

form phases of Canadian history not familiar to the ordinary reader cannot be too highly commended, and we trust Mr. Hay will be well encouraged in his good work. The price of these pamphlets is only 10 cents per number or \$1 for the series of twelve.

The subject of Paris and its great exhibition figures largely and entertainingly in the July number of the Century Magazine; but its other contents are varied enough in range of subject to suit every taste. John Morley's pictures of the life and times of Cromwell are continued, the scene shifting from Dunbar to Worcester. One article which will be seriously studied by Canadians and British subjects generally is the "Commercial Ascendancy of the United States," by Carroll D. Wright, the New England statistician. Mr. Wright estimates that the manufactures of the United States will amount this year to \$12,500,000,000, a sum which he calculates to be \$450,000,000 in excess of the value of the manufactured goods of Great Britain and Germany combined. The production of pig iron, for instance, in the United States this year is nearly 12,000,000 long tons, against about 8,631,000 gross tons in Great Britain. While the industrial ascendancy of the United States seems to the writer to be assured, the commercial primacy of the States is some distance off, the aggregate imports and exports of the United States in 1899 being \$2,051,749,558 (a little less than those of Germany), while those of Great Britain were \$3,650,591,028.

A new descriptive atlas of Canada and a small atlas of Canada and Europe have been published under the direction of Hon. Clifford Sifton. The former contains 12 pages, 11 by 14 inches, and the latter 32 pages, 5½ by 7 inches. The maps are very clear and well printed, and the idea of the atlases, which are intended for the use of intending immigrants, is a well conceived one indeed. The history, area, physical features, climate, products, manufactures, public works, population, government, religion, etc., are given in the text, and a large amount of information is thus presented in a condensed form. The atlases are sent out by Frank Pedley, superintendent of immigration, Ottawa.

Industrial Canada is a new journal whose first number appeared in June. It is the official organ of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, and is edited by the capable and energetic secretary of the association, T. A. Russell. The first number gives some interesting information on South African trade contained in letters from J. M. Taylor, of the Dominion Radiator Co., Toronto, and from A. W. Allen, of the Allen Manufacturing Co., Toronto.

FABRIC ITEMS.

John Dummers has opened a dry goods business at St. John's, Nfld.

M. Bernstein, clothier, Montreal, is seeking to effect a compromise with his creditors at 25 cents on the dollar.

James Ferguson, head of the firm of James Ferguson & Co., tents, awnings, etc., Brandon, Man., died in the hospital in that city last month.

F. W. Chapman, representative of Gault Bros. & Co., at Vancouver, B.C., died there recently of pneumonia. Deceased only moved to Vancouver from Toronto last September.

The assignment is reported of Lacroix, Pichette & Co., retail dry goods merchants, Quebec. They have been in business two years and the liabilities are estimated at \$40,000.

T. M. Bayne, lately engaged in the wholesale millinery business on Bay street, Toronto, has become manager of the Walker House, Toronto. Mr. Bayne is well known to the traveling public as a traveler of many years' experience.

Lacroix, Pichette & Co., dry goods merchants, St. Roch, Quebec, have consented to assign on demand of P. Garnier, Fils & Cie. The liabilities will amount to about \$40,000, and assets about the same. V. E. Paradis has been named provisional guardian.

Fire at St. Stephen, N.B., June 26, did about \$15,000 damage to the stock of the Imperial Wrapper factory, and destroyed other stores. It required the united efforts of the fire department of St. Stephen, Calais and Milltown to confine the flames to the upper flat of the factory. The wrapper factory, which manufactured ladies' blouses and wrappers, carried \$12,000 insurance.

Among the Mills

Co-operation is one of the guiding principles of industry to-day. It applies to newspapers as to everything else. Take a share in "The Canadian Journal of Fabrics" by contributing occasionally such items as may come to your knowledge, and receive as dividend an improved paper.

The Paton Mfg. Co.'s mills at Sherbrooke are running to their full capacity.

Whitby, Ont., papers state that a clothing factory is to be established in that town.

A dividend of 15 cents in the \$1 has been declared on the insolvent estate of the Cloak Mfg. Co., of Toronto.

The Petrolia Corset Co., of Petrolia, is asking the Winnipeg city council for a bonus to a proposed corset factory there.

In Truro, N.S., recently, fire destroyed Craig & Mahoney's hat factory, which was worth about \$15,000; insurance, \$4,000.

The Perth Flax & Cordage Co., Stratford, has arranged a compromise with their creditors at 50 cents on the dollar.

The Harding shoddy mill at Simcoe, which has been closed down since the death of Mr. Harding, is now running again.

The Coaticook, Que., Woolen Mills Co., announces that it is carrying on business as usual in spite of its losses by fire some time ago.

Alexander Little, of York Mills, N.B., has commenced work on a new woolen mill on the site of the one destroyed by fire a few years ago.

The William Clark Co., Westerly, R.I., has placed a repeat order with the William Firth Company, of Boston, for ribbon lap machines.

J. E. Deegan, Brockville, Ont., has the contract of roofing the Canadian Colored Cotton Co.'s mills at Cornwall, Ont. The area of the roof is almost two acres.

A fire in the wool sorting room at the Simpson knitting factory, Toronto, last month, caused about \$250 damage to stock and some small damage to the building.

The new extension of the Merchants Cotton Co.'s mills at St. Henri, Montreal, is nearly completed. Alfred Hawksworth is manager, and Fred. Hawksworth superintendent.

Geo. Burrow, who learned the woolen manufacturing business in England, is the new superintendent of the Trent Valley Woolen Mills, Campbellford, in succession to C. L. Owen.

The J. Stevens Arms and Tool Co., of Chicopee Falls, Mass., the well-known manufacturers of the "Favorite" rifles and shot guns, have, as a consequence of enlarging their works, a large quantity of machinery for sale in good condition. Over 400 machines of various kinds are thus offered at reasonable prices.