

AT FINCH BROS. SATURDAY, JAN. 16, 1909

FORCING OUT THE WINTER COATS

Saturday starts one of the greatest price reduction sales of Winter Coats on record. Our one determined aim, to force them out before stock-taking, has put the prices down to the lowest notch, and, just think, weeks of winter coat are still ahead of us. Note well these worth while reductions:

\$7.49 for Coats reduced from \$12.50 and \$15.00
\$9.75 for Coats reduced from \$15.00 and \$17.00
\$14.85 for Coats reduced from \$25.00 and \$30.00

The materials are in jerseys, chevrons, tweeds and broadcloths, in navy, brown, myrtle or blacks. All styles are here, and they include the latest trimming effects. All sizes complete.

Expect Savings In Quality Dress Goods

65c and \$1 Dress Goods 47c
Fine All-wool Fancy Mixed Tweed Effects, All-wool English Serges, Navy and Green Venetian Cloths, Silk Stripe Taffeta in navy only, also Tape Stripe Voiles in all new shades. Most of these materials sold at \$1.00. Your choice Saturday at 47c.

\$18.50 French Costumes \$7.98
Six only handsome Silk Mixed Costumes, in narrow blended stripe effects, for evening or street wear, 9-yard lengths, regularly \$18.50, Saturday \$7.98.

85c to \$1.25 Black Dress Materials, 8.20 a. m. 49c

We start our great annual Black Goods Sale Saturday with this great opening offer. Scores of other good values will be on sale too numerous to mention, but here is one for the early buyers. This offering includes Black All Wool Crepines, Chevrons, Panamas, Serges, Filet Net Voiles, plain and fancy Lustres and Silk Eolienines. Our word the greatest savings of the year. Regular prices 85c and \$1.00 and \$1.25, Saturday 49c yard.

\$1.50 SHANTUNG SILKS 75c

Half price for these means an early choosing. The latest French novelty in Silks, cream and tussor grounds, in even tailored and graduated stripes, in green, brown, navy and Copenhagen. These are very stylish and exclusive Silks for evening gowns and blouses. Only on sale Saturday and 15 pieces in all to go. Our regular price \$1.50. January clearing sale for 8.30 a. m. 75c.

50c LONG GLOVES 25c

Women's or Children's Long Knitted Toboggan or Skating Gloves or mitts, in cardinal, scarlet, white, navy or black. Extra quality warm knitted weave for winter wear. Also wrist length, in close or dome wrist, in same colors and heavy quality. This is just the Glove chance you have been looking for. Former price 60 and 50c, January clearing sale for 8.30 a. m. 25c.

18c to 30c Wash Goods Materials, Rush Sale 9c

Another one of those sensational Wash Goods clean-ups that caused such a crowd here a few weeks ago. We can fully promise you the same and better bargains wait you here this time. About 1,000 yards, including navy and light ground prints, linen suitings, white Lawns, Wrappettes, Woollens, Cotton Delaines, Vestings, White Muslins and Mulls and navy and white Duck, regular prices 18 to 30c, on sale 8.30 until 10.30 at one magic price 9c.

The "Wearwell" Blankets In a Reduction Sale

Pure wool, silver grey, Blankets, in the well-known famous Wearwell make, finished singly, very fine lofty finish.

Regular \$4.25, Size 56 x 74 inches, reduced to \$3.69
Regular \$5.00, size 62 x 80 inches, reduced to \$4.39
Regular \$5.50, size 68 x 86 inches, reduced to \$4.95
Regular \$6.25, size 74 x 90 inches, reduced to \$5.69

FINCH BROS. 29 and 31 KING ST. WEST

OLD TIMER.

Former Hamilton Railroad Man Gets Pension at Richmond, Que.

