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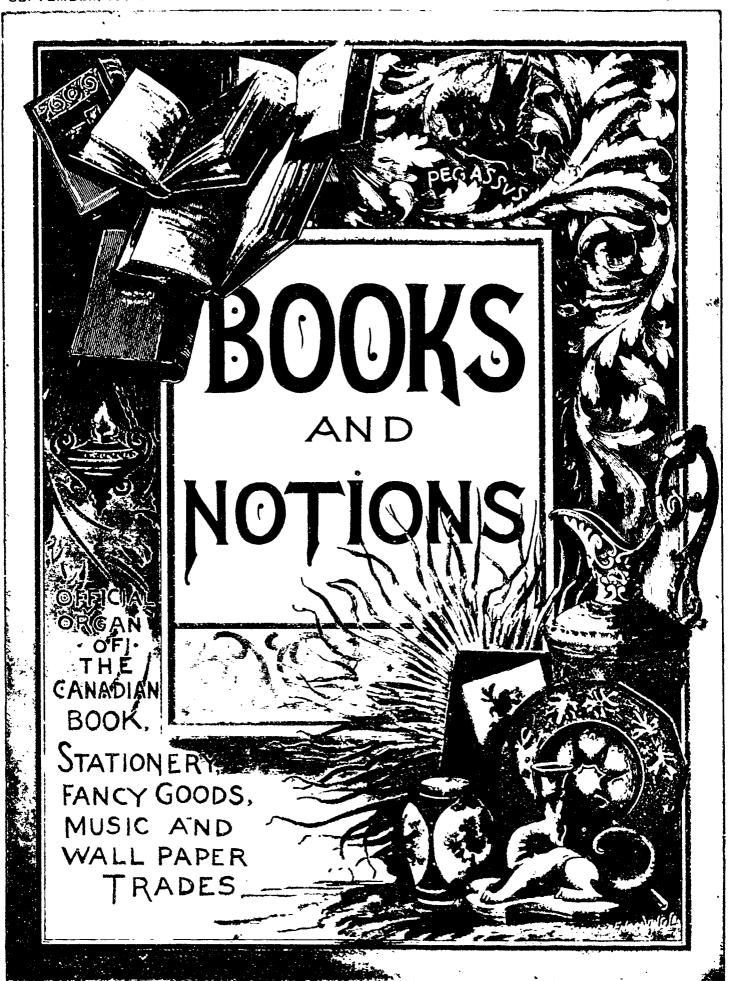
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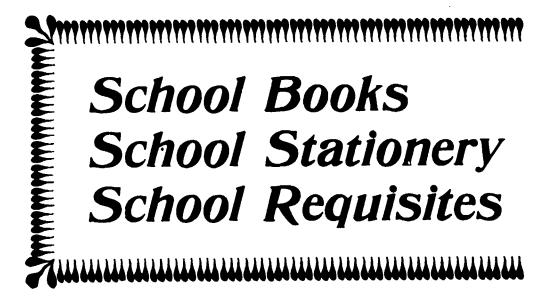


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OUEER BUSINESS METHODS.

STRANGE, indeed, are the business methods of a great many of the book and stationery dealers of this country. In fact, their methods in many cases are not business methods, but simply business happenings. Many of them have no system whatever.

They have no bill book, and do not know when their Bills Receivable and their Bills Payable fall due. Some of them have and study them like their Bibles, but these are the minority.

They do not check over their creditors' monthly statements, and hence do not know when accounts should be paid in time to secure cash discounts.

They do not know the value of a five per cent. cash discount, and cannot realize that it means anywhere from 20 to 60 per cent., according to the circumstances of time. They have no method of financing, and never have tried to master the subject.

They have no method of buying and selling. They guess how much to buy, guess at how much to sell, and guess as to the amount of stock in hand. They never know whether they are buying dearer or selling cheaper than their competitors.

But these are generalities—examples are better.

A man owed a Toronto wholesaler a bill for about \$12, sold at net prices. When the

goods were due, the bill was sent, but it was unnoticed. Then a draft was made on him. This also was unnoticed. Then a letter was written, asking politely for an explanation. No answer. Then another and another, until patience was exhausted. The account was then placed for collection. The lawyer's I tter was unanswered. Suit was entered. Then he paid the claim plus over \$3 costs. His whole profit was gone, and he had to pay just as soon as he would have if he asked for the indulgence of the creditor. A nicely written letter would have saved him over \$3, his creditor \$2 or \$3, and his own reputation.

Another similar case may be mentioned. A large retailer owed a wholesaler \$500. After several ineffectual attempts to get a settlement of some kind, he was sued for \$250, and paid it and the costs promptly. Then the firm wrote letter after letter ask ng him to make arrangements for the other part of the account, and offering him every chance. But everything was treated with indifference. Answering letters did not seem to be part of his business. Another suit for \$250 was entered and the amount was paid in a few day. These cases are facts and occurred

quite recently.

There is to-day a retailer in an Eastern town, between Toronto and Montreal, who carries a \$10 000 stock where a \$6,000 would do better. For this reason the commercial agencies give him a poor rating, the wholesalers give him fewer snaps, and he himself is loaded down to the ground with the burdens of his debt-paying. Liquidation will help him if he undertakes it, but it will be unprofitable. Never overload for the sake of an extra 5 or 10 per cent. It doesn't pay.

*** Not many miles from Toronto there is a young man in the stationery business. He is bright, capable and might have been successful in life. But he made a misstep. He ordered goods from a Toronto wholesaler until he had run up what was for him a pretty large bill. When asked to settle he refused, and did not try to make any arrangements for its payment. He would not give a note of any kind, and, as a result, the wholesaler sued him. The defendant put in as his plea that he was an infant, under 21 years of age, when he bought the goods. He slipped out of a claim of nearly a hundred dollars, but he damned his business reputation for ever in this province He lost ten times as much as he gained. A man's reputation is worth hundreds of dollars so long as it is spotless. Once let it be dragged in the mire and it takes many a year of purity-bleaching to restore it to its original chastity.

Talking with a banker the other day he remarked: "I refused him the loan because

he was an habitual poker player." Gambling is a curse to many a business man. Were it our calling to do the preaching act, we would say more. As it is, the incident is mentioned and the reader is left to draw his own conclusions or lessons.

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Space forbids any further enlargement of this subject, but it is one worthy of the study and thought of the best of business men. The railroad has its printed guide, its schedules and its methods. So the retail merchant must lay out his work and decide as to the means to be used to accomplish certain ends. Method in business will pay an extra 10 per cent, on the capital invested.

THE STATE OF TRADE.

OTWITHSTANDING the general cry of hard times, the wholesale stationery trade has held its own compared with last year. One house claims to have made a substantial increase in the volume of its business each month of the present year compared with the corresponding month of last year. Whether profits have increased in proportion is another question. Four other wholesale stationery houses emphatically declared that the orders for September delivery were fully equal to the volume of last year. This is exceedingly encouraging, and shows that stationers do so little anyway that that little cannot be affected by hard times. The goods are such as are always wanted, and always sell.

With the book men and the fancy goods dealer it is different. The book trade of the present season is from five to ten per cent, less than last year. The school-book trade has declined very little, but the miscellaneous and toy book trade has gone down very considerably in volume.

The fancy goods jobbers are the men who feel the pinch most. Fifteen per cent. is a safe estimate of the decline in the volume of trade. Part of this is due to the decision of most jobbers to take fewer risks this year.

In spite of the decline in some lines, trade is seemingly healthy and collections are fair.

LIKELY TO BE SCARCE.

Owing to the circumstance that the Boys' Own, the Girls' Own, the Sunday at Home, and the Leisure Hour are bound in Canada, there is often a scarcity of them during December, when it is too late to order on sheets.

Dealers who would avoid being left in the lurch with unfilled orders should not delay too long. Delays are dangerous, if there are reasons why they are dangerous—not unless. In this case the delay is a dangerous one, as has been proven by the experience of former years.

A GRIEVOUS CUSTOM RULING.

USTOMS rulings from Ottawa are often very proper, but it cannot be truthfully said that this propriety can be always perceived. The necessity of pay ing customs duties is a noisatice at best, and any regulation which increases the weight of such a nuisance is certain to react upon those who favor these duties and desire to have them retained

During the past few weeks the enforcement of a dead letter regulation has created considerable comment among importers. This is to the effect, that when goods have been purchased in bond in New York and shipped into Canada, the Canadian importer must pay duty on the New York cost plus the United States duty. In such a case the United States purchaser never pays the duty usually collected by his country. He simply re-enters the goods for export and sends them out of the country without passing them on a customs entry. The Canadian importers of this class of goods are buying foreign goods in New York instead of in London, Paris or Berlin. They prefer New Yerk when they want only small quantities or when they want goods to a hurry

For example I ast winter a great dem ind sprang up for wool seal capes. These furs are usually bought in London and brought into Canada via New York If this is the case, the duty is charged on the London price. The sudden demand cleaned up Canadian fur manufacturers' stocks, and as there was not time to import the skins from London and have them manufactured to catch the trade, cases of these fors were bought from New York für importers who held them in bond, ready to sell to whoever, should require them. Goods can be ordered by tele gram from New York for importers and laid down in Torento inside of 2 hours. To cable to I ondon for the same goods would not have them laid down inside of a fortnight.

