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## The Goldsmiths' Stock Company of Canada,

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## EXHIBITION MONTH.

OUR Stock for the Fall Trade is now Complete in every Department, and we ask the careful attention of the Jewelry Trade of the Dominion to the List of the various Lines enumerated on the following pages, showing the extensive character of our assortment.

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A Large Assortment of Fine Engraved Ladies' Cases, and Heavy Weights in Gents' Presentation Goods.

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Several hundred Choice Engraved Goods at a Specially Attractive Price. Write for a few on approval.

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The Regular American Goods with a few desirable lines of Swiss.

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### NICKELS.

Prices as favorable as usual.

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Many New and Saleable Goods.

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Lower in price, superior in finish, and more artistic in design than any Fancy Mantel Goods in the Market. See the new Patterns in Pillar Designs.

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Our importation of Gem Rings is the choicest we have hitherto made; they are superior to domestic productions in style and finish, and, where fine workmanship is prominent, in value. The assortment was selected from the best manufacturers of Birmingham, and in the highest degree merits your careful inspection.

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**PROOCHES, DROPS, BAR PINS, BANGLES in endless variety.** 

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We show, we think, without exaggeration, the most extensive assortment in Canada, novely after novelty in every class of goods. We recognize fully that this is a very important department and have supplied it most liberally with the freshest goods obtainable.

Our 14k MALTESE CROSS ROLL PLATE CHAIN still leads the market in value, and our assortment of one hundred patterns gives the most critical, abundant choice.

We show Three Hundred Designs in BROOCHES, representing thoroughly all grades.

One Hundred Patterns of LADIES' VICTORIAS with the newest and nobbiest Moonstone and Rosaline set charms in heart shapes, etc. Altogether the completeness of this department in every detail has only been accomplished by the closest attention to the growing demand for this class of goods.

LOOK CAREFULLY THROUGH OUR TRAVELLERS' SAMPLES.

The Goldsmiths' Stock Company of Canada, Limited.





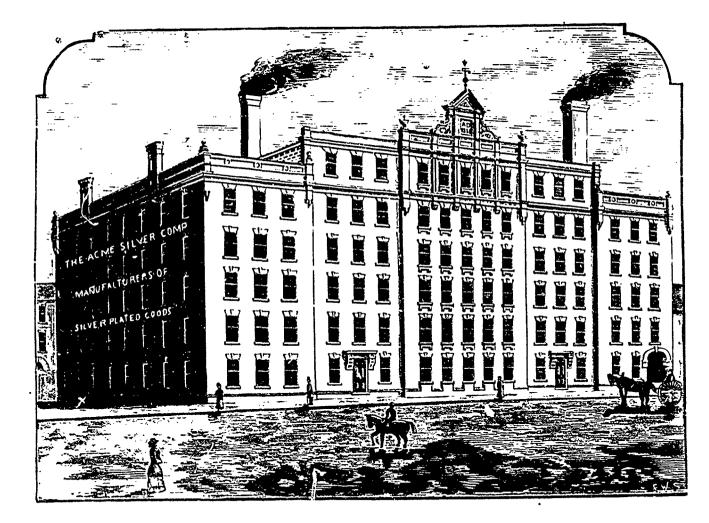
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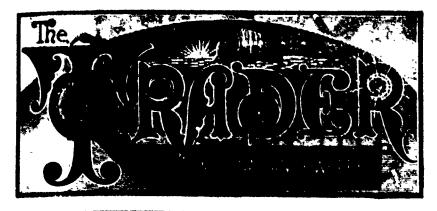
the Third Largest on this Continent.



### We expect to occupy the above Building in July.

# THE ACME SILVER COMPANY, TORONTO.





TORONTO, ONT., SEPTEMBER, 1890.

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## EDITORIAL.

#### THE OUTLOOK.



HE business outlook has improved considerably, since our last issue, mainly on account of the crops in many sections turning out better than was anticipated, and the steady advance in the prices of nearly all agricultural products.

The prospects are now excellent for a first class fall trade, and there is a strong probability that the improvement will continue for a year to come.

Wholesale men generally find a great improvement in business, and while, as a rule, there is less speculative buying on the part of the retail trade than there was a year ago, the volume of actual business is considerably greater than at the same season last year.

In view of the continued favorable outlook, we see no reason to change the opinion regarding trade expressed in these columns last month.

#### OUR TWELFTH YEAR.



ITH the present issue THE TRADER enters upon the twelfth year of its existence.

We do not propose to say very much in commemoration of this event, except that the past policy of improving our journal as fast as circumstances will permit, will be rigidly adhered to, and we trust that our advance towards the goal of perfection will be at least as rapid in the future as it has heretofore been.

Without any.egotism, we think that THE TRADER has served the jewelry trade of Canada faithfully and well during the eleven years of its existence, and no other branch of business that we know of in the Dominion has been better, if as well served in a journalistic way, by organs which cost their individual members from \$1.00 to \$2.00 a year, than our Canadian jewelers have by THE TRADER, free of all expense.

As our readers well know, we propose that every legitimate jeweler in Canada, from the Atlantic to the Pacific, shall have THE TRADER put into his hands, on the first day of every month, free of expense.

We have always, to the best of our ability, advocated what was to the interests of the trade so far as we knew, and we propose to continue the same course in the future.

THE TRADER has always aimed to be the organ of the entire jewelry trade, and it has never allowed itself to become the tool of any clique or faction in the business.

No matter how much any member of the craft differs from us, he can always he just as sure of space in our columns as if he was one of our warmest supporters.

We are thorough believers in ventilation, and if any of the ideas which we advocate are not tenable, we invite our readers to show the trade wherein they are in error.

In conclusion we ask the continued cordial co-operation and support of every one of our readers, in order to make THE TRADER not only the best trade paper in Canada, but if possible, the best in America.

If you know any item of news which you think would be of interest to the trade, you can help us materially by sending it along.

Don't hide your light under a bushel, but give your confreres in the craft a chance to see what you are doing and to learn your ideas on live trade topics.

### AN ADVANCE IN SILVER GOODS.

S we predicted in our last issue, the advance in silver bullion, caused principally by the passage of the United States Silver Bill, has been so decided as to force the manufacturers of all kinds of sterling silver ware to advance the price of their goods.

A few months ago silver bullion could have been purchased in large quantities from the United States mint for about 92 cents per ounce. To day it has reached \$1.20 per ounce, an advance of 30 per cent. on the lowest figures. Even this does not show the extent of the rise, for it is expected by many well-informed people that it will reach \$1.29 before a halt is called in its upward tendency.

Be this as it may, the fact remains that it has already advanced high enough to work a serious revolution in every branch of manufacture using much of this precious metal.

To the maker of sterling flatware it means an increased cost of \$2.00 to \$3.00 on the material which goes into every dozen of tea spoons he makes, while the advance on dessert and table sizes would be from \$4.00 to \$8.00 according to their weight. In silver watch cases, this advance in bullion is a serious thing and means that the material in a 3 ounce case now costs the manufacturer at least 60 cents more than it did a few months ago, while on a 4 ounce case the rise amounts to over 90 cents, and so on in proportion as the weights increase.

Under these circumstances it is not to be wondered at, that a decided advance took place early last month in all lines of



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By the removal as above, I have gained larger quarters, more convenient location to the trade both in and out of the city.

I am in better shape to fill orders than ever before, having greatly increased my Stock, which is now complete for the Fall Trade.

I have some desirable lines to offer at special prices.

It will be worth your while to inspect my Stock when in the city before placing your orders.

## GEORGE CHILLAS, 33 Wellington Street East, - TORONTO.



silver watch cases, sterling silver flat ware and other silver goods where the value of the bullion used formed an important factor in their cost.

Whether this advance will be permanent remains to be seen, but it is hardly probable that there will be any change towards lower prices for a considerable time to come.

Our friends in the retail jewelry trade will be well advised, therefore, to at once advance the price of all the saleable silver goods they have in stock, for they may rest assured that they cannot replace them for anything like the same money.

#### CANADIAN RETAILERS' ASSOCIATION.

More than one occasion we have pointed out that if the Canadian Retailers' Association is ever to amount to anything beyond a mere name, it should provide in some way for at least one meeting a year, at which the outside trade could have a chance to be represented.

So far as we can see, the best place for any such meeting is the City of Toronto, and the best time that during which our Industrial Exhibition is being held.

The time is particularly opportune, not only on account of the very low railway and steamboat fares, at which every jeweler who so desires can reach the city, but because, as a matter of fact, Toronto is during fair time crowded with retail jewelers from all parts of Canada.

It is for these reasons that we would urge the second week of the Exhibition as a most opportune time to get our Canadian Retail Jewelers together, and discuss in session some of the live questions that are of vital interest to the trade.

We are sure that the matter has only to be brought to the notice of the able President and Secretary of the old Association, in order to cause them to call such a meeting. What do you say, gentlemen ?

### CANADA'S GREAT FAIR.

HE Toronto Industrial Exhibition which will be held in this city, from the 5th to the 20th of September, promises to be the largest and best that the Associa tion has ever held.

So far, the entries both in live stock, agricultural products, and manufactured goods, are considerably in excess of those of any former exhibition, and no doubt the quality will be fully up to their usual high standard of excellence.

Outside of the Exhibition proper, the management have provided a series of daily entertainments and amusements, which they confidently believe to be far ahead of any of their previous efforts in this direction. 'I hey aim to amuse, as well as to instruct the general public, and from the manner in which their athletic and other entertainments have been patronized heretofore, it is impossible to question the fact that they have pretty thoroughly gauged the public taste in this way.

We know that there are not wanting those who hold that all sorts of amusements should be rigidly excluded from exhibitions of this kind, but in spite of these objections, we cannot but confess to a weakness for amusement as well as instruction, and the success of Canada's great fair makes it plain that even our staid, solid friends from the rural districts, can see something equaily worth investigating in the programme of free anusements, as they can in the exhibits of live stock or mangel wurtzel. If success is the best test of fitness, the management will do well to go on in the line they have struck out for themselves.

To our friends in the jewelry trade, we may say that special rates will be made on all the railways during the continuance of the Exhibition, and they will have no better opportunity of making a personal visit to this market this year. The season is opportune. Our wholesale men have made large preparations for their reception, and are prepared to show them the newest and best goods in every line that the market of the world can furnish.

In our opinion it will pay any and every jeweler to make a personal investigation of this market at least once a year. Not only can they get new goods, but they can pick up new ideas which will be useful to them in their own business and well repay them for the money spent on the trip. Come and see us.

#### COSMIC TIME.

OT many people are aware that to a Canadian, Mr. Sandford Fleming, the eminent railway engineer of the Dominion Government, the world owes what is known as the cosmic system of time notation.

The fundamental idea of this system, as outlined by Mr. Fleming, in a paper read by him before the Canadian Institute in the winter of 1888-9, is the adoption by every country in the universe of the same meridian as a basis for the world's time. His proposal was that the 180th meridian from Greenwich, should be universally agreed upon as the common starting point in the system, but as this practically involved a recognition of the British standard of time notation, but few countries could be found unprejudiced enough to sink their feeling of perhaps pardonable national vanity and consent to substitute practically what would be a British starting point instead of one in their own country.

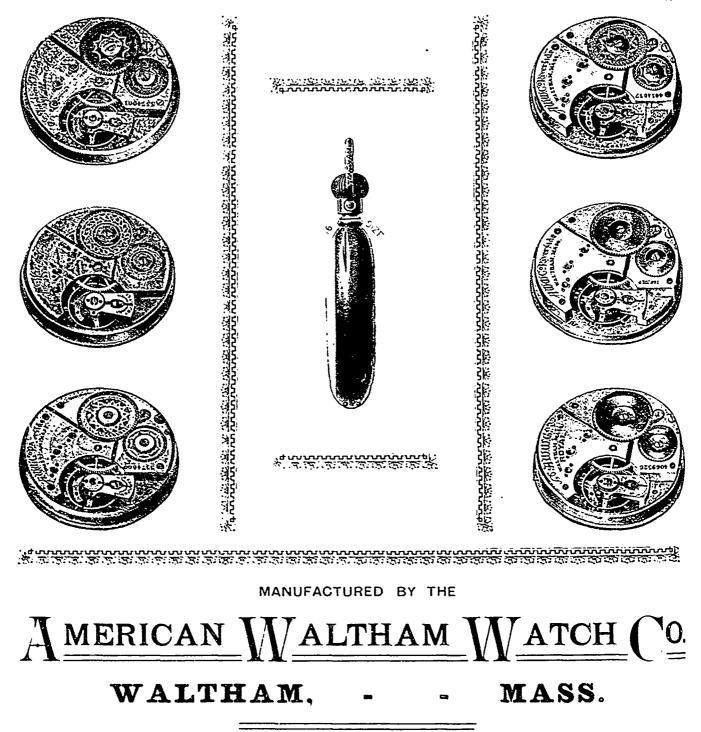
The Canadian Institute, recognizing the great importance of Mr. Fleming's scheme, entered heartily into his views, with the result that before many months had passed they had brought the subject prominently before the most influential scientific societies of Europe and America, as well as the respective governments of the countries to which they belonged.

The system was endorsed by the International Geographical Congress held in Vienna, Austria, in 1881, at which meeting Canada was ably represented by Mr. Sandford Fleming. In the year 1884, representatives from all the principal countries in the world met at Washington, U. S., by special invitation, to discuss Mr. Fleming's system, and here again it received so thorough and unequivocal an endorsement as to put its ultimate success beyond a peradventure. Since that time it has also been practically adopted by the Prussian Government, who have fixed upon the 15th meridian east of Greenwich as the standard of time for that country, and now that they have done so, it is probable that other European countries will quickly follow in their wake.

Although the Canadian Pacific Railway was the first to adopt the twenty-four hour system of time notation on their



## WALTHAM O. F. 16 S. PENDANT SETTING WATCHES.



NOTE. For the convenience of the Canadian trade we have established a Branch Office at No. 185 St. James Street, Montreal. The goods will be, as heretofore, s ld to Jobbers only.

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ume tables, it was not long before others followed suit, and it is highly probable that before another decade shall have passed over our heads, the twenty-four hour time tables and system of une belts will be the rule instead of the exception for the guidance of railway travellers the world over.

Indeed the advantages of this system were so apparent, that as far back as 1883 the railway companies of the United States and Canada convened a congress of practical railway men, and there and then inaugurated the system of dividing the northern half of the continent into time belts fifteen degrees apart, in each of which there should be only one common time instead of having the actual time change with every mile as had formerly been the case. This new order of time notation, although it somewhat disturbed the equilibrium of the days as compared with the old system, has proved itself so thoroughly practical, that it has now ceased to excite either comment or enquiry, and if our people ever think of it at all, it is to wonder why it was not adopted sooner.

The advantages of the cosmic system, embracing as it now does, the time belt and twenty-four systems of notation, are so apparent as to make it highly probable that it will only be a question of time when it will be universally adopted. Any person who ever studied an old railway time table of twenty or even ten years ago, with its a.m.'s and p.m.'s, and its foot notes explaning that Montreal or New York time was half an hour faster than l'oronto time and that you should govern yourself accordingly, (which meant that you should be on hand half an hour before the time specified on the time table), and compares it with our present half-way system, can see how great an adrance we have made, and how much further we have to go before we will reap the full benefits of the common-sense twenty-four hour system of time notation.

It is said that the present anti and post nieridian system of time notation causes the Western Union Telegraph Company of the United States to telegraph over one hundred and fifty millions of unnecessary letters every year, and there is also a corresponding waste of labor and money in every department of business from the same cause The sooner, therefore, that the system in its entirety is adopted the hetter for the public in general and the jewelry trade in particular, who would then have the job of supplying twenty-four hour dials for all watches already in use, or furnishing new ones made specially in accord with the new system.

