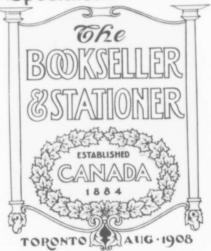
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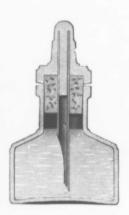
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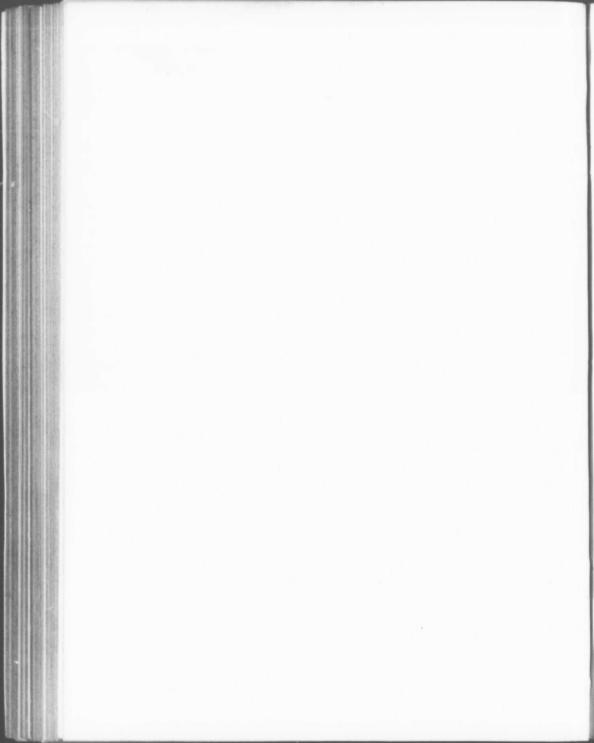
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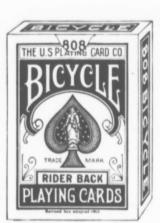


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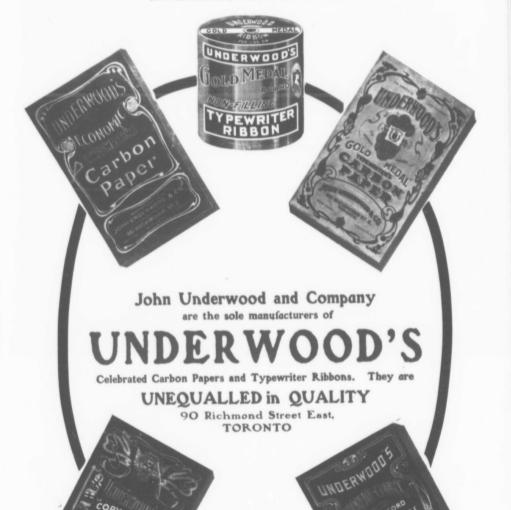




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Some Sidelights on Selling Wall Paper and Other Lines

How a Stationer has Rather Amusing Experiences - Owen Sound Bookseller Speaks of Some of His Methods in Conducting Business.

"Selling wall paper is a rather interesting study," remarked R. H. Fleming, of Owen Sound, to a representative of Bookseller and Stationer. "For instance, we have ladies come in and ask to see some of our latest patterns. They look at this and that and seem beautifully indefinite upon all matters relating to a purchase or decision. Often they have occupied my time or that of one of my clerks for fifteen or twenty-five minutes looking over all the samples from perhaps three to twenty-five cents per roll, We ask what is the size of the room they desire to decorate.

"''Oh, we do not exactly know,' will come the sweet, innocent response. 'We are thinking of moving into another house pretty soon, and we were just wondering what sort of paper we would like if we have to buy any.' All these experiences form part of the business.''

Several Years Experience.

Mr. Fleming was in the book and stationery line in Barrie for five years. He sold out to N. W. E. King, and, after a year in which he spent some months on the road, he came to Owen Sound, and once more embarked in his favorite calling. He has a large, well-lighted store. It is now five years since he opened out in Owen Sound.

He believes in handling a few, well stocked staple lines rather than conducting a great many departments.

"The only advertising I do," continued Mr. Fleming, "is by means of locals. I have never used display advertisements. If I have a few unsalable goods I put them out at the front and mark them at a low figure. I generally get rid of them quickly by that method. In window dressing I endeavor to be seasonable. At the opening of the school I decorate with school books and supplies. I use picture post cards at the height of the tourist trade, also souvenir goods or fancy china; and at other periods I essay to attract attention to my window by using other lines for the purpose of display.

"As to the news ends of the business, I try to carry a representative class of publications. There is not much

money I find in this line, and it requires a lot of attention. The benefit is that it brings a host of people in the store who may become customers. Selling postage stamps, for instance, is in itself a muisance, but the public look to a bookstore to supply them, and it draws more or less custom. We have to handle several lines in which there is practically no profit, and yet it all goes to make up part of the life and stock of a stationer.

Books That Sell.

"As to the book line itself, very few of the standard authors or new copyright novels are disposed of here, except at the holiday season. The best selling line that we carry is the bound book or novel that retails at 25 cents. We do not have any price cutting in school books. As for supplying our public library or replenishing those in the Sunday schools of the town, we are seldom, if ever, invited to tender as the books desired can generally be obtained through the various book rooms of the different religious bodies cheaper than we can get them. There is no use in tendering unless we can make a profit in doing so. In school books the margin is not large, and a good deal is lost by the seller frequently buying too heavily. A book may not be used any longer, perhaps, or a new textbook is authorized, then what we have left on our hands is dead stock and can not be disposed of at any price. If the Ontario Government decides to supply all the school children of the Province with text-books, it would not cause me a deal of uneasiness for the reason I have told you. I am not going to handle any more toys as they take up too much time, patience and room. The profit, when all things are considered, is not enough to bother with them. A book and stationery business is not a top shop, a fair or a variety store, and, as long as I am in business I intend sticking by the staple and regular lines. I carry a large reserve stock of wall paper, and to it devote special attention, and, although as I said this feature may have its drawbacks, still the profit is satisfactory and the sales in the better grades bulk large."

A Dealer Who has Served as School Trustee for Ten Years

E. S. Brown, Bookseller of Collingwood, Takes a Deep Interest in the Cause of Education — Conducts a Store that in Many Respects is a Model,

A bookseller, who takes a deep interest in the cause of education and devotes a large proportion of his time to the public service, is E. S. Brown, Collingwood, who has been in business in that flourishing town for thirty-way years.

During the last decade he has been an active member of the Public School Board, and for two years was chairman of that body. The Board is a live, aggressive institution and its discussions are keen and vigorous. Mr. Brown is a sort of free lance. He holds strong views on ectain subjects, and is not afraid to give utterance to them, although they may not exactly fit in with the presented protons of the fellow members.

Not only is Mr. Brown one of the most widely known book sellers of Ontario, but he also possesses a model store. It is 110 feet long by 22 wide, with a 25-foot addition on the ground floor. Both naturally and artificially it is well lighted, and the stock is displayed to good advantage. Electric light and the Pitner lighting system give an abundance of illumination. Over the store are rooms for reserve stock of wall paper, books, etc.

On the right of entrance are the school books, stationery and blank book departments along with an assortment of miscellamous books. On the left are the fancy china, leather goods, souvenirs, etc., while a little further to the rear is ladies' fancy work of all kinds—silks, wools, enshton tons etc.

The rear portion of the big shop is used for the immense stock of wall papers, window shades, picture framing, etc. Mr. Brown also handles baby carriages, go-carts and until recently carried bicycles, but he has gone out of the latter branch. His son, Frank, is associated with him in husious-

Doesn't Handle Toys.

"What about toys?" was asked Mr. Brown.

"Don't touch them now," he answered. "They take up too much room, try one's patience and are too easily broken. They gather dust and dirt, and collect many women and children who come in estensibly to buy, but, in reality, to be amused. My store would be full of people—so full that you could not get through during the holiday rush, and, although I may not have the same throngs since easing out toys, I know that I take in a great deal more money—afty per cent, more. The citizens are buying better and more serviceable articles. I carry a few dolls and sperting goods, but no toys."

Down the centre of Mr. Brown's store are long rows of tables on which souvenir goods, fancy chima and brie-abrac are displayed. These lines are all tagged with the price marked in plain figures. Collingwood is visited every summer by many tourists, and they are allowed to roam through the store at their own sweet will. They buy largely from the tempting way in which these wares are displayed.

Mr. Brown conducts a circulating library. He has on its shelves the copyright, paper-bound novels which retail at sevenly-five cents. When a new one is taken out and the old book returned, he charges ten cents. He is thinking seriously of putting in cloth bound volumes.

"Why some of the members of the library," he remarked, "will get a book and keep it six months. They will lend it, perhaps, half a dozen times, and, when they bring it back, it is battered and so drift that it is no longer fit to place in circulation. I say to subscribers: 'You have kept this book several months and have loaned it.' He or she will reply: 'Really, Mr. Brown, it cannot be very long since I have had it. I believe I did lend it, but only to one person—a friend.'

"You cannot raise a racket with such a would-be inmerent party," continued Mr. Brown, "and beyond uttering a protest or a mild remonstrance you have to accept
the badly worn book or lose, mayhap, a good patron of
your store. The circulating library has its advantages
and disadvantages, and I am just now studying the latest
and most economical system of conducting one. The recent outline on this subject in Bookseller and Stationer I
consider very practical and helpful.

"How about departments? Do you specialize much?"
"Well, of course, it takes a good many lines to make
up a stock here, but you cannot put in as many departments as you would like in a town of the population of
Collingwood. As a rule, I favor a fair number of departments, all well stocked."

Value of Printers' Ink.

"As to publicity I am a firm believer in the virtue and value of newspaper space. We go in strong for display advertisements, sometimes using a whole page at the Christmas season. We change the reading matter frequently, and you can always find our announcement in both Collingwood papers. We use space liberally and it pays us."

As to window dressing we have two fine ones for show purposes. We change one every fortnight. Thus we have a window filled with new things weekly. We endeavor to make seasonable decorations. Our strongest tendency is to lean to wall paper. We do a very large trade in this line and endeavor to persuade people to buy the better grades—something distinctive and artistic. You know one does not paper a room very often. We tell our customers that what is worth doing is worth doing well. The result is that opposition stores, who may sell very cheap grades, the present of the p

No Bargain Days.

"Did you ever try a bargain day in any particular

"Yes, I have done so and have cut prices unmercifully in a few lines, but I cannot say that our bargain day efforts were very successful. Rather do I believe in ticketing the majority of our goods and not conducting a slaughter sale. The latter may do in some lines, but the book and stationery business does not come in that category. I was talking a moment ago about wall paper. We keep our stock fresh and carry about 40,000 rolls on the shelves. We will give you an example of price cutting. A few years ago a rival establishment started up here with much hurrah. They drew the crowds and started selling wall paper for little or nothing. I confess that at first we were somewhat alarmed and also began to prune our prices in a few instances below cost. A traveler came in one day and sententiously remarked, 'Brown, don't make a fool of yourself or get in a panie. Instead of trying to give the people cheaper wall paper endeavor to create a taste and demand for the better grade, the choice patterns, I took his advice and have acted upon it. The result is we have increased our sales and few, if any,

BOOKSELLER AND STATIONER

Collingwood people go to Toronto for their mural decorations. We take a special pride now in our wall paper department."

"What about the newspaper, magazine and postage

stamp lines of your business?'

"Why the newspaper or magazine ends require very little attention. They practically run themselves. We do not deliver any papers. As for selling postage stamps, all stationers admit that it is a nuisance. People, however, have got in the habit of expecting to get them at our place of business, and you cannot disappoint the public. Handling stamps is what I call a necessary evil. I did stop disposing of them for a year, but I finally had to come back to it. We have to endure the selling of stamps and that is all there is about it. Their sale brings in little or no trade.

Paper vs. Cloth Bound Books.

"What class of books sell the best?"

"Strange to say that you can scarcely sell a cloth

tain them. The publishing houses are in a position to outbid us. However, I am not grieving much over that."

"Is there any price cutting in school books in Collingwood? If the Government undertakes to supply textbooks free of cost, what action should the booksellers of the Province take?"

The Sale of School Books.

"By buying carefully there is a good profit on school books. They are a paying part of the business, and, if we were deprived of their sale, I think it would be quite a serious loss. As to what action the booksellers of Ontario should take I am not at present prepared to say. I presume the matter lies very much in the hands of the various school inspectors of the Province, and, what they recommend, will carry more weight with the Government than all the protests that the booksellers can make. I think we have done all in our power. Personally, I hold some decided views on this question, and do not see why



Interior of E. S. Brown's Store at Collingwood.

bound book in the summer or a paper covered one in the winter. The season apparently has a great deal to do with influencing people as to the kind of books they buy—I mean the recognized authors. In the hot weather a paper copy of a good novel sells much better, and in the winter a cloth bound volume, showing that during the heated term readers prefer something that is light and airy, something that can be thrown or given away. In the colder months they purchase more substantial books. I cannot account for this other than the effect of the seasons. The special line of books, on which we have the largest all round year sale is the 25-cent cloth bound one.

"'How do you counteract mail order houses?" Do you supply your own public library and Sunday schools?''

"No, we do not. We find that they can generally procure all the supplies they require at less than we can obthe Government has not as good a right to supply hats and boots, lunches and overcoats, as to provide free school books. When the authorities have supplied paper, pens, ink and pencils. I believe they have done all that is required of them. Why they should go beyond this is more than I can understand from the point at which I view the whole question. I will add no more as you will say that my views are jaundiced and that my conception of the whole question is warped."

"Do you do a strictly cash business? What about credit?"

"I do very little in the credit line. I may say that I do not give one-tenth of the credit that I was called upon to give ten years ago. Fifty per cent. of my credit accounts are petty accounts for wall paper and a few things of that character." concluded Mr. Brown.



Two Calgary Windows Dressed by Mr. Keith of D. J. Young & Co.

Some Valuable Hints in Store Window Construction

The Question of Lighting, Ventilation, Background, Floor Covering and Other Features dealt with in a Practical Way by a Practical Writer—Advice will be Given Freely.

It is very difficult to display merchandise in windows where the construction of the window is not on modern lines. No matter how high-class the goods may be or how nicely they may be arranged, a large percentage of their attractiveness is lacking owing to poor window architec-

Having made a study of this matter the following remarks are the conclusions I have come to regarding the most approved style of window layout. The construction of the windows depends on the length of the irontage of the store. I notice that in most of the towns and extress the majority of the stores have about two is four windows in the front, with the main entrance, as the centre. The ends of the windows next to the doors are venerally on the angle.

The principal points to be considered in planning a window are backgrounds, floorings, the lighting for both the interior of store and the windows, and the ventilation. With reference to the background of the window, those in use in the most up-to-date stores are built to a height of 6 to 8 feet, with cornice running along the top and from this cornice glass to the ceiling of first floor.

Merchants differ as to the nature of these backgrounds, some prefer narrors and some favor the hardwood. Most of the New York stores use the mahogany panelling to a height of seven feet. The Chicago houses still ching to the mirror idea.

The next question is that with reference to floors. The floor should be about twenty-four to thirty inches from the street level. I would recommend a pine floor

and a plain green carpet (Wilton) with no pattern or coloring in it, and around the edge of this ran a pretty border in parquette about ten inches in width. This costs very little, about 30 or 35 cents a foot. A good carpet costs about \$1.50 a yard, but it is the richt at thing you can get, and will be the most reconomical in the end. I have used the floorings for over a year and a half and they certainly get a test here as we are very hard on them, owing to so many changes of display. They will last us a year or two more with frequent cleanings. This is the style of flooring used by all the big houses. The parquette border requires a polishing and waxing every couple of weeks. The carpet is easily swept by sweeping on to the parquettery and gathering the dust up there.

Regarding the window pane, the height should be about nine feet, above this prism glass. These prisms should be in panels, one of which should be on hinges to that it can be opened or closed, but made air tight, so as not to allow dust to enter when closed. This can be left open for a few minutes on severely cold mornings, and will overcome any frosting on the glass if no hot air is allowed to enter the window from the store.

This also allows the window trimmer some fresh air in hot weather. With the prisms over the top of the window pane and the glass over the hardwood or mirror background, a good light is thrown into the interior of the store.

The window entrance should be three feet wide and should slide up. The pulleys and weights can be run in a casing behind the background. The windows should be lighted from the top of window pane.

Some of the Insect Enemies of Books and Their Characteristics

More Books and Manuscripts Have Been Destroyed by Insects Than by Fire, Water, Rats and Mice Combined-Ways and Means of Exterminating Them.



One of the most formidable of the insect pests is the bread borer (Anoclimates, not only in libraries, but in rye bread, whence its specific name. The beetle is one-twelfth inch long, downy, light brown, and striped lengthwise. The eggs are laid between the edges of the backs and fly leaves, etc. They hatch in five or six days, in summer, and the larvae at once bore through the bindings, following the lines of paste. The worm is brownish white, evlindrical, ments. The head is brown, scaly, and armed with mandibles which "only east iron can resist," according to one naturalist. The worm bores long narrow tunnels through paper, leather and er Fish Magnified with white excrement. The sixteenth wood, leaving a trail of sawdust mixed trated, s a fine specimen of this bookworm's work. Growing rapidly and

molting repeatedly, the worm finally enlarges its tunnel to the size shown in the cardboard covers of the Valerius Maximus. Pupation occupies twenty days and takes place in enlargements of the tunnels very near the surface so that the perfect insects have to hore through only a thin shell, leaving the large round holes so common in old bindings. Pairing takes place in early summer in the tunnels which are not abandoned until the supply of food fails, when other quarters are sought. Sometimes not a single worm or beetle is found in a volume riddled with holes—a fact that has puzzled many a librarian.

To Destroy Borers.

