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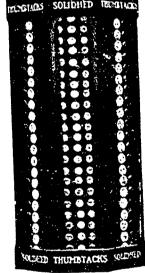
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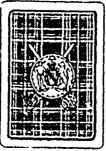
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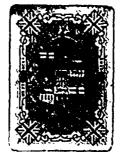




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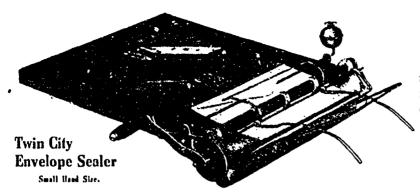
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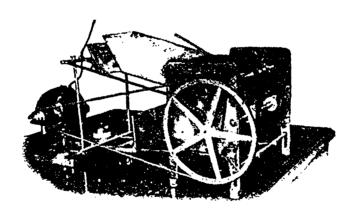
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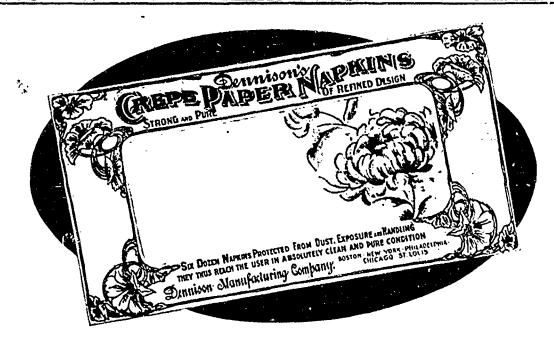
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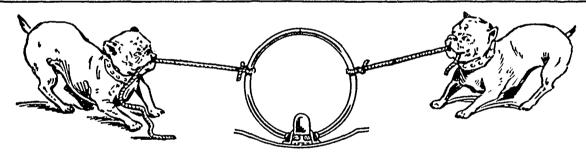
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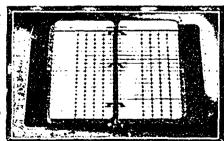


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Booksellers' and Stationers' Association of Ontario.

Report of First Annual Meeting.

While the attendance at the first annual meeting of the Booksellers' and Stationers' Association of Ontario, held in Toronto-on August 29, was not as large as it might have been, still those present represented the best element in the trade, and their presence and support was a decided encouragement to the officers. The organization of the association is now complete, and all that is needed is an increased membership to ensure ultimate success. Some valuable business was transacted at the two-business sessions, a full report-of-which follows.

President Tyrrell called the meeting to order in the comfortable council chamber of the Board of Trade at eleven o'clock, and, after the secretary had called the foll-and read the minutes of the last meeting, delivered his presidential address, as follows:

President's Address.

When our association-was formed, on the 15th of last January, T was honored by being unanimously elected to the position of president, an honor, which I assure you, gentlemen, I do not undervalue.

I candidly admit, however, that I would have preferred to remain a less conspicuous member of our association, but having accepted the position in the hope that my services would be of value to you. I have endeavored to give of my best, and in such measure as time and occasion demanded.

In this work of the association I have been greatly assisted by our able and persevering secretary, whose devotion to your interests has been most remarkable in the face of such discouragement and indifference as would have daunted many.

It is well-known to most of those present that our association was formed, as at were, on the spur of the moment, by a number of representative booksellers, who met in Toronto-for the purpose of pressing their claims for consideration upon the Government of this province.

The-danger which then-drew these prominent and influential husiness men together was a real-danger, and I may add that I believe this danger still remains as real as it did-upon that eventful-day which saw the beginning of the Booksellers' and Stationers' Association of Ontario.

It is only natural that the advantages of combination should be more apparent in times of stress than in times of peace, but if we would look at things as they really are. It would become clear beyond doubt that the time to organize is past when the time for action rrives. If

we are not prepared beforehand, it will be impossible to adequately rally our forces after the fight is on.

I need not, however, occupy your time by further comment on facts so-obvious, but will pass on to-other considerations, which, though somewhat less on the surface, are almost as vital to our interests as was the unifying idea of danger, which drew and bound us to-gether at the beginning.

The benefits of organization may, I am inclined to think, be quite as valuable, or even more so, to us in the ordinary course of business than in times when special dangers threaten, and it is to these latter advantages that I would now call your attention.

As men, you and I may not think alke; as business men, we have different ways of estimating and deciding those things which come before us, but of this I am sure, that we all unite in a desire to improve the conditions which surround the business in which we are embarked.

As-separate individuals, we can accomplish little, but united in an association, our scattered efforts would be focused, and the weight of our united strength would open many doors that now remain shut.

Let me illustrate, by way of practical suggestion, some of the ideas which it seems to me are not so visionary, nor so difficult, as to be beyond our hope of accomplishment, if undertaken in a spirit of fairness, and supported by a thoroughly representative body of the hooksellers of this province.

And at this point let-me say that it might be well for us to-consider the question of enlarging our constitution so as to include all hooksellers in Canada. Matters are sure to arise from time to time which will-equally affect all parts of the Dominion, and our action, as an association, would, I believe, carry more weight 4f our organization were national, rather than provincial, in character.

Now, as to the policy of our association, I believe that the foundation of our usefulness rests upon a cloy and friendly relationship with publishers and jobbers. It surely needs no argument to prove that our business interests are best served by an intimate alliance between publishers and booksellers, and I am confident that the former will welcome any policy that tends to a closer telationship and a better understanding between them and their customers.

This leads to the first suggestion that our association-might very wisely appoint a committee, whose duty it would be to work in consultation with publishers, it called upon by them to do so, or whenever the interests of booksellers required that we should go to them. We might also appoint a committee to take charge of the school book question, and this committee should be composed of men whose experience and practical knowledge of the subject would make their service of real value to the association.

Another committee-could-be given-charge of all matters relating to the magazine and subscription-business, and by watching the interests of booksellers there is no doubt that improved conditions would be obtained. It might be possible, if our association were properly supported, to plan an "overstock exchange," by means of which school and other books unsalable in one section of the country, might be exchanged, with mutual-profit, to some other locality, where they would be salable. This might be done in such a way that no names need appear in public.

These few suggestions are offered, as already stated, merely to illustrate the possibilities which are inherent in a well-organized association, but which are not to be obtained by the efforts of separate individuals. At the present time all these matters are allowed to-drift, and, as might be expected, they usually drift in the direction of lessening the profits of the retail-dealers.

In addition to the collective advantages of organization, there would follow many indirect benefits, the value of which it would be impossible to estimate. Competitors, by frequent and friendly intercourse, would lose much of the distrust which now separates them, mutual appreciation and confidence would be established, and with these conditions much unreasonable and unnecessary price-cutting would be climinated.

But if our association is to accomplish any of these things it must receive a stronger and more numerous support than it has yet received. The efforts of your committee to increase the membership have met with the most discouraging indifference.

Those of us who are eager for the association to become strong and useful, have had our patience tried, and our faith has often been put to the test. One or two of your committee have made personal sacrifices of time and money to a considerable extent. It on the whole, little or nothing remains of the splendid enthusiasm which characterized the beginning of our association. But now the time has come to change from this attitude of indifference to one of vital interest and active determination.

Accepting, then, the responsibility which rests upon us, realizing that there is strength in union wisely directed, let us decide to press forward and to obtain by just and honorable means those ends which we desire and which are worthy of our best efforts.

At the conclusion of his address, Mr. Tyrrell appointed Messrs. Anderson, London; Hay, St. Thomas, and Patterson, Stratford, a committee on resolutions.

Report of Executive Committee.

Mr. J.-G. Cloke, of Hamilton, vice-president of the association, next presented the report of the executive Committee, as follows:

Your executive-committee, immediately upon-their-appointment, proceeded to secure the services of a permanent secretary-freasurer, and selected for that position W. A. Craick, editor of The-Bookseller and Stationer, offering him a salary based on the number of members in the association

Following your instructions, your committee next took up the work of diafting a-constitution-and-by-laws.

These were duly prepared, and have been placed before you at this meeting.

At a meeting held on July 5, it was decided that we recommend the association to pass a strong resolution, to be presented to the Ortario Government, urging them to put in force, as soon as possible, their proposal to prevent school-book publishers from issuing more than one edition of any annotated text-book.

The executive further decided to recommend the association to appoint a committee to confer with the publishers and try to reach some satisfactory arrangement whereby many of the difficulties now existing in the book trade might be removed. This was felt to be the most practical way to clear up the differences.

The net system came up for consideration, and the resolutions passed by the American Booksellers' Association-on the net system were gone-over and approved. Booksellers were recommended to read these resolutions, as they appeared on page 18 of the June number of Bookseller and Stationer. The president was instructed to prepare an article explaining the advantages of the net system, the same to appear in Bookseller and Stationer, and later to be distributed in pamphlet form, for the education of Canadian booksellers. It was also recommended that the association take up the matter-vigorously and instruct its special committee to try to come to some arrangement with the publishers.

The methods of publishers in clearing our remainders to department stores came in for some criticism, and it was suggested that regular booksellers be given a better opportunity for securing stocks of remainders.

All-of which is respectfully submitted.

Mr. Cloke moved the adoption of the report, which was seconded by Mr. Anderson, of London, and carried.

Report of Secretary-Treasurer.

W. A. Craick presented the report of the secretary-treasurer. The first-outlined the steps that had been taken since the organization meeting to increase the membership, and then detailed the financial condition of the association, showing a balance on hand of \$14.55. Continuing, the report read as follows:

Following up the memorial on the school book question-presented to the Minister of Education by the book-sellers' deputation, your secretary prepared a supplementary memorial, containing the arguments brought forward by the various speakers on the deputation, which, after having been submitted to these speakers, was laid before the Minister and duly acknowledged by him.

About the beginning of May, the attention of the secretary was directed to the fact that the Dominion Railway Commission were reported to be about to take up the question of express rates. As several members of the association had made complaints about the unfairness of the rates on books and various other articles, your secretary mmediately wrote to the secretary of the Railway Commission, asking for definite information about the meeting of the commission, and what procedure should be taken in registering complaints. To this, Mr. Cartwright replied that the sitting of the commission was indefinite, but that we would be notified in due course. Since then no further information has come to hand.

At the meeting of your executive on July 5, your secretary was authorized to represent the association at the annual meeting of the National Association of Stationers of the United States, at St. Paul, on July 15-18. Going in his capacity of editor of The Bookseller and Stationer, and at the expense of that paper, he was able to represent the association without cost to you. The results of his observations in St. Paul may be briefly set forth as follows:

BOOKSELLER AND STATIONER

The National Association of Stationers unites in its membership manufacturers, jobbers and retailers in a healthy bond of union, and during the entire course of the convention not a discordant note was heard.

The association is composed of a number of local associations or clubs existing in the various cities or towns of the Union, and each local organization sends delegates in proportion to its membership. The expenses or these delegates are usually paid by the local associations, thereby ensuing a good attendance at the general convention.

Committees are appointed annually to handle the problems that arise in the different sections of the trade, thus there is a committee on blank books, a committee on files and office furniture, a committee on glassware, a committee on pens and pencils, a committee on loose leaf devices, a committee on paper and envelopes, a committee on leather goods and novelties, and a committee on liks and mucilage. Each of these committees consists of three members, and each presents an annual report. In addition, a membership committee does effective work in organizing new branches and developing established ones.

The meetings were most instructive and the information given out by the experts present was well worth the expense of traveling to St. Paul. Condensations of the a beginning, the problems that arise under each of these headings to be referred to the various committees

In conclusion, your secretary would urge every member to make more use of the organization. If there are problems or difficulties, do not conceal them, but write in to headquarters. The secretary is paid for this work and he is your servant. He cannot make bricks without straw, and he does not care to go around looking for trouble on his own account. If there are complaints that the association is doing nothing, the fault rests very largely with the people who make the complaints. Members should learn that, to make the association of use, each one of us should do his share, even if it is only to spur on the secretary to work harder.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

W. A. CRAICK, Secretary-Treasurer.

On motion of G. W. Sulman, Chatham, seconded by E. S. Brown, Collingwood, this report was adopted and handed to the committee on resolutions.

The Constitution.

The draft constitution and by-laws prepared by the executive committee next came up for consideration, and



Tally-Ho No. 1 and Its Occupants

President Tyrrell is seen, scated in the rear seat. Ald Kilt of Ottawa, J. G. Cloke of Hamilton and M. G. Hay
of St. Thomas are prominent figures in the front row.

papers and addresses will appear from time to time in your organ. The Bookseller and Stationer, so it will be superfluous for me to enter into details here. I would refer you to the paper on "The Handling of Blank Books," by Charles A. Stevens, of Chicago, which appeared in the August number, as an example of the kind of information to be secured from these addresses

While in St. Paul, your secretary interviewed Fletcher B. Gibbs, who formed the National Association four years ago, and was its first president, and endeavored to secure him for this convention. Mr. Gibbs is an enthusiastic association man and was much interested in our effort to form a strong association in Ontario. Unfortunately, he could not arrange to be present this year, but promised to visit us at a later date.

From his observations at St. Paul, your secretary would recommend the appointment of committees, along the lines of the National Association committees. He would suggest a committee on school books, a committee on express rates, a committee on relations with publishers and wholesalers, and a membership committee, as

were first adopted paragraph by paragraph and then as a whole. The constitution and by-laws read as follows

ARTICLE I.

Name and Object.

Section 1. The name of the association shall be the Booksellers' and Stationers' Association of the Province of Ontario.

Section 2. The objects of the association shall be to promote the interests of its members and to secure triendly co-operation among them.

ARTICLE IL

Membership.

Section 1. Any person, firm or corporation in the Province of Ontario engaged in the retail business of selling books or stationery or books and stationery who carries a general assortment of stock in these lines and is known and recognized as a regular retail dealer, may become a member of the association, provided the application for such membership meets with the approval of the Executive Committee

ARTICLE III.

Officers.

Section 1. The officers of the association shall consist of a President, Vice-President Secretary-Treasurer, and five members, who shall be chosen to act with the President and Vice-President on the Executive Committee.

Section 2. The officers, with the exception of the Secretary-Trensurer, shall be elected annually by ballot and shall hold office until their successors are elected.

Section 3. The Secretary-Treasurer shall be appointed by the Executive Committee, and his duties shall be assigned by them.

Section 4. The Executive Committee shall pay the Secretary-Treasurer such salary as may be deemed necessary, and if they see fit a sufficient bond shall be required, said bond to be paid for by the Association.

Section 5. In case of a vacancy in any of the offices of this Association the same shall be filled by the Executive Committee until the next annual meeting.

