

# There is a Big Demand for Seeded Raisins

The Up-To-Date Grocer who Insists on having Seeded Raisins Packed by :---

## José Segalerva Malaga, Spain

will be Ahead of his Competitors Because the Malaga Seeded Raisin is

Superior in Richness and Flavor, and Can be sold at Popular Prices

Look at your Stock and ask your Wholesaler for one of the Various Brands of Fancy or Choice

Malaga Seeded

Raisins

YOU WILL MAKE A GOOD PROFIT. Agents for the Dominion Rose and Laflamme Montreal and Toronto.

## Remember This Important Fact

The makers of Cox's Gelatine believe that "Honesty is the Best Policy." It has paid them handsomely to conduct their business along that line—at its inception the founders laid down stringent rules for its safe progress. And they have never deviated from these rules.

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# COX'S Gelatine

No chemicals of any sort or nature enter into the manufacture of this world famous product. It is as pure as it is possible for a Gelatine to be. And whether you buy it in the shredded or powdered form it is always the same. Remember "Cox's" for its absolute purity.

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TWO WAYS of making money selling cigars The Second The First Selling cheap goods Selling a good line with with a long profita reasonable profit-(You won't sell many) (You'll sell lots) The "second way" is the better-Sure profits and increasing trade. If you decide on the "second way" you'll have to have our NCHOR CIGAR" The best 5c. straight on the market-and there's more profit than some other 5c. lines. Send us your orders. EBY-BLAIN, LIMITED TORONTO WHOLESALE GROCERS GOING AHEAD

> The continued increase in the sales of Blue Ribbon Tea have necessitated our opening up a packing establishment at 266 St. Paul St., Montreal, at the first of the year, where we shall be pleased to welcome all customers to that city, likewise we shall be delighted to meet all our friends as usual in Toronto, at Nos. 8-10 Adelaide St. West.

> We take this opportunity of wishing all our friends the Compliments of the Season and remain, Yours truly,

> > The Blue Ribbon Tea Co., Limited Toronto



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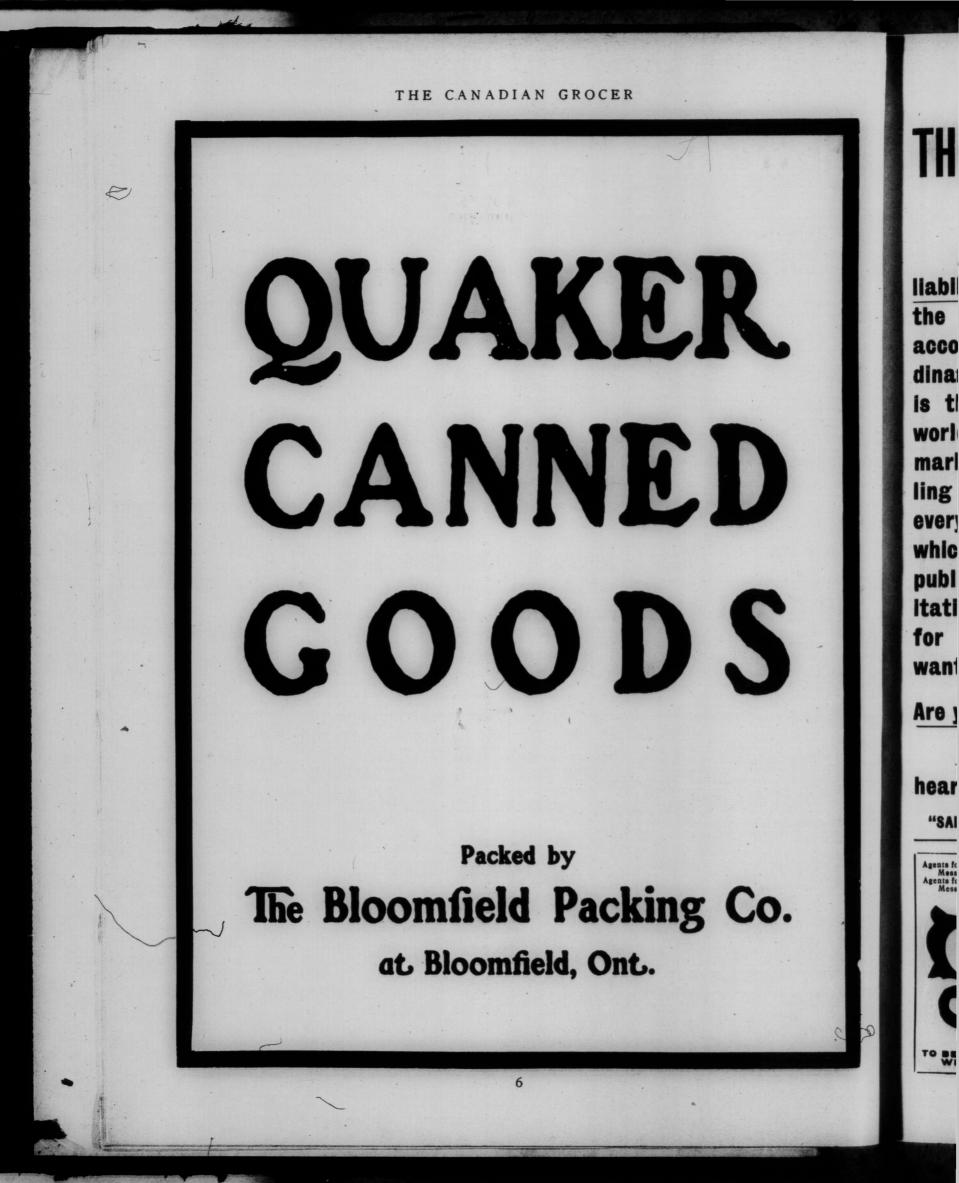
### Cheap goods at any price are not what you want as a reputation builder.

If you handle **Canadian Canners'** goods you will keep your old customers and make new ones.

"Aylmer," "Little Chief," "Log Cabin," "Horseshoe," "Auto," "Kent," "Lynnvalley," "Maple Leaf," "Lion," "Thistle," "Grand River" and White Rose" Brands are all guaranteed as to quality. They have been popular brands for over a quarter of a century.

Fruits and vegetables of these brands are canned only when at their best for table use.

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## THE TEA THAT "QUALITY" MADE FAMOUS

Sixteen years ago the first pound of "SALADA" Tea was offered to the public. QUALITY was the FOUNDATION.

A reputation for reliability, the securing of public confidence, the account for the extraordinary fact that "SALADA" is the only tea in the world that holds the remarkable record of doubling Its enormous sales every/four years-a fact which proves that the public don't care for imitations, they don't care for fake goods - they want "SALADA" evidence.

Are you giving it to them?

We will be pleased to hear from you.

"SALADA" Toronto or Montreal

These Two Packages Represent the Growth of "SALADA" Sales in Sixteen Years.











### National Licorice Co. Brooklyn, N.Y.

**Toronto Depot, 120 Church Street.** R. S. McINDOE, Agent.

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In every walk of life there are men who stand out promin-ent among their fellows. They possess something which dis-tinguishes them from all the rest.

It is so in things that men produce, as for instance, Laundry Soap; the public are quick to recognize the best from the second best or lower grades.

NAPTHO IS A SOAP that was bound from the first to be successful because it pos-sessed just those qualities which make it stand out above others.

The Welcome Soap Co. Limited St John. N.B.

### Molasses

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Extra Choice Porto Rico

Extra Choice Porto Rico Lion Fancy Trinidad Fancy Barbados Open Kettle Circle 6 Open Kettle Circle 7 No. 5 Special Extra Choice Porto Rico

Beaver

Extra Fancy Trinidad Choice Barbados No. 7 Choice West India Molasses No. 4 Strong Bakers No. 1 Golden Cane Syrup No. 2 Golden Cane Syrup

The above supplied in puncheons, tierces, barrels and half barrels. Also

#### **Gingerbread Brand Molasses**-

In tins-2's, 3's, 5's, 10's and 20's. Also Pails 1's, 2's, 3's and 5 gallon.

Colden Sling Syrup-

Also supplied in the same style packages as Ginger bread Molasses.

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# NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS

To **Canadian Grocers** and those in the **Tea Trade** as well as **Our Other Friends**, we heartily wish a very

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May your business

**LEAP** forward with the

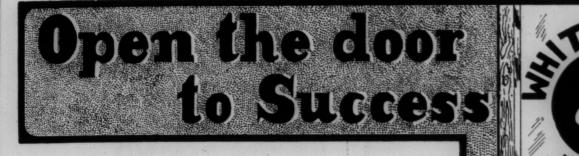
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### THOMAS J. LIPTON,

75 Front St. East, - - - TORONTO.

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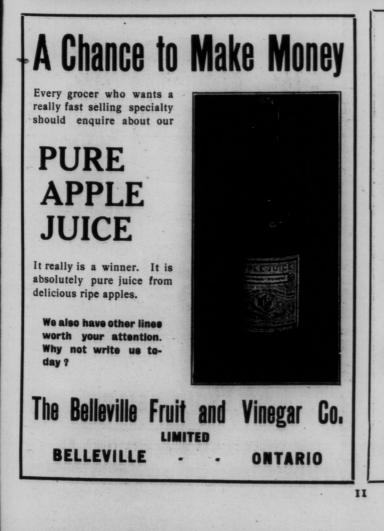


by starting the New Year in handling only goods of assured merit—goods that are known the country over as quality goods goods that satisfy the most exacting tastes. Greig's White Swan Coffees, Spices, Baking Powder, Jelly Powders, Extracts, Cocoanut, Flaked Wheat, Rolled Oats, Buckwheat Flour, Graham Flour, Whole Wheat Flour, Gluten Flour, Wheat Kernels, Pancake Flour, are all lines that are pre-eminent in the quality class. Their goodness is such that your patrons want more. Your profit, too, is attractive.

Start the year right and open the door to success by selling



## GREIG'S White Swan BRAND



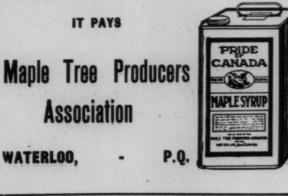


## "Pride of Canada"

Never yet has there been a question as to the quality of **Pride of Canada** Maple Syrups and Maple Sugar.

That this brand is a market leader is an undisputed fact.

Everywhere quality is recognized you will find **Pride of Ganada** Maple goods sold. Grocers find profits good and the line such as satisfies customers.



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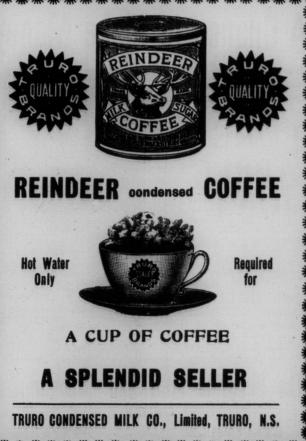
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## Thomas Kinnear & Co. Wholesale Grocers TORONTO and PETERBORO EMPIRE SALT The Salt that's all Salt

If your Wholesale Grocer is not quoting "Empire Salt," write us for prices on straight or assorted carload lots. We manufacture all grades of salt.

Our large production and approved modern machinery and appliances, used in the process of manufacture, insure prompt service and the highest standard of quality.

**Satisfaction Guaranteed** 

## EMPIRE SALT COMPANY, LIMITED

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## There is a Demand for Purity !

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# E.D.S. Brand **Jams and Jellies**

is a phenomenal seller, for the simple reason that you can prove to the buyer beyond the shadow of a doubt, that it is absolutely pure. The unexampled deliciousness of the E.D.S. Flavor is brought about by pure materials and clean methods.

> Agents: W. G. Patrick & Co., Toronto; W. H. Dunn, Montreal; Mason & Hickey, Winnipeg; W. A. Simonds, St. John, N.B.; A. & N. Smith, Halifax, N.S.; J. Gibbs, Hamilton.

## E. D. Smith's Fruit Farms, Winona, Ont.





## JUST ARRIVED

First car of Seville Bitter Oranges to make

## WAGSTAFFE'S

### ORANGE MARMALADE

Ready for delivery about January 7th SEE YOUR WHOLESALER.



# **Rolled Oats and Oat Feed**

We beg to advise the Wholesale Grocers and Flour and Feed Merchants of Canada that we are Selling Agents for The Dow Cereal and Milling Co. of Pilot Mound, Manitoba, manufacturers of the

## Buffalo Brand Rolled Oats—Granulated and Standard Oatmeal—Oat Feed—Rolled Wheat—Pot and Pearl Barley

BUFFALO BRAND ROLLED OATS are well-known from the Atlantic to the Pacific. Manufactured from Selected Manitoba White Milling Oats. Free from black specks and Hulls.

PACKAGES We pack in bags of 90, 80, 45, 40, 221/2, 20, 10, 8, 7, 6 and 5 pounds.

**QUOTATIONS** Write or wire us for quotations C. and F. any station in Canada.

QUALITY Remember Buffalo Brand Rolled Oats are the finest manufactured in Canada.

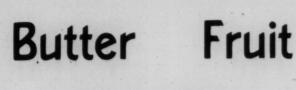
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The best is always satisfactory. We handle Butter, Cheese, Eggs, Fruits and Produce.

Let us handle your stock.

We buy, we sell.

D.H. BAIN

When handling on commission we get best possible price and make prompt returns.

Write us to-day.

### NICKERSON & HART, HALIFAX, N. S.

We Wish

**Our Customers** 

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**Prosperous New Year** 

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Stevens-Hepner Company

Port Elgin, Ontario

Very Happy and

P. O. BOX 352

You are careful as to the source of the ice which is put into your drinking water, but are you sure that the ice which is put into your oysters, en route, is pure? Why not be on the safe side and use the wholesome, appetizing

#### SEALSHIPT OYSTERS

They never come in contact with ice, but are enclosed in a sanitary case of clean, shining steel which is sealed and surrounded by ice in a Sealshipt Patent Carrier.

FOR FULL PARTICULARS, ADDRESS

National Oyster Carrier Co., Kenosha, Wis. Affiliated oyster shippers in all the great oyster districts.

## 1908 Begin it Well

To succeed in your business this year you must be able to satisfy your customers at all times

You can only do this if you are served by a wholesale house with facilities for supplying you with the best groceries at all times. Deliveries must be prompt and complete, and prices right.

We can serve you to your entire satisfaction.

SEND US A TRIAL ORDER.

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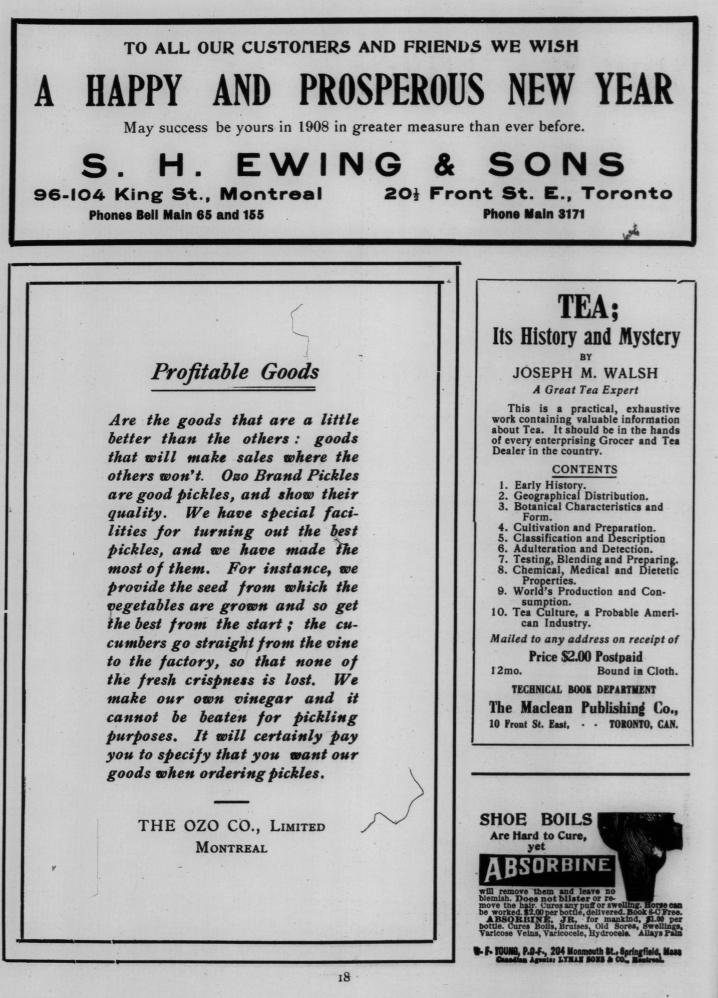
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## Begin 1908 Well

Make the resolution that your confectionery department will be the best in your town. It is a profitable department.

**Pernot's Biscuits** are the superior of all high class lines in Canada, and are profitable. They will do much to assist you in your endeavor.

Prices and samples on request.

### Leon Fontanel & Co.

4-6 St. James St., MONTREAL 20 Rue Resumur, Paris (France) ASK FOR SKITCOFFEE KITCOFFEE KIT is an up-to-date extract, entirely free from the bitterness so objectionable in ordinary essences. By cheer force of merit

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By sheer force of merit it has achieved a remarkable success in the Home Market, and Mc chants in the Dominion introducing KIT to their customers are laying the foundation of satisfactory repeat business. Agents in the Dominion-Montreal City. Mathewson's Sons. 202 McGill St.; Oubec City, Albert H. Duns. 67 St. Peter St.; Outario. A.E. Bowron 18 Ning William St., Wamilton; Winsiper, Masson & Hickey 108 Princess St.

## The Best Selling Brand

Of Canned Goods is naturally that brand which never disappoints. No one would think of asking a second time for a brand which had proved unsatisfactory on the first purchase. That's the reason why you should stock only

## **Burlington Brand** Canned Fruits and Vegetables

It is the brand for the staying trade. Every can is an effective advertisement of Burlington quality. So much so, in fact, that it brings in the much to be desired repeat orders, which come as regularly as clock tick.

The Burlington Canning Co., Limited Burlington, Ont.

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# We Have No Fear

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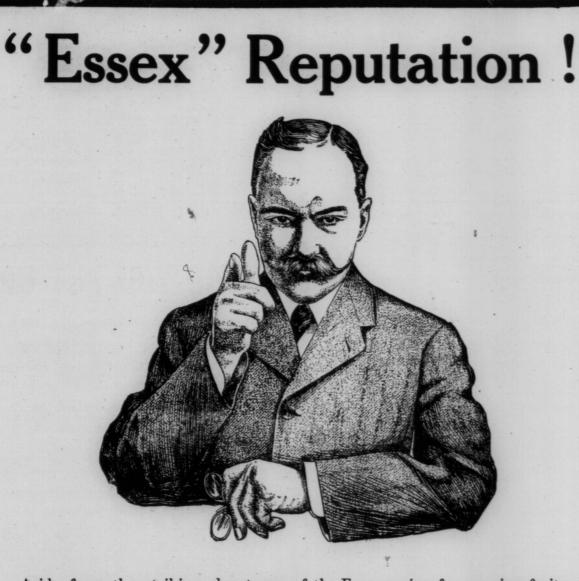
## Old Homestead Brand Canned Fruits and Vegetables is Peerless for Perfect Purity

Purity and the perfect preservation of natural fruits and vegetables in all their deliciousness, are the corner stones of our outstanding success. When you sell a customer a can of Old Homestead Brand you may rest assured that his satisfaction with his purchase will be complete.

> Why not handle the purest and best brand of Canned Goods? It cannot help but pay you. Your jobber is always prepared to ship Old Homestead Brand.

## The Old Homestead Canning Co. Picton, Ontario

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Aside from the striking advantages of the Essex region for growing fruits and vegetables, and in addition to the absolute cleanliness of the Essex factory, we have a reputation for fair, square dealing with the trade generally. We realize the important part grocers play in the distribution of any food product and are making it easier for them to double their profits with

> --Essex Apple Butter --Essex Apple Jellies --Essex Tomato Ketchup --Essex Superior Jams --Essex Pork and Beans

We're doing more general advertising than we ever did—giving housekeepers good and substantial reasons why they should buy Essex goods in preference to any other. That means doing everything in our power to encourage repeat orders, and making it worth your while to give the Essex line the prominence it deserves.

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The Essex Canning and Preserving Co. Ltd. 28 Wellington Street E., TORONTO, Can.



The Canadian Cocoanut Co. <sup>618-619</sup> Lagauchetiere Montreal J. Albert MacLean, Proprietor VANCOUVER, B.C.-J. F. MOWAT & CO. WINNIPEG-J. M. SCOTT OUEBEC-Albert DUNN

KINGSTON, ONT. W. H. DALBY.

### There Isn't The Slightest Doubt

of the fact, it is being proven day by day, that



is the best shoe polish made. 2 in 1 hasn't any leather destroying acids in it. Instead of destroying shoe leather after the manner of ordinary shoe polish, it preserves it. There certainly are strong reasons behind the public faith in 2 in 1.

## The F. F. Dalley Co.

HAMILTON, Canada

Dealers are requested to write for special free deal.



LAMONT, CORLISS & CO., 27 Common St., MONTREAL

## DO YOU PUT UP

Meats Lard Baking Powder Coffee Spices

If you are a manufacturer or packer of these lines we can do business together.

Syrups

You require first-class cans of every size and description; the kind that will give you satisfaction. You want them well made, and you want them **when you want them.** 

> We can supply you. Write us.

ACME CAN WORKS

### THE BEST FOR ALL

At this season particularly our wishes are the best for all, and with you during the coming year, you can do no better than handle the best for everybody.



- is the best Stove Polish you can handle, and every time you get a customer to use it you please him.

Wishing you a Bright, Prosperous Year.

BUFFALO, U.S.A.

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



### Twenty-Fifth Annual Tea Sale

Bargains in every line. Our travellers have some good ones. Write or Phone for samples.

### No. 596 Free to Buyers.

## **BALFOUR, SMYE & CO.**

### Wholesale Grocers,

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## AKER SALMON

We found there was a call for an even better Salmon than our famous VICEROY for the highest class trade. To meet this demand we spared no pains nor expense to secure what was wanted.

QUAKER SALMON resulted. Highest quality Canadian fish. Highest art Canadian labels. Greatest care in packing. Every tin wrapped in tissue paper. First class cases. Prices very reasonable quality considered.

QUAKER is not alone equal to, but is better than, any Salmon that has ever been offered Canadians. This we guarantee.

Quaker Salmon, Flats,	\$2.05 doz.
Quaker Salmon, Talls,	
Viceroy Salmon	1.75 doz.
Empress Salmon	1.50 doz.
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202MoGILL STREET, -	MONTREAL

ESTABLISHED 1834

### **Every Cent Counts**

Every cent saved in your buying during 1908 will make you so much better off than last year.

You can save not only cents but many dollars by buying our

## MATCHES

"Togo" and "Laurier" brands are unequalled in quality and show a larger profit than any other brand.

## The Improved Match Co.,

Head Office : BOARD OF TRADE, MONTREAL.