The Times and County Record of Richmond, Que., has the following, which concerns an old Hamiltonian: Another fortunate recipient of a goodly gift is our fellow townsman, ex-engineer A. Sinclair, who recently received notice from the Grand Trunk Ry. that upon his retirement from the service on attaining the age limit of 65 years, a monthly pension of generous proportions would be allotted to him from the newly established Grand Trunk pension fund. From 1856 to the time of his retirement, Mr. Sinclair has been continuously in the service in different departments and has truly given the best that was in him to the interests of his employers. Born in Argyleshire, Sept. 3rd, 1843, Mr. Sinclair came to this country with his parents when about 10 years old. He was first employed as a fireman in the Grand Trunk locomotive shops in Hamilton and then on the three last engines turned out of these shops, Shem, Ham and Japhet as they were called; subsequently these were numbered 168, 169 and 170, and Mr. Sinclair as assistant blacksmith helped to make, repair, clean, fire and later as engineer to run them. No 168 met a disastrous end, going through the Beloeil bridge with an ill-fated immigrant train. Mr. Sinclair's stories of hair breadth escapes and thrilling snow storm adventures would fill a volume. By rare good fortune he never experienced any serious personal injuries, always sticking to his locomotive in face of all eventualities. His reminiscences of repair shop experiences at Richmond, Chaudiere and Britannia Mills, where all the repairs, rail cutting, re-traying of engines, making of wing rails, points and switches and other heavy mechanical work was then done, seems like a revival of another railroad history in the light of present day development. Many of the superintendents and a number of his former associate engineers have made their last long run Homeward. A reference to these worthy touches a sympathetic chord in the heart of our hero, and the cordial relations existing between himself and his fellow survivors of the running board, speak eloquently of the kindly heart and eminent qualities of our fellow citizen. Mr. Sinclair has felt the touch of passing years but slightly, he enjoys excellent health in the midst of his family circle and friends. That he may long continue to enjoy the well-earned bounty of his employers is the sincere wish of all.

Prof. Paterno, an eminent Italian scientist, declares Messina can never be built upon its former site.

OSBORNE LODGE, S. O. E.

At the last regular meeting of the above lodge the officers for the year were installed by the W. D. Deputy, Bro. John King. They are: George Pearce, Past President. E. A. Clark, President. E. A. Fearnside, Vice-President. Wm. Widdicombe, Chaplain. James Maynard, Secretary. T. J. Russell, Treasurer. Thomas Howard, I. Guard. F. Lane, O. Guard. E. Clark, J. Trobick, J. Roussel, Jas. Turner, Committee.



THE COUNT DE LAFAYETTE. Lineal descendant of the Marquis de Lafayette, of U. S. Revolutionary fame.

Postboard Resists Bullets.
Rifle bullets that go through five inches of wood do not penetrate three inches of postboard. That is the result of some interesting firing tests by the Swedish naval authorities at the fortress of Karlskrona.

The target used was prepared of gill-board, against which fire from revolvers, rifles, carbines and machine guns was directed. The postboard, which was three inches in thickness, resisted completely the bullets fired from the small arms, but was perforated by the projectiles from the machine guns.

CASTORIA. The Kind You Have Always Bought

Beare the Signature

FRUIT MEN IN SESSION.

Grievances Against Express Companies Discussed at Grimsby.

Deputations Appointed to Wait on Railway Board.

Effective Spraying Mixture Reported by Committee.

(Special Despatch to the Times.)

Grimsby, Jan. 15.—A general discussion on the question of rates, losses, detention of fruit trains and the handling of products by the express companies prevailed at the annual meeting of the Niagara District Fruit Growers' Association held here yesterday afternoon.

The feeling was resentful and unanimous that the tactics of the companies must change at once or the growers would adopt other plans for shipment.

President W. H. Bunting, St. Catharines, was in the chair when the conference opened and there was a large turnout of members.

In his address the president dwelt on the varied experience of the past year among the growers. Fruit prices were very much lower than the year before, but he thought this would work out for the benefit of all in the coming season.

He looked forward to increased prices for products of the orchard and could not help but feel that great benefits were at hand.

"The question of the express companies that will come before you this afternoon, is perhaps the most important that your body will have to deal with," said Mr. Bunting, "and after this question is settled satisfactorily, the association will make greater strides than ever before."

The Secretary-Treasurer's report showed disbursements of \$274.98. Receipts of \$561.01. Liabilities owing \$34; leaving a balance of \$252.03. The report was received and referred to the auditors.

Mr. E. D. Smith urged the members to send a strong representation to Toronto on Friday morning to appear before the Railway Commission with a view of settling the existing grievances as regards the express companies. He also urged that representatives be appointed to wait on the Ontario Minister of Agriculture in order that competent lecturers might be secured for the coming institute meetings. The president and secretary, Mr. C. E. Fisher, were appointed to that end. It was decided to ask for a grant of \$300.