ARTICLE IV.

Meetings.

Section 1. The annual meeting for the election of officers and reception of reports and the transaction of general business, shall be held on a date during the last week of August, to be selected by the Executive Committee.

Section 11. The Executive Committee shall meet at the call of the President for the transaction of all business of interest to the Association.

ARTICLE V.

Amendments.

Amendments to the constitution and by-laws may be made at any annual meeting by a vote of at least two-thirds of the members present provided four weeks' notice of the proposed change has been made to the members of the Association.

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I.

Finances.

The finances of the Booksellers' and Stationers' Association of the Province of Ontario shall be provided for by an annual membership fee of one dollar (\$1.00). Furthermore, in order that members of the Association may be kept posted on the work done by the Association, they are required to be enrolled as subscribers to the official organ. THE BOOKSELLER AND STATIONER, the subscription fee of which is one dollar.

ARTICLE II.

Quorum.

A majority of the Executive Committee shall constitute a quoram for the transaction of business at any needing

ARTICLE III.

Proxies.

Each member shall be entitled to one vote or may in writing appoint a proxy at any meeting of the Association.

ARTICLE IV.

Order of Business.

At the annual meeting of the Association the order of business shall be:

- 1 Roll call.
- 2 Reading of namities of last regular meeting.

- 3. Report of Secretary-Treasurer.
- 4. Report of Executive Committee.
- 5. President's address.
- 6. Report of Special Committees.
- 7. General business.
- 8. Reading of papers and discussion thereof,
- 9. Election of officers for ensuing year,
- 10. Unfinished business,

On motion the meeting adjourned for the noon recess

Afternoon Session.

The afternoon session opened at 2.30, and the committee on resolutions presented their report. The following resolutions were recommended and, after being considered seriatim, were unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the following committees be appointed, to whom problems which arise under each of these heads may be referred:

- 1 On School Books: To watch any suggested change which might affect the trade and bring such to the notice of the executive for immediate action.
- 2 A Committee on Relations with Publishers and Wholesalers: To take up any matters which require admistment.
- 3. A Committee on Express Rates: To bring before the Railway Commission inequalities in rates and exhorbitant charges, in the hope of having same adjusted.
- 1. A committee to take up the matter of newspapers and magazines and yearly subscriptions for same.

Whereas, At present there are published various annotated editions of the prescribed texts for the various examinations, and whereas, the publishing of so many editions is an annoyance and direct loss to the pupils, as well as to the trade, resolved, that we urge the Minister of Education to authorize only one edition for use in the schools.

Resolved, That a persistent and constant effort be made through the columns of Bookseller and Stationer, editorially and otherwise, to get the trade generally throughout the province to enroll themselves as members of this association, and that those now members be urged to give the matter attention and time enough to make a personal solicitation among non-members in their own and adjacent towns and cities, in an endeavor to get every legitimate bookseller and stationer to become a member. Resolved, further, That the assistance of The Bookseller and Stationer, through its provincial canvasser or collector, be requested to this end.

Resolved, That this association express their appreciation of the good work done by Bookseller and Stationer in its evident desire to help and encourage the trade in all departments.

Resolved, That the thanks of the association be tendered the Board of Trade for the use of their room.

Resolved, That the thanks of the association be tendered the wholesale dealers and publishers, who have contributed so liberally for the entertainment of the visiting members.

Special Committees.

The following special committees were thereupon selected, in accordance with the resolutions passed:

School Books-Messrs. Cloke, Hamilton, Hay, St Thomas, and Sifton, London.

Express Rates-Messis. Robertson, Hamilton, Stratton, Peterboro, and Stanton, Toronto.

Relations with Publishers-Messrs. Anderson, London, Sulman, Chatham, and Tyrrell, Toronto.

Periodicals and Newspapers-Messrs, J. P. McKenna, Toronto, W. D. Mills, London, H. M. Patterson, Stratford.

Election of Officers.

On motion of Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Patterson, the officers elected in January were re-elected for the coming year, and a ballot was east for them unanimously. They are as follows:

President-William Tyrrell, Toronto.

Vice-President-J. G. Cloke, Hamilton.

Committee—G. W. Sulman, Chatham, R. A. Robertson, Hamilton, E. S. Brown, Collingwood, A. H. Stratton, Peterboro, and W. B. Hart, Perth.

M. G. Hay next read a paper by Fletcher B. Gibbs, of Chicago, on "The Making of Prices," which was listened to with evident attention. This brought the business sessions to a close.

Tally-Ho Drive.

Several of the members accepted the invitation extended by the entertainment committee, and took in the ride around the city in the electric tally-hos. The residential portions of the city, the parks, colleges and public buildings were all visited, and proved interesting sights

THE BANQUET.

Seldom has a more representative gathering of book-sellers and stationers, wholesale and retail, been brought together, than graced the banquet board at the St Charles hotel in the evening, and seldom has more enthusiasm for the association and all it stands for been manifested. The evening function dispelled from the minds of the pessimists all fears that the Booksellers' and Stationers' Association of Ontario would not develop into a virile organization.

A large portion of the success of the evening was to be attributed to the presence at the banquet of a number of representatives of the recently-organized Boost Club of Toronto. These gentlemen, led by their Arch-Booster, C. E. Peabody, and their Festive Booster, C. E. Haight, contributed several choruses between courses, and provided two singers, and a reciter, who delighted the audience later on in the programme with well-selected pieces. That inimitable entertainer, Alderman J. W. Bengough, of Toronto, was also the guest of the association, contributing several humorous selections, that fairly brought down the house.

The chair was taken about seven o'clock by President Tyrrell. On his right sat Arch-Booster Peabody, J. W. Bengough, and Rev. J. J. Redditt. On hie left were Messrs. J. G. Cloke, Richard Brown and James I. Anderson. After grace had been said by Rev. J. J. Redditt, the guests proceeded to partake of the good things that had been provided, while at intervals the exuberance of the gathering worked itself off in jovial choruses.

When at length the repast had been disposed of and cigars were alight, President Tyrrell rose to propose the toast of "The King," which was loyally drunk. A rollicking song from Wilbur Horner followed, and then C E Peabody was introduced. The Arch-Booster received quite an ovation. He proceeded to welcome the book-sellers "to their own banquet," and explained the share the Boost Club had taken in the evening's entertainment.

Next Mr. Bengough was called on, responding with his splendid character skit, "The Immigrants". The speeches of the English, Scotch, Irish and American immigrants, overheard at Winnipeg station, were reproduced in all their linguistic glory.

Rev. J. J. Redditt was the next speaker. Following him, Harry Watts sang a song very acceptably, and then C. E. Haight, in a thoughtful speech, explained the objects of the Boost Club, the need for such an organization, and the spirit, which permeated its membership

- G. W. Sulman, of Chathan, proved himself to be a popular after-dinner speaker, reeling of a number of breezy anecdotes, and concluding with a rendition of Longfellow's, "Ship of State," that was considered one of the finest things on the programme.
- E. Pomeroy, a visiting mk manufacturer from the United States, gave the association some valuable information on the costs of doing business, urging a strong organization to protect trade interests. He showed up department store methods, claiming that the regular stationer could do business cheaper and sell cheaper.

Alderman Kilt, of Ottawa Frank Wise, of Toronto, and T. J. Stewart, all spoke with acceptance, while Hal. Hampden recited "Brokers Ahead," and Mr Bengough gave two more selections.

C. L. Nelles, of Guelph, who still claims to be a loyal bookseller, though he has entered the banking field, eulogized the association and its officers, and the Boost Club, and moved a vote of thanks to the president and secretary. This was seconded by Mr. Sulman, and put to the members by Vice-President Cloke, who, in doing so, added his words of commendation to what had been said by the previous speakers. Messrs, Tyrrell and Craick responded briefly.

After singing some choruses and concluding with "Auld Lang Syne," the first annual banquet of the association was brought to a close.

Those Present.

William Tyriell, Wm. Tyrrell & Co., Toronto., J. G. Cloke, Cloke & Son, Hamilton, Richard Brown, Brown Bros., Toronto; James 1 Anderson, London, M. G. Hay, M. G. Hay & Son, St. Thomas; C. L. Nelles, Guelph, A. O. Hurst, Toronto, G. W. Sulman, Chatham; H. L. Thompson, Copp. Clark Co., Toronto; J. Taylor, Hanover; Harry Watts, Grip, Lunited, Toronto, Ald. J. G. Kilt, Ottawa, A. W. Thomas, Copp. Clark Co., Toronto', John F. Sifton, London', J. W. Bengough, Toronto , E. S. Caswell, Methodist Book Room, Toronto; O B. Stanton, O. B. Stanton & Co., Toronto., Percy Grand, Grand & Toy, Toronto, A. H. Stratton, A. H. Stratton & Co., Peterboro , J. T. Hornibrook, Brown Bros., Toronto, E. S. Brown, Collingwood, Frank Wise, the Macmillan Co. of Canada, Toronto; Rex. Croasdell, Toronto; George Warwick, Warwick Bros & Rutter, Torouto, F. I. Weaver, F. I. Weaver & Co., Berlin, Dr. J. J. Redditt, assistant book stewart, Methodist Book Room, Toronto, C. E. Peahody, MacLean Publishing Co. Toronto; H. M. Patterson, Stratford, Frederick Carman, Vannevar & Co., Toronto, H. Button, Cassell & Co., Toronto , L. L. Hobden, Musson Book Co., Toronto, George Clarke, W. A. Murray Co., Totonto., W. J. C. Wilson, Wilson Stationery Co., Toronto, J. M. Young, Copp, Clark Co., Toronto., W. J. Brady, Methodist Book & Publishing Co., Toronto., E. Pomeroy, Pomeroy Bros., Newark, N.J.; Harold Copp. Copp. Clark Co., Toronto., J. T. Swift, E. H. Harcourt Co., Toronto., R. B. Bond, Methodist Book & Publishing Co., Toronto, W A Craick, editor Bookseller and Stationer, Toronto, C. E. Haight, Toronto, Donald Barron, Toronto, W. F. Raiph, assistant editor Bookseller and Stationer, F. E. Rob son, T. J. Stewart, J. M. Robertson, Weston Wrigley. T. J. Töbin, Hal Hampden, W. Horner, Toronto.

Self-made Man (to highly educated grandson) "Well, Teddy, my boy, and what do you learn at school?"

Teddy "Latin and Greek, and French, and algebra Sell made Man, "Ho, indeed, And what's the algebra for cabbage?"

Suggestions for the Office End

By Howard R. Wellington

A great deal of time is unnecessarily wasted in posting items to a customer's account in the ledger, and it might not be out of place to suggest a few simple ideas, which are not new by any means, but which will save considerable time in posting. When posting merchandise to the dehit of an account, use the letter "M"; for cash use the letter "C", for bills payable, "B.P.", for bills receivable, "B.R.", for January "1", the first month, for February "2," the second month, etc. Some ledgers have item after item written in carefully in detail Note the difference.—

1907.	
Jan. 2, Mdsc.	. \$25.50
Feb. 2, Cash	\$25.50
Match 5, Bills Rec.	25.50
Apr. 5, Bills Pay	21.50
May 6, Bills Pay	25.00
1907.	
1, 2, M	\$25.50
2, 2, C.	\$25.50
3, 5, B.R	25.50
4, 5, B.P.	24.50
5, 6, "	. 25.00

It is a small matter, but of some importance when a number of items are involved.

What Per Cont. Shall I have for Profit?

Is it a general practice in the retail trade to add a certain percentage to the cost of an article in order to obtain the selling price, or does the dealer say, for instance... These goods cost in 80 cents per yard, I can get \$1.50 per yard for them?"

Is it more profitable to impress a customer favorably with the fact that your prices are right, than to have him leave your store feeling that he has paid a fairly high price for the article purchased. There is no doubt that a customer who is well satisfied with his purchase is the most valuable advertisement a dealer can have

As to percentage to be added for profits, this depends upon several things -

- 1. The cost of selling
- 2. The general expense cost of maintaining the store outside of the selling force, such as rent and taxes, insurance, stationery, bookkeeping, etc
- 3. The profit which the dealer should have over and above all expenses

It is difficult to state any definite percentage which would represent a fair margin of profit, as it depends altogether upon the particular business in which the dealer is engaged. For instance, the margin in a certain business is very fine, owing to necessity of maintaining low prices on account of keen competition. In such a case the dealer will have to be satisfied with a small margin on this particular line, even though his selling expense is high. Again, there may be a good margin on a certain line, but sales are rather slow and the selling expense is fairly high. In such a case the dealer will find it necessary to maintain a good price for his goods in order to nect expenses and leave a fair profit.

It should be ascertained definitely at the end of a feerfood what percentage of the safes or profits, the expenses, salaties, tent, taxes, insurance, light, etc., formed, and in this way a certain percentage added to the performance cost of the goods for each expense item involved,

will give the true cost, to which the percentage for clear profit is added.

Cash Discounts.

The system of paying all accounts once a month, either on the 10th, 15th or 25th, as the case may be, is steadily growing in favor, and this is a good indication of the fact that the merchant is becoming more conversant with his business, the stock he carries, and his ability to handle quantities of goods during the season when his stock is largest.

Have you ever stopped to think, Mr. Merchant, of the amount which could be earned annually through taking advantage of cash discounts? Suppose your purchases amount, as per invoices, to \$30,000, subject to cash discounts of 2½ per cent., 3 per cent., or even 5 per cent. By taking advantage of each in turn, our cash discount amounts to \$750, \$900, and \$1,500, respectively.

Now the question arises as to whether this eash discount should be taken into consideration when arriving at the selling prices placed on goods. Suppose a shipment of goods is subject to 20 per cent. trade discount and 5 per cent, for eash within 10 days. Should this rehate of 5 per cent, enter into the matter of cost and selling price, or is it simply a clear profit for the merchant who buys the goods? The retailer almost invariably sells his goods for cash or "net" terms of 30 or 60 days, and does not, therefore, allow the item of eash discount to enter into his selling price. This being the case, one might suppose that it would be in order for the retail merchant to figure his cost price on the basis of 20 per cent, trade and 5 per cent, cash discount; but look at it from another standpoint; the merchant finds that business is not very brisk, money is tight and he is unable to take advantage of his cash discount, although his prices have been figured on this basis. It will be seen that the wiser plan is to figure cost and base selling prices irrespective of cash discounts. The merchant will either take "time" on his goods to run his business or borrow money from his banker in order to take advantage of his cash discounts. In the first place he loses his discounts, in the second he makes a profit of the difference between the cash discount earned and the interest paid the bank for the use of money borrowed. It is only by actual experience in operating a busiuess that a merchant knows whether or not he is in a position to take advantage of all his eash discounts. An unusually backward season, when sales are comparatively small, will tighten up the finances of even a business with ample capital for ordinary requirements to such an extent that renewals must be asked for or cash discounts lost, through not being in a position at a particular time to take advantage of short dates and cash discount.