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## A Happy and Prosperous New Year To All. THE DAVIDSON & HAY, LIMITED TORONTO



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### PRUNES PRUNES Just passed into stock a large shipment Oregon Prunes— Raven Brand (new fruit), all sizes - on which we are offering special inducements for the next ten days-WARREN BROS. @ CO., Limited TORONTO Our Wish is That Yours May Be A Happy and Prosperous New Year May our past happy relations continue. We feel sure that we have satisfied you in years gone by, as we have always kept our stock complete, and have carried no goods we could not guarantee ourselves. In the future, we will have pleasure in continuing our good service. If you have not yet dealt with us, send in a trial order that we may show you what we can do for you. In your order include a request for our "Signal" Brand Tea. It will please you and win you new customers. HUDON @ ORSALI, WHOLESALE GROCERS 259 St. Paul St., Montreal Provincial Agents, "QUICK NAPTHA SOAP" Jelly Powders Which Make Jelly! The trouble with some jelly powders is that they won't make real jelly. If you want your customers to be really satisfied, sell them Shirriff's Jelly Powders Their use results in pure, sparkling, delicious jelly. Imperial Extract Co., 18-22 Church St., Toronto MPERIAL EXTRACT 26



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# **SNAPS**

To assist our travellers who will commence their trips on Jan. 2nd, we have given them a number of special inducements.

As they cannot see every customer first, we want to remind the trade we are here with a well organized mail order staff, and we pay telephone and telegraph charges on all orders.

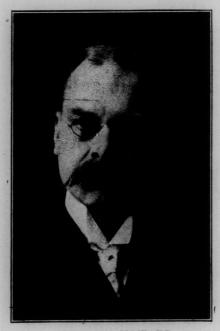
### JAMES TURNER & CO., Limited Hamilton, Ont.



## Travelers' Annual Banquet

### Wit, Humor and Wisdom From the Spee ches at the Big Dinner Last Week—J E. Ellis, Edward Gurney, J. S. Willison and Others Pay Tribute to the Knights of the Grip—A Yery Enjoyable Occasion.

The boys of the old brigade, the fully-fledged and the just-hatched members of that great brotherhood of drummers-more properly speaking, the Canadian Commercial Travelers' Association-



#### LEWIS A. HOWARD.

were all present at the annual dinner in McConkey's banquet hall on Thurs-day evening, December 26th, and a jolday evening, December 26th, and a jol-lier crowd than the two hundred and fifty knights of the grip who gathered around the tables it would be hard to find.

find. With President Lewis A. Howard beaming good humor at the table of honor, were, J. F. Ellis, Edward Gur-ney, Jas. P. Murray, J. S. Willison, Lieut.-Col. Stoneman, Jos. Oliver, Tom McQuillan, E. Fielding, Robt. Algie, and Geo. West. The dinner part of the evening was

and Geo. West. The dinner part of the evening was pretty well looked after, but, as the gentleman beside The Grocer represen-tative remarked, "It came too soon after the mighty big dinners everyone ate on Christmas day to be thoroughly enjoyed." However, by half-past nine the turkey and ices had been well dis-posed of, everyone got settled down comfortably with weeds and pipes go-ing full blast, and through the smoke the speakers of the evening poured out their oratory and words of wisdom. President Howard set the ball a-roll-ing by proposing the honored toast to

President Howard set the ball a-roll-ing by proposing the honored toast to the King, and if His Majesty could have heard the way the big family took up the song in his honor he would have wept tears of joy. Then in a few well-chosen words, indicative of material progress and prosperity, the president followed with the toast to Canada. A couple of bright musical numbers were well received, and then J. F. Ellis,

who, by the way, is a charter member and one of the original directors of the association, proposed the toast, "Our Manufacturing Interests." Mr. Ellis didn't seem to think he was expected to stick to his text, and wandered off on-to a pet theme of his own, which, how-ever, brought out a forcible point. He side-tracked himself onto the question of the evils and dangers of level rail-road crossings and pleaded for the help of the members of the association in ef-fecting a remedy. A membership of 22,of the members of the association in ef-fecting a remedy. A membership of 22,-000 is a big army, said Mr. Ellis. You travelers can do a great work in this matter by watching for the dangerous crossings, bringing them to the notice of your customers, and to the Railway Commission, and educating the people generally to demand adequate provision for safety. Coming back to the toast, Mr. Ellis said that our three chief in-dustries farming, fishing and manufacdustries, farming, fishing and manufac-turing, go hand in hand and must be equally developed to develop the true



JACK WILDFONG, Who ran Around Making Things go Smoothly.

wealth of Canada. With these industries prosperous, the country at large will be prosperous. Our manufacturers are be-ginning to reach out beyond the home markets and this also means success to Canada.

Canada. Edward Gurney, in replying, was in a jovial mood. He referred to his early experiences as a traveler, before the days of the association, "A long time back," as some of the boys sang out, and told of some of the things the tra-velers used to do in those days. Be-coming serious, Mr. Gurney outlined the necessary characteristics of a salesman, whom he described as the main factor in business. "He must be a man of good brain, heart, liver, belly, phy-sique," he said, "and with more cour-age than the most of them. The sales-man should honestly represent the man man should honestly represent the man by whom he is employed. This is the essence of his success." Above all, he must "make things git."

Speaking to the toast, Mr. Gurney immediately climbed to his familiar high-protectionist perch and swatted the Government for its seemingly bad policy toward the local manufacturer. "No toward the local manufacturer. "No agricultural country can be a great country," said Mr. Gurney. "What is going to be Canada's future?. In forty years of business in Canada," he con-tinued, with a wave-like motion of his big fist, "no line of business shows such a small percentage of returns of returns a small percentage of returns as manu-

facturing." In conclusion, Mr. Gurney appealed to the travelers to think and act for themselves. He would rather have the co-operation of the travelers. he said, than of any other body in the country. Be-cause no other body was so close to the factors of business. "Think matters out," he said, "come to a reasonable

out," he said, "come to a reasonable decision, irresponsive of party, and then let the people feel ye !" Everybody felt pretty good after this speech, given in Mr. Gurney's character-istically cool and deliberate manner, and they listened with appreciation while Master Wilfrid Morrison, the boy so-prano, climbed on a chair on the raised platform and sang a couple of solos in a particularly pleasing way.

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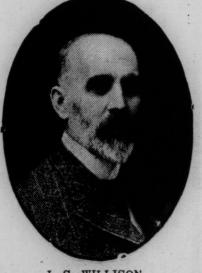
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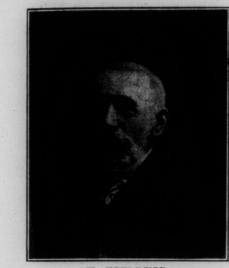
a particularly pleasing way. "'Tom'' McQuillan proposed the next toast, "Wholesale Mercantile Inter-ests," in a bright and brief way, and the three cheers and a tiger which were handed out for him showed what a place the past-president has in the hearts of his brother travelers.

Jas. P. Murray, president of the Toronto Carpet Company, who responded,



said that perhaps if he had stayed longer on the road he might have obtained a better grasp of the gift of gab, and, speaking to the toast, proceeded to tell something of the position of the woollen industry of Canada. Mr. Murray cited

a host of facts and figures, touching principally on the disadvantages which Canadian woollen manufacturers have to contend with, and which are placing the industry in a serious position. After this "Brother" Donald Mc-



#### E. FIELDING.

Gregor, always popular with the travelers, stepped up and sang a couple of stirring songs in a way that brought down the house.

Ex-Alderman Joseph Oliver smiled as if he were perfectly sure of election when he rose to propose the toast, "Our Association," and well he might, for as a past president of the C.T.M.B.A. and for himself he was given a mighty en-couraging reception. He modestly and wisely refrained from any reference to municipal politics, and getting down to business at once, made a neat speech, remarking that Mr. Ellis and his associates had built better than they knew when they had organized the association. With the financial status and the number of members the body was now able to boast, it could justly be called a big and growing success.

E. Fielding, the association's financial watchdog, reviewed the growth of the body, in a comprehensive manner, and spoke of the features by which the organization was superior to an insurance company, from a financial standpoint.

Following this came a generous-in point of length-selection by Highland Piper Hay, late of the Black Watch Band, which some of the "boys" liked exceedingly, and some didn't like at all. It all depended on one's bringing up, as more things do than we usually realize. They all were eagerly expectant, however, when Lieut.-Col. Stoneman, one of the old brigade, was called on. The colonel turned his remarks into a recitation taken from "Songs of a Sourdough." To be definite, he told the vivid story of the "Shooting of Dangerous Dan McGrew," and made the "wild-eyed stranger" who pounds the piano, and the "lady that's known as Lou" do their parts in a manner worthy of an Irving. As a response to a more than hearty encore he gave the familiar and

inimitable "How Bill Adams Won .the Battle of Waterloo."

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Then came the necessary toast to "The Press," proposed by George West, who spoke in an appreciative way of the merits of this influential factor in society.

J. S. Willison, of the News, was there to respond, and he did it jovially and characteristically. But he didn't stick to his text, either, and wandered off into a story of how he began to learn salesmanship as a book agent, and after "failing down" very abruptly, left the business of canvassing for something more congenial. Mr. Willison has a good opinion of the travelers. "I suppose they represent a higher average of intelligence than any other group of men in the country," he said, "and they're just enough mellowed to make 'em fit for companionship." It was pretty risky to tell a story, he thought, because they knew all that ever were, some that were suitable and some that were not. And everybody laughed. Referring briefly to the Press in a manner



BILLY COLVILLE, Who Responded to the Toast to the Ladies.

that no one could regard as serious, Mr. Willison said that it had its virtues and defects, was sometimes devoted to the interests of the public and sometimes to itself.

W. H. Seyler, manager of The Grocer, spoke on behalf of the Trade Press, which he characterized as the organ of business, and, therefore, a supporter and aid to the traveler. As an old traveler he appreciated the joys and sorrows, principally joys, he said, of the traveler's life, and knew what it meant to be "up against it."

Robert Algie, the father of the "snack," who, as he said, had been "gathered in off the street" that evening, was called on and made a telling speech, reviewing the points of the previous addresses, and emphasizing particularly the fact that travelers should think, act and vote for themselves. In response to a request he gave a selec-tion, also from the popular "Sourdough Songs," "The Cremation of Dan Mc-Gee," a humorous tale of the north, in

Then followed a couple of musical numbers, after which John Charles, with his face even rounder and rosier than usual, and with good humor radiating from every pore, jumped up to propose that always last and inevitable toast, "The Ladies." Why they chose Billy Colville to reply to this The Grocer couldn't guess. In spite of the fact that indications pointed strongly to a probability that he would be leaving Canadian civilization shortly for an extended trip around the world, Billy got up and after gulping down a good deal of water, spoke of the great advantages of married life, the indispensability of the ladies, and, as a grand finale, handed out a lot of good advice to those already married and to those contemplating the happy state.

This, with a vote of thanks to the speakers and entertainers, and cheers for the Association, brought to an end late and, by the way, one of the finest dinners the members of the Commercial Travelers' Association have ever enjoved.

#### Through the Smoke.

You just ought to have heard those travelers sing. The way they caught on the chorus of the Maple Leaf and two or three of the popular songs made you think of angelic choirs-or something else.

Did you ever notice how many stout travelers there are? It was quite evi-dent at the dinner. And the fatter they get the jollier they seem to be. Look at Billy Anderson and John Charles, for instance.

Billy Colville didn't look a bit as if he wanted to leave his wife and family to go round the world, when he was replying to the toast to the ladies.



John Charles noted that they always put the ladies and the press together. We wonder why ?

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its pages. But they were good human stuff, and took well.

Isn't it funny that these travelers who can talk like a streak by the hour when they are selling sugar or dress goods always get cold feet when they try to make a speech ?

"And I can well remember my first And I can wen remember my first sale," said Edward Gurney, when speak-ing of his apprenticeship as a traveler. "We all do," came back in a chorus that rather surprised him. We wonder what Mr. Gurney really did do on that first trip to New York.

Jack Wildfong, whose broad shoul-ders carried the responsibility of the chairmanship of the general committee, and who was also chairman of the enand who was also chairman of the en-tertainment committee, was here, there and everywhere, applying oil to make the function go smoothly. He deserves a good deal of credit for the success of this year's dinner. Mr. Wildfong wears even a wider smile than usual when he thinkerbow well things wort thinks how well things went.

#### TRAVELERS' ANNUAL MEETING.

The thirty-fifth annual meeting of the Canadian Travelers' Association was held in St. George's Hall, Toronto, on held in St. George's Hall, Toronto, on Friday afternoon last, and was one of the best attended and most enthusiasmeetings in the history of the organization,

The financial statement as presented was most satisfactory, showing a re-serve fund of \$576,489, the largest in the association's history. Last year's death claims numbered 72 and \$45,812 was paid to beneficiaries. The membership o 8,531. of the association has now reached

8,531. Several matters of particular interest to the traveling fraternity were dis-cussed. Regarding the matter of accom-modation in local option districts a re-solution was passed to the effect that the board ask the government to add to the local option by-law a clause which will provide for the ample ac-commodation of both man and beast and if not that the by-law be declared null and void. The resolution also asked null and void. The resolution also asked that an inspector be appointed to see that such accommodation is provided.

Reference was also made to the growth of the Northwest Commercial Travelers' Association, and it was held by several speakers that unless better care was taken of that part of Canada the association had better withdraw the association had better withdraw.

The president's address referred to the questions of fixing Thanksgiving Day and dates of general elections on Mon-

the questions of nXing Thanksgiving Day and dates of general elections on Mon-day or days convenient to travelers and these were heartily endorsed and will be acted upon. The election of officers resulted as fol-lows: President, Lewis A. Howard, Toronto, re-elected; vice-presidents John Gibson and Robert Gemmell; trea-surer, E. Fielding; Toronto directorate, Messrs. S. M. Sterling, J. H. Wild-fong, Geo. W. Moore, James G. King, W. J. Nicks, James H. Lumbers, C. J. Tuthill, Harry Ellis and A. C. Rogers; Hamilton vice-presidents, John H. Herring and Robert M. Stuart; direct-ors, Messrs. Arthur F. Hatch, W. H. Dean, E. O. Zimmerman, George Mc-Gregor, John Stoneman and P. A. Somerville; Montreal board, vice-presi-dent, S. O. Shorey; director, William Cauldwell. Auditors, W. H. Cross and H. Barber. H. Barber.

### A 1908 WINDOW

Timely Attraction for the New Year Affording Opportunity for Excellent Grocery Display-Good Suggestion From Contemporary Journal.

Here's a suggestion, borrowed from the Modern Grocer, one of our esteemed American contemporaries, which should prove of value to a good many Cana-dian grocers who want a striking and attractive window for use early in the New Year.

Unfortunately it appears a little late to be used exactly as was intended by the original designer, but it will prove attractive, however, as a reminder to customers, and is novel mough to at-tract a great deal of attention.

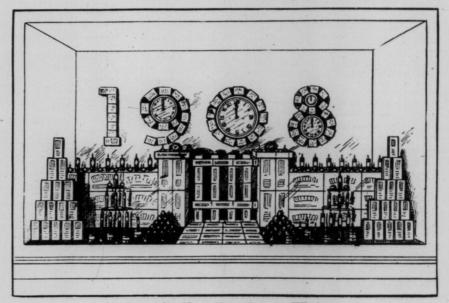
The numerals are built by tacking car-tons to a frame in the rear of the win-dow. Care must be taken to get the figures well proportioned and not too small. If the space for each figure is painted or covered with cloth of a dark color and the cartons are light, the ef-fect will be much batter fect will be much better.

The original idea was, of course, to have the clocks set at a minute to midnight, signifying an approach to the New Year, but since the immediate ocany number of plans which may occur to him and may suit his particular ideas.

#### ARRANGED FOR "SNACK."

### Drummers' Annual Outing in Alton to be Held on July 24th and 25th.

be Held on July 24th and 25th. An enthusiastic meeting of the "Snack" Club was held in the King Ed-ward hotel, Toronto, on Saturday, to discuss ways and means for the drum-mers' annual summer frolic at Alton. Mike Malone occupied the chair, and Vice-president Cecil Hunt made himself evident, as did also Bob Asher, the To-ronto secretary. The following worthy upholders of the Snack were present :--From Hamilton, Bay Hill, Geo. Smye, Pete Smith, Court Thompson, Col. Stoneman and Neil Tufford ; from Al-ton, Robt. Algie and Amos Mason, and from Toronto, Bob Keyes, Billy Col-ville, Geo. Campbell, Billy Meen, Jack Wildfong, John Charles and others.



An Attractive New Year Grocery Window.

casion for this application has passed, the clocks might be omitted without great loss in attractiveness.

The gateway leading to 1908 may be readily made from small cartons, as shown in the engraving, while the wall on either side may be built, say of pack-ages of breakfast food. If perfect se-curity is desired, the cartons compos-ing the gate and the wall should be tacked to a light framework behind.

In the foreground of the window and even on the gateposts and wall, bottled and canned goods may be displayed to great advantage.

great advantage. The floor or covering of the window should be of dark cloth or paper to se-cure good results. A few pounds of sand, covering the boarding, to repre-sent earth, would be considerably more realistic. Indeed, the grocer can make the suggestion given here lend itself to

The date for the outing was set for the last Friday and Saturday in July.

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the last Friday and Saturday in July. The financial report proved exceeding-ly satisfactory, there being over \$100 to the good above last year's expenses. Several committees were appointed to carry forward arrangements for this summer's frolic. One is to consider the matter of issuing souvenir programmes similar to last year. The Toronto side of the concert programme was left in the hands of "Brother" Donald Mc-Gregor. The Hamilton end is again left in the dark, but it is known that this always turns out most satisfactory. Billy Colville was made chairman of a games committee, and others appointed to prize, printing and publicity com-mittees. Bob Asher and John Charles will look after the matter of badges. The next meeting will be held in Ham-

The next meeting will be held in Ham-ilton early in May.

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#### DO YOU KNOW WHERE YOU STAND?

This is a question for every grocer to face at the begining of a year's business: Do you know where you stand financially? Have you any definite statement as to just how much stock you have packed away in the back cellar and in the second storey of the warehouse? Do you know how much this stuff is really worth?

Here is one point where a great many grocers go wrong and get into further trouble. They neglect to take stock. A merchant ought to know at least once a year, and better, every month or every week, just where he stands. Hundreds of the assignments which occur could be avoided if this matter were attended to. Find out what goods you really have on hand and clear it out before you let the travelers load you up with new stock.

And now is the best time of the year to do this work, in January, the slack winter month after the holiday rush is over. The matter is one which cannot be too strongly emphasized.

A matter brought up at the annual meeting of the Canadian Commercial Travelers' Association last week is worthy of consideration by the powers that be. The travelers suggest and will try to arrange that the dates of Thanksgiving Day and of at least general elections be set so as to give them a chance to take advantage of the privileges enjoyed by the "non-drumming" public. The travelers are at home at the end of the week but Monday seems to be the day which would be most satisfactory.

The request seems only a just one. Th travelers are away from their homes and families all week and where such an arrangement is possible should be permitted to spend an extra day at home instead of idling at some point on the road. There are now over 22,-.000 travelers in Canada, a class which is large enough to demand, and to deserve that its requests should receive consideration.

#### OUR CHRISTMAS COMPETITIONS.

Grocers all over the country appear to have taken a great deal of interest in the Christmas window dressing and advertising competitions, which have been talked about in these columns for several weeks. Photographs and sample advertisements have been arriving with more or less regularity for a couple of weeks, but early this week every mail brought large numbers of entries for both competitions, and the matter of judging promises to be no small item.

With the unusual rush incidental to the holiday season it has been found impossible to acknowledge the receipt of each of these entries, but every care has been taken to check each arrival and full justice will be given in every instance. In two or three cases photographs and letters regarding same have not made connection, but every effort is being made to trace these, and it is hoped that they can be straightened out. In the Window Dressing contest the entries have been chiefly from the small-

er towns, showing the popularity with which the idea of dividing the prizes was received. In the Advertisement contest, as was to be expected, the majority of entries were received from city grocers.

The work of judging will be proceeded with at once and the successful contestants will be announced, along with reproductions of the prize-winning windows and advertisements, just as soon as the matter can be satisfactorily arranged.

#### THE AMATEUR GROCER.

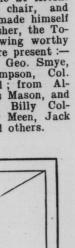
"What about the man who starts in the grocery business in a small way and untrained?" we were asked the other day. We answered that such a man ought to be as kindly as possible discouraged. There are too many such grocers in Canada, and they do the legitimate trade a good deal of injury. A farmer, for instance, who has gotten tired of the plough and hay fork, and has a few hundred dollars in the bank. comes into town and starts a grocery. Or a mechanic, say, who has been able to scrape up two or three hundred dollars in the last ten years, knocks the 'corner out of his house and has the parlor for a store, leaving his wife to run the place while he is at work. Cases such as these are occurring all over Canada every day. Anyone, of course, can run a grocery.

And it is just these people who injure and handicap the best interests of the trade as a whole. They are probably willing to stay open all evening, and thus undermine any early-closing compact. It is this class of people, too, who are most likely to resort to price-cutting. Their expenses are low, wife or daughter tends shop during the day, probably they have no delivery wagon, and cont sequently they think they can, and they can afford to undersell the larger stores. It is this class, too, who refuse to join and to act with the associations.

It is true that in some cases the business established in this way is successful and grows into larger and better quarters and becomes well established. But in a good many cases the result is very different, and in a few months the business goes into the hands of a receiver and several parties suffer.

Wholesalers very often act commendably when in touch with the beginners of such businesses by discouraging, as far as possible, the opening of a store. And in doing so they perform a service which should be repaid indirectly by their legitimate customers. The matter is one which may be advantageously discussed by grocers' and retailers' associations generally.

It is not the purpose of this article to discourage the man who, with some training, begins a grocery business in a small way, with the purpose of building it up. We merely wish to discriminate against the cases similar to those mentioned above when the business is opened as an incidental, or as a scheme, to add a little more revenue to the family purse.



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## Grocery News from Coast to Coast

Items of Interest to the Grocery Trade From Every Part of Canada-Christmas Business Generally the Best for Years -The New Year Promises to Open With a Rush.

#### BARRIE.

Two of our local merchants have had Two of our local merchants have had during the holiday week a good business drawing card in the way of a guessing contests. One merchant had a large glass confectionery jar filled with small white beans, and the person guessing the nearest number of beans in the jar received a handsome china set and like-wise the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th competitor nearest the number. This scheme proved very good for business. The merchant said that his business was doubled by

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Another confectioner had a large sugar cane in his window, which mea-sured about six feet long by four inches in circumference. The person who again guesses the weight of this cane received the cane free. He also said that it was a great boom to his business.

John Jamieson, Fred Grasley, Wm. Maley, Louis Fraser are some of the grocerymen who spent their Christmas at home here.

... The increase in the quantity of or-anges that are now brought into Barrie anges that are now brought into Barrie in the last few years is quite notice-able. Where a few years ago one car of fruit was sufficient to go round the dif-ferent merchants at Xmas time\_ now at least five times that amount arrived this year, the merchants at the provided of the second this year, two merchants buying a car apiece. Other fruits seem to arrive in about the same proportion.

#### KENTVILLE, N.S.

Three inches of snow on Monday, the 16th, made a week of excellent sleigh-ing and made business brisk. The wea-ther was all one could wish until Mon-day, the 23rd, when heavy rain fell and took off all the snow. The day before Christmas was mild and wheels were in the buyers were out in force. The use, but buyers were out in force. The trade commenced early this season and the merchants were in a position to wait on all customers.