Mr. Fisher said he was endeavoring to secure Dr. J. H. Funk, of Boyertown, N. Y.; Gabriel Hyster, Harrisburg, Pa.; and Charles E. Bassett, of Fairview, Mich., all experts in the several lines of fruit culture.

Directors for the ensuing year were appointed as follows: Niagara Township—F. A. Goring, W. O. Burgess, W. A. Armstrong, H. Fisher.

Thorold—W. F. Henderson. Grimsby—W. H. Bunting. W. C. McCalla, Robt. Thompson, Stewart, Robertson. South Township—S. H. Rittenhouse, J. H. Broderick, H. Blakey, C. M. Honsberger.

Pelham Township—G. C. Brown, A. Raiton, Dr. Light. Clinton—S. M. Culp, W. D. Rittenhouse, W. J. Andrews, H. S. Peart, John Brennan.

North Grimsby—H. Pettit, J. L. Roberts, J. M. Metcalfe, Theron Woolverton, A. G. Pettit. South Grimsby—A. E. Adams, Jaison Merritt.

Saltfleet—E. D. Smith, J. Carpenter, J. W. Smith, Murray Pettit, J. E. Henry, Erland Lee.

Wainfleet—Charles Henderson, L. Weaver. Barton—H. Burkholder, Thos. Macklin, Geo. Avery, H. Lewis.

Ancestor—H. Regan. Stamford—C. F. Munroe, Thos. Brownman.

The committee detailed to join with the delegation from the Ontario Growers' Association on Friday, in Toronto, were: P. A. Goring, W. C. McCalla, T. H. P. Carpenter, A. D. Metcalfe, E. J. J. Pettit, S. M. Culp, H. Fleming, M. Pettit and Robt. Thompson. The Ontario Association is being represented by E. D. Smith, Winona; J. G. Graham, Belleville; Wm. Hamilton, Clarkson; Mr. Hilborn, Leamington; Mr. Johnson, Essex; Robt. Thompson, St. Catharines; and W. H. Bunting, St. Catharines.

The deputations were asked to urge upon the Commission the defects in the rates, and irregularities of tariff, which was 30 per cent. higher in some sections for same distances than in others; for a general reduction of 25 along the line; that the companies should be responsible for any loss in transit; the detention of trains and the missing of connections.

Shipments of grapes and pears could be sent by freight to the western markets, and a profit realized, but pears and plums that must be despatched by express at high rates could not compete with the southern growers. There must be a reduction in the western tariff.

A prompt settlement of claims was sought by Mr. Robt. Thompson. Major Roberts thought it would be a good idea if the Commission would enter into an examination of the express companies' books, and find out whether the claim made by them of paying only 6 per cent. on the business done had any bearing on the fruit trade. He thought that they realized much greater profits on this line of business than on any other.

The committee appointed to investigate the new spraying mixture reported that they had made an application of the V I fluid, just before the blossoms came out on certain peach trees marked to be cut out by the inspector. An application of V I had been made four weeks later, after the fruit had set. Some time in November, when the leaves were off an inspection was made, and only a few young scale were found. The committee expressed the opinion that the fluid is highly satisfactory for the destruction of the scale. They also tried the commercial Niagara brand of boiled lime and sulphur on apples, and when the trees were examined in November they were found to be almost entirely free from the scale, the old scale being all apparently dead. The report was signed by J. W. Smith and Joseph Tweedie.

The trolley car was already crowded to its utmost capacity. "Can you squeeze another lady in there?" called the conductor. And the man with half a jaw replied that he could squeeze five or six.

TO A DECANTER OF BAD WHISKEY.

(By Fagan.)

Ah! there you are, you noisy, public post, Denounced alike by preacher, pope or priest;

Your bleary, bloodshot eyes betray the sin That rolls and festers in your breast within.

You have the orphan's and the widow's curse, And every day you are getting worse and worse;

At every cross-road, travel where I will, I see you licensed there to rob and kill. If I had power I'd change the words to sell

And make them read, the shortest road to hell.

Your wicked claws, with filth and blood defiled, Can snap the morsel from the hungry child.

And tear the scanty covering from his cot. His earthly father is a drunken sot; The wretched mother weeps her time away.

And thinks with grief upon her wedding day, When every prospect wore a cheerful hue.

Till all was broke in filletings by you. You threw the maiden off her guard and then

She's at the mercy of the vilest men, Who watch like demons for the wished-for chance

To hook or squeeze or hurl her through the dance.

