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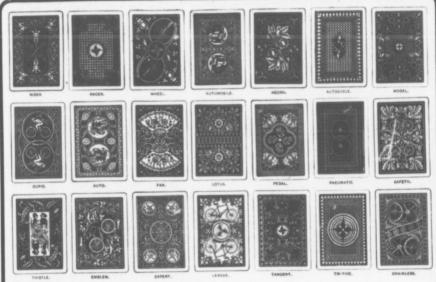
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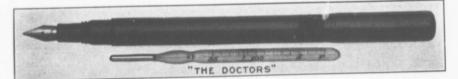


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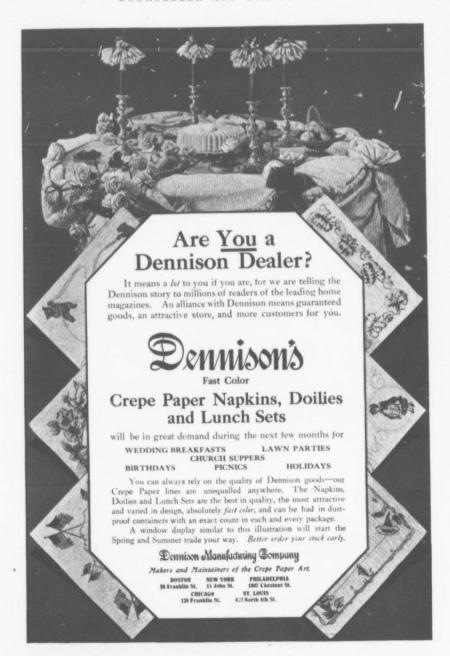


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Some Facts Mainly About Ourselves

Art as an adjunct to advertising has become a recognized fact. Art increases the effectiveness of advertising. Three or four years ago the MacLean Publishing Company established a staff of expert adwriters whose services were placed at the disposal of advertisers free of charge. The results in the way of increased attractiveness of advertisements have been og gratifying that we have now created an art department for the purpose of further augmenting the effectiveness of the advertising carried by the nine trade newspapers and magazines published by us. The chief of the art department has done some of the most effective art advertising work in Canada, and we are looking for big things.

The "growing time" of the last few years has been a growing time, indeed, in the cost of publishing newspapers. Wages alone in the last nine years have increased 55 per cent. in the mechanical staff, and the end is not yet. Three years hence will see another advance in the wages of the mechanical staffs, according to the agreement between employers and employes.

An increase of 55 per cent. in the wages of the mechanical staff of a newspaper means a great deal more than a similar advance in almost any other industry. This is because wages bulk so largely in the cost as compared with the total outlay. Like ordinary raw material this cost does not fluctuate. It steadily stares the cashier in the face from week to week, with the assurance, as already noted, of eventually bulking bigger.

Do you ever think of sending to your trade paper items of news which would interest your confreres in business? If you have not, try to think of it in future. If you get the habit others will get it too. All will thus be gainers.

Notwithstanding the great increase in costs the various papers and magazines of the MacLean Publishing Co. have steadily improved. To-day they are better than they ever were and have a larger and more widespread circulation. They are to be found in practically every place in Canada where there is a store, warehouse or factory. As one of our advertisers remarked the other day, "MacLean's trade papers are

signs which travel from one end of Canada to the other." Our circulation abroad is also growing, quite a number going to the United States, Great Britain, Australia, South Africa, West Indies, China and Japan. Only a week or two ago Stauntons, the wall paper manufacturerers, received a large order from British Guiana through an advertisement in one of our papers.

That the business men of Canada have confidence in the future of Canada is evidenced by the advertising they are doing in MacLean's Trade Newspapers. New business for January was the largest by 26 per cent. of any previous month in the history of the company, and the increase for the first three months promises to be equally gratifying. These increases are significant, in view of the marked falling off in the advertisements carried by many worthy newspapers and magazines in Canada and the United States. Profits unfortunately do not show any such gain. The increase in publication costs prevent such a desired consummation. But we have faith in the future; and faith is the substance of things hoped for.

It is significant that the growth in circulation has kept pace with that in advertising. From all parts of the country there has been a steady inflow of new subscribers since the new year opened, while old subscribers are renewing in a way that indicates that they are well pleased with our papers. This is the proof of the pudding.

But we are never satisfied. The more circulation we have the more we want. Fortunately, there is no Limbkins to declare that hanging will be our reward for wanting more. We have within the last few weeks added several new men to our subscription canvassing staff. This will enable us to simultaneously work every Province in the Dominion, so that every probable subscriber who has come into existence since the country was covered last autumn will be waited upon before the end of the year by a trained solicitor, and no other publishing house in Canada has ever carried on such an extensive subscription campaign through trained personal canvassers.

Side Lights on the Life of Commercial Travelers

Some Readable Bits

Sitting in an office or working behind the counter one is apt to picture the traveler's life as one overflowing with the good things of life. Eating at hotels, seeing the country and charging expenses up to the house, looks good to the fellow who has to stay in one spot on the map and eat at home always. But try the road for a while and the average man will long for the simple meals, the cosy bed and regular hours of the man who can walk or take a street car from his house to the store every

Hotels in Eastern Canada are none too sanitary and meals are not what they should be, but the average eastern salesman has only from Monday morning till Friday night on the road, and he has a touch of home life at the week end. Not so with the western traveler, however. His territory is large, the towns small, the hotel accommodation limited, the dangers of typhoid great, and the temptations to "go wrong" unlimited. Driving over the prairie in all kinds of weather, getting up to catch the 2 a.m. train, waiting at dreary depots hours for accommodation trains, finding all the good rooms gone and having to sit up all night or bunk with the bugs, drinking water loaded with typhoid germs or accepting the invitation of the good-hearted merchant to "have something," are all incidents in the life of the salesmen in the west, apart from the difficulties of transporting baggage, making sales and "making good" with the firm.

The Drummer Set 'Em Up.

Last week a group of commercial travelers were lounging around the office counter of an hotel in London the Less, discussing local option with the proprietor. One of them who had just come in from doing a local option town aired his grievances vehemently, and concluded by saying:

"It isn't fair. A farmer comes into a city and gets a meal in a first-class hotel for a quarter. I go out to the country, have to eat in a second-class joint and they

soak me forty cents."

"Well rejoined the proprietor, "It's worth fifteen cents extra to feed a drummer, compared with a farmer. You drummers come into a dining-room as though you owned the house. You want a clean place, you want a clean knife, clean fork and a clean napkin. You order everything on the bill-of-fare, you grumble about the quality of the food, joke about the butter, jolly the wait-resses and sit around the table for half an hour. And when you go out you put a dozen toothpicks in your pocket.

"Now a farmer comes in looking meek and humble, is willing to sit anywhere, says ma'am to the waitresses, will eat quietly whatever is set before him, and often does not even unfold the napkin. He only takes one order in each course, he minds his own business, never starts an argument, hurries through his meal and is done in ten minutes. And if he should happen to use a toothpick he puts it back."

"It's on me, boys," said the drummer. And he stood.

Rough Spots and Bright Spots.

Only a few of the rough spots have been touched upon but volumes of "experiences" could be written by every traveler who has been given a "territory" in a "new"

country. Of course there are bright spots and a fraternity feeling amongst the "boys" helps to make life worth living. "Bill, take care of the fellow upstairs, I've got to leave town and he's got the symptoms. He's a new one or he'd have pixed for headquarters a day or two ago," illustrates the fellow feeling existing amongst the men who do not know who typhoid's next victim will be. And "I've had to pack several trunks and ship them to the house," the words of a prominent western merchant, indicate that constant treating at the bar and fear of changes of drinking water, with other incidentals of western traveling life, help many to go to the bad.

No, the life of the traveler isn't all peaches and cream. At best, it is a wearisome existence and the retailer who considers his own and his fellow man's interests will always have a pleasant word if he hasn't an order for the men who call on him loaded with order books and stocks of good ideas picked up by calling at other stores.

Travelers and Persistency

"A traveler should never give up calling on a probable customer because he at first refuses even to look at his samples or talk business with him," said the head of a well known manufacturing firm of Montreal the other day. 'Here, for example, is one of my experiences: When I was on the road in the early stages of my business there was Blank & Company, whom you know well, who refused when I first called upon then to talk business with me in any way. Nothing daunted, every time I visited their city I would drop in, shake hands with the buyer, pass the time of day and walk out again, never once mentioning business for some time. One day I met the buyer of the firm at some athletic games. I came away from the field with him and as we were walking along the street he remarked. By the way, we have never bought anything from you people.

"'No,' I said, 'but we are living in hopes of finally doing something with you.'

"'Call around to-morrow morning,' said he, 'possibly we can do something.'

"I called the next morning and fortunately struck the psychological moment. He examined my samples, and gave me a small order. It was not much, but was better than nothing. What has been the result? To-day we are selling that firm \$10,000 worth of goods every year. I could give you other experiences, but I think that is sufficient."

A Good Suggestion.

Jeweler: "You say that you want some name engraved on this ring?"

Young Man: "Yes, I want the words 'George, to his dearest Alice,' engraved on the inside of the ring."

"Is the young lady your sister?"

"No; she is the young lady to whom I am engaged."
"Well, if I were you, I would not have 'George to
his dearest Alice' engraved on the ring. If Alice changes
her mind you can't use the ring again."

"What would you suggest ?"

"I would suggest that the words be, 'George, to his first and only love.' You see with that inscription you can use the ring half-a-dozen times. I have had experience in such matters myself."

A Story in Rhyme.

A revision of Goldsmith's "Deserted Village" to suit the nee is of the twentieth century community, appears herewith, reproduced through the courtesy of the Iron Age, of New York. Read this story and laugh if you like, but remember that there is a big substratum of truth beneath it all. The mail order houses in the big cities are undermining the business of local retailers in a serious manner.