W. J. Heinemann (21 Bedford street, London, England), announces that he has arranged with Cecil Alden and John Hassall, to prepare a new annual, which he will have ready early in November. The collaboration of two so well-known artists as Cecil Alden and John Hassall should have the most happy result, and the title itself, "The Happy Annual," gives a foretaste of what may be expected. As we understand there will be another of Cecil Alden's dog stories—who has not laughed over "A Dog Day?"—it will not only appeal to children in the nursery, but to those of a larger growth.

The Personal Story of a Western Firm

Clark Bros. & Co., Winnipeg

For books and stationery, as for all other lines of goods, Western Canada provides a rapidly expanding market. All the big Canadian book and stationery firms find their sales in the western provinces rapidly expanding and it is not surprising to find that Winnipeg is rapidly becoming an exceedingly important jobbing centre for these lines. In the very front ranks of western whole salers must be placed Clark Bros. & Co.

This firm was organized and incorporated in 1889. It was domiciled for a time on McDermott Avenue East, but moved to its present location in 1900. It was capitalized at \$100,000 and well equipped for its work, carrying very complete stocks in all lines of stationery, printing papers, sundries and books. Starting in at the time when the road was paved with obstacles, it has through energetic hustling kept pace with the growth of the country and now ranks among the big firms of Canada.

The success with which this firm has been rewarded is largely due to systematic organization, alert, up-to date business methods and energy in their fulfilment, courage in buying and courteous treatment of their cus tomers. The business is divided into five departments, each under the personal management of capable men and thoroughly organized in modern systems.

Mr. D. A. Clark, president of the company, devotes himself to the financing and general supervision of the business. Mr. J. H. A. Clark holds down the sundry department, which includes wall papers, sporting goods, Berliner and Victor Gramophones and fancy goods. Mt.



J. H. A. CLARK

John Gibb has charge of the general stationery floot. Mr. George Wilson takes care of the paper and book departments and Mr. A. D. Watson is acting in the capacity of treasurer.

Mr. D. A. Clark first entered the firm in 1897 and managed the entire business until four years ago, when it was found necessary under the great expansion to divide the work up into different departments Mr. Clark is a great devotee of system and is probably one of the hardest workers in the trade. The difficulties to be met with in a business of this kind, when the original sources of supply are so far from the market, can only be fully appreciated by western men and the success that has come to this firm is largely due to his energetic purse verance.

Mr. J. H. A. Clark joined the firm in 1900 and under his able care the sundry department has made rapid



D. A. CLARK

strides. The most important lines in this department are the Watson Foster wall papers, Berliner gramophones (for which they are exclusive agents in the west), sporting goods and fancy goods. Mr. J. H. A. Clark is a thorough detail man and the success of this department is largely due to his energetic efforts and careful selection of these different lines in anticipation of the wants of the western trade.

Mr. Geo. Wilson—was the first traveler this firm put on the road and at the time of his retirement from the road, some three years ago, he was probably one of the most widely known travelers in the west and also one of the most successful in a business way and under him the book department has grown to be one of the best in Canada. Mr. Wilson—is known—not—only as a book sales man, but also as a book lover and every spring he displays for the selection of the western trade a line of expensive de luxe books scarcely surpassed by any house in the Dominion. The paper department has also grown under his management and is now one of the largest departments in the business and the requirements of the printer's trade are watched closely and kept thoroughly up to date in new lines.

Mr Gibb first entered the employ of Clark Bros & Co in 1898 and has worked up with the business and is now in charge of the general stationery department. He is well known in the trade as a keen, progressive boyer and stock-keeper, and anything new in this line is sure to be picked up by him.

Mr. A. D. Watson entered the office of this firm in 1904 and by close attention and hard work now holds the position of treasurer of this company, a position which he is most ably fitted for

The warehouse is located in the heart of the whole side district. It is a handsome building and is equipped with all the modern conveniences and consists of four toreys 50×90 and a basement, but it has grown altogether too small and they have had to secure outside storme capacity for heavier lines of goods. The growth of the business has made it necessary to find more commodious quarters and the question of building a new witchouse is under consideration.

Clark Bros. & Co have over lifty employes and ten travelers covering the three western provinces thorough by The progressiveness of the firm has had its reward as is evidenced by the numerous eastern and foreign forms who have given them exclusive handling or made them distributing agents of their lines in the west Among these perhaps the most important are the Berliner and Victor talking machines, Watson Foster wall



GEO. WILSON

papers Montrose Paper Mills, and Ritchie & Rainsay's flat papers, Canada Tag and Label Co., Ault & Wiborg's inks, Rolland Paper Co., the Johnston Horsburgh Co., London, Eng., Milan hand made papers, Italy, the Macmillan Co., of Canada's publications, A. & C. Black, Somersetshite, the Morang Educational Co., and A. & C. McChirg, Chicago.

THE AD. AND THE WINDOW TRIM.

One of the essentials of the really good advertisement is the quality of being remembered whenever any future reference is made to the subject advertised. For instance suppose you are advertising a certain line of boxed paper. You make your newspaper announcement so interesting, and the arguments in favor of the line so convincing, that the very next time a man who has read your ad sees a box of note paper he remembers the line you are advertising. In view of this, a strong newspaper ad is made stronger when it is followed up, or supplemented rather, by a window trim of the line advertised. The dominating note of the newspaper ad-should also be the dominating note of the window trim.

The large department stores follow out this theory all the time and succeed well at it. Some advertising would touch the spot, so to speak, without a supplementary window trim, but only in the case of a reader being pressingly in need of the article advertised, or of the article advertised being offered at a out rate. When the goods offered are advertised for sale on their intrinsic merits with mere price a secondary consideration, a supplementary window trim harmonizing with the newspaper argument is very valuable.

There is a little story of a shoe sale in a recent issue of "System" which well illustrates the value of this kind of co-operation, especially when backed up by genuine salesmanship. In brief, the story is something like this. Smith, when putting on his shoes in the morning, discovers a hole in the sole. Being a very busy man, he forgets about it almost at once. On the way down town to business, hastily glancing through his paper, his eye is attracted by the picture of a skeleton shoe. This reminds him of his need, and he reads the argument which goes with the picture. Reaching his office and plunging into business he soon forgets all about his shoe, and is only reminded of it when, returning from lunch, he sees in the window of a shoe store a young man handling a skeleton shoe just as he had seen in the advertisement. He stops; goes in, and comes out a customer.

Such is on operation, repeated countless times when a window display reminds the passer-by of what he has already seen in the newspaper,

A change of newspaper copy is a necessity in advertising. Lines which follow each other in being made prominent in the newspaper space should follow each other in being the chief feature of a window display. Someone has said that variety is the spice of life. Certainly variety is the spice of retail advertising. A manufacturer making one article only must depend for his advertising variety upon the ingenuity of his adwriter in presenting his ad, in a new way. This is a difficulty which has not to be faced by a retail merchant, who can get his variety by pushing different lines of goods. That is why the average retailer of the smaller cities rarely needs the assistance of the professional ad, writer.

An advertising policy of variety and strength, supplemented by harmonious window trims, cannot fail to produce results.

5,000 FACTS ABOUT CANADA.

A remarkable little booklet has been compiled under the above self-explanatory title by Frank Yeigh of Toronto, the well-known writer and lecturer on themes Canadian. Perhaps no one in the Dominion is better qualified to make such a compilation. Its value is, as claimed worth its weight in Yukon gold or Cobalt silver." The idea is a elever one, viz.: a fact in a sentence, giving a wonderful mass of information in the smallest compasson every phase of our commercial and industrial life, and our natural resources. The booklet is sold for twenty five cents, and may be had from the Canadian Facts Publishing Company, 667 Spadina Avenue, Toronto

"A Mother's Son," is the title of a novel by the well-known athlete, C. B. Fry, and his wife. Methuen & Co. are the publishers.

According to the Publishers Circular, 100,000 copies of the first ten volumes of the People's Labrary, which Cassell & Co. are publishing, have already been sold

BOOKSELLER AND STATIONER

A Handsome New Winnipeg Store

By F. R. Munro

As was mentioned in Bookseller and Stationer at the time, Russell Lang & Co. opened on Portage avenue, Winnipeg, about three months ago one of the handsomest and best appointed book and stationery stores in the Dominion. For years this firm have carried on a thriving business in their store near "the bend" on Main street, and their opening on Portage avenue was not followed by the

and furniture being in green weathered oak. As can be seen from the general view shown in the accompanying illustration, silent salesmen and handsome show cases are used throughout the entire store. It is the aim of the management to keep under cover every article which is likely to be injured by exposure to dust.

An up-to-date feature of the new store is the rest room shown in the illustration. This is for the use of the customers and it is indeed a very charming place in which to while away an hour. Its dark greens and browns are harmoniously blended in walls, leather chairs and carpets, while there is a wealth of attractive material on the large table, all the latest magazines, etc., to amuse the firm's visitors while waiting in the rest room.

Russell Lang & Co. have always made a specialty of school books and educational supplies. In the new store an entire department is devoted to these lines and it is within easy access to the rest room. This department is placed on a gallery extending along the entire length of one side of the store and connected with the rest room. Teachers and students are invited to visit the educational gallery, pick out a number of books from the shelves and carry them to the rest room to make their selections.

Shortly after the opening of the new store this firm held a reception for teachers which was attended by throngs of interested visitors. The rest room was decorated with roses and two popular young ladies pour-



General View of the New Russell, Lang & Co. Store on Portage Ave., Winnipeg

and

View of the Rest Room at the Rear of the Store



closing of their old store. Portage avenue is becoming the important retail street, while Main street is rapidly becoming the home of the banks and financial institutions. Hence, the Main street store is to be devoted almost exclusively to stationery and office supplies required by the wholesale houses, banks, financial institutions and smaller offices while in the new store will be carried a large general stock for the general public and the educational books and supplies for the colleges and schools.

The new store is handsomely appointed, all the fittings

ed tea while an orchestra discoursed sweet music. The function proved a great success and the idea might be used to advantage by other firms.

The rest room idea is one that might well be taken hold of by any store where books cut a prominent figure among the stock. It is well known to booksellers of experience that book lovers will be quick to ferret out any spot where they may go at any time, and be allowed the privilege of leisurely examining a volume before purchasing it.



MONTHLY REPORTS FROM TRADE CENTRES



MONTREAL.

Retailers Busy With School Trade—New Books on the Market—Tourist Trade Exceptionally Good.

Office of Bookskiller and Stationer
237 McGill Street, Montreal

H ptember 7, 19-7

August trade continued good, with stores featuring souventr supplies in a great variety. View books, maps, post cards, etc., were eagerly sought by the largest number of tourists that ever visited Montreal. Every store reaped a harvest in these lines. Window displays were timely and commendable.

The beginning of September found trade very much eased off, according to most merchants, with only one or two stores claiming a steady business. Just now large St. Catherine street stores here are paying particular attention, and making extra bids, for school supplies. Connectition is very keen. Window displays for the past few weeks have predominated in these lines. No cut prices for bonuses are given to the consumer this year, in accordance with an agreement made between the booksellers of the city. Not very long ago premium-giving was resorted to by merchants on purchases amounting to 25c, 50c, \$1 and \$1.50, or over. This way of carrying on business, however, is rapidly being abolished. At the present writing, displays include everything in school requisites, and most stores wisely have graded the books so as to facilitate selections.

The book trade just now, while not neglected altogether, is not very satisfactory. This is reasonably explained by the fact that the tourist trade is now protty well finished and the holiday-loving people are all making preparations to return to their respective homes. At present the "Brass Bowl," by Lewis Joseph Vance, and "The Port of Missing Men," by Meredith Nicholson, are doing very well. "The Younger Set," by Robert W. Chambers, is also selling freely. There is also a good demand for C. N. & A. M. Williamson's works.

Among the many new arrivals in fiction, "Barbary Sheep," by Robert Hichens, and "The Helpmate," by May Sinclair, are highly spoken of. "Beatrix of Clare," published by the Montreal News Co., and also current, is meeting with marked favor.

Trade in souvenir postal cards continues steady, as per usual. New stores, carrying these lines, are making their appearance day by day. Illustrated cards are selfing well, as are views and scenes. Canadian coat of arm views are also to the fore. The demand for leather cards while not as large as the other lines mentioned, is picking up, now that the holiday trade is approaching. These cards generally retail at five cents.

TORONTO.

Booksellers' Association Convention—Brisk Souvenir Business—Exhibition Visitors Spend Money.

> Office of Bourseller a to Stationer, 10 Front Street East, Toronto.

Reptember 11 1907

The chief event in the stationery and bookselling circles of Toronto during the past r onth was the annual meeting and banquet of the Bookseders' and Stationers' Association of Ontario, on August 29. Among the guests at the banquet were three prominent commercial station-

ers, Q. B. Stanton, of the O. B. Stanton Company, Percy Grand, vice-president of Grand & Toy, Limited, and W. J. C. Wilson, of the Wilson Stationery Company. There is an increasing feeling in commercial circles here that friendly business rivalry is the best policy. The Boost CLlub idea is having a good deal to do with this feeling.

Trade has been very brisk in stationery, souvenir, and fancy goods circles, on account of the exhibition. The city is full of people with lots of money and a desire to spend it.

Bain & Cubitt, commercial stationers, of 88 Bay street, have been incorporated under the name of Bain & Cubitt, Limited, with a capital stock of \$40,000. Mr. Donald Bain was for many years in the stationery business in Toronto, but sold out to W. J. Travis two or three years ago, and has only recently re-entered business in partnership with Mr. Cubitt.

The Copeland-Chatterson Company have been appointed Canadian selling agents for the Elliott-Fisher billing and adding machine, which has, until quite recently, been handled by Mr. F. W. Sears.

Mrs. Susie M. Bond, stationer, 724 Queen street west, is retiring from business.

Two recent visitors to Bookseller and Stationer were Messrs. J. A. Gulbrandsen and L. B. Twiss, respectively the Quebec and Western Canadian representatives of Warwick Bros. & Rutter.