Small importers also found it very bene heial to be able to visit the New York commission agents and buy dry goods, famey goods and hardware in bond at a small advance on European prices. The expense of a trip to New York is very considerably less than one to European markets, and this saving more than paid the commission charged by the New York importers

The customs authorities have issued a circular saying that the decision that the value of all goods bought in bond in New York shall be the New York price, plus the United States duty (which was never paid , is not a new decision, not is it designed to hamper trade. It says the practice has been in vogue since 1883, and that in order to see are uniformity in the collection of duty at the various ports it has been deemed advisable to issue this circular

It is strange that if the ruling was given in 1851 that it has never been enforced at the larger ports. It was not until the 10th of June last that anything of it was heard in Totonto.

Some large wholesalers claim that the ruling is a good thing, for the small importers will have no chance against them. It should not, however, be the policy of the custom authorities to encourage one importer m re than another. They should be absolutely impartial, and if they were such they would tax all importers 20 to 80 per cent, more for buying British goods in New York than if he bought them in London.

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Editor BOOKS AND NOTIONS:

HALIFAX, N S., July 30th.

SIR,—As per your request, I have much pleasure in sending you a few lines giving cur impressions of book stores and the book business generally down east. We four Toronto book men had very little time in St. John to look around. The leading stores appear to be J. & A. McMillan's, C. Flood & Son, T. H. Hall, E. G. Nelson & Co., Barnes & Co., and A. Morrisey.

Halifax has too many book and stationery stores for a small city-about six too many, I should think. On Granville street alone there are the following: Methodist Book Room, A. & W. Mackinlay (two stores), Knight & Co., Bible and Tract Society, Knowle's book store, Baptist Book Depot, and T. C. Allen & Co. (two stores.) On Hollis street are: C. H. Smith novels and periodicals, and W. E. Hebb; on Barrington street, C. C. Morton & Co. and Connolly's book store; also Griffin's on Jacob street, and Daley's on Brunswick street. This makes 13 in all, not counting numerous smaller stores-an unlucky number, too, by the way. Have we as many in Toronto?

A. & W. Mackinlay have two fine stores, the wholesale and retail separately. They do their own manufacturing and printing, and publish several school books. Their stores are models of neatness. I do not think we have in Toronto as neat and clean a store as their retail shop.

T. C. Al'en & Co. also have two stores, retail and wholesale. T. C. Allen is an old Toronto boy, and Will Allen, his manager, is from Allandale, I believe. They carry a big stock of books, and do a first-class retail business. I notice that they price their books considerably lower than we do; 30c. to the shilling is the standard rate here.

They have embossing and lithographing plant on the premises, although their copperplate engraving is done in Montreal. Mr. Allan thinks the new duty, on the whole, is not as good for them as the ad valorem rate, and the other dealers in Halifax agree with him. The Methodist Book Room has made several recent improvements in their building and arrangement of stock. They carry a heavy stock of books, mostly juveniles and theological perhaps the largest in the Maritime Provinces. They do business largely through the Methodist Publishing House, Toronto, buying with them, but getting goods direct from England, thus saving freights. Rev. J. F. Huestis is the book steward. They have a pretty, bright

The Tract Society carries about the same lines as our own Tract Society. The store

is centrally located, and the sales room is quite large and well kept. Their sales are principally through colporteurs and to the trade in Society bibles. R. Mellish is the manager. The Baptist Book Room is about same size as the Toronto house; has an immense plate glass front which is not an improvement. Geo. Macdonald is their manager.

Knight & Co. and Knowles' bookstores have both excellent stands and very nice stores. The Halifax booksellers do not appear to pay any particular attention to their window dressing. Several of the stores look as if once a month was the rule. One would think it would be advisable to have an attractive window at least, considering the large number of tourists passing through the city. About the prettiest window I saw was Hebb's, on Hollis street. He carries a small stock, and appears to be doing well. Mr. H. does a good deal of personal canvassing through the offices, etc. Knowles' bookstore (Mr. Orr, manager), has a bright appearance, and carries a good stock of novels and periodicals, etc. None of the stores, however, seem to have the newer Bryce's editions and cheap 25centers appear to prevail. I saw Longman's Colonial Library in only one store-Allan's, I think. The day of the 500., 750. and \$1.25 novel has not yet reached Halifax evidently.

C. H. Smith has a news stand down by the hotels and does a good business with strangers—also sells a lot of novels.

Toronto News Co. and Cooper & Co. largely supply the market with novels as their lines are in almost all the stores.

Bookbinding is done by Phillips & Co. and Cunningham & Co.

I have written thus fully in the hope that this letter may, in a way, serve as an introduction of the Eastern booksellers to their brethren in the West.

Yours truly,

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KIND WORDS.

The fall announcement number of this journal, issued on August 1st, was much approved of by the trade. Some proofs are given herewith.

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SIR, - The Fall Number of BOOKS AND NOTIONS is neat and attractive with abundant information for stationers. No stationer can do business without it I look for BOOKS AND NOTIONS like a daily paper.

> Yours truly, WM. WESTERN.

Fort William, Ont., August 4th.

Editor Books and Norron

StR,- It has been gratifying to us, and we are confident to the book and stationery

trade generally, to observe the efforts you have put forth from time to time to improve the appearance and increase the usefulness of BOOKS AND NOTIONS—our trade journal.

The "Fall Trade Number" issued this month, is so very neat in appearance, well printed and illustrated, and so thoroughly comprehensive, that it has prompted us to congratulate you on its production. It is a most satisfactory evidence of your enterprise, reflects much credit on your establishment, and must prove of great interest to the trade.

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Yours truly,

WARWICK BROS. & RUTTER.

Toronto, August 6th, 1894.

HOW THE WAR WILL AFFECT TRADE.

AR between China and Japan can affect Canada's trade to a certain extent, but the effect will not be very appreciable unless Great Britain and Russia are drawn into the struggle.

The three most important ports for this trade are Hong Kong, Shanghai and Yokohama. It is unlikely that Hong Kong will be affected, as it is virtually a British port. Shanghai may be blockaded by Japanese warships and trade be interfered with. Yokohama will not likely be affected, as it is a Japanese port, and if the Japs are defeated in Corea, and in their aggressive attack on China, they will give up the struggle before China becomes aggressive.

Canada sends some cottons and a few other articles to Japan. There is no reason to fear that this trade will be interfered with. On the other hand, there is a possibility of an increased demand springing up.

The imports from China and Japan are mostly teas and silks. Considerable raw and manufactured silk is sent to Canada, but even if this trade would be annihilated there are other markets which could supply what little Canada needs of this commodity. Teas, of course, cannot be procured elsewhere, and if this trade is stopped it will seriously affect the Canadian Pacific Railway's carrying trade on both land and water, and will deprive it and Victoria and Vancouver of considerable revenue.

The possibilities of this war are terrible in their aspect; the probabilities are that nothing serious will happen. War is fast becoming a matter of history. Once it occupied the chief attention of man. Now the advance of civilization, the greater international contact, and the increased attention paid to trade and internal national improvement have rendered war a nuisance instead of a glorious occupation.

SAILSBURY BROS', FAILURE.

M. SAILSBURY, during his business career, has a mixed considerable talk in the trade, and few persons seem to regard him as a model. His experience and actions in Guelph, where he once did business, were not above suspicion. He owed some money to his creditors and was on some paper for the Campbell firm when they failed some ten years ago. He had considerable stock in this Guelph store—at least he had one day, but the next day the store was locked, the shelves empty and the counters left with some old paper to cover their nakedness. His creditors, as a rule, realized nothing.

Since that time Mr. Sailsbury started business in Peterboro', where he has what was generally known as the handsomest bookstore as could be found between Toronto and Ottawa. Here he did a thriving business, although his reputation did not increase in the way it might have done C. M. Taylor & Co. were a large creditor of his, and their failure caused him some embarrassment. Then Suckling failed and the Rore Publishing Co. failed and business grew dull. He paid up a lot of claims and seemed to be about to pull through.

On or about April 10th he made a statement to one of his creditors showing a surplus of over \$1,000. This showed a fairly good state of affined. But about July 1st, much to everybody's surprise—except to those who knew the man—he failed. Then on July 7th he issued an offer.