At length she falls and angels weep to see

Another victim to the barley brier; And, worse than all, McGinnis has you down

For every crime save treason to the crown.

Your case is hopeless in its present plight. You're charged with murder, burglary and rape.

"Hold on! Hold on!" replied the libelled Rye.

"The devil's oft belied, and so am I; I cannot bear such canting slang from you."

You know I'm harmless as a drop of dew;

I never had a soul to save or damn, Or any weapon save a social dam;

You know my strength and boast your common sense; Then touch me not, and save your scanty peace.

I never yet went down a throat by force

(Except to cure the colic in a horse), And when I'm down I do my very best

To soothe the sufferings of the noble beast.

I scorn McGinnis and his Clarksville band;

My case is safe in Worts & Gooderham's hands.

I hurl defiance at the laws of men, And only laugh at Fagan's stumpy pen.

THE GROCERS.

Ald. John Forth President of Retail Association.

The annual meeting of the Retail Grocers' Association was held in the Board of Trade rooms last evening. The attendance was large and after the minutes of the last meeting had been read the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

John Forth, President. Geo. Cann, First Vice-President. J. P. Bord, Second Vice-President. M. R. Hill, Secretary. James Main, Treasurer. A. G. Bain, W. Smye, J. M. Semmens, A. Lares, J. O. Carpenter, Executive Committee. J. Kirkpatrick, A. G. Bain, Auditors. A resolution of thanks was passed to the family of the late Daniel Henry. A grant of \$25 was given the Day Nursery.

COMPELLING ATTENTION

Right House January Sales Point. the Way to Unmatchable Economies.

The great January sales at The Thomas C. Watkins store are attracting even more attention this year than last year. The vast varieties of goods on sale, and the importance of the savings are appealing to thousands of economical and thrifty people everywhere.

The great white sales of household linens, pillow covers, sheets, embroidery, blouses, white muslin underwear and kindred lines; the big home-furnishings of carpets, rugs, curtains, draperies and bed coverings; the tremendous reduction clearance sales in every department, all join hands to beckon you to the greatest bargains The Right House ever offered.

These sales are at the zenith of their value-giving to-morrow. Read the details in The Thomas C. Watkins' advertisement in this paper.



A NEW ONE.

Police—Would you like a coupe? De Jones—Naw-hic—couldn't drink another drop.

Laxa-Food.

The world's greatest food, can be served in so many ways that it appeals to all in some form. Try it and note how your complexion will improve. No human being is so well that they cannot be a little better. A. W. Maguire & Co.

A new canal from Lake Erie to Lake Ontario is projected. The Alberta Legislature opened yesterday.

FRIDAY JAN. 15th 1909

Women's Fur-Lined Coats \$29

When a woman waits until January to buy her Coat she usually buys not only for this season but for future needs as well—and she usually buys at a great saving over usual prices. The Fur-lined Coat is always a paying investment—fashions alter but little in them and they represent at all times the acme of comfort, luxury and practicability for all occasions. To-morrow we offer

Our entire remaining stock of Women's Fur-lined Coats at \$29.00

This represents barely the cost of the rich outer coverings alone.

They are all in 7/8 length, with shells of fine Broadcloth, in navy, brown, green and wine colors. Some plain, others trimmed with self-strappings or braid. Lined full length with grey and white squirrel. High storm collar and revers of Alaska Sable or Eastern Mink. Every coat is absolutely perfect and the lowest priced one in the lot is worth \$40.00. Choice to-morrow... **\$29**

Astrachan Jackets \$20.00

Another very attractive item for to-morrow's selling will be a limited number of Women's Astrachan Jackets, made of solid whole skins. Well fitted back, box front, wide revers and high storm collar. Thoroughly well lined and exceptionally well made. Grand Coats for driving and very cold weather wear. Worth regularly \$25.00, Saturday only **\$20.00**

Near Seal Jackets \$33.50

Beautiful rich Coats of Near Seal, No. 1 skins, made in a decidedly smart, close fitting style, with large collar and revers of self or Mink Marmot Fur, cord girdle. Lined throughout with heavy brown satin. These Coats require very close inspection to tell them from real seal. Regular values \$45.00 and \$47.00, on sale Saturday at all one price **\$33.50**

Another Sale of "Empress" Shoes

Choice Mid-Winter Styles. Worth Regularly \$3 and 3.50. Clearing Saturday at **\$2.65 pr.**

