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Montreal Cotton Company 150
Canada Colored Cotton 91

Dominion Cotton 91 90 SALES—C. P. R., 75 at 81½, 15 at 82, 50 at 81½, 75 at 81½; Com. Cable, 100 at 170; Montreal Street Railway, 50 at 257%; Toronto Rail-New York Stocks.

Reported by F. H. Butler, 15 and 16 Masonic Temple, for The Advertiser. New York, April 7.

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32% 32% 62% 62% 47% 47% DISCOUNT RATE INCREASED. London, April 7 .- The Bank of England has increased its rate of discount from 3 to 4 per cent.

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COMMERCIAL.

Local Market. [Reported by A. M. Hamilton & Son.] London, Thursday, April 7. Wheat, spring, per bu83c to 83c Wheat, white fall, per bu 78c to 83c Wheat, red fall, per bu 80c to 83c Dats, per bu30c to 31c Rye, per bu.....39c to 39c Buckwheat, per bu36c to 381/20 Beans, per bu.....40c to 60c

GRAIN Wheat, white, fall, per 100 lbs 1 30 Wheat, red, fall, per 100 lbs... 1 35 Wheat, spring, per 100 lbs.... 1 38 orn, per 100 lbs. ye, per 100 lbs..... Honey, comb. Eggs, fresh, basket, dozen... Eggs, per dozen, basket, pkd. Eggs, fresh, store lots, doz... utter, per lb. retail...
utter, pound rolls, baskets...
utter, lb. large rolls or crocks
utter, per lb, tubs or firkins. Chickens, per pair.
Ducks, per pair urkeys, per lb..... ese, per lb... LIVE STOCK. Young pigs, per pair. 3 00 @ 5 50 Cows, each 20 00 @ 33 00 Cows, each 20 00 00

Beef, per lb 2½ 00

Plgs, young, per pair 3 50

Hogs, per 100 lbs 4 40
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 Ducks, per pair 33 HAY AND SEEDS. Hay, per ton. Clover seed, red, per bu..... 3 00 @ Clover seed, Alsike, per bu.... 3 50 @ VEGETABLES AND FRUIT. elery, per dozen bunches.... Potatoes, per bu Potatoes, per bag Pumpkins, per dozen arenips, bu Cabbage, per bag 25
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Hdes, No. 3, per lb. 5 Calfskins, green. Calfskins, dry, each. Wool, washed, per lb.

ed, per lb..... 9 Cheepskins, each.

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The Oil Market.

PETROLIA, April 8.—Oil opened and closed at\$1 40. Montreal Produce Market. Toronto, April 7.-Wheat is firmer, owing to an improved export demand; all offering and red winter is now quoted at 86c west. Manitoba wheat is steady at \$1 06 asked for No. 1 hard, Owen Sound, and \$1 101/2 North Bay. Flour-Market continues quiet; cars of straight roller in wood are quoted at \$4 to \$4 05 west. Millfeed and rye unchanged. Corn steady at 371/2c for American here. Oats are steady at 291/20 for white west. Peas steady at 551/30 to 56c west. Baled hay steady at \$8 to \$8 50 for cars on the track here. Baled straw steady at \$4 50 to \$5 here. Seeds-There is a better demand for red clover and the proce is firmer at 5e to 6c. Timothy is quoted at 31/2c to 4c, and alsike at 5%c to 8c. Eggs in fair supply and steady at 91/2c to 10c for newlaid. Butter-The receipts of large

MANITOBA WHEAT. Winnipeg, April 7 .- Wheat was selling yesterday at 85c, and at Fort William at 97c a bushel.

and the market is steady at 18c.

English Markets. Liverpeol. April 7, 12:30 p.m.
Wheat—Spot, steady; No.1 Cal., 7s 10%d to 7s
11d; No. 2 red western winter, 7s 9%d; No. 1 red
northern spring, 8s %d.
Corn—Spot firm; American mixed, new,
3s 3%d; do, old, nominal; March, steady, 3s 3%d;
May, steady, 3s 2%d; July, steady, 3s 2%d.
Peas—Canadian, 5s 3%d.
Beef—Extra India mess, 68s 9d; prime mess,
56s 3d.