His statement was as follows

LIABILITIES

ASSFIS.

| Secured claims --- | Rent --- ... \$ 657 00 | Stock | \$2,128 00 | Bal on mort | 200 00 | Book dbts. | 76 00 | Taxes --- ... \$5 00 | Fixtures ... | 116 00

Wages, as-

signee, etc. 100 00

\$1,042 00 Unsecured 2,300 00

l'otal ...\$3,342 00

\$2,320 00

Deficit on July 7th .\$1,022 00 Surplus on April 7th ... 1,010 00

Loss in three months \$2,032 00

Of course nobody doubts the truth of either statement, but Mr. Sailsbury's creditors would like to know how he came to lose \$2,032 in three months.

But anyway Mr. Sailsbury offered to compromise at 30 cents. There was a meeting on July 12th, at Peterboro', and the creditors refused the offer. It was afterwards found that Mr. Sailsbury couldn't even have paid the 30 cents cash.

Then Mr. Hall, the sheriff and assignee, advertised the stock for sole—widely advertised it in the l'eterboro' paper. He did not advertise it in BOOKS AND NOTIONS, nor did he advertise it in The Ontario Gazette. There was no fine for omitting

the first paper, but there is in omitting the second, which the sheriff may yet find out to his cost. This gentleman, however, knows his own business best, and no complaints are being made. However, he sold the stock to Mrs. Sailsbury at 49 cents on the dollar, which would realize \$1,136.80, or just enough to pay the secured claims. In other words, Mr. Sailsbury is just \$2,300 ahead on the game.

The chief creditors in Toronto are the Imperial Bank, the Methodist Book Room, and The Toronto News Company.

TWO METHODS OF RETAILING.

A CUSTOMER went into a retail dry goods store in a certain Canadian city and asked to see some carpets. These were shown, and the proprietor finding everything was not suitable, told the customer that some new stock would be in next morning if the customer would call at 10 o'clock. The matter was so arranged.

The next morning Mr. Customer called on Mr. Proprietor, but found him out. A careful enquiry elicited the pleasant news that he had left no instructions with any of his clerks to attend to that particular customer, or to show particular goods.

Mr. Customer was naturally somewhat indignant, and keeping his cheque book in his pocket, went to an opposition store.

Here the clerks pounced on him and almost took his breath away with their eagerness to show him everything that was in the house. Very politely and gentlemanly, they played their fish, and finally landed him for \$500 worth of goods.

These instances do not occur every day; they do not occur in every town; but they do occur sometimes.

There are cases when a man can sit down, take his ease, and watch the volume of his business roll up into enormous magnitude, as does a snowball in the hands of the urchin on a soft winter morning. But these instances occur in other lands than this, awaybeyond the blue unknown where fairies, not newsboys, play tunes on their chins.

There are smart men in business to-day, and their competitors must be smart, or they will not get their share of trade. Untiring energy, eternal vigilance, unerring watchfulness and consummate business skill—these are the qualities on which success is built up and maintained.

THE COPYRIGHT QUESTION.

So much has been written in these columns during the past ten years on the copyright question that nothing very new can be said. That Canada is suffering because the British publisher and British author are playing "the dog in the manger" act has been mentioned before, and in the strongest language possible. It has also been pointed out that if Sir John Thompson would bring about the enforcement of the

Canadian Copyright Act of 1889, he would receive the praise and plaudits of all the Canadians who have ever studied the subject.

It has been very justly pointed out that Canada has a right to regulate her copyright laws, just as much as her patent or tariff legislation. Hence when Mr. Marston, of London, Eng., describes the Canadian Copyright Act of 1889 as a "gross case of legalized robbery," he uses language which betrays both feeling and narrowness. In fact his views are much narrower and much more selfish than the act which he so vigorously condemns. An English author can copyright in Canada under the aboutto-be-enforced act, on the condition that he prints and publishes in Canada. Failing this, he will still get a royalty of 10 per cent. on any copies published in Canada.

What is needed is a braver front on the part of those Canadians who have charge of the matter, and Canada should either insist on having her rights or admit that she has none and quit the game.

The Toronto World points out that the Iloards of Trade should take the matter up. The suggestion is a good one. The Employing Printers' Association of Toronto has waged a long war in this matter, and the Canadian Press Association recently passed a strong resolution. The Boards of Trade can help a great deal in this matter by acting at once and speaking plainly.

THE PRICE OF CRINKLED TISSUE.

In the United States crinkled tissue retails at 50 cents a roll, with a discount of 35 per cent. to the trade. This is the result of monopoly, but the price is preserved.

In Canada the retail price of crinkled tissue is usually 20 cents, the result of competition. It threatens to go down to 15 cents for the same reason. Wholesalers have been selling it to the trade at \$1.50 per dozen. Now a wholesale dry goods house has received a shipment and is selling it, according to quantity, from \$1.10 to \$1.25 per dozen.

In both countries there is difficulty. It is hard to say which is the worse state of affairs

A machine for the rapid printing and "making" of books is described in a New York paper. It is a large web press similar to those on which newspapers are printed, but arranged to take curved electrotypes of each page of a book, instead of a single large metal cylinder casting. There are two cylinders, on each of which 144 pages may be screwed, and as the long strip of paper goes through, first one side is printed, then the other, making it possible to print 288 pages at each revolution. Every time the great cylinders go round, a novel is printed, folded, and trimmed, and these can be turned out, it is stated, at the rate of 5,000 per hour.

MAGAZINES.

THE Century for August was well illustrated, and contained a great deal of exceptionally interesting matter. The series of articles, "Across Asia on a Bicycle," are opportune, and Canadians will appreciate them. Even the advertisements seem to be affected with that delicately artistic appearance and tone which pervades this magazine and makes it pleasant to view, to handle, and to read.

The Overland Monthly for August was worth drawing special attention to. Since Mr. Wildman became editor, a special feature of the magazine has been a department, "As Talked in the Sanctum." In this number, The Poet, The Business Manager, The Reader, The Contributor and the Parson discuss the great strike at Chicago and say some mighty witty things. The Overland is growing more popular.

The second number of Godey's Magazine, issued at the new price of ten cents a copy, surpasses the first. The contents are just as attractive and the cover design is in a style as yet unfamiliar in this country. It is just the magazine for lazy summer months.

The complete novel in the September number of Lippincott's is "Captain Molly," by Mary A. Denison, and deals with the philanthropic work of the Salvation Army. The heroine, a banker's daughter, leaves a luxurious home to dwell for a time in Paradise Flats, and tries, not without success, to alleviate the miseries of her neighbors there; the hero follows her in disguise, and the tale comes to an orthodox end.

A new feature of the Arena, which appears in the September number, and one that will attract those who enjoy the light and airy literary essay, is Walter Blackburn Harte's causerie. It is written in that vein of humor which reminds the reader of the older English writers. With the soberest admixture of fantastic humor and seriousness, it treats of "Certain Satisfactions of Prejudice." The new series of papers is to be of a literary and social character, and will cover a wide range of subjects. It is to be a continuation of Harte's "In a Corner at Dodsley's" papers, which used to be a feature of the New England Magazine. It promises to be as amusing, and will probably become quite popular.

The September issue of the Art Interchange is an anniversary number, and marks the seventeenth year of its existence. A comparison of this with some of its early issues shows phenomenal growth. To-day it holds first position in the rank of periodicals devoted to the interests of the artist and amateur, and is rewarded with a constantly increasing circulation. The colored plates for the month are unusually attractive and well chosen. The "Summer Girl," by Louise M. Kemp, is a beautiful type of the American girl, well drawn and brilliant in color,

and will be a handsome thing framed for wall decoration. The "Autumn Offering" is a fine study of grapes, by H. L. Roys. The third color plate is a pretty decoration of shells and seaweed for a salad-plate.

THEODORE W. GREGORY.

NEW man has appeared in the bookselling arena, with an office at 8 King west, Toronto, and he will represent D. Apple on & Co., J. S. Ogilvie, and Lovell, Coryell & Co., selling import only. His name is Theodore W. Gregory, a bright young Canadian, who has already a knowledge of the bookselling business as it is conducted in Canada. Last year he made a very successful trip through this country in the interests of the United States Book Company. With the additional lines that he is now showing, he ought to be eminently successful.

Mr. Gregory was born near Norwich, in Oxford county, Ont., and first entered the



THEORNE W. GREGORY.

book business with the Standard Publishing Company, Toronto. Afterwards he spent four years with Vannevar & Co., on Yonge street, and a year with Williamson & Co. Early in 1892 he went to New York with G. Mercer Adam, and took a position as traveler for the United States Book Publishing Company, covering Canada and the Eastern and Middle States. The Canadian trade has developed so much that his house felt justified in establishing a permanent Canadian agency.

Mr. Gregory is a most energetic and able young man, well versed in the merit and quality of the leading book lines, and quite capable of doing the work he has undertaken. His friends will be glad to know that he has settled in Canada again, and annexed to it one of Uncle Sam's beautiful daughters, whom he married while in New York.

The accompanying photo will enable dealers to recognize him when he calls.

PLAYING CARDS.