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The stores about town have never been so attractive and careful attention was paid to the details of window dressing. The goods on sale, as a rule, were of much better quality than usual, and cash was in good supply. The valley has not felt the tightness of the money market as good returns have been remarket, as good returns have been re-ceived for apples and potatoes. The poultry market had a fine display, and the supply was much larger than a year ago. Turkeys retailed at 20c a pound; geese, 18c; chickens; 15c. The appear-ance of valley poultry is much more at-tractive than that brought from On-tario, and all classes here demand the best. best.

\*Contributions are invited from grocers or clerks in small places or where there is not a regular correspon-dent of this paper.

The merchants have taken a forward step in the town, and with the New Year will close every night, excepting Saturday. This move will be a great help to the clerks, and, it is believed, will be no loss to the employers. This closing will be for January, February and March. Christmas day was like Indian Summer and the lawns as green as in May. It has been so far a most remarkable winter, not a day near zero, and very little snow.

Grocers at Christmas time are pay-ing more attention to keeping a higher grade of confectionery, and are utilizing the advice given by The Grocer from time to time. ...

Merchants all report a most satisfactory week's business, and are pleased at

#### THE BIGGEST HOLIDAY TRADE.

The following item from our cor-respondent in Vancouver sums up pretty satisfactorily the local situation :

"When every dealer, wholesale and retail, tells you that the holi-day trade has been 'the biggest in their experience in Vancouver, there must be the natural reflec-tion that the financial stringency one hears so much about has had little effect on the Pacific pro-vince. And this is strictly true. The attitude of the business pub-lic is one of watchfulness, stand-ing ready to meet dull times if they come, but there is nothing in the local condition to warrant anthe local condition to warrant an-ticipation of dull times. Even the temporary close-down of the big smelters and the mines they serve in the Boundary country, has not been a serious matter. The mines and smelters are starting up again and the local difficulty of wage scale is capable of settlement."

the way it was done, as customers did not put off their buying until the last few days. • . •

We have no poor in this section, and our merchants are not cursed by hav-ing to give all their profits in gifts to customers, as was the case a few years ago. The prospects for next year look bright and if collections are promptly made 1908 should be all right.

#### NEWCASTLE, N.B.

Christmas business last week was (especially on the 24th) the greatest that has been done here for some years. The rush was on the 24th, as bare roads

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and soft weather had prevented many farmers coming to town sooner. Meat and fowl sold several cents a pound cheaper than last year. Owing to decline in rate of wages, the prices of all lines of provisions have slumped a little this month.

Last year the north shore counties of New Brunswick caught about 2,662 tons of smelts, which sold on the ice at 5 cents a pound, but this winter weather conditions are against the fishermen, and the price is hardly half of that of last way. last year. ...

Beef and pork were very plentiful in most places this week, and prices went down to 7 and 8 cents by the carcass, for pork, and 6 and 7 cents for beef.

The list of creditors of Samuel Rob-inowich, of Chatham, N.B., dealer in furs and hides, gains daily. His debts are \$20,000 and he took about \$15,000 of goods with him. The Bank of Nova Scotia has a bill of sale. J. B. Snow-ball Co. and the pulp mills are also heavy creditors and are seeking to have the bill of sale set aside.

George Stables has had his large grocery store rearranged, giving much more show room for his increasing business.

Thomas Maltby, lately employed with Miller Bros., has engaged with Baird & Peters, branch wholesale store here.

F. C. Dennison has on behalf of Baird & Peters, St. John, applied to Campbellton town council for a license to carry on a wholesale grocery there. That will make three wholesale groceries for Campbellton.

The price of milk, seven cents a quart here, has been raised in Chatham to eight cents a quart.

Smelts here continue an extra good eatch.

#### PERTH.

PERTH. We hear considerable talk of "hard times," but Perth's turn to experience real difficulty has not yet come. No factories have closed down and the standing ads. in the local papers "Girls Wanted" and "Boys Wanted," have not been withdrawn. It is true that crops in this district have not been up to other years and that some farmers have to buy hay and straw, but what a good thing it is that they have the money to buy these things, with and have still some left for groceries.

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#### one grocery of any size in Perth which does not advertise regularly. ...

Christmas trade, as far as groceries go, has, I think, been up to former years. Most grocers speak of business being just as good as last year, and as there are two new groceries in town this is a pretty good showing.

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Perth has many pretty grocery windows. All the grocers seem to realize that window advertising pays and so make use of their windows to display and sell groceries. I hardly think any of them can, like your Toronto grocer, trace \$400 to a single window, but I think every one of them have had peo-ple ask for a bottle of stuffed olives like those in the window, or a dozen of those oranges in the window.

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Early closing has a pretty firm hold here. Though there is no by-law, most of the stores close Monday, Wednesday month of December was excepted, but last year we had early closing till the 15th of the month and this well. and Friday at 6 p.m. Formerly 15th of the month, and this year we have early closing between Christmas and New Year's, so that Perth stores are open every evening only ten days in the year.

#### PETERBOROUGH.

There is a by-law in Peterborough to the effect that merchants and others living within a prescribed area must keep the pavement in front of their premises entirely free from snow. The enforcement of the by-law is proving a hard task for the Chief of Police. Some of the merchants believe that the walking is better when an inch or two of snow is left on the sidewalk and appear to be ruled by their own opinion and not by the by-law. There is considerable discussion over the matter and in some quarters the City Council is being censured for passing such a law. The police were kept busy warning merchants after the recent snow storm.

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One of the most popular local grocery clerks is Fred. Walker, who is now em-ployed with R. A. Dutton, George St. It was just thirteen years ago last Sat-urday since Mr. Walker sailed from England for Canada and he has always been connected with the grocery business since coming here. Mr. Walker is quite pleased with Canada—and Peterborough.

#### STRATFORD.

The merry Christmastide has come the sine of contentment is seen on the faces of almost all the merchants of this banner city. "The best Christmas in eight years" was the statement of prominent merchant to The Grocer representative the other daw when ask-ed in regard to the Christmas trade. And it has been a busy season. Immense crowds have been flocking the city streets during the week just closed, chiefly visitors from the outside sur-rounding points, and the purchases of of

the citizens were far outnumbered by those of the visitors.

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From all appearances there did not seem to be very much of a money stringency; in fact the purses seemed to be fat ones and the purse strings loose. But, as another merchant remarked. "the people this year are not buying so many frivolities. They are purchasing more substantial goods and the class of goods that are not only suitable, but useful." And such was the case, generally speaking. ...

The reports of sickness in the city (smallpox) which have been circulated throughout the county, have to a certain extent injured the trade of docal merchants, but during the days just previous to Christmas, there was no indication of any depression in business, as store after store along the main streets was crowded with buyers. The immense market on Saturday brought out a large crowd of people from the surrounding districts and every town-ship in the county had representatives the city who were all gathered toin gether for one common purpose-that of purchasing Christmas gifts for their friends and relatives, such as could not be secured at the smaller population centres.

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There was a great variety of dainty Christmas windows this year, more so than in other years, as your correspon-dent was told, and certainly they were of a bright, cheery nature. Many wo-men put off their Christmas shopping to the very last day. They cannot make up their minds what to buy, what to give to their many friends, and they delay, procrastinate, forgetting that the longer they delay the more difficult it. will be to get what they really want. will be to get what they really want. However, the merchants did their share to help everybody to decide what they wanted. The grocers of the city were not slow to touch up their Christmas windows and give them the proper spirit. The Christmas shopper has re-course to the advertising columns of course to the advertising columns of the daily paper, and it is on the data found there, in ninety-nine cases out of a hundred, that the list of holiday buying is founded. One of the other best mediums is the catchy Christmas window.

Perhaps nowhere could one find a more complete and attractive window than that of the Barnsdale Trading Co. It was a good one. It is under-stood that this window was entered in The Grocer's Christmas window competition, and certainly if the judge was to visit Stratford and see it with his own eyes he would surely award the prize to Mr. Williamson, the popular manager of the company.

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W. J. Norfolk, proprietor of the "Clean Grocery" also had a spiff window for Christmas, and many a pedes-trian passing by stopped to take notice and no doubt walked in and made a purchase. It contained a splendid as-sortment of goods necessary for Christmas.

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McCully & Haugh, Beattie & Co. R. L. Jones and other grocers also had 33

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#### sprightly and very attractive Christmas windows. ....

The Christmas market here last Saturday, Dec. 21, was a very large one, being largely attended by both sellers and buyers. The sellers commenced to arrive very early in the morning and soon the whole market area was jammed. The sellers were lined on both sides of the "midway" and also along both ends, while another long string circled the city hall. Everybody was happy. There was produce galore, chief-by four Every rig concerned. ly fowl. Every rig, or almost every one, contained several fowl. Turkeys, as might be expected, were very numerous. Geese, chickens and ducks were also in abundance. The guality was also of the very best, nice plump birds.

#### SASKATOON.

A new grocery store has been opened on Avenue C by Mr. Creighton. It is also intended to add a poultry and meat department.

The Heagle Cigar Co. have moved their plant from Twentieth Street to premises on Avenue F.

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A. Poole has sold his bakery business to Mr. Booth. This is the second busi-ness Mr. Booth has bought recently, but still make his headquarters on will still avenue. will

A wagon load of big game attracted considerable attention on the streets a few days ago. This was the result of an expedition of a few local men to the woods north of Prince Albert. Two moose, two deer and an elk were se-

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The Saskatoon Flour and Milling Co. will extend their premises in the near future, and already a new boiler and stack has arrived.

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It is now definitely known that the C.N.R. will build a station and freight sheds here next year.

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Santa Claus appeared in a good many of the store windows during last week, amongst the Christmas decorations, to the delight of the young folks especially, but several times it was noticed that the sidewalk in front of Cairn's noticed was crowded with grown-ups, who were anxious to renew their acquaintance with the old fellow who sat within, enjoying himself in a rocking chair.

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A good deal of enterprise was shown during the holidays as regards window dressing in all lines, and several neatly trimmed windows were to be seen. During the last day or two, however, frost on the windows marred the effect from an outside point of view, but inside was all hurry and bustle, especially with grocers and dry goods men up to a late hour on Tuesday night. Many who could not come earlier did their shopping that night and shelves are now considerably lighter. There was a good trade done in poultry, with which many of the dealers were well stocked. Turkeys sold from 18c. to 23c., geese 16c.

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The first freight train to come in over the Grand Trunk Pacific lines pull-ed into Saskatoon last week. The train consisted of sixteen cars of wheat from different points along their route in this vicinity. Although the Grand Trunk is not yet in operation, an effort has been made to relieve the farmers of their wheat in the districts through which made to relieve the farmers of their wheat in the districts through which the new system passes. The wheat will be handed over to the Canadian Northern here for shipment to the east. It is the intention of the company to meet the requirements wherever possible, of the points within their reach, until the regular service commences next year. Both the Grand Trunk and the Can-adian Pacific, although not nearly com-plete, are putting forth some effort to relieve the wheat situation in the dis-tricts through which they run. One of the towns greatly in need of relief the towns greatly in need of relief was Asquith, on the C.P.R., where wheat had been collecting for some time, awaiting the arrival of cars. When a dozen cars arrived last week to relieve dozen cars arrived last week to relieve the elevators, they were pounced on by eager farmers, who were anxiously waiting to dispose of their wheat. In several districts the elevators are still full, notwithstanding the relief which has come, but it is gratifying to see that the railways are getting a more that the railways are getting a move on for the disposing of the crops means everything to the west. If the farmer is given his money he will be in a position not only to settle old scores, but to purchase the necessary equipment materials for the coming season. and • . •

The seed fair held here on the 9th inst. was very successful in every re-spect. There was a list of exhibits more than doubling in number those of last year, and a good turnout of men, who showed great interest in the competi-tion and discussions which followed.

• . • F. Holmes has added a flour and feed department to his grocery and hardware business.

Barber & Smith's butcher shop was broken into and a quantity of butter stolen. The thieves gained entrance by picking the lock on the back door.

. . In the Prince Albert Council for next year is one general merchant and one flour and feed merchant. There is plenty of scope for them to work during the coming year as a good many matters will come up for discussion and settlement.

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At a recent meeting of the Agricultur-al Society at Prince Albert, the ques-tion of establishing a market was dis-cussed. The following resolution was moved and carried unanimously: "Re-solved that in the opinion of this meet-ing of the Prince Albert Agricultural Society, the time has arrived when a public market, centrally located in the

city of Prince Albert, is necessary for the development of the city and dis-trict, and that the city council is re-spectfully requested to take steps toward the immediate establishment of such a market." This is a matter for the new council to take up and if they have the interests of the community at heart, as they undoubtedly have, steps will be taken for locating a market where produce can be bought and sold.

#### GALT.

Christmas has come and gone, and the Galt merchants are well satisfied They with the season's business. quite willing to admit that business has not been quite up to former years, ow-ing to the financial depression during the last two months of the year, but they are not making the fact a public issue. If one should go into any store in Galt and ask how business had been, each and every business man would re-ply that he had no reason to complain. The Galt business men recognize the fact that making a long face and com-plaining does more to injure business than anything else. If the public can be made to believe that business is good and that there is no financial stringency there would be an end to the present de-pression, as men in authority, thinking men, have come to realize the fact that in reality there is no stringency.

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Oliver Chapman, a former member of the staff of Sloan's grocery, now study-ing for the Baptist ministry, preached in the local Baptist church on Sunday last, and his many friends were pleased to note his rapid progress.

Deans & Walker had two very prettily decorated Christmas windows.

A local grocer is not inclined to agree with the remarks of your Guelph cor-respondent to the effect that the giving of calendars at Christmas time is both troublesome and detrimental to busi-ness. "There is," he said, "not the slightest doubt that one and all of us like to be remembered at the Christmas season. If I get out a neat little calen-far and present it to my customers, does it not signify my personal appre-ciation of their patronage, and the fact that I wish for a continuance of the same? And, even though it be only a calendar you can be assured that it is appreciated and the receiver is pleased with the fact that his patronage is ap-preciated. I am quite willing to admit that it is rather troublesome, but who will say that the effort is not worth the recompense? Not one grocer in every ten."

The business in Galt is enjoying its yearly week of rest from the importun-ings of the traveler. The week between Christmas and New Year's has generally become to be known as the week where-in the man with the grip fades into oblivion, and it goes hard with the drummer who has the audacity to in-trude his presence during this week of retirement. retirement.

Acting on the advice of the Chief of Police the majority of Galt business men leave a light burning in the rear of their store all night. In this manner the work of the night officers is greatly fa-

cilitated, as they can command a view of the interior of the entire store.

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Owing to the many requests made on behalf of charity for poor families, the retail merchants have decided on a scheme, which, it is hoped, will elimin-ate this almost necessary evil. The merchants do not object to giving, but their objection is based on the fact that the merchants, and the merchants that the merchants, and the merchants only, are asked to contribute, while the citizens at large are never approached. The association intends to have each merchant set aside each year a certain sum for charity. This sum will be lumped together and will be distributed by a committee of members of the as-sociation, who will look into the merits of each case. of each case.

#### VANCOUVER.

VANCOUVER. On the coast the situation is abso-lutely the same as it is every year at this time. The mills have nearly all closed down for a few weeks, for the annual overhaul. The logging camps al-ways do shut down for the holiday season, so that the shut down of the mills is not the direct cause of cessa-tion of work in the woods. To hear the confident tone adopted by the lumber-men, there is no fear of dullness in their line next season. their line next season.

In building lines the expansion con-tinues and there is as much work as ever under way and projected. In rail-way building there is considerable prospect of unwonted activity next seaprospect of unwonted activity next sea-son. One line alone, the electric tram from New Westminster, 60 miles up the Fraser valley, is bound to have a strong effect on local conditions, open-ing as it does a magnificent rural dis-trict which has been sparsely settled heretofore. In all parts of the province agricultural and horticultural interests are going ahead very rapidly. An en-tire change in conditions as to farm products is marked by the developments products is marked by the developments of the past two seasons, and the be-ginning only has been made.

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Flour prices have again been dropped ack 20c. to \$7 per bbl. for leading back brands.

In provisions there is some shading of prices on hams, which are quoted all the way from 15 to 17½c. Bacon is 18½ to 20½c.

to 204c. Butter stocks show slight variation, nothing coming forward from eastern sources at present. Local fresh butter is in small supply. There is a consider-able quantity of Australian creamery on the market. A large consignment arrived by the S.S. Moana to-day. The price of this will be : Local creamery, fresh, quoted at 40c.; local dairy, 35c.; eastern creamery, 30 and 32c. Eggs are easier in local circles. as some supplies of fresh ranch eggs have come in. They are now quoted at 45c. wholesale. a de-cline of 5c. Case eggs still run from 27 to 32c.

27 to 32c. Local apples continue in large supply. Local apples continue in large supply. The poorer qualities are hardly quot-able, as they sell for whatever they will bring. There is a considerable quantity of good stock, however, which is bring-ing from \$1 to \$1.75 per box. Japan oranges are a leader yet, though no more will arrive until after Christmas. They are selling down to 45c per box, with 50c for an average. Very good California oranges are coming in now, a car of particularly choice ones hav-

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A few hot-house tomatoes are being received, but the price is high, \$2.25 and \$2.50 per box. Lettuce is plentiful, both from Burnaby and Victoria, at \$1 per crate. Asheroft potatoes, \$26 per ton; locals, \$18 and \$20; cabbage, 24c per fb.; carrots and other roots, \$1 per sack ; onions, \$2.75 per cwt.

#### ST. CATHARINES.

St. Catharines merchants made every effort to furnish their customers throughout the district with goods suitable for the Christmas and holiday trade. They spared no pains to make their stores attractive and the window displays were the most artistic that have ever been on exhibit. It is al-most useless to point out one individu-al grocer, for that would not be doing justice to the others. They all deserve great credit for the pains they are tak-ing to bring St. Catharines to a high tone in this respect. I venture to say that few places of the size and population can equal our merchants in their window display. Take for instance ex-Ald. J. T. Petrie. His is a fine front-age, with two large windows, so that he has the space to make a fine display in china, crockery, earthenware on the one side, and toys and fancy goods in the other window. The grocery depart-ment is in the basement and fancy goods on the ground floor. Our merchants stick to the rule of opening busi-ness at 8 o'clock in the morning and closing at 6 o'clock in the evening, Satclosing at 6 o'clock in the evening. Sat-urdays excepted, when they keep open till later hours, excepting the McLaren & Company departmental store, which opens at 8.30 o'clock a.m. and closes at 5.30 p.m. each day, Saturday excepted, when the business closes at 9 o'clock p.m., sharp. These hours give the em-ployes some time for rest and recrea-tion. This firm has lost nothing by this radical change, though they have a large staff of employes. The old system of giving presents to customers, no matter whether heavy or light buyers. has almost passed into oblivion, and now the presentation of calendars has become the custom though all custom-ers are not served with this emblem of ers are not served with this emblem of friendship and of those who are left off do not take the offence lightly, but they are few in number and do not carry much weight.

St. Catharines has lost one of its busiest and best paying manufactories, the automobile works, in which a num-ber of Toronto capitalists are interested which has closed its doors. The plant has been removed to Toronto, presum-ably considered a more central point, and with a much larger surrounding to make the concern pay larger divi-dends. By the stoppage of this plant several hundreds of skilled and well paid mechanics have been thrown out of employment. The company employed skilled labor with a few exceptions. St. Catharines has lost one of its

#### THE CANADIAN GROCER

In other branches of business the sharp, cold weather coming on suddenhas compelled carpenters, masons, bricklayers and painters to suspend op-erations, though there is a large quan-tity of unfinished work which in all probability will remain unfinished until weather permits next year.

Mr. Balfour, the well known grocer traveler, of Hamilton, was in town a few days ago, taking orders from his customers. ...

The canneries have about concluded a busy season of operations and in the numerous factories a large number of numerous factories a large number of employes were engaged, who are now thrown out of work. Navigation of the Welland Canal having closed for the season, and with its employes and mas-ters and sailors having laid up their boats, two other large batches of busy people will be idle until 1908 navigation season opens.

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burning question among its users and many people have removed the fixtures and resumed burning coal. It was ex-pected that when the two companies amalgamated there would be a sufficient amaigamated there would be a sufficient supply for all purposes. The amalga-mated companies expected to procure an extra supply of gas from the McGilli-vray Company, but as the latter has a contract with Buffalo—some of the shareholders being Buffalonians— they would not furnish the home company with the required supply. This failure to with the required supply. This failure to supply gas to their St. Catharines cus-tomers became so keen that the matter was brought to the attention of the city council, who authorized Mayor Rid-dell and City Solicitor Connor to prodell and City Solicitor Connor to pro-ceed to Ottawa and if possible have the ministry check the exportation of gas. Philip I. Price, manager, and H. H. Collier, solicitor for the combined com-panies, went also to state their side of the case and Mr. McGillivray on behalf of his company, was there to of his company, was there to place his side of the question on record. The minister pro-mised to look into the matter and question report later on as to his view of the situation.

The Saturday market was a busy day with the farmers and hucksters who come to St. Catharines to sell their products. Though the day was blustery with a heavy fall of snow, it did not deter these people from remaining on deter these people from remaining on the market grounds until they disposed of what they had to sell. Eggs were sold at 40 cents per dozen, butter at 32 cents to 35 cents per pound. Hay sold at \$17 per ton. Other articles re-mained stationary in price.

Ex-Alderman Joseph Hodgins, the popular fish and poultry dealer, who has been critically ill, is on a fair way to recovery.

#### OHATHAM.

Civic nominations took place here on Monday last. In addition to Ald. Wm. Potter, for three years past a member of the city council, who enters a three-cornered race for the mayoralty, quite a few members of the grocery and allied trades are listed for the aldermanic race. The list included Grocers J. N. Massey and H. A. Andrew, Confection-er E. A. Mounteer and Butchers J. N.

Edmondson and Anson Mounteer. Whe-ther or not all will stand is a question, but the fact that they have been place in nomination is ample evidence that their friends want them to do so. J. N. Edmondson and E. A. Mounteer are both ex-aldermen; J. N. Massey served on the 1907 council, and Harry Andrew was at one time a member of the school board, while Anson Mounteer, be-fore entering the meat business, was the city sanitary inspector. Hence a have been more or less in touch with municipal affairs before.

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After January 1st the stores at Port Lambton will close at seven o'clock on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. This step is in line with a movement which seems to be growing universal in rural centres, to set apart three nights a week as the merchants' own.

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The grain business hitherto conducted at Wallaceburg under the name of Arm-strong & Son will henceforth be known as R. Armstrong & Co., Limited. The management will continue practically the same as heretofore, however.

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Last week the premises known as the Alexandra block, owned by J. B. String-er & Co., the well-known grain dealers, er & Co., the well-known grain dealers, were visited by a disastrous fire. The two upper storeys, occupied by roomers, were pretty well gutted, and the down-stairs, including the firm's offices, were also damaged. The loss to the firm will be about between \$6,000 and \$8,000, he pretty well covered by insurance. Messrs J. B. Stringer & Co. have secured tem-porary offices and the fire will not in-terfere in the least with their grain business. They will rebuild at once.

