

**AWAIT RE-ORDERS ON
SPRING DRESS GOODS**

Requests Coming Forward for Cheap Grades of Coverts. Fad Nearly run out say Agents

RAW MATERIAL TROUBLES

High Cost of Wool Causing Much Uneasiness on Part of Mills Making Staple Worsted—Some Lines Placed "at Value"—More Whipcords and Gabardines Canceled For.

duplicate demand to start up in earnest shortly, as it is generally conceded that early purchases for spring will not be sufficient for even the advance retail trade. Mail orders this week contain some requests for further supplies of cheap covert cloths, and agents are more convinced than ever that the covert fad has about run its course, so far as the better class trade is concerned. The same was claimed, however, several

The same was claimed, however, regarding the tan cloth top boots for women's wear, but the demand for these is stated to be still growing. Whipcords are coming to the front quickly, but steadily, and many of the repeat orders received call for several pieces of these goods, being usually followed by

Manufacturers of worsted dress fabrics are seriously worried over the high cost of raw material, and in some cases staple lines of worsted have been placed on the "at value" basis. The embargo on Australian merino wool has been raised by the British Government, but manufacturers claim that the restrictions still in force regarding the sale of this wool to American buyers act as almost as much of a handicap as it

The embargo was still in force. Poplins, gabardines and wool and silk mixtures are being taken for early spring wear, while quite a few serges are also wanted, especially by the out of town trade.

With regard to fall lines there seems to be little

Early lines are expected to open the last week in his month, but agents as a rule do not look for any general opening before next month. Wool goods in poverty effects will be pushed to a greater extent for all as it is claimed that the mills will be able to name better prices than on worsted fabrics.

COTTON OPENED STEADY.

New York, January 9. Cotton opened steady, March 809, up 1; May 8.35, up 4; July 8.53, up 5; Aug. 8.65, up 8; Oct. 8.79, up 6.

**STRINGER & CO. UNABLE
TO MEET THEIR OBLIGATIONS**

New York, January 9. It has been announced on the Stock Exchange that the firm of **Stringer & Company**, 40 Exchange Place, has been unable to meet its obligations. When closed, it was reported that it was

ST. JOHN EXPORTS FOR QUARTER.
(Special Staff Correspondence.)

St. John, N.B., January 9.—Exports from here to the United States during the quarter ended December 31, were \$495,380. In the corresponding quarter in 1913 they were \$761,209.

MORE TELEPHONIC COMMUNICATION.
Princeton, B.C., January 9.—Telephonic communications between Hedley and Voigt Camp have already been established, and by the first of next week

he line from Princeton to Copper Mountain will be completed.

TEXAS AND PACIFIC.

Texas and Pacific—November gross \$1,784,922; decrease \$180,885. Net \$495,547; decrease \$88,949.

Five months' gross, \$7,879,824; decrease \$297,576.

WEATHER MAP.
Cotton Belt—Generally clear, no moisture. Temperature 24 to 48.

Winter Wheat Belt—Partly cloudy. No important moisture. Temperature 10° to 32.
American Northwest—Partly cloudy. No moisture. Temperature 2 to 26.

WHEAT OPENING EASIER.
Chicago, January 9.—(Opening.—Wheat, May, 140 to

Corn—May, 75½ to ¾, off ½ to ¾; July, 76¾ to 1, off ½ to ¾.
Oats—May, 56 to 55¾, off ¾ to ¾; July, 53¾ to ½; off ¼ to ¾.

BANK CLEARINGS.
At sixteen cities for the week ending with Thursday last were \$138,251,158, an increase of 27.9 per cent.

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om the corresponding week last year.

UNITED PROFIT SHARING.

New York, January 9.—New York Curb market an-

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rights except for cash on January 11th.

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