Pork-Prime mess, fine western, 51s 3d. Pork—Prime mess, fine western, 51s 3d.
Bacon—Cumberland cut, 28 to 30 lbs, dull,
30s; long clear heavy, 40 to 45 lbs, 30s; short
clear backs, 16 to 18 lbs, 29s 6d; long clear light,
35 to 38 lbs, 30s 6d; short ribs, firm, 29s; clear
bellies teady, 32s 6d.
Hams—Steady; short cut, 32s 6d.
Lard—Prime western, 27s 9d.
Butter—Finest United States, 90s; good, 60s.
Cheese—American finest, white and colored,
38s.

Tallow-Fine American, city, 20s 6d. Turpentine spirits—24s 9d. Rosin—Common, 4s 1½d. Petroleum—Refined, 5¼d.

Linseed Oil—16s 9d. Liverpool, April 7—Closing.

Wheat—Spot, firm; No. 1 Cal., 7s 11½d to
7s 11½d; No 1 cash, firm, 8s 2½d; No. 2 red
western winter, firm, 7s 10d; spot No. 1 red
northern spring, firm, 8s 1d.

Corn—Spot American mixed, new, steady, 3s
3d; April, quiet, 3s 3½d; May, quiet, 3s 3½d;
Flour-St Livin for -St. Louis fancy winter dull. 98 9d. Peas-Canadian, 5s 21/d.

Peas—Canadian, 5e 2'2d.

Pork—Firm; prime mess, fine western, 51s
Beef—Prime mess, firm, 62s 9d. extra India
mess, 68s 9d; do, medium, western, 48s 9d.

Hams—Firm; short cut, 14 to 16 lbs., 34s.
Bacon—Firm; Cumberland cut, 28 to 30 lbs,
32s; short ribs, firm, 20 to 24 lbs, 30s; long
clear middles, light, 35 to 38 lbs, steady, 29s 6d;
long clear middles, heavy, 40 to 45 lbs, steady,
29s; short clear heave, 40, 40 to 45 lbs, steady,
29s; short clear bellies, firm, 12 to 14 lbs, 33s;
short clear backs, 16 to 18 lbs, firm, 29s.
Shoulders—Square, 12 to 14 lbs, firm, 25s.
Lard—Prime western, dull, 27s 9d.
Butter—Finest American 84s; voca 60s Butter—Finest American, 84s; good, 60s. Rosin—Common, steady, 4s 3d. Cheese-American finest white and colored.

easy, 37s.
Tallow-Prime city, firm, 19s. Cottonseed oil-Liverpool refined, steady, 15s Turpentine spirits—Firm, 25s. Hops-At London (Pacific coast), dull, & to £4 10s.

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P. O. BOX 807 - MONTREAL American Markets. CHICAGO, April 7.—Opening.— Wheat, July, 84%c; May, \$1 05½; Sept., 76%c. Corn, May, 29%c; July, 30%c; Sept., 32c. Oats, May, 25%c; July, 23%c. Pork, July, \$9 92; May, \$9 85. Lard, May, \$5 22; July, \$5 35. Ribs, July, \$5 25; Sept., \$5 35.

NEW YORK, April 7.-Flour-Receipts, 22,973 bbls; sales, 2,700 packages; state and western quiet and weak, buyers acting with caution. Rye flour dull. Wheat-Receipts, 160,950 bu; sales, 1,-200,000 bu; options fairly active and weak under cable news and bearish crop reports; May, \$1001/2 to \$100%; July, 87% to 88c; Sept., 801/4c to 81c; Dec., 80½c to 81½c. Rye—Qulet; No. 2 western, 58½c to 59c, f. o. b., afloat. to Corn-Receipts, 146,250 bu; arrive. sales, 80,000 bu; options subjected to considerable liquidation, and ruled weaker; May, 34c to 34 5-16c; July, 35%c. Oats—Receipts, 58,800 bu; sales, 10,000 bu; options were quiet and easier; May, 291/2c; on track, white state and western, 32c to 32%c. Butter-Receipts, 2,273 packages; firm; Cheese-Receipts, Corn, per bu331/2c to 48c | 564 packages; quiet. Eggs-Receipts, 14,810 packages; firm; southern, 9%c to 10c. Sugar-Raw firm; refined firm; powdered, 51/2c. Hops steady. Lead-