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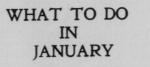
A well decorated Christmas interior A well decorated Christmas interior was that of Mounteer's meat market, conducted by V. C. and A. T. Moun-teer. A nice, clean, good-looking meat display was enhanced by the addition of many-colored tissue streamers. The firm have reproduced their display or souvenir post cards, which they are handing out among their customers—a neat advertising dodge which should serve to keep the enterprise of the firm in the customer's memory.

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That grocers are appreciated in fra-ternal circles is shown by the fact that when Courts Chatham and Kent, Cana-dian Order of Foresters, were recently amalgamated, the three senior offices in the new Court Chatham were all held amalgamated, the three senior offices in the new Court Chatham were all held by grocerymen. The three officers were, R. I. Weaver, chief ranger; J. W. Dyer, vice-chief ranger, and Fred. Ward, finan-cial secretary. An interesting coinci-dence is that the two first named carry on business on St. Clair street, within a stone's throw of one another, and that Mr. Ward, who is the popular clerk in Harry Andrew's grocery. resides a in Harry Andrew's grocery, resides a block away from his fellow Canadian Foresters on the same street.

Harry Andrew, of the Liverpool house, is mourning the loss of his big Maltese cat. The animal, which was a note-worthy mouser, passed away a few days ago at the advanced age of four-teen years. It is generally believed to be the dean of the Maple City's grocery cats

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The Christmas season has come and gone and with it the anxiety and trou-bles of the grocer during the busy De-cember days. For a few weeks there is cember days. For a few weeks there is generally a lull in business, a relapse from the Christmas strain. And it is trom the christmas strain. And it is right here that many grocers make a serious mistake. The majority of men enjoy a rest, especially after some strenuous work. The grocer is no ex-ception and is human to the finger tips like all his brethren. Naturally, he is nke all his brennen. Nathrany, he is prone to take things easy and enjoy a well-earned rest, if, indeed, dullness in business may be aptly termed "rest," But while resting, he should be doing something more. He should be laying his plans for the New Year, studying he cituation before him and profiting by the situation before him and profiting by his last year's experience, he should map out for the ensuing year a plan of campaign, as it were, by means of which his business could be materially of which his business could be materially strengthened. Unfortunately, many gro-cers either forget or neglect this very important task. "Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof," apparently is the motto of many. As a result, they do not make the best use of the advan-teres in the set use of the advantages offered by the quietness in busi-ness prevailing after the Christmas rush and face the New Year in a happy-go-lucky way without any definite plans. Cannot the grocer utilize the compara-tive rest of the early part of January?

#### The Time for Resolutions.

Why not, in the first place, try a few New Year resolutions? Even if you are firmly convinced of the frailty of human nature and, above all else, of the weak-ness of New Year's resolutions, what's the matter with making some definite decisions about your business methods? And, having made some judicious reso-lutions, why not strain a point or two to see them fulfilled and have the im-mense satisfaction of realizing that your New Year's resolutions were composed of more solid matter than that gaseous article known as "hot air ?" There's no harm in it. On the contrary,

There's no harm in it. On the contrary, there is every probability of gain. "But," asks the grocer, "what reso-lutions can I make ?" Reflect for a short time and gradually a series of suggestions, gleaned from past experi-ence, will arise in your mind. Try, for instance, a few "don'ts." Don't neglect to keep your store neat tidy and bright instance, a few "don'ts." Don't neglect to keep your store neat, tidy and bright in every detail. Maybe in the past you have been rather indifferent as to the appearance of your store. But with the New Year make it a special point to cheer the hearts of your customers, es-pecially the ladies, by maintaining a well-ordered grocery. Too much stress cannot be laid on this feature. Of paramount importance is the store

Of paramount importance is the store window. Don't forget to give this the closest attention and make it, as it has crossest attention and make it, as it has proved in many cases, a business-bring-er and a money-maker. Don't allow it to become a rendezvous for dead flies and such truck. By dressing it frequent-ly and artistically, you put the window to its proper use to its proper use.

Pertinent Hints for the Mid-Winter Slack Month.

> Good Resolutions and Stock Taking.

#### Improve Business Methods.

Don't neglect to study carefully and judiciously your business methods. Pos-sibly you have some bitter recollections of being "done" through being careless in giving credit. Know your customers and be sure of their worth and honesty before allowing them to run up a nice before allowing them to run up a nice account. Maybe you have good reasons for abolishing credit wholfy and placing your business on a strictly cash basis. No better time is offered than January for so doing. Should this be your in-tention, endeavor to live up to it, even if at times it should appear to be a step in the wrong direction. It is needless to give fuller details of

It is needless to give fuller details of the "don't" resolution. If you are worthy of the name "grocer," you can easily think of many others which atise. With them mix a good quantity of "do" resolutions. For instance, he civil and courteous in your dealings. Be straight-forward and honest, so that your cus-tomers can rely fully on your hane. Be pleasant and agreeable with your cus-tomers and clerks, too. It pays. Have a system in your store and . take it real. Be a "live 'un' and break away from the class of "has beens." You have, doubtless, many plans along the lines doubtless, many plans along the lines mentioned. Start January and a New Year with such resolutions. The gain will all be yours.

#### Make Use of January Slackness.

Having laid careful rlans for the ensuing year, commence the work in earn-est. Make good use of the slackness in January. Straighten up your bocks, and see to it that last year's tusiness is in a satisfactory shape. Jean out the pigeon-holes in your desks and make good use of the waste paper baskets. Have everything in tip-top condition for a New Year's business. To the same with all the contents of your store. After the hustle and hustle of December days there is bound to be untidiaess in the store. Use your spare time in January to get your store in gcod shape. If your store requires new fix-tures or remodelling, a suitable oppor-tunity is afforded in January.

#### Don't Neglect Stock-taking.

Another most important task for January is taking stock. There is no more opportune time in the year than this month. Even if you have never folthis month. Even if you have never fol-lowed this in the past, turn over a new leaf and begin right away. You don't need to be a big fellow to do this. It is just as essential for the small as the big grocer, for by taking stock the gro-cer can tell definitely where he stands, what progress he has made, what is his exact profit and loss, and incidentally can put his stock in trim for the next twelve months' hattle. There is always spare room after the Christmas season and this facilitates stock-taking. As he and this facilitates stock-taking. As he proceeds with this work, the grocer soon discovers what lines of goods are "sticking." There are generally some

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slow sellers and these are brought to light when taking stock. As a result, the wise grocer will take the necessary steps to push such goods and guard against being loaded with "sticky" ar-ticles in the future.

#### Clear Off Holiday Goods.

Another item worth considering in January is the question of fancy holi-day lines unsold. It is hardly possible that the Christmas ouying will clean out such choice goods as raisins, peels, nuts and fruits, which have been stock-d in articipation of the holiday treade ed in anticipation of the holiday trade. Such lines are bound to become "wasty" if left on hand. Raisins, for instance, will become sugary and dry. The grocer should lose no time in push-ing the sale of these model design ing the sale of these goods and clearing out the remainder of his holiday stock. Knock the price down to cost and clear them out. It is better to have the hard cash than goods which will lise money and he a drug on your hands. And remember the good resolutions.

#### THE WOMAN CLERK.

The following item, clipped from a recent issue of the New York Journal of Commerce, one of the most reputable and highly regarded market and finan-cial journals of this continent. shows how far The Grocer's prestige extends and also how this large journal watches our columns.

and also how this large journal watches our columns: "The Canadian Grocer, which, by the way, is one of the best grocery papers printed on the continent, breaks forth in its current issue into the discussion of a brand new problem in the life, trials, joys and tribulations of the re-tail grocer—the woman clerk. According to a writer in that paper, the woman clerk in the grocery store has become something more than a theory and is a

something more than a theory and part factor to think about. "A few years ago no first-class gro-cery store would have lady clerks," he writes, 'but it is entirely different now They have come to stay, and while one used to feel jealous of the ladies, they have made a distinct place for themhave made a distinct place for them-selves in first-class stores and don't interfere with the male clerks. A good, cheerful, hustling young lady in a store can sell as much as a man and can explain the different processes of cooking different articles better than some men. different articles better than some men. She can dress a silent salesman or showcase neater, and keep the store more clean and tidy and also put new ideas into the boys' heads on window dressing. She also adds a cheerfulness to a store that no one man can. "But one of them is plenty, general-ly, as where two or three are gathered together there is too much talking and laughing among themselves, which is not good for any business. Then again, the young lady does up spices, pepper,

not good for any business. Then again, the young lady does up spices, pepper, starch and other light goods, keeps the store dusted and sees it is done, be-sides a hundred and one things too numerous to mention, and after five years' experience I am glad to say she is a great help in a grocery store, and if you have not tried her it is not too late to and be convinced that she has a place there

The article in question was contribu-ted by our Guelph correspondent and was only one item on a subject which was discussed by several correspond-ents. It is our intention to take the matter up more fully in some future issue.

Markets and Market Notes

OUEBEC MARKETS

POINTERS-Green Teas—Advanced ½c. Nuts—Lower. Evaporated Apples—Easier.

Montreal, January 2, 1908. Montreal, January 2, 1908. Orders of the same nature as those received Monday and Tuesday preceding Christmas were dealt with by the whole-salers the first two days of this week. Business since New Year's Day has not been up to much. City trade has been fairly satisfactory, but country orders were practically nil. English jobbing houses are either taking stock or just finishing, while most of the French wholesalers are waiting for the end of this month before beginning. Collections on the average appear to be satisfac-tory.

Green teas have been advanced  $\frac{1}{2}$ c a pound, while all other grades are firm in feeling. Sugar is steady at the old prices. Evaporated apples are easier by  $\frac{1}{2}$ c. Beans continue to be quoted about the same, while peas are also unchang-ed. Nuts are easier in almost every instance, owing to the holiday trade being finished. Coffees and spices are quiet. Rolled oats is unchanged, while flour is dull. Manitoba feed has declined. Whiting is up 10c per 100 fbs. One line of chocolate is slightly advanced. SUGAR—A fair movement is notice-able in sugar, but prices are unchanged. Green teas have been advanced to a

able in sugar, but prices are unchanged. An advance was talked of at one time, but for the present it seems to have fallen through. It is possible some change will take place in the near fu-ture but by no means certain ture, but by no means certain.

Granulat	t, bbls	
	j-bbls	4
	bags	
Paris lun	, boxes, 100 lbs	5
	" 50 lbs	5
	" 25 lbs	5
Extra gro	nd, bbla	
	50-1b. boxes	
	25-1b. boxes	5
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	50-1b. boxes	
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No.1 "		
No. 1 "	bbls	
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SYRUPS AND MOLASSES—Un-favorable weather has prevented sales of syrup attaining their usual large pro-portions, but nevertheless a good trade is being done. The movement of mo-lasses continues, though it is rather slack this week.

Barbadoes, in puncheons	. 0 314
" in half-barrels	
" fancy	0 324
" extra fancy	
New Orleans	
Antigua	
Porto Rico	
Com syrups, bbls	
-bbla	
-bbls	
" 381 lb pails	
" 95 lb pails	
Cases, 2 lb tins, 2 doz per case	
" 0-10. " 1 dog. "	
" 10-1b. " 1 doir. "	
" 30-lb. " doz. "	

TEAS-Green teas are 1c higher than at the time of last writing, and prob-abilities are that they will be even fur-ther advanced shortly, owing to small crops. Planters are going in for black tea more and more, with the result that green is being neglected and supplies are running short. On all grades of tea

there is a noticeable tendency to higher prices than now rule.

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Choice	0	31	0
Japans-Fine	0	27	Ö
Medium	Ö	22	Õ
Good common			ō
Common	ñ	90	õ
Ceylon - Broken Orange Pekoe	ū	20	õ
Pekoes	0	17	ň
Pekoe Souchongs	ŏ	19	ŏ
India-Pekoe Souchongs	ŏ	174	ŏ
Ceylon green - Young Hysons	ŏ	19	ŏ
Hysons	ň	18	ň
Gunpowders			ŏ
China greens-Pingsuey gunpowder, low grade.	ň	121	ŏ
pea leaf	ň	19'	ŏ
" " pinhead		30	ŏ
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COFFEES-The situation locally has not changed since last report.

Jamaica						 			 			 									 	 0	12	0	20
Java						 			 			 										 0	18	6	30
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FOREIGN DRIED FRUITS AND NUTS-Dealers in dried fruits are handicapped in late holiday trade owing NUTS-Dealers in dried fruits are handicapped in late holiday trade owing to lack of stock with which to fill the last orders of the wholesale trade. There was during the early part of the week a good demand for all kinds of raisins, but stocks held locally were light, and orders were filled with diffi-culty. This applies especially to sul-tanas, for which there appeared to be a brisk demand, for the season, though brokers were not able to supply cus-tomers very easily. There is some talk of a break in California seeded raisins, but it does not look as if anything was going to come of it. Currants have not changed much since last report. Two more steamers have arrived in New York with cargoes, so that the market there is pretty well supplied. The third date steamer has arrived in New York, and as a result brokers there are in a position to shade prices on Khadrawis and Sairs, though they are firm in their views of Hallowees. Some figs arrived recently, which will help matters out as stocks here were not large. Demand is not great though. Some special prices on nuts, for delivery any time now are being made. Grenobles are offered at a price which would mean 134c to the re-tailer; marbots at 104c; cahors at 10c, and French at 9c. There is an easier feeling in Brazils also, quotations being one cent off. Pecans are slightly easier and holders would shade 4c to 1c on quantities. Filberts are not quite so firm. firm.

Filistras, uncleaned, barrels		0 06
Fine Filiatras, per lb., in cases	0 061	0 06
deaned		0 07
In I-ID. Cartons		0 07
Finest Vostizzas "		0 09
Amalias "	0.08	0 08
" 1 lb. packages		0 08
Sultana Raisins-		
Sultana raisins, per lb	0 10	0 13
" " I-lb cartons		0 15
Eleme Table Figs-		
Six crown, extra fancy, 40-lb. boxes	0 091	0 11
Four crown, fancy, 10-lb, boxes		
Three crown	0 08	0 08
Glove boxes, fine quality, per box	0 071	0 08
Fancy washed figs, in baskets, per basket	0 15	0 18
" pulled figs, in boxes, per lb	0 15	0 20
" stuffed figs, " " box	0 25	0 30
Valencia Raisins-		
Fine off-stalk, per lb		0 05
Selected, per 1b		0 06
Layers, "	10 06	0 67
Dates-		
Hallowees, per lb		0 05
Sairs, per lb	0 04	0 044
Packages "	0 001	U UOg
California Evaporated Fruits-		
Apricots, per lb		0 32
Peaches. "		0 14
Pears, "		0 18
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Oregon	prunes	25-1b. boxe	88. 30-4	08			0 11
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**	**		50-6	08			0 194
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Ginger, w							0 30
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Cloves u	shole .			*******		1/	0 20
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 0 25
 0 32

 Cream of tartar
 0 12
 0 18

 Allspice
 0 12
 0 18

 Nutmegs
 0 30
 0 55
 Beans—Beans continue to sell around last week's figures, offerings being made at from \$1.75 to \$1.80 and

in some cases higher. RICE AND TAPIOCA—Rice is mov-ing out fairly well at the old prices, while very little tapioca business is being done.

#### B rice, in 10 bag lots..... 3 10

S rice, less than 10 bags		3 20
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Capioca, medium pearl	0 6	0 07

EVAPORATED APPLES—For fancy stock grocers are paying 10c, but dried apples are obtainable at 9c. MAPLE PRODUCTS—Slight business is being done at prices quoted below, which must be considered nominal.

RAW FURS-There is no quotable change in the raw fur market this week. Soft weather has resulted in a great falling off in trade and few skins are coming forward.

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#### CANNED GOODS

MONTREAL-Fair business is being

done at unchanged prices. TORONTO-Business is very quiet during the holiday season, at prices during the h quoted below :

- Group No. 1 comprises-"Oanada First," "Little Chief," "Log Cabin," "Horse-shoe" and "Auto" brands, also all private brands.
- pup No. 2 comprises-"Lynnvalley," "Maple Leaf." "Kent" "Lion, "Thistle," and "Grand River" brands.
- Group No. 3 comprises-

"Globe," "Jubilee," and "White	Rose,"	brands.
FRUITS.	Group No. 1	Groups No. 2
Apples, standard, 3's preserved, 3's tandard gal preserved, gal Blueberres.	1 20 1 424 3 27 1 3 37 1	1 17 1 40 3 25 3 95
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Gooseberries 2 27 2's, H. S. 2 27 2's, preserved	2 25 2 47 6 75 8 75
Lawtonberries— 2 274 2's, H.S. 2 274 2's, preserved	2 25 2 50 7 75
Peaches -	
1jrs, yellow (fiata)         2 173           2fs, yellow         2 374           2fs, yellow         3 271           3fs, yellow         3 625           3fs, yellow (whole)         3 625	2 15 2 35 3 25 3 60 3 00
3's, white       2       32         3's, white       3       22         3's, white       3       57         3's, pie peeled       9       02         3's, not peelsd       1       77         Gal., pie, peeled       7       52         Gal., pie, not peeled       5       52	2 30 3 20 3 55 2 00 1 75 7 52 5 50

#### ONTARIO MARKETS.

POINTERS\_

Sugar-Firmer. Beans-Declined further. Currants-Scarce. Collections-Slow.

Toronto, Jan. 2nd, 1908. Wholesalers are stock taking this week, making good use of the time not occupied with the usual business. They have had lots of time to devote to it, too, for the holiday quietness expected has been very materially felt. Small rush orders for staple goods have been about the only business requiring attention.

The financial side has been, perhaps, a little less encouraging than last week. Collections seem to be a little slower, though renewals are no more frequent.

The wholesalers, however, are almost unanimous in the expectation of a good opening early this month. Considering the excellent Christmas business done by the retailers and the fact that their buying was more conservative than usual, their stocks in many lines must be getting well down, and they will require new supplies early in the year. The threatened financial stringency is beginning to lose its effect and the fact that the public generally have considerably more confidence than was evident month ago, indicates a good spring's business. The majority of the houses are planning to send their travelers out at the beginning of the week, some even started out on the day after the holiday.

TEA-An advance of half a cent on several lines of greens in local markets was made during the week in accordance with the general appreciation recently in other teas. Late advices from London, dated Dec. 16th, say, regarding the cur-

rent situation: "The rather larger quantity put for-ward for the closing sales has sufficed to check any further upward movement in prices, although last week's rates have

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on the whole been strongly maintained, especially for the lower descriptions. The three weks' interval will no doubt pave the way for a good re-opening of the market, especially if the much desired reduction in the bank rate has by that time come into force. Sellers will then no doubt profit by their experience of last January and refrain from offer-

ing too large a quantity in any one week. "The question of a further reduction in the duty is one which will no doubt be occupying attention in the New Year, and it is to be hoped that organized and sustained efforts will be made to secure the removal of at least 1d. from the present impost. With the public in all probability compelled to pay appreci-ably more for their tea in the near future, there is a danger of a falling off in consumption, while the fact that the profits of distributors in the lower priced canisters are practically nil should suffice to secure the support of all sections of the industry in any endeavor to secure relief. Again, it is a generally accepted theory that a high duty tends to enhance the values of the inferior grades at the expense of the better sorts, and that a low tax has the converse effect, so that any proposal which might improve the comparatively low basis of good teas should be welcomed."

COFFEE-Willett & Gray, in their weekly review, say:

"The crop movement at Rio and Santos for the second half of the season will be small, the receipts still pointing to a crop total of less than ten millions. From what is now known about the mild crops harvested the yield is very much behind last year in the East and West Indies, as well as Central America, Venezuela and Colombia. Commencing with this month there will be a constant inroad upon the world's visible supplies, the hand to mouth takings by the trade for actual necessities being much in excess of the coffee coming into sight. Latest advices of a reliable character touch upon the prospects of a smaller crop again next season and while as usual a divergence of opinion at this stage exists, experts tell of the irregular flowering from which only a small to moderate fruiting can be expected.

On the scale of present consumption Rio and Santos crops of 10,00,000 bags are far inferior to requirements of those grades, now calculated to be 14,000,000

bags a year. SUGAR—Local markets are firm, but with no change in quotations. Regard-ing the situation in raws, Willett &

Gray say: "The closing week of the year, as us-ual, is very quiet, with little desire to do business; hence there is no change

to do business; hence there is no change in quotations or the week, except in the New Orleans market, which declin-ed 1-32 per fb. for 96 test, due to large receipts of Louisiana sugars. "The features to note are that the Cuba crop grinding is far behind last season's, there being only 15 centrals working now against 112 last year, with receipts for the week at the prin-cipal ports of only 1,000 tons against 23,000 tons last year.

Indications are that the supply of Cuban sugar for the next few weeks will be comparatively small, and this gives a firmer tone to the market. "Also it is noticeable that the Euro-pean markets continue their advance, and beet sugar quotations rose from 9s 84d to 9s 104d for the week, closing strong strong.

A review of the raw prices during the year says :

year says: "The year opened with centrifugal sugar, 96 degree test basis (the stand-ard for raw sugar), at 3.65c per fb., de-clining during last half of month to 3.48c; average for January, 3,513c per fb. February declined to 3.38c, averag-ing 3.416c; March was higher through-out the month, closing at 3.58c and av-eraging 3.512c; April continued the ad-vance to 3.765c, averaging 3,696c; May further advanced to 3.92c, averaging 3.855c; June reacted to 3.70c, averag-ing 3,792c; July recovered the decline and advanced to 3.94c; averaging for month 3.871c; August went no higher, remaining about steady, averaging and advanced to 3.94c; averaging for month 3.871c; August went no higher, remaining about steady, averaging 3.917c; September proved the highest month of the year at 3.95c, and averag-ing 3.943c per pound; October declined to 3.90c, averaging 3,922c; November made rapid decline to 3,625c under fin-ancial stress in United States, averag-ing 3,769c; December, with easier money affairs and partial supplies, recovered and closed the year at 3.85c per pound, only 10c per cwt. below the highest of the year; December average, 3.793c. The lowest point of the year was 3.38c per pound (February 21) and the highest point 3.95c (September 11 to October 14). The average price for cen-trifugals in 1907 was 3.756c per pound, against 3,686c in 1906; 4.278c in 1905; 3.974c in 1904; 3.72c in 1903; 3.542c in 1902; 4.047c in 1901; 4.556c in 1900; 4.419c in 1899."

Paris lumps, in 50-lb. bores. in 100-lb. St. Lawrence granulated, barrels. Redpath's granulated Acadia granulated. Phoenir. Bright coffee. No. 3 No. 1 MOLASSES—Business is quiet,	
should open up early in the year.	Dut
87rups— Dark	
New Orleans, medium	0 35 0 35 0 50
West Indian 0 30	0 36
2 lb. Tins, 2 dos. in case	2 40 2 75 2 65
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DRIED FRUITS—Currants were ported scarce in local houses this w but other lines, notably fancy goods Christmas, were slightly easier.	re-
Prunes, Santa Clara- Per lb Per	r 10.
100-120s	0 07 0 06)
Note-25 lb. boxes ic. higher than 50 lb.	
Candied and Drained Peels- Lemen	0 20

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All prices are holding firm this week, with the exception of sugar, which has made a decline in all grades of five cents. All India and Ceylon teas have advanced one cent, and the quotation on prunes is somewhat higher than last

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#### A SAMPLE OF WESTERN FLOUR.

