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Until you break the shell of a nut you are wholly in the dark as to the quality of the meat therein. A fair exterior often covers an unsatisfactory interior. Quality depends largely upon reputation—you've got to be guided by that. Be guided, then (if seeking highest quality in Canned Fruits), by these three words, "Canned by Griffin," and you'll be absolutely safe.

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Purity is a paramount quality of Cox's Gelatine and the maintaining of that purity is the unalterable purpose of the makers. The Standard is fixed—it does not deviate a hair's breadth from year to year.



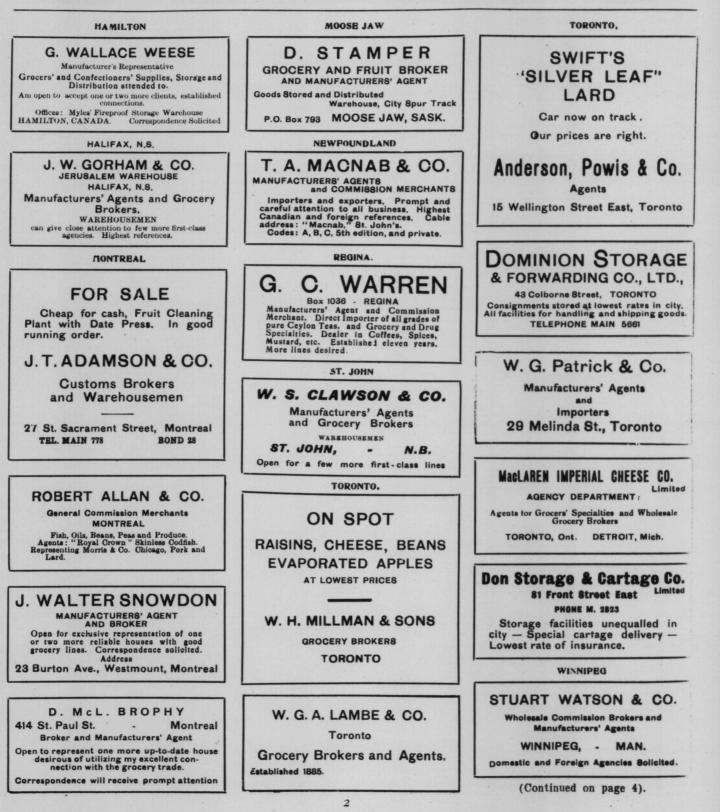
As sugar is sugar and tea is tea, so Gelatine is "Cox's" the world over. By it all other brands are judged. It is always the same pure Gelatine.

Arthur P. Tippet & Co. GENERAL AGENTS MONTREAL



■ BROKERS' DIRECTORY

Manufacturers and merchants cannot expect to develop, maintain and get the best out of the Canadian market without the assistance of local agents. The following is a representative list of reputable agents. The service department of The Canadian Grocer is at the disposal of firms wanting agents or of agents wanting agencies.



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Has been the Downfall of Many a Good Business Man. The One who can grasp a Situation immediately, usually comes out on top

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BLUE	RIBBON	TEA	15	-		-					4		at 20c
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Packed in black, mixed and green. We will ship you ANY grade you wish at the above prices, NET 30 DAYS, delivered your railway station. Compare our prices with other package teas.

The Blue Ribbon Tea Co., Limited

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MONTREAL



1908-1909

We take this opportunity of extending to you the Season's Greetings. We sincerely hope that you will have a very prosperous Xmas trade, and that in the New Year your business will be still more satisfactory.

This last year has been an anxious one for most of us, and the profit side of our ledgers may not be altogether satisfactory, yet we have much to be grateful for, and the coming year, from all indications, should be a good one for all of us. As someone has said, "We Canadians have toiled hard until we have reached the top of the toboggan slide, and now nothing can hold us back."

We are entering the New Year with a determination to supply you with the very best Canned Goods at reasonable prices, and we hope your New Year's resolution will be to handle only the very best, viz., Canadian Canners' Brands.

Yours respectfully,

CANADIAN CANNERS, Ltd.



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Clean Methods

mean a whole lot in the manufacture of canned goods. If a sloppy plant is kept and sloppy employes used, the result is generally a sloppy, flavorless product. We are very careful to avoid sloppiness in the manufacture of

Old Homestead Brand Canned Fruits and Vegetables

Our methods are strictly clean and up-to-date. Our employes are cleanly people of great skill. Our stock is the subject of expert selection—only the highest grade of fruits and vegetables that can be obtained being used in Old Homestead Brand. The result is, . clean, sound goods of a fine, full, natural flavor.

Your Jobber Can Supply You.

The Old Homestead Canning Co.

Picton, - - Ontario

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Get After the Peddler

Reach out after the tea trade he is getting —the trade that rightfully belongs to you. But how is this to be done? <u>Only by educating your customers to purchase goods</u> the peddler cannot buy. You can never hope to win back the peddler's tea trade by selling bulk teas. The peddler sells that.

Concentrate your energy and selling force on pushing a tea of supreme quality—well advertised and having an enormous sale—a tea the peddler cannot buy. Such a tea is

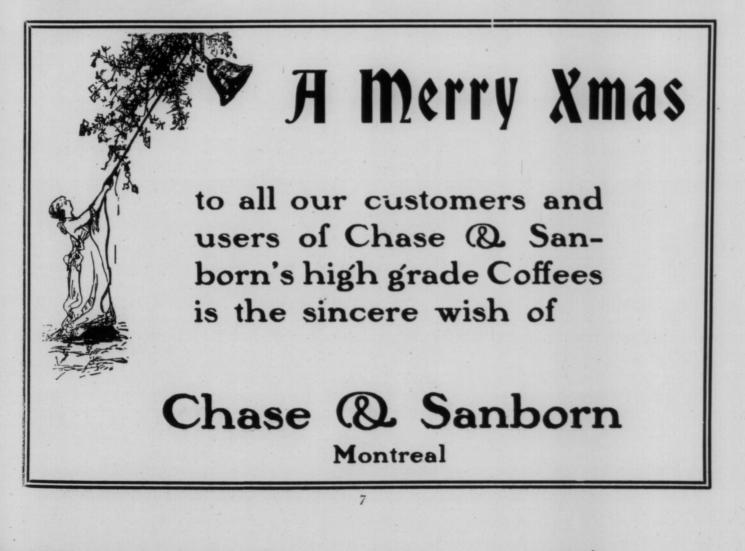


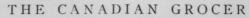
The most profitable tea for a grocer to handle. For seventeen years it has maintained its prestige as the highest grade tea. A constantly increasing demand shows its great value to every grocer as a sure trade-winner. With "SALADA" you serve the public well, and the peddler can't take your trade.

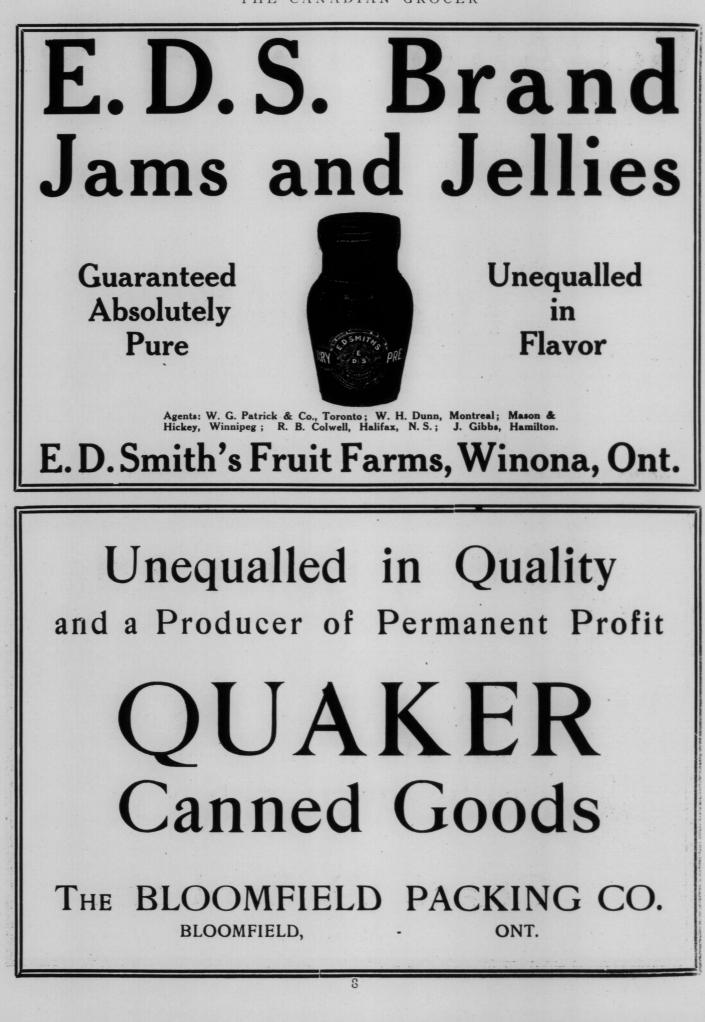
Prove it Yourself, Mr. Grocer

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Your Customers are Not Getting Much Enjoyment Out of 25c. Tea

30c. Red Rose Tea is cheaper than any 25c. tea—cheaper because it has much finer flavor, more strength, will make more cups of tea to the pound.

Any 25c. tea you can sell has only a coarse weedy flavor, a flavor you do not like yourself and you would never drink it unless you could not get anything else. Your customers are just the same as you.

Sell them a pound of 30c. Red Rose and you will see that they will very soon come back asking for "more of the same tea," and will say nothing about the small difference in price.

You would like to have more tea business; you would like to do the biggest tea trade in your section of the country.

You can do it by selling good tea, and you will find that your customers will say "Red Rose Tea is good tea" and will tell their friends that they buy it from you.

You can make a bigger business than you have ever had if you start right in now with the new year and push Red Rose Tea. Will you do so?

BRANCHES_ 3 Wellington East, Toronto 315 William St., Winnipeg

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A Merry Xmas to All The Davidson & Hay Limited

WHOLESALE GROCERS, TORONTO



To Our Many Friends We Wish

A Merry Christmas And a Very Happy and Prosperous New Year

Mathewson's Sons wholesale grocers 202 McGILL STREET, - MONTREAL Proprietors QUAKER SALMON



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As perfect a product as modern science can produce.

Made in the finest dairying district in Canada, by experts working in a modern plant.

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Order a trial shipment.

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GENERAL SALES AGENTS :--S. H. Ewing & Sons, MONTREAL



Canada First Evaporated Cream?

Because it is Highest in Butter Fat. SURE TO PLEASE YOUR CUSTOMERS.

EVERY CAN GUARANTEED. NO DEAD STOCK. Manufactured by

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Mr. Grocer— Read This— It's For You

Nothing ever sold by Grocers can approach the KAISER WAX PAD AND IRON CLEANER IN MERIT. Every housekeeper with common sense knows a good thing when she sees it—she is very ambitious to excel in htr Laundry work—with the KAISER WAX PAD AND IRON CLEANER a long felt want is supplied. It sells easily. By taking up an agency you can work up a steady and increasing business, as WHERE THE KAISER WAX PAD AND IRON CLEANER IS ONCE USED it is ALWAYS USED. Housekeepers are mad after it and will thank you for supplying them with this great labor saving discovery. REDUCES IRONING TIME BY HALF.



Every Housekeeper dreads ironing day, especially so, when she has a lot of Shirt-Waists, Mens Shirts, Collars Cuffs, etc. to Iron; She always wants to obtain a high gloss finish equal to First Class Laundries, and after hard work by the use of Common Wax, a lot of rubbing and Polishing utterly fails. The Kaiser Iron Cleaner & Wax Pad will clean and smooth

the rough and rusty places that have accumulated since the last time they were used By rubbing the hot Iron quickly over the corrugated surface you remove immediately starch or rust. You will be delighted when you try the Iron to see how smoothly it slips over the linen and the result will be no difference from first class laundry work. When the wax is entirely exhausted in the outer 2 Layers on both sides, remove it—and you still will have 2 Layers left.

WHY YOU SHOULD USE IT.

The cost to use it is almost nothing.

- The Iron does not adhere to the fabric.
- It imparts a splendid perfume to the clothes. It saves a great deal of hard work in Ironing
- It gives an excellent lustre to the Linen or Muslin.
- The Clothes will remain clean and neat much longer.
- It gives the Clothes a much better finish than by any other

method. It makes the Iron pass smoothly over the surface and does not leave any black streaks or spots.

Every Housekeeper that cares to do Good Work should have one. We claim there is nothing on the market is its equal to the KAISER IRON CLEANER & WAX PAD, for quickness, convenience, satisfactory work or economy.

Advertise Your Business !!!

In each gross you will find 500 descriptive circulars like the above, leaving space for you to stamp your name and address on. These circulars will pull you in the customers for the KAISER WAX PAD AND IRON CLEANER and at the same time ADVERTISE YOUR BUSINESS. We want to convince you of the virtues of KAISER WAX PAD AND IRON CLEANER. Send your order to your Jobber or to our nearest Agents or direct. We will see that you get supplied. We know that you will never regret having secured an agency.

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WANTED - Agents throughout Canada in unrepresented distributing centers.

Canadian Agents :

Richards & Brown, Winnipeg, Man. G. C. Warren, Regina. Whitlock & Marlatt, Moose Jaw. Howard Bros., Brantford, Ont. W. S. Clawson & Co., St. John, N.B.

Let us look after your "Rush" Xmas orders. Mail orders, or orders wired or phoned (at our expense) will have our usual prompt and careful attention.

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Brooke Bond's Packet Teas.

"RUSH"

ORDERS

You know your trade. You know what your customers expect to pay. You know the kind of tea they insist on having. Knowing these things, are you sure you are getting for them better tea for their money than they can get elsewhere in your town?

Stocking our Packet Teas will enable vou to do this, for, thanks to our system and business methods, we can offer you better tea than you can get elsewhere for the same money.

For samples apply to Messrs. Hamblin & Brereton, Corner of Notre Dame and Victoria Streets, WINNIPEG, MANITOBA.

A perfect system leaves a good impression which means more business.

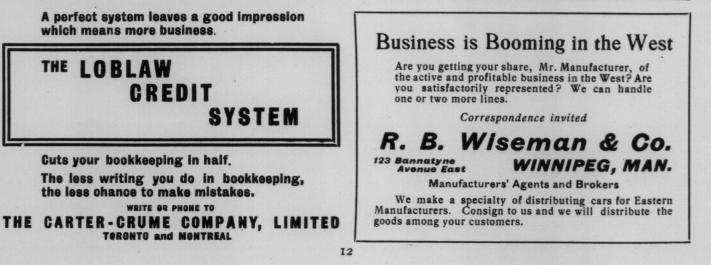
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Pansy Broom The broom in the individual wrapper.

It is made from the finest broom corn grown, by the best skilled workmen in Canada. We can supply you with other brooms, too, but our best offer is the Pansy. It beats everything on the market.

H. W. Nelson & Co., Ltd. T O R O N T O

Making the Customers Come Back

That's just what

"Pride of Niagara Falls" Brand Canned Goods

have been doing this Season

They'll keep on doing it. It's all owing to the quality and methods employed in the most modern and sanitary factory in Canada. We have on hand

Select Hand Packed Tomatoes Refugee Wax Beans

These are not cheap goods but THE BEST. Can be obtained through the following agents:

Eby-Blain, Limited, Toronto.

Frank L. Benedict & Co., Montreal.

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Established 1810

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H. W. NELSON &

F. H. Wiley, Winnipeg, Western Agent.

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Merry Christmas to You!

May your Christmas, Mr. Grocer in the Eastern Townships, (and all over Canada for that), dawn a happy day finishing off a prosperous year's business.

We make our greeting apply chiefly to E. T. grocers, because we know them, are in business to serve them loyally and well. We have done this in the past and will continue to do so.

May 1909 Eclipse the Success of 1908 For us Both

T. A. Bourque & Co., Reg.

Wholesale Grocers and Proprietors Duchess Brand Goods Sherbrooke, Que.

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Cocoas and Chocolates

In single box lots we will supply at the following prices:

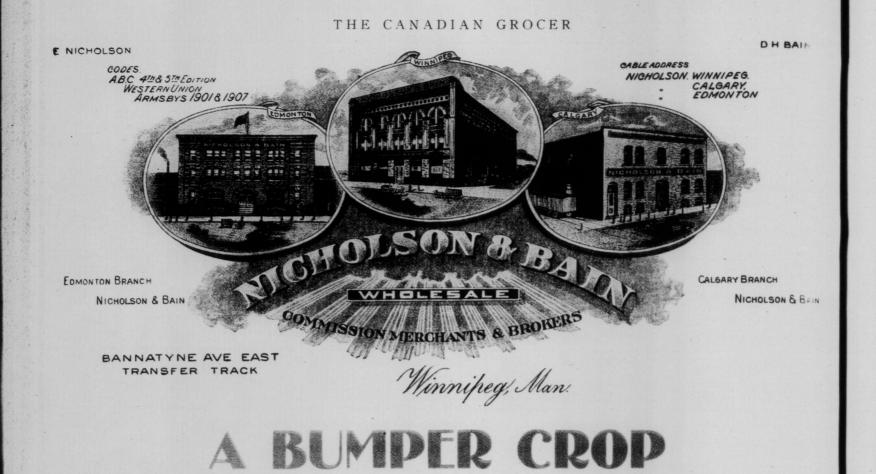
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Webb's	Cocoa,	1⁄48	-	-	-	•	•	29 1/20.	**

W. H. GILLARD & CO. Wholesale Grocers HAMILTON Branch House-Sault Ste. Marle WAGSTAFFE'S Fine old English Plum Puddings and Mince Meat

Are the best.

Your money returned if not satisfied. Ask your wholesale grocer for them.

WAGSTAFFE, LTD. Pure Fruit Preservers HAMILTON



TO THE TRADE :--

Herewith please find Acreage and estimated yield in the Provinces of Manitoba, Saskatohewan and Alberta :--

WHEAT.	Acreage.	Estimated Yield per Acre	Total		
Manitoba Saskatchewan Alberta	3,170,000 410,000	15 bushels 181 '' 21 ''	40,650,000 bushels 58,645,000 '' 8,610,000 ''		
Total		••••••	107,905,000 "		
	Total acreage in the three provinces.	Estimated Yield per acre			
Oats Barley	2,660,000 acres 860,000 "	34 bushels 21 "	90,440,000 bushels 18,060,000 "		
Or a total in the three Cereals of			216,405,000 bushels		

September wheat is quoted at Fort William at 98c. per bushel, October $95\frac{1}{4}c.$, December $92\frac{2}{4}c.$ Deduct 10c. per bushel freight, and you have the returns in dollars and cents to the farmers. No. 2 White Oats, October, is quoted at $39\frac{1}{4}c.$, deduct freight, say, $4\frac{1}{2}c.$, and you have the value in dollars and cents to the farmers. Future Barley is not quoted. So near as we can figure, the value of the three crops, Wheat, Oats and Barley, to the farmers is equal to **3100,000,000**.

We are brokers and Commission Merchants exclusively. Can we not handle your goods in the Great West? Yours truly,



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TO THE TRADE:

Have You Seen the Latest and Most Striking Evidence of the

Increasing American Demand

CEYLON TEA

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EXPORTED TO AMERICA

Jan. 1st, to Oct. 31st, 1907 Black, 7,053,900 lbs. Green, 1,918,600 lbs.

Jan. 1st, to Oct. 31st, 1908 Black, 8,296,500 lbs. Green, 2,912,100 lbs.

An Increase in Direct Shipments of 24.92%

And in a Year of Trade Depression, Too!!

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WORKINGMEN

Desire to pay no fancy prices for a common, every day necessity such as a hand cleaner. That's why they all demand

Gilmour's 10c Hand Cleaner

which possesses all the qualities of the higher priced lines, and which is packed in full sized tins particularly popular with the hard-working man.

Ask Your Wholesaler's Traveller-Or Write Us.

The Gilmour Company, Montreal

"THE GENUINE HAND CLEANER IN THE ORIGINAL YELLOW TIN"



is without a peer in the Canadian market.

No tea is more extensively advertised or better known.

Good tea is a magnet which always draws trade.

Ridgways Tea will be a trade winner for your store.

CANADIAN OFFICE, VANCOUVER, B.C.

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THICK, SWOLLEN GLANDS that make a horse Wheeze, Roar, have Thick Wind, or Choke-down, can be remored with ABSORBINE or any Bunch or Swelling.

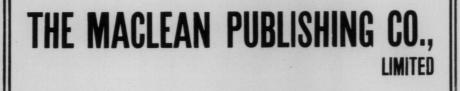
ABSORBINE, J.R., for ABSORBINE, J.R., for mankind, \$1.00, delivered. Reduces Goitre, Tumors, Wens, Varicese Veins, Ulcers, Hydrocele, Varicotele. Book free. Made only by W.F. YOUNG, P.D.F., 204 Monmouth St., Springfield, Mass. LUMAN, SONS & CO., Montreal, Canadian Arents.

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To solicit subscriptions in Toronto for one of our publications.

A retired merchant or one who has had experience as a salesman preferred.

As high as \$1,500 a year will be paid to a first class man.



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LYTLE'S MINCE MEAT

is equal to every demand. No grocer should let his stock of this necessity run out and thus lose sales.

Order from your jobber or direct.

THE T. A. LYTLE CO. LTD. Sterling Road, Toronto, Canada

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EDINBURGH'S PRIDE" EVERY BOTTLE OF Symington's

SELINCE

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"Edinburgh" Coffee Essence does credit to the makers and the city of

does credit to the makers and the city of production. Every bottle gives satisfaction and helps to create further demand

Our ESSENCE OF COFFEE AND CHICORY gives wonderful value. One bottle makes 40 cups of delicious coffee fit for any connoisseur.

Recommend it for camping parties and Summer outings. It always pleases.

Thos. Symington & Co. EDINBURGH

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GIVES A GOOD, BRIGHT, LASTING SHINE.

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THE BEST STOVE POLISH ON THE MARKET

W. G. A. LAMBE & CO., Canadian Agents

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Klondike Jubilee Sterling

These three names have for years stood for **high quality** in **Brooms.**

They are now put up with polished maple handles and are unequalled for value.

Manufactured by

STEVENS-HEPNER CO.

Port Elgin, Ontario, Canada

J. W. Windsor

Montreal

wishes each and every Canadian grocer a

Merry

and trusts that all will enjoy their dinner that day the more for having on the table a pot of the marmalade they have sold in such quantity in 1908.

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: : : Maker of Canada's Famous : : : Balmoral Scotch Marmalade



"SNAP" the world's best Hand Cleaner



One tin is equal to three times the quantity of soap. It will instantly free the hands from every trace of paint, dirt, grease or grime of any kind whatever. It will not injure the skin; but will leave it clean, soft and white. There's an

excellent profit in "Snap"—none better in the trade. Ask your jobber to send you a trial case of

"SNAP" — The Original Hand Cleaner

Made by

The Snap Company Limited Montreal, - Ganada



BLACK KNICHT STOVE POLISH

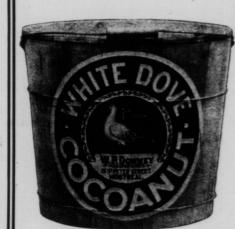
Makes stove polishing a clean and easy matter. You may guarantee Black Knight to be the most satisfactory stove polish on the market. There's an excellent profit attached to every sale.

Ask Your Jobber for Black Knight Stove Polish

The F. F. DALLEY CO., Limited

HAMILTON, CANADA BUFFALO, N.Y. U.S.A.

HOLIDAY BUYERS DEMAND HIGH-CLASS COCOANUT



Our 15 or 20 lb. pail.

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will satisfy them because it is the best on the market, being purest, consistently highest quality, and known to be dependable from long experience.

> If your stock is low, replenish at once.

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A Practical Package. Packed in 5-lb. Tins, 12 to case "10-lb." 6 "

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is perfection of production in a neat and attractive package.