Of the various methods that have been recommended for ridding libraries of borers the only effective one consists in exposing the infested volumes to the vapor of carbon disulphide, by putting them in an airtight metal-lined box with a saucer of that liquid. Thirtysix hours of this treatment suffices to kill beetles, pupae, larvae and eggs. The unpleasant odor of the disulphide objection to the use of this substance is its inflammability and the explosive character of its vapor when mixed with air. Hence the fumigation should be done in the daytime in a well ventilated room and the box should not be opened near a flame. On the other hand, the process possesses the merit of cheapness, as the disulphide costs only 9 cents a pound and an ounce suffices to fumigate a box of 70 cubic feet capacity.

Another species of Anobrium, the striped borer, found commonly in houses, bores through the shelves and furniture of libraries but does not injure the books directly, unless they are bound in wooden boards.

The larva of the Dermestes, on the other hand, has a particular fondness for bindings of leather and parchment. In May or June the females enter the library and lay their eggs, usually, on the edges of books in contact

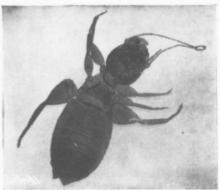
with the wall. As soon as the larvae are hatched they begin their work of destruction, not making long regular tunnels like the borers, but going in all directions and gnawing and disintegrating the bindings in an extraordinary manner. Sprinkling with benzine and fumigation with earbon disulphide have been recommended for their

Traps Baited With Cheese.

Dr. Hagen, of the Museum of Cambridge, Mass., has found traps baited with cheese very efficacious

Another beetle, the Anthrena, is occasionally very destructive to books, though it prefers skins, furs and "stuffed" animals.

Far worse is the Lepisma, or "silver fish," so-called from its shape and shining scales. It is a little wingless insect of the order Thysanura, which undergoes no metamorphosis, and infests wardrobes and kitchen pantries as well as libraries. The most destructive species may often be seen scurrying away from a book suddenly opened in summer. It has a large head, from which the body tapers to a pointed tail, terminating in three bristles. Its favor-



Book Louse, Magnified About 60 Times

ite food is paste or glue, to obtain which it destroys titles, labels and heavily sized paper, respecting only the parts that are covered with ink. It may be caught by cutting notehes in the edge of a small box, and inverting the box on a plate containing paste spread on paper. This trap should be placed in the darkest corner of the room. The insects enter through the notches and are easily surprised and destroyed at their banquet. Pyrethrum powder also destroys or stupefies them, but perhaps the best way to get rid of them is to move and air the books frequently, and kill every insect discovered.

Book-Lice.

Psoques or book-lice are often dislodged from old books kept in damp places and may be seen on library shelves in summer. They are almost omnivorous but especially fond of paste and mold, in search of which they perforate bindings. Their depredations are often erroneously laid to the charge of the bookworms. Pulverized camphor has some effect in driving away the book-lice, and they have a natural and formidable enemy in the Cheyletus eruditus. This blind acarian, or mite, which Latreille unjustly denounced as a bookworm, has a coal book a work skin relatively large jaws, and long



Bread Borer, Magnified About 4 Times.

legs terminating in hooked claws. It swarms in old volumes but it destroys the book-lize, not the books.

The familiar cockroach attacks and devors in its nocturnal raids the paper and bindings of books as well as four, sugar and other provisions. The species best known in Europe is the Oriental cockroach (Blatta orientala) of Asiatic origin. In the male the true wings are well developed, but the wing cases do not cover the abdome. In the female both wings and elyira are radimentary. The head is short and bent sharply downward. As in all Orthaptera the larva closely resembles the perfect inself. Out is wingless. The female lays her eggs in April or May, and then dies. The larvae grow slowly, undergoing six or seven changes of skin. Although the cockroach produces only one brood a year it increases rapidly, especially in the tropics. In the State library at Albany, N.Y., the bindings of a hundred volumes were destroyed by cockroaches in a short time.

Cockroaches.

Another species, the American cockroach, has become acclimated chiefly in hothouses and well heated dwellings in France and England, but it has long ravaged libraries in Brazil, Peru and Mexico, where its depredations were mentioned by a missionary friar as long ago as 1654.

Among substances inimical to cockroaches we may neution, first, pyrethrum powder. The powder, in as fresh a condition as possible, is strewn on the shelves. In the morning the cockroaches are found paralyzed, and may be swept up and burned. In Germany the gases produced by the combustion of gunpowder are used. The process, as described by Pergaude, consists in compressing slightly moistened gunpowder into cones like those used for Bengal lights, and igniting them, when dry, in the fireplace—a favorite resert of cockroaches. The poisonous gases drive the insects out of the cracks in which they pass the day, and suffocate them, so that they can be gathered and cremated. The process was devised for the purpose of destroying the cockroaches that infest fireplaces

and chimneys, but it has also been applied, with excellent results. In libraries with eracked walls.

Trans for cockroaches have long been in use. They are of various forms but all are based on the same principle. The simplest is a glass tumbler or other vessel with smooth vertical walls, baited with a little flour. The inserts easily reach the edge of the vessel from the floor by erawling up inclined flat strips of wood, placed there for that purpose. Then they fall into the vessel, from which they cannot escape by climbing its smooth walls. In the south of France regular cockroach traps are used. These are source boxes about two inches deep with the outside painted roughly to facilitate the ascent of the insects, the inside finely polished, and the edge curved inward. A saucer of flour and sugar is placed in the box as bait, and a hole in one side, closed by a cork, permits the game caught during the night to be emptied into the ire or a bucket of water in the morning. The destroyers of books that we have described have been selected, as the most important, from the sixty species which, according o Dr. Houlbert, live upon the productions of the human

PUBLISHING AND STATIONERY.

Many newspapers in country towns find that a stationery and bookstore works admirably in conjunction with the printing business. Among those who conduct the two lines are Messrs. McGuire and McKetrick, of the Banner, Orangeville, Ont. Some years ago they bought out the only bookshop in the county town of Dufferin.

They handle the standard authors, fiction, magazines,



"Chyletus Eruditus, a Useful Book Worm, M. gnified About to Times.

newspapers and general stationery lines. They also are agents for the G.N.W. Telegraph Company and the Grand Trunk Railway, with which Orangeville hopes to have connection some day. Messrs. McGuire & McKetrick believe that the two trades—publishing and bookselling—which are closely allied, coalesce very well. Their printing establishment is at the rear of the bookshop. The location is an excellent one, right in the heart of the business district, and the newspapermen have the only stationery store in the town.

What a System of Good Roads Means to the Retailer

Impassable Highways Divert Business From the Local Stores to the Mail Order Houses— How Merchants may Further their own Interests by Supporting Movement for Good Roads.

Whether the retailer in the country town realizes it or not, the question of good roads is one with which his interests are closely allied. It is quite possible that in the past the relationship between the extent of business in a town and condition of the roads leading to that town has not been fully understood, hence the apathy, or at best half-hearted sympathy exhibited by business men towards projects having for their object the systematic improvement of the roads.

Few subjects deserve such attention by the country merchant as that associated with providing good highways leading to the town in which he does business.

It must be obvious to every such merchant every time the roads are in a condition which prevents farmers' wives and daughters from coming to town, the opportunity of doing business which their presence there would afford is lost, and may it not be quite possible that some of the growth of the business done by city mail order houses with persons resident in the country may be traced more or less directly to the fact that which, after all, perhaps furnishes the strongest argument in favor of his support of this project.

Good roads mean more prosperous farmers. Every dollar spent in improvement of highways adds many dollars to the wealth of the farming community served by it, in the increased facilities which good roads afford for successful farming.

Good roads are essentially a business proposition. They represent an investment which will bring handsome returns by increased property values, and facilities for transacting farm business at a greater profit. When a loan company is asked to advance money on farm property, the class of roads leading to the farm is one of the prominent considerations in appraising its value. A farm with good highways approaching it will sell more readily than will one which has to be reached over ne gleeted and badly constructed roads. Quoting a recent statement by the president of a leading Canadian bank, "Our counties and townships in the older parts of the province are, as municipalities go, comparatively rich,



An inexpensive, but serviceable road in Hastings County. It has been gravelled and proper provision made for drainage.

poor roads make journeying to town a hardship to the women of the family, at least.

These are points in this question which have a direct bearing upon the business of the country retailer, and they seem to justify the statement that these retailers are under a responsibility to themselves to further to the extent of their ability any movement towards better roads which may be promulgated.

Fortunately for the retailer, though it must be confessed, most frequently without the active support from him which should have been accorded, a great deal has been done along this direction in Canada, and there are indications that in some quarters at least, the importance of this project in its local as well as national aspect, has been appreciated.

The direct benefit accruing to the retailer alone constitutes sufficient reason for his active interest in the good roads question, but there is an indirect benefit,

and there is no obvious excuse for roads which in the Spring and Autumn, for many weeks together, are of very little use."

Good roads are of vastly more importance to the development of any country than is commonly attributed to them. A vague impression prevails that railways have superseded them, and that so far as industrial, commercial and social progress is concerned, the condition of the common road is of little consequence. A more indefensible position could not be taken. Railways mean above all, further development, and that development demands the improvement of country roads as feeders to the railway, and for communication with the adjacent country. Every nation that has achieved supremacy has been a builder of roads. Good roads are not merely an index of, but a means towards national greatness.

In Ontario alone the rural roads are costing more than \$2,000,000 for maintenance, but while this is the actual expenditure, there is, in addition, a tremendous toil of time and energy wasted in traveling over bad roads, energy which would be spent profitably were the country's highways in good condition. This and the many other inconveniences of bad roads, handleap farming to an extent, the sum of which is seldom realized.

Conditions Getting Better.

There is, however, an improvement in progress, and during the last few years a great deal has been done. In this in many counties have adopted a system of county

lead in organizing one. His business will be helped through his being identified with the movement, and he will benefit even before his efforts and those of his neighbors have resulted in the improvement of the highways-

It has indeed become generally recognized that this matter of roadmaking can no longer be carried on by means of the antiquated system under which the farmers supplied their labor. It is admitted that the work must be done in . scientific manner and under the direction of both the proxincial and the county authorities.

Here is where the retail merchant comes in. He usu-



In the summer this road will be pleasant, but the growth of grass and flat character of the roadway will make it almost impassable in spring and fall.

roads, and this has invariably been followed by the existence of very much better conditions. The government, in order to encourage this movement, set apart \$1,000,000 to be used as grants to counties taking advantage of the provisions of the act passed. By this act the government pays one-third of the cost of improvements effected in counties working on the county system.

In places where the farmers themselves, as the class

ally occupies a position of prominence and authority; he has special opportunities for impressing right views upon his community. He could, for instance, utilize his display windows for exhibiting the difference between good roads and had ones. Photographs of the old-fashioned dirt road and of the modern highway can be obtained at small expense, and if displayed in the window, with appropriate printed matter, will attract wide attention. Nor will they in any way interfere with the display of



A mod road, the counterpart of which may be seen in many parts of Canada to-day. Can one imagine any pleasure in riding over this road?

most directly benefitted, are not sufficiently appreciative of the advantages represented by good roads to interest themselves in an effort to secure them, merchants will be consulting their own interests by beading a movement with this as its object. It may be that public sentiment has already been partially awakened and that the efforts of merchants to erystallize such sentiment into action will meet with a ready response.

It is possible that an association has been formed, but if there is no such organization the retailer should merchandise. On the contrary, the photographs will attract people to the window, and after the spectators have absorbed the ideas_presented in the views they will turn their minds to the merchandise.

One such man can accomplish a great deal if he is energetic and enthusiastic and appreciates the far-reaching effects which will accrue to the business of a town leading to which is a system of good roads, easily traveled in all weather conditions.



A Novelty Bill Board Advertising of Books.

Advertising for Retailers—The Why and Wherefore Of It

A Few Pointed Sentences Addressed to the Men who Don't See "Why" They Should Advertise—The News Quality.

In just what light do you regard your advertising?
Has it a definite value in your eyes, or do you look
upon its cost as a donation to the local papers that must
be paid because the "other fellows" do it.

Perhaps it constitutes to you just what, possibly, you believe it means to your competitors—a sop to your inherent vanity.

Behind it all you may have a sneaking notion that there is some advantage in keeping your name before the public.

See here! Your advertising should have a definite value to you. It should be pretty nearly as indispensable as your show windows and salespeople. If it's not there's still quite a lot about business that you don't

You'll have a great deal more respect for advertising when you come to study it a little and give it a chance to demonstrate its worth to you,

You've got to respect it, and use it continually and intelligently, if you hope to build up a prosperous business in the twentieth century, against competition that is worthy of the name.

To get down to the real elementary principle of the thing: You've got something to sell; to dispose of it you've got to tell somebody about it, and advertising is the most economic method of placing your story before the greatest possible number of people. The necessity for advertising arose with the necessity for the first interchange of commodities that ever took place on earth. That's carrying you back quite a few centuries, and then some. When a man wished to dispose of anything he simply told his neighbors about it. He advertised.

A live merchant of the present day uses printed matter, backed up by his show windows, to tell the public about the merits of the merchandise he has for sale. The principles which underlie his advertising and that of the primitive citizen mentioned in the paragraph above are identically the same,

In the simplest, most comprehensive way possible, I have endeavored to show those merchants who still seem to be in ignorance just WHY they should advertise.

Bill Boards for Books.

A unique method of advertising is shown in the illustration on this page. Here we see two sign board artists at work painting three books on a mammoth board measuring 12 feet high by 25 feet long. These sign boards are placed in conspicuous places all over the city of Chicago. It is an expensive way of advertising but A. C. McClurg & Co., the Chicago publishers, believe in progressive methods and feel justified in making the expenditure even at a quiet time of the year.

An Experience of Thirty-Seven Years in the Bookselling Trade

W. K. Ireland of Owen Sound is an Enthusiast in Business—Devotes Attention to Advising Patrons What to Read—His Views on Some Matters of Interest.

"Not the largest book store in the Province, but one of the best," is an expression which W. K. Ireland, of Owen Sound, applies to his establishment.

"How long have you been in business?" ventured a representative of Bookseller and Stationer.

"Oh, I am one of the oldest booksellers in Canada and have been in this line thirty-seven years—ten in Meaford and twenty-seven in this town."

Some Personal Matters

To look at Mr. Ireland you would not take him to be much beyond the forty mark. His father was a bookseller in Owen Sound for several years. He passed away in 1902.

Mr. W. K. Ireland was not raised in the green little isle whose name he bears. His natal spot is Dundee. He is an ardent son of the heather, an unflinching Presbyter-



W. K. IRELAND The Owen Sound Bookseller

ian, a staunch Liberal, an omnivorous reader and an enthusiast in business—a born bookseller.

Every Tom, Dick and Harry cannot prove a success in the calling is the view that he holds, and he further contends that to a certain extent it must run in the blood. Mr. Ireland's cousin, J. S. Ireland, is associated with him in the business.

No Circulating Library.

"No, I do not run a circulating library," declared Mr. Ireland. "It requires too much time and the details are too numerous."

"What about departments ?"

"I adhere closely to what I conceive a stationery and book business, along with a reasonable amount of attention to the newspaper line. I do not deliver any papers. Some years ago we did, but that took off all the profit as

the cost for delivery had to come out of the bookseller not the subscriber. When we stopped we were warned that our customers would dwindle down very low. A few subscribers dropped at first, but they all came back soon.

"We have a very simple system of keeping tab on our list. Here is an indexed book. We put down first the name of the paper, next the subscriber's name and then the date to which he is paid up. It is all very plain and direct."

Advertising Methods.

"What are your methods of advertising?"

"Oh, I have not used space in the newspapers. I confine any advertising to locals."

"What about window dressing?"

"I follow no particular method," remarked Mr. Ireland. "I always manage to dress them frequently and make them present as neat appearance as possible."

No Bargain Sales.

"Did you ever try a cheap sale or bargain day? How do you get rid of slow selling goods?" was the next

"No, I never did and I do not think that I ever will. We are getting to be nothing but a bargain-hunting race and every trade has done a good deal to debauch its own particular line so that many people feel disinclined to buy unless they think that a thing is cheap or away below regular value. Buyers alone are not to blame for this unhappy condition of affairs. It has been created by sell-ers. When I have a large stock of old magazines and story books I place them on a table at the front of the store and clear out the whole lot at five cents each."

Handles No Toys.

"And," continued the speaker, "I handled toys for some years, also fancy china. I have had a good many mechanical toys broken, as well as several pieces of china. Did I ever have a customer offer to pay for any thing smashed by the children? Not a bit of it! They always said that the spring must have been out of order before, that they were extremely sorry, the article got in little Willie's way, was not securely placed on the shelf, or presented some other plausible excuse amid profuse apologies, but never volunteered to settle for the damage done. Handling toys is a nuisance, and, when you consider that a fifty or seventy-five cent mechanical device put out of business is not worth ten cents, you can come to some idea of what the loss is. This is only part of my experience with toys, therefore I got out of them some years ago."

Selling Postage Stamps.

"What about the sale of postage stamps?"

"Well, there is no money in them, of course—not a cent, as in handling so many you lose a few stamps, ruin a few others and occasionally do not get paid for another. Thus your one cent profit per hundred dwindles to nothing. Some years ago, when stamps sold at three cents, we got three per cent. profit. Even then there was no money handling them. Once in a while some will buy stamps from you alone, and do all their stationery purchasing elsewhere, yet think they are conferring a big favor upon you. In a word, my opinion regarding the

handling of stamps is that it is a nuisance and no profit to the dealer, but a big convenience to customers.

School Book Supplies.

