for In the United States the market for window glass has held fairly steady during the past few weeks at the reduced prices inaugurated by the trust for the purpose of freezing out, if possible, the independent manufacturing the properties of the purpose of the properties of the

likely to go into effect at once in pursuance of this same policy.

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Implement Trade Notes.

The Moline Plow Company is enlarging its plant at Moline, III. The new building will be an independent one, six storeys high, and will cost \$125,-

There is still no definite move on the part of United States twim manufacturers to fix prices for next year. The big concerns are making contra subject to market conditions later.

subject to market conditions later. William Deering, head of the great harvesting machine concern which bears his name, severed his connection with the institution on Dec. 20, when his interest in the company was transferred to his sons, Charles and James Deering, and his son;in-law, Richard F. Howe. The Deering Harrich of the control of the control

Richard F. Howe. The three last named have been actively connected with the concern for a long time, and have the concern for a long time, and have the last the sactive managers of the bin fact, the active managers of the bin fact, the active managers of the last time to the company's affairs. Mr. Deering became connected with Mr. Deering became connected with the trade will hope that he may fully regain his health, and be able for the trade will hope that he may fully regain his health, and be able for the trade will hope that the may fully regain his health, and be able for the trade will hope that he may fully regain his health, and be able for the trade will have the same that the trade will have the trade will have the trade of the

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A wire from Vancouver, on Dec. 29, said: Work has commenced on the new \$25,000 saw mill ones \$25,000 saw mill of the street, Vancouver. D. E. Sprague, of Winnipeg, is slargely interested are ex-Mayor Storiet, of Westminster; George MocRoniet, of Westminster; George MocRoniet, of P., Muskoka; and Theo. Ludgate. P., Mu Seattle.

The year closes with prices at the highest point of the year, and apparently more solid than at any previous time in two years, says The Americas time in two years, says The Americas Lumberman. This applies to practically every wood. There is a remarkable unanimity as to this point, regardless unanimity as to this point, regardless whether manufacturers, wholesalers whether manufacturers, wholesalers of the country of the property of the proper pine or in hardwoods, whether on the Pacific coast, in the south, the mid-dle north or the east. For aimost the first time during the year the east is unanimous and brings into the strong column all the woods of importance. Whether the talk be of white pine, Whether the talk be of white pine, Whether the talk be of white pine, where the same a good demand the strong story is the same—a good demand as the strong and advancing market.

A large number of men are being

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A large number of men are being taken out of Winnipeg now for work in the tie camps and iumber shanties of the Lake of the Woods and Rainy River districts. J. D. McArthur left camps at Lac du Bonnet. Nipegon in Cannet at Lac du Bonnet. Nipegon at Lac du Bonnet. Nipegon at Lac du Bonnet. Nipegon at Lac du Bonnet can at large control and the control of the strong with the demand for ties in railway construction promised to be larger next season than ever before, and large conson the strong consoners. The large consoners was a large consoners when the large consoners was a large consoners. The large consoners was a large consoners when the large consoners was a large consoners when the large consoners was a large consoners. The large consoners was a large consoners when the large consoners was a large consoners was a large consoners when the large consoners employed in his various camps, and expects to have several hundred more before the season closes. J. W. Buchanan, railway contractor and luminous control of the season closes of the season course of above the average.

Railway and Traffic Matters.

Thomas E. Birbeck, formerly of Spokane, and late of the C. P. R., has been appointed general freight and passenger agent of the Republic and Grand Forks milway with headquartender Grand Forks Mr. Birbeck first entered the service of the C. P. R. in 1882,

A wire from Port Arthur on Dec. 8 said: Navigation is still open at ort Arthur; Thunder Bay is clear of 28 said

ice up to the elevator and breakwater, and there is nothing to have prevent-ed steamers carrying out Manitoba wheat all month. The question of pro-longing the season of navigation will soon belive issue of the northw nues to produce as much wheat did this year.

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G. H. Strevel, of Winnipeg, the weil known railroad contractor, arrived back from Torotto this week, where he has been securing a contract for next summer on Canadian Northera construction into Prince Albert, Mr. Strevel and his son leave for St. Louis Newel and his son leave for St. Louis The March 1st to buy 200 mules. The his will then be known as G. The firm will then be known as G. Adelmite his of action to refer the way contractors.

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A definite plan of action to defeat the proposed consolidation of the North Proposed Control of the North Proposed Contr

held at Helena, Montans, to consider the matter.

The Canadian Northern Railway Company will, at the next session of Dominion parliament, apply for chartest to consider the result of the property of the parliament of the property of the p its system.

Year's Failures.

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the year 1901 were 11,000 minute
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C. Trester, of Hamburg, Germany, arrived in Winnipeg this week and is staying at the Clarendon. Mr. Tres-ter has been looking about with a view to finding some business opening in Manitoba in which he might take