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Sold by several leading Grocery Jobbers of Canada. We will tell you who they are upon request.
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Open stock patterns in
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once acquired, can never be satisfied by the Why? teas of any other country.

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## Prepared from fresh selected milk

Entirely free from adulteration. . .
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Remember the name
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The Ceylon Tea Planters and Manufacturers take pleasure in wishing their Canadian friends a very Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year. They will be
At Home
all through the year 1904, preparing for the Canadian market the finest tea in the world.
The growing popularity of Ceylon Tea in Canada is
beyond all expectations, and the Canadian grocers are invited to share in this growth by putting
in a full stock of Black and Green Ceylon Tea for 1904, thus ensuring their prosperity for the next twelve months.

## Some Salmon Sellers.

In selling salmon the greatest care should be taken in the selection of brands that are strictly first-class and stay first-class, brands that you can absolute!y rely on.

## - 1 Maple Leaf Salmon

These are two brands which you may sell with positive satisfaction. Ask for them. They are put up by

## Lowe Inlet Salmon <br> \$

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& \text { a hundred short, snappy sayings for head- } \\
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Our Special Cheap Line, the "PURE" Worcester, is the best and cheapest on the market. Ask your Wholesale House to send you on a case with your next order.

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Manufactured from a blend of the finest
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NO CARAMEL, NO GLUECOSE used in their manufacture.


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The LAMCET says:-
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fact that, by a suitable treatment crystals of caffeine, the important stimulating principle of Coffee, were extracted from it. It is freee
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GOOD AND
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LARGE AND
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SALES.

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## 居 NOT TOO BUSY.

You are never too busy to add to your profits. This can be done by dropping a hint now and again to your customers that it is well for them to always keep on hand a tin or two of condensed milk or evaporated cream. It will often save the housekeeper a heap of inconvenience when she runs short of milk.

## "REINDEER BRAND"

W. G. A. LAMBE ©O., Agents.
condensed milk always fresh.

## A Handsome Coffee Tin, FREE

With 100 pounds AURORA OOFFEE
This is not a "catch" offer-but a genuine gift-of an attractive lithographed, double partition Coffee Tin-in order to show the wide-awake, up-to-date grocer just what real bargains we have to offer in Coffee.

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Fine Stock of XMAS GOODS.
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# IMPRESSIONS OF THE GREAT WEST 

## Gathered During a Transcontinental Tour with the Canadian Manufacturers' Association.

 By W. L. E.

HEN we took the steamer at Nelson for our trip down the Kootenay lakes a day had elapsed since we landed at Robson at the foot of the Arrowhead lakes. The morning was dull, but the rain had


A Young Banker Playing Horse at McLeod. ceased. The Kootenay lakes, as their name implies, was a widening out of the Kootenay river, and, as on the Arrow head lakes, are walled in on either side by towering mountains, most of which are snow-capped. At their widest part they are about four or five miles wide, and one would think that it would be impossible for heavy seas to arise upon them, but the crew in our steamer, the Moyie, informed us that there were oc casions on which the waves became quite tempestuous and of dangerous force. Indeed, we had one slight experience of the suddenness with which storms come, and some idea of their force. In one of the illustrations in this issue is a snapshot I took of a storm as it was approaching us, and was taken a few moments after the other, showing the lake in sunshine. When the storm was upon us one could not see either shore, and the choppy sea soon drove us all into the interior of the boat; but it was soon over and soon forgotten. When it is remembered that the Kootenay lakes stretch for about 100 miles between a wall of mountains on either side, one has not to search far in order to find an ex planation for the suddenness and the fierceness of the storns.s which are some times encountered upon them.

The four blue-grey walls of the sky line are the fences one commonly sees in mid-prairie. A fence of the orthodox eastern type is a rare thing indeed. It is nothing to travel all day and fail to
see one. Those that we saw were marked by the scanty supply of wood that went to construct them. Here and there a substantial post was supporting the strings of wire, while between these at equal distances, were sticks about the size of broom handles driven into the ground to aid in strengthening the fence. Nature has been liberal in her bestowal of everything else but the material from which timber can be made. There is land to grow wheat and meat upon it enough to supply Europe; coal lands by the thousands of square miles; ozone to fill and expand the lungs of many millions of preople, and water enough to quench their thirst and water their cattle and their crops, but scarcely a stick to burn, much less with which to build fences. I am speaking, of course, of the prairic land


A Typical Scene in Stanley Park, Vancouver.
which comes within our range of vision as we speed along in the train. Away to the north, bevond the present fringe of civilization, Nature has not withheld her hand in this respect, and from the foothills westward to the Pacilic, trees are relatively almost as thick as grass is on the prairies, while meeting our astonished eyes as we emerge from the 500 mile jour ney through the Rockies are the cedars and pine trees, many of which penetrate into the "blue" one and two hundred feet, with a girth at the hase, in some instances, large enough to enclose a moderate-sized room. But while the Rockies can boast of their trees, the great plains beyond them to the east have their No. 1 hard, their herds of rugged, healthy cattle; their bunches of sturdy horses.

The one is thus able to supply what the other requires bui does not produce, at any rate only to a limited extent. Nature was not without foresight when she rolled out by the thousand square miles the rich prairie land betwern Wimipeg and the foothills of the Rockies, and built up to the West as far as the shores of the Pacifie towering mountains, on whose slopes she planted wealth of timber and in whose interior she hid untold mineral wealth.

Twilight lingers long in the Great West. 1 lengthy wilight is pleasant under all ireumstances: but it is particularly so when one is travelling in a strange land and desires as much time as possible for sight seeing. To a Canadian whose home is in Ontario or Qucber, the experience of an evening on the prairie is delightfully surprising. "My, how long it takes to get dark!" was an ejacmation that one often heard from a fellow passenger. The length of the twilight was particularly impressed upon me on the evening we stopped at Lethbridge for a couple of hours to witness a cattle rounding up contest, horse races with Indians mounted hareback, fund exhibitions of bueking bronchos. Evening was well upon tis when we stepped from the traiti and hurried nearly two miles arross the prairie to the scene of the sports. We watched for nearly an hour the varions events which were provided for our entertain ment, but darkness was not really upon us till our train was reached. That re turn walk across the praitie there is one

at least in the party who will not forget. The light was too faint to allow objects to be clearly discerned upon the prairie, but there was a gread deal of grey light still left in the sky, and it was a pictur-


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The quality of our goods is superior to anything else on the market. MORSE BROS., Proprietors, Canton, Mass,
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esque and amusing sight to see the heads of the scores of "broncho busters" and cowboys bobbing into view above the sky line as they rode along on their cantering ponies unmindful of the gopher holes that abounded. But bronchos have the faculty of evading gopher holes in darkness as well as in daylight ; and even when a layer of snow covers the prairie.

Speaking of twilights reminds me of sunsets on the prairies. I do not know that they are any more beautiful than the sunsets of Eastern Canada, but they are diiferent, particularly when the Rocky Mountains present themselves as a back ground. The sunsets, like the twilights, linger longer. The sun dances down behind clouds and mountain peaks just as guickly as he does behind clouds and commonplace hills in the east ; but the light he leaves in his wake does not go out as quickly. It just stays there as if magnanimously bent on giving us tender foots from the east our money's worth of beauty. And as if the mountain peaks were not high enough and glorious enough for the setting of the picture, fleecy clouds are piled up one upon another, until one has to look tivice before being satisfied where the snow-capped peaks of the mountains end and the fleecy clouds be gin. And even then one would hesitate to take an affidavit as to the exact line of demarcation. The majesty and beauty of the scene is too awe-inspiring to run the risk of even an unintentional equivocation. Late in the afternoon of the day we emerged from the Rocky Mountains at the Crow's Nest Pass the sun was getting low behind what is indicated in the guide books as Cathedral Peak. No one needed to be told it was Cathetral Peak. It was possibly a hundred or - more miles from us, but the outline of a massive cathedral was so well defined that some of our fellow travellers who had never ever heard the mountain's name, remarked how closely it resembled a cathedral. There was no sunset in all
our journey of 7,000 miles that so impressed itself upon my memory. It was magnificent, and seemed more supernatural than real.

## IMPORTATION OF TEA.

At the suggestion of Mr. P. C. Larkin, of The Salada Tea Co., Mr. George Johnson, statistician of the Dominion Department of Agriculture, has prepared a table showing the amount of tea imported into Canada since 1893. The table is as follows :

| Year. | Dutiable | Free |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1893. | Lhs. <br> 567.306 | Lbs. <br> 17,480,548 |
| 1894. | 1,444,805 | 19,106,934 |
| 1895. | 370,650 | 20,225,120 |
| 1896. | 259,532 | 22.408,639 |
| 1897. | 295,132 | 24,049,850 |
| 1898. | 614,730 | 19,414.732 |
| 1899. | 856,130 | 24,246,555 |
| 1900. | 222,041 | 24,776,685 |
| 1901. | 180,634 | 22,915,304 |
| 1902. | 376.786 | 19,305,267 |
| 1803. | 712,130 | 23,360,187 |

The Grocer has received from Mr . Andrew R. Tufts a souvenir post card showing a partial view of the Osaka Exhibition Grounds. The effect is very pleasing, indeed. The card was dated Osaka, Japan, October 10.

## ANTIGUA SUGAR.

The Dominion Department of Trade and Commerce has received a report from Agent Bryson, of St. Johns, Antigua, stating that arrangements have been completed between the government of the island and a firm in London for the erection of a large central sugar factory, to be operated by a vacuum pan and centrifugal process of the most modern type, with a capacity of 3,000 tons of crystals per annum. Up to this time Antigue sugar producers have followed the old Muscovado process, and it is hoped the new departure will give a great impetus to the sugar industry of the island.

## SUGAR BEETS VS. WHEAT.

"Mr. S. S. Detweiler," says The Berlin News-Record, " has made the following comparisons of profits in growing wheat and sugar beets :
"Cost of growing one acre sugar beets : Manure, 10 loads per acre, at $\$ 1$, allowing. one half to be utilized by preceding crop, thus making $\$ 5$; Fall preparation of land, \$2; Spring preparation of land, \$1; seed, \$2; seeding, 30c.; cultivating four times, $\$ 1.60$; blocking and thinning, $\$ 5$; second hoeing, $\$ 2$; liftıng with team, 75c.; pulling and topping, $\$ 5$; delivering 10 tons 5 miles, \$7.50. Total, \$32.15.

10 tons of beets per acre at $\mathbf{8 5}$.
Total cost.....

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Farm with stock and implen per acre, will give you a dividend of $221 / 4$ per cent.
"Cost of growing one acre of wheat Manure, on same conditions as beets, $\$ 5$; preparation, $\$ 3$; seed, $\$ 1$; seeding, 30 c .; harvesting and threshing, $\$ 1.25$; marketing, 75c. . Total, \$11.30.

Average crop per acre, 20 bush.

| 20 bush at 75 c <br> Total cost ...... | $\begin{aligned} & 81500 \\ & 1130 \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| Net profit. | 8370 |
| $43 / 4$ per cent. |  |

Or 43/4 per cent. dividend."

## LAING'S CREAM SAUCE.

W. G. Patrick \& Co., Toronto, are putting on the market a new line in Dr. Laing's cream sauce. This sauce was compounded after several years experiment, and combines pure Devonshire cream and rich grape juice as its principal ingredients. It is handsomely put up in $10-\mathrm{oz}$. bottles, to retail at 25 c ., and gives, at this price, a good margin to the retailer.
F. X. Brassard, general merchant, Amqui, has made an assignment and $G$. Lafaivre has been appointed provisional guardian.

## Don't Wait Till Our Holly is All Sold!

We have "SELECT" and "FANCY" in cases and halves. Also Full Supply of CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS.

All goods now shipped same day as order received.

Lucas, Steele \& Bristol, HAMILTON.

## ITPAYSTO

Please your customer at this season of the year. It is easy to do by selling Canada's Greatest Baking Powder and Yeast Cakes.

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So when needing CHRISTMAS GOODS in a hurry, send along your orders by 'Phone, Wire or Letter.
Our stock is splendidly assorted, our prices are right, and we will give you every satisfaction.

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MALAGA FRUITS, CALIFORNIA SEEDED RAISINS, TARAGONA ALMONDS.

GRENOBLE and BORDEAUX WALNUTS, arriving this week.

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Our Famous Package.

P'ut up for the trade as follows
Mezani (large) I lb. pkgs., 48 Ib . boxes
Mezanelli(medium)1 " " "
Spaghetti - $\quad$ - " $\quad$.
Vermicelli


Fancy Pastes for Soups, Ilb. Pkgs., 48 lb . boxes
Following Assortment:
WEDDING RINGS, STARS, ALPHABETS, DITALINI, TUBETI, TUBETINI.

Assorted boxes, above kinds, if desired All kinds, bulk, 20 lb . boxes
Genova Macaroni, bulk, 20 lb . boxes.
A pure food, made with absolute cleanliness, of the best quality of materials.'

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A. F. MACLAREN, mPERIAL CHEESE CO., LIMITED,
. 1 Colborne Street, Toronto.

## THE CANADIAN GROCER

H. Taylor \& Sons, tea merchants, London, have dissolved partnership. Each continues in business alone.

Blanchard Bros., rocers, London, have assigned to the London and Western Trusts Co., a meeting of creditors will be held on 14th inst.

## quebec.

T. A. Lemoine, grocer and butcher, Montreal, is dead.
A. Sabourin, grocer, coal and wood dealer, St. Johns, is dead.

Dame \& Frere, grocers, Montreal, have dissolved partnership.
A. B. Fraser, grocer, Montreal, has sold out to E. P. Dame.
P. Therrian \& Co., general merchants, St. Remi, have compromised.


Make a nice display of

## UPTON'S

JAMS JELLIES AND
ORANGE MARMALADE

For

## Christmas

and they will win business for you.
A. F. Maclaren imperial chelese Co., Limited, Selling Agenta. TORONTO.
A. Chouinard \& Co., tea and coffee merchants, Montreal, have registered.
The assets of the Scotstown Mills Co., Sherbrooke and Scotstown, have been sold.
The Richelieu Pottery Co., St. Johns, have dissolved business and registered the same.
B. Nerou, general merchant, St. Jerome, has offered to compromise at 50 c on the dollar.
Ratte \& Payment, general merchants, St. Anne de Beaupre, have registered their partnership.
H. Girard, general merchant, St. Paul's Bay, is offering to compromise at 40 c on the dollar.
The assignment of G. Duchesne, grocer and shoemaker, Hunterstown, has been demanded.
The Potters' Manufacturing Association, St. Johns, have dissolved business and registered the same.
J. N. J. Bisson, general merchant, Broughton Station, has sold his stock to Beaudoin \& Turente.
The premises of A. S. Russell, grocer, Hull, has been damaged bv fire; loss partly covered by insurance.
L. O. Couture \& Co., general mereliants, St. Gedeon, are offering to compromise at 80 c on the dollar.

Bilodean \& Chalifaux have been appointed curators to H. A. Houle, grocer. St. Lonis de Mile End. His assets are to be sold.
A petition for a winding-up order for the Montreal Canning and Preserving Co., Montreal, was to have been presented 9 th inst.
P. G. Bussiere \& Cie., flour and grain merchants, Quebec, have dissolved owing to the death of P: G. Bussiere. The business is continued by A. N. Drolet and S. Dugal.
manitoba and n.w.t.
T. A. Stanlake, confectioner, Elgin, has sold out.
J. A. MeIntyre, grocer, Verden, has sold out to M. R. Schurman.
J. A. Bradley, grocer, Hartney, is negotiating to sell out his business.
J. Funk, general merchant, Rosthern, has sold out to Gloeekler Bros. \& Co.
H. R. Goulgar \& Co., general merchants, Lacombe, have been incorporated. A meeting of the creditors of G. Elliott, general merchant, Hamiota, has been held.

The stock of the estate of S. Lebedinsky general merchant, Carman, has heen sold.
R. A. Sanderson, confectioner, Rothwell, has been succeeded in business by R. Towns.

A chattel mortgage against L. S. Gurney, confectioner, Hartney, has been foreclosed.
Fitzpatrick \& Chubb, confectioners, Pirtle, have dissolved partnership. Fitzpatrick continues in business.

Dulmage Bros., general merchants, Saskatoon, have sold their hardware steek to H. Isbister \& Son.

NEW BRUNSWICK.
J. Hopkins', pork packer, victualler and egg dealer, St. John, has been succeeded by a new firm, same style.
H. E. Graves, general merchant, Harrey Bank, has assigned to the sheriff. A meeting of creditors was announced for 10th inst.

Nowa scotia.
G. G. Powers, general merchant, Kingston Station, has made an assignment for the benefit of his creditors.
british col.umbia.
Hough \& Calder, grocers, Vancouver, have sold their stock to E. Calder.
Eagle \& Paxton, traders, 150 Mile House, have dissolved partnership.

## Malaga Fruit <br> EI Be

Boxes and Qr. Boxes

Best Packers.

THE
Davidon \& Hay,
LIMITED,
Wholesale Grocers,
TORONTO.