Dull; bullion price, \$3 50; exchange price, \$3 671/2c to \$3 70. BUFFALO, April 7 .- Spring wheat-No. 1 hard, \$1 06; No. 1 northern, \$1 051/2. Winter wheat—No. 2 red, 98c; No. 1 white, 98c asked. Corn-No. 2 yellow, 35c; No. 3 yellow, 34%c; No. 2 corn, ; No. 3 corn, 34c, on track. Oats-No. 4 white, 2934c; No. 2 mixed, 281/2c,

on track. DETROIT, April 7.-Wheat-No. 1 white, cash, 94%c; No.2 red, cash, 951/2c; May, 95%c; July, 91%c. TOLEDO, April 7.-Wheat-Cash, 97%c; May, 97%c; July, 81%c. Corn-Cash and May, 301/2c; July, 32c. Oats-Cash, 27c; May, 261/2c; July, 24c. MILWAUKEE, April 7.-Wheat-

Cash, \$1; July, 96c.

CHICAGO, April 7.—The leading futures closed as follows: Wheat—May, \$1 05¼; July, 83½c; Sept., 76½c; Dec., 76½c. Corn—May, 29½c; July, 30½c; Sept., 31½c. Oats—May, 25¾c; July, 25c. Mess pork—May, \$9 82½ July, \$9 90. Lard—May, \$5 17½; July, \$5 25. Short ribs—May, \$5 15; July, \$5 22½. Cash quotations: Flour, steady. No. 3 spring wheat, sie to 98c. No. 2 red, \$1 02½ to \$1 03¾. No. 2 corn, 29½c; No. 2 red, \$1 02½ to \$1 03½. No. 2 corn, 29½c; No. 2 yellow corn, 29½c. Northwest flaxseed, \$1 20. No. 2 oats, 25¾c; No. 2 white, f. o. b., 29½c; No. 3 white, f. o. b., 27½c to 23c. No. 2 barley, f. o. b., 30 to 45c. No. 1 flaxseed, \$1 19. Prime timothy seed, \$2 75. Mess pork, \$9 80 to \$9 85. Lard, \$5 15. Short rib sides, \$5 to \$5 30. Dry salted shoulders, 4½c to 4½c. Short clear sides, \$5 35 to \$5 54. Sugar, unchanged, Cash, \$1; July, 96c. Receipts—Flour, 19,000 bbls; wheat, 31,000

bushels; corn. 144,000 bushels; oats, 28,000 bushels; rye, 6,000 bushels; barley, 44,000 Shipments-Flour. 13,000 bbls.; wheat, 193,000 bushels; corn, 525,000 bushels; wheat, 193,000 bushels; rye, 165,000 bushels; barley, 44,000 bushels. Chicago Exchange. CHICAGO, April 7.

Following are the fluctuations on the Chicago Board of Trade farnished by F. H. Butler, broker, Masonic Temple. Phone 1,278. High. Low. C 1 051/4 1 05 841/4 831/4 Wheat-May .. 1 051/2 Corn-May ... 29% July ... 30% Oats—May 30/3

Oats—May 25/4

Pork—May 9 86

July 9 92

Lard—May 5 22

July 5 30

Ribs—May 5 17

July 5 28 Oats-May July.....5 25 Puts-83. Calls-84%.

Live Stock Markets. thin living memory has there CHICAGO, April 7.—Hogs-Estimated way, died today of abscess on the A light, \$3 70 to \$3 92%; mixed, \$2 75 to taken for burial.