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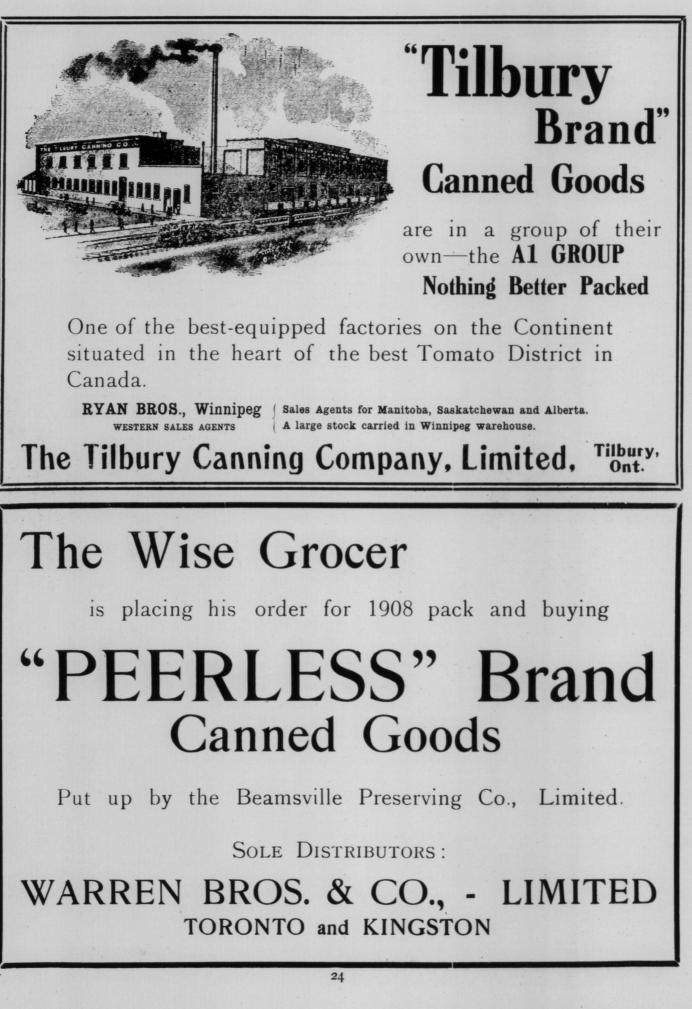
24 and 26 St. Peter Street,

Talking to the Point

CLASSIFIED WANT ADS get right down to the point at issue If you want something, say so in a few well-chosen words. Readers like that sort of straightfrom-the-shoulder-talk, and that is the reason why condensed ads are so productive of the best kind of results.

CLASSIFIED WANT ADS are always noticed. They are read by wide-awake, intelligent grocers, who are on the look-out for favorable opportunities to fill their requirements.

> TRY A CONDENSED AD IN THE CANADIAN GROCER.



Lea's

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The Pickle with the home-made flavor

Turkey and Lea's Pickles make the Christmas Dinner complete. Have you secured your Pickle for your Christmas Trade? Do so before it is too cold to ship.

Packed by

The Lea Pickling & Preserving Co. SIMCOE, - ONTARIO

WESTERN REPRESENTATIVES: Mason & Hickey, Winnipeg; Wilson & McIntosh, Vancouver

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The Brightest Star in the Coffee-Essence World !

Retailers who stock 'Camp' Coffee are in for a busy time and a <u>paying</u> one? 'Camp' this season is going to boom. Strong and constant advertising coupled with the <u>best article of its kind on the</u> <u>market</u>, explains why.

Replenish your stock – quick – before the rush comes !



MERRY XMAS

To our many customers throughout the Dominion we wish a most happy Christmas.

We trust that the past year has been a good one for you from a business standpoint, and that 1909 will be even more satisfactory in every respect.

Our many lines have helped you do a good year's business in 1908 because of their unvarying excellence, and we trust we may continue to be of similar assistance to you in future years.

Sugars & Canners Montreal

A Record 66 Years in Business

1842-1908

To Our Customers and Many Friends

We Wish

A MERRY CHRISTMAS

MOST PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR

May Our Relations be as Cordial as in the Past

L. CHAPUT, FILS & CIE, Montreal, Canada WHOLESALE GROCERS Importers of Teas, Coffees, Wines and Liquors. HOW HIG OF D



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Allredie Plum Pudding

Mr. Grocer, this **is not** only a Christmas Plum Pudding, but, being light and digestible, will appeal to everyone at all seasons.

Allredie Plum Pudding is put up in powdered form, a radical departure from old style, containing all the necessary ingredients naturally used in the homes of your customers.

Allredie Plum Pudding saves the housewife all the trouble of cleaning fruit and getting her pudding ready—a good talking point, use it—It will make sales for you.

Let your jobber send you a sample case. If he does not carry send to us and we will advise you where you can buy it.

ALLREADY PURE FOOD CO.

BRIDGEWATER - - NOVA SCOTIA

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Ask For Wine

and specify

Marsala Wine

It is the finest after dinner beverage in the land. If you don't believe us send for a **free sample** and **convince yourself**.

Your customers will appreciate your calling their attention to this famous brand.

\$7 a case and up

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(IN TINS)

2's, 3's 5's, 10's, 20's 1, 2, 3, 5 gal. Pails

GOLDEN SLING SYRUP

2's 3's 5's 10's 20's 1, 2, 3, 5 gal. Pails

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ONE MORE YEAR CLOSES

In a few more days 1908 will be of the past, but before it goes there will be celebrated a feast of gladness—a day of rest.

We take this opportunity of wishing you

A Merry Christmas

May your cares be forgotten for the NONCE and pleasures reign.

It is our sincere hope that the past year has been as successful for you as it has been for us, and that 1909 may be for you

A Happy and Prosperous New Year

Should we continue to be favored with your patronage as we hope to—we can assure you of that same attention to yourslightest commands which has characterized our dealings and made for pleasant and cordial relations in the past.

LAPORTE, MARTIN & CO.,

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Montreal

Wholesale Grocers and Wine Merchants

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Merry Xmas

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To our hundreds of customers throughout the Dominion we extend the heartiest greetings of the season. May your Christmas be the happy finale to a most successful year.

During 1908 we have made new friends in all parts of Canada. We have served them well and will continue to do so in the New Year.

Such service as reputation, a large and competent staff, and strict attention to business ensures is given to our customers year in and year out.

A continuance of your patronage is requested.

Hudon, Hebert & Co., Ltd.

Wholesale Grocers and Wine Merchants MONTREAL

The most liberally managed firm in Canada.



Special Prices

to reduce stock before stock-taking. It will pay to wait for our men, they have full particulars.

James Turner & Co., Limited

Hamilton, Ontario

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Advertising As An Investment

It Must Not Be Considered as an Expense, but Rather as a Commodity—It is the Salesman's Greatest Ally — How to Keep Business Good After the Holiday Rush—Some Suggestions and Criticism.

Written specially for the Canadian Grocer by W. F. Raiph.

E. O. McCormick, of the Harriman lines, in an address to the fruit growers of Southern California recently said: "You must recognize advertising as a commodity. It is imperatively necessary that you get this truth fixed firmly in your minds before you can hope to give it that broad consideration which its importance demands. Get away at once and forever from the idea that it is an expense. It is not an expense, it is a commodity; just as necessary a commodity in the selling of oranges, as business is conducted to-day, as are the oranges themselves.

"I do not mean by this assertion that you cannot go on selling oranges forever without any advertising; but one of the purposes of this convention is to see if means can be devised which will increase the consumption of oranges and thereby increase the sales of the product.

"There is no mystery or magic about advertising—that is to say, no more mystery than attaches to doing any other thing well. It is not an experiment. Propery done it is simply good salesmanship. It does simultaneously in a thousand or a million places what an individual can do only in one place at a time.

The Salesman's Ally.

"Paradoxically it not only does not supersede the salesman, but is his greatest ally. The better the advertising, the better the ally. It is the advance agent of the salesman. It predisposes the dealers and the public, and clears the route of the salesman of many of its thorns. Good salesmanship is the ability to induce people to buy your things equally with, or in place of, the stuff others sell."

Mr. McCormick has touched the spot. He has named the quality which separates a good retail advertisement from a poor one. People will always buy groceries-they must-whether the grocers advertise or not; but the aim of advertising is to increase the consumption of groceries. Every ad should be full of suggestion. Your aim is to get the people to buy more than they intend to. Verv few customers go out of even the most ordinary of grocery stores without being asked, "Now, is there anything else?" In the more progressive stores this inquiry takes the form of a suggestion of something else. The writer went into a grocery and butcher store the other day for the sole purpose of buying a pound of butter. But when he came out he was carrying, besides the butter, a roast of pork, a pound of cheese and some canned Suggestion did the trick. The soup. man behind the counter of that store was a genuine Salesman with a capital "S." He was chock full of suggestion.

Now, every grocer who is progressive enough to read this paper knows the value of suggestion as applied by the man behind the counter. But what a lot of grocers have yet to realize is the value of suggestion as applied by the man behind the counter when he sits down to write an ad.

Delicious English Confectionery

PURE AND WHOLESOME.

Fresh supplies again to hand from Messrs. Clarke, Nicholl & Coombes, London, Eng., of Turkish Delight, Barley Sugar, Peppermints, Ginger, Pineapple, etc., etc., etc.

BARLEY SUGAR.

This is a specialty we sell in very large quantities-only Sold all over the city at 25c. Also:	v 15 e bottle.
Butter Scotch Drops	20c Bottle.
Mixed Fruit Drops	20c Bottle.
Satin Pralines	20c Bottle. 20c Bottle.
Genuine Malt Drops	20c Bottle.
Assorted Chocolate Pralines	ave bottle.

SCOTCH PEPPERMINTS.

Very convenient to have a few of these in your vest pocket when down town; they are extra strong. Only 60c per large bottle.

TURKISH DELIGHT.

We have now a good supply of delicious Turkish Delight in 1-lb. wooden drums. Price, only 25c per drum.

CRYSTALIZED GINGER

PINEAPPLE SQUARES.

packed in fancy 1-lb. cardboard boxes, at 50c per box.

See the display of these choice English Confectionery in our show window.

New Zealand Rabbit

30c PER TIN.

Have you tried any of the delicious Rabbit we get from New Zealand?

IT EATS LIKE CHICKEN.

It is tender and juicy, and you can hardly tell it from Chicken, and less than half the price. We are selling the large cans at 30c each, or \$3.25 per dozen.

Choice Baldwin Apples

IN BUSHEL BOXES.

We are offering a very choice lot of selected Baldwin winterkeeping Apples, pur up in bushel boxes.

ALL HAND PICKED.

We are often asked for a package of this size from people who do not care to take a whole barrel. This lot has been exceptionally well packed and is free from specks and not bruised, as you generally find in barrels. Price, only \$2.00 per box, delivered free to any part of the city.

FRASER, VIGER & CO., LIMITED. ITALIAN WAREHOUSE, Established 1856 207. 209 & 211 St. James St., Montreal

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Suggestive advertising is pretty largely practised by all kinds of retail merchants during the holiday season. This is the case more especially with those dealing in the goods more readily adapt-

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pretty girl when a rival appears in sight. Really that is the time you should put

in your best licks. "If you let a bit of a financial flurry that's past bind your advertising wings



A WELL-ARRANGED AD FROM CALGARY.

ed for Christmas gifts. But when the holiday rush is over, merchants are altoo ready to accept a "dull season" as an accomplished fact. Live, suggestive advertising, carried on all the time, in holiday season and out of it, is a great business stimulant. After the Christmas season there is, of course, bound to be a little slump; but the right kind of advertising will greatly lessen it.

Keep It Up.

There is a good deal of sound sense in the following extract from an exchange:

"The duller the times the more you require advertising. There may be some possible exense for a business man letting up a bit in his advertising when "The world moves along like a song." When sales come without effort and he has difficulty in meeting persistent demand-although even then we regard present advertising as a most tangible future asset. But surely it is mighty poor judgment for one to sit by and twiddle his thumbs in sorrow and dismally refuse to make any sort of advertising effort when times are trouble-some. The wise oarsman going up stream increases his efforts in proportion to the strength of the current against him. The sensible business man should do the same. To stop advertising because there is a suggestion of business depression is like ceasing to court a

you are not only proclaiming yourself a "quitter," but are leaving the field wide open for the other fellow. And when enthusiastic effort is made to secure it.

"Advertising is not a luxury. It is not a decoration-not the "trimmings." It is the underlying motive power, the real wheel mover of business, and when you allow this motive power to slacken you let your business machinery run down.

"In a battle a good soldier never runs before the firing begins and then he always stands his ground. It is small wonder that a number of business men at the first glimpse of the hovering hard times cloud, drop off their advertising. are now complaining of the serious finaneial condition of the country. It seems a platitude to say that the time when things are slackest is the time for you to buckle to and do your hardest hustling, but it is a fact that needs to be iterated and reiterated to the Canadian business man, who in the most buoyant and prosperous times, frequently allowed himself to become awed by the shadow of a slump.

"You have got to believe in the ultimate success of your business no matter what the times are, and you have got to keep every force working to bring about the desired condition.

"It's the grit of the einder path that makes the foot race all the more fleet. It's the element of resistance that makes the business game worth the playing. You don't win 'hands down.' but with your muscles working.

"Supposing things are dull, get busy and make them better. In this fight every business man has his part to perform. Do your part to bring about good times and the law of average will distribute them so you will get your share."

Some Hints and Criticism.

That's a good piece of suggestive advertising of Fraser, Viger & Co.'s re-



there is a tightening up of times it simply means that the business will be distributed where the most intelligent and 33

produced with this article, headed, "Delicious English Confectionery." Take particular notice of the suggestions under the heads of "Scotch Peppermints" and "New Zealand Rabbit." The latter is particularly good; and its safe betting that it induced people to try that particular dainty. This ad, however, lacks a good arrangement, and its strength is accordingly impaired. The ad is not as neat in appearance as it deserves to be.

The Calgary Grocery Co. ad is good, too—particularly so in appearance. Its systematic neatness is very attractive and there is an absence of superfluous reading matter that strengthens it. In this ad the suggestive quality is covered by the special price. John Diprose, the London groeer, submits an ad that gets at the point in rather a different manner to that taken by the writer of the Calgary ad. For general purposes, the Calgary ad style is conceded the best. All the same, the man who can produce an occasional novel advertisement such as that written by Mr. Diprose is bound to make an impression. The ad is certainly suggestive. It is more; it is persuasive. The woman who is hesitating between buying mincemeat ready-made and making it herself is liable to send for some of the Diprose brand without more ado. Of course, the test of any ad is its ability to sell goods; and the occasional use of the style submitted by Mr. Diprose by a regular advertiser is quite likely to accomplish that end. To be effective an ad must attract, interest and persuade. This ad is attractive—the picture makes it so. It is interesting, because the imaginary telephone conversation is brightly written and gets to the point quickly. It is persuasive because it suggests easy action on the part of the reader. Thus, possessing the qualities of a good advertisement, this kind of ad should sell the goods if not used too frequently. anc

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A Grocer at the Winter Fair

Points of Interest to the Trade in the Provincial Exhibition at Guelph Last Week—The Seed and Poultry Departments the Most Attractive, Though Others Give Information to Discuss With Customers—Some of the Meetings of the Week.

Specially written for The Canadian Grocer by a local merchant.

Guelph, Dec. 14.-The annual Winter Fair, held here last week from Tuesday to Saturday, Dec. 8 to 12, was larger and better than any former effort in the way of a Provincial Winter Fair here or anywhere is the opinion of the officers and exhibitors. A grocer on entering the Machinery Hall where gasoline engines, hay lifters, etc., are displayed is at once struck with the handy devices for doing a great deal to assist the farmer with his work. The latest washing machines, wringers, cream separators, sewing machines, are in evidence, and, last, is a potato sprayer and also a potato planter. These seem new ideas and drew the attention of the crowd of city people as well as the farmers. A grocer can spend a full day investigating and getting the benefit of the teaching at this Exhibition. Each cream separator that your customers buy is adding its part to the betterment of the grocer, and a grocer ought to be able to decide which is the best from his own knowledge gleaned at these fairs and from the information he receives from his farmer customers who have the different kinds. It is simply wonderful to note the interest a farmer will take in a grocer when he finds out the grocer is interested in him, his farm and his machinery for the advancement of his farm. One little feature of the machinery section of the Fair that was of interest to everybody was a miniature teter and slide just like we all used to use when we were children. Even the grocers with their little chaps were experimenting on it.

The Seed Department.

After a pleasant chat with the grocer, who is taking tickets at the door, we move along inside. Immediately on entering the lower floor this year a grocer is interested, as right on the ground floor is the seed department, alongside the famous fat eattle, including all of the many different varieties. The seed department is one of the grocers' hobbies. and takes a long time to be fully investigated. We feel fortunate in getting a chance to have a look at the different varieties of seeds before the judges have made their decision. You have often seen a bunch of grocers out at a horse race picking a winner, but for good, clean. educational excitement, watch them all pick out a winner in the different grades of clover and timothy, and have to wait a whole day before finding out which carries off the prize, and also note the different times they will sneak back and have another look to make sure. This year the oats are by far the largest display, there being about eighty different samples of two bushels each. There are twenty-five different samples of wheat, about one hundred of corn, over a hundred of potatoes of different kinds, and these are a very interesting study for a grocer. Last year, with thirty-five varieties it was quite attractive, but this year with so many and of such quality, you feel it is beyond you to select the best, but, at the same time, you can learn a lot from the gentleman in charge, who, besides being an expert judge, will tell you the best variety for "Buy your the different soils. seed corn on the cob and avoid uncertainty," is one dealer's sign, and as there are SO many samples and we know so little about them we decide he knows best, which is a very easy way out of it.

The new kinds of potatoes, such as the "Devil's Favorite" and "Earner's Comers," put us in mind of some of the names that are manufactured by seedsmen when they sell five or six different kinds of early brands out of the one bin, or the grocer who can sell 30e, 40e and 50e vinegar out of the one barrel.

Two mammoth green squash attract a good deal of attention in this department, one weighing 259 and the other 229 pounds. These were used in a local window for a guessing contest before being brought here. It would be too bad to leave this department without special mention of 100 samples of small seeds shown for exhibition purposes by the O.A.C. seed department. These samples are put up in little glass bottles, labeled and described, and are an interesting study. The different varieties of wheat and oats in sheaf give a very finishing touch to one of the finest exhibitions of seed grains ever displayed here.

Some Fine Dressed Poultry.

We move on to the dressed poultry de partment and here we have on good auth ority, the greatest in numbers, the best in quality, and the finest displayed lot of dressed poultry ever seen in Ontario No bad stuff among it is the word. A grocer is more and more convinced from his own standpoint of the great educational features by the wonderful im provement in the method of displaying the fowl this year. The colored paper the fowl are displayed on and the extra roses and sashes of ribbon with which they are decorated is really an evidence of the fact that touching up helps to will the prizes.

Some Heavy Eggs.

Another feature of interest to grocerwas the display of eggs. Please spelwith a capital at the present price. The special feature about this was the facthat the prize was awarded for thoswhich weighed the most. The question of selling eggs by the dozen or by the pound has been a debatable question be tween grocers and farmers for year-This may lead to something better for the grocer.

The Cattle and Sheep.

The cattle this year show a very gratfying increase in number, being about ahead of last year. The Grades are paticularly strong. Here the Galloway with their long black shining coats at the dark red Devons. all sleek and faand in the best of condition, are a fine sight, and of interest to all classes of people. The sheep are exhibited upstains ll goods ; yle subular adlish that attract. d is ato. It is iry telewritten . It is easy ac-. Thus, d adversell the

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and are among the most interesting to visitors of the whole show. Who is not interested in the meek animals who stand so silently in their pens, and the different breeds of long and short wool. To those who can tell the merits of the animals, such an exhibit of fine stock, probably the finest ever under one roof, this is an interest study.

The Bacon Hog.

The exhibit of hogs is about on a par with last year, and the animals show a great deal of care and attention. There are about two hundred and fifty entries in the different breeds. The bacon hog is the one the grocer is interested in,

is the one the grocer is interested in, and I do not remember now whether it is a Tamworth, Berkshire, or what, but it was a pig, anyhow, I think. The showing of live poultry upstairs is the largest in the history of the win-ter fair. There was some talk of the fact and mouth discuss from over the foot and mouth disease from over the border interfering with this department, but this was not evident, as the showing is away ahead of any previous year. Local men have carried off their share of the prizes, in some cases getting three out of four prizes, especially in the bantam classes. Turkeys, geese, ducks and pigeons are all well exhibited, and there is also a good showing of fancy canary birds, and each different exhibitor tells you the kind he has is the best for all purposes.

In dressed beef carcasses the entries are greatly increased, as is also the case in hog block tests. A skip into the test-ing room of the dairy department am-ply repaid one. Some of the milch cows were thin looking, but seem to be great milkers. It is almost impossible to give any idea on paper of the immense ex-position and it has really got to be seen to be appreciated.

Some Interesting Meetings.

The winter fair would perhaps not be such a success but for the fact of the annual sessions of the Experimental Union of Ontario, which is meeting at the O.A.C. At its first session Prof. C. A. Zavitz, of the O.A.C., outlined some of the co-operative experiments in potatoes. Among other things he said the value of the potato crop in Ontario this year is estimated at \$12,000,000. There are over 90 varieties grown. He claims that this should not be so, that fewer varieties would be better. The average of the experiments this year place the Em-pire State and the Dempsys as the two best varieties of late potatoes. Early Puritan and the Early Eureka stand at the top of the early varieties. Carter's Invicta is the most popular turnip.

The crowds on Wednesday and Thurs-day were the largest in the history of the fair. The Women's Institute meet-ing on Wednesday was another feature of the week.

Another important meeting of interest to grocers was the Ontario Millers' As-sociation, which was held in the chemical classroom at the O.A.C., and show-ed that much practical good has result-ed from experiments in the flour-testing plant installed last year. You will probably remember how the different samples of wheat were tested at this meeting a year ago. Well this year again Prof. Harcourt was the speaker, and reported the results of his many experiments during the year in testing the different standards and blends of flour for break-making purposes. During the year that the milling and baking outfit at the college has been operating many kinds of flour from all sections of country have been tested for baking qualities. It has proven pretty conclusively that the official grading of wheat represents fairly their value as baking Prof. Harcourt has discovered flours. great difference in the quality of the old and new flour and of flour made from old and new wheat for baking purposes He has also been able to produce bread from some blends of Manitoba and Ontario flour which practically equal the bread from pure Manitoba. Although it seems that much information has already been gained, especially by millers who have had the opportunity of having their flours tested against any other flour they desired, and thus have been able to calculate the exact value of the wheats they were handling from the standpoint of the value of the flour made from them for bread-making purposes, the work is just in its beginning and many new problems of very great importance are presenting themselves. The value of wheat cut at different dates of maturity for bread-baking purposes, the relative nutritive value pound for pound of bread made from Ontario flour to that made from Manitoba, and the relative value of blended flours of different percentages are some of the problems which presented themselves and upon which Prof. Harcourt will work next year.

These are some of the main points as far as the grocer is concerned, and so ends another winter fair, which has so far outshone the others as to make us wonder where it will all end.

WAS A TORONTO GROCER IN THE 60'S.

Robert Reford, of Robert Reford Co., Montreal, who recently donated the sum of \$50,000 to McGill University, began his business life in Toronto as a

jobbing and retail grocer. Bearing on Mr. Reford's early career, Henry Swan, of Swan Bros., grocers, Toronto, has some interesting reminiscences to relate. "So far as I can recollect," he said, "Robert Reford first went into business for himself as a jobbing and retail grocer, as we called them in those days, at the corner of West Market and Colborne Streets, under the name of Robert Reford & Co. That was about 1860. He afterwards took in Richard Dunbar into partnership, who was his next door com-petitor. Then in 1864 he went into the wholesale business as Reford and Dillon, on Wellington Street East, near Yonge Street, Robert Dunbar continuing the retail business. After a time the firm moved to Montreal where the business was continued under the same name until about 1867, when Mr. Reford re-tired to found the present steamship and forwarding agency of Robert Reford & Co., Montreal." "Yes," Mr. Swan continued, "Robert

Reford was one of the finest men I ever Reford was one of the finest men I ever met. He was genial and kind-hearted and was in all respects a thorough gen-tleman. His personality was unusually attractive. The farmers for miles around used to go direct to Reford's when they came to town, and the say-ing was, and I know it to be true, that if you once became a customer of Re-ford's store you continued to deal there

regularly. I think I can safely say that Mr. Reford was at that time one of the best liked grocers in the city." "Oh yes," Mr. Swan continued, "of

all the business that came to Toronto Robert Reford used to get more than a goodly share. I'm glad to know, and there are others, too, who will be pleased to hear of Mr. Reford's success and his characteristic kindness now that large wealth has come to him.