How can the inroads of the mail-order houses best be met? There are several ways, all based on the educative idea. Once you succeed in proving to the local public that it is actually cheaper to buy at home, then the victory is won.

The press should be a strong factor in this educative campaign. Give the local paper every opportunity to gather information and publish facts. Several papers that we know of are carrying on this work, quoting actual prices and showing their readers how the two methods of buying compare. The press will help the retailer for it is directly to its advantage to do so.

The trade paper is another strong factor to be reckoned with in combatting mail-order competition. The trade paper is deeply interested in the welfare of the retail trade, and it is sparing no effort to counteract the influence of the mailorder people.

The organization of retail associations during the past few years is providing the means for the removal of the reason for existence of the catalogue house. The retail associations are educating their members to more intelligent methods of doing business, helping them to successfully combat mail-order advertising and undersell the mail-order houses, while also preventing the securing of special legislation injurious to the retailer.

The Secretary of the Booksellers' and Stationers' Association will be pleased to supply electrotypes of "The Descrited Village" at cost price to any member of the Association who may want to get his local paper to use it. This is a course which we would heartily commend. The cost is very slight, and the end to be achieved is a worthy one.

A Deserted Village

Tom Plowman lived on a section farm Not far from a prosperous village; He worked late and early and calloused his palm, But thrived by industrious tillage.



He saved up some money and stood very well, His luck would have lasted for all we can tell If he never had heard of Chicago.



One day a big catalogue came through the mail That told of a wonderful heater; The figures were tempting, Tom swallowed the tale. Says he, "Mr. Merchant's a cheater.



His profit must be near a hundred per cent., I'll just call his bluff and unless he'll relent I'll order a stove from Chicago.''



30 he drove to the village and entered the store With an air that was lofty and knowing. Says he, "Mr. Merchant, please tell me once more The price of that stove you were showing."



"Thirty-five, cash or credit, the best one in town."
Tom turned on his heel and went out with a frown,
And sent off a check to Chicago.



He bragged to his neighbors and they in a trice Sent away for whatever they needed; They often were stuck, but they got a low price, Which, of course, was the one thing they heeded.



The merchant soon failed and sold out his store, And this was the notice he left on his door: "Gone to look for a job in Chicago."



Tom's mail order stove didn't work very long, But no one in town could repair it; At last he was forced to admit he was wrong, His neighbors weren't slow to declare it.



With no stores there was no one to buy or to sell, The drummers stopped coming, they closed the hotel.

'Twas surprising how quickly the town went towell
A very long way from Chicago,



The lawyer, the doctor, the editor, too,
They all got cold feet very quickly;
The parson soon noticed the way the wind blew,
He left, for his children were sickly.



At last Tom decided to sell his old farm, But no one, he found with the greatest alarm. Would buy one so far from Chicago When blank desolation stared Tom in the face



His courage grew weaker and weaker,
Till he made up his mind to get out of the place
And go on a jaunt as home seeker.
So he put on his c-vercoat, packed up his grip,
Says he, "I'll be giving my neighbors the slip,
For I must be off to Chicago."



When he got to the station to Tom's great surprise He found it deserted and dusty, Inhabited only by spiders and flies, And the siding was crooked and rusty.



The trains flew by whizzing, Tom waited in wain,—
Says he "Neither merchant nor doctor nor train Will stop any place but Chicago."



Some Helpful Hints for the Advertising Department

Continuity Needed

One day when looking through a large factory I was taken down to the boilerhouse where the steam to drive the motive power for engines was generated, said a writer in Printers' Ink. What attracted my attention the most was the automatic stoking arrangement. This arranged for a continuous feed of fuel to the fires under the boilers. This continual supply of a regular quantity of fuel is the secret of the economical and effective production of heat.

In retail business there is need of a continuous supply of advertising. Continuous, not spasmodic. If the stoking of a boiler fire was not done at regular intervals and a big supply put on there would soon be a very serious diminution and waste of power.

Let us first take newspaper publicity. You arrange to spend a certain sum of money during the year. This will pay for a few large displays which would create an equal number of spurts in the rush of business. But that is about all that it would do. If you use a much small-

Here Are Our "Red Tag" Prices a series of the series of th

HOW THEY ADVERTISE IN NELSON, B.C.

er space, on the other hand, and let your advertisement appear as often as possible it will result in a steady amount of business which will increase as the year goos on. Newspaper space is valuable and requires to be carefully and thoughtfully used. Whatever line of merchandise you are interested in has plenty of good features that can be told to the public.

Take Small Space.

Take a small space in the newspaper which will reach the greatest number of the public from which you expect to draw your business and tell of the good qualities of your merchandise. Speak of the desirability of possessing or purchasing your stock. Draw attention to the superiority of your merchandise. Show plainly the advantages of trading at your store. In all these particulars be sure you stick to the plain unvarnished truth. Tell the same story over and over again in different words. Never have the same copy appearing twice, Keep

it fresh. It's no use sending copy to the newspaper once a month and never changing it during that period.

In your newspaper space you should say things that you would say to the customer who comes into your store. If you are at a loss what to say just spend a little time each day listening to the arguments used by your salesmen. If these are effective in selling goods in the store they will be just as effective in selling goods through newspaper publicity. It is the continual repetition of your story in new words that will eventually impress upon the public the fact that when your class of merchandise is wanted your store is the place for it.

Don't Let the Public Forget.

Never let the the public have a chance to forget you. Be always at it telling them about your goods and your store. The newspaper of to-day is only good for a short time. As soon as the next issue comes out the previous one is dead.

Advertising should be store and merchandise news. What would you think of a newspaper which contained the same news paragraphs day after day? It would soon cease to be of interest to you and your daily cent or two cents would be spent on another paper.

A business man in our city stopped me in the street the other day and said: "When I used to get the evening paper I looked for the latest news, but now I always glance first to see what you have got to say." Get the public into the way of looking for merchandisc news in your space and there will soon be a ready response to your appeals for their patronage. The writing of advertising copy becomes a pleasure and incidentally results in extra profits and popularity for the store for which it is got out. It is almost unnecessary to say here that the merchandisc and the store must be in line wifh the advertising. This is a foregone conclusion.

Does It Pay to Cut ?

The advertisement of W. G. Thomson, Nelson, B.C., raises a question which was suggested by the remarks on this page last month about price-cutting. There it was in a measure defended, on the ground that the bookseller and stationer's stock becomes so soon out-of-date and the old goods must be cleared out to make room for the new. But another point has been mentioned. Is this price-cutting going to hurt trade in the long run? Is it going to cheapen a store? That is something we would like to hear discussed.

A Nursery Rhyme.

Mary had a little lamb, its fleece was white as snow; it strayed away one day where lambs should never go. And Mary sat her quickly down and tears streamed from her eyes; she never found the lamb because she did not advertise. And Mary had a brother John who kept a village store; he sat down and smoked a pipe and watched the open door. And as the people passed along and did not stop to buy, John still sat and smoked his pipe and blinked his sleepy eye. And so the sheriff closed him out, but still he lingered near, and Mary came to drop with him a sympathetic tear. "How is it sister, can you tell, why other merchants here, sell all their goods so rapidly and thrive from year to year?" Remembering her own bad luck, the little maid replies: "Those fellows get there, John, because they advertise."



Interior of A. H. Jarvis' Book Store, Ottawa.

A. H. Jarvis' Store in the Canadian Capital

1888 - 1908

The store illustrated, with its book gallery, its display stands, its well filled shelves and its general appearance of prosperity, is not the same store by any means that Mr. Jarvis opened in Ottawa twenty years ago in 1888. The original Jarvis store was only about one-fourth the size of the present establishment and its appearance and equipment were correspondingly small. In the average life of a book store, twenty years sees little alteration in appearances and changes are usually not of the four-fold variety, so that the development of Mr. Jarvis' store is exceptional in a measure and indicative of the proprietor's abilities as a business man.

Mr. Jarvis began his career as a bookseller twentyfour years ago in the store of J. S. Durie, where he spent
an apprenticeship of four years. He then set up in business for himself in a store located where his present store
stands. During the subsequent twenty years he has made
many changes and enlargements in the store, quadrupling
the size and perfecting the interior arrangements. His
latest improvement was the remodelling of the front two
years ago.

Mr. Jarvis has given his personal attention to the business from the outset, which accounts to a considerable degree for its prosperity. He is a man well thought of in trade circles, a good bookman and a progressive bookseller. He has not confined his business merely to books and stationery, but for the past eleven years has run a branch post office in his store, besides acting as agent for various transportation companies, etc.

One of the features of the Jarvis' store, or "The Bookstore," as it is frequently named, is the book gallery to be seen at the rear. This gallery utilizes considerable space that might otherwise be wasted. It overlooks the store, is well lighted from above and affords a pleasant

retreat for the booklover. Here are to be found the prize and library books, the staples of the book business.

To the left of the main entrance are to be seen the current books, arrayed on counter shelves, with titles outward, so that customers can run over the stock and examine any book desired. Cheap editions are also ranged on the counter. In the shelves at the back are to be found the poets, bibles, hymns, etc., with the class-designation at the top of the shelves. This is an excellent idea and a great help to customers.

To the right of the main entrance is the stationery department, with well filled shelves of papeteries and notepaper and showcases containing pens, pencils, etc. Commercial stationery is found to the rear. Magazines, picture post cards and similar lines find a place in the store's economy.

INCREASE IN BRITISH PUBLICATIONS.

In the British House of Commons on March 24, Hon. Mr. Buxton, Postmaster-General, stated that the number of British publications going to Canada weekly was 170,-000. Two-thirds of this number were the result of the reduced postal rates. Mr. Buxton further stated that the lucrease was greatest on magazines of the highest class and that the pecuniary loss was very slight.