## CORRESPONDENCE

#### APPRECIATES A GOOD THING.

Editor TRADER-SIR : OUR TRADER seems to get there, and it is no doubt carefully read by the trade. We were much pleased 游戏 with the response to our special ad. in your July number, and were greatly surprised at the number of our customers who bought "The Puck." We have to thank THE TRADER as being the medium of reaching our trade this time as we traced these sales as the direct result of our TRADER ad. In some cases the page was cut out of THE TRADER and mailed to us. Yours truly,

Toronto, July 24, 1890.

E. & A. GUNTHER.

#### YOU SHALL HAVE IT.

Editor TRADER-SIR:

WOULD like to receive THE TRADER. As I have started business here, kindly oblige by sending me your valuable paper.

Yours,

Thedford, Ont., Aug. 13, 1890.

JOHN MUNNS.

#### WITH PLEASURE.

Editor TRADER-SIR :

INDLY place me on your list of jewelers to whom you send THE TRADER.

It is a very valuable help to any jeweler.

Yours truly, W. T. LEWIS,

Arkona, Aug. 20, 1890.

Jeweler.

#### WHAT IT IS WORTH.

Editor TRADER-SIR:

N you tell me what is the value of a "spade"-half guinea?

CHAS. P. MORGAN.

Truro, N. S., Aug. 16, 1890.

ANSWER.-According to our Toronto brokers they are worth \$2.621/2.- ED. TRADER

#### AS OTHERS SEE US.

Editor TRADER, -SIR :

[HE retail jewelers of Canada owe you a debt which it will take them a long time to repay, for the able manner in which you have, during the past ten years, endeavored to reform the abuses which we all must admit have existed in the trade, as well as for supplying us free with a first-class trade journal, fully equal to any published in the States

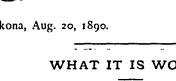
at \$2 00 per annum. For my own part, I would gladly pay you for your journal, as it has come to be so necessary for me now that \$1000 a year would not make me do without it. However, as you don't take any pay for it, I tender you my thanks. Those articles of "Excelsior's" h ve been of great benefit to me, and I have picked up a good many wrinkles from their careful perusal. I am glad to see that you have added an optical department to your journal, under the direction of such a competent man as Dr. Owens seems to be. It will be very useful to me, I know, and I shall avail myself frequently (if you will allow me) of his knowledge about some bad eye cases which have puzzled me for some time past. Wishing you continued success,

#### London, Aug. 20, 1890.

#### I am, yours truly,

BALANCE.

[We are sure Dr. Owens will be only too glad to answer any queries that "Balance" or any other member of the craft may send him for solution. Send along your conundrums, gentlemen -ED. TRADER.]





## NEW ISSUE.

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#### OUR MONTREAL LETTER.

From our Special Correspondent.

THE weather is hot. This is not intended exactly for news, though one hears it so often, it is a great pity that it is not—one thing, there is no doubt

that it is not—one thing, there is no doubt about its reliability, and it is always well to be reliable. THE TRADER is reliable, which is one of the reasons that it is regarded in this district as the guide, philosopher and friend of the trade.

But how is business with the jewelers ? The countryman's opinion of the lecture about expresses it-Mark Twam, America's great-some say one thing and some another, hold to your own opinion, it don't matter-was billed to lecture in Boylon, and a countryman went there specially to hearhim By mistake he got into the wrong hall and heard a acture by Joseph Cook, under the impression that the lecturer ras Twain. On reaching home he was accosted by a neighbor : "Wall, Hiram, been to Boston?" "Yes." "Hear Twain?" "Yes, that's what I went for." "Funny?" "Y-e-s, but not so coll-damed funny." Business is that way-quiet, but not so axful quiet. The jewelers, with all other business men here, iel the effects of the efflux of the population to the country during the summer months. All who can go, must, and a great many can, not for a couple of weeks visiting, but the family take up their abode in the country for the season, either at a convenient distance so that the male portion can come in and out of the city each day for business, or at a more remote point, when the said male portion is left to take care of the house all twhimself and generally do the best he can Letters received from your city, describe it as just a lovely summer resort, so should Toronto be in any need of a first-class certificate in this respect, it could easily be secured from Montreal-of course, after that no one could possibly think of any jealousy at this end. It is doubtful if the presence of eastern people in Totonto will help your jewelers to any extent, they will scarcely see an improvement in the home display.

One of our young, handsome, and consequently gay wholealers, appears to have "a pull" on a very large scale at a place by name, Notre Dame du Portage-just where Notre Dame du l'ortage is, I don't know, but it is somewhere, be cause he goes there, not once, but twice and perhaps three times all in the same season. The fish and fly stories are very very all with himself as the hero adorning the tale. The adornment is all right and he is a hero anywhere, but about the fish and the flies—your correspondent is young, and with youth is mocence, and he dislikes to even suspect. Can you, Mr. Editor, can anyone say, would a Montreal wholesale jeweler be likely to say more than enough even when fish, flies and himself, individually and collectively are the theme? If not, and you should desire a fishing ground where immense hauls can we made, the place is Notre Dame du Portage, but first enquire on St. James street for the best "holes."

The genual Canadian representative of the big Yankee watch company is on the Maine coast, searching for main strength ind catch is cod-fish. The boats there are large, or his fish tory would soon verify itself. He would be brought home

dead; the catch would swamp an ordinary boat sure. When telling his cod-fish experience he always remembers to explain about the boat.

A leading and popular jeweler does not require to go away off to fish, there is sport enough for him near home. He has his summer residence at a pretty spot on the St. Lawrence, and almost any evening his boat may be seen skimming the waves in true Hanlan-at-his-best style, himself and wife the occupants. Forgeting all about watches and jewelry, he is away for a two to three hour's fish. There is one thing about him, he is honest and catches—nothing,—his wife has all the luck.

To come back again to business, the absence of so many from the city is decidedly against trade, and is scarcely made up by the presence of American visitors and American cash, on the hunt for souvenirs and presents for their friends at home, brought all the way from Canada. When they are wise to discern there is no want of opportunities to buy specimens of genuine art and Canadian art too, but often, very often, their tastes lead them to select the stuff that has paid the legitimate duty. The blame attaches to them of course, not to the jeweler. He has the goods and it is his business to sell ; besides, how does he know they are Americans on the search for the labors of Canadian artists and artizans; and further, an inadvertent remark by him might dispell some delightfully romantic vision and-" spoil " a sale. No, the buyer is to blame if any one is, he might take the jeweler into his confidence and tell the whole story, but he does not. Visitors to the city are now the favoring breeze, and our jewelers have all sails set, and magnificent sails they are. One would almost wonder how a better display could be made, but Montreal jewelers are alive to business and the wants of business, and any novelties the jobbers have to offer are readily bought.

Stocks in the wholesale houses are about complete, and the b. at that the Foreign, American or Domestic factories can produce are on show. Travellers are nearly all on the road, and better sales are reported than were anticipated. The lighter than usual spring purchases, together with confidence for the coming season, is the reason for this. The advance in silver cases has made considerable of a flurry in these lines, but many in the trade, trusting to luck and competition to keep old rates open, are allowing the opportunity of buying cheap silver cases to pass.

Our jobbers may be said to have hung out the green signal of caution, that is to say, that while there is no element of danger in sight and the track is clear so far as can be seen, fair caution is deemed best for both buyer and seller. Competition is quite keen enough now at most points, and profits are sufficiently low, without the still further reduction and loss of trade caused by auction and other forced sales in their midst, always a result of reckless buying. Encourage legitimate and profitable trade, discourage all else is about the idea.

Montreal, Aug. 14th, 1890.

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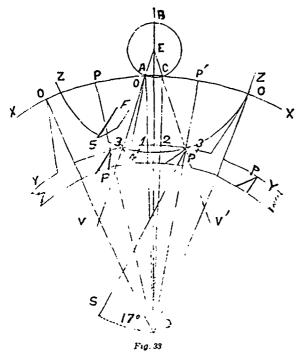
#### PRACTICAL HINTS ON WATCH REPAIRING.

#### BY EXCELSIOR.

#### THE DUPLEX ESCAPEMENT.-CONTINUED.

(522) Fo try the safety of the impulse drop, we move the balance very slowly forward till the repose tooth drops from the notch, then hold it there. The finger F should have passed the impulse tooth and be 10° in front, ready to receive it. If the tooth does not strike the finger at all, but passes it without touching, and the next repose tooth falls upon the roller, it shows that the finger is not properly placed (526). It is too far from, or forms too great an angle with, the notch, and should be moved forward or towards the notch till, when the balance is held as above, the impulse tooth will strike the finger, and not merely on its point but safely on its face. On the other hand, if the point of the finger passes the circle of the impulse tooth much before the repose tooth drops from the notch, it is endently too far forward, or too near the notch. This will also be seen by the distance that the wheel drops before the tooth reaches the finger. This should be about 10°, which, in the Chinese duplex, will be about the distance between the points of the double teeth.

(523) We are now prepared to select an impulse wheel. In section (498) we found that an escape wheel, although correct to the wheel and roller action, might not be suitable for the wheel and pallet action, designed for the escapement. The mpulse wheel may be larger or smaller than the old one was. In the former case, the finger will prove too long , in the latter, too short – Supposing the finger to have been corrected as originally made, then after drawing the centre distance *ed* and circle 43. (Fig. 33.) as already directed, (516.) we measure



the length of the finger, and increase that in the same ratio. Set the database to that distance, and with one point on e mark the curve zz. Now lay off the angle of the small-lift, one-half on each side of line de, by the lines ew, ew, (Fig. 31,) and draw line du

to the crossing of cw and the curve xx. This gives the position of the repose tooth. Then,  $12^{\circ}$  to the right, draw line dp', and where it crosses the curve sz, at P, is the point of the impulse tooth, and dP is the radius of the impulse wheel.

(524) Having an escape wheel we think suitable, we fix it in one jaw of the depthing tool, and the balance and finger in the other, -- the jaws having previously been set to the proper centre distance in the watch, and verify its action by trial, as directed for testing the length of the finger (526). If the impulse tooth in this test does not come at the proper distance from the point of the finger, and another wheel cannot be got, the fault, when slight, can be remedied by dressing off a finger that is too long, or moving it towards the notch (526) when too short, till the impulse tooth drops safely on its face. But the latter change should not be allowed unless the deficiency of length is slight; a longer finger should be fitted in. The movement being intended to effect certain results, and the escapement executed in accordance with that design, any material deviation from the original sizes must be presumed to be injurious, unless the superiority of the results to be obtained thereby is clear beyond question.

(525) The mode of selecting a new finger is clearly indicated in sections (523), (524), the only difference being that we substitute the measurement of the impulse wheel for that of the finger, and through the crossing of its circle yy, and the line dp', (Fig. 33), we draw the curve ss, when cP will be the length of the finger, from the centre of its socket to the point A finger already on the balance staff is measured by taking the distance from the point to the further side of the roller, then deducting 15 the diameter of the roller. The finger is formed with a socket, which should fit tightly upon the staff, above the roller. The point should be a jewel, set in the metal of the finger, but it is generally made entirely of steel. The front face should form a line to the centre, although many makers vary somewhat from this rule. The point should be as sharp as consistent with strength. For turning the finger on the staff, use the ordinary two-hole hand tongs.

(526) To test the length of the finger, let a repose tooth lock on the roller, as shown in Fig. 33, with the point of the finger at the right-hand z. Then turn it towards the left till its face is in the line et', when the point should barely clear the tooth P. In the Chinese duplex, it will be well to test the clearance on both sides of the line of centres, i. e., with two impulse teeth. The test on the right side should be made when the first repose tooth of a pair is locked on the roller, during the return vibration of the balance, as above described ; on the left side, when the second repose tooth is in the notch, during the forward vibration. If the finger is shorter than above directed, the escapement will still be safe if the impulse tooth strikes fairly on its face. Sometimes the finger is short, and also so far from the notch that, when the balance is moved slowly forward, the impulse tooth does not strike the finger, but passes by and another repose tooth drops upon the roller. In this case, the escapement may be made safe by moving the finger towards the notch till the impulse tooth will be sure to strike fairly upon its face. But any such expedient cannot remedy the loss in the large lift which results from a short finger, and it should be replaced by a longer one unless the balance still has an ample vibration-at least 180°, or half a turn at the



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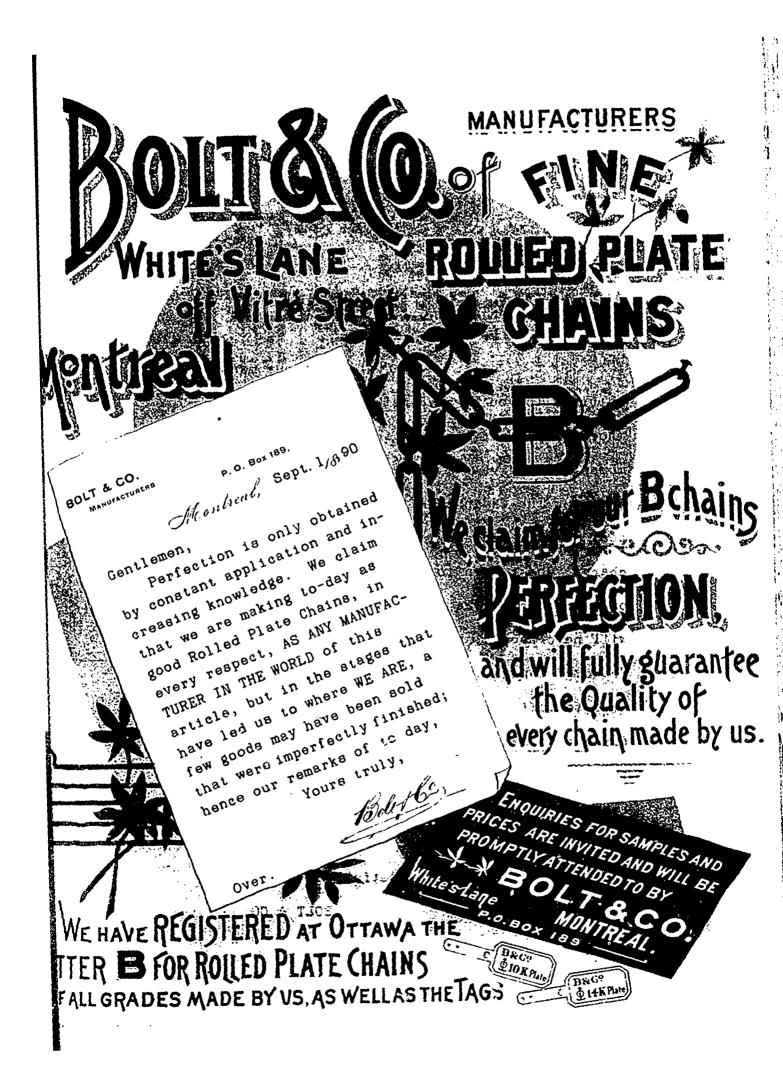
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end of the 24 hours running. Many writers advocate vibrations of double the magnitude here specified, but these very large vibrations are not as much in favor with practical workmen as formerly. Some special directions about rating and adjusting the duples escapement will be found in sections (125) to (127). I would add that a light balance never regulates well in the duples. The vibrations are too large, and the watch is easily made to "trip" by jumping, riding and even by carrying, and, when started, will continue to trip for a number of times; while a heavy balance, if accidently caused to trip, will do so only once or twice and then stop. The impulse being given in the duples at great mechanical advantage, it admits of and requires a heavier balance than the cylinder escapement or detached lever

(527) In testing the duplex escapement in the angle-meter, especially if the balance cock is omitted, (447), be careful not to wind up the mainspring, but press the train forward with the finger nail in the main wheel, while moving the balance by the vertical rod d, (Fig. 27). This is advisable from the danger of forgetting to let the mainspring down, or put a bristle in the escape wheel, before taking off the cock or raising the arbor of the angle-meter, which would be liable to bend the teeth of the wheel, and even break the roller jewel. This tool affords a very easy and accurate means of testing the escapement. Get the balance pivot hole exactly over B, (451, 452), and fasten the movement securely. Use a claw with a light spring, like m, (Fig. 20), clasping one of the balance arms near the rim but not touching it. Get the repose tooth outside of the roller, and then the balance at the point of rest. Set the pointer at the Oin the centre of the scale, move the balance back till the tooth drops into the notch and note the number of degrees on the scale. Turn the balance forward till the tooth drops from the notch, and again observe the scale The number of degrees between the two extremes gives the small-lift. If the point of rest is midway between the two extremes, the watch is in beat. The wheel and roller action is now known.