\$4; heavy, \$3 70 to \$4 05; rough, \$3 70 to \$3 80. Cattle—Receipts, 8,500; strong to 10c higher; beeves, \$3 90 to \$5 40; cows and heifers, \$2 25 to \$4 65; Texas steers, \$3 60 to \$4 65; stockers and

feeders, \$3 75 to \$4 70. Sheep—Receipts, 15,000; sheep strong; lambs steady. EAST BUFFALO, April 7.-Cattle-Receipts, only 2 cars; the market was active and prices strong for the few offering. Veals and calves-Receipts, 13 cars; market slow and prices were lower for all grades. Hogs Receipts, 17 cars of fresh arrivals and 14 loads held over; fairly good demand for all kinds, and prices were steady; good to choice Yorkers, \$4 17 to \$4 20; prime selected light do, \$4 05 to \$4 15; mixed packers' grades, \$4 15 to \$4 17; medium weights, \$4 17 to \$4 20; heavy hogs, \$4 20; roughs, \$3 65 to \$3 80; stags, \$3 to \$3 25; pigs, \$3 25 to \$3 95. Sheep and lambs— Receipts, 35 cars of fresh sale stock and 6 loads that held over; good demand for nearly all kinds and prices were fairly firm, especially for the handy kinds; native lambs, choice to extra, \$5 90 to \$6 10; fair to good, \$5 60 to \$5 75; culls to common, \$5 to \$5 50; yearlings, fair mixed to choice wethers, \$4 90 to \$5 10; clipped lambs, \$4 25 to \$4 85; heavy do, \$4 60 to \$4 75; native sheep, choice to selected wethers, \$4 90 to \$5; good to choice mixed sheep, \$4 50 to \$4 85; common to fair, \$4 25 to \$4 45; culls to common sheep, \$350 to \$4; rolls are fair. There is a good demand, clipped sheep, \$3 to \$4 30; heavy do,

\$3 75 to \$4 25. LONDON LIVE HOG MARKET, Paid Drovers Off Cars. Lean, long singers......\$4 60 per cwt Light, fat and heavy.....\$4 20 per cwt

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ENGLISH POSTAL ODDITIES.

Puzzles Found in the Mails of That Country and Turned Over to Experts.

Some of the anecdotes of the English postoffice recently related by Framley Steelcroft, are very amusing. The British public, one must infer, is no less apt to perpetrate blunders an mail queerly-addressed epistles than is our own; but the London mail clerks seem to be quite as clever in the interpretation of such puzzles as are the ingenious servants of Uncle Sam in the dead letter office at Washington. Here is one little anecdote which ought to prove encouraging so such of our readers as are beginning the study of French, inasmuch as it proves that a very slight smattering indeed of that elegant tongue may occasionally be of use. Any high school student will perceive why the letter of a certain anxious servant, left in charge of the house while her mistress was visiting at Aix-les-Bains, France, was returned with the postoffice stamp "not known" across its face.

The mistress had written home cer- The Noted Actress Expres at Charlestain instructions, using the letter paper of the hotel where she stayed; the maid had replied, having, as she supposed, carefully copied the address from the printed letterhead. But unfortunately the hotel employed that conveniently conspicuous corner to mention a few of its advantages, with the result that she mailed an envelope boldly inscribed:

"Miss Blank, Hotel Britannique, Ouvert toute l'annee, Ascenseur Hy- work was chiefly in Shakespearean draulique." The number of hotels kept open all the year round and supplied with ele- fall. She was twice married and divators proved sufficiently large to dis- vorced, her second husband being the courage the French officials, and the son of Pabst, the millionaire brewer, letter found its way back to London. of Milwaukee. Miss Mather was a It was returned to the sender, who beautiful woman of great ability. The was much perturbed, until a friend of details of her death are lacking, but it the lady of the mansion chanced to must have been unexpected, as no call, to whom she showed it, when an word of her illness had been previousexplanation ensued and she obtained ly sent out.