The Winnipeg Free Press has a delightful custom of sending out to its friends every Christmas season some memento of the products of the West. One year a small bag of "No. 1 hard." Western wheat was sent, another time a bag of pemmican, on another occasion an old-fashioned flint and steel, and quite recently a quill pen, manufactured from the feather of a prairie chicken.

These remembrances were always greatly appreciated, and it seemed each year the best had surely come, but this year's gift has again surpassed all the others. The Free Press has sent out this year a little barrel of flour made from wheat grown and milled in the Peace River country. The Hudson Bay Company's mill, in which the flour was ground, is at Vermilion, and is the northernmost mill on the continent. It is situated just 700 miles north of the American boundary, 400 miles south of American boundary, 400 miles south of the Aretic eircle, and 650 miles west of Hudson's Bay. The little barrels were brought from Norway. "Nearer than Norway the Free Press found it impos-sible to secure them," it says.

With the delightful little gift is sent a booklet about wheat, which tells a romantic story of the use of the grain in the countries of ancient civilization and from the primitive methods and here leads up in a brief but most entertainingly-written history to the modern methods employed in the industry in our Canadian West. The booklet also gives some very interesting facts regarding the possibilities of wheat growing in Western Canada.

The little gift is so delightfully unique and, withal, so acceptable, that we feel many of our friends who are interested in the milling industry will miss much if they do not see it. It may be possible that the Free Press has a number of these favors left on hand, and we are sure that if this is the case, and if a request, mentioning this journal, as an assurance of good faith, is sent in, the sender will, if possible, be put in possession of this year's remembrance

#### TORONTO ELECTIONS SATISFAC TORY.

Thos. E. Lytle, the large pickle manu-facturer, was re-elected alderman for Ward Four with a good vote in the To-ronto municipal elections on New Year's Day. Mr. Lytle has been a careful and successful business man and has already made a good rescord for himself in the made a good record for himself in the council.

council. Mark Bredin, the baker, was elected alderman in Ward Three. He was backed by the bakers and made a good show-ing. Frank Johnston, the only repre-sentative of the grocers, made a good showing, but entered the field rather late late

late. The elections generally were pretty satisfactory and with Mayor Joseph Oliver at its head, Toronto council should be able to transact civic business pretty satisfactorily during 1908 and should carry forward the various large projects which the city is just now facing.

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## Some Bookkeeping Pointers

#### Learn the principles that govern correct systems-Who should pay exchange ?- The draft system and its advantages-Very useful information compiled by Howard R. Wellington.

It is much more important to learn the principles that govern correct sys-tems of bookkeeping, than it is to learn any particular form according to which books should be laid out. Any intelli-gent man may learn bookkeeping by acquiring the fundamental principles of scientific accounting, and draw up his own forms according to those princi-ples, the idea being that no one set of books and forms is applicable to every books and forms is applicable to every business. For this reason a knowledge of the principles and methods that are used by the best bookkeepers in any business will enable anyone to vary the forms so as to apply them to any other business.

In a general way, those forms are best which require the least copying, the fewest entries, the least ruling; which require the books of original entry to be posted direct to the ledger, and in which the journalizing is done by means of ruled columns. The best forms should also facilitate, so far as possible taking balances and ascertaining losses and gains. If the bookkeeper criticizes the results that the proprietors wish to the results that the proprietors wish to ascertain, he may be satisfied with his work. Although the merchants accounts are his private records, they also par-take of the nature of a trust, and should bear evidence of being kept hon-estly and in good faith.

If errors are made, they should be so corrected as to show the original error and the reason for its correction. Ac-count books should be so plain and clear as to be understood at once by a stranger who sees them for the first time, and explicit and ample enough for the guidance of an outside party who comes to take off a statement.

When an error is made in posting, above all things never erase the origin-al amount entirely. Some bookkeepers al amount entirely. Some bookkeepers do this, but it should be avoided, for the reason that if someone is called in to audit the books, no trace of the amount is found, although it can read-ilv be seen that an erasure has taken place, the impression being left that something is wrong. Then again the same bookkeeper who makes the erasure, al-though familiar with it for a short time, will likely lose track of the instance in time, and become confused as to the cause. The object of bookkeeping in any es

tablishment is primarily to know the proprietor's financial condition—what he owes, what he owns, and what is due him. If goods are sold, the record should show: (1) That the goods are actually delivered; (2) That the correct charge is made against the buyer; (3) That he receives proper credit when the account is paid. Modern bookkeeping is trying to reach these ends in the shortest possible way, and with the least expenditure of time and labor

#### Exchange-Who Should Pay It?

You may say that exchange on drafts and cheques is a small matter anyway,

and it really is immaterial who pays it. As a matter of fact, the exchange item in a large house collecting the bulk of its accounts by drafts runs up into the hundreds of thousands. The question is, who should pay the item-the buyer or seller?

The practice, largely in the United States, on drafts to Canada and also to some points across the line, is to to some points across the line, is to add exchange charges to the draft in payment of an account, thus making the receiver or purchaser stand this expense. This seems a reasonable custom, as goods are purchased in a certain city and should be paid for in the funds of the same place. The reason why this plan is not general in our own country is probably on account of the fact that wholesalers find it necessary to adopt some systematic method of collecting accounts and as the draft system supsome systematic method of concerning accounts, and as the draft system sup-plies this need, rather than leave ac-counts outstanding indefinitely, a whole-saler would prefer to stand the ex-change on each draft sent out to a customer a when due. collected and have accounts

Of course on a small account, where the goods are sold on a close margin, sometimes there is actually a loss sometimes there is actually a loss in-volved, when it is necessary to make a draft for from \$8 to \$10 and pay ex-change. Suppose an article costs \$6 and is sold for \$7.50, leaving a gross profit of \$1.50. The cost of selling would be about 10 per cent., or 75 cents; the in-side expense, including stationery, post-age and cash discount, on an average about 8 per cent., or 60 cents, and the exchange on draft or cheque in payment of the account to 25 cents, or a net cost of \$1.60, with an actual loss on cost of \$1.60, with an actual loss on the transaction.

It is hardly fair for a merchant remit by cheque on his local bank, when the account is a small one, nor is it right that the seller should be obliged to pay exchange on a draft. Of course in a large amount there is a difference for the reason that a large account can be put through at practically the same expense.

#### The Draft System.

Most merchants to-day prefer to settle accounts by draft rather than by

settle accounts by draft rather than by cheque or money order remittance. There are a number of reasons why the draft system has become so popular : First : Because the buyer has no dif-ficulty in looking after his cash dis-counts, as the seller makes' the draft (unless otherwise advised) so as to en-able the merchant to take advantage of his cash discounts every time. Second : Because it saves a great deal of labor in making up remittances of cheques or money orders and mailing the same so as to reach the seller be-

of cheques or money orders and mailing the same so as to reach the seller be-fore the cash discount period has ex-pired, for all that is necessary is to sign the draft and keep a record of the amount and due date. Third : Drafts accepted, and honored at maturify, are a good advertisement for a merchant's credit. Of course we expect some dealers to take exception

to this method of settling accounts, but these cases are very rare to-day, and only occur when a merchant is not con-venient to a bank, or, in the case of larger houses, a certain day or days are set apart each month as "payment days," when all "passed" accounts are paid by cheque.

A very good plan for keeping a record of all acceptances or notes payable is by the use of a small diary, entering on by the use of a small diary, entering on the due date of each acceptance the amount due and the names of the parties making the draft. The bill must of course be recorded in the bill book for posting in the ledger, but the diary will keep the merchant informed from day to day of certain accounts payable becoming due, and preparation can be made several days ahead of time to take care of the paper, rather than have it returned. This small diary may be bought at a very low price and may be used for innumerable purposes as well. well.

THE REASON OF POOR CLERKSHIP One may go into the stores of the city in search of good clerks and find them—occasionally. There is a dearth of good ones, but plenty of the kind which we would class as a failure. Why do some clerks prefer to talk to

one another than to pay attention to customers? Why do they sometimes stare haughtily at poorly dressed cus-tomers? Why are some of them con-tinually losing sales because of their languid indifference? There is but one answer to all these questions, one rea-

answer to all these questions, one rea-son why there are so many poor clerks. The reason is that they have no in-terest in their work. They work be-cause they have to have some money, and that is the sole cause of their pres-ence behind the counter. They do not care whether a customer is pleased or not, so long as they get their pay en-velope Saturday night. Their chief hope is that their idleness or offensiveness will not call down on them the wrath of those in authority. of those in authority.

of those in authority. Until an employe can find interest in the work there is absolutely no hope of that employe's becoming an efficient clerk. Do not imagine the customers do not know the difference—they do. They resent inattention, supercilious-ness, rudeness, languid lack of interest, impatience. They may say nothing about it, but they know. Nor do we desire to gloss over the trials of the clerk. They are many. There are fussy customers who frazzle out the patience of the best. There are rude customers and unreasonable cus-tomers. But think that if all custom-ers were machines, if none of them

tomers. But think that if all custom-ers were machines, if none of them showed any feeling, if all were alike, no chance for skill in salesmanship would ever come. A machine would be invent-ed to wrap up goods and hand them out out

out. The clerk has wonderful chances for becoming proficient. Without interest in the customers, in the goods and in the work there can be no good sales-manship.—Oregon Tradesman.

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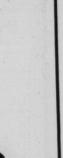
NEW DESK FOR THE NEW YEAR. T. Kinnear, sr., of the firm of T. Kinnear & Co., wholesale grocers, sits at a bran' new desk this week and smiles broadly every\* time he thinks of it. On Tuesday morning, Mr. Kinnear was called out before the office staff and travelers and presented with a new roll-top desk, a regular beauty, in quarter-cut oak, with rounded front and drawers, specially fitted for his requirements. The presentation was made by W. B. Campbell, the firm's oldest employe, who spoke of the gift as an evidence of the employes' regard for the head of the house. Mr. Kinnear made a characteristic reply. He is so delighted with the new desk that he has about all his visitors sit down in front to try it.

Harry Gillett, general merchant, of Olds, Alta., has been succeeded by Wm. Darlin.



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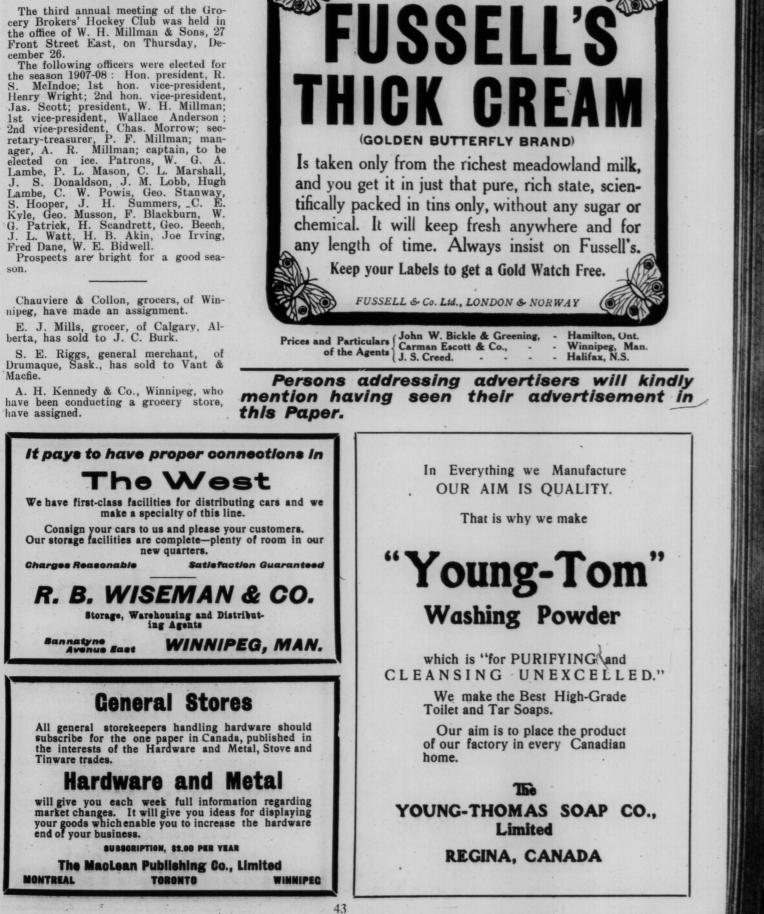
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## Dairy Produce and Provisions

#### CHEESE AND BUTTER BULLETIN

Firmness has characterized the cheese market during the past couple of weeks despite the usual holiday dullness. Transactions have not been numerous since the beginning of the last week in December, nor is trade expected to brighten up very considerably until next week. Some sales have been made, how-ever, and sellers have obtained their price. price

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The knowledge that the market here is not overly well supplied has resulted in the market holding more firmly than otherwise it would. It is admitted by everybody that stocks are low, consider-bly below what they were this time ably below what they were this time last year and the receipts are practical-ly nil. With the best part of the winter to go through one can see that cheese dealers are rather anxious about the situation

From England comes the news, more strongly confirmed each week, that the make there has turned out not nearly so large as it was reckoned. And the English trade is depending more upon Canadian cheese than they thought they would.

Any cheese which leaves Montreal will be sold at a good price, for stocks are in the hands of strong men who can afford to carry the goods for a price. Prices range from 13c to 131c this

week, the latter figure not being easily obtainable. It is expected that a firmer feeling will prevail after the middle of the month, while present prices will cer-tainly hold steady in the meantime, if tainly hold steady in the meantime, if one is to judge from present conditions. Receipts of cheese last week amounted to 1,471 boxes, against 970 boxes pre-vious week, and 739 boxes same week last year. Total receipts for the season amount to 2,052,851 boxes, against 2,-347,464 boxes same period in 1906. Holders of October creamery butter are quoting around last week's figures,

28e to 28½e, with 29e asking for small lots. Continued demand locally and for the west is eating up the stocks here, which are not large by any means. It is generally expected that there will be a shortage before the new season's butter comes on the market in any quantity. Opinions as to stocks held vary con-siderably. A conservative estimate places holdings around 30 000 to 35,000 packages, while others place the stocks at higher figures, one house of standing being of the belief that there are fully 45,000 packages obtainable in Montreal. Those handling current receipts are somewhat easier in their views, but there has been no material change in quotations, which run about the same as last week. Some are getting 27c for what they have to offer, while more are selling at figures ranging between 26c and 26.

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As is usual at this season, trade is not particularly brisk. Retailers have secured stocks sufficient to carry them over the holidays and are paying more attention to fancy lines than to staples such as butter and cheese. About the middle of this month, however, they will again be in the market and busi-ness will pick up considerably. Meantime the make is not large. Sev-

eral creameries will be shutting down about the first of the year and receipts will be slight during January and Feb-

ruary as a result. Figures show that 2,249 packages were received last week against 1,815 packages same week a year ago. Total receipts for the season amount to 404,-930 packages, against 598,664 packages same period 1906.

Dairy butter is quoted about the same as last week, 24c to 25c, according to quality and quantity. Rolls are selling around 24½c and 25c. Stocks held are light.

#### THE PROVISION SITUATION

The hog markets have felt very seriously the dullness which has been affecting holiday business generally the past week, and things are very quiet among Canadian packers. Just how quiet matters are can be seen from the statement of a leading packer this week. Our average receipts, he said, are around 2,000 hogs. Last week we got only two cars, or 120. Farmers seem to be too busy observing the holiday season to pay any attention to delivering hogs, evi-dently expecting better prices at the turn of the season.

of the season. Prices have advanced slightly since last reports. F.O.B., country points, are bringing \$5.50, fed and watered, about \$5.75, and at factory, \$5.90. The provision market, indeed, seems quite everywhere. The English people, as is well-known, pay a good deal more attention to celebrating Christmas than we do here even to the point of neglect. we do here, even to the point of neglect-

ing business altogether. As a consequence, the English market last week was in an unusually quiet condition. Other causes also contributed to this. Danish deliveries were less than 40 per cent. of the usual aggregate, and American shipments also were exceedingly light.

The following paragraph from the New York Journal of Commerce sum-marized the week's situation in the American market:

"There has been very little interest in hog products the past week, which has been duller even than holiday custom, as nobody would buy anything be-yond this year's requirements on account of January settlements with tight money, while prices have been so high as to prevent any anticipation of future wants by dealers. Packers have shown little disposition to interfere with the course of prices either way by buying

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or selling more than necessary for hedging against their current production. which has been, perhaps, more general than usual owing to the late tightness in money. Prices of hogs have been a little higher in the West on less heavy receipts than the previous week, and there has been less manipulation of prices of both hogs and products than for the last two months; and both seem more settled, though it may be simply the holiday inactivity awaiting develop-ments after the new year. There has been no feature in the cash trade worth mentioning, except that late last week, and not reported till this week, the United Kingdom took 700 boxes of bacon in the West, the first in some weeks; and city curers have been after green meats, as offerings have been light both of city and Western and prices firmer, while cured meats have been easier owing to indifferent demand since the panic and for the holidays."

#### MONTREAL.

PROVISIONS-Owing to the holiday in the middle of the week trade was quiet, smoked meats hardly moving. Heavy lines were quiet also, while there was a fair trade in lard at the old quotations.

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BUTTER-There has been a somewhat easier feeling in fresh made butter, but prices have not been affected. Fall make continues stead at old auotations with stocks gradually becoming very low. Dairy is scarce and firm. Nice fresh rolls are very hard to procure and

 command a good price.
 0 27 0 78

 Creamery, sinter make, boxes
 0 27 0 78

 Oreamery, winter make, boxes
 0 27 0 78

 Dairy tube.
 0 28 0 27

 Fresh large rolls
 0 23 0 23

CHEESE-Firmer feeling is noticeable in cheese this week, though dealers have not advanced their prices. Stocks have not advanced their prices. Stocks held are considerably below what they were a year ago and it is likely that there will be a good demand from Eng-land after the middle of this month, when the retail trade will also begin to buy again, so that there may be a shortage, and possibly higher prices.

EGGS-Good eggs are worth the price asked for them to-day, for they are scarce. Higher values are expected to rule next month, or perhaps towards the end of this, as stocks held are not large

and receipts are almost nil. One house is holding quite a lot of pickled eggs for higher prices, which must be obtained unless the eggs are put on the market at a loss.

 Selects
 0 24 0 25

 No. 1
 0 20 ( 21

 Seconds
 0 16 0 17

HONEY-Nominal prices continue. 
 White clover comb honey.
 0 14 0 15

 Buckwheat, ext-acted.
 0 08 0 08

 Clover, strained, bulk.
 0 10 0 11

POULTRY-Monday and Tuesday of this week excellent business was trans-



acted for the new year trade, but later days did not witness such demand, and prices will likely show some falling off-now that the two feast days are past. First-class stock was none too plentiful and all arriving was quickly taken up by eager grocers.

 Turkey, per lb.
 0 13

 Chickens and fowls, lb.
 0 07 0 094

 Geese
 0 88 0 695

 Ducks
 0 10 0 11

#### TORONTO.

PROVISIONS—No special feature is noticed in the market. On the whole, it is quiet, though prices remain fairly steady. Hams are not selling briskly. Beef products are slow and a slight de-crease has occurred in forequarters and hindquarters. Venison is done. Lard has an easier feeling has an easier feeling. ..... 0 101 0 11

Long clear bacon, per lb.....

Smoked breakfast	bacon, per lb	 0 15	0 11
Roll bacon, per l		 0 10	0 11
Small hams, per lt		 0 14	0 15
Medium hams, p	r lb	 0 13	0 14
Large hams per	b	 0 13	0 13
Shoulder hams, ne	r lb	 0 10	0 115
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" front quarter	8	 4 00	8 00
choice carca		 1 50	
common		 4 50	5 50
Mutton			0.08
Lamb		 0 08	0 69
Hogs, street lots			7 25
Veal		 0 08	0 09

steady. Supplies are good and the de-mand is sharper. Creamery solids are being quoted at 28c flat.

	Per ID.
Creamery prints Creamery solids	0 23 0 3, 0 28
Dairy prints, choice	0 26 0 27
" tubs choice	0 22 0 24
" tubs, ordinary Baker's butter	0 20 0 22 0 20 0 21
EGGS-Eggs are a shade though no definite decline has Limed are selling a point lowe	happened.
Eggs, candled	
CHEESE-There is no change. Prices remain firm.	material
Cheese 1 rge	
Honey-The situation is fe	atureless.

Prices remain high. . 0 12 0 13 strained 40 lb tins

	" 10 lb tins	0 124	0 13
**	** 51b tins		0 13
	in the comb, per dos	\$ 50	3 00
Buckwh	eat honey, per lb	0.8	0 10
	" in comb, per doz	1 25	1 50

POULTRY-Business continues good. Prices are firm. The market generally is in a healthy condition. If anything, there is a scarcity of good fowl, chiefly turkeys. Some turkeys have been sold at 18c, but the general price is from 13c to 17c.

#### Live Weight. Lave Weight. 0 05 0 07 Old fowl. 0 04 0 05 Dugks 0 06 Geëse. 0 06 Turkeys. 0 09 0 10 Dressed weight.

The general store of Chas. Horwitz, Selkirk West, Man., has been destroyed by fire.

#### ARTIFICIAL HONEY.

German Professor Tells of Process Which Simulates the Bee's Product.

Which Simulates the Bee's Froduct. Prof. Herzfeld, of Germany, recently brought out some interesting points re-garding the manufacture of artificial honey in Europe. It is noticed that when we bring about the inversion of refined sugar in an almost complete manner and under well determined con-ditions, this sugar solidifies in the same way as natural honey after standing for a long time and it can be easily redisa long time and it can be easily redis-solved by heating. Owing to the in-creased production of artificial honey, the bee cultivators have been agitating the bee cultivators have been agitating the question so as to protect them-selves, and it is proposed to secure le-gislation to this effect. one point being to oblige the manufacturers to add some kind of product which will indi-cate the artificial product. On the other hand, it is found that the addi-tion of inverted sugar to natural honey tends to improve its quality and especi-ally to render it more easily directed. Seeing that sugar is about the only ali-mentary matter which is produced in an absolutely pure state, its addition to honey cannot be strictly considered as an adulteration. Bees often take pro-ducts from flowers which have a bad taste and the chemist Keller found that honey coming from the chestnut tree sometimes has a disagreeable flavor. From wheat flowers we find a honey which has a taste resembling bitter al-monds. and honey from asparagus Seeing that sugar is about the only alimonds, and honey from asparagus flowers is most unplatable. Honey taken from the colza plant is of an oil na-ture, and that taken from onions has ture, and that taken from onions has the taste of the latter. In such cases, the honey is much improved by the ad-dition of inverted sugar. Prof. Herzfeld gives a practical method for preparing this form of sugar. We take 1 kilo-gramme (2.2 pounds) of high quality, refined sugar in a clean enamelware ves-sel, and add 300 subic centimeters (10 fluid ounces) of water and 1.1 grammes, (17 grains) tartaric acid. This is heated at 110 deg. C. over an open fire, stir-ring all the while, and is kept at this heat until the liquid takes on a fine gol-den yellow color, such operation lasting for about three-quarters of anW hour. By this very simple process we can easily produce artificial honey. Numer-ous extracts are now on the market for easily produce artificial honey. Numer-ous extracts are now on the market for giving the aroma of honey, but none of them will replace the natural honey. However, if we take the artificial pro-duct made as above and add to it a natural honey having a strong aroma, such as that which is produced from heath, we can obtain an excellent semi-honey—Scientific American.