January clearance time in the Shoe Section now. Constant selling of the famous "Empress" Shoes for women leaves us with a number of broken lots. This means opportunity for the women with a shoe need to-morrow. Two lots on sale to-morrow. In fine Dongola Kid and Patent Calf, laced and Blucher cut, with military heels and extension soles. Sizes 2 1/2 to 7. Worth regularly \$3.00 and \$3.50 pair **\$2.65** Clearing Saturday at **\$2.00**

Men's \$3.00 Boots for \$2.00 Pair

Men's fine Dongola Kid and Box Calf, laced and Blucher cut styles, with double soles and full length back straps. Sizes 6 to 11. Worth regularly \$3.00 pair, on sale Saturday **\$2.00**

Blouse Fronts

Saturday 59c

Dainty Blouse Fronting in shadow embroidery designs, 5-8 yard, in each length, regular 65 and 75c each, choice Saturday at **59c**

Embroidery Edging

Clearing at 7 1/2c Yard

Embroidery Edging in pretty open-work patterns, 5 inches wide, worth regularly 15c yard, clearing Saturday at just half price **7 1/2c**

Flannellette Embroidery

Clearing at 11c Yard

Flannellette Embroidery, 2 1/2 to 3 inches in width, in white, pink and pale blue, neatly embroidered with silk, worth regularly 15c yard, choice Saturday at **11c**

Long Cloth

11 Yards for \$1.00

2,000 yards of English Longcloth, 36 inches wide, soft finish, fine even weave, suitable for underwear, etc., worth regularly 10c yard, Saturday 11 yards for **\$1.00**

Turkish Towels

Regular 35c for 25c

20x40-inch Heavy Turkish Bath Towels, in brown with red stripes, thick, firm weave, quick absorbing, worth regularly 35c pair, on sale Saturday at **25c**

Waist Lengths

Saturday 39c

200 Cashmere Waist ends, worth regularly 15c yard, clearing in 3-yard lengths for **39c**

Marmalade Oranges 25c Dozen

We have just received our first consignment of Bitter Oranges for marmalade. These are the real Seville. No others quite so good. The quantity on sale Saturday at **25c doz.**

Navel Oranges 2 Dozen for 55c

Navel Oranges are now at about their best. A very choice line, worth regularly 30 and 40c dozen, on sale Saturday at **29c dozen; 2 dozen for 55c**

Evaporated Peaches, regular 15c lb., Saturday 2 lbs. for **25c**

Evaporated Apples, 18c lb., 2 lbs. for **35c**

California Prunes, 3 lbs for **25c**

Loaf Sugar, 4 lbs for **25c**

12 dozen 1/2-lb. tins of Lowmy's Cocoa, regular 25c tin, Saturday for **21c**

Two dozen cans of Peas, Corn and Tomatoes, every can guaranteed; Saturday 3 cans for **25c**, or **\$1.00 per dozen**

25 lbs. Gold Medal Flour **65c**

7 lbs. of Tillsen's Pan Dried Oats for **25c**

Cooked Ham at **30c lb.**

CAIN'S CRIME.

Maurice Ryan on Trial For Murder of His Brother.

Another Brother Swears to an Alibi on Prisoner's Behalf.

North Bay, Jan. 14.—The preliminary trial of Maurice Ryan, charged with highway robbery and with the murder of his own brother, began this afternoon before Magistrate Weegar. The Town Hall was filled to the doors with spectators. The robbery charge was proceeded with first, and resulted in the commitment of the prisoner on that charge.

The murder case was then proceeded with, Ryan's lawyer entering no plea. The evidence of William Ryan, brother of the accused, furnished a surprise in setting up an alibi for the prisoner. Ryan works in a lively stable, and he swore that on the night of his brother Joseph Ryan's disappearance the prisoner, who is also his brother, and Joseph came to the stable and engaged a rig. They drove away, but Maurice returned about midnight, saying that a man named Joseph Driscoll, a chum of Joseph Ryan, had driven his brother to Calender. Witness said that the prisoner then went to bed in the office of the livery stable, remained there all night, and could not have left without his knowing it. The rig was found in the morning in an outside shed, with the murdered man's grip in the buggy and blood stains on the robe. Witness did not think there was anything strange about these circumstances, and does not know anything about Driscoll, whom he has not seen since.