ORGANIZING THE HOCKEY TEAMS.

Interest in the Toronto Wholesale Grocers' Hockey League is growing daily and prospects for the best season in its history are very bright. Two of the teams were organized during the, week and the schedule is in course of preparation.

The officers of H. P. Eckhardt & Co.'s team are as follows : Hon, presi-dent, H. P. Eckhardt ; Hon, vice-presi-dents, S. H. P. Mackenzie, C. F. Richardson; president, H. D. Eckhardt manager, G. Wilkinson; secretary-treas-urer, J. O. Elton; committee, J. Mc-Ewen, H. J. Middleton.

Eby-Blain's team have also elected their officers, as follows: President, J. F. Eby; vice-president, W. P. + by; secretary-treasurer, W. R. Bond, cartain. H. Millath.

HAS MADE SUCCESS IN THE WEST.

W. R. Megaw, accompanied by his son, W. E. Megaw, both of Vernon, B. C., was in Toronto this week. Mr. Megaw is a general merchant who went out west some 30 years ago, from what is now Auburn, Ont. He has built up a large and prosperous business in his town. He carries groceries, hardware, dry goods, millinery and boots and shoes. His store is 120x18 feet and a building 30 feet wide is to be erected across the back, making the full depth 78 feet. Nearby his store he has a warehouse in which he carries agricultural implements and carriages, while in this line of business he has recently opened a branch in Vancouver.

W. E. Megaw, the son, has charge of the advertising for the firm, which amounts to about \$200 a month.

The Megaw firm subscribe for four of the MacLean publications, viz., Canadian Grocer, Hardware and Metal, Dry Goods Review and Busy Man's Magazine.

A NEW SWEEPING PREPARATION.

One of the newest things on the market of interest to grocers is a preparation to facilitate sweeping, known as "Nomordust." The preparation is in the form of a coarse powder to be sprinkled on the floor or carpet and used with the broom or brush. It is said to obviate dust and to save mopping and dusting. Being antiseptic, it kills germs and moths, and will purify the atmosphere of the rooms where it is used. A hand-ful of the powder is said to be enough for several rooms, and it can be used repeatedly. The product is put up con-veniently in tin cans and is sold by the "Nomordust" Co., 600 Crown Life Building, Toronto.

HINTS TO BUYERS.

Jos. Cote, importer and wholesale tobacconist, Quebec, recommends to deal-ers in the Dominion the "Germinal Ma-nilia" cigars, which should be given a trial order.—Advt.

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THE CUSTOMERS' GIFT QUESTION.

The holiday season is with us again, and with it bobs up the perennial question as to whether grocers should make presents to their customers.

The question is a very discussable one, and yet from wide inquiry it seems that the custom is to some extent falling into disuse and business is coming down to a more strictly business basis.

It is a very nice thing for a grocer to give at the Christmas season, to a particularly good and loyal customer, a remembrance to show his appreciation of their patronage. And yet is it the best business? The question becomes largely one of where to draw the line and this practice of giving gifts to certain customers seems rather dangerous from the fact that some of those not remembered are almost certain to hear of the other cases and become offended.

On the other hand, there are the grocers, thousands of them, who give out calendars at Christmas time, usually in a more or less indiscriminate way. While this practice is perhaps more justifiable from the fact that the calendar bears advertising matter which can be counted on for at least some benefit, in practically every case the same amount of money expended in timely advertising in the local newspaper would have brought immeasurably better results.

The profits in the grocery business today are too small to allow of giving gifts to customers. Give good reliable goods and good service, and let the public know what you have to offer, and there will be no need to bribe them to continue their custom.

ARE BUTTER PRICES AT THE TOP?

Perhaps through force of habit the grocers assume that at this time of the year butter must advance in price. and are quite ready to pay more without knowing the reason why they should do so. Last year hay was very scarce, selling at from \$20 to \$23 a ton, and this year it is selling for \$10 to \$12, or about \$10 a ton cheaper. Besides the hay crop being very good, corn also was a very heavy crop, so that the farmer must have plenty of feed for the cows, and with the high price for butter, will naturally feed better and produce more. Whether there is more butter held in stock or not is difficult to learn, but the English markets are not offering any inducements for export, and, therefore. there is only the home demand to be supplied. When the price of butter reaches from 30c to 35c a lb., it becomes too dear for many people to use, and, in consequence, the consumption will fall off. With the abundance of feed to keep up the supply it may be expected that butter has at least reached its highest mark, if it will not drop a little, which is more than likely.

CONTESTS AROUSING WIDE INTEREST.

"Several of the Christmas windows in the stores in town are intended for The Grocer's contest." So said one of our correspondents this week. "There is a good deal of interest evident in The Grocer's Christmas contests," wrote another. Letters are coming in from all parts of Canada with similar expressions of interest, and at this stage it looks as if this year's contest, in point of numbers, at least, would surpass last year's by a long margin. During this week and next, of course, practically every grocer will have one or more special Christmas windows, and the photographing will be done. It may seem somewhat of a nuisance to bother with photographs of windows when rushed with Christmas business, but the inspiration to the grocer or clerk of having his work compared with others, should, even beyond the prizes offered, be enough to induce entrance in

the competition. Quite a number who submitted photographs last year have already signified their intention of entering again and the contest promises to be close.

The advertising competition, conducted on somewhat similar lines, already has a number of entries. Every groeer who does any newspaper advertising should be represented in this. All that is necessary is to elip one of your advertisements of Christmas groceries or crockery from your local newspaper and forward it to the editor of The Canadian Grocer before December 31. Even though you do not win the prize, the criticism of your ad by our specialists, who are thoroughly versed in what real business-bringing advertising is, should be worth dollars to you.

REMEMBER THE CLERKS.

There is no better way for an employer to show his appreciation of faithful employes, or going even further, to secure loyal service from his help, than to remember them with a gift at the holiday season. This seems rather farreaching, but it is nevertheless, true. Hundreds of the largest employer's of labor follow this principle, and the fact that the practice is repeated from year to year is an evidence of its soundness.

In no case is this more applicable than between the grocer and his clerk. A reasonable gift at the holiday season will indicate not only an employer's interest in the clerk, but will, if given in the right way, provide a friendly feeling which is worth many dollars in the conduct of the season.

While such a gift should be useful it need not be valuable As several correspondents have suggested during the past couple of weeks, a year's subscription to The Canadian Grocer would fill the bill admirably for a gift of this kind. It would be a constant reminder of the giver's interest, and not only that, but it would undoubtedly educate the clerk until he was of increasingly greater service. The investment would be an exceedingly promising one. Why not try it?

LOTS OF CHRISTMAS ORANGES.

While it was feared that we would have a limited quantity of California navel oranges for Christmas, the latest reports would indicate that the demand will be met with a superior article. This year one picking took place earlier than last, with the supposition that another picking would be ready for the Christmas trade. Owing to the warm weather the fruit ripened very slowly, but kept on growing. The weather lately being very favorable the fruit has ripened rapidly, and although later than was expected, they will in all probability reach the markets in time for our Christmas trade. and the quality will be excellent. wh

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Markets and Market Notes

SEE ALSO PROVISIONS, CEREALS AND FRUIT VEGETABLES AND FISH DEPARTMENTS, ON PAGES FOLLOWING.

QUEBEC MARKETS

December 17, 1908.

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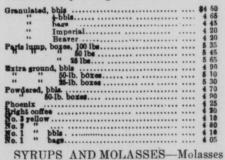
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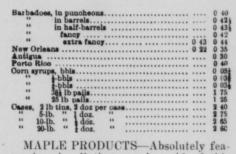
Sugar -- Undertone weaker.

A quiet but steady trade is reported in wholesale circles. The colder and more seasonable weather has had a good effect upon business generally. Most dealers, however, are agreed that there will be a slight falling off in the volume of business this year, as compared with last. This, however, will not be as large as some have expected. Many retailers who were not prepared for an excessive demand are finding themselves short, so at the last moment are hastening to make good their deficiencies in stock. Prices have not shown many alterations during the week. Provisions have responded to a weaker feeling in England. Canned goods are selling well, especially fish, which is in extra good demand. Evaporated apples are firm and scarce. Peppers are strong. Coffee is selling with its usual steadiness. Syrups and molasse. are in better demand this week. Sugar is displaying an easier undertone just at present. Teas are slightly more active this week. Honey, cheese, butter and eggs, are firm, and in good demand. Maple products continue uninteresting. Fruits are selling well, also fish. Vegetables are not in as good demand as might be expected at this time of the year. Flour, feed and rolled oats are rather slow. Rolled oats has slumped in price during the week. but this fact does not seem to have brightened up the market much.

SUGAR—The undertone of the market is easy. This condition it is expected will prevail for some time. Locally, there is a good demand from manufacturers of confectionery and general trade is fair.



is in better demand this week and prices have been fully maintained at the recent advance. Syrups are selling well, owing to the close proximity of Christmas. No changes in quotations have taken place during the week.



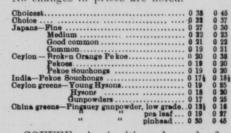
MAPLE PRODUCTS—Absolutely featureless is all that can be said of this market.

DRIED FRUITS—In dried fruits the situation has not changed much during the week. Dates are firm, owing to small available supplies. Malaga raisins, clusters and bunches are in good demand. There is a fairly active demand for figs. Other lines remain as last reported.

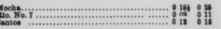
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Malaga Raisins-				
London lavers			3	25
"Connoisseur Clusters"				50
" " 1 -box				75
"Royal Buckingham Clusters," 1-boxes				30
boxes				75
"Excelsior Windsor Olusters "				75
				60
Australian raisins	0	07	0	08
California Raisins-				
Fancy seeded, 1-lb. pkgs				11
Choice seeded, 1-lb. pkgs	0	09		10
Loose muscatels 3 crown	0	08		09
" " 4 crown	0	09	0	10
California Evaporated Fruita-				
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TEA-A fair demand for Japans is noted. Ceylons are firm and primary market is advancing. Other lines are meeting with only an indifferent sale. No changes in prices are noted.



COFFEE—A healthy demand for coffee continues in all lines, with unchanged quotations.



RICE AND TAPIOCA — Quietness reigns supreme in the rice market. Primary and local conditions are alike in 37 this respect. Tapioca is slightly more active, and reports from primary markets seem to indicate no possibility of a decline in the near future at least.

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SPICES—Peppers are strong in the primary markets, and prices locally are expected to advance before long. Nearly all lines are in good demand.

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Peppers, black	 0 1	16 0 20
" white	 0 1	18 0 27
Ginger, whole	 0 1	18 0 20
" Cochin	 0 1	7 0 20
Cloves, whole	 0 1	17 0 30
Cloves, ground	 	. 0 25
Cream of tartar	 0 1	25 0 32
Allapice	 0	2 0 18
Nutmegs	 0	30 0 60
Cinnamon, ground	 0 1	5 0 19

BEANS AND PEAS—A quieter tone prevails in the bean market this week, but prices continue firm, in fact, the minimum price has advanced slightly.

EVAPORATED APPLES—A strong tone is prevalent. Prices have firmed up a half-cent in some quarters. Demand is good when the rather small stocks available are taken into consideration.

Evaporated spples, new...... 0 071 0 08

CANNED GOODS.

MONTREAL.—Canned fish seems to be the centre of attraction, which is owing to the season being favorable to its consumption. Fruits and vegetables are also in good demand. Meats continue to be less in demand than other lines, although demand has improved during the week.

TORONTO.—There is considerable activity in vegetables, this line selling surprisingly well, considering the time of the year. Larger consumption in consequence of cheaper prices and the fact that grocers have been buying for immediate needs. rather than for future, seem to be factors in this. Fruits and tish are not at all active.

FRUITS.

	per de	z. Per	doz.
	Group	1. Gr	oup 2.
Apples.	3's standard	\$1.00	\$.95
	3's preserved	1.45	1.40
••	gals, standard	2.55	2.50
••	gals. preserved	4.00	3.95
Blueberr	ies, 2's standard		
**	2's preserved	1.70	1.65
**	gals. standard	5.05	5.00
Cherries	, red. pitted, 2's		1.90
	red, not pitted. 2's		1.50
••	red. not pitted, gals		6.50
	red. pitted. gals		8.00
••	black, pitted, 2's	1.95	1.90
	black, not pitted. 2's		

" white, pitted, 2's	2.05	2.00
" white, not pitted, 2's	1.65	1.60
Grapes, white, Niagara, 2's, psvd.	1.45	1.40
" white, Niagara, gals, std.	3.55	3.50
Lowtonberries, 2's, heavy syrup	1.95	1.90
" 2's, preserved	2.20	2.15
" gals, standard	7.55	7.50
VEGETABLES.		•
Corn, 2's	.90	.85
Corn on Cob, gals		4.50
Peas, No. 1 extra fine, sifted, 1's 1	1.121	1.071
" No. 4 standards, 2's	.821	.771
". No. 3 Early June, 2's	.871	,821
" No. 2 Sweet Wrinkle, 2's	.971	$.92\frac{1}{2}$
	1.421	1.371
. " No. 4, gals	3.771	3.721
Tomatoes 2's	90	.85

ONTARIO MARKETS.

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POINTERS-

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Sugar-Steady. Table Raisins-Scarce. Nuts-Selling well, stocks light. Spices-Firmer. Teas—Ceylons advancing. Collections—Fair.

Toronto, Dec. 17, 1908. Business is reported somewhat brighter in the wholesale markets this week, and a cheery spirit seems to pervade the whole trade. While it might be expected that the greater part of the Christmas business would have been done, nearly all the travelers are still on their ground and orders are coming in quild freely. The retail trade has also brightened up noticeably during the week, something which was quite desirable. Indeed, the whole trade seems to be experiencing good Christmas business.

SUGAR-The local market is steady with no prospects of any immediate change. More sugar is being sold, however, than a month ago. European beet markets have been easing off, but reports received this week indicate a strong feeling.

TEAS-Prices continue to creep upward. A cable received by a local broker this week noted a further advance on all grades Ceylons and Indians. High grade Cevions are held at abnormal prices.

COFFEE-Local dealers report business very active, with no change ia prices

DRIED FRUITS-Demand is quite active, particularly in lines for special Christmas business. Sales have been so good, in some lines, that wholesalers stocks, rather lighter this year than usual, have been reduced to practically nothing. This applies particularly to table raisins, of which there are none to be had in Toronto. Stocks of figs and dates are also rather low, though large enough to supply the demand. Prices are unchanged:

Prunes-											P	er	lb.	
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Raisins - Sultana	0	11	0	120

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Dates-					

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NUTS-Stocks held locally are very light and a shortage is felt in some houses. Demand continues good, with prices as follows:

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Brazils							 							2		-		1	-	0	1	5
Peanuts.																				0	1	2

SPICES-Business is reported very good in all lines, with a firmer tendency in all lines in primary markets. This is particularly so in regard to peppers and itmegs. Local prices are unchanged. EVAPORATED APPLES—This line nutmegs.

is held a little firmer this week, though little business is passing.

Evaporated apples 0 071

WINDING UP ONTARIO SUGAR CO.

Order Granted by Justice Falconbridge This Week—Company May be Re-organized.

The Ontario Sugar Company, Berlin, Ont., which has passed through many difficulties since 1901, and has had num-erous ups and downs, is being wound up by the courts, an order to that effect having been granted in Toronto on Tuesday by Chief Justice Falconbridge. J. A. McAndrew is referee, and J. H. Cockburn interim liquidator.

Cockburn interim liquidator. The managing director James Fowler admits insolvency. He says that the company was incorporated on Septem-ber 6th, 1901, with an authorized capi-tal stock of \$1,000,000, divided into 10,-000 shares. Of this amount 4,000 shares are issued and said to be fully paid. Petitioner Fowler says that \$750 sal-ary is due bin as managing director

ary is due him as managing director, that he has advanced \$200 to the company, besides paying wages exceeding \$300, and that the company has been sued by twelve or thirteen creditors.

Jacob Kaufman, of Berlin, one of the Jacob Kaufman, of Berlin, one of the directors, says in an affidavit, that he holds 110 paid-up shares of the par value of \$11,000, and also \$7,000 in bonds as security for a debt of the same amount. Mr. Kaufman goes on in his affidavit to say: "The company's assets have been bonded to the amount of \$200,000, which bonds are now worth only 66 cents on the dollar. The capital only 66 cents on the dollar. The capital stock is impaired to a greater extent than 25 per cent, thereof, and the lost capital will not be likely restored with-in one year, if at all. The company is deeply indebted to creditors for sup-plies during the past two years, espe-cially for coal and sugar beets. Many of the farmers who grew sugar beets of the farmers who grew sugar beets during 1907 have not as yet been paid, and the company has been sued by many of them.

"Among the larger creditors is the Lake Eric Coal Company, to which the company is indebted in some \$20,000. I am not aware of any assets which the company now possesses with which the

claim can be paid. On the other side, James Fowler, managing director, says that he will take measures to show his resentment of Mr. Kaufman's affidavit.

The company has been in deep water lately, owing partly to the fact that its building is worth \$555,000, while its capital was only \$101,631. The auditors have found, however, that the assets of \$626,653 exceed the liabilities by approximately \$21,000. While admitting the present insolvency of the company, Mr. Fowler thinks that the preponderance of assets over liabilities makes a favorable showing, and states that the company will be re-organized.

SAYS NO SCOTCH SUGARS COMING

A correspondent from Montreal who does not desire his name mentioned, writes as follows:

Editor Canadian Grocer.

Editor Canadian Grocer. In a paragraph in your issue of the 4th inst., you state that the reason given for the reduc-tion of the second grade of sugar 'is generally attributed to the competition of Scotch sugars, which are said to be coming in somewhat largely at the present time and which are said at the present time and which are said to hold their own in price and quality with these second grades of local re-

with these second grades of the fined.' "Anyone who is at all conversant with this business will know that no Scotch sugars have come in since the close of navigation, and we believe we are right in stating that the importaare right in stating that the importa-tion this year has been smaller than for some years past, for the simple reason that the Scotch refiners only secured a very small share of the British grown raw material. "So far from holding their own with

the Canadian sugars in price, it is prac-tically impossible to import Scotch sugars at the present moment with winter freight, as the prices asked are above the parity at which local refined is offering. As regards the quality of Scotch sugars, they are considerably better than the second grades of local better than the second grades of local refined."

(The statement referred to was made as a result of information obtained in good faith from members of the trade who ought to be in a position to know whereof they speak. In justice to our correspondent, however, the facts as he presents them are published.—Editor.)

STARCH CO.'S ANNUAL MEETING.

A meeting of the Edwardsburg Starch Co. was held at the office of the com-pany, No. 164 St. James Street, Mon-treal, on Tuesday morning, December 15th, at which the company's agents and representatives from all parts of Canada were present. In the evening a banquet was held in the Canada Club, Board of Trade building, which was a most pleasant social re-union of the company's officers and representatives. A meeting of the Edwardsburg Starch

L. Chaput & Fils, wholesale grocers, Montreal, have decided to close their place of business for Friday and Satur-day of this week and the same days of the following week.

THE SITUATION IN THE WEST

The Western Viewpoint, by our Special Correspondent.

Winnipeg, Dec. 15.—The grocery trade has certainly given a good account of itself in the recent civic election in Winnipeg, as no less than three of the newly-elected board of control are men who have been actively engaged in the retail grocery business. These are Controllers Cockburn, Harvey and Macarthur. All of these men have had considerable experience in civic matters, having served as aldermen in their various wards and all were returned by a very substantial vote. At the top of the poll for controllers, however, was R. D. Waugh, a real estate man, who has served the city long and faithfully on its parks board.

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The mayoralty vote returned W. Sanford Evans at the head of the polls by over 1,500 votes. The whole civic campaign was fought out on straight lines of merit and personalities were carefully abstained from on both sides. It would be well if Provincial and Dominion elections could be conducted on the same lines. It is generally admitted that Winnipeg has made a very decided step forward in the general ability of its governing body. The new mayor and the majority of the aldermen and controllers are pledged to the immediate carrying out of the power scheme and at the same time to a careful maintenance of the city's credit, both at home and abroad by the judicious handling of finances.

A matter that is of immense interest to the building trade of the West, and more especially to that of Winnipeg, was the merger effected during the past week of a number of the smaller stone quarries into the Garson Quarry Com-pany, Limited. The new organization will have a capital of \$250,000, and it is expected that the output will be increased by about 300 per cent. The principal quarries are located at Tyn-dall, which is only 26 miles east of Win-nipeg. At present the equipment of this quarry consists of three gangs of saws and one planer, and it is now proposed to increase this equipment by two double diamond saws, one single diamond, four planers, two lathes and pneumatic tools. Thus equipped this quarry will be the largest in Canada and one of the largest on the continent of America. The outlook for the requirements of building stone for next season are very bright, the list of public buildings already announced being the new Legislative buildnounced being the new Legislative build-ings at Regina, reformatory at Portage la Prairie, court house at Brandon, pub-lic school at Regina, Collegiate Insti-tute at Regina, another Collegiate at Moose Jaw, and still a third Collegiate at Prince Albert, and new post office buildings at Dauphin, Yorkton, Emer-son and Edmonton: not to mention the son and Edmonton; not to mention the completion of the union depot at Win-nipeg. In addition to the quarry, this company will handle one of the largest lime plants in Canada. It has been pointed out by one interested in the trade in building stone that whereas the price of building stone has declined to a considerable extent since the original Garson's Limited came into being, the rate of wages for journeymen stonecutters has advanced from 50c to 60 per hour.

The warehouse commissioner during this week has made up his returns to

elevators in the interior and also as to terminal e evators and this report shows that whereas the number of elevators in Manitoba has decreased some twelve in the year, and the number of warehouses by two, these decreases have been far more than offset by the enormous increase in elevator storage throughout Saskatchewan and Alberta. Saskatchewan shows an increase of 99 elevators and 6 warehouses, and Alberta an increase of 109 elevators and 8 warehouses.

The interior elevator's capacity of the Canadian West now stands as follows : tion in the west. The clamor of the Grain Growers' Association for Govvernment-owned interior elevators is making many companies shy of extending their lines until such time as this question is definitely settled one way or the other.

The poultry market is one that is attracting a good deal of attention at the present time as the Christmas supply is now practically all in stock in the big cold storage houses. It is quite safe to say that the Canadian West has this year bought over half a million pounds of turkeys alone from Ontario. One firm, Winnipeg's oldest and best known fish and poultry house, W. J. Guest & Co., received on Saturday, the 12th, the last of their annual shipments from Ontario, bringing their total purchases up to

,	1908. Bushels	1907. Bushels.
Manitoba, 678 elevators and 13 warehouses, capacity	20,558,500	20,983,500
Saskatchewan, 607 elevators, 14 warehouses, capacity		
Alberta, 120 elevators, 14 warehouses, capacity		
British Columbia, 3 elevators, capacity	. 168,000	276,000

75,000

This gives the Canadian West a total interior elevator capacity of 42,812,400, as against 39,724,000 bushels last year. Divided by railway lines, the C.P.R. has 919 elevators and 28 warehouses, with a total capacity of 29,810,900 bushels; the C.N.R., 386 elevators and 12 warehouses, or a total capacity of 10,853,-500; the G.N.R., 23 elevators, with a capacity of 550,000, and the Grand Trunk Pacific, 39 elevators, with a capacity of 1,184,000 bushels. Last year there was not a single elevator on the line of the G.T.P. The Alberta I. R. Co., in Alberta, has 11 elevators, with a capacity of 274,000.

At the head of the lakes the elevator capacity is divided as follows : C.P.R., in 3 elevators at

Fort William 1,000,000 Empire Elevator Co., at Fort

Davidson, Smith & Co., at Fort William

C.N.R., at Port Arthur	7,000,000
Kings, at Port Arthur	750,000

Total 20,153,700

In addition to these elevators the Lake of the Woods has two at Keewatin with a total capacity of 13,000 bushels, so that west of the Great Lakes to the Pacific coast there is a total storage capacity of 62,965,100 bushels, as against 58,482,700 bushels last year, an increase of 4,483,400 bushels. Where elevator capacity has decreased in Manitoba it has been occasioned by decreased demand at points in the older parts of the province and these buildings being taken down and removed to and rebuilt at points in Saskatchewan, where the demand was increasing.