This is encouraging news all round and fully justifies the contentions of those who fought for this concession for many years. It is now the concern of the news trade to see that they get the bulk of the trade in these British publications. Organize a good system and a local delivery and customers will be quite as willing to patronize the newsdealer as they would be to send their money away to a subscription agency.

Some Good Advice to Young Men Entering Business

By Howard R. Wellington

Give your employer a full measure of your time; working a few minutes over the regular time if necessary, showing him that you are deeply interested in your work, which is in his business.

This matter of a few minutes' overtime occasionally may seem a very small matter, but the average employer is quick to make a mental note of the young man whose ambition seems to be to get away from his work on the stroke of the clock.

A great deal is said nowadays about working overtime, and it might be well not to enter into a discussion about such a large subject, suffice to say, that there is in



REX E. BEACH
Author of "The Spoilers" and "The Barrier."
(Musson Book Co.)

most businesses a busy season when the employe is asked to work after regular hours, sometimes with no extra remuneration, but there is correspondingly a slack season when the work is light, the hours shorter, and numerous other little concessions are granted, which more than compensate for the extra heavy work of a busy season. Of course, there are extreme cases where an employe is expected to work all year round without holiday or concession of any kind, but such instances are rare and will become more so.

It is a good plan to complete one's work as much as possible cach day, leaving everything at the close of the day in such shape as to be easily taken up and carried on by a stranger who may be introduced to the work.

Distribution of Work.

A bookkeeper might say to this suggestion: "My work is never complete; if I were to take this advice, I would be at it night after night." Possibly so, but a fair

amount of good judgment has to be exercised in the distribution of such a class of work over a period, so as not to have more than say one night a month, perhaps, at the first, perhaps at the last, and even this is not found necessary if the work is judiciously distributed. In one respect positions are something like boarding places. We never know how well we are suited until we think of making a change.

To hear some men talk one would think their positions were the most unsatisfactory in the world, and that their employers were the most eccentric and ungrateful creatures that ever breathed. Yet these men will usually hold on and on, in spite of the fact that they have frequent chances to leave.

Dissatisfaction.

The dog we know is better than the dog we don't know. There is lots of truth in it. The "old man" may be eranky, but you understand him, you know how to put up with his ways of doing things. It may not be so elsewhere. Things are not half so bad as we often paint them to ourselves. Analyze your complaints. Rest assured of one thing—you could easily do worse than where you are.

Life is made up of little things—if we are faithful in the smaller details, the larger problems will be more easily overcome.

System.

We read and hear a great deal to-day about system, as applied to business. When we speak of "systematic," it does not necessarily mean that a man must get into a groove and have a hard and fast rule for performing each duty allotted him—rather, that he should be keen to adopt any new method brought to his attention, bearing in mind two things essential to a good system, viz., first, that he is able to do a little more work with a little less trouble; second, that he is able to produce more satisfactory results with less work than at present.

Don't be satisfied with doing your work just as good as the other fellow, aim to do it a little better.

Observation.

We learn a great deal by observation. To use a simple illustration: Two men are walking down the street; one with keen, alert and businesslike air, observing right and left, the people, the stores, and, in fact, everything of interest, gaining thereby a great deal of valuable information at a glanee; the other, listless, indifferent, with apparently no interest in his surroundings, losing what the other has gained.

Self-control under all circumstances is one of the most self-ent points in a successful man's career. To show a perfectly serene countenance and attitude during the most exasperating circumstances, is a quality few men possess. To control one's feelings under stress of great provocation is the exception rather than the rule. The world has no place for the indolent fellow; he is in the road and must be carried along with the enthusiasm of the workers or drift behind and become a drag on the community.

Each day should add one block to the strong structure of character and manhood which we are building. Don't shun the dull, uninteresting details which lead up to more important work. It is these very small matters which

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become the groundwork or foundation of a successful

Make the best effort in the position you now occupy, nill it to overflowing, and when the opportunity comes, you will be the man to seize it.

An old Arabian proverb says: "The man who knows not, and knows not that he knows not, is a fool—shun him. The man who knows not and knows that he knows not is willing—teach him."

The man who knows it all never succeeds. We should always be ready to consult others, though we have formed a decided opinion of our own, for it is only by such interchange of ideas that our minds are broadened, and our thoughts crystallized into definite opinions.

The Young Man in Position of Trust.

This is undoubtedly an age for young men in business.

Look around you, see the responsible positions being held
by young men everywhere in our large institutions. But
some one says, it is influence which has placed the young
man in these positions; granted—in some cases, but look
into it carefully, have not all or most of these young men
made the best of every opportunity available, have they
not improved their time by preparing for something better? Now, when new work confronts them, they are competent to handle it.

Expense Accounts-How to Arrive at Net Profit

A Distribution of Expense

In every business a certain class of expense accounts must be kept, although the titles and arrangement may be particular to the class of business carried on. For instance, in a certain business where advertising is a special feature, it is desirable to open a separate expense account for advertising; then again, cartage or freight may be unusually heavy items and it is necessary to know the total amount expended yearly for each item. These axpense accounts may be grouped under comprehensive headings, such as "Heat," "Power," "Water," "Light," etc., but the information gained by separate accounts for each heavy expense item more than compensates for the extra work involved in opening a few new accounts. A plan adopted by a number of large concerns who desire to have detailed information in regard to expenses, is to have representative accounts in the ledger and a special itemized expense book with twenty, or even thirty columns for classification, which book is written up each month from the book of original entry, thus giving the total expenses for each minute division monthly.

Expense of a Retail Store.

At the end of a certain period we find the total of the various expense accounts, after making allowances for (1) insurance prepaid, (2) stationery and sundry expense supplies on hand, (3) rent and taxes due, etc., to be as follows: Light \$50, power \$15, water \$10, heat \$60, rent \$500, taxes \$30, postage \$25, stationery \$30, salaries \$3,000, express and freight \$75, delivery \$40, phone \$20, wrapping supplies \$30. These items may be classified as follows:

Heat, power, water, light	\$135
Rent and taxes	530
Postage and stationery	55
Salaries	
Carriage and delivery	115
Store expense	50
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Total expenses	\$3,885

The sales for the same period amounted to \$40,800, the purchases of new goods \$30,000. The stock on hand at the commencement (taken at cost) amounted to \$7,000 and the stock on hand at the close, taken on the same basis, amounted to \$6,500. The trading account therefore shows as follows:

Trading Account.

DR. Stock on hand	\$7,000 30,000
Gross profit	9,500
	\$46,500
CR. Sales Stock on hand (at finish)	\$40,000 6,500
	\$46,500

The partners' share in the profits is simply a matter of arrangement between the partners themselves, but for the sake of illustration we will suppose that \$8,000 has been invested in the business, and that each partner gets a salary of \$1,000 a year. It has also been decided to charge against the profits interest at the rate of 6 per cent. on the capital invested. Our trading and profit and loss accounts would then appear as follows:

DR. Total expenses	\$3,385 *5,615
	\$9,500
CR. Gross Profit	*\$9,500
DR. Partner salary	
Interest, \$8,000 @ 6 per cent	480
	\$5,615
CR. Net profit	*\$5,615

THANKS FOR SERVICE.

Words of sincere appreciation for work well done are not flattery. We ought to be as ready with thera as we are with condemnation when we are not pleased. A tradesman pretty nearly dropped the telephone receiver with astonishment because a customer called him up to thank him for good service. He was used to hearing complaints only. Those who are pleased too often say nothing.

What Men in The Trade Are Doing

H. W. Fry has recently succeeded McCrea & Co., stationers and booksellers, of Sarnia, Ont.

The stationery business of H. C. Nolan, Ottawa, was recently disposed of by a bailiff's sale.

B. A. Clarke, Canadian representative of Ward, Lock & Co., London, is on his way to the coast.

B. W. Huebsch, publisher, New York, moved on April 1 to more adequate quarters at 225 Fifth Avenue.

George Stewart, representing the Oxford University Press, got back to Toronto from his coast trip last week.

Thomas Nelson & Son's representative, Mr. Mallens, spent some days in Toronto on his return from a trip to the coast.

A. E. Pearson, of Pearson & Co., Calgary, we are sorry to hear, has been in the hospital for some time, suffering from crysipelas.



J. B. HAY New Canadian representative of the Eaton, Crane & Pike Co.

E. H. Harcourt, of the E. H. Harcourt Co., manufacturing stationers, has just returned to Toronto from a trip to the east.

The manager of the wholesale department of Carter & Co., Charlottetown, P.E.L., Mr. Bremner, is at present on a buying trip to Toronto.

W. C. Williamson, junior partner in the firm of Williamson & Son, booksellers, Port Hope, was in Toronto doing some buying last week.

C. O. Dinsmore & Co., who bought out Spenee & Co., Fort William, are doing a good trade in that city, according to reports brought in by travelers.

The stationery and agency business formerly carried on by the late T. G. S. McAmmond, of Sturgeon Falls, has been taken over by A. W. Smith, of that place.

R. J. Plaskett, of the Copp, Clark Co., has recently returned to Toronto from the western field. Mr. Plaskett says he found business pretty good in his territory.

A visitor to the Toronto trade last month from the west was D. J. Young, of D. J. Young & Co., the Calgary booksellers. Mr. Young also visited New York.

F. W. Rickaby, of Bruce Mines, has sold his book and stationery store to Dr. K. Campbell. Mr. Rickaby will in future devote his time to the printing business.

R. J. Soden, of Peterboro, was noticed in Toronto recently doing some buying. Mr. Soden's business has been going ahead very successfully in the Plate Glass City.

Fire did \$1,500 damage to the stock of the National Stationery Company, at 40 Scott street, Toronto, on Sunday, March 22nd. The loss was fully covered by insurance.