a more definite address. Perhaps this incident is fairly offset by another in which it was the postoffice official whose knowledge of foreign tongues was deficient. A French lady living in England had lost many newspapers in the mail, and went to the village postoffice to complain. The sub-postmaster, after her departure, received instructions from his chief to ask her the next time she came for the titles of the papers which had gone astray. He did so, and soon com-No. 2 white, 311/2c; No. 3 white, 301/2c; | placently reported that she had subscribed to three—the Il me manque and Plusieurs and Journaux ("I fail

to receive" and "many" and "newspapers.") books kept at the postal museum in London is a letter which was never delivered, though plainly enough addressed to Job David, Llandough. The reason is made obvious by a straggling indorsement in red ink from the pen of some village friend of the addressee, "Job David is ded and beried." Near it is one of the most curious of recorded addresses: "Mrs. B., Wearing a Large Bear Boa, Violet Flowers in Bonnet, Promenade (mornings), Aberyswith." This letter was from the lady's son.

who had misled his mother's seaside address. The letter was duly and promptly delivered.

MADRID EN FETE. Madrid, April 7.-Today being Holy Thursday all traffic is suspended. The streets are crowded with ladies in mantillas, many wearing the national colors in their hair, going from one church to another. The spectators are so numerous in the principal streets that all have to proceed at the very slowest walk.
While the crowd was thickest, Gen.

Woodford, the United States minister, and Miss Woodford walked from the United States legation to their residence. They were recognized by many, but their promenade was not marked by any special incident. United States Minister Woodford today issued the following statement to the Spanish press: "The Madrid newspapers of this morning are filled with statements concerning the American minister which are so inaccurate that he asked the courtesy of the press to

correct them. He does this in the interests of friendship and peace." Green Bay, Wis., April 7.-Howland R. Minturn, superintendent of the northern division of the St. Paul Rail. been known so abnormally snowless a receipts today, 28,000; left over, 4,000; brain. Mr. Minturn was a native of winter in European Russia as the pre-

And Ganada.

A Diplomatic Conference To Settle City Fathers Their Differences.

Important Dispatch to the London Chronicle-Other Cable News.

MORE BRITISH EXTENSION. London, April 7.-The Pekin correspondent of the Times says: "The extension of British territory at Kau Lung, opposite Hong Kong, will follow immediately after the French occupation of the new coaling station at Kwang Chau Wan.

DERVISH GENERAL KILLED. during the fighting on Tuesday Mahmoud Pasha, one of the generals of the khalifa, Mahmoud's son, was

London, April 7.-The Washington correspondent of the Chronicle tele-

all the questions in dispute between the the American Government, unless Canpelagic sealing without asking compenation of the United States.

der the terms of the Paris award, the sealing regulations which have been in force for the last five years, may be revised. Sir Julian Pauncefote, British ambassador, has sugested that the and at the same time an attempt made to ascertain whether a common understanding could not be reached which would pave the way to the appointing of a high joint commission to settle all differences.

minion will be considered "

ton, Va.-Was in London Last Fall.

Mather, the actress, died here at 6 birth, and for years had been distinguished as one of the foremost actresses of the American stage. roles. Her magnificent production of

the following dispatch was received from Charleston: Margaret Mather, the actress, died here tonight. playing the cave scene in the fourth act she collapsed and was carried off the stage in an unconscious condition, and acute Bright's disease. funeral.

ALVINSTON'S BLAZE.

Pasted in one of the curious address The Village Is Again Visited by the Fire Fiend - Portion of the Stave and Heading Works Burned.

Alvinston, April 8 .- Yesterday about 4:15 fire broke out of the dry kiln be-longing to the Sutherland Innis Com-

UNCLE SAM'S COAL PILE. Washington, April 7 .- From a preliminary statement compiled by E. W. Parker, statistician of the United States geological survey, it is shown that the total output of coal in the United States in 1897 amounted approximately to 198,250,000 short tons, with an aggregate value of \$198,100,000, a fraction less than \$1 per ton. Compared with 1896 this shows an increase in tonnage of 6,270,000 tons, or about 3.3 per cent. The amount of coal produced in 1897 was the

Steamship Arrivals. April 7. At Anchoria...... Waesland..... La Bourgogne Havre. Pennsylvania.... Ha nburg...