The whole statement with regard to elevators shows a very satisfactory condition of affairs and especially is this the case along the new lines of road where it is evident an effort is being made to meet the requirements of trade. There is no blinking the fact, however, that capacity is not increasing in the ratio of production and this is very easily accounted for by the present unsettled state of the whole elevator ques280,000 pounds. They had wanted 300, 000, but had not been able to get the additional car of the quality that suited their trade.

While this shows that the farmers of the West are not doing their duty in the line of poultry raising, it must not be supposed that no improvement has taken All the houses handling poultry place. in large quantities report that in the matter of chicken, particularly, Manitoba has made a long stride during the year and that the birds they are getting from Manitoba have no superiors and few equals, many hundreds of Plymouth Rocks being received that are as large small turkeys and are well fed and toothsome. The larger houses are now having all their local poultry shipped to them alive and do the killing and dressing themselves. This tends to a much more uniform article to be placed on the market, and is also favored by the rais-er of poultry, as out on the farms it is difficult to get help to do this work as it should be done. During September some of the larger houses here killed and dressed from 5,000 to 6,000 birds each and placed them in their storage. Each of these birds is wrapped in parchment paper and presents a most tractive appearance when placed on the market.

For the past ten days the weather has been very fine and very mild. The heavy cold snap at the first of December, which lasted less than a week, gave fur and clothing people a chance to unload and now the weather is simply ideal for Christmas shopping and the stores are thronged all day long.

Navigation closed officially Friday, the 11th, and during that short week over four and a half million bushels were loaded out of Fort William and Port Arthur of wheat along. Full particulars of the actual season's shipments will be available in a few days.—H.

MANITOBA MARKETS

(Market quotations corrected by telegraph up to 9 a.m. Thursday, December 17, 1908.)

Christmas business has been good this year, sales being largely in excess of last year. General business is likewise showing a steady improvement, money is cir-

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culating much more freely and the approach of the close of the year finds all branches of the trade optimistic as to the immediate future.

SUGAR-The sugar market is still very quiet and prices continue as follows:

. Montreal and B.C. granulated, in bbls	5 10
" in sacks	5 05
" yellow, in bbls	4 70
" in sacks	4 65
Wallaceburg, in bbls	5 00
in sacks	5 15
III BOCKS.	
B,C. gunnies granulated, 5-18's to bale, per owt	5 (5
5-2,'s	5 (5
" hard pressed lump, 25's, per owt	6 25
" " half bbls., per cwt	6 60
" icing	5 90
	5 70
bar sugar	
Icing sugar in bbls	5 70
" " in boxes	5 90
" " in small quantities	6 20
Powdered sugar, in bbls	5 40
" in boxes	5 70
	5 75
" ' in small quantities	
Lump, hard, in bbls	6 05
" in t-bbls	6 05
" in 100-10 cases	6 15

SYRUPS AND MOLASSES-There is a good demand for corn syrups, but other lines are moving slowly. We quote:

Syrup "Cro	wn Bra	nd."	2-lb t	ins, per 2	doz. case			2	55
	11	~~,		ins, per 1	46			2	95
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"		1	0-lb ti	ns, per					80
	. 18	2	0-lb ti	ns, per f	**			2	85
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Barbadoes	molasse	s in	1-bble	, per gal.				0	40
New Orlean								0	031
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Porto Rico	molasse	es in	a-bbh	s., per lb.		·		0	041
Blackstrap.								0	31
DIACABURAD,	III DOTR	, pe							31 33
	1							0	33
	5 gal	bat	ea	ch.				2	25

MAPLE PRODUCTS - Selling very slowly. Prices continue as below:

ROLLED OATS-Prices continue as before.

Rolled oats,	80 lb	sacks,	per	80 lbs			2 30 2 36
	20	**	**	80			2 40
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steady at the following slightly reduced prices:

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	per	1/2 Back			 	 	 	 	 					1	20	
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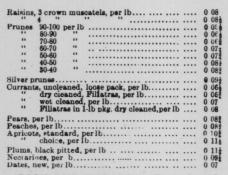
BEANS-The market is weak. Handpicked are quoted at \$2.10 to \$2.15 per bushel and the three-pound picker at \$2 per bushel.

POT AND PEARL BARLEY-Pot barley is quoted at \$2.55 per sack, pearl barley at \$3.75 per sack and \$1.95 per half sack.

FOREIGN DRIED FRUITS - The market is firm, nearly every item on the California list showing a tendency to advance. We quote:

Sultana ra	isins,	bulk, p	er lb					09
**	clea	ned,					0	101
	1 lb	pkgs					0	111
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		pe	er package				0	09
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RICE AND TAPIOCA-There is only the ordinary staple demand at present, and the market is without any features of special interest. Japan rice is quoted at 41/4e per lb, Patna at 41/4e, Rangoon at 33/4e. Tapieca 5e per lb.

EVAPORATED APPLES-As noted last week, the local price has been ad-vanced to 81/2c per lb., owing to the advance in the Eastern market.

HONEY-Supplies are hard to obtain. Prices are quoted as follows:

SPANISH ONIONS-New stock is quoted at \$1.15 per crate.

CANNED GOODS-

FRUITS.

Group Groups No. 1 No. 2 & 3

Group G No. 1 N	Froups
Apples-3's standard, per case\$2.44	
" Gallons, standard, per case 1.55	1.52
Cherries-Red, pitted, 2's 4.18	4.08
" black pitted 2's 4.18	4.08
" When witted 2's /4 38	4.28
Currants-Rec 2's 4.18	4.08
blavk 2's 4.18	4.08
Gooseberries-3's 4.58	4.48
GOUSEDEITIES-S 8 1.00	
Lawtonberrice2's 4.18	4.08
Peaches-Yellow 2's 4.18	4.08
" yellow 3's 6.54	6.44
" pie. unpeeled 3's	3.24
" pie. unpeeled. gallons 2.424	2.40
 pie, unpeeled, gallons 2.421 pie, peeled, gallons 3.30 	3.271
Pears-Flemish Beauty 2's 3.68	3.58
" Flemish Beauty 3's 4.74	4.64
" Globe 1.s. 2's	2.78
Globe 1.8. 68	4.14
" Globe 1.s. 3's	
Plums-Damson 1.s. 2's 2.28	2.18
Lompard 1.8. 28 4.28	2.18
" Green Gage 1.s 3.08	2.98
Raspberries-Red 2's 4.18	4.08
" red, gallons 3.80	3.771
" black 2's 4.18	4.08
" black, gallons 3.80	3.771
Strawberries-2's 4.18	4.08
Suawbeilles 6 8 1.10	3.774
" gallons 3.80	3.113
VEGETABLES.	
Asparagus-2's 6.28	6.18
Beans-2's 2.08	1.98
Corn-2's 2.08	1.75
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Asparagus-2's	6.28	6.18
Beans-2's	2.08	1.98
Corn-2's		1.75
Peas-		
No. 4 standards, 2's	1.88	1.55
Early June, 2's		1.65
Sweet Wrinkle, 2's		1.85
Extra fine sifted, 2's		2.75
Pumpkine-3's		2.04
Succotash-2's		2.58
Tomatoes-3's		2.10
Tomatoes, 2's		1.74
Tomatoes-gallons		3.65

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Tomatoes-3's				
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BELLEVILLE CORRESPONDENCE.

December 15 .- The grocers of this city, both wholesale and retail, all report an exceedingly bright outlook for a splendid Christmas trade. They say December so far has been in excess of last year's trade, owing to the fact that sleighing began much earlier this year than last, also to the fact that work has been plentiful, there being few idle men in this city. The local market has been well attended. If there is one thing the citizens of this city are proud of, it is their market, and it is always pointed to with pride. It is doubtful if there is another city of the same size in Canada that can boast of as fine a market as this city, a fact which can be attested by all who have ever visited it. Perhaps the prices are no lower than the other places, but the quality cannot be beaten. Here are the average prices for the last couple of weeks and which will probably remain in force for some time: Fresh butter, 28c to 30c; strictly fresh eggs, 28c to 32c; packed eggs, 25c to 27c; turkeys, \$1.25 to \$2; geese, 90c to \$1.25; chickens, 12c per lb.; potatoes, 75c to 80c per bag.

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At a meeting of the retail merchants of Deseronto, recently, a resolution was unanimously passed repudiating all connection with the Wholesale Grocers' Guild, which has been in the limelight recently, and calling upon both the Provincial and Dominion Governments to enforce the provisions of the Criminal Code against all combines and monopolies in Canada.

Miss Sheppard, of Toronto, was here this month demonstrating at William T. Patterson's store the lines of Cowan's cocoas and chocolates. She won many friends here, both for her employers and herself. She reported business here very satisfactory.

Among the recent callers on the trade here were: Mr. McDonald, of Thomas Bros.; St. Thomas; John Hodge, White Swan Mills, Toronto; Mr. Shield, Quaker Oats Co., Peterboro; Mr. Henderson, H. & H. Nelson; Mr. Curtis, Comfort Soap, Toronto; James T. Venables, Pollack Bros., Montreal.

TRADE NOTES.

John Avery, who for years conducted a fish business in Lancaster, N.B., pass-ed away last week, as a result of paralysis.

Harold Barrett, who for many years conducted a milling business in Port Hope, passed away in that town after a lingering illness, on December 14.

The Chelsea Trading Co., with a capi-tal of \$40,000, has been formed to take over the Bank Street branch of Bate & Co.'s liquor business, Ottawa.

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News of the Canadian Grocery Trade

Western Canada Notes

Winnipeg is Enjoying Good Christmas Business and Stores Are Showing Pleasing Holiday Display-Shipments of Jap Oranges to Vancouver.

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December 14.—Cold weather has given a big impetus to all classes of retail business in Winnipeg. Perhaps the grocer has not benefitted as much as the clothier, but the change in temperature has helped a great deal, and the city grocery stores are busy.

Christmas trade is good this year, much better than it was a year ago. Twelve months ago the outlook for business in Winnipeg was very discouraging, people were spending very carefully in the holiday season, and the local retailers did not cater for holiday trade as if they expected to get it. This year all that has changed, money is more plentiful, holiday trade is bound to be good, and the retailers are doing what they can to make it better.

The Hudson's Bay Co. store has had some splendid grocery windows lately which must have given that department a boost. The W. H. Stone Grocery Co., E. B. Nixon, A. Hendry and A. R. Christie have also been devoting special attention to their holiday windows. The Stone store is attractively decorated with holly this week and has been doing a rushing business.

Business has been better since the turmoil of the civic elections is over. It is true that a civic election is never the disturbing influence that a parliamentary election is, but the disturbance before the 8th was quite enough to satisfy the ordinary dealer who wants to attend to business.

During the month of December the retailers are allowed by the city by-law to keep open until 10 o'clock. The grocers very sensibly keep their stores closed after 6 o'clock until very close to the end of the holiday rush.

VANCOUVER.

December 12.—Japanese oranges, which are now on the market, are coming in limited quantities this year, but the quality is much better than last year. It has been stated that the crop in Japan has been practically a failure. The demand on the coast is good, not only here but in the interior. They are jobbing at 65c, and retailing at 75c, but with another shipment it is expected the price to the consumer will be down to about 50c or 60c by Christmas.

A new line of fancy confectionery for the holiday trade has been placed by Kelly, Douglas & Co., the manufacturers being Roach, Tisdale & Co., of Minneapolis. These are fancy gelatine goods marchmallow combination, etc., something a little out of the ordinary. They are attractive for the season.

Butter and eggs are very firm, the latter selling, for strictly fresh, as high as 65c. The high cost of feeding seems to be a principal factor in bringing the price up so high at this time of year, the demand also counting, as large quantities are needed for the Christmas cooking. The 125 members of the Co-Operative

The 125 members of the Co-Operative Society of New Westminster have subscribed over \$2,400, and it is expected to increase this amount before the end of the year. A location for the store has been decided upon in the Cunningham block, and it will be opened soon after the first of January. The officials of the company are J. Campbell, president; T. Turnbull, vice-president; W. Brown, treasurer; W. Dodd, secretary; executive, John Archibald, R. G. Patterson, A. F. Hale, R. Hampton and John Roscoe. These officers are looking after the details in connection with the starting of the store.

Complaint is made of the business methods of the Japanese handlers of rice, it having been stated that they sell to any and all customers, whole-sale, retail or any other, and moreover, sell it in the same package, instead of according to sample. Some grocers have wondered why they could not meet the selling price of rice handled by a competitor, until it was discovered that the heaper man was selling the product handled by the Japanese. One reason why it was cheaper was that it was not so well cleaned, but this fact does not seem to weigh particularly with the buyer, who notes the difference of a cent or two per pound. The Japanese are also accused of receiving overweight from their houses in Japan. While they might pay for this on agreement, a sav ing of \$48 per hundred-ton shipment made. It is stated that the ostensible 50-pound sacks received by the Japs contain about 54 pounds, the freight rate heing \$5 per ton, with 50c for wharfage rate and 50c for cartage. On the other hand, the white dealer complains that he re-ceives underweight if anything, which increases his freight rates in proportion. These are tricks of trade which are difficult to overcome.

The cigarmakers of New Westminster have elected the following officers: President, Wm. Scott; vice-president, Geo. Bacon; recording correspondent and financial secretary, H. Knudsen; finance committee, Fred Thorn, Joe Hatter and A. Miller; executive, F. Clark, George Micelage, Fred Thorn; treasurer, I. R. Lawrence; delegate to trades and labor council, George Bacon, H. Knudsen and William Scott.

The death took place in Vernon, B.C., last Saturday, of Charles E. Mellish, traveler for Wm. Braid & Co., coffees and spices, of this city. He took very ill with typhoid fever, and the news of his death came very much as a surprise to his many friends! He leaves a wife and one child. The funeral took place here on Tuesday, being conducted by the United Commercial Travelers. The pallbearers were G. H. Hewitt, R. J. Scott, H. M. Burritt, W. W. Buck, E. Gerster and C. P.. Egan. Among the many and beautiful floral tributes was a crescent and sickle from the Vernon Retail Grocers' Association.

The shipment of fish, such as herring and dog fish, to Japan is steadily growing, the Japanese themselves being principally engaged in the business. A shipment of about 1,000 boxes of herring, weighing about four to the ton, is being made. One of the members of the company superintending the shipment, stated that the prospects of the business were excellent, and that his firm, as well as others, were preparing to embark on a more extensive scale as soon as monetary conditions in the Orient improve.

The Southern Okanagan Canning Co.; which is composed of people of Penticton, B.C., has decided to put in a plant capable of producing 10,000 cans daily. Thirty more shares, at par value of \$100, will be placed on the market, and these will be taken by present shareholders.

A meeting of the directors of the Fru t and Produce Exchange of British Columbia was held at Revelstoke last week, those present being : James Johnweek, those present being - oranies of an ston, Nelson; C. S. Hancock, G. Salt, G. R. Lawes, Enderby; E. V. Beeston, Nelson; C. A. Cordy, Summerland, J. L. Vicary, Peachland; A. E. Meighan, Kamloops; C. Ericson, Malakwa; H. L. Vicary, Peachand; A. E. Meighan, Kamloops; C. Ericson, Malakwa; H. Puckle, Victoria; J. Wilson, Vernon; R. Robertson, Vancouver, W. B. Ro-bertson, L. M. Hagar, Revelstoke. The reports showed that the shipments of fruit and produce fall below the amount estimated due chiefly to the fact that estimated, due chiefly to the fact that growers were shipping individually and not through the exchange. It was decided to re-organize on new lines whereby the local branches shall be under contract for their estimates to the head office, and the growers to their respective exchanges. It is hoped that by this means the better financing of the business may be done. It was also decided that the plans put forward shall be discussed by the various local exchanges, reports to be submitted to the general meeting to be held in Revelstoke on February 1st and 2nd, 1909. An important step taken was that of having one of the head office staff located on the prairies during the heavy shipping season to look after the interests of the growers. The question of express and fruit rates will be discussed at the February meeting. The year's shipments were 171 car shipments of fruit and produce; 793 cases rhubarb; 14,628 cases strawberries; 1,607 cases raspberries; 1,585 cases blackberries; 9,248 cases plums; 14,874 cases apples; 1,237 cases pears; 69 cases quinces; 27 cases apricots; 853 cases (ninces, 1) cases apri-cots; 853 cases crab apples; 55 cases berries; 9,375 cases peaches; 3,569 lbs. gooseberries; 7,992 lbs. currants; 33,983 lbs. cherries; 15 cars mixed vegetables; 83 cars hay; 21 cars potatoes; 1 car canned goods. Other small shipments canned goods. were also made.

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Ouebec and the Maritime Provinces

Good Prospects for Holiday Business in Nova Scotia-Half a Million in New Brunswick Potatoes-Good Supplies of Poultry in Montreal.

HALIFAX.

December 14-The prospects for a large Christmas trade this year are excellent. Prices are fairly reasonable in most lines, and a large amount of goods are being turned over. Many of the retail grocers report largely increased of Scotch granulated sugar and sales sugar and Aus-ar. This is now of Scotch granulated sugar and Aus-trian granulated sugar. This is now sold generally at 4c per pound, and at this price is quite attractive to the con-

this price is quite attractive to the con-sumer. The sales of dried fruit promise to be heavy. Butter and eggs are un-changed since last report. E. E. McNutt, of Truro, who for many years carried on a successful grocery business on Prince Street, Truro, but for the past three years has been giv-ing his attention to other interests, has decided to open business again at the old stand. Mr. McNutt is now stocking the with high-class groceries, and will be up with high-class groceries, and will be all ready for the Christmas trade.

In response to a demand made by the Yarmouth Board of Trade, Secretary Kelly has been notified by Superinten-dent Barclay, of the Halifax and Southwestern Railway, that special trains will be put on the road between Shelburne and Yarmouth during the Christmas season. This will be of great bene-fit to the merchants of Yarmouth.

The exports from Labrador during the season of 1908 were valued at \$821,178. During the season 288,831 quintals of codfish were exported, about the same quantity as last year, but there was a large decrease in the price. In 1907 the value of this fish was \$1,013,227, while this year only \$779.858.10 was received. There is a good demand locally first class apples. No. 1 winter fruit is selling at \$3; No. 2 at \$2 and No. 3 at \$1.50. Nearly all the cheap varieties of apples are cleaned up.

An interesting case was decided in the city civil court last week. Andrew Hubby, a grocer, bought three dozen ergs in the eggs in the green market and paid \$1.20 for them on a guarantee that they were fresh laid eggs. They did not turn out to be as guaranteed and Hubby brought action against the woman who sold him the eggs. The defendant claimed that she did not sell the eggs as fresh-laid. When the case was called the plaintiff did not appear and judgment was given for the defendant with costs.

The warehouse occupied by R. W Cooper, confectioner, of Glace Bay, C. B., was hadly gutted by fire last week The fire was caused by the upsetting of a lamp. A large stock of confectionery and fruit for the Christmas trade had just been imported and his loss will be about \$1,000.

ST. JOHN.

December 14.-The wholesale grocers report that business continues exceptionally good. A lot of heavy goods are being sold, as well as the usual sortingup orders for Christmas. There were no changes in quotations during the past week. The retailers also report trade very satisfactory. Special attention is being given to window displays now and

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all indicate the near approach of the holiday season.

J. E. Porter & Sons' general store at Ondover, Victoria County, was totally destroyed by fire on December 8. The firm had \$4,000 insurance on their building and stock, but the loss will be much more than that.

The executive of the St. John Exhibition Association has selected September 6 (Labor Day) for the opening of the 1909 Exhibition. Should St. John receive the Dominion grant, as expected, this will be the date for the opening of the Dominion Fair.

Application has been made to the Provincial Government for the incorporation of Dearborn & Co. The object is to take over the business in St. John now carried on by Fred. R. Dearborn under the name of Dearborn & Co., as wholesale grocers and manufacturers of baking powders, coffees, spices and flavoring extracts, and to exercise in connection therewith all the privileges and rights incidental to such a business. The capital stock of the company is to be \$75,000 divided into 750 shares of \$100 each The names of the applicants are Frederick R. Dearborn, Mrs. Minnie H. Dear-born, Mrs. Louise C. Dearborn, Harry N. Dearborn and Clarence H. Ferguson. Frederick R. Dearborn, Minnie H. Dear-born and Clarence H. Ferguson are the provisional directors of the company.

P. E. Island has exported a great deal of potatoes this season. Among the shipments last week were 24,000 bushels via schooner to Norfolk, Va., 16,000 bushels in two vessels for New York, and 6,000 bushels for Boston. Several other schooners also took large cargoes of the tubers to Boston, Sydney. C.B., and St. John's, Newfoundland.

The total output of the lobster fishery for Prince Edward Island this year is estimated at about 50,000 cases, and the average price was \$16 a case. Oyster fishing yielded about 10,000 bushels, ranging from \$3 to \$9 per barrel.

A Hartland correspondent writing about the potato situation, says: "Prices for produce are about the same as last year, but in many cases are double what they were ten years ago. At that time there was no potato market, while the potato shipments of this year will total more than half a million dollars. By far most of the potatoes go to Quebee and Ontario points, although many car-loads are shipped to St. John. Until three or four years ago there was no market for our potatoes in the Upper Provinces, as Michigan and New York stock could be imported there more cheaply than from here. In the last revision of the tariff, however, the duty on potatoes was increased by fifteen cents the barrel, which was just sufficient to shut out the American stock and create a demand for New Brunswick po-

tatoes. The increase of duty was one of the greatest boons that has ever come to, Carleton County farmers, and the measure was urged by our member, Frank B. Carvell, M.P., in spite of the fact that it met with much opposition. Last year's production of potatoes was so poor in this Province that Eastern potatoes got a very bad name in Quebee and Ontario, but by eareful cull-ing of the stock last spring and the unrivalled product of this season the New Brunswick potato has gained a name that means something. Few potatoes are now being shipped. There are many in the county yet to be sold, but the market everywhere seems dull. Dealers here are still buying and paying \$1.10, which is just double the price of ten years ago, when there was no market whatever for them, except that oceasionally a carload was bought in the spring and shipped to the American market.

Charles B. Adams, grocer, corner of Germain and St. James Street, is advertising his business for sale. He has gone to McAdam to manage the Royal Hotel. owned by the C.P.R. at that place.

MONTREAL.

December 15.—A. A. Woodman, of Woodman & McKee, Coaticooke. Que., was visiting the city for a few days last week. Mr. Woodman came here to see his wife, who is seriously ill at one of the city hospitals.

J. Hurteau, who recently bought the business of S. Robinson, Esplanade Avenue, Annex, is contemplating some small alterations to the inside of his small alterations to the inside store. A feature of this store, which is an admirable one, and which is a valuable asset to business, is the fact that in the rear of the grocery store is situated a modern butcher and provision shop. The latter business is conducted by A. Lesperance. When two stores of this nature, which are closely allied in trade, are placed together in this way, they are naturally advantageous to one another's trade. Trade in poultry locally is in a good

healthy state. The quantity of turkeys and fowl is said to be superior to that of 1907, and a good demand for most of the varieties in small and large lots has continued up to the present time. Roast-ing chickens of best quality have been somewhat scarce, and the supplies have not been sufficient to meet the growing demand. Prices generally have been lowthis year than at the commencement of the holiday season during the previ-ous year. Dealers express the opinion that there is likely to be a slight advance in the price of poultry within the next ten days. The cold weather has been favorable to the trade, and mer-chants are looking forward to a large business, in turkeys, especially, and there is good reason to believe that a heavy volume of trading will be den

there is good reason to believe that a heavy volume of trading will be done in the latter part of December and the first week of the new year. W. S. Goodhugh, of W. S. Goodhugh & Co., left Tuesday for Halifax, from where he will sail on the steamer Sobo for the West Indies, where he goes on both pleasure and business. Many of the grocery stores around the

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pearance. Windows in many cases contain a profusion of evergreen decorations and Christmas trees, with various tempting articles displayed thereon are in evidence. Trade is reflecting in earnest the near approach of Christmas. Al-

though the demand is a little delayed this year, many dealers state that they expect it will made up for the lost time, and are making preparations to meet the rush when it does come.

From Ontario Correspondents

Brantford Arranging a Trade Excursion Which Galt Merchants Object to – Guelph Had a Good Week During the Winter Fair—Stratford Welcomes the Pay Car.

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December 15.—A new factory has been opened by Mr. Smith, of Dundas Street, for manufacturing brushes and brooms. The building is a new one and has been fitted up with the latest style of machinery used in the trade. The proprietor was formerly a broom manufacturer in this city. He is at present employing six hands, but after new year's expects that probably twenty-five hands in all will be taken on.