W HOLESALERS have been renovating their playing card stock and adding thereto. There promises to be a brisk bidding for this trade this fall, and more samples than ever are shown.

Warwick Bros. & Rutter have received a large shipment of Goodall's cards. English cards have in previous years been clumsy as compared with the thin cards put out by United States manufacturers. This, however, is overcome in this year's lines, and in this particular there is no longer much choice. Goodall's line is very choice. The "Colonial" is, perhaps, the best 25-cent line in the market. The card itself is fairly good, and the printing is as good as on a 50-cent card, the register and finish being above reproach. Then in better grades there is great variety. The "Historic" is a handsome line. These cards have special features of a highly interesting character, the court cards representing the royal costumes of four reigns in English history, viz.: Clubs, Plantagenet; diamonds, Tudor; hearts, Stuart, and spades, Hanoverian. The colors are artistically and harmoniously combined, and the backs are also in handsome color combinations. Other grades of a similar character are shown.

The Foster whist marker is also shown by Warwick Bros. & Rutter. This is the newest and most perfect whist marker in the market, being beautifully finished in rosewood and ivory. The indicating devices are not clumsy, and they have the advantage of being always level with the surface, and visible from every position at the table. This marker can allo be used in counting for other games, such as pedro. Its chief advantage must always, however, be its artistic design and finish. They also carry a full stock of Pell Mell and Tom Thumb markers.

The Copp, Clark Co. will continue to sell the famous Russel, Morgan & Co.'s cards, with "Bicycles," in first and seconds, leading for a popular line. They carry all the finer grades turned out from these factories, and have an excellent assortment. They also show a line of domestic cards with some specialties to attract close buyers.

The Canada Paper Co. have an unusually attractive line of playing cards in both imported and domestic. They have some special lines of their own; that is, printed on cardboard from their own mills. These are offered at prices which will secure a brisk movement. Their cheap railroad card has had a remarkable sale, and seems to be especially suitable for its purpose.

Nerlich & Co. are, as usual, showing a full range of playing cards and playing card holders and cases in all grades. In cases, some very new and taking novelties are shown.



SPECIAL MONTREAL NEWS.

RADE in fancy goods, fishing tackle, etc., has been fair, but especially in the latter, all the houses which handle this line of sporting stock agreeing that the demand this year has been fully up to that of last if not in excess of it. Anticipations for the fall trade were moderate, and up to the present the realization of them has been better than the expectations were. In novelties, as we have stated in previous letters, celluloid goods are maintaining as prominent a place as they did last season. Mechanical and electrical toys promise to be as good lines as they were last year, but many novelties are promised. In books and stationery pusiness has not been specially brisk, the only feature in the book trade being that the demand for school books is commencing to pick up. This, however, is to be expected always toward the end of August, and cannot be considered an unusual feature. In wall paper, trade has been fully equal to that of last season.

Colin McArthur & Co. report that the demand for ingrains is keeping up with last month. This description of wall paper seems to be one of the best selling lines this season. The above firm's parlor papers, flitters, etc., are a very large assortment to select from.

In the course of four weeks or so the big warehouse of H. A. Nelson & Sons, next the Board of Trade on St. Peter street, will begin to present the usual appearance that characterized it prior to the holidays. The Messrs. Nelson make a specialty of supplying the holiday domand, and Fred. Nelson, the head of the Montreal house, says that their assortment this fall will, if anything, surpass their previous efforts.

Ingrains and flitter effects are a special feature in the very extensive assortment of wall papers shown by Watson, Foster & Co. this season. Reference has already been made in detail in this paper to the very handsome goods shown by this firm, and they have the satisfaction of placing fully as large a quantity of goods as they did last season to date.

This city has had several visits from representatives of the American wall paper trust. They had a very entertaining one here a short time ago, who made a lengthened stay in his efforts to place orders. It is claimed that in some lines he met with a certain measure of success, but that taken on the who'e the results of his efforts were not all that fancy would wish for.

The estate of G. W. Clarke, the difficulties in connection with which BOOKS AND NOTIONS has already informed the trade, has paid a first and final dividend of 16½ cents on the dollar. The stock, sold at 42 cents, realized \$8,368, and other receipts brought the total up to \$8,790. After deducting privileged claims and disbursements

there remains \$4,202 to be divided among unsecured creditors.

J. B. Rolland & Sons, the agents for the Rolland Paper Co., report that the stationery business, in line with other branches of the paper business, has been rather under the average this year. Their turnover, however, has been about up to that of last year, for they managed to strike some good things which pulled them up to the average.

THE LATE W. W. COPP.

T was a memorable gathering at the funeral of thelate W. W. Copp, President of the Copp, Clark Co. His fifty-two years in the book trade has made him wellknown to the oldest members of the trade, and they gathered to do his memory such honor as his life and friendship had merited. Among the oldest members of the trade present were Richard Brown, President of the Brown Bros., who worked along with Mr. Copp in a retail store on King street, Toronto, in 1854, and who has been one of his close friends ever since; Mr. Bain, founder of the business of James Bain & Son; Mr. Irving, President of the Toronto News Co., who was also at one time in the retail book business on King street; John F. Ellis; John R. Barber; John Young; Dr. Briggs; Mr. Corson, of the Markham Economist, an old customer; H. O'Hara, once a leading Bowmanville book dealer: Mr. Hutchison, and Mr. Lee. Mr. Herkinshaw; D. A. Rose; Mr. Gundy, and other younger members of the trade were also present.

Mr. Copp's death was not unexpected. For some time he had been in very feeble health, and he knew that his earthly pilgrimage was over. He passed away as calmly and serenely as he had lived—a man who left behind him only pleasant memories and no enemies. His watchword in life had been, "Business Integrity before Business Success," and by his integrity he secured the success which he considered only secondary.

In July, 1842, Mr. Copp, a lad of sixteen, entered the employ of the late Hugh Scobie, of King street, Toronto, and remained with him until his death in 1853. Mr. Maclear bought the stock, and Mr. Copp and Mr. Chewett became partners with him. In 1862 the late Mr. Clark entered the firm, and as Mr. Maclear had retired, the style was changed to W. C. Chewett & Co. In 1865 Copp, Clark & Co. succeeded this firm in the retail business, but sold it out in 1873, and began the wholesale business. In December, 1885, the Copp, Clark Company, limited, was formed, Mr. Copp, Mr. Clark and Mr. Fuller being three members.

Death has removed these three men from the company, Mr. Clark dying about two years ago, and Mr. Fuller about seven months since Mr. Copp's decease last week removes the only remaining member of the original firm. All three men were capable and enterprising business men, who built up for themselves a great trade and an honorable reputation. The trade has lost three men who contributed much to its worth, and whose places it will be difficult to fill.

ELECTRIC WIRE TUBES.

Wood pulp is agitated with water and rolled on a tube. After the pulp is wound to a sufficient thickness around the tube, and the extra amount of water drains away, it is placed on end and the interior mold is withdrawn, leaving the wood pulp tube, which is held on suitable supports and dried until the water is evaporated. The further process consists of dipping it into a very hot solution of asphaltum and other materials, which penetrate the whole substance. The ends are then squared up, and the threads cut, or taper finish is made in the usual manner of wrought-iron pipe.

This material, when finished, possesses high electrical resistance, rendering it suitable for underground conduits for electric wires. As a non-conductor it is free from being impaired by electrolytic action from earth return currents, which have become such a serious factor in impairing the water and gas pipes in cities where the street tram cars are propelled by electric motors using earth return circuits. Its resistance to acids and alkalies fits it for use in chemical works. As a non-absorbent of water it is free from any difficulties due to expansion and contraction. The bursting strength of the tube is said to be from 150 pounds to 250 pounds per square inch, according to the size. It can stand a temperature of 150 degrees.

AN INVITATION.

W. H. Bleasdell & Co. invite fancy goods buyers to visit their warehouse, 74 Vork street, Toronto, during the Exhibition and see the splendid display of novelties and holiday goods of all descriptions. They have made an unusual effort this year to secure a full and complete assortment of the season's novelties, and they await dealers' decisions.

Three of the original articles in the August Review of Reviews were devoted to Canadian topics. A sketch of the Hon. Wilfrid Laurier, the leader of the Canadian Liberal party, was contributed by William B. Wallace; "Canada's Political Conditions" was described by the Hon. I. W. Longley, Attorney-General of Nova Scotia, while the editor of the magazine, Dr. Albert Shaw, wrote on "Toronto as a Municipal Object Lesson." Each of these articles was full of information about affairs in Canada, whose politics and government are subjects as to which education in "the States" has been sadly neglected.

BOOK NOTES.

HARLES G.D. ROBERTS, of Windsor, N.S., one of our most brilliant Canadian writers, has a story, entitled. The Raid from Beausejour; and How the Carter Boy Lifted the Mottgage," in the press of Hunt & Eaton, the Methodist publishing house in New York. Professor Roberts in his prose writings displays almost equal felicity with his better known poetical contributions to literature.