Mr. John Britnell, 110 Yonge street, the antiquary and bookseller, is preparing to go to England to visit his London collecting bureau. He expects to be away for some months.

Mr. E. W. Walker, manager of the publishing department of the Methodist Book and Publishing Company, is at present away on a flying visit to the coast.

Mr. Tom Allen, of McLeod & Allen, is back from a coast trip, having returned via Chicago.

Another traveling man home from the coast is Mr. Frank E. Waterman, Canadian representative of the Eaton-Hurlbut Paper Company, He went as far south as San Francisco.

DISCOURTESY.

Editor Bookseller and Stationer,—I am ashamed of the trade in Ontario. The discourtesy shown by a large number of the booksellers of the Province in their treatment of the officers of the Booksellers' Association is almost incredible.

As I understand it, the Toronto committee went to considerable trouble and expense to provide a free entertainment for the stationers of the Province. They issued special invitations, requesting the presence of each and every dealer, big or little, and mailed them to the dealers personally.

Naturally they did not expect everybody to come, but they did expect to receive some acknowledgment of the invitation. Common decency would surely prompt a man to thank his would-be entertainers for their offer of hospitality. I believe that more than half the trade ignored the invitation and maintained a silence, that, to say the least, was most aggravating.

Surely stationers, who are supposed to know the etiquette of this sort of thing, should be able to practice themselves what they endeavor to cultivate in others. I doubt, if in their private life at home, they would be guilty of such unpardonable discourtesy to their friends.

The only mitigating circumstance I can think of is that the stationers failed to realize the nature of the invitation, or what obligations it involved.

BOOKSELLER.

On Running a Music Department

By Ed. Michael

Following "Possibilities of a Sheet Music Department," published in last month's special issue of Bookseller and Stationer, and which referred to everything concerning the starting of a sheet music department, from "When a Popular Song First Became Popular," to "Sheet Music Profits," a few useful hints are here suggested, on the method of conducting the department. Best methods of displaying and handling stock, one or two rules for selecting stock, the keeping of stock, and the location of department are the principal subjects to consider.

Evolution of Sheet Music.

A few years ago purchasers of sheet music thought nothing of paying the publishers' price for every copy of either old or current compositions that they obtained. However, with the advent of the departmental store music counter all this has been changed, and the business, especially in large cities, has undergone a change.

Under former conditions the piano and musical instrument houses carried a very limited supply of the latest music, which, unless the purchaser happened to be a teacher of music, was sold at from 40 to 60 cents per copy, and at this figure the purchaser was almost invariably informed by the salesman the sale was an accommodation rather than a business transaction. Today, instead of having to pay 40 to 60 cents the purchaser can secure practically all of the latest music within a range of, say, 18 to 25 cents per copy, with an average price of 25 cents for the general run of music, With the exception of where a special sale is held, departmental stores are reaping sufficient profit to-day to justify far more liberal expenditures for advertising than was ever allowed by the limited sales under the old methods in which high prices ruled.

Best Selling Methods.

One of the best methods of selling large quantities of sheet music is to keep at least one copy of every piece on exhibition. Publishers generally put considerable thought and expense in the making of attractive covers, because past experience teaches them that such a feature is a very great help to sales. The department should follow the publishers' lead and keep the music in sight. A very successful and inexpensive plan for displaying and handling sheet music was observed by the writer, in a leading sheet music house in Montreal. One side of the department was carefully decorated with all the latest songs. They should be well arranged with titles and covers well displayed. On the other side, common tables covered with a green cloth, also containing a back, displayed successfully all the current compositions on sale. One copy of each sheet of music was pinned on the back, while five or six copies of the same composition were displayed on the surface of the table. Another suggestion is the use of wires. They can be used to great advantage, if run in the shape of an X across the department.

Selecting Music.

In the selection of sheet music there are few hard and fast rules by which all can be guided, except the rule of demand, because different sections have varied tastes and frequently a popular piece in one section falls flat in another. For this reason it is always best to underbuy than to order heavily, and replenish your stock as it is depleted. Another feature in the music department, and one that is being rapidly adopted, is a separate counter, upon which specials and mark downs, slow movers and soiled copies are placed and featured from a price standpoint.

Then, again, it is customary to keep in touch with the theatres, looking out for attractive songs. A piece, sung successfully on the stage, if it takes the public fancy, creates a demand, and it is good policy to procure a small quantity of the composition rendered, as quickly as possible.

Large music dealers will, further, find it to their advantage to leave an open order with the jobbing and supply house with which they do business, for at least one copy of all current songs.

Overstocking, naturally, should be avoided. Some songs arrive while current and immediately take hold of the public fancy. The merchant then orders a quantity of this song, but shortly after the sale drops. As soon as this occurs the merchant should advertise a special sale with other compositions which also have had their day.

Keeping Stock.

Keeping stock simply means knowing thoroughly the lines carried, those having the same titles together, with vocal and instrumental pieces separate, also so arranged that the compositions can be promptly shown. Racks containing shelvings or drawers, suitable to the size of a piece of sheet music, also lettered from A to Z, will be found useful and convenient. Further books lettered the same way make a ready reckoner. Have all the music, vocal in one book, and instrumental in the other, which you have in stock, on the page under the letter of which the composition begins; for instance: "In the Shade of the Old Apple Tree," should be indexed under the initial I. This plan will be found exceptionally satisfactory, especially in the case where a clerk is just newly employed and is not familiar with stock on hand.

Location of Department.

To-day the public in general are finding sheet music an absolute necessity. As a result, if in a departmental store, the music counter should be as far away from the entrance as possible. As the music department is an assured drawing eard, it will be found good policy to have the department at the other end of the store, thereby having all the lovers of music pass through the store. In nine cases out of ten, the customer will see something displayed which she wishes, and if an immediate sale does not result the person in question always bears in mind that such an article is procurable.

If a music counter is in a stationery house, the same may be said of it. Namely, have the department farthest from the entrance. A good plan is to have window displays of all current compositions one day, and then advertise a special sale of all songs, of which the sale has dropped, or of which you have too large a supply.

It is reported that McClure's Magazine is to be enlarged by the addition of 36 pages in the early fall, and the price is to be increased to fifteen cents.

Show Card Writing

By Craftsman

Continued from August Number

If you desire to duplicate scrolls you must, of course, copy the structural or main lines through tracing paper with a very soft pencil and transfer in reversed position by placing the side of your paper having the lead pencil marks downward on your card, then using a hard pencil and tracing over the soft lead design, which will show through the paper distinctly. The pressure of the hard pencil transfers the soft lead marks to your card. For instance, if you take this scroll, No. 25, and insert it you will see that the beauty of the design is not only not lessened, but, perhaps, intensified.

The student should practice making designs in this reversed position. In this manner they can readily be duplicated in this reversed position also by rubbing a soft pencil over the entire surface of that side on which you have used the hard pencil. Then trace over the or-

squares forming sheets, having 100 to the sheet. The rings are packed in nests, beginning with those one-half inch in diameter and ranging in various sizes to five inches wide. The same may be bought in ovals.

To fasten embossed ornaments, the best method is to spread glue across a pane of glass, place the backs of the ornaments on the glass, then take a paper, cover them, and use considerable pressure of your hand while stroking and rubbing the top of the paper. With a pair of tweezers place the ornaments in position wanted, and with a narrow roller such as is used by paperhangers, roll over the ornaments, which will then be firmly attached to the card. The gold rope rings such as are used in the centre of No. 211 are made by a machine, which embosses it and sinks it into the body of the card, so that it is firmly embedded.



Show Cards Made by Chas. E. Weeks, with Geddes Bros., Strathroy.

iginal soft pencil marks by using a hard pencil. Transfer carbon paper can also be used to good advantage. When writing large scrolls the hand is generally entirely raised from the surface of the table.

Centre and Side Scrolls.

For show eards, scrolls like A to G in illustration are used with good effect under words to emphasize them or to make a paragraph. The side scrolls are used to great advantage to fill in a space, to place on one end of a word, or on both sides of it. In the latter case to make them exact they should be transferred as explained in a previous lesson.

Embossed Ornaments.

Gold ornaments like those on the corners of eard No. 210 and in the centre of No. 217 illustrated in a previous issue are imported from Germany. The first are in

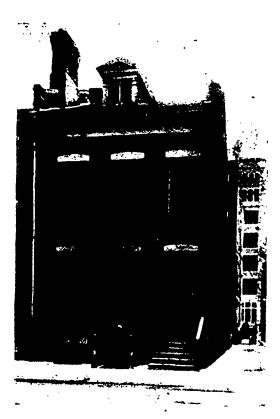
Flitter is a flaky tinsel which is sold by the pound or ounce at all paint or supply stores. It can be obtained in gold, silver, purple, green, fire gilt, and a variety of other colors. It is frequently used on signs intended for night display or holiday purposes. It is best applied by using thinly diluted glue, just like paint. Place a large sheet of paper under your card and spread a liberal quantity of flitter on its surface, being careful that every portion of the wet glue lines is completely covered with the flitter by gliding it along the entire surface of the card by raising and lowering one end. Then shake off any surplus flitter onto the paper beneath.

If you wish to display a line of gold flitter next to a line of green or other color of flitter, repeat the same process after you have applied one color. Then allow the card to dry thoroughly before handling it.

Toronto. Publishers Make a Move

McLeod & Allen's Change.

Increasing business and lack of space in their old quarters have led to the removal of the publishing house of McLeod & Allen from the building which they previously occupied on Melinda street, to larger premises at 42 Adelaide street west. The firm are now almost sealed in



The Old Premises
At 37 Melinda Street.

the new building, which in every respect is a great improvement on the old place.

MeLeod & Allen at present occupy only the ground floor, having arranged to let the basement and upper floors, but they will have always at their disposal an increased space, should the growth of their business require it. The main feature of their office is the show room, which has been arranged to admit of the best possible display of the various lines of books carried by them. There is shelving all around the room, on which the books are ranged singly, giving at a glance a good general idea of a book and its cover. Display tables are also placed in the centre of the room. The lighting is supplied by electric lights, fastened in reflectors at the height of the ceiling.

The business of McLeod & Allen, under this firm name, has now been six years in existence, and during this time the partners have succeeded in building up a trade connection of the most successful kind. They have acquired a reputation for enterprise and reliability, and, wherever they have had dealings, they have won the esteem and friendship of publisher and bookseller alike.

At present, in addition to the publication annually of a large number of Canadian editions of fiction, they represent in a jobbing way quite a list of United States publishers. This list includes H. M. Caldwell & Co., Bobbs-Merrill Co., Paul Elder & Co., Rand, McNally & Co., Moffat, Yard & Co., Life Publishing Co., Duffield & Co. Grossett & Dunlop, Geo. E. Newcombe & Co., Thompson & Thomas, Hurst & Co., De. Wolfe, Fiske & Co., Lothrop, Lee & Shepherd, Cupples & Leon, Geo. Munro Sons, McClure, Phillips & Co., Doubleday, Page & Co. They have also recently been appointed Canadian selling agents for Cassell & Co., the English publishers, whose Canadian branch is located in the McLeod & Allen building.

Booksellers will find a warm welcome at the new office of McLeod & Allen whenever they visit Toronto.

TRAVELER'S PROMOTION.

The vacancy on the traveling staff of the Copp, Clark Co., created by the resignation of Mr. James T. Swift, has been filled by the appointment of Mr. Paul Trebilcock, son of the well-known Bowmanville stationer, who



The New Premises
At 42 Adelaide Street West.

has been in the employ of the Copp, Clark Co, for several years, and who has lately been covering Eastern Ontario. He will in future take the western ground between Toronto and Windsor. Mr. Donald Root will take the Eastern Ontario trip dis fall.

Editorial Chronicle & Comment



BOOKS FOR CHRISTMAS.

Booksellers should make up their minds early to boom. Books for Christmas. There are few more acceptable gifts than books, and not many people have as yet grasped that fact. Therefore, the public must be taught. Booksellers in the various towns and cities of the province should unite in arranging advertising schemes for this purpose. The catchy line, "Why not books for Christmas?" should be scattered through local newspapers, wherever it will attract the reader's eye. Neat little folders should be printed to slip in all parcels going out of the store, and attractive show cards, bearing the inscription, placed in every available space around the store and in the show window. Let "Why not Books for Christmas?" be the booksellers' slogan this year.

MAKE AMPLE PREPARATIONS.

Forethought is a great deal more valuable to the dealer than any amount of activity, when the time for action arrives. Some men pride themselves on their skill in handling emergencies, but much of this skill resolves itself into adequate preparation to meet just such emergencies. The holiday trade, which is now looming up on the bookseller and stationer's horizon, calls for early and ample preparation. Profit by past experiences and make those arrangements which you deem necessary while there is time to think and act calmly. Then, when the critical time comes, you can rest assured that you have done everything possible to make the trade a success. There is no reason why an increased business can not be transacted this year than last year.

WAS IT DISCOURTESY?

The letter of our correspondent on another page, making a protest against the discourtesy of numerous Ontario booksellers, in neglecting to make any kind of reply to the invitation of the Booksellers' Association, provides food for thought. Were these booksellers really

discourteous, or did they misunderstand the situation? It seems to us that they should be given some consideration. The association is young yet and they may not have grasped its significance. There may be a little suspicion abroad that it is a "scheme," with some ulterior motive, and under these circumstances they may be forgiven. Still, after all is said and done, it is a little distressing to the officers of the association to have the cold shoulder turned on their efforts to improve the conditions of the trade.

KEEP INFORMED.

Knowledge is power, therefore get knowledge Many people realize this, yet few put it into practice. The bookseller and stationer, who fails to keep posted on trade conditions and trade doings, is losing power and losing money at the same time. In this connection, there are two sources of information which a dealer should never neglect,—the commercial traveler and the trade newspaper. The dealer is prone to consider the first-named as a personage from whom he must, perforce, buy goods, and the second as a necessary sort of evil, costing a dollar or more a year. Such a mistake! Dealers should get value out of both traveler and trade paper. Consider them as servants and derive as much information and assistance from them as is possible.

OBSCENE POST CARDS.

