

BROCKVILLE'S CHEESE INTERESTS.

Canadian cheese has long been world-renowned for its high quality and general excellence. This was fully demonstrated at the World's Fair held at Chicago last summer when our cheese swept all before it and secured nearly all the prizes. Brockville is the centre of the cheese industry and the business has grown to such an extent that we have now in our midst what is known as the Brockville Dairy-men's Board of Trade, of which C. H. Smith, Chantry is president; C. J. Gilroy, Glen Buell, secretary; and R. G. Murphy, Elgin, auctioneer. The Board meets every Thursday afternoon in Victoria Hall. Prominent among the cheese buyers who are residents of the Island City, are:

D. DERBYSHIRE & CO., who represent Ayer & Co. of Montreal, and are also extensive dealers in cheese factory and creamery supplies. Mr. Derbyshire is president of the Ontario Creameries Association.

A. A. DAVIS is a through shipper and devotes his entire attention to the cheese industry, doing an extensive business in the United Kingdom.

WM. JOHNSTON buys for Grant of Montreal, and handles large quantities of cheese. He is also an extensive dealer in butter, eggs, salt, seeds, etc.

W. J. CLUFF is an extensive dealer and ships direct. He also handles cheese factory supplies and controls a large trade in these commodities.

O. E. EARL formerly represented Joseph Warrington of Montreal, but this season is a through shipper, having an extensive connection in England.

M. H. BISSELL is the representative of James Alexander, Montreal, and is one of Brockville's leading citizens, being a member of the town council and chairman of the street committee.

The demand for artistic taste and culture is in no business more apparent than in that of the florist. The premises of J. Hay & Sons, Brockville's leading florists, are located on East King street, where they have a large stock of the rarest and most splendid novelties of foreign and native flowering plants. They maintain branches at Alexandria Bay, N. Y., and Rockport, Ont., and have ample resources to carry on what they control—an extensive business. The firm is composed of Charles J. Hay, Norman Hay and J. Hay.