"Tan Pile Jim" is advertised in Laird & Lee's advertisement and reviewed in another column. Great book.

Among the Canadian books of this year to reach a second edition is Rev. John Kennedy's "Afloat for Eternity; a Pilgrim's Progress for the Times."

J. M. LeMoine, the well-known Quebec natural st and literateur, is publishing a second series of his "Canadian Leaves."

Dr. J. H. Garnier, of Lucknow, an accomplished and enthusiastic natural st, is engaged on a work descriptive of the reptiles of Ontario and Eastern Canada.

"Triumphant Songs, No. 4," a new c llection by the Chicago singer and music publisher, E. O. Excell, is announced for early issue by the Methodist Book Room.

"The Sandchiff Mystery" by Septeraham, is now offered by Cooper & Co. in 50-cent paper edition. When this book first appeared Hunter, Rose & Co. disposed of an edition of 1,000 copies. It is a novel of much ment.

Cooper & Co report that the sale for "Heavenly I wins" and Stead's book on Chicago are still selling very rapidly. Mrs. Alexander's "Found Wanting" and Albert Ross' "Love at Seventy" are also selling extremely well.

Prof. L. E. Horning, of Victoria College, is contributing a series of able articles on tanadian literature to the columns of The Week. These papers had their origin in the Canadian literary evenings given at the college last winter

A Methodist hymn and tune book will be issued in September. There will be three editions and nine bindings—a people's edition, a choir edition and an organists' edition—A large sale is assured. Win. Briggs is the publisher.

1 Fisher Unwin, the London publisher of Crockett's works, announces the early publication of .in edition de luxe of "The Stickit Minister," in a limited edition of 250 copies, exquisitely illustrated. Five copies are to be printed on Tapan paper, and sell at £5 is net.

The Toronto News Co., with commend able enterprise, have secured the copyright and exclusive sale of the historical album of the Queen's Own Rifles, being an illustrated history of the regiment from 1856 to 1844. This book is going to have a wonderful sale,

and the first edition will be pretty well sold hefore Sept. 15th, the date of issue. The price will be 75 cents and \$1.

Lew Wallace's "Prince of India," in its third Canadian edition, is still having a steady sale. Three editions of a two-volume s'o y at \$250 is what, perhaps, no other book has attained in Canada, and may be noted as a gratifying sign of a growing taste for a better class of literature.

Nelson & Sons, the great Edinburgh publishers, have issued in a neat shilling edition J. Macdonald Oxley's "Wreckers of Sable Island." Mr. Oxley's stories are finding high favor in England, where he is looked upon as the successor to Kingston as a writer of stirring tales for boy readers.

Max O'Rell's latest book, which is to be published in September, is said to be much more of an ambitious piece of work than anything which he has previously done. It does not concern itself with the people of any especial country, but is an account of the whole Anglo-Saxon race all over the world.

The Toronto News Co. have just issued "The Pearl," by Marie Bernhard, in paper at 50 cents. In a similar edition is "A Perfect Fool," by Florence Warden. About Sept. 1st Gilbert Parker's "Trail of the Sword" will be ready. It should sell well." These three books, in fact, are all worthy of dealers' attention.

The Methodist Book Room announces two new books by Annie S. Swan for issue about the first of October. "A Lost Ideal" is said by her English publishers to be the best thing she has written since "Maitland of Laurieston." "Airlie's Mission is a charming little story of the influence of a noble Christian girl. The latter book will be fully illustrated.

Dr. Douglas' memorial volume of Discourses and Addresses has, within a few copies, run through the first edition. A second is being put through with despatch. The call for another edition within three months of issue speaks much not only for the respect in which the memory of the great preacher is held, but as well the high character of his public utterances here crystallized in print.

There is crying need for a good, up-todate history of Canadian literature. Few of its people have any conception of the wealth of good literature this young country can already boast of. We have been so intent on making history that our thoughts have not much been allowed to dwell on the past. What pen, with the knowledge, taste and judgment, will give us a capable review of literary history.

There are few, if any, books which picture more graphically the condition of things existing in the early days of Canadian Methodism than does "The Experiences of a Backwoods Preacher," in which the author, Rev. J. H. Hilts, relates in easy, racy style the incidents of thirty years in the Canadian Methodist itinerancy. This book is nearing the close of a recond edition, and should pass through reveral succeeding issues. Different conditions now happily exist, but those who enjoy the privileges of these later days should not forget the sturdy pioneers to whom our country owes more than it has yet realized.

The "History of the Independent Order of Foresters," by Oronhyatekha, M D., a book of formidable dimensions, has been issued by Hunter, Rose & Co., Toronto. The book gives an exhaustive history of the growth of the order from its inception to the present day, and is illustrated with quite unusual profuseness. The troubles which beset the order in its early days are gone into fully and openly, much of the correspondence of the officers of the order being given in full. In addition to the history of the I.O.F., the book contains a brief account of the principal sister societies.

Mr. E. Richard, a former pattner of Hon. Mr. Laurier, and a member of the House of Commons, and more recently an official in the Northwest, has prepared for publication, in two volumes, a history of the Acadian people, particularly of the c rcumstances connected with their expulsion from Nova Scotia. The old, yet ever new, story will be told by Mr. Richard in a somewhat different manner from that of Mr. Parkman. Mr. Richard does not believe that the expulsion was necessary or that the Acadians deserved such treatment. It is said that he does not blame the Home Government, but holds the New Englanders and the Nova Scotia Governor mainly responsible.

NEW STATIONERY.

Some handsome boxed stationery has just been opened up by Warwick Bros. & Rutter for the best trade. The colorings and quality of the papers and envelopes, their size and shape, the handsomely ornamented boxes—all combine to make these goods exceedingly taking and suitable.

The Mediaval, Athenian, Parian and Satin Twill are the leaders, and are shown in both large and small octavo and in ruled and plain.

Their stock of black bordered paper and envelopes has been augmented and reassorted.

A new thing in boxed visiting cards is seen in a flat box, about 4 x 5 inches, covered with white satin paper, containing 100 extra super, small court, thin ivory cards. The top of the box is embossed, and forms an excellent and recherche receptacle for the cards after they have left the printer's hands. The box aids nothing to the cost.

A set of royal octavo petty account books is a special feature in this line of their stock.

AT A PICNIC.

A N excursion is seldom a picnic, but the excursion to the Falls given by Warwick Bros. & Rutter to their employes, on Saturday last, was a picnic in every sense of the word, and everybody and their friends enjoyed themselves.

It is said that a certain member of the firm has become a wire-puller, and that he is so successful and daring that he stands in with the man who runs the weather. As a consequence the day was very pleasant, the sun's hot rays being obscured by hazy clouds.

At seven o'clock the Chippewa took most of the employes with their wives and sweethearts, and a merry crowd they were. At nine o'clock the office, which always keep later hours, got aboard. Mr. Rut'er, George Warwick and Charles Warwick were along, all looking as if business worries were left behind, and as if there was a considerable amount of satisfaction in giving employes a jolly day at employers' expense at least once a year. Mr. Rutter had some cigars and a jolly party with him

During the day Mr. Robertson was seen with a copy of the "Royal Templar" in his pocket. Mr. Murray was doing nothing all day—just trying it to see how it went. Mr. Hathaway was principa'ly concerned with—well, a fellow is only young once. Mr. Austin was with the boys making as much racket as usual. But where, oh where, was Mr. Johnston? Somebody said he was off

poring over the details of a new invention. His frock coat and houtonnierre were conspicuous by their absence.

It was eleven o'clock before all the jolly crowd reached the city again, and many a heart was thankful for the breath of fresh air and the glimpses of fruit laden orchards, smiling waters, and wooded fields. It is by such acts as these that Warwick Bros. & Rutter have achieved the reputation of being the most considerate and the most desirable employers in Toronto.

A BROWN PAPER MAGNET.

A very simple and interesting electrical experiment may be made with a sheet of brown paper, illustrating in a remarkable manner how the most astonishing effects may be produced by the simplest means. Take a sheet of coarse brown paper, and, after holding it before the fire till it is perfectly dry, fold it up into a long strip of about two inches wide. The magnet is now complete. To exhibit its attractive power, cut some strips of writing paper about three inches long, and about as wide as one of these lines, then place them upon the table, three or four together. Now take the magnet and draw it briskly under the arm two or three times; its electro-magnetism is instantly developed, and becomes apparent when held over the small strips of writing paper, for they fly up from the table towards the paper magnet veritably "by the wings of lightning."

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TRADE CHAT.

M. VARDON, at one time with the Toron o News Co., is now manager of the Windsor Hotel, Montreal, news stand it is the largest of the kind in Canada. They carry a stock of novelties and stationery, besides books, papers and cigars. The news stand is one of the prettiest and most comple e BOOKS AND NOTIONS has ever seen. It is sold walnut and is Mr. Vardon's own design.