# DAIRY PRODUCE And PROVISIONS 

and Cold Storage News．

## Poultry For Cold Storage．

THIS is the cold storage season for poultry，and especially for turkeys，says The National Pro－ visioner．Between this date and the middle of January great quantities will find their way into the freezers．As to the preparation of the bird for the freezers，it will not be amiss at this time to give the result of experi－ ments which have been made to determine the most approved and satisfactory method in getting the bird ready to be frozen．

Only the finest stock should be selected． The birds should be dry picked．
If the stock is to be packed it must be absoluyely dry and cold when placed in the cases．
Where outside temperature is low enough，the best results are obtained by the natural freezing，but care must be taken that the birds are protected from the wind during the process．In localities and at seasons where natural cold cannot be used the stock may be put directly into the freezing room of the cold store and frozen either singly or packed in cases．
Cases should be made of well－seasoned planed lumber， 1 inch thick．

For old tom turkeys the size of the case is $36 \times 22 \times 18$ inches，and for young toms $36 \times 22 \times 15$ inches．

For geese，ducks and chickens the size is $30 \times 20$ and about 10 inches，or deep enough to allow for two layers．These boxes should be of $5 / 8$－inch lumber．

Two layers should be packed in each case．Turkeys with backs up and legs outstretched，old toms，young toms and hens should be packed separately．Never pack old and young in the same case．

Geese，ducks and chickens should have the breast down on the bottom layer and up on the top layer．Each case should be plainly marked on the outside with a description of us contents．

When stock is frozen outdoors in cases and the temperature is below zero，the cases may be filled at once，but if above zero only one layer will be frozen at a time．No packing material should be used．When frozen solid the stock should be immediately placed in cold storage．

When the poultry is to be frozen in cold
storage，the cases may be filled and placed in the freezer，but a slat in the side of the box should be left off until the stock is frozen；the lower the temperature and quicker the freezing the better the result．
In cold storage the cases should be sepa－ rated so as to allow a free circulation of air．

Excellent results in freezing the poultry have been found by putting birds sepa－ rately into the coolers and then packing after it is frozen．In some instances it is frozen．In some instances it is not packed until ready for market，when it may be shipped in straw if the weather is cold enough．In handling large lots which must be sent long distances and then be placed in cold storage，it has been found to be better to pack the goods in cases． before freezing．

## Visible Stocks of Lard．

THE N．K．Fairbank Co．，Chicago， III．，under date of December 2nd， write The Canadian Grocer as follows ：

Our cable advices give the following estimates of the stocks of lard held in Europe and afloat，on the 1st inst．，to which we add estimates of former years， and stocks in cities named ：

## A Well Provisioned，City．

Chicago is always in the face of strikes． The city is in a state of siege all the time from an industrial and labor point of view， and is well provisioned，says The National Provisioner．Chicago could not be starved out in months．The daily food supply on hand in that city averages about as follows ：
Daily milk supply（gallons）． $\qquad$ 200，000 Meat and game in cold storage（lbs）．．．20，ro0，000 Fish in cold storage（lbs）．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．3，000，000 Flour in storage（barrels）．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．2，000，000 Butter in cold storage（lbs）．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．18，000，000 Eggs in cold storage（dozens）．．．．．．．．．．．．12，000，000 Fruit and vegetab＇es in cold storage（llbs） $2,000,000$

The development of cold storage plants in the city during the last decade has made it impossible to starve Chicago by strikes．The margin of $20,000,000$ or more lbs．of meat on hand at any one time assures the city plenty of food in any emergency．The other edibles in cold storage are relatively as abundant．A strike would starve the worker before the other citizen felt the pangs of hunger． He might grumble a bit at the price．

Montgomery \＆Colquhoun，general merchants，Deloraine，will dissolve part－ nership January 1， 1904.

|  | 1903. <br> Dec． 1 ． | $\begin{gathered} 1903 . \\ \text { Nov. } . \end{gathered}$ | 1902. <br> Dec． 1. | 1901. <br> Dec． 1 ． | 1900. <br> Dec． 1. | 1899. <br> Dec． 1 |
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| Liverpool and Manchester | 10，500 | 11，000 | 950 | 3，500 | 6，000 | 37，000 |
| Other British ports．． | 1，500 | 3，200 | 250 | 5.000 | 6000 | 7，000 |
| Hamburg | 12，000 | 20，000 | 500 | 3.000 | 3.500 | 4，000 |
| Bremen | 500 | 500 | 1.500 | 1，000 | 1，000 | 3.000 |
| Berlin． | 2，000 | 6.000 | 500 | 500 | 2，500 | 5，000 |
| Baltic ports | 8，000 | 8500 | 5，000 | 6，000 | 5，000 | 6，000 |
| Amsterdam |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\left.\begin{array}{l}\text { Rotterdam } \\ \text { Mannheim }\end{array}\right\}$ | 500 | 250 | 500 | 1，030 | 500 | 1，500 |
| Antwerp ．．． | 1，0c0 | 2，500 | 1，000 | 1，000 | 1，500 | 4，000 |
| Freach ports | 900 | 700 | 500 | 3，000 | 4，000 | 4.500 |
| Italian and Spanish ports | 500 | 500 | 500 | 1，000 | 1，000 | 1，000 |
| Total in Europe Afloat for Europe | $\begin{aligned} & 37,400 \\ & 50,000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 52,150 \\ & 50,000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 11,200 \\ & 45,000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 25,000 \\ & 57,000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 31,000 \\ & 60,000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 73,000 \\ & 60,000 \end{aligned}$ |
| Total in Europe and afloa | 87，400 | 102，150 | 56，2：0 | 82，000 | 91，000 | 133，000 |
| Chicago prime steam． Chicago other kinds | $\begin{array}{r} 19.920 \\ 8,082 \end{array}$ | 44,109 4,181 | 9.547 9.698 | $\begin{array}{r} 21.438 \\ 4.98 \mathrm{I} \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 17,092 \\ 6,173 \end{array}$ | 90,268 1I， 261 |
| East St．Louis ．．．．．． | 8，40 |  |  | 4，901 | 6,173 568 | 12,260 7,500 |
| Kansas City | 3.682 | 2，684 | 2，289 | 13，445 | 3，406 | 2.958 |
| Omaha | 842 | 1，140 | 1，013 | 3.911 | 2，960 | 3.433 |
| New Yor | 5，537 | 3，863 | 4.510 | 5，551 | 7.340 | 12，618 |
| Milwaukee | 1，357 | 1，789 | 680 | 1，564 | r，566 | 3.588 |
| Cedar Rapids |  | $\ldots$ |  | 2，644 | 1，790 | 444 |
| South St．Joseph | 1，845 | 3.833 | 1，788 | 3，450 | 1，859 | 1，109 |
| Total tierces | 130，005 | 164，049 | 85，725 | J3929 | 133.75 | 266，279 |



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## PROVISION AND DAIRY MARKETS.

## TORONTO.

Provisions-Trade on the whole is quiet in these lines, as is to be expected till after the new year. Dressed hogs are somewhat firmer than a week ago, especially for light weights, probably 15 to 20 cents per ewt. up; but smoked meats are weak and lard is off from a week ago. We quote:


Butter-The market is quiet. Receipts of creamery are increasing and as a consequence prices are easier. Dairy is also coming forward in larger volume and is exhibiting a lower tendency. The closing of the cheese factories has resulted in considerably increased produc tion of butter with the above result We quote:


Cheese-Owing probably to the late made and fodder cheese the quality of late coming on the market has siot beet up to the standard of September, with a resulting easier tone to the market although as no queteble change has developed. We quat:

Cheese, large.

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## MONTREAL

Provisions-There has been an improvement during the week, the lower prices tending to stimulate trade. Lard and smoked meats are in good demand. Receipts have been somewhat heavier than previous week. The pure lard market has been firm. Hog lard buyers, however, are cautious, though there is no indication of any change in the immediate frture. Business is fairly good. Pure lard is quoted at 81-2 to $83-4 \mathrm{c}$ in pails. We quote:
Canadian short cut mess pork
Ammerican bhort tut clear .....
merican fat back
Becon, Wiltshire, per ili


Butter-Stocks are still light and prices continue steady. The quality of the winter make is not auite up to the standard. Owing to cold weather the body is crumbly and the public are demanding fall makes. 'We quote: Winter creamtries, 21 c .; fall make in boxes, 22 c .; prints, 23 e .; winter prints, 21e. to $22 c$.; dai $y$ rolls, $161-2 c$. to $171-2 e$.; dairy tubs, $1 \overline{\mathrm{c}}$ e. to 16 c .

Cheese-There is said to be a good demand at present on the English market. Prices locally are unchanged. The mild, fresh make is selling at 11c. to $111-2 c . ;$ summer strong cheese, 12e. to 121-2e.

## ST. JOHN, N.B.

Provisions-In fresh meats there is little change. Western beef is quite largely used. Lamb is the chief line offered. Deer and Moose meat has been very plentiful but the season is over. Poultry continues high. In pickled pork and beef, prices are quite low but the market is thought to be more firm. Lard is very low but with signs of tirmer prices.

Butter-Is in quite ample supply and the large quantity of poor stock offered keeps prices down.
Eggs-Are tending higher, but prices will not yet admit of bringing down western stock.

Cheese-There is just a fair sale. Prices high and stock light.

## Provisions In Trinidad.

(iordon Grant \& Co., in their commer cial review, dated Port of Spain, Trini dad, November 18, say
Provisions.-The continued decline in the United States for both pork and lard makes values easier in our market, with dealers buying very cautiously. For pork loins, ribs, tails, etc., full rates are procurable. Dealers are still well stocked with their own importations of family beef bought at previous low rates, and values improve but slowly. Supplies of butter are still ample and fresh arrivals
of V. A. and P. Y. have sold at $\$ 11.90$ to sil2, but with an upward tendency in Morlaix we should see some improvement before the end of the year. For oleomargarine there is a steady demand at quotations. The demand for cheese continues restricted, but should shortly improve again, all old landings being now nearly cleared out

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If the grocers who intend painting their residences next Spring will follow the directions given below and wash the buildings with a solution of GOLD DUST Washing Powder, they will use one-third less paint than if they merely attempted to brush the dust off the house without washing it.

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Dissolve one quarter pound of GOLD DUST in a pint of water, then add the solution to 4 gallons of hot water ; apply with a stiff brush, and follow with use of a hose. The stronger the hose is turned on the quicker and more effectual the work will be.

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We have letters from several of our customers who used this method, and after washing their houses with GOLD DUST they were so well pleased with the appearance of them that they concluded not to paint them at all.

Retail grocers will do well to call this matter to the attention of their customers, as $\$ 3.00$ worth of GOLD DUST Washing Powder will make the house look as well as the expenditure of $\$ 100.00$ in re-painting it would.

Any grocer may experiment with a 5c. package of GOLD DUST by emptying the contents into 8 gallons of hot water, which should convince him that it will pay him to continue.

GOLD DUST can be used for any kind of outdoor work that needs renovating.

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Crown Chewing Gum, etc.

> Crown Mfg. Co. TORONTO.

## Railways Liable.

The inefficiency of the cold storage service on Canadian steamship lines is a side issue in an appeal heard this week at Osgoode Hall. The St. Mary's Creamery Co. shipped a consignment of butter to Manchester, England, under a through contract with The Grand Trunk Railway Co. The butter was damaged, and Chief Justice Meredith awarded them $\$ 488$ damages. The railway company contended that by their contract the butter was sent at the owners' risk, but his Lordship held that by the Railway Act railway companies were precluded from contract ing themselves out of liability.

## Argentina's Provisions.

ACONSERVATIVE estimate of the live stock in Argentina to-day places the sheep at $110,000,000$ (more than in Australia and New Zealand combined) and the cattle at $25,000,000$, or two-thirds of the number of horned stock owned by the United States, the premier cattle country of the world. When the pampas, which now stands idle or unfertile, have been brought under the influence of the wire fence and the gang-plough, the Southern Republic will easily carry double its present stock, and that without calling upon the yet undeveloped resources of Patagonia. With a clear political horizon and a home population of only $5,000,000$ souls, the Argentine output, if the present ratio of increase is maintained, seems within a measurable distance of controlling the world's meat market.
A side issue of the Argentine stock farm, ten years ago wasted or disregarded, now bids fair to take a place among its leading exports. In 1895 the butter sent from the Platte to England was 390 tons; in 1902 it was 3,000 tons. The exports for the current year cannot tall far short of 10,000 tons. One firm alone is manufacturing at the rate of 6,000 tons per annum, and during the past 12 months over 200 creameries have been established. This rapid growth of the dairy industry is greatly assisted by the fact that four-fifths of the crossbred herds in the country are already of the Shorthorn strain, a breed which combines better than any other the requisites for both a dairyman's and a butcher's cow.-MacMillan's.

## PRINCELY SALARY OF HOTEL MAN.

FIVE hundred thousand dollars a year for managing a hotel is a staggering idea, one that might have come out of a dreambook; but nevertheless that is the sum which George C. Boldt
is said to receive for conducting the Waldorf-Astoria, of New York, for the Astors. This princely income is based on a profit-sharing arrangement, and is contingent upon Mr. Boldt adding a certain amount to the annual income of the Astors, a condition which he finds little difficulty in fulfilling.
Five hundred thousand dollars a year is a dizzy height to be reached by a German emigrant, who failed as a chicken farmer in Texas, and returned to New York in 1871 penniless. Yet such is the story of the suave and resourceful head of that luxurious caravansary, known the world over for the brilliance and lavishness of furnishings and for the excellence of its appointments, the Waldorf-Astoria. Returning to New York after his failure to make a success of poultry raising in Texas, Mr. Boldt first found his true vocation. Beginning as an "omnibus," a waiter's assistant, in a second class restaurant on Broadway, he rapidly rose to a full-fledged waiter, then to checkman and, finally, by cultivating his influential customers, was given an appointment as steward of one of the largest hotels at Cornwall-on-the. Hudson.
With the approach of the Centenial in 1876 he turned his eves toward Philadel phia, and got a place in the Philadelphia Club, where he made himself immenselv popular with the cluhmen and made his position unassailable by marry ing the daughter of the steward.
Mr. Boldt now had no difficulty in securing backing to enter in the hotel businéss on his own account. The Bellevue, as be called his new venture, was an astonisher. It was more like a cluh than a hotel. The food was delicious, the service rerfect : but the prices were extravagantlv high. It was a great success.
Here came one dav William Waldorf Astor. He recognized in Mr. Boldt the man for the new hotel he was contom nlating in New York. Some time after Mr. Boldt was summoned to the presence of the millionaire and his nlans unfolded. The terms demanded bv the Philadelohia Serman manager fairlv staggered the capitalist, but he acceded. Boldt insisted on the hotel being built after his ideas, and it was. The innovations were startling and the luxury daring. But it paid; paid beyond the most sanguine expectations. And now, the rather tall, straight, comfortably round, carefully dressed, spec tacled man, with the direct, forceful, but unassuming manner, who is seen so often around the corridors, has the distinction of being the largest salaried man in the world.

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## KEEPING SWEET POTATOES.

CWEET potatoes need to be handled carefully if they are to be kept through the Winter, and, unlike most other vegetables, sweet potatoes should be kept in a warm, dry place, says The Chicago Record-Herald. In the first place, sweet potatoes must be dug at the right time. They should be dug before hard frosts have killed the tops, for this injures the quality of the tubers somewhat. And after digging, the potatoes must be handled as carefully as though they were eggs. Irish potatoes can be shoveled around rather carelessly, and often a bruise on one end of the potato, or even a decayed spot, will not affect the other part, which is left in a sound condition. But not so with the sweet potato, for a bruise at one end will affect the quality of the sound portion at the other, and will render it unfit for use. This fact is not generally understood by many growers, who handle sweet potatoes as carelessly as they do Irish potatoes. This fact is responsible for many of the potatoes of poor quality which are served during the Winter.

After being handled thus sweet potatoes should be stored in a warm, dry place. A temperature of 60 to 70 deg . is about right for the proper keeping of sweet potatoes. Some persons have stored them in sand or dust from the country road, gathered in late Autumn, but this is not necessary, the chief benefit of this plan being that the sand or dust will help to preserve an even temperature. If the potatoes are stored in dust or sand care must be taken that the latter is perfectly dry.

## CHRISTMAS PRICE LIST.

McWilliam \& Everest, of Toronto, have issued a very handsome little price list and Christmas greeting to the trade. The list is in the shape of a tolder, with three wings. On the inside are the prices, and on the back are cuts of a country store, flanked by a beaver and a maple leaf. Lists may be had on applying to to McWilliam \& Everest, Toronto.


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## THE CANADIAN GROCBR

## MR. HENRI JONAS, OF MONTREAL.

THE CANADIAN GROCER this week presents to its readers the photo of a gentleman whose features are familiar to almost every grocery jobber in Canada, and whose goods are known from the Atlantic to the Pacific, Mr. Henri Jonas, of Henri Jonas \& Co., Montreal, manufacturers of flavoring extracts and importers of tine grocers' sundries.

Mr. Jonas commenced business in 1870, and since that time has been established continuously within a few blocks of his firm's present premises at 389 St. Paul street. It is with pride that they point to having retained the confidence of their customers during all this time, and on their books to-day are the names of merchants who dealt with them in 1870.

It has been the aim of Mr. Jonas to place upon the market only goods of highest quality, and from the inception of the business to the present day this rule has been followed Jonas' flavoring extracts, French mustards and military dressings need no commendation.

As an importer of tine grocers' sundries the firm of Henri Jonas \& Co. stand in the front rank in Canada, particularly in the finest lines of French table delicacies. Mr. Jonas, who is an acknowledged connoisseur of fancy groceries and delicatessen, visits France, Spain and Italy once or twice every year, and spends no little time making his selections and looking up the finest and best goods obtainable in those markets. A glance over the list of a few of the houses represented by H. Junas \& Co. is a sufficient guatvantee of the qualty of the goods supplied.

Mr. Jonas is a firm believer in judicious advertising, and is ever ready to place the grocery trade into touch with the finer and higher grades of specialties, and though Mr. Jonas may personally not be known to many of the readers of The Canadian Grocer, his striking advertisements are familiar to all.

In commercial circles of Montreal Mr. Jonas is recognized as an up-to-date, propressive business man, and has been henored by his fellow-citizens with the office of president of the French Chambre de Commerce. This confidence is well understond by those who know Mr. Jonas.
The following are a few of the foreign firms represented by Henri Jonas \& Co.:

Establissment F. Delory, Lorient, France, packers of French peas, sardines, etc.
Bertrand \& Co., Havre and Lyons, France, manufacturers of macaroni, vermicelli, etc.
G. Blachard \& Co., Paris, France, potted meats and mushrooms.


WESTERN ONTARIO TRAVELLERS.

AMEETING of the Commercial Travellers' Association of Western Ontario was held in the Masonic Temple, London, Saturday afternoon last, when reports of the financial standing of the association were received and officers elected for the ensuing year.