W. C. Bell, of the Musson Book Co., leaves shortly for Winnipeg and the west. Mr. Bell joins his traveling mate, Harry Woods, of Warwick Bros. & Rutter, at Winnipeg.

C. D. Hills, one of the directors of Hills & Co., the art publishers, was in Toronto recently, conferring with the company's Canadian representatives, the Copp, Clark Company.

Harvey S. Lloyd, dealer in office supplies, 26 Front street east, Toronto, suffered about \$1,000 loss by fire on March 19th. The damage was fully covered by insurance in the Royal.

From late advices received from A. O. Hurst, who has been busy selling Goodall's playing cards down east, he intends to take in Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island in his itinerary this year.

J. S. Robertson, of J. S. Robertson & Co., who started business last fall in Lethbridge, reports business good in his district. Travelers say that Lethbridge is one of the bright spots in the West this season.

S. B. Gundy, manager Canadian branch of the Oxford University Press, sails next week from New York for England. He expects to be away about a month, conferring with the head office management.

C. H. Allison, formerly druggist for the Canada Drug & Book Co., Nelson, B.C., has bought out Reid & Co., Cranbrook, and will commence business about the middle of April as the Cranbrook Drug & Book Co.

M. J. Gaskell, formerly of the Musson Book Co., Toronto and later with D. J. Young & Co., Calgary, has joined the staff of the Thomson Stationery Co., Vancouver, and is in charge of the retail department.

G. Sutherland Forsyth has bought out his partner, W. Irvine, and the firm of Irvine & Forsyth, Vancouver, will in future be known as G. S. Forsyth & Co. The store is located at the corner of Hastings and Homer Streets.

E. L. Christie, of Brandon, has added two flats to his store, making it one of the finest stores in Canada. Mr. Christie does a big business in school supplies, and the increased space was required to handle the trade in this line.

L. C. Wilson, bookseller and stationer, Calgary, Alta., has been visiting his old home in Perth, Ont., and incidentally calling on the trade in Toronto. He has not been in the best of trim of late and the trip east was to benefit his health.

Harold W. W. Copp is in charge of a fine display of import books for his firm, the Copp, Clark Co., at the

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King Edward Hotel, Toronto. Mr. Copp recently got back from Montreal and Ottawa, where he succeeded in beating his last year's record of sales.

According to Henry Button, manager of the Canadian branch of Cassell & Co., the balance sheet of the general company showed profits for 1907 exceeding those of 1906 by over \$50,000. Mr. Button hopes that the Canadian branch will help to swell the increase this year.

Travelers all say that Linton Bros.' store in Calgary is one of the sights of the West. The big addition made to it last fall renders it probably the largest store of its kind in Canada, so far as floor and shelf space is concerned. Linton Bros. deal largely in books and faney goods.

Hugh S. Elliott, who covers the middle west for Houghton, Mifflin & Co., Boston, and has his headquarters in Chicago, was in Toronto last month calling on the trade there. Mr. Elliott is enthusiastic over the prospects for the new novel by Mary Johnson, which his firm are bringing out in the early fall.

G. A. Parker, Canadian representative of that progressions agency, the Imperial News Company, of Toronto, has just returned from his Eastern trip much encouraged with results. He is about to start on an extensive tour West to the coast, including a visit to the fast growing town of Prince Rupert. Mr. Parker will make many side trips in his itinerary.

Thomas Allen, of McLeod & Allen, is back in Toronto from his annual spring trip to the coast. He found business rather quiet on the way out, but noticed a decided improvement in tone on the way back. General orders were good, but the trade were holding back on orders for Christmas goods. Mr. Allen thinks everything will turn out all right.

The new Canadian representative of the Eaton, Crane & Pike Co., to succeed F. E. Waterman, promoted to the New York office, is J. Bevan Hay, of St. Thomas, son of M. G. Hay. J. B. Hay has been in business with his father in St. Thomas for some years now and is well qualified for his new position. Bookseller and Stationer wishes him every success.

The trade will be pleased to hear that F. E. Waterman, Canadian representative of the old Eaton-Hurlbut Paper &O., has received a well-merited promotion in the new firm of Eaton, Crane & Pike Company. He is now assistant to the manager of the New York office, with headquarters in the Brunswick building, 5th avenue and 20th and 27th streets, New York city.

Major Duff Stuart, of Clark & Stuart, Vancouver, B.C., has recovered his title as champion player of English billiards, having defeated Tom Allen, of McLeod & Allen, in a hot contest last month. It seems that the Major lost the championship to Mr. Allen last year, and was determined to win it back this year. The hero of Bisley put up a great game and succeeded in recovering his lost glory. Congrats, Major.

James I. Anderson, of London, one of the best-known and best-liked Canadian booksellers, has found it necessary, to offer his fine business for sale, owing to ill-health, which compels him to remove from London to southern California. Mr. Anderson will be greatly missed in trade circles, where he has won everybody's esteem by his strict integrity and genial good-nature. He has been thirty years in business in London.

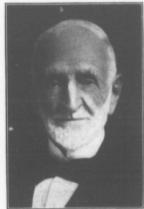
Considerable wallpaper advertising by dealers is appearing in newspapers at this season of the year. Among others we have noticed is a full page advertisement in the Portage La Prairie Graphie, of Brown's, Limited. A num-

ber of seasonable designs are reproduced in this ad. Another good ad. appearing in the Vancouver News-Advertiser is that of the Hudson Bay Stores. The ad. is four columns wide and about 170 lines deep, and is given over entirely to wallpaper.

The Founder of The American News Co.

To have reached the ripe age of ninety-five years, and still to be able to take an active interest in business affairs, is the lot of very, very few men indeed. Yet Henry Dexter, of New York, who passed his ninety-fifth milestone on March 14, is such a one. Born almost a century ago at West Cambridge, Mass., he entered the publishing house of Lincoln and Edmands in Boston at the age of fourteen. Here he served an apprenticeship of three years becoming at the end of that time second foreman in the printing office of Harvard University.

In 1836 Mr. Dexter removed to New York, where he



HENRY DEXTER.

1813 - March 14th - 1908. Photo by Pach, New York.

entered the employ of Grannis, White & Co., and later occupied a position in a hardware business. In 1842 he bought the interests of his brother's partner in the firm of Dexter & Tuttle, dealers in books, periodicals and daily papers and the name became Dexter & Brother.

Several changes were made in the firm during the easuing seventeen years, until in 1859 Mr. Dexter conceived the idea of forming a company by consolidating all the leading newsdealers. This idea was consummated in 1861 and the company thus for ned was the foundation of the present American News Company. All the funds necessary to carry on the business were supplied by Mr. Dexter, as the other members were entirely without means, except their respective businesses. From 1874-76 Mr. Dexter was residing in England and during that time was instrumental in forming a company which has now become the International News Co.

Under the new firm the sphere of trade was gradually extended throughout the United States, with important branches in Canada, England, France, Germany, the East Indies, Japan, China and Australia. Mr. Dexter acted as president without salary, and after his resignation in 1896, retained the largest interest in the company.

Bookseller and Stationer unites with hundreds of Mr. Dexter's friends in wishing him hearty congratulations on the completion of his ninety-fifth year.

Editorial Chronicle And Comment

THE SUBSCRIPTION EDITION.

In a country the size of Canada, where purchasers of native hooks are few, there is a great deal of excuse for the publication of subscription editions. Many valuable works of history and biography, which we have to-day on our library shelves, would never have seen the light, had they not been published on the subscription plan.

One important instance of this is the Makers of Canada series, a collection of twenty biographies. We doubt if it would have been possible to publish profitably more than one or two of these books in the ordinary way.

The unfaitness, however, of the subscription plan in most cases, is the failure of the publishers to do justice to the booksellers. The bookseller should be given the same advantage as the canvasser in the matter of commission. That granted, the publisher is going to win an advantage which he would not otherwise enjoy—that of being able to exhibit his books in the book-store. There are many books published in this country which are never seen or heard of by the ordinary reader. Surely the publishers of subscription books are not so blind to their own interests as not to realize the value of book-store publicity.

The subscription plan is a necessity, but there is no reason why the subscription plan should conflict with the bookseller. Let both publisher and bookseller work in harmony and the cause of Canadian literature will be thereby much better served.

STUPIDITY OF POST OFFICE OFFICIALS.

The correspondence, reproduced on another page of this issue, which passed between the Deputy Postmaster-General of Canada and the Secretary of the Booksellers' and Stationers' Association, illustrates in a marked degree the crass stupidity of the Canadian Post Office officials. Everybody is beginning to understand that Postmaster-General Lemieux, in his efforts to improve his department, has been very seriously hampered by the inefficiency of certain officials. We give the P.M.G. every credit for his efforts to better conditions and believe that, if he were given adequate support, his tenure of the position would become famous as the best in the history of the department. But what can the public expect, if officials behave as stupidly, as this correspondence would indicate?

The case in brief is as follows: Canadian newsdealers are informed that if they wish to mail U. S. periodicals at the rate of one cent per pound, they must furnish the department with a bona fide list of subscribers and a sample copy of each periodical. It was pointed out to the department that for every newsdealer to be compelled to furnish a sample copy of a particular periodical, was an entirely unnecessary hardship. A single copy should serve the purpose of the department as well as a quantity of duplicates. Why burden struggling newsdealers with such

an uncalled-for requirement? This fact was demonstrated in a respectful manner to the Deputy Postmaster-General. His reply indicates that he is either unable or unwilling to see the point and act on the suggestion. He has no reason whatever to offer for this absurd ruling, which is as unjust as it is unnecessary.