"I do not find that mail order houses burt us any, and as for school book supplies. I do not care much whether we handle them or not," observed Mr. Ireland. "See that long row up there. That is but a moiety of the stock I have left over of unauthorized publications. As to whether the Government is going to supply text books free to all the children. I do not know that this would make any appreciable difference in the volume of my business. I do not think the booksellers could take an effective action to check such a move. If the Government makes up its mind that school books are to be free, free they will be in spite of any stand that the booksellers may adopt individually or collectively. They did wait on the Minister of Education last year and made a vigorous protest. The result was not very satisfactory, so far as I could see, and

novel of any special author to the exclusion of all others. I do strive, however, to give an honest opinion, and, if a work is worth reading, I say so."

"How about picture post eards. Is there much of a demand for them?"

"Two years ago," replied Mr. Ireland, "I sold on an average about \$20 worth a day, but, of course, that run did not last long as, others seeing the rush, soon entered the same line of business and so the profit was cut

"I find wall paper a very good line to handle, and I do a big trade in it. I use the upper flat of my store as a repository for surplus stock of wall paper and other goods. I do a cash business and keep no books. I consider it the best in this business where sales are relatively small and so many little things are handled."

"Yes." concluded the speaker, "I like the business in which I am engaged, and while one never grows rich



Book and Stationery Store of J. J. McKay, New Westminster, B.C.

again. The Education Department knows exactly our my daily vocation.' position on this matter.

Bookseller Should Read.

"Now as to books which are read the most, that depends largely on the bookseller. To be thoroughly up to date he should be a man to a certain extent of literary taste and culture. He should do considerable reading and to a greater or less degree be familiar with the leading authors of the day. Now you will pardon my apparent egotism when I say that scores of persons read exactly what I recommend. They consult me at different times, and I give them my views as to the merits of certain books. As to the sale of copyright novels, it all depends, especially in a small centre, on the bookseller himself. If he has familiarized himself with a story he can answer many queries in reference to it and that is what sells a book. People will seek information and, if you can furnish them with some idea or outline of its contents or character, they are satisfied and will purchase it.

"I am questioned frequently with respect to cheap fiction and reply to such interrogators that I know nothing as I have never read it. I never endorse any particular

I do not think there is any use in presenting our views on its profits, still I find happiness and contentment in

A NEW WESTMINSTER STORE.

J. J. McKay, New Westminster, B.C., whose store is illustrated on this page, started business in the western city in 1901, buying as a going concern the store of Clark & Stuart. He is an old resident of British Columbia and has been engaged in a number of pursuits on the Pacific coast during the past twenty years. His store, as is amply evident from the picture, is commodious, well stocked and attractively arranged.

Collier's Weekly now has its own editorial and business office in Toronto, with H. F. Gadsby, the talented Canadian special writer, late of the Toronto Star, in charge. The edition is still printed in New York but when advertising and subscriptions warrant it, the weekly will be printed in Toronto.

What Men and Firms in the Trade are Doing This Month

Vacations the Main Item—Where Some Prominent Men are Spending Them—American Travelers in Canada—Other Personal Matters of Interest

Geo. Clark, of Valentine & Sons, Ltd., Montreal, has been in Toronto for a few weeks.

J. Bishop Putnam, of G. P. Putnam's Sons, New York, was in Toronto early this month.

George Spence, vice-president of W. J. Gage & Co., Toronto, is at his cottage in Muskoka.

L. A. Gemmell, of the Musson Book Co.'s traveling staff, spent his vacation at Sparrow Lake this summer.



JAMES J. ANDERSON Who Has Sold Out His Business in London, Ont.

S. E. Hessin, western Ontario traveler for W. J. Gage & Co., Toronto, is spending his vacation on the Great Lakes.

Miss McNair, of Jas. O'Hagan & Co., Fort William, was a recent visitor in Toronto, calling on some of the local houses.

Lindsay S. Parrott, the Chatham bookseller, spent a short time in Toronto en route home from a trip to the Upper Lakes.

F. Allan Clinch, of D. Appleton & Co., the New York publishers, was in Toronto recently, placing editions o' some new fall books.

H. L. Thompson and A. W. Thomas, of the Copp, Clark Co., Toronto, put in a few holidays recently at Jackson's Point, on Lake Simcoe.

Alfred T. Chapman, bookseller and stationer, Montreal, spent a couple of weeks rusticating at Bondville, Que., on the shores of Brome Lake.

G. Walter Begg, representative of the Copp, Clark Co., Toronto, has taken up his residence in Montreal. Mr. Begg formerly resided in Toronto.

D. C. McCarthy, representing Robert Graves Co., 485 Fifth Avenue, New York, recently made a three weeks' trip through the Maritime Provinces. L. J. Gomme, of Montreal, manager of A. T. Chapman's book department, was in Quebec on his holidays last month, taking in the Tercentenary.

Curtis W. Coe, of A. C. McClurg & Co., Toronto, was a recent trade visitor to Toronto, where he placed editions of some of his firm's fall books.

S. B. Gundy, manager of the Oxford University Press, Toronto, took a flying trip to Winnipeg lately, in the interests of his encyclopaedia proposition.

George Zurhorst, who has been for the past six months in charge of the book department of Spencers, Limited, Vancouver, is in Toronto at present.

S. and J. Walford, who have conducted a book and stationery store in Renfrew, Ont., for the past fifty years, have sold their business to D. J. Ritza.

C. A. Ross, general manager of E. M. Renouf, Ltd., St. Catherine Street, Montreal, is on his holidays, and before returning to Montreal, will visit several places of interest.

E. S. Caswell, of the Methodist Book & Publishing House, Toronto, who can qualify as the patron saint of



W. J. F. MALLAGH London's New Stationer.

many struggling Canadian authors, spends his vacation on Georgian Bay.

E. W. Walker, manager of the wholesale department of the Methodist Book & Publishing House, Toronto, is spending his vacation near Clarkson's, on the shore of Lake Ontario.

R. J. Plaskett, western representative of the Copp, Clark Co., Toronto, is back from his field and is spend-

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ing his vacation in Muskoka. He reports a fair business in the west.

Charles J. Musson, of the Musson Book Co., Toronto, is summering, as usual, along with his family at his cottage on Sparrow Lake, where his pet launch, the Mustang, is in constant service.

Presumably N. E. Saddaby, of the Elk Drug & Book Co., Fernie, B.C., was burni out in the terrible conflagration that destroyed the British Columbia mining town Mr. Suddaby did a fine big business in Fernie.

Announcement has been received of the death at 1357 Pender Street, Vancouver, B.C., on July 20, of Bella Love, wife of John Love, real estate broker, who was for many years a stationer at Airdrie, Scotland, and later in Winnipeg.

The marriage took place at Valleyfield, Quebec, on Monday, August 10, of Louis Napoleon Leduc, of the firm of Solis & Leduc, stationers, Valleyfield, and Miss Amanda Meloche. Bookseller and Stationer extends felicitations on the happy event.



J. W. JOHNSTON Johnston, Horsburgh & Co., London.

Geo. M. Hendry, of the G. M. Hendry Co., dealers in school supplies, Toronto, is back at his office, after a month's sojourn on the shores of Georgian Bay, where he went to convalesce after his recent serious illness. Mr. Hendry is much improved in health.

John McClelland, of McClelland & Goodchild, Toronto, visited American publishing centres last month. Owing to the watchful care of Henry Button, of Cassell & Co., he managed to get back home without involving binuself in any further charges of abduction. For further particulars ask Mr. Button.

Miss Thornton, of Russell, Lang & Co., Winnipeg, is spending a few weeks visiting in Toronto, Ottawa and Montreal. When in Toronto she came in to see Bookseller and Stationer, just as any dutiful bookseller ought to do. Miss Thornton also paid her respects to the leading publishers in the city.

W. C. Bell, of the Musson Book Co., Toronto, exhibited three or four of his collection of Quebec pictures, in one of William Tyrrell & Co.'s windows during the Tercentenary celebrations. Mr. Bell has a remarkably fine collection of historic prints.

Arthur C. Deayton, of London, Eng., who is traveling in the interests of several English firms, among them being the Sterlingworth Co., Ltd., of London, Eng., is



ARTHUR SPURGEON

General Manager, Cassell & Co., London.

in Canada at present, and expects to remain here until the first of September, traveling as far west as Winnipeg.

William A. D'Eye, city traveler for the Musson Book Co., Toronto, was married on July 8 to Miss Nora Tew, daughter of Richard Tew, the assignee. Mr. D'Eye's



FRANK L. CAYZER

James Spicer & Sons, London.

popularity was amply tegified to by the warm reception given him by his fellow members on the staff of the publishing house. A presentation of a cabinet of silver was a pleasing feature of the event. H. J. Gilbert, bookseller and stationer, of Hamilton, has made an assignment.

Donald Cochrane has opened a new book, stationery and notion store in the Chapman block, Hespeler, Ont. Miss Beatrice Haigh is in charge.

The firm of Elliott and Walley have bought out what is known as the Big Bookstore in Wingham, Ont., and have made large additions to the stock,

The stock of post cards, novelties, mouldings, frames, window shades, etc., belonging to the estate of Chevrier and Co., Rideau street, Ottawa, who some time ago made an assignment to Richard Tew, of Toronto, will be sold by Suckling and Co., on the 22nd inst. The stock and furniture invoice at about \$4.500.

It affords Bookseller and Stationer pleasure to print in this issue a portrait of the general manager of Cassell & Co., Arthur Spurgeon, whose visit to Canada was recorded in the July number. The news of Mr. Spur-



EMIL NERLICH
Who has just Returned to Canada from Europe.

geon's safe return horne will be heard with pleasure by the numerous friends whom he made during his brief visit here.

A new company has been organized in Toronto, with a capital of \$40,000, known as the Hercules Boxes, Limited. The company is empowered by its charter to manufacture and deal in paper bags, envelopes, calendars, etc.

The stock belonging to the estate of W. G. MacFarlane, postcard publisher, Toronto, amounting to \$2,800, was, on the instructions of the assignee, J. Hardy, sold at auction recently by Suckling & Co.

William H. Craft, representing Alex. Cowan & Sons, Ltd., papermakers, Edinburgh, returns to headquarters this week from his regular Canadian trip. Interviewed while in Toronto by Bookseller and Stationer, he stated that there was a very decided increase in the business of British papermakers in this country. At least three firms were sending out travelers here for the first time and sales were growing every year. Mr. Craft will in future make annual 'round-the-world trips.

The typewriter and stationery business of Newsome and Gilbert Co., of Halifax, has been transferred to a firm to be known as The Soulis, Newsome Typewriter Co. The new concern has taken over all the Maritime Provinces' business of the old firm. P. O. Soulis is the president and general manager of the new company. He was formerly manager of the Eastern business of the Newsome and Gilbert Co., Limited. For fourteen years he has been connected with the typewriter trade and is one of the best-known travelers on the road. He will reside in Halifax.

Dr. Huestis Retires.

Rev. Dr. S. T. Huestis has retired from the management of the Methodist Book Room and Wesleyan office in Halifax, a position which he has held for 28 years. His retirement withdraws from active trade circles one of the most respected of Halifax booksellers. During all his years of service, Dr. Huestis has given the business the best of his attention and its present flourishing condition is largely due to his zealous labors.

His successor is F. W. Mosher, who has been for upwards of fifteen years connected with the Book Room and who is well known in the trade as a reliable young man.

English Visitors in Canada.

J. W. Johnston, of Johnston, Horsburgh & Co., paper agents, and Frank L. Cayzer, of James Spicer & Sons... stationers. London, were the guests of honor at the big convention of the National Association of Stationers at Boston, last month. They landed in Boston on July 13 and spent some days in New York prior to the meeting in Boston. From Boston they came to Toronto and thence went by boat to Montreal. While in Toronto they visited several of the local wholesalers and also called on the Bookseller and Stationer. To this paper they expressed their appreciation of the hospitality that had been showered on them in America. They liked what they had seen of Canada and were particularly impressed with the fruitful appearance of the Niagara District. Both gentlemen are prominent members of the leading stationers' association of London.

James I. Anderson Sells Out.

Formal announcement of the sale of Jas. I. Anderson & Co.'s business in London to W. J. F. Mallagh, late of Brantford, of which rumors had been floating around for some time, was made last month. Mr. Mallagh is now in possession and Mr. Anderson, who was forced to part with his business for reasons of health, leaves early next month for Southern California, where he will in future reside.

Mr. Anderson's departure from Ontario is much to be regretted. He was one of the most prominent booksellers of the province and was highly respected by all members of the trade. His business career began in 1875, when he entered into partnership with Geo. M. Reid in London, continuing with him until 1878, when he bought out Mr. Reid's interest and carried on the business as Jas. I. Anderson & Co. In 1898 he sold out to his brother and for three years managed the Canadian business of the Fleming H. Revell Co., in Toronto. At the end of the three years he bought back his old business and has continued it at the old stand until now.

Mr. Mallagh, his successor, is a young man of energy, who has made a great success of a similar business in Brantford, which he conducted for the past eight years.

(For further Trade News see page 80.)



Interior A. T. Chapman's Store, Montreal.

A High-Class Montreal Bookstore

The Growth of Fourteen Years in A. T. Chapman's Business—The Lay-out of the Store Described—
A Progressive, Uo-to-date Business.

"The latest in books and stationery" is the business motto of A. T. Chapman, a leading bookseller and stationer of Montreal, and this is well lived up to. His main store is situated at 513 St. Catherine Street West, and he maintains a branch at 879 St. Catherine Street West, where he has a stock consisting chiefly of the cheaper novels, stationery and school supplies. Mr. Chapman has occupied the store at 513 St. Catherine Street West, since 1894, and from its first dimensions, 24 feet frontage and 25 feet depth, the store has expanded until the ground floor measures 24 feet by 105 feet, with a commodious shipping room besides. Three floors and a basement furnish ample room for carrying on an extensive business in books of all kinds, and stationery.

The main floor is finished and fitted in cherry, and is well lighted and ventilated. At the right of the entrance is a handsome wall fixture containing leather books, Bibles, etc., in fine bindings. Peyond this are the book shelves lining the entire wall at the right side of the store, below which are culboards containing articles which are called for, but which do not need display.

At the left of the entrance are the periodicals, on suitable display stands. Further, along the left wall, are the stationery fixtures, silent salesmen, with leather goods, and a long counter for the display of papeteries,

Five Special Counters.

In the centre of the store are five counters, the first which is for the latest fiction. Others contain Canadiana, and a special table is devoted to the "Belles Letters," in small volumes. One counter is devoted to pictures, mottoes, etc., and another to picture postals. A bookcase is devoted to Everymen's Library, and on a shelf beneath the case containing the leather-bound books, is a splendid stock of books on art, which are a feature of the store.

A Mezzanine balcony is utilized for carrying the reserve stock of stationery most frequently wanted, and a number of bookshelves contain tooks on special subjects, such as engineering, etc. The railing of the balcony gives opportunity for displaying pictures. At the back of the store are the offices, and the periodical order department A stained glass window, with the figures of Science and Knowledge, adds distinction to the office.

A Canadian Store to be Proud Of

A Claim of Supramacy in Size and Equipment by E. M. Renouf, Limited, Montreal—The Arrangement of the Store in Detail.

E. M. Renouf, Ltd., 472 St. Catherine Street West, Montreal, claims the distinction of having the largest and best equipped book and stationery store in Canada. The local ty is a desirable one, and the present premises have been occupied by this firm less than two years. Previous to their removal to this building they occupied part of the Renouf building at the corner of University and St. Catherine Streets.

The store has a frontage of 28 feet, and the entire floor space is 10,000 square feet, comprising three floors. The ground floor, which is attractively finished in mahogany, with fixtures of the same wood, is devoted to the retail book department, a branch of the Booklovers' Library and an up-town sub-station of the post office.

Directly opposite the entrance is the round-table for the display of bargains in special lines, these cheap sales usually being held on Friday and Saturday, though the table generally presents attractive offerings to customers. Farther on is a large oval table which is devoted to all the latest fiction. This table has a removable pyramid for the display of books, which at times is removed, permitting the salesladies to stand within the oval when serving a customer.

Displays of Books and Magazines.

Another table in the centre has a display of paper bound copies of the latest fiction, and there are other tables for standard books, and children's books. At the left of the entrane the current magazines are prominently displayed, while the left wall of the store is entirely filled with shelves, containing books of all kinds. At the right of the entrance is the stationery department, and the picture postal cards, also a varied stock of desk sundries. Scattered throughout the store are small tables, bookcases, etc., displaying books and stationers' sundries.

On the Mezzanine balcony the educational department is found, where an ample stock of college and school textbooks are kept. The high-set display windows are a superior feature of this store, and are always well arranged.



Interior E. M. Renouf's Store, Montreal.



Interior of the Douglas Co's. Store, Edmonton, Alberta.

One of the Leading Stores in Western Canada

The Douglas Company of Edmonton have a Splendid Place of Business—Story of the Firm's Career — The Manufacture of Loose Leaf Systems Begun.

There are some pretty fine book and stationery stores in Western Canada, and among the finest is that of the Douglas Co., Limited, at Edmonton, an illustration of which accompanies this article. The story of the rise and growth of the Douglas business is like that of many other western firms. Started in a small way, within a comparatively few years, it has grown to imposing proportions.

To go back to the beginning, H. W. B. Douglas, president of the company, learned the business in Winnipeg under Alex. Taylor and W. D. Russell. He then attended Manitoba University for some years, taking his degree in 1898. Upon graduation he went to Portage la Prairie and entered into partnership with W. W. Miller, who had been conducting a book and stationery business there for a good many years. The new firm was known as Miller & Douglas. In February, 1899, the junior partner bought out the senior member of the firm and until 1902 ran the business under his own name.

In 1902 Mr. Douglas moved his stock west to Edmonton and opened up a store there. The business was converted into a limited liability company in 1905, with H. W. B. Douglas as president, J. Douglas as vice-president, and G. A. Nixon as secretary. The next step was an amalgamation in January, 1907, with the Western Printing and Publishing Co., and the addition of a complete bookbinding plant to the equipment.