President Wm. Turnbull occupied the chair, and among those present were John T. Green, William R. Grant, W. A. Wilson, E. R. C. Struthers, Sid Screaton, Wesley Smithson, James Smith, Harry E. Buttrey, William Lind, William Connor, John M. Dillon, George F. Brickenden, L. C. Johnson, R. M. Morrison, William Gray, W. L. Underwsod, W. H. Escott, S. F. Glass, Robert Tait and C. W. Nicholls.
The president submitted a report on the standing and work of the association that was most satisfactory. Three hundred and seventy new members had been received during the year, bringing up the membership to 1,800 , while the reserve fund had now reached $\$ 95,000$, a gain of $\$ 11,500$ for the year. Reference was made to the deaths during the year, some of the oldest and most ${ }^{\text {p }}$ prominent members, viz.: T. P. Blackwell, the first vice - president ; Nicholas Jeffrey, Isaac Waterman, Reuben North, P. M. Lawrason, Harold W. Southam, of London; Herrman Waterman, Buffalo ; John Wardlaw, Galt, and W. R. Thompson, Teeswater.
Death claims paid during the year amounted to $\$ 8,010$.
Bernard Bizac \& Co., Soullac, France, packers of truffles.
A. Durand, Carcassonne, France, manufacturers of crystalized and glazed fruits.
Dunipe \& Co., Seville, Spain, growers and packers of olives.
Jonas-Hanart, Anzin, France, refiners of pure olive oils.
Mamias \& Co., Bar-le-Duc, France, manufacturers of the celebrated Bar-le-Duc jellies.
L. Fichot, Landrin, France, the famous Breton vegetable colors for confectioners.
Brillant-Buhler Co., Neuilly s/Seine, France, silver and metal polishes and brass water.
Lichtwitz \& Co., Bordeaux, France, exporters of sardines.
Cailhol - Tornatore, Marseilles; France, fruit pulps, capers, etc.

The financial statement showed receipts of $\$ 40,744.85$, as follows : Balance in Canadian Savings and Loan Co. Bank, $\$ 5,109.87$; travelling certificates, \$17, 530 ; associate members' fees, $\$ 510$; duplicate certificates, $\$ 56$; interest on debentures and savings bank account, $\$ 3,538.98$; loan companies' debentures paid, $\$ 14,000$.
The disbursements included : Death claims, $\$ 8,010$; loan companies' debentures purchased, $\$ 15,000$; loan companies' debentures renewed, $\$ 14,000$; commissions to agents, $\$ 572$; secretary's salary
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$-6016-02$ See Sturch- 54 1202. phes....
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## The Road to Success

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Blanc Mange Powders Etc., Etc.
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## THE CANADIAN GROCER

$\$ 1,200$; office assistance, $\$ 400$; accident indemnities, $\$ 87.50$; printing and advertising, $\$ 314.60$; postage, stationery and sundries, $\$ 310$; rent, telephone, telegrams, $\$ 255$; taxes and audit, $\$ 147.16$; charitable fund grants, $\$ 25.10$, leaving a balance in the bank of $\$ 423.49$.

The assets now amount to $\$ 95,243.59$, consisting of loan companies' debentures, $\$ 93,000$; interest accrued, $\$ 1,41$ j. 10 ; office furniture, $\$ 405$, and balance in Canadian Savings Bank of \$423.49. The liabilities consisted of a balance of $\$ 95.01$ to the credit of the charitable fund, leaving a total net reserve of $\$ 95,148.58$, or a net $\$$ gain for the year of $\$ 11,769.82$.
more competent autliority on the subject than Mr. Larkin could have been secured. The article is illustrated by the accompanying very lifelike cut of Mr. Larkin.

## PEANUT CROP SHORT.

IN their report on the condition, qual ity and yield of the peanut crop of 1903, Holmes \& Dawson say
'It appears from the replies as to the acreage planted in peanuts that there has been a substantial reduction accounted for by the fact that the farmers being influenced by the high prices for both cotton and tobacco which prevailed last year planted more largely of these crops.
be made, while sf per cent, give the opinion that the crop will be short of an average anywhere from $1 f$ to an extreme of 60 per cent. below. Right here we wish to say that it is a difficult thing to determine what view is in every instance taken of what is meant by an average crop. To some minds it means a full all around crop of ideal conditions and features, while others make the stricter distinction of the real or actual meaning of an average crop.
"The quality of the present crop is unusuallv and uniformly good. All of the replies with the exception of eight per cent. report quality fair to very good. Where the quality is reported fair a number report a slight damage attributable to stormy weather prevailing at time of some early digging. This damage, however, has been slight, and since that time the farmers have had ideal weather for saving and curing. Quite a proportion of the crop is yet in the fields in stacks, but no fear is entertained that there will be any further damage, and sunshine and wind are all doing the work of curing satisfactorily.
"Probably the most noteworthy item is that of the yield. Last year, with fine weather conditions throughout the growing period, and with luxurious growth and spreading of the vines, there was much above an average yield, as was shown by our last year's report. This year the conditions are somewhat reversed ; weather conditions were unfavorable, particularly during the late months of the life of the plant. Cool and unfavorable weather conditions through August and September to an appreciable extent stunted the growth, and pegging down and the bulk of the crop was made in its earlier history, June and July. Our replies give onlv 13 per cent. as having an average yield, while 87 per cent. give a less yield and 11 per cent. say a much less yield.
"The already strong position of the new crop of peanuts is the best evidence that there is a shortage. The market last season opened at $2{ }_{3}^{3} \mathrm{c}$. for best grades of farmer's stock, as against a market to-day of 31 c . for the same grades. The question now foremost in the minds of the. distributors of factory cleaned goods is how will their trade take the new crop at the advanced prices; will the trade take as many peanuts at the prices they will be forced to charge this season as was done last season, when factory cleaned goods were three-quarters of a cent a pound cheaper. The prevailing opinion of the factory people is that the demand will not be as heary as it was last season."


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HE New York Journal of Commerce in the issue of Tuesday of this week; gives a two-column review of the report of Mr. H. Berchenough, special commissioner appointed by the British Board of Trade to investigate trade conditions and prospects in Sonth Africa. The report is a remarkable one not alone in the light it throws upon conditions in South Africa, but in the information it gives as to the methods so successfully employed by our American neighbors in gaining an entrance to the South African market. In 1902 the exports of Britain to South Africa were $£ 29,247,743$, an increase of about 40 per cent. over the preceeding year. The American exports for the same year, while but $£ 4,429,879$, showed an increase of $\mathbf{6 7}$ per cent. over the previous year. This remarkable increase was sufficient to cause England to take alarm.

Of American exports $£ 2,284,088$ represented food stuffs, fodder, timber and
natural products. In this they do not come in competition with Britain, but they do most decidedly with Canada and Australia.
The report deals most particularly with the other lines, but the methods pursued are the same. Americans owe much of their success, the report says, to the extraordinary activity and alertness they show in the conduct of their business and the careful measures they take to retain and extend their connection. Instead of endeavoring to force the sale of goods they are in the habit of making, they strive to find out what their eustomers want and make it for them. American methods of packinr and care as to the appearance of their goods are also commended. Indeed the whole substance of the report may be summed up in saying that the Americans go after the trade and do what is necessary to get it. And they do it quick. They were putting up steel frame buildings a whole year in South Africa before the British firms woke un and got in position to compete with them.

Mr. Berchenough is very sanguine as to the future of South Africa. The mines, he says, have not yet begun to be worked to their capacitv. and for many years South Africa will be dependent for her supplies from abroad and for rapidly increasing population.

For this trade Canada has made some little feeble efforts and has met with some little success, but with the Americans as competitors we must rise to the occasion and beat them with their own weapons. Our manufacturers must make themselves acquainted with what the South Africans want and how they want it. When that is done it is then necessary to put it up in a more attractive form than the American competitor does and then see that it is landed and put on the market in good shape. It may cost a little money to open this market at first, but the market is a growing proposition that can be had better now than later. If Canada is to become an exporting country we can not afford to let the South African market eseape us.

## DECLINE TO SUBMIT TO SERFDOM.

TENDENCY is discernable in the case of not a few of our business men to labor with their hands rather than with their heads, to allow themselves to become encumbered and weighted down with a mass of detail which should be relegated to subordinates.

This is often due to the lack of a nice discrimination between what belongs propertly to the sphere of the manager and what to the ordinary office man. Yet such is not always the case. But the other day a gentleman distinguished in Canadian financial circles, confessed that he frequently went down to his office in the ordinary course of routine, when there was no necessity whatever for his presence there, and when he might have been immeasureably better engaged recuperating mind and body out in the oben air and sumshine. on the golf links or at the sea side. Why did he keep so close to his office? Simply for fear that he might appear to be neglecting his business.
So have we enslaved ourselves. Whether needed or not at the office, we must at least make a pretence of it. This is an old game which men have used to hoodwing each other and themselves since time immemorial. Chancer describing the Sergeant of The Lame, the 14th century prototype of the modern business man, says, with gentle irony

> - Nowher so besy a man as he ther nas,
And yet he semede besier tt an he was."

A Canadian who fills the post of private secretary to the directing mind of several of the largest manufacturing corporations in the United States, while on a visit to this country a short time ago, remarked that he had not seen his chief for four years. He received his instructions by telephone or telegraph The man whose wonderful grasp of finance and whose control of the industrial situation of the United States is alternately the admiration and the detestation of his fellow citizens has been able to maintain his position as the cap-tain-general of industry by resolutely declining to be the slave of detail. He

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has organized the details. He no longer deals with units but with systems. Had he attempted to attend to every detaly himself he would no doubt have been an admirable head clerk, nothing more.
The Canadian business man should not make the mistake of confining himself too closely to his office, his store or his factory, as the business grows he should relinquish from time to time, the lower class work, and confine himself to the higher and more subtle, the administration rather than the executive side of the business. He would thus have more time to do well what is most worth well doing. He would have more time for exercise to invigorate mind and body. He would think clearer, plan more deeply and act more effectivelv. He would be a more shrewd business man, a better husband, and a more honored citizen.

## THE FAT STOCK SHOW.

HAIL to Guelph and its Fat Stock Show. During the summer months the Ontario Agricultural College is the Mecca that draws the farming population in annually increasing numbers to the Royal city, but the enterprise of its citizens has built up another institution in the Provincial Winter Fair which is every year growing in importance and in the interest it excites throughout and beyond the Province. By its Fat Stock Show, Guelph is probably as well known as by the Agricultural College.

There this week has been gathered the elite of live stock aristocracy, to the delectation alike of the admirer of wellbred, well-fed cattle and the lover of the good roast beef and lamb chops. The superior excellence of Canadian live stock has been proved in all the great exhibitions that have been held in the northern parts of this continent. At Guelph are gathered from our flocks and herds the creme de la creme, the pride of the farm yard and stock ring in every class,

The splendid and increasing success of this unique fair is a matter for pride

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not alone of the people of Guelph but of all Ontario. There is nothing like it to be found on this continent and Guelnh deserves every bit of the honor she is deriving from her successful fair.

There is, of course, a desire on the part of some that the fair be removed to a more central location, but this desire is hardly a reasonable one. Guelph has proved her title to the fair by making it the success we now see it. The fair is held in the centre of a most desirable district. It is close to the Agricultural College, an important matter as a large proportion of the visitors to the fair are farmers, and in addition to all this it has been by no means estabtished that centralization is an unalloyed benefit. It has some advantages, of course, in the way of accommodation. But on the other hand the fair is primarily educative and to accomplish this purpose it should be brought as closely as possible to the farmer. Guelph is. well situated as regards western Ontario. It would not be a bad idea to establish a similar fair in eastern Ontario. But in the meantime Guelph should be encouraged in the good work being done there in raising the standard of our stock and educating the farmers in scientific and profitable methods.

## MR. CHARLTON SHOULD COME HOME.

$N$INCE the close of the session at Ottawa, Mr. John Charlton, M.P., has again crossed into the United States and resumed bis self-imposed task of advocating commercial reciprocity between that country and Canada.
Mr. Charlton's persistency is to be admired. So is his courage. He believes that reciprocity in trade between Canada and the United States would be a good thing, and he is doing his best to bring it about.
But the services of Mr. Charlton seem to be scarcely wanted in the United States just now. There was a time, a decade ago, when there was scarcely any native missionaries in the United States to preach the doctrine of reciprocity with Canada.

That day is now passed. Reciprocity with Canada is becorring a popular cry. Senator Fairbanks appears to he making it a part of his life's work. President Roosevelt is being imbued with his spirit, and it is expected that after the presidential election, if returned to the White House, will openly lend his influence to the desired treaty.
But whatever may be said as to the attitude of the politicians, it is certain that a strong sentiment in favor of reciprocity with Canada predominates the minds of business men in the Eastern, Middle and Northwestern States of the American Union.

Had the sentiment been so strong in the years gone by, when Canada was a suppliant for reciprocity, it is altogether likely the desideratum would have been secured.

Now, however, the order is reversed. As far as our memory serves us there is not a single newspaper in Canada advocating it. And, outside of Mr. Charlton, not a single politician either. There are no politicians so poor as to do it reverence. As a subject for practical politics it is defunct. Time has swallowed it as effectually as the big fish did Jonah. And is likely to keep it down much longer than the fish did the disobedient prophet.

It is obvious, therefore, that Mr. Charlton's place is at home. And if he is really concerned about reciprocity he will come at once. There is no one but himself to cultivate the reciprocity field. In the United States the field appears to be white almost unto the harvest, but in Canada the soil has been so long neglected that if our memories were not pretty good, and we had not the files of newspapers to refresh them, we certainly would forget that the cause of reciprocity with the United States had ever been cultivated in Canada. There is not even a blade to be seen in the old field. And before even the seed can be sown a great deal of ploughing will have to be done. Really, if results are to be seen by the present generation it it imperative that Mr. Charlton should come home at once and get out his plough.

## THE CANADIAN GROCER

## for Christmas presents.

FOR the next two weeks people will be buying Christmas presents. There is no better place to buy them than in the grocery. Fruits, candies and nuts are of course equally acceptable to young and old, but very often the Christmas season is made the occasion of adding to the joy at once of the giver, and those who have not an abundance of this world's goods, and whose Christmas festivities otherwise would be darkened by the gloomy spectre of want. In making the choice of Christmas presents therefore one is sometimes at a loss. To anticipate such a situation The Grocer has prepared a list of articles to be had in the grocery store from which presents suitable for any purpose may be chosen. This might be cut out and posted where it may be seen by customers wresting with the problem of what to buy.
The list presented is as follows :
Box of bon bons.
Dozen oranges.
Two dozen bananas.
Half-dozen pineapples.
Basket of grapes.
Dozen of grape fruit.
Barrel of apples.
Fancy package of figs.
New dates.
Malaga raisins.
Shelled almonds.
Shelled walnuts.
Peanuts, fresh roasted.
Bottle of Olives.
Half-dozen cream cheese.
Half-dozen sections honey.
Mince meat.
Plum pulding.
Box of fancy biscuits.
Box of holly and mistletoe.
Turkey or goose.
Fancy candles with shades.
Jar of preserves.
Bottle beef extract.
Twenty-five lbs. granulated sugar.
Five lbs. of tea, choice.
Five lbs. of coffee, choice.
Package of cocoa.
Cake of chocolate.
Bottle of wine.
Box of cigars.
Box of tobacco.
New pipe.
Package of toilet soap.
Bag of thour.
Case of breakfast food.
Smoked ham.
Side of bacon.
Lamb.
A keg of fish.

China plate.
Cup and saucer.
Fruit set.
Salad dish.
Vase.
China ornament.
Bag of potatoes.
An order for goods.

## HINTS TO BUYERS.

Contributors are requasted to send news only, not puffs of ooods they handile, or the arrival of standard good goods at close figures, or that they have had an unusually large sale this season.
Lucas, Steele \& Bristol still have Fard dates, also Bombay stuffed figs and dates.
B. O. Beland says it will pay buyers of wines, fine champagnes, down to ordinary clarets, to visit his sample room and warehouse at 26 Lemoine street, Montreal, or to write him for his quotations.
The R. \& J. H. Simpson Co., wholesale grocers, Guelph, have a snap to offer in canned salnion.
Husband Bros. \& Co. report three cars of Mexican oranges to hand this week (stock sound, sweet and bright color); two cars of Florida oranges (russett and bright), thin skinned and sweet ; one car of Delaware holly ; first car of the season of navels, all sizes.
H. N. Bate \& Sons, Ottawa, advise arrival into store of full line of Crosse \& Blackwell's jams, jellies, fish paste:, etc.; also Dandicotte \& Gaudin's vegetables, fruits and pastes, in glass and tin.
E. D. Marceau, Montreal, is calling the attention of the trade this week to special values offered in teas. These are quite-times values and should prove interesting.

Ocean Mills, Montreal, are offering special premium with the Ocean Baking Powder between now and New Years. Look out for their ad. in next week's Grocer.
Late arrivals of Valencia Oranges received by McWilliams \& Everist have opened up in very fine condition.

John Sloan \& Co., Toronto, have received into store a carload of fine pink salmon, packed by J. H. Todd \& Sons, proprietors of the Horseshoe Brand, and every tin is guaranteed by them. This salmon is being offered at attractive prices

Spratt's Patent Food Co., Limited, of Newark, N.J., report an increased demand for their goods in Canada.
"Kkovah" Jellies have "caught on in Halifax," writes their representative in that city to the R. Greig Mfg. Co., Montreal.
"Chocolat de l' Univers," for which B. O. Beland, Montreal, is Canadian agent is ready for the Christmas trade. These goods are claimed to be surpassed by none in quality. Orders sent direct to Mr. Beland will receive prompt attention.
"Bronco" brand navel oranges, one of the finest California oranges to be had, are expected in a few days. White \& Co. have exclusive control of this brand and are doing a large business in them.

The R. \& J. H. Simpson Co., Guelph, report the arrival of a shipment of new Grenoble walnuts, soft shell almonds, fil berts, and other seasonable goods.

Buyers' attention is called to this week's ad. of L. Chaput, Fils \& Cie., Montreal Special values are offered in Griffin d Skelley's California apricots, peaches, and fancy Santa Clara " new crop" apricots, peaches and prunes.

A full supply of table raisins may be found with Lucas, Steele \& Bristol.

White \& Co. received the first car of California celery to come to Canada this year, of the "Golden Heart" variety. They have it packed in $1 / 2$-crates as well as crates, and is of splendid quality.

Something* entirely new in Batger \& Co.'s English crackers for Christmas and table decorating is offered by H. N. Bate \& Sons, Ottawa. These are oftered at interesting prices.
L. Chaput, Fils \& Cie., Montreal, are offering Trenor and Arguimbaus' 1902 crop Valencias, at $\$ 1.20$ per box. These are cold-storage kept and in grod condition. This price should tempt buyers.

White d Co., Toronto, have a consignment of English cob nuts due. They are also offering California almonds, walnuts and Louisiana paper shell pecans.

Lucas, Steele \& Bristol display a fine assortment of olives in glass also gallon jars.

## REMOVAL.

Stronach \& Son have recently purchased the commodious premises, No. 46 Church street, Toronto, where they will conduct a business devoted entirely to Canadian fruits and produce. The outside trade can depend on correspondence and consignments receiving the firm's prompt and careful attention.