Mr Gage is traveling in Europe at present

1. A. E. Smith, bookseller, Toronto, has assigned.

Robert R. Barnes, of Barnes & Co., book-sellers, St. John, N.B., is dead.

Gdy Warwick has finished his western trip, and is now touring California.

Mr. Bryant, of Warwick Bros. & Rutter, has been holidaying in New York.

Russell, Gardner & Russell, wholesale fancy goods, Ottawa, are liquidating.

Mr. Schaefer, of Stratford, and Mr. Mc-Master, of Sarnia, were noticed in the city during August.

Fred. Campbell, of the Canada Paper (a, Toronto, has returned from his holidays in Muskoka.

The creditors of the estate of E. G. Burk, paper manufacturer, Campbellford, Ont., have held a meeting.

Frost Bros, var.ety store in Woodstock, N.B., has been losing money, and an assignment has been made.

C.B. Scantlebury, bookseller, Belleville, sustained a loss by fire about ten days ago. It will not interrupt his business, however.

R. J. Berkinshaw and A. E. Huestis, of Toronto, have been on a trip to the Maritime Provinces. Entil Nerbich is still there in the interests of his firm.

The "Books Wanted" column will, it is hoped, be a great convenience to retailers who want special books. For the collection of Canadian books it should be very useful.

Cohn McArthur & Co, wall paper manufacturers, will have splendid exhibits at Totonto, Sherbrooke and Quebec. They beheve in advertising, and will do something nice in this way.

"Hillside," the country residence of J. Y. Reid, near Paris, was struck by lightning the other evening, but no damage was done. Mr. Reid is emoying fairly good health at present, due no doubt to "the farm breezes."

The Copp, Clark Co. have just issued their new school book catalogue. It contains a list of authorized works for public and high schools, together with a list of books required for junior matriculants.

At l'aris several novelties in note paper have just been placed upon the market. One of these is a very good imitation of a fine sponge, another is the "silhoustte paper." In the centre of the sheet at the top is a white circle, like the disc thrown by a magic lantern, and on this are dark fig-

ures. A third sort is like Venetian glass, and others are like very fine morocco leather of beautiful turquoise blue. The prettiest sort of all is the "Empire" paper, in all the modern tints. Along two inches of the side and the bottom is a gold pattern exactly resembling the chased corner pieces to be found on albums.

A meeting of the stereotypers, electrotypers and zincographers of London, England, was held on May 22nd, to discuss in what way the trades denoted are affected by the existing Copyright Acts, and to consider what steps can be taken in the way of forming an association for the protection of their mutual interests. A committee was appointed to draw up rules, etc.

THE THREE-VOLUME NOVEL OUESTION.

The following is a copy of a letter recently addressed to certain publishers by the London Booksellers' Society, on one of the issues growing out of the proposal to abolish three-volume novels:

"GENTLEMEN. We observe in the circular addressed to you by Messrs. Mudie and Messrs. W. H. Smith & Son with reference to the price of three-volume novels, that they suggest: 'That y. u shall agree not to issue cheaper editions of novels and of other books, which have been taken for library circulation, within twelve months from the date of publication.' We beg to convey to you our unqualified disapproval of such a proposal, and in the event of your being inclined to entertain the idea, we desire, at this early stage, to enter our formal protest against such an injustice to the bookseller. At the same time, we are very conscious that on this subject your own ideas and ours run on parallel lines. As the whole question of three-volume novels is now being raised, we should like to say that it would be a great satisfaction to us if good works of fiction ceased to be issued in this way. We are unanimously in favor of such novels being published at once in a six shilling form, or at any rate at some popular price, and we feel con-inced that not only would the bookseller order such volumes in large numbers. but that the library orders would not be diminished. As to 'other books,' we have long been of opinion that the price at which they are issued upon first publication prohibits sales. Signed on behalf of the council,

"T. BURLEH, Hon. Sec. "July 16th, 1894"

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advantage, while the interior, as in all the best boxes, is lined with fine satin. Inside the box are the finest grades of note paper and envelopes in all the newest tints.



No. 148.

No. 148 is a similar box with bronze trimmings. The panel on the lid is of most dainty design and finish, and adds much to the beauty of the box. The shape is also very taking.



No. 143 is pure while celluloid with a celluloid panel on top fitted with gold and plush ornaments. This is a very choice article suitable for presentation to a lady.



No. 149.

No. 149 has plush walls covered with filigree silver in a neat design. The base and top are celluloid, and a panel rests on a plush background.

To describe the half hundred designs in this range would require too much time and space. They are all gotten up with an eye to their suitability for the Canadian purse, and market, and every detail will be found to enhance their value. The sale so far has been very large, and no doubt this will be materially increased before the season closes.

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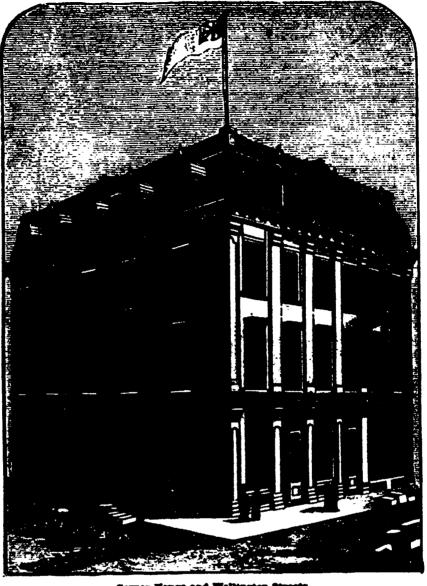
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In other office supplies, of which this firm carry the completest stock in Canada, some new arrivals are seen. "Clean and Ready" mucilage is having a great sale. A telephone pencil, with a ring in end to hang it up by, is Faber's latest novelty.

A letter press shown at the World's Fair is on exhibition. It is a handsome article and full manifest sire. It is drawing special attention to their line of letter presses which they have carried for years, and has always

given satisfaction. They handle large quantities.

Esterbrook's pens, for which they are sole Canadian agents, are selling increasingly fast. A handsome sample card with eighteen of the leading lines on it has been issued. A cut of the most popular number, 048, is given herewith. Esterbrook's pens need no introduction to dealers.

THE TRADE JOURNAL.

lake all other phases of the newspaper business, trade journalism is a growing institution. From being a mere advertising sheet, representing only special individual interests, the trade journal has become the great organ of communication between manufacturers and dealers and their customers, and has helped and is helping to bring them into closer relations with one another. It has become one of the best educators, and, since the general abrogation of trade mysteries-better known as secrets of the trade-it has done a good work in the spread of technical knowledge among all classes, to the benefit of the entire community. So well has this become recognized that a man is regarded as behind the times who does not take and read at least one tournal devoted to his own trade or profession. There are many who say-and some who actually believe-that they cannot afford to take a trade paper, when the truth is that they cannot afford to do without one. If a man is content to follow in one beaten path all his life; if he is so wise in his own conceit that he thinks he knows it all, and that nobody can teach him anything; if he is content to remain in sodden ignorance he ause he cannot see that the knowledge offered him is going to bring him an immediate return in cash -then, and in all such cases, a man cannot afford to pay for a trade journal. But if he would keep abreast of the times in his own calling, if he would know what new inventions and

discoveries are being made that directly affect his own interests; if he would profit by the experience of others as told in print; if he would know everything possible connected with his own calling, so that he may be able to converse intelligently, not only with his co workers, but with outsiders seeking information—then the trade journal is indispensable. It is a power in the land, and he who rejects its friendly aid will soon find himself at the rear end of the procession. He cannot know too much of his own calling.—The British Printer.

FOR THE HOLIDAY TRADE.

EALERS who expect to reap a barvest about the time of the midwinter holidays are now anxiously seeking pointers on the things that are new. With re-



gard to the toys of the season, there is nothing startlingly new. Old things with prettier colorings, or with more handsome designs, are shown in abundance, and will have to perform the necessary work.

Toy suits, as shown in the accompanying

cuts, are shown by Nerlich & Co at prices ranging from \$7.20 per dozen to \$10.20. Firemen, Queen's Own, Royal Grenadier, policemen and sailor suits are in the range.

Dolls are shown in great range. It is



difficult to imagine where 20 cases, of 30 dozen each, of one kind of doll, could be placed, but such a shipment has been seen this season. Nerlich & Co. have imported over 200 cases of dolls for this season's trade. They have an immense

range. A walking doll is a novelty.

Eastern mechanical toys, of Japanese and Indian design, are shown. One is illustrated in the accompanying cut. Other similar



mechanical toys are electric car, steam engine, walking fly, swan, African mail, etc.