G. A. Nixon, secretary of the company, is a Maritime Province man. He learnt his trade in Moneton, N.B., where he subsequently engaged in business for himself for a short time. Later he was in the employ of J. and A. McMillan, of St. John. He came to Edmonton in 1904 and ioined the Douglas Co.

The business of the Douglas Company is one of the largest between Toronto and Vancouver. A general line of books and stationery is carried, with a complete stock of photographic supplies, wall paper, fancy goods, office supplies, music and pictures. A picture-framing and room moulding department is run in connection with the business.

One of the latest developments is the manufacturing of loose-leaf systems. Mr. Douglas himself originated the system made, which now goes by his name. It is highly endorsed by every commercial and financial institution in which it is in use. It was quite an enterprising step for the Douglas Co. to undertake the task of supplying the western field with an op-to-date business sys-

The store, as illustrated takes in the book, stationery and fancy goods sections. It is a fine wide building, welllighted and the facilities for displaying the goods are excellent.

ABOUT THIS ISSUE.

For the twenty-fourth season, we take pleasure in presenting our special fall issue. The number speaks for itself. We have only one word of explanation to offer our readers and that is in connection with the book department. This year we have paid considerably less attention than usual to the publishing end. The experience of past years has shown that August is somewhat too early to speak of the fall books. Publishers rarely have their fall lists in shape, travelers are not ready to go out, and the trade are not open to consider offerings. Remembering this, we have decided to specialize on books in the September number, in which we hope to be able to publish in full all the leading fall lists.

It will be noted that in this number we have paid rather more attention than usual to the descriptions of Canadian stores and to the recording of items of news about the trade. This is in pursuance of our regular policy to give first place to matters pertaining to the retail trade. Only by doing this can we hope in the long run to serve the best interests of the entire trade.

Sixty Years of Successful Business Recorded by a Toronto Firm

Warwick Bros. & Rutter, Limited, Celebrate the Diamond Jubilee of the Establishment of their Business—The Story of the Firm's Career—Some of the Elements that Led to Success.

This year marks the sixtieth anniversary of the founding of the wholesale stationery house of Warwick Bros. & Rutter, Limited, of Toronto.

Away back in 1848, in the early days of Upper Canada, when the book and stationery business was in its infancy, and when most of the sowns and cities which now crowd the map were unknown, the late William Warwick, then little more than a lad, began business at Woodstock, Ontario. In a few years the little unpretentious shop had developed into one of the best retail stores in Western Ontario. Mr. Warwick was of that sterling, shrewd type of business men who succeed in spite of conditions. He had little capital, but he had energy, brains, perseverance and pluck. He studied his

location at the corner of Wellington Street and Leader Lane, soon proved too small, and shortly afterwards he purchased the building at 8 and 10 Wellington St. East, which was occupied until 1886, when the business was again removed to larger premises at 68 and 70 Front Street West.

Death of the Founder.

The crucial test of the stability of the business, and of the foundation upon which it was built, came in 1880, when, through an accident while driving, Mr. Warwick was thrown from his carriage and injured so severely that he died within a few weeks. The loss of the head of the firm was a serious blow. His sons were just



ARTHUR F. RUTTER Vice-President.



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Officers of Warwick Bros. & Rutter

business, knew his goods, and, what is better still, he understood his customers, also. For twenty years he remained in Woodstock, increasing his prestige and his experience, adding a manufacturing plant when trade seemed to justify it, making annual trips to Europe and establishing connections there, and doing a large jobbing business throughout the western part of the province.

Beginning of Wholesale Business.

But even in those early days, he foresaw the future expansion of the country, and the probable importance of Toronto as the great distributing centre. He scanned the situation, and made preparation for entering the wholesale field; and when in 1868 he finally made the plunge and moved to Toronto, the business immediately took rank among the foremost in the trade. The first

growing up and beginning to take a share in the work, but too young to assume all of the responsibility of management. Mr. Warwick, however, had, with that keenness of judgment which characterized him in so many other directions, surrounded himself with able and loyal associates, who took up the burden and helped to place the business on an assured basis.

Changes have taken place in the firm name, and in the personnel of the firm since that time, but the general principles employed by him in the management of the business from the beginning have been followed by his successors, and have helped materially in their success. Mr. Warwick's first consideration throughout his whole career as a wholesaler, was for his customers. Having himself been a retailer for so long, he appreciated their necessities, and knew how best to meet them.

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He made a practice, as far as possible, of knowing them personally, in order that he might be the better able to do business with them. He also made a practice of



N. A. SINCLAIR Manager of Stationery Department.

visiting periodically the great markets of the United States and Europe, and knowing the men from whom he purchased supplies.

Relations of Employer and Employe.

For many years this house has been conspicuous in Toronto for the spirit of friendship and loyalty which



E. J. HATHAWAY Superintendent of Manufacturing Department.

has existed between the firm and its staff. The firm has surrounded itself, both in its executive and manufacturing departments, with a staff of the most capable men

in the trade, and most of its officers, salesmen and mechanical men have been trained in its warehouse and factory. The firm has for many years followed this policy of educating Vs own staff, for not only are the youthful apprentices thus trained in the methods of their respective branches, but there is engendered in them that spirit of fealty, and loyalty, and respect for the customs and traditions of the house that makes them more than employes—it gives them a personal interest in the general welfare and progress of the business.

The great fire of four years ago again tested the ability and strength of the firm and its organization. About nine o'clock on the evening of April 19th, 1904, the devastating flames, after destroying acres of warehouses and factory buildings, and millions of dollars' worth of property, reached the premises of the firm, and in less than half an hour the work of generations was in ruins. Before midnight, however, a staff of men was at work in another factory building, the nucleus of a night staff that continued work for many months, and within



THE LATE WM. WARWICK Founder of the Business.

a few days the business was in running order, in six different premises throughout the city.

The Move to a New Centre.

In the selection of a site for their new buildings, the business judgment of the firm was again indicated in no uncertain way. They determined that more room was required, and that nothing short of the most modern and complete equipment, both in building and plant, would be satisfactory. The selection of a site at the corner of King Street and Spadina Avenue, far from the recognized wholesale centres of the city, was generally looked upon as risky and uncertain. That this district has already become a new and important wholesale and manufacturing centre has simply justified their decision. In the erection of new buildings they adopted the best models in warehouse and factory construction. The buildings are entirely of brick, steel and concrete, reinforced with expanded metal, and the business now occupies a total floor space of upwards of 60,000 square feet. The factory building is laid out on one floor, covering an area 85 by 240, with a ceiling 30 feet in height, and is equipped

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with everything in modern machinery and plant for a bookbinding and printing business. The entire mant is operated by electric power, each separate machine being fitted with a motor of its own.

The Manufacturing End.

The manufacturing departments, which have been visited by a large number of the firm's customers, and are among the important attractions to members of the trade visiting Toronto, have had an important bearing on the success of the business. Almost the entire range of manufactured stationery handled by its travelers is the product of its own factory. Under the direction of Charles Johnson, whose name is known throughout the whole Dominion as the inventor of the "Johnson Process" of padding, the bookbinding departments have attained a high reputation for quality and efficiency; and W. J. Foster, the manager of the printing department, has, in the mechanical production of post cards and other color and fine work, of which the firm has made a specialty, given his branch a reputation excelled by no other house in Canada

The general policy of the house throughout has been one of moderate conservatism. The aim of the firm has been to do a safe business, to make quality the first consideration, to see not how cheap, but how good their lines could be made. In following this policy, they have felt that they were consulting the best interests of the trade, and at the same time securing for their customers the largest possible returns. The benefit of this has been demonstrated during the period of depression that has spread over the entire business of the country during the past ten months, in the fact that the financial year of the house ending April 30th last showed the largest turn-over in its history.

Incorporation.

In 1904 the business was incorporated as a jointstock company, following the precedent established by many of the larger commercial houses. The executive management is in the hands of George R. Warwick, president; A. F. Rutter, vice-president; Charles E. War-

superintendent of the stationery departments, and E. J. Hathaway, buyer and superintendent of the manufacturing departments.

A feature of the firm's progress worthy of mention is the fact that a large number of its staff have been with the house for many years. Thomas Barff has served



The Old Warwick Store at Woodstock

over thirty-six years in the bookbinding department; Geo. E. Bryant, of the traveling staff, has been with the house for twenty-eight years; the mechanical managers have both served over twenty years, and a number of others, both on the road and in the house, have as wick, secretary-treasurer; N. A. Sin lair, buyer and many or more years to their credit. A firm which re-



The New Warehouse and Factory in Toronto

tains the respect and loyalty of its staff as this one has done throughout its history, has laid the foundation for a prosperous and enduring business.

BOOK NOTES

HOPE: The Heart's Unbroken String. By John A. Hutton, M.A. Edinburgh: Oliphant, Anderson & Ferrier. Cloth, 6d., net. Another little volume in the Living Thoughts Series, giving a bright glimpse of a cheeful realm of life.

LITTLE BURMA GIRL, THE. By Nell Parsons. London: Robert Culley. Cloth, 2s. 6d. net. This entertaining little book contains 4 colored plates and 66 other illustrations by the author, illuminating the story of Madi. A great deal of information about Childland. It is a timely book, and sure to be popular.

FUNNY BUNNIES. Verses by B. Parker. Illustrated by N. Parker. London and Edinburgh: W. &. R. Chambers. Cloth, 3s 6d net A fine, large picture book with full-page illustrations in color, well executed. The various adventures of the bunnies are recorded in rhyme.

OUR LITTLE BRAZILIAN COUSIN. By Mary F. Nixon-Roulet. Boston: L. C. Page & Co. Cloth, 60 cents. The latest addition to the Little Cousin Series, telling in an interesting and instructive way of child life in Brazil. There are six illustrations in tint.

RIVAL CAMPERS ASHORE, THE. By Ruel Perley Smith. Boston: L. C. Page & Co. Cloth, \$1.50. A continuation of the adventures of "The Rival Campers," dealing with their experiences in and around the town of Benton. A new character—a girl—is in-



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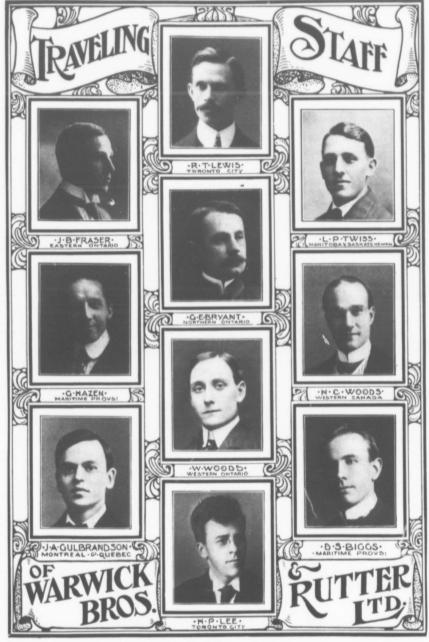
SUNSHINE'S GARDEN. By Nell Parsons. London. Robert Culley. Cloth, 1s. 6d. net, paper boards, 1s. net. A little natural history book for children, with numerous colored and black and white illustrations. The author has succeeded in presenting much valuable information in a simple way.

PITMAN'S WHERE TO LOOK. London: Sir Isaac Pitman & Sons, Limited. 8vo. limp eloth, 1s. net. A new work of reference intended as an easy guide to the contents of certain specified books of reference. Questions are continually cropping up which demand a reference to some annual and it is not always easy to know where to look for an answer. Nearly 300 books of reference have been indexed.

SANTA CLAUS CLUB. By L. J. Bridgman. New York and Boston: H. M. Caldwell Co. Cloth, 75 ets. In clever verses and pictures, Santa Claus is tendered the Presidential nomination by the youngsters in troduced, who shows them the way to an old mill, around which the mystery of the story revolves.

VOYAGE OF THE WISHBONE BOAT, THE. By Alice C. D. Riley. New York and Boston: H. M. Caldwell Co. Cloth, \$1.25. A new edition fully illustrated in colors by L. J. Bridgman and with attractive border designs in tint. It makes a charming gift for children from the age of seven to twelve, the pictures proving a constant delight, while the story, so often referred to as the modern "Alice in Wonderland," dealing with the little Princess and her Court Jester on their travels through Toyland, is one of the best and most interesting for children published during the last few years.

LOST DRAGON, The. 'By Edward S. Ellis. Boston: Dana Estes & Co. Cloth, \$1.25. An automobile story, forming a sequel to "From Low to High Gear," and containing more of the exciting haps and mishaps which befell the hero of that realistic romance.



Editorial Chronicle and Comment

AN UNFAIR PROCEEDING.

Bookseller and Stationer hears that the corporation of Toronto is giving away view books of the city to all who take the trouble to go to the City Hall and ask for them. Similar books are offered for sale on many dealers' shelves and tables at twenty-five cents and upwards. It is easy to see who is going to get the business in view books.

It is a most unfair proceeding for the city to enter into such uneven competition with the tradesmen. The latter have spent large sums of money to lay in stocks of local view books and to have the sale of them stopped in such a manner is disastrous. View books soon get out of date and the value of stocks declines rapidly. A dealer cannot afford to carry over many of them from season to season.

The City of Toronto authorities should take prompt steps to stop the free distribution of these view books, to the detriment of local merchants.

KEEP TRACK OF NEW IDEAS.

A prominent wholesaler in discussing ways and means for making the best use of new ideas and new methods in the retail business said recently that he considered a scrap book for keeping a record of interesting items relative to the business, was one of the most valuable aids to the retail merchant that he knew of.

"Competition is growing keener every day in every line of business," he said, "and it is coming more and more to be a time when neither precedence nor capital count for business superiority. The conditions demand the survival of the fittest. The fact that yours is an old and well established firm has its weight; the fact that you have your own money to back your institution is much to your advantage; but neither of these conditions will secure your position against a competitor who has been thoroughly trained in the keenest kind of system. The man with business ability will soon find ample capital to back his enterprise, and his peer of strong and timely assertion will sooner or later discount the reputation your firm has held in the past.

"The retailer of to-day finds many more details that require attention than the merchant of ten years ago and if your methods have not kept pace with progress, you may find that you are conducting your business at a far less profit to-day than you were with the same methods a few years back.

"Systems you may learn from others. They are developed from necessities that you with your established business do not feel until the other fellow has already evolved them and put them into practice. You must learn from him.

"If you are watching the trend of trade methods, you see something every day that strikes you as particularly to the point. Do not let these ideas go by. Get them, preserve them, put them away where you will see them again when you will have time to think them over.

"The old idea of keeping a scrap book is a good one, though in its modern form it has developed into a science, the result of which is the many compact filing systems of to-day. No matter how small your business may be, some system of this kind is almost a necessity if you wish to succeed in the greatest possible degree. You can devise some method of filing away valuable helps that will be of great service to you if properly looked after. Classify your heads so that you can easily find what you want, and when you get hold of an idea tnat may apply, file it in its proper place at once—it may get away. If it does you will forget it.

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A DANGER TO AVOID.

It rests with the retailers of Canada and particularly with those of the Western Provinces to determine whether or not one of the chief benefits resulting from the late depression is to be a lasting one. The tightness of money during the last year hastened the progress of the movement towards a cash system. Particularly in the West was it the case that many merehants made a virtue of necessity and announced the introduction of a eash system of business. Having thrown off the bondage of the long credit system, dealers would be foolish once again to submit to the yoke. There is, however, a grave danger that with the return of prosperous times this fall when the country begins to realize on the bountiful harvest in the West and East, some dealers may carelessly relapse into the lax business methods that obtained before the depression.

The wise policy would be to make a supreme effort this fall when money is plentiful to collect all outstanding accounts, and thereafter to insist upon doing business for eash. If this policy is followed, the merchants of Canada, and particularly of the West, will have cause to regard their troubles of the last year as not unmixed evils.

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In July the sales of "Mr. Crewe's Career" were such as to lift it from second to first place in the list of best-sellers, "The Barrier," which led in June, dropped to fourth position. "Prima Donna" holds its old position. A new-comer in the list is Harold McGrath's "Lure of the Mask," which occupies second position this month.

Canadian Summary.

- 1. Mr. Crewe's Career. By Winston Churchill.
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- 3. Prima Donna. By F. M. Crawford.
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- 6. Somehow Good. By William De Morgan.

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- 1. Mr. Crewe's Career. By Winston Churchill.
- 2 Lure of the Mask By Harold MacGrath.
- 3. Barrier. By Rex Beach.
- 4. Coast of Chance. By C. and L. Chamberlain.
- 5. Chaperon. By C. N. and A. M. Williamson.
- 6. Husbands of Edith. By G. B. McCutcheon.

England's Best Seller.

"Jack Spurlock, Prodigal," by G. H. Lorimer, is reported to be the best seller in England.

Early Fall Announcements.

Two of the Copp, Clark Co.'s fall juveniles will be 'Dorothy and the Wizard in Oz,' by L. Frank Baum, and 'Toddles and the Snow Man,' by Frederick Chapin. Both are handsomely prepared and profusely illustrated.

William Briggs will publish early in the fall Marie Corelli's new novel, which will have the fitle, "Holy Orders." They will also publish shortly Randall Parrish's new romance, "The Last Voyage of the Donna Isabel."

Cassell & Co. will have ready soon a book on Fsperanto, the new universal language, by G. W. Bullen, who is manager of the stock department in the firm's London office. They will also issue a new dictionary of Esperanto.

Dr. Henry Van Dyke's new book for the coming scason will be "Out-of-Doors in the Holy Land," which will be issued uniform in dark blue cloth binding with Dr. Van Dyke's other books. The Copp, Clark Co. will be the publishers.

William Briggs has contracted with A. C. McClurg & Co., Chicago, for a Canadian edition of "Ganton & Co.," a first novel by a Chicago millionaire, J. C. Eedy, dealing with the stockyards and social life in the western metropolis.