Nervousness CELERY KING REMOVES THE GREAT NERVE TONIC

436 Richmond Street.

Come to Blows. the City Hall.

London, April 7.-A dispatch to the Times from Umdabia, Nubia, says that tween the Anglo-Egyptian forces in reonnoissance, and the dervishes, under

CANADIAN-AMERICAN COMMIS-

graphs the following under today's "While the eyes of the world have been focused on Spain, the fact has been overlooked that very important negotiations affecting British and Canadian interests have been in progress in this city. When Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the Canadian premier, was here a few months ago, he proposed the formation of a mixed commission to settle Inited States and the Dominion of Canada. This offer was rejected by adians agreed in advance 🖝 abandon

"The time has now arrived when, un-

been concluded, there are good reasons to believe that a general diplomatic joint commission. The diplomatic negotiations in the first place will be fected.
conducted by Sir Julian Pauncefote, a The trop representative of the state department, and a representative of the Canadian Government. Not only the sealing question, but the regulations affecting the miners in the Klondike, the alien labor laws. fisheries on the great lakes, and all other questions now in dispute between the United States and the Do-

Margaret

Charleston, Va., April 7.-Margaret

Margaret Mather was a Canadian by "Cymbeline" was seen in this city last

Later. Since the above was written of "Cymbeline" in this city last night. never regained consciousness. She died at 5 p.m. today of convulsions, caused Mather's parents live in Detroit. No arrangements have been made for the

pany, which was used for drying headings.

It once looked as if the whole mill and part of the stock might go, but after about ten minutes the firemen got to work, and it could easily be seen the fire would be confined to the one building, and in less than 30 minutes the fire was completely extinguished. The building will no doubt be built up at once. Loss about \$1,000; insured.

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committee room. Pure herbs and celery—nature's cure for nerve discreters. Sold by all druggists, Large packages, 256.

was over, and some of the aiderment went home. Others lingered in the arcade for a few minutes, discussing the affair. While they were there, Ald.

Many men pass through life without affair. While they were there, Ald.

Ald. Douglass and Ald. Cooper

A Rough and Tumble "Scrap" in

The Belligerents Separated by Their Colleagues.

Hot Words Lead to the Row-The Remarks That Led Up to It-A Police Summons Threatened.

The scene at the windup of the boards of works meeting last night was not | get in," exclaimed the salesman. "Cake unlike some of those scenes at the Vienna Reichsrath. No blood was shed, but a rough-and-tumble fight took place between Ald. Douglass, chairman of the board of works, and Ald. Cooper, chairman of the sewer committee. Just how serious the conflict would have been had it not been for the intervention of some of the other city fathers, would be hard to say. The struggle, while it lasted, was a severe one, and in the course of it a chair was brandished overhead by one of the contestants, the big table in the committee room was shifted several feet from the center of the room, and several chairs were overturned. It was a wild time. Both men were dead in earnest. Neither showed a disposition, either, to turn the other cheek, or to run away. Apparently they were in till the

finish. Few words were spoken. When these representatives of the citizens of London believed it was time to act they acted. Ald. Greenlees thought it was a time for action also, and went in search of an officer of the law. Not a policeman could be found. Ald. Greenlees stood at the front of the ar-"While no formal agreement has cade, looking up and down the street, searching in vain for a moment or two. Then his anxiety to know how the conference will be held which will fracas was progressing led him to relater result in the formation of a high turn to the committee room, and he found that an armistice had been ef-

The trouble arose in this way: When the pay sheet was being considered as the last item of business before adjournment, Ald. Cooper objected to an item. He claimed that Mr. Sampey, an employe whose duty it is to keep tally of the stone received at the stone crusher, was credited with too many days' pay. He was being paid for 51/2 days, said the fourth warder, and he did not start work until Monday morning.

