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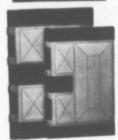
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## Why Canadian Stationers Ought to Sell Typewriters

Some Excellent Reasons

A short time ago a gentleman walked into a stationery store in an Illinois town and asked to be shown some writing paper. When the purchase was made he turned to the clerk and said:

"By the way, do you handle typewriters ?"

"No, we do not," replied the clerk. "We have been asked that question before, but for some reason never have got around to it."

"I want to purchase one," continued the customer,
"and it occurred to me that a stationery store the size
of yours would in all probability handle them. However,
I will look elsewhere."

This same question is put to commercial stationers many times during the day in all sorts of towns the country over. For many reasons the casual purchaser of pens, pencils, carbon paper and other supplies, associates the stationery store with a typewriter. The prime reason, of course, is that there he goes for his typewriter supplies. Why should he not think of the store handling typewriters?

This in turn invites the question, why do not commercial stationers establish a typewriter department? Or what advantage is there in having such a depart-

#### Big Purchases of Supplies.

This question can be looked at from several sides. In the first place, however, this proposition should be laid down as absolutely true: The average typewriter user, before he consigns the machine to the junk pile, spends three hundred dollars on supplies, in the form of earbon paper, typewriter paper, ribbons, and so forth. Now where does the user buy these supplies? From the stationery store, in the average town, unless there is a typewriter supply house, and then it is questionable whether he does not go to the stationer for the most of his supplies.

Another proposition: The typewriter user, as well as the one who is not, needs a typewriter stand, desk, and other office supplies. Where does he go? To the office supply house, of course.

There are many cases where the user in the first instance, when he goes to the stationer for his supplies, could in many ways be interested in typewriters. He might not himself purchase one, but he would at some time say to a friend: "John, the Cole Stationery Company handles the — typewriter. I think it is a good machine. Go and look it over."

Now why should the stationer not get the benefit of this trade, which goes to the typewriter companies indiscriminately? What reason is there that the stationer could not attract many users of machines to his place of business if he had a typewriter department. Manifestly this could be done, and to ignore it is to overlook a very direct source of getting business.

#### An Argument Against.

But the stationer has been inclined to refute this with the statement that . "Oh, it does not pay. I would not sell a machine once a month." Of course he wouldn't if he believed it. But is there any ground for his statement? In the majority of cases there is not.

It is true that the standard typewriter companies have their branch offices or agency in most towns of 25,000 population. To this extent the stationer could not entertain the proposition of adding a typewriter department. But there are many cases where they do not, and besides there are now on the market many machines, standard in every respect, though not selling for \$100, that would form a most valuable and profitable adjunct to the commercial stationer. And there is no apparent reason why the stationer in towns of from 5,000 up should not embark on this plan to great advantage.

There are many typewriter companies, in view of the sharp competition now existing, that would be glad to aid in many ways the stationer in advertising the nachine and making sales. He need not confine his efforts to the town in which he lives. The stationer can arrange territory that would encompass fifteen or twenty small towns in close proximity to his own. It should not be lost sight of that country towns lean as close to their county seat, or "biggest town nearby," as do the larger towns to the "biggest eity nearby."

What is of greater importance, the stationer is constantly in contact with the purchaser of office equipments. It is a short step from the counter, where he sells carbon paper, to the typewriter department. There his machine is on a revolving stand, displayed in such a manner that the customer gets a comprehensive idea of its merit at once. This is true of the next customer and so on, until the Cole Stationery Company is right in touch with the prospective typewriter buyers.

Planned carefully, started properly and pushed energetically, the typewriter department can be made to pay handsomely.—Ex.

#### A Pioneer of the Picture Post Card

The Late Alexander Scott of Barrie the First Stationer in Canada to Issue a Local View Card — Something About the Scott Store.

The first local view post card in Canada was published in June. 1895, by the late Alexander Scott, of Barrie. The accompanying cut is a facsimile of the card issued just thirteen years ago by Mr. Scott, and the work was done in Canada. Mr. Scott got the idea from seeing some English cards, had a plate made and the printing was speedily executed. The card was a decided novelty in those days and took exceptionally well.

The example thus set in furnishing pictorial pasteboard was not generally adopted until some years later when the fad set in and became tremendously popular. To-day in all Canada there is not a village, town or hamlet worthy of the name, that does not place local views on the market. The late Mr. Scott may, therefore, be styled the pioneer in the Canadian picture post eard trade which has developed into such great proportions.

#### Mr. Scott's Career.

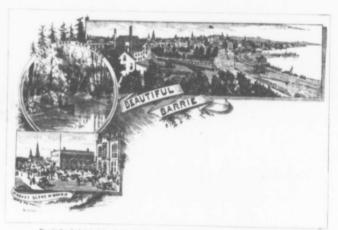
After being twenty years a resident of Richmind Hill, where he published the York Herald

provided with a hardwood floor and metallic ceiling, being lighted artificially by electricity and heated by hot water. The shelving is admirably arranged, and no goods being heaped up along the top, the visitor is at once impressed that system plays a most important part in its internal economy.

On the left are the stationery, blank book, fancy goods and wall paper departments, while on the right are magazines, picture post cards, tastefully displayed, souvenir goods, standard authors and other lines which generally form the stock in trade of every well equipped book shop.

Mr. Scott does not handle toys, having gone out of that branch six years ago. He carries the latest requisites, however, in all other departments, and has built up a business in which he may well take a pardonable pride.

He conducts a circulating library in connection with his book store, in which all the latest and best fiction will be found. It has a large and growing membership, and is a feature that is thoroughly appreciated. All the new-



Facsimile of what is claimed to be first Local View Post Card, in Canada, published June, 1895.

and conducted a stationery store, Mr. Scott removed to Barrie, where he established a splendid
book store, which is to-day conducted by his son, Walter
Scott. The business has steadily grown until it is now
one of the largest and finest of any like undertaking in
any Canadian town. The Scott family have been booksellers and stationers for many generations. The father
and grandfather of Mr. Alex. Scott, who passed away ten
years ago, were identified prominently with the trade in
the Old Country, and as his son, Walter Scott, observes,
"it runs in the blood."

The store itself is a model of neatness, taste and arrangement. Both interiorally and exteriorally it is bright, attractive and inviting. In dimensions, 22x90 feet, it is

est and most popular books are on the shelves of the circulating library. A member pays the full price for the first book taken out, and, on returning it, by handing over a dime, may take out another volume. When a book is worn out by frequent perusal a new one is substituted.

Another plan, which has been found by Mr. Scott to work satsifactorily, is on payment of \$5.20 in advance, a reader becomes a member of the circulating library for one year, and he or she can take out a book each week. A register is kept of all subscribers, and if there is a particularly strong demand for any book, two or more copies are placed on the shelves. Mr. Scott is well pleased with the results of the library. Paper bound copies of the best novels are the ones used.

#### THE PASSING OF A TALENTED POET.

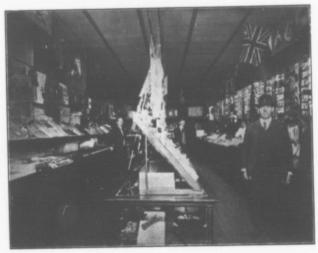
The recent death of Dr. Louis Frechette, who has been styled "The Canadian Poet Laureate," has removed a familiar figure from the ranks of literature and journalism. His illness was of short duration, the eminent author being called home in Montreal. He was in his 70th year, and his passing marks the severance of another link in the chain of literary genii who have penned in prose and verse the annals, life, pursuits and pleasures of our French-Canadian fellow citizens. Among his compatriots the news of his death was received as a personal bereavement. His genial, kindly disposition endeared him to French and English alike. Dr. Frechette was a scholarly and talented gentleman for whom all entertained the greatest reverence and esteem, and by his splendid gifts he won not only recognition at home, but abroad. For many years he was connected with the press, being editor of La Patrie and L'Opinion Publique, in Montreal. Previous to his journalistic work in that city he edited L'Amerique Chicago, Le Journal de Levis

Queen's, and Toronto. He was made a Companion of St. Michael and St. George, and a member of the Imperial Institution of London at her late Majesty Queen Victoria's Diamond Jubilee in 1897. He was also a president and one of the founders of the Royal Society of Canada

Dr. Frechette was naturally fond of French literature, and among French writers Victor Hugo was his favorite. He characterized Hugo as the greatest lyric writer of any age, and never tired of telling stories of the great Frenchman. It was a matter of pride with him that he was the only Canadian who ever knew Hugo personally. He was a life-long friend of the late Dr. Drummond, who, in addition to being his physician, had many tastes in common with him.

#### WESTERN CANADA BOOK STORE.

The illustration on this page shows the interior of Nixon's Book Store, at Moose Jaw, Sask. D. C. Nixon, its proprietor, formerly represented Geo. R. Gregg &



A Western' Canada Book | Store.

several magazines, Canadian and American

Referring to his literary production, the late Principal Grant styled him as "our greatest poet," while another notable critic remarked: "He made the history of the France beyond the seas live again in poetry." Dr. Frechette was thoroughly conversant with the folk lore of his people, and the bright, healthful, hopeful tone of his works demonstrated his wealth of knowledge of the home life of the habitant. There was invariably a spirit of devotion, of self sacrifice and of filial affection shown in his stories. He taught us that there was much worth emulating in the honest, warm-hearted life, quaint ways and historical customs of the French-Canadian. In 1880 two of Dr. Frechette's books of poetry were crowned by the French Academy of Paris, and he himself was elected an officer of the Academy and a Knight of the Legion of Honor. He was also an L.L.B. of Laval, McGill,

and Le Journal de Quebec. He was a contributor to Company in Western Canada. Since starting business in November, 1906, Mr. Nixon is more than satisfied with the results. The proprietor of the store can been seen standing on the left of the picture.

> Among the stationers of Ontario who print their own picture post cards is J. D. McKay, of Newmarket. He has issued some very creditable illustrations of local scenes, both plain and colored, which find a ready sale among the residents of the town. Tourists are also appreciative of Mr. McKay's enterprise, Newmarket being visited every summer by a large number of holiday-seekers on their way from Toronto to different resorts on Lake Simcoe. He also conducts a circulating library of ten-cent books of the better class. This has proved to be a popular adjunct of his establishment. On returning each book the reader may obtain another on the payment of five cents



The Author of "Weiga of Temagami," to be published this month by McLeod & Allen.

