

Arrangements have just been completed between Mr. E. B. Nash, president and manager of the E. B. Nash Co., Limited, dry goods and clothing, Winnipeg; Mr. Carson, of Pasadena, Cal., and Mr. Naylor, of Chatham, for forming a large company under the name of Nash, Carson, Naylor, Limited, which will take over the business of the E. B. Nash Co., Limited.

The Brantford Felt and Rubber Co. has been incorporated in that city with a capital of \$100,000 "to deal in and make all kinds of rubber, gutta percha, leather, felt, woolen, cotton and shoddy goods." The incorporators are: John F. Martin, insurance agent; John P. Bell, bank manager; Frederick W. Frank, accountant; Joseph H. Ham, manufacturer, and Robert E. Ryerson, fruit merchant, all of Brantford.

Aurele Rosther, proprietor of the Victoria Hotel, Quebec, and also interested in a tailoring establishment in Montreal, has assigned, with assets of \$124,500 and liabilities of \$73,624. The meeting of creditors is fixed for the 9th November. The principal Montreal creditors are Fitz-Gibbon & Schafheitlin & Co., \$21,112; Mark Fisher, Sons & Co., \$1,979; John P. Ellison, Sons & Co., \$1,286; the Gault Bros. Co., Limited, \$1,166; John McNee & Sons, \$400; J. Z. Rosther, \$250; Hudon, Herbert & Co. \$367.

The Standard Shirt Manufacturing Co. has been incorporated in Montreal under a Dominion charter with a capital of \$1,000,000. The incorporators are: David Yuile, manufacturer; Charles Blair Gordon, manufacturer; William Yuile King, cashier; James Roy Gordon, commission merchant; and Robert Andrew Dunton, notary, all of Montreal. The new company is to purchase the business formerly carried on by the Standard Shirt Co., and recently acquired from that company as a going concern by David Yuile and others. The firm will manufacture and deal in shirts, collars, haberdashers' supplies, men's, women's and children's clothing of every description.

## Among the Mills

*Co-operation is one of the guiding principles of industry to-day. It applies to newspapers as to everything else. Take a sheet in "The Canadian Journal of Fabrics" by contributing occasionally such items as may come to your knowledge, and you will find no dividend as improved paper.*

J. F. Gordon, proprietor of the Athens Woolen Mill, has purchased the carding and spinning machinery of Westport Woolen Co., Westport, Ont., and has installed the same, thus increasing the output of his mill by a third.

The Simcoe Wool Stock Company, of Simcoe, Ont., has doubled the size of its plant in the last year, having installed an up-to-date card room and picking rooms. The company has in the last few days started building an addition for new machinery.

The bleachery of the Drummond Cotton and Bleaching Co., Limited, at Drummondville, Que., is being pushed ahead, and it is expected that operations will commence early in the new year. The company will employ about 100 men at the start. They will restrict themselves to the higher grades of goods, such as lawns, cambrics, etc. The gray cloth will be imported from England.

Peter Ryan, of Toronto, is erecting a knitting mill at Toronto Junction. The building, which is to be a solid brick structure, 250 x 50 feet, is now in course of erection. Machinery of the latest design will be installed, and it is expected that operations will commence early in the year.

The town council has granted exemptions from all taxes, except local improvement and school taxes, for a period of ten years, and will supply water at cost. The mill will make knit goods, and will employ sixty hands.

The Perth Flax and Cordage Co., Limited, of Stratford, Ont., recently put in a complete plant for making all classes of jute, hemp and flax twines, polished, dyed and bleached, and now claim to have one of the most complete plants in the country for this purpose. They have up to the present year grown from two to three hundred acres of flax, but this season did not put in a crop. They make twines, thread, cordage and binder twine, and use considerable Canadian flax and tow in their mill for making coarse and fine commercial twines. The new manager is W. E. Holmes, who came recently from England.

The Chefoo election dispatch writer was in evidence in the textile trades. A meeting was held at Valleyfield on the 26th ult., at which five thousand people were reported to be present. The Chefoo dispatch writer said: "A feature in connection with the presence of Sir Wilfrid here was an announcement by the local manager of the Montreal Cotton Mills. Mr. Ward said that in view of the Government's promises to enquire into the condition of the cotton industry, it would not be advisable for them to oppose the Liberal candidate. He admitted that the present difficulty at the cotton mills at Valleyfield was not due to the Liberal policy." Now, Mr. Lacey is manager of the Montreal Cotton Co.'s Valleyfield mill, and he felt called upon to issue a contradiction of this story, and to explain that he had issued no instructions, nor even made a suggestion, as to how the employees of the mill should vote.

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## PERSONAL.

James Kendry, of the Auburn Woolen Mills, Peterboro', after serving the textile interests well in Parliament for several terms, was defeated in the recent election. His opponent won by a very narrow majority. T. B. Caldwell, elected for Lanark, appears to be the only woolen manufacturer now in the Dominion Parliament.

Many in the textile trades will regret to hear of the death of Feodor Boas, formerly head of the Granite Knitting Mills of St. Hyacinthe and the Pike River Knitting Mills at Stanbridge, Que., and also in the wholesale dry goods trade of Montreal, with a branch in Toronto during the eighties. Later on Mr. Boas acquired the woolen mill at St. Hyacinthe, and combined the three factories under the name of the Boas Manufacturing Co., with himself as president, and his brother, Moritz Boas, as vice-president and manager. The affairs of the company becoming somewhat involved, the business was taken over by New York parties who were financially interested, and became the Canadian Woolen Mills, Limited. Mr. Boas was a man of abounding energy, and was never afraid to tackle great enterprises. It was believed to be his courage and venturesome disposition that led to his business misfortunes in the woolen business. In addition to his textile interests he re-opened the slate quarries at Danville, Que. and promoted another company to mine and manufacture asbestos in the neighborhood of Danville. He put on the market a new product in the form of a wall plaster made from the refuse asbestos rock which was too short for fibre. This was ground up, and made a fire-proof plaster, to which he gave the name of asbestic. The business passed into other hands, but the product is still sold, and, we understand, has a