Three important boys' stories are on the Copp, Clark Co.'s fall list—'Braves, White and Red,' adventures in the Canadian Northwest, by Argyll Saxby; "How Canada was Won," a tale of Wolfe and Quebec, by Captain

Brereton, and "The Rough Riders of the Pampas," a South American story, by the same author.

The following titles appear in the Macmillan Company's preliminary announcement list: "The Diva's Ruby," by F. M. Crawford; "Friendship Yillage," by Zona Gale; "Helianthus," by Ouida; "The War in the Air," by H. G. Wells; "Wroth," by Agnes and Egerton Castle; "A Canadian Girl in London," by Mrs. Everard Cotes, and "Joan of Garioch," by Albert Kinross.

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The nineteenth volume in Morang's "Makers of Canada", series, appeared during last month. It contains the life of Sir James Douglas, and the joint authors are R. E. Gosnell and R. H. Coats. Needless to say, the story of Sir James Douglas' career means the early history-of British Columbia, and any reader who wants to familiarize himself with the history of the western province need only secure this book and master it.

Mrs. Humphrey Ward's forthcoming novel, to be entitled, "The Testing of Diana Mallary," will be the leading book on the Musson Book Company's fall list. Another important piece of fiction to be published in Canada by this house, will be "The River Man," by Stewart Edward White, which will be of the same stamp as "The Blazed Trail." They will also publish the Canadian edition of Booth Tarkington's "The Guest of Quesnay," his first long story for some time.

McLeod & Allen's fall list contains the following attractive titles: "The Wheel of Fortune," by Louis Tracy; "The Firing Line," by R. W. Chambers; "The Money Changers," by Upton Sinclair; "The Trail of the Lonesome Pine," by John Fox, Jr.; "Peter," by F. Hopkinson Smith; "An Olympic Victor," by James B. Connolly; "The Corrector of Destinies," by Melville D. Post; "Cy Whittaker's Place," by Joseph C. Lincoln; "The Little Brown Jug at Kildare," by M. Nicholson; "The Circular Staircase," by Mary R. Reinhart; "By Right of Purchase," by Harold Bindloss: "The Sword of Dundee," by Theodora Peck.

The fall fiction list of the Copp, Clark Co. is compact and strong. It includes the following titles:—
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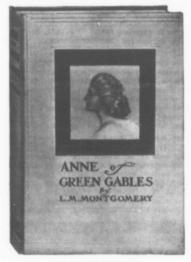
Notes on Books by Canadian Authors and Books About Canada

"Gabrielle Amethyst," is the title of a novel by a young lady of Nova Scotia, Miss F. W. Musgrave, of Auburn. It will have a cover designed by A. W. Wickson.

Can anybody tell us where a copy of Mrs. Frances Brooke's "History of Emily Montague" may be seen? This book was published in 1769 and is said to be the first Canadian novel.

"The Making of Canada," by A. G. Bradley, whose "The Fight with France for North America" is regarded as a standard history to-day, will shortly be published by the Musson Book Co., Toronto.

Robert E. Knowles' new novel to be called "The Web of Time," is announced for publication in October. It is



A New Canadian Book (L. C. Page & Co.)

a Canadian story and will be attractively produced. The Canadian publisher will, as usual, be Henry Frowde.

One of the most important of this season's Canadian books is undoubtedly that of Professor Charles W. Colby, of McGill University, on "Canadian Types of the Old Regime, 1608-1698," which Henry Holt & Co., New York, publish in a handsome volume. The price is \$3.

William Briggs has in press a useful manual for the temperance workers, entitled, "7,000 Facts About Temperance," by Rev. Allen Leslie Howard, of Kemptville, Ont. The facts are up-to-date and have been collected from all parts of the world. This book will retail at 25 cents net.

The final volume in the Makers of Canada Series is now being put into type and will probably be ready this

fall. It deals with the life of William Lyon MacKen ic, and the author is G. G. S. Lindsay. Morang & Co. are to be congratulated on the approaching completion of this salendid series.

"The History of the Thirteen Colonies of North America, 1497-1763," by Reginald W. Jeffery, M.A., of Brasenose College, Oxford, is an early fall publication of interest to students of Canadian history. It deals, of course, with the settlement of Acadia. The Musson Book Co.. of Toronto, are handling a Canadian edition.

The first of a series of popular biographies of celebrated Canadians is to be published by William Briggs early this fall. It will be entitled, "The Story of Isaac Brock," and will be issued in attractive styles with a number of colored illustrations. The series is being prepared especially with a view to use in the public schools.

Agnes Maule Machar, of Kingston, has written an exhaustive "History of Kingston," which will be published almost immediately by the Musson Book Co., of Toronto. Local histories usually have merely a local interest, but the national importance of Kingston in the history of Canada will undoubtedly give this book a wide sale.

Contrary to expectations, there is to be a posthumous book by the late Dr. W. H. Drummond. It will be published this fall by G. P. Putnam's Sons, of New York, and will be entitled, "The Great Fight." The contents will be poems and syetches, and there will be a biographical sketch of Dr. Drummond by May Harvey Drummond. It will sell at \$1.25 net.

"Western Canada," in the series of "Handbooks of English Church Expansion," has recently been issued by the Musson Book Co., Toronto. It is the work of Rev. L. Norman Tucker, M.A., D.C.L., general secretary of the Missionary Seciety of the Church of England in Canada. It is a neat little volume, illustrated, and evidently the field is well covered by the author.

Rev. J. D. Freeman, the former pastor of Bloor St. Baptist church, Toronto, whose little work, "Life on the Uplands," was so favorably received, has written another volume to be called, "Concerning the Christ," which Hodder & Stoughton, of London, are publishing. Mr. Freeman is at present in England. The Canadian edition of this book will be published by William Briggs.

Canada's history, her physical features, climate, vegetation, mountains, rivers and lakes, population, productions and industries, railways, defence and political divisions are treated in some 64 pages of a book by E. F. Knight, entitled, "Over Sea Britain," which the Musson Book Co., of Toronto, have recently published. The information is concise and apparently reliable. There is a good map appended.

Palmer Cox, the originator of the Palmer Cox Brownies, is to have a new book this fall called "Brownie Clown of Brownietown," which will no doubt delight many youngsters this Christmas. Perhaps it is not generally known that Mr. Cox is a Canadian. He was born at Granby, Quebec, and though he spends his winters in the United States, yet in summer he lives in his pretty summer home called Brownie Castle, in his native town.

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Another volume about Canada in Sir C. P. Lucas' Historical Geography of the British Colonies will be published shortly by the Oxford University Press. The author, Professor H. E. Egerton, confines himself to history, starting with British rule to the Quebec Act, and ending with the Dominion of to-day; and the volume contains several appendices, ten maps, and an index. Mr. J. D. Rogers, who wrote Australasia for the same series, will deal with the geography of Canada in another part, to be issued shortly.

A valuable contribution to the ecclesiastical as well as general history of western Canada has been made by H. A. Cody, B.A., rector of Christ Church, Whitehorse, Y.T., in his life of the Right Reverend William Carpenter Bompas, D.D., successively Bishop of Athabasca, Mackenzie River and Selkirk. The hook is entitled, "An Apostle of the North," and is a fine, large volume of nearly 100 pages, admirably printed and profusely illustrated. It is a recent publication of the Musson Book Co., Toronto.

Mrs. McClung's story, "Sowing Seeds in Danny," long-expected and long-delayed, is at last on the market, published in the United States by Doubleday, Page & Co., and in Canada by William Briggs. That it will be popular is a safe prediction. In the Winnipeg Town Topics, of July 18, a member of the *taff contributes a lengthy and enthusiastic review, in course of which she remarked: "Twice have I read it from end to end, and then have gone back to re-read certain passages again and again, and to me it is the sweetest, the sanest, and most accurate picture of the ordinary everyday life of the farms and villages of the whole west that has been written, or is ever likely to be written. It has been written by a true daughter of the west, with an observant eye, a keen sense of humor, and a rare gift of expression 22

The literature of Canadian poetry will be notably entiched this summer and during the coming fall by a number of new volumes. The older generation of Canadians will especially be pleased to learn that Rev. William Wye Smith, the author of the well-known poems, "The Second Concession of Deer" and "The Canadians on the Nile," has collected all of his verse that he considers worthy of preservation into a compact volume of 225 pages, and

that this will be published within a few weeks. Another volume of exceptional interest, from a western journalist, will appear shortly. The author. Mr. Robert J. C. Stead, is editor of the Cartwright Review, and the striking feature of his work is its strong imperialistic note. A very spirited poem, entitled, "The Charity Ward." will appeal to many as a strong-not to say humil ating -presentation of the present attitude of Canada toward the defence of the empire. Mr. Stead entitles his work "Empire Builders and Other Poems." In its virility and spirited style the verse reminds one strongly of Mr. Service, the Yukon poet. Dr. Albert D. Watson, though known as an author only by his prose writings in two admirable and popular books, "The Sovereignty of Ideals" and "The Sovereignty of Character," has at the same time been steadily winning an enviable reputation as a poet of a high standard of work. He has just published a volume of verse entitled. "The Wing of the Wild Bird," of which we will have something to say in next issue. It is one of the most tasteful volumes we have vet seen published in Canada. Another tasteful volume of verse of high quality is Wm. Inglis Morse's "Acadian Lays and Other Poems," just published. The author is a native Canadian of U.E.L. stock, originally from the Plymouth colony. He was born at Paradise, in Annapolis county, Nova Scotia, in 1874, and educated in Horton Academy, Acadia College, Cambridge Theological College and Harvard University. He was ordained as an Episcopal clergyman in 1901, and is now rector of the Church of the Incarnation at Lynn, Mass. Mr. Morse still spends a part of the year at his old home at Paradisc, N.S. Soon to be published also is a small volume of poems by W. M. MacKeracher, of Montreal, who is known to his friends as a writer of chaste and peautiful verse. Mr. MacKeracher gives his modest volume the patriotic title of "Canada, My Land, and Other Compositions in Verse." All of these excellent volumes will bear the imprint of William Briggs.

A trio of Toronto publishers, consisting of George McLeod, John McClelland and Henry Button, took a jaunt to New York last month. Of course, business was handed out as the reason for the trip, but from what Bookseller and Stationer could gather, it looked more as if the visit were for the purpose of initiating the Canadian manager of Cassell & Co. into some of the frivolities of Gotham. Frank E. Waterman, of the Eaton, Crane & Pike Co., assisted in the ceremonies, and now what Mr. Button doesn't know about the attractions along Broadway isn't worth knowing.

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The Provincial Secretary has appointed Joseph Haulon, one of the clerks in his department, to handle the school books in addition to his regular duties. He will keep the accounts in connection with the school books and will also look after the shipping of orders to ven-

The scribblers are of a fine pattern and appear to contain a good quality of paper. There are four different grades, the quality of paper regulating the thickness of the books, and upon the cover, which is of white stock, is printed the crest of the province and the words, "Province of New Brunswick—Department of Education." This inscription is printed in red and blue ink, and this on white stock makes a very neat and attractive cover design.

A large number of requisitions for books have already been received from vendors in different parts of the province and the first shipments from the department to vendors will be made shortly.

F. W. Mosher, the new book steward of the Methodist Book Room, Halifax, paid his first visit to Toronto a few weeks ago. Mr. Mosher made the acquaintance of several Toronto publishers and was, of course, initiated by Dr. Briggs into all the mysteries of the local Book Room. He was given a dinner by Dr. Briggs, at which many words of good advice were handed out.

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The Amalgamated Press of London are at present endeavoring to push the sale of their five humorous journals, Puek, Jester, Comic Cuts, Chips and Butterfly in this country. The trade can depend on the saleable qualities of these amusing weeklies and should give them a good slowing.

Cassel & Co. have started the publication of a series of illustrated numbers, containing views of London with accompanying reading matter. The series will be completed in 24 fortnightly parts. The first number gives a fair indication of the scope of the work and judging from it the series, will be well worth attention.

The August fiction number of the London Magazine is well up to its usual standard, containing thirteen com-



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plete stories and numerous articles on subjects of interest to everybody. From the same publishers comes the 3d. Indies' journal ''Fashions for All,'' with free patterns enclosed. No. 1 of the ''Heartsease Library'' contains a complete novel in twenty-two pages, entitled ''Parted in Tears,'' a high society thriller, through which the love story of pretty Gillian winds its tortnous way.

The August number of the International Studio is, as usual, full of choice matter and illustrations. The plays include "The Meuse," by D. Y. Cameron; "Damme," by the same artist; "Aurangzib Examining the Head of Dara," by Tagore; "Raja Vikram and the Vampire," by Lal Bose; "The Flight of Lakshman," by Ganguly; "The Iris Garden," by Kiyonaga and a portrait by Albert Sterner. The text includes articles on "The Recent Etchings of D. Y. Cameron," "The New Indian School of Painting," "Recent Designs in Domestic Architecture," etc.

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The stringency which set in just in time last year to nip the Christmas trade had its effect in leaving stocks of popular authors on hand. Consequently, there will not be heavy ordering in presentation and gift sets of standard leaving the consequence of standard leaving the consequence.

Two firms, G. S. Forsyth & Co. and Thomson Bros., earry technical books, and they report good sales. This is the country of the young man, and there is a call for books needed along lines of improvement, especially in the way of electrical development. This business is not caused by the correspondence schools, as they generally supply their own books. Works on seamanship are also sought after by the young man in the marine service.

English magazines continue in demand as the result of the lower postage. The imperialistic sentiment is

having an effect, and publications loyal to the traditions of the Empire are favored. Exception is taken more and more to magazines from the other side of the boundary, that are "Yankee" in their tone, and Canadians and Britishers in the West recognize that a national and imperial spirit must be fostered.

Erotic fiction is greatly in demand, women being the largest buyers. While there may be room for philisophical reflection is this fact, this is set to one side in this attempt to keep up with the demand. Large stocks are not kept on hand, but there is urgent and steady call for any of the publications dealing with, one can almost say, loose moral relations. One dealer has an order in hand for 400 copies of different titles, which he expects to sell almost as soon as they are received.

Itinerant agents do a good business in books in Vancouver. Representatives of large publication firms are stationed here permanently, working on commission principally, and every once in a while "special" agents come around with offerings that they declare can never be equalled. Many purchasers are secured, and it is often found that the same liberal figure could be obtained at a local store. The ordinary business man has red got the time or at least by does not give it, toward going to a bookstore and looking through the stocks to see what he may like, but when an agent calls with a glittering array of pictures and bindings the bait is snapped at. Through this cause, dealers lose good business constantly, and it is a trade obstacle that can hard-ly be surmounted.

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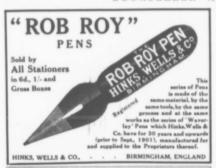
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Summer Trade in Montreal

Souvenir Goods of Quebec in Demand— New Books Being

Montreal, August 5.—Souvenir books, particularly of the Quebec Tercentenary, guide books, and light fiction formed the bulk of the book trade in Montreal during the past month. Booksellers, generally, report that their sales of the various publications relating to the Tercentenary were heavy, and that though there was a slight falling off in the demand for this class of literature at the close of the great historical event, the call still continues in a fair degree.

The tourist trade has been very good, and sales on the whole in all lines compare favorably with the sales during the same month last year.

A few new books have been received. Among them are "Delilah of the Snows," by Harold Bindless, "The Half-Way House," by Maurice Hewlett, both of which have been well received, and seem likely to do well. "The Blue Lagoon," by H. deVere Staepole, is another of the new books which is selling readily, as is also "The Lure of the Mask," by Harold McGrath. Other recent books proving good sellers are. "The Coast of Chanee," by Esther and Lucy Chamberlain, and "The Halo," by Bettine von Hutten, the author of "Pam" and "Pam Decides."

A new book, entitled "Spinster Farm," by Helen Winslow, deals with nature and gardening in a chatty way, and is likely to do well. "In the Woods and on the Shore," a book for sportsmen, by Richard Ware, is also recent

Among other publications, which have been issued as the result of the Tercentenary, there is a set of six excellent views of Quebec, done in colors on a white mat, suitable for traming, which is being sold by all Montreal booksellers. The pictures are from photographs, and are exquisitely colored. There is also a panoramic view of Quebec. These are selling well here, and are also meeting with a great demand in Quebec.

Winnipeg Stores Fairly Busy

Falling Off in Tourist Trade But Business Fairly Good-Ink Firm Meets With Success.

Winnipeg, August 7.—Tourist trade has not been so large this Summer as in other years, but the city stores have done fairly well so far. Sales of souvenirs and light summer reading have been satisfactory. One or two stores have been conducting special summer sales of books during the last month and, as they were well advertised, the results have been good. Sales of the popular novels have been heavy this summer, such books as "The Weavers," by Gilbert Parker and "Mr. Crewe's Career," by Winston Churchill, having particularly large sales. Advantage was taken of the interest in the Teccentenary Celebration at Quebec to create interest in Gilbert Parker's books dealing with the ancient capital and sales were surprisingly good. "The Old Loyalist," a book by A. R. Davis, a new Winnipeg author, has been prominently displayed by the local stores and it has met with a fairly good reception by the Winnipeg reading public.

The Reliance Ink Co., of Winnipeg, are meeting with good success in pushing the sales of their inks "made in Winnipeg." A short time ago a carload was shipped to Montreal and another car will be shipped about thy time this appears in print. The Cambridge Corporation are acting as general selling agents and the full line is carried in stock in Winnipeg by Cirk Bros. & Co.

In the Maritime Provinces

Trade Conditions Have Been Exceptionally Good—Very Few Assignments in the Provinces

Sydney, August 1.—The condition of trade throughout the Maritime Provinces the past year or so in so far as the book and post eard business is concerned, has been exceptionally good from a manufacturer's point of view. The retail trade, too, has enjoyed no small measure of prosperity.