#### YUKON BOOKSELLER COMES EAST.

It is not often that a bookseller and stationer travels thousands of miles on such a unique mission as Henry J. Landahl, of Dawson, Yukon Territory, who has been in Vancouver, Winnipeg, and Toronto, and is at present in Ottawa. Mr. Landahl will call upon His Excellency Earl Grey, and Sir Wilfrid Laurier, on behalf of Dawson Camp, No. 4, Arctic Brotherhood, and from the Canadian capital he will proceed to Washington to invite President Roosevelt to visit the Yukon. It is expected the three distinguished gentlemen mentioned may see their way clear to journey to the land of the midnight sun, after the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exhibition in Seattle in 1909.

An excerpt from the invitations, which are engraved upon moose skin, elaborately decorated with gold nuggets, the cost of their preparation being \$300 each reads: "It is the desire to have some of the most notable men of our day and time visit us, and to see and enjoy and tell of the greatness of the Yukon and Alaska—to see here the vast placer and mineral fields now producing millions of dollars in wealth annually and awaiting further development at the hands of capital; to see here the land that is to be an attraction to millions of those who go far seeking equable summer climic and scenic beauties; to see here the domain which will bloss.

som into a halcyon homeland supporting millions of happy and contented people.

Earl Grey, President Roosevelt and Sir Wilfrid Laurier, and their friends, who may accompany them, are offered the "liberty of the vast northland." The Arctic Brotherhood is a strictly non-political, fraternal organization living under two flags. It submerges prejudices to the common good, and its motto is, "No boundary line here." The Dawson Camp has a fine club house and over 400 members.

Mr. Landahl has resided in the Yukon ten years. Seven years ago he opened Landahl's Emporium, which contains a stock of about \$60,000 in stationery, books, fancy goods, office supplies, typewriters-in fact, everything in the office line. The proprietor conducts a circulating library in connection with it and handles all the magazines for the Yukon district. His business has grown to such an extent that he practically has no opposition. He says that Dawsonites are diligent readers and that the city, which is the base of supplies for about 20,000 people, is the most cosmopolitan of its kind in the Dominion. Robert Service's poems, "Songs of a Sourdough," Jack London's "Call of the Wild," and other like works had an exceptionally gratifying sale. Mr. Landahl does not handle cheap, trashy productions, but gets the latest and best fiction which finds a ready sale, while the standard authors are largely bought in the Yukon. Mr. Landahl is Swedish by birth.

## A Forward Step in the Career of a Big Canadian Company

The Copp, Clark Co., Limited, Toronto, Takes Into the Firm Five Employees who Have Been Identified with the Growth of the Business for Several Years Past.

The announcement made recently that five members of the staff of The Copp, Clark Company, Toronto, who had been for years past identified with the growth and development of the business, had been taken into the firm, centres the trade's attention once more on this oldestablished house. The new members of the company are for the most part well known to the Canadian trade. Arthur P. Reed, the manager of the stationery department, has been identified with the business for the past twenty years. James M. Young has been with the firm since 1896, and was for many years traveler for them in the Western Provinces; he has for the past two years been in charge orf the manufacturing department. W. F. Thomas has been connected with the book department for about nineteen years. R. J. Plaskett started with the company when he was quite a lad, and is now the firm's western representative, and H. C. Corner is accountant.

C. Chewett & Company, under which name the business was continued on King street east on part of the premises now occupied by W. A. Murray & Company.

In 1865, the firm was again changed, and for some time was known as Copp, Clark & Company, under which title the business was carried on until about 1873, when the retail department was sold and the firm began the wholesale business. In 1885, the present company was formed under the title of The Copp, Clark Company, Limited, and in addition to W. W. Copp, H. J. Clark and Charles Fuller, three of the younger men were taken into the company. The first of these was H. L. Thompson, whose connection with the company dates back to 1866, when as a boy he entered the employment of W. C. Chewett & Company. He has now been in the same business connection for about forty-two years, and was elected president of the company in 1894, on the



WM. COPP Vice-President.



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President.
Chief Officers of The Copp, Clark Co., Limited.



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It has always been characteristic of The Copp, Clark Company to bring new blood into the firm from time to time, and thus seek to identify in the management the men who by their energy and devotion have helped to build up the business. A glance over the history of the firm will abundantly demonstrate this.

#### History of the Firm.

The history of The Copp, Clark Company, Linated, may fairly be traced back about sixty-six years, when in July, 1842, the late W. W. Copp, then a lad of sixteen entered the employ of the late Hugh Scobie, whose business was located on King street, Toronto, where he remained until Mr. Scobie's death in 1853. The business was then bought by Thomas Maclear, and Mr. Copp and the late W. C. Chewett became partners with him. In 1862, the late H. J. Clark entered the firm, and as Mr. Maclear retired from the business, the style was changed to W.

death of the late Mr. Copp. The second was A. W. Thomas, who began his connection with the company in 1873, and for many years past has been secretary-treasurer. The third was William Copp, son of the first president of the company, who came into the business in 1882, and for the last fourteen years has held the position of vice-president.

The Copp, Clark Company is known from one end of the Dominion to the other, as one of the largest publishing houses in Canada, and while the fact that they have been located in Toronto has had much to do with concentrating the publishing business in that city, the firm have for years claimed that they are Dominion publishers rather than mere local publishers. The "Canadian Almanac," which was first issued in 1848, has now enjoyed a continued publication of sixty-one years, beginning as a comparatively small book, containing about 100 pages while the last issue contains 488 pages, with a circula-

#### BOOKSELLER AND STATIONER

tion not only through Canada, but in England and the blank books and many lines of manufactured stationery United States. For the last fifteen years the Almanac has been edited by A. W. Thomas

The company for the last twenty-five years has given special attention to the publication of school books. The



A. P. REED Manager Stationery Department The Copp. Clark Co. Limited.

text books issued by them have secured adoption in every province of the Dominion from British Columbia in the far west to Prince Edward Island in the far east. Some of their text books have been adopted in the United States, proving that Canadian authors can hold their own in competition with the best that are to be found in the neighboring republic. The firm has also been identified with the publication of some of the best literature of the day. They are the Canadian publishers for Sir Gil-



H. C. CORNER The Copp. Clark Co., Limited.

bert Parker, whose books such as "The Right of Way" and "The Weavers," have met with such splendid success.

In addition to the publication of books, the firm has been closely identified with the growth of the manufacturing stationery business, so that where in the early days

were imported from Great Britain and the United States. 'he demand is now supplied by the Conn. Clark factory. which has for years been turning out large quantities of all kinds of stationery lines.

In addition to the manufacture of stationery lines, the company has a complete plant for printing, binding and I thographing, so that all branches of the business are carried on under the direct control of the company. It means very much to be able to say that paper is delivered at the factory direct from the mill and the finished product, whether in books or maps, or manufactures of stationery are turned out complete from the one fac-

#### SELLING BOOKS IN BARRIE

A newspaper man who gravitated from the publishing business into a successful book and stationery establishment is N. W. E. King, of Barrie, who has been a resi-



R. J. PLASKETT Western Representative The Copp. Clark Co., Limited.

dent of that beautiful town for many years. His father, Nathaniel King, a native of Ireland, first settled in Brock Township, passing away eleven years ago. He bought the Barrie Gazette in 1868-six months after it had been launched on the troubled sea of journalism-and either Mr. King or his sons were its proprietors until 1901, when the property was disposed of to Alfred Wilkes. N. W. E. King, after spending some time in the West, came back to Barrie and bought out a stationery business. He does not handle wall paper, neither does he go extensively into the works of standard authors or cloth-bound books, except at the Christmas holiday season. He finds light fletion in the 25-cent line the best sellers. Mr. King makes a good showing in the news, magazine, fancy goods and other regular lines. He likes the stationery trade and conducts a strictly cash business. The only objection in Barrie is the long hours, the book stores being kept open until nine o'clock in order to handle the Toronto evening papers, of which Mr. King disposes of over 100 copies daily.

#### THE SALE OF POSTAGE STAMPS.

"I do not see why the post office department limits the sale of stamps to those who have a license and yet will grant licenses to only a certain number in each city or town?" observed an Ontario book and stationery dealer a few days ago.

"We make only one per cent. on stamps and it is doubtful if handling them does not result in a direct loss



J. M. YOUNG

Manager Manufacturing Department.

The Copp. Clark Co., Limited.

to us. In this town, for instance, which has a population of about 7,000, there are only three places, outside of the post office, where stamps may be obtained. Why should not at least a dozen places be allowed to dispose of them? It would greatly increase the sale and add to the revenue of the post office department. It is a nuisance to issue licenses to only two or three vendors. After my place of business is closed up at night I am frequently stopped on the sireet when three or four blocks away and asked if I would mind going back to get a stamp as it is most important that an urgent letter should be despatched at once. Another source of dissatisfaction is, that people-some of them regular customers-will impose on good nature. It is in this way: A lady will come in for a one or two-cent stamp and after getting it, remark 'Oh, I find that I have not my purse. I will pay you next time.' When she calls again she often forgets to give it to you and you cannot remind her of such an infinitesimal trifle; yet, there is your small profit on one or two dollars' worth of stamps gone. Perhaps you are attending to a customer who is buying something in the fancy goods or book line, on which you will make a decent profit. A lady comes in, sees you are busy, but that cuts no figure with her. She taps impatiently and firmly on the counter or breaks in upon you with the remark, "I would like a one-cent stamp, please. I am in a desperate hurry." You excuse yourself a minute and hand her the desired object, meanwhile your other customer, who may have just been on the verge of buying, has either changed her mind or else taking unabrage at you leaving her temporarily, decides to go elsewhere. Thus, you lose the sale of goods on which you would make ten, fifteen or thirty per cent. in meeting the demand for a two-cent, stamp. Yet stationers

must keep them, is the decree of the public. I have lest good sales because I could not wait on other customers, being kept on the jump at the stamp department."

"Let every reputable store-keeper have a postage stamp license. Then the annoyances, vexations and complications so manifeld in selling stamps will be so distributed that nobody will feel them particularly. Why should two or three men bear the whole burden? Again, the sale would be greatly increased and the annual revenue of the country in this special branch of the public service vastly augmented if stamps could be as freely and easily procured as candy, sugar or tea. There would be a deal more better-writing."