All this reminds us of the story told in the "Life of General Ayde," about army methods in India, some years ago. In those days regiments were moved around from place to place quite frequently and pay was handed out at irregular intervals. The men had to have certain papers proving that they were alive, certified to before they were entitled to their pay. In one case, a soldier, who had papers showing that he was alive during September and October, was refused pay for July and August, because he had no certificate for those months. This is just another instance of red tape carried to an extreme.

RETURNING IMPORTED GOODS.

It is quite probable that retailers do not fully appreciate the inconvenience, not to say loss, which they frequently inflict on jobbers and wholesalers by the practice which this season has been unusually prevalent, that of returning goods received as a result of import orders. Because a merchant feels after the shipment has been opened up that his trade did not justify an order as large as he gave, would not, one would think, be considered as sufficient justification for throwing the goods back upon the jobber. Few importing houses in the wholesale centres have escaped this returned goods evil this season.

One Toronto house relates this experience: A merchant in one of the smaller towns sent back practically an entire import shipment of goods. He followed the shipment to the warehouse in person and on being remonstrated with stated that he knew they would accept the goods, whereas he had doubt about the other houses with whom he had placed import orders. The unfairness of such a course is apparent. Because the house had treated him generously, advantage was taken of them.

Wholesalers have a club held over them, and many of them find it difficult to pursue the course which they know they are justified in taking.

One house has taken a firm stand, and upon receipt of a shipment of returned goods, imported to the customer's order, a letter is sent refusing them, and stating their reasons, or they advise the customer that they will ship again with next order.

Under ordinary circumstances, wholesalers do not refuse returns, when they are made for a valid reason, and in small quantities, but large shipments of the kind referred to are a very different matter, especially when it is remembered that import orders, in the majority of cases, practically constitute a contract, the retailer being furnished with a copy of the order for endorsation before it is forwarded.



Mercantile Snapper-Catch

Patent applied for

A CONVENIENT PRACTICAL AND INTER-CHANGEABLE PEN OR PENCIL HOLDER.

It is a "snap" to use a Snapper-Catch, for it snaps securely locked or unlocked with the use of one finger.

Loss of pen or pencil from pocket made impossible by the use of this compact device. Very simple and strong, Readily adjusted to any size pen or pencil. Made of best quality spring steel.

The clever spring attachment is handily operated with one finger, assuring ease in fastening in pocket or in removing. The teeth grip firmly with absolutely no injury to garment, and when closed down pen or peacil cannot be removed until snapped open by the simple pressure of one finger, on the small lever.

Very easily attached and is simple and sure.

Made in 3 sizes, small, medium and large to spring over any size cap or pencil.

Retail price 10 cents each. Liberal trade discounts.

Mounted on handsome celluloid display cards, 3 doz. (assorted sizes) on each.

Put a display card on your show case, and see how popular they are.

"Shrimp" and "Piccaninny"

INK PENCILS

Will last forever, fit any hand and do away entirely with lead pencils and their necessary sharpening.

The most popular vest pocket or purse writing instruments ever produced. Three inches long---fitted with platinum-iridium point and needle, the needle being arranged on a silver yoke and gold spring insuring against leaking, even when upside down, and affording long life and

easy writing.

"Shrimp"
Red polished
vulcanite. Price,
\$1.50 each,

"Dominion Red" Full pencil length. Price, \$2.00 each.

> Liberal discounts to the trade. Write to-day.

"Piccaninny"
Black polished
vulcanite. Price,
\$1.50 each.

"Dominion Black"
Full pencil length. Price,
\$2.00 each.

In attractive counter display cases of 1 Dozen.

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Maniong. Price, \$2,00. De loase edition, moreceo leather, gold stamping, price \$4,00. Bridal edition, white leather bording, gold

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CURRENT BOOK NEWS.

Henry Frowde, Oxford University Press, Toronto, (S. B. Gundy, manager), publishes very little current fiction but every book that he does issue ranks high. This spring he has arranged for four novels-"The Beloved Vagabond" and "The Morals of Marcus Ordeyne," by William J. Locke; "Get-Rich-Quick Wallingford," by George Randolph Chester, and "The Wingless Victory," by M. P. Willcooks. All four are issued in cloth at \$1.25 and are now ready.

"Prisoners of Chance," by Randall Parrish; "The Fair Moon of Bath," by Elizabeth Ellis; "Exton Manor" by Archibald Marshall; "Flower o' the Orange," by Agnes and Egerton Castle; "The Crooked Way," by William le Queux; and "Beau Brocade," by Baroness Orcxy, are the recent fiction publications of William Briggs, To-

A new edition of "Delicia," by Marie Corelli, has been prepared by William Briggs and is available by the

"The Last Egyptian," the much-heralded anonymous novel which Edward Stern, Inc., of Philadelphia, is pub-I shing in the United States, and William Briggs in Canada, will be ready on May 1. It will be advertised in a unique and extensive manner.

"Some Ladies in Haste," the new novel by Robert W. Chambers, will be published next month by McLeod & Allen. So also will be the new novel by Richard Harding Davis, "Vera, the Medium." "The Young Lord Stranleigh," by Robert Barr, will not appear until July.

Since the last issue of Bookseller and Stationer, Cassell & Co.'s Canadian branch have stocked the following new fiction by popular authors : "The Seven of Hearts," by Maurice Leblanc; "Betty of the Rectory," by L. T. Meade,; "Dragon Silk," by Paul Herring; "Concerning Belinda," by Percy Brainerd; "The Statue," by Eden Phillpotts; "Mary Gray," by Katharine Tynan; "The Last Millionaire," by Lilias Davidson, and "A Millionaire Girl," by A. W. Marchmont.

Towards the end of April, McLeod & Allen, Toronto, will issue new and cheap editions of "The Man on the Box," by Harold McGrath, and "In the Bishop's Carriage," by Miriam Michelson. Cloth 50c. Paper, 25c.

"Weiga of Temagami," the book of Indian stories by Cy: Warman, announced in this paper last month, will be ready in May. McLeod & Allen are the Canadian pub-

The following titles comprise McLeod & Allen's list of April fiction: "The City of Delight," by Elizabeth Miller; "True Stories of Crime," by Arthur Train; "The Coast of Chance," by E. & M. Chambertain; "Delilah of the Snows," by Harold Bindloss; "Gleam o' Dawn," by Arthur Goodrich; "Old Mr. Davenant's Money," by Frances Powell; "Altars to Mammon," by Elizabeth Neff; "The Stuff of a Man," by Katharine Evans Blake.

The Macmillan Co. of Canada's leading spring fiction will undoubtedly be, "Mr. Crewe's Career," by Winston Churchill, and "Prima Donna," by F. Marion Crawford, which will both appear during the month of May. They will also issue "Together," by Robert Herrick, and "Tales of the Months," by the author of "The Garden of a Commuter's Wife." Good sales for Jack London's "Iron Heel" are reported by this house.

Cassel & Co.'s Canadian branch have issued paper reprints of "The Flame of Fire," and "The Woman of Babylon," by Joseph Hocking, and "Benita," by Rider Haggard. They have also published in their Favorite Library, "The Doings of Raffles Hall," by A. Conan

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A Page About Canadian Books and Authors

"Sowing Seeds in Danny," a delightful story of Western Canada, by Nellie L. McClung, of Manitou, Man., will be published on the 15th of July by William Briggs, Toronto.

It is announced that A. P. McKishnie's entertaining story "Gaff Linkum" is to be dramatized this coming autumn. Mr. McKishnie recently removed from Chatham to take up his residence in Toronto.

According to an English despatch Rudyard Kipling is at work upon a book on Quebec and its tercentenary, which will be issued in England. M. Hanotaux, ex-Minister of Foreign Affairs in France, is to issue a somewhat similar one in his country.

We are sorry to learn that Lt.-Col. J. R. Wilkinson, of Learnington, author of "Canadian Battlefields and Other Poems," and commanding officer for many years of that crack rural corps, the 21st Essex Fusiliers, has for some time and is yet in poor health. We wish him speedy recovery.

A dainty booklet of verse entitled "A Garden in Antrim," by Miss Eva S. Molesworth, of Oakville, has just been published by William Briggs, Toronto. The poems are, as the title indicates, chiefly Irish in theme. They are of quite exceptional merit. The booklet will make a pretty Easter gift.

Mrs. Randleson's biography of her sister, Ada Florence Kinton, entitled "Just One Blue Bonnet," has been placed on the English market by the Methodist Publishing House of London. It is one of those books of rare charm that draw their strength and sweetness from the personality of the subject of the memoir. The book is well worth reading.

A book of verse entitled "Poems of Memory and Environment," by Mr. Charles Sparrow, Balgonie, Sask., has been published by William Briggs, Toronto. Mr. Sparrow's previous ventures have been in prose. Two of his stories, "Shadows of the Deep" and "The Doomed Mansion" were published, one in 1903, the other in 1907, by William Briggs, Toronto.

William Briggs, Toronto, has in the press a work that—if the showing of more than 500 advance orders be a criterion—is creating wide interest. It is a 'History of the First Century of Methodism in Canada," written by the Rev. J. E. Sanderson, M.A., and bringing the narrative down to the year 1840. The book will be ready in May and will sell at \$1.25.

English book papers announce a book entitled "The First English Conquest of Canada," with some account of the earliest settlements in Nova Scotia and Newfoundland, by Henry Kirke, M.A. who is a descendant of the Captain Kirke, whose name is so intimately associated with the early conquest of Canada. The book will be published by Sampson Low, Marston & Co., and will be timely, in view of the approaching celebrations at Quebec.

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tion of the Province of Quebec, relative to which the cases decided since the adoption of the Criminal Code in 1892 alone have been noted.