(528) To test the wheel and pallet action, move the balance back till the tooth will drop into the notch, then set the pointer at the O at the nearest end of the scale. Turn the balance forward ull the tooth leaves the notch, and the impulse tooth strikes the finger, hold it there and observe the degrees on the scale. This is the small-lift, as before. Then move the balance *back* till the tooth drops off the finger, and the number of degrees so moved over will be the distance the finger was in advance of the impulse tooth when the repose tooth left the notch, or the amount of the impulse drop. As already stated this should be 10°. But if the drop thus formed is less than that, the finger may be too far from the notch, (the escapement angle incorrect) or the finger may be too short. To test the proper length, get the parts in the position directed in (526) and observe if there is the proper clearance. If so, the escapement Then again move the angle should be corrected, (522). balance forward till the tooth strikes the finger, note the degrees, and move the balance on till the tooth drops off the finger. The distance from the former observation to this drop will be the large lift. There is seldom any need of testing the escape wheel in this tool, except to try the truth of its division into teeth and spaces, which it will do very minutely. In fact the foregoing tests of the balance, for the small-lift, will

detect any inequality in the length of the repose teeth by a variation in the amount of the small lift. The amount of the second drop, from the impulse tooth leaving the finger to the repose tooth resting on the roller, is not material, provided it is enough to carry the impulse tooth which was last in action out of reach of the finger, and this can be told by the eye. Instead of using the angle-meter, the foregoing tests can be made by means of a sector on the depthing tool, (336, 406), or even by simple calculation, (308, 405), but neither so easily nor accurately.

(529) A number of enquiries for details have been received. and most of them answered in connection with their subjects, in the succeeding articles; but the following came too late, and I give the information here, although a little out of place. 1st. How to find the size of the roller for the Chinese duples. This cannot be found by measuring between two adjacent repose teeth, that rule applying only to the English style of wheel with single teeth. But it can be found by taking a fraction of the diameter of the repose wheel, the same as for the other kind i the distance between two repose teeth being equal to  $1_0^i$  the diameter of the wheel, etc., (485). 2nd. How to cut the duplex e cape wheel. The *minutiæ* of this process properly belongs to an article on lathes, cutting engines, etc. But if the workman has a good cutting engine, provided with conveniences for cutting both vertically and horizontally, there is no special difficulty. The blank is first accurately turned out, with the repose-wheel portion of the right size and thickness, and with an angular ridge upon its surface, of the proper diameter and height for forming the impulse teeth therefrom, which are first shaped out with the horizontal cutters.

(530) To cut the Chinese repose wheel, if it has six pairs of teeth with their points 10° apart, set the index plate as if to cut a wheel with sever ty-two teeth. Fit upon the arbor a cutter of proper shape to cut the space between two teeth at one cut. Set the arbor so that the flat side of the cutter is in a straight line to the centre of the wheel, and the arbor at right angles to such line, and horizontal. Then raise the cutter and advance the arbor, etc., by the forward or feeding screw, towards the centre, till the flat side of the cutter, when let down, is abreast of the point of one of the impulse teeth. The index point being in one of the plate holes, the escape wheel must be so fastened upon the spindle that the point of the impulse tooth fits snugly against the flat face of the cutter. If it does not, loosen and move it as it should be, but do not disturb the cutter, which, with its arbor, should have been firmly fastened in the position above prescribed for it, with everything ready for working. By this means, we secure a connection between the position of the impulse tooth and the cutter, which latter can then be moved through the proper angle for cutting the repose teeth in their true position, relatively to the impulse teeth.

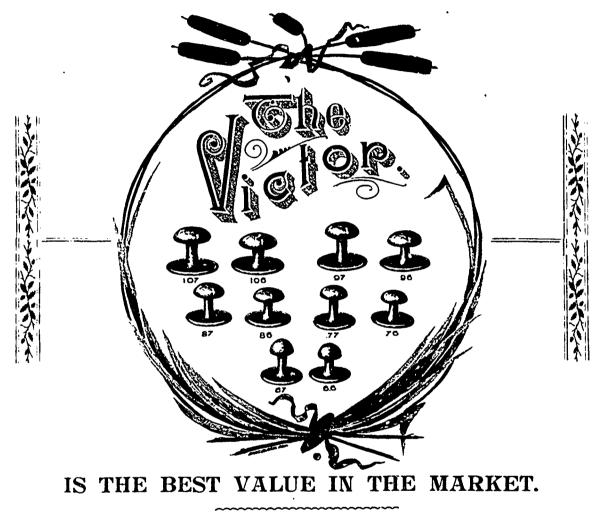
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QUES 3. "I have a customer, a lady about 30 years of age who has never worn glasses although her sight has always been poor for the distance. She wants a pair of glasses to wear on the street. Her sight for reading and near work is first class. She is undoubtedly near-sighted (myopia). Her eyes have never caused her any trouble. I have fitted each eye separately with No. 10 inch concave spherical ( $-10^{\circ}$  sph.), with these glasses each eye reads the 20 ft. letters 20 ft. away. She cannot read the 20 ft. letters with No. 11. Now this is what puzzles me, she claims that the glasses No. 10 make her dizzy and sick, and that it is impossible to wear them. I a satisfied that they are the right number, but I have failed to persuade her that they are right. What would you do in such a case?"

We have no doubt but that the -10" sph. are the correct lenses. Cases of this kind may be suited by beginning with weaker numbers and increasing the strength every two or three weeks until the full correction lenses are reached. On account of never having worn glasses, it is difficult for her to become accustomed to the change, therefore we would suggest that you have her wear a pair of say -20" sph., which she can probably do without any unpleasant sensations for two or three weeks, until she is thoroughly accustomed to them. Then put on a vair of -16'' S. for several weeks, followed by a -13'' S., and finally by -10" S, which by the time it is reached will probably not cause any inconvenience, particularly if she is not aware that they are the -10" S. lenses. For this reason you should not tell her what number she is wearing, nor when the final pair are reached. These glasses, -10" S., should be used for distant vision only. For reading or near work the lady should use a pair of -24", 22" or 20" S., according to which seems the most suitable for reading the finest print at about 12 inches from her eyes.

When fitting cases similar to the above, the weakest concave lens that gives the desired vision for any distance, is the correct lens. In this case -11'' S. did not restore normal vision, while -10'' S. did, that being the first or weakest lens met with that did so. She could probably see just as well with -9'' S. for a few moments while trying them, but she could not see any better than with -10'' S<sup>\*</sup>, therefore they should not be adopted.

QUES. 4. "I have read several works on refraction including Hartridge, but cannot say that I am satisfied with what I have read, nor with my knowledge of the subject. I understand the contents of each chapter in Hartridge, but after having read the book through I do not have any more confidence in myself than I had before I took it up. I do not know whether the fault lies in the book or myself. When I endeavor to formulate an intelligent review of the whole subject, I are lost, and frequently throw down my book impatiently, but why I do so I cannot tell. What do you think is the trouble? Any suggestions you may offer will be appreciated."

We are of the opinion that you lack system in your reading and studies, and will endeavor to set you right. In order to become a good optician you should be familar with everything pertaining to :

1st. The trial and spectacle lenses.

2nd. The normal eye.

3rd. The defects of vision, their detection and correction by glasses.

The trial and spectacle lenses are the instruments with which the optician works. He should become thoroughly familiar with them. He should know their composition, quality, shape and refraction. He should also know how they are centered, numbered, neutralized, etc. Hartridge treats upon this subject briefly in Chapter I., but if you will read the chapter carefully, noting every word, you will find that the subject is pretty well covered. Do not be satisfied with merely reading the chapter, but take the lenses therein described and *work out the examptes*, repeating each illustration until you are perfectly familiar with them all.

After having mastered the lenses, turn your attention to the anatomy and physiology of the normal eye, paying particular attention to the accommodation and the acuteness of vision (see Chap. II. and III.). Then follow the normal eye in its course through the natural life of man. The near point of vision begins to recede at the age of 10, the recession continuing until 80 years of age. About 40 it has receded to 8 inches from the eye. When it has reached this point presbyopia (old sight) sets in (see Chap. IX.). Frequently during old age the normal (now presbyopic) eyes undergo another change. The crystaline lens instead of remaining perfectly transparent, turns white or smoky in appearance, thus becoming opaque (cataract) and preventing the light from passing into the eyes. When the opacity is complete it may be removed by the oculist. After the lens is removed by the oculist, or from any other cause, the condition of the eye is known as aphakia (absence of the lens) (see page 127).

The next step would be the consideration of the defects of vision due to the abnormal condition of the eye. The most common abnormal defect is far-sightedness, (hypermetropia), which is due to the eye ball being *too short* or flattened from before backwards, adapting vision for distant objects. This defect is similar in many respects to presbyopia and aphakia, and like them requires convex lenses for its correction (see Chap. VI).

The second abnormal defect, near-sightedness (myopia) receives attention in Chapter VII. This defect is due to the eyeball being *too long* from before backwards, rendering the vision more suitable for near objects, as reading, etc.

Astigmatism, the third and last abnormal defect, in the majority of cases is due to the anterior, clear surface of the eye (the cornea) being more convex from side to side than from above downwards, or *vice versa*, similar to the shape of the bowl of a common teaspoon. This defect may be either hypermetropic or myopic. Chapter VIII. gives a very clear description of the defect, its diagnosis and correction

Occasionally we meet with persons suffering from a weakness of the *muscles* of the eye (asthenopia). If the weakness is manifested when adjusting the sight from distant to near objects, (see ques. 2, August number THE TRADER) it is termed *accommodative asthenopia*. When the muscles which rotate the eye in the various directions are involved, it is termed muscular



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asthenopia (see Chap. 11.). If muscular asthenopia continues to increase, the muscles in many instances become paralized and all control over them is lost. At this stage the eye will turn in (convergent strabismus) or out (divergent strabismus) according to which muscle is involved (see Chap. X.).

Chapter XII. contains cases illustrating the various defects, their diagnosis and correction, and should be used as a reference for the student when reading the chapters on the defects.

If you have an ophthalmoscope you will find Chapters IV. and V. full of instruction regarding the manipulation of this valuable little instrument in the diagnosis and correction of visual defects. Chapters IV. and V. should then be taken up immediately after Chapter III. If you are not the happy possessor of an ophthalmoscope it would be time wasted for you to try to gain any practical knowledge from these chapters, and their study should be deferred until you have access to one. The praises of the ophthalmoscope cannot be sung too loud. It is the most valuable instrument known for the detection and correction of defective vision, although it is not calculated to take the place of the indispensable case of trial lenses for the *absolute* correction of defective vision.

To review, the aspiring optician should have a complete case of trial lenses, graduated test letters for estimating distant and near vision, and the radiating lines for the detection of astigmatism. With these alone he may become proficient and be able to diagnose and correct any and all visual defects; but should he also have an ophthalmoscope he will find his practice much more pleasant, complete and satisfactory.

The student should study each subject in the following order: 1st. The trial lenses.

2nd. The (a) Anatomy and (b) Physiology of the normal eye,
(c) Presbyopia ; (d) Aphakia.

3rd. (a) Hypermetropia; (b) Myopia; (c) Astigmatism; (d) Asthmopia; (c) Strabismus.

4th. The Ophthalmoscope and its manipulation.

## SELECTED MATTER.



OU want me to tell you some yarns ot shoplifting? Certainly. Here or my record book I have the name of an old

 lady who kept a small shop or notion store in a town within a few miles of Boston. I
 caught her one day in a store standing near a jewelry counter, busily engaged in purloining

small articles of that natu: .. I wondered where she was putting it all until I managed to go a little closer, when I saw that she had a picture rolled up and into one end of which she was putting the jewelry. A fine hiding place she had for it, too, as the bottom was closed, and when I sea ched her I found eightyfour different articles of jewelry. I asked her what she intended to do with it all, and she replied that she kept a little notion store and intended to place the things in her stock.

"I had a doctor's wife and her sister from Lawrence on a

shoplifting case once. They were cool hands, too. They came in early in the morning, went to a half dozen different stores. so that by noon they were pretty well loaded down. They collected all their goods, took them into a large store and had them checked, then went and ate their dinners, returning for the goods in the afternoon. I was waiting for them and arrested them. This case made quite a stir, as they were prominent people. It was carried to the Supreme Court, where they were convicted. It cost them over \$100 all told.

#### SHE OWNED HOUSES.

"I had a woman from Medford some time ago for 'lifting' bags. This is a little different kind of work from the ordinary shoplifting. A woman when examining goods naturally places her handbag on the counter or on the floor, and a 'lifter' of this class makes a business of stealing these bags. I caught this woman at it one day and arrested her. She pressed hard to be released, but there had been one or two complaints a day right along about that time of hand-bags being stolen, so I hr ld her. She was convicted, and since then an instance of a loss of this nature is rare. This woman was comparatively 'well off,' and owned several houses.

"They come from everywhere in the vicinity of Boston. I caught a Taunton woman a short time ago, and had another from Salem who stole a sailor suit to present to a little nephew of hers down east. I had a woman recently who had been in the country but a short time from England, and not long ago captured a man and woman who were a pair of expert New York operators on here on a little tour. The woman did the work while the man acted as her shadow to see that no one was following her.

#### HER COACHMAN WAS NO JOKE.

" I tell you that you would be surprised to see some of the people engaged in this business. A few weeks ago I arrested a woman in one of the big dry goods stores, and when I had lodged her in prison she asked me if I would not go back and notify her coachman who was waiting for her at the door. I thought she was trying to fool me, but there was her coachman waiting for her when I went back. She was bailed out by her husband and defaulted. That woman lives in a \$75,000 brown stone front on Beacon street, and the reason that she stooped to this kind of work was because her husband was too mean to allow her sufficient money. When she was arrested all the money she possessed was a solitary quarter of a dollar.

"Another case in this line is that of a Sunday school teacher from a neighboring town. She had read so much about shoplifters that it turned her brain and she resolved to try it, so she came in, secured a lot of stuff without detection, and emboldened by success came again and was caught. I caught a handsome your j Jewess also, a well appearing young woman who had graduated from the English High School and was married to a prosperous young merchant. She had tried it successfully several times before I caught her, and then she confessed that she had become reckless with being undetected, and was glad that she had been caught, for if she had not been, she declared that she did not know where she would have been brought up. She is now a reformed and happy woman, and lives at the South End. There was a mother and daughter who worked almost entirely on cloaks, and I remember a milliner who kept a shop and used to stow feathers, etc., in a space which she had specially prepared between the lining of her dress." - Boston Record.