The street commissioner said Sampey did some work last week. Ald. Cooper said he knew better. All Sampey did, anyway, was to walk around with his hands in his pockets, and bose the other men, said Ald. Cooper, standing up, and sufting action to the words. Mr. Burgess, who ran the crusher, could do all the work that Sampey had to do and his own work, too, continued Ald. Cooper. He had done it before for two years. There was no necessity for two men at the crusher. "And I move," he said, "that the services of Mr. Sampey be dispensed with." Ald. Dreaney did not believe Mr.

Burgess had any right to monopolize this position. "Oh, he's a particular friend of Ald. Cooper," said Ald. Douglass, by way of an explanation. "No. Mr. Chairman," Ald. Cooper replied hotly, "but the other man is a particular friend of yours. Burgess is not a particular friend of mine, but he can do the work."

"He's not, eh?" said the chairman in astonishment. "No!" thundered the other. 'I press my motion!" Ald. Carrothers (rising)-I move we adjourn. The other members jumped up hastily excepting Ald. Cooper, who rose slowly, and in an injured tone, said: "That's the way to break it up just when I'm trying to bring in something

that would be a benefit to the citizens The talking was general and simultaneous while the aldermen put on their coats and hats. Ald, Cooper announced his determination "to settle it at the next council meeting." "If I can't get justice on No. 2 committee I will get it at the council," he said, looking defiantly at Ald. Douglass. Ald. Douglass retorted something

about his (Ald. Cooper's) saying too much. "That's all right; I know something about you," said Ald. Cooper.
This remark seemed to inflame the chairman greatly. He immediately threatened to "smash" the other man. "No, you won't!" said Ald. Cooper, as he pulled off his coat. The preliminaries to the hostilities were brief. Each made a drive at the other, but the blows were light. Their colleagues interfered and tried to restrain the combatants.

'What does he know about me?" said Ald. Douglass glaring at Ald. Coo-The fourth warder continued defiant. He laid hold of an arm-chair close at hand and waved it in the air. It was promptly seized by the bystanders behind. But the action riled Ald. Douglass still more, and he broke away from those who were trying to quiet him. Rushing at Ald. Cooper he struck him repeatedly, and forced him the length of the room.

During the scuffle several chairs were overturned and got very much in the way of the combatants, who with difficulty kept their feet. Once Ald. Cooper was forced against came into contact with some gas-

pipes on the wall. The mayor, aldermen, officials of the pair of home-made socks. board, and Mr. Joseph Judd, who had been attending the meeting, were greatly excited. They kept begging the fighters to desist, but it was only by force that the two angry men were finally parted. Then, while Ald. Carrothers held Ald. Douglass tightly in his arms. Ald. Cooper was led away to the office of the secretary of the Children's Aid Society, adjoining the

The meeting was over, and the fight have been shot off!"

Cooper came south on Richmond street, without a hat or overcoat, and in com-

pany with a policeman. Where is he?" he asked anxiously. Everyone knew whom he was looking for, and someone said "he" had gone. "Well, I'll have him summoned in the morning," 'Ald. Cooper remarked. "There'll be a summons for him in the morning."

NEW HOUSEHOLD CONTRIVANCES.

Inventions Intended to Lighten the

Labors of Servant and Mistress. It really seems as if the domestic help -the handmaid and the handman of the present day household-had the favored end of the situation. Not only are devices for lessening their labors being constantly introduced, but new inventions for prompting the memory, and so saving the strained relations incident to oversights and omissions, are also found among the furnishings for pantry and kitchen. A self-closing bread-bin, all scarlet paint without and porcelain lining within, is the newest recruit in the list.