## VINEGAR MAKERS MEET.

A meeting of the vinegar manufacturers of Ontario and Quebec was held last Friday, 4th inst., at St. Lawrence Hall, Montreal. Representatives of the different factories were present.

## 999

## Dealers out of a Thousand

Is about the proportion of strict?:adherents to the belief that "SALADA" Ceylon Tea
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## ONTARIO MARKETS GROCERIES.

Toronto, Dec. 10, 1903.

THE same general conditions pre vail as reported last week. Wholesalers are still busy filling Christmas goods orders, and no let-up is reported. This Fall's business is reported from fully up to last year to away ahead of that 12 months ago. There have been no notable changes in prices, with the possible exception of coffee. Country buyers are placing orders freely for seasonable goods, and the outlook continues very favorable. Collections are reported improving. Canned goods are guite firm and are regarded as good property. Coffees are very strong and rising. Rios, Santos and Maracaibo have been advanced in quotations below. Spices are meeting with a good demand from wholesalers, but brokers report market dull. but prices are still maintained. The call for both svrups and molasses has imfor both and is considered strong. Rice and tapioca are unchanged from last week. Tea is much the same as recently. There is still a good demand for lowprice teas of fair quality, but little responce at prices buyers feel disposed to offer. In London prices are maintained, perhaps a little firmer than a week ago. The interest of the trade is largely cenThe interest of the trade is largely cen-
tred around dried fruits and nuts. The tred around dried fruits and nuts. The
latter are now arriving and enlisting interest, especially in shelled. In sugar. raws in United States have eased off $1-16 \mathrm{c}$. for the week. Locally, sugar is unchanged in price, with more business doing.

## CANNED GOODS.

There is nothing new to report in canned goods this week, except that these lines are gathering additional strength. Parties who have placed orders and got the goods are in an enviable position: they have good property. Corn is still in the front of the market, and peas also are attracting considerable attention. Canned meats as usual are dull at this season of the year, but prices are held season of the ve
firm. We quote:



## COFFEES.

In New York colfee is still advancing. Smaller estimates of the present Santos crop, a sharp advance in European markets, and a higher market in Brazil, all tend to intensify the bullish movement that has of late dominated the coffee that has of late dominated the conee market. Coffee is full 2e. higher than at
the first of September. . Locally, an advance of $\frac{1}{2}$ c. in Rios is quotable, but mild grades have not been affected, sufficiently to influence quotations. Maracaibos are $\frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$. higher. I fair demand is met, but buyers are rather afraid of the rapidly rising market. He quote


## SUGAR.

The weaker feeling reported in our last has continued for the week under review and we have to record further declines in quotations for raw sugar. There have been fairly heavy sales to United States refiners of sugars on spot and arrived at port of call for orders, as well as for January shipment from Cuba. For week ending Friday, 4th inst., transactions aggregated fully 50,000 tons. There has been pretty free selling of new crop Cubas at $2 \begin{aligned} & 7-32 \mathrm{c} \text {. and } 2 \underset{16}{ } \text { of new crop } \\ & 3-16 \text { basis } 96\end{aligned}$ Cubas at $28-32 \mathrm{c}$. and 2 3-16 basis 96
degrees C. \& F., which, under the Recidegrees C. \& F., which, under the Reci-
procity Treaty with the reduction of 20 per cent. in the American duty, would give a landed cost, duty paid, 5 17-32 to 3 9-16. Soon after our last report there was a sale of 1,200 tons Demarara centrifugals for prompt shipment at 2 c . C. \& F., which with duty of 1.69 would cost landed 3 11-16. Since then there has cost landed 3 11-16. Since then there has been a sale at $3 \frac{5}{8} \mathrm{c}$., thus establishing a
decline of $1-16$ for the week. When the statistical position is considered, it is difficult to appreciate the reasons for the weakness in raws, as, for week ending December 2, receipts at United States four ports were only 23,559 tons, while meltinors remain unchanged at former figure of 26,000 tons. Total stocks are 100,387 tons, against 182,711 tons same time last year. Total stocks in the United States and Cuba together are 222,387 tons, against 249,711 tons same time last year, the combined deficiency
being 27,324 tons. Combined stocks of Europe and America at latest uneven dates, were $2,(61,387$ tons, against 1,973 ,006 tons same time last year, the increase being 88,381 tons. European markets opened for the week at $8 \mathrm{~s} .4 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}$. for 88 per cent beet, prompt shipment, and at the close remains unchanged at this figure. Report on the growing crops on December 5 read: "Weather unfavorable for crop work," and cable on December 8 reported, "No change in the situation." United States refined market has remain ed quiet with little business doing and prices unchanged. Refiners have been unwilling to make time contracts, while buyers have been indisposed to purchasefor prompt delivery only. Present prices or refined are low, leaving margin of only from , to $73 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$. over raws. Our local market has been without spe cial feature, trade continuing on a handcial feature, trade continuing on a hand-
to-mouth basis only, with only a moderate distribution for this season of the year. At the close there are no special indications and the list remains as below:
Paris lumps, in 50-1b boxes.
St. Lawrence granulated
Acadia granulated
 SPICFS.
There is little change in spices : in fact absolutely no new development from last week. The market is featureless and prices maintained as before. Locally the wholesalers are finding a seasonable demand and are satisfied. We quote:
Per lb.

Per 1 l .
 SYRUPS AND MOLASSES.
These lines are moving well. There is quite a lot of molasses selling just at present, this being its especial season. Syrup. also is in good demand, the call being principally, in fact, almost altogether, for the corn article.

## rice and tapioca.

A fair demand for the season is re ported. Tapioca is in a peculiar posi tion. The heavy stocks held locally hought at low prices have kept the market here below what stocks could now be replaced for. There is no change in rice. We quote:

There is nothing of note in the tea situation this week. A demand from United States markets for China greens being the one feature. Locally there is a demand for Japans to retail at 25 c ., but

## THE MARKETS

hardly anything can be had around that price of good value. The markets in London were maintained at recent easing off, and a cable the early part of the week seemed to indicate a slight revival in Indian.

FOREIGN DRIED FRUITS.
Arrivals of new shelled walnuts are at hand this werk, and owing to complete absence of old stock were absorbed at once. Further shipments are close at hand, and prompt orders may be filled for Christmas trade. Shelled walnuts are unusually early this vear. Malaga blue raisins are of vers supmior quality this year. Extra dessirt dusters have gone frecly into consumption, and considerable buying has taken place between whole sale houses, some of whom have been short. One sale is reported of 100 boxes of Beven's Imperial Russian clusters. A feature of the Malaga fruit this vear has been a $20-\mathrm{fl}$. box of clusters dibided into 1-1b. bunches by the insertion of wased paper, so that fruit can be lifted out without tearing the clusters, and thus having the bunch perfect. This is the creation of Beven \& Co., Malaga, who introduced it for their New York trade. It has taken well here. There has been an enormous development in the shelled nut business of late, not only for confec tionery purposes, but also for sale in grocery stores. Where five vears ago a wholesale house would take five boxes, manv retaliers now take as many as ten. Two-thirds of the nuts imported no come shelled. Orders have been placed in France for several thousand cases of shelled almonds for monthly delivery as iar ahead as June, 1904. In our last issue it was stated that Valencia raisins were not in 100 plentioul supply, and that were notity in country would be not much quantity Thi has been verified during the week by This has been verified during the week b inquiries froni several importers for quo tations on shipments from Spain. There is little change in foreign markets. At end of November there were some 201 tons left in Spain held at a price equal to $6 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$. delinered here for selected. Steamship Velarde, which sailed for liverpool, November $2: 3$, had on 4,000 half boxes for Canada, which will arrive about the first of the year. The market in currants is unchanged. Patras reports that recen sales for Canada apparently showing drop in market were executed in consequence of a favorable rate of exchange, the first cost remaining unchanged. The position is considered strong for the future. We quote

CURRANTS

RAISINS.

## Valencia, fine off-stalk .. selected alk Sultana <br> Californien ....... <br> Californian seeded, 12-oz..... :" unseeded, 2 -crown (" <br> terown....

DATES.




FISH.
The fish market is quite brisk. There is a first-rate demand and supplies are ample. Oysters are being sought more of late, and a good demand is anticipated till after the New Year. We quote

| Trout, fr |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| Herrings, fresh, per ib |  |
| British-Columbian salmon |  |
| Halibut, frozen, per 1b |  |
| Perch, per 1 l | 005 |
| Mackerel, frozen, per lb |  |
| Haddock, p |  |
| Cod, per ib |  |
| Tullibees, per Ib |  |
| Gold eyes |  |
| Finnan haddie |  |
| Bloaters, per box....... | 12 |
| sters, standard, per sma |  |

## GREEN FRUITS.

California navels and Mexican oranges have arrived this week and are meeting with a good demand. Holly is meeting a lively market; it is bright and well kerried. Jamaica oranges by the barrel,

Messina lemons and Florida grape fruit are easier. Other fruits have maintained their values. Next week the bulk of the Christmas fruit will be in the hands of the commission men or on the way to the retailers. The season has proved very satisfactory and the outlook is bright. We quote:


## VEGETABLES.

The vegetable market is practically un changed with the exception of potatoes Of these there is a local scarcity, due largely to the cold weather. The tubers have advanced to 80 c. , by the bag, and 75. the bag in carlots. Cabbage are also in good demand. We quote :


## SEEDS.

There is a good demand for red clover of good quality, but little up to the mark oliered. Ordinary timothy is dull, but flail-threshed will bring an advance on quotations. Alsike is unchanged and featureless. We quote:
Red clover, per, bush
Alsike Timothy, per "
GRAIN. FLOUR AND EREAKFAST

## FOODS.

## GRAIN.

Both Manitoba and Ontario wheat are plentiful, but cars are scarce. Manitoba wheat is unchanged. Red wheat is 1 to 1c easier ; white wheat lc easier ; oat are Ic. lower. We quote


FLOUR.
The Hour market is firm this week ast week's prices continue unchanged Our quotations are
Ontario patents, per bbl.
Manitoba bakers'
Straight roller,

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2 -lb. Preserved Grapes . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1.26
2 $\frac{1}{2}$-lb. Preserved Grapes
$1.57 \frac{1}{2}$
3 -lb. Yellow Peaches. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2.34
21 $\frac{1}{2}-\mathrm{lb}$. Bartlett Pears
1.75 $\frac{1}{2}$

3 -lb. Bartlett Pears . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1.89
Gallon Standard Pears
3. 15
2.00

2 -lb. Bahama Sliced Pineapples
2.35

3 -lb. Bahama Whole Pineapples
2.25

2 -lb. Lombard Plums, in Heavy Syrup ............. . . I. 17
$2 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{lb}$. Lombard Plums, in Heavy Syrup
3 -lb. Preserved Rhubarb
$1.39 \frac{1}{2}$
1.62

2 -lb. Strawberries, in Heavy Syrup. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1.26
2 -lb. Preserved Strawberries
1.44,

Gallon Standard Strawberries . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 4.50
2 -lb. Sliced Sugar Beets .81
2 -lb. Whole Sugar Beets . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 81
3 -lb. Whole Sugar Beets
.90
2 -lb. Select Table Onions . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1.25
2 -lb. Select Table Parsnips. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 81
2 -lb. Select Table Spinach. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1.26
3 -lb. Select Table Turnips . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 90
Log Cabin 2-lb. Succotash . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 90
\$ 1.10 per doz.
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2.25
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1.80
2.75

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1.35
4.00
.50
.50
.60
1.00
.60
125
.70
.90

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## BREAKFAST FOODS.

bet breakiast food
The market for breakiast foods continues good with prospects of a rise in prices by the beginning of the new year. We quote
Oatmeal, standard and granulated, carlots, on Rolled onats, standard, cariots, per. bibi., in bag. .....
Rolled wheat, per 100-1b. bbl for broken lots
Cornmeal..
Split peas.
Pot
Pot'barley, in bags.
Swiss food, per case.........................
Aunt Sallv's Pancak.

## HIDES, 8KINS AND WOOL.

There is no special feature in the market this week. The demand still keeps moderate. We quote prices unchanged from last week:

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& \text { No. } 1_{2} \text { green, per }{ }^{16} \text {. }
\end{aligned}
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\begin{aligned}
& \text { teers, } \dddot{\text { per ib }} \text { ib. } \\
& \text { Cured, per Ib. }
\end{aligned}
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CALESKINS.
Veal skins, No. $\frac{1,}{2}$, to 14 in. melusive

## Deacons (dairies), each Lamb and sheep skins.

WOOL.
Unwashed wool, per ${ }^{\text {lb }}$ lb.
Fleece wool
Fleece wool,
Pulled wools,
Tallow, per 1 lb extra

## QUEBEC MARKETS. GROOERIES.

Montreal, Dec. 10, 1903.

TRADE during the past week, taking it all around, has been very satisfactory. The feeling in tea has been somewhat better, though no sales of any amount have been made. The approach of stock-taking is given by the jobbers as the reason for few offers What little business has been done has been equally divided amongst Japans, Ceylons (both green and black), Young Hysons and China blacks. Brokers all look for a quiet time until after the turn of the year. The sugar market continues of the year. The sugar market continues quiet, and there is not much incentive to
buy even at the reduction made last week. The situation in the United States Congress as regards the ratification of the Cuban Treaty is being watched by the trade. There is practically nothing new to report in canned goods this week, trade being very quiet. French sardines are reported scarce and prices are higher. Molasses during the past week has been more inquired for. This is due no doubt to the importation of several fair-sized parcels of mixed Barbadoes, which have been selling a few cents per gallon under the pure goods. That Canadian refined syrups are receiving more attention at the hands of the trade is no doubt due to the manner in which the refiners are putting up these goods in convenient putting up these goods in convenient packages rer reailers and consumers. The coffee market is turning decidely interesting, and the opinion among the trade here is that the statistical position will very shortly necessitate an advance being made. In another column will be found a more detailed description of the coffee market. Spices of all kinds continue showing up strong with the exception of nutmegs. Local spice dealers are holding stocks firm. In foreign dried fruits the attention is principally centred on raisins, figs, dates and nuts, and a good trade is being done all around. In
green fruits the arrival of the first car of California navel oranges is the only interesting feature to note. The stock received shows up fine. Business in all grades of fish has improved, the recent grades of lish has improved, the recent brightened up trade. Rice and tapioca brightened up trade. Rice and tapioca
are both of interesting character. Potaare both of interesting character. sligha-
toes are in good demand, with slightly toes are in good demand, with slightly
higher prices, due to high freights, as heated cars are now required to bring them in. Canadian red onions still maintain their strong position. In country produce eggs are looked to as likely to show a further advance, stocks throughout the country being reported very light. A very pessimistic view is expressed by several of the larger dealers. Butter stocks continue light and prices steady. Goods of Winter make arriving are reported not quite up to the standard, and the consumer is demanding Fall make. Cheese prices locally are unchang. ed, the demand being rather or the iquiet ed, the demand being rather orr
side, though the English market is taking a turn for the better. The provision ing a turn for the better. The provision market shows an improvement. Lard
and smoked meats are in good demand. and smoked meats are in good demand.
Wheat is fluctuating, and though adWheat is fluctuating, and though ad-
vanced lately in Chicago, has fallen off vanced lately in Chicago, has fallen off
again. Baled hay is being offered none again. Baled hay is being offered none
too freely, and onlv a limited amount of too freely, and onlv a limited amount of
trading is done. New York market adtrading is done. New York market ad-
vanced 50c., but this figure is not high vanced 50c., but this figure is nousigh Rolled oats and cornmeal are quiet, and only a fair amount of trading is done. Flour is firm and good business doing. Evaporated apples are steady with an improved demand. Honey is quiet with little offering. Business in maple products is quiet. Beans are unchanged in price with an easier feeling. Raw fur season has opened up with prices declined about 15 per cent., and dealers look for a further drop shortly.

## sugar.

Business continues quiet, very little extra buying having been noted, even at the decline of 5 c. per 100 pounds noted last week. The character of the buying seems to be conducted on a hand-tomouth basis, jobbers refraining from stocking to any extent. The deterrent feature seems to be the probable effect of the ratification of the Cuban Treaty by the United States Senate. Jobbers are apparently watching the pendulum at Washington. We quote:

## Granulated, bass and bls. <br>  <br>  <br>  <br>  <br> Phoenix <br> Bream. ...i. <br>  <br> No. 1 Trinidad bags and bible.

Raw Trinidad.

## SYRUPS AND MOLASSES.

Molasses during the week is reported as being inquired for somewhat more. This is no doubt attributable to the importation lately of several fair-sized parcels of mixed Barbados, which have been selling at a few cents per gallon under the genuine pure unblended Barbados. Prices are steady for the pure goods, and market generally is of a firm tone. Investigation by "The Grocer". shows that stocks gen-

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10c. lb.
"Due Thursday" this week.
1,000 Cases G \& S. Evaporated Peaches, $48 \times 1 \mathrm{lb}$.
cartoons
9c. lb.
90 Boxes California Seeded Raisins,
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eralls are held close at different points in the east, and no prospect of a decline is evident. Buyers generally throughout Quebec have held of as long as possible, but must soon come into the lhe least increase in demand will probably mean crease in der The statistical position is higher prices. The statistical position is so strong that the wise buyer will mark its import and buy. It is becoming more apparent every werk that the consumption of refined Canadian nade syrups is on the increase. This feature is undoubtedly attributable to the manner and
stvle in which Canadian syrup makers style in which Canadian syrup makers have been placing their product on the market during the past season. The packing of these goods in handsomely labelled, clean tins, has been appreciated by both consumers and dealers. The former is assured of cleanliness and convenience in buying, and the merchant of less trouble and the buying in smaller quantities and the bother and worry of handling lu.. bulky packages. The free advertising also that is being done in the press by the more up-to-date and prooressive manufacturers is having an effect on the jobbing trade. We quote
Barbados, in puncheons, old.