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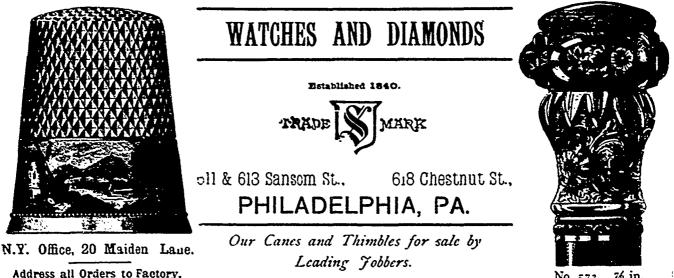


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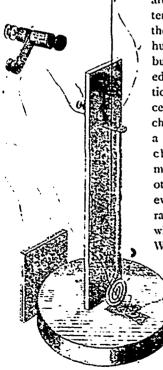


HE U. S. Naval Observatory, at Washington, D. C., is the depot for chronometers used in the navy. Repaired chronometers are sent to the Observatory to be tested, and those instruments whose performance is satisfactory, are held ready for issue to

ships as they are needed, while those performing unsatisfactorily are returned to the makers for further repairs. Competitive tests of new chronometers were

inaugurated a few years ago, and are held when the Government desires to purchase chronometers. Only those of American manufacture are allowed to compete, the Government buying the best and paying from \$225 to \$350 apiece for them, the amount paid for a chronometer being determined by its performance during the test.

It has been found that the variations of chronometer's rates



are due mainly to changes of temperature. The condition of the atmosphere with reference to humidity may influence the rates, but careful experiments have failed to develop any law for variations in this case. There is no certainty as to how any particular chronometer will be affected from a change of humidity; of two

chronometers one may gain and the other lose, but in any event the change of rate from this cause will be very small. With reference to

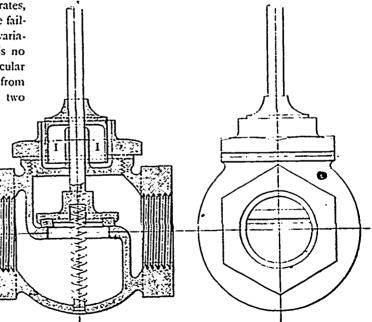
> temperature, however, it is different. It has been found from a careful consideration of the tempera

S. a-Gas pipe. b-Shelf. c-Magnet. d-Lever attached to armature. c-Automatic valve. Comparison of the state of the s

GAS VALVE AND CONTROLLING MAGNET,

with varying success, to adjust their chronometer so that its rates will change but little as the temperature, rising or falling, changes from the temperature of compensation. The tests at the Observatory show how they have succeeded in their efforts to attain these two objects.

The first part of the test is made at fixed temperatures in the temperature room, which has been especially fitted up for that purpose. The room is but little exposed to the sun, and is



GAS VALVE (73 SIZE.)

world, constructed after the manner of refrigerators, having treble fraction floors, walls and ceilings, with intervening spaces. The outer space is filled with a material that is a non conductor of heat, and the inner one is left as an air space. Above the room is a large ice chamber so arranged that warm air rising from the called room and passing through the chamber is cooled and returns to the lower part of the room. The rapidity of this circulation

ture records sent in by our ships from all parts of the world, that the average temperature of chronometers has been a fraction over  $6\eta^{\circ}$  Fah. In consequence, chronometer makers try to compensate their chronometers so that they shall have their greatest gaining rate at or near  $6\eta^{\circ}$  Fah. The temperature at which the chronometer has its greatest gaining rate is called the temperature of compensation. The makers also endeavor,



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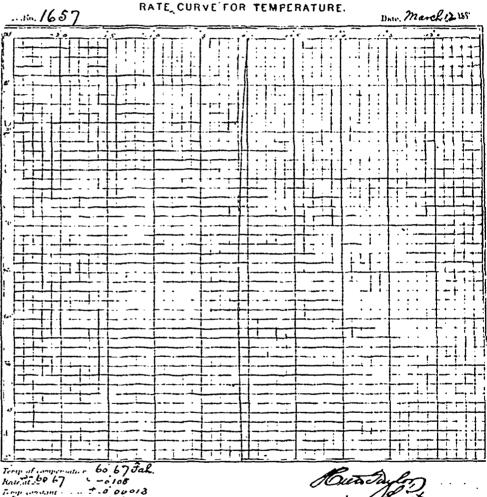


through the room and ice chamber is regulated by changing the size of the opening between them. The room is heated by the circulation of hot water through pipes on three of its sides, The water is heated outside the room by a gas stove, whose supply of gas is controlled by a thermostat in the room.

The thermostat is a glass tube--similar to a thermometer tube, but larger-with a very large bulb so that a small variauon in the temperature causes a comparatively large rise or fall of the mercury in the tube. The instrument is in the circuit of a single cell battery, the current flowing through the mer cury. The lower connection with the mercury is by a wire fused into the bulb; and the upper through a second wire inserted

into the upper end of the tube which, unlike the thermometer, is open. By entering or withdrawing the upper g wire the temperature of the room may be changed. In practice the end of the wire is placed at the mark a on the tube which indicates the temperature desired. If the temperature of the room rises above this point the mercury comes into contact with the wireand the circuit is closed, closing in turn a second circuiteight cells-whose current flows through the coils of an electro-magnet and draws down its armature, which, being attached to the lever of the gas valve thus shuts off the flow of gas to the stove until the temperature has fallen enough to allow the mercury in the thermostat to separate from the wire. Then, of course, the two circuits are opened and the lever of the gas valve being released is forced back by a spring; the gas once more flows to the stove where it is ignited by a small jet which burns constantly. In this manner the temperature of the room rises and falls within very small limits above and below the tempera. ture to be maintained. The range Trop of is from 0.°5 to 1. 5 above and below. Kair at -60 67 The mean temperature of the room is recorded by a chronometric theris shown by a hair hygrometer; the mean condition is obtained from frequent readings of wet and dry bulb thermometers.

When chronometers are to be tested, the room is made ready for them, and they are placed on a table in the centre of the room in company with the thermometers and thermostat. They remain in their boxes, but the lids of the latter are removed. The temperature of the room is brought to 45° Fah., and is kept at that degree for one week. Then the temperature is raised, degree by degree, until it reaches 55°; after one week at 55° it is raised again, this time to 70°. After the period at 70° the temperature is 85° and then 90°, which is the highest temperature used After one week at 90° the temperature is



mometer, i. e, a chronometer with a plain steel balance, whose change of rate for a change of one degree of temperature has been carefully determined by experiment.

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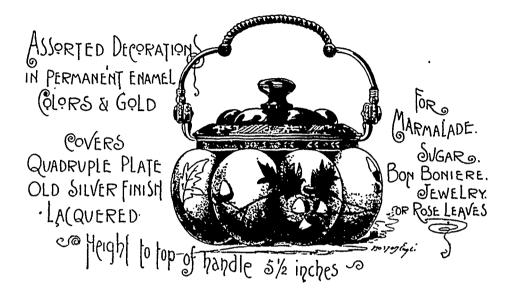
The hygrometric condition is regulated so that the humidity shall be near 70 per cent, throughout the trial. At the lower temperatures it is necessary to place unslacked lime in the room to absorb the excess of moisture while at the higher temperatures a deficiency of moisture is avoided by placing in the room pans of water and dampened cloths. Great care is used to prevent any sudden entrance of outside air. The small window is quadruple and the door double, so that in entering the out r door may be opened and closed before the inner one is opened. Any sudden change in the hygrometric condition

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lowered successively to 85°, 70°, 55° and 45°, being allowed to remain one week at each. The chronometers are compared daily with the standard mean time clock, whose face can, be seen from the room. This test gives one rate for 90 and two for each of the other temperatures. In the competition the means are used, thus reducing them to the 90° period and eliminating the effect of time upon the rates.

After the second period at 45° is ended the chronometers are removed to the chronometer room where they are subjected to the natural conditions of the atmosphere as to temperature and humidity. They are here compared daily for twelve weeks ; a daily record of the mean temperature and humidity is also made. After this they are subjected to tests for polarity of





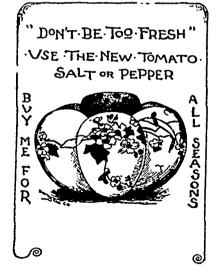


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balance, and any chronometer which shows this quality is at once rejected. Tests for position are also made by inclining the chronometer in different directions.

The formula used in determining the value of the chronometer is based upon the assumption that the change of rate from the rate at the temperature of compensation is proportional to the square of the change in temperature from that of compensation. Ample experience has shown that practically this assumption is true. Expressed in the form of an equation the formula is :

$$r_n = r_0 + Z(0 - 0_n)^2$$

in which  $r_n$  and  $r_o$  represent the rates at the given temperature and the temperature of compensation represented respectively

by  $\theta_n$  and  $\theta_n$ . Z represents the change of rate for a change of one degree from the temperature of compensation. When the trial begins 0, ro and Z are, of course, unknown, but the tests show three rates (represented by a, b and c) for three different temperatures represented by d, e and f), which, substituted in the above equation, give three expressions from which 0, Z, and  $r_0$  may be computed, viz.:

$$0 = \frac{(b \ c) \ (d^2 - e^2) - (a - b) \ (e^2 - f^2)}{2[(a - b) \ (d - e) \ (b - c) \ e - d]]},$$
  
$$Z = \frac{a - b}{(0 - d)^2 - (0 - e)^2},$$
  
$$T_0 = A - Z \ (0 - d)^2.$$

In practice 55°, 70° and 85° with their corresponding rates are the temperatures used in this part of the computation.

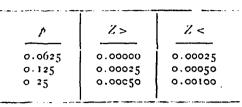
The results of the test in the temperature room are represented graphically in a curve from which the rate for any temperature may be easily taken. Using the first equation, the rates for every five degrees from 45° to 90° are computed and then plotted on a sheet of profile paper and a fair curve drawn through them. The mean daily rate for each week of the

whole trial is also plotted on the sheet. These rates rarely fall upon the curve, and the amount they vary from it is measured in each case. These variations complete the data for the computation of the value of the chronometers, or, in other words, for the computation of their trial numbers. The formula for the trial number is purely empirical, but it is believed that it covers all the points that should be considered in determining the relative merits of chronometers.

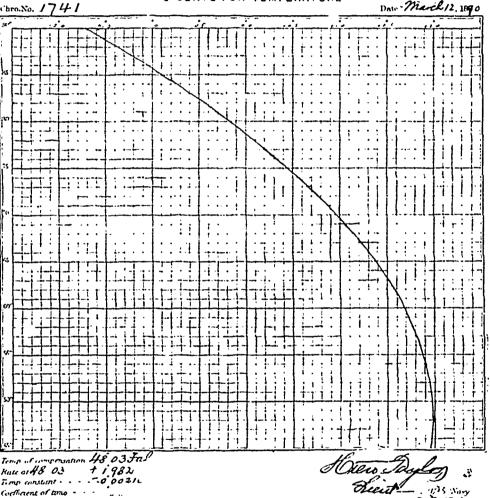
It is:

Trial number 
$$= p (69-0) + (10002)^2 + 100 V_0^2 + (m+2n)^2$$

The importance of having 69° for the temperature of compensation obviously changes with the value of Z, so that the factor for deviation is made up of two parts (69° 0) and p. The latter is taken according to the value of Z from the following table :



After which for each increase of 0.00050 in the limits of Z, there is a corresponding increase of 0.125 in the value of p. CURVE FUR TEMPERATURE



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The next term (1000z)<sup>2</sup>, needs no explanation. In the third term  $V_0$  is the mean of the variations of the rates in the temperature room from the curve giving those for 45° and 90°, only one-third the weight the others have. In other words,

$$V_{0} = \frac{V_{1,0} + 3(V_{2,0} + V_{2,0} + V_{3,0}) + V_{2,0}}{21}$$
  
+  $\frac{3(V_{2,0}^{\prime\prime} + V_{2,0} + V_{3,0}) + V_{2,0}^{\prime\prime}}{21}$ 

In the last term the factor m is the difference between the greatest and the least variations during the twelve weeks the chronometers are in the chronometer room ; if the points fall on opposite sides of the curve, m becomes the arithmetical sum of the greatest minus and the greatest plus variations. The



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second factor, n, is the greatest difference of variations for two successive weeks while in the chronometer room.

The remarkable progress in the manufacture of chronometers cannot be more aptly illustrated than by a consideration of the curves of Nos 1657 and 1741 depicted in this article. The former 18 a chronometer of recent manufacture by a well-known New York firm; the latter is an old one made in England. No. 1657 isvery near perfection. It is slightly over compensated, and its temperature of compensation is rather low, but as its Z is so exceedingly small, these defects are of little consequence. The fact that on no point on the curve does the rate exceed 0.15 sec. is worthy of notice. In the case of No. 1741 the temperature of compensation is 21° below what it should be, and its Z is large; so small changes in temperature cause large changes in its rate, which is large at most temperatures.

Manifestly these curves are of great value to the navigator, for they show him at a glance the effect of changes of temperature Formerly it was the custom to determine the rate before leaving port, and to use the rate for the passage, no attention being paid to changes of temperature. A further consideration of the curve of 1741 will point out forcibly the inexactness of such work. In mid-winter at New York with a temperature of 45" the rate of 1741 would be +1.95 sec. If the chronometer were used on a ship making a twenty-five day passage to Brazil, its average temperature would be about 80°. Its rate (see curve) for this temperature is-0.16 sec., or a change of 2.11 sec. from the one determined at New York. The error in the ship's position would increase from day to day until it reached nearly 13 nautical miles at the end of the passage. Fortunately the effect of changes of temperature are now so well understood that the rate determined before leaving port is used only to determine how much the chronometer's rate has changed from the curve rate. This change becomes a constant, to be applied to the curve rates. For instance if at 45° the rate of No. 1741 is found to be + 2.10 sec., instead of + 1.95 sec. as shown by the curve, +0.15 sec. will be the constant, and the rate at  $50^{\circ}$ will be-0.01 sec., instead of-0.16 sec. The mission of the curve does not end with its service at sea. During the cruise the navigator plots the rates he has determined from time to time upon it, and when the chronometer is returned it is sent with its curve to the maker for repairs. Thus the makers have before them a graphic history of the performance of the chronometer since it left their hands three or four years before. The information thus laid before them aids them in determining what is needed to improve the chronometer.

It is scarcely necessary to speak of the care and patience required to successfully carry out the tests above enumerated, nor of the great amount of labor involved in deriving from them the final results. In this connection it may not be out of place to say that the Observatory is under many obligations to Messrs. T. S. & J. D. Negus, John Bliss & Co. and Wm. Bond & Son., for their hearty co-operation in this work.

In conclusion it may be said that the system developed at the Observatory has proved so satisfactory to the Government that it is not likely to buy any chronometers without a competitive trial, nor any but those of American manufacture, if for no other reason than that our leading makers are producing instruments equal to and even better than the best produced abroad — Jewelers' Circular.

