

stores now operating throughout Canada, the Grain Growers' Grain Company in Manitoba and Saskatchewan are doing a large co-operative business with their membership. This company has a flour mill, and its capacity is already overtaxed by the demands of its clientele. The United Farmers of Alberta are taking up the co-operative question very seriously. Indeed, it may truthfully be said that distributive co-operation is now firmly established in a big way in all the provinces from Alberta to Ontario, and it will not be long before Quebec, the Maritime provinces and British Columbia follow the lead of the west as Ontario has just done.

Personals.

Florence Elizabeth, youngest daughter of the auditor general and Mrs. Fraser, was married on April 9th by Rev. J. H. Turnbull of Chalmers Presbyterian church, to John Leslie Rannie, D.T.S., son of the late William Rannie and Mrs. Rannie of Toronto.

Dr. A. B. Wickware, of the biological laboratory, Ottawa, was married at Bethany Presbyterian church on April 6th by Rev. Robert Eadie, to Esther Gladys, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Jardine.

W. E. Tupper, of Digby, N.S., inspector of subsidized steamships for the department of trade and commerce, returned east after spending three months in Ottawa.

Thomas Cote, who headed the poll in the election of controllers in Montreal on April 6th, was formerly in the service of the Dominion government in Ottawa. In 1901 he was a special census commissioner, in 1905 he became secretary to the international deep waterways commission, and in 1909 was a Canadian commissioner to the Brussels exposition. By profession he is a journalist.

J. W. Borden, accountant of the department of militia and defence, accompanied his minister and a party on a tour of the battlefields of Virginia during the Easter recess.

R. J. Chevrier has been appointed assistant inspector of gas and electricity for the Ottawa district.

Ottawans will congratulate Dr. Otto Klotz of the Dominion observatory, on his election as a member of the Société Astronomique de France. It is an honor well deserved, and is

significant of the position occupied by one of Canada's foremost scientists in the eyes of leading European organizations engaged in research work of the highest character.

W. T. Macoun, Dominion horticulturist, is on a trip to the Pacific to inspect all the experimental farms on the prairies and in British Columbia.

F. A. McDiarmid, of the Dominion observatory, is spending much time in Washington in connection with special observations of terrestrial phenomena now being carried on by government scientific staffs in different countries.

R. B. McDougald and E. S. Busby, of the customs, have been on an official trip to New York and Boston.

Lieut.-Col. A. P. Sherwood, chief commissioner of police, and Mrs. Sherwood, have sailed for England.

H. R. Poussette, Canadian trade commissioner to the Argentine republic, who has been in Canada for several months, visiting manufacturers and exporters from coast to coast, has been in Ottawa lately. He sails shortly for Argentina, via England.

G. H. A. Collins has been appointed a photographer on the topographical surveys staff.

P. W. Currie of the surveys registration branch has returned to duty after absence through illness.

George Beardsley of the lands patents branch suffered a severe attack of tonsillitis.

Mr. Harry C. James, lately employed in the cereal division at the experimental farm, has secured an agency for the new Edison disc phonography, and has opened up shop at 150 Albert street.

Ernest Edward Clawson, of Guelph, Ont., has been appointed engineer in the department of marine and fisheries, subdivision A of the second division.

Miss Yvonne Cote, post office department, spent Easter in Montreal.

Miss Doyle, president of the women's branch, and Miss Corcoran, both of the postmaster general's office, left on Wednesday the 8th inst., to spend the Easter holiday in Toronto and New Market.

A number of civil service girls, graduates of Queen's University, went to Kingston for Good Friday to attend the annual meeting of the Alumnae there.

Miss Smith, post office department, spent the Easter holidays in Whitby and Toronto.

Miss Frances Shore and Miss Agnes Allen, of the department of agriculture, who were transferred to Calgary for the winter months, spent the Easter holidays in Banff.

Miss Price, post office department, spent the Easter holiday with her parents at Pembroke.