#### A HANDY VOLUME.

One of the handiest volumes for public information that the student, the business man and the politician can have at his disposal for ready consultation is the Canadian Parliamentary Guide. It is a work of general reference for the Dominion and contains a fund of information, election returns and biographical sketches of members of the Parliament of Canada and the various Provincial Legislatures.

The Canadian Parliamentary Guide is edited by Captain E. J. Chambers (Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod. the Senate of Canada), and great care has been exercised to have it reliable and accurate in every particular. The Guide is published by the Mortimer Co., Ltd., of Ottawa, and Montreal, and another edition has recently been is



W. F. THOMAS Book Department. The Copp. Clark Co., Limited.

sued. It is a convenient volume of handy pocket size, contains 500 pages and is well bound.

W. J. Stephenson, Wetaskiwin and Camrose, is doing some effective advertising these days in the Wetaskiwin Times. In the issue of the 21st May, he took the two right hand columns on the front page and boomed musical goods, flags and fireworks, kodaks, sporting goods, books and notepaper. That's the way to keep business alive.

## Editorial Chronicle and Comment

#### PUBLISHER GETS DAMAGES

in the nature of a sensation in the suit for damages in the nature of a sensation in the suit for samages which John Murray, the publisher, brought against the Times. The action arose out of the publication by Mr. Murray of "The Letters of Queen Victoria." In a letter which appeared in the Times, written by an anonymous writer who styled himself "Artifee," criticism was made of the price of the book. "Artifex" alleged that the cost of the book published at 63s was only 9s, and he went on to describe Mr. Murray's share in the transaction as "simple extortion," as an abuse of a "fiduciary position" and as an exploitation of Queen Victoria "into thirty-two pieces of silver."

It was proved in court that the writer of the letter had been inspired by Mr. Hooper, manager of the famous Times Book Club, who was seeking in this way to injure the publishers. It was also proved that the assumptions underlying the charges were erroneous. Mr. Murray's agreement with the authors (acting for the King) was unusually favorable to them; the cost of production was abnormally high, and the publishers' share of the profits was extremely moderate.

On the ground that the comment in "Artifex's" letter was not fair comment, the jury brought in a verdiet of £7,500 against the publishers of the Times. A stay of proceedings was granted the defendants by the court on the ground that the damages were excessive. The verdiet was a popular one,

#### COMMERCIAL AGENTS' DUTIES.

There has been some criticism recently by Canadians resident in England, who are in a position to know whereof they speak, regarding the nature of the work some of the Canadian commercial agents in Great Britain are doing.

These agents are presumably working for the development of Canadian export trade and yet it is reported by authoritative parties in England, and a study of the weekly reports issued by the Government's Department of Trade and Commerce would seem to bear this out, that a goodly part of the time of some of the agents is spent in calling on British manufacturers and exporters, seemingly with a view to encouraging their business with Canada and thereby stimulating competition with our own industries.

The weekly Trade and Commerce reports contain a file of trade inquiries which one would naturally suppose would be devoted to the interests of Canadian business. A study of several of these reports the other day revealed the fact that out of 197 inquiries, 95 were from English firms who wished to get in touch with Canadian buyers with a view to disposing of their manufactured product.

A representative of a Canadian firm, at present in England, tells of several instances he met with where the commercial agents had gone to a good deal of trouble to procure lists of Canadian buyers for English firms. In some instances, the firms in Great Britain making good use of the agents, are not even manufacturers of the goods they propose to market in Canada.

Some years ago one of the agents on his appointment expressed a desire to visit a number of Canadian manufacturers who were anxious to develop their export trade, and was instructed by the Minister then in charge not to do so. He reported the matter to some manufacturers who advised him to see Sir Wilfrid Laurier. His visit put a new face on the incident, and as a result his instructions were immediately reversed.

It cannot be the desire of the Government that the Canadian commercial agents should pursue the policy a few of them seem to be doing, and the matter would seem to merit some attention being paid to it immediately.

#### THE QUEBEC TERCENTENARY.

The festivities in connection with the tercentenary in Quebec this summer will draw thousands of people from the United States and other foreign countries to Canada, and in the coming of this multitude there is opportunity for the retailer to benefit.

The fame of historical Quebec is world wide, and while the majority of visitors will be attracted by the quaint character of the celebration, there will be hundreds, in fact thousands, who will avail themselves of this opportunity to see something of Canada as a whole, and not alone as it is to be seen from Quebec. The bookseller and stationer, with his range of souvenir post cards, souvenir view books, and general lines of fancy goods, stands to benefit by the celebration even more than any other merchant, and he will be wise if he lays his plans well in advance of the actual event. Wherever the tourist comes this summer he or she will have some interest in the Quebec event.

#### THE CROTHERS EPISODE.

During the last few days of the election campaign in Ontario, some excitement was created by a speech of T. W. Crothers, K.C., of St. Thomas, late chairman of the Ontario School Book Commission. Speaking at Welland he was reported to have said:

"The present set of readers are not, as is contended in Liberal quarters, sold at bargain prices merely to get rid of an old stock. The books have been improved in workmanship and in materials. They can be manufactured and sold at 49 cents a set. You have been told that the Government will issue a new set, and that is true. They are ashamed of the old set, just as you would be if you had made comparisons between our readers and those of the United States. Liberal crities have informed you that the new set will cost you more than the old. I have it on the authority of the Premier that they will be given to the people free, not at \$1.45 a set, the price under the first contract; not at \$1.30, the price under the second contract; not at \$9.20, the price under the second contract; not at \$9.00, the present price; but absolutely free. This is on the theory that education is for the uplifting of the whole people, on the same principle that we have free maps, free teachers, and free schools."

Of course it was hardly likely that the Premier would let Mr. Crothers make such an important announcement of policy, even if it were true. But, at any rate, the exchairman, when pressed, admitted that he had been misreported, which is an easy way of backing down. A letter was written to him by this paper asking him to make some statement to relieve the minds of the trade, but as yet no answer has been received. Let us consider his speech at Welland merely a little bit of unauthorized fireworks to catch votes before the election.

#### THE LATE DR. JAMES BAIN.

A great and good man and a warm friend of Bookseller and Stationer passed away on May 22 in the person of James Bain, D.C.L., Chief Librarian of the City of Toronto. Always willing to help, always kindly, it was a delight to interview him. His store of information was ever at the disposal of the editor of The Bookseller, who was frequently accustomed to consult him on various bibliographical and other subjects.

Men of Dr. Bain's stamp are exceedingly rare. Seldom is knowledge linked with that utter lack of selfconceit, which was one of the late librarian's most lovable characteristics. In conversing with him the ego was completely obliterated. His interest was always centred in the visitor and his concerns.

The immense store of knowledge which he had accumulated during many years, was of incalculable service to many a student while future generations will recognize how well he has laid the foundation of the institution of which he was the first librarian. It is a matter of regret that he was never destined to enjoy the splendid facilities to be provided in Toronto's new reference library, now nearing completion.

#### HELPING THE TRADE.

It is so often that we have to record injuries being done to the trade by Governments, department stores and other interests, that it is a pleasure to note this month two instances where influences are being brought to bear to help the retail trade. One case, to which we refer, is the generous prize competition established by the house of Warwick Bros. & Rutter, open to the school children of Canada, of which particulars were given last month. If the retail trade cannot make a good thing out of the sale of the seribblers required in the competition, it will be their own fault. The Toronto firm are spending thousands of dollars to make it a success.

The other instance is that of the Canadian Branch of the Oxford University Press, a full description of which appears in the current issue. In this case thousands of dollars are being spent to advertise an important publication in one of Canada's leading metropolitan dailies. This publication will be sold through the booksellers and every coupon appearing in the advertisements will indicate that the books must be secured from local booksellers. If we are not mistaken, this is the first instance in Canada where such an arrangement has been made, and we trust the trade will take every advantage of the generous plan.

#### FAKE PUBLICATIONS.

This is the time of the year when many annual publications are being gotten out nominally in the interests of transportation companies and other big concerns. They are usually called an "Official Guide" and claim to be issued under the authority of the president or general manager. The canvassers approach firms who supply or want to supply these corporations with products of one kind or another, and they hint that it is very much in the interest of the firn that they should advertise in this guide. Otherwise they hint it may affect their business with the corporation.

A couple of years ago a letter was carried by one of these canvassers alleged to be signed by President Hays of the Grand Trans Railway, which was proved to be a forgery. There is another official guide now-being prepared in the interests of one of the big railways and claimed to be issued under the authority of the head of the road. A letter has been received from him which states distinctly that his corporation has nothing whatever to do with the publication. The book is issued entirely as a private enterprise and the giving or withholding of an advertisement will neither help nor hurt anyone who has business to transact with the corporation.

When business men are approached by canvassers for publications of this sort, which they believe to be a fake, and most of them are, they should positively refuse to place any business and should write at once to the head of the corporation and get his assurance that the statements made by the canvassers are correct. Certain big firms have been doing this and in few, if any cases, have they found the statements verified.

Chas. S. Pingle, of Medicine Hat, who deals in drugs, books and stationery, fancy goods and toys, has bought out the business of the Misses M. & J. Mitchell, of Medicine Hat and took charge of the same on June 1.

## Latest News of the Month in the Publishing World

Reports of Best Selling Books — New and Forthcoming Books Announced — What Canadian Authors are Doing — Short Book Reviews.

Somewhat of a change is evident in the list of best sellers in Canada this month. The favorites of the spring months are beginning to drop out and their places are being taken by more recent publications. Thus "Somehow Good," which capped the list last month, drops to fifth position this month. "The Weavers," "Three Weeks" and "The Black Bag" drop out entirely. "The Shuttle" moves up one position, but in points it has lost seriously.

The leader this month is "The Barrier," which had only just appeared when last month's list was compiled. The second place is held by "Wallingford" and the other new titles in the list are "Mr. Crewe's Career and "Prima Donna." Herewith is the summary:

- 1. Barrier. By Rex Beach.
- 2. Get-Rich-Quick Wallingford. By G. R. Chester.
- 3. Shuttle. By F. H. Burnett.
- 4. Mr. Crewe's Career, By Winston Churchill.
- 5. Somehow Good. By William De Morgan.
- 6. Prima Donna. By F. M. Crawford.

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#### Quebec Tercentenary.

Interest in Quebec and its history will be quickened by the approaching celebrations in the Ancient Capital, and it might be worth the while of Capadian booksellers to stock some of the more famous books about Quebec.