#### AN INTERESTING CLOCK.



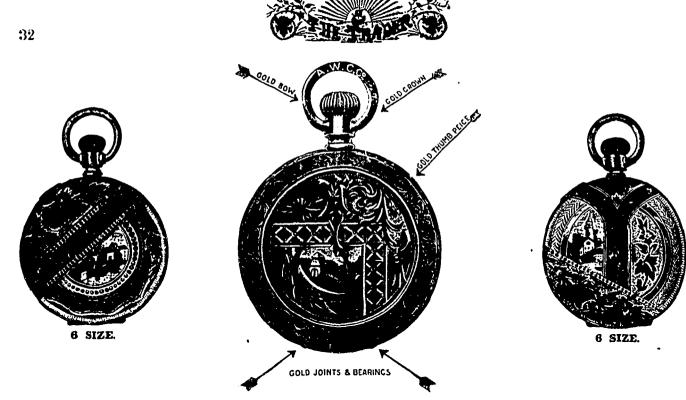
N the window of a German jewcler on Court street, Brooklyn, there stands a brass clock not more than ten inches high. The passer-by who tooks through the window sees under the clock, which is supported by four polished columns, a small brass platform, balanced to a nicety on two pivots in the middle, like an ordinary see-saw. A groove cut into the surface of the brass runs zigzag from one end to the other, and on the path so made a polished steel ball, no larger than a bullet, runs unceasingly. When the ball has travelled from one end of

the platform to the other, zigzagging from side to side, it strikes a thin steel wire which hangs from above, and in an instant the platform is tilted up at that end and the little ball, impelled by the force of gravity, starts back again. At the other end it comes in contact with another wire, and up goes the platform once more. Sometimes a big crowd stand around the window intent on the little sphere, the mystery of which they find it hard to solve.

F. T. Kraft, who runs the store, has followed his trade for many years. One day six years ago Kraft was going down Broadway when he saw a clock in a jeweler's window with the same device. He stood for an hour in front of the glass watching it and trying solve the problem of its construction. The proprietor of the store told him the clock had been made in England twenty five years before, and was the only one of its kind in existence. Mr. Kraft's request to have a look at the mechanism was met with a refusal, and he went off with the ducermination to study it out for himself. He worked at it six months during his odd hours and finally triumphed. Then he was surprised to find how simple the idea was after all, although he found the greatest delicacy necessary in carrying it out.

M1. Kraft took the clock from its shelf in the window to explain its mechanism to the reporter. The two mysterious wires which the ball strikes against at the end of each trip are fastened above to a long rod. From the upper side of this rod runs a strip of steel, which rests against one of the four pins on an escapement wheel in the works. When the ball strikes the wire it releases this wheel, which makes a quarter of a revolution to the next pin. On the same axis is a cog wheel whose teeth fit into another of half the circumference. The smaller wheel makes a half revolution while the other is making a quarter. To the axis of this wheel is fastened a rod, which is attached at its other end to the platform, which is pulled up or down according to the wire which the ball strikes.

It was in the manufacture of the ball itself that Mr. Kraft had the most difficulty. It had to be a perfect sphere to work properly, and it was turned down bit by bit to the proper size. A little guard rail is placed at each angle of the groove, so that the ball will not jump off. It takes the ball just five seconds to make the trip, a half second from each section of the groove. The platform acts upon a pendulum with a five second swing. The device is only interesting as a novelty, as it is more sus-



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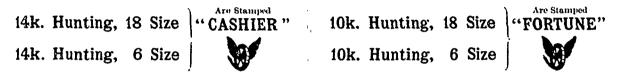
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"I have had lots of offers for this clock," said the old jeweler, as he put it back on its shelf, "but I wouldn't sell it for any price. It was a pleasure to work out the principle of the thing, but you couldn't get me to make another one of them for a good deal."—New York Sun.

#### ONE OF THOSE CLUB WATCHES.

ID you see a man with a red morocco hand-satchel pass a few minutes ago?" asked an excited individual one day last week of a Chicago, Ill., policeman who stood near the Canal street Union Depot.

"A fellow with a light suit and brown hat, small, light mustache and light complexion; rather tall?" the officer in. quired.

"Yes, Yes; that's the scoundrel. Tell me quick which way he went?"

"Well, sir," answered the officer, "I saw him jump into a cab, and tell the driver to take him as fast as his horse could travel to State and Monroe streets."

"He's fooled me again," sighed the excited individual, as he mopped the perspiration from his forehead. "That fellow stuck me on one of those \$38 gold watches, and if I ever lay hands on him again I'll kill him. Just as sure as I am standing here I'll murder him. I keep a bakery on West Madison street, and one day last summer this watch agent came into my place and persuaded me to join a club with thirty-eight people in it. Each man was to pay \$1 a week, and there was a watch to be drawn every Monday night. He showed me one of the watches, and I must say that no one but an expert could tell it from a solid gold one.

"My wife told me there was some trick about it, but the agent was such an oily-tongued fellow that I joined the club and paid the first installment. I paid in \$38 without drawing a watch, and then one was given to me according to contract. Here it is. Look at it ! That's what I got for my \$38. The day it was delivered to me it looked nice and shiny but after I had carried it a week it began to turn black. It either gains or loses three hours a day, just as it takes a notion. My trade has dropped off over half, and I am fully convinced that it is due to the watch. If I want to know what time it is I've got to go into the barber shop next door, and my wife teases the life out of me.

"The second day after I got the watch my horse died, and I am not feeling very well myself. If I buy a pint of milk in the morning it sours before noon, and I can't make lemon cream pie like I used to. The frosting goes back on me, and I know it's on account of that \$38 watch. I threw it away four or five times, but it is always picked up and returned to me. Once I threw it in the river. The next day a dredge scooped it out, and one of the men working on the dredge brought it up to my house that night. If this thing continues much longer I will certainly go crazy. I have chased that agent all over Chicago and if I ever catch him he'll never sell any more \$38 watches."—*Jewelers' Weekly*.

#### DEATH FORETOLD BY A CLOCK.

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**W** E have not exactly a banshee in our family, who foretells by her wailing an approaching death," said a Boston lady to a writer yesterday, "but we have had mysterious warning of such given us time and time agam by an old clock, which has been in our family for the last 120 years. The works were ruined by a shot fired by a British soldier during the revolutionary war at my great grandfather, which shot, passing entirely through his body, killed him instantly, and then broke the glass door, penetrating the works and stopping them forever, for, though innumerable attempts have been made to repair them, it seemed that some unknown power kept the clock silent except when death flapped his black wings over the household; so it was banished to the garret.

"The first instance of its warning was when my grandfather died. He had been very ill, but the physicians had at last pronounced him out of danger and his family were just congratulating themselves on this news when the loud tones of a clock striking twelve, slowly and solemnly, like the tolling of a bell was heard. 'Why, what is that?' said my grandmother. There was but one other clock in the house, which was in full view, so it was evident that it was not that one. 'It is my father's clock,' said her husband, 'it has struck the close of my day', and before they could reach hum he was dead, just as the last stroke died away.

"This occurrence was repeated when my grandmother herself lay dying. The old clock struck twelve just as she drew her last breath, and my father, at last believing that there was something supernatural in the affair, had the old works removed. leaving only the hollow case ; but a few years after, when my brother was brought home dangerously wounded after the battle of Chancellorsville, the long, slow, solemn tones of the old clock was heard as before, and poor Leon's life went out as they died on the air. They struck for my father and for my little child. who died last year. The clock warned me, too, when my sister died in Japan. I had just got a letter from her, in which she had spoken of feeling very well, when I heard the old clock, which was in a remote storeroom, strike so rapidly that the notes almost mingled, and then began slowly to strike another twelve strokes. 'My sister is dead,' I said to my husband, ' and has died very suddenly, but who the other strokes are for I cannot imagine.' My husband tried to reason and then to ridicule the idea, but I mourned for my sister as earnestly as though I had seen her die, and when, as I knew I should, I heard the news of her sudden death, I found it had taken place on the same day and at the same hour as that on which the clock struck, allowing for the difference of time between Japan and Boston. Her haby, a few hours old, died a few minutes after the mother."-Jewelers' Review.



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F observed three men hanging to a tall tree by their heels. Upon inquiring the cause of their punishment I found that they had all, when alive, deceived their friends by describing things they had never seen and by relating events that had never happened. This gave me no concern. as I have ever confined myself to facts."-BARON MUNCHAUSEN.

As the redoubtable Baron Münchausen found it necessary to carry his readers into space to tell them of the marvels of

the earth, so the "Truthful Jameses" of the daily press lead us out of the trade to describe the miracles of clockmaking. One of them writes :

"Mr. Darius L. Goff, of Pawtucket, R. I., has a remarkable clock. It is an old-style tall clock, and occupies a position in the front hall of Mr. Goff's residence, where it regulates the entire household. The clock never requires winding, the front door of the house, as it is opened and shut during the day. performing that work. Within the dial is an ingenious mechanism by which the light in the front hall is turned up as darkness approaches, and again is lowered as the orthodox bed time draws nigh. As morning dawns, and it is time the servants bestired themselves, the faithful clock rings a bell in the back hall, summoning them to their daily labors. An hour later a bell in the front halt warns the family that it is time to rise, and a half-hour later still another peal of the bell summons them to breakin Besides these arrangements the clock is connected with another in Mr. Goff's sleeping room, whereby the two are struck simultaneously. There is in the office also a thermometer, so arranged that a bell is rung when the temperature of the room is above or below a certain point."

Another unfolds a still more marvellous tale. It is a clock belonging to a native prince of Upper India and jealously guarded as the rarest treasure of his luxurious palace "In front of the clock's disk was a gong, swung upon poles, and near it was a pile of artificial human limbs. The pile was made up of the full number of parts of twelve perfect bodies, but all lay heaped together in seeming confusion. Whenever the hands of the clock indicated the hour of one, out from the pile crawled just the number of parts needed to form the frame of one man, part joining itself to part with quick metallic click ; and, when completed, the figure sprang up, seized a mallet, and, walking up to the gong struck one blow that sent the sound pealing through every toom and corridor of that stately palace. This done he returned to the pile and fell to pieces again. When two o'clock came, two men arose and did hkewise; and so through all the hours, the number of figures being the same as the number of the hour, till at noon and midnight the entire heap sprang up, and marching to the gong, struck one after another each his blow, and then fell to pieces."--*Jewelers' Weekly*.

#### MARKED CHANGES IN WATCHES, IN STYLES AND PRICES.

• YOU see this old watch?" said a watchmaker the other day. He held up an article that looked more like a mantle clock, and proceeded to open it up. By some twist of the thumb that only a watchmaker knows, he opened the outer case and it looked much like the shell of a cocoanut. The interior portion resembled the kernel. The thumbnail got to work again and the glass face was raised. Again the thumbnail acted, and the works were turned out on a hinge, and they looked big and course enough to run a rolling mill.

"That watch doesn't look as though it was worth much" continued the watchmaker, "and yet its owner, who was in here a few moments ago, said he must have it fixed at any price. I found a couple of pivots broken, several teeth bent and other damages. I told him it would cost \$4. 'Fix it up' he said, 'I don't care if it costs \$10 to fix it. That watch belongs to my father. He has had it for many years, long before I was born. I don't think it could keep time enough for a pawnbroker, yet he wants it fixed and it must be done."

"Now," continued the watchmaker, "that is a very old style of watch. He could buy a far better one for the price he would have to pay for repairing it, and one that would be much more suitable, too. It is a burden to carry such a watch. But men liked them when they plowed, hammered around among trees, fell into rivers, etc. This old watch survives such mishaps, though it doesn't keep decent time. It can't. Its machinery is too rough and old to keep good time.

"Yes, there has been a great change in the style of watches. Years ago big watches with all the flowering that could be got on the cases were the style Then came the opposite, and plain watches were the demand. The lady's watch came, a neat, delicate little thing, and then the men thought the little watches were the *nc plus ultra*. And the jeweler began to bedeck the cases with pearls and other stones, and the articles brought big prices. After a time the neat silver watch began to get its hooks in, and it was all the rage.

"Prices for watches have fallen remarkably in the past ten years. I remember when the people paid \$-50 and \$300 for a hunting case gold watch that you may now get for \$50 or \$60, and sometimes for less. The change in price is due to the fact that the makers, after a time, found that they could make cases much cheaper than they had been doing. The works were made much cheaper by the use of machinery, and, of course, the price fell, being helped along by competitior." – *Jewelers' Circular*.



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As the product of these factories is commonly spoken of as "Toronto Cases," it will be readily seen that a false impression may unknowingly be conveyed by a salesman selling these goods, and it is to correct this that we make the following announcement:

EVERY Gold Filled Case made by our Company bears our registered trade mark of "A Winged Wheel," and every Gold or Silver Case made by us bears our registered trade mark of " A Maltese Cross."

An experience of five years has satisfied the jewelry trade of Canada that every case bearing one of our trade marks, is just what it is represented to be and nothing else. The Company therefore respectfully ask the trade when they are buying watch cases to examine the stamps thoroughly, and see that they bear one of our trade marks as shown herewith, as they absolutely refuse to guarantee any case which is not so stamped.

> THE AMERICAN WATCH CASE CO., 67 Adelaide Street West, TORONTO.



When you purchase a Gold Filled Case examine it carefully and see that it bears our Trade Mark of a "Winged Wheel." We guarantee no others.



When you purchase an 18 K. Gold Case examine it thoroughly and see that it bears this Trade Mark. We guarantee no other.



Every 14 K Gold Case made by the A. W. C. Co., bears this well-known Trade Mark. Look for it. We guarantee no other.



Our "Lion" Gold Cases are universally admitted to be the best cheap Gold Case ever made. None are genuine without this Trade Mark. Look for it.



With the exception of our N. P. every Silver Case we manufacture bears this Trade Mark. No others equal them in quality. If they bear this impress you will be safe in buying them.

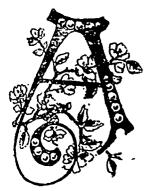


Our "PREMIER" 14 K. Gold Filled Screw Dust Proof Case is the cheapest and best in the world. You are perfectly safe in guaranteeing them to your customers and there is money in them for you.

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#### ROMANCE OF A DIAMOND.



VERY curious case has been exercising the authorities at the Cape, says the *Pall Mall Gazette*. In accordance with the law, which regards as stolen every diamond which a man sells or has in his possession unless its origin and pedigree are registered at the detective department, a man brought up for registration the other day a large diamond, worth some thousands of pounds,

which had, he alleged, been given to him long ago by his sweet His story was that a certain lady, still living, and now heart the wife of another man, had found the stone and sent it to him fifteen or twenty years ago, inclosed along with a feather in a letter, begging him to accept it as a keepsake. The faithful lover had kept it all this time, he said, but now being hard up wished to sell it. He demanded, accordingly that the detective department should supply him with a permit. The detectives communicated with the lady. She, however, being a married woman, seemed in no way anxious to have a foolish romance of her callow youth revived, and professed to have no memory of any such transaction. Thereupon the mother of the claimant rummaged about and discovered the original autograph letter, feather and all. There it lies at the detective office-a taded relic of a sentiment long ago. It is a composition perraded by as little wisdom as is usual in such things; but accident has attached to it a value more substantial than any, perhaps, which the recipient put upon it "when we two parted in silence and tears." The latest news says the authorities believe the story, that the genuineness of the whole affair is in a fair way to be established, and that the happy owner will soon be enriched by the proceeds of a diamond which has so strange a history.

#### CULLED FROM OUR U. S. EXCHANGES.

Seals have good appetites. It is calculated that 4,000,000 pounds of fish a day are required to feed the fair seal that the United States want to protect.

An invention by which writing can be transferred from paper to iron is the work of a Boston man, who has invented a hard ink with which he writes (backwards) upon ordinary paper. The paper is placed in a mould, melted iron is poured in, and when the hardened iron is removed it is found that while the heat burned away the paper, it did not affect the ink, but left the impression of the writing moulded into the iron. This discovery was made by noticing one day that the printing on an ordinary handbill that by accident had fallen into the mould was faintly transferred in this way.

