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#### War Conditions Create Cloth-Making Industry

Cloths From the Fleece to the Piece Now Made on a Big Scale in Canada for the First Time -Many Difficulties Had To Be Overcome.

INDUSTRIES DEVELOPED IN CANADA

AS A RESULT OF THE WAR Many big developments have taken place in the Canadian textile trades as a result of the war. The heavy demands for all kinds of woolens and other naterials have meant the inauguration of factories that cover the whole gamut

materials have meant the inauguration of factories that cover the whole gamut of the cloth-making industry, from fleece to the finished product. Materials that were wholly imported before the war are now, for the first time, made in Canada on a large scale. Many varieties and colors were exhibited at the Canadian National Exhibition, and experts declared that they reach the qualities heretofore exported by some of the best British and foreign houses.

The inauguration of these new industries does not necessarily mean a loss of trade to the enemy, as such importations did not hitherto come here from the Central European powers; the vast majority came from Britain. But no deliberate effort has been made to deprive British firms of their Canadian connections; while these concerns are distracted by the war, or otherwise-precluded from attending to the needs of their Canadian customers while the war lasts. rom attending to the needs of their Canadian customers while the war lasts. ALLIED GOVERNMENTS ENCOURAGED INDUSTRY.

The growth of the Canadian cloth-weaving industry is the net result The growth of the Canadian cloth-weaving industry is the net result of the encouragement indirectly given the Canadian firms by the allied governments in the shape of war contracts. For many months after war broke out, on into the winter of 1914 and 1915, there was a big shortage of army blankets, and later of the khaki necessary for clothing Kitchener's army, which was then in the process of formation. The Canadian textile men were urged to make new departures, and install new machinery, looms, etc., in their cloth-weaving departments. The permanent establishment of cloth-making in this country is

But this new development did not take place in a day. The very nature of the cloth-making trade demands expensive and laborious experiments. Im<sup>2</sup> mense looms had to be assembled, expert labor had to be obtained, then the proper materials had to be forthcoming, and later the dyes.

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Canada has been, and is now, to a very large extent, the virtual dependence upon overseas wool houses for the different varieties of wool, such as worsted tops, etc., chiefly because the grades of wood desired in this country are not grown by the sheepmen. Also the factories lacked proper combing facilities, others could only do certain classes of work, and then their supplies ran short, and they could not get more from Britain, they were forced to cease operations. This did happen at one time during the war period, and a commission had to be formed to negotiate the bringing of more supplies to Canada.

All these experiences have taught the Canadian textile men the futility of placing too great a reliance upon overseas markets for many of their important materials, and they have each set about the task of minimizing their dependence upon others, and making their factories complete in every regard, while they specialize on certain finished products. Today some firms have installed combs, so that they can handle all kinds of wool, while at least one concern has commenced building looms for the textile trade. One of the largest looms in the world was shown at the Canadian National Exhibition. It is the product of a Toronto factory.

TYPICAL EXAMPLE OF NEW DEVELOPMENT.

A typical example of what has taken place in the Canadian textile industry during the past two and a haif years is given in the history of the development, of the Barrymore Cloth Company, Limited, recently incorporated under a Dominion charter to aid in the filling of the demand of the French Government for army blankets. In 1914, shortly after the war started, Sir George Foster, minister of trade and commerce, called a meeting of the woolen manufacturers of Canada and explained to them that the French Government had applied to this country for blankets in large quantities. As the available looms were not this country for blankets in large quantities. As the available looms were not sufficient to meet this demand, the manufacturers took special efforts to increase their capacity. After the initial French order was complete, similar orders were handled for the Italian and Canadian governments. Then Sir Edward Kemp asked the company to undertake the manufacture of large quantities of khaki serge, for tunics and trousers of the Canadian army uniforms. ARMY CLOTHES NOW MADE HERE.

As can readily be understood this departure would tax the abilities of any organization, as there was no precedent for the making of army cloths in Canada to guide the company past the many difficulties which, naturally, arose at first. These, however, were overcome by research, experiment and painstaking labor, until within a very short time the plant was running day and night, and producing large quantities of cloth to the Government standard specification. This continued over two years, until the militia stores had accumulated sufficient stock to enable them to reduce, and finally eliminate, their contracts.