A volume of verse of historical interest, from the pen of Ray Palmer Baker B.A., instructor in modern languages in Highfield School, Hamilton, is announced for publication this month by William Briggs, Toronto. The book contains three poems, one of considerable length, entitled "Croynan Hall," dealing with the U. E. Loyalists, and two shorter ones, entitled, "The Maid of the Mask," and "A Tale of Rothenburg." All three are dignified and beautiful compositions of classic finish, making a valuable addition to the literature of Canadian poetry.

An excellent work is being done by the various historical societies throughout Canada, in preserving in permanent form the records and reminiscences of the early days of settlement. One of the most active of these societies is the Missisquoi County Historical Society, with headquarters at Bedford, P.Q. This organization was formed about ten years ago and for the past two years reports have been printed containing much valuable mater. A third report for the current year is now in the press. Last year in addition to its report, the society published a neat and charming little book, "The Voice of the River," describing in a unique manner the river which traverses the county. The society had a membership last year of 150 and its secretary is Charles S. Moore, of Stanbridge, Que.

"Bemocked of Destiny" is the title of a volume of curious interest just published by William Briggs, Toronto. It is a work of posthumous publication, the author, Mr. Aeneas McCharles, being deceased some years, and having provided in his will for the issue of the book and its distribution among the chief public libraries of the provinces of Ontario and Nova Scotia, and among his old friends. Mr. McCharles was a man of affairs, one of the pioneers in the Sudbury mining district and a shrewd observer. His book gives an interesting sketch of his varied and somewhat checkered career, some entertaining and instructive chapters on pioneer life in Canada, and scattered throughout the views of the author on many subjects, national, religious, philosophical and social, expressed in original and unconventional fashion.

"Trails and Tales in Cobalt" is the title of an exceedingly readable volume by W. H. P. Jarvis, a well known mining broker of Ottawa, that will be issued early in April by William Briggs, Toronto. Mr. Jarvis has had extended experience in the mining camps of the Yukon and Cobalt, and in this volume not only describes the life of the prospector and miner most graphically, but lets in a flood of light on the practices of the promoters of wild-cat mining companies. An attractive cover and a frontispiece for the book have been executed by Alfred M. Wickson. Mr. Jarvis is at work on another work entitled "A Remittance Man's Letters," and for this, too, Mr. Wickson is making a series of illustrations.

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Souvenir Booklet A,—Bearing the Toronto coat of arms in color on the cover and inside a charming view of the city from across the bay.

Souvenir Booklet B.—With the new Dominion coat of arms in color on the cover, in which the arms of Alberta and Saskatchewan appear, aod inside four views of typical Canadian scenes, accompanied by appropriate verses. No. 647.—With garland of maple leaves surrounding

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No. 364.—Provincial coats-of-arms centred in a circlet of maple leaves.

No. 360.—Provincial coats-of-arms, centred in a sheaf of wheat, embossed.

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sparkling dew as it rests upon the bosom of the flower or glistens in the spring landscape. There are Easter cards of all sorts, sizes and patterns, and at prices to suit all purses, but each bearing the impress of the Tuck genius, which, as is well known, means the apex of artistic excellence. We were also shown a large line of birthday cards and birthday post cards and an amazingly comprehensive collection of "Oilette" post cards embracing what seemed to be every possible variety of subject.

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The past few months have been very quiet in stationery circles in St. John and in fact throughout the provinces. The dealers are, however, looking hopefully toward the future and a good brisk Easter business is expected. Large stocks of Easter cards, post cards and devotional books have been secured and a ready sale is looked for.

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In books "The Shuttle" and "The Weavers" are still popular sellers and there is a good demand also for "The

Lady of the Decoration."

Magazine sales are about normal. The new Canadian edition of "Collier's" is proving a popular seller, the articles by Kipling on Canada making it much sought

J. M. Roche, bookseller and stationer and dealer in fancy goods, has transferred his business to a joint stock company, retaining a controlling interest himself.

Kendall Hall, manager of Hall's Bookstore, who has been in England, will arrive home this month.

Montreal

Montreal, April 4, 1908.

March trade continued quiet with most booksellers and stationers. Many stores claimed that the late Easter this year had much to do with slow business. Extremely bad weather which prevailed throughout the past month also affected trade. However, the opening of the month sees renewed activity and booksellers in general are quite optimistic regarding Easter business, and are making preparations accordingly. Spring fiction is rapidly appearing on the shelves, and in the window displays, and in-

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Winnipeg.

Winnipeg, March 31, 1908.

March has been an active month in the Winnipeg stores and gross sales are reported to be considerably in advance of the corresponding month last year. Special sales in one or two stores have contributed somewhat to this result, but for the most part it has been secured by regular methods and has been profitable business.

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tablets, and so forth. The thin envelopes for foreign correspondence, known as "Bond of Union," and which are
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envelope, so that the contents of the envelope cannot be
read from the outside, are made by Spieer Brothers. The
extent of their business, so far as papers are concerned,
can be faintly conceived by the number of their watermarks and trade names, a selection from which, as shown
in a neat diary they publish, total up to nearly a thousand.

Their W. King Alton Mill hand-made papers are used



AN OLD ENGLISH PAPER MANUFACTORY.
Spicer Bros. "Alton Mills" in Hampshire, England.

had been first made at Hertford, then at Dartford, some hundreds of years before Spicer started at Alton.

In addition to the mills at Alton, this firm have to-day several buildings in London. In 1889 a limited company was formed, with a share capital of £500,000. On the Board of Directors are seven directors, of whom six bear the surname of Spicer, all of whom are actively concerned in the conduct of this now great business. About 800 hands are employed exclusive of the Alton Mills, in Hampshire. Branches have been established in the large centres in Great Britain and agents and representatives are located all over the world.

Among the many lines manufactured by this firm for office work are writing paper, copying paper, tissues, blotting paper, drying and oiled papers, drawing paper, typewriting paper, duplicating papers, account books of all over the world and their latest novelty, "Heather Blue" writing paper and envelopes, is rapidly becoming the fashion and is being more and more used by smart people and by all who appreciate the best stationery. Their "Priquie" blotting is perfection, and among the hundreds of note papers they put on the market, their "Royal Vellum" is stocked by nearly all stationers, so great is the demand for it. The success of this firm is due to the energy of those who control it, and the unvarying high quality of its manufactures.

As stated above, this firm have agents in all parts of the world. They are represented in Canada by Menzies & Company, Limited, of Toronto, who are to be congratulated in securing the agency for such a house as Spicer Brothers, whose lines are sure to find favor among the

Canadian trade.

BOOKSELLER AND STATIONER

Waste Paper and Desk Baskets.

The Copp, Clark Company, of Toronto, are showing a new line of waste paper and office desk baskets. The baskets are made of expanded drawn metal and are exceptionally strong. The waste paper baskets are 1234 inches

safety ink stands. The "Noair" is sold only through the jobbers and not direct to the retailer. Dealers would do well to handle this line, for apart from the special merit



"Noair" Safety Ink Stand

of the article, a splendid profit is to be made. No. 601 'Noair,'' size 21/2 inches, retails for 25 cents, and shows a profit of 50 per cent.; while No. 603, size 3 inches, shows the handsome profit of 100 per cent.



An Improved Ink Bottle.

John Underwood & Company, manufacturers of the Underwood Inks and Mucilages, have been established for



New Metal Cap Ink Bottle.

over a century. They have been doing business in Canada for over twenty-five years. All their products sold in side, this is a feature not embodied in other makes of Canada are made in this country and are therefore speci-



high, 1012 inches at base and 1314 inches at top and have a tin bottom. The price for these is \$5.40 per dozen. The office desk basket is a single tray about 10x11 inches and 3 inches deep. To prevent scratching of desk the basket has rubber feet. The prize is \$3.60 per dozen baskets.

Safety Ink Stands.

Something altogether new in safety ink stands is the "Noair," manufactured solely by the C. H. Numan Company, of New York. The cork used in the "Noair" stands is made of the finest acidproof rubber, and is guaranteed to last for years. It is impossible for the cork to fall out, as there is a double clamp, one on the inside and one out-

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ally adapted to our climate. For the convenience of the trade this company's policy has been to sell through the wholesale houses and not direct.

All their small bottled inks, that is the five and ten cent lines, are now put up with a new metal cap, which screws on and off, the neck of the bottle being threaded. This is a great improvement on the old cork stoppers with wooden tops, which were so apt to get stuck and break off. These bottles with the new metal caps should instantby find fayor with the public.

Pocket Maps.

The Copp Clark Company, Limited, Toronto are carrying a line of pocket maps, which retail at 25 cents each.

The maps include Canada, Ontario, Manitoba, Quebec, British Columbia, Provinces of Western Canada and the Maritime Provinces.

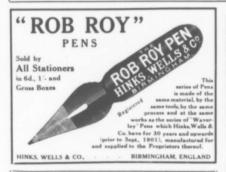
Pen and Pencil Holder.

The "Safety" fountain pen and pencil holder, shown by the Copp Clark Company, Limited, Toronto, is a useful thing for the business man. The holder fits snugly into the vest pocket and will hold a fountain pen and several pencils at one time, and prevents them from falling out when stooping over. These holders made of American cloth sell for 75 cents per dozen; while those made of leather sell at \$1.10 per dozen.

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VANCOUVER

Fancy Goods, Leather Goods and Novelty Department

What is Going on in Import Houses—A Mammoth Display
— Novelties in Firecrackers and Summer Goods — Flags.

Trade Conditions.

The past month has been rather a quiet one in fancy goods, but dealers look for greatly increased sales during the coming month. Some of the wholesale houses report that business for the past months of the present year has equalled that of previous years. Orders for summer goods are now coming in well and trade conditions show steady signs of improvements.

Dealers evidently expect good business in flags, bunting and fireworks for patriotic holidays as sales in these lines are reported to be unusually good. There is likely to be somewhat of a scarcity of freerackers.