James Ryan, another brother, testified to seeing his brother Maurice with a hundred-dollar bill after Joseph's disappearance. Joseph had at least one thousand dollars in cash on his person the night he started to leave town.

Joseph Cook swore that Maurice Ryan paid a note for \$150 after Joseph Ryan disappeared.

Evidence was given identifying the articles found with the remains as belonging to Joseph Ryan, and that Maurice Ryan sold the furniture in his brother's resort for two hundred dollars and kept the proceeds, took charge of his brother's trunk and effects, and tried to draw \$200 out of a bank in Tupper Lake, New York State, signing his brother's name to a cheque.

One witness swore that the prisoner said he had received a letter from his brother Joseph.

A peculiar feature of the case is the disappearance of an important witness, Nora McKeown. She was in the company of the murdered man on the night of the tragedy, and probably knows more of the case than anyone else outside of the murderer. The missing witness was working as a domestic at the residence of Turnkey Irvine, and was noticed to be in a restless mood all day yesterday. She was watched, but managed to make an excuse to go to a neighbor's about 9 o'clock last night, saying she would return in a half-hour or so. She did not take anything with her but the clothes she had on, and she had no money.

Outgoing trains were watched, but her

disappearance is complete and mysterious, no trace having been discovered as yet, although the country is being scoured.

When charged with the murder of his brother Ryan broke down and with bowed head kept bitterly. G. L. T. Ball is defending the prisoner and Crown Attorney Browning is prosecuting. The hearing was adjourned until Friday at 3 o'clock.

WANTS TO SEE KING.

Press Voices Dissatisfaction at King Edward's Refusal to Go.

Madrid, Jan. 14.—The report that King Edward shortly will meet King Alfonso at Vigo gives rise to considerable bitterness in the Madrid press at the fact that the former has so long delayed paying an official visit to Spain. Under the heading "International Courtesy," El Pais says:

"King Alfonso's marriage to a British princess adds little to British friendliness towards Spain. King Edward's rapid visits to King Alfonso at Cartagena and San Sebastian cannot be considered sufficient until King Edward officially visits Madrid. Republican cannot but resent Great Britain's courtesy toward Spain, who helped her to gain victory over her rival, France, in the peninsular war."

Other newspapers also reflect the prevailing regret at King Edward's reluctance to officially visit Madrid.

PERFECTLY SAFE.

She—My face is my fortune.

Critical Bachelor—That being the case, you are in no danger of being married for your money.

A NEW CANAL PROJECT.

Significant Statement Made by Mr. J. G. Sing.

Toronto, Jan. 15.—"It may be said on good authority that a new canal is likely to be built from Lake Erie to Lake Ontario, with locks 700 feet by 75 feet, with 24 feet of water on the sills, and the number of locks reduced to six. If this is done, the largest vessels will be able to enter Toronto harbor."

This significant statement was made by Mr. J. G. Sing, Government Engineer, in his address to the Engineers' Club last evening on "Canada and Her Waterways." Mr. A. B. Barry, C. E., the President-elect, occupied the chair, and Mr. Sing, the retiring President, delivered his address as a valedictory.

SIBERIA A RIVAL.

Mr. J. A. Ruddick Warns the Canadian Dairyman.

Brantford, Jan. 14.—Siberia, a coming rival of all other nations, and of Canada in particular, in the struggle for supremacy in the dairy trade, was one of the features of the general survey of the dairy industry from a Canadian standpoint in a paper read this afternoon by Mr. J. A. Ruddick, Dairy and Cold-storage Commissioner of the Dominion, before the Western Dairy-men's Convention.

"The Russian, or Siberian, export of butter is now easily second to the Danish in volume, and it is growing rapidly," he said. "This promises to be the most serious competition some countries will have to meet. The building of the Trans-Siberian Railway has opened up an enormous territory, which is apparently better suited for live stock than other kinds of farming. Owing to the existence of numerous navigable waterways, crossing the railway at right angles and acting as feeders from north and south, a huge territory is opened up. In one respect Siberian competition is not as serious as it might be, for the quality of the great bulk of the product is second grade. The people are extremely poor, and live in primitive surroundings. On the other hand, these conditions permit Siberia to produce butter at a rate which would be ruinous to the Canadian farmers, with their higher scale of living. Our safety lies in bringing to our dairy operations the advantages which more advanced civilization gives us. Our chief hope for an increased outlet at present prices seems to