#### TRADE NOTES.

Senator Robert Jaffray, Toronto, was in Montreal last week.

J. E. Morin, of P. Poulin & Co. Montreal, was in Ottawa this week.

W. C. Murray, Quebec representative of E. W. Gillett Co., Ltd., called at The Grocer office this week.

A very pretty colored calendar is being sent out by Hudon & Orsali, wholesale grocers, Montreal.

A Montreal grocery house has adopted the plan of having its travelers take stock. The men are in for the holidays and doing nothing, so are given this op-portunity of becoming well acquainted with the stock.

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DAIRY PRODUCE AND PROVISIONS

#### GET THIS IN YOUR LOCAL PAPER.

The following article seems to strike The following article seems to strike on the head the cause of the so-called financial stringency which is being felt to some small extent in Canada just now. It is well worth being spread broadcast. It would be well worth the trouble on the part of our readers to take this issue to the editors of their local newspapers, draw attention to article and induce them to publish it. It will be just as useful to the publish-er as to the retailer Panics are always irrational, because they are born of unintelligent fear, or

Panics are always irrational, because they are born of unintelligent fear, or because they greatly increase the pos-sibilities of peril. There are many oc-casions which justify a panic. When a real danger comes, the first duty is to keep one's mind at the highest point of intelligent action, and to keep one's emotions out of sight and hearing. In the face of a great danger a man ought emotions out of sight and hearing. In the face of a great danger a man ought to listen to his judgment, not to his emotions. The worst feature of a panic is that it makes men cowards when it does not make them brutes; and the special form of cowardice which comes with financial stress is unwillingness to with financial stress is unwillingness to part with money, the tendency to hoard what one has and increase the peril, in-stead of generously giving it out and thus removing the cause of the peril. In every stringency a host of people be-gin by not paying small bills even more than large ones which prolongs hard times, and unjustly and unnecessarily lays a heavy burden on the backs of some of the most prudent and honest members of the community. An honest man always pays his debts. If misfor-tune overtakes him the day of the dis-charge of his obligation is only postwith financial stress is unwillingness to charge of his obligation is only postponed; it comes as soon as he can make ready for it. But in a time of panic it is every man's pressing duty to pay his debts with the utmost promptness.

There are hosts of people to-day who have money in hand and are letting their grocers, butchers, milkmen and others who supply the necessities of life 'go unpaid simply because they are timid in a city back and, like some country and city bank, want to collect and keep as much money on hand as possible; as if money were for hoarding and not for circulation. This small-minded precaution is bringing misfortune to many industries and faithful men and women. Those who supply the means of life, whose com-ing and going from the house are part of the daily routine of keeping the family alive, ought to be the very last to suffer from delayed payment. As a mat-ter of fact, they are the very first. People who can still spend money upon the theatre, the opera, concerts, and other forms of entertainment, are letting their grocers, butchers, and milkmen go un-paid, thus contributing to the very con-dition which makes them cowardly. dition which makes them cowardly. There is no longer any reason for ti-midity; but if there were, the duty of paying one's small debts with as great promptness and as deep a sense of responsibility as one pays one's large debts would press still more impera-tively. It is a great deal more honor-able to have a small bank account and no unpaid bills in the house than to have a large bank account made up by keeping money which belongs to other people. The first duty of an honorable man in a time of stringency is to see that he is not transferring to those who furnish the necessities of life the burden which he ought to bear himself.-The Outlook.

#### RETURNS TO ONTARIO.

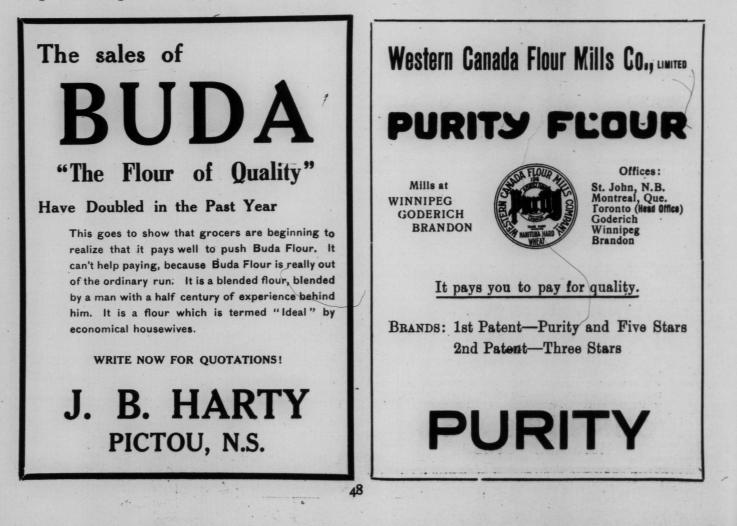
Edward F. Qua has returned from Edmonton, where he was connected with the Dominion Brokerage Co., and will again represent the MacLaren Imperial Cheese Co. He will cover Ontario, from Ottawa to Windsor. It will be remem-bered that Mr. Qua received his early training with the MacLaren Imperial Cheese Co., under the tutelage of Henry Wright, which, combined with his ex-perience under western conditions, should make him a valuable acquisition to the selling organization of this pro-gressive concern. gressive concern.

#### NEW CHOCOLATE BARS.

The travelers of Messrs. Mathewson's Sons, of Montreal, will have samples of Meurisse's orange cream bars on their present trips. This novelty in Canada has proved itself to be the best seller of its kind the world over. T. E. Charest, manufacturers' agent, St. Gabriel street, Quebec, is presenting these goods to the trade in Quebec and vicinity.—Advt.

Harold Hill, son of Rowland Hill, of

Harold Hill, son of Rowland Hill, of Valleyfield, Que., has taken a position in the store of J. A. Hopkins, on \_Do-vercourt Road, Toronto. H. Hubbard, of Montreal, agent for Brand's A.1. Sauce, was in Toronto last week, and is now on a trip to the coast on business.



## CEREALS AND CONFECTIONERY

#### Wheat Market Stronger, Though Holiday Dullness Continues-Visible Supply of Wheat and Corn Greater, Oats Less.

The dullness usual at the holiday sea-on prevails in Canadian markets this The duliness usual at the holiday sea-son prevails in Canadian markets this week. Though many mills have closed down for the holiday season, business seems to continue encouragingly steady. The wheat market, however, has shown signs of greater activity, probably on account of a stronger tone in the west, and if this feeling continues it seems

account of a stronger tone in the west, and if this feeling continues it seems likely to result in an advance in flour immediately after the holiday season. Shipments to Great Britain and Eur-ope have fallen off considerably as a re-sult of the great interference with busi-ness caused by the holiday season there. About 30 per cent. of Saturday's in-spections graded "northern," with a slightly higher percentage of inferior. Intermediate grades were more con-spicuous than usual. Returns showed inspections of 132 cars, against 107 for the corresponding day last year, Grad-ings were: No. 1 northern, 6 cars; No. 2 northern, 15 cars; No. 3 northern, 19 2 northern, 15 cars; No. 3 northern, 9 cars; No. 2 northern, 15 cars; No. 3 northern, 19 cars; No. 4, 14 cars; No. 5, 15 cars; No. 6, 12 cars; winter wheat, 6 cars, and other grades, 45 cars. Eighteen cars of oats, 4 of barley and 7 of flax were inspected.

were inspected. The visible supply of wheat in Canada and the United States increased 1,342,-000 bushels, compared with an increase of 891,000 a year ago. Corn increased 568,000, compared with 114,000 last year. Oats decreased 157,000, and last year increased 44,000 year increased 44,000.

World's shipments of wheat during the past week were estimated at 8,307,000 bushels, America contributing 6,488,000 bushels toward this total. For two con-secutive weeks there have been no shipments of wheat from India. Stocks of wheat at Port Arthur and Fort Wil-liam increased 1,224,000 bushels during the past week. There are now 5,850 bushels of wheat in store at the head of the lakes.

#### MONTREAL.

FLOUR-As is usual at this season, business is not brisk. The wheat market has shown more activity, and if the strength continues it will no doubt re-sult in an advance in flour after the re-action from the holiday trade passes.

Winter wheat p	atents		 	
Straight rollers.			 	4 70
Extra			 	4 00
Boyal Househol	d,		 	
Gisnors			 	
Manitoba spring	wheat pate	ents	 	
	bakers			
DIVE KOSES			 	

ROLLED OATS—There is a little busi-ness being done in rolled oats, but not a great deal. Prices allow the buyer a wide range. Few houses quote the same figures.

Fine oatmeal, bags	3 20
Standard oatmeal, bags	3 20
Golddust commeal, 98-1b bags.	2 25
White commeal 1 65	1 75
Bolled oats, 90-lb. bags	3 95
" bbls 6 10	6 90

FEED—There has been a decline of \$2 in Manitoba feed, while bran has drop-ped \$1. Business is limited.

Ontario bran	22 0	0 1	13	(0)
Untario shorts	24 0	0 5	25	00
Manitoba shorta	23 0		5	00
Dran			8	00

#### TORONTO.

FLOUR-The market is steady, but quiet and the effect of the holiday sea-son is quite apparent. Indications point to a stronger tone and possibly to ad-vances early in the year. Last week's quotations still rule.

Winter Wheat

CEREALS—The market is dull with a small amount of business passing. Lo-cal points continue to supply adequate quantities of oats to meet the demand. Prices are unchanged.

#### WHAT ACREAGE REDUCED.

#### Punjab District Suffering Because of Continued Drought.

Recent reports indicate that there has been a remarkable diminution in wheat planting in the Punjab, because of the prolonged drought.

The area has been reduced from 9,-000,000 to 5,000,000 acres. Many of the permanent canals are running short, while the irrigation canals are quite dry.

#### TRADE NOTES.

John Teng, New Liskeard, Ont., has

opened a grocery store. J. & A. Matthews, general merchants of New Liskeard and Cobalt, have assigned.

R. Clemes & Son, grocers, of To-ronto, have been succeeded by E. Raines

& Co. W. J. Bailey, Didsbury, Alta., has taken over the grocery store of N. B. Good.

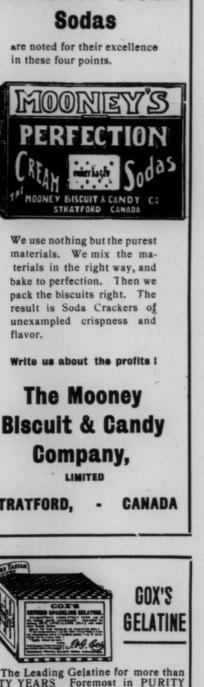
W. Anderson, Medicine Hat, Alta.,

has opened a grocery store. The general store of W. A. Clark, Bladworth, Sask., was destroyed by fire last week.

R. A. Treleaven, confectioner, of Han-ley, Sask., has made an assignment. A. S. & A. T. Horswell, Nelson, B.C. have taken over the grocery of R. M. Hood & Co.

C. Penny, general merchant, of Cape Sable Island, N.S., has assigned. G. K. Percey & Co., general mer-chants, of Botwoodville, Nfld., have assigned.

F. W. Hunt, grocer, of Amherstburg, Ont., has made an assignment. M. F. Pinkerton, Ottawa, has bought the Rideau Street branch of F. A. Scott & Sons, grocers.



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#### KINGSTON CORRESPONDENCE.

Who said "limerick ?"." Whoever started the scheme should get a pension. Sir ed the scheme should get a pension. Sir Thomas tried hard to get the silver cup, with his yachts, failing which, he turn-ed all his attention to the china tea cup, and if advertising will win, he de-serves to get them. I tell you, when dollars are held up, people look up to them. My, how they jump ! Even in church, when the minister is trying to impress people with the importance of the future, they are trying to think out something that will rhyme with tea. But limericks will have their little day and then cease to be, like all such and then cease to be, like all such and then cease to be, like all such schemes that set the public crazy in trying to get something for nothing. Last year it was the gold mine craze, when everybody emptied their pockets, and, if the truth was known, this had a lot to do with the present crisis. Travelers tell me they never in all their everyper in all

their experience, found collections so bad. Credit system again. Retailers push their customers for money, and the wholesaler pushes the retailer. A big failure is reported near Pembroke, in which Kingston and Toronto merin which Kingston and Toronto mer-chants can sympathize with each other. ...

Kingston has too many grocery stores and yet there are wholesalers who en-courage men to open up if they think they have a few hundred dollars in cash. Everything looks lovely, for the first few months. The new man does a big trade AU the new does are not cash. Everything looks lovely, for the first few months. The new man does a big trade.<sup>\*</sup> All the no-goods are pat-ronizing him. They then open up ac-counts and he goes behind and has a long list of had debts and a long face and he wants to sell out, and there is always someone ready to be talked into taking it off his hands by some slippery tongued real estate agent.

pine and holly here and there and all over. Calendars fill the air, greetings on paper and greetings substantial ex-changed, hand-shakes, neckties, braces, and embraces and nice things for little ord hig. There have been a few welland embraces and nice things for little and big. There have been a few well-dressed windows, notably J. S. Hender-son's, dressed by John Marshall, and Jno. Redden & Co.'s, by J. Baker. Two windows of J. Gilbert's grocery are at-tracting much attention, dressed by R. E. James, of Liverpool, formerly with Mae Symons & Co., of that place. The windows make English folk feel as though they were in old England again.

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J. Leach, of London, England, has bought out J. Salter, auctioneer, and intends making things hum.

#### ...

Three or four grocers here seem, by their talk, determined ta sell for cash only after the first of the year. May others follow. There is not a grocer in town who does not wish for it.

The body of Will Shaw was last week laid in his last resting place. Will was a grocery clerk here years ago, but for some years past was manager of one of Woolworth's 5, 10 and 15-cent stores in Boston. He was one of the best they in Boston. He was one of the best they had and they feel his loss keenly. Will had a cheerful disposition and was never known to lose his temper.

Kingston is becoming an important trans-shipping point. Up to December over 16,000,000 bushels of grain was received, having passed through the Welland canal. 53,000 tons of coal was landed here last year.

The Golden Lion grocery block is up for auction this week. It is a very fine brick block and would make an up-to-date hotel, which Kingston needs badly. \* . \*

Thos. Gibson, of Portage la Prairie, has been here seeing old friends. Tom has a big farm near Portage, and by sobriety and attention to details has made his pile. He is taking a carload of fine young horses with him.

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Over-stocking in stores is like over-cating and over-drinking. It means sure death. Every merchant nearly buys teas, soaps, spices, etc., to last six months. Now wouldn't it be wiser to buy enough to last a month? It would mean less risk in case of fire more sach huy enough to last a month? It would mean less risk in case of fire, more cash in the bank, fresher goods: Some will say, "I am offered snaps and pick 'em up." Yes, it's true, but it loads you up, and dead stock is an eating moth. Goods do not improve, and I think, to buy as you go is best, after all.

#### D. Lemieux, grocer, of Montreal, has assigned.

Chas. Momey, general merchant, of Burbridge, Que., has assigned.

A. Jacques, general merchant, of St. Joseph, Que., has assigned. N. Langlois & Son, general merchants of Perce, Que., have made an assignment.

Jas. . Roberts, general merchant, of Port Arthur, Ont., has sold to A. J. Lavack

A. McGuire, general merchant, of St. Augustine, Ont., has sold to M. J. Beninger.

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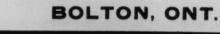
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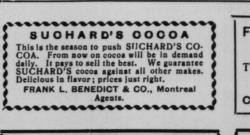
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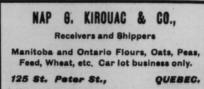
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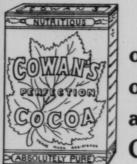
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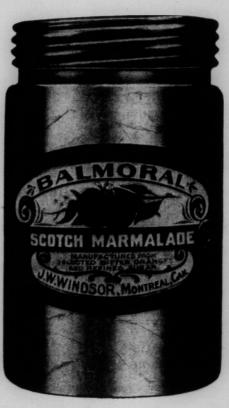
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DEAR SIRS.

#### To The Grocers of Canada:

As the old year 1907 is passing to join those that have gone before and as we look forward to another New Year we take the opportunity

this season affords best wishes for a happy Year. We also desire kind favors and for the ness relations we have contributed to make the one for us and we hope to each and all of our We are at present busy Marmalade and are now sent and forward deli-Scotch Marmalade is now ably known that it is speak of its high qualicompared to any other. We glass jars, also 1 lb.,



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#### DOMINION TRAVELERS DINE

Members of the Eastern Association Get Together in Jollification in Their Thirty-third Annual Banquet at Montreal.

Over three hundred travelers and guests sat down to the thirty-third an-nual banquet of the Dominion Commer-cial Travelers' Association, which was held in the Windsor Hotel, Montreal, on Monday evening, Dec. 23rd.

President W. J. Egan occupied the chair of honor at the chief table, while seated on either side of him were Hon. Sydney Fisher, Minister of Agriculture in the Dominion Government, and R. L. Borden, leader of the opposition in the Dominion House.

In his opening address the president cordially welcomed the guests of the ev-ening and expressed his satisfaction at the progress which the association had made during the past year. Then he called upon S. J. Mathewson, vice-pre-sident, to make the toast "Our Coun-try," as represented by the Dominion Parliament, coupling with the toast the names of Hon Sydney Fisher and R L. names of Hon. Sydney Fisher and R. L. Borden. This Mr. Mathewson did in a



W. J. EGAN, PRESIDENT.

happy little speech, which was heartily applauded.

applauded. Hon. Mr. Fisher, replying, spoke in an able manner, dwelling briefly upon the present prosperity of the country and by numerous quotations from the Blue Book, he illustrated the remark-able development of Canada during the past few years.

#### Some Interesting Figures.

Referring to the recent money panic he pointed out that Canada did not sufhe pointed out that Canada did not suf-fer, in proportion, nearly as much as did the United States. Not one bank had failed in the Dominion, while there was no lack of currency in the country, as the banks were working within \$13,-000,000 of their possible currency issue and were quite in a position to well take care of the needs of trade. For evidence of the wonderful growth of the country they had but to look up the assets of the banks. These amount-ed to \$460,000,000 in 1900, while in 1905 they amounted to \$878,000,000, and

last year totalled \$970,000,000. During the last ten months the average monthly bank returns showed an increase of \$63,000,000 over last year.

The foreign trade of Canada, which is largely illustrative of Canada, which is largely illustrative of the growth of the Dominion, had materially increased since 1870, in which year business to the extent of \$122,000,000 had been done. This had grown to \$336,000,000 by 1900 and to \$519,000,000 in 1906. Such figures were most interesting to every Canadian who had the welfare of his country at heart, as they showed that Canada was not being left in the rear in the race for commercial success with foreign countries.

The internal trade of the Dominion was satisfactory also. In 1900 the trade was satisfactory also. In 1900 the trade as shown by the clearing house re-turns, amounted to \$1,390.000.000. In 1906 it amounted to \$2.050.000.000, while the returns for the first ten months of this year showed a further increase of \$300,000,000.

Taking up the question of manufac-tures, Hon. Mr. Fisher said that there tures, Hon. Mr. Fisher said that there had been an increase in this direction also. In the census report of 1900 it was shown that Canadian manufactur-ers employing five or more hands used a capital of \$447,000,000, while in 1905 the same class used a capital of \$834,-000,000, which must be considered a very substantial increase. Truly enough, the number of employes had been in-creased by but 44,000, but the products had grown in ratio to the increase in had grown in ratio to the increase in capital, increasing from \$481,000.000 in 1900 to \$766,000,000 in 1905. In concluding, he drew attention to the in-creased immigration from the United States.

#### Mr. Borden a Traveler.

Replying to the same toast, R. L. Borden was given a very cordial recep-tion. He referred to his recent tour of the Dominion, and humorously compar-ed himself with the commercial travel-ers, as he had traveled some 12.000 miles and presented his samples to 100.-000 customers.

Proceeding, he said he was struck, while in the west, by the optimism of all classes there, despite the recent fin-ancial stringency. He referred briefly to the injustice which was done commerthe injustice which was done commer-cial travelers in that they frequently were not allowed to vote. owing to their absence from home, thus being denrived of their franchise. He stated that he was ready to support any reasonable measure which would make it possible for travelers and business men away from home to vote and have their say as to who should be their representaas to who should be their representative in parliament.

Max. Murdock proposed the Quebec Legislature, which toast was responded to by Hon. W. A. Weir, provincial treasurer and P. E. Leblanc, leader of the provincial opposition. In the course of his remarks the provincial treasurer referred to the taxation prob-lem as it concerned commercial travelers. The Quebec Legislature had never for a moment thought of tax-ing the native traveler. It was true

that one financier devised the plan of taxing all foreign commercial travelers coming within the limits of the procoming within the limits of the pro-vince, but he found his troubles had just begun, as, in the first place, he had to catch the traveler, and this was by no means easy. For that reason he was glad to abolish the tax in question. "The City of Montreal" was propos-ed by John Paterson, Ald. Clearihue replying on behalf of the mayor. Mayor John T. McBride proposed "Trade and Commerce" in a pice speech and George

Commerce" in a nice speech and George Caverhill, of the board of trade, replied as did also C. H. Catelli, president of the chambre de commerce and Hon. J. D. Rolland, president of

J. D. Rolland, president of the Canadian Manufacturers' Associa-tion. Ed. Duckett proposed "Transpor-tation" and Wm. Stitt and George Ham responded. "The Press" and "The Ladies" were also fittingly toasted. The table was quite up to the stand-ard set by the association, thanks to the dinner committee, which was com-posed of : Max. Murdock, convener; L. W. Anderson, S. J. Mathewson, E. D. Marceau, Major John T. McBride, Geo. A. Mann, W. J. Egan, J. S. N. Doug-all, F. S. Cote, R. Dionne, J. F. L. Dubreuil, J. Fred Dugan, A. L. Fried-man, J. B. Giles, Ludger Gravel, F.



S. J. MATHEWSON, VICE-PRESI-DENT.

E. Guilbault, D. M. Lefebvre, H. M. Levine, John Paterson, F. N. Picard, Jas. Robinson, Leon Rolland, O. A. Thibault, R. C. Wilkins.

Mr. Edward F. Qau has returned from the Northwest and will join the selling force of the MacLaren Imperial Cheese Co., Limited, on January 1st.

A winding-up order has been issued for the placing in liquidation of the Horace L. Boisseau Co., Montreal, deal-ers in wines and groceries. The assign-ment was demanded for H. Lapointe, whose claim-amounts to \$269. The liabilities are estimated in the paigtherliabilities are estimated in the neighborhood of \$3,000, and most of the creditors, it is said, are merchants in France. Napoleon St. Amour has been appointed provisional liquidator.

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#### FRUITS, VEGETABLES AND FISH

#### Firmer Tone in Orange Market, Business More Quiet in Vegetables -Fish Market Featureless This Week.

During the past week a firmer feeling is noticeable in the orange situation. Prices have, no doubt, touched the bottom. Dealers look for a steady advance and the market will become normal before long. Business is reported quite satisfactory for the holiday season and heavy trading occurred in nearly all lines of fruits. Lemons are easier, due to regular shipments of new crop. Apples are not so firm. Bananas are in fair demand. Choice strawberries have been on the market, but are slow. The vegetable market is quiet. Potatoes have declined. The supply is good. Domestic vegetables are not sell-

The vegetable market is quiet. Potatoes have declined. The supply is good. Domestic vegetables are not selling briskly. This is natural at this time of the year. Some fancy imported tomatoes, lettuce, onions and parsley are being offered. Business is not so brisk in fish. No changes in prices have occurred. Supplies of circoes and whitefish are scarce.