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New Orlean
Antigua.
Porto Rico
Corn syru

TEAS
A shighty better feeling seems to pre ail in tea rircles this week, though no arge sales have been made. Inquirie lots. It is generally expressed that there will be very little doing until after the turn of the year. Jobbers are getting close to and ready for their annual stock aking, and are not anxious to load up aking, and are not anxious to load up any too much on teas. What little busi ness has been done was about equally diviued amongst Japans, Ceylons (green and black), Young Hysons, with some China blacks. Ceylon greens still hold the attention of a portion of the trade China blacks in London have been reduced in stock owing to the firmer prices of Ceylon greens. We quote:

## Good to medium Japans. Fine to choice Japans....

Fine to choice
Ceylon greens
Indian greens...............
Japan st
Peale China congoes
ealeaf Gunnowd
Common
Ceylon blacks
Indian


## COFFEE.

That the coffee market is interesting on the moment seems to be the opinion of the trade, and the feeling is about that higher prices may be looked for any moment. The statistical position is very trong, and reports from New York ind ate that the trade there and in the inited States tramerally is and in the nited sate genally in preparing for an advance. Canadian buyers should hould study the situation close y. In nother section this week will be found a uller description of the coffee situation. We quote
Good cucutas.
Choice

amaica cone


## SPICES

The market still shows strong feeling-in all lines except nutmegs. Cloves, cassia pimento and pepper are strong and show no tendency towards weakening. Stocks of pepper and cloves in New York seem o be fairly well under the control of a ew leading dealers, who are not likely to ease off prices or throw the goods on the market, as the statistical position is too strong. Locally holders of stocks are firm and not much free selling is going on. We quote


## RICE AND TAPIOCA

Business in both these lines is very auiet ; in fact, it is difficult to get a line on the market. Japan rice is given out as firmer, though no change locally is made by the jobbing trade. Tapioca is dull and little trade noted. We quote: B rice, in

In the open "erritory prices are about ioc. liess.
 Polisised Patna
Indian Bright
Indian Bright
Java Caroline.
Lustre ......
Snw Japan
Japan Ice D
Japu Japan.......
Japan Ipe Dripa, medipa

Imported Itali


## CANNED GOODS

In canned goods there is practically nothing to report. Retailers have about placed and received into store their requisite stocks for some months ahead, and any little buying that is being done is for odd lines of fruits, for which, in some lines, probably not sufficient stock was laid in. Corn and tomatoes as the leading vegetables are firm, and everyone seems to have received his complement, though, in the former, there still continues some inquiry. Salmon are firm and selling at the high prices that have been ruling for some months, and there does not seem to be any likelihood of easing up. Sardines are reported as likely to show higher prices, the French fisheries being short this season. Canadian sardines are also strang. We quote


## FOREIGN DRIED FRUITS.

Among the import brokers it is difficult on the moment to get any interesting information on the dried fruit situation. "There is nothing to report," said one of the leading import fruit brokers, "we are practically through with this season's business; you will have to go to the jobbers for any news." The jobbers report good trade in all lines of raisins, currants, figs, dates, nuts, etc. "Now is our time for these lines; the holidays are nearing and fruits absorb a great deal of our attention." Tarragona almonds, as reported last week, are higher; some little business has been done at the advance. New dates are selling freely. The attention that has been paid lately by packers to putting this delicious fruit packers to putting up this delicious fruit parcels connd parcle al trade and increas the demand with the consumer. We quote:
currants.
Fine Filiatras, per it. in cases.
Finest Vostizras, " in 1-lb. carions
0.064
0
0 sultana raisins.
Sultana raisins, per lb................ 0063009
. valencia raisins,

Selected, per Ib.
Layers

FIGS.
Comadres, per tapnet
Dates, HaTES

.......... $004 \frac{1}{2} 004$ ? ${ }_{\text {Peaches }}$ Apricots, per lb.. | 0 | 11 | 0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0 | 12 |  |
| 0 | 09 | 0 |

MALAGA RAISINS.
${ }^{\text {London Layers }}$. Connoisseur Clust
"Royal Buckingham Clusters,":
californian raisins.

in 12-oz. packages ........
PRUNES.


## GREEN FRUITS.

The arrival of the first California navels has proved interesting to dealers. First lots are selling at from $\$ 3.25$ for 250 s to $\$ 3.75$ for 96 s . The stock shows up well and no doubt will be disposed of rapidly. Cranberries are in good demand and quoted Nova Scotias at $\$!$, Jerseys at $\$ 9.75$, and Cape Cod at $\$ 1(.50$ per barrel. Sweet potatoes, finest stock seen on this market for a long time, are

## CHOICE QUEEN OLIVES

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## NOVA SCOTIA MARKETS.

Halifax, Dec. 7, 1903.

BUSINESS was fair last week, but was somewhat interfered with bv extremely bad weather. The strike of the miners at Springhill has caused travellers visiting that centre to leave without a single order. About one thousand men are idle and as neither the men nor the management seem inclined to yield the prospect is for a protracted struggle. Manager Cowans has published a statement showing the earnings of the men several of whom have been receiving considerably over one hundred dollars a month. The men in a portion of the mine have been paid by measurement for drawing pillars but the management refuse to continue this, but will pay the men engaged at this work according to the number of boxes of coal they send to the surface. The reason for this change is that in the last three months there has been a shortage of 1,300 boxes of coal from the amount the measurement disclosed which the management claims has been wasted as the men had no financial interest in sending it up.

Collections have scarcely been up to expectations of late. There has been an important failure in which several Halifax wholesale grocers lost rather heavily and taking it altogether the last week or two have brought more than the usual amount of worry to the trade.

Some friction has arisen between the Wholesale Grocers' Guild and one of its members, who conducts a branch store at Sydney and has been in the custom of wholesaling sugar from that point, which, it is claimed, his membership does not entitle him to do. The perty in auestion intends to continue as he has been doing and has issued a circular to his Cape Breton customers asking for their support.

Flour is firmer than last week. One brand of Manitoba flour has been advanced and prices of other flours, which last were being slashed slightly, have now been restored. Cornmeal has declined ten cents and beans are five cents
down and extremely quiet. Oats have declined one cent.

Arrivals of Prince Edward Island produce have been very heavy during the past week, but prices have been well maintained. Sales have been small as the bad weather did not allow of the vessels' hatches being opened to remove cargoes. Quite a large quantity of red potatoes have been shipped here by the island growers this season, but there is no demand for them on this market as they are not liked here. Some, however, have been bought for export. South calico potatoes are selling ex-vessel at 35 cents per bushel and oats at 39 cents. - *

Butter is in better supoly owing to the arrival of shipments from Ontario. The market is firm. Tailend cheese are jobbing at $111-2$ cents, but being tough and pasty these are not very suitable for grocery trade and most grocers prefer to pay 12 cents for best Septembers, Eggs have advanced a cent and are now jobbing at 23 to 24 cents.
Pork has suffered another decline. Wholesale houses report a very light business in this line at present. Local packing houses are in active operation and seem well supplied with hogs so far this season. Pure lard is now selling at 9 cents.

Sugar is steady at last week's decline and there seems rather more demand. There is a fair movement of molasses at unchanged figures. Fish of all kinds are in short supply and rule high.

## BLUOL-THE NEW ROYAL BLUE.

THE grocery and general store trade of Canada has long been familiar with the various brands of English and American blueings on sale, and while there are a number of domestic brands that have received and are receiving attention at the hands of the trade and the public, the impression has prevailed that the foreign products are of superior merit. That fine blues of Canadian make are coning to the front is evidenced in the placing on the
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TEA EXPORTS FROM JAPAN.
C. M. Bernard, Chicago, advises The Canadian Grocer, that the following are tea exports from Japan to 31st October :

| New York <br> Chicago <br> San Francisco <br> Canada |  |
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|  $\$ 39,379,894$ <br> Increase over last year. <br> $\mathbf{8}, 337,766$ <br> Increase to Canada... <br> $\mathbf{1 , 6 6 4 , 0 3 5}$ |  |
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## MANITOBA MARKETS.

Winnipeg, Dec. 5, 1903.

TO-DAY closes navigation on the great lakes and wheat trade is settling down to the winter and allrail basis. As usual with the close of navigation spot and December wheat are dull, but already trading has begun in May and quotations for May were made for the first time to-day. The prices of December and May show a spread of 41-2c. The winter wheat business promises at present to be larger than usual.

Jobbing trade is good, seasonable lines are going out steadilv and the only complaint is delay in the delivery of goods.
Collections are coming in very fairlv. There is one thing that eastern jobbing houses will do well to remember and that is the large number of new stores opened in new districts. It is from these points that collections are likelv to be disappointing, if thev are from anywhere. The volume of money coming in is larger than last year, but it is not so large as was anticipated owing to the delays in the movement of wheat spoken of last week.

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both in city and countrv and the buying for Christmas has already begun in a retail way.
The frozen apples spoken of at length last week, in the Fruit Department are being offered for sale by auction. It is claimed ${ }^{*-}$ some who have tried the experiment that by taking off the tor of the barrel and covering the apples with snow and leaving for a few hours the frost is drawn out and the apples are as firm and good as ever. Their keeping nualities, however, are not puaranteed. The damage to these anples is a very serious matter as so many country merchants were depending upon them for their Christmas trade.
There are few changes of prices to report for the week, but new lines of goods speciallv designed for the Christmas trade are coming in and prices for for them are being made as they arrive.
RAISINS-New table raisins have arrived and show fine quality. Prices for the various qualities have been made as follows: London lavers, $\$ 1.80$; connoiseur clusters, $\$ 2.40$; in 51-2 lb. boxes 75e each; dessert, $\$ 3.15$; Imperial Russian, $\$ 4.00 ; 1 \mathrm{lb}$. cartoons, 20 to the case, $\$ 3.15$ per case; new sultana raisins are also in and are quoted at 81-2. Sore of the local houses are cleaning sultanas and putting them up in 1 lb . cartoons to sell at 10c. Fine, off stalk Velencia, $\$ 2.00$. Muscatels, 81-2 to $91-2 e$.

DATES-New Hallowce, 53-4e.
CCRRANTS-New Filiatras have arrived and are quoted at $53-8 \mathrm{c}$; dry cleaned, $55-8 \mathrm{c}$ and 1 lb . cartoons $65-8 \mathrm{c}$.

FIGS-Choice new cooking figs in 25 lb. mats have arrived and are quoted at 41-4c. Prices of table figs are unchanged.

EVAPORATED APPLES - Prices are firm at $61-2 c$ and dried apples are almost as dear, being quoted at 6 c to $61-8 \mathrm{c}$.
SUGAR - There has been no change in sugars for a long time, quotations standing at the same fipures for weeks.

SYRUPS-Corn syrups have declined slightly and the new quotations are: Half barrels, 33-8; barrels, 31-4; 2-lb. ins, 2 dozen in case, $\$ 2.40 ; 5-1 \mathrm{~b}$. tins, *2. $80 ; 10-\mathrm{lb}$. tins half dozen in a case, $\$ 2.50 ; 20-\mathrm{lb}$. tins, quarter dozen in a case, $\$ 2.50$.

CANDIED PEELS-There is the customary yood demand for all lines of candied peels and the price is slightly under that of last year, orange being quoted at 91-4e; lemon, 9e; citron, 13 1-4e.
RICE AND TAPIOCA-The entire bottom seems to have fallen out of the Japanese rice market and prices have dropped to $51-8 \mathrm{c}$; Patna is unchanged at $51-4 \mathrm{c}$ and B . rice 4 to 41-4e. Tapioca is firmer and is quoted at $31-4 e$, as against 31-8e.
COFFEE-Prices are firmer and No. 5 Rios are worth 81-2e.
CANNED VEGETABLES-The situation really presents no changes except

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that tomatoes have eased off slightly and corn is a shade higher.; quotations are, tomatoes, $\$ 2.65$ to $\$ 2.70$; peas, $\$ 2.00$ and corn $\$ 2.10$

NUTS-There is a good sale for all kinds of nuts and many of the new lines are in, though not all; walnuts, Marmots, $101-2$ to 11 c ; Grenobles, $121-2 \mathrm{e}$; filberts, $93-4 \mathrm{c}$; Brazils, 15 c ; shelled almonds, 26c; peanuts, roasted, 10 c .

FISH-Haddies, smoked, are scarce and dear, at present it is hardly safe to quote a price though 121-2c is probably correct for the time being: Labrador herring in pails $\$ .25$; herring in half barrels, $\$ 4.25$; mackerel in kits, $\$ 1.80$; bloaters, $100 \mathrm{~s}, \$ 1.25$; oysters, selects, $\$ 2.25$ ver gallon; standards, $\$ 2.00$.
POULTRY-Receints of Manitoba grown birds are very lioht and prices remain firm at 10c for chickens, geese and ducks and 12 to 14 c for turkeys.
GREEN FRUTTS-There is trouble in the camp of the fruit men over the railway companies refusing to handle fruit even in heated cars except at the owners' risk and it looks as if Christmast trade would be interfered with on this account. There is not much new to talk about, all seasonable lines being in full supply. Prices are as follows: California naval oranges, $\$ 4.25$ to $\$ 4.75$ according to size: Mexicans, $\$ 4.50$ : Caliaccording to size: Mexicans, $\$ 4.50$ : Cair-
fornia lemons, $\$ 6.00$; California pears, $\$ 3.75$ ner case: Washingtons, $\$ 2.75$ : B. C. nears, $\$ 2.75$; Malaga grapes, $\$ 8$ per keg: bananas, $\$ 4.00$ ner bunch: apples, Spies. $\$ 4.00$ : Fameuse, $\$ 5.50$; Snows, $\$ 5.50$; common winter varieties, Snows,
$\$ 3.75$.

## BRITISH COLUMBIA MARKETS.

Vancouver, B.C., Dec. 7, 1903.

$C$HRISTMAS business among the retail merchants has hardly begun to open up as it might be expected. There is nevertheless a very satisfactory regular trade being done. Preparations for the Christmas season are on an elaborate scale. This year the gift enterprise has struck the retail merchants of Vancouver like an epidemic. It is nothing to get a "chance" on a piano for buying ${ }_{f}$ a collar or tie, or for giving an order for a dollar's worth of sugar. The grocers have hitherto kept pretty well out of the proposition, but recently they too have got into line. Now a piano can be seen in the window of one grocery, to be given away with the goods sold. Perhaps it never strikes the merchant that the wholesale people try hard to sell goods to him, but they never give pianos as premiums. It would stand some thinking on his part.

Christmas grocerics were liberally represented in the cargo of the steamer Queen, which arrived from San Francisco this week. Large shipments of fancy raisins, figs, nuts, etc., for local dealers, were included in the cargo. The leading grocery staples were large consignments of dried fruits for Winnipeg and Brandon. The last two boats to arrive from 'Fris-
co have carried big lots of dried fruits for the Manitoba dealers.

The festive Christmas boards which are supplied with good eastern Canadian turkey this year will have to pay for it. Though there have been one or two people taking orders for Christmas poultry at low figures, there is not much likelihood of any of the cheap fowl materializing. The regular dealers are invariably quoting the price as they find it. The chance of selling turkeys at $15 \frac{1}{2}$ and 16 c . to the retail dealers, as some claim to have bought, is rather slim when the jobbers find the farmers in Ontario are getting that or nearly that for them as getting that or ne
they are delivered.
The price here is likely to rule at 23 to 25 c . wholesale and 28 to 30 c . retail. That figure does not stagger the housekeeper here any langer. There have been some lots sold here in the past week or so as high as 3 jec. per pound, in limited quantities, but one or two of these importatities, but one or two of these importations cost nearly that much. The birds came from eastern Washington, and the price in Seattle was 24 c . wholesale, so that with a 20 per cent. duty and about $\frac{1}{2}$ to lc. charges for transportation, there was not much in it at even 30c. What the consumer thought did not apparent 1. cut any figure. The birds went all right. Of course, there was a little special demand last week because of Uncle Sam's Thanksgiving Day coming in it. The members of the American colony on this side of the line had two Thanksgiving Days to enjoy this year.
Dealers here say that in buying their Christmas poultry in the east, they find that the competition of buyers for the Old Country market has put the price up as well as improved the quality of the stock. The methods of handling have improved, the farmers bringing their birds to central points and delivering them live. The dealers in many cases merely wring the necks, or stretch the necks of the birds, and they are shipped in cold storage, feathers and all, to England, where they command high prices. That makes it dear for the market here, which is dependent entirely on castern supplies.

The fruit market shows the same condition as last week. The little Jap orange dominates the market. It is the leading fruit and is selling freely. Two more big consignments were received this week. The C.P.R. ss. Athenian, which arrived on Sunday from the Orient, brought no less than 11,000 boxes, and, as if that were not enough to throw into an already overloaded market, another one of the Japanese line of steamers arrived at Victoria yesterday with another large ship ment. The prices here are down to 30 c ment. The prices here are down to 30c wholesale, and even lower, while 35c. per fruit is being sold below cost.
Dealers in California oranges say the Dealers in California oranges say they can sell nothing and that they do not expect to until after the season of the Jap orange is over. That will not be before January 1.
Other fruits are limited in quantity now. The apple crop of this province, which has come forward in very good shape this year, is being well cleaned up There has been a large percentage of good tock this season. So much so that no many app,es have been imported from Oregon and Washington. There is still enough fancy stock for the demand Cheaper grades are being run of rapidly and the results to the growers this year should be very satisfactory
In addition to large supplies of superior stock shipped down from the Coldstream ranch in the Okanagan, the Kamloop: district has this year been sending some apples to the coast. This is practically the first time that fruit has been received from that locality, most of the surplus having been shipped into the Northwest Territorics previously.
The produce market is in a very quiet condition. The quantity of butter on hand is limited, but so far there has been no stringency. Eggs are in fair supply, though there are few strictly fresh eastern "ggs. Some which have been received are selling at 30c. wholesale. Pickled and oold storage eggs are the main supply and will be from now on till the Spring They are commanding on che the spring They are commanding much lower figures not more than 20 to 2.3c. Fresh local ggs are over 60 c . retail, when they can be obtained.
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1medical writer says: "The more mellow apples one eats the better, provided they be taken at neal time. It is best of all to eat fruit before meals, and freely as you like."
This will prevent loading the system with a heavy weight of less digestible foods, says the Independent. Senator Vest says that if a man wishes to live long and be able to keep up his work he must eat, not less than one apple with every noon lunch; we are not sure that he said half a dozen. The no-breakfast fad tells us that he must not only go without the morning meal, but that he must live much more largely upon fruit. Some of its disciples insist that the apple may be taken in the place of the ordinary breakfast. John Wesley once referred to apple dumplings as an illustration of the alarming advance of luxuries in England. Charles Lamb quotes a friend who says that " a man camnot have a pure mind who refuses apple dumplings,' and Dr. Johnson speaks of a clergyman of his acquaintance who brought his family up almost altogether on this Anglo-Saxon combination. We have recollections of dumplings which might accord with the opinion of Lamb; and then we have recollections of other dumplings which might have been the origin of Calvinism. It must be borne in mind that the ideal apple is one that is fit to be eaten raw, yet the glorious old Spitzenberg is only fit for the cook-in whose hands it may become the very perfection of pie apples. The nineteenth century went out with a marvellous evolution of new sorts of fruits of all kinds, but there was nothing in the list to exceed the delicious juices of the Northern Spy, the Macintosh Red, the Shannon or the Stuart's Golden.
There is nothing in the world to exceed the beauty of the apple blossom; while the air is laden with an exquisite perfume that has charmed a hundred generations-has added to the posey, the love and the comfort of Greek, of Roman and of Briton. But if there be anything more beautiful than the apple in blossom it is the same tree loaded down with crimson and golden fruit.