Brantford merchants have decided to experiment with the trade excursion idea, and have secured low rates on the two radial railroad systems which centre here. The excursions are to take place to-morrow and the points selected are Ancaster, Paris and Galt. The radials will give a five-cent return fare from Paris and Ancaster, and a 10-cent fare from Galt. These are very low prices and ought to draw large crowds. Special cars will be provided on both roads and the stores will be kept open until nine o'clock the evening of the excursion. Automobiles properly placarded will be sent through the country distributing bills and advertising the excursions in every possible way. Christmas buying has at last com-

Christmas buying has at last commenced in earnest and merchants report a decided improvement over the previous week. The "calendar" fiends have started on their rounds, and after every ten to twenty-five-cent purchase the clerks look for the question, "I would like you to give me one of those lovely calendars of yours?" Most of the merchants are giving them out, although others have decided not to give any this year.

GUELPH.

December 15.—Last week was a great week for the grocery stores, and all kinds of business. The downtown stores did not do it all by any means, though All the grocers would like to see a winter fair oftener, but the fact is, just the same, that it really starts the ball rolling for the Christmas trade. The great crowds touched nearly every householder and the boarding houses and hotels feed so many that every store is bound to be interested. One noticcable feature this last two years has been that there is not the foolish buying ahead in anticipation of big things by people who cannot afford it, and then, when the crowds do not come to them, have to fall back on the grocer to wait for his money. This was so in the first years of the fair, and most grocers are glad to see the last of that kind of buying. The usual grist of travelers were in town, and, along with the grocers, could be seen shaking hands with the sons of toil. It was a great time and now we can settle down to the good old Christ mas trade.

Oman's window display on Saturday was a dandy for this time of the year. They had all their purchases of prize fowl, with the different colored ribbons attached, and drew a large crowd of admirers. That was worth while getting a few high-priced fowl for. The display no doubt, paid for the expense. The Christmas bells and decorations

The Christmas bells and decorations are being put up in the local grocery stores this week, and most stores are all lit up and the boys are busy getting ready for the great annual rush. How many entries will we have from Guelph in the window dressing contest? There is a chance for you all.

Don't forget, Mr. Grocer, the Christmas box that you have had your mind on for the boys. They earn it these nights working overtime. See that they get it. If you are in doubt, a year's subscription to The Canadian Grocer only costs \$2, and it lasts all year.

PERTH.

December 15.—Perth Poultry Fair was held last Thursday and Friday, and it brought a good crowd of people to town. Prices were: Turkeys, 14e to 16e; chickens, about 10e; geese, 8e and 9e. Although the amount of poultry bought did not total up to what it sometimes has, the people were here and business was consequently brisk.

Harry Murry, who opened a grocery and ice cream parlor here last summer, has assigned to C. J. Foy.

There are a number of well-dressed grocery windows at present. J. H. Mendels window this week is specially worthy of notice.

C. A. Farmer has admitted his son, Tom Farmer, as a partner, and the business will in future be carried on under the name of C. A. Farmer & Son.

Early December grocery business is, if anything, a little ahead of the same period last year.

ST. CATHARINES.

December 15.—That article on "The Talking Point" in last week's Grocer was right to the point. That is just what the retail grocer needs in nine cases out of ten—elerks and proprietors that can discover the talking points of their business. We have too many order takers now. If you neglected reading that article look it up now and see if you can eatch the idea of "The Talking Point" as applied to your business. II. Henry has joined the rank of grocers using the daily newspaper as the medium to attract trade. While this is an entirely new departure for Mr. Henry, results will, no doubt, give aim ample proof that judicious advertising pays.

Frank Wilson, the Queen St. grocer, has an elaborate display of Christmas stockings and decorations. Strings of these run from columns in the centre of the store to the shelving and are arranged rather artistically. The selling powers of the window displays would have been largely increased by the liberal use of price tickets.

The American Bazaar has a large display of Christmas fruits and the various ingredients used in preparing Christmas pastry. In this window neat price dichees have been used to advantage.

Bradley & Son have one window devised to fruits, etc., and one to eandy. This firmomakes a speciality of medium priced candies for Christmas. The displays are timely good use is made of price tickets and they report a larger Christous b sinces this year than last.

E. O. Rawson, Humberstone, who purchased the branch store of J. H. Stanley, Port Colborne, has assigned.

Christmas fruit noved in larger quantities during the past week. Some report business much better than last year, while others are not so cheerful.

McLean Brothers, the James St. grocers, have decorated their store for the holiday season, using paper decorations strung from the ceiling and large red bells. At present this firm has a window display of faney biscuits. The display slopes from the front of the window gradually to the back. The ground work is of white goods. On this individual glass dishes are arranged, each containing a different variety of faney biscuit. Tinsel decoration is placed around each display. The showing, while not elaborate, is neat.

W. A. Sherwood & Son have also a display of Christmas groceries using the left-hand window. The bareness of the side wall of the window is relieved by a background of white cheese cloth, on which rests an arch of holly. Within the ark red paper bells are arranged. The display consists of figs, raisins, currants, flavoring extracts, olives, etc.

Sherwood & Son have added a stock of furniture to that of groceries. This section of the business will be under the personal supervision of W. A. Sherwood, while George Sherwood, the junior partner, will devote his attention to the grocery section.

OTTAWA.

December 15.—At a meeting of the Ottawa Retail Merchants' Association on Wednesday, December 9, it was decided to ask the Legislature for important amendments to the present market regulations. A copy of suggested amendments to the present regulations had been drafted by A. E. Fripp, M.L.A., and in the main these were adopted. When they are brought up before the Legislature, Mr. Fripp will do his best to see that they go through. In a nutshell, the change sought is one to prevent peddlers.

hucksters and transient traders who are not taxpayers, doing business in the city unless they pay a substantial fee. The Peddlers' and Hucksters' By-laws mainly concern the grocers, and the Transient Traders' By-law affects dry goods men, jewelers and stationers. First, the portion relative to hucksters and peddlers was dealt with. The first clause suggested that when goods, contracted for are delivered to the city person buy-ing, no fee be charged. The second ing, no fee be charged. would aim at making it illegal for peddlers and hucksters who sell fruit, garden produce, etc., from door to door in the city to simply evade paying an annual license fee by going to the market with their wagons first, and paying the regular small market fee of 10 cents. This is done quite regularly. This, of course, pertains to the hucksters who buy vegetables, fruit, etc., from others and then retail them. The man who raises his own produce has the right by law to sell it when and where he wishes, and there is no desire to interfere with him. The third clause provides that farmers and producers who go to the market, after paying the market fee there to the market inspector, may sel! when they want to or go where they like after 10 o'clock in the morning, from November to May, and after 9 o'clock from May to November. The fourth suggested the passing of by-laws forbidding eriers or runners selling wares on the streets by shouting them out. The rights of hawkers and peddlers were also discussed. was suggested that a license fee should be charged when such hawkers or ped-dlers go round from door to door selling tea, dry goods, watches and carpets, having no place of business in the city and not on the assessment roll.

Legislation to prevent peanut and fruit vendors from selling on the streets will also be sought.

INGERSOLL.

December 15.-It is a very noticeable fact that at this season of the year many merchants jump into "printer's ink" who, only use it occasionally at other periods, and some not at all. The Christmas trade seems to possess possibilities which demand the greatest attention of merchants in general, but nevertheless it is singular that many who are so desirous of getting their share of the harvest do not attach the same importance to the value of adver-tising throughout the other months. After all is said and done, it is the steady, substantial trade that brings success, and if advertising is an important leverage, why can it not be used with the same results at other seasons of the year? While it is noticeable that many merchants are only advertising during the holiday season, it is also noticeable that the shrewd, up-to-date merchant doubles, and in some instances trebles, his advertising space at this season. He appreciates the value of advertising the year round, is in touch with the people of his community either by actual contact or the advertising medium, and as the opportunities widen he increases his advertising scope. An effective system of advertising has been adopted by a local grocery firm, which

should prove a great convenience to the housewives of the community. It is in the form of a neatly-printed and altogether attractive price-list, suggestive of the requisites for the holiday season. It might properly be termed a "grocery It might properly be termed a "grocery catalogue," as practically all the articles in the store are enumerated, and particularly those for which there is an increased demand at this season. These have been sent through the mails to customers and others, and should prove of much assistance when preparations for the plum pudding and other Christmas delicacies are being made. Not only does this list assist the housewife in making her selections, but it also keeps her posted on the different prices. This is an important feature, as prices have fluctuated considerably of late and with a list of this kind before her the housewife is able to figure out to a cent the cost of her holiday cooking. This is en-terprise which customers and the public in general appreciate and no doubt is

profitable to the advertisers. The attendance at the market has shown a steady increase during the past few weeks. On Saturday last all the available display space was occupied by the the vendors and quite a number were unable to offer their produce to proper advantage. The attendance of purchasers was sufficiently large to keep prices steady and business booming. Dairy butter was plentiful at prices ranging from 28c to 30c per pound. Eggs were more numerous than usual and sold freely at 25c and 30c per dozen. Geese held chief place in the poultry department and sold at 10c and 11c per pound. Chickens brought 10c per pound, and turkey was none too plentiful at 14c and 15c per pound. Apples brought from 50c to 75c per bag according to quality. Potatoes were in good demand at from 60c to 75c per bag

TORONTO.

December 16.—A deputation representing the Retail Merchants' Association and the Retail Grocers' Association waited on the Board of Control last Friday morning with a view to securing more just conditions in regard to the peddling nuisance. E. M. Trowern, secretary of the R.M.A., who headed the delegation, complained that many licenses were taken out for half a year only, from June to December, for \$5, and that this was altogether too low a rate. On inquiry it was learned that this season 707 licenses had been issued, all of the half-year variety. Mayor Oliver expressed himself as in sympathy with the retail merchants, and as believing there were altogether too many peddlers in Toronto. After some discussion, however, the matter was dropped, to be taken up again at the first of the year. The deputation received the assurance that no licenses would be issued in the meantime, and that in all probability the fee would be raised next year.

A judgment which shows that the complaints which have come from England and Scotland regarding the packing of Canadian apples were well founded was handed out by Mr. Justice Riddell this week. The case was that of R. S. Long against P. L. and H. Williams & Co., Limited. The plaintiffs agreed to purchase from 30 to 35 barrels of apples from the defendants. They claimed damages for improper packing, and claimed that the fruit was inferior. They produced evidence from their customers in Glasgow, Scotland, to the effect that the fruit was bad when it arrived there. Mr. Justice Riddell gives judgment in their favor, and refers the amount to the Master in Ordinary.

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amount to the Master in Ordinary. The stubbornness of horses when they smell fire was once more demonstrated last Friday night, when two animals belonging to Ewing Bros., grocers, 199 Roncesvalles Avenue, refused to be led out of a burning barn at the rear of their premises. Every known device was used, but still the horses refused to leave their stails. Luckily the fire was discovered before it had gained any headway, and was put out with a few pails of water.

The Dominion Co-Operative Association held a most successful and enjoyable social re-union in Broadway Hall last night. The gathering was under the auspices of the Ladies' Co-operative Guild. Mayor Oliver presided, and a fine musical programme was rendered. Addresses on the work of the association, which will shortly open a second store in Toronto, were given by Alex. Fraser, president; H. Macdonald, secretary, and others.

STRATFORD.

December 15.—Business in general has not been up to the mark, but since the arrival of the G.T.R. pay car on Monday it has taken on the old-time rush. Stratford always feels a decided depression in business for a week previous to the Grand Trunk pay. Prospects are bright for a good Xmas trade, and grocers here feel confident that this year's business will eclipse all other years.

There was no material change in the local market on Saturday. Produce of all seasonable variety appeared in the usual abundant supply, apples, potatoes and fowl being particularly plentiful. Eggs seemed more plentiful than a week ago, but still one or two vendors had the courage to ask 32c for their hen fruit.

The creameries report the butter business brightening up. The unsettled weather of the past month has been unfavorable for butter making. The manager of the local creamery states that they have a great increase in butter when the weather is steadily cold or warm, as the changeable temperature causes a decided unrest among the eattle, making a decrease of butter-fat in the milk.

C. McIlhargey, president of the Stratford Wholesale Grocery Co., is the busiest man in the city these days. He has the Mayor's chair in view, and if hard work wins, he should come out victorious.

The grocers of Stratford a few days ago had the pleasure of meeting James O'Hagen, The Canadian Grocer's traveling representative, and are anticipating a good report of Stratford and its grocers. The coming of The Canadian Grocer each week is eagerly looked for by both proprietor and clerk. The column called the "Grocers' Encyclopedia" is a store of information which is universally enjoyed, and several grocers have expressed a wish for a sequel to "Men Who Sell Things."

H. T. Barker's grocery has a fine Santa Claus window this week. A large red brick fireplace forms the chief feature of the display, with well-filled stockings hanging above, while a little girl doll is anxiously looking for her stocking. In the front they have Xmas fruits. nuts, etc., tastily displayed, and many are the moments spent by the little folk before this window.

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The Barnsdale Trading Co. have something new in the line of window display. Four wire netting tubes, about 4 feet high and 1 foot thick, filled with different kinds of nuts, occupy the four corners of the window, while on top of each tube a pyramid of oranges is arranged. The ground work of the window is formed of fancy candies.

McCully & Ha gh are showing two well-dressed Xmas windows. The glass front of their windows being very high, they have formed a network ceiling of evergreens about halfway between the store floor and the roof of the windows. Grape fruit, oranges, Malaga grapes and candy canes are hanging from the evergreens. Xmas fruits, mixed candies, chocolates and nuts are well displayed, and each window is brilliantly lighted by numerous wax candles.

GALT.

December 15 .-- With the advent of good sleighing, business in Galt has taken on an added impetus. The stores have brightened up, the people are buying more freely, and more farmers take advantage of the sleighing to "slip" in and see the Christmas goods, and, in most cases, they buy a considerable quantity of groceries, dry goods and such like. The factories are working full time, there are very few unemployed, and the prospects for a prosperous and happy Christmas seem exceptionally bright at present. Of course, the poor are always with us, but their care is in capable hands. In this connection your correspondent witnessed a strange proceeding the other day. He was in Sloan's grocery store when a woman came in with an order from the Mayor for groceries to the extent of one dol-She purchased small quantities of lar. bread and butter, and larger quantities of jam and marmalade. Secenty-five cents had been expended of the charity money, and she requested that she be given a 25c box of candy for the remaining quarter. The clerk had some experience with such customers, and he sought the advice of the proprietor, who promptly informed the lady in question that charity orders did not include candy. Other grocers have the same experience, some of the recipients of charity asking for goods even more useless to a poor family.

John Sloan has a very pretty Christmas window. His large south window has been devoted to a display of Christmas goods. The walls of the window have been hung with green streamers, while large red bells are hung from the ceiling and about the walls. Christmas boxes of candy, stockings and other gifts complete the display.

The market on Saturday was exceptionally large. Large numbers of huge chrysanthemums were offered at 23 cents each. Butter was 36 cents and eggs 35 cents. Other prices remained unchanged. Collie pups were offered at \$2 each, and all were sold.

A number of local grocers have laid in a stock of fancy boxes of candy for the Christmas trade. The Guelph correspondent makes a good suggestion when he advocates closing the stores for both Friday and Saturday. A number of Galt merchants are complaining that they will do no business on Saturday, and they might consider the suggestion. It would be a good thing for both the proprietors and the elerks.

Galt merchants are up in arms against their Brantford brethren. Whether business in the Telephone City is not brisk enough, or whether the merchants of the city are trying a new scheme, is not known, but an excursion has been arranged from Galt to Brantford on Wednesday next for a return fare of ten cents. It is not definitely known, but it is thought that the Brantford merchants are behind the scheme. As the regular fare is 90 cents, it will be easily seen that a large number of Galtonians will take in the trip over the Grand Valley Electric line. And it is safe to say that they will do considerable shopping.

CHATHAM.

Dec. 15.—Chatham grocers are now in the throes of a busy Christmas season, which gives promise of being one of the best in years. From all accounts people are buying quite a bit earlier than usual. They are also buying more liberally than they did last year, which is a good indication of returning prosperity.

An important business transfer took place last Monday, when N. A. Mc-Geachy & Sons, City Dairy, acquired the milk business for some time past con-ducted by the Maple City Creamery. The transfer includes, not only the Creamery milk routes, but also concerns delivery wagons and hottles and its sources of milk supply. Henceforth, Mr. Lister, of the Creamery, will confine his attention to butter making. In an in-terview, W. A. McGeachy stated that, far from involving the oft-predicted increase in the price of milk to 7c a quart the change will ensure Chatham 6c milk, at least for the present winter, owing to the fact that running expenses will be considerably reduced. Last winter the milkmen lost money on milk at 6c. Mr McGeachy added that prior to the transfer he had contemplated establishing a butter factory, being encouraged by the success which had attended him in butter manufacturing on a small scale, but that the largely increased milk business would have the effect of keeping his hands pretty full.

The assets of Lorne A. Cummings, of the "Teddy Bear" grocery, who made an assignment some time ago, were last week sold at 42 cents on the dollar to Wm. Jenkins, of this city. Subsequently the business was taken over by Harry W. Jacques, who formerly carried on a grocery on Raleigh Street.

J. McHardy, of Merlin, has moved his stock of confectionery into his new store in the Oddfellows' Block. He is remodeling his old store into a dwelling house. M. Macfarlane, Ridgetown, has opened a grocery in D. J. McLean's old stand, Main Street West.

Jas. Hillman has given up his position in E. Coulter's grocery at Wheatley, and has accepted a position in Merlin.

A Greenberg, a second-hand dealer, in Wallaceburg, has gone into the grocery business, opening a store opposite Taylor's grocery.

Last week Thos. Hicks, of Essex, disposed of his bakery and grocery to Charles Billing, of North Ridge. Mr. Billing, while continuing the grocery business, will pay particular attention to the bakery, and will retain A. H. Meston as baker.

The establishment of • a cold storage station at Learnington is talked of. There are few places where it would serve so many ends. Besides the fruit during the summer season, butter, eggs, poultry and apples would keep a large section busy; while the fishermen need it badly. Local parties are interesting themselves in the scheme, and there is considerable likelihood that it will materialize, one gentleman having stated that he would put \$10,000 into it.

The Essex canning factory has inished work on pumpkins, and from now on will be engaged on jams and catsups, keeping several hands employed all winter. The past year has been one of the best in the factory's history, the output being far in excess of any previous year.

The city Board of Trade made a proglessive move last week, when, at a well-attended meeting, they decided to petition the Dominion Government for the dredging of the Thames to a depth of 16 feet. Plans for the work were prepared by the Government some-years ago, but it was never carried out. The deepening of the river would have a benencial effect on freight rates, both on incoming and outgoing shipments. A number of matters of local interest were discussed.

Ald. John Edmondson, the St. Clair Street butcher, and doven of the council, is out for the mayoralty. His only opponent so far is Ald. W. H. Westman, of the hardware firm of Westman Bros., though there is quite a bit of talk of ex-Ald. Wm. Potter, the Queen Street grocer, who was defeated last year, coming out and making it a three-cornered fight. For the council, Ald. Harry A. Andrew, who is standing for re-election, is so far the only grocer aspirant, though Chairman John McCorvie, of John McCorvie & Son, is expected to enter the race for alderimatic honors. Eggs on the local market are now up

Eggs on the local market are now up to 30c a dozen-a price practically unheard of before. Potatocs are reported plentiful, and can be had at from 75c to 90c on the market, though last Saturday as high as \$1 was asked. Grocers offer the best quality at \$1 a bag. John W. Dyer, the St. Chair St. gro-

John W. Dyer, the St. Clair St. grocer, was last week honored by his fellow members of Thames Lodge, No. 101, S.O.E., by being cletted to the W. President's chair. T. W. Smythe, treasurer, and R. I. Weaver, trustee, are other grocers on the list of S.O.E. officers.

"Tom Cats," in striking big capitals was the catchy feature of J. H. Kadwell's advertisement recently. The housewife, curious to know who advertised tomcats for sale, discovered, on closer examination, that the advertisement related to tomato catsup.

Travelers Discuss Society Business

Dominion Association Held Annual Meeting in Montreal on Saturday, Dec. 12—Maritime Travelers Met at Halifax on Friday, Dec. 11—Shall the Woman Be Admitted to Associations' Ranks?

Close upon 100 members of the Dominion Commercial Travelers' Association attended the annual meeting of that body held in Montreal in Fraser Hall bast Saturday evening.

Body netw in Area Section 2019 ast Saturday evening. Retiring President Egan occupied the chair, while S. J. Mathewson, the vice-president and president-elect; Maxwell Murdock, treasurer; E. D. Marceau, Hon. J. D. Rolland, Ald. Robinson, J. S. N. Dougall, L. W. Anderson, A. L. Friedman, E. Duckett, James Robertson, E. E. Guilbert, A. J. Brown, and H. W. Wadsworth, the secretary, also occupied seets on the platform

and H. w. wadsworth, the secretary, also occupied seats on the platform. Several important questions were discussed, the chief among them being the proposal to establish a pension fund, which did not meet with much favor. Whether or not ladies should be admitted for membership also came in for some discussion.

Opening the meeting, President Egan stated that the year has been a most satisfactory one, a larger amount than ever having been added to the reserve fund. During the year 833 new members were enrolled. This, however, did not represent the total increase, as many members failed to renew. This made the net gain 101, and the present membership 6,194. The total amount received on revenue account was \$74,798.08, of this amount \$58,250 was represented by annual subscriptions and \$16,345.58 interest on investments; \$50,225 had been paid in mortuary benefits, against \$63,250 last year. The working expenses amounted to \$5,564.86; \$32,000 had been invested in first mortgage real estate at 6 per cent. interest, and matured loans amounting to \$56,500, bearing 5 and 5½ per cent. interest, had been renewed at 6 per cent. The net surplus for the year was \$21,935.86, which, added to capital account, made a grand total of \$315,732.14.

Mortuary claims were lighter than last year, being 56, against 62. The average age of those who died during the year was forty-seven years, their length of membership averaging sixteen and a half years. The trustees of the educational fund reported ten new pupils during the year, with five retired, leaving eleven at present receiving gratuitous education.

It was reported that the Government of Prince Edward Island had decided to abolish the tax on commercial travelers, which had been an obstruction to trade.

The committee appointed to consider the notices of motion re the mortuary benefit fund reported against their adoption. The receipts and expenditures accounts showed a credit balance of \$13,-116.96.

116.96. R. C. Wilkins commented on the satisfactory nature of the report. The president then read the list of The president then read the list of

The president then read the list of members who died during the year. Following this the report of the trustees of the educational fund, showing an expenditure of \$186.66, was read, the trustees applying for an appropriation of \$150,

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as the balance in hand was only \$64.53. On motion of Geo. Mann the amount was recommended.

The hospital fund report showed a balance of \$240.94, and the chairman suggesfed that the amount be equally divided between the Grace Dart Home, the Hospital for Incurables, and the Western Hospital. A member suggesting that the hospitals should be asked to endow a cot in consideration of these payments, Mr. Marceau pointed out this could not be done for \$80 each, but the first speaker held it could be got for \$75. R. C. Wilkins said the permanent endowment of a cot would cost \$2,000, and proposed the distribution of the amounts mentioned, leaving the hospitals to do as they pleased.

Speaking as one of the governors of the Western Hospital, S. J. Mathewson explained that it cost the hospital \$1.25 per day to maintain patients, and he did not see that the proposed donation would enable the hospital to do anything in the way of enlarging the building. Mr. Gardner moved that the General Hospital be substituted for the Western, whereupon the chairman explained that \$2,000 had been given to the General Hospital two years ago, and after Ald. Robinson had expressed his opinion that the money could not be used to any better purpose than that proposed, the motion was carried.

Ed. Duckett's motion regarding the establishment of a pension fund was then made. He explained his reasons for requesting that a committee he appointed to study the means of creating a pension fund, and that \$500 he devoted to secure actuarial opinion on the mortuary liabilities. Messrs. Marceau and Mathewson dissented, the latter remarking that if anyone wanted a pension the Government of the country would grant it if they could pass a medical examination. Every cent of the surplus was needed for the mortuary fund. A few were in favor of the motion, and on a vote being taken it was defeated.

Then Major J. T. McBride's motion proposed in his absence through illness that by-law article III, section 3, be amended to make the qualification for active members "he or she," instead of "he." There was considerable discussion on th's question, participated in by Messrs. Woods, Marceau, Murdock, Mann, Lefebvre and others. The motion was put and lost.