A Tercentenary Edition of Sir Gilbert Parker's
"Seats of the Mighty" is announced by the Copp, Clark
Co., with specially designed cover, showing the citadel.
This will sell at 50 cents. There is also their edition de
luxe of the same book, at \$2 net.

"Old Quebec," by Parker and Bryan, and "Old France and New," by Wm. McLennan, are also two books of timely interest, also published by Copp. Clark.

Kirby's "Golden Dog," published by the Musson Book Co., will also prove of value.

Wm. D. Howells' two inimitable sketches, "Their Wedding Journey" and "A Chance Acquaintance," in cloth, at 50 cents, or paper at 25 cents, will be found interesting.

All of Parkman's famous histories may be mentioned. Choice editions of these books may be secured from the Musson Book Co. in a variety of bindings.

#### New Book by R. W. Chambers

Robert W. Chambers' new book, in line with his "Fighting Chane" and "Younger Set," will be called "The Firing Line," It will be published early in the fall. McLood & Allen, of Toronto, who published the two former books, announce that they have secured the Canadian rights for the new story, also.

#### Monthly Notes on Books.

What is heralded as a first-class novel is "The Lure of the Marsh," by Harold MacGrath, which McLeod & Allen will have ready early this month. It will be a big seller, they declare. Louis Tracy's new book will be called "Wheels of Fortune." It is elaimed to be just as thrilling as "Wings of the Morning." It will be one of the early fall publications of McLeod & Allen.

"Weiga of Temagami," by Cy Warman, will be ready this month for certain, and will be published at \$1.50 and not \$1.25, as first announced. The whole illustrative make-up of the book renders the higher price quite in keeping. (McLeod & Allen).

Copp, Clark Co. have just issued "The Profligate." by Arthur Hornblow, and it is truly a powerful story. A young man who starts life with every social advantage listens to oleasure's call and becomes an associate of gamblers and crooks. He is at last confronted with the charge of murder, but escapes conviction. He changes his name and goes abroad, where he meets the one being able to dominate him. It is a girl. She hears he is a murderer and flees from him. The denouement is naturally exciting.

This month McLeod & Allen issue "The Liberationist," by Harold Bindloss; "Vera, the Medium," by Rich. ard Harding Davis, and "Gleam o' Dawn," by Arthur Goodrich.

Cassell & Co. have a new pocket French dictionary in cloth at 45 cents and in leather at 75 cents, which, in view of the quickened interest this year in the French language, is worth noting.

New titles in copyright fiction recently issued by Cassell & Co. and stocked by their branch in Toronto, are "By Their Fruits," by Mrs. Campbell Praed; "Mrs. Bailey's Debts," by Charles Eddy; and "The Enchanted Ship." by R. Andom.

The two latest books of importance issued by the Musson Book Co. are "The Chaperon," a motor story by C. N. and A. M. Williamson and "The God of Clay," a story of Napoleon, by H. C. Bailey.

Henry Frowde, Oxford University Press, is to publish this month "The Blue Lagoon," by H. De Vere Stacpoole, an enchanting romance, reviving memories of "Paul and Virginia." It is one of the unusual tales of the day.

An Eastern Canada bookseller was persuaded to purchase one hundred copies of the new Boys' Friend Library from the Copp Clark Co. He hade a display of these in his window and sold them with a rush. He immediately ordered 200 copies more. New titles this month are "Strongbold the Gladiator" and "Expelled From His School."

William Briggs reports that the first edition of "Jack Spurlock," by G. H. Lorimer, was exhausted within the first week of publication.

"Sowing Seeds in Danny," by Mrs. McClung, the new Canadian humorist, will be published this month by William Briggs.

William Briggs has issued a Canadian edition of "Through the Magic Poor," in which A. Conan Doyle discourses lovingly about books and authors. (Cloth, \$1.25.)

An important publication soon to see the light is the story of Mrs. Hubbard's experiences in Labrador, which will be entitled, "A Woman's Way through Unknown Labrador." It will be published in Canada by William Briggs, at \$2.75. SOLE
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## A Page About Books by Canadian Authors

Some New Publications

The third annual report of the Mississiquoi County Historical Society has been received. It is a very neatly printed booklet and the contents are quite interesting even to those who are strangers to the County.

"The Continuity of Revelation" is the title of a thoughtful and able treatise by Rev. W. Lashley Hall, of Fernie, B.C., an elaboration of a lecture delivered before the Theological Union of the British Columbia Methodist Conference. The book bears the imprint of William Briggs.

A volume of poems entitled, "The Canadian Abroad and Other Poems," by Wm. Inglis Morse, is announced for issue early in June by William Briggs. The author is an Episcopal clergyman, of Lynn, Mass. He is a national of Nova Scotia, descended from U.E.L. stock, orginally from the Plymouth colony, and is a graduate of Acadia University and the Episcopal Theological School, of Cambridge, Mass., he also took a post-graduate course at Harvard University.

W. Wilfred Campbell, of Ottawa, the Canadian novelist and poet, has written an historical romance entitled, "In 1812," which is to be run serially in the Westminster Magazine, prior to its publication in book form. Mr. Campbell is understood to be contemplating a series of Canadian historical novels, of which this will be the first. Those who have read the manuscript declare it to be an exceptionally fine piece of work.

D. R. Jack, of St. John, N.B., whose enthusiasm for historical research work is abundantly evidenced in the columns of "Acadiensis," that admirable little quarterly of which he is editor and publisher, is devoting all his spare time to the completion of his history of the Loyalists of the American Revolution, for which he has been collecting data for the past twenty-five years. In the publication of the book it is probable that Mr. Jack will avail himself of the assistance of the Royal Society.

Arthur Stringer, the Canadian author, whose new novel, "The Under Groove," has just been published by the Musson Book Co., Toronto, is at present making a rather novel tour of the tropics. Mr. Stringer left New York a short time ago on an Italian tramp-steamer, and his wanderings are taking him about the coast towns of Cuba, Jamaica, and other Caribbean points. A mate's cabin, converted into a ten-by-twelve library, provides the novelist with a workroom where he will labor on his next book, and the main item in Mr. Stringer's outfit, he reports, was "six pounds of tobacco and six volumes of Turgenie".

There has recently been issued from the Government printing office at Victoria, B.C., presided over by Lieutenant-Colonel R. Wolfenden, a collection of documents entitled, "The Emigrant Soldiers' Gazette." It is in effect the history of the six months' voyage of the detachment of Royal Engineers sent to British Columbia by the then Colonial Minister, Sir Edward Bulwer Lytton, in 1858, soon after the discovery of gold on the Fraser fiver. It was to beguite the weary months of the tiresome voyage that the numbers of the Gazette were published in manuscript form on board of their good sailing ship, Thames City. Colonel Woldenden was a corporal of the regiment. The Gazette contained interesting and scientific articles, such as the natural history of the voyage, correspondence, naval and military intelligence,

etc. The book is handsomely produced and well illustrated.

Among the new books soon to be published is one of provincial interest. This book is entitled "Historical filmpses of Picturesque Bear River," and is writen by Miss Lennie D. Wade. This interesting little book had its origin in a paper read before the Bear River Literary Socety, and as it contained information valuable in promoting the prominence of this town before the general public the Society requested that it be published. Since its reading many details of more than passing interest have been brought to light and further information has been added. The book is being printed at the Courier office in Digby, and will be issued about the first of Janc. It will be appropriately illustrated.—Maritime Merchant, Halifax.

An inviting field for the novelist exists in the story of the settlement of Upper Canada by the United Empire Loyalists, who left, many of them, homes of affluent comfort to brave the perils and privations of the Canadian wilderness for the sake of the flag of England. It is a marvel that so little intrusion into this field has been made by the writers of fiction. An essay has been made by a Winnipeg civil engineer, A. R. Davis, a former Ontarioan, in a story entitled, "The Old Loyalist." he scene is laid in eastern Ontario in the time of the Rebeilion of 1837, and the U.E.L. data comes in by way of reminiscence. Sir John A, Macdonald is introduced into the story, which is said to be by no uleans lacking in interest and exciting incident. A series of illustrations is being made for the book by Alfred M. Wickson, who is doing excellent work in this line. The book will be issued this month by William Briggs.

The first volume of J. E. Sanderson's "First Century of Methodism in Canada," a deeply interesting work, will be published during the present month by William Briggs. In this volume Mr. Sanderson brings the chronicles down to the close of the year 1839. The publisher is giving special attention to the illustrations, which comprise the portraits of many of the pioneer preachers and views of several of the earliest churches. Among others are portraits of the five Ryerson brothers who entered the Ministry of the Methodist Church, and a view of the house in Norfolk county where they spent their boyhood days. The story of the planting of Methodism in the scattered settlements of Upper and Lower Canada and the Maritime Provinces is one of romantic interest. The heroes of the sadd'ebags were heroes indeed, who endured great privations and fatigue in making their way through the forests and swamps of a new country to carry the gospel to the settlers in isolated clearings. It is high time the histories were written and read by their descendants.

William Briggs reports exceptional interest in the publication of Mr. Charles Mair's forthcoming work, "Through the Mackenzie Basin," supplemented by a very valuable series of notes on the mammals and birds of Arctic America, made during a long course of observations by Mr. Roderick MacFarlane, a retired chief factor of the Hudson's Bay Company. Several hundred copies are already ordered in advance of publication, and the interest is growing. Mr. Mair's narrative of the Government treaty expedition of 1899 through the Peace and Athabasca river country is a graphic recital of a

journey, alive with historic interest and of vast importance. Happily a photographer accompanied the expedition, and hence the book will be illuminated by fifty or more pictures of the scenery and native life of that wonderful country—"the last west"—into which the tides of settlement are already commencing to pour, and which possesses an abundance of natural resources that will make it a wealthy and important section of the continent. The book will comprice some 475 pages, large octavo, and the price announced, \$2, is, undoubtedly, a marvel of cheapness. A first edition of 2,000 copies is being struck off.

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Interested in Canada.

Gordon & Gotch is the latest firm of importance, connected with the book, news agency and stationery business, to become interested in the Canadian market. For many years this house has largely controlled the sale of British periodicals, magazines, etc., in Australia. New Zealand, South Africa. They now have branch houses established in Melbourne, Brisbane, Hobart, Sydney, Perth, Launceston in Australia; and in Wellington, Christchurch, Auckland and Dunedin in New Zealand. Their interests in South Africa are guarded by their allies, the Central News Agency, Ltd., with fifty branches throughout South Africa.