There have been but few new retail establishments started in the provinces during the past year, but this does not indicate that business is falling off in the least, for the trade done by the older establishments has almost doubled.

During the past few years the book and stationery trade in these parts has seen the least number of assignments of any other trade in existence. There is a reason, and this reason is undoubtedly the increased demand for souvenir goods, etc., and as there is considerable profit from these articles they are handled in very large quantities.

The MacMillan Publishing Company, of St. John, N.B., have lately instaled some of the very latest machinery for manufacturing high-class colored souvenir post cards. By the new and improved process these cards can now be turned out at just one-half the former cost to manufacturer, and consequently the retail price is much lower now.

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By Herbert Kaufman in the Montreal Gazette

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You can't start in to breed dollars in less time than it takes to hatch them any more than you can pull a hen off the nest before she has had the chance to incubate. In both cases you simply waste what has been invested. If you stop too soon you will get a rotten egg instead of a chicken.

Advertise something out of which you may reasonably expect returns and when you have found what to advertise take care that you place your copy in a newspaper that can turn the trick. Don't delude yourself with a china doorknob, and don't confuse a "rooster newspaper" which spends its time cocka-loruming, for a "hen newspaper" that is too busy hatching out dollars to strut about crowing.

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It is estimated that during 1907 Germany exported over forty-two million books to foreign countries, valued at \$17,850,000. The countries in which the demand for these German books was greatest, are, in order of consumption, Austria-Hungary, Switzerland, European Russia and the United States.

According to a report from U.S. Consul-General Benjamin H. Ridgely, Barcelona, Spain, the old-fashioned dime novel industry has been successfully introduced into Spain. At all the newspaper kiosks. French translations of the most popular of these novels have been selling rapidly for a year or more. The books retail at from 4.1 cents to about 6 American cents a copy.

Winnipeg Store of W. A. Davis

The Movement of Retailers to Portage Avenue Leads Mr.
Davis to Open a Store on That Important
Thoroughfare—Some of the Attractive
Features of the New Store.

For several years there has been a tendency for the retail stores of Winnipeg to move to Portage Avenue, which promises to be one of the finest retail streets in Canada. The biggest department store in the city is on Portage Avenue and many retailers have moved to the new street in order to be where shoppers most do congregate. During the last eighteen months one of the large retail book stores on Main Street has opened a branch on the popular retail street, and the new store is now doing as large a business as the old. A few months ago W. A. Davis decided to remove from Main

dries carried are effectively displayed. The latest novels are always on display near the door.

Mr. Davis has made a striking success of his business and has proved that it is possible to succeed in competition with cut-rate department stores without following the latter in their slaughtering of prices. Mr. Davis never cuts prices, it being an article of business creed with him that the dealer should insist upon getting a moderate profit on all goods sold. This is not to say that he does not believe in clearing sales to get rid of stock. Such sales are necessary in every store, but they are not to be confused with the regular practice of slashing prices and selling many lines at cost or less. Efficient, prompt, courteous service and the carrying of a large and well-assorted stock count for much in the fight against department store competition, and Mr. Davis has proved by personal experience that these weapons are sufficient to enable a good business man to achieve suc-



Interior of W. A. Davis' New Store, Portage Avenue, Winnipeg.

Street to Portage Avenue, and he succeeded in obtaining exceptionally good premises. His new store, the interior of which is illustrated herewith, is a credit to the city of Winning.

Mr. Davis is one of the old-timers in the Winnipeg book and stationery trade, having been connected with the business in Winnipeg for a quarter of a century. For 15 years he was with Alexander Taylor, one of the pioneer booksellers of Winnipeg. Some thirteen years ago Mr. Taylor moved from his old stand into other quarters, and Mr. Davis, who was about to start in business for himself, put his stock in the old Taylor store, on Main Street, where he continued in business until a few months ago, when he secured premises on Portage Avenue.

As can be seen from the illustration, Mr. Davis is a thorough believer in the wisdom of displaying goods thoroughly. Silent salesmen extend the entire length of the west side of the store and the various lines of sun-

The Theatre Magazine will be \$3.50 a year beginning with the issue of January, 1909, an advance of 50 cents.

Miss Hattie Tweedie, bookseller and stationer, of Moneton, N.B., was in St. John recently on a business trip in connection with her firm. Miss Tweedie's store is one of the oldest establishments in Moneton and you can generally rely on her goods, of which she always keeps a new and up-to-date supply on hand at all times.

Popular Mechanics will be seven and a half cents returnable to the trade, commencing with the September number. The size of the magazine and the number of illustrations are being increased.

In New Brunswick there are several large post card manufacturing concerns, and all are rushed to their utmost capacity with orders, while the product of several upper Canadian firms, such as Warwick Bros. & Rutter, is also in demand.

St. John Reports Favorable

Tourist Trade Good This Year—Stores Selling Photographic Goods—Death of Stationery Traveler.

St. John, N.B., August 7.—Business has been very good here during the past few months. Ideal summer weather has prevailed and this has resulted in more tourists spending their time in the city, rather than in the country. In the past few seasons the fog has driven many people inland, but this summer, with warm, bright weather, they want to stay right here "where breezes blow," and consequently the sales of souvenir goods, booklets, post cards and fancy lines, have been very satisfactory.

E. G. Nelson & Co., and J. M. Roche & Co., have had a brisk demand for photographic goods, of which they make a specialty.

At Watson & Co.'s, Hall's, Gray & Richey's, D. McArthur's, A. McArthur's, Barnes & Co.'s, Flood's and J. & A. McMillan's, the sales of books, magazines and general stationery lines are reported good.

Some very attractive window displays have been made by the various dealers lately, and there appears to be a more general recognition of the value of a bright, clean and catchy window to attract customers.

The death occurred here on July 27, at his home, Elliott Row, of Arehibald McLean, for a number of years connected with the stationery trade in the Maritime Provinces. He was for a time traveler for C. Flood & Sons, and afterwards for J. & A. McMillan, of this city, and severed his connection with the latter firm to accept a position as traveler for W. J. Gage & Co., of Totonto, at first in the west, and afterwards in the Mari-

time Provinces. About a year ago he severed his connection with Messrs. Gage & Co., and accepted a similar position with the Stanfield, Smith Co., of Truro. He was a young man of exemplary habits, and was popular with all who knew him. He was but twenty-six years, had been married only eighteen months, and is survived by his wife, formerly Miss Neelick, of this city, and an infant son. He had been ill about three months with kidney trouble.

The Handling of Toys

Owen Sound Dealer Makes Good Profit Out of Them— Considers Them Good Feature of His Trade.

Among the most successful booksellers in the northern part of Ontario is R. J. Edgar, of Owen Sound. Twelve years ago, after mastering the details of the trade in Hamilton, he came to the county town of Grey and bought out the business of W. J. Creighton, which he has since conducted with gratifying results. Mr. Edgar says that from youth up it was a passion with him to dispose of books. As a lad he took pleasure in visiting various establishments. His Owen Sound store is 23x85 feet, and is filled with a large and varied stock. He handles toys in large numbers, and believes they are not the nuisance which some dealers contend that they are.

"There are many more unprofitable lines than toys," remarked Mr. Edgar recently. "To say that the season lasts only two or three weeks at the most, and that the stock is dead during the balance of the year, is mislead-

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LIMITED 933 YONGE STREET, TORONTO. ing. Why every holiday, every birthday, every little social gathering among boys and girls brings a demand for toys. I make a good profit out of them, and have no cause to complain. I know that some stationers are very bitter, and declare they would not place in a stock again as they are always getting broken, out of order or drawing a crowd, which does not buy. My experience is different, and I consider toys a pretty good feature of my trade.

Gives Up Wall Paper.

"As to wall paper, I am going out of that branch of the business. Unless you buy in very large quantities there is no profit in handling wall paper. The style or patterns are constantly changing, and, if you have six or seven rolls left out of a fifty-roll bundle, there is nothing to do but throw them in the stove, and there is your profit all gone. Now, if you can dispose of 300 or 400 rolls you can afford to have a few left over, or, in other words, seven or eight rolls out of fifty left on your hands is equally as much of a loss when you handle only a few rolls as are what you have over from several times this number. I am convinced that only the larger dealers can profitably engage in wall paper and make it pay for the time taken up in selling, the space occupied and the money invested. I intend going out of it altogether."

Mr. Edgar is a gentleman who does not believe in having any unremunerative goods on his shelves. He is not afraid to declare his views on any subject of interest to the trade.

SELLING BOOKS IN COLLINGWOOD.

From running a woollen mill to conducting a book and stationery store is rather a sharp transition, yet it can be successfully done, as Mr. Louis Webber, of Collingwood, can testify. In the little village of Nottawa, a few miles out from Collingwood, Mr. Webber was the owner of a woollen mill for many years. There are numerous

difficulties to-day in conducting a small mill, particularly the fuel problem. When a fire destroyed the structure of a manufacturer in another line, Mr. Webber disposed of his building which was well adapted for the purpose for which the purchaser required it, and removed to Collingwood. Nearly four years ago he launched in the bookshop business. He has a bright, though not a large, store, and his stock is especially well selected. He is a careful buyer and confines his purchases to books, stationery and souvenir goods of the better class. He handles no wall paper, toys or other side lines. Mr. Webber does a nice, steady trade and is assisted in the store by his son. His stock is neatly kept, everything about the premises being tidy and attractive. He likes the trade in which he is engaged and is progressive in his ideals.

A.NEW TORONTO STORE.

B. Noakes, who has been a resident of Toronto for some months, has opened a well-stocked stationery store at 751 Broadview Avenue, near the corner of Danforth Road. His premises are admirably laid out and his goods are nicely displayed. Mr. Noakes began business some time ago by handling the daily newspapers in the northeast section, but his trade soon became so large that he had to look around for more commodious quarters, which were afforded by the erection of a new block a few doors south of his old stand. He is the wholesale agent of all the Toronto dailies in that portion of the city. Under his store he has a convenient and well-lighted place fitted up for the newsboys. There is a separate entrance and several hundred copies of the papers are handled without confusion or interference to his stationery trade. Mr. Noakes also sells the leading magazines. The district in which he is located is a rapidly growing one, as a bank, a dry goods store, and other lines have been started there within the last few weeks





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What the Wholesalers and Manufacturers are Offering

New Lines for the Retail Trade—Novelties in Leather Goods—Christmas Cards and Calendars — School Goods and Other Staple Lines.

Holiday Papeterie Assortment.

The illustration shows a new Christmas papeteric assortment No. 2, offered by Buntin, Gillies & Co., Hamilton and Montreal. This assortment is composed of lines retailing for twenty-five cents and upwards, each number being distinctly novel and attractive, having artistic boxes filled with fine, white, linen-finished note paper and envelopes, neatly banded and ribbon-tied. The assortment contains the following:

Eighteen boxes to retail at 25c, 12 boxes to retail at 30c, 9 boxes to retail at 35c, 3 boxes to retail at 10c, 4 boxes to retail at 50c, 4 boxes to retail at 50c, 2 boxes to retail at 60c. Total, 52 boxes, worth \$17.45. The wholesale price complete is only \$10.

Calendars and Cards.

Walter G. Wheeler & Co., London, England, have sent us their lists of 1908-9 calendars, mottoes, Christmas

toes, the Keswick Christmas and New Year cards, chromo booklets, leaflet cards, cameo texts, verse cards, reward sheets, etc.

Useful Rings.

The Morden Manufacturing Corporation's hinged rings for use in eyeletted covers and the thousand and one loose sheets now in use in mercantile houses, are extremely useful in distributing work among a clerical force, the rings permitting the sheets to be most conveniently accessible and yet securing them against loss or disarrangement.

The loose sheets can be held together by the rings with or without covers. Manilla or press board, simply cut the right size, perforated and round-cornered, is often used for covers for holding inventories, estimates, invoices, bills of lading, reports, maps, blue prints, and other matter. The rings, besides being used mounted on



Holiday Papeterie Assortment No. 2 (Buntin, Gillies & Co.)

cards, etc., for inspection. These lines are known as the Keswick series, and are of a religious and scriptural nature. There is a heavy demand for them amongst church workers, Sunday schools, etc., as well as amongst a large body of the general public in Great Britain, particularly in the Keswick series of penny drop calendars. These are printed in many colors, illuminated, embossed and cut out. The Keswick daily block calendars are made to hang up, and have a daily "tear-off" block. The designs are flotal, with landscapes and seascapes. This firm also manufactures leaf calendars, which are elaborate and choice and retail in Great Britain from twopence to two shillings. They have four or six pages, illuminated and embossed, with silk cord for hanging. Other series are the Keswick monthly calendars, the Keswick monthly

various kinds of Morden metals for use in loose leaf hooks, are useful for scores of other purposes, i.e., for holding tool checks, for holding bridge counters, for holding back lace curtains, for stringing on bars, and in many odd ways. If once tried they recommend themselves for various uses peculiar to each individual's requirements.

The Morden Manufacturing Corporation will be pleased to supply dealers with descriptive matter for enclosures in outgoing mail, and with display cards for wall or counter, or electrotypes for circulars or catalogues. They also have a special proposition to make at this time to every stationer, which will insure them a liberal profit in handling this line. Write them as to your requirements, mentioning Bookseller and Stationer.

BOOKSELLER AND STATIONER

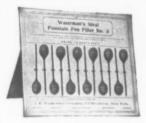
Ideal Fountain Pen Fillers.

For years past dealers have been called upon to supply to their customers, without charge, ink fillers for fountain pens, in cases where they have been lost or boken; and to do this it has been necessary to remove them from the regular stock boxes, furnished to pack the pens



in for sale. This necessitated the dealer sending for fillers to replace those removed.

To do away with this bad feature, and afford dealers the profit they should have on the fillers, the L. E. Waterman Co., of Canada, Limited, Montreal, have prepared two styles, put up on attractive display cards, whica will undoubtedly, at the same time, increase the sale. The No. 2 style, illustrated, retails at 5c each, and the No. 3 style, which is new and the most satis-



factory one yet devised, as it is indestructible, retails at 15c each, with liberal discounts from the list prices.

This new No. 3 style will contain a sufficient quantity of ink to completely fill any ordinary size fountain pen, and the tube is long enough to place at the bottom of the holder, thus avoiding the formation of air bubbles by withdrawing the filler as the pen is filled.

They strongly advise dealers displaying one of these attractive cards, and enjoying this additional business.

"Brownie" Ink Pencil.

Attention is called to the "Brownie" stylographic or "Ink Pencil," as it is sometimes called, which is shown by the Brown Brothers, Toronto, in their advertisement on another page. This pen is made in a handsome shade of tan vulcanite, is beautifully finished and can be retailed at the popular price of \$1.

Ophir Pencils.

The Brown Bros., Toronto, recently called attention to the fact that it is now just two seasons since they first introduced to the readers of The Bookseller their line of Ophir pencils. At first these were only made in four degrees and copying. Like all articles having real merit the demand has so increased for this well-known

line of pencil, that the Brown Brothers have been compelled to add five more grades, thus more than doubling their range. These pencils are now carried in stock from 6H to 3B, also copying, as well as Nos. 2 and 3, with rubber tips. Thus they claim that the Ophir is the only really high grade pencil on the Canadian marlet that can be sold at a popular price and be supplied in such a complete range of grades.

New Eyeshade,

The Brown Brothers, Toronto, are showing an entirely new idea in the line of eyeshades. This shade, known as the "Ellis," is so constructed ac to completely shade the eyes from the side lights, which are really



New Idea in Eye Shade. (Brown Bros.)

the ones that are so severe on the optic nerve. Already many prominent oculists have endorsed the Ellis eyeshade, and several large infirmaties have adopted it. The perfect forehead ventilation makes this shade much more confortable to wear than the old-style article of this class.

New Packing for Glue.

The Brown Brothers, Toronto, are showing a new style of packing in which they are now carrying the old reliable LePage's liquid glue. This glue is now packed



New Packing for Glue.

three dozen one-ounce bottles in cartons, with a handsome oak display case for counter use. Dealers, purchasing this small assortment, get show case without extra charge.

A Threefold Increase,

The Reliance Ink Company, of Winniper, have had a very successful year. Since last August their business has increased over three-fold. Last May they shipped an entire carload of ink to Montreal, and they are just in receipt of another order for fall shipment.

Memorandum Outfit.

In order to conveniently supply their trade with an article which has been demanded quite extensively since the introduction of their check book pen, the L. E.



Waterman Co. of Canada, Limited, Montreal, have prepared a little memorandum set, consisting of a sine quality leather cover, index pages with leather tabs and a quantity of blank pages and a loose leaf device, which they consider to be the most practical, as well as simple, made. There is a leather pocket attachment for conveniently holding the pen.

Whisk Broom Novelty.

The novelty illustrated herewith is a popular priced whisk broom holder, which is sure to meet with success among stationers and novelty dealers. It is made of



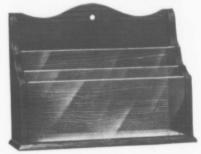
heavy cardboard stock with hand-colored designs, accompanied with catchy phrases. It can be had with or without whisk broom.

Poker Chips.

The G. H. Harris Co., 56-58 and 60 Scholes St.. Brooklyn, N.Y., lay claim to being the largest manufacturers of poker chips in the world. For many years now their goods have been standard in the trade and their business is increasing every year. They manufacture all grades, from the common composition to the indestructible plain, and they also make fancy chips for the high class and club trade. A. O. Hurst, 24 Scott St., Toronto, is agent for these poker chips.

A New Office Stationery Case.