A public sale of the factory of the Aurora Watch Company by the Master in Chancery has been advertised. The people of Aurora have not yet despaired, but hope that the purchaser will continue the business in that city.

Several seizures of jewelry were made last month by the

New York custom house authorities, the most notable being jewelry which is said to have been intended for Miss Fay Templeton, the actress. This property, which is valued at \$,000, was found in the possession of Henry Hershy, a passenger on *La Normandie*, who, when taken before United States Commissioner Shields, stated that he is the valet of Howell Osborn and had been sent to this country to deliver the jewelry to the actress. The valet was committed to jail in default of \$,000 bail.

Last week Judge Blodgett, or Chicago, rendered a decision in the suits of the Elgin National Watch Company and the American Waltham Watch Company against the Aurora Watch Company for infringement of patents in favor of the plaintiffs. The Court granted an injunction restraining the defendants from again infringing upon the patents in controversy. It is stated that suits will at once be instituted against other watch companies which are violating the rights of the Elgin and Wal. tham Companies.

The Waterbury Watch Co. have prepared an immense quantity of neat memorandum books, which they intend to send free of cost, in packages of 100 each to any retail watch dealer who sends a request. A blank space is left upon the last cover page of the books for the address of the dealer distribut ing them. This is an admirable advertising conceit, and every dealer should take advantage of the offer.

On the afternoon of Wednesday, August 15th, Royal E. Robbins, Treasurer of the American Waltham Watch Company, ran an excursion from Waltham to Nantasket Beach for the entertainment of such of the G. A. R. excursionists to Boston as are connected with the Elgin National Watch Company. When Treasurer Robbins heard of the presence of a large number of Elgin people he expressed a desire to provide an entertainment at his own expense and arranged this excursion and a banquet at the Arlington Hotel, at Nantasket. Mr. Robbins also generously provided attractive badges and neat menu cards. The Elgin excursionists numbered 112 persons.

According to Assignee Evans, all the ex-hands of the Aurora watch factory, with the exception of a half dozen or so, have been paid off. He says that the banks have disposed of all the watch movements they held as security, though they still have a claim of about \$15,000 against the company.

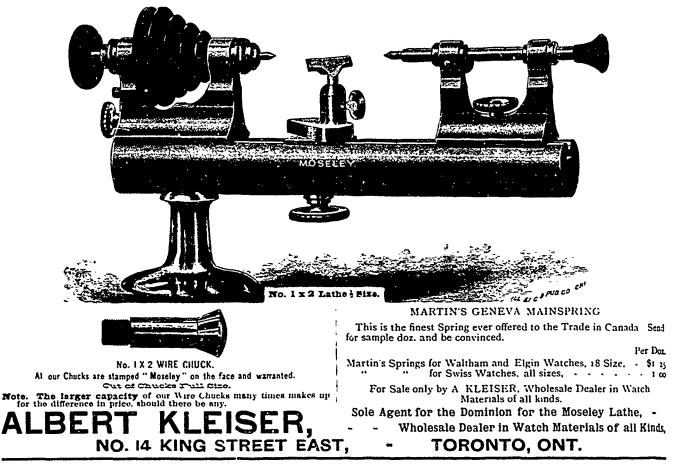
Penniman & Duke, jewelers of San Francisco, Cal., have made a five years' contract to take the entire product of the Otay watch factory and report large sales of the "Golden Gate" and "Native Sons" movements.

The National gymnasium just completed at Elgin, Ill., for the especial benefit of the watch factory people, is a model of completeness. Professor Everett, an athlete of experience, has charge of the establishment. The fees are \$10 per annum for men, and \$5 for women. During evenings the gymnasium is for the exclusive use of watchmakers, but all who are interested in physical culture in Elgin may use the rooms during the day by paying the annual fees. One hundred and fifty names are now on the membership roll.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Seth Thomas Clock Company was held on July 10, at Thomaston, Conn., and the officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows : Aaron Thomas, President; William T. Woodruff, Vice-Presi-



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dent; L. S. Parson, Secretary; Seth E. Thomas, Treasurer; A. J. Hine, Assistant Treasurer.

The Luncaster Watch Company is now under the surveillance of the court, and is bonded for \$306,000. The habilities are about \$90,000. D. Ramsay Patterson, of Philadelphia, has appointed his attorney, H. B. Swarr, assignee of the Keystone, while numbers of the stockholders ask for the appointment of a receiver to supplant the assignee. The employees who filed liens for wages due last spring have received the full amount, \$3,093. Things with the stockholders are still at stress.

#### FROM ENGLISH EXCHANGES.

THEFT FROM MESSRS. BENSON.—Albert Arthur Cheshire, 17, of 70 Royal Road, Kennington Park, was charged last month with stealing eight gold and silver watches, the property of Messrs. Benson, jewelers and watch manufacturers, Ludgate Hill. The prisoner was junior clerk in the employ of the prosecutors, and nine watches were missed by Mr. Poulter. They belonged to customers. Afterwards the prisoner voluntarily went to Mr. Poulter and asked that he might have an interview with the chief manager. He then admitted to that gentleman that he had stolen the watches, and he gave up the pledge tickets. The alderman remanded the prisoner for inquiries.

THE matters in dispute between Messrs. Hutton & Sons and their workmen of the hollow ware department still remain unadjusted. The men, backed by the Stampers' Union, still maintain an attitude of hostility to the new price list. It is a remarkable fact that, although this union has been in existence for about forty years, this is the first affair partaking of its character either of a strike or a lock out in which they have been involved.

A NEW "TRUST".—An Onyx Trust has been formed, with a capital of 1,500,000 dols., to control the production of all the quarties and mines in Mexico. The new company is to replace native labor, and develope the industry according to mordern ideas, to which end it will run its own vessels between Vera Cruz, New York, Liverpool, Havre, and Hamburg. It will obviously take a large onyx crop to supply these ships with freight, and it is perhaps noteworthy in this connection, thinks the *Financial Neuros*, that the gentleman who describes himself as the "Onyx Chief" dates from "Buncombe" County, North Carolina.

THE MELBOURNE "UNION."—An endeavor is being made to resuscitate the Jewelers' and Watchmakers' Union, which died out about three years ago, owing to various causes. The old rules are being adopted, and the chief thing provided for by these is the eight hours system. Although this system has for a long time past been observed in the principal shops in the trade, the work of the society will be to enforce it in those shops which at present do not practise this system. Another work of the society will be to take a stand with regard to the amount of "improver" labor which, it is alleged, exists in the trade to a considerable extent.

THE trowel used by the Prince of Wales in laying the foundation stone of the new Royal College of Music at Kensington last month, and which is made from the metal of the corrugated boiler flues of the troopship Prætoria, was mounted in gold by Messrs. James Dixon & Sons, of Sheffield and London.

The largest perfect diamond in the world is the Imperial, now in Paris. It is owned by a syndicate, which has offered it for sale at  $\pounds 200,000$ . It is cut, and weighs 180 carats, the greatest known weight of any cut stone in the world. It is exceptionable in color and brilliancy.

A MAGNIFICENT DIAMOND.—The Nizam of Hyderabad recently bought in Madras a magnificent diamond for 165,005 rupees, which is known as the Gordon-Orr diamond. The stone weighed before cutting  $67\frac{1}{2}$  carats, and after cutting  $2.4\frac{1}{4}$ carats. It is described as being the best, purest, and most brilliant stone known to connoisseurs, and will be worn by IIIs Highness in his puggaree, or crown.

LONDON, ENGLAND, JULY 21.—Francis Powell, a shareholder in the Burmah Ruby Mines Company, has attacked the board of directors of that corporation in a caustic communication to the London *Financial News* and a subsequent circular issued over his signature. Mr. Powell charges that the directors are unfamiliar with the business, that they have squandered the money of the company, and that they have otherwise failed to perform in an intelligent manner their duties. The letters have created a sensation in the trade, and it is likely that their influence will be felt in the election of directors soon to be held.

THE only news that comes from Amsterdam is that cleavages are in demand. None but little stones are selling, and the market remains practically the same as it was at the time our last report was written.

The Paris market is very quiet, hardly any but foreigners are buying, and there is no local speculation whatever.

Considerable business was transacted in London during the month, large parcels coming from the Cape at the reduced p ices now ruling—some 15 per cent. lower than has been the order of the day for some months previously. Should the present quotations continue, there is no doubt that a large increase of business will be chronicled in the near future and that many of those merchants who have been driven out of the market temporarily will be tempted to return to the alluring art of getting the better of one's fellows in business.

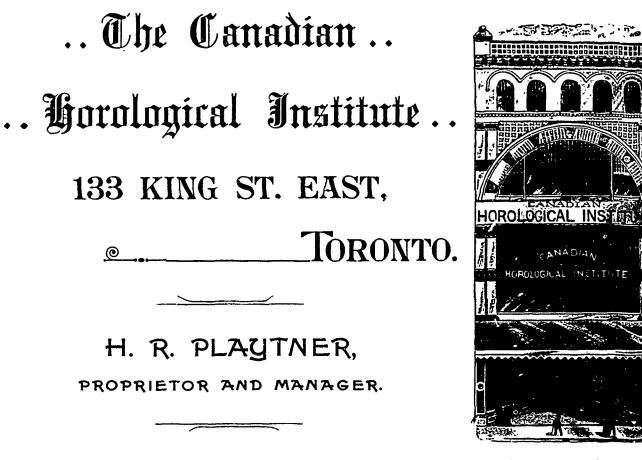
CORAL.—Corals are appearing in great variety in the Paris and London markets, and will, it is thought, be worn this season very generally; and those who have put them away in an odd co:ner of their jewel case will bring them again into the light of day.

DARING BURGLARY.—The shop of Mr. Litchfield, Hanway Street, was burglarized last month and property to the estimated value of  $\pounds$ 000 stolen, including jewelry, ivory and enamel goods, and antiques. The shop is locked up at nights and a complicated arrangement of burglar alarms fitted to the doors and windows, but this did not deter the thieves, who must have planned the robbery for some time, and it would seem, also have known their ground.

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TO PART LEAD FROM GOLD. — A correspondent desires to know how to part lead from gold. As lead melts at  $617^{\circ}$  F., and gold at 2000° F, melting the lead and recovering the gold would be about the most convenient and quickest method.





BEG to notify the readers of THE TRADER that The Canadian Horological Institute is here to stay. My ambition is to make this School second to none, and to win for it a reputation by *ment* only, through thorough attention and hard work.

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HENRY R. PLAYTNER.

#### ENDORSEMENTS.

TORONTO, Aug. 19th, 1890

THIS CERTIFIES -That Mr. Henry Playtner has been in my employ for nearly three years, and I can truly say that he is a first days watchmaker, quite competent to repair and replace any pair in any high grade watch, including chronometers, minute repeaters, split seconds, etc. He is also industrious and honest, and is greatly devoted to his chosen calling, one of his traits it his ability, painstaking and eagerness to impart to others the knowledge which has taken him years of hard work and persistent study to acquire. I can confidently recommend him to all who wish to improve in the art of watchmaking. I may also say that he makes no idle or rash promises, my experience of him has been that he fulfilled to the letter whatever he agreed to do.

J. P. MILL, 445 Yonge St.

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THIS CERTIFIES—That we fully endorse The Canadian Horological Institute, and recommend the same to the favorable consideration of the trade.

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# Ebitorial Notes

#### SPECIAL NOTICE.

Jewelers throughout Canada will oblige the Editor by sending into this office for mention in these notes any items of news pertaining to the Jewelry business that firy think would be of interest to the Trade generally.

R. WRIGHT, the Chesley jeweler, has placed his books in the hands of M. A. Holliday, for his creditors' benefit.

A. J. GRIGGS, jeweler of Ridgetown, Ont., last month assigned to Levy Bros., Hamilton.

J. M. MORROW, the New York agent of the Columbus Watch Co, was in the city last month on the business of the Company.

H. HUGHES, a jeweler in the employ of E. H. Allport & Co. of this city, had his hand severely crushed last month while working a power press.

ASSIGNED.—J. W. Power, who purchased the jewelry business of Davidson Bros., of Calgary, last year, has assigned for the benefit of his creditors.

Assigned.—Robert J. Davey, retail jeweler of Port Hope, has executed an assignment to Mr. R. E. Gunther of Toronto, for the benefit of his creditors.

CHARLIE ADDISON, Ottawa's young but veteran jeweler, reports a brisk trade for the season so far, and looks forward to a prosperous year ahead.

How CHRONOMETERS ARE RATED.—We direct the attention of our readers to the very interesting and instructive article in this issue, showing how chronometers are rated for the navy of the United States.

R. RUSSBLL, the lightning traveller of Levy Bros., Hamilton, has just returned from a flying trip to the North-West and British Columbia. He reports trade very good and great prospects ahead.

LOOK OUT FOR THEM.—There seems to be a good deal of counterfeit Canadian silver abroad at present, principally 25 and 50 cent pieces. Dealers had better keep their weather eye open for them.

THE ST. JOHNS FAIR.—The people of St. Johns, N. B., propose holding a grand International Exhibition in their city from September 24th to October 4th. We trust they will make a big success of it.

AN ENTERPRISING JEWELER.—R. A. Trapnell, retail jeweler of Windsor, N. S., has recently moved into a new and handsome store and the local papers give him a vigorous puff for his enterprise.

MR SYDNEY LEE, of the firm of T. H. Lee & Son, who has been laid up for the past six weeks with a bad attack of typhoid fever, is convalescent and expects soon to be around again as usual amongst his customers.

A CREDIT TO THE FIRM.—The contract for the Hamilton Band Tournament medals, was awarded to Thomas Lees & Son, of that city, who deserve great credit for the elegant trophies they furnished the winners.

SERVED HIM RIGHT. —A man named Richard Delahunt recently stole \$200 worth of jewelry from J. Chesley, at River Herbert, N. S., and was sentenced to two years in the penitentiary for his smartness. Served him right.

H. G. LEVETUS, the portly be genial western representative of the Montreal Optical Company, has just returned from a business trip to Europe. He says he will be on the road very soon with a splendid line of new goods that the trade will want to see.

W. F. SNELL, of Strathroy, dropped in on THE TRADER on his way home from a most enjoyable trip up to Macinac. He was accompained by his brother Andy from California, who is visiting his old home for the first time after an absence of six years.

THE ILLINOIS WATCH Co. is working up a very large foreign trade in England and Australia. Last month they opened up a new vein by sending a shipment of over \$5,000 to Central America. Their Canadian trade is also said to be increasing very fast.

C. H. A. GRANT, Manager and Secretary of the Montreal Watch Case Company, has been putting in his holidays at Murray Bay. His Company are busy getting up a new line of cases to be known as the "Progress," which Mr. Grant thinks will capture the market.

P. W. ELLIS & Co. have opened an office in Winnipeg for the convenience of their western trade. It will be under the management of their old and reliable traveller, Mr. A. W. Dixon, who will make the metropolis of the north-west his headquarters in future.

DISCORGED.—The young man named Anderson whose almost successful attempt to swindle Wm. Moss, jeweler of Springhill, N. S., was fully detailed in our last month's issue, has, out of respect for his family, been allowed to go after disgorging the money he had obtained.

CALL AND SEE THEM.—The Goldsmiths' Company invite the jewelers who may visit the Exhibition to make their office their headquarters while they stay in the city. They have every facility for the dispatch of business, and the trade are invited to make themselves perfectly at home.

AN ADVENTURER by the name of Baron Von Katscher, of Vienna, has succeeded in fleecing a number of Montrealers, among whom is French Consul Schwab, the well-known watch importer, who cashed a bogus \$300 check. He is said to be a real baron, but a black sheep of his family.