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## Export of Canadian Fruit.

0UR American neighbors are manifesting an interest in the way we Canadians handle our fruit. A recent issue of the U. S. Consular reports contains the following paper on the Niagara fruit district, by Mr. Jas. M. Shepard, U. S. Consul at Hamilton, Ont.:

The Hamilton consulate is in the heart of Canada's great fruit-growing district, and hence an important shipping point. The Niagara district is about 50 miles in length and averages 10 miles in width, though at some peints within a distance of about 20 miles from this city eastward the finest fruit lands are not more thar 2 miles in width. There is nothing in the fruit line that can be raised in this climate but what is grown in profusion-apples, pears. cherries, peaches, plums, grapes, and berries of all varieties. Apples, however, pay the best, for rarely is there a failure in the crop, and there is always a foreign demand for the surplus.
This year the apple crop is good and nets the grower $\$ 2$ per barrel of three bushels, though fancy. fruit, weighing seven ounces and more, packed in bushel boxes, brings as high as $\$ 1$ per box. Fancy apples for the British market are examined, and all having any blemish are thrown ont. Each apple is wrapped in tissue paper, as the orange growers of California pack their fruit, and then carefully laid in a row in the box, so that in the handling of the packages the fruit will not be bruised.

Mr. Linus Wolverton, living near Grimsby, has a large fruit farm, 50 acres of which are devoted to apple culture. He has made a special study of fruit raising, having, been for years secretary of the Ontario Fruit Growers' Association, and is editor of a magazine principally devoted to fruit culture. From him I have gained information that may be profitable to the fruit growers of the United States. He has found that it pays to be careful in the packing
of fruit for the foreign markets, as there is always a good demand for it, and at prices much higher than can be realized at home. Apples wrapped in tissue paper and packed in bushel boxes will always pay a better profit to the shipper than those packed in the ordinary way in barrels. Some consignments that Mr. Wolverton shioped to the English markets in boxes returned him as high as $\$ 1.50$ per bushel after all expenses were paid.

Apples and pears are the most profitable fruits to raise for export. Plums and peaches are more uncertain, as, while they would pay well if landed in good order, only the hardier varieties will stand shipment.
The Canadian steamship owners have fitted their vessels with cold-storage rooms and ventilating fans in order to secure the export trade in fruit, the government giving them assistance at the outset. Fall apples and nears are generally shipped in cold storage, but the winter fruits can be safely transported in the holds of vessels fitted up with fans. It has been demonstrated that the principal cause of the rotting of fruit shipned in the ordinary way is the foul air that gathers in the holds of the steamers. The fans obviate this by keeping a constant circulation of pure air and a cooler temperature. Choice apples and pears packed in boxes are shipped in cold storage, while the same fruit in barrels is shipped in the holds purified by ventilating fans. The difference in freight charges is considerable. Occasionally a shipment in cold storage or in the part ventilated by fans arrives at its destination in bad order because of neglect to keep the temperature uniform. The fruit is usually packed before it is thoroughly ripened, and the temperature should be from 40 degrees to 50 degrees-never higher-to keep it in good condition. It takes about twelve days for a shipment of fruit from Hamilton to reach Liverpool. Of pears the Bartlett is the best for export trade. This year shipments in half-bushel boxes have netted the shipper as high as $\$ 1.50$ per box. Grapes can only be shipped in cold storage, and if carefully packed can be profitably exported.

## Arizona Oranges Low.

A remarkable commentary on the demoralized state of the prange market, says The Fruitman's Gtide, of New York, was shown on Tuesday when a car of oranges from Phoenix, Ariz., shipped by W. E. Ellwanger, of that

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place, who came on himself to witness the sale, were offered at auction. In previous years these oranges, the bulk of which have been handled by Emil Zucea, have brought remarkably high prices, as high as $\$ 8$ a box having been

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obtained and cars averaging $\$ 5$ or thereabouts. On this car of Arizonas the top price was $\$ 3.20$, and 80 s . and 50 s . inclusive brought $\$ 2.75$, with 176 s . at $\$ 2.62$ 1-2. Half boxes sold from $\$ 1.40$ to $\$ 2.05$.


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EX. STR. "ATHENIAN," AT VANCOUVER ON 3RD INSTANT.
297 catties Imperial Gun Powder Tea, at ..... $131 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.
100 matts, $8 \times 5-\mathrm{in}$. boxes each, Japan Tea, natural, clean leaf, splendid liquor, at ..... $211 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.
Special Value
275 half-chests Kaison Congou Black Tea, at ..... $101 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.
These teas are scarce. Buy now before they go higher.

My lot of 358 half-chests Siftings, in some days ago, is going fast at 7c. Don't miss this chance; there is nothing like it in the market.

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## THE CANADIAN GROCER

## Durable

Artistic

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## Metallic Ceilings and Walls

They appeal to practical people everywhere.

Strictly Sanitary - Beautiful in Design and Finished Effect-and made in a multitude of patterns suited to all kinds of buildings.

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## To Butchers and Hide Bujers!

We wish to purchase your Hides, Calfskins, Sheep Pelts,
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We pay spot cash.
We and anance money if desired. We pay full market value
We the freights. We want agents everywhere to sell Page's Perfected Poultry
Food and other poultry supplies. For further particulars, address C. 8. PACE, Hyde Park. Yt, U.s.A.

Ta COOD BIRD SEED
is just as important to the grocer's trade as good butter or anything else. Bird fanciers must have the best, and they recognize the best in BROCK'S BIRD
SEED and ask for it.
Be ready for the demand.
Samples and full particulars free MICHOLSON \& BROCK, TORONTO

## We Make Brooms

The kind that sell.
WRITE U8. Our prices are right
THR CINADIAN BROOM CO.
LIMITED
Mfrs. of Brooms and Whisks 400 Wellington St., OTTAWA

## personal mention.

Mr. D. McLachlan, Woodville, Ontario, was a caller at the Toronto office of The Grocer last week.
Messrs. Geo. Bristol, H. C. Beckett, W. D. Wilson and -. Scott, of Toronto, were visitors to Montreal this week.
Mr. A. J. Hughes, representing The "Ozo "Co., Ltd., Montreal, has just returned from his trip east to Quebec City and other centres. He reports good sales. A visitor to Montreal trade this week was Mr. Geo. Lightbound, of Toronto. Mr. Lightbound is on his way to Quebec City looking after the interests of his numerous agencies.

Mr. H. Martin has been appointed agent in Toronto for B. O. Beland, 26 Lemoine street, Montreal, dealer and importer of fine grocers' specialties, chocolates, French cheese, sardines, olive oils, etc.
Mr. Charles Pickford, of Pickford \& Black, who has been in Ontario for several months in the interest of West Indian trade, left on Sunday for Halifax en route for the West Indies, where he will spend the next seven months.
Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Simpson, of R. \& J. H. Simpson \& Co., of Guelph, were in Toronto last week attending the marriage of Mrs. Simpson's sister, Miss Rebena E. Smith, who is being married to Geo. L. Gardiner, son of Jas. Gardiner, late of The Pure Gold Co.

## PICKLING HOUSE FOR HAMILTON.

It is reported that a large American pickling firm is contemplating the establish,nent of a branch near Hamilton, Ont. The firm has written the local Tomato Growers' Association, asking permission to send representatives over to have a talk with the members. The name of the concern is a state secret for the present. The association was to have met Saturday to fix prices for the season, but some of the largest growers were not present, and another meeting has been called for a week from next Saturday. It is likely that last year's price, 25 c a bushel, will be agreed upon, but there are some who would like to boost it to 30 cents.

## BIG SHIPMENTS.

Last Saturday, Dec. 5, it required 13 Grand Trunk double lorries to carry an immense shipment of "Salada" Ceylon teas consigned to the Montreal branch. This is no rare occurrence, and indicates a popular demand for "Salada."

## CONDENSED OR "WANT" ADVERTISEMENTS.

Advertisements under this heading, 2c. a word first insertion; Ic. a word each subsequent insertion. Contractions count as one word, but five figures (as $\$ 1,000$ ) are allowed as one word.
Cash remittance to cover cost must accompany all advertisements. In no case can this rule be overlooked. Advertisements received without remittance cannot be acknowledged.
Where replies come to our care to be forwarded, five cents must be added to cost to cover postages, etc.

AGENTS WANTED.
$\mathrm{A}^{\mathrm{N}}$ old established London house is prepared to appoint wholesale agents in Canada for the
of tea and cocoa (packets and bulk). Apply in first instance to C. \& S., care of Housekeeper, Tower House, Trinity Square, London, E.C. Eng.
( 60 )

## SI TUATIONS VACANT.

$\mathrm{B}^{\text {AKER-Second hand-Steady job to right man. }}$ B Address Box 150, The Canadian Grocer Toronto.

M ILLER-Young man-3 or 4 years' experience Box 115, The Canadian Grocer, Toronto. f

SECOND MILLER-Sober and industrious one with knowledge of custom work preferred. | Apply quick, stating salary and reference, to Box |
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| i52. The Canadian Grocer, Toronto. |

BAKER-First clas on bread and cakes; state
B wages ; steady job. Address Box 153 . The Canadian Grocer, Toronto.
GOOD CIGARMAKER-To take half interest Apply Box 155, THE CANADIAN Grocer Apply Box 155, The Canadian Grocer, Toronto
BUTCHERS-Young men with some knowledge D of killing cattle. Address Box 156 , THE Canadian Grocer, Toronto.
TRAVELLING SALESMAN - Familiar with the provision and meat trade. Apply by letter, stating experience, references and salary
expected, to Box 157 . THE CANADIAN GROCER expected,
Coronto.

SITUATIONS WANTED.
ATMEAL MILLER-First class reference. Address Box $1=4$, The Canadian Grocer Toronto.

## PARTNER WANTED.

TO open up branch in Winnipeg, Vancouver and Halifax for one of the best proprietary grocery articles in Canada. Established and advertised from ocean to ocean. For particulars, apply to
Box 84, CANADIAN Grocer, Montreal. (50)

## IRELAND.

Manufacturers and shippers desiring to place their goodson the Irish Marketshould communicate with J. H. SHERIDAN, 6 D'Olier St., Dublin.
(51)

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## FLOUR AND CEREAL FOODS

## Cereals for Christmas.



ESPITE the fact that roast turkey and plum pudding are occupying the attention of a large percentage of the Cana dian people these December days, it does not follow that breakfast foods are relegated to the background. The very fact of heavy meals for dinner makes all the more necessary the healthiul cereal foods which have so dominated the breakfast table the last few years.
In making his Christmas arrangements the grocer should not overlook this fact ; indeed, he should bring it strikingly before his customers. A holiday breakfast window or inside display is well worth a little thought. A well conceived cereal exhibit with the food ready for consumption grouped around with the variouancessories with a background of the package goods, would have at once a striking and a business-getting effect. If possible, a breakfast table set with snowy white linen and dainty china should be used.

If the grocer has a pair of good win dows for display purposes it would be a capital idea to have one set for the Christmas dinner and the other as above for the next day's breakfast. This idea might be saggested by neatly lettered cards. The public would see the point and appreciate it.
In any event the grocer should not lose interest in his cercal and breakfast food department in the rush of holiday spe cials. It will pay for a little attention.

## The Old-Fashioned Biscuit.

How dear to my heart is the triscuit of childhood.
The rolled out and beaten and snowy dough ball
That the cooks, with the speed of a deer in the wildwood.
Used to rush through the vard when she heard Missus call :
How the pyramids shone on the dishes that held them
When the napkins fell ofi and she placed them beiore us.
How the old folks saw, and the young sters who smelled them
Brought the grin to her iace with their joyiul chorus :
Oh, the old-fashioned biscuit, the beatenout biscuit,

The glowing baked hiscuit, the best of them all
That the cook used to fetch with a speed that would risk it
Through the yard in response to her ole Miss's call !
-Harry Stillwell Edwards.-

## Home of Macaroni Wheat.

Although Italy was the original home of macaroni, "the scepter has departed" from her, owing to the disappearance of the variety of wheat from which the flour was made for the paste. This wheat was originally grown in Sicily, but the land is now generally devoted to the grape. Marseilles, France, is now the real seat of the macaroni industry, although it is found in many parts of France. The wheat used to make the macaroni flour in France is grown in the south of France and across the Mediterranean in Algiers and Tunis, but is milled at Marseilles.

## The Gentle Art.

"The Grocer" has received a copy of that very neat and tastily gotten up little booklet entitled "The Gentle Art of Using Force." The little book is replete with attractive illustrations of the gentle art, and Sunny Jim's optimistic philosophy permeates its every page. Copies may be had by writing to The Force Food Co., Toronto, Ont.

## Want Flour From Colonies.

Three hundred and sixty-two farmers interested in over 150,000 acres of land in Herts and Essex forwarded a petition to Mr. Chamberlain yesterday, which, while approving of the changes in the fircal policy, did not consider the proposed duties on foreign corn, meat and dairy products sufficient to stimulate greater production here. From the colonies they want flour and they want a heavy duty placed on hay and straw.

## Macaroni Wheat Graded.

The Grain Trade Committee of the New York Produce Exchange has established wheat grades to cover the macaroni wheat. These grades are described as follows: Rice, or goose, wheat that is bright, sound and well cleaned is to be
graded No. 1 ; that which is bleached or shrunken as No. 2 ; and rejected macaroni wheat as No. 3.

## Bread of the Mokis.

AMAGAZINE writer, who has spent some time among the Moki Indians of Arizona and New Mexico, gives the following interesting description of the cornmeal bread that forms the principa: article of diet of the Mokis
"When we had progressed midway into the plain and reached a somewhat broken stretch of ground, we saw the Mokis, who were in advance of us, halt and dismount from their burros. The noon hour had arrived and luncheon was to be served. We likewise halted and the cook set about preparing our dinner. While it was cooking 1 had an opportunity of investigating the Moki bill of fare. It was a cold lunch and seemed to consist almost wholly of their cornmeal bread, called 'wyavi,' or 'pi-ki.'
"It bore a curious appearance, being made in rolls or sticks 12 to 15 inches in length and perhaps an inch or more in diameter. Each roll was made of several thin layers wrapped around each other and was very brittle. Some rolls were yellow, some blue, others white and still others red. I ate some of it, and while it tasted very flat, yet it was not repulsive. It would require a cultivated taste to

## NAPOLI

ABSOLUTELY PURE MACARONI

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Following assortment :
mezami, mezamelli, spaohetil VERMICELLI, wEDDIME RIMES, aLPHABETS, STARS, TUBETI. TUBETIMI, DITALIMI.
Put up in attractive $1-\mathrm{lb}$. packages, 48 t , case, assorted if desired. Send for samples and our book PUrity free of all charges.

> NAPOLI MACARONI CO., hayter and terauley sts., - toromito.

## Canadian Oats for Canada's Breakfast

For over fifty years we have been buying and milling Canadian Oats.

Persistent carefulness has made our product the standard at which other millers aim.

## Tillson's anat Oats

are the best oats to start with, and they are milled by the best process.

Anyone who has tried Tillson's Oats won't use any other.

## The Tillson Company, Limited TILLSONBURG, CANADA.


relish it. I afterwards witnessed the pro cess of making it.
"The Mokis raise corn of the four-or even more-colors indicated, red, white, blue, and yellow, and one can see it hanging from the rafters of their houses io heavy bunches and festoons, and stored in interior store rooms, in large quantities. A famine in this region once upon a time, so tradition runs, taught them to keep on hand a two years' supply of corn and other food, to guard against future failures of crops.
"Much of the corn is ground into meal and when ' pi -ki' is to be made, the meal is converted into a very thin mush. In the fireplace a long, narrow, flat stone is placed upon stone supports at each end, and, with fire underneath, is thoroughly heated. A woman then scoops up with the hand a handful of the mush and smears it lengthwise over the stone and it is cooked in an instant into long, thin, crisp, wafer-like sheets. A number of the sheets are then rolled together, as the cooking progresses, and the 'pi-ki' is ready to be eaten."

Canadian Biscuits in London.
The London, England, representative of "The Canadian Grocer," while passing through the grocery department of the "Army \& Navy Stores" recently, noticed,

## Wm. McCann Milling Co.

MILLE'R8 AND CRAIN DEALER8

## 192 King Street East TORONTO.

## John MacKay

Limited
Successors to John MacKay, deceased ESTABLISHED IBSa.

POT and PEARL BARLEY (by patent process), SPLIT PEAS, BUCKWHEAT FLOUR, Etc., CHOP of all kinds by Car load.

## Caledonia Mills, BOWMANVILLE, ONT. <br> Correspondepce solicited.

## fLOUR <br> FEED <br> CEREALS

Place a Trial Order with Us for a Full Line of Our Goods. QUALITY UNEXOELLED.

SATISFACTION GUARANTEED.

Ontario Winter Patents, Yanitoba Blonds,
Pure Manitoba.

Rolled Oats (Standard and Granulated
" Barley, Oatmeal,
" Wheat, Pot and Pearl Barley Wheatlet, Farina, Split Peas.

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"Matohless" Feed.
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THE G. CARTER, SON \& CO., Limited, ET. MARYE, ONTARIO.
a pyramid of The Christie Brown Co.'s biscuits. Most prominent were boxes of "Dandy Oysters." Several other lines were also selling in fair quantities-the "Graham Wafers" and "Cheese Wafers" in particular. Is Britain's granary becoming Britain's bakery also?