A new idea, which will be of interest to the trade is the office stationery case shown in the accompanying illustration. As will be observed, the partitions are of glass, so that the contents may be seen at a glance, thus making it impossible for small articles to become lost in the corners. The partitions being removable, the



Glass-Partitioned Stationery Case (Buntin, Gillies & Co.)

cabinet is easy to keep free of dust. It is finished in polished oak and should prove a handsome and useful addition to any desk. The price is \$1.35 each, subject to a liberal trade discount. This case is offered for sale by Buntin, Gilles & Co., Hamilton and Montreal, who will gladly furnish further particulars.

A Leather Goods Hint.

At this season of the year the retailer is looking around for his Christmas lines. Those who are interested in leather goods will be pleased to see that the irrn of Brown Bros., Limited, who manufacture a complete line of leather goods, are showing this year a more varied and complete line than ever.



This firm are making up and showing lines that they will be able to deliver at once, or if the buyer wishes, can be shipped as late as December. In fact, orders placed in December will be filled as completely as earlier in the year. Still it is more satisfactory for the retailer to see the line now and be able to know what he has coming for his Christmas leather goods trade which from

styles shown and orders already placed promises to be orders. Samples of the best quality work and favorable right up to former years.

The Brown Bros. make a specialty of fine bags and purses and are showing these in genuine alligator, real scal, walrus, etc. This year they are paying special attention to colors and all leathers may be had in a great variety of shades.

The Brown Bros. travelling staff are all about to start on their fall trip. Before placing any leather goods order it will pay the retailer to see this line.

Students' Posters

A. O. Hurst, 24 Scott St., Toronto, has been appointed agent for the productions of the Decorative Poster Co., Cincinnati. This company's leading line is undoubtedly the series of students' posters, consisting of



A Hard Night's Study.

five different subjects, reproduced from oil paintings, in bright colors. These are just the thing for students' dens and wherever there is an educational institution the sale of these posters should be instantaneous. They sell to the trade at \$4.80 per dozen, and can be retailed at 75 cents each.

A Catalogue of Hardmuth Specialties.

A compact, useful catalogue of Hardmuth Specialties has just been issued to the trade by L. E. Waterman Co., of Canada, Ltd., Montreal. This catalogue illustrates, gives prices, style of boxing, etc., of the complete line of Hardmuth manufactures. It illustrates the Kohinoor drawing pencils, made in 17 degrees of lead, and the special assortment and sales helps of Kohinoor drawing pencils. All Kohinoor Specials are also included, such as pocket book and artists' pencils, propelling pencils and refilis, pocket pencils and protectors, etc. "Mephisto" copying ink pencils have also a place.

L. & C. Hardmuth stationery specialties, such as pencil sharpeners and dampening brushes, are included. Pencil and ink erasers with Kohinoor tracing cloth complete the catalogue. Prices to the trade as well as consumers' prices are given. This catalogue will be a useful hele to many serialize.

Hunt Buys Out G. W. Wilson & Co.

G. W. Wilson & Co., photographic printers and publishers, of Aberdeen, having retired from business, have disposed of their connection for printing colletype post-cards, view books and other work, to Philip G. Hunt, colletype and real photo machine printer, 34 Paternoster Row, London, E.C., and proprietor of the London Photo Printing Company, Balham, and it is hoped that customers who have hitherto had their work executed by Wilson & Co. will favor Mr. Hunt, with their future.

orders. Samples of the best quality work and favorable quotations will be sent on application to Mr. Hunt, who also wishes to intimate that he has now closed the office at 100 Deansgate, Manchester, therefore, would like all communications addressed to 34 Paternoster Row.

Special Catalogue for Canada,

William Mitchell, Limited, the Efiglish pen manufacturers, have issued a very useful and well-printed catalogue for the special use of the Canadian trade. It deals with a series of pens which have been carefully selected for Canadian requirements, such as experience has shown to be in actual demand. The list has been compiled with the object of enabling Canadian dealers to quickly estimate the cost of goods ordered.

William Mitchell, Limited, are also preparing some attractive advertising matter for the use of the Canadian retail trade, the prices quoted being arranged to suit the various localities of the Dominion. This advertising matter will bear the address of the local dealers. Full information of the scheme may be obtained from the firm's English address, or from their Canadian representative.

Paper Fasteners That Hold.

The "Superior" paper fasteners, made by the Superior Mig. Co., of Sidney, Ohio, can be recommended to the trade as well made and serviceable fasteners. They include the latest device for fastening papers together in such a way that there is no chance for them to get loose. The fastener is easily handled and requires very little pressure to put it in place.

French Gardening.

An interesting little volume on "French Gardening," or intensive cultivation on the French system, by T. Newsome, has been published by Frederick Steel & Co., Ltd., Craven House, Kingsway, London, England. This little work is essentially a handbook for those cultivating small gardens or allotments, the French system of cultivation aiming to produce conditions of warmth, moisture and suitable soil at any time of year, but generally from one to three months in advance of Nature's own season. While the French system may not be entirely applicable to Canada, this shilling handbook should be of interest to all market gardeners, as well as to private gardeners who wish to study the French method of forcing without a green-house.

An Active Campaign in Canada.

A. W. Faber, the big pencil manufacturer, will shortly begin an active campaign in Canada on behalf of the new "Castell" pencils. Ferdinand Kabus, who is special representative of the main factory in Germany, and sales manager of the American branch, will himself make a trip to Canada in the near future, also a special missionary will be sent to demonstrate the merits of the pencil to consumers.

The new pencils are the result of investigations and experiments which have been earried on for a number of years. The sixteen degrees in which these pencils can be supplied, from 6B, yielding the rich color of India ink, to the extremely hard 8H, fit for drawing on stone, are adapted to all the various purposes of professional employment and daily life.

A Generous Offer.

N. S. Day, 31 Union Square, New York, who makes a splendid line of faney goods, is extending a generous invitation to Canadian dealers to order goods on approval from him. He would like, of course, to have as many buvers as possible visit his New York sample room, but

he realizes that this would be impossible for many Canadian dealers. He accordingly offers to send on request a full list of the lines he manufactures, from which any dealer can make a selection up to \$20, \$30, \$50 or \$100. These goods will be sent entirely on approval for inspection. Necessarily this offer is only made to responsible dealers.

Lazy Letter Writers.

The Lazy Letter Writer is a clever lithographed post card with a highly polished finish. They come in an assortment of eatehy designs. Each design is accompanied with a number of expressions such as Arrived Safely, Weather Very Hot, Feeling Fine, Business is Good, etc. The idea is to place an X alongside of whatever message you wish to send, address on the reverse side and let the post office do the rest. This card is sure to sell twelve months in the year, and is good for any section of the country. They can be had from W. S. Heal of New York, Ask him for samples.

"Rugby" School Bags.

The Copp, Clark Co., are this season showing something new in school bags. The "Rugby" is made of a recently-discovered 'material said to be more durable than leather. It will stand the hardest wear, will not scratch, tear or peel and is not affected by rain or sunshine. It can easily be cleaned with soap and water. The bags are made in six sizes, from 9 inches wide to 14 inches.

Poetical Works of Louis Frechette.

Before his death the great French-Canadian poet, Louis Frechette, made a collection of what he considered his best poetical efforts. It was his wish to see them completed, but he died a few months ago.

The Librairie Beauchemin Co., Limited, Montreal, have just completed the publishing of these poems. There are three volumes, finished in half-moroeco, or basket cloth with gilt top. The books are beautifully illustrated and the illustrations shown of the Plains of Abraham give some idea of them. The printing is exceptionally fine, and is upon heavy coated paper. These volumes are worthy of a place in every library in Canada.

Volume one treats of the history of the Canadian people, from the discovery of America until recent years. Volumes two and three contain four of his best known

The late Louis Freehette is accepted as a master in French metre and rhythm, and his subject matter is always of an interesting type.

Christmas Cards, Calendars and Toy Books.

The enormous sample lines of Raphael Tuck & Sons, Limited, with Canadian headquarters at Montreal, will be ready about the middle of this month. These lines include Christmas and New Year cards, calendars and every conceivable kind of booklet and toy book, also a remarkable range of Christmas and New Year postals. A few of the features of these lines are here described.

Any persons who suffered from the delusion that the passing of the Christmas and New Year card is at hand, here find a very practical and complete refutation of any such notion, for this collection embraces over 2,000 sets of entirely new and original designs. The trade should be very grateful to Tuck & Sons for having at this time in such a spirited manner given a distinct lead to the New Year and Christmas card trade. Tuck & Sons are in the proud position of annonneing "That the Royal Card Collection is reproduced by them direct from the original Christmas cards they had the honor of specially painting last Christmas for their Majesties the King and Queen of England, their Imperial Majesties

the Emperor and Empress of Germany, their Majesties the King and Queen of Spain, their Majesties the King and Queen of Norway, their Royal Highnesses the Prince and Princess of Wales, and in former seasons, for Her Late Majesty Queen Victoria.

Messrs. Tuck have also received the gracious permission of all these Imperial and Royal personages to reproduce these Royal cards for sale to the public, and Mr. Adolph Tuck, with justifiable ambition, expresses the hope that Christmas, 1908, will ever stand out as unique, not only in the annals of Raphael House, London, but of the Christmas eard trade throughout the world. The Royal collection numbers forty distinct cards, and for obvious reasons no other publishing house in the world offers such a unique and extremely interesting series of publications.

Another very distinctive line, for which great popularity is predicted, is the English hand-made cards, the paper for which, by the way, is made by one of the best English firms and bears Messrs. Tuck's own watermark. Not only is the paper perfection but the leitering is from engraved copper plates. Without going into details it may be stated that this collection is high-class from every point of view.

Calendars again offer an enormous variety. The higher prices are folio turnovers, with beautiful photogravures representing figure studies, animals and landscapes and pictures in genre. In the better class grade are several notable titles, "Society Beauties," wonderful pictures of bulldogs "Maidens of the Year," and "Midst Nature's Idylls."

Distinct sections are the "Ragtime Calendars," "Art Panel Calendars," "Boudoir Panel Calendars," the latter having reversible date cards, which appear in a cutout beneath the picture.

Another variety of novelties is in the shape of mechanical pieces most eleverly designed and carried out. Of these are "The Cosy Corner," a realistic pipe rack. "Happy as a King," showing dogs on a gate, and "What's O'Clock?" representing a large sunflower clock. These and others cannot fail to excite astonishment when seen.

Father Tuck, brother to Father Christmas, as he has been aptly called King of the Land of Toy Books, has indeed a "Royal Collection" to present to his patrons. Father Tuck's Annual is always a success. And the firm publishes scores of books of fairy tales, nursery rhymes, alphabets, natural histories, and a fine series called the "Paint Box," a line of painting books.

Their birthday books and poetical and scriptural quotations deserve special mention, as they comprise some of the daintiest and most attractive volumes ever placed on the market.

It is now just sixty years since the Christmas card became the vehicle for conveying seasonable greetings, and the industry to which it gave birth has expanded to enormous proportions. It is the Christmas post card, however, which has so largely influenced the growth of this industry, and which now holds first place in the hearts of the people. The ordinary Christmas card to a large majority has become old-fashioned and clumsy. This fact has already been set forth by cartopholists, and the postal greetings card is almost universally held to be greater than its predecessor. Much of the success of the Christmas postcard may be credited to Raphael Tuck & Sons, Limited. Their cards are put up in packets of six. One line is a set of "Oilettes" from paintings by Arthur C. Payne, of the interiors of cathedrals, etc. The cards are gilt edged, and printed with gilt inscriptions. Others have suitable holiday designs, appropriate greetings, and scriptural quotations.

Commercial Stationery---A Profitable Branch of the Trade

Amusing Explanation of Origin of Loose Leaf System by George M. Courts, Galveston—What the System has Enabled Business Men to Accomplish.

When Adam was first called to account, he straightway consulted with his partner, and it was apparent to them both that they could never again get their balances by the use of their old systems. Time had worked many changes-they were face to face with the naked truth. And now that they had branched out into the fruit trade and had gathered their first apple crop, they found themselves confronted with the same question that challenges nearly every business man to-day, namely, that of covering the most ground in the shortest time at the lowest possible cost and with the least effort. And thus it was that the "loose leaf system" was first applied to practical use. This should set at rest all argument as to the originators of this method. But, like many other good things of the early times, it became a lost art, only to be resurrected in more recent years by the ever-ready American genius.

After the passing of the biblical loose leaf systems (among which we learn of many more practical outfits than that above mentioned, not the least of which was the early Bible and the Ten Commandments written on loose leaves of stone), we find in Washington Irving's "Rip Van Winkle" a more improved loose leaf outfit, consisting of the wooden shutter of the old village tavern, where the cunning Nick Vedder kept his "sales account" with a piece of chalk, though this system, we are told, lacked that essential of our more modern methods—perpetuality.

A Modern Care.

Coming on down through history, we find a case in a Southern court of a soit filed by an aged darkey on account of a disputed claim arising from the sale of a mule. The judge insisted upon examining the record of account, and the plaintiff produced from his pocket a small slip of paper with a lot of scribbled figures. The judge called for "the book of original entry," and it developed that the darkey had kept the entire transac-

tion upon a barn door, which was produced in court, and from which the court decided in favor of the plaintiff. The defendant appealed the case, upon the ground that the stable door did not comprise a complete record, and that the entire building should be produced in court. This was over-ruled, however, the court maintaining that the record was complete so far as that transaction was concerned, and that any other record that might be on the stable proper was entirely foreign to the case in question. Thus we have an early record of a court decision establishing the stability of the loose leaf system.

Material Changes.

During the few years that the improved loose leaf systems have been on the market, they have wrought material changes in the methods of accounting in every line of business.

They have made it possible for the counting-house to eliminate many large, unwieldly, and costly books, and to accomplish greater things with a minimized expenditure of time and money.

They have enabled the manufacturer to ascertain and record the exact cost of production.

By their use the time record is kept in many large establishments with greater accuracy and a considerable saving of time and expense.

The mammoth city department store and country merchant alike find the loose leaf system advantageous, if not indispensable as sales records.

The retail clerk, the jobber's houseman, and the traveling salesman each find it has advantages as an order system. The shipping clerk and the drayman find that the loose leaf method is adapted to their needs.

In fact, nearly every business or manufacturing concern is a user of the loose leaf system in some one or more methods in connection with some one or more departments, and in many cases this system has supplanted the old style bound books.



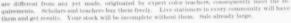
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Doings of the Month in the Picture Post Card Department

The Need for Careful Buying—Improved Condition Of the Trade—What Some Manufacturers Offer.

One danger which is run by the too venturesome buyer of post cards is that of buying to excess and consequently overstocking. The temptation to do this is great, for prices of large quantities often seem "cy attractive and hold out the promise of large profits. I it when only a small percentage of the stock is sold profits the all availables.

Just at this time retailers should be very careful in buying to avoid this overcrowding of stocks, in order to



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keep fresh, up-to-date goods. In recent months a great deal of bankrupt stock was slaughtered on the market, and now that conditions are righting themselves, the trade seems to be in a more healthy state than ever, and prospects for fall are very good. In view of this dealers should watch their stocks carefully, in order to secure their full share of the business that will be done.

The day of cheap cards is fast drawing to a close, and the "public" every day expect better designs, and better value for their money. The whole life of the posteard industry his in constant change. Our advice is "Change your stock; change your display, and the more frequently you do so, the more eards you will sell." Competition, both with publishers and retailers, grows keener every day, and we venture to assert, without fear of contradiction, that these publishers and those retailers who produce, and who display the newest and best cards, best designs, well printed, and of good quality are those who do and will do the most business. The post eard industry is now too well established, and too much of an institution with the public to suddenly drop out. There are now more eards sold to the public than ever before, and if you are not selling as many as you were, rest assured that it is not because the eards are selling less, but because your competitor is selling more, and for the reason before stated. Again we say, "Do not, if you wish to study the future, do not over-buy." Unless you are perfectly sure of selling the whole, or at least 75 per cent., of the large quantity you are tempted to buy, at a price, you will

be well advised to leave it alone; buy just what you can sell, provided the price is at all reasonable. You know, or you should know well, that, what is selling by hundreds and thousands this week, will next week be dead stock. A certain amount of risk cannot be avoided; what we wish to emphasize is "Minimize that risk." Even views, the foundation of the post card business, are not good stock in too large quantities. The public soon knows the extent of your series, and becomes almost as fired of them as you are yourself, and asks for new views, or the same view from an up-to-date photo. It he points we have brought out are considered, we feel certain that the justice of our remarks will be admitted, and if they prove of benefit to one dealer, they will be of use to the post card industry at large.

Tuck's New Lines of Post Cards.

Raphael Tuck & Sons, Limited, Montreal, are again showing new lines of post eards, and their latest creations show that they mean to retain their position in the post eard world that they have so well won. Among the new eards is a very fine set of the "Bonnie Scotland Series," and there are six very excellent views of Edinburgh in color in an ingenious tartan bordering. Glorious Devon is done justice to by the reproduction of original pictures by H. B. Wimbush, with appropriate quotations. A very high-class set is to be found in



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"Types of Beauty," and the various originals by well-known masters are admirably reproduced. "In Childhood's Days" is a happy series specially suitable for children and in "Rural Life" is also found some very beautiful pietures. "A Cause Celebre," in real photographs, plate marked, is an interesting juvenile series, and the poses are excellent. "Favorite Horses" is also a very good set and the "Cornish Coast" introduces several beauty spots in this district.

In the highly successful "Plate marked Oilette" series are issued numerous sets, this splendid style, lending itself to almost all the subjects hitherto seen the full size of the eard. One of the best is the series of old masters, which is devoted to works by Sir Joshua Reynolds and includes the Duchess of Devonshire, Mrs. Bradyll, and the well-known picture of Mrs. Siddons in the Dulwich Gallery.

Two humorous sets, "Mixed Bathing" and Series III. of "Breakfast in Bed Charged Extra," both being ani-



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mal subjects, by Ellam, are in the "Oilette" series, and are very good.