READ THE ADVERTISEMENT of Edmund Scheuer in this issue regarding the merits of his "Pioneer" roll-plate chains, but instead of cutting out the piece and pasting it in your hat, let it stick to your memory long enough to get you to call and examine them when in the city during Exhibition.

BACK AGAIN.—Mr. Pitt, the former representative of P. W. Ellis & Co., in the Province of Quebec, has found himself unable to keep out of the jewelry business, and will again represent the old firm over his favorite territory down east. His many friends in the trade will be glad to see him on the road again.

A GOOD GUESSER.—The St. Thomas Journal says that a jeweler in that city some time ago offered a gold watch to the person guessing nearest to the number of beans in a glass dish in his window. The lucky man was a Mr. J. P. Smith, of Toronto, who guessed within nine of the correct number, which was 3,389. A good guesser, certainly.

JEWELERS' DIRECTORY.—We have to thank Mr. C. F. Denison for a copy of his "Standard" Directory of the Manufacturing Jewelers of the United States and Canada. The "Standard" is the pioneer directory of its kind in the United States, and gives a great deal of valuable information about the trade in a very concise and accessible form.

A RICH MINE.—A dispatch from Port Arthur on the 5th of last month says that "The Badger Company of this place shipped to-day to Newark, N. J., a car of silver ore, containing 33.559 pounds and valued at \$45,000. This is the richest car ever shipped from Port Arthur and is the product of the Badger's new vein for less than one month's work."

MR. WILLIAM LEWIS, a manufacturing jeweler of this city, nearly lost his wife last month by a singular accident. Mrs. Lewis was eating her dinner, when a piece of meat lodged in her throat which she was unable to extricate. A doctor was at once summoned, who fortunately managed to get it out, but the shock to her system has left her in a very critical condition.

DISSOLVED.—The firm of Beeton & Playtner of this city, was last month dissolved by mutual consent, Mr. Beeton retaining the original watch repairing business on Leader Lane, and Mr. Playtner taking over the recently started Horological Institute. Mr. Beeton's old friends in the trade will now be able to find him at the old stand every lawful working day in the year.

A GOOD SHOWING.—The export trade of Canada reached \$94,389,-945 last year, an increase of \$8,375,365 over the previous year. This is the best showing since 1883, and will be bad reading for those political Jeremiahs who are constantly lamenting that the country is going to the "demnation bow-wows" as fast as a dishonest and incompetent government can help it along.

LADIES' FILLED CASE.—The ladies' gold filled case manufactured by the American Watch Case Co., is now fairly in the hands of the trade, and both as regards finish and quality is all that could be wished



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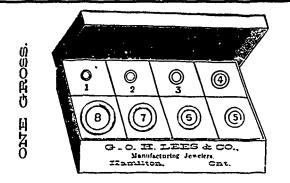
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for, while the price is low enough to commend them to every jeweler that has a trade for such goods. They are the nearest approach to a solid gold case that the trade have yet seen.

ROBBERY.—The store of J. S. Atkinson, of Hopwell, Albert County. New Brunswick, was burglarized on the night of the 31st July, and watches : the amount of over  $\$_{400}$  stolen. Two men named Welsh and White were subsequently arrested for the robbery and on trial convicted. One of them was sentenced to the penitentiary for three years and the other for two and half years.

THE OLD RELIABLE house of R. F. Simmons & Co., manufacturers of roll plate chains, announce to the trade that their chains still lead the U.S. procession, in spite of all attempts of other makers to give them their dust. They have a lot of new and very desirable patterns out for this season's trade and our readers will do well to see them before they complete their purchasing.

A. R. HARMAN, the Canadian representative of the Waltham Watch company, has been enjoying the ocean bathing at Front's Neck, Maine, during the past month. His Company express themselves as well satisfied with their trade in Canada last year, and they cught to be, as their representative here has put in some very telling work since he became a resident of the burg of Montreal.

A FREE EMHIBIT.—Mr Edmund Scheuer invites the jewelers who visit Toto..to during the Exhibition to visit his warehouse and inspect, free of charge, his immense and varied stock of fancy clocks, bronzes, etc., in this line. Mr. Scheuer has for years made a specialty of these goods, and his free horological and art exhibit should attract every member of the craft who desires to keep abreast of the times.

A FINE SHOW-ROOM.—Simpson, Hall, Miller & Co. are fitting up a first-class show-room on the ground floor of their factory at 18 De Bresoles street, Montreal. The offices and show-room, which have heretofore been on the first flat up-stairs, will now be much more convenient for customers. Manager Whimby states that trade is good with his Company, and they have plenty of work ahead for some time to come.

HARRY MANNING, the genial western representative of T. H. Lee & Son, took a trip down to New York last month, to purchase the fall goods for his firm. As our readers well know, Mr. Sydney Lee, who usually buys for the firm, has been laid up for some weeks with typhoid fever, at d being unable to take the trip, the firm showed its confidence in Mr. Manning's taste and judgment by sending him down in his place.

MR. ALFRED EAVES, the popular President of the Canadian Jubbers' Association, and Mrs. Eaves were passengers on the steamer *Three Rivers* which ran aground during a storm on Lake St. Peter. They were on their way to the seaside for a short holiday, but had to return to Montreal again before finally reaching their destination. Mr. Eaves is well pleased with his business so far this year and thinks the prospects for the fall trade are excellent.

A PHILANTHROPIC CLOCK MAKER.—According to the will of the late William L Gilbert, the recently deceased millionaire clock manufacturer, a \$500 000 educational college, to be called the Gilbert Educational Institute, is to be established and endowed out of the estate. The terms of the endowment are peculiar, and show that Mr Gilbert was intolerant as regards tobacco, beer and spiritous liquors, the users of which are to be excluded from any advantages the college may afford.

SIMPSON, HALL, MILLER & Co., the well known electro plate manufacturers of Montreal, are having a fine assortment of their goods got ready for exhibition at the Toronto Industrial Exhibition of this year. Jewelers visiting the Exhibition should not fail to look it up and inspect it carefully. They invite the inspection of the jewelry trade, and will take particular pains to give them all the information about the goods, prices, etc., that they may desire. Don't fail to pay it a visit when at the fair.

ATTRECIATE A GOOD THING.—The truth of the advertising maxim, be sure you have the right kind of goods and then fire away and let the jullic know it, is well exemplified by the experience of Messrs. E & \ Gunther of this city, as set forth in their letter in this issue of THE TRADER. Messrs. Gunthers' experience could be duplicated by every wholesale house in Canada that has used our columns for the purpose of making known the merits of their goods. The trade not only read it carefully, but as a rule keep it for reference.

WORTH EXAMINING — The jewelry window exhibit of George E. Trorey, of this city, is well worthy the inspection of every member of the trade. Although it has the merit of being cheap and easily within the reach of every jeweler in the country, it is none the less an effective symphony of gold, blue and white, the chief ingredients of which are Ellis' new white paper cards, and Hemming's blue jewelets' cotton. These and Mr. Trorey's admirable taste in the arrangement of the goods exhibited, have made his window a big attraction to the public for a couple of weeks past

REMOVAL.—The many friends of Mr. George Chillas will be pleased to learn that he is now comfortably located in his new office in the Ellis building, 33 Wellington street east, next door to Messrs P W. Ellis & Co. Mr. Chillas has had his new premises fitted up very handsomely, and in ites not only his friends, but the trade generally to call and make his office their headquarters while in the city during the Exhibition week. There are now nine wholesale jewelry houses on this "Maiden Lane" of Toronto, within a compass of two blocks.

MR. CHARLES WRIGHT, who for the past two years has had the management of the American Clock and Jewelry Co. of this city, has recently become one of the principal stockholders in the Gold and Silver Trading Co. of Toronto (limited), and has accepted an offer from that corporation to take the management of the watch repair department of their business. Mr. Wright has a deservedly high reputation as one of the most skillful watchmakers in this city, and under his able supervision the Company can rest satisfied that amplejustice will be done to the watches entrusted to them for repairs.

THE HOROLOGICAL INSTITUTE.—As will le seen by the advertisement on another page of this issue, the Canadian Horological Institute will hereafter be carried on by Mr. Henry Playtner, who has purchased the entire control of it from the firm of Beeton & Playtner. As will be seen from the high testimonials which Mr. Playtner publishes, he is not only a first class watchmaker himself, Lut is in every way qualified to impart instruction to young men who dosire to avail themselves of the facilities afforded by the Institute. If y is want any information about the institution over which Mr. Playtner presides, drop him a line and he will cheerfully answer your inquiries.

AN OLD WATCH. — The Lunenburg, N. B. *Progress* has been shown the watch carried by Capt. D. C. Jessen, of that town, during an expedition against the Indians in 1758. It is in the possession of Jessen Rudolf, to whose ancestors it was willed by Capt. Jessen. It is an old-fashioned watch, with solid gold cases, and is still doing active service, and ticks away as merrily as it did on the morning of September 8, 1758. As a part of its history, it was lost for forty years and was finally found between the floors in a garret of the old house on Pelham street, known as ' old barracks." ard the person who found it used to declare that is was ticking lively and loudly at the time.

GOING FOR HIM.—In reference to the failure of Meyer Moss, sr., of Moncton, N. B., some of the Toronto creditors say that they will absolutely refuse to make a compromise with him. The reason given is that some of the goeds which help to make up his liabilities were purchased by him and put into stock only a few days before he assigned and when he must have known he was insolvent. For these goods they insist on being paid in full, and unless this is done they propose to seek the aid of the law as far as it will go. That Mr Moss recognizes the justice of this contention, is evident from the fact that he has since paid some of them in full as demanded.

R. H. JUPP, the athletic lacrosse player and jeweler of Orillia, managed to scare up enough business to land bim in Toronto on the 23rd of last month. Of course the celebrated championship lacrosse match between Cornwall and Toronto had nothing to do with the trip, but all the same R. H. was on the grounds when the ball was faced. R. H. is perhaps like some other merchants that we know of, they can always scare up enough business to take them either to Toronto or Monireal whenever an important lacrosse match is on the tapis, but their business fortunately never interferes with their enjoyment of the game. Mr. Jupp says that business is good with him, and prophecies a good trade abead.



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THE ACME SILVER Co. have now got fairly settled down in their new factory on Hayter street, and their improved facilities for manufacturing are already beginning to tell in the quantity of work they are turning out. The new building is very convenient, and when the contemplated improvements are all completed, will be one of the largest and best equipped factories of the kind on the Continent. The showroom and offices are finished in varnished oak and present a very handsome appearance. Manager Parker showed us a large quantity of goods which were being got ready for a customer in Australia, in which country the Company have for some time been doing a large and constantly increasing business.

 $\searrow$  WF REGRET very much to learn of the death of Mr. A. C. Anderson's youngest child, on the 17th of last month. What makes the affliction much more severe, was that the sad event was totally unexpected, Mr. Anderson having gone on his British Columbia trip only the week before, and left his family all in their usual good health. The news reached Mr. Anderson by wire while he was at Brandon, but on account of the distance he was unable to be present at the interment. We are sure that every member of the trade will join THE TRADER in offering to Mr. Anderson their warmest sympathy and condolence in the affliction through which he and his family have just been called upon to pass.

A CONDROM EXPLAINED.—*The Guide* is apparently anxious to find out "why the winged wheel, which is the Trade Mark of the American Watch Case Co, has a place on the frontispiece of THE TRADER if it be not to protect the interests and sound the praises of that Company." Well, if *The Guide* won't give the secret away, we will just whisper for its benefit that the original of the present frontispiece of THE TRADER, was designed by an artist in Germany, (winged wheel and all) about the year 1853, or at least three years before the American Watch Case Co, came into existence. After lying in our desk for years, it was, with some slight modifications, adopted for our new heading and sent to a Toronto engraver for execution in August, 1858, or nearly a year before the A W. C Co adopted it as one of their trade marks. Perhaps *The Guide* will now be able to see the connection. We can't!

THE CANADIAN WATCH MOVEMENT FACTORY .- The Jewelers' Weekly announced last month : " It is quietly rumored about town, (Hamilton, Ont.,) that a number of capitalists held a meeting in this city last Saturday for the purpose of establishing a watch factory here, one that will be first-class in every respect. The capital stock will be \$1,000,000. of which \$250,000 is said to have been already subscribed." As usual one has to go from home to learn the news, and from the above it is evident that the New York Jewelers' Weekly knows more about the proposed watch factory in Hamilton than people in Canada do. Enquiries in Hamilton elicit the fact that the principal jewelers of that city know cothing of the proposed watch factory, and do not think that there is any foundation for the report. We should say that after their experience with a comparatively simple clock factory, Hamilton capitalists will hardly care to tackle anything so complicated as the manufacture of watch movements.

AN OLD JEWELRY HOUSE.—The house of Simons Bres. & Co., of Philadelphia, the well-known cane and thimble manufacturers, this year celebrate the 50th anniversary of their business career. This career has not only been a long but an honorable one, so much so that whereever the house is known its name is a synonym for honorable and upright dealing. The goods of their manufacture have a large sale in Canada, and those dealers who have most thoroughly tested their quality are the most ready to testify to the value of their trade mark as an unfailing index of good value and honest goods. The house, although well up in years, has not fallen behind in the race for business; on the contrary, it is fully abreast of its competitors in the introduction of tasty and saleable novelties. The many members of the trade in Canada who have handled their goods will join THE TRADER in wishing the house a long lease of business prosperity.

MR. JAMES RVRIE, of Ryrie Bros. of this city, has just returned from a very pleasant outing of three weeks, spent on the banks of the Nipegon The party of which Mr. Ryrie was a member, had a most enjoyable time. and came back to business looking decidedly healthier and more robust for their residence amidst the invigorating breezes of Lake Superior. As is well known, Nipegon is one of the most celebrated tout streams in Canada, and naturally Mr. Ryrie's friends were prepared to listen to some very interesting, but of course truthful stories, about this branch of sport, on his return. Their astonishment may be imagined when that gentleman informed them that the party had really been unable to catch as many fish as they could eat. They all say that James may be a good enough fisherman in a practical way, but he lacks the first instinct of the average American fisherman in not being able to put the frills on after they have been hooked. He may improve, however.

ADVANCE IN SILVER CASES.—As predicted in our last issue, the rise in silver bullion has caused a decided advance in silver cases, both in Canada and the United States, ranging from ten to fifteen per cent. As this advance was only just sufficient to cover the extra cost of the silver at the time it was made, it is not improbable that another advance will take place before long, as silver bullion has since jumped up ten cents per ounce. It is now over \$1.20 per ounce, with a strong probability of reaching \$1.29 in the near future. The manufacturers of sterling silver ware have also been compelled to raise the price of their goods, and it is not improbable that the electro plate manufacturers will be forced to follow suit before long. Silver is now 30 per cent, higher than it was a year ago, and unless electro plate manufacturers have had much larger profits than we think they have had, they can ill afford to shoulder such a loss as this advance on one of their mest important ingredients must necessarily entail upon them.

A NEW FIRM.—Since our August issue went to press, the old firm of A. H. Welch of this city, has been reorganized by the introduction into it of Mr. Thomas Blatchford, a young gentleman well and favorably known amongst the business men of Toronto. Mr. Blatchford brings considerable financial strength to the firm, and will take the management of the office, a task for which his long training with the wholesale house of Wm. Brown has eminently qualified h m. The new firm have bought out the business of the American Clock and Jewelry Co. on Yonge street, and will remove their Adelaide street factory and store there as soon as the necessary alterations can be effected. Amongst the trade, this purchase is generally regarded as a good move for the tirm, and they should have no trouble in working up a large and profitable business, as the stand is one of the best in the city, and has been well and favorably known to the public for several years past. We wish the new firm success.