A man has been arrested in Philadelphia, charged with publishing and circulating pictorial post cards of an indecent character. It is said that one New York firm had placed an order for 2,200 of these cards, and when the publisher's premises were searched by the police, other orders for lots from 100 to 8,000 cards were discovered. We have observed several comments in the public press upon the prevalence of the post card habit, which goes to show the widespread popularity of the post card. It is being recognized by the press as a firmly established social institution of great educative value. It is in this light that the press (very rightly) severely censures the

purveyors of indecent cards. The general press can do good work for the decent post card business, by encouraging the officials of both police and post office to relax not in their efforts to eliminate indecency on the part of dealers and senders, as well as by keeping a good ideal before the general public. But the most effective instrument by which the indecent post card can be suppressed, is the dealer himself. If the stationers and druggists, and other handlers of the post card in each community, were to cooperate in refusing to handle cards which they would not care for their own daughters to read, the indecent post card would quickly die. It is accessary for the continuance of the legitimate picture post card business,

THE FALL BOOKS.

A general estimate of the book lists provided by Canadian publishers for this Fall would place the standard fairly high. There is no outstanding Canadian book on the market this year, as was the case last Fall, so that Sir Gilbert Parker's new novel, both on account of the nationality of its author and its evident merits, should have a leading sale. The new Chambers' book, "The Younger Set," and stories by such popular authors as McCutcheon, Wister, Hallie Erminie Rives and Frances Hodgson Burnett, will be sure to sell well. The merits of William De Morgan's work in "John Vance" and "Alice-for-Short," which are appearing in Canadian editions, will be appreciated by booksellers and the reading public alike.

CONDENSED ADVERTISING.

That phase of advertising which is finding its expression in the pages of condensed matter appearing in the daily papers, merits the careful attention of business men. The extent to which it has been developed is one of the phenomena of the day. Magazine publishers have been slow to take it up, but they are now beginning to realize its possibilities. For some time, we have been inserting the conventional want ads. in Bookseller and Stationer, but it has occurred to us that it might be beneficial to extend the scope of this class of advertising. For instance, if supported, we intend to start an exchange column, wherein dealers can offer to make exchanges or dispositions of slow-selling or left over stock. Other kinds of advertising will follow.

THEIR FIRST ANNUAL

At this interval, we can look back on the first annual meeting of the Ontario Booksellers' and Stationers' Association with greater accuracy of judgment than was possible immediately after the meeting. What at the time appeared discouraging, begins to resolve itself into something different. There was reason for regret that more members and friends did not attend the meeting, but even had there been more present, it is doubtful whether any further business would have been accomplished anyway. The organization is now complete, and, we believe, it has the general support of the trade. So far so gdod. Next year, when the time for the annual gathering comes round, it should be an easy matter to double or even treble this year's attendance.

Moral Ventilation

By W. P. Warren

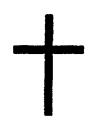
The mental and moral atmosphere of a business deserves ample consideration; it is a matter of great importance to the development of the individual.

A man who has been employed in an office where progressiveness and good feeling prevailed left to take a position at a much higher salary with another concern. But he quickly learned that the spirit of the new place was not like that of the old one. Men quarreled with each other over trifles, the manager was gruff and overhearing, the conversation was either made up of criticising each other or of matters equally unwholesome. The man soon discovered that the additional salary was more than offset by the unrefining influences, and

he was glad of an opportunity to return to his old position at his former salary.

Many men get started in the wrong kind of business atmosphere and do not always realize that there are places where things are very different; and not appreciating this, they do not make the effort to get into a better atmosphere or to purify the one they are in. Instead, they spend a large portion of their lives under conditions as unwholesome as a closed room in summer.

When a man gets a "better offer" in salary, let him not fail to give attention to the motal atmosphere, for it may have a far greater influence on his career than any increase in salary can have.



Catholic Prayer Books, Etc.

We wish to emphasize to the trade that we are specialists in our line and, therefore, are best able to advise you what to stock with. Our lines are beyond question in the excellence of their get-up. It will be to your advantage if you wait for our traveller or drop us a request postal.

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Booksellers and Stationers

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The Busy Man's Magazine

a prominent place in their magazine displays. The news stand sale is increasing at a phenomenal rate. It is a ready seller, and the profits are large. It needs only to be introduced to be appreciated. Order from your News Company on a fully returnable basis.

The Busy Man's Magazine

Montreal, Toronto, Winnipeg, London, Eng.

A NOTABLE NEW AUTHOR

To how many literary men, we wonder, is it given to "arrive," with a first attempt in faction, at the age of sixty seven, as Mr. de Morgan has done f Born in 1840, he published his first novel in 1906. As he himself says. It is unlikely that there has ever been such a case before. The author of "Joseph Vance" and "Alice for Short," has been hailed by reviewers as a "coming novelist" with a great future. He has already established a reputation any novelist with a long list of successes behind him might well be proud of. Given five more years of work, Mr. Morgan must of necessity increase that reputation, and widen the already large circle of his admirers.

Mr. de Morgan comes of a family in which brains have ever been a prominent characteristic. His father was Professor Augustus de Morgan, who preceded Karl Pearson in the Chair of Applied Mathematics, at University College, London, and it was at University College School, that Mr. de Morgan received his education.

To those who have read "Alice for Short," it will be interesting to learn that the character of Charles Heath, though in no sense a portrait, is full of reminiscences of the author's own life. Charles was first a painter, then an artist in stained glass, then a writer. Except that he has also been an artist in ceramics, this is precisely what Mr. de Morgan has done.

Several years of comparatively unsuccessful work as a painter led Mr. de Morgan to try his hand on stained glass. Again we see how the experiences of his artist's life gave him subject matter for his books, the books that he never imagined he would write, but which he was realty born to write. Mr. de Morgan next turned his attention to ceramics, and in this field of art he at last began to make something of a name.

Although for forty years after his early boyish attempts at writing, Mr. de Morgan never put pen to paper, in his early manhood he took a keen interest in comtemporary literature, though later it ceased to have any interest for him. Indeed, he naively confesses to a complete ignorance of the work of living writers.

In Mr. de Morgan's work, the influence of Dickens is certainly predominant. The workmanship of "Joseph Vance" and "Alice for Short," seems almost like a thi w-back to the methods of a period half a century behind us. Nowadays the novel reader is startled when he comes across a story that covers six hundred pages of small type. Especially do Mr. de Morgan's almost unique powers of observation and description recall Charles Dickens, while in the knowledge of men that he displays he bids fair to rival Thackeray. It would indeed be hard to find two books in which all the characters were so human, so intensely living.

CAMEOS REPORTED SCARCE.

There is, it is reported, a great scarcity of cameos in both Europe and America now, owing to the gradual dying off of the old cameo cutters. The old stock is diminishing rapidly on account of the craze for the oldfashioned jewelry and few cameos are being made. Jewelers say that practically their only source of supply is to buy them from private owners and cameos have consequently advanced greatly in price. It is not the stone itself that constitutes the cameo, but the method of cutting, as they are small sculptures, executed in low relief. There are emetald cameos, turquoise cameos, shell cameos, coral cameos, etc., and nearly all precious stones except diamonds have been so used. The emerald is the most common precious stone from which cameos have been made. Banded onyx is generally used for cameo work because of its hardness and coloring.

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Professor CHARLES G. D. ROBERTS'S

The Haunters of Silences

With 62 illustrations (4 reproduced in colors) by Charles Livingston Bull. \$2.00

"Of all the nature writers he is by far the most charming, the most literary, and the most interesting, (N.Y. Saturday Times Review). We swear by the whole book, (N.Y. Sun). There is always the dignity of reality in his animal stories, (Buffalo News). He is king in this field of literary achievement. His other stories were models, unsurpassed until by his latest work. (New Haven Journal) It remained for him to crystallize, in a series of vibrant character studies, told with power, insight and sympathy, the salient features of the horizonless life of the animal world. (The Bookman) Whatever of verbal or poetical embroidery or picturesque description is woven into the stories only adds to their charm and fascination. (Brooklyn Eagle). Poet Laureate of the animal world, he displays the keenest powers of observation closely intermingled with a fine imaginative discretion. His poetic feeling for nature and the niceties of his language rank him as a stylist of the highest class. (Boston Transcript). As the Landseer of literature he is the ideal biographer of the animal world. These are fascinating stories of animal life. (Boston Herald)."

NEW NOVELS OF INTEREST TO BE PUBLISHED IN SEPTEMBER

Mr. ROBERT NEILSON STEPHEN'S last romance.

CLEMENTINA'S HIGHWAYMAN

With six illustrations in colors by Adelaide Everhart. \$1.50

A dashing, sparking, vivacious, comedy in which the heroine is as lovely and as changeable as an April day and the hero all ardor and daring. The exquisite quality of Mr. Stephen's literary style clothes the tale in most delicate word-fabric, and never before have his setting and atmosphere been so perfect.

Mr. NATHAN GALLIZIER'S

THE SORCERESS OF ROME

With four drawings in colors by The Kenneys. \$1.50

The author has used the love story of Otto III, and Stephania as the main theme of the second book of his triology of romances on the mediaeval life of Italy. In detail and finish the story is a brilliant piece of work, even superior in its color, absorbing action and sumptious word-painting to its predecessor, "Castel del Monte."

MR. EDWARD H. HURST'S

Mystery Island

Frontispiece in colors by Griswald Tyng. \$1.50

By the marder of one of their number in a lunting camp on a swampy island in the Florida Everglades the secret of egress is lost and the campers find themselves marooned. Cut off from civilization the conventional venera is soon worn away, and an unusual and difficult plot is developed. The author handles the situation between the men and the woman with skill and a fine deheavy.

MR, GROVER CLAY'S

HESTER OF THE HILLS

Frontispiece in colors by Griswald Tyng. \$1.50

This novel with the publishers believe, cause much discussion. It has a motif which is new both to real life and fiction, and which should prove absorbingly interesting to all those who believe in the approaching treedom of man from inherited tendencies and unnatural laws.

L. C. PAGE & COMPANY (At All BOSTON

NEWS THE BOOK WORLD

BEST SELLING BOOKS

The best sellers for Canada and the United States during the past month are recorded herewith. The lists vary considerably from each other, as might be expected. The leading seller in the United States is hardly known vet in Canada

Canadian Summary.

- The Brass Bowl. By L. J. Vance.
 Running Water. By A. E. W. Mason.
- 3. The Younger Set. By R. W. Chambers.
- 4. Songs of a Sourdough, By R. W. Service.
- 5. Princess Virginia. By C. N. and A. M. Williamson.
- 6. Captain of the Kansas. By Louis Tracy.

United States Summary.

- 1. Lady of Decoration. Lattle. Century.
- 2. Brass Bowl, L. J. Vance. Bobbs-Merrill.
- 3. The Scarlet Car. Davis. Scribner.
- 4. Alice for Short. Dr. Morgan. Holt.
- 5. The Mayor's Wife, Green, Bobbs-Merrill,
- 6. Beatrix of Clare. Scott. Lippincott.

FALL ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR 1907.

Following the custom established several years ago, we have gathered together information about the various book lists, announced for publication this fall by the leading publishers of Canada and the United States. The information has been placed under the heading of the publishers for easy reference.

A. C. McClurg & Co.

The leading book of fiction on A. C. McClurg & Co.'s list is "Beth Norvell," by Randall Parrish, of which a Canadian edition is being issued by William Briggs, Toronto.

Following it comes "The Crimson Conquest," by Charles B. Hudson, a love story. From the exploits of the fiery Pizarro and the loyal and determined defence of the hosts of the Inca Kings to the gentle and loving deeds of the royal Inca princess, the author has built a pageant of unique and splendid proportions.

"The Real Agatha," by Edith Huntington Mason, announced for November 23, is a tale of the unusual adventures of two young men and an heiress. It is a mos. cleverly constructed mystery. (\$1,00 net).

"For Maisie," by Katharine Tynan, an English story, and "A Book of Joys," by Lucy Fitch Perkins, are books that will be of special interest to girls.

"Immensec," by Theodore Storm, is a translation of a standard German classic, which is likely to appeal to the thousands of readers for whom Max Muller's "Memories" has become a household word. (\$1.75 net).

"Our Country Home," by Frances Kinsley Hutchinson, is a chronicle of the planning, the building and the arrangement of an attractive country place, with notes on the succession of flowers, shrubs, birds, and other animate life. (\$2.00 net).

In literary titles, the McClurg list has the following: "With Wordsworth in England," by Anna B. McMahan; "Literary Rambles in France," by M. Betham-Edwards;

"Shakespeare's Christmas Gift to Queen Bess," by Anna B. McMahan: "The Lincoln Year Book," compiled by Wallace Rice, and "The Franklin Year Book," compiled by the same writer.

Books of travel and description concained in the list are: "Venico" by Pompeo Molmenti: "The Grent Plains," by Randall Parrish. "A Handbook of the Philippines," by Hamilton M. Wright.

A biography of "Thomas Gainsborough," by William D. Bolton: "How to Identify Old Chinese Porcelain," by Mrs. Willoughby Hodgson, "Old Oak Furniture," by Fred Roe, and "Dame Curtsey's Book of Novel Entertainments for Every Day in the Year," will be found of interest.

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A splendid list of fiction, numbering twenty-five titles. and of miscellaneous books, to the number of thirteen, comprises the Copp. Clark Co.'s fall list. Of these, several books have already appeared, though the majority have yet to be published.

The leading book on the list will undoubtedly be Sir Gilbert Parker's. "The Weavers." which will appear late this month. Like all Sir Gilbert's work, it is a well-con-



Sir Gilbert Parker Author of "The Weavers," Copp. Clark Co.

ceived and strongly written story, and will at once rank among his best productions. (\$1.50).

A second strong title will be "The Shuttle," by Mrs. Frances Hodgson Burnett, a story which has been running serially in the Century Magazine, and has created widespread interest. (\$1.50).

Of the books already published, probably the most remarkable is "The Shulamite," by Alice and Claude Askew- a story of a beautiful Boer woman and the tragedy that entered her life far out on the South African

veldt. An appreciation of the story appears elsewhere in this number. (\$1.25).

Every season the Copp Clark Co present new titles by a number of standard novelists, notably Oppenheim, Oxenham, Hocking, Pemberton, Le Quex, etc., and all these novelists are represented this fall. The new Oppenheim will bear the title, "The Conspirators"; Oxenham's new story is entitled "Carette of Sark," a tale of the Channel Islands; Hocking's, "The Trampled Cross"; Pemberton's, "The Lodestar," and Le Queux's, "The Count's Chauffeur." All these books sell at \$1.25.

"Garrison's Finish," by W. B. M. Ferguson, a racing story, and "Champion." by John Colin Dano, a motor story, are two new American stories of breezy interest, recently published in \$1.50 editions. Both are well illustrated, while the cover design of "Champion," depicting Elsie Janis, driving a motor car, is stunning.