Business is not so brisk in fish. No changes in prices have occurred. Supplies of ciscoes and whitefish are scarce. Fresh Labrador herring is arriving. Oysters are reported to be selling well.

#### MONTREAL.

GREEN FRUITS-Strawberries at 80c a quart were offered to the trade as a New Year novelty, but sales were not numerous, partly because the lots brought on here were not large, but more owing to the fact that the price was entirely beyond the trade of the average grocer. Apples are somewhat easier. Oranges are selling fairly well at prices quoted. Lemons are lower and pineapples advanced.

Bananas, fine stalk	2 00
" jumbos	2 25
Cocoanuts, new, per bag	4 50
Lemons	2 50
Florida oranges, box 275	3 00
Mexican oranges, box	2 25
Porto Rico oranges, box	2 50
Jamaira oranges, bbl	4 00
Valencia oranges 2 75	3 25
Tangerines, half-box	3 00
Pinear ples. case	5 50
Grape fruit, box	5 51
Almeria Grapes, keg 4 ())	5 00
Cape Cod cranberries, bbl 10 00 1	11 00
Nova Scotia cranberries, bbl	7 07
Kumquat+ qt	0 25
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" other fall varieties, bbl 2 75	3 25
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VEGETABLES—California celery has declined 25c, while Florida tomatoes and Boston lettuce are also easier. There has been a drop in New Orleans shallots, while green peas have declined \$1 to \$1.50. A very nice trade is being done, though the holiday reaction has set in and resulted in a diminishing number of sales, especially of high priced truck.

Parsley, per doz. bunches		0 35
American rarsley, large bunches, doz		0 75
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Savory, per dos		0 00
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Turnips, bag 0	65	0 75
Celery, doz 0		1 00
California celery, crate		5 00
Water cress, large bunches, per doz	•••	0 75
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Spinach, bbl		3 50
Green peppers, crate		3 50
Boston hot house cucumbers, doz		2 01
Potatoes, per bag0		1 00
Sweet Potatoes, basket		3 25
SWOOD FOLALOOS, DASKED		0 65
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Carrots, bag 0	60	0 65
Tomatoes, Florida, crate 4	50	5 00
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Boston lettuce. hot house, per doz		0 90
New Orleans shallots doz		0 60

Radishes, doz	0 60
Bermuda parsley, crate	
Mushrooms, per lb	0 75
Horse radish, per lb	0 12
	5 00
Beans, wax basket	5 50
Egg plant, doz	2 00
Green peas, basket 5 00	5 50

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VEGETABLES-Potatoes are easier and have declined a few points. Busi-ness is rather slow, though shipments are arriving freely. There has been an ness is rather slow, though shipments are arriving freely. There has been an improvement in the quality of Dela-wares. Other lines of domestic vege-tables remain stable at unchanged prices. Turnips and cabbage are meet-ing with a good demand, Some very fancy imported beets, carrots, green onions, parsley, lettuce, tomatoes and cucumbers are being handled, though not in large quantities. California celery is brisker. brisker

New Brunswick Delawares, per bag	0 90
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Sweet Potatoes (Jersey), per bbl	4 00
Onions, Spanish, per case	2 50
" per bag 1 00	1 20
Green onions, per doz	0 75
Beeta, per bag 0 90	0 25
Cabbage, per doz 0 40	0 60
Jarrots, Canadian, per bag 0 60	0 70
Turnips, per bag 0 35	0 40
Parsnips, per bag 0 75	0 80
Cauliflower, per doz 0 60	1 50
Parsley, per doz	0 10
Celery, Canadian, per doz 0 35	0 40
" california, per doz	0 75
Lettuce, imported "	1 00
Cucumpers, imported, per doz	2 50

FISH-No material change is reported. There is a scarcity of ciscoes and whitefish. Cod, halibut, finnan haddie and herring are selling briskly. The first Labrador frozen herring of the season have arrived and are a good sample, be-ing large and bright. Oysters still sell strongly and dealers report big trading. Prices are unchanged.

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### THE SITUATION IN THE WEST

Christmas Trade Up to Expectations—Air of Cheerfulness Prevails—Wheat Market Stronger.

By our Special Winnipeg Correspondent.

The last three days of the Christmas trade proved fully up to expectations and though, of course, there is a pro-found lull this week there is a general air of cheerfulness, and stocks are be-ing gone over in anticipation of the usual January sales. Staffs in a num-ber of the department stores are being reduced and in this respect things are being cut more finely than they have been for some years, and that is at the present practically the only indication of hard times, so far as the retail trade is concerned. is concerned.

is concerned. The lessening of staffs, however, is not confined to the retail trade, but is quite general throughout the city. All the large western mills, except the Ogilvies, have closed for a period, the Lake of the Woods Milling Co., at Keewatin, having closed for a week. It is expected, however, that they will re-open very early in the New Year. The wheat market has been remark-ably steady all week in fact it is about

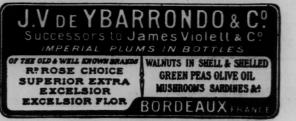
ably steady all week, in fact, it is about the steadiest and strongest holiday mar-ket that anyone on 'Change can remem-The feature of the market is the ber. The feature of the market is the excellent cash demand for all grades of wheat, but more particularly for low grades. Receipts for the week have been very good, though not as large as for the preceding week, although the movement continues good. The weather was very mild up to the

movement continues good. The weather was very mild up to the day before Christmas, but when the west got up Christmas morning it found a drop in temperature that was more in keeping with the season. The day after Christmas was very mild again, but since that day it has been sharply cold, with the clear blue sky and gor-geous sunshine so familiar to the old-timers. The winter is well on its way and the drop in wood prices is a pretty good guarantee that there is no danger of a fuel famine, so far as the city is of a fuel famine, so far as the city is concerned at any rate.

The "Forward Winnipeg" movement is receiving a great impetus just now. There was a meeting called in the Walker theatre for Friday evening, 27th inst., to listen to addresses about what Winnipeg could and should do and to look at pictures of what Winnipeg had done. The meeting was a very notable done. The meeting was a very notable gathering. The theatre was packed to the "gods" with a splendidly represen-tative audience of men and women, the speakers were well chosen, the addresses short and pithy and the spirit of the whole meeting excellent. If any one down east is feeling blue about the west it is a great pity that they could not have attended that meeting, it certainly would have proved an inspiration. One thing is sure, whoever is feeling blue about Winnipeg, that city is not feel-ing that way itself, and in passing it might be remarked, she is on the spot and in an excellent position to know how things really are. The definite ob-ject of this meeting was to form a comhow things really are. The definite ob-ject of this meeting was to form a com-munity club, which, as a matter of fact, has already been formed and has some-thing over 2,000 members, men and women pledged to promote the advance-ment of the city in every way possible, to believe in it, and to help others to do the same. The little pause that has come with the present financial string-ency has given the westerners time to get a second wind. count their mercies ency has given the westerners time to get a second wind, count their mercies and their opportunities and go ahead. Perhaps the most sane and forceful statement made at this great meeting fell from the lips of John W. Dafoe, editor-in-chief of the Manitoba Free Press, who had been asked to speak on "The Best Type of Citizen." Mr. Dafoe said : "The best type of citizen to-day is the man who is as far removed on the one hand from recklessness as he is on the other from cowardice. The conthe other from cowardice. The conon the other from cowardice. The con-ditions that have alarmed the timid are only in a very slight degree attribut-able to local causes, and while the pres-ent may be a period of anxiety, there never was a time when the future of the west and therefore the future of Winning was more assured than it is the west and therefore the future of Winnipeg, was more assured than it is to-day." In giving voice to these sen-timents on the platform Mr. Dafoe was but giving sound to the written policy of the great paper over which he pre-sides. This has been to tell the truth without fear and without apology and to re-affirm continually that in spite of any temporary drawbacks the west is all right. all right.

Before this reaches readers of the column it will be 1908, but not too late to wish everyone, east and west, a very Happy New Year.—H.

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C. L. Marshall, Canadian manager of C. L. Marshall, Canadian manager of the MacLaren Imperial Cheese Co., Ltd., accompanied by Mrs. Marshall, left on Thursday, December 26th, for New York, where they would be joined by Mr. and Mrs. A. MacWillie, of Detroit, when the entire party embarked on S.S. Maure-tania for Europe. Mr. Marshall and Mr. MacWillie will spend some time in Great Britain and on the Continent making business connections for the company, and laying plans for the new year's business. Before leaving Toronto a presentation

Before leaving Toronto a presentation was made to Mr. Marshall by the office employes, while Mrs. Marshall was re-membered by the travelers.

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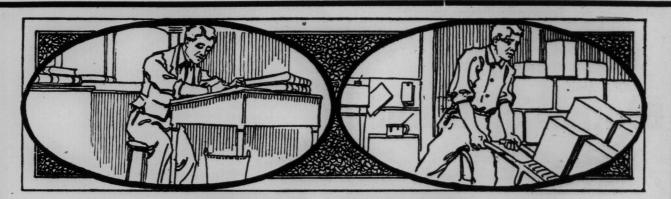
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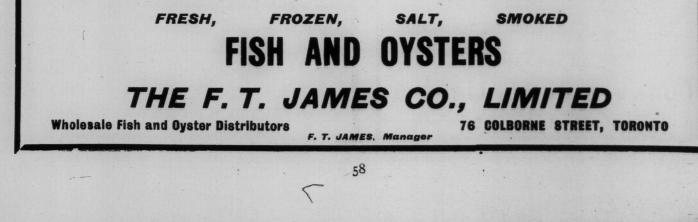
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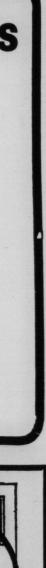


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#### GOOD PROSPECTS IN NOVA SCOTIA

Christmas Trade the Best in Years-Money Circulating Freely-A Revival in Agricultural Interest-Meeting of Provincial Fruit Growers.

#### (By The Danadian Grecer's Special Correspondent

Halifax, N.S., Dec. 30. That the Christmas trade in Halifax was the best in years is the general re-port made by the merchants of this city. The rush of Christmas shoppers on the opening days of the week was very great. In fact business was so brisk that merchants would give no guarantee for the delivery of goods on guarantee for the delivery of goods on the day of purchase. Money was circu-lated freely and the goods purchased were of a high class. The only firms complaining of any slackness in trade were the dealers in rubber goods and the furriers, but the dullness in these lings was due to the unseascorable lines was due to the unseasonable weather. There has been no snow in Halifax to speak of and very little frost so far this season, and in consequence winter goods have been in light demand thus far. Poultry was very plentiful and the price much lower than at the same season last year. Turkeys sold for 15 cents, which is seven cents lower than the price quoted during the Christmas season of 1906. Other lines of poultry were also proportionately of poultry were also proportionately low. The grocery trade was good and the fancy bakers and the confectioners and fruit dealers also found trade quite brisk. Confectionery was much higher than last year, chocolates in particular showing a heavy increase, but this did not seem to have any effect on the demand, the sales of high class box goods being very large.

... Some of the largest firms found the trade so brisk that they arranged to feed their employes on the premises. while others sent their help to nearby restaurants. This is an innovation on the part of these merchants and it proved most satisfactory to both em-ployers and employees ployers and employes.

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Notwithstanding the mild weather and Notwithstanding the mild weather and the hens being out of doors, the re-ceipts of eggs do not show any in-crease, and the price for fresh stock is very high. Quite a lot of choice dairy butter in small tubs was marketed Christmas week and it found a ready sale at 30 cents.

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# Sylvester Archibald, of Lacombe, Al-herta, is visiting his former home in Truro and friends in other parts of Nova Scotia. Mr. Archibald left Truro about ten years ago and since then has been engaged in the dairv business in the west. He is now manager of the Ferry Bank Dairy, which has lately heen started by the government. Mr. Archibald says that dairving is one of the great growing industries of the west, and the future for it looks very. bright. bright.

That there is a revival in agriculture in Nova Scotia is shown by the large number of applications received by Principal Cumming from intending short course students at the Agricul-tural College, Truro. The number to take the next course exceeds that of

any previous year in the history of the institution and they are coming from New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island and Nova Scotia. The course opens on January 2. . . .

The annual meeting of the Nova Scotia Fruit Growers' Association was held at Berwick last week and representatives from all over the province were present. Among the many excel-lent addresses delivered was one by Lieut.-Governor Fraser, who urged the farmers to keep their sons at home on the farm. Nova Scotia was rich in soil and as a fruit growing country, it is not surpassed in the world. The asso-ciation will make a determined effort to rid the province of the brown tail moth, which is so destructive to fruit, and with that object in view has in-creased the bounty from three to ten cents for the destruction of nests.

#### IMPROVEMENTS IN FACTORY AND STORE.

An automatic fire sprinkler system is being installed in the "Surprise" factory, at St. Stephen, N.B. soap Last year, extensive enlargements and im-provements were made in the factory to take care of the increasing trade on "Surprise" soap. This sprinkler system protects the factory against fire, which would mean interruntion to huminess and would mean interruption to business and

consequent loss of more or less trade. The St. Croix Soap Co. state that they have now the most complete and best equipped laundry soap plant in Canada.

The Hudson's Bay Co.'s stores at Portage la Prairie have been completely remodelled during the past season, also a large addition, which will about dou-ble the company's stores. The store throughout is being fitted with the most up-to-date facilities, which include a full car of Weir wardrobes and silent salesmen, manufactured by Jones Bros., Toronto. The company's store now at Portage la Prairie is one of the best departmental stores in Manitoba, and a flourishing business is being done.

G. H. Ramsay, manager of the In-gersoll Syrup Co., Montreal, has re-turned from a trip to Toronto and western Ontario.

R. J. Helstrop, representing E. W. Gillett Co., Ltd., in Nova Scotia, fa-vored The Grocer with a call this week. Mr. Helstrop reports that business generally is satisfactory down by the sea; and taking everything into considera-tion, trade conditions down east were better than is reported in other parts of Canada. The fishermen had a good season and prices received were good. His observations in the fishing ports all tended to confirmation of this reports all tended to confirmation of this report. Mr. Helstrop will return to his ground about January 5.

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#### BRIGHT OUTLOOK IN NEW BRUNSWICK

#### Christmas Trade Very Satisfactory- New Year Will Open Well-Flour and Cereals Advancing-Large Winterport Business.

Special Correspondence of The Canadian Grocer.

St. John, N.B., Dec. 30. The retail grocers report that the Christmas trade of 1907 has been very satisfactory, and fully up to previous years. The year has been a very suc-cessful one, both in retail and wholesale circles. The local merchants feel much gratified that business has been so good in view of the fact that in other por-tions of the Dominion and the United States there has been such a depression. States there has been such a depression. Frank E. Williams, of F. E. Wil-liams & Co., said their business had liams & Co., said their business had been very good, a large percentage bet-ter than last year. This was so in the pork packing and wholesale fruit trade, as well as the retail grocery business. Mr. Williams said he thought trade gen-erally was very satisfactory and he could see no cause for the alarmist re-ports of hard times. He thought the outlook for 1908 was very good. W. Alex. Porter reported business about equal to other Christmas sea-sons. There was possibly a little fall-ing off in cash business on account of the loss of sleighing, which prevented many of the country people from get-ting into the city. The outlook for the coming year was considered very en-couraging.

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ever had and he had no reason to complain.

plain. P. Nase & Sons, whose business is largely with the up-river country peo-ple, said their Christmas trade had been very good, considering the absence of snow, which naturally kept many of their customers away. They, however, found business about up to the average and were anticipating a good year in 1908. Previous to the close of naviga-tion, they did a very satisfactory trade. tion, they did a very satisfactory trade.

In wholesale circles, it has been quiet during the past week. The travelers are all in and many of the dealers are busy taking stock. Some of the jobbers still wait until January 31st to make up their yearly statement, but the ma-jority close their books with the end of the year. It will, no doubt, be quiet for some days yet. as the travelers do not start out again until the first or second week in January.

There have been scarcely any changes in prices. The flour statety any changes strong. Wheat has been advancing daily and an increase in the price of flour is looked for shortly. Sugars are very firm and an advance is looked for early in January, if not before.

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In the country market there was quite a noticeable advance the day before Christmas. Turkeys, which had been selling at 17c to 19c, jumped to 22c and 23c a pound, and other lines of poul-try also advanced. Dealers think that these high prices can hardly be main-tained for New Year's trade. Turnips, potatoes and squash have all advanced in price. As for potatoes, they are now quoted at \$1.50 to \$2 a barrel, and deal-ers say they will not likely be any cheaper, as there is no more stock left in the country. In Carleton county, oats are now quoted at 40c, and it is thought they

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In Carleton county, oats are now quoted at 40c, and it is thought they will drop to 30c. Hay is lower, and is now off \$2 to \$3 a ton. Butter has dropped to twenty cents a pound.

\*\* Despite the discouraging reports the winterport business keeps well up to last year's mark. In fact, at the time of writing, is ahead of last season. The total exports through this port up to the present time, according to returns made at the customs house, from six-teen steamers is \$3,000,173, as com-pared with \$3.000.621 in nineteen steam-ers last year. The same number of steamers, nineteen, have sailed this year, as last year, but three of the ves-sels this year are not included in the total of exports. Oue of these steamers sailed in ballast, and the other two were West India boats, which did not load here. load here.

Wm. Ferguson, Canadian manager of A. Klipstein & Co., was in Dundas for New Year's.

Frank Stafford, one of the progressive Barry's Bay grocers, was in Montreal the other day.

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#### USE PROCESS IN CANADA.

#### New Fruit Drying Process Not Confined to California.

The following letter from a reader of The Grocer draws our attention to Can-adian enterprise in manufacturing industry :

"Editor Canadian Grocer :

"Editor Canadian Grocer: "Noticing a small item in your inter-esting periodical of the 13th inst., en-titled, "New Process of Fruit Drying," which deals with what is supposed to be a new method of drying fruit by ar-tificial means, viz., a forced draft of hot air, which has recently been tested in California, I would like to say that it might be of interest to many of your readers to know that this process has been successfully used in Canada for the last three years. The writer, in company with an expert on forced draft experimented with this system in 1904 and applied it to evaporating that king of fruits, our beautiful apple, and this experimented with this system in 1904 and applied it to evaporating that king of fruits, our beautiful apple, and this has been the means of producing the highest weight a finer quality of goods, and quite equal to the green fruit when cooked. This fruit is now evaporated by the forced draft system in a specially prepared plant erected by the Biggs Fruit & Produce Co., Ltd., at Burling-ton and Georgetown, Ont. These driers have been fitted up with the latest im-proved devices in the way of power machines, elevators and carriers, to fa-cilitate quick and clean work. The su-periority of the outfit is partly due to this as the rapidity of the process of drym prevents oxidation and decay and also allows the retention of the natural bright color of the apples. There are other very important fea-tures in this system of drying which it would be well to notice. For instance, in the primary stage of evaporating ap-ples, intense heat is necessary for the fixing of the volatile oils, to which accomplished with the hot draft system without danger of burning the fruit, thus obviating an occasional loss through direct fire heat. "Again, during the season just past, somewhere in the vicinity of seven or eight evaporating plants have been re-duced to ashes, and as far as I know they were all using the direct fire heat system, which is most dangerous, and this great loss individually and collect-ively might have been largely avoided

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this great loss individually and conect-ively might have been largely avoided by using the new process. which reduces this danger to a minimum. "Hence, the recommendations of the new process are better goods, larger output, fire danger reduced to a mini-mum, and the California driers do not seem to be quite up to date. A. C. Biggs." Burlington, Dec. 28, 1907."

#### DISCUSS FRUIT-GROWING.

#### Annual Meeting of Quebec Pomological and Fruit-growing Society.

The annual meeting of the Pomo-The annual meeting of the Pomo-logical and Fruit Growing Society of the Province of Quebec was held at St. Anne de Bellevue, at Macdonald College, December 18 and 19. There was a good attendance and several subjects of inter-est to fruit growers were discussed. Several interesting papers were read. Prof. W. Stuart, of Burlington, Ver-mont, in his paper on "The Growing of

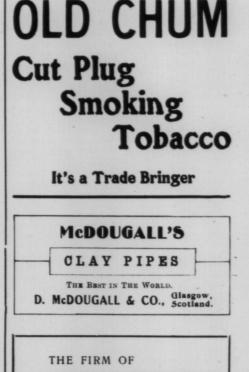
an Apple Orchard," expressed the opin-ion that sufficient young orchards were not now under cultivation to take care of the needs of trade, and recommended greater care and study on the part of growers in order that the industry should not be allowed to fall off in vol-ume or quality of fruit produced.

An interesting talk on the fameuse apple was given by R. W. Shepherd. He traced its growth in commerce from its. discovery, and called attention to the danger of the fameuse becoming ex-tinct. He said that many trees had been killed by winter frosts and that orchardists had not been exercising pro-per care in the growing. The price of per care in the growing. The price of fameuse apples would increase yearly, and in his opinion the grade would be

and in his opinion the grade would be quite scarce in this province in 1930. "Co-operation in the Marketing of Apples," was the paper read by Prof. John Craig, of Ithaca, N.Y. In point-ing out the advantages of co-operation he said that each grade could be made the best of its class, and uniform, while the appearance of the package was ma-terially improved. In this way the con-fidence of buyers was secured. Again, the cost of transportation was lessen-ed, and better prices were obtained.

the cost of transportation was lessen-ed, and better prices were obtained, while it was possible to make quite a saving in the growing of fruit through co-operation in the buying of supplies. Speaking of winter killing of trees in this province, Prof. W. T. Macoun, of Ottawa, commented on the great loss suffered yearly by orchard owners ow-ing to the damage done by frost. This could be avoided if the hardiest trees were planted. C. P. Newman, Lachine, stated that the Ben Davis apple was more liable to danger during the winter than any other. In his orchard about 60 per cent. of these were destroyed an-nually:

A daintily printed "Season's Greet-" folder was sent out to the trade the Canadian Canners last week. ing It is worked on deckle-edged paper with a wreath of holly in colors and the company's trade mark in gold trimming



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Importer of Pipes and Smokers' Sundries, of QUEBEC, thanks its numerous customers for their esteemed patronage during the year 1907, and wishes them all a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

JOS. COTE

Persons addressing advertisers will kindly mention having seen their advertisement in this paper.



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#### Additional Correspondence

#### CHATHAM.

Butchers who bring their meat into the market for sale are said in many cases to be weighing their meat short. As a rule the quarters are weighed before being brought in, and it is stated that often quarters weighing 16 or 17 pounds are ticketed at 20. A local butcher states that he had a large quar-ter brought to him marked 75 pounds, which weighed only 45. The producer, when questioned, declared that the scales must have been wrong. As a rule, buy-ers never weigh their meat, and never know how many pounds they are get-ting. A moveable market scale is sug-gested as a remedy, to enable buyers to weigh their meat, and other market produce as well, when purchasing.

