



of the novelties that are being put on the market for this season's trade.

**ANOTHER BURGLARY.**—On the night of June 11th, the jewelry store of Mrs. Keene, Lindsay, Ont., was burglarized, and a quantity of watches, chains, rings and other jewelry belonging to C. M. Hughan, jeweler, who had the use of one of her shop windows, carried off. The Toronto police were at once notified of the affair and requested to keep a sharp look out for the burglars. This they did so successfully as to arrest Thomas Keefe, living on Ontario street in this city, as one of the parties who committed the depredation. Keefe was taken to Lindsay by the Chief of Police of that town, and will be tried there if sufficient evidence can be secured to warrant his committal.

**ELECTRIC TIME.**—The new Canadian Bank of Commerce in this city has recently been fitted up by Messrs. E. & A. Gunther with an electric system of clocks known as the Warner System. This system does away with the necessity of having separate clocks in every room, as only one master clock is necessary and all the others are operated by it by means of electrical connection. The system, while exceedingly simple, is yet most effective, as every clock in connection with the central time keeper keeps beat with it, second by second, with unfailing regularity. Messrs. E. & A. Gunther have secured the sole wholesale agency of this invention for Canada, and those desirous of using it should give them a call and test its workings.

**A CHANGE.**—Messrs. J. E. Ellis & Co., the well-known retail jewelers, doing business at the corner of Yonge and King streets in this city, having been notified that the lease of their present premises has been sold by the proprietor to the Canadian Pacific Railway Co., last week completed the purchase of that very desirable warehouse occupied by Jas. Beatty & Co. as a carpet warehouse, and just one door east of where they now are. The price paid for the building is said to have been \$20,000, and a ground rent of \$1,700 per year. Their present lease does not expire for a couple of years yet, and we understand that before moving, Messrs. Ellis & Co. contemplate re-modeling their new building and fitting up what will probably be the largest and finest retail jewelry warehouse in Canada, when completed.

**THE AMERICAN WATCH CASE Co.**, of 67 Adelaide Street West, Toronto, shut down on the 1st July for their usual semi-annual stock taking and machinery repairs. They will start up again on the 15th inst. with a full force, and our retail jewelers may look out for some new and very pretty goods for this fall's trade. The new hunting filled case put on the market by the Company last month, is pronounced by every one who has seen them as being fully equal to any filled case ever turned out of any U. S. factory, and a credit to Canada. Like all other goods made by the A. W. C. Co., they are the best of their kind, and the trade can safely buy them from any jobber with the knowledge that their business will suffer no discredit by handling them. They sell at nearly twenty per cent. less than the American hunting filled cases did before the raise of duty.

**SILVER AT PORT ARTHUR.**—A recent despatch from Port Arthur, Ont., says that a wonderful bonanza has been struck at the celebrated Badger mine, owned by Milwaukee people, situated near Port Arthur. It is from this property that over \$25,000 in silver was shipped during the last twelve months. Supt. Shear, feeling satisfied that the vein on which they were working was not the only one on the location, commenced prospecting, and two weeks ago struck a new run some 350 feet North of the other. This has been traced for nearly 2,000 feet. A shaft was commenced, and after sinking fourteen feet, a vein four feet wide was struck, with an eighteen inch paystreak of native silver, sulphide of silver, argentiferous galena, and zinc blende, which averaged 1,757 ounces of silver per ton. The Badger people are very jubilant over their prospects, and have purchased the adjoining property, known as location 96 T. 160 acres, or the Porcupine mine, for \$60,000 cash.

**CANADIAN SAFES ABROAD.**—Some time ago Messrs. J. & J. Taylor, the well-known safe manufacturers of this city, received an unsolicited order from a large firm in Queensland, Australia, for one of their best fire-proof safes of large size. The safe was finished in due course and shipped to Australia, via England, but unfortunately the steamer which carried it was accidentally sunk during its passage through the

Suez Canal. The Messrs. Taylor wrote to the firm in Australia for instructions regarding the matter, and in reply received a cablegram a few days ago, instructing them to make and ship them two duplicates of the lost safe instead of one. These unsolicited orders from our brothers on the other side of the globe are encouraging, as showing how rapidly Canada is coming to the front as a manufacturing country. All that is now wanted by us is first-class steamship communication direct with the foreign countries we desire to trade with, and our export of manufactured goods will receive an impetus that it will be hard to estimate the extent of.

**IT MAY CUT BOTH WAYS.**—As a result of the proposed discrimination against European goods, and in favor of those of American countries by the McKinley and other bills now being considered by the Senate and Congress of the United States, the following motion in the British House of Commons by Mr. Howard Vincent, shows that like edged tools, tariffs are dangerous things to fool with, and may cut in other directions than the one intended. The resolution says that "Whereas the American tariff will inflict great injury upon the trade of Sheffield and upon British traders and artisans generally, the House consider whether a free market ought to be longer given to the competing products of a foreign State which puts a prohibitory tariff on British goods." If the passage of the McKinley bill has the effect of making the English people put a duty on American breadstuffs and manufactures, it would be the worst blow commercially that the U.S. ever got, and would certainly do them very much more harm than the proposed bill would do them good.

**IS IT AN ARGUMENT YOU WANT.**—Commenting on the discussion of the watch "Botch" question which has been carried on in our columns for some months, the *Keystone*, last month, rises to say: *The Waterbury* goes on record as favoring the plan of "compelling" all watchmakers and watch repairers to "prove their knowledge and capability before being permitted to act as watch repairers or adjusters." Our e. c. is evidently not a believer in the "let alone" theory of government—the theory based on the principle that that government is best that governs least. The *TRADER* is now making something of a specialty of the "botch" watchmaker, and has arrived at conclusions differing from those of the *Waterbury*. We suggest that it attempt to show the New York journal the error of the regulating way of attending to the "botch." The *TRADER* has neither time nor inclination to convert our esteemed and taking contemporary the *Waterbury* from the error of its way on this question, but the *Keystone*, who goes to the same readers, might undertake the task, if it considers it of importance to the trade.

**A NEW JEWELRY CORPORATION.**—The Gold and Silver Trading and Security Co. is the name of a new company organized by Mr. E. M. Trowern, of this city, and which proposes to purchase old gold and silver bullion and jewelry of every description, and also to do a regular retail business in watches and jewelry as well. The company have purchased the jewelry business of Mr. Trowern, which will be made the basis of their venture, which will be carried on in the same premises, No. 113 King St. West. Mr. Trowern's stock, valued at about \$10,000, will be taken over by the new company on the 1st July, when they will at once commence operations. The capital stock of the company is \$100,000, of which \$50,000 has already been taken up by first-class men, and who are ready to take up the balance as soon as more capital can be utilized to advantage. At their meeting for organization, held a few days ago, the following well-known gentlemen were elected as the officers of the company for the current year: President, Dr. Woods; Vice President, P. T. Trowern; Sec.-Treas., B. Woods; Manager, E. M. Trowern; Directors, T. A. Heintzman, E. J. Clarke, Jas. Pearson, John Lee, Wm. Townsend and A. G. Crosby. The company are entering on what is practically a new field of enterprise in Canada, and with the ample capital at their disposal, and a manager of such ability and experience as Mr. Trowern undoubtedly is, they should make the business successful beyond a peradventure. Mr. Trowern, as our readers well know, has had a good many reverses in his business career, and we are glad to see that his indomitable energy has brought him on the top once more in such a shape that he will be able to find full scope for his ability.