In England, Gordon & Gotch have an extensive organization and the sole control of their business on St. Bride Street, London, is in the hands of W. J. and Arthur Berrill, newphews of the late J. S. Gotch. These gentlemen have devoted a lifetime to studying the requirements of colonial newsagents and booksellers.

With a view to studying the requirements of Canada more carefully. Mr. Arthur Berrill is now visiting the Dominion. Apart from his British connection, Mr. Berrill has spent eighteen years in Australia on behalf of Gordon & Gotch. and Canadian booksellers and news-dealers will find him a man of considerable experience in the export business. No doubt, many of them will display an interest in the proposition which Mr. Berrill intends to put before the Canadian trade.

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From time to time there will appear in the advertisements lists of booksellers from whom sets may be secured at once. These will be the booksellers who will purchase a set or sets in advance of the demand and will display them in their stores. The undoubted advantage of having their names appear in the advertisements will be recognized by the trade.

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#### Brief Reviews of Current Books

#### Fiction

- THE SPANISH JADE. By Maurice Hewlett. Toronto:
  Cassell & Co. Cloth, 81.25. Very charmingly illustrated in color with a novelty in the shape of colored end-papers, this story of eighteenth century Spain is one of the season's choicest novels. Maurice Hewlett is a master of vivid English and in this book he has eaught something of the atmosphere and life of the Spain of that day and reproduced it in picturesque language. It is the tale of a young Englishman's adventure with a Spanish girl.
- DEEP MOAT GRANGE. By S. R. Crockett. Toronto: Copp. Clark Co. Cloth, \$1,25. A mystery novel with a rather weird setting. Strange disappearances and some murders occurred in the vicinity of the grange, over whose inhabitants hung a mantle of suspicion. The unravelling of the mystery by a boy and girl forms the basis of the story, which is worked out at some length and with all the necessary detail.
- PEARL OF PEARL ISLAND. By John Oxenham. Toronto: Copp. Clark Co. Cloth, \$1.25. A pleasant love story of the Isle of Sark. Two Londoners, separated from each other's company by the contrivance of a wicked guardian, independently run away to the pretty channel island to find solace there. Being thus brought together again under such romantic circumstances, the incipient love buds and blossoms and, despite the guardian's second interference, comes to fruition.
- THE STUFF OF A MAN. By Katharine Evans Blake. Indianapolis: Bobbs-merrill. Cloth, \$1.25. A story dealing with the race problem in the South, remarkable for the ability and insight shown in its treatment. Miss Blake knows her subject and she knows her representative characters at first hand. She has at the same time the power to interpret both with a skill that has been rarely excelled. Judge Ochiltree alone stamps the author with the hall mark of genius.
- THE SOUL OF A PRIEST. By the Duke Litta, Toronto: Wm. Briggs. \$1.25. A strong book treating of the aims and methods of the Roman church. Benato Rinaldi, a youth of singularly pure mind and great ability, with the added distinction of high birth, becomes by choice a priest. In the training to which he is subjected he discovers that conscience and free will must be sacrificed on the altar of blind obedience. His illusions are dispelled and having the courage of his convictions he throws off the bonds of slavery and asserts himself a free man.
- THE CHAPERON. By C. N. and A. M. Williamson. Toronto. The Musson Book Co. \$1.25. The popular authors of "The Chauffeur" have in this their latest book, made another delightful contribution to the literature of travel. Through the glamour of romance and in charming and sprightly company the reader is conducted through the waterways of Holland in a motor boat. Past history, present customs and a delightful little drama enacted by the young people composing the party are presented with equal skill by these elever writers. Just the book for a Summer holiday.
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## Some Matters of Interest to Canadian Newsdealers

Two United States Periodicals Refused Recognition—New Publications on the Market—Prominent Newsdealer Visits Canada.

The Ladies' Home Journal and the Saturday Evening Post, the two big publications of the Curtis Publishing Co., of Philadelphia, both of which have large circulations in this country, have been refused recognition as second-class periodicals by the Canadian Post Office Department. This announcement was made in a letter from the department to the circulation manager of the Curtis Publishing Company, in which the explanation was made that neither paper complied with the Canadian statute, which required that a publication to obtain second-class rating must "consist wholly or in great part of political or other news or of articles relating thereto or to other current topics."

#### The Story in Brief.

Last May, it will be remembered, the postage on second-class matter passing between the United States and Canada was raised to four cents per pound. This was a serious matter for such publications as Collier's Weekly, Saturday Evening Post, Ladies' Home Journal, etc., which had big mailing lists in Canada. The publishers of these papers immediately began to arrange for the printing here of Canadian editions. The Curtis Company had completed arrangements with a Canadian firm to print regularly one hundred thousand copies of the Ladies' Home Journal, to supply the Canadian subscribers.

But these plans were brought to a sudden halt by the intimation from Ottawa that there would be a modification in the arrangements for the passing of mail matter between the two countries. The first change was the restoration in February of this year to daily papers of the old rate of one cent per pound. Following this came the announcement tha a re-mailing pixeling at the centa-pound rate would be accorded to all publications, which could secure recognition as second-class matter in the country, in which they would be re-mailed.

Immediately upon this announcement the publishers of Collier's Weekly and Harper's Weekly made application to the Canadian Post Office and were promptly accepted. The Curtis Company, for some reason or other, delayed making application for some time. When at length they applied, the Department was very slow in taking action, so slow, in fact, that the company's Canadian agent went to Ottawa personally to see what was wrong. He was there informed that the Department was contemplating the probable adoption of a new classification to embrace all such periodicals as those issued by the Curtis Co.

#### Who Benefits?

If no modifications are made the present ruling will throw the entire magazine business of the country into the hands of one big trust—the American News Co., with its branches, the Toronto News Co. and the Montreal News Co. This concern has contracts with the express companies whereby they can supply the bulk of their customers in Canada at Ic per B., as against the P. O. rate

of 4c. It is the most profitable thing that has ever happened to them.

The News Co. makes from ½ cent to 2 cents per copy on the various United States magazines. On the Ladies' Home Journal it would make, presumably, ½ cent per copy. Assuming that it secures the distribution of 100,-000 copies per month, it would thus make a profit of \$9,000 per annum out of that one publication alone.

According to latest advices from Ottawa, the Post Office Department is still considering the new classification. Meanwhile it is interpreting the law strictly, and is refusing recognition to all publications, both United States and Canadian, which fail to live up to the requirements. In order to even matters up, it is reported that even those periodicals which already have been accepted, such as Collier's Weekly, will be struck off. Publishers are waiting with much interest for the next development.

#### A New British Magazine.

What will undoubtedly make an impression on the Canadian market this month, will be the new Harmsworth fiction magazine to be called The Red. English fiction magazines and weeklies are always good, despite what may be said against the illustrated magazines that cross the Atlantic, and when the new publication has the big firm of Harmsworth behind it and has the additional interest of being illustrated, its success seems assured. It will contain monthly a big budget of bright fiction and will sell throughout Canada at 15 cents per copy (Toronto, 10 certs). It should prove a bonanza to Canadian newsdealers, who should lose no time in ordering supplies of the first number.

It might be noted that any of the Harmsworth publications may now be ordered direct from the following London firms:—Imperial News Company, 2 Bell's Building; W. Davson & Son, St. Dunstan's House, Fetter Lane; Gordon & Gotch, Limited, 15 St. Bride St.; International News Company, 5 Breams Buildings, Chancery Lane.

#### Two New Fortnightly Series.

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#### A Superb Art Magazine.

To the relations of the liternation did denjo att. The editors have collected a goodly strations, which merit careful and painstrations with the mainting wind more, a series of the painting Window Homer, a number of French subjects by Gaston La Touche, examples of the work of J. Buxton Knight, and many more. "Studio Talk" takes up quite a number of pages. The color work on several of the inserts is admirable, rendering them fit subjects for framing.

The Canadian Facts Publishing Co., 667 Spadina Avenue, Toronto, has issued an 1908 edition, revised enlarged and improved, of Mr. Frank Yeigh's popular and novel compilation of Canadian data under the above title. Nearly 25,000 copies were sold of the 1907 edition, and an enhanced sale will no doubt await the present edition, especially as the publishers are giving an increased discount to the trade. The booklet is an unique of its kind, the plan being to give a concrete fact in a sentence pertaining to the wealth, resources and commerce of the Dominion. As such it is a gold mine of information to Canadians, and of great value as an advitisement of Canada when sent to other countries, as being largely done.

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Dr. Bain was ever courteous, kindly and helpful. He gave advice and assistance ungradgingly. He was an eminent authority on nearly every timely and instructive subject and to the scores who consulted him daily, he proved a true and earnest friend. He was zealous and progressive. His early training admirably qualified him for his important work, and the success and development of the Toronto Public Library will ever remain as a string monument to his efficiency and worth.

Dr. Bain was born in London, England, in 1842 Coming to Canada at an early age, he was educated at the Toronto Academy, the Jarvis Street Grammar School and Toronto University. His father was a leading bookseller in this city and the son obtained a fine business training in his store. Thus, the young man had an early practical acquaintance with books, which know ledge, in his later years, he used to such excellent advantage. He subsequently entered the service of James Campbell and Son. Thirty-eight years ago he visited England as a buyer for the firm and opened a branch establishment in London in 1874. He remained in charge for four years when he became partner in the publishing house of Nimmo & Bain. The firm was dissolved in the early eighties and he returned to Canada. For a short time he was manager of the Canadian Publishing Company and in 1883, when the Toronto Public Library was established he was selected as its chief librarian, a post which he held until his death.

One of earliest acquisitions of the Reference Library was the D. W. Smith papers, a series of documents belonging to the first Surveyor-General of Upper Canada. When news reached Canada that this collection was for sale in London, it was resolved by the Provincial Government to purchase it. Sir Oliver Mowat, the Premier, being then in London, was asked to secure it. He hastened to do so, but was greeted with: "Already sold sir; Mr. Bain of the Toronto Library ordered by cable."

It may also be pointed out that the Toronto Library collection on Canadian history and topography is not excelled by any other on the continent, although the Smithsonian Institution at Washington may rival it. This pre-eminence was due to Dr. Bain's care and scholarship. In 1901 he published an edition of the "Travels and Adventures in Canada and Indian Territory of Alexander Henry." and his careful editing and valuable notes besides a preface, illustrations and maps render it a standard. Dr. Bain also wrote for The American Historical Review and was a member of the American Historical Society.