Already published are "The Woman," by Antonio Fogazzaro: "The Traitor," by Thos. Dixon, jr.; "Patricia at the Inn." by J. C. Snaith; "The Night Riders," by Ridgwell Cullum, and "A Shepherd of the Stars," by Mrs. Campbell, to which reference is made in the review columns.

On the list of titles yet to appear are "Ross Dur-



MARY CHOLMONDELEY
Whose novel "Prisoners" has just been issued in a paper
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ham," by David Lyall; "Thou Fool," by J. J. Bell; "A Fatal Dose," by F. M. White; "The Rose of Blenheim," by Morice Gerard; "Under the Southern Cross," by Elizabeth Robins; "The Noble Company," a Canadian story, by R. R. Wilson; "The Call of the Deep," by Frank T. Bullen; "A Colonel From Wyoming," by J. A. H. Cameron a Nova Scotian writer, and "The Helpmate," by May Sinclair. (\$1.25). On the list are also new novels by Madame Albanesi and J. A. Stenart.

The juveniles for this fall are five in number, and are well selected. First comes "Ozma of Oz," by Frank Baum; then "In Shadowtown," containing beautiful photographic studies by L. G. Day; then "Nursery Rhymes from Mother Goose," by L. G. Wiederseim; "The Rhyme of a Run," by Florence Harrison, illustrated by Hassall, and "The Teddy Bears," by Adah Louise Sutton.

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"Days Off," is a new book of essays by Henry Van Dyke uniform in binding with "The Blue Flower," and "The Buling Passion," etc. (\$1.50). "The Making of a Personality," is a new gift book by Bliss Carman.

Duffield & Co.

Duffield & Co. have just published a novel by Richard Pryce called "The Successor," which has already gone through five editions in England. The same firm also publish "Houses for Town or Country," by William Herbert, containing practical suggestions for home builders, "House Health," essays by Dr. Norman Bridge, and a new illustrated pocket edition of a two-volume humorous collection called "American Humor in Prose" and "American Humor in Verse."

"Three Weeks" is the title of the new novel by Elinor Glyn, which Duffield & Co. are publishing. The book raised a storm of discussion in England and in the American edition the authoress has inserted an introduction, in which she replies to her critics.

Duffield & Co. have always been strong in children's books and this fall they have a list of four titles that will appeal to the youngsters. "The Bed-time Book," by Helen Hay Whitney (\$1.50), contains colored illustrations by Jessie Wilcox Smith. "Boys and Girls from Thackeray," "A Child's Story of Hans Christian Andersen," and "Stories from the Old Testament for Children," are all prettily illustrated. The Duffield list also contains a new edition of "The Happy Heart Family." by Virginia Gerson.

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Musson Book Co.

The leading title in Musson's fall fiction is the new Williamson story, called "The Car of Destiny." The scene of the story is laid in Spain at the time of the recent coronation, and it is said by English critics to surpass in interest and literary power anything that has yet issued from the pens of these authors. (\$1.25.)

In "Arizona Nights," by Stewart Edward White, the author has collected the series of stories which have been running for the past year in McClure's Magazine. Some of his best work will be found in them. (\$1.25.)

Other titles on Musson's fall list include the new Anthony Hope story called "Helena's Path"; "The Adventurer," by Lloyd Osbourne; "Kilo," by Ellis Parker Butler, "Susan," by Ernest Oldmendow; "Fair Margaret." by H. Rider Haggard; "The Way of a Man," by Emerson Hough: "Bar 20," by Clarence E. Mulford, and "The Lady of the Decoration," by Francis Little.

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L. C. Page & Co. announce four strong novels for publication this month. The leading title is "Clementina's Highwayman," by Robert Neilson Stephens, whose romantic novels are familiar to many readers. In this new novel we are introduced to a charming and vivacious heroine and an ardent hero. The style is Mr. Stephens' best. Color illustrations are supplied by Adelaide Everhart. (\$1.50).

"The Sorceress of Rome," is the second of a triology of romances on the mediaeval life of Italy by Nathan Gallizier. The love story of Otto III. and Stephania is its main theme. In detail and finish the story is a brilliant piece of work, a worthy successor to the earlier work, "Castel del Monte." (\$1.50).

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Henry Frowde, in addition to his Canadian edition of "Joseph Vance," by William de Morgan, is to bring out an edition of that author's second novel, "Alice for Short." The latter story has an early Victorian setting, in suburban London. It begins with the story of a beer jug, which after coming to smash, is reconstituted and translated to the leisured dignity of a collector's cabinet. The rest is a sort of "Alice in Dickens' Land," introducing numerous remarkable characters.

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Among the other juveniles issued by this firm are: "Uncle Remus and Br'er Rabbit, by Joel Chandler Harris (\$1.); "The Stories That Glue Told," and "The Fun That Glue Made," by Clara A. Williams; "The New Mother Goose"; "The Fire Fighters," and "The Teddy Bears."

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New editions of Stewart Edward White's stories "The Blazed Trail," and "The Silent Places," are an nounced in cloth at 50 cents and paper at 25 cents.

William Briggs.

William Briggs will have ready this month most of the titles to be found on his fall list. This year the Briggs' list is notable for the beautifully illustrated volumes that it contains. "The Daughter of Anderson Crow," by George Barr McCutcheon, in addition to having a charming cover design, has fourteen full-page illustrations and fifty three outline drawings. "Beth Norvell," by Randall Parrish, has a strikingly original cover and a frontispiece in color by N. C. Wyeth "My Lady Caprice," by Jeffery Farnol, in its dainty box, is one of the prettiest book creations of the season.

"Delicia." the new Marie Corelli book, will be ready

this month, as will also a new story by William le Quoux, entitled "Whosoever Loveth." At the end of the month will be issued "Light Fingered Gentry," in which David Graham Phillips tells a story of the insurance investigation.

In juveniles, William Briggs has two notable books. "The Monarchs of Merry England," from William I to Richard III, written by Roland Carse and illustrated by W., Heath Robinson, (\$1.50)1 and "Billy Bunce," by Alton Towers, with illustrations in color by II. Rountree, (1.50). Both are English books.

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With the September issue, the Red Book of Chicago inaugurates a special department devoted to automobile news, hints, etc., under the heading, "The How and Why of Motoring". It is conducted by E. Ralph Estep, who is said to be an authority on the subject.

The De Luxe Magazine is announced to appear from New Orleans in October. Allen Bateman & Co. are the publishers. It will be a literary publication, printed simultaneously in English and Spanish. The Spanish edition will be circulated in Mexico, Central America and South America.

All former subscribers to the defunct Times Magazine are to receive the Broadway Magazine during the term of their unexpired subscriptions. With the marked advance that the latter publication has made during the past year, this airangement should prove a satisfactory one to all concerned.

The fiftieth anniversary of the Atlantic Monthly is to be issued in November. It will include articles by three ex-editors—the late Thomas Bailey Aldrich, William Dean Howells, and Walter H. Page; and also reminiscent essays by J. T. Trowbridge and Charles Eliot Norton. No magazine has done more for American literature in its highest sense than the Atlantic, and no American magazine receives a larger amount of cultivated European appreciation. This semi-centennial should be the subject of international congratulation.

Early in September, there will appear in London the first number of a woman's magazine, called The Woman

Worker. It will be edited by Miss Macarthur, who is well known among English women organizers.

Many informing articles appear in the September number of Chambers's Journal. It is strange that this unique 'magazine has not a larger circulation in this country. Surely it only needs to be introduced by book-sellers to find ready sales. Note the following articles: "Lovers of Books," "In the Formosan Camphor-Forests," "Dick Seddon," "Romance of India-Rubber," "Wreckers of the Breton Coast," "The Complete Journalist." "In and Around Port Sudan," etc.

Putnam's Magazine will contain for October an essay on "Organized Labor," by Cardinal Gibbons; the first of a series of interpretations of Shakespearean parts, by Tommaso Salvini; the first of a series of three groups of hitherto unpublished letters of Longfellow; "A Lay Sermon to Americans," by Governor Hughes; a now story by Maurice Hewlett, etc.

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In Ward, Lock & Co.'s list appear "The Leather " by Ambrose Pratt; "The Mystery of the Unicorn," by Sir William Magnay, "The Little Anarchis." by Arthur W. Marchmont, and "The Black Butterfly," by W. A. Mackenzie.

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W. Pett Ridge is publishing with Methuen & Co., "Name of Garland," a story of London and Londoners.

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The following additions to the world's classics are announced by Mr. Henry Frowde, as on the eve of publication: Butler's "Analogy," edited by Mr. Gladstone; Cervantes' "Don Quixote" (Jervas' translation, in two volumes), edited by Mr. J. Fitzmaurice Kelly: Smollett's "Travels Through France and Italy," with introduction by Mr. T. Seccombe: Fielding's "Journal of a Voyage to Lisbon," with introduction and notes by Mr. Austin Dobson; and the first volume of the copyright reprints of Ruskin (Ruskin House editions, by an arrangement with Mr. George Allen) consisting of "Sesame and Lillies," and "The Ethics of the Dust."

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The Caxton Publishing Co. announce the issue of a new edition of Justin McCarthy's "History of Our Own Times," illustrated in seven volumes. The narrative is brought down to the accession of Edward VII.

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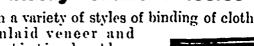




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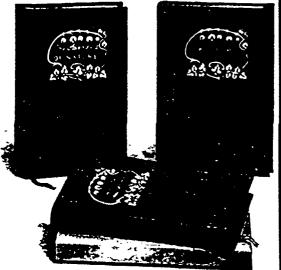


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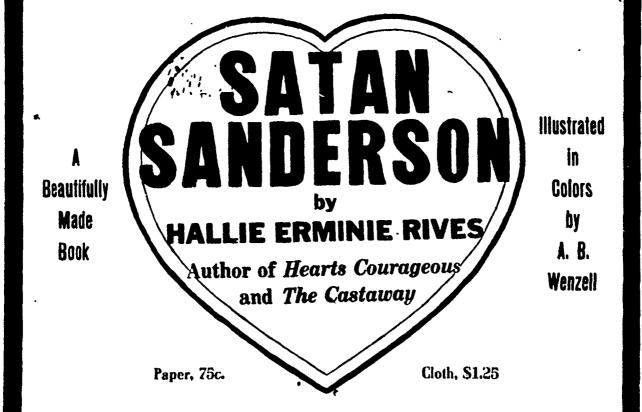
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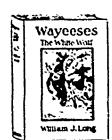
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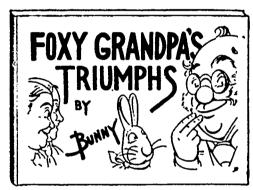
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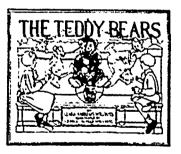


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Recipients of invitations to the church ceremony who do not attend, should send cards to the bride's home on the day of the ceremony.

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The receipt of a wedding announcement requires no acknowledgement, its issue being merely a matter of courteous formality, and the means adopted to apprise relatives and friends of the marriage.

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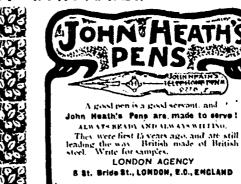
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BOOSTING STATIONERY SALES.

One of the noticeable tendencies in city stationery stores is that of having a special line of writing tablets or boxed papers, with a box or cover design peculiar to the individual store, and containing the stationer's name as a prominent feature. Several stores have recently been observed to have special window displays featuring such lines. From the increase in the number of stationers adopting the plan, it becomes obvious that it is a paying proposition. One stationer told the writer that he made a good, steady year-round profit by means of his own special line of tablets, boxed papers, scribbling and exercise books.

Recently the manager of the stationery department of a large city department store had the following to say about the profit making qualities of special packages of envelopes and papers, which may be of use to readers of Bookseller and Stationer:

"In special packages of paper and envelopes, I find that a parcel containing one hundred sheets of the former and seventy-five of the latter is one of my best sellers. This I put up at a price of 50 cents per package, and find that I am getting substantial repeats on it, meantime making numerous new customers for this particular item. I find that the proportion of seventy-five envelopes to one hundred sheets of paper works out very nicely. At least, I have not had any complaints on that score as yet.

"When it comes to holiday lines, I am inclined to make a splurge in purchasing, because these offer an unusually substantial margin of profit, and appear to be constantly growing in popularity from year to year.

"As a result of advertising my special packages of paper I have, upon occasions, found that as many as one hundred mail orders were received immediately following the newspaper announcement, and I can always see substatuial results in the department."

For customers who have heavy correspondence, pound packages of paper have been found good sellers. Another department store stationery man said about the pound packet of stationery: "An item which I find an excellent trade builder for the stationery department is pound packages of paper. At the present time I am having quite a run on packages put up to retail for 15 cents each

a parcel which I have been offering to the store's customers long enough for them to have demonstrated to me by their repeat purchases that its popularity will continue."

The same gentleman is a great believer in novelty in papeteries. He says: "I always welcome every new brand of stationery, because I tind these answer an excellent purpose among whimsical enstoiners or women of individuality. Women tire of a style of stationery just as quickly as dress materials, etc., and for this reason the stationery department stocks should be made up of sufficient variety to be able to satisfy them with something new all the time.

"Fancy papeteries of a holiday nature show, larger assortment, and are better sellers from season to season, each year showing decided increases over its predecessor. Lines of this kind are good profit makers for the department, and their possibilities are not exhausted by any means. Of these I make it a point to purchase heavily and in large assortments, because I realize fully that their sales are increasing yearly. Monogram paper is also a good item, and, where properly handled, will be found to sell well throughout the entire year.

"The stationery buyer should make a careful study of the situation in his locality and secure a well-selected stock of the kind that he considers will be most appropriate for retailing in his section."

WEAR AND TEAR IN LIBRARIES.

The wear and tear of books, especially of books of general reference, must always be excessive in modern, public libraries; and, no doubt, it will become more and more excessive. The leisurely days of libraries are gone; the man who comes to verify references is generally in a hurry, and he has little regard for the dignity of literature. The bibliophile's tender handling of his favorites is to the reference-hunter an amiable weakness not to be encouraged. He rushes at his book, tears it open, and cuts its heart out. Some books are literally thumbed out of existence.—Sir E. M. Thompson, in Cornhill.

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HERE AND THERE AMONG THE STATIONERS

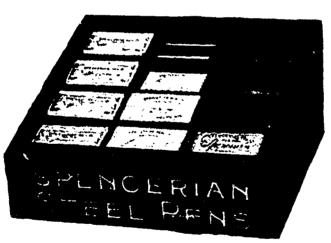
Items of Interest to the Trade Gathered from Various Sources.