It is a little early as yet to report on the result of novelties introduced since the first of the year, but in some instances the newer things have already had large sales.

The Latest Novelty.

Something new that will be sure to find favor in the already long list of illuminative fireworks is the Electric



A NEW NOVELTY FIREWORK.
The Electric Sparker.

Sparker. This novelty can be used both indoors and outdoors, and the effect is decidedly pretty. A feature that is greatly in its favor is the fact that it is quite harmless and can be handled by the smallest child without danger. It will not burn the hands or clothes and the sparks can come into contact with the flimsiest material without igniting it. They can be held in the hand or suspended from trees. On this page we give a reproduction of this novelty, which is carried by the Fancy Goods Company of Canada, Toronto.

Lithographed Flags.

The summer season will soon be with us and flags will once more come into prominence. The Copp. Clark Company, of Toronto. are showing a splendid line of strong heavy cotton flags of various designs. They have the Dominion flag with new coat of arms, including the arms of the provinces of Alberta and Saskatchewan; also the Union Jack and the Stars and Stripes. All are made in 10 sizes, from 2x3 inches to 22x36 inches. These flags

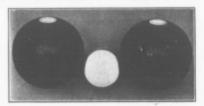
are lithographed, not printed, and the colors will not run, but stand unaffected by storm or sunshine.

Fireworks.

The Sutcliffe-Edmison Company, of Toronto, report very satisfactory sales in all classes of fireworks. This house are agents for the celebrated Hand & Company line and are also carrying a very large line of Gecman and foreign fireworks.

Lawn Bowls.

The season is nearing when enquiries will be made for lawn bowls. The Fancy Goods Company of Canada are



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carrying Taylor's Glasgow Genuine Bowls, made of the finest procurable lignum vitae. These bowls are specially selected and thoroughly seasoned and are perfectly designed and executed by hands trained by long experience

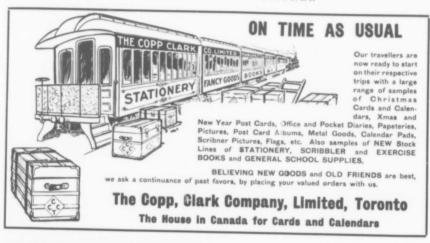


LAWN BOWL NETS.

and under the personal supervision of Thos. Taylor, the greatest living expert. The Fancy Goods Company are also carrying a line of lawn bowl nets.

THE GROWTH OF A GREAT CONCERN.

Thirty-five years ago there landed in Grimsby, Yorkshire, England, a man by the name of Henry Davidson. Though but slightly acquainted with surroundings and only just beginning to know the people amongst whom he had made his new home, he had already found out, that these people more than any other nation at that time had already developed a taste and demand for the best of merchandise only. They were beginning to get tired of the rubbish which had been dumped on the market both by the foreign manufacturer and the tradesmen at home. While others went on, the way their predecessors before them had gone, Mr. Davidson saw in this his great opportunity and



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a few weeks after his arrival began to attempt something entirely new to the English trade, namely to bring out artistic and high-grade pictures at a low price, thus competing with the cheap goods offered heretofore. Starting in a small way in Manchester his new venture met with such coormous success, that after the short space of time of three years he moved his headquarters to the capital Lon-

There, in one room of about 30 by 25 the foundation of the present firm of Davidson Bros. was laid. In addition to his pictures he then began to publish Christmas cards, which met with the same success as his former publications. His business soon began to grow far beyond his wildest dreams and expectations. Their publications can be found in almost every civilized country; they run two big factories in England exclusively for the manufacture of post cards and employ over three hundred men abroad to turn out their Christmas cards. It is true that big industries have made big concerns, but in this case the concern has practically created the industry.

Their great success in the post card field is due to two of their specialties the Tom Browne comic post cards and the real photo glossy post cards. The eminent artist, Tom Browne, whose elever designs brought him the membership of the Royal Academy, was exclusively engaged by Davidson Bros. to design for them a series of really comic post cards, selecting only such designs as through their clean and wholesome humor would appeal to the public. This has been continued until to-day, over one thousand designs are shown. The cards are printed in fourteen colors on high-grade glazed stock, and have truly been termed: The comic earl par excellence.

In their efforts to always improve the standard of high quality of their publications, Davidson Bros. have greatly improved their specialty, the real glossy photo post eards the choice designs which have been selected for reproduction as well as the perfection of workmanship have made

these postals the eards by which others are judged. The collection comprises over fifteen hundred different designs, amongst them many for special occasions like Xmas, birthdays, etc.

To even improve upon the best, they employ a staff of order one hundred trained artists in their studios in London, to paint a number of the choicest designs with watercolors, making each card a veritable little painting. These eards are worth while framing and make a handsome objet d'art.

But this is only one branch of their many publications. The Xmas eard which in reality created the fame of the House of Davidson Bros. is still the line which is featured more strongly than any other. To the layman this collection of Xmas cards would be a revelation. In vain you look for the crude, brightly colored folders of past decades which are usually offered to the trade; instead of that you will find booklets, which show that every detail is studied to make the card appeal to even the most critical connoisseur. Perhaps a dainty spray of flowers, beautifully tinted holly, a sheaf of ivy, arranged in well matched colors, form the design. Some are lithographed in the best manner known, others are hand-painted, while others again have as centrepiece a small photograph. For material is used the highest grade eard board, parchment and celluloid; some of the booklets are tied with a neat silk ribbon and others with silken cords and tassels. To really go into full detail would take up more room than has been allotted to me.

It would be unfair to the line to close this without having made mention of the firm's publications of high art calendars. As in all their other lines, quality has been maintained before anything else. Apart from a big variety in this line, the prices have been so arranged as to enable everyone to handle this line. They range in price from the inexpensive article for a few cents up to numbers which retail as high as \$1.50.

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The Copp, Clark Company, Limited - Toronto

A Walking Stick Stand and Finder.

One of the most novel appliances for hand camera use that we have seen of late is Watson's walking stick stand and view finder. The stand to all appearances is an ordinary Malacca walking stick with a crook handle of polished horn, and can be used as such without giving the slightest sign of its latent possibilities. By unscrewing the handle, however, a male screw is revealed on the stick, upon which a hand camera can be secured. Used in this way, with the ferrule of the stick on the ground, the hand camera is steadied so much that quite long exposures may be given-far longer than when the camera is held in the hand without any other mechanical support at all.

But the distinctive characteristic of the walking stick has still to be pointed out. By attaching a small finder to the stick, just below where the handle is attached, and by applying the eye to a hole on the opposite side of the stick and at the lower end, a system of lenses and mirrors in the stick itself allows the user to see the picture in a finder which may be some feet above his head. A light hand camera can thus be held three feet above the photographer, and used in that position, so that with this one can both see the photograph over walls or over the heads of a crowd, in a way which no other apparatus will admit.

The apparatus is made still more complete by a little device which is carried in the projecting tube of the finder, by means of which one can see at a glance whether

Photo Supply Department a weighted frame, strikes us as being particularly ingenfous. The orifices in the stick can be closed by shields within it, when it is being used as a walking

Do You Handle Them?

With the summer season close upon us there should be a big increase in sales of photo supplies during the next month or two. There can be little doubt but that amateur photography is becoming more and more popular, and in consequence there will be a greater demand for supplies of various kinds. Stationers not already doing so will find it to their advantage to put in a stock of photo supplies and get their share of this trade. In towns where there is not a direct photo supply house, it is up to the stationer to carry the line, for the intending purchaser will look to you for his wants. Very little space is required to stock supplies of this nature and the profit to be had on sales is worth going after.

To induce sales why not have a competition in your town for amateur photographers, giving prizes for the best photos taken during the three summer months, June July and August. This would surely bring outsiders into the fold and would also enthuse the half-hearted users of the camera.

Do you keep any of the photographic journals for sale on your counter? If not, you should do so, for there are a number of excellent publications containing matter that would be of great help to the amateur. It should be a comparatively easy matter to secure subscriptions for such publications from the enthusiast.

Now is the time to stock up with a supply of

"Wellington" **Plates**



Papers and

Don't postpone doing this until you are asked for them, then it will be too late and your competitor will reap the profit. Every tourist visiting your town or city will need supplies of

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Remember that the cost of handling them is practically nil and the profits from their sales for you are large.

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Some Matters of Interest to Canadian Newsdealers

Absurd Ruling of the Post Office Department—Correspondence With the Deputy Postmaster General—Items About Magazines of the Day.

The requirement of the Canadian Post Office Department that every Canadian newsdealer, who wishes to mail copies of a United States periodical to subscribers at the rate of one cent per pound, must furnish not only a bona fide list of these subscribers, but a sample copy as well, has been the occasion for the following correspondence, which speaks for itself.

The absurdity of the position taken by the Deputy Postmaster-General must be patent to everybody. Why must Canadian newsdealers furnish copies of magazines to the Department, which the Department already has on fyle? Is there a nigger in the fence?

The Case Stated.

Toronto, March 25, 1908.

R. M. Coulter, Esq., M.D., Deputy Post Master-General, Ottawa.

Dear Sir,—Re re-mailing of United States periodicals.

Our hearty thanks are due to the Department for the concession granted to Canadian newsdealers whereby they are privileged to re-mail to bona fide subscribers United States magazines, which have been approved by the Department, at the rate of one cent per pound.

We would like, however, to direct your attention to one feature of the new ruling which will lay a heavy burden on the newsdealers, viz., the depositing of a sample copy of each publication with the Department.

Take the case of a newsdealer having one or two subscribers for Harper's Monthly. This magazine costs four dollars per annum. The expense of placing a sample copy with the Department would eat up most of the profit made in handling the other two copies.