In locomotives and steam engines the range increases year by year. The locomotives for this year's trade are splendidly finished with brass ornaments and brass-tired wheels. The accompanying cut shows an 8-inch locomotive at \$16.80 per dozen. Another 9-inch one of similar make is \$27. A beauty, with copper boiler and copper



finishings, is wholesaled at \$36. The best of the range sells for \$96 per dozen, is 14 inches in length, moves forward or backward, and is of superior material and finish.

Ice bottles, champagne coolers, biscuit and pickle jars, with nickeled handles and rims, are among the latest importations.

A NEW CATALOGUE.

About September 1st H. A. Nelson & Sons will issue their 94-95 catalog ie. It will be as bulky and comprehensive as usual, and filled with a mukitude of cuts. It is a useful compendium for the fancy goods dealer.

Perfection in a drawing board has, it is claimed, at last been obtained in the production of the Chautauqua kindergarten drawing board and writing desk. It is not only a complete writing desk and secretary for children, but for the grown people as well. It has receptacles for paper, envelopes, pen and ink, etc., and is strong and durable, being made of solid oak. It is an attractive, novel, useful and ornamental piece of furniture. Messrs. H. A. Nelson & Sons are selling it.

At present their warehouse is a mass of crowded shelves, unopened cases, and piles of goods. The fall importations of fancy goods are to hand, and hundreds of cases are being opened week'y. Everything is rush and hurry, and already shipments are being made. These are the beginning of what will take place continuously during the nex' three months.

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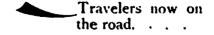
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CAMPBELL STILL OUTSIDE.

The Walipaper Trust did not absorb the firm of William Campbell & Co. after all, says Geyer's Stationer, and this firm, with whom a contract was made some weeks ago, is still outside the trust. This firm is the only one which has made a successful fight against the Wallpaper Trust, which is now capitalized at \$38,000,000. When, however, Campbell's large factory was burned out last winter, the trust made overtures to him to merge his works into the trust. It was finally agreed that \$25,000 should be paid down by the trust as a contract stipend: that \$400,000 should be given for Campbell's good will, and that the trust should proceed to invoice his stock and pay him accordingly, when the market value of the stock was ascertained. Invoice clerks were set at work in the big factory, the \$25,000 was paid down, and Campbell hugged himself at the prospect of the good thing in store for him.

When the trust came to examine Campbell's accounts, however, a disagreement arose. A large number of per-onal bills outstanding were found, and the trust insisted that Campbell should give them a release from these obligations. Then Campbell worked his grand bluff. He said in choice language that he would see the trust in a good many warm places before he would agree to any such bargain as that. The trust insisted, Campbell became more and more hot-headed, and the other day he walked into the trust's office at Broome and Elm streets, and played his trump card. In the words of the topical song, "He didn't think they'd call him, but they did."

"Here's your \$25,000," said Campbell, with an air of bravado, as he laid down the money. "I don't want it unless you agree to my terms." One of the directors of the trust thereupon made a cold chill pass down Campbell's spine by coolly accepting the money with a laconic "Much obliged" Campbell, seeing that he had been beaten at hir own game, walked out, his friends say, a sadder but a wiser man

The Toronto L thographing Co.'s em p'oyes held their annual outing on the 12th at Glen Grove Park, Eglinton. In the forencon a baseball match was played, the art ists and engravers v the transferiers and printers, in which the former carried off the laurels. This was followed by a very bountiful and toothsome repast, to which ample justice was done. In the afternoon a programme of games, numbering twenty events, was participated in, and this was a receded by the distribution of forty very useful and valuable prizes to the successful competitors. A very pleasant and enjoyable day was spen, and after a first-raid tea, to which about two hundred sat down, and the passing of a hearty vote of thanks to the committee, Messis, Irving, Finch and Boyd, the company dispersed. The unique and orig inal design of the programme was the work of Arnst Hyder.



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BOOK REVIEWS.

TAN PHE JIM, OR A YANKEE WAIF AMONG THE BLUPNOSES. By B. Freeman Ashley. Cloth extra, 4to, 260 pp., \$1 ; illustrated. Laird & Lee, Chicago.

Henty has written superb books for boys, treating of warlike events and historical adventures. W. H. G. Kingston has told thrilling tales of adventures in the China seas in his Boys' Own Series. J. Macdonald Oxley has been writing boys' books for the Nelsons. Now a new writer of boys' books appears, with his book issued from Chicago. It must not be thought that nothing good can come out of Chicago, although it must be admitted that a great deal of trash is issued by the houses there. This book savors of the North American continent; it smells strongly of an intense love of the New World and the races who have made it and been themselves remade. As an account of Nova Scotia domestic life it is excellent, and written with a glowing descriptiveness and a captivating humor which makes it very readable. A Yankee lad, left an orphan at an early age, is apprenticed to a Marblehend fisherman. Disgusted with his wretchedness, he deserts at a Nova Scotia port and travels inland. One morning at daybreak he is found by a worthy tanner asleep in a hole in his tan pile. An acquaintance follows, and finally "Tan Pile Im" is asked to discard his rags, his bad manners and his old clothes, and to become the adopted son of the childless tanner and his wife. He grows up into a worthy man, but his adventures are numerous and interesting. Finally a name and a fortune are found for him by a lawyer in Salem, Mass What is most pleasing about the book is the high moral standard which it taises, and which makes it a safe volume for "our boys. '

Fixes By Evelyn Everett-Green, author of "The Wilful Willoughbys," "A Pair of Pickles," "A Doctor's Doren," etc. Pocket Novels, No. 15 Oliphant, Anderson & Ferrier.

"Flats" in a London mansion, occupied by different families, often present a ground for watching interesting humanity. The author has picked out such a place as the scene of a "wooing and coarting," which is described in a most charming way. The incidents of the story are fresh, the characteristics interesting and admirably drawn, and the end cannot be seen from the begin-

THE SHAFE CHRIST AND A LEMON TREE.

By the author of "Under Two Flags,"
"Two Wooden Shoes," etc. Pseudonym Library, No. 41 T. Fisher Unwin

These two little stores are charming glimpses of Italian life, such as Ouida might have written. But the author has ideas which will not be agreeable to all. Speak-

ing of the peasant who figures prominently in the story, it is said: "The peasant no more wonders about his own existence than a stone does. The peasant does not look back; he only sees the road to gain his daily meal of bread or chestnuts. The past has no meaning to him, and to the future he never looks. That is the reason those who want to cultivate him fail utterly." "The world has never understood that the moment the laborer is made to see, he is made unhappy, being ill at ease, morbidly envious and ashamed, and wholly useless. Left alone, he is content in his own ruminant manner." Such a doctrine will gain a mighty small foothold on this side of the Atlantic.

WANTED. By Mrs. G. R. Alden (Pansy). 12mo., cloth, illustrated, \$1.50. Boston: Lothrop Pub. Co.

This book has been copyrighted in Canada, and hence will not be imported. It has been previously reviewed, and its main feature is that it takes up the cause of the much maligned stepmother. Pansy may gain the honor of being among the first to turn the tide of public opinion, when the current sets the wrong way.

A HELP FOR THE COMMON DAYS, being papers on Practical Religion. By J. R. Miller, D.D., author of "Week-day Religion." Cloth, 2s. 6d. Oliphant, Anderson & Ferrier.

This is a charmingly written book for devout persons and covers a variety of subjects, some twenty-six in number. Some of the most striking are "Compensation in Life," "Life as a Ladder," "Shall We Worry?" "People who Fail," and "Hands: a Study." The author has intensely broad sympathies, a wonderful and imaginative descriptive power, a broad culture, and a fearless speech. His books are high in the ranks of this class of literature.

A FOOLISH MARRIAGE. By Annie S. Swan. Canadian Copyright Edition. Wm. Briggs, Toronto.

This book, which is an Edinburgh story of student life, appeared serially under the title "Two Fools." It is a touching tale of life, beginning with the experiences of an orphan girl left penniless on the world. Her struggles with her pride and her circumstances, her need of assistance and counsel, her somewhat disappointing life is but a type of the many. Her troubles and her sorrows rouse the sympathies and refine the feelings of the reader, and in such ways are the people's humanities increased and their sympathies broadened.

THE QULEN OF ECUADOR. By R. M. Manley. Paper, 50 cents. The Hage-mann Pub. Co., 114 Fifth avenue, New York.

A more absorbing story has rarely issued from the press. The plot while intricate is

very clear, is original and happily conceived. The interweaving of the romantic South American scenes with the daily life of the suburb "within the orthodox hour's ride of New York" is successfully accomplished, and so natural are the transitions that the reader is not shocked by incongruity. Mr. Manley knows how to tell a story in a very entertaining way, but it is in the delineation of character that he is at his best. Denny O'Halloran and Dennis O'Halloran, Esquire, are living portraits, and so well do they point a moral and adorn a tale that one wishes for their more frequent appearance. Mr. Boggs, the philosopher, Mrs. Boggs, the inscrutable Dr. Mulgrave and his testy colleague Millard, Ellen Clay and Jelisse are all welldrawn characters.

