



The first calendar of the season we have received from W. Cooper & Co., Clinton. It is a beauty.

Messrs. James Bain & Son introduced to the Toronto trade the new court mourning stationery to which reference is made in another paragraph.

The advertising cracker is a novel contrivance for amusing children and for diffusing advertisers' tidings of new goods, etc. Chas. S. Plummer, 299 Broadway, N. Y., is the manufacturers' agent.

In our last issue there was a printer's error escaped correction. It was in Mr. Micklethwaite's advertisement, wherein the phrase "\$24 for 100" should have been "24 for \$." It is corrected in this issue.

C. M. Taylor & Co. report a large trade in Hagelberg's and Dutton's Christmas cards, booklets and books. The firm's travellers are also pushing wall papers, for which they find the demand now very receptive.

Mr. Curry, bookseller, Cobourg, was in the city Tuesday last. He reports a good business and looks forward to a rushing Christmas trade. He combines the manufacturing of rubber stamps with his other business.

The Dewitt Publishing House, New York, issues a very full and circumstantial catalogue of its books. Those entries treating of books of the various arts of parlor diversion, fantastic, theatrical, elocutionary, etc., are also accompanied by illustrated cuts.

H. A. Nelson & Sons are specially stocked for a strong run in parlor evening games, having, as their catalogue shows, full lines of these. Among the games, all of which are of absorbing interest and none dependent upon chance, may be named Halma, Par-chesi and Faba Baga.

At a recent meeting of the Legislative Council, held at Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, the series of Canadian readers, and other books, published by Messrs. Gage & Co., of this city, were adopted for exclusive use in the schools of that province in lieu of the Royal readers, heretofore used.

Mr. Wm. Mann, of Barrie, has enlarged his store this month, to twice its former size. It is now the largest place of business of its kind in Barrie, and Mr. Mann has one of the finest stocks of Xmas goods to open up that he has ever shown. Mr. Mann is a small man (in height), but he is a pusher all the same.

Mr. J. P. Griffin, Halifax, N. S., has given his stock a thorough overhauling, and by changing show cases from old to new positions he has given his whole store a holiday appearance that does credit to himself as well as his lady clerks, and with an attractive store and a full stock we predict a heavy Christmas trade for Mr. Griffin.

New and exceedingly chaste is the binding of the little Haver-gal books issued by the Depository. The bindings, floral and landscape designs, are executed by the famous art printer "Nister" in board covers representing half bindings. There are seven different kinds of these little books selling at 25c. each. They ought to sell at sight.

The Depository also publishes, "Our Alliance Wall Roll," 12 sheets 10 x 13, printed in two colors in large type texts, and dates in very bold figures, contains also daily bible

readings and weekly topics of the Prayer Alliance, the International S. S. Lessons, and Topics of the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavour. Price, 10c.

Ten Years in My First Charge, by Rev. A. H. Scott, M. A. Hart & Company, the Toronto publishers, will issue this new work in a few weeks. So much was the generosity aroused of a gentleman, who saw an advance specimen copy, and who learned, from a look at the manuscript, of the range of the work, that he sent the author a cheque for six hundred dollars to aid in its circulation.

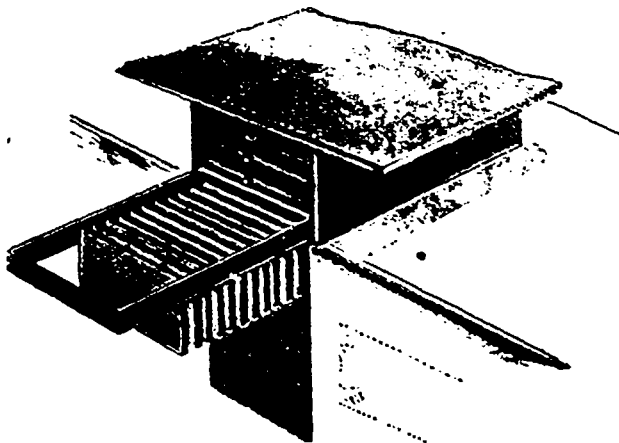
The sale of Christmas papers has been phenomenally large this season. The Toronto News Company has been obliged to repeat orders again and again to supply the demand. The French illustrated paper, *Le Fige-ro*, is now in, both the London and Paris edition, and with it the most magnificent supplements that have been got out for any paper this year. The price is \$1.00.

Messrs. Barber, Ellis & Co. have obtained the control in this country of a new specialty called "Court Mourning" stationery, an English line, on which fashion has set its seal. The margin is not disfigured by a deep black border to signify the nature of the missive, but instead, the upper left hand corner of paper and envelope is frilled by a black almost equilateral triangle.

Mr. Benj R. Tucker, of Boston, will publish on Saturday, November 29, the first English translation of Claude Tillier's humorous novel, "My Uncle Benjamin," which has won its author, by its realistic satire, the title of "the modern Rabelais." Of this romance it was said by Charles Monselet that "it has no equivalent in the literature

## CASE FOR DISPLAYING SHEETS OF PAPER.

An excellent device for fully displaying a large stock of tissue paper has been invented, and patented in Canada and the United States by Mr. Maurice M. Vardon, of Toronto, Ont., Canada. For various decorative purposes an immense amount of tissue paper is used, so that its convenient storage and handling is quite an object to attain. The device in question can be used either in the form of a cabinet of drawers or arranged in a stand rack. When used in drawers, the drawer is constructed of a frame with the bottom hinged to the rear portion in such manner that when the drawer is drawn out the bottom drops down and hangs nearly pendant. The drawer frame is provided with a number of parallel transverse rods, and the frame being drawn out, the bottom hanging pendant by its hinges, the paper sheets are placed over the rods, each rod having a supply of a different color, so that the frame is stocked with variegated colors, the sheets hanging by their folds, and a large quantity of tissue paper can thus be stored. In this position it will keep smooth and be convenient of access. When the drawer frame is pushed back the ledge causes the bottom to rise up, bringing the pendant paper to lie upon it, so that the different sections lie inclined one upon the other



of this century, and by Ludwig Pfau that it "combines the spiritual freshness of Gallic presentation with that German humor that laughs through tears, and is in this respect unique in French literature."

The Baptist Book and Tract Society, No. 120 Granville street, Halifax, managed by Mr. Geo. A. McDonald, is one of the leading book stores of the town. Just eight years since they started doing business, and for their Christmas display are carrying leading lines of booklets from Germany, England and America. For children's juveniles they are bound to suit. Religious books, principally adorn their shelves, Spurgeon, Talmage, Cook, etc. In bibles they have from the smallest to the largest, both in type and bind. Oxford, Bagster, Collins, British and Foreign Bible Society, etc. We predict for them a large Xmas sale, their stock is complete, fresh and of saleable kinds. They are publishers of "The Canadian Baptist Hymnal" which is finding rapid sale in all parts of the Dominion.

within the closed drawer. When the drawer is again drawn out, the bottom swings down, allowing the paper to again hang pendant for display. A series of these drawers can thus be stocked in a case and a great quantity of paper stored.

In another mode of applying this invention, the frame with its parallel rods is pivotally attached to an inclined back that may rest upon the floor, being held by a folding brace. The display frame is held upward, somewhat inclined downward at its outer end, and is supported by a cross bar attached to pivoted side arms, so that the whole can be folded flat together. The arrangement is also adapted to be hung to the wall. The frames pivotally attached to the bottom of the casing fold upward, the pendant sheets on the respective rods hanging in easy view and lapping one on the other, making a pleasing display.