And, moreover, if Harper's Monthly is entitled to the one cent rate, the publishers must themselves have placed a copy of the magazine with the Department previously. Why, then, should a newsdealer, whose profits are so small, be required to furnish the Department with a duplicate copy? And, going further, why should it be necessary for a thousand Canadian newsdealers to place duplicate copies of magazines at Ottawa? Is not the Government's purpose completely filled when the newsdealer proves that the people to whom he sends these magazines are bona fide subscribers?

There can be no antagonism between the United States publisher of a magazine and the Canadian newsdealers who sell that magazine, and there can be no question of discrimination. It is the same magazine and the publisher makes a profit on every copy he sells, whether it be direct or through a newsdealer. There is no injustice done to a publisher by requiring him to furnish a sample copy and relieving the newsdealers of that necessity, for it is primarily to the publisher's interest to have his magazine accepted.

The newsdealers are not publishers and there can be no clashing of interests. We believe that if a canvass were made of United States publishers, they would have no hesitation in stating that they would not consider themselves discriminated against in the least if newsdealers were relieved of the necessity of furnishing the Department with sample copies.

We feel sure that the Department will be even more anxious to assist Canadian tradesmen than United States

publishers. By placing this handicap on the newsdealers' business, you will seriously hamper the newsdealers' sales of magazines and will transfer much of this magazine business to the United States publishers. In removing it you will help the newsdealers and will in no way injure the interests of the publishers.

Will the Department kindly give this important matter their early and serious attention and advise us if anything can be done to relieve the situation?

The Booksellers' and Stationers' Association, (Signed) W. A. CRAICK, Secretary.

W. A. Charek, Been

Dr. Coulter's Reply.

Ottawa, March 30, 1908.

Sir,—I beg to acknowledge receipt of your communication of the 25th inst, relative to the regulations recently issued by this Department governing the posting by Canadian newsdealers at the one cent per pound rate of United States publications addressed to bona fide subscribers, wherein you claim that, when making application for the privilege, the depositing with the Department of a sample copy of each publication would lay a heavy burden on the newsdealers.

In reply, I have pleasure in stating that, in the event of the mailing-in-Canada privilege for a given publication having been previously granted or refused, the copy submitted by a Canadian newsdealer with his application will be returned. In case, however, a previous application to mail the publication in Canada has not been made, it will be necessary that the copy be retained as part of the Departmental fyle.

(Signed) R. M. COULTER,

Deputy Postmaster-General.

W. A. Craick,

Secretary Booksellers' and Stationers' Assn.

A Second Letter.

Toronto, March 31, 1908.

R. M. Coulter, Esq., M.D., Deputy Postmaster-General, Ottawa.

Dear Sir,—Your communication in reply to our letter of the 25th inst., relative to the regulations covering the re-mailing privilege granted to Canadian newsdealers has been received and we are gratified to learn that the Department is inclined to take a favorable view of our representations in the matter.

Might we request, however, that the Department would go a step further and save the dealer the unnecessary expense of purchasing and sending to the Department a copy of a periodical already on fyle at Ottawa, by advising him, when application is made for the remailing privilege, whether or not a copy of the periodical in question is afready in the hands of the Department? Should the Department notify him that a copy is on fyle, then he need not supply a duplicate, but if the Department advises him that there is not a copy on fyle, then let him be required to furnish one.

This seems to us to be an equitable way to settle the matter. The newsdealers are quite willing to fall in with the general principles involved, but fail to see why duplicates should be furnished at all, when a sample copy is already on fyle.

Trusting the Department will look on our request favorably, we are,

Yours faithfully,

The Booksellers' and Stationers' Association,
(Signed) W. A. CRAICK, Secretary.

Dr. Coulter's Second Letter.

Ottawa, April 1, 1908.

Sir,—I beg to acknowledge receipt of yours of the 35ts ult., having further reference to the regulations governing the mailing-in-Canada privilege granted to Canadian newsdealers, and in reply to state that an application for this mailing privilege cannot be considéred complete unless accompanied by copies of the publications to which references are made. I regret that I cannot meet your wishes in this instance, but it is necessary that the Department be in a position to deal with an application intelligently, definitely and promptly.

(Signed) R. M. COULTER,

Deputy Postmaster-General.

W. A. Craick,

Secretary Booksellers' and Stationers' Assn.

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Westward Ho! the only standard sized 10 cent monthly published in Canada, unidentified with any railway, corporation or immigration society. A magazine of the great Canadian West. Virile stories, Retail price 10 cents, to the trade 5 cents. Dealers should write for sample copies, Westward Ho! Publishing Co., Vancouver, B.C.

Electrician and Mechanic—There isn't a Canadian town without a student of electricity. He wants Electrician and Mechanic. There isn't a town without a tool user who wants to build a boat, or a mission chair, or a dynamo, or an engine, or a wireless set. He will buy Electrician and Mechanic at sight. Therefore, we want every neusdealer to handle it. Seven cents to the dealer, ten cents to the public. Returnable at any time, no matter how old. Order from your news company. SAMPSON PUBLISHING Co., 6 Beacon St., Boston, Mass.

The Busy Man's Magazine should be on every newstand. It is the most popular Canadian publication on the market to-day. Price to the trade I cents. Retail price 20 cents. Fally retumble. It contains a complete classified index of what appears in all the other magazines of the month. Selling Busy Man's means an increase in the sale of other magazines as well.

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Doings of the Month in the Picture Post Card Department

The Outlook for Easter—Something About View Cards—Pointers for the Trade
—An Association Formed—The Picture Post Card as an Educator in Germany.

U. S. Consul Frank S. Hannah, in the following report from Magdeburg, tells of the new educational use of pictorial post cards in Germany:

At a recent meeting of the German Geographical Sopicture postal cards as means of instruction in the schools. The post card industry has made enormous progress in the last few years, and in the last few months cards have been brought into the market illustrative of natural history, political history, and for use in instruction in the German language, which have met with the hearty approval of professors and teachers of reputation.

The school museum at Breslau has undertaken to form a collection of these cards, and for this purpose has te-

Novelty Cards.

The well known post card house, W. G. MacFarlane, of Toronto, are going extensively into the manufacturing of novelty cards of all descriptions. For Easter they showed a splendid assortment, most of the designs being entirely new and original. Their Leap Year proposal card is a very pretty one, a miniature envelope in which is enclosed a very fetching proposal, is fastened on the face of the card.

A Special Offer.

The C. H. Snyder Company, Toronto, are making a special offer for this month. They are offering a sample



Tom Browne Comic Post Cards.
(Davidson Bros., publishers.)

quested the various publishers to forward them samples of their output, that it may be determined to what extent they may be used for purposes of instruction. Further, two teachers in Leipzig have established a central bureau for meritorious post cards of all sorts intended for purposes of instruction, collection, and travel. They have also developed and offer for sale two practical systems for the display and filing of the cards. These gentlemen select and arrange the cards most carefully according to pedagogical principles. Such prominent educators as Harms, Tischendorf, Rudolf Schmidt, and others have indorsed the plan of using illustrated cards as an aid in instruction, and even official bodies, such as the Provincial Schulkollegium, in Potsdam, anticipate favorable results from them.

set of the twelve famous Boileau Head post cards for 25 cents. These cards retail at 5 cents cach, and a sample set will yield 60 cents. This special offer is a cheaper rate than when buying by the hundred, but they feel aure that anyone getting one of their sample sets will be so pleased with them that they will not fail to order further.

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Raphael Tuck & Sons are known the country over for the high standard of their cards and dealers find little difficulty in disposing of any of their lines.

Post Card Association.

An association has been formed in New York, to be known as the Post Card Importers' Manufacturers' and Publishers' Protective Association. The membership is already upwards of twenty-five and several applications are awaiting acceptance. The dues are to be \$50 per annum and the association is to be incorporated within a short time. It is to be arranged later to have a sort of clearing house for credit information and members will be kept fully informed. Price regulations will also be taken up. Any house in the trade in good standing which is not directly representing a foreign firm or taking orders on commissions from a foreign firm is eligible for membership.

Easter Cards.

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Local View Cards.

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THE DOMINION MAGAZINE.

The April number of this new Canadian monthly makes a fine appearance, indeed. The editorial, short stories and illustrations are even better than the March issue, which was its initial number. The publishers are pursuing a policy of bringing out Canadian authors and illustrators, and the May number promises to be the best one yet. Among the features promised, besides several strong editorials, are short stories by Jack London, Max Preston, W. A. Fraser, Carl Ahrens, etc., with illustrations by well known Canadian artists.

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Asked as to whether any particular lines were selling ahead of others, Mr. Charles E. Warwick said that the whole line was taking well and that he could not say that any one kind of goods was selling better than any other.

The firm's travelers for the northwest, Quebee and the Maritime Provinces, left for their respective fields early this week. H. C. Woods opens up immediately in Port Arthur and Fort William, G. Hazen in Frederiction N.B., and J. A. Gilbrandsen in Quebec. Arrangements will be made for the trade from the surrounding districts to inspect the samples at these centres.

The Ontario travelers are on hand at the Rea Building. Spadina Avenue, Toronto, where the central display is shown, and here they will be pleased to meet with their respective customers. Owing to the fact that many dealers are holding off until Easter before coming to the city, it would be as well for them to arrange beforehand with their particular traveler for a convenient date, as un-

doubtedly there will be a crowd on hand during Easter week.

The trade must not forget that this is the biggest and best display of import faney goods ever shown by Warwick Bros. & Rutter. In fact, it is so extensive that they could not accommodate it in their own building and had to seek larger quarters in the Rea building. Here everything has been arranged to give customers every opportunity to examine the samples in harmonious surroundings. The handsome goods in their attractive surroundings make a charming picture and we urge every dealer who can possibly get to Toronto to visit the Rea building.

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