My Ducats and My Daughter. By P. Hay Hunter and Walter Whyte. A new edition. Paper covers, 18. 6d. Oliphant, Anderson & Ferrier, Edinburgh; Cooper & Co., Toronto.

This book has had a wonderful sale in Great Britain, and has come to be a standard popular novel. It contains admirable descriptions of Scottish life, such as the humors and characteristics of a Scottish election, and the push and bustle of a daily paper office at the time of going to press. But besides these characteristic sketches, it is a pleasant tale from life of a love dilemma which tests and displays the qualities of the parties concerned. It is on the whole a singularly pleasant and wholesome story told with considerable pathos and much humor.

THE LOST LADY OF LONE. By Mrs. Southworth. Paper, 25 cents. Robert Bonner's Sons.

This is a bulky novel from the pen of a well-known author. It is very different from any of Mrs. Southworth's other novels. The plot, which is unusually provocative of conjecture and interest, is founded on thrilling and tragic events which occurred in the domestic history of one of the most distinguished families in the Highlands of Scotland. The materials which these interesting and tragic annals place at the disposal of Mrs. Southworth give full scope to her unrivalled skill in depicting character and developing a plot, and she has made the most of her opportunity and her subject.

THE RED SULTAN. By J. Maclaren Cobban. Rialto Series, No. 64. Rand, McNally & Co., Chicago.

This book is a tale of the remarkable adventures of Sir Cosmo McLaurin in West Barbary. The adventures are sometimes simple and sometimes appalling, but always interesting. The author has entered new territory, and described new characters. In this book a new field is presented for the first time, and the local coloring seems to be very faithful. It is the purest type of the class of literature known as the "Romance of action" class.

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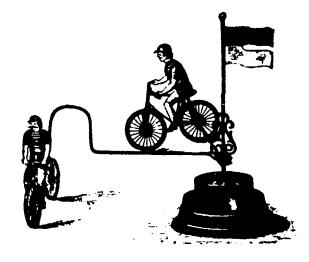
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FOREIGN PAPER IN GREAT BRITAIN.

THE paper industry of Great Britain has been particularly affected by the depression in trade during the past year or two, and not a few failures and mill sales have taken place. Under the circumstances, says the British and Colonial Stationer and Printer, it is not surprising to hear loud and bitter complaints amongst British papermakers concerning competition, dulness of trade and bad times, especially as two-and a quarter million pounds sterling does not cover the value of foreign paper supplied annually to the British market; for instance, in 1893 the quantity imported amounted to 2,915,646 cwts, of the value of £2,313,312. The problem for the papermaker is to consider how the trade is to be diverted to home mills, and evidently the matter is difficult of solution, as we find increasing quantities of foreign paper imported year by year. Statistics for 1893 are given above, and for comparative purposes we give those for 1889, when the quantity imported was 2,109,942 cwts, of the value of £1,857,743. We give below the supplies from Germany, Belgium and Holland, and also the exports of British paper thereto, for the past five years

GERMANY.

In 1893 the British demand for German paper was less than at any period during the last five years. It will be seen, however, upon reference to the figures relating to Holland that an enormous increase has taken place, but there is reason to believe that some of the paper officially classified as from Holland is of German production; in fact, a large proportion of the statistics represent a transit trade.

EXPORTS TO GREAT BRITAIN.

1893	504,505 CWIS.	7 5201440
1892	688,226 **	673,940
1891	651,844 "	611,943
1800	599,640 "	504 504
1880	666,276 "	595,646
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1893	10,211 cwts.	£29,991
1892	10,844 "	28,170
1891	9,437 "	26,308
1800	11,114 "	27,833
1889	9,586 "	28,284

Last year British paper was appreciated to the extent of $\angle 20,001$ in Germany, but German paper was liked in Great Britain to the time of $\angle 529,446$, a difference of $\angle 499,455$ in favor of the Germans

HOLLAND.

As previously explained Holland is responsible for a considerable transit trade, and therefore we give the following figures, officially supplied

EXPORTS TO GREAT BRITAIN.

1811	1,225,672 CWEX	£667,055
1892	1.14(4734 "	624,791
1591	1,037,211	548,853
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1880	802,920 "	468,622

IMPORTS FROM GREAT BRITAIN.

1893	15,348 cwts.	£,26,260
1892	12,286 "	22,370
1891	12,572 "	21,777
1890	9,281 "	18,399
1889	9,788 "	19,295

The difference on last year's trade was £640,795 in favor of Holland.

BELGIUM.

A number of specialties are exported to Belgium:

EXPORTS TO GREAT BRITAIN

1893	220,022 cwts.	£313,403
1892	189,762 "	284,611
1891	221,593	311,964
1890	195,932 "	295,052
1889	195,235 "	293,424

IMPORTS FROM GREAT BRITAIN.

1893	13,471 cwts.	£33.332
1892	10,787 "	25,018
1891	13623 "	30,838
1800	12,839 "	30,116
1889	12 552 "	32,230

Of Great Britain's importation of foreign paper over 65 per cent, comes from Germany, Holland and Belgium.

INCORPORATIONS.

THE Canada Engraving and Lithographing Co. is applying for incorporation to carry on a general engraving, printing and publishing business; to manufacture and sell all articles connected with said business, printing materials, stationery, etc., and to carry on the business of advertising. The chief place of business of the company is to be in Montreal. The intended amount of the capital is to be one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, divided into fifteen hundred shares of one hundred dollars each. The names, addresses and callings of the applicants are: Jeffry Hale Burland, gentleman; William Brisbane, bookkeeper; Frederick Henry Dennison, transferrer: James 1). Monk, gentleman: Robert C. Smith, advocate; George Bull Burland, gentleman; Cosmo Crump, artist; Archibald Matthews, lithographer; Charles Pearson, transferrer, and Robert Percy, clerk, all of the city and district of Montreal, in the province of Quebec, and Thomas I. Gillelan, of Ottawa, in the province of Ontario, gentleman; of whom the said leffry Hale Burland, William Brisbane and Frederick Henry Dennison are to be the first or provisional directors of the said company.

The Union Card and Paper Co. is also seeking incorporation under the Dominion Act. The purposes for which incorporation is sought are the manufacture and sale of playing cards, cardboard of all kinds and articles made therefrom, staple and fancy paper of every description, printers' and photographers' materials and supplies, and the carrying on of the business of printing and

publishing, the operations of the company to be carried on throughout the Dominion of Canada. The chief place of business of the company is to be in Montreal. The intended amount of the capital stock is to be one hundred thousand dollars, divided into one thousand shares of one hundred dollars each. The names in full and the address and calling of the applicants are: George Bull Burland, gentleman; William Brisbane, bookkeeper; Jeffry Hale Burland, gentleman; Andrew MacPhail, doctor of medicine; Robert Cooper Smith, advocate; and George Hope Burland, transferrer, all of the city of Montreal, in the province of Quebec, and Henry H. Ami, geologist, of Ottawa, in the province of Ontario; of whom the said George Bull Burland, William Brisbane and Jeffry Hale Burland are to be the first or provisional directors of the said company.

Public notice has been given that, under The Ontario Joint Stock Companies' Letters Patent Act, letters patent have been issued, incorporating Walte: Henry Morden, inventor; Andrew Scott Irving, merchant; James Smart Lockie, esquire, and Frederick Sterling Sharpe and Henry Barber, accountants, all of the city of Toronto, in the county of York, and province of Ontario, for the purposes following, that is to say: To manufacture, buy, sell, trade and deal in office-files, fixtures and appliances, and, for the said purposes, to acquire the necessary real and personal property, including patents of invention with the right to operate thereunder and to dispose of the same by the name of "The Morden Office File Company of Toronto (Limited)," with a total capital stock of twelve thousand dollars, divided into twelve hundred shares of ten dollars each.

The Map and School Supply Co., of Toronto, is applying for a charter. The object for which incorporation is sought, is to carry on the business now carried on by The Map and School Supply Co., to purchase and acquire the same from the owners, thereof, to carry on the business of importing and manufacturing all kinds of university, school, college and business supplies, the acquisition of patents and copyrights, and the manufacturing, publishing and operating thereunder, to act as agents for foreign and other firms and corporations, and generally to carry on all such business of manufacturing and trading as may be necessary to the business of the company. The amount of the capital stock of the said company is to be \$25,000, the number of the shares is to be 500 and the amount of each share is to be \$50. The names in full and addresses and calling of each of the applicants is as follows: Charles Potter, of the city of Toronto, optician; Richard Cummings, of the city of Toronto, manufacturer; Annie McMahon, of the city of Elmira, state of New York, U. S. A., married woman; John Edward

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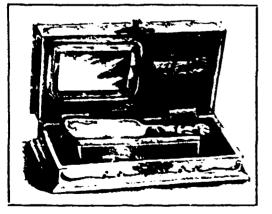
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