DEATH OF A. S. MURRAY.—The trade will regret to learn of the death of Mr. A. S. MURRAY.—The trade will regret to learn of the death of Mr. A. S. Murray, retail jeweler of London, Ont. Mr. Murray was one of the oldest and at one time the largest retail jeweler in the city of London, if not in the Province of Ontario. He was born near Embro in 1848, and when a young man came to London and learned the jewelry trade with his brother, Mr. Hugh S. Murray, whose business he assumed a few years later. Since then he has been uninterruptedly connected with the jewelry trade until within a short time of his death. Mr. Murray was a worthy member of the South London Presbyterian Church. He also belonged to St. George's Lodge, No. 42, A. F. and A M, was a companion of St. John's Chapter, No. 3, Royal Arch, a frater of Richard Cœur de Lion Preceptory, No 4, Knights Templar, a member of the Independent Order of Foresters and the Royal Arcanum society. He was 42 years old and leaves a wife and four young children, three of whom are girls.

A CREDIT TO CANADA -One of the finest silver ...ophies ever manufactured in Canada was on exhibition here last month, belouging to the Military Rifle League of the Dominion, and was won in the recent contest by the 54th battalion, of Windsor Mills, Quebec, of which Lord Aylmer is commander. The material of which the tropy is made is known as "old silver and oxydized ware," and the design is a most artistic one. The cup proper stands on a base 22 x 10 inches, on the corner of which are figures of Canadian soldiers kneeling and in the act of firing, and miniature field guns, representing each branch of the militia which competed. On the summit of the trophy is a figure of a Canadian volunteer wearing the range uniform. A scene is engraved on a plate in the front of the cup representing a field day on the ranges. The whole thing is 31 inches high The Meriden Britannia Co. are the manufacturers, and the workmanship is not only a crevit to them, but to the manufacturing interests of Canada "



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MR. BUSCH, of the late wholesale firm of Rothschild & Co., of this city, which made its exit from the Canadian jewelry business a few years  $a_{k^{(1)}}$  in anything but a favorable way for the creditors of that concern, paid a business visit to Toronto last month, for the purpose of disposing of a stock of cheap, low quality diamonds, and if one can believe the stories told by the retail trade, met with a considerable amount of success in his venture. If this is true, it certainly says but little for the retail jewelers who patronized him, nor does it afford a great deal of encouragement to the honest Canadian wholesale jewelers and diamond dealers to see the trade patronize these trade birds of passage in such a liberal manner. We have not the slightest doubt that quality considered, our own Canadian diamond merchants can and are willing to sell honest goods as cheaply as any jobbers from abroad, and we think they certainly should get the preference over people of the stamp and mercantile record of the gentlemen above referred to.

AN ENIOYABLE TRIP.-Last month Messrs. M. C. and Willie Ellis, of the firm of P. W. Ellis & Co., started north on a two week's camping cruise amongst the wilds of Muskoka. Most of the time was spent in paddling along streams, running rapids, making portages, exploring lales and having a good time generally. Although the work was hard and the fare plain, these gentlemen enjoyed the trip most thoroughly : and although they came home hardened in muscle and tanned in complexion, they both succeeded in laying up a store of health, that we trust will carry them along in good shape until they can get another chance of a similar outing. If they do not change their minds they propose next year to push their way clear through to Hudson's Pay, a feat hardly ever attempted by white men. One thing is pretty certain, however, if they once start out on the trip, they will get there, unless something bigger than Niagara blocks their way. It is this faculty of overcoming difficulties, which seems to be inherent in every member of the firm, which has doubtless proved one of the main factors in their very successful mercantile career.

RECOLLECTIONS OF GENERAL GRANT .- We have to thank Mr. George W. Childs, of Philadelphia, for an advance copy of his new book, entitled "Recollections of General Grant.' While this work contains much new matter that will be of great interest to every admirer of General Grant, and will undoubtedly raise him higher in the estimation of the American people, its value is somewhat marred by the vein of egotism which runs through it, making the great hero of the late civil war seemingly play an inferior part on the stage of public affairs to the gentl. -n who writes the book. We have always had a high opinion of Mr. Unilds as a public spirited man, whose generous gifts in England have done much towards drawing the two great Anglo-Saxon nations closer together, and we are sorry that in this work he seems to evince such a strong desire to bring these good deeds before the notice of the public. Outside of this failing the book is of great interest, and will be eagerly read by every person who desires to fathom the undercurrents of American political life during the past twenty years. We commend a perusal of its pages to our readers.

AN ABLE STORY .- One of the strangest stories that we have yet seen about the enterprise of those impudent and noisy little English sparrows, is told by the Sarnia Observer as follows : "The town clock stopped at 41 Thursday morning and Mr. Williams on going to ascertain the cause found that the hands had been securely tied down by strands of twine and grass. The mischief had been done by a pair of English sparrows, who had selected the angle formed by the hands as a suitable site for a nest. The movement of the hands interfered with their plans, and the birds evidently put their wits to work to devise a remedy that would secure the stability of their nest. Their first scheme was to wind the shaft on which the hands are pivoted round and round with grass and cords. That failing, they tied the hands to each other and to the framework in such a manner that it took considerable time and a great deal of labor on Mr. Williams' part to remove the obstructions. The engineering skill displayed by the birds in accomplishing their object showed that they possessed reasoning powers of no mean order, besides an amount of industry and perseverance in gathering the necessary material within the tew hours at their disposal that it is almost incredible."

It's ENGLISH, You KNOW.—A good laugh has been had over a recent order in-council which runs as follows: "The Prime Minister is of opinion that the only question with respect to the spelling of such words as "honour," "favour," "labour," "honourable " and the like is what is the mode now accepted by the best authorities in England. It appears to him to be obvious that the same system should obtain in all portions of the British Empire, and on a reference to the best dictionaries and encyclopedias now in use in England it will be seen that those words are spelt with the "u" and that such forms as "labor," " favor," " honor," ' honorable, ' etc., are apparently confined to the United States with the exception of some few instances where they have been adopted in Canada. The Prime Minister, in consequence of this reference, has taken occasion to enquire into the mode of spelling these words in official and legislative use in England, and he has ascertained that the "u is in all such cases retained, and he therefore recommends the issue of instructions to the effect that in all official documents in the Canada Gazette and in the Dominion statutes the English practice be uniformly followed." It is truly wonderful how great minds can occupy themselves with such absurdly small matters as the above.

A THIBF DETECTED.-Happily for the good name of the craft, dishonesty amongst the employees of our jewelry firms is of such a rare occurrence as to be specially noted when an instance does come to light. Several months ago P. W. Ellis & Co., wholesale jewelers, began to miss articles of jewelry from their stock. They set a number of traps to catch the thief, but so cleverly was his work done that they could form no clear idea as to who the real culprit was until last month, when suspicion fell on Edward Griffiths, a porter for the firm, who lives at 33 Water street. Acting Detective Watson was engaged to work up the case, and the evidence against Griffiths was so well founded that he felt ustified in searching his house. There he found a brass clock, a gold fob chain, a hair chain and other articles, which were identified as the Messrs. Ellis' property. After the recovery of the jewelry Griffiths was at once placed under arrest. It is alleged also that while known by his true name-Griffiths-by his business acquaintances, he has been living under the name of Dwyer with a woman to whom he is not married, his wife having separated from him some time ago. On being arraigned before the Police Magistrate, Griffiths pleaded guilty to the charge, and was sentenced to three months in the Central Prison.

A GROWING INDUSTRY .- During THE TRADER'S visit to Montreal last month, he took the opportunity of inspecting the roll plate chain factory of Messrs. Bolt & Co. of that city. The manufacture of rolled plate chains is a comparatively new industry for Canada, and we were more than astonished at the thorough manner in which this firm has fitted up their factory, and the perfection to which they have already attained in the manufacture of these special goods. Their machinery is of the latest and most approved kind, and they have imported workmen of tried skill from the United States to superintend every department of the business. At present they show a range of two hundred and fifty different patterns of Albert chains, which are first-class, both in design and finish. As regards quality they guarantee them to be exactly what they are represented, and from what we saw we should say that any guarantee that these gentlemen make will be carried out to the very letter. The manufacturing is under the personal super vision of Mr. Bolt, a workman of long and varied experience in the manufacture of jewelry, while the office work is done by our old and esteemed friend Mr. Millar, formerly of Quebec, whose reputation for straightforward honest dealing stands second to none ir. the province.

THE New York World still keeps up its pretence of supplying watches at cost to the dear public, morder as it alleges, to expose the monopoly and defeat the extortion of the watch trust, as it terms the U. S. Watch Manufacturers' Association. That this pretence is false, is amply proved by the fact that if, as they allege, they pay the same price for the watches (which they sell at cost) as do the retail jewelers of the United States, then it must follow as a matter of course that they are not hurting the watch trust, for they are, according to their own showing, paying them exactly the same exhorbitant rate of profit as they have always had. Any one can see that if this is their object, they have gone the wrong way about attaining it, and all the good (?) they have accomplished is to damage to a considerable extent the trade of every retail jeweler in the United States and Canada by scattering broadcast one of the secrets of their business, and cutting off one of their chief sources of profit. The World's dodge is so thin that we can only



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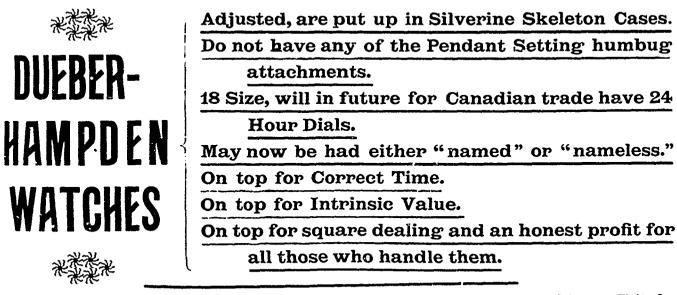
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AN ENJOYABLE GATHERING -On Monday, August 11th, a very pleasant Pic-nic was enjoyed by the employees of P. W. Ellis & Co., with their families and friends, at Victoria Park. The weather was all that could be desired by the most fastidious, the catering good, and fully appreciated by all who partook of it. The athletic sports were entered into with a spirit which shows that the day's outing was enloved by all. Among the visitors were M. Woodmancy, representing Potter & Buffington, Providence, R I., and Mr. N. I. Ashton, representing Messrs. Kent & Stanley, Providence, R. I., who enjoyed the day's pleasure immensely. In the evening the prizes were distributed by Mr R. Y. Ellis, and consisted of a number of valuable articles contributed by the friends of the establishment. Mr. P. W. Ellis, in response to a call, was received with hearty applause. He spoke of the benefit derived from such gatherings, and the stimulus given to all to push forward for the common weal. He was pleased to meet so many who had been years in the employ of the firm, and trusted they might have many such gatherings. The whole proceedings passed off without a hitch, and those present were one and all of the opinion that the committee of management, consisting of Thomas D. Ellis, W. Bruce, E. Harrison, G. Harding and J. Hinckley, well deserve the vote of thanks tendered them for their services. Mr. T. D. Ellis occupied the responsible position of referce during the athletic contests, while Mr. I. A Put officiated as starter.

AMERICAN TOURISTS .- Messrs. Jno. L. Sheppard and Chas. E. Forg of the Keystone Watch Case Co., of Philadelphia, passed through this city last week on their way home, after having had a most enjoyable trip up through the St. Lawrence and Lake Ontario. While at Ouchec, they inspected the Citadel, and like any other old veteran of the American Rebellion, John L. was very anxious to find out all about the strength and equipment of this famous fortress. While satisfying their curiosity they came across a small cannon at the centre of the parade ground, which, as the inscription sets forth, was captured by the British at the famous battle of Bunker Hill. This, when the guard s back was turned. John L. tried to spirit away by concealing it underneath his coat tail, but his patriotic effort to restore this venerable trophy to the U. S. was detected by the guard's watchfulness, and that gentleman was reluctantly compelled to depart without the much coveted piece of artillery. John L. is not by any means the first American patriot who has longed to annex this relic for the purpose of wearing it as a watch charm, and it is probable that he will not be the last. If this piece of artillery has finally to go over the border for any such purpose, we would just as soon see John L. wearing it as any man we know of, for no American gentleman of our acquaintance could wear it more gracefully than he could, and it might serve the important and necessary purpose of blowing the "snide" filled case, of which John L. 15 such an implacable enemy, out of existence.

How THE "TRADER'S" QUERY WAS NOT ANSWERED. - In reply to the query contained in one of our last month's editorial notes, headed "People who live in glass houses," the Jewelers' Guide endeavors to draw a red herring across the trail by giving an emphatic contradiction of, and making a \$500 bluff about, a charge that neither THE TRADER, nor anyone else, so far as we know, ever made against it. Its reply is simply putting up a man of straw, and not only knocking him down. but actually kicking him for falling. The Guide's bluff and bluster about not being the organ of the Charles Stark Co., or its alias. the Toronto Watch Case Co., has nothing whatever to do with the point at issue, and is simply so much dust kicked up in order to withdraw attention from our query. If the Guide can keep cool long enough to read carefully the note it has done us the honor of putting at the head of its editorial columns, it will find that our query was a simple request that it would "take time to explain to the retail jewelers of Canada just what connection it has with the Charles Stark Co., who manufacture watch cases under the name of the Toronte Watch Case Co., and who, if the trade might judge by its advertisements in the *Guide*, furnished the inspiration for the charges made by that journal against THL TRADER and the American Watch Case Company." The *Guide's* attempt to enlist sympathy by charging THE TRADER with attempting to back cap it, is the veriest bosh, and comes with exceeding bad grace from a journal which has just been clearly convicted of the very crime which it is so eager to fasten upon us. The trade, as well as THE TRADER, are still waiting for a straightforward and intelligent answer to our original query.

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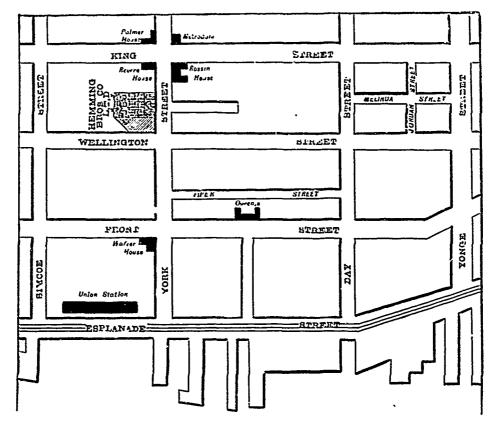
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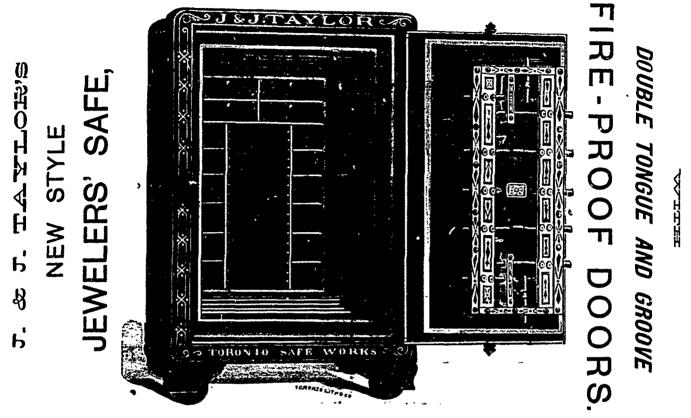
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