Other honors that fell to him were the first presidency of the Ontario Library Association, the treasurership of the Champlain Society, of which he was a founder; secretary, treasurer and president of the Canadian Institute; secretary of the local branch of the British Association, and treasurer of the association on its visit to Toronto in 1897. Trinty College conferred upon him the degree of D.C.L., honoris caosa in 1902.

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The firm of Stewart & Thompson, consisting of Alex. Stewart and J. Edgar Thompson, started business as booksellers, stationers and newsdealers at Fort William, Ont., on May 12. They are rapidly getting a complete line of books and stationery into their store at the corner of Simpson & Myles Streets and are starting a news stand business, where they will handle the leading Old Country papers, and the Toronto, Montreal, Ottawa, and Winnipeg papers. They have been appointed agents for the Fort William branch of the British and Foreign Bible Society. In addition to books and stationery of all kinds, they will handle souvenirs and will print visiting cards and wedding invitations. Both the principals in the firm came from Ottawa. Mr. Stewart was with the old firm of James Hope & Sons for thirteen years and is a thoroughly experienced, capable stationer. Mr. Thompson has been living in Ottawa for three years, latterly acting as bookkeeper and timekeeper for a contractor

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## Doings of the Month in the Picture Post Card Department

Publishers Doing Good Business—Some of the New Lines Described
—Opportunity for Manufacturers — Quebec Tercentenary Cards

Picture post card publishers are most enthusiastic regarding trade conditions and state that business is better than it has ever been. At times during the history of the picture postal card there has been a falling off, due to the fact that the cards published were not up to the standard from any point of view. The better class publishers then came to the rescue, and by issuing high class productions, saved the picture postal trade from an untimely end. It has been proven that the way in which to keep up the demand for postals and to increase it as well is by stocking these high class productions, which are a pleasure to show.

A big trade is being done with the west in Canadian views in general as well as views peculiar to life in the west, and of western towns and eities. Publishers α continually bringing out new lines and the views in particular are constantly being added to. Judging by present conditions this season's trade in picture postal cards bids fair to celipse any season in the past.

#### Opportunity for P. C. Manufacturers.

The P. O. Department have incidentally been doing post card manufacturers a service by discontinuing the practice of exchanging official post cards, which have been spoiled. In a circular to the public they say: "It would be advisable for firms using eards in large quantities to use private post eards in future. The attention of large consumers of eards is drawn to the fact that private post cards have certain advantages over official cards, which it might be well for them to consider, notably the fact that to the private post card is permitted a certain elasticity in size, ranging from a minimum of 31 inches long by 21 inches in width to a maximum of 6 inches in length by 31 inches in width, and that in the event of spoiling or miscalculating the quantity required in a given case (the principal causes in the post of requests for the exchange of damaged post cards) the resulting loss is minimized, as the necessary postage stamp need not be affixed to the private post card until the latter is ready to be dropped into the post office.'

Why should not post eard manufacturers submit designs to the larger firms for private eards and get orders for large quantities ?

#### What One Publisher is Doing.

Raphael Tuck & Sons state that their Canadian trade is growing rapidly. This is due both to the superiority of their publications and to the increasing numbers of people from England, who are settling in this country. These people, who have known the Tuck productions so well in England, naturally prefer the article which they know, when they are in a new country. This has helped to make the firm better known among Canadians, and as a result they are building up a remarkably good business in Canada.

"In regard to post cards, which are ever receiving something new and pleasing to augment their sale, the firm's recently introduced line of plate-marked "Oilette" post cards, their latest success, and deservedly so, contains some lovely gems of seenery, seascapes, etc. Each little design is encased within a plate mark with a pure white margin round it, setting off 'the beautiful coloring to perfection, while the poetical quotation which accompanies each card lends additional interest to it. So strikingly successful has been the reception of these newest post cards—which were only introduced early in January, the first edition of the sixteen sets placed on the market during that month being, in each instance, sold out completely within a week of publication—that the firm are making these unique plate-marked "Oilettes" for the retailer at a wonderfully low price, considering the quality of the work and the extra thickness and high-class feel of the boards. Already at the moment of writing there are over fifty different sets, with six differently designed cards to a set.

The "Through the Woods" series in the Oilette cards are among the latest productions of this class and are very artistic.

Tuck's "Scottish Clans" and the "Emerald Isle" series are good sellers. They are continually issuing new views and designs for holiday and birthday cards, and at present have over 40,000 designs.

#### New Publications for Valentine & Sons

Valentine & Sons, Ltd., of Montreal and Toronto, are doing an increasing business in the postal card lines, and are continually adding to their designs. An increased number of photographers traveling in Canada make it possible for them to put out a great many new views from all over the country.

Their photochrome series of woodland and water scenes have made a great hit. They are highly glazed and have a wood frame effect, with a small view. These are most artistic.

Their views of Canadian homestead life are among their biggest sellers. The four seasons are depirted in this series and the views are surrounded by a gilt border over which maple leaves are scattered.

Their "Best Wishes from Canada" series is doing well. These cards have a gilt background with six small Canadian views on each card. Maple leaves also decorate these. This series is published for different towns, as well as for Canada generally.

The "Fruit and Flowers" series of birthday postals, and the floral birthday cards are artistically colored and are very pretty.

In the new styles of cards there is a great deal of decorative work in delicate colorings and decorative borders are used to a great extent. In this kind of work Valentine & Sons, Ltd., are issuing some very attractive designs.

They have also published a line of postal cards for the Quebec Tercentenary, which have been taken up by the retail merchants of Quebec.

#### Note These Items.

In addition to the publication of picture post eards, the firm of Macfarlane, Toronto, which assigned last month, published view books of Canadian cities. Their stock of these books has been secured by McLeod & Allen,

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Toronto, who should be written to in connection with them. Nearly all the larger cities of Canada were represented in the series.

Valentine & Sons, Ltd., of Montreal, are issuing a new series of picture postals in honor of the Quebec Tercentenary. This series of postals includes twenty-eight views of Quebec, past and present, as well as other historical views. They are also publishing a book of views which includes seenes from Quebec, as it is at present. also scenes from the past, and historic battlefields views.

#### History Pictured on Post Cards.

The Valentine Sons Publishing Co. are issuing a very fine line of post eards illustrative of Quebec's history, past and present, in special designs, beautifully colored. This series is very complete, consisting of 28 subjects. This firm is also publishing a work on Quebec by K. L. Macpherson, entitled "Scenic Sieges and Battlefields of French Canada," and an historical view book. The Homestead Series of Souvenir Cards have been meeting with a great sale, which is well deserved. These cards admirably depict scenes of Canadian life which has undoubtedly won wide popularity for them. Another of their lines which has met with great success, is the Gem series of animals and Canadian woodland and water series. The latter are very artistic, having as a part of the picture a reproduction of the frame which surrounds the original. These pictures are done in a soft toned sepia and make very refined decoration for a den or library when framed in series. Local view cards of places of interest all over the Dominion are among other interesting eards which this firm earry.

#### The Royal Visit to Canada.

In connection with the visit to Quebee of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, the trade should remember that the Bas Relief Photographic Co, issue a handsome bas relief card of the Prince, that should be in good demand during the

celebration. They also publish bas relief eards of the King, who recently gave them a special sitting, Pope Pius, Sir Wilfrid Laurier and many other notables. In all they have 300 bas relief subjects, including royalty, actresses, notables' children, flowers, animals, etc., and these are made in a variety of styles and mountings. The eards of the Bas Relief Photographic Co. may be obtained from the leading wholesale houses in Montreal, Quebee and Toronto.

Many newspaper publishers in Canada conduct stationery stores in connection with their establishments and find the combination of interests, which are closely allied, works out smoothly and satisfactorily. The book and stationery business is often united with that of a drug store, particularly in the smaller towns, but it is rarely that we find it joined with the grocery, confertionery and bakery business. A gentleman who links all these with a stationery store is W. N. Starr, of Newmarket, Ont., who began his career as a bookseller just 24 years ago. He is also the manager of the Bell Telephone Company in Newmarket, an exchange which shas about 140 subscribers. Mr. Starr has two large store: each 25 x 50 feet. Twelve years ago he added the bakery and confectionery lines. Without any previous experience he began the book business. Even when living on the farm as a young man he was ambitious to make a venture of this character. There were two stationery stores in Newmarket in those days. Neither could be purchased

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## How Winnipeg Merchants are Booming Photo Supplies

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Winnipeg has a brand new enthusiastic Camera Club, and Winnipeg merchants are going to see that it flourishes. Society has taken up the eraze and in the list of patrons and officers appear the names of many prominent Winnipeggers. Committees have been formed under the heads of Ladies, House, Programme, Me nhership, Lantern Slide, Library, Press, Finance and Competition and each committee is doing earnest work. Club rooms have been secured, with complete equipment for developing, in ting and finishing.

#### Merchants Offer Prizes.

O. B. Knight & Co., who deal largely in photo supplies, were the first to imagurate a prize competition, and they have established a monthly contest. The competition esumittee announces the subjects for each month ahead. For May the subject was "Street Scenes in the Business Section of Winnipeg." Two awards will be made each month, in the form of a gold and silver pendant, and the recipient of the largest score of awards during the year will receive the Knight annual award.

Duffin & Co., dealers in photo supplies, and Russell, Lang & Co., booksellers, who have made a big success in the photo supply trade, offer expensive cameras to be competed for by the beginners during the next six months. This has added great zest to the beginners' efforts. The former firm award a 825 camera for first prize, and the latter a \$15 Eastman enlarging camera as second prize.

The Gordon-Mitchell Co., druggists and photo supply dealers, and the T. Eaton Co., who run a photo supply department, have also signified their intention of submitting awards for competitions, and although the exact nature of these is not yet known, it is said that the former will award theirs to the lady members, and so the fair ones where are beginners will have every competition open to them.

#### The Beginners' Competition

From the trade standpoint, the desire will be to get as many beginners interested as possible. The more new people who can be influenced to take up this delightful hobby, the more cameras and supplies will be required, and in the sale of these the dealer profits. In Winnipog every possible assistance is rendered to the beginners. A class has been formed under a capable instructor, which meets every Tuesday night. So far the attendance has been very flattering, even the more advanced enthusiasts taking advantage of the instruction.