"Servants invariably neglect to shut

a bread-box, and if they do shut it they

leave an opening sufficient for dust to or any cooked viand they are more careful about, but bread, with a thick crust to it, they appear to leave to its own protection. Various customers have spoken of this from time to time, so an inventor has taken the hint and made this cylindrical bin, that closes the minute the loaves are put into it." A self-acting knife washer is another invention, designed to prevent the over-burdened hired girl from having to remember that the handles of knives ought not to be put into hot water. It is a double-decked affair with places for the big, overgrown knives and places for the small knives. The knifewasher does everything but get its own hot water and wipe the knives after their scrubbing. That much is still left to the domestic. A new egg-breaker has just taken precedence over all previous egg-breakers. It not only cracks the shell, but holds the hot water as well, thus saving Katie's fingers from the least possible burn. This invention looks something like a pair of curved-edged scissors, with sharp little teeth to hold by. There is a new contrivance for shaving ice, and new appliances for rounding it into balls for use about the butcher and other delicate conveniences. The conveniences for peeling and paring vegetables, slicing them, and chopping them up, and for measuring out seasoning and condiments are a revelation to people who have not kept up with the van of improvement. Every year a seeder comes out, and the latest device for this purpose would be interesting to the old-time housewives, who spent hours seeding raisins for a birthday or a wedding cake, armed only with fruit-

knives and patience that resisted stickiness. There have been divers bottle-lockers put on the market from time to time, but 1898 sees a new one, possessed of an actual key, which can be borne away in the pocket of the bottle owner, and so afford tangible evidence of the security of the much-prized vintage. "We have sold no end of these," says the salesman. "They take much better than the self-fasteners, that depended on the cork's swelling as a precaution. There seems to be a feeling among owners of wine cellars that it is perfeetly natural for the butler to give way to temptation in this regard, or for the cook or the child's nurse, on off afternoons and evenings, to take a clandestine swig at any tipple she may prefer. When the choicest wines that the house affords are locked, each in its own bottle, and the separate keys are in their turn locked away in cabinet or desk drawer, the master and

mistres enjoy a freedom from responsibility.' A contrivance not made especially for servants' use, but that might be adopted by them with convenience, is an implement for reaching out and getting things without rising from one's chair. It is probable that the designer had the comfort of invalids and helpless folk in mind when he planned it, but able-bodied folk, both above and below stairs, have been quick to see its merits. When shut up it looks like a pair of tweezers or scissors, but it is light and pliant, and at the slightest touch jumps out and lengthens into a half-yard long utensil, tith two little claws at the end for hooking up the desired article. A newspaper or handkerchief, the skirt of a creeping infant, a skein of yarn, or any light thing that one's comfort requires, can be grabbed and brought within range by this contrivance. It is called a "Lazy Tom," The sybarite, either in the kitchen or in the sitting room, when armed with it can go a-fishing among surroundings without moving an inch from the special place he has found-comfortable.

WHAT OUR NEIGHBORS EAT.

[St. Louis Globe-Democrat.] The question of what we are eating and drinking is of serious import. There have come to light in recent years facts about adulterants of food products which show an extraordinary condition of affairs. We eat artificial eggs.

We dust powdered black walnut on our food under the impression that it is pepper. We drink an infusion of molasses and flour which is called coffee. We swallow gypsum and Prussian .blue with our tea. We pour caraway seed, salvcilic acld and glycerine into our stomachs in

the name of beer. We use cotton seed oil on a salad and think it is olive oil. We spread oleomargarine fat on our bread believing that it is butter. We are befooled and befuddled on every hand by the purveyors of food and drink until we are never safe from

imposition at the table

FIRM RESOLUTION "Dave" Saddler was a brave Confederate soldier who was in the hospital at Richmond, and who, in spite of his the wall near the door leading from sufferings, always took a cheerful view the committee from into the hall, and of the situation. One day, when he was recovering, a visiting minister approached his cot, and tendered him a "Accept these," said he. "I only wish the dear woman who knit them could present them to you in person.

"Thank you, very much," said David, gravely, "but I have decided that I shall never wear another pair of socks The preacher protested, but to no purpose; and finally he sought out the boy's sister to tell her how foolishly the invalid had behaved.

Many men pass through life without