The Copp, Clark Co., Toronto, have on their show tables several new lines of papeteries that should interest the trade. "In Merry England" is a long-shaped box prettily decorated, with a picture of an English maypole dance. The paper is packed in quires in two shades, blue and white, and the boxes retail at 25 cents.

Another 25-cent box is "The Minuet," showing on the cover a picture of two dancers. The paper is heliotrope, edged with gold. Each box contains a stick of sealing wax.

At 50 cents, there is a box called "Repousse Lawn." The cover opens back on a hinge. This box comes in two sizes and contains two shades of paper.

"Gems from Nature" is still another pretty 25-cent box with handsome cover design. It contains upple finish paper in two colors. The same quality of paper, edged with gold and tied with ribbon, is to be found in a box called "Apollo Casket," which also retails at 25 cents.



Show Case Free with 9 Gross Pens (Copts, Clark Co.)

The Copp, Clark Co. have just put on the market a new medium-priced linen tablet called Alaskan Bond. This tablet comes in octavo and quarto sizes and has a tasty lithographed top.

A new display box containing penholders and pens is being shown by the Copp, Clark Co. The box has a glass top, contains three dozen holders, and one hundred and twenty pens. A box can be purchased for 90 cents, and dealers can sell a holder and 4 pens for five cents, making a neat profit.

"Rubout" is the name of a new craser just put in stock by the Copp, Clark Co. It is made of vegetable matter, treated by a new process. The craser is said to save laundry, as it can be used in cleaning collars and cuffs. It retails at 5 cents.

The Copp. Clark Co. are showing a new substitute for mucilage. It is called "Gloy" and is done up in bottles of two sizes. It is a very strong adhesive and a little

goes a long way. Five ounce bottle costs \$1.75 per dozen, and the ten ounce bottle, \$2.75 per dozen.

A new line of confetti is being shown by the Copp. Clark Co., called "The Honeymoon Package." It is done up in a neat paper box, decorated with an inscription in silver and tied with a white ribbon. It can be sold at 25 cents a box. They also have a large stock of ordinary confetti packed in dust proof boxes.

The travelers of the Copp, Clark Co. started out this week on their respective routes with samples of Scribner's pictures. These pictures, to which reference has been made before, deserve the careful attention of the trade, especially at this time of the year.

The Copp, Clark Co. have secured a line of valentines for 1908 which they consider the most complete they have ever handled. They comprise all the different styles of manufacture, including hand-painted, lithographed and printed.

A splendid new line of tally cards has been secured by the Copp. Clark Co. for the fall and winter trade. They also have in stock complete lines of bridge and 500 sets ranging from \$9 to \$27 per dozen. Their stock of Congress and Goodall's playing eards is complete.

Charles Goodall & Son, Limited, of London, whose Canadian representative is A. O. Hurs., of 24 Scott street. Toronto have issued a catalogue of their various series of playing cards. The series shown are Salon, King Edward, Queen Alexandra, National, Clan Tartan, Sonvenir, Colonials, Whist, Linette, Society, Sultans, Ocean to Ocean, and Montreal and Quebec Sonvenir. The catalogue illustrations show just what each design is like, and offer an almost limitless range to choose from. Various card table accessories are also shown, such as cardholders, bridge scorers dominoes, etc.

A TRAVELER'S CHANGE.

James T. Swift, who for the past fifteen years has represented the Copp. Clark Co. on the road, latterly covering Western Ontario for them, has resigned his position to become connected with the E. H. Harcourt Co., Toronto, Mr. Swift holds considerable stock in this company, and will take charge of the selling end of the business. He will go on the road and cover the whole of Ontario.

Mr. Swift is well and favorably known to the trade in Ontario, through a connection covering a considerable number of years. He first learned the stationery business with W. J. Gage & Co., and after serving his time in the office went on the road for that firm. Fifteen years ago he joined the traveling staff of the Copp. Clark Co.

The E. H. Harcourt Co. intend to make a specialty of writing tablets and school blanks. These, with pass-books and flags, will comprise the lines which Mr. Swift will carry. As the Harcourt Co. are manufacturers solely and not jobbers, they will be able to sell goods at low prices.

THE IDLE MOMENT.

"Is the proprietor in?" asked the visitor,

"No sir," replied the office boy.

"Is he in the city ?"

"Yes, sir."

"Will he be back soon?"

"No, sir."

"To-night ?"

"No, sir."

"To-morrow sometime?"

"No. sir."

"Did he leave any word for Mr. Brown ?"

"No, sir."

The stranger looked at the office boy sharply. "When did he go?"

"Yesterday afternoon."

"Didn't say when he'd be back?"

"No, sir.'

"Well, where the dickens is he?"

"At the undertaker's."

"What's the matter?"

"He's dead."

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Customer: "I want some kind of a door-spring-one that won't get out of order."

Hardware Dealer: "A door spring?"

Customer: "Yes, and one that won't require the strength of an elephant to open."

Dealer: "Hem!"

Customer: "And yet it must be strong enough to bring the door all the way to, and not leave it swinging open a couple of inches."

Dealer "I see."

Customer: "And when the door closes I don't want it to ram shut like a catapult, with a crash that shake-the house from its foundations."

Dealer: "Yes: you want one that will bring the door all the way to, and yet do it gently."

Customer: "That's the idea. But I don't want any complicated arrangement that requires a skilled mechanic to attend to it."

Dealer: "No, of course not; you want something simple, yet strong and effective."

Customer: "That's the thing, something that can be put on or taken off easily; something that will do its

work quietly yet thoroughly, and won't be eternally getting out of order."

Dealer: "I see, I know exactly what you want, sir, just exactly."

Customer: "Well show me one."

Dealer . "We don't keep door springs,"

"Can't you settle this bill to-day, sir?" asked the

tailor of the delinquent M.P.

"No, Snip; it wouldn't be parliamentary. I've merely glanced over it, you know, and I can't pass a bill until after its third teading."

A business man recently engaged a new office boy, whose intellect was not of the brightest. One evening the master left the office, omitting to post a rather important letter.

Next morning he remembered the letter, but on ar riving at his office, it was nowhere to be seen. He had a distinct recollection of laying the letter on his desk. He summoned the boy, and asked him if he had seen the letter

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"Yessir, you left it on your desk,"

"Then where is it now?"

"I posted it, sir "

"You posted it! Why, I had not put the name and address on the envelope Γ "

"Just so, sir! I thought at was one of those anony mous letters."

Instead of a coal porter, he had become a coal exporter, and he might have been seen any day doing the grand in a big scaport town, for he had made money

A proud woman was his mother, for she was a humble collier's widow, "Iss, indeed, Meggie," she said to a friendly neighbor, "my boy's come on fine, and does me proud."

"A regular gentleman, I don't doubt," said Meg, with a sarcastic smile and a toss of her head. "They do say 'e smokes cigars,"

"Ah! that he does," agreed his mother with pride, an' wot d'ye think o' his latest? Why, in his last letter 'e was tellin' me 'ow 'e'd just got the gout There's nothin' that boy o' mine won't 'ave if 'e wants it!"

OCTOBER WEDDINGS

are now the most fashionable. Only a little more than six weeks away. Are you ready for the invitation demand? The stock you furnish your trade should be the very best, to be in Keeping with the great event. The successful stationer handles Crane's Weddings, for they are the most perfect papers made and are always satisfactory to the exacting bride-to-be. Advertise the fact that you handle the Crane Weddings, the best made in the world. It will help your prestige and bring you better profits.

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PHOTO SUPPLY DEPARTMENT

WORKING UP INTEREST.

There is nothing like system in handling a photo supply department or in any other kind of a business. There is no means of knowing whether the photo supply department is paying or not, unless its accounts are kept separately from the accounts of the stationer's general business. This is so obvious that it seems hardly worth while mentioning it. Yet a stationer going in for photo supplies as a side line in a small way to begin with, is prone to let it mix in with the general business. The consequence is that it is almost impossible to tell at the end of any given period whether the photo supply department pays its way or whether it is a source of loss.

The value of system in handling cus, omers of the photo supply department cannot be over estimated. They must be continually kept informed of new things added to the stock. Many manufacturers and jobbers get out literature in pamphle, form, telling of things new in the line of developing and printing papers, and the other necessaries of the amateur's outfit, which are available for the dealer in any quantity. This literature should be kept before the amateur continually, with the dealer's name and address prominently featured.

A list of amateur photographers in the locality should be compiled and kept up to date, so that no possible buyer of supplies should be overlooked. How to get a good list is something of a problem. The contest suggested in Bookseller and Stationer some time ago is a good way to solve the problem.

A contest can take many forms. But probably the best of all ways is to ux upon some given subject and let the contest hinge on that. For instance, suppose there is to be an old boys' reunion or some other public function in the town, a; which a big crowd of people is expected to congregate. Two or three weeks before the event is to take place advertise both in newspaper and window that you are offering three prizes for the three best photographs of the event, taken with a certain size of camera and printed upon some specific brand of printing paper. The competition should, of course, be strictly confined to amateurs. Advertise that the three winning pictures will be on view in your window for such and such a time, together with all the "honorable mentions," Competitions of this kind will awaken up a desire to conquer in the breast of the enthusiastic amateur, will awaken the lukewarm to enthusiasm and will beget new amateurs.

The most indispensable necessity of a competition of any kind is vigorous publicity. You can't advertise the event too hard or too much. Another indispensable necessity is fairness in judging. For this purpose, competent men-preferably three of some public prominence should be secured. In advertising, the prizes to be awarded should be on view some time before the competition, in your window. They should be prizes of some value, and one properly chargeable to the advertising account. A window trim containing the prizes to be awarded for some competition, always draws the crowd to the window. Your name becomes for the time a household word in the homes containing amateurs that are or would be.

There is a stationer in a progressive town not far from Toronto, who has organized or organizes freshly every year- a boy's baseball league. He provides the annual prize arranges the dates for the matches and sells all the bats and balls. His name and place of business are well known to every boy in the town, who never thinks of going anywhere else although there are other stationers there—for anything they need in the line of sporting goods.

A photographic competition can be turned into a good thing for the picture postcard department. The enterprising stationer (if the town is of a fairly reasonable size), can get the three winning pictures engraved and get his friend the printer to print a fair number of post cards. They should contain particulars of the event, the name of the photographer, and whether it is first, second or third prize, by way of superscription. They will sell well in sets of three (at a price determined by cost of getting up), because the townspeople will be delighted to send them away to former residents of or visitors to the town. They can also be added to the regular stock of local view cards.

The writer was recently in the post office of a little village of about 400 population in an eastern county. Some few days before con the twelfth of July, to be exact—an Orangemen's picnic had been held in the village, and the village postmas er had photographed the procession. He had made it known to the participants in the parade and to others, that he would shortly have that photograph for sale at five cents per copy, in the shape of picture post cards. Now, the writer was only in the post office about five minutes, and during that time three farmers came in and wanted to know if he had "them picture post cards done yet." There is no doubt that picture post cards of popular public evens command a widespread interest and enjoy a healthy sale.

SNAP SHOT ALBUMS.

The Copp. Clark Co., Toronto, are showing some Kodak albums in which amateurs can preserve their snap shots. "Tere are six differ in styles, all nearly decorated. In some of them the prints are slipped in in a similar way to the ordinary photograph album. In others, the leaf containing the openings is pasted down on the back. These albums retail from 15 cents to \$1.20 each. Dealers would do well to have some of them in stock for Xmas trade.

STATIONERS AT THE EXHIBITION.

Among the booksellers and stationers noticed in Toronto during Exhibition weeks, were J. W. Jameson, Carmen, Manutoha; A. J. Johnston, Sarnia; E. S. Brown, Collingwood; R. M. Pit's, Cornwell; Miss C. Anderson, Gnelph; W. H. Buckley, Niagara Falls; W. S. Brown, Prescott; J. H. Kenner, Stratford; D'Alton Campbell, Gravenhurst; W. A. Douglas, Collorne, N. C. Polson, Kingston; F. Cubitt, Peterboro, W. W. Holmes, London; H. W. Ralph, Dundas; W. S. Loggie, Chatham, N.B.

Have You Considered the Value of a Bright Little Condensed Advertisement?

If you have on your shelves unsaleable stock or slow-moving lines, why not Try a condensed ad, in Bookseller and Stationer? It will be read by hundreds of dealers all over Canada and may find you a purchaser.

Perhaps you have goods to exchange. Advertise the fact. A first insertion only costs two-cents a word, and you can say a lot in twenty-five words.

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TRADE ACTIVITIES.

Harry W. Pew, druggist, of Niagara Falls, Out., recently suffered loss-by fire.

H. W. Thompson, Goderich, druggist and stationer has sold out.

W. Shaw, dookseller and news dealer, of Calgary, Alta., has assigned to Adam Fish.

F. C. Eisher, music and inusical instrument dealer, of Hamilton, has sold-out to T. Anderson.

J. W. Smith, druggist and stationer, of North Bay, recently was unfortunate in being burned out.

J. M. Peters & Co., fancy goods merchants, of Ottawa, have given up-business.

W. J. Mawhinney, druggist and stationer, of Somerset, Sask, has moved his husiness to Maymont, Sask.

P. S. Thomas, Sturgeon Ealls, drugs, jewelry and fancy goods has assigned to R. S. Graham, of Hamilton.

J. Alf. Gusy, of 283 St. Joseph street, Quebec, post-card-degler, has just returned-from-an-extended-European true.

Mrs. Johnek. Arnold-has-disposed-of-the-drug-aid-stationery-business which-she formerly-carried-on-ai-Oxbow,

B. S. Fairy, fancy goods dealer, of Calgary, Mta. has taken in a partner, and the firm is now Fairy & Marshall.

The Calgary Stationery & Office Supply Co., is the successor to West & Wormald, stationers, etc., of Calgary, Alta.

W. W. Holster, hookseller and stationer, of Grimsby, has assigned to W. W. Kidd, and the stock is to be sold by auction.

Time to Think of Xmas

We are now showing a com-

Holiday Fancy Goods, China, Toys, Dells, Stationery, Etc.

In our Bell, Toy and China Bepartments we have many new novelties at exceptional values.

Your sorting orders will receive our best attention.

The Sutcliffe-Edmison Co., Limited

S YORK ST., TOROUTO, ONT.

TELLING THE TRTH.