S. Woods again brought forward the suggestion that an actuary be appointed to provide an estimate of the mortuary liabilities. R. C. Wilkins and S. J. Mathewson could not see the necessity for this, the former stating that they had \$300,000 assets to meet their liabilities, the actual amount of which no one could definitely tell, since they had liabilities to every member's widow and family. So long, however, as they could present satisfactory reports as they were now doing, that was all that was necessary. Mr. Woods persisted in his contention. Mr. Mathewson then rose, and said that the association knew perfectly well its nominal liabilities from the lists in its possession. The association was run on a business-like basis. Finally a show of hands to indicate feeling was called for, and the motion was unanimously defeated.

tion was unanimously defeated. A letter was received from C. Petrie, calling attention to a paragraph in the newspapers to the effect that Quebec City would move for the adoption of a by-law to tax commercial travelers and others \$200 before they were at liberty to take orders or sell goods. The chairman explained that article 50, chapter 15 of the Quebec Legislature held that : No municipal corporation shall levy any tax upon any commercial traveler, taking orders or selling goods, wares or merchandise by sample, catalogue or price list, or require any such person to procure a license from such municipal corporation, notwithstanding any disposition to the contrary in any statute. Whether commission received by tra-

Whether commission received by travelers should be considered salary was one of the last matters brought before the meeting. This question was considered important enough to be brought before the board, and E. D. Marceau, as a member of the Chambre de Commerce, said he would be willing to bring the question before that body. He understood it had already been brought up at a meeting of the Board of Trade.

Mr. Egan then thanked the members for their loyalty to him during the past year, and expressed the honor he felt in having held the office of president. He then announced the election by acclamation for the coming year of S. J. Mathewson as president; J. Bevans Giles as vice-president, and Maxwell Murdock as treasurer. Out of 2,305 votes cast for directors, the following secured election : Messrs. F. N. Picard, H. M. Levine, L. Decelles, A. J. Brown and C. D. O'Brien. These gentlemen will act concurrently with the other five directors making up the board. President-elect S. J. Mathewson then

President-elect S. J. Mathewson then took the chair amid applause. He made a neat little speech, stating his appreciation of the honor shown him, and requesting a continuance, during his turn of office, of the loyalty shown by the members during 1908.

Mutual Benefit Meeting.

On Friday evening the annual meeting of the Dominion Travelers' Mutual Benefit Society took place. The membership is now 1,378, 139 new members having been added during the year. A social evening was passed after the business on hand was disposed of. Songs and recitations were pleasingly rendered by Charles Gurd, J. Bevans Giles and R. C. Wilkins. E. C. Levine gave an exhibition of legerdemain and performed some amusing card tricks. The annual dinner of the Dominion asresistic with be held part Mondey aven.

The annual dinner of the Dominion association wi'l be held next Monday evening, Dec. 21. The committee are work-

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ing actively and promise one of the best functions yet held, which means a good deal. The programme is being well looked after and is said to contain some novel features which will be particularly attractive. The following will be the chief speakers: Charles Marcil, pros-pective Speaker of the House of Commons; Prof. Stephen Leacock, of McGill University; Hon. Charles Murphy, Henri Bourassa, and Senator L. J. Forget. A complete and bright account of the dinner will be given in The Canadian Grocer next week.

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MARITIME TRAVELERS ADMIT LADIES

At Annual Meeting Held at Halifax Last Week-Changes in Mortuary Benefit Scheme.

Halifax, N.S., Dec. 14.—The annual meeting of the Maritime Commercial Travelers' Association was held here on Wednesday, Dec. 9.

One of the novel features of the meeting was a resolution to the effect that hereafter ladies would be admitted to the privileges of the association.

The secretary reported the member-ship as 869, as compared with 816 a year ago.

In the election of officers, R. A. March, St. John, was chosen president, and the vice-presidents for New Brunswick are: R. J. Humphrey, St. John; A. E. Mas-sie, Fredericton; J. E. Petrie, and J. Pope Barnes, St. John.

Vice-presidents for Nova Scotia-Chas. Blackie, D. R. Rutherford, A. Milne Fraser, D. Hockin, Halifax.

Directors-H. E. Pyke, William Tapp, C. T. Hermann, together with R. H. McCulloch, J. B. Douglas and P. T. Strong.

The report showed that of the 869 members, 499 are registered at Halifax, and 370 at St. John, (N.B.)

Four members entitled to mortuary benefits, died during the year, H. M. Doane, Archibald McLean, Bernard Doane, Quinan and Capt. Thomas Douglas, the last named being a past president of the association.

Seventeen accident and sickness claims were presented by members during the year, aggregating \$476.76, all of which were settled promptly by the Canada Accident Assurance Company.

A report on the mortuary benefit fund of the association, made by T. Brad-shaw, insurance actuary, has been under consideration by the board of manage-ment during the year. As a result of their deliberations and in conformity with the recommendations of the report referred to, it is deemed expedient that measures should be adopted for strengthening the reserve funds of the associa-tion. To this end it is proposed that the \$1,000 accident insurance heretofore the association, should be discontinued at the close of the present year, and that a modified scale of mortuary benefits shall be adopted for members joining the association from after Jan. 1, 1909. The directors have arranged with the Canada Accident Assurance Company to continue the special rates for accident insurance to members of the association who may desire such protection.

The audited statements of the secretary and the cashier show an increase in the funds of \$4,858 for the year, and that the total reserve now amounts to \$47,716.

The meeting unanimously decided to abolish the accident insurance privilege. It was also decided to extend the time in which members shall qualify for the maximum benefit from thirteen years to twenty-four years. This refers only to new members and will go into effect at the beginning of the year. The association will hold a banquet at

the Royal Hotel, St. John, on Thursday, Dec. 17.

C. T. A. BANQUET.

The annual banquet of the Commereial Travelers' Association of Canada, to be held on Wednesday evening, Dec. 23, at McConkey's, Toronto, promises to be one of the brightest and most entertaining of similar functions yet held. The committee have been scurrying round since their appointment making arrangements for a dinner and programme that would appeal to everyone, and their efforts promise to be well rewarded.

Among the brighter lights on the toast list are Hon. Geo. P. Graham and Hon. W. J. Hanna, W. K. George, Hugh Blain and S. R. Wickett. This, with a number of speeches from members of the association, assures the excellence of this department of the programme. The musical end is also being well looked after, and a couple of novel features are being introduced which will add to the interest. The official programme will be as follows:

The King.

National Anthem.

Recitation Lieut.-Col. Stoneman Toast-"Canada"The President "The Maple Leaf." Quartette-"Georgina" Selected

Toast-"The Dominion Parliament"

ResponseHon. G. P. Graham Comic Song-Selected ... Harry Bennett

Toast-"The Ontario Legislature"

Ledgerdemain, etc.....F. E. arn Toast-"Manufacturing Interests"

E. Fielding Kesponse......W. K. George Comic Song.....G. McLeod Toast-"Wholesale Mercantile

Interests".....Chas. Kyle Response......Hugh Blain Toast-"Sister Associations"

Grocer will contain a bright and complete report of the dinner, which should be of interest to retailers as well as to the travelers themselves.

MONTREAL EXCHANGE MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Montreal Wholesale Grocers' Exchange will take place in Montreal to-day, Friday, Dec.

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LONDON CORRESPONDENCE.

December 15 .- Except for filling sorting-up orders, local wholesalers are do-ing very little just now. Travelers will be in about the middle of next week and then stock-taking will proceed. There is no changes in prices for staples and Christmas goods. Haddies are scarce, owing to storms on the Atlantic coast, and prices are half a cent higher.

Slight improvement is noted in retail trade, and if the sleighing stays with us there will be busy, times in London stores from now until Christmas.

The regular meeting of the Retail Grocers' Association was held in Sherwood Hall last Tuesday evening. First Vice-President, John Diprose was in the chair in the unavoidable absence of President The meeting was well attended. Shaw. A committee was appointed to look into several grievances. A strong resoluwas passed, condemning Sir Wm. tion C. Macdonald for not allowing a larger margin of profit to the retailer on his tobaccoes. If the retailer would ask 11c per plug, instead of 10c, it would ask file per sale of it. Vice-president, J. Dip-rose, ex-President Harry Ranahan, Treasurer E. J. Ryan and C. W. Summer were named a deputation to wait on a local miller, in regard to selling flour at retail. President Shaw and flour at retail. President Shaw and Vice-President Diprose, who waited on some price-cutters in the east last week, reported that they could fix the matters all O.K., but for one grocer, who is not a member of the association. He has a store for sale and he is trying to work up a trade by selling some lines at cost. Another deputation was appointed to wait on one of the local bis-cuit houses in regard to selling one retail grocer goods at one-half cent per pound lower than other retailers.

A new wholesale crockery firm has been organized in London, and will open business in the Green-Swift building at the beginning of the year.

During the last forty days the Grand Trunk Railway has sent out of this city 87 cold storage cars, the large majority of which were filled with turkeys for the western markets, valued at upwards of a quarter of a million dollars. Turkeys will be dear in the West this year, as shippers have to pay on an average two cents a pound on all the birds they ship. The freight charges on a carload of tur-keys shipped to Vancouver a few days ago amounted to \$1,200. For several weeks to come large shipments west will he of daily occurrence, and it is esti-mated that Middlesex turkey raisers along will send out over a million dol-lars' worth of the birds.

Apple shippers complain of a rot which has attacked their fruit, and dealers say they have the greatest difficulty in keeping them from spoiling. Barrels of apples which appear to be first-class when put into cellars, almost immediately develop symptoms of decay. Good apples were never so high-priced as they are this season.

Higher prices are predicted by egg dealers for the output of the next few weeks. This is in part due to the fact that the stocks held by dealers are not as large as usual at this season. In the United States prices are even higher than they are here.

Mathon Bros. & Co., general mer-chants, Ville Marie, are asking an extension of time.

DAIRY PRODUCE AND PROVISIONS

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CHEESE AND BUTTER BULLETIN

Montreal, Dec. 16, 1908. The usual quietness which is noticeable in the cheese trade at this time of the year is not, perhaps, so pronounced this year. A few orders for export are being filled. English buyers are finding that there is not as much cheese left over from the close of navigation as there was last year. Cable inquiries are arriving for the lower grades, but these cannot be filled, owing to searcity. Total receipts since May 1 are 1,896,335 boxes,

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against 2,050,410 boxes for the corresponding period_of last year. The local market is steady, with Westerns quoted at 12¹/₄c to 12¹/₂c, and

Easterns at 113/4e to 12e. The butter situation is not very inter-

esting at the present moment. Dealers

are complaining about the poor quality and the high prices which they have to pay for this stock.

The objectionable feature of this butter is the fact that much of it possesses a strong stable flavor, which is due to carelessness of farmers in allowing the milk to stand too long in stables, before it is removed to the cellars or pantries. Locally, the demand for high grade stock continues good. It is thought that stocks are not larger than will be required between now and spring time. Considerable stock is said to be held here for the account of Western houses. Receipts of butter for the season have been 402,523 packages, against 399,973 packages for the same period of last year. The local market is steady at 261/2e to 27e.

THE PROVISION SITUATION

Toronto, Dec. 17, 1908.

The farmers seem to have the control of the markets pretty much in their own hands. If the prices suit them, they will sell their hogs, but if not they will simply hold their stuff until the prices advance, which occurs, too, if buyers want their goods. This is particularly so with the hog product. A few weeks past the run of hogs, at prices from 75c to \$1 a hundred higher than last year, was unusually heavy. With the English was unusually heavy. With the English market supplied by the Danes, Irish and Americans, from 2 to 3 shillings lower than last year the packers made a slight drop. As soon as this reached the ears drop. As soon as this reached the ears of the farmers their hogs were granted a longer lease of life, and the packers, in order to get them, have only one thing to do. Some years ago when farmers had to meet the interest on tarmers had to meet the interest on their mortgages, they had to sell at any price, but now they are independent, and practically boss the situation. The prices offered this week is \$6 off cars for selects, grading a little lower for less desirable quality.

PROVISION MARKETS

MONTREAL.

PROVISIONS-A decline in the foreign markets has led to a weaker feel-ing in the local market, which has eased off somewhat. Nearly all lines have been depressed slightly. Trade locally is only fair.

Heavy Canada short cut mess pork, in bbls	22	50	23 10
Selected heavy Canada short cut clear boneless pork	\$2	5)	
Heavy Canada short cut clear pork Very heavy clear pork	25	50	26 00
Plate beef 100-lb bbls			7 75
" 300 " Pure Lard—	•••	••	22 00
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 Tubs, 50 lbs.
 0 85

 Wood pails, 20 lbs. net.
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 Tin pails, in cases.
 0 092

BUTTER - Locally the market is steady, and demand is increasing with the approach of Christmas.

Fresh Creamery,				
Dairy, tubs, lb.	 		 0 20	0 22
Fresh large toll.	 	· · · · · · · · · ·	 0 22	0 23

CHEESE-Cheese remains firm under a fair demand. Export business is small. Prices are the same.

Large	0 122	01
Twin1	0 122	U 1
Old		0 1

EGGS-Eggs continue in good demand and prices show signs of an easier feeldue to the warmer weather, which ing, will stimulate the production. This con-dition, however, is only transitory, and it is thought prices will continue to rule high.

 New laids
 0 34
 0 36

 Selected col⁴ storage
 0 26
 0 26

 No. 1 Candled
 0 23
 0 23

 No. 2 Eggs
 0 17½
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HONEY-The honey market is steady, under a slightly better demand. Quotations are unchanged.

 White clover comb honey
 0 13 0 14

 Buckwheat, extracted
 0 08 0 09

 Clover, strained, bulk, 30 lb. tins
 0 10 0 11
 POULTRY-Demand for poultry is on

the increase, as the holiday trade has commenced. Prices are firm and an adcommenced. vance all around would be no surprise.

Spring of icache, per to		4 V	
Hens pe-lb		99 U	
Young ducks, per lb	01	0 0	11
Turkeys, per lb	01	13 0	14
Geege, dressed	00)8 U	19

TORONTO.

PROVISIONS-The principal feature of the provision market this week is the sudden dropping off of the hog supply. This was, however, not unexpected, as it is always the case after an unusually heavy run. Cured meats are not much

in demand, fresh meats, and particularly poultry, take their place. Prices on the whole are unchanged.

Long clear bacon, ber ib	0	11	0 111
Smoked breakfast bacon, per lb Roll bacon, per lb	0	I d	
Light hams, per lb	0	13	0 15
Large hams per lb			0 12
Shoulder hams, per lb Backs, plain, per lb			0 12 0 16
Heavy mess pork, per bbi		**	0 161
Short out, ner bhi			99 51
Lard, tierces, per lb	0	114	0 12
' pails " " compounds, per lb			U 13
Dressed hogs			0 8) 8 75

BUTTER-There is no change in the butter market this week. The prices for good qualities are maintained, but the poorer grades can be bought for less, in order to keep them from accumulating. There is still too much poor butter made.

Ureamery printa	0 29	0 30
Oreamery solids	0 21	0 28
Farmers' separator b itter	0 26	0 27
Dairy prints, choice	0 25	0.26
	0 19	0 21
" tubs, choice	0 22	0 224
Large rolls	0 23	0 25

CHEESE-There is no visible change in cheese, and not much changing hands.

POULTRY - When the enormous quantity of fowl it requires to supply the demand of a large city is taken into consideration, especially just before Christmas, dealers naturally have to make their calculations on what is in sight, and compare it with other years. So far the receipts are small, and it is feared that farmers will again make the mistake of holding their stock until within a few days of Christmas, and then the usual slump will take place. One firm's receipts during three days before Thanksgiving were 27 tons, and they expect 50 tons will be their requirements for Christmas. The stock that is coming in is in good condition. Farmers have no doubt been learning the folly of sending skeletons instead of fowl, and are finding out that it pays to feed and prepare their poultry to meet the wants of the buying public.

Spring chickens, per lb, live	0	(9)	0	11	
Spring chicken, dressed	0	11	0	13	
Hens, per lb., live	0	06	0	07	
Hens, per lb., dressed	0	08	0	10	
Young ducks, per lb., live	0	60	0	10	
Ducks per lb., dressed	0	11	0	12	
Turkeys, per lb , dressed	0	13	0	14	
Geese, per lb., dressed	0	08	0	69	

HONEY-Honey is about 1e higher this week, but in the rush for holiday trade it receives very little attention. There is considerable honey on the shelves of grocers which would searcely stand inspection, and should be properly labelled.

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EGGS-The egg market continues firm, and the stock on hand, both in cold storage and in pickle, is not supposed to be more than will be required, unless the winter will be exceptionally open and mild, which might start the hens from

their winter rest to produce an early supply.

Select cold storage 0 27 Cold storage 0 24 Limed 0 24	0 40
Cold storage	0 28
Limed 0.62	0 25
	0 24

WINNIPEG.

BUTTER-Dairy butter is in fairly good supply, country points reporting surprisingly large offerings for the sea-son of the year. For No. 1 tubs or bricks the produce houses are offering 22c per fb., f.o.b. Winnipeg; for No. 2, 17c to 18c per fb., and for No. 3, 15c to 16c per fb. EGGS—Supplies are very scanty and

produce houses are offering high prices for new laid eggs. Shipments are being brought in from Ontario to supplement the local supply. Produce houses are paying 30c and higher per dozen for new

laid eggs. CHEESE-Manitoba cheese is very scarce. Ontario is selling at 141c to 14³/₄c per lb. POULTRY-Buying prices f.o.b. Win-

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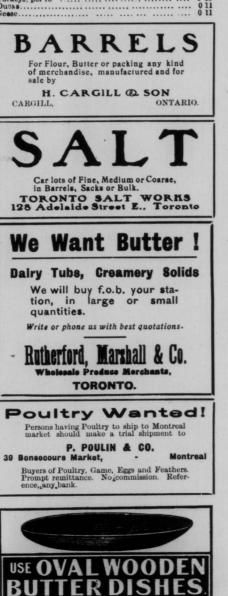
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 Fowl, parlb
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 Turkeys, per lb
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 Ducks
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 Gease
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GROCERY TRADE CHANGES

Notes From All Sections of Canada Telling of the Opening of New Stores, Sales, Assignments, Dissolutions and Discontinuance of Business

Ontario.

G. Roscoe, grocer, Toronto, has sold to B. Bonskill.

- J. S. Rosser, grocer, London, has sold to T. J. Flood.
- C. M. Hughes, general merchant, Newmarket, has assigned.
- I. H. Jones, general merchant, Dexter, has sold to C. D. Parker.

E. Mundy, grocer, of Hamilton, has sold to W. W. Carruthers.

M. McFarlane, Ridgetown, has em-

barked in the grocery business.

James Storey, grocer, Toronto, has been succeeded by W. E. Phillips.

J. H. Jacques, general merchant, Ed-wards, has assigned to W. A. Cole.

The effects of H. G. Stout, grocer, Hamilton, will be sold by auction.

Budd, Lawson & Co., grocers, Barrie, have dissolved, Mr. Budd continuing.

Mrs. Wright & Son, grocers, Toronto, have been succeeded by F. J. Walpole.

The premises of John Allen, baker and

confectioner, Keewatin, were burned out. W. J. Cain, general merchant, Port Lambton, is advertising his business for sale.

W. F. Kaupp, baker and confectioner, Sarnia, is advertising his business for sale.

Erastus Duffy, general merchant, Brigden, has been succeeded by F. E. Seelev.

Henry Murray, grocer, of Perth, has assigned and a meeting of creditors will be held on 22nd inst.

Cryderman & Frost, grocers, Toronto, have dissolved partnership, J. A. Cryderman continuing under his own name.

Hambly & Graham, grocers and dry goods merchants, Fort William West, have sold out their grocery business to J. Thompson.

Maritime Provinces.

C. D. Girouard has opened a new grocery store in Moncton.

McKenzie & Gillis, Glace Bay, N.S., grocers, have dissolved.

Boggs Bros., grocers, Kentville, N.S., have sold out to L. M. Boggs.

J. E. Porter & Son, general mer-chants, Andover, N.B., have suffered a loss by fire.

Burchell & Gillis, general merchants, Dominion No. 6, N.S., have dissolved partnership.

Quebec.

E. Poitras, general merchant, Methot's Mills, has registered.

J. P. Belanger, general merchant, St. Thuribe, has assigned.

S. A. Collette, grocer, Montreal, is offering to compromise.

J. E. Arsenault, general merchant, St. Celestin, has assigned.

F. X. Lamontague, general merchant, La Tuque, has assigned.

W. J. Asstels, general merchant, New Carlisle, has compromised.

The assets of H. Langevin, grocer, Montreal, have been sold.

Audet & Tremblay, general merchants, Black Lake, have assigned.

Wm. Therien, general merchant, Ste. Anne des Monts, has assigned.

Roberts & Co., grocers, Montreal, are offering fifty cents on the dollar.

L. C. Drolet, general merchant, Compton, has assigned to J. P. Roger.

Douyle & Jackson, wholesale teas,

Montreal, have suspended payment. John Slevin, general merchant, of La Petite Riviere St. Francois, has assigned.

Alphonse Hemond, general merchant,

Mount Louis, has assigned to V. E. Paradis.

A. Jacobs & Fils, general merchants, St. Tite, have assigned. The assets will be sold on Dec. 28.

Western Canada.

A. P. Daien, grocer, Winnipeg. has assigned to C. H. Newton.

Templer & Hickman, grocers, North Vancouver, have dissolved.

The Duck Lake Co-operative Association, Duck Lake, Sask., has dissolved.

W. J. Moffat, general merchant, Edrans, has sold to Marvin Bros., Berton.

George Jones, grocer, Saskatoon, has disposed of his business to M. Hamilton.

E. J. Clayton, general merchant, Marysville, B.C., are opening a branch at Movie.

Watson & Davis, general merchants, of Brechlin, have assigned to Charles Richards.

J. N. Stinson, general merchant, Brandon, has been succeeded by A. A. Dodderidge.

D. G. Horn, baker and confectioner, Red Deer, Alta., is advertising his business for sale.

A. A. Barber, general merchant, Nokomis, Sask., has sold to the Nokomis Mercantile Co.

E. Kelly, of the Alvinston Canning Co., Alvinston, Ont., was a caller at the Toronto offices of The Grocer last week. Mr. Kelly's headquarters are at week. Mr. Kelly's neadquarters are ac Winnipeg and he looks after the com-pany's business in Manitoba, Alberta and Saskatchewan. He reports most satisfactory business this season, the only complaint being that he could have disposed of more goods than his company put up. Business prospects are improv-ing and Mr. Kelly looks for a good year in 1909 in 1909.



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studies his stock and sells only those goods he knows will please his customers, leaving the inexperienced dealer to experiment with the various "just as good" brands and imitations of standard articles.

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They are **asked for** so often that the grocer **knows** he can recommend them with confidence.

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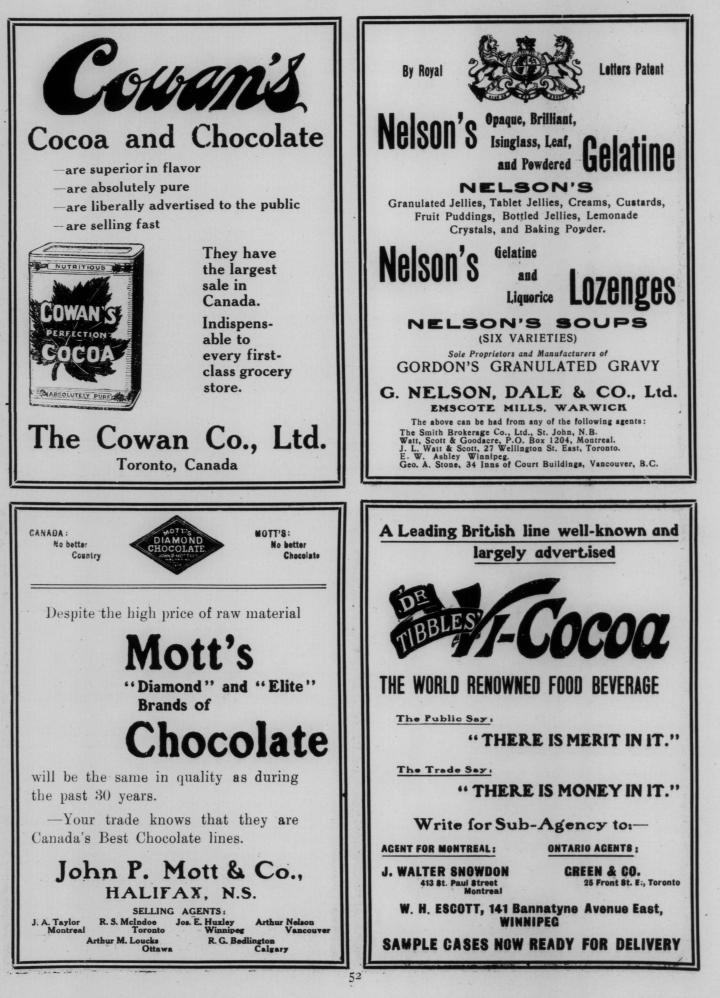
Rowat's Olives

> last season have reasons for congratulation, both on account of buying the **best brands** and pack, but also that their present stock is worth fully fifty per cent. more.