## Ontario Grain Standards.

ASPECLAL session of the grain section of the Toronto Board of Trade was held Tuesday noon to discuss a resolution brought forward by C. B. Watts, president of the Dominion Millers' Association, to the effect that the Government standards for Ontario grain should be set annually as heretofore, and that the Government be requested to strike out the amendment to the Inspection Act by which the annual making of Government standards of grain was done away with, Mr. Watts said they could not afiordes. do away with the standards, as it result in injury to all parties concerned had classed as No. I hard, but this year there would not be 5 per cent., while he ventured to say that the No. 1 northern would make better flour than last year's best.
Mr. McLaughlin saisl that from the nature of the growth, it would be unfair to grade this year's crop by last year's standard, as it would not be the same kind of grain.
Arch: Campbell, M.P., protested against new standards and new samples every year. He wanted No. 1 hard to be always the same. If the standards were not changed every year, it would be because it was unnecessary to do so.
The chairman agreed with Mr. Campbell. saying they must have a standard, but did not want it changed every year.
Mr. Camphell moved an amendment as follows:
"That in the opinion of this meeting the Inspection Act should be revised so as to define more clearly some of the grades, and that standards once fixed should remain until changes, are deemed necessary."
This was lost on a vote of 8 to 7 , and Mr. Camplell moved that the matter be held over for further consideration.
It was finally decided to adjourn the meeting for one week.

## A Campaign of Purity and Cleanliness.

$E$
VIDENTLY The Napoli Macaroni Co.
do not intend that their goods shall remain unknown for the lack of efiective advertising. Already this firm have distributed over 10,000 free sample packages amongst the trade and to consumers. They have now issued a most attractive booklet called "Purity." This is by far the most handsome book of the
kind that has come to our notice for some time. The cover design is most attractive, though perfectly simple. On the back cover of the book appears a cat of their famous dust-proof package. The book contains an article called ';Knowledge," which is both interesting and instructive. It describes in detail the methods employed in the manufacture of Napoli Macaroni-the great care exercised in selecting the right material for manufacture, the elaborate curing system through which the goods have to pass, and the absolutely cleanly conditions which prevail in every department of the factory.
Following this descriptive article coleso the retail selling price of Napoli Mycaroni. The firm aresendeavorings to es-4

post card addressed to the firm will bring a fresh supply whenever needed.
The two points which The Napoli Macaroni Co. are endeavoring to impress on the minds of the public are the absolute purity of its goods and the scrupulous cleanliness with which they are made.
A number of prominent people in Toronto have had the opportunity of visiting the factory, and expressed satisfaction with the wav in which the macaroni was handled whilst going through the various processes of manufacture, clever mechanical devices taking the place of the human hands.
The starting of a strictly first-class macaroni factory in Canada has filled a KCfrg-felt want, nacaroni, like most cereals, losing much of its nutritive value unless quite fresh.

## United States Oatmeal.

Exports of oatmeal from the United States for the month of September amounted to $1,852,085$ pounds, valued at \$54,662, as compared with $4,750,945$ pounds, valued at $\$ 132,840$ for the preceding September. The total exports of oatmeal for the nine months ending with September aggregated $30,908,098$ pounds, valued at $\$ 852,044$, as compared with $39,197,756$ pounds, valued at $\$ 1,073,229$, for the corresponding period ending with the preceding September.

## $\bar{W}$ est Elgin Milling and Produce Co.

A
CHARTER, under the Ontario Companies' Act, has been granted, creating Archibald McKillop, Daniel McKillop, John A. McKillop, Hugh C. McKillop, lumbermen, all of the village of West Lorne, Ont., and Malcolm McKillop, farmer, and Isabella Fuller, married woman, both of the Townșhip of Ald--borough, County of Elgin, Ont., a corporation for the purposees and objects following, viz: To deal in grain, live stock, and other farm produce, and to manufacture and deal in flour, meal and cattle feed of all kinds; the corporate name of the company to be The West Elgin Milling and Produce Co., Limited. The share capital of the Co. to be $\$ 25,000$, divided into 250 shares of $\$ 100$ each; the head office of the Co. to be the said village of West Lorne, and the provisional directors to be, Archibald McKillop, Malcolm McKillop, and Daniel McKillop, hereinbefore mentioned.

## Cereal Notes.

Farmers in the neighborhood of Zumbrota, Minn., threshed wheat by electric light, a rig for which was attached to the separator engine.

## "Gran' for the Morn's Mornin'"

## "Wec McGregor's" Breakfast Food

We were a "leetle bit scared" putting a new breakfast food on the market, but orders are coming from coast to coast. It is pleasant and profitable.

Retails at $\mathbf{2 5 c}$. for $\mathbf{6 - 1 b}$. linen sack.
THE F. J. CASTLE COMPANY, Limited, = OTTAWA.


HILL, EVANS \& CO'S (WORCESTER, ENG.) PURE ENQLISH
 robert waters' quinine wine

Quinine in a palatable form- 50 years! reputation.
Bxport Agents :
Robt. Crooks \& Co., Botolph House, Fastcheap, London, Fing.


## Dealers, do you want

 to sell your Goods?If so, 喵范doubtless realize that the kind quality and workm? ©
 cinumartits Household actuLGIIIS Brushes
have been upon the market. They are in the very front rank as ready sellers because their manufacturers' highest and constant aim is to please both dealer aud purchaser. Larger facilities in making now enable us to manufacture better goods than ever, and at lower prices, with the widest margin of profit to dealers.
-Send your name for our
-new folder, "Broom-ology."

## UNITED FACTORIES,

OPERATIMO:
Beoskh's Toronte Factorios.
Eryan's Loadon Factorios.
Cano's Howmarkot Fsoctorios.
Head Office: 80 York St., TORONTO, ONT.

## An Advertisement May Attract a Lot of Attention And Yet Sell No Goods.

THE rapid growth and development of holiday advertising is a marked characteristic of the merchandising of to-day. The advantages of holiday advertising are many, and they are such as will commend themselves to those who give the subject a little thought. In the first place, it shows that the merchant who makes a special bid for the holiday trade is wide-awake and keeps in touch with the spirit of the times. It indicates that he keeps careful watch of the changing seasons, and is always ready to anticipate the wants and wishes of his customers. This spirit is appreciated by the public, and their approbation is frequently manifested by a largely increased patronage. Holiday advertising appeals to the people when they are in a receptive mood. It is placed before them when they are anticipating a period of enjoyment and are disposed to give pleasure to others. It suggests purchases they might otherwise overlook, and would be sorry to miss. It brings the advertiser into closer touch with his patrons, and makes him, to some extent, a sharer in their joys'and recreations. Beyond question it imparts, a yaluable impulse to trade - perhaps at a Seasonv when it is most needed. It admits of striking display which would be unsuitable to ordinary occasions, and makes a pleasing variety where there might otherwise be a tendency to monotony. In short, it is judicious advertising, for it suggests the things the public want at the very time they require them, and thus benefits the buyer as well as the seller.

Christmas advertising is usually chiefly confined to the good things of the tablecreature comforts, as the old divines used to call them-but even these cover a wide field and admit of pleasing illustration. Beginning with the good old turkey, with chestnuts for stuffing and cranberries for sauce, followed by the traditional plum pudding, the list runs through all kinds of poultry, meats, and vegetables. All kinds of groceries contribute their quota to the feast ; the fruits of the tropics as
well as of temperate climes are in demand, and in many homes the festival is incomplete without a generous supply of "old October" and wines of the choicest vintage. The luxuries of the table require an appropriate setting, hence fine napery, delicate china, sparkling glass, and gleaming silver are in demand. These in their turn suggest table cutlery ; and, when all the table requirements are complete, flowers for its adornment should not be forgotten. A well-appointed festal board would seem incongruous if its surroundings were inappropriate, and a handsomely furnished room imperatively demands that all who enter it shall be correctly clothed. Hence it will be seen that there is no lack of subjects for special advertisements at Christmas time, and the merchant who

## Teas, Coffees, Spices Standard Brands Always Fresh

WM. JOHNSTON, Grocer
Chriotina Street, South of Market.
fails to utilize the holidays for advertising purposes misses a golden opportunity.

A correspondent writes me as follows :
In your criticism of the ad of J. H. Lacey in last week's Canapian Grocer you might have added that it is impossible for John Mathieson or anybody else to get 154 lbs . of bread out of one tag of "Glenora' 'flour or any other flour. If a baker gets 140 lbs . bread out of a bag of flour he thinks he is doing extra well. Of course, the ad might pass amongst people who don't know these things. but $I$ consider it is not a truthful statement of the fact. Any Toronto baker will bear me out in $t$ is.

## Advertising Deeds.

I wonder if the man who caused the above ad. to be inserted-and paid the cost thereof-really thought he would get any results.

I wonder if he thought it would help in any way to increase his trade.

I doubt it. I am inclined to think that he didn't give much thought to it, and
likely the only time he worries at all about it is when the bills have to be paid, and then I guess he sometimes stops and wonders if his advertising really pays him.

Good advertising doesn't always get credit for the good it does do, and ordinary advertising sometimes gets credit for doing things it doesn't do.

I remember a man who did some very poor advertising for a very good store, and because his business increased considerably during the year he credited his advertising with being the cause of the increase.

Well, the advertising he did might have helped some, but the increase was really natural, and was accounted for by the satisfactory way in which he did business and the general need for such a store as his in that locality.

Suppose you advertise to the extent of $\$ 5$ a week. Why don't you make that advertising " worth its salt"?

If you hire a clerk at $\$ 5$ a week and he doesn't earn it you fire him and get another. You don't do without a clerk simply because those you have had weren't any good, because you need a clerk to help you run your business. If you can't get a good enough clerk at $\$ 5$ a week, you pay $\$ 6$, or even $\$ 10$, if you think the better clerk will earn his wages.

So if your $\$ 5$ a week advertising is not good enough to make it worth the expense, why, get the kind of advertising that will. Don't do without advertising altogether, because the right kind of advertising can certainly make itself worth having. And if you can't get good enough advertising for $\$ 5$ a week, pay $\$ 6$ or $\$ 10$ if the increased amount will get the kind of advertising that will pay for itself.

Better spend $\$ 10$ a week for advertising that pays a profit than $\$ 5$ a week for advertising that doesn't.

If you haven't the time, inclination or ability to write your own ads., get someone who can, and even if he does make your advertising bills a little higher, he is likely to pay good interest on the invest-

There's nothing better in the Sauce line than StRETTON'S SAMCE

A most delioious and appetising table sauoe. For quotations address

nemtral hents' S. H. EWINO \& SONS, Telephone Bell Main 65.

OE Kine Bt., MONTREAL
 W. J. ELLIOTT Write for Handsome Catalogue.


For Sale Everywhere.


A Two Cent Mistake

Don't amount to much inany business, but the striking point is that a clerkis just as liable
to make a mistake of
so. 200 as he is of two $\$ 2.00$ as he is of two
cents, and $a$ few mistakes like this would pay for enough of
Allison's Coupon Books to last a year or mooks. With these books mis-

## If A MAN WANTS CREDIT

for 810 give him a 810 Allison Coupon Book, charge him with sio, and there you are. No trouble at ali. orif a ten-cent coin of the that's all And ens, just tear his purchases up to limit of the book. No PASS BOdK. No WRITING. NO TMIB LOST. NO KICKINO. There are other Coupon Books, of course, but way not

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Cowan's Swiss Milk Chocolate, Famous Blend Coffee, etc., etc.
Are the standard goods for purity and excellence.
Manufacturers
THE COWAN CO., Limited
TORONTO

## Bumington Canning Co. <br> Burlington, Ont. <br> Limited

Monufeoturers of

Fruits, Vegetables, Meats, Poultry, Pork and Beans, Jams, Jellies, Catsups, and Relishes.
All goods under "Burlington Brand" are strictly first-class, produced in the Burlington district, packed fresh from the field and unequalled in natural flavor.

## Want Ads.

In this paper cost 2 cents per word firs insertion, 1 cent per word subsequent insertions. Contractions count as one word but five figures (such as 81.000 ) may pass cost must In all cases accompany cove cost must in air cases accompany orders, ment. When replies come in our care 5 cents additional must be included for forwarding same. Many large business deals have been brought about through adver-
tisements of 20 or 30 words. Clerks can be secured, articles sold and exchanged, at mall expenditure.
Macleam publishime co., Limited
Montreal and Torento.
 A post card brings price list and all particulars.
The FOSTER POTTERY $\mathbf{C O}$.
HAMILTON, ONT

In manufacturing our brown and manilla

## Wrapping Paper

we keep in mind the use to which it is put when made. Therefore we give it the durability, weight and strength that makes it very reliable and satisfactory.
Canada Paper Co., Limited
Toronto, Montroal and Windsor Mills, Que.


1 and 2-1b. Tins.

QUALITY, RELIABILITY, UNIFORMITY, ARE THREE IMPORTANT FEATURES OF S. H. \& A.S. EWING'S HIGH-GRADE COFFEES and SPICES
Where QUALITY counts, you will find "S. H. \& A. S. EWING'S" (products of the old reliable firm) the standard of COFFEE and SPICE QUALITY. Have stood the test of over half a century.
ment, and that's better than continually charging advertising up to "Expense."

Ion't spend money to merely tell people that you have a grocery store, when they already know it.
Rather show them how well equipped you are to supply their needs; and you can best do that by suggesting those needs and telling about the things that will fill them.

## INSTALLED COCOANUT PLANT,

To the many other departments of their business The Robert Greig Co., Limited, Toronto, have just completed the installation of a cocoanut plant. The machinery and all other arrangements are up-to-date in every detail, and combine the latest improvements in the art of preparing cocoanut for family use. This department is under the personal supervision of A. H. Parker, who was Canadian manager for The L. Schepp Cocoanut Co. for many years. This fact in itself is warrant for the high grade goods that will be turned out. Since moving to their new building,
the White Swan Mills, The Robert Greig Co. report having nearly doubled their business in all departments.

## A PUZZLER.

E. IV. Gillett Co., Limited, Toronto, have issued a very interesting puzzle, one that is absolutely "on the square." Readers of "The Grocer" who are fortunate enough to get one will have an interesting time ahead of them. One thing is sure : they'll know all about the merits of certain goods before they are through with the job. "The Canadian Grocer" had an interesting time with it. If you like to experiment and exercise your patience, drop a card to E. W. Gillett Co., Limited, Toronto.

GEO. A. McGOWAN CIGAR MFG. CO., Ltd.

$A^{\prime}$CHARTER has been granted, under the Ontario Companies' Act, creating George A. McGowan, manufacturer, Hugh Bennett, cigar maker, Sarah K. McGowan, married woman, John Orr, bookkeeper, and Willam J. B. White,
insurance agent, all of the City of Kingston, Ont., a corporation to deal in, manufacture and sell tobacco and cigars; the corporate name of the company to be The George A. McGowan Cigar Manufacturing Co., Ltd.; the share capital of the company to be $\$ 75,000$, divided into 3,000 shares of $\$ 25$ each ; the head office of the company to be at the said City of Kingston, and the provisional directors to be, George A. McGowan, Sarah K. McGowan, and William J. B. White.

## CANADIAN-BRITISH TRADE.

The imports to Great Britain from Canada for the month of November were as follows :

| Cattle | 14,680 | 6246.487 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sheep and lambs | 15,676 | 25,119 |
| Wheat, cwt | 1,077,000 | 375771 |
| Wheat meal and flour | 356.700 | 190,376 |
| Peas, cwt. | 34,040 | 16,58: |
| Bacon, cwt | 67078 | 166,822 |
| Hams, ewt. | 17,443 | 44,314 |
| Butter, cwt | 20,226 | 96094 |
| Cheese, cwt. | 178.800 | 471521 |
| Eggs, great hundreds | 236,661 | 91,228 |
| Horses, head | 21 | 630 |



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of which we are absolutely sure. We refer more
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## The reason for our faith is that we know How and OF what they are built. We know the patience

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every one of them. We know their accuracy of erery one of them. We know their accuracy of
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CEREAL MAN MARRIED,

AQUIET wedding took place recently in St. Stephen's Church, Weredale Park, Montreal, when Miss Olive Sutcliffe, daughter of Mr. William Sutcliffe, of Lancaster, was united in marriage to Mr. Albert Norton Reay, son of Mr. Charles Reay, of Montreal. The ceremony was conducted by the Very Rev. Dean Evans, in the presence of relatives and friends. The bride wore her travelling suit of brown broadcloth, with white satin blouse and white hat, and she earried a bouquet of white roses. She was attended by her sister, Miss Estelle Dorothy Sutcliffe, as bridesmaid, wearing cream nuns' veiling gown, black picture hat, and carrying pink roses. Mr. John Reay, brother of the groom, was best man. After a reception for relatives at the home of the bride's aunt, Mrs. H. M. Childs, Clarke avenue, Mr. and Mrs. Reay left for Quebec on a wedding trip, and later for Toronto, where they will make their home. The bride was the recipient of a number of handsome and useful presents, including a silver-backed toilet set, the gift of the groom, who presented the bridesmaid with a pearl brooch, and the best man with a watch. Mr. Reay, who, as manager of the sales department for Canada of The Force Food Co., is well-known to the trade, is now receiving congratulations.

## NATIVITY OF THE POTATO.

THERE is as much mystery as history connected with the common tuber called the potato. Its nativity, original place in the kingdom of nature and several other things regarding it are still open questions, As to its nativity, the weight of argument seems to favor the tropical or subtropical regions of America. There is a tradition that the vines once grew to monstrous size and that the " balls" were of the "bigness of melons," and at that time the roots were not tubers, the edible parts growing among the branches. It seems that they were first introduced into Europe in the year 1565.

Haskell's "Ruots and Wild Plants" says, "Wamkins first fetched a queer, bulbous root out of America which some called a 'bodado,' while others, who had heard the Peruvians mention it, spoke of it as a potato." Periam's Cyclopedia of Agriculture says that Sir John Wamkins found it growing wild near Santa $F e$ de Bogota at an altitude of 8,000 to 13,000 feet. He also says that it was "fetched out of America" at about the time settled upon by Haskell-viz. in the year 1565 .

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## MONTREAL RETAIL GROCERS.

THE monthly meeting of the Retail Grocers' Association was held on the 2ndinst., at Monument National. A large number of members were present and the I various questions hrought up were discussed with interest. President N, Chartrand presided.

The question of early closing of stores was brought up and strongly advocated by all present, and as a result of the discussion committees were appointed for the various sections of the city to visit the grocers generally and to ascertain their feelings, and it is hoped that this laudable desire to close early will be attained. The grocers at Point St. Charles now all close up their stores on Thursday evening. The Retail Clerks' Ass'n. should co-operate earnestly with the view of securing at least one evening off in the week.