Among their recent productions is the "Rough Seas" series, beautiful views of stormy sea, on a highly glossy card. Some new floral cards show roses in natural colorings on a black card, and another series of roses, consist of copies from paintings on a delicately tinted card.

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reel at this poet's weird portraiture of undreamt-of scenes that rival the immortal lines of either Dante or our own Milton, if not surpassing these prolific

SILENCE.-By Stewart. Jersey City: Connoisseur's Press. Cloth, \$1.50. A clever, forceful and vigorons book with a social, moral and political aim, dramatic in its galvanic pith and sensational in its denouements. Its seenes are laid in New York and New Orleans, the characters include an artist, a New York newspaper millionaire's son, their wives, a lawyer who relates the story, and a mysterious "woman in purple." We have read of a fullgrown cow being hoisted from the second storey window of a dilapidated house in New Orleans during the yellow fever some three years ago, but confess that we never expected to see the incident exploited in a novel. And, if some of the charges hurled at several offenders in "Silence" are true, certain cities in the States need a thorough housecleaning.





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collector will want them.

Toronto Exhibition Views.

Valentine & Sons Co. of Montreal and Toronto, have produced a series of fifteen special colored eards, illustrating the Canadian National Exhibition of Toronto. These eards show seenes of general interest, the various buildings, the crowds, the mid-way and the fireworks. They will be very popular during the course of the big

The same firm have also issued a souvenir view book of the exhibition, containing twenty views, printed in black and white from original photographs. The views all show up with remarkable clearness. The book will sell at 25 cents.

BOOKS OF THE MONTH.

BETELGUESE.-By Jean Louis De Esque. Jersey City: Connoisseur's Press. Cloth, \$1.25. A lyric poem describing a trip through the "Infernal Regions" and to the giant suns Vega and Perseus. Probably the most startling and wonderful creation of a modern poet. It reads like a novel, takes the reader from the earth through the marshalled defences of Old Nick where hair-raising spectacles are presented to the reader in lines that surpass the mind of imagination. Indeed, one's perspect is made to stagger and

sold profitably, and are sure to be in demand, as every SHIFTING SANDS.-By Crawfurt. Jersey City: Counoisseur's Press. Cloth, \$1.50. Essentially a romance of the type of "Graustark." The hero's father loses his fortune and dies, wherefore, the heroine's father takes her to "Seleniea," Spain, and tries to marry her to a questionable Duke. The hero is arrested on account of his marked resemblance to an escaped defalcating bank teller, effects his escape and, after innumerable hardships lands in Spain where miraculous escapes from death follow in quick succession. The book is strong, and will hold the reader's attention from cover to cover.

A SUPERB VIEW BOOK.

The crowning achievement in souvenir view books issued by Valentine & Sons Publishing Co., Montreal and Toronto is undoubtedly their new Rocky Mountain view book, called "Wonderland of Canada." It contains forty-eight views, all especially taken by Wm. Notman & Son, Montreal, and these have been superbly reproduced in a rich brown tint, bringing out all details with the utmost distinctness. The views give an adequate idea of the magnitude and beauty of the great mountain range. This book has an attractive brown cover, with small panel view, and lettering in white and brown, the vhole enclosed in a stor envelope. Price is \$1.

Best Selling Books of the Month

Belleville.

- 1. Shuttle. By F. H. Burnett. Copp.
- 2. Weavers. By Gilbert Parker. Copp.
- 3. Barrier. By Rex E. Beach. Musson. Lure of the Mask. By Harold MacGrath. McLeod.
- Some Ladies in Haste. By R. W. Chambers. McLeod,
- 6. Saton Sanderson. By H. E. Rives. McLeod.

Calgary.

- 1. Five Nights. By Victoria Cross. Kennerley.
- 2. Mr. Crewe's Career. By Winston Churchill. Mac-
- 3. Morals of Marcus. By W. J. Locke. Frowde.
- Heart of a Child. By Frank Danby. Copp.
- 5. King Spruce. By Holman Day. Musson.
- 6. Prima Donna. By F. M. Crawford. Macmillan.

Charlottetown.

- 1. Shuttle. By F. H. Burnett. Copp.
- Barrier. By Rex E. Beach. Musson.
- Some Ladies in Haste. By R. W. Chambers. Mc-
- 4. Prima Donna. By F. M. Crawford. Macmillan.
- 5. Satan Sanderson, By H. E. Rives, McLeod,
- 6. Forest. By S. E. White. Musson.

Hamilton.

- 1. Mr. Crewe's Career. By Winston Churchill. Mac-
- 2. Prima Donna. By F. M. Crawford. Macmillan.
- 3. Lure of the Mask. By Harold MacGrath. McLeod. Songs of a Sourdough. By R. W. Service. Briggs.
- Last Egyptian. By Anon. Briggs.
 Golden Dog. By R. Kirby. Musson.

Moncton.

- 1. Cynthia in the Wilderness. By Wales. Stuyvesant.
- 2. Jack Spurlock. By G. H. Lorimer, Briggs. 3. Somehow Good. By Wm. De Morgan. Copp.
- 4. Get-Rich-Quick. By G. R. Chester. Frowde.
- Fruit of the Tree, By Edith Wharton, McLeod,
- 6. Three Weeks. By Elinor Glyn. Duffield.

Montreal.

- 1. Mr. Crewe's Career. By Winston Churchill. Mac-
- 2. The Prima Donna. F. M. Crawford. Macmillan,
- 3. The Lure of the Mask. Harold McGrath. McLeod.
- The Blue Lagoon. H. de Vere Stacpole. Frowde. The Chaperon. C. N. and A. M. Williamson. Musson.
- 6. Young Lord Stranleigh. Robert Barr. McLeod.

Peterboro.

- 1. Lure of the Mask. By Haroid MacGrath. McLeod.
- 2. Mr. Crewe's Career. By Winston Churchill. Macmillan.
- 3. Prima Donna. By F. M. Cawford. Maemilian.
- Barrier. By Rex Beach. Musson,
- Weavers. By Sir Gilbert Parker. Copp.
- 6. Get-Rich-Quick. By G. R. Chester. Frowde.

St. Catharines.

- 1. Lure of the Mask. By Harold MacGrath. McLeod.
- 2. Mr. Crewe's Career. By Winston Churchill. Maemillan.
- 3. Prima Donna. By F. M. Crawford.
- 4. Gleam of Dawn. By Arthur Goodrich. McLeod.
- 5. Some Ladies in Haste. By R. W. Chambers, McLeod.

6. Old Wives for New, D. G. Phillips. Langton.

Stratford

- 1. Chaperon. By C. N. and A. M. Williamson, Musson.
- 2. Somehow Good. By Wm. De Morgan. Copp. Coast of Chance. By C. and L. Chamberlain. Me-Leod.
- 4. Stuff of a Man. By K. B. Evans. McLeod.
- 5. Husbands of Edith. By G. B. McCutcheon, Briggs.

Vancouver.

- 1. Last Egyptian. By Anon. Briggs.
- 2. Delilah of the Snows. By H. Bindloss. McLeod.
- 3. City of Delight. By Elizabeth Miller. McLeod,
- Shepherd of the Hills. By H. B. Wright. McLeod.
 Rosalind at Red Gate. By M. Nicholson. McLeod.
- 6. Black Bag. By L. J. Vance. McLeod.

Winnipeg.

- 1. Barrier. By Rex Beach. Musson.
- Weavers. By Sir Gilbert Parker. Copp.
- 3. Shuttle. By F. H. Burnett. Copp.
- 4. Mr. Crewe's Career. By Winston Churchill. Macmillan.
- 5. Rosalind at Red Gate. By M. Nicholson. McLeod.
- 6. Beloved Vagabond, By W. J. Locke. Frowde.

Toronto.

- 1. Half-Way House. By Maurice Hewlett. McLeod,
- 2. Mr. Crewe's Career. By Winston Churchill. Macmillan.
- 3. Somehow Good. By Wm. De Morgan. Copp.
- 4. Grey Knight. By E. B. De la Pasture. Dutton.
- Sheaves. By E. F. Benson.
- 6. Heart of a Child. By Frank Danby. Copp.

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If some Canadian authors turn to Toronto to secure publishers for their books, it is equally true that many look to Boston for the same purpose. At least one prominent Boston publishing house has quite a list of Canadian authors-L. C. Page & Company. The latest addition to this list is Miss L. M. Montgomery, whose home is in Prince Edward Island, and who has written a sweet and charming story of rural life, entitled ' Anne of Green Gables." To those who like the simple and appealing, the clean and wholesome, the cheerful and inspiring in literature, this book will be a delight, and Canadians should be proud of an author, who can arouse these finer feelings.

NEWS OF THE TRADE.

Wm. Northgraves, dealer in fancy goods, Perth. Ont., has made an assignment.

Mr. Gordon, late manager of Barelay's bookstore, Petrolea, has removed to his home in Guelph.

D. Ostrosser, dealer in stationery, Englehart, Ont., has assigned, and a meeting of creditors has been called.

W. J. McLeod, of Galt, Ont., has been appointed agent in that town for the Empire Wall Paper Co., of Toronto. T. W. Taylor, of T. W. Taylor Co., Limited, bookbinders, etc., Winnipeg, was noticed in Toronto recently. Daniels Bros., of Victoria, B.C., are opening a new book and stationery business in New Westminster, B.C.

A. D. MacMullen, vice-president of the H. M. Caldwell Co., Boston, has been visiting the trade in Foronto. Richard Brown, president of the Brown Bros., Toronto, is summering this year at Little Metis on the

The stock of R. E. Saunders & Co., stationery and fancy goods dealers, Wingham, Ont., is advertised for sale by tender

G. H. Price, a former employee of W. J. Gage & Co., Toronto, has bought from Nicholas Garland the stationery and wall paper department of the T. A. Garland store at Portage la Prairie, Man.

Ferdinand Kabus, special representative of the main factory in Germany of A. W. Faber, and sales manager of the American branch, will shortly make a trip to Canada in order to introduce the "Castell" pencils.

The wholesale paper business carried on by George Powley in Hamilton and Toronto has been taken over by the newly-incorporated firm of George Powley Paper Company, Limited. The share capital of the company is \$50,000.

Morang & Co., Toronto, are now nearly settled in their new quarters in the new Ogilvie Building, corner Bay and Wellington Streets. They occupy an entire flat, where every facility for earrying on the book business is to be found.

The Bradburn Stationery Co., who opened up business less than a year ago in Edmonton, have attracted such a large trade that they have been compelled to move into more commodious quarters. They have established a big trade in wholesale paper particularly.

John M. Poole, the former Toronto publisher, who was brought from New York City to answer a charge of obtaining \$2,000 from the Farmers' Bank on false pretences, was arraigned before Judge Morgan recently. He pleaded not guilty, elected to be tried by a jury, at the next General Sessions, and was released on \$5,000 bail formished by his friends.

Colliers, of New York, are now issuing a Canadian edition of their weekly and have appointed H. Frankin Gadshy as editor. The Canadian edition is replete with illustrations from all over the Dominion, and the circulation is most gratifying. Mr. Gadshy is a bright, original and refreshing writer who has made a name for himself by his scintillating sketches and graphic pen pictures of narliamentary proceedings and personages, as well as special events, and historic gatherings. He has filled a niche in Canadian journalism not quite reached by any contemporary writer.

F B Bagshaw, who disposed of his business in Portage la Prairie, to E. A. Arnoid, last month, has been studying law for the past year and a half and running his business, under a mahager. He is now going to

devote all his time to the law. "Although disassociated from the book and stationery business," he writes, "I will always be very much interested in the trade and wish to have you continue sending the Bookseller and Stationer, which has been a constant help and companion for many years. His successor, Mr. Arnold, was formerly engaged in the wholesale stationery business with F. W. Law & Co., Winnipeg.

Thomas J. Bolger, previously in charge of the Blue Book Store in the City of Mexico, is now to represent the L. E. Waterman Co. in that country, with headquarters at Gante. Owing to the particularly large field in this country the interests of the L. E. Waterman Co. will undoubtedly be greatly increased through the efforts of Mr. Bolger. He has resided in Mexico for the past seven years and with his large acquaintance is particularly well fitted to fulfill the duties of his new post. Mr. Bolger has been engaged in stationery and typewriter lines, both in their retail and wholesale branches, and is entirely familiar with the trade. A full stock of Waterman's Ideal fountain pens, Waterman's Ideal ink and accessories will be carried in stock at the above address. The command of the Spanish language is, of course, a great factor in trade connections. Mr. Bolger speaks Spanish fluently and expects to make the term "Waterman's Ideal" as familiar in Mexico as it is in Canada and other countries.

Havelock Lonsdale, accompanied by his friend, R. M. Bottomly, were in Montreal, Toronto and other cities during the past month. Mr. Lonsdale is the leading member of the Christmas Card Association, whose head offices are at Preston, England. This association has offices at Bradford, Yorkshire, and at Accrington, Lancashire. Mr. Lonsdale is also a partner in the firm of Glendenning & Co., of Glasgow. He is making a tour of the Dominion to the coast and will appoint representatives in different provinces to handle the product of his factories, which, in the busy season, employ 800 hands. They turn out the greatest number of greeting cards of any house in Great Britain, no less than 20,000 sample books, each of a distinctive pattern, being produced. For all Christmas cards not sold during the holiday season new inserts are forwarded the dealers and jobbers and the series are thereby transformed into pretty greeting cards, suitable for a birthday or any other gladsome occasion. While in Toronto Mr. Lonsdale gave Bookseller and Stationer a pleasant call.

A GREAT CENTRE FOR CALLERS.

Although Hundreds Visit a Stationery Store Daily Their Purchases Are Small.

"There is probably no line of business where there is so much detail and minutiae as in a stationery establishment or where so many customers are required to realize a fair amoun: from sales," remarked a leading bookseller in an Ontario town a few days ago.

"Look at the number of little things we have to earry. Why your store may be erowded all day long and to an outsider you appear to be doing an immense trade, yet, when you go to your eash drawer or register at night, what do you find? Hundreds of coppers, five and tencent pieces. Each individual sale is trivial—scarcely ever more than ten or fifteen cents, and often not that \$\mathbb{Min}\$m. Two or three hundred persons have, perhaps, entered your place. Probably fifty have bought only a copy of a daily newspaper or a postage stamp; another fifty a ruler, some pen points, a lead pencil or a small note book, while others

have purchased a quire of writing paper, a letter pad, a package of envelopes, a ten-eent novel, an eraser, a bottle of mueilage or ink. We wait on scores of customers every day, and the aggregate sum taken in is relatively small. Sometimes the visit of 300 persons will not result in leaving with you more than \$20 or \$25, while in other lines of trade the five or ten patrons will cause a bigger turn over than your hundreds. Our sales, while many, invariably cover only a few cents. I am not kicking, but am simply pointing out what is a peculiar phase of our business. The annual gross revenue of booksellers in an Ontario town is never many thousand dollars, while next to the post office more people possibly enter a bookshop than any other place.

"Why, one day last year I thought I had done a record-breaking trade, yet on examining my till at night, I found 250 coppers, 220 five-cent pieces and 60 ten-cent pieces, which probably meant, as it was the occasion of the re-opening of the schools, that we had attended to about 500 children and adults, and had \$73.58 in 'chicken feed' as the outcome. Of course, there were some purchases for larger amounts, but not many. The average caller in a stationery store rarely spends more than ten or fifteen cents, and some much less."

Conditions are Dull Abroad

Emil Nerlich Says the Factories in Germany Are Inactive Owing to Decreased Export Orders.

Emil Nerlich, of the firm of Nerlich & Co., Toronto, wholesale fancy goods dealers, returned to the city recently after a four-months' trip abroad, purchasing holiday supplies for his house. He visited all the leading manufacturing centres in Germany, Austria. France and Great Britain.

Speaking to Bookseller and Stationer Mr. Nerlich said that conditions in toys, musical instruments, glass and small ware lines were dull in Germany.

"You know that the Fatherland is largely an export country, two-thirds of its productions in the manufacturing trade going to the United States, where business is now very dull. Some of the factories are running only half time and others with greatly reduced staffs. A

year or two ago orders that took six and eight months to fill can now be turned out practically at once. I found all the firms very anxious for business. In Austria, France and Great Britain things are not as bad as in Germany. They do not depend to the same extent on the export trade, but even in these countries conditions might be a whole lot better."

"How do you find trade in Canada?" was asked.

"Well! it has been backward. Our travellers are just going on the road now—some in the west starting about three or four weeks ago. Dealers are buying carefully and there is no disposition to stock up heavily. The prospects though are promising and I notice a decided improvement in affairs over what there was when I left for Europe in February last."

THE GREFE COLOR DRAWINGS

The Windsor Publishing Company, of 43 West Twenty-seventh Street. New York, have issued for the stationery, picture and book trade, a line of color drawings by the well known artist, Mr. Will Grefe, which meet the requirements of a popular demand. The subjects are divided into two sets, four in each. The first set is a series of cartoons of two figures, a girl and a man, the titles being, "The Leap Year Question," "The Possessive Case," "A Friend at Court," and "The Golden Opportunity." The set of four retails for \$2, or sold separately 50 cents each. They are beautifully reproduced in full colors on heavy plate-narked coated paper, suitable for framing.

The second set is similar in size and quality to the first, but the subjects are heads, entitled, "Off for a Spin," "The Read Feather," "A Dainty Driver," and "A Heart Hunter." These drawings are suitable for home or club decoration, and no matter how expensive the other pictures in a room may be, these color prints by Mr. Grefe hold their own for artistic beauty and add an air of refinement and daintiness to their surroundings. Every retailer in the book, stationery or picture line can handle them to advantage, and as they are especially appropriate for summer cottages, the dealers should put in a stock at once. A window display would do much toward introducing them, as they cannot fail to attract customers to the shops where they are shown

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