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THE FLOUR AND CEREAL MARKETS

Ontario Flour Advanced 20 Cents on Strong Feeling — Cereals Unsteady, but Promise to Advance Shortly.

An advance of 20 cents on flour in Ontario is about the only change noted in these markets this week. This was the result of the strong conditions in the trade and the good business, both at home and export, which has been done all season. Millers have been busy, but have been holding the price. Some reports say, because of competition at various points. The advance was not at all a surprise.

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There appears to be abundance of inquiry these days for Canadian flour from England, Scotland, South Africa and other points. Prices offered are fair. but millers have been able to dispose of their output to good advantage locally and not a great deal of attention has as yet been paid to this overseas demand.

The market for rolled oats is rather unsteady. Local demand is rather better this week, and retailers seem to be buying a little more heavily, but the market is not at all strong, even after the recent declines. The fact that a large quantity of oats is going to the United States at present should, however, prove a factor of steadiness and lend considerable strength to the situation. The oats held across the border are said to be of poor quality this year, and there is consequently a strong demand for Canadian grain, which is in excellent condition. During the past few. days upwards of 1,000,000 bushels of Canadian oats are said to have been sent to buyers in the United States, and if this exportation keeps on it promises to have a materially firming effect on the market here.

MONTREAL.

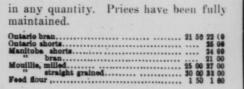
FLOUR—Inquiries from England and South Africa continue to arrive, but nothing of any consequence has resulted. Trade in country is improving slowly. Stocks are very much on the low side. Prices rule firm and unchanged.

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ROLLED OATS—Hand-to-mouth trading only is all that can be said of this market now. Country trade may be a shade better, but trade is generally quiet.

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FEED—There is a good inquiry for both shorts and middlings, but supplies are somewhat limited. The bran situation has not been relieved by the small mills which have not yet begun to ship



TORONTO.

FLOUR—Prices took a jump of 20 cents during the week on a very strong market. The change was not unanticipated since millers have been holding off for some time. The general strong situation in wheat, and the excellent demand both at home and abroad, is keeping the market firm. Millers are, perhaps, a little less busy than during the past several weeks, but still have enough to keep them going well. There is considerable inquiry from Great Britain, but not a great deal of attention is being paid to it.

Prices now stand as follows:

Manitoba Wheat.

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CEREALS—There has been no change since the decline last week, though the market is rather unsettled at present. Retailers are buying quite heavily, and this has built up local business somewhat. At present prices this, too, seems advisable, for with the abundance of oats going to the United States, the local markets seem destined to be firmer, shortly. Not much attention is being paid to export business.

TRAVELERS REMEMBERED.

The contents of the will of the late Caleb Chase, of Chase & Sanborn, now made public show one of the wisest and most comprehensive dispositions of a large estate. He was noted in his life for his numerous philanthropies and now "his works do follow him." The list of his public benefactions is an unusually long one, and it recongizes good service wherever it had come under his notice ... Among his many benefactions are a large number of bequests in Canada, among which he generously remem-bered 'the Canadian salesmen, wives of deceased salesmen, and many others in a very generous manner. Though an active and thorough man of business, this distribution of a large portion of his means is an attestation of the time and thought that he had devoted to other interests than those of mere money-making.



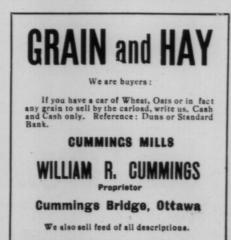
Biscuit Baking

is not such an easy matter as you might think. First of all you've got to have the ingredients right. This requires both theoretical know dge and practical experience. Next comes the baking; and here's where special skill is required. After the baking is done comes the packing, which must be very carefully attended to. The reason why

Mooney's Perfection Cream Sodas

are better than the ordinary kind is simply because in the mixing, baking and packing our skill is unequalled.

The Mooney Biscuit & Candy Company, Limited STRATFORD, - CANADA





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ST. THOMAS AND ITS GROCERS

Many Cake Departments Yield Regular Profit of Twenty Per Cent. — Bakers Supply Stock at Their Own Risk—In Business Since 1880.

St. Thomas, Dec. 14.—This is one of those few happily-situated centres which did not feel to a very appreciable extent the wave of trade depression which rolled over the whole continent during the past year. To say that the depression was not at all felt would be untrue, for some of the industries did curtail output in common with manufacturing concerns elsewhere. But St. Thomas first of all is a railway centre, and when work fell slack in one direction the workers were able to find employment elsewhere. Three United States railways make the city a base of operations and there is a consequent air about the city and its inhabitants which smacks of 1 fe across the border. The cattle quarantine is at present working some harm by reducing the number of freight trains passing through, and so cutting down the train crews.

A 30-Day Town.

In common parlance, St. Thomas is a "30-day town"—one of those places where the workers are paid but once a month—and in consequence a great proportion of the business is done on a credit basis. Grocers, as well as other merchants, are compelled to give credit if they wish to see their business grow. Compelled, though, is hardly the word. The merchants believe they must give credit to make a success of their business, and certainly the grocer who first adopts the "strictly cash" system in St. Thomas will be a Daniel indeed. This is not impossible, however, a great many of the grocers say, if only the trade would come together; decide to do a cash business, and live to the rules laid down. Of course, it is probably more difficult to inaugurate such a system in a place like St. Thomas than it would be in a centre less dependent on railways, whose employes are paid but once a month. However, the local Retail Merchants' Association has two grocers among its officers—W. J. Stewart, vice-president, and L. O. Pearson, secretary—and they should be in a position to express the feeling of the trade.

Prompt Order Deliveries.

Like Brantford and some other centres in Western Ontario, calling for orders is a feature of the grocery trade in St. Thomas. Paul Egan and L. O. Pearson do quite a lot of this work for their respective businesses, and they state a large proportion of their sales are made by this means. The orders are taken early in the morning and telephoned in, so that they are filled and delivered before the dinner hour. This quickness in filling orders is commendable and very few towns can compare with St. Thomas in giving such prompt service.

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Long Terms in Business.

The fact that the grocers of St. Thomas are sound business men is proven by the length of time in which a great proportion of them have been in business. Egan Bros. has two stores as long ago as 1880, and Jas. Munn, Miss Drinkwater, W. E. Ross, Butler Bros., Reeks & Co., and Angus McKenzie have been in business a couple of decades. W. D. Boyce, too, might be put in the oldtime class. All of these conduct their businesses on up-to-date methods, and have first-class establishments.

Many Cake Departments.

Probably the strongest side line feature of the St. Thomas grocery trade is the cake department conducted by almost every grocer in the city. Unlike some few other places where this line is given some prominence, the St. Thomas grocer is obliged to take no chances indeed has been asked to take none—but reaps a profit on all sales. Some of the bakers of the city push their cakes through the grocery trade. The bakers put in a glass case at their own expense, fill it with various kinds of cakes, which are changed, if necessary, once, and in some cases, twice a day. In this manner the goods are always fresh. The grocer buys the first lot and what cakes are left over from day to day the baker takes away, refreshing and replenishing the stock. In this way the grocer pays only for what he sells, the baker taking the risks. Though the actual cash profit is not great, still when a fair business is done in that line a return of 20 per cent. is assured. The grocer buys fruit cakes and seed cakes at & a b.; jelly rolls, layer cakes and other fancy lines at & each, and a great variety of the smaller lines of cakes at & c a b.; he smaller lines of cakes at & cent and 10c a dozen, as the case may be, netting 2c profit on each sale. This is not a great profit, of course, but when a number of sales are made, it means something, and 20 per cent. is better than some staple grocery lines pay.

The grocers in other centres of western Ontario, notably London and Stratford, also have added cake departments, though some of them are not in as good a position as the St. Thomas grocers, owing to their having to buy the cakes outright, and these are not always exchanged when they become stale.

Cakes Attract Other Business.

Another point which has a bearing on this subject is that cakes attract custom to the grocery store, and where attention is paid to this line other goods handled by the grocers often figure on the sales slip. Jno. A. McCance devotes one whole window all the time to the display of cakes made specially for him by a baker who occupies the rear of his business prenises, and he finds that it pays handsomely—in fact, it is one of the best paying lines he handles. Cakes have their seasons, of course, but Mr. McCance's experience is that they are worth while carrying the year round. McCance's store is one of the finest in

western Ontario. It was recently renovated at a cost of about \$3,000, and it lends itself admirably to the display of cakes and groceries.

SLIGHTLY MIXED.

A good joke is going the rounds on a well-known Toronto drummer. The grip man in the case was up a little too late

in Oshawa the other night when a rearend collision occurred on the C.P.R. just east of Pontypool. This tore up the C. P.R. track in such shape that they were obliged to run their Peterboro train around via the G.T.R. track. Mr. Drummer stepped from the Oshawa car on the G.T.R. platform, just as the C. P. R. train pulled in, and with one wild look around, he exclaimed, "Boys, no more for your Uncle Dudley. This finishes it. I thought I was in Oshawa."

J. H. Lehmann, who for some years represented H. P. Eckhart & Co., Toronto, in western Ontario, is in Chicago this week in the interests of the Borden Co., manufacturers of special machinery. While it is quite a change from groceries to Machinery, Mr. Lehmann is one of those versatile salesman who can sell anything.

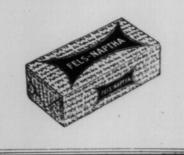
The Success-Key

to profitable-sales is careful buying; nor does that mean cheap buying, always; it means getting the best goods for your patrons.

Takesoaps; Fels-Naptha is the best quick-working, labor-saving, timesaving article yet produced.

You cannot do better than keep your customers well supplied with **Fels-Naptha** Soap.

> FELS & CO. PHILADELPHIA



A CANADIAN CONDENSED MILK FACTORY

Description of the Plant and Facilities of the Aylmer Condensed Milk Company at Aylmer, Ontario—An Ideal Location and Close Inspection Assure a Pure Product.

Of all food products there is none so important as milk, particularly since it has been demonstrated that diseases such as tuberculosis, foot and mouth disease, are very common among cows, even on the most carefully-conducted dairy farms. It is particularly interesting to know how the Aylmer Condensed Milk Company, of Aylmer, Ontaric, have fought impure milk. This company was organized in the fall of 1907. In fifteen weeks from the day the first sod was broken their modern, sanitary factory was in full operation. It seems that no point that would improve the quality of their product was overlooked when the factory was being situated.

The district surrounding Aylmer is noted for the fine corn raised and the beautiful pasture land in that vicinity. The factory of the company is situated on the northern outskirts of the town directly on the line of the Grand Trunk and Wabash Railways. They have enough land under their control to prevent any industry building up near them that might manufacture products with disagreeable odors. Their water supply is the very best, coming from flowing wells some five miles from the factory which water is stored in a targe cement reservoir in the front of the building.

A Sanitary Factory.

The factory itself is of a cement block and pressed brick construction, which has been built on the most sanitary plans. No building could possibly be kept cleaner than this factory. The power used is manufactured by a gas producer. The gas produced is used for heating soldering irons and for the operation of the engine.

The milk from which their products are manufactured is produced on dairies under their constant supervision. The company have inspectors whose constant duty is to inspect the different dairies and at regular intervals examine the cows to see that they are in a healthy condition. They require the farmers to keep their barns and milk houses thoroughly whitewashed. These inspectors also see that all milking utensils are kept scrupulously clean and thoroughly aired. In addition to this the company supplies each dairyman with an approved aerator and cooler. No milk is accepted at the factory that does not arrive there at a temperature of 60 degrees Fahrenheit or below.

On arriving at the factory the milk is carefully inspected to see that it is free as possible from impurities, shows a high percentage of butter fat and solids and is in as near perfect condition as possible. All dairymen's cans are thoroughly washed and sterilized before being returned to the dairymen.

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After passing through the receiving room this milk passes into the condensing room where it is greatly reduced in consistency by evaporation in vacuuo with the most modern machinery. Many people in the past have been opposed to the use of unsweetened evaporated cream or sweetened condensed milk, but this prejudice would all be overcome could people really see the great care that is exercised in the manufacture of these products.

The evaporated cream, after passing through the condensing room goes to the filling department, where it is automatically put into the cans, each can containing the same quantity. It next passes through a sterilizing process where all disease germs are destroyed and the milk rendered more digestible than fresh milk or cream, because the casein is softened. After passing evaporated cream, it is perfectly safe and highly recommended by physicians for infant feeding.

In addition to the two brands mentioned the company have recently put on the market a small 14 oz. can of sweetened milk, which is known as "Beaver Brand," and is put up in a sanitary can.

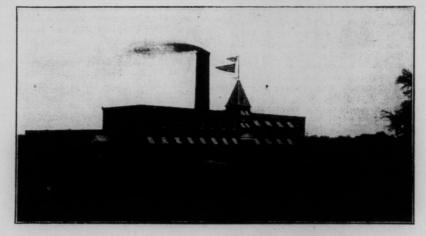
By the company's selection of district they are in a position to handle all business entrusted to their care promptly, as the fresh milk supply is unlimited and the conditions for the production of pure milk unsurpassed.

The general manager of the company, H. W. Knight, has had twelve years' experience in the manufacture of sweetened and unsweetened condensed milk, having been employed in other of the best factories in Canada. He is thoroughly conversant with the details of the industry and this itself is a good deal of an assurance of the good quality of the product.

A CURIOUS COOK BOOK.

A cook book printed in Chinese has just been issued by E. W. Gillett Co., Toronto. Its object is to encourage the use of Magic Baking Powder and other goods used for domestic purposes, which

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Factory of the Aylmer Condensed Milk Company at Aylmer, Ontario.

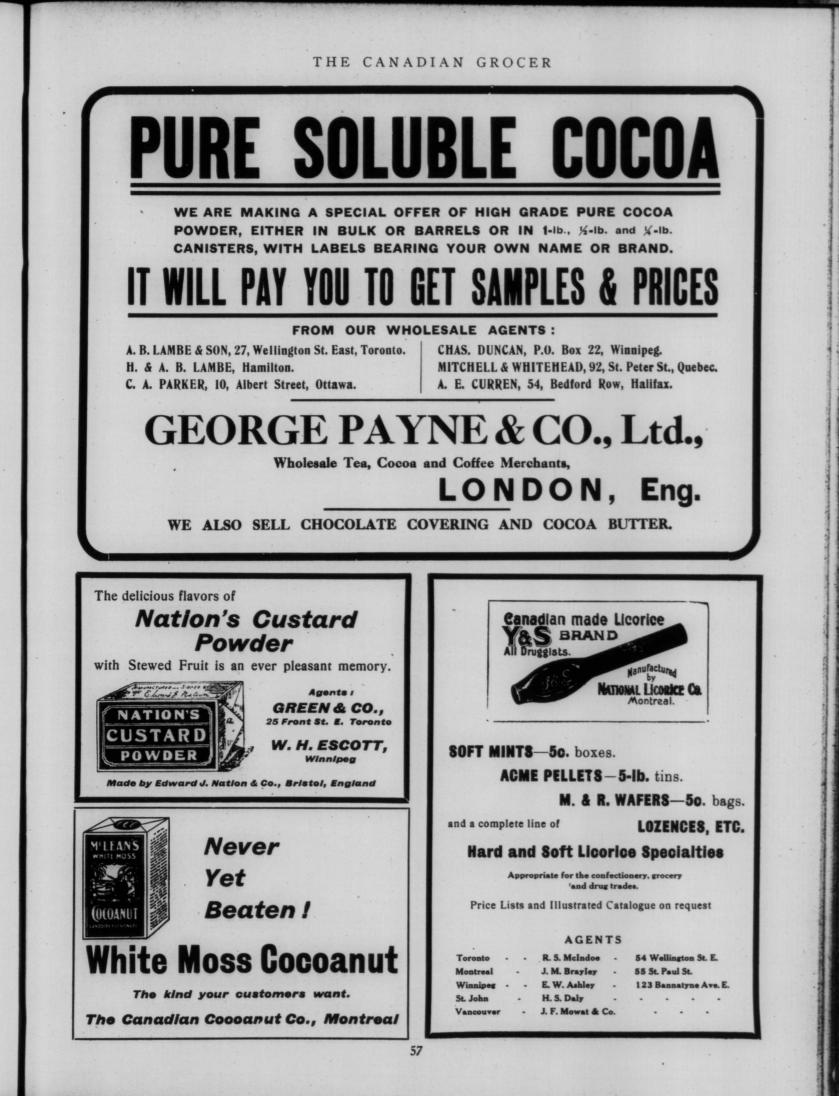
through the sterilizing process the cream is held from some thirty to sixty days to insure it being in perfect condition before going on the market. The sweetened condensed milk is handled very similarly, except that it is preserved by the addition of pure granulated sugar.

While this company have only been in operation eleven months, during that period they have turned out an enormous quantity of goods, manufacturing over a carload a day. Their brands of Canada First Evaporated Cream unsweetened and Canada First Condensed Milk sweetened, have very rapidly made a place for themselves. Their finest package is Canada First Evaporated Cream, large size, which is put up in a sanitary can, sealed without solder or acid, and has proved a very popular seller. This brand is largely used in coffee, and is adaptable for all purposes for which milk is used. Owing to the extreme care that is exercised in the selection of the fresh milk and in the manufacture of are manufactured by them. It will, no doubt, appeal to Chinese cooks for its usefulness, as well as its attractiveness. The front page is a lattice of red and white with a fierce yellow dragon coiled about the title of the book. There are sixty pages in the book, sixty pages of incomprehensible turkey tracks to us, which are said to include recipes for everything from oatmeal gruel to peppermint drops.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS OF TEA.

Colombo Will Present Samples of Its Product to United States Sailors.

Despatches from Colombo, Ceylon, this week announce that preparations are being made to receive the United States fleet, which was expected to arrive on December 14, and to stay till December 20. An interesting feature of the reception will be the presentation of a package of tea to each member of the fleet, five pounds to each officer and a pound to each man.



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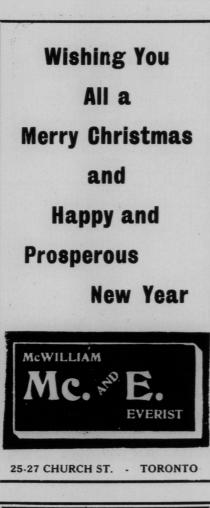
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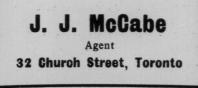
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Christmas Greetings To All

but more particularly to the buyers of

GOLDEN FLOWER ST. NICHOLAS HOME GUARD CHASE & CO.'S BRANDS



FRUITS, VEGETABLES AND FISH

Good Demand for Oranges and Christmas Fruits—Potatoes Are Unchanged— Mild Weather Rather Hard on Fish Business.

MONTREAL.

GREEN FRUITS-All grades of oranges are in active demand at the present time, with quotations unchanged. Pineapples ae selling at \$3.50 to \$3.75 per crate for both 24 and 30 size. Early black cranberries are off the market here. Winter apples are selling at \$4.50 per barrel, other lines remain the same. Trade is reported good, the Christmas demand having imparted its usual impetus to the market.

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Valencia ' 420 size	
Valercias 714 size	4 25
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VEGETABLES-Sweet potatoes are quoted at a higher figure this week, the price now ruling at \$2.25. Celery is strong at \$6 per crate. Water cress is a shade weaker, now selling at 60c to 65c. Carrots have advanced to 75c a bag. Brussels sprouts are now quoted at \$1 per dozen. Other lines have not changed during the week. Business generally is only fair.

Oyster plant doz		061
Artichokes bag		1 60
Leeks, bunch		0 15
Parsnips, bag		0 60
Sweet Potatoes, baske;		2 15
Swoet Folatoes, Daskes	1 01	
Marrows, dozen	1 05	
Cauliflowers, dozen		3 00
Parsley, per doz. bunches		
Sage, per doz		0 60
Savory, per doz		0 50
Celery, crate		6 00
Water cress, large bunches, per doz	0 60	0 65
		0 50
Spinach, box		0 15
Green peppers, doz		03 0
Beets bag		
Carrots, bag		0 75
Spanish onions, large cased		3 00
Lettuce, per doz		1 85
Radishes, doz		0 60
Horse radish, per lb		0 15
Cabbage, bb's		1 50
Cabbage, bb s	0	
Montreal potatoes, bag		0 91
Green Mountains		
New Bronswick potatoes		0 90
Onions large bag		1 25
Red onions, barrel		3 00
Turnips, bag		0 65
Pompkins doz		1 50
Squash. doz		1 50
		1 00
Brusse's sprouts doz		1 03

FISH-Haddock and cod are scarce and prices for these lines remain firm. Salted and pickled lines are meeting with a good sale, in fact, all lines are now in good demand. Prices remain as last quoted.

Fresh and Frozen Fish

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TORONTO.

GREEN FRUITS-The market this week is somewhat unsettled, although there are very few changes in prices. Being so near the holidays, there is a good deal of uneasiness as to expected arrivals to meet the usual demand for Christmas. The only line, however, which seems to be short is the California navel oranges, which, consequently, are very firm. One of the dealers who seemed to have a peep beyond the vision of the others, made the statement that the demand for navels will be fully supplied with stock now on the way. Apples, especially Spies, are higher, and are now selling for \$5 to \$6 per barrel. All other varieties for \$2.50 to \$4.

Grapes, Almeria, keg	6 00	710
Apples, Spies		6 00
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		3 00
" Greenings		
Oranges Jamaicas, bbl		4 50
" · · · boxes, new	9 25	2 50
" Mexican. boxes, new	2 25	2 50
"Florida, boxes, new	9 95	2 50
" Valencias	3 75	4 75
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Lemons, Messina	3 00	3 25
" California, box		4 25
Bananas Jamaicas, firsts		1 85
Jamaica eighta.		1 25
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Cranberries, Cape Cod bb'		5 00
" crate		
" Nova Scotia, bbl		8 00
" Ontario, cases		2 50
Citrons. doz		0 75
	2 50	
Grape Fruit, Florida, box		
Pineapples, Florida, crate	3 50	4 00

VEGETABLES-Owing to favorable weather, potatoes are still arriving and are accumulating, and prices are un-changed. Several cars of Canadiangrown cabbage are being unloaded and sold at \$25 a ton, or \$1.50 a barrel. Last year cabbage was imported from the States and was bought there at \$7 to \$8 a ton, but this year they are from \$35 to

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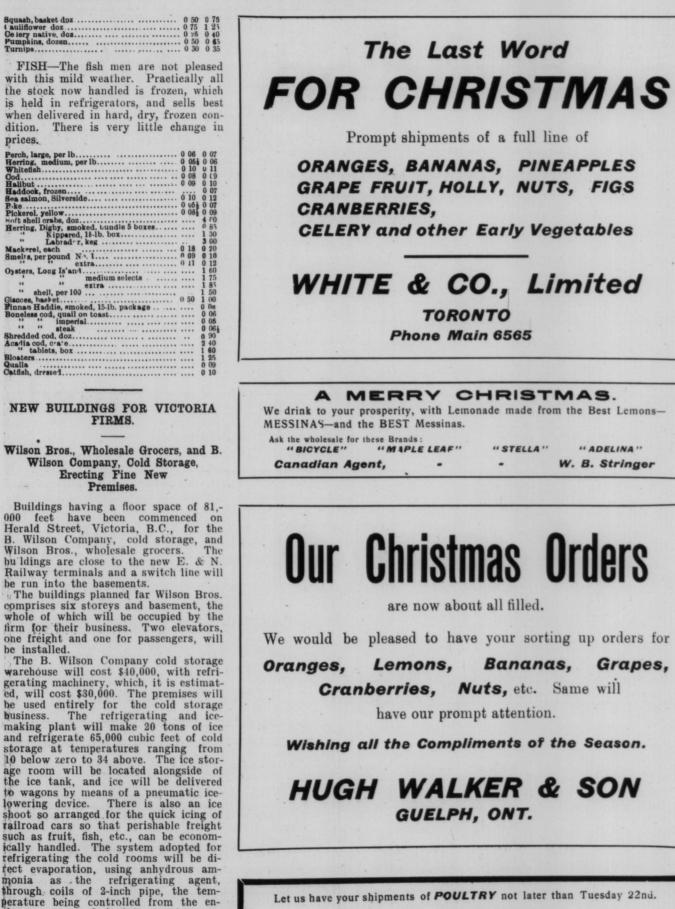
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FRUITS, VEGETABLES AND FISH.