It is not pleasant and profitable always to speak the plain truth in the columns of a newspaper. Men who have tried this heretofore have always come to grief. Only a few days ago the editor of a paper in Indiana grew tired of being called a har, and announced that he would tell the truth in the future, and the next issue of the paper contained the following news notes:

"John Bomin, the laziest merchant in town, made a trip-to-Belleville-yesterday."

"John Coyle, our groceryman, is doing a poor business. His store is dirty and dusty; how can be do much?"

"Hey. Styx preached last Sunday hight on 'Charity.'
The scribon was punk."

"Married—Miss Slyvan Rhodes and James Conlin, last Saturday at the Baptist parsonage. The bride is a very ordinary town girl, who doesn't known any more about cooking than a jack-rabbit does, and never helped her mother three days in her life. She is not a beauty by any means, and has a gait like a duck. The groom is an up-to-date loafer. He's been living off the old folks all his life, and is not worth chucks. It will be a hard life.

"The Governor of our great state, a very ordinary man, and who was elected by accident, was here yesterday. He has very few friends here now. He promised some of the voters of this precinct a "piece of the pie" in the event of his election, but had forgotten all about it when the time to hand over the little office rolled around."

The paper no somer reached the public than ascommittee was sent to the editor bearing a petition asking him to continue in the good old way, and stating that they believed him to be a traffful, honest—man.



FANCY GOODS AND NOTIONS



Dainty Boxes.

Among the season's latest novelties are some very line fancy boxes for the toilet table and writing desk. They come in various artistic designs, among the chief of which are the imitation embossed leather and unitation carved wood designs. The boxes are designed for holding handkerchiefs and gloves. The embossed leather designs are of a dark green color, with the modified gloss of real leather, the design being of conventionalized flowers. The imitation wood carving is a really fine imitation and it is practically only by the weight that they can be distinguished from real wood. The design consists of oak leaves and acorns, which is such a great favorite among wood carvers owing to its adaptability to almost every shape, and its combined beauty and simplicity

The same designs of embossed leather and wood carving are used on some dainty envelope and paper holders for the ladies' writing desks.

Other designs of great heauty are those where pansies and other bright colored flowers are embossed in their natural colors. They cover the same line of goods as the former—handkerchief and glove boxes and letter and paper holders for the desk. The latter, in this floral design, are provided with a movable and perpetual cal endar on the box front, which is operated by means of four little brass knobs which add to the beauty and daintiness of the design. Sutcliffe-Edmison Co., Ltd., we showing a complete line of these artistic goods.

Novelty Blocks.

Among the imported German toys being shown by the Suteliffe-Edmison Co., Ltd., is a novelty in children's building blocks. These blocks have the appearance of sandstone and come in flat boxes of about Sx16 inches, 3 inches deep. The sandstone appearance is given by a coating of sand firmly attached by glue or other means to the wood surfaces of the blocks.

Auto Goggles.

The accompanying cut showing a gentleman wearing a pair of automobile goggles, illustrates one of the many useful articles being introduced into Canada by the Chicago Eye Shield Co., of Chicago. This firm is introducing to Canadian jobbers an extensive line of eye shades, shields and goggles, which are pretty sure to meet with general favor.

Nu-Pace Masks.

One of the latest fun makers on the fancy goods market is the Nu-Face Mask. It is a lithographed article and is designed to be worn without the use of strings. In stead of strings there are ear loops which fit over the wearer's ears, and instead of the nose being a part of the mask, as in the old-fashioned false face, there is a slit to fit the nose. This makes the mask fit well to the face. There are twelve highly humorous designs in these goods.

The Cathedral Bag.

It would seem impossible at first sight for anyone to produce a really new bag. The trade has for so many years been busy putting new designs on the market that every possible variety and combination seems to have been exhausted. The seemingly impossible has, however, been achieved in the cathedral bag, now being shown by the British trade.

This hag has been designed, as its name would to some extent imply, for ladies attending church. It is constructed with four divisions or compartments. One of these contains a purse, another a combined hymn and prayer book, the third holds a silver mounted smelling bottle, while the fourth earries a handkerchief. The bag is supplied fitted with the purse, book and bottle complete, and it will be seen that the cathedral bag is a really new and thoroughly useful article.

Mother-of-Pearl Shell at Low Price.

It is reported that the price of mother of pearl shell remains low because buttons and other articles made of the dark edged variety produced in the Society Islands are not tashionable. Although the present price of shell in Papeete, \$100 to \$500 per metric ton, is less than one



half the price which such shell commanded in London four years ago, the quantity now on that market is about 100 tons. The low price of shell affects not only the prosperity of of the Tuamotu Islands, but also the basiness of Tahiti, and, to a less extent, of other islands. Owing to the continued depression of the shell industry, the export duty of \$28.95 per metric ton (2.204.6 pounds) was reduced in June, 1906, to \$11.58 per ton. A duty of \$7.72 a ton is also levied on all shell brought to Papeete for shipment abroad, it being the only port for such shipment.

In Tin Boxes.

United States manufacturers of celluloid articles will have to put their samples into tin boxes for mailing purposes. This is the requirement of the post office department and instructions to this effect have been just issued. The boxes have heretofore been mostly of wood, but the combustible nature of celluloid makes a greater risk than the post office department cares to take and has brought about the general order for a metal receptacle as a measure of precaution.

PICTURES AS TRADE BRINGERS.

- Up-to-date stationery stores all over the country are beginning to realize that attractive windows and show cases are becoming more and more important factors in fighting competition. It is generally admitted now-that





a-dealer who-cannot get people to look at his show windows is losing the cream of the trade. Ink bottles, blank books, etc., have been found very poor mediums for arousing the curiosity of the passer-by. As the main line of the stationer they are, of course, necessary as a background, but they will be seen only when something more novel is displayed to arrest the attention of the people in the streets.

For this purpose novelty pictures have been found the best medium. Everybody will stop to look at pictures and as a result they represent advertising that literally pays for itself. Every time-a-passer-by goes-into-a-store to inquire about a picture be has seen in the window the chances for a sale from the rest of the stock of that store are increased. Illank books, ink bottles, pencils and stationery are forced upon his attention. It he does not buy at that time he remembers that store when he wants stationer's goods.

Of course, the pictures handled need not be highpriced goods. Only the catchy, popular-priced pictures will serve the purpose. The pictures accompanying this article, for example, belong to the W. H. Gallagher line, New York, and retail at from 40 cents to \$1 apiece.

Most people are willing to pay 50 cents of a dollar for a catchy and artistic picture. "The Crisis," shown in the accompanying illustration, and retailing at 50





rents, is an example of this class. It is a product of the Teddy Bear-Crare, which is sure to last until March, 1909, at least—some say longer.

For den-decorations "Buttercup," the bull-dog picture



We advertise to help you and the People Buy Because our advertising shows them how they can help themselves.

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MUSIC AND MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS

RETAILER'S NOVEL ADVERTISING IDEA.

Joseph M. Daly, whom Bostomans look upon as their march king, gave a piano recital of his many compositions at the W. H. Scroggie Co.'s store, Montreal, towards the close of last month. Scroggie's music department is on the third floor, by the way, and is one of the most successful sheet music stores in Canada. Mr. Daly is certainly an accomplished piano player. As a composer he has made quite a reputation for himself. A few of Mr. Daly's compositions, which are very popular, are the following: "San Pedro," Mexican march; "Good-bye, Blue Eyes, Good-bye," a popular song, and "Yankee Tar," a two-step.

The Scroggie firm have arranged for a series of such recitals during the approaching fall and winter months. Mr. Daly was followed by A. S. Josselyn, of Providence, the celebrated composer of popular music of that city. His march song, "The American Soldier," was sung at the inauguration of President Roosevelt, by five thousand children. Among his other musical successes are "Winnebago," an Indian Song; "Dewey's Victory," a march and two-step, and "Himalaya,"

Mr. Josselyn is bringing out a special edition of all his compositions for the Canadian harket. The new sets will be called the "Mount Royal Edition," called after our Mount Royal. The idea is a good one, as it shows special attention to the Canadian musical trade.

Those musical houses which can afford to adopt the above-mentioned plan, meeting the publisher half way, will find it a novel advertising idea.

SHEET MUSIC IN DEMAND.

Notwithstanding the fact that most of the holidayloving people are returning home after a long summer vacation and are busy looking after household wants, the sheet music business continues surprisingly active. Compositions, both vocal and instrumental, are meeting with popular favor, neither having any special preference.

The most popular instrumental pieces at the present writing are: "Tchama," an intermezzo romantique. This piece is by Chauncey Haines and is published by Walter Jacobs, Boston.

Another composition in popular favor is "Moon Face," a march and two-step, published by Sam Fox Publishing Co., Cleveland.

New pieces published by Jerome H. Remick Co., New York and Detroit, are the following. Dance of the Water Nymphs, 'by George Botsford, 'Dixie Blossoms,' a march and two-step, by P. Wenrich, 'Topeka,' two step intermezzo, by Harry Jones, and 'Bombay,' a Hindoo enchantment by Dorothy Jardon. The last mentioned composition is as exceptionally pretty as it is odd,

One of the prettiest of teasing ragtime compositions is that which has recently been published by the Delmar Music Co., Montreal. The name of the composition is "Raggity Rag," and in the writer's opinion is of exceptional merit.

"Popularity," George M. Cohan's great march hit, while not exactly current, continues to be in popular de-

mand. This composition compares with any other instrumental piece of its kind. It is published by F. A. Mills,

A pretty instrumental piece is "O. B. Joyful." It is written by Bert Anthony and published by Anthony Bros., Fall River, Mass.

"Miss Mexico," a characteristic for the piano, by Henry Frantzen, and published by F. B. Haviland Co., New York., has an exceptionally pretty title page, and is a pleasing composition.

Among popular song compositions meeting with popular favor just now are: "I'm Tying the Leaves so They Won't Come Down," by Huntington and Helf, published by Helf & Hagar Co., New York. This song is sweeping the country and is really a child's simplicity.

One of the best comic songs since "A Little Street in Heaven Called Broadway," is "Fagan," or "No One Else Has That Cut but Fagan." This song has quite a number of verses, a pretty title page, and while current is sure to become popular on its merits.

A sheet of music published by Walter Jacobs, Boston, is: "Some Day When Dreams Come True." Although this song is not new, it continues in active demand, owing to its exceptional merits.

A funny song: "Budweiser's a Friend of Mine," is published by Shapiro, music publisher, New York, and is a good composition, being rendered in a Montteal theatre a few weeks ago with success.

Two new songs published by F. B. Haviland, New York, are: "My Irish Maid," and "Since Arrah Wanna Married Barney Carney," The last mentioned is the sequel to "Arrah Wanna," which made a big hit throughout the country.

"'Neath the Old Cherry Tree, Sweet Marie," and "I'd Rather Two-step Than Waltz, Bill," are two new compositions published by Jerome II. Remick Co., New York. They ought to make a great success, especially the last mentioned composition. "Won't You Come Over to My House?" and "San Antonio," published by the same firm, while some months old, continue to have a ready sale. Both of these last mentioned compositions are by Williams and Van Alstyne, well known song writers."

"Yesterday," by Charles K. Harris, author of "After the Ball," which had a safe of over 1,000,000 copies, is a story true to life in many cases. It also contains a very attractive title page.

Joseph W. Stern & Co., New York, not to let any other publisher get ahead of them, have some very pretty compositions in the following "When Bob White is Whistling in the Meadow," "Pretty Little Tonkin Girl," "Down in the Old Cherry Orchard," "She Was a Grand Old Lady," "You Splash Me and PH Splash You," and "That's When You'll Miss Me, Little Girl" — Stern's specialties seem to be ballads and "home and mother" songs.

The new edition of the "Star" Dance Folio, No. 7, is, if possible, ahead of any previous number. The number introduces such popular songs arranged for dancing as "Won't You Come Over to My House," "Dreaming," "San Antonio," and "Somebody's Waiting for You." Ready sales are found for these booklets

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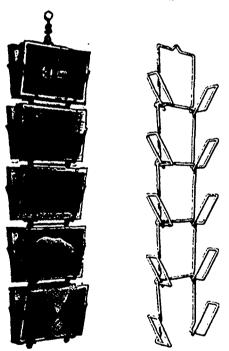


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printing by the Government, and is to be redcemed for two cents when returned in course of mails by the postman to the firm that sent it out. In other words, this postal does not have its postage paid until the party receiving it has made use of it-if it does at all-by returning it to the writer, and when the Government delivers it to the person or firm that sent it out, he pays the Government two cents for the service. This plan to pay double postage is designed to save the extravagant waste of regular Government postals sent out in the mails soliciting replies, for it is well known that about 95 per cent, or more of these are never returned to the houses that send them out, and as the senders' names are generally printed on the front of them, it is safe to say that more than three-fourths of them are wasted. To show the benefit of the new eard, let us illustrate. One thousand ordinary postals, costing \$10, are sent out with letters or other printed matter. Of these probably 25 are returned, the remaining 975 being wasted, and causing a loss of \$9.75. If the new, proposed two-cent due postal had been used, the 25 coming back would have cost the sender but 50 cents! This would reduce the waste enormously. Such a card would be restricted to the use of business firms, clubs, etc., using them in quantities. This postal has the warm endorsement of big commercial interests, which expect that it will be adopted. The United States Government is showing every activity at this time in modifying postal usages to suit the growing demands of business, one of the late reforms being the ruling that special delivery postage now will be paid by affixing ten cents' worth of ordinary stamps, instead of requiring a special stamp, as formerly.

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SOME NEW SUBJECTS.

A supply of a new series of views of Niagara Falls and vicinity, ten in number, has been stocked by the Copp, Clark Co. These cards are real, glossy, gelatine photos, and come at \$25 per thousand. The Copp, Clark Co. are also showing a series of Tartan girls, drawn by Archie Gunn. They impersonate the different clans, and will be found rapid sellers. They also show a new line of English comics, which can be purchased at one-half cent each and will prove strong sellers at two for five cents.

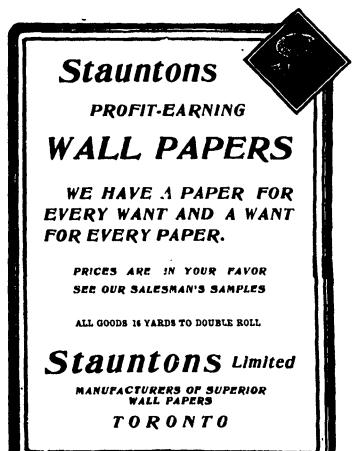
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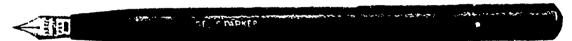
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