In the beginners' competition the requirements are that the competitors shall have only taken up photography during the present season and work submitted shall not be larger than  $5 \times 7$  inches. This competition is to be a smonthly event for six months, and the competitor scoring the highest total for six months wins the prize.

#### The Example to Others.

The example set by the photo supply trade in Winnipeg might well be followed by dealers in other Canadian cities and towns. So far as we know, the only other camera clubs in Canada are those of Ottawa, Montreal and Toronto. Why should not the rest of our important cities have clubs as well?

Those directly interested in the formation of these clubs are the men who sell the supplies. What more natural than that they should devise ways and means to stir up sufficient enthusiasm anong local amateurs to get a club launched? They need not themselves take an active part in the establishment of such clubs, but once they are started, let them show their interest in a tangible way as the Winnipeg merchants have done.

#### Camera Clubs in Colleges.

In cities and towns where there are colleges, good opportunities are afforded for doing a brisk business in cameras and supplies. The enthusiasm of youth is glorious and once get the boys or girls inocalated with the photo-bug and business will look up. The college at Woodstock, Ont., has such a club, called the Amateur Photography Club. Recently that elever photographer, R. R. Sallows, of Goderich, gave them a lecture and demonstration, which must have given the boys inspiration. It seems to us that the management of the various schools would encourage camera clubs, as it is a pleasant and profitable pastime, and would even arrange for demonstrations such as that given by Mr. Sallows. By offering prizes for the best photographs, the local dealer would help on the movement.

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# The Musical Department

The sheet music trade during the past month has been in a very healthy condition, and prospects for the coming month are good, as several new compositions have been received, which are sure to prove popular and meet with a heavy demand. One or two old songs have been reviewed and are in good request. One of these latter is "H I Only Had a Home, Sweet Home;" also "When You Go for a Good Trolley Ride," a good summer song.

Among recent productions is "Just for To-night," a ballad and refrain by Frank O. French, which is meeting with favor.

# Songs by Late Louis Frechette.

A new song, entitled "The Birds of the Convent," a new publication of the Nordheimer Piano & Music Co., Ltd., of Montreal, is sure to be enjoyed by all lovers of classical music. It is the latest composition of the renowned composer, Henri Kowalski, who wrote the famous Hungarian march, Galop Bravour, etc. The words are written in French by the Canadian poet, the late Louis Frechette, whose death occurred recently, and they have been translated into English by Mr. Siegfried Herz.

"When We're Together," by Emerson James, is one of the new standard songs, and is a second "Sing Me to Sleep." This is written both as a solo and duet. "Three Little People," by Teresa del Riego, is a good teaching song and encore.

A new sacred song by Francis Alliston is entitled, "Afterward," and is selling well.

"It Might Have Been," the latest production of Chas. K. Harris, is a song which promises to equal in popularity any of his former compositions.

#### Popular and Comic Songs.

A great many selections in popular and comic songhave been introduced during the past month. "Somebody That I Know and You Know, Too," by Ed. Gardenier and Fred Helf, the writers of "When You Know You're Not Forgotten by the Girl You Can't Forget," is a popular waltz song, "To-night," a charming little ballad by H. Wakefield Smith, is a good seller, and "Captain Millie Brown," a stirring march song, with a good swing to it, has eaught the popular fancy.

"Come on Down Town," one of the hits in the "Yankee Prince," promises to be in heavy demand, and "My Affinity," from New York's sensational opera; "The Soul Kiss," and "I'm Going to Steal the Moon," featured in "The Honey noon Trail," are other selections which are doing well.

Songs from "The Hoyden" have been called for extensively, hundreds of copies having been sold.

"Mother Hasn't Spoke to Father Since" is a new comic song which is selling already and is sure to have a good run. "When the Right One Comes Along" has just arrived, and it is expected that as soon as it is known at all there will be a heavy call for it. "We Won't Go Home Till Morning, Bill." and "Ain't it Awful, Mabel?" are also achieving popularity.

# Instrumental Productions.

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# What Men and Firms in the Trade are Doing

- P. D. Hope has opened a drug and stationery store at Creston, British Columbia.
- A. Roy Macdongall, Toronto, is at present registered at the Windsor Hotel, Montreal.
- W. F. J. Mallagh, Kingston's new bookseller, has been stocking up in Toronto last week.

Farrow & Jewell, stationers and printers, Vancouver, B.C., have dissolved partnership,

Woods & Co., fancy goods dealers, have moved from Prince Albert to Saskatoon, Sask.

The store of Miss M. L. Sarazin, stationer, Ottawa, was damaged by fire and only partially insured.

The Security Drug Co. have taken over the drug and stationery business of G. F. Daintry, Hanley, Sask.

- M. P. Thomson, of the Thomson Stationery Co., Vancouver, B.C., is absent on a trip to the Old Country.
- P. F. MacFarlane and G. F. Patterson have registered at Montreal as MacFarlane & Patterson, stationers, etc.

Alderic Gareau has registered the firm of Gareau & Gareau, manufacturers of loose leaf goods at St. Hyacinthe, Que.

Robert Sage, of Lethbridge, Alta., is still absent in the Old Country, where he went on a pleasure trip last month.

- W. Saul, of the B. C. Book Company, Vancouver, is planning to take a trip to England with his family in the near future.
- C. B. Allison, of the Cranbrook Drug & Book Co., Cranbrook, B.C., is renovating his store and will have very attractive premises.
- N. E. Suddaby, Fernie, B.C., has turned his business into a limited liability company under the name of the Elk Drug and Book Co.

The National Drug & Chemical Co. of Canada have been appointed sole agents in Canada for the Butcher English-made cameras.

- Mr. Clark, of Clark & Stuart, Vancouver, recently took two weeks off and went on a hunting and fishing expediction to the Nikola Lakes.
- D. & W. Forest, stationers, etc., Montreal, have assigned. This firm dealt extensively in view books, post cards, etc., in a wholesale way.

It is reported that H. G. Richardson has started a book and stationery store in Sturgeon Falls, Ont. There seems to be quite a boom in the trade lately.

- R. Uglow, of Kingston, has just got back from a six weeks' sojourn at Atlantic City, where he enjoyed the sea breezes and benefitted his health markedly.
- K. W. Mackenzie, of Edmonton, has been appointed Lands' Commissioner for the Province of Alberta. He still continues his book and stationery business.

Information has been received that a new book and stationery store has been started at Pembroke, Ont. It will be known as the Grigg Book & Stationery Co.

Arthur Spurgeon, general manager of Cassel & Co., Limited, will arrive in Toronto on the 11th inst. for a three-day stay, during which time he will inspect the Canadian office. The Geo. M. Hendry Co., of Toronto, successors to the Dominton School Supply Co., have moved into bright new premises at 20 Temperance Street, where they occupy the entire building.

R. H. Davis & Co., Yarmouth, N.S., are now settled in their new store on Main Street, opposite the Bank of Montreal, and, according to travelers who have inspected it, it is a "dandy."

Wm. H. Bone, of T. N. Hibben & Co., V2ctoria, expects to come east shortly and will probably go to the Old Country as well. He has recently completed a hand-some new home in Victoria.

- R. J. Soden, stationer, of Peterboro, has again been awarded the contract for furnishing the supplies for the schools in that city. This is the third time Mr. Soden's tender has been accepted.
- H. S. Wallace, Rossland, B.C., has bought the store adjoining his present premises and will combine the two into one big store. When completed he will have one of the largest and finest book stores in Canada.

Peter Lamont, of the Canada Drug & Book Co., Nelson, B.C., claims that his trade in books last Christmas was the largest in the history of his firm. Things look good in Nelson, as the mines are being opened up again.

The American Multigraph Sales Co., of Cleveland, Ohio, have opened a branch office in the Saturday Night Building, Toronto, and are placing quite a number of their multigraph duplicating machines in local offices.

J. L. Thompson, of the trade department of Charles Scribners' Sons, New York, has been recently on his annual hand-shaking tour in Toronto. Another gladhand man, Harry Sully, of L. C. Page & Co., Boston, was also in Toronto lately.

John Henry, of the Copp, Clark Co., landed back in Toronto on June 1, from a four months' trip to the coast. His experience was that the farther west he traveled the brighter business became. Conging home he found business improving noticeably in Winnipeg and the prairie provinces.

Writing from Nelson, B.C., on Victoria Day, to Bookseller and Stationer, W. C. Bell, of the Musson Book Co., says: "The weather has been ideal for a successful fall business and more fortunate still, the feeling of the trade is optimistic, but it wants just one good crop to restore perfect confidence, and they're going to get it."

On and after July 1, the firm known as the Bright Stationery Co., Limited, of Vancouver, B.C., will be known as Love's Bookstore. Robert M. Love, the proprietor, will combine photographic work with the usual lines, viz., books, stationery and sundries, making a specialty of mechanical books and the manufacture of inks.

Flatt & Mackenzie, Fort William, have moved into new premises a few doors west of the post office where in addition to books and stationery, they will dispense ice cream. Not at all a bad idea that. Most book stores and particularly those handling newspapers, have to keep open at night and an ice cream parlor as an adjunct should draw trade.

Harold W. W. Copp, of the Copp, Clark Co., whose genial face is familiar to the booksellers of Montreal Ottawa and Toronto, sails for England on a two months' pleasure trip on June 20. It is even hinted that he will go as far as Gay Parce but those who know Harold feel no apprehension on that score. Anyway, it's "Bon Voyage" to him.

The Carter Ink Company, of Boston, are planning to erect a large and modern factory in the nearby city of Cambridge, at the corner of First and Atheneum Streets. This factory is to cost in the neighborhood of \$200,000, exclusive of the land. It will be built as soon as the question of laying the tracks through the factory district has been settled. It will be one of the finest factories ever erected in Cambridge.

The Western Fancy Goods Company have been incorporated at Port Arthur to carry on a wholesale jobbing trade in fancy goods, stationery, pipes, china, leather goods, toys and dolls, sporting goods and smallwares. The incorporators are A. J. Prockter, traveler, Montreal; S. W. Marson, traveler, Winnipeg; E. E. Wire, commission agent, Winnipeg; N. C. Lunan, accountant and W. F. Eclipston, stock manager, Port Arthur. The capital is \$60,000.

