

robes, knitted underwear, hosiery, yarns, etc., and was contributed to by the following mills: Canada Woolen Mills Co., Hespeler, Waterloo and Carleton Place Mills; R. Forbes Co., Hespeler; Montreal Woolen Mill Co.; Cobourg Woolen Mills; Geo. Pattinson & Co., Preston; Rosamond Woolen Co., Almonte; Auburn Woolen Co., Peterboro; Maple Leaf Woolen Mills Co., Markham; Hewson Woolen Mills, Amherst, N.S.; Galt Knitting Co.; Penman Manufacturing Co., three mills at Paris, Ont., and mills at Thorold, Port Dover, Coaticook and St. Hyacinthe; Watson Manufacturing Co., Paris, Ont.; Kingston Hosiery Co.; Brown & Wigle, Kingsville, Ont.; Slingsby Manufacturing Co., Brantford. In all 23 mills were represented, though each did not show samples of all the goods manufactured by them. The whole exhibit was most creditable.

A card "Made in Canada" was prominent in all parts of the exhibition.

PROCESS OF KHAKI DYEING.

Shades from an olive to a dark brown are obtained by fixing on to the cotton the oxides of chromium and manganese. The cotton is padded with a solution containing bichromate of soda or potash, chloride of manganese and acetate or formate of soda. It is then washed and worked in an alkaline solution of at least 22 degrees Tw. This concentration is necessary in order to make the fibre slightly shrink and fix the oxides of chromium and manganese. Then follows a good washing and drying. In cases where the shade comes out too light the material is padded again with the original solution, but not passed through the alkaline bath. This khaki is fast to light, washing, and chlorine. This is a French patent process.

WOOL MARKETS.

The next Colonial wool sale opens in London on September 15th. Meantime the English wool market is featureless, though prices remain very firm. Advices from New South Wales indicate that the drought is only partially broken, and there does not now remain in the state more than 20,000,000 sheep. The forthcoming clip is growing well; but no inconsiderable proportion of it will be dusty and otherwise faulty owing to the knocking about of many of the sheep after last shearing. That the ensuing clip will be of somewhat smaller dimension than its predecessor seems to be the general opinion. It will be minus the dead wool and fellmongered wool which assisted so materially to swell the last clip; and experienced men point out that although a great number of the flocks will yield heavier fleeces at the approaching shearing than they gave last year, the number of sheep available for shearing will this year be sensibly less than in 1902, owing to the losses suffered in many places just after last shearing. The number of lambs likely to come in for this year's shearing will not be large, and altogether the opinion now prevailing in producing circles is that the 1903 clip will be the smallest of any shorn for the past 25 years. An estimate clip in Queensland has been made at about 30,000,000 lbs., which is 1,000,000 lbs. more than last year. Experts say that while there are now only 7,000,000 sheep in Queensland, the yield of wool per head should be of a much higher average than in recent years, as a consequence of the rains and the short stocking of runs.

In Boston, prices are firm. Canadian wool is very scarce, and its scarceness is felt. The demand for wool is not, however, in large lots, though some of the larger

mills are showing a disposition to take hold. Transactions are chiefly in territories and medium fleeces.

Montreal.—Quietness has prevailed in the wool market here since last report. Although no change has taken place in prices, there seems a want of demand. We do not expect any change till after the opening of the London wool sales on the 15th. Quotations are: Cape, greasy, 17 to 18c.; Natal, 22 to 24c.; washed B. A., fine, 38 to 42c.; crossbred, 20 to 25c.; mediums, 27 to 35c.

Winnipeg.—Dealers offer 7½c. for further lots of unwashed fleece laid down. The Commercial gives the price last year at same date, 6½c.

Toronto.—Market quiet. Holders still waiting for an advance. One of the largest shipments of wool ever received at one time was recently forwarded from Owen Sound to E. T. Carter, wool merchant, Toronto. Of a total of some thirty cars from the Northwest Territories, 22 cars were shipped as one train load. His purchases of Northwest wool for this season total 500,000 lbs., and represents more than half the clip. Toronto quotations are: Combing fleece, 16½ to 17c.; clothing, 18 to 19c.; rejections, 12c.; unwashed, coarse, 9c.; unwashed, fine, 10c.

W. E. Stevenson, garment manufacturer, of Guelph, has purchased an interest in the Ideal Garment Manufacturing Co., of Ann Arbor, Mich., which sends clothing to almost every state in the Union.

The death is announced of John H. Parks, of St. John, N.B., which took place on September 7th, after an illness of about a week, though he had been in poor health for the past year. Mr. Parks was prominently connected with the cotton industry first established by his father, Wm. Parks, in St. John. He operated the Wall street and Courtenay Bay mills separately and after the amalgamation, held the position of president and manager of different companies owning the mills. He was 67 years of age.

The Cornwall Mfg. Co.'s woolen mill at Cornwall is offered for sale.

A new firm The Imperial Rubber Clothing Co., has commenced business in London, Ont.

Considerable trouble has arisen in connection with winding up the estate of Thorpe & Maddock, wholesale clothing manufacturers, Toronto. The bank has a lien, and several firms have asked for an injunction. Arrangements are under way looking for an amicable settlement at 12 cents on the dollar.

Judge Desnoyers, whom Chief Justice Sir Alexandre Lacoste appointed special commissioner to examine witnesses in the case of Backrack, Blackley, and Levy, the Toronto merchants, who will be tried for conspiring to defraud the creditors of George Margolius, has been in New York taking evidence. The trial will take place shortly in Montreal.

According to the books, I. Haltman, of the Imperial Cloak Co., Montreal, drew from the business some \$18,000 during the fortnight or three weeks previous to the assignment, and A. Cohen, his former partner, stated that the money had been lost in speculating on the Stock Exchange. A summons has been issued calling upon Haltman, who left the city, to appear.

The carding mill owned by John Carr, at Lequille, N.S., was recently destroyed by fire. There was no insurance.

The woolen mills of Cronkhite Bros., Thessalon, consumed 15,500 pounds of wool during the month of June.