Also let us have your order for Oranges, etc., early as possible.

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THE DAWSON COMMISSION CO., TORONTO Our outlet for Poultry, Butter and Eggs is the best.

NEW BUILDINGS FOR VICTORIA FIRMS.

Wilson Bros., Wholesale Grocers, and B. Wilson Company, Cold Storage, Erecting Fine New Premises.

Buildings having a floor space of 81,-000 feet have been commenced on Herald Street, Victoria, B.C., for the B. Wilson Company, cold storage, and Wilson Bros., wholesale grocers. The buildings are close to the new E. & N. Railway terminals and a switch line will be run into the begraments be run into the basements.

be run into the basements. The buildings planned far Wilson Bros. comprises six storeys and basement, the whole of which will be occupied by the firm for their business. Two elevators, one freight and one for passengers, will be installed be installed.

be installed. The B. Wilson Company cold storage warehouse will cost \$40,000, with refri-gerating machinery, which, it is estimat-ed, will cost \$30,000. The premises will be used entirely for the cold storage business. The refrigerating and ice-making plant will make 20 tons of ice and refrigerate 65,000 cubic feet of cold storage at temperatures ranging from and refrigerate 63,000 cubic feet of cold storage at temperatures ranging from 10 below zero to 34 above. The ice stor-age room will be located alongside of the ice tank, and ice will be delivered to wagons by means of a pneumatic ice-lowering device. There is also an ice shoot so arranged for the quick icing of lowering device. There is also an ice shoot so arranged for the quick icing of railroad cars so that perishable freight such as fruit, fish, etc., can be econom-ically handled. The system adopted for refrigerating the cold rooms will be direfrigerating the cold rooms will be di-fect evaporation, using anhydrous am-monia as the refrigerating agent, through coils of 2-inch pipe, the tem-perature being controlled from the en-gine room, any desired temperature can be maintained. The freezer contains 1,-800 feet of 11-inch pipe and can freeze five tons of fish every twelve hours. When in operation the plant will be the most modern on the Pacific coast. most modern on the Pacific coast.

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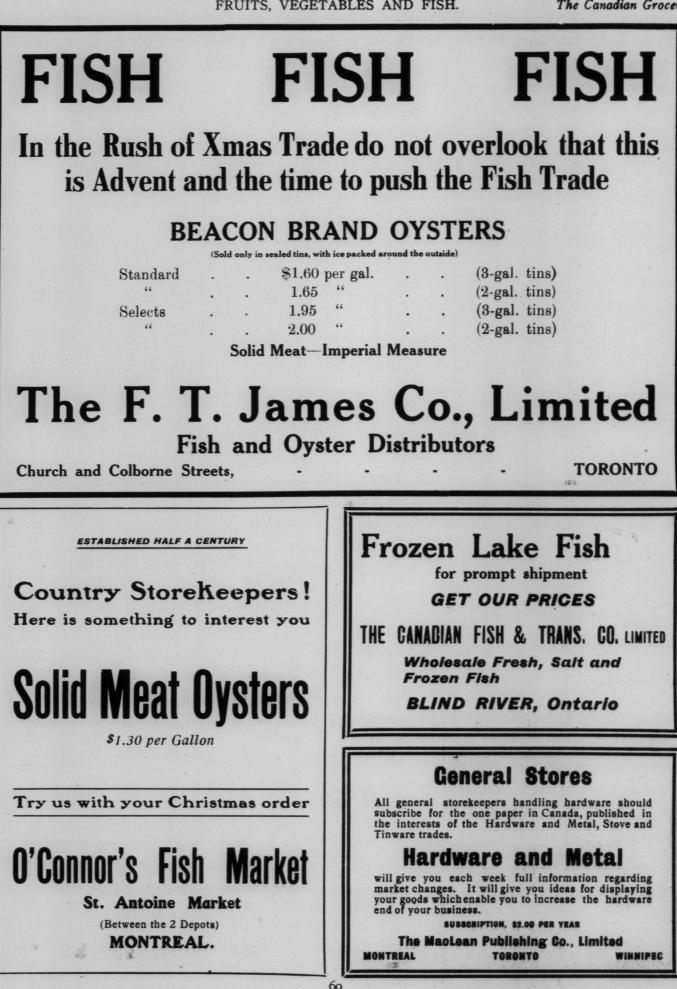
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SOME DON'TS FOR THE CLERK.

SOME DON'TS FOR THE CLERK. Don't fail to get address of customer when possible. Don't fail to memorize the ads. of your store. Don't let your interest lag. Don't hide from a poorly dressed customer. Don't converse with other clerks while serving trade. Don't forget that if you want promotion you must merit it. Don't forget that the more you know the more you are worth. Don't get angry if the other fellow gets a raise-just hustle. Don't fail to be honest with your employer and customers. Don't be a "knocker." Don't growl when asked to do a little extra work. Don't forget that a lot of small sales are as good as big ones. Don't think by watching the clock that the store will close any sooner. Don't fail to impress customers so they will the store will close any sooner. Don't fail to impress customers so they will ask for you next time. Don't lose pa-tience with a hard customer. Don't for-get to introduce some other article to customers besides that which they customers besides that which they bought. Don't fail to try and make as many extra sales as possible.—St. Paul Trade.

THE TREATMENT OF EMPLOYES.

Your employes are not going to give you their best for your worst; their admiration and devotion and loyalty in return for your suspicion and meanness. If you scold and nag them, and look down upon them, you cannot expeet them to admire you, to look up to you and love you. If you sow thistles and thorns among them, do not expect a harvest of roses and the sweet perfume of admiration and love in return.

Yet I know business men who never express appreciation of an employe's work, no matter how faithful or pains-taking he may be. They say that if they show any appreciation it will not be long before the employes will think that they are as good as their employers; will get "swelled heads," and will become dissatisfied and discontented.

HOW'S BUSINESS?

- "Business is poor," said the beggar. Said the undertaker, "It's dead!" "Falling off," said the riding school teacher.
- The druggist, "Oh, vial," he said.
- "It's all write with me," said the author;
- "Picking up," said the man on the dump,
- "My business is sound," quoth the bandsman;
 - Said the athlete, "I'm kept on the jump."
- The bottler declared it was "corking!" The parson, "It's good," answered he. "I make both end meat," said the
- butcher; The tailor replied, "It suits me."

-Philadelphia Inquirer.

PERSONAL NOTES.

Jas. B. Campbell, of the American Can Co., Montreal, is in Ontario this week, calling on the trade in Toronto and Hamilton.

W. H. Halford, of S. T. Nishimura & Co., Montreal, sailed from St. John on the Empress of Ireland on Friday, Dec. 11, for Liverpool, for the beginning of an extended holiday trip.: Mr. Halford has been paying pretty strict attention to business for some years, this being the first holiday in twelve. He is taking two months in Great Britain and Europe as a well-deserved rest as a well-deserved rest.

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THE GROCER'S ENCYCLOPEDIA

Interesting Information Concerning Nutmegs—Grown in East and West Indies, Spice Islands and Brazil—Canada's Supply From Penang and the Banda Islands.

NUTMEGS.

The nutmeg is the aromatic kernel of the fruit of several species of myristica of the natural order of myristicaceae, which contains about forty species, all tropical fruits or shrubs, and natives of America, Asia and Madagascar. Nutmegs are now cultivated commercially in the East Indies, West Indies, Spice Islands and Brazil. They are used chiefly as a spice, but medically are a stimulant and carmanative. They possess narcotic properties and in large doses produce stupefaction and delirium. This phase of their use is of small interest to the grocer, however. What he desires to know is that nutmegs by expression yield a peculiar yellow fat, called oil of mace, and by distillation is obtained an almost colorless essential oil which has very fully the flavor of the nutmer.

The species which furnishes the greater part of the nutmegs of commerce is Moschota, but the long nutmeg from the Banda Islands is now frequent in western markets.

The common nutmeg tree is about 25 feet in height, with oblong leaves. The fruit is of the size and appearance of a roundish pear, and is golden yellow in color when ripe. The fleshy part of the fruit is rather hard, and is of a peculiar consistency, resembling candied fruit. It is often preserved and eaten as a sweetmeat. Within the nut, enveloped in the curious yellow-red aril, is the mace, under which is a thin shining brown shell, slightly grooved by the pressure of the mace, and within which is the kernel or nutmeg.

Up to 1796 the Dutch, being the possessors of the Banda Islands, jealously prevented the nutmeg from being carried in a living state to any other place, but, during the contest and retention of the islands by the British, care was taken to spread the culture of this valuable spice, and plants were sent to Penang, India and other places where they are now successfully cultivates, and excellent nutmegs are produced in Jamaica, Trinidad, Brazil and other places already mentioned.

The nutmeg is very liable to the destructive attacks of a beetle, and it is a common practice to protect the nuts with a coating of lime before shipping them for export. The Dutch or Batavian nutmegs are nearly always limed, but those of Penang are not and are consequently of greater value. Great Britain is furnished by her own settlements with the greater portion of this spice, but some lots of Batavian nutmegs also come into the market. The quantity imported each year is about 300,000 pounds weight, worth about \$350,000, while the United States imports the spice to the value of about \$600,000 annually. In Canada during the last seven months about \$82,000 pounds of nutmegs and mace were imported.

Other species of the myristica also yield nutmegs, which, though sometimes

used, are of inferior quality. Among these are the clove nutmegs of Madagascar, the calabash nutmeg and others.

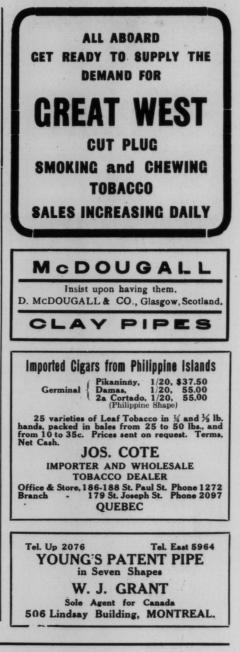
The nutmegs imported into Canada come principally from Penang and the Banda Islands, being superior in every way to the West Indies product. It is the fashion to have them limed in the United States, but in Canada they are never sold this way. A Toronto firm a few months ago had to resell one hundred cases in New York simply because the nuts were limed, and the importers knew there would be no demand for them here.

There is a growing market for nutmegs each year and around Christmas time the sales are much larger than at any other season. Wholesale grocers sell large quantities of ground nutmegs, but the product is usually sold in the form of the nut and the busy housewife grinds it up as she requires. It is said that while nutmegs were limed at first to ward off destructive insects, the liming was also found an excellent means of covering up any defect in the nut itself.

covering up any defect in the nut itself. Once, in a certain state—Connecticut a brilliant Yankee conceived the idea that it would be a brilliant and profitable venture to grind up broom-handles to such a fine degree that they would resemble ground nutmegs, and then put the powdered product on the market. The fraud was discovered and to this day Connecticut is nicknamed the "Wooden Nutmeg State."

Doyle & Jackson, wholesale teas, 586 St. Paul Street, Montreal, suspended payment last Thursday.

G. Wallace Weese, Hamilton, representing the Horton-Cate Mfg. Co., Detroit, was in Montreal this week in the interests of Royal salad dressing. Mr. Weese reports good business all along the line.





NO ONE REMEMBERS YOUR FAILURES

The World Doesn't Condemn a Man for Failures so Long as He keeps on Trying—Confidence Gained by Falling Down and Getting up. By Herbert Kaufman, in the Chicago Sunday Tribune.

So long as you won't acknowledge it, you haven't failed. Suppose one thing has gone wrong—make something else go right. This is such a busy world that we haven't time to recall unimportant things, and if you don't keep reminding us, we'll forget all about the incident. But if you walk around with the badge of despair in your face and reference to the past in your talk, how can we help remembering ?

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7.50 5.00 Your greatest trouble is your egotism. You over-estimate your status in the scheme of life. You imagine that your misfortunes are just as fresh in every one else's thoughts, but if you want the truth, we don't know that you're living except when you force us to realize that you're alive.

The world doesn't condemn you when you fail trying, so long as you don't fail crying. It does hate a quitter. You can still get everything you set out for if you set out with determination, but if you haven't enough confidence in yourself to feel that success is merely postponed, you surely can't hope that we will rate you higher than you estimate yourself.

Acrobats not only practice how to leap, but also how to fall. They've

learned that they must miss the mark every now and then, and so they train themselves to miss without getting hurt. You, too, must expect to miss once in a while, and have enough manhood not to let it hurt you.

Getting Confidence by Hard Knocks.

The greatest achievements are almost invariably prefaced by temporary adversities. Men acquire a confidence by falling down and then getting up again. Few of us have sufficient judgment to

Few of us have sufficient judgment to know at the outset of our careers the work for which we are best fitted. When we are misplaced the sooner we are displaced the better. We can't learn where we belong until we discover where we don't belong.

The supply of opportunity won't peter out—like the atmosphere, it is always with us, and ready for use twenty-four hours of every day.

There are more inventions unthought than perfected—more industries unplanned than established—more ideas undeveloped than matured.

We go to the ball game and watch Hagan fan out steadily for eight inn ngs, but when the score is tied in the ninth and Hagan swats the ball into the middle of next week, do you suppose any one cares a hang what he did in the middle of the game? Each day means a fresh innings for you with a chance for a home run, but you can't make a hit unless you swing for it.

The worst part of cowardice is laziness. The man who constantly pities himself keeps his brain cells so crowded with useless regrets that he can't find room for creative ideas. The energy it takes to cry over spilt milk will fill new pitchers.

Everything Worth While is Hard.

Nothing really worth while is arrived at without some heartache and some backbreak. There are few miners who didn't wear blisters on their feet and endure all but starvation before they struck pay dirt.

The game of life can't be played by quailers. Its rules haven't changed since nature laid out her scheme of creation, with the underlying law of survival only for the fit.

A prize fight isn't a pretty thing, but it's a man's lesson. No matter how many knockdowns a pugilist gets, he hasn't lost so long as he isn't knocked out. If you want to see how your fellows judge you, watch them hiss the man who throws up the sponge while he had a chance. We all fail, even those of us whose careers have seemed to be unbroken successes, but we kept the secret tight locked in our own bosoms and managed to laugh to the world until we had it laughing with us instead of at us.



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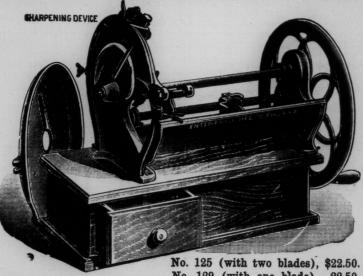
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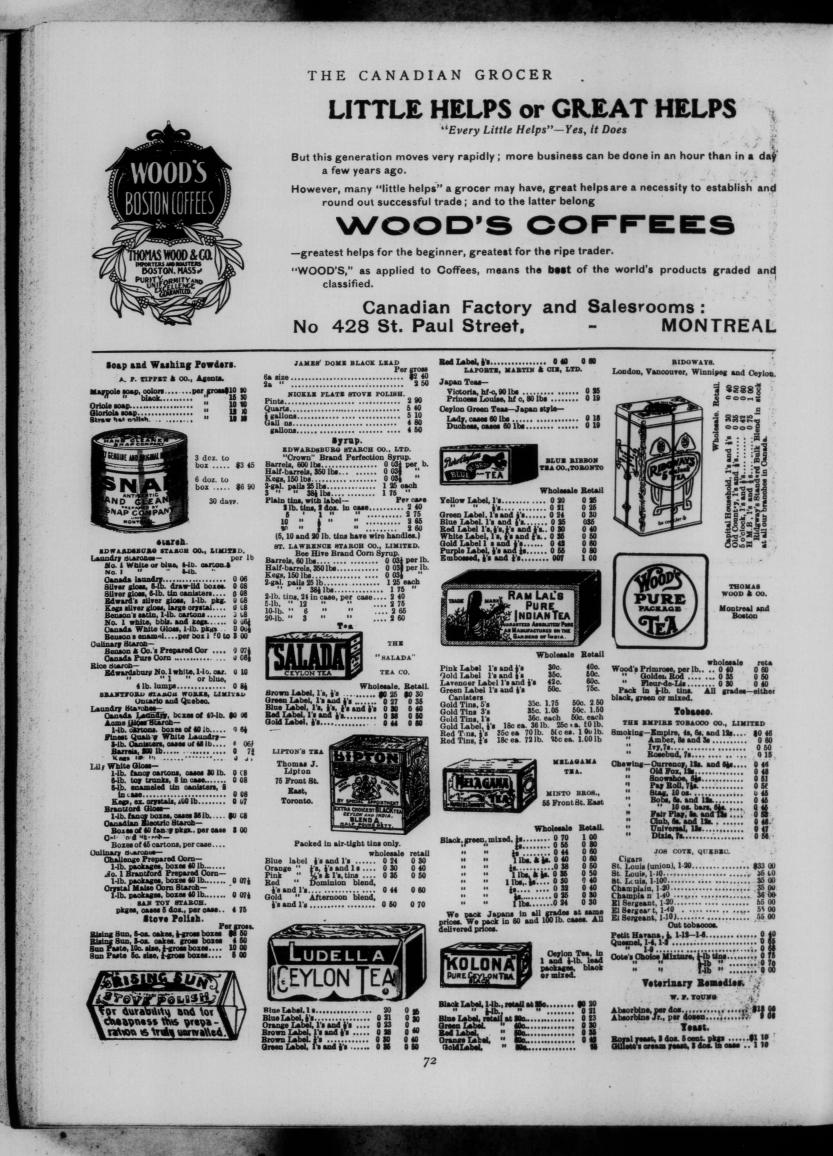
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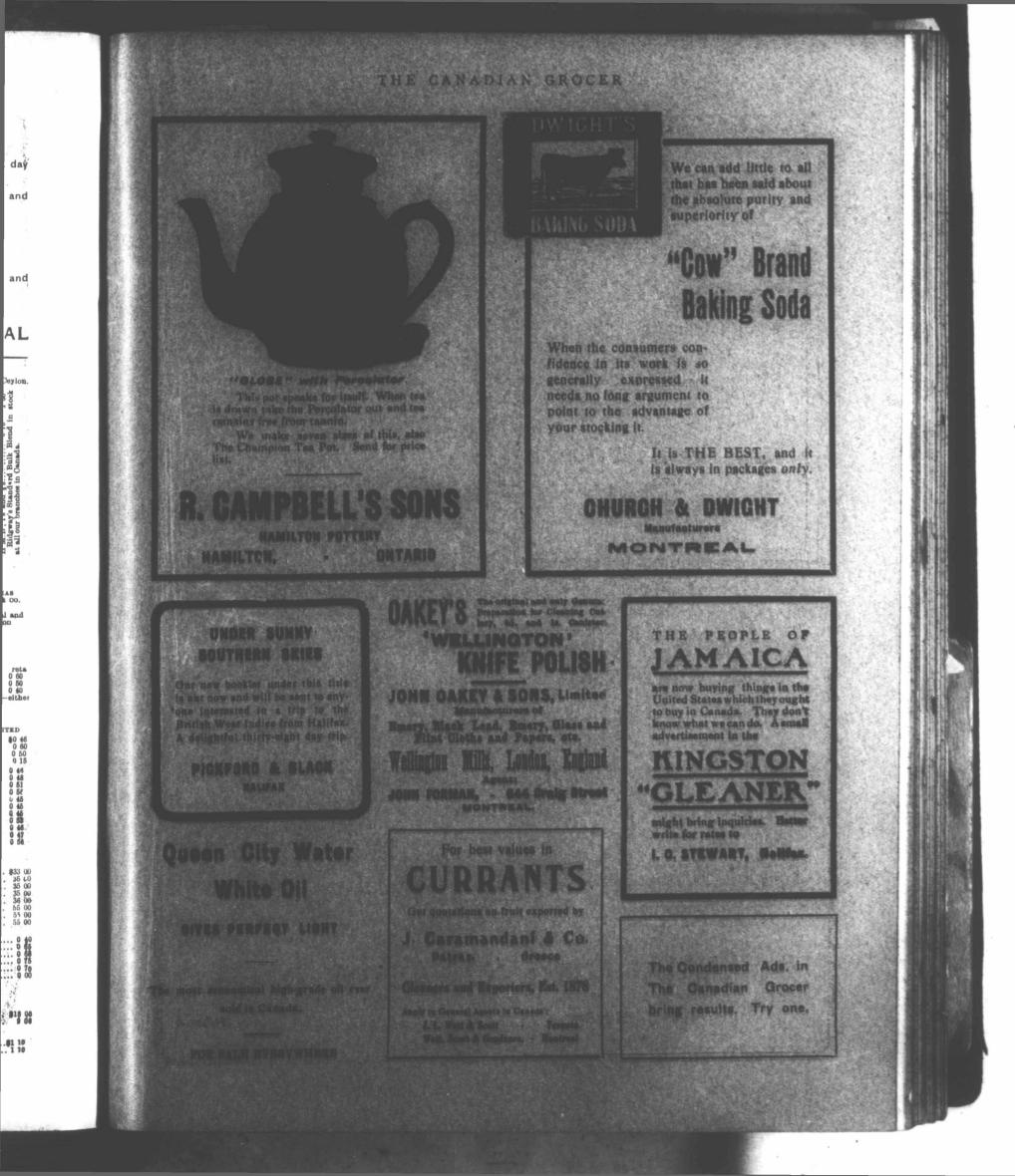
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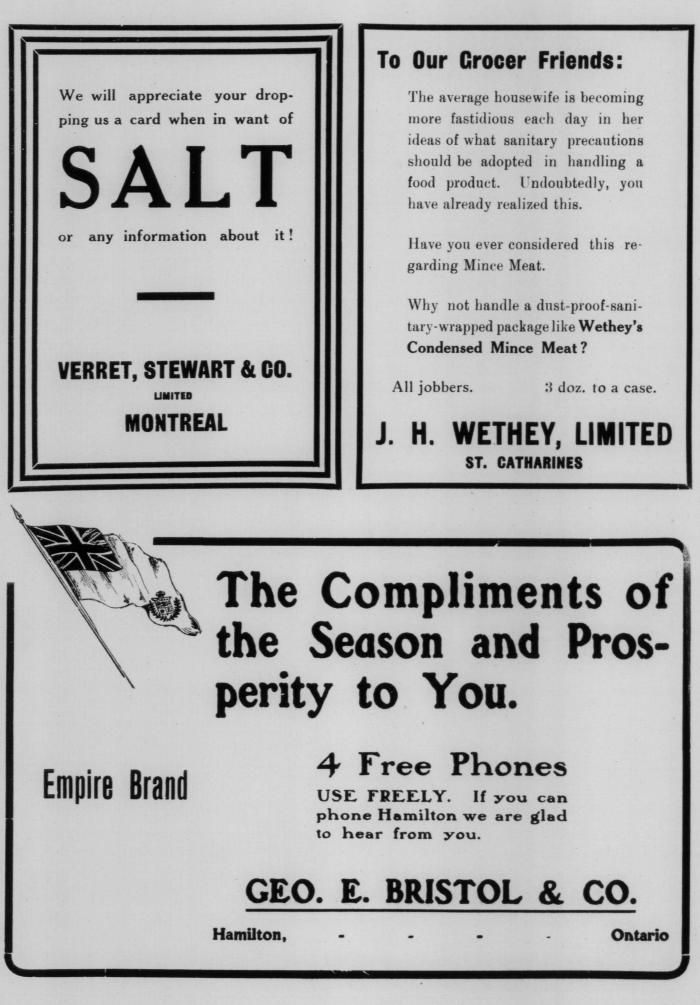
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