A deputation was also appointed to visit the Wholesale Grocers of Montreal with the view of having a stop put to the selling to consumers, and others not engaged in the legitimate retail grocery trade.

The Peddling Nuisance question also received a warm discussion.

Sunday selling by grocers was condemned and it was resolved to interest the Chief of Police of the city to put a stop to this practice. It was admitted that the most of this Sunday selling was done by the foreign element, but it had grown to such an extent that some steps were deemed necessary to put a stop to this business.
A report of the Auditors which had been asked for at the last meeting waspresented, read and accepted.

A vote of thanks was passed to The Canadian Grocer, also Le Prix Courant for the services which these journals had rendered the Association.

Four new members were taken into the Association.
The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, Jan. 13, instead of the 6th, the regular day.

## PURITY OF HONEY EXAMINED.

The Inland Revenue Department has issued a bulletin showing the results of the investigations of the Dominion analyst in regard to honey. The report is, on the whole, very satisfactory. Of the 99 samples examined, gathered from all parts of the Dominion, the following classification was made :

Doubtful....
Adulterated with glucose syrup.... 6
$\begin{aligned} & \text { Adulterated } \\ & \text { Adult } \\ & \text { cane }\end{aligned}$

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# Tobaccos, Cigars, and Smokers' Accessories 

## A DEPARTMENT FOR RETAIL MERCHANTS.

## Make Department Seasonable.

THE tobacco department in the grocery is becoming more firmly established every day. The time is passed when the grocer is content to keep a few caddies of chewing and smoking, with perhaps a brand or two of package tobacco.

These are all right, but when there is the trade to be had by carrying just a little more complete stock, the grocer is not the man to let it go by
A prime requisite for a well-appointed cigar department is a neat and attractive showcase-no necessity for it being over large-in which cigars may be at once displayed to the smoking public, and at the same time kept as fresh as if the inland revenue stamps were still unbroken. A small glass containing a wet sponge, which is never allowed to dry up, will keep the cigars in first-class condition for the short timie before, in the well-regulated department, they are sold and have floated away in smoke.

A corner in the showcase may also be utilized to suggest the fact that an interesting line of pipes are kept in stock. The assorted lines which are now put up by the wholesale tobacconist especially for the grocer trade do not run into much money, but the choice they afford would surprise one who had not looked into the matter.
Now that Christmas time is at hand, it would be a good idea to line the inside of the cigar showcase with holly. It will be a novelty for one thing. It is sure to attract attention and suggest the holiday and gift-giving spirit. A few neatly lettered cards suggesting this box or that pipe as a suitable Christmas present should so supplement the suggestion of the holly in the minds of prospective donors of presents that the sales of the department would be materially increased.

## Licorice in Italy.

The British Consul at Palermo states that Sicily produces wild licorice to the extent of about 1,000 tons annually. This is not, however, sufficient for the requirements of the manufacturers of the juice, who are obliged to import root from Greece and Turkey. During 1902 it was
estimated that about 4,000 tons were imported. It generally requires about six tons of root to make one ton of juice. The latter is principally employed in the tobacco trade; but for this the more bitter root from Asia Minor appears to have advantages over the Sicilian variety, which appears to affect the keeping quality of the tobacco. Catania is the principal seat of the licorice trade, and the output of juice there is estimated at between 300 and 500 tons annually, while Messina turns out from 100 to 150 tons per annum. Palermo, Caltagirone, Terranova, Termini and Trapani are all producers.

## High Prices for Turkish Tobacco.

The high prices which have been paid for the 1902 crop, says the Salonica correspondent of The Deutsche Tabak Zeitung, have much encouraged growers of tobacco, and in this district they have planted 25 per cent. more tobacco than they did last year. In June the rainy weather was most favorable for the tobacco. In many districts, however, there was too much rain, and it is almost certain that there will not be much good tobacco in this year's crop.

## Tobacco in West Africa.

AWRITER to The Western Tobacco Journal from Western Africa gives some very interesting information as to the customs current among the natıves :
"Carriers are," he says, "generally paid in merchandise, and the most common commodity used for this purpose is tobacco. This is the leaf tobacco prepared for Africa and other tropical countries. It is imported in hogsheads or tierces, or in boxes convenient for trans-

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## TOBACCOS AND CIGARS

portation into the interior, more often the latter, and usually comes from England or Gerinany, as most of the trade in this part of Africa is in the hands of English or German firms. There is some importation direct from the United States,
but it comprises only a small part of the whole.
" There is a strong demand for tobacco by the natives, and it ranks with the vile variety of liquid poison known as rum as one of their choicest luxuries. The white man who sinks low enough to use this rum, by the way, is considered as ready for suicide. This is the opinion, too, of men who are themselves pretty liberal drinkers of other spirits.
"It is a curious fact that I have seen more women than men using tobacco since I came to Africa.
" Except in the interior, further than I have been, imported clay pipes are used, supplanting a deep-bowled, short-stemmed clay pipe of native manufacture, of which I have seen a few.
" No tobacco is grown is this part of Africa, but I see no reason why it might not be. The quality might not suit a cultivated taste, but $\cdot$ it would certainly do for local consumption, where the quality of any commodity is a very minor consideration."

## Japanese Tobacco Monopoly.

A despatch from Tokio announces that the Japan Government will introduce in the Dret next month a bill creating a tobacco monopoly, somewhat similar to the Government monopoly, in France. It is proposed to appropriate 36,000 ,000 yen (about $\$ 18,000,000$ ) to compulsorily buy out the manufacturers at the appraised value of their lands, buildings, stocks and machinerý, while only a year's income will be paid for their good-will. Inasmuch as there are 6,000 manufacturers and 700 leaf tobacco dealers in Japan owning 17,500 machines, traders regard the appropriation as absurdly inadequate.

A number of British and American capitalists are interested in the matter. It is understood that despatches concerning their protests are passing between London and Washington.

## Smokers of Non-Union Cigars.

The cigar makers' unions of New York City have appointed an "entertainment committee" to deal with union men who smoke non-union cigars. Their plan is to keep members of the camera corps near the stores where non-union cigars are sold, and if they found a union man going in
they would take a snap shot of him as he came out. The cigar makers' union claim that members of other trade unions don't care whether they smoke union cigars or not, and hope by the camera method to check the use of non-union cigars among the federated unions.

## A Match With Each Cigar.

An inventor has submitted to the U.S. Commissioner of Inland Revenue a device in the shape of a band with match attached, intended to be placel around cigars. The match can be drawn from under the band, and one portion of the band contains a striking surface. He desires to know whether such devise is contrary to the regulations.

He was advised that the regulations prohibit the inclusion of any foreign matter in packages of cigars, tobacco, cigarettes or snuff, with the one exception that manufacturers may place within the package small advertising cards, coupons, certificates, etc., which do not materially increase the size of the package, and which are intended as an advertisement of their business solely, and no other business. Therefore the device was declared contrary to the regulations.

## Cuban Seeding Methods.

$A^{\prime}$PENNSYLVANIA tobacco man who has spent the last six months among the tobacco plantations of Cuba, is not very favorably impressed with the methods there pursued. He says :
" For years and years they have raised seed from the second crop of suckers, as the first prime crop was too valuable to waste. This resulted in a great deterioration of the seed, and I often wonder that they raise any tobacco at all. Plants command fabulous prices, and even then are hard to get. They tried to raise some here. They sowed 10 lbs . of seed on an acre, a nd didn't get enough plants to set an acre of tobacco. Forty miles from here a company has a seed bed of 30 acres.
'Over 100,000 plants came in this morning, packed in a cart. They had been pulled yesterday and the day before and will be set out to-morrow. There is a man over the hill from here who paid $\$ 7,000$ for plants alone last year. His crop brought $\$ 6,000$. Even these little scrub farmers around here, who raise four or five acres, have seed beds bigger than an ordinary Lancaster County garden, and sow outrageous quantities of seed."


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Some little time ago a grocer in St. John's, Newfoundland, ordered a sample lot of cigars from Horrocks, the cigar manufacturer in Toronto, saying that he had seen his ad. in The Grocer. A traveller who recently visited St. John's tells how on seeing the "Ronto" cigar in the grocery store referred to, he went in to investigate, and found it regarded as a staple line and selling at two for a quarter.


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## MERCANTILE SECRET RESERVES.

## by Seymour Walton.

A'I the time of a large defalcation in one of the New York banks, it was stated by the officers of the bank that the entire amount could be taken up without charging any of it to the undivided profit account. A great many persons were unable to understand how this could be done, and only a few were any wiser when told that the bank had a secret reserve.

It appears that the practice of accumulating secret reserves is a growing one, and that it is by no means confined to banks. It consists of an undervaluation of assets during the prosperous years, the difference between the market price and the value carried on the books forming a fund which can be drawn on at any time, either by a sale of a portion of the securities or by an entry placing them on the books at a higher value, not greater than the market price. This is more easily done with the stocks and bonds account than any other in a bank, but in a mercantile or manufacturing company the manipulation appears in the inventory or the valuation of the plant.

The question of the advisability of such a proceeding has been hotly argued. Those who defend it seem to look upon the bank or company as an unchanging entity, claiming that it is better to conceal abnormal profits one year so as to provide against the necessity of showing unusual losses in another year. In the case of a close corporation whose stockholders know all about the company, there would be no serious objection, but there would also be no special reason for doing it. In the case of a company or bank, whose stock is somewhat scattered, and may be sold at any time on the basis of the published statements, it seems impossible to find any justification for the practice. The seller of such stock is unquestionably defrauded out of the increased price that he could have obtained for his stock if the true condition of the company had been known to him and the buyer. In the case of the bank mentioned the one item referred to amounted to fourteen per cent. of the total capital. All sales made prior to the discovery of the shortage were based on wrong assumptions, to the detriment of the sellers.

To obtain a clearer idea of the justice of such a practice it is necessary only to look at the true nature of a corporation. It is not probable that any one would defend the managing partner of an ordinary copartnership if he deliberately understated the profits as as to prevent his partners from drawing out a greater dividend than he thought proper. But the president and directors of a corporation are simply the managers of a partnership affair, the act of incorporation being for the purpose of limiting the liability, and for greater convenience, but not in any other way causing the company to differ from an ordinary partnership.

The accountant who is acting for the stockholders of a company is not justified in signing a certificate to a statement which contains a secret reserve or any other element that is not exactly in accordance with the facts. Not only is he bound to tell the entire truth for truth's sake, hut he is also under obligations to give all the stockhold-
ers all the information in his power. Those accountants who take a different view of this question defend their course on the ground that they are employed by the president and directors of the company, and are not supposed to criticise their management of the business. While it is true that it would be better to follow the English plan and have the auditors appointed by the stockholders as their special representatives, it does not seem clear that the appointment by the directors absolves the accountant from his duty to the stockholders. Although not made directly to them, his report is to be used with the stockholders, and it should be as carefully prepared as if made originally to them, and should contain nothing which would cause any stockholder to make an incorrect deduction as to the true condition of the company.

## CO-OPERATION IN REGARD TO CREDITS.

## By D. H Kirkland, Atlanta. Ga

0NE of the most striking facts in the economic history of the United States for the past 40 years is that in each decade the losses by failures have equalled onehalf the capital employed in manufacturing and mercantile pursuits. In the ten years from 1890 to 1899 inclusive, the proportion of bad debt loss to capital employed was even greater. It amounted to the stupendous sum of one billion eight hundred million dollars. In order more readily to grasp the meaning of these figures a few comparisons will be of value.

It was more than three times the capitalization of all the national banks of the country.

It was five hundred million dollars more than the fire losses reported during the same interval.

It was nearly equal to the entire sum of money in the country, which, according to the report of ex-Secretary Gage, was two billion two hundred and fifty million dollars.

It is difficult to comprehend what is included in this array of facts and figures. It staggers me to read of the immense loss of bad debts. The wonder is that as many persons succeed in business as do, considering the chances taken in selling goods; the meagre information upon which it is necessary for the credit man to predicate his decision.

It is pertinent to ask, are the foregoing results the effect of too meagre credit information or the over-eagerness to sell, which makes credit so cheap? If it is the result of too meagre credit information, are not the merchants to a certain extent responsible for the meagreness by withholding information from the organized agencies, the acknowledged channels through which mercantile information is transmitted, in the mistaken idea that in secrecy and in the withholding of information from the trade generally they control the trade of a customer. If, on the contrary, these results follow an over-eagerness to sell, can the formation of a credit league control that over-eagerness and prevent these astounding results?

The great anxiety to increase the volume of business, the jealousy of each other, and the natural cupidity, inherent and inborn in all of us, have brought about a state of affairs that is anything but complimentary to those who indulge in it. The failure of the agency to furnish us with information that we desire, upon which to prericate a
credit, is not wholly chargeable to them, if merchants feel that such information is wrongfully placed in their hands.

Credit is too cheap, and its increasing cheapness requires additional saieguards in the shape of more detailed and specific information concerning a certain risk. On every side we hear the old story of going into business with a few hundred dollars, and by the end of the year owing several thousand, with most of the assets outstanding. Once a retail merchant's capital is on his books, and it is only a question of time when he will go under, as he can never figure on prompt collections, but is always asked to meet his maturing bills. For a little while he may manage to buy from one merchant, when his line with that merchant is full ; based upon a show of success he easily transfers his account, while owing his original creditor, to another over-zealous merchant dexiring to increase his trade. In the course of a little while he becomes slow with his second creditor, and must transfer to a third, and so on down the line, until his reputation for slow pay is established, and then his doom is sealed; it is only a question of what job or jobbers will be the victim and to what extent.

These results are of simple explanation ; it is the same the country over. A retailer need never refer to a jobber; all he needs is to let the over-zealous salesman know from whom he has bought goods and the balance may be safely left to the salesman. The reasoning in the majority of cases is about as follows: "If A can carry this account, why cannot I carry it? Why should I bring the fact to A's attention that his customer is about to divert his trade to me ?", Discretion, secrecy, diplomacy, if you please, is looked upon as sound business doctrine. Information, instead of being freely circulated is withheld. Sooner or later comes to the surface the startling intelligence that a bankrupt who has been buying from a dozen dificrent jobbers, victimizing them all, has credit extended to him beyond all reason and beyond anything to which be was ever entitled.

If we feel inclined to charge these results to insufficient practical credit information received through the commercial agencies whom we pay for this service, is not their inability to furnish this information so much to be desired largely chargeable to that class of merchants who feel that in giving valuable information to the mercantile agencies they are doing so under protest? Is it not due to a large extent to that old credit system oi secrecy and self-delusion which was in vogue 25 years ago? What a commentary on the selfishness and egotisn. of the man who believes that he is better prepared, more experienced and more invuluerable than his fellow merchants, and that his information is more valued or more valuable than that which he can derive from all his competitors combined! Credit would not be so cheap, nor losses so high, if a rigid system of interchange of reports were thoroughly carried into general practice. There is no better way of learning a merchant's credit worth than by comparing notes with his creditors as to what he owes in all the markets in which he buys. There is no better way of finding out whether or not a man's line is full than by competing trade centres comparing notes as to his debts, purchases and methods of payment.

## MACHINE TO REPLACE THE USUAL STENOGRAPHER.

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T is no new thing-the use of a talking machine in the office to receive dictation. Business men have been dictating office correspondence on a graphophone for a long while; but Thomas A. Edison has now perfected his idea of such an instrument and the commercial world will look forward with interest to its introduction. The new machine will employ cylinders nine inches long, each of which holds a number of letters. The cylinder may be shaved 175 times; thus making its use as cheap as the
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"To the stenographer," remarks Business World, "let us drop a word of advice: Don't set to work to simply oppose the introduction of the new dictating mechanisms, whatever their kind: Accept them as gracefully as you can, and line up with the step of progress their introduction typifies, and become an operator of the up-to-date variety. Don't regret the farewells and parting with shorthand and all its uncertainties and delightful puzzles. Put forth your efiorts now-not to fight the inevitable, but to equip yourself with proficiency which shall give you new facilities and earning power, and make you, for the future years, as capable a letter-producer by machinery of improved kind, as you have previously been by the machinery of older days-that is, by the pencil.
"Saving of labor is the greatest possible saving in the advancement of any art; and we should welcome the devices that efiect it and seek to conform to the new conditions of their adoption."

## ANALYZING A BUSINESS PROPOSITION.

## By W. T. Fenton

NO general rule in regard to the consideration of import ant ibusiness problems has been of greater service to me than that which may be tersely stated in the words: "Let the other man do the talking." The soundness of this maxim has been so conclusively demonstrated, so far as my own experience goes, that 1 do not leesitate invariably to adhere to it and to urge it as a cardinal rule that will serve on all occasions. The logic of this procedure is apparent when it is remembered that every man who is charged with the responsibility of presenting an important business proposition goes to his task prepared to answer questions and objections which the man with whom he desires to treat is most likel.- to offer. I doubt if there is an exception to this rule. "What questions will be ask me and what objections will he raise?' furnishes the groundwork for the preparation which every man makes for the presentation of a business proposal to the man he hopes to interest.

When these questions are brought forward he is ready to answer them; by asking the questions naturally suggested by his statements you are playing directly into his hands and are doing precisely what he desires you to do, carrying out the line of campaign which he has devised. He is ready to meet you at every point with the answers and arguments carefully prearranged and best calculated to win success for his cause.

But what is the result if you place the burden of conversation on him, force him to do the talking and fail to come forward with the questions which he has prepared himself to answer? Simply this: He is thrown off from his predetermined line of attack. This naturally disconcerts him and he finds himself obliged to adopt a new line of campaign. So long as you are attentive to his arguments he must keep on presenting them until he has literally "talked himself out."

In the course of this process he is bound, sooner or later, to drop a word here and there which will give you the clew to his motives and aims and which will place in your hands the possibility of getting to the bottom of the subject.

Consequently I would place particular emphasis on the simple rule of forcing the man who submits a business proposition to do the burden of the talking. This is a very simple point of practice, yet so far as my own observation is concerned, it is more effective than any other in bringing to light the weaknesses of any business proposal. -System.

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The small quantity of material at my disposal has prevented fuller investigation in certain directions. In the event of another collection of like kind, I beg to recommend that officers be instructed to confine their samples to one particular essence or extract at a time, so that fuller justice may be done to it.

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