

DRY GOODS.

Small figures is the new feature of fancies in jacquard, damasse and brocade.

Black handkerchiefs bordered in white are well liked, as are the veillings showing the same effect.

Double-faced satins, and satins and gros grain are the favored ribbons; shaded effects also attract attention.

Wine-colored cloths receive much attention. With a costume of this cloth only black accessories should be worn.

Black grenadines in heavy weight will be much used throughout the fall season, and shot taffeta will be used for the foundation skirts and waists.

Amongst the popular fall shades are noticed twelve browns and twenty-six greens; other favored colors are in shades of prunes, purples, resedas and grays.

Many of the autumn mantles and capes shown in Paris are made of coarse woolen stuffs, with ill-defined plaids and checks. But these, like all the outer garments, are lined with soft silk.

Handkerchiefs were first made for the market at Paisley, Scotland, in 1743, and sold for about \$1 each. Last year it was computed that 80,000,000 dozen handkerchiefs were sold in the United States.

Hand-painted gloves are a new French conceit. The same authority learns that shades which will be characteristic of the coming autumn are English tans, "beaver" green, light to dark; dark plum, dark blue and claret.

In glace gloves the demand will be for four buttons, and principally in the pique and English heavy outseam walking gloves. Undressed gloves will be worn for evening in opera or long lengths, as will also a few glaces. Buttons will be large and probably larger than in the previous season. Embroidery in three and four rows is in favor in Paris and London.

AUSTRALIAN MEAT TRADE.

Mr. H. W. Berry, chief of the firm of Henry Berry & Co., wholesale grocers and general merchant, Adelaide, and Mr. J. Delbridge, one of the managers, were among the Miowera's passengers who have arrived in the province, and will stay a few days before going farther east. Canned meats and fish are two of the important articles in which they trade, and their visit to Canada has to do with what advantages this country offers as a place where they can buy to advantage, but being here they will look up other lines of business in which profitable interchange of commodities can take place.

Speaking of canned salmon to a newspaper representative, Mr. Berry said his company had already imported largely from San Francisco and British Columbia, but they would prefer to deal with Canadian firms. With that object in view, they had seen some of the leading canners here and have made arrangements for future shipments. The coast fisheries of Australia supply the fresh fish market pretty fully, but the varieties caught there are too soft in the flesh to be canned or otherwise preserved to advantage, and for that reason there will be a steady demand for the imported article of the firmer varieties. He is confident that the busi-

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As to the frozen mutton trade, that should also increase, but the prime requisite is cold storage accommodation in either of the two principal cities of the province to make the supply last through from one ship to another. Better cold storage apartments would have to be provided on the steamers, the vessels now on the line having room for only the ship's stores, properly. The Arawa, which has been chartered by James Huddart to take the next trip in place of the Miowera, however, has room for 50,000 carcasses, if necessary, and no doubt before long other vessels better fitted for the trade would be put on the line.

J. C. Leask, merchant tailor, Victoria, closed by mortgagees—McDougall, Barrett & Co., of Montreal

Ferguson & Co., of Winnipeg, have made an assignment. Liabilities about \$23,000 of which \$30,000 is secured; assets said to be about \$30,000.

The Kamloops *Sentinel* has changed hands. The new owners are Messrs. Jones, Spink & Finbow.

A New York firm has completed arrangements for a big shipment of mutton, by cold storage, on the Arawa.

The British ss. Arawa, 3,268 tons, has been chartered to take the place of the Miowera, in the Canadian and Australian route. She is announced to leave Sydney, on Nov. 18, and will call at Fiji in addition to Honolulu.

A line of sailing vessels is proposed between Seattle and Honolulu. The first vessel is expected to leave Seattle, Nov. 20, and will return via San Francisco, taking sugar and Hawaiian products there, and bringing merchandise up to the Sound.

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