Arthur Berrill, of the big export firm of newsdealers, Gordon & Gotch, London, Eng., is at present a guest of the Queen's Hotcl, Toronto. He is in this country looking over the field and intends to make a thorough study of the news trade here. Mr. Berrill early called at the office of Bookseller and Stationer and had a friendly chat with the staff. He impressed them as a man of shrewdness and force, a type of the Englishman, who has gone forth and made himself felt in all parts of the world.

A Dominion charter has been issued incorporating Samuel William Stedman, bookseller; Edward Isaac Stedman, bookseller; George Henry Stedman, manufacturer; Edward Stedman, Sr., and Peter Cairns, salesman, for the following purposes: To trade in, manufacture and publish books, magazines, post cards and kindred lines, the operations of the company to be carried on by the name of Stedman Bros., Limited, capital stock, \$40,000, and chief place of business, Brantford. Stedman Bros. have been in business in Brantford for several years, dealing largely in magazines, post cards, etc. Last month they bought out W. J. F. Mallagh. The same management will continue to conduct the business, while the corporation covers only the wholesale department and does not in any way affect the retail department.

#### AN EFFICIENT ORGANIZER.

A Goodman, Canadian manager of Raphael Tuck & Sons Co., Ltd., with Canadian headquarters at 9-17 St. Antoine St., Montreal, is of the modern school of salesmanship, Mr. Goodman has had charge of the Canadian business for some six months, and the selling plans, originated by him, have proved decidedly effective in extending their Canadian market. His ambition is to make



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# ARTISTIC MEDALS

Librairie Beauchemin have issued a very fine catalogue of religious tokens, consisting of prayer books, pictures of religious subjects, prayer beads, medals, medallions, crosses, chaplets and miniature statues. Reproductions of two specially artistic medals are shown which will convey an idea of the high class of this stock advertised in their catalogue.

# "ACID PROOF" INKS

There have recently appeared on the market as many as four on five different brands of so-called "acid" or "chemical proof" ink, but all practically the same. The ink writes a bluish tint, being made of Prussian blue and is very similar to ordinary laundry bluing, which as all know is a passable writing ink when fresh.

The chief claim for these inks is that "no known acid will remove them." It is true that the ordinary chemical ink cradicators will not, but a much simpler agent does the trick as effectively. This is merely a weak solution of caustic potash, and even plain water when carefully manipulated with a toothpick or stiff brush, will do it. The case with which this ink may be removed likewise disposes of the claim that it is indelible,

of these fake inks will show that they do coat pens more than first-class writing fluids.

One of the chief objections to the inks is the fact that in a short time the color gradually settles, or "breaks up," as chemists say. This is quite noticeable after the ink has been in use a few weeks, as well as the fact that it evaporates very rapidly, thus thickening on exposure much more quickly than any blue-black writing fluid.

Agents for these inks have canvassed many of the Eastern United States cities and have more recently operated in the west. As if to emphasize their own realization of the short time their products may hope to find favor they frequently offer the formulas for making the ink for sale, at a nominal price. One concern purporting on paper to have branches in various cities has already disappeared, and as soon as the real lack of merit in the ink is understood dealers and consumers alike will be content to stand by one of the well-known blue-black brands of writing fluid, a type which is the nearest approach to an ideal writing ink.

#### NOT SO MANY AS STATED.

In connection with a reference to the metal revolving stand for pencils, it was stated in the Bookseller and Stationer last month that the receptacle, made by Eberhard Faber, ol New York, would contain 1½ gross of pencils. This should have read half a gross,

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# Commercial Stationery—An Opportunity for Local Stationers

A Field Relinquished in Many Cases to Outsiders—It Ought to Belong to the Local Stationer—Some Ways and Means to Recover It.

Years ago business men never dreamed of going outside their home town for their account books and commercial stationery. The local stationer handled the orthodox old ledgers, journals, etc., and supplied whatever was required to equip an office. Those were the so-called "good old days" in the trade, and the stationer was a commercial as well as a society stationer.

Then came a time when the ingenuity of man was turned towards the perfecting of systems, and loose-leaf devices and filing schemes and hundreds of other timesaving plans were evolved. For some unaccountable reason the old-time stationer refused to countenance the newfaugled goods, and so instead of selling their inventions through the trade, the inventors and patentees began selling direct.

The rapid development of business during the past decade has made the demand for business systems and commercial stationery in general, advance by leaps and bounds. The manufacturers got pretty nearly all the trade direct and made money out of it. The regular stationers relinquished the field, generally without a struggle, and contented themselves with selling papeteries at Christmas and souvenir post eards in summer.

To-day, an effort is being made to recover lost ground. Even the manufacturers, who heretofore sold direct, are exhibiting a desire to sell through the trade, realizing that, if the retailers do their duty, the best results will be obtained in this way. The success of the purely commercial stationers abundantly attests this. In all our larger cities commercial stationers are coming to the front and are doing well. In smaller places there is a fine change for the connection of the control of the c

chance for the general stationers to take on this business.

The commercial stationers trade is not interfered with by the department stores to any extent, for the reason that it is a trade for men. Department stores are for women and the home. Outside of that they exert little influence. The only genuine opposition comes from the city houses which sell direct. These concerns have their traveling representatives covering the country and calling on all likely customers. By adopting similar methods of

selling, local stationers can counteract this influence to a considerable extent.

There are so many excellent devices manufactured today that the stationer can show a variety of lines, whereas the traveler for the usual manufacturing concern has only one. Then, too, the stationer has all the adjuncts, such as pens, pencils, inks, blotters, rulers, memo books, etc., etc. He must be called on for these and why should he not at the same time sell all other necessaries.

A very good scheme suggested by one stationer is to make a commercial stationery section in the window. Here show all the novelties in paper fasteners, loose-leaf account books, etc., with a card in a showy place telling about the various lines.

Another excellent idea is to get out a blotter on which this sound sentiment can be printed: "You want the people of this town to patronize you and not the city stores. We would like you to buy your commercial stationery from us and not from the city travelers. Let us help one another." These blotters should then be sent to every place of business in your town—and, if your brother business men practise what they preach, they will in future spend their money at home.

Typewriter supplies are another profitable line that it would pay every stationer to specialize in. There is a small army of bright salesmen, selling machines, and the number of users is increasing rapidly. Every purchaser of a typewriter needs earbon paper, ribbon, etc., from time to time and what more natural than that the local stationer should supply these needs. We would even advocate, as has been done elsewhere, that he should sell typewriters as well.

"It is a noticeable fact," observed a leading bookseller to a representative of Bookseller and Stationer recently "that people do a great deal more reading in the Winter months than in the Summer, and that many more copies of the daily papers are bought on a rainy night than on a warm, quiet evening when people generally take a stroll or sit on the verandah. I sell dozens of papers more on a disagreeable night. In the Fall and Winter months when the nights are long and the time more given up to reading my magazine sales are nearly doubled.

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No two seasons are ever the same. Merchants have to meet the changed conditions which come each year and be prepared to take advantage of any circumstances

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There is good profit in fancy goods, and some of the largest stores in the country owe their success to the prominence which has been given to these lines

A good proportion of the summer trade is catchtrade: people buy because they see something which takes their fancy. They will not make many big purchases, possibly, but if a store has a lot of good, attractive and useful articles in fancy and notion department the sales in that store stand a good chance of showing an increase during the months when trade is usually somewhat dull

In every town there are a good many visitors during the summer and their presence offers a good opportunity for increasing sales in this department. Some merchants will accept the advice given here and profit by it.

Merchants, at the moment, are buying on the handto-mouth principle and although manufacturers, in many cases, have their fall lines ready, retailers show no marked disposition to look at samples.

Taking everything into consideration, the season now about ended, from a wholesaler's point of view, has been fairly satisfactory, though it is not as good as it should be. It seems that many unforeseen circumstances and conditions now prevailing have conspired to dampen the enthusiasm of both wholesaler and retailer. Nearly everyone, in fact, has a reason to offer. However, things should brighten up by fall and then everything possible will be done to even up. Retailers should, and will, push business in every way. This is the surest way of gaining back business and making up for deficiencies during a preceding season.

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# ST. JOHN. N.B.

St. John, N.B., June 10.—Business has been rather quiet here owing to backward weather, but the dealers look forward to a busy Summer season as soon as the tourist travel starts in. Large stocks of souvenir goods, photographic supplies, picture post eards, books, etc., have been laid in and every preparation made for the demands that are anticipated.

Several of the dealers who handle photographic supplies are doing a good business in developing and printing photos and in this way they get all that is possible out of this department.

The demand for wall paper, window blinds, etc., has been very brisk during the past month but this trade is back to its normal condition again.

Souvenir stamps containing views of the city in size a little larger than a postage stamp, are proving a popular seller. They are sold in books of a dozen for five cents a book.

The magazine trade is about as usual,

# MONTREAL.

Montreal, June 3.—The book trade in Montreal during the month of May was rather quiet, and June opened up without much improvement, though it is looked upon as certain that the latter half of June will bring a marked improvement in sales, and that July will be a busy month. However, the trade has been equal to that of last year, and booksellers are holding their own, while they consider that future prospects are good.

"Mr. Crewe's Career," by Winston Churchill, which has lately appeared is the best selling book in Montreal at present. "The Prima Donna," by Crawford, which is just out, has been eagerly looked for, as it is a sequel to "Fair Margaret." It is understood that this author is engaged on, or has just finished a third book which will complete the "Margaret Donne" series.

"The Chaperon," by C. N. and A. M. Williamson, is meeting with an active demand, as are also the other books by the Williamsons. "The Last Egyptian," by an anonymous writer, is selling well, and another which is meeting with favor is "Captain Love," by Theodore Roberts. "The Breaking in of a Yachtman's Wife," by Mary Heaton Vorse, which is also new, promises to do well. The demand for "Somehow Good," by William de Morgan, and "The Barrier," by Res Boach, still continue also for "Get-Rich-Quick Wallingford," by George Randolph Chester, and "Bar-20," by Clarence Edward Mutford. Other books of fiction which are in good request are "Beatrix of Clare," by John Reed Scott; "The God of Clay," by H. C. Bailey; and "In the Days of the Comet," by H. C. Wells.

The fact that "A Doll's House" and "Hedda Gabler," by Henrik Ibsen, were recently played here, has created a heavy demand for these books.

"In the Land of Mosques or Minarets" or "Mediterranean Africa," by Francis Miltonn and Blanche Mc-Manus, has met with a good reception.

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