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In the meantime, the company had realized that under present circumstances, due largely to the difficulties of import, there was a tremendous demand for "Made-in-Canada" woolens for domestic clothing trade. While operating on war orders, a special organization was prepared to produce an adequate line of civilian materials which would assist in meeting the present demand, and be quite ready to cope with the large requirements of our soldiers, when they are reclothed into civilian garb.

NEWEST PATTERNS, LATEST STYLES.

Within a short time, an attractive range of velours, cassimeres, tweeds, etc., in plain colors, also newest pattern styles, had been developed and was ready for the market. The reception accorded it by the trade was even more encouraging than had been hoped for, and within a very short time the entire encouraging than had been hoped for, and within a very short time the child capacity of the plant, which had been more than trebled since the initial installation of looms, was severely taxed. Owing to the difficulty in securing weavers to cope with the orders, deliveries, for some time, were delayed, but now, these difficulties have been largely overcome, and for the future there promises to be no trouble of this nature.

TEXTILE SCHOOLS ARE SUGGESTED. "To seize the present opportunity afforded Canadians to establish textile industries in Canada, the Federal and Provincial Governments, together with the cities and towns, should combine their efforts to establish textile schools in Canada, where the trade can be taught, from wool to finishing cloth, in all its different branches," declared an official of the concern. "Germany obtained its ense growth in textiles through its textile and research schools, which were financed on above plan, each party paying a third, and the manufacturers assisting by contributions of equipment, giving scholarships, etc."—The Toronto

#### TIME TO THINK.

It doesn't pay to be too busy. Unless a man has some time to think in a natural way about things in general he loses a great measure of mental growth. It is well to be active—a wholesome thing for every faculty of the mind. But as the trees and flowers need both periods of rain and periods of sunshine, so men need to be sometimes busy and sometimes able to stop and think. Quiet thought is refreshing to the busy man.

A great many men in business do not at all appreciate this fact—however commonplace it may seem. They drive themselves or let themselves be driven by their work all day long, day in and tlay out, year in and year out. What time they have away from their work is often spent in an endless round of social and pleasurable activities, leaving practically no half-hour without its impending purpose, no time to reflect or to let the mind act from impulses other than the purposes with which it is being driven continuously. Such a man's mind gets into a whirl, revolving in a very small orbit and making him oblivious to greater themes that ile wholly outside of the limited circle of his own strenuous activity.

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The United States Government having fixed the price of copper at 23½c and steel at \$58 to \$65, will stabilize things considerably, and the outlook is not any too encouraging for the bears, who have for weeks been pounding the market with but little regard for the quality or status of the securities attacked. There have been, however, a goodly supply of bargain hunters on hand every day to pick up the more attractive things, as was evidenced on Saturday and Monday, when Canadian Pacific Railway stock touched 148 several times, and almost as frequently rebounded to 150½. As the result of the Government direction of traffic methods, doing away with the extravagant and senseless competition for certain tonnage for competitive points, the railroads are carrying heavier loads at the same overhead expense, and fortunately, owing to the war, there is greatly increased tonnage to carry, but we must not overlook the fact that these are abnormed times, and the railroads must do much better now, else what may be expected in the absence of war-made tonnage. The Government have passed the \$11,000,000,000 credit and a new Liberty Loan will be brought out October 1. The banks are committed to a policy of helpful influence that will prevent apparently any serious unsettlement of prices for stable securities. It should be noted, however, that for several months there has been a large absorption of the better class of stocks among the small buyers, who are often called the "odd lot men," and a more noticeable thing about such purchases is the length of time they take ordinarily to come back into the market again. In fact it has been said by some of the odd traders that the market will never again present some of the hazardous features that have at odd times characterized its pyrotechnics, this because there is never a very formidable quantity of any stock, overhanging the market. The market is undoubtedly widening. The railway trains will continue running, the tonnage moving from point to point, and divid

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