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W, C. Crawford, the well-known Til-bury general merchant, announces his re-tirement from the reeveship. During urement from the reeveship. During his eighteen years at the council board —nine as councillor and nine as reeve— he has been a big factor in Tilbury's municipal life; and at the same time he has built up a business and conducted a store which are the admiration of city people. Had he chosen to remain in people. Had he chosen to remain in municipal politics another year, he would in all probability have been warden of Kent for 1908.

D. J. O'Keeffe, of the Triangle Gro-cery here, has received a commission to serve for three years as grand deputy of the C.M.B.A. for this district. The appointment was made by Hon. M. F. Hackett, grand president, of Stanstead, Oue Que.

Barney Caplain, of Windsor, has pur-chased Bert Burling's general store at Cottam. Mr. Burling's future plans are not yet made public.

... Amherstburg and Essex both report brisk little meat wars of late. In the former place steaks fell from 15c to 12½c, lamb chops from 18c to 15c, and ther mosts in proportion. In Essex other meats in proportion. In Essex the trouble was caused by a Colchester North farmer who moved to town, open-ed a butcher shop and proceeded to cut prices. Goslin's meat market forthwith retaliated by putting the best cuts, and chicken as well, down to 8c, and veal and pork to 10c. This disgusted Darius Hapgood, the other established butcher, who, rather than meet the prices, clos-ed up his shop.

ed up his shop. The Essex Canning Co, have so far shipped 125 cars this season, and have about 25 ready to ship, besides 25 car-loads more of catsup, jellies, jams and apple butter ready to make up. The factory will be operated all winter with a stafi of about a dozen. The west and Ouebec have both totac. Quebec have both taken largely from this output. . .

G. M. Sawyer's store at Leamington, which was recently visited by fire, has been repaired and painted, and presents quite a handsome appearance. Mr. Saw-yer has laid in a large new stock for the Christmas trade.

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Owing to recent changes in the pro-prietorship of the Setterington grocery

at Learnington, the butcher shop of Set-terington Bros., operated in the same premises, has been closed till a more suitable location can be secured.

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The new system of inspecting dressed hogs in Kent and Essex is now in full swing. Inspection is required only of such carcasses as may be destined for packing establishments in which inspec-tion is maintained under the Act. As tion is maintained under the Act. As a result of the examinations, in Chat-ham, on Saturday, Nov. 30, the follow-ing have been appointed inspectors un-der the Meat and Canned Foods Act: Dr. W. B. Rowe, Blenheim; Dr. M. B. Perdue, Chatham; Dr. W. Clapp, Dres-den; Dr. Jones, Windsor; Dr. Boyd, Tilbury. The change in the local regu-lations should logically allay the re-sentment of a majority of the hog rais-

#### WHAT ABOUT THIS?

The following from our Pem-broke correspondent in regard to much-discussed subject, seems to the nail on the head

"Re the remarks I have read about accommodation for customabout accommodation for custom-ers waiting and the recommenda-tion for placing magazines on tables, etc., don't you think that instead of placing such goods for the customers, it would better serve the purpose if an extra clerk were employed to attend to the requirements of those patient la-dies who would content themselves to sit down and peruse the pages of a magazine. If the suggestions your correspondents were carof ried out, one could almost imagine a store being converted into somea store being converted into some-thing approaching the ante-room of a busy surgeon or dentist, and a boy approaching a lady with, the statement, 'Your turn next, ma-dam.' I certainly agree that the inside of a store should be made as attractive as possible, but I think that the employment of a rood solasma, would be of far think that the employment of a good salesman would be of far more profit than any suggestion already put forth, or if, after this, it is still found that customers were still kept waiting, why not have a young lady, who would of-fer a cup of tea to those who car-ed to take it, and at the same time inform them that it is, 'Our special 50c tea.' or whatever price special 50c tea,' or whatever price it may be, made from, and thus advertise an article that 'should pay' for the little expense in-curred."

ers. The indications are, however, that nothing will allay their resentment except a rise in price.

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Thos. McConnell is opening up a gro-cery at Dresden in the stand formerly occupied by R. Heyland.

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The transient trader complaint has now arisen in the county, outside Chat-ham. At the meeting of Kent county council last week Barrister R. L. Brackin presented a petition signed by some 113 merchants, representing every section of the county, who requested an in-

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crease of the present license fees to a figure which will more adequately represent taxes, insurance and other expendi-tures to which resident business men are

Two classes are aimed at. The first are Assyrian and Italian peddlers, who go about the country with one or two packs, peddling cheap ornaments and jewelry. The second were general dealrespectively. The second were general dear-ers with one and two-horse rigs, who drive around the country taking orders. The present fees range from \$1 for bas-ket peddlers to \$45 for two-horse rigs. No figure was specified in the petition, but a recent increase of the Lambton license fee to \$100 was evidenced.

Some time ago P. C. Little, the Blen-heim grocer, offered a \$9.50 set of dishes to the customer guessing nearest the number of seeds in a pumpkin. Incident-ally, each patron making a \$1 purchase had a chance to guess. The correct num-ber of seeds was found to be 709, the nearest guess, 708, being made by Mrs. W. J. Muckle.

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Dauphin & Co., the well-known Ridgetown confectioners and tobacconists, are to occupy the west store in the new Sheldon block in that town

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A neat device for the housewife is the "Kitchen Reminder," supplied by H. Malcolmson's grocery to its patrons. It is a rectangular bit of board about 3 by 12 inches, and besides the name and telephone number of the firm, contains printed list of some 114 grocery ticles. Opposite each name is a small hole, and the housewife is given a sup-ply of little wooden pegs. When the sup-ply of an article is exhausted, she in-serts a peg in the appropriate hole—and is ready with her list when the grocer man comes.

Christmas saw some good window dis-plays here. Conspicuous in the list were those of John McCorvie, the Bradley Store, H. Malcolmson's, Harry A. An-drew, Wm. Anderson, the King Edward Grocery, and Mounteer's, confectionery, and these are only samples.

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Hugh Malcolmson left last week for Winnipeg, to spend the holidays with Mrs. Malcolmson, who has been the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Drury, for three weeks past.

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Glover's butcher shop on Nelson St., Wallaceburg, has changed hands, and will in future be run by Chas. Wool-ever and Roy Taylor. The new firm took charge last week.

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A surer and better supply of ic; in the summer is now promised Chathamites, who have occasionally suffered from lack of ice in the past. Fleming, Till-son & Co. are erecting permanent mod-ern ice elevators at their houses near the civic sedimentation basis, which will greatly facilitate their work in handling the crop. They have added a 2,000 ton house on Adelaide Street and their capacity equals storage for 5,000 tons. With their Erieau supply to draw from in case of necessity, their custom-ers are assured of an adequate supply.

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farmers have stored their grain in large bins which they had built for the pur-pose in order to hold it until prices ad-vance. At Asquith several wheat granaries are being built for the use of farmers until a regular train service takes place. Very little wheat has been sold from the Elstow district, farmers pre-ferring to wait until the Canadian Pa-cific Railway is in shape to handle the grain.

The name of Caleb Wheeler, of the Wheeler Cold Storage Co., has been frequently mentioned for the post of game warden for Kent and Essex, in succession to the late W. D. Wigle. Mr. Wheeler is a fish and game enthusiast, and is well posted on the subject. He has, however, written Hon. Dr. Reaume

and is well posted on the subject. He has, however, written Hon. Dr. Reaume withdrawing his name, at the same time stating that in his opinion the duties of the position might conflict with his work as a friend of fish and

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Dressed hogs have reappeared on the market, where they have been rather scarce of late. They brought \$6.50 per cwt. last week. Live hogs brought as high as \$5.50, though the price ranged pretty steady at \$5.25. Prices seem to have taken an upward trend.

E. R. Wigle, of Ruthven, has sold his general store and will go west. Will McDonald has bought the Ruthven

butcher shop and opened up last week.

L. Laplant of Tilbury has installed a handsome new confectionery showcase in his place of business.

Constituction work on the Goose Lake branch of the Canadian Northern Rail-way has ceased for the winter. When SASKATOON.

way has ceased for the winter. When it became known amongst the farmers of the district that work had stopped a

mass meeting was held and delegates appointed to interview the company, for

be completed and in operation by the end of the year. This line was intended to tap a vast wheat growing area and settlers are anxious to get their wheat marketed. If there is no railway it

marketed. If there is no railway it means hauling the grain for fifty or a hundred miles, which causes great ex-pense and inconvenience. Besides the grain question, all supplies, coal and lumber, have to be taken out in wagons and it is doubtful if any part of the west is in more urgent need of a rail-way then this district. At the meeting

way than this district. At the meeting held three delegates were chosen to in-terview the Provincial and Dominion

Governments, and if necessary, the Railway Commission. Funds were rais-ed to defray expenses and the delegates have started on their mission, with in-structions to leave no stone unturned

until some satisfactory understanding is

The elevators present a busy scene these days and strings of wagons, may be seen wending their way thither load-ed with grain. Most of the elevators in

this district are already full and for some time there was a shortage of cars

at the different points. This has now been somewhat relieved, but as thous-ands of acres have been under crops this

year more than last, ample accommoda-tion should have been made in the way of cars and elevators at an earlier date.

In many cases there is no room to store the grain, which means that the farmer cannot get the money to pay his bills and provide for new supplies. This is most disappointing to the farmer and will have a bad effect on the stores in all lines. Some farmers complain that

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their grain is being graded too low, but in some districts it has been badly froz-en and buyers say that they are giv-ing all that it is worth. A number of

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Speers & Paul are clearing off their stock on First avenue at reduced prices. They recently built new premises and it is their intention to have both it is their intention to have both branches of their business in one building after the first of the year. A por-tion of the new store is being parti-tioned off to be used as a meat depart-ment in connection with their business. · . ·

H. S. Hughes has opened a small grocery store. Some hardware is also car-ried in stock for convenience to the residents of the north end.

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A new confectionery store has been opened on First avenue to be known as the Bell confectionery store. ...

#### A new bakery known as the Crescent bakery has started business on Spadina Crescent at the south end.

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The A. J. Purdy Bakery Co. will shortly open a new bakery in Prince Al-bert. The building has been erected and will be equipped with the latest machinery, and an experienced baker has been engaged. It is purposed later to add a wholesale and retail candy factory.

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G. C. MacDonald has announced to the public of Prince Albert hereafter he will conduct a strictly cash business and offers unquestionable advantages by the new system. The eash sys-tem is becoming more in vogue each year and the pity of it is that every storekeeper cannot adopt it. Strenuous efforts have been made in this direction from time to time, but it seems impossible to close the books against farmers, and es-pecially large contractors who need large weekly supplies of provisions. Your Woodstock correspondent asks what is a merchant to do with a customer who has always paid cash, but who in these has always paid cash, but who in these days of short hours and a tight money market is up against it. This problem is no doubt facing many storekeepers throughout the land and each has to solve it in his own way according to circumstances. One store here, known to your correspondent, treats the case in this way: If a customer comes and asks for credit the storekeeper explains that he is conducting a cash business and that no accounts will be opened un-der any circumstances. If the case is a der any circumstances. If the case is a needy one he tells them that they can have the goods, but that they will not be charged, and he has been known to do this repeatedly.

Mayor J. R. Wilson has been re-elect-ed mayor of Saskatoon for next year by acclamation. At a large gathering the ratepayers unanimously endorsed the notice of motion recently presented

at the council that Mayor Wilson be given the sum of \$2,800 as reimburse-ment for the time and money he lost in looking after the affairs of the city durthe the money has been well earned, the mayor having done his duty ex-ceptionally well, a great many improve-ments having taken place.

A letter has been received here from the manager of a flour mill in Mar-quette, Kan., who inquires for particu-lars regarding the starting of a flour mill. He is anxious to know if the citi-zens of Saskatoon would be sufficiently interested in the project to subscribe stock to the amount of \$30,000, instead of giving a bonus, the stock to be pre-ferred stock. The writer thinks the plan would be better than having a bonus, and the stockholders would get their money back in the course of time. their money back in the course of time. The communication is in the hands of the Board of Trade and will likely be considered at their next meeting.

It is said that another meat packing house will be established here in the near future. A representative of the firm, which has a large plant in Ed-monton, was here a few days ago and is expected to return shortly to make definite arrangements for temporary quarters.

At Lumsden the Hall Milling Co. are preparing to enlarge their premises, which have been found to be too small to cope with the increase in business this fall. A vast amount of grain continues to come to elevators in Lumsden and vicinity as it is said better prices are paid by the local dealers.

Walters & Sons, merchants. of Gren-fell, have enlarged their premises. The seed fair held on the 10th inst. attract-ed a good deal of interest.

The Canadian Pacific now runs a pas-senger service through Lanigan, which means everything for the little town. Many new buildings have been erected lately, but now that there is a train service the place will grow rapidly. Several parties have secured sites and both business premises and dwellings will go up in the spring. Good water has been found in the locality.

From some complaints made by farm-ers it is evident that this has been a good season for grain buyers. In the good season for grain buyers. In the absence of the competition of the com-mission man, and with so many grades to work on, the buyers have had it nearly all their own way, and have not hesitated to make hay while the sun shines. There has been some cause for grumbling on the part of farmers about the grading that has been done this year. The question of grain shipping and selling might well be taken up by year. The question of grain shipping and selling might well be taken up by the different boards of trade to find out the different boards of trade to find out if there is some way of standing by the farmer to see that he gets justice. If the seller does not get full value for his product, from which he earns his living, he suffers in consequence, his funds are low and he does not spend as freely as he would otherwise do. If the boards of trade are unable to do anything in the matter it might pay the farmers in some districts to have an the farmers in some districts to have an experienced representative to look after their interests

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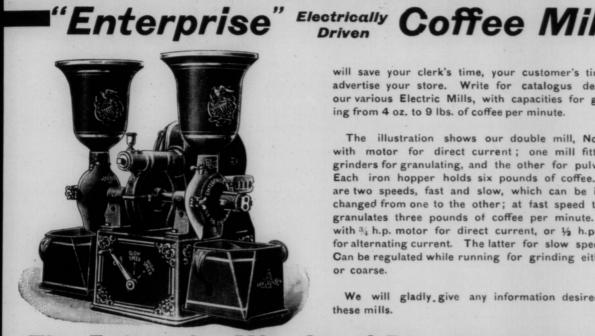
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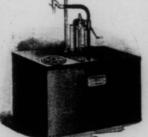
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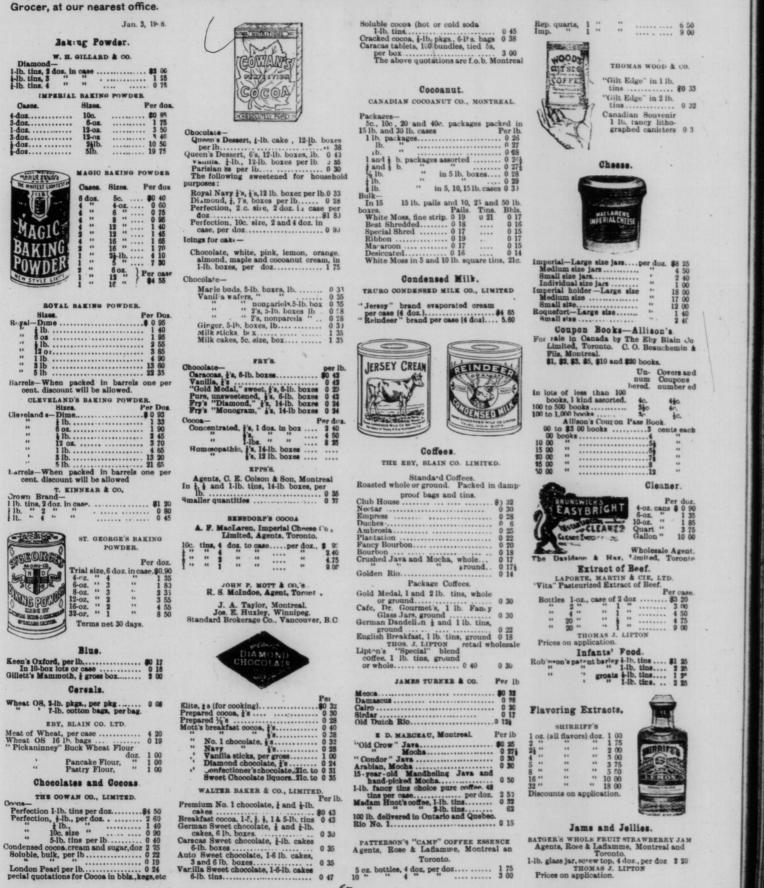
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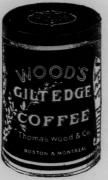
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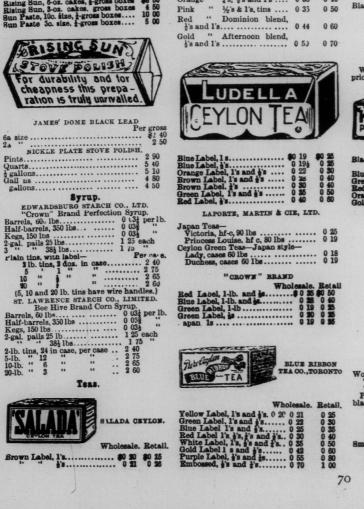
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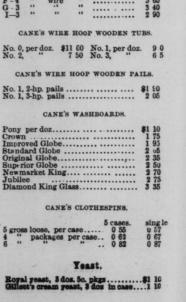


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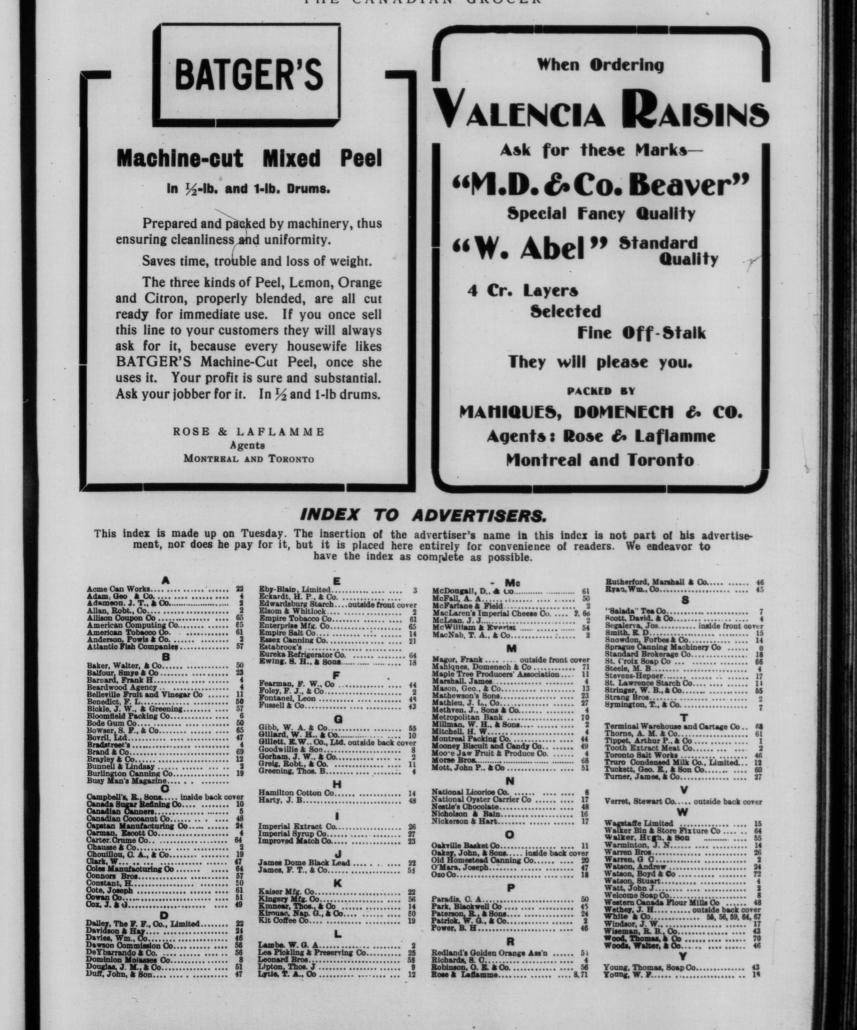
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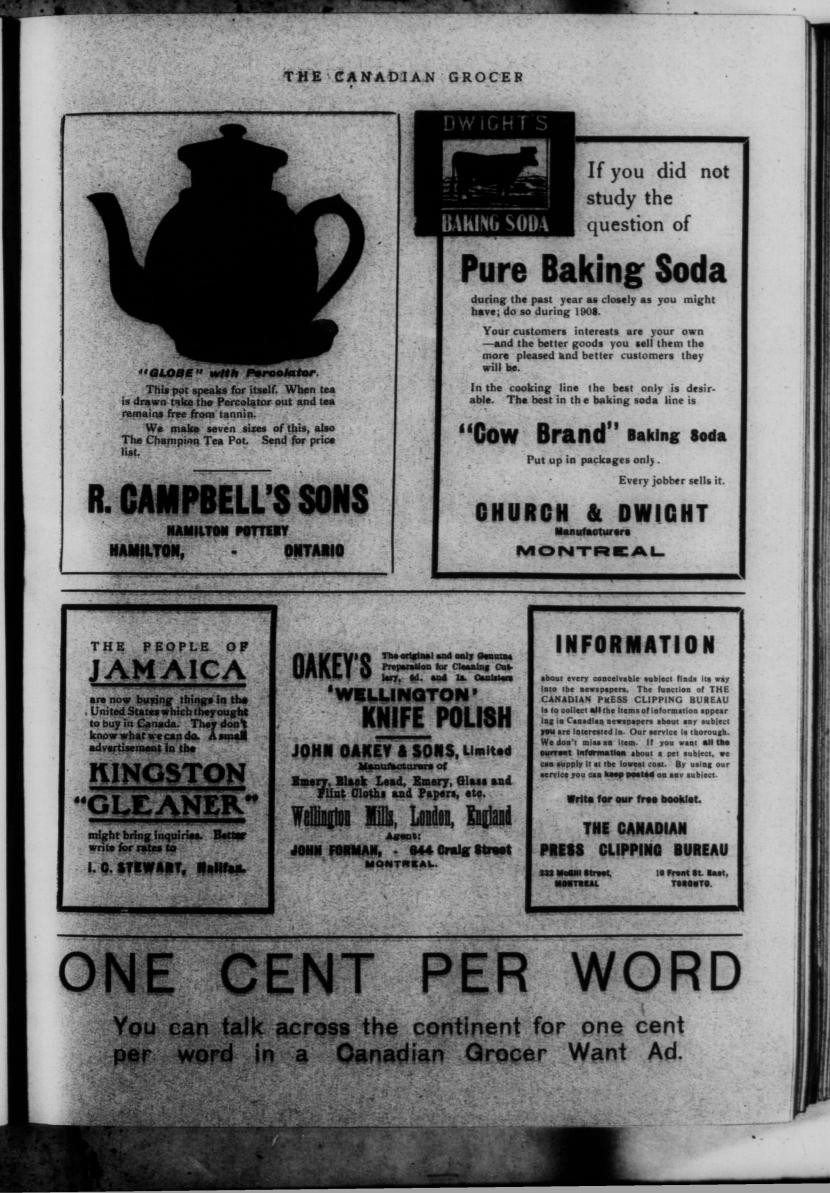
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