

## Among the Mills

The flax crop of Ontario promises well. Some of it is 3 feet long.

A. Deagle is now carrying on a job dyeing works at Brandon, Man.

The Oxford, N.S., Woolen Mills are reported to be having a busy season.

The work of enlarging the woolen mills at Brantford, Ont., is being pushed forward.

The establishment of a felt boot manufactory at Wingham, Ont., is being considered.

L. E. Morlock, of Mount Forest, has purchased Peterson's woolen mill and store in Dundalk.

The Thorold knitting mill broke a shaft last month and was closed down for a few days in consequence.

A number of the woolen mills of central Ontario are closing at noon on Saturdays for the summer months.

The cordage factory at Hedleyville, Quebec, owned by the Consumers' Cordage Co., has been closed up.

The new additions to the Waterloo, Ont., Woolen Co. will give employment to 75 or 80 more hands than formerly.

The employees of the Hamilton Cotton Company had a very pleasant picnic to Niagara Falls on the 22nd inst.

P. Dunlop, of the Paton Manfg. Co., Sherbrooke, has gone to the States to take a place as finisher in a woolen mill.

The Canada Colored Cotton Mill at Hamilton closed down for a week, this month, for repairs and improvements.

W. Forler had a narrow escape the other day from being caught in some machinery at the woolen mills, Waterloo, Ont.

The Gillies woolen mill and the Hawthorne mill at Carleton Place close at noon on Saturdays for the summer months.

Willie Lanz had his finger injured in the gearing of a mule in the Forbes worsted mill. It was found necessary to amputate the finger.

John Hallam, wool dealer, Toronto, is making a trip to Winnipeg and goes out as far as Calgary to take a view of the wool situation there.

Taylor & Sons' knitting mill, which was recently burnt at Merritton, has not yet been rebuilt, owing to the non-settlement of the insurance claims.

A Chinaman, Lee Chu by name, is proposing to start a silk factory at Belleville, Ont. We are afraid Lee will bite off more than he can chew.

The bonus of \$50,000 to the proposed cotton mill at Sorel has been sanctioned, but no definite steps have yet been taken in the formation of the company.

The flax company at Sebringville, Ont., have elected as their president D. K. Erb; Geo. Hamilton is secretary and John L. Kastner, treasurer.

James Leslie, card clothing manufacturer, Montreal, has returned from a trip to Ontario. Mr. Leslie is well satisfied with the results of his trip.

The June Bulletin issued by the Department of Agriculture and Immigration of Manitoba, shows that the area in that province under flax is now 9,737 acres.

John Hallam, who has been appointed agent for the Central Prison binder twine factory, has already sold almost the entire output of the factory.

The J. C. McLaren Belting Co. are equipping the new weaving shed of the Waterloo, Ont., Woolen Co. with their celebrated leather belting.

The Dominion Cotton Co., Brantford, Ont., has leased water-power for the wincey mill, from the Seingsby Woolen Mills. The wincey mill is to be re-started with 150 hands.

J. A. Chapman, in the dyeing department of Newlands & Co., Galt, for the past six years, is now travelling for Theo. H. Eaton & Co., of Detroit.

The new chimney at the Canada Cotton Mill, at Cornwall, was struck by lightning the other day. It was shattered for about twelve feet from the top down, while the roof of the spool room was set on fire. The rain, however, put it out.

About 180 employees of the Kingston Hosiery were laid off during the past month, through the bursting of the cylinder of the engine. The engineer had just stepped out a moment before the explosion, and thus saved himself. A new engine is being put in.

The John Ryan Woolen Company, Toronto, have been slowly liquidating since last February. The Attorney-General is now commencing proceedings against them for breach of the Ontario Limited Liability Act, in not having given notice of their intention.

Shorey & Co., clothing manufacturers, Montreal, have issued to their customers a very fine cabinet-sized photograph of Lord Aberdeen, our new Governor-General. In this way Shorey & Co. have published photos of every Governor of Canada since Lord Dufferin, and of many of the prominent public men of the Dominion.

The people of Mission City, B.C., are in negotiation with a Scotch manufacturing company with a view to securing extensive woolen mills. The mill, it is reported, will be one of the largest on the coast and employ between 200 and 300 operatives at the start. The people of British Columbia have no small ideas in the matter of woolen mills.

So far as we have heard, no trace has been discovered of C. R. Smith, boss finisher of the Brodie mills, Hespeler, who disappeared in May, one Sunday, after attending church and Sunday-school. There is nothing to account for his disappearance unless he might have become mentally unbalanced. Mr. Smith was formerly in the Lanark woolen mill and at Almonte.

Our readers will remember that at the risk of his life, W. W. Cummings, secretary of the Trent Valley Woolen Mills at Campbellford, rescued Miss Harcourt from drowning last May. A few days ago a number of his townspeople presented him with a handsome bookcase and secretary, with an easy chair for Miss Cummings, in public recognition of his bravery.

A small boy named Noonan, who is employed in the Glen Tay Woolen Mill, received a very painful accident the other day. His sister heedlessly threw one of the small needles used in the mill at him, and although only done in sport, it entered the calf of his leg about one and a-half inches. There is a sharp barb on the point of the needle which caused some trouble in removing it.—*Perth Expositor*.

We noticed in last issue that Bellhouse, Dillon & Co. had been appointed agents for the Dominion for Ralli Bros. This firm are the largest dealers in indigo, cutch, etc., in the world, and have warehouses in Bombay, Calcutta, London and New York. A large part of the indigo hitherto consumed in Canada has come from this firm through indirect channels, but now the goods of this celebrated firm will be shipped here direct through their newly appointed agents.

At the last meeting of the Almonte town council, a communication was read from D. M. Fraser, on behalf of D. Shaw and others, asking for exemption from taxation of the stone mills of the Elliott estate, to be used as a two set blanket mill and file factory, the exemption to be for a term of ten years. Mr. Fraser was present, and explained that the intention was to employ about \$10,000 capital in the file works, with about 10 to 12 hands; and that the blanket business would start with \$20,000 capital, and run a two-set mill. He asked an expression of opinion from the Council as to whether exemption would be granted. A motion was passed expressing the desirability of granting the exemption if the conditions were satisfactory on both sides.

J. Hampden Shaw, of Wm. Shaw & Co., Montreal, laid plans in May for an extensive trip among the textile manufacturers of Ontario and the West, but had only got as far as Toronto when his journey